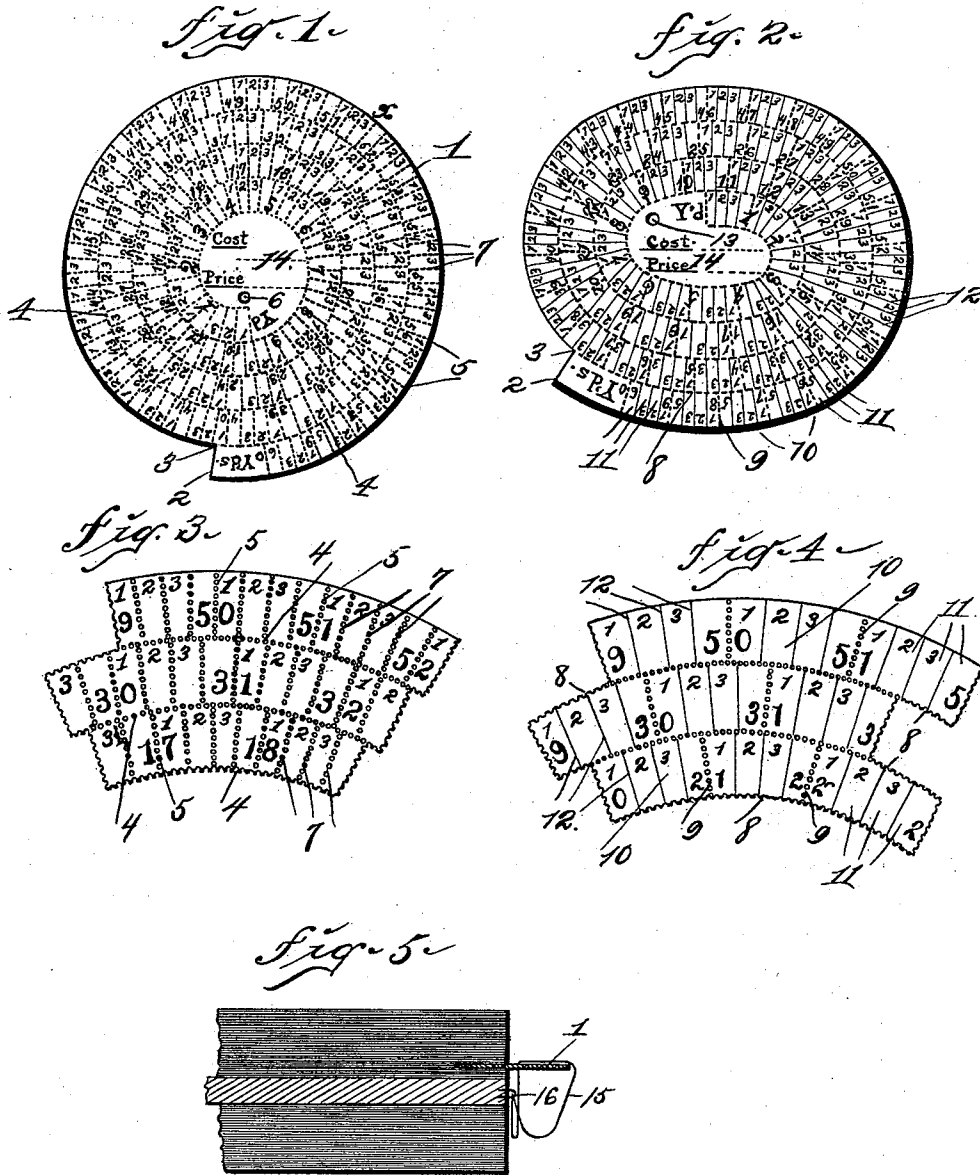


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES D. PARROTT, of the city of Litchfield, Montgomery county, State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Price and Cost Tags, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part hereof.

10 The object of my invention is to provide an improved cost and price tag in combination with an invoicing tag, especially constructed to be attached to bolts or rolls of fabric after they have left the factory.

15 A further object of my invention is to provide such a tag that the dealer or retail salesman, or other interested person, may attach the same to any roll or bolt of goods in a retail store and thereby see at a glance the cost and price per unit of the article or bolt of cloth, to which the tag is attached, and also see the exact number of yards originally or remaining in such bolt of cloth.

20 To the above purposes my invention consists in certain new and novel features of construction that will be hereinafter described and claimed.

25 In order that my invention may be more fully understood, I will now proceed to describe it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

30 Figure 1 is a plan view of the preferred form of my combined price, cost and invoicing tag, Fig. 2 being a plan view of a modified form of my improved tag. Fig. 3 is an enlarged plan view of a section of the preferred form of my tag. Fig. 4 is an enlarged plan view of a section of the modified form of my improved tag. Fig. 5 is a longitudinal central sectional view of a portion of a bolt of cloth, and showing the position occupied by my tag when said bolt of cloth is lying upon a shelf or elsewhere.

