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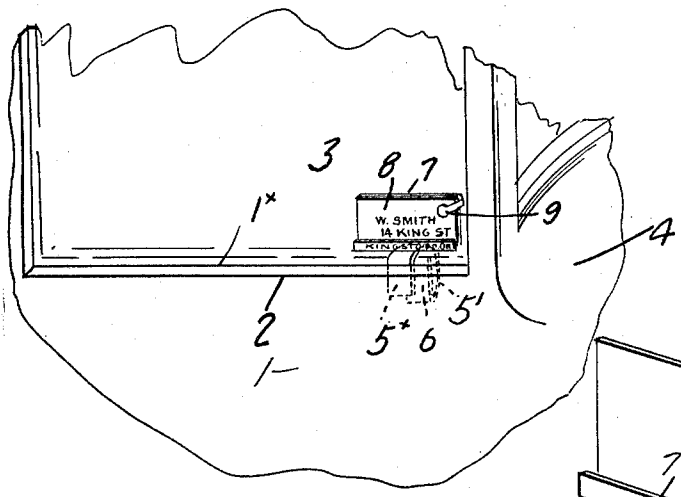


FIG. 1.

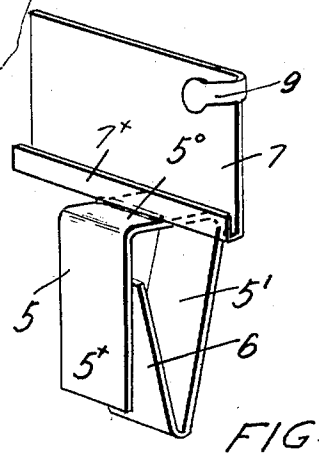


FIG 3

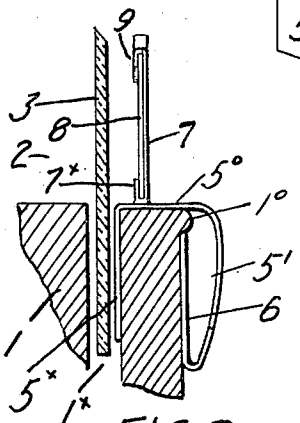


FIG. 2.

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My invention relates to improvements in card holders, and the object of the invention is to devise a simple device which may be readily detachably secured to the inside of an automobile door so as to display the card through the window, such card bearing any suitable matter such as personal identification, business, advertising or any other matter desired, and it consists essentially of the arrangement and construction of parts as hereinafter more particularly explained.

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a portion of an automobile showing a portion of the door and card and my device in place.

Fig. 2 is an enlarged sectional view through a fragmentary portion of the door and showing my device in elevation.

Fig. 3 is an enlarged perspective detail of my card holder.

In the drawing like characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in each figure.

1 indicates the front door of an automobile provided with the usual window opening 2 and window 3. 4 is the cowl.

The door 1 is provided with the usual slot 1^x in which is vertically and slidably mounted the window 3 in the usual manner.

5 is a strip of resilient metal forming a unitary member bent substantially in the form of a right angle triangle and comprising a vertical portion 5^x which extends from the upper edge of the door into the slot 1^x against the inner wall thereof, the horizontal portion 5^0 bearing against the upper edge of the door and extending inwardly from the slot 1^x and terminating in a downwardly and inwardly inclined portion 5^1 provided with an upward extension 6 on the hypotenuse side of the triangle. When the portion 5^x is inserted in the slot 1^x of the door with the portion 5^0 bearing against the upper edge of the door the portion 6 is forced against the inner face of the door by the resilient portion 5^1 to form a spring contact member along the major portion of its entire length. The upper edge of the door at the inside is generally provided with a bead 1^0 beneath which the portion 6 engages, thereby locking the bracket 5 in place.

7 is a plate provided at its lower edge portion 7^x with a card receiving groove in which the lower edge of the card 8 fits. 9 is a bendable tongue extending from one side edge of the plate in proximity to its upper edge forming part of the plate 7 and adapted to extend around the upper corner of the card when in the inserted position so as to bear against the outer face of the card adjacent such corner as clearly indicated in Fig. 1 when bent back upon the plate.

The holder is preferably attached to the door 1 adjacent the cowl 4, the card being held thereby in close proximity to the window glass 3 and therefore clearly visible therethrough.

From this description it will be seen that I have devised a very simple device by which any form of card desired may be detachably held against the inner face of the window of an automobile door and so held that there will be no danger of it being misplaced.

What I claim as my invention is:

1. In a card holding device of the character described, a spring clipping member whereby the device is attached comprising a unitary spring strip bent substantially into the form of a right angle triangle and having its hypotenuse side bent back inwardly upon itself so that such bent back portion forms a spring contact member along the major portion of its entire length, and a card holding plate secured to the spring clip member intermediately of its width.

2. In a card holding device of the character described, a spring clipping member whereby the device is attached comprising a unitary spring strip bent substantially into the form of a right angle triangle and having its hypotenuse side bent back inwardly

upon itself so that such bent back portion forms a spring contact member along the major portion of its entire length, a card holding plate secured to the spring clip member intermediately of its width, and formed at its lower edge into a card receiving groove, and a bendable tongue formed upon one side edge of the plate in proximity to its upper edge and bent back upon the plate to bear against the card.

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