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Fig. 1:

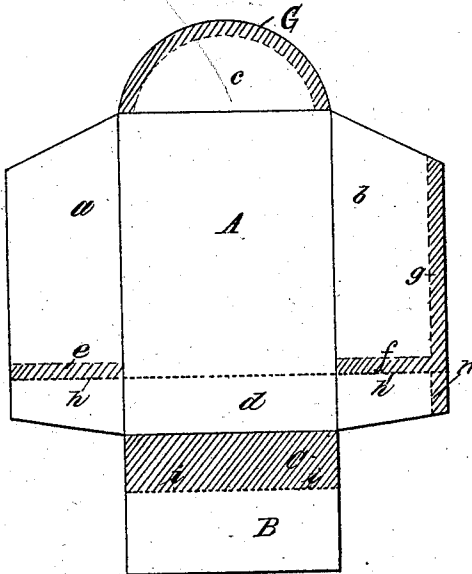


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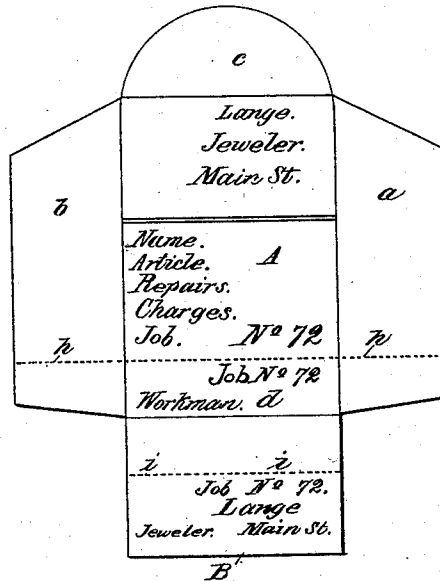


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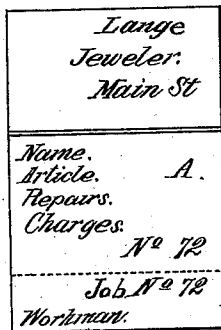
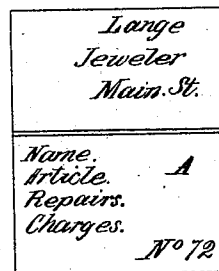


Fig. 4:



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HUGO A. LANGE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Dubuque, in the county of Dubuque and State of Iowa, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Safety-Envelops; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to that class of envelops known to the trade as "tag" or "check" envelops, and has for its purpose to provide against loss or misplacing of articles of value, with more special reference for use in jewelry-stores where quantities of jewelry are repaired. The manner of construction of this envelop and mode of use will be fully explained in the specification and accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is an inside view of the blank, showing parts as gummed. Fig. 2 is a view of the opposite side from Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a face view of the envelop sealed and as it is sent to the workman with the tag for the owner removed. Fig. 4 is a face view of same as returned from workman.

Like letters denote corresponding parts in each of the drawings.

The body of the envelop (represented by A) has the side flaps *a* and *b* and the end flaps *c* and *d*. The flap *a* is provided with gum-surface *e*, and the flap *b* with gum *f* and *g*, the flap *c* with the gum *G*, and the flap *d* with the gum *C* and *n*. Just above the gum on the flap *a* and *b* and across the body A are perforations *h h*, the object of which will presently appear. At the outer end of the flap *d* is a tag B, which is removably attached to the flap *d* between the perforations *i i*.

Upon the body A of the front of the envelop are printed the name and address of the jeweler and space left for the name of the owner of the article, the repairs to be made, and the charges. There is also printed upon said front of the envelop a given number, say "72." This number, however, differs upon each envelop. Upon the front of the flap *d*, at its upper part, is printed the same number as upon the body A of the envelop, in this instance "72," which also gives the number of the job, and there is left a space for the

amount of charges and the name of the workman who shall do the repairing of the article in the envelop. Upon the tag B is printed the same number, "72," being the number of the job, which corresponds to the number on the body of the envelop and upon the flap *d*, and there are also printed thereon the name and address of the jeweler. The flaps *a* and *b* are folded over and sealed by the gum *g*, and also the flap *c* is folded down upon the flaps *a* and *b* and sealed by the gum *G*.

The manner of operating my device is as follows: The article to be repaired is placed in the envelop and the tag B is torn off at the perforations *i i* and handed to the owner of the article. If the amount of charges is determined, it is written upon this tag B. The envelop is then sealed with the article therein by the gum *C* and *n*. The name of the workman who is to repair the article is written upon the flap *d* and handed to him, who tears off the flap *d* at the perforations *h h* and repairs the article and replaces it in the envelop and seals it by the gum *e* and *f*. At the same time he marks the charges upon the body of the envelop A and upon the flap *d*, if they have not previously been marked thereon, and then returns the envelop to the jeweler. Upon the return of the tag B the sealed package, with the article repaired sealed therein, is returned to the owner.

It will be seen that there is scarcely a possibility of either misplacing the article or making a mistake in placing it in the wrong envelop or in losing it, and, further, if the article be not satisfactorily repaired the jeweler can readily trace it to the workman who did such repairs and also can compare the charges if the tag B have the charges marked thereon different from either flap, which in a large establishment, where many workmen are employed, is exceedingly useful. It will further be seen that the amount of work which each workman has done and the charges he has made therefor can readily be ascertained.

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

1. An envelop consisting of a body A, having flaps *a*, *b*, and *c*, with gummed surfaces *G*, *g*, *f*, and *e*, in combination with a flap removably secured to the body A, and having

the gummed surfaces *n*, and *C*, for the purposes shown.

2. An envelop consisting of a body *A*, and flaps *a*, *b*, and *c*, with gummed surfaces *G*, *g*, *f*, and *e*, a flap *d*, having gummed surfaces *C*, and *n*, and removably secured to both said body and flaps *a* and *b*, and the tag *B*, removably secured to the flap *d*, for the purposes shown.

10 3. An envelop consisting of a body *A*, having the flaps *a*, *b*, and *c*, with the gummed portions *G*, *g*, *f*, and *e*, and a number printed on said body, a flap *d*, removably secured to

said envelop and having the same number printed thereon as upon the body and having 15 the gummed surfaces *n*, and *C*, and a tag removably attached to said flap *d*, with the same number thereon as upon the body of the envelop and flap, as and for the purposes shown. 20

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

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