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SIGN OR GUIDE BOARD.

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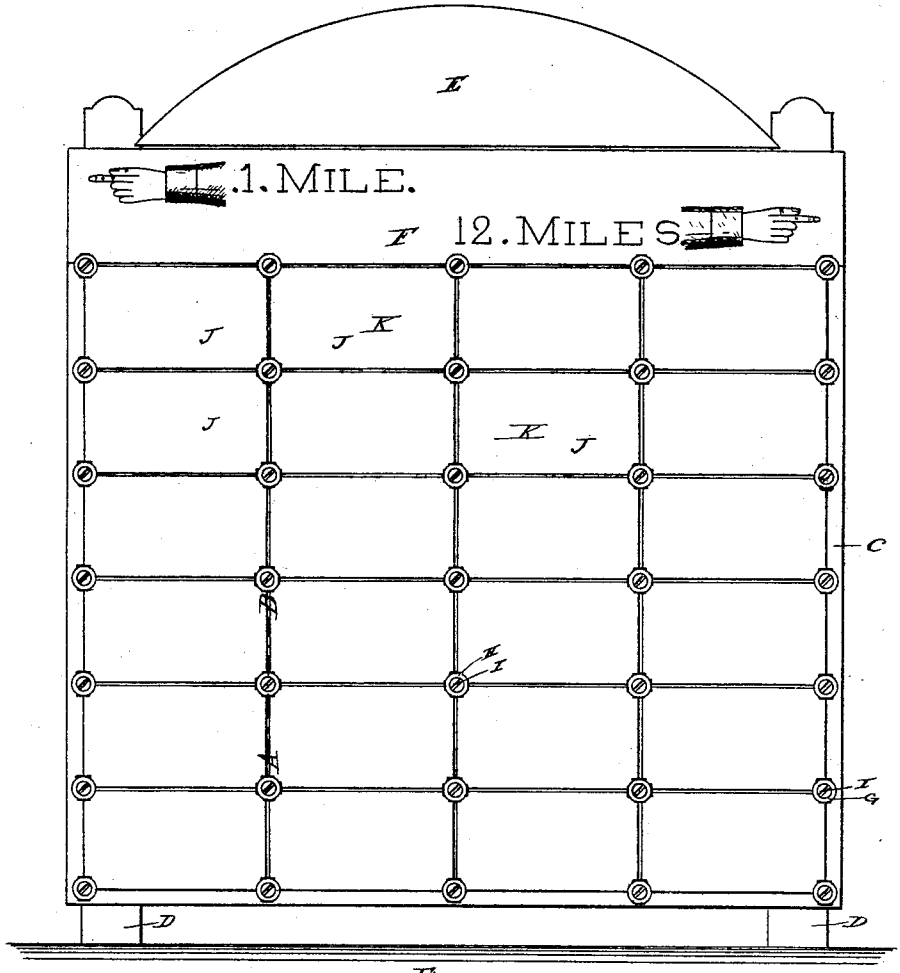

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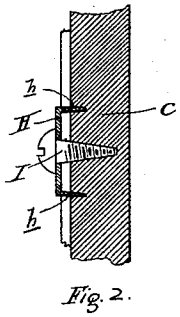

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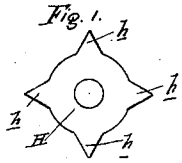

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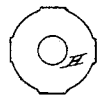

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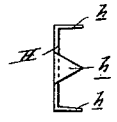

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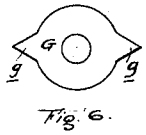

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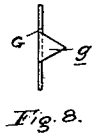

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SIGN OR GUIDE BOARD.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, AUSTIN DEMMON CABLE, a citizen of the Dominion of Canada, residing at the city of Montreal, in the District of Montreal and Province of Quebec, Canada, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sign or Guide Boards; 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 has reference to advertising-boards which could be placed on street or road intersections or at every mile along roads, these boards to act, also, as distance-directories and guide-boards; and it specially consists in the way I join the advertising-plates to the board, they being metallic sheets on which the advertisements are painted or stuck on, and are in turn joined to the board by means of a special washer, which allows the securing of four contiguous corners by means of one screw, as hereinafter shown.

The object of these advertising-boards for street or road intersections and also for mile-boards is to always show travelers where they are and also at what distance they are from any particular point they are going to, advertisers also benefiting by having their advertisements repeatedly before the gaze of the same parties, thus obliging them to take notice of them.

Of course distance-directories on road intersections, as well as mile-posts, are not new; but advertising-boards having on them a distance-directory and serving the above purpose, also having the advertising-spaces consisting of metallic sheets fastened by means of steel washers with claws secured by one screw, are.

Referring to the drawings, similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of my invention. Fig. 2 is a section on line A B of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a view of my special washer to fasten on the metallic plates as it comes from the die. Fig. 4 is a plan view of same after the V projections are bent down vertically. Fig. 5 is a side view of same. Fig. 6 is a view of same as it comes from the die, but only has two V projections. Fig. 7 is a plan view of the latter with V projections bent down vertically, and Fig. 8 is a side elevation of same.

C is a board made out of several smaller ones, secured to a suitable frame, terminating with any suitable number of posts D, which are sunk into the ground to keep the whole in a vertical position. This board C may be flat and composed of only one surface, as shown in the drawings, or may be polygonal or curved, or, in fact, assume any suitable shape. The face of this board C, I divide up into several spaces K, reserving the one F for putting on the distances and names of places to where the roads lead, also the directions and, in fact, all information connected with a distance-directory and guide-board, or else simply the number of miles traveled from one point and the number there is to the next one, just as shown on the drawings hereto annexed. The remaining ones are used for advertising, the one E containing the name and address of the company or person putting them up.

Now to facilitate the working of this advertising medium I make use of metallic sheets J, having exactly the size of a section K, onto which is painted the advertisement, so that in case any subscriber would like to change the wording of his advertisement all that is necessary to do is to take out the sheet J having it on and insert another one in its place, which can be made any distance from the board C, and if he abandons it a new one for another firm can likewise replace it. To secure these sheets J to the board C, I make use of a special washer, made as shown in Figs. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, it being cut out of thin steel sheets by a special die, after which they present the appearance shown in Figs. 3 and 6. This being done, the V projections or claws *h* and *g* are bent down, as shown in Figs. 4, 5, 7, and 8, so that all there is to do to secure on the metallic sheets J is to drive home one of the washers H, where four corners come together, or the ones G, where there are only two, as on the sides, for instance, or between any two consecutive ones H, and then screw in the screw I. This makes a neat and substantial mode of attaching

the signs or metallic plates J, and, moreover, permits the easy removing of same, and, as can be seen, one single screw I firmly secures four corners.

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

In an advertising-board for street and road intersections or for mile-boards, the combination of the metallic sheets J, washers G and H, and screws I with the board C, substantially as described, and for the purposes set forth.

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

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