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SHIPPING TAG.

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Fig. 1.

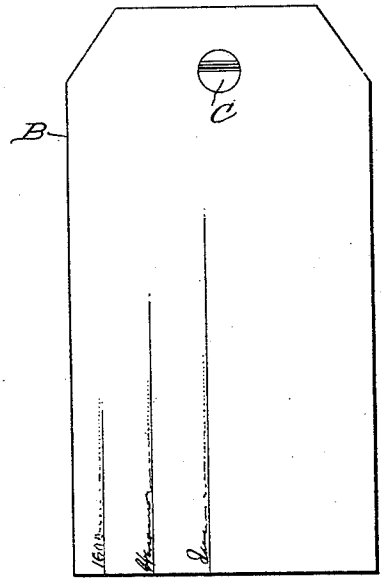


Fig. 2.

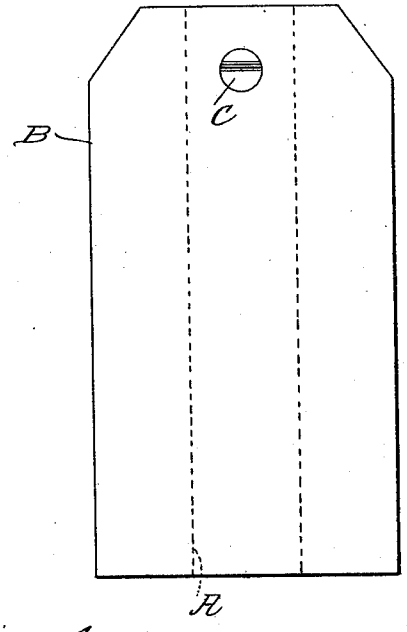


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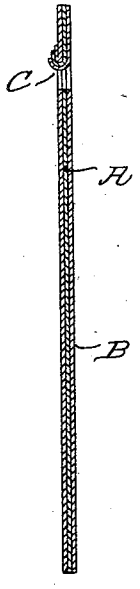


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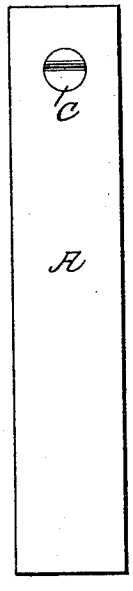
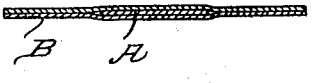


Fig. 5.



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SHIPPING-TAG.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, OTTO A. STEUTERMANN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Webster, in the county of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, have invented new and useful Improvements in Shipping-Tags, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is to provide a tag to be attached to articles to be shipped which will not easily become torn or damaged by rough usage and which cannot become accidentally detached from the article to which it is attached.

Another object is to provide a new article of manufacture which will be practically non-destructible and which can be made and sold at a very low price.

I attain these and other objects, which will appear from the specification and drawings, and particularly pointed out in the appended claim, by the arrangement and combination of parts illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a view of a shipping-tag complete constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a view of a shipping-tag constructed in accordance with my invention and showing the hidden or covered part thereof in dotted lines. Fig. 3 is a central longitudinal cross-sectional view. Fig. 4 is a detail view of the part which is covered completely in the finished tag. Fig. 5 is a lateral central cross-sectional view.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

A represents a thin metal strip, substantially of the proportions shown in Fig. 4, with a hole C in the center near the upper end, said metal strip being of the same or about the same length of the card or tag in which it is to be used.

B represents an ordinary shipping-tag formed of two layers of material, such as paper, the two layers being adapted to be securely fastened together by paste, glue, or any other well-known adhesive.

C represents a hole near the upper portion of the tag for the purpose of securing the tag to an article of merchandise for shipment by means of a string or otherwise.

In the manufacture of my shipping-tag one layer of the paper portion B is covered on one side with a layer of adhesive and the metal strip is then laid thereon in the position shown in Fig. 2. A second layer of the paper B is then covered on one side with a layer of adhesive and laid over said first layer, so that the adhesive-covered faces will come together, thus uniting the two layers of paper and at the same time securely locking the metal strip between them. The hole C is then made through the tag and the metal strip in substantially the position shown. The tag can then be supplied with the proper address in the usual manner.

It is apparent that a tag constructed as described will have great power to withstand rough usage and that it will be almost impossible to remove the tag from the article to which it is attached by tearing out the hole C and that it will be impossible to tear the tag in two.

I am aware that shipping-tags have been made and used of substantially the shape and form herein shown, and I make no claim to this particular form.

The hole C is formed by cutting a U-shaped slot through the tag with a sharp instrument, so that the flap between the two arms of the U-shaped slot can be turned back, as shown, thus forming a smooth horizontal bearing for the string, which may be secured in the hole C, thus diminishing the chance for the string to be cut or damaged by the metal A.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings of my invention, its uses will be readily understood and its many advantages will be fully appreciated, and I will simply state that the device by reason of its simplicity, durability, and cheapness of construction will prove a useful and practical invention, as I have fully demonstrated to my entire satisfaction.

My invention herein shown and described is perfectly adapted to accomplish the results for which it is intended; but it is evident that changes in and modifications of the construction and form of the parts may be made without departing from my invention or sacrificing any of its advantages.

Having shown and described the best construction of my invention to me known at this time, what I claim as new, and desire to

secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

As a new article of manufacture, a shipping-tag comprising a multi-ply body portion and a metallic strip inclosed thereby, the body portion and strip, near one end of the tag, having a section stamped out to present a tongue which is folded back upon the body portion, the upper or cord-engaging wall of the opening being straight and smooth, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of the subscribing witnesses.

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