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RAILWAY TICKET.
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Fig. 1.

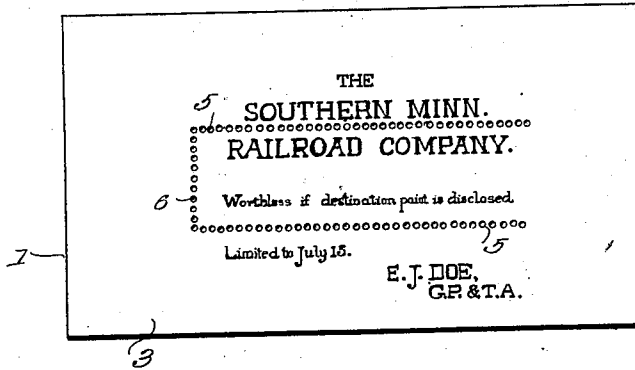


Fig. 2.

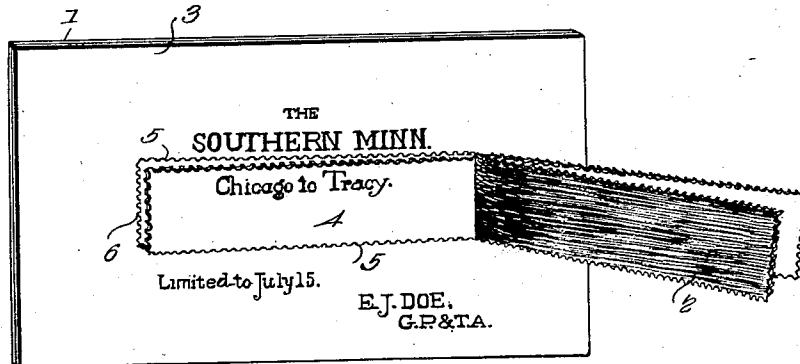


Fig. 3.

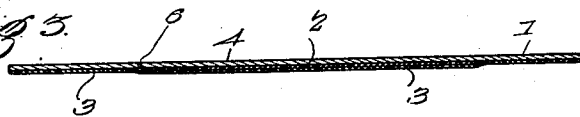
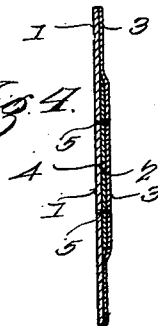


Fig. 4.



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RAILWAY-TICKET.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN GOODELL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Sandusky, in the county of Sauk and State of Wisconsin, have invented a new and useful Railway-Ticket, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to railroad-tickets and the like; and the object of the same is to provide simple and effective means to defeat the usual schemes of scalpers and of the public in selling unused portions of tickets by inclosing or hiding the place of destination, which will remain unknown to all except the original purchaser until a conductor or gate-keeper breaks open the inclosure to reveal said destination, and also to provide a staining attachment which will inevitably spoil the ticket and blur the destination therein designated if moistened to ascertain the point to which the ticket is good.

The invention consists in the construction and arrangement of the several parts, which will be more fully hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a face view of a ticket embodying the features of the invention. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the improved ticket, showing the inclosure broken and the destination of the ticket exposed. Fig. 3 is a horizontal section through the ticket, taken longitudinally thereof. Fig. 4 is a transverse vertical section of the same.

The numeral 1 designates the body of the ticket, which may be of any suitable dimensions and have a coupon attached thereto, or it may be the coupon itself, and thereon is adapted to be placed the name of the issuing company, baggage - number, and name of checking-station, and other matter, as may be desired. The name of the destination for which the ticket is issued is not discernible from the exterior, but is printed in the center and is then covered by a strip 2 of dyeing or staining paper, and over the said strip 2 and the entire face of the ticket a covering-strip 3, of thin paper, is secured, the said latter strip receiving the entire amount of printed or other matter of the ticket except the destination for which the ticket calls, said

destination being carried by the body 1. After the parts of the ticket are arranged as set forth a detachable tongue 4 is formed in the center thereof by means of parallel lines of perforations 5, extending longitudinally of the ticket and connected at one end by a transverse line 6 of similar perforations, thus allowing the tongue at one extremity to remain intact with the ticket. The perforations set forth are formed in the body 1 and strips 2 and 3, so that when the tongue is broken loose by a conductor or gate-keeper all the said parts will be simultaneously broken through, so that the strips 2 and 3 may be drawn outwardly to expose the destination on the said tongue. The contract indicated on the face of the ticket and accepted by the purchaser will be to the effect that the ticket will be worthless if destination - point is disclosed, and, as before indicated, when the parts remain intact or unbroken the destination cannot be ascertained without rendering the ticket worthless. The dyeing or staining strip 2, which may be of any suitable character, will interpose a dark layer between the face-strip 3 and the name of the destination carried by the tongue under the said parts, and hence it will be impossible to read said destination through the ticket by illuminating or other means, and if moisture be applied the dye or stain will spread over the tongue, and it will at once be known by the railroad officials understanding the peculiarities of the ticket that it has been tampered with and will be refused and confiscated.

The improved form of ticket will entirely overcome the schemes and practices of scalpers and the public generally by endeavors to defraud and otherwise take advantage of the railroad companies, and in view of the simplicity of structure of the improved ticket it can be manufactured very cheaply. It is also intended to use the improved form of ticket for purposes other than transportation over railroads, and changes in the form, size, proportions, and minor details may be resorted to without departing from the principle of the invention.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

1. A railway-ticket comprising a body having a destination-point indicated thereon, an opaque shield covering such indication, and a facing applied to the body over the shield, the body, shield and facing being weakened to present a detachable tongue bearing the destination indication.
2. A railway-ticket comprising a body having a destination-point indicated thereon, a staining-strip applied over such indication, and a facing applied to the body and covering the strip, the body, strip and facing being weakened to present a detachable tongue which carries the destination indication.
3. A ticket comprising a body having the destination for which it is issued indicated at an intermediate point, a strip of staining material applied over the destination indication, and a covering-strip applied over the face of the ticket and the staining-strip, the ticket-body, staining-strip and covering-strip being longitudinally perforated for a portion of the length of the said parts and the longitudinal perforations at one end being intersected by a line of transverse perforations to form a

tongue which carries the destination indication.

4. A ticket having a tongue at an intermediate point therein normally covered by a staining-strip and a covering-strip, the tongue carrying the destination indication of the ticket, the tongue and the staining and covering strips being weakened so as to be separable along two edges and one end.

5. A railway-ticket comprising a body having a destination-point indicated thereon, a staining-strip applied over such indication, and a facing applied to the body and covering the strip and bearing printed matter such as the name of the road issuing the ticket, &c., the body, strip and facing being weakened to present a detachable tongue which carries the destination indication.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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