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COMBINED TOBACCO TAG AND BADGE.

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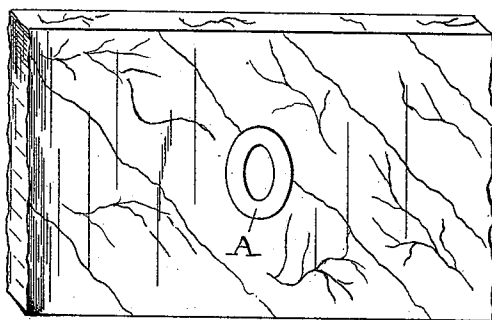


Fig. 1.

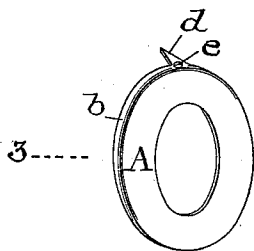


Fig. 2.

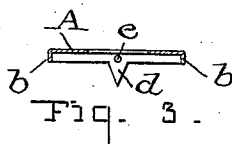


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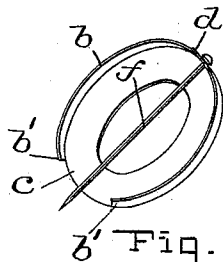


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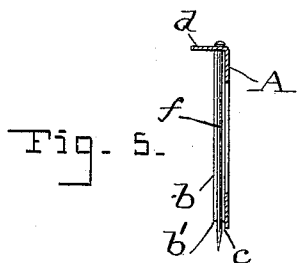


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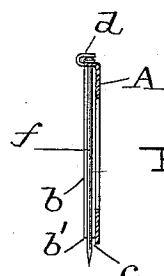


Fig. 6.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LEONARD H. NEUDECKER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Tobacco-Tag and Badge, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improved sheet-metal tag for plug-tobacco, such tags as are commonly used as a vehicle for trade-marks.

The object of this invention is to provide a sheet-metal tag that shall be adapted for an additional purpose—to wit, for a badge to be worn on the lapel of the coat. The improved device therefore is a combined tobacco-tag and badge.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a view of a plug of tobacco with tag attached. Fig. 2 is a front perspective view of the tag. Fig. 3 is a cross-section of the tag. Fig. 4 is a rear perspective view of the tag with pin inserted in position. Fig. 5 is a section of parts shown in Fig. 4, the tag being secured. Fig. 6 is also a section, but shows the tag-tang bent forward over the head of the pin to secure the pin from detachment.

The letter A designates the front surface of the metallic tag. This front is provided with a backward-projecting flange *b* at the sides and top. This flange near the bottom has two terminals *b'*, and at the bottom there is a space *c* between the two terminals where there is no flange. At the top the flange has a prong or tang *d*, which is pointed or V-shaped, and when the device is used as a tobacco-tag this tang *d* projects straight backward, as seen in Figs. 2 and 3. The flange also has at the top a pin-hole *e*, and the location of this hole is at the base of the said tang.

Any design, emblem, or symbol suitable for a trade-mark may be printed, impressed, or

embossed on the surface A of the tag, as has heretofore been done in articles of this character. The device described up to this point constitutes the tobacco-tag.

Now when the device has been detached from the tobacco-plug it is only necessary to insert an ordinary pin *f* in the hole *e*, and then bend the tag *d* forward to cover the pin-head, as in Fig. 6, and thereby confine the pin and keep it from detachment. The device as now described constitutes the badge to be worn on the lapel of the coat.

It will be seen that when used as a tag (see Fig. 1) the device will not have any appearance to suggest that it is intended for any other use, and when removed from the plug of tobacco it is convertible into a badge by simply inserting a pin into the hole *e*, and then confining the pin by bending the tang over the pin-head.

It is to be understood that the specific shape or contour of the tag shown in the drawings is not material and that it may be varied as desired.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A metal tobacco-tag having a backward-projecting flange, *b*, a tang, *d*, and a hole, *e*, in the said flange at the base of the tang.

2. A combined tobacco-tag and badge having a backward-projecting flange provided with a hole, a tang integral with said flange and adjacent the hole, a headed pin in the hole and confined by the tang being bent so as to cover the pin-head.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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