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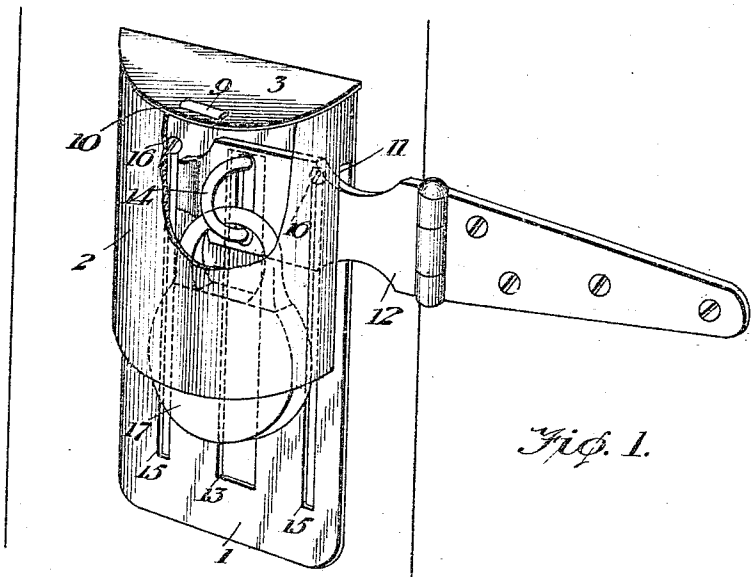
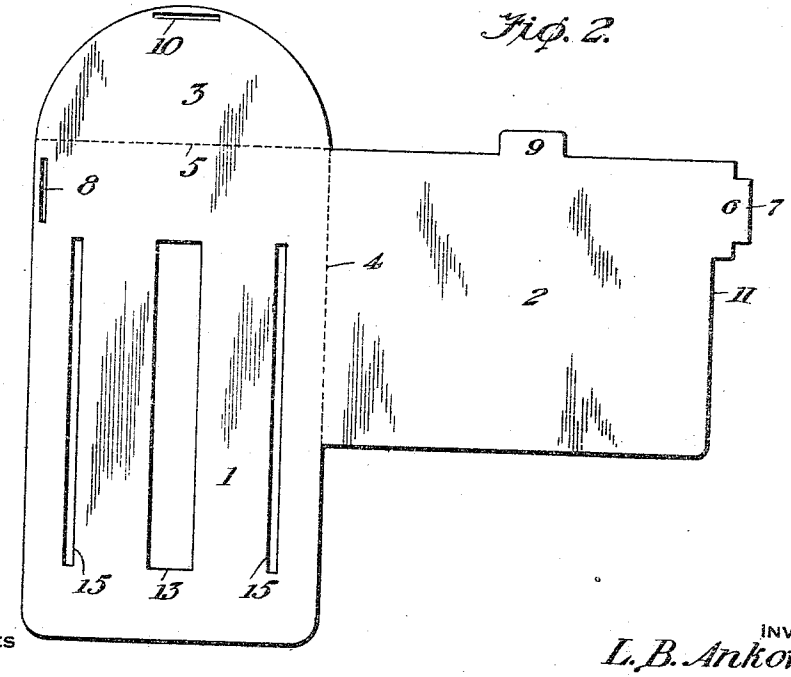


Fig. 1.

Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOUIS B. ANKOVITZ, citizen of Russia, residing at Tilden, in the county of Randolph and State of Illinois, have invented new and useful Improvements in Padlock-Shields, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is an improved device for use in connection with a padlock to cover the latter and protect the lock from the weather, the object of the invention being to provide an improved device of this character which is extremely cheap and simple, which can be made from a single piece of sheet metal and which can be readily installed.

The invention consists in the construction, combination and arrangement of devices hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a padlock shield embodying my invention and showing the same in operative relation to a hasp, a staple and a padlock, a portion of the shield being removed to disclose the staple.

Fig. 2 is a plan of the blank from which my improved padlock shield is formed.

My improved padlock shield is made from a single piece of sheet metal and comprises a back 1, a front 2, and a cover 3. The front is curved and is bent from one side of the back on the line 4. The cover is nearly semi-circular in form and is bent forwardly from the upper portion of the back on the line 5. The front is provided at its outer upper corner with a projecting tab or extension 6 which has a lip 7. The lip is passed through a slot 8 in the corresponding portion of the back and is bent and clamped on the back. The front is also provided, on its upper side, at the center, with a lip 9 which is passed through a slot 10 in the cover and is clenched over the cover.

By the provision of the tab or extension 6 one side of the cover is spaced from the back to form a vertical slot 11 which affords clearance for the hasp 12. The back has a central vertical slot 13 through which the staple 14 extends, said slot permitting the shield to move vertically. The back also has a pair of vertical slots 15 to receive screws 16 which secure the shield to the wall of the structure on which the shield is used. Said slots 15 also permit vertical movement of the shield. When the lock, indicated at 17, has been engaged with the staple and secured the shield is then moved downwardly so that the lock is completely covered and protected from the weather. By first moving the shield upwardly the lock can be uncovered and exposed to enable it to be unlocked.

My improved padlock shield may be used on a door which opens either to the right or to the left and can be used also over a staple which stands either crosswise or lengthwise, the width of the slot being sufficient for this purpose.

While I have herein shown and described a preferred form of my invention, I would have it understood that changes may be made in the form, proportion and construction of the several parts without departing from the spirit of my invention and within the scope of the appended claims.

Having thus described my invention, I claim:

1. A padlock shield comprising a back, a front and a cover, and provided with a vertical slot at one side of the front to afford clearance for a hasp, the back of the shield being provided with a vertical slot through which a staple may extend, said slot enabling the shield to be moved vertically or lengthwise to cover or uncover a lock attached to the staple, the back being further provided with a pair of vertical slots to receive screws or other like fastening devices whereby the shield may be secured to a wall or the like and arranged for movement thereon.

2. A padlock shield comprising a metal sheet forming a back, a front and a cover, the front being bent from one side of the back and being provided at one end with a projecting tab having a lip, and the back being provided with a slot to receive the lip, the front being also provided on the upper side with a lip, and the top being bent forwardly from the back and having a slot to receive the last-named lip.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

LOUIS B. ANKOVITZ.

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