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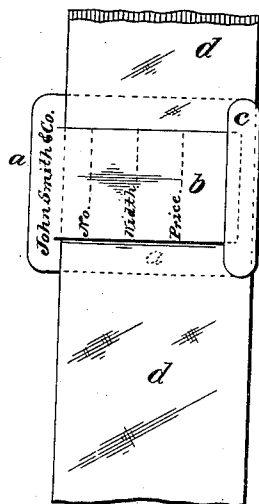
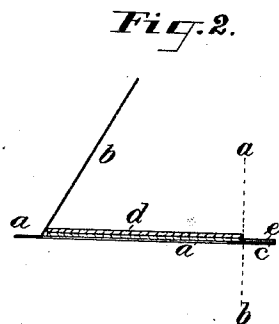
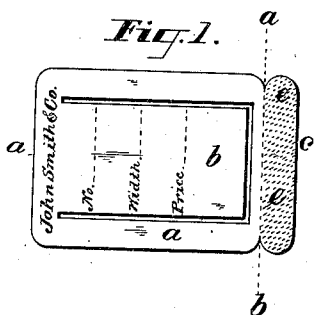


Fig. 3.

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SAMPLE-TAG.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSHUA PUSEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city and county of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sample-Tags, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, of which—

Figure 1 is a plan view. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section through the middle, showing the tag and cloth samples inserted beneath the tongue before gumming down the flap. Fig. 3 is a plan view showing the flap gummed to the tongue and cloth.

The nature of this invention is a tag for holding sample-pieces of cloth and other fabrics, and its object is to produce a tag for said purpose made of paper or other suitable flexible fabric, whereby I provide a cheap article and avoid certain objections to the usual "pin-tags," such as the liability of the users of the tags to prick their fingers with the sharp points of the pins or legs, and also avoiding the danger arising from stepping or sitting upon the pins when the tags are inadvertently left lying around. My tags also occupy less space than pin-tags, thus economizing in boxing and shipping.

In carrying out my invention I take a piece of tough paper or card-board, *a*, preferably of substantially rectangular shape, and cut or punch out the same so as to form a tongue, *b*, leaving a margin, *c*, beyond the free end of the tongue, which margin I coat on one side with some suitable adhesive substance—such as dextrine or fish-glue.

The mode of using this device is as follows: The piece or pieces of cloth samples *d*, Figs. 2 and 3, are placed beneath the raised tongue *b*, as in Fig. 2, the cloth resting upon the parts of the tag on each side of the tongue. The tongue is then pressed down upon the cloth,

and the gum *e* on flap *c*, being wetted, is bent over on line *a b*, Figs. 1 and 2, upon the tongue and the edge of the cloth, as in Fig. 3, the tongue being thus cemented to the flap, and also the cloth or upper piece thereof, when there are a number of the same. In this way the sample-pieces are securely held for all practical purposes. When there are several pieces, they cannot readily be drawn out from the tag, unless those under the upper piece, which is held by the gum on the flap on the outside edge of the tongue, are pulled out without regard to the upper piece, for if the pieces are all drawn together, the top piece being held, the others are also retained, because all must draw together; but the top one is sufficiently held by the gum. The tongue may be wet toward its end, and the flap *c* turned over as before; but in that case the outside edges of the flap, not being wet, will not hold the cloth. Although in this way the cloth will be usually held sufficiently, it is better to wet the gum on the flap. I prefer to round the corners of the tag, as shown, to prevent liability of catching.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

1. The sample-tag blank consisting of the card, substantially as described, having the tongue and flap or margin adapted to receive and retain a suitable adhesive, for the purpose described.

2. The sample-tag consisting of a card, substantially as described, having the tongue and gummed flap or margin, for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature this 12th day of May, A. D. 1886.

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