35 Similar numerals refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

40 The numeral 1 designates the body of my improved tag, which is preferably formed of card-board, or other suitable material, and has upon its outer periphery the off-set 2. Beginning at the point 3 on this off-set 2 and passing to the center of the tag 1, are a series

of perforations 4, which perforations in passing toward said center form a convolute line, the circles of said convolute being parallel with the periphery of the tag 1 and equidistant from each other. Intersecting the space between the circles of the convolute are equidistant cross lines of perforations 5.

55 Located at a suitable point within the center of the tag 1 is a perforation 6, which is adapted to receive a cord for attaching the tag to the bolt of goods as desired. Also within the center of the tag 1 are printed or marked the cost and price of the bolt of goods to which the tag is attached.

60 Beginning at the center of the tag at the fourth line of cross perforations, and marked upon each succeeding fourth line of said cross perforations, are the successive numerals 1, 2, 3, 4, &c. These marks or numerals run to the last cross line of perforations formed in the tag, and thus form means for designating the number of yards within the bolt or roll of cloth. The sections between these cross perforations 5 are in turn formed into sections by the equidistant cross-lines of perforations 7. The first three of these so formed sections immediately following the unit numerals, are numbered 1, 2 and 3, thus forming means for designating quarters, halves and three quarters of the units, or as it will be in most cases the yards of the goods contained in the bolt or roll.

65 Referring now to Figs. 2 and 4, in which I have shown a modified form of my tag, said tag is formed in the shape of an oval, and has the oval convolute line of perforations 8 in every way similar to the convolute line 4 in Fig. 1. It is also provided with the equidistant cross perforations 9, thus forming the yard spaces 10, which are divided into the equidistant spaces 11 by the printed lines 12. This form of tag is also provided with the apertures 13 within its center and the cost and price designating numerals 14.

70 In Fig. 5 I have shown the tag secured and held by a bolt or roll of goods.

75 I attach the improved tag to a bolt or roll by passing a cord 15 through the aperture 6 and attaching said cord to a loop or eye 16 secured or driven into the board or spool upon which said goods is wound.

The use of my improved tag is as follows: When said tag is attached to a bolt or roll of goods, and a portion of said goods is detached from said roll, the number of units and fractions of units should be detached from the tag 1, corresponding to the units and fractions of units of goods detached from the roll. Presuming that the salesman disposes of eight and one quarter yards of goods from a roll of sixty yards to which my tag is attached, when said sale is completed said salesman detaches from the tag eight and one quarter of the unit sections, or to the point marked "x" on Fig. 1. The goods being replaced to their proper position until a succeeding sale is made, the person making such sale can immediately see by glancing at the tag that fifty-one and three quarters yards remain in the roll or bolt, and that eight and one quarter yards have been disposed of. When said bolt or roll of goods is deposited in its proper position, the tag 1 is slipped within the roll and occupies the position as shown in Fig. 5.

In the use of my modified form of tag shown in Figs. 2 and 3, the quarters of yards or units of goods marked upon said tag 1 are to be cut or torn from the unit sections.

One of the advantages gained by my tag is that in "taking stock or invoicing" the exact amount of goods within a roll can be ascertained at a glance, thus economizing both time and labor in ascertaining said amount.

These tags may be formed or constructed with varying unit or yard marks thereon, thus providing tags for different classes of goods having different numbers of yards in a bolt. Thus it will be seen how I have formed a simple, cheap and efficient cost, price and invoicing tag.

It is apparent that the lines of perforations may be extended in any given plane, parallel, or approximately parallel, to each other, and be intersected by other lines of perforations, parallel, or approximately parallel, to each other, or radially, relative to the card,

without materially affecting the end of my invention.

What I claim is—

1. The improved dry-goods invoicing tag, constructed of a portion of card-board 1 having a series of indentations therein extending in a continuous line, beginning at the margin of the card and extending substantially parallel thereto and then within itself to a point adjacent the center of the card, spaces between adjacent lines thus formed being intersected and divided by cross lines of perforations or indentations, to form a plurality of small contiguous squares or spaces on the single piece of card-board, and the squares remote from the edge being surrounded by adjacent squares, and the spaces between said cross-lines numbered consecutively, and said tag having a perforation for the passage of a cord, and marks to identify the specific piece of fabric to which the tag may be attached, substantially as shown and specified.

2. The improved invoicing tag, constructed of a circular disk of card-board perforated at its center for attaching it to a bolt of cloth and having the peripheral off-set 2, a continuous convolute line of indentations 4 extending to the center of said tag, a series of equidistant cross-lines of indentations 5 connecting the adjacent curved lines of said convolute line of perforations and dividing the surface of the card into small spaces which are numbered consecutively, and an additional series of cross-lines 7 in each of said small spaces to divide them each into sections and which are each numbered, substantially as shown and specified.

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

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