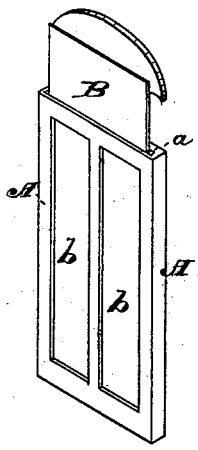
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Fig 1



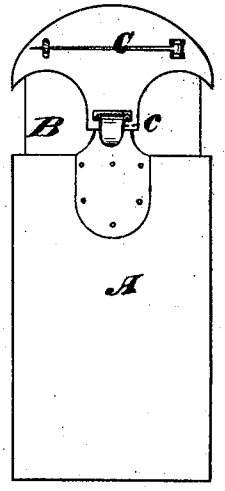


Fig. 2.

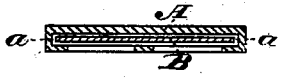


Fig. 3

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IMPROVEMENT IN TICKET-HOLDERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, EMERSON D. PINNEY and ALFRED L. HODGE, of Aurora, in the county of Kane and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Ticket or Check Holders, which is fully set forth in the following specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of the holder with a check or ticket inserted therein; Fig. 2, a view of the back side of the same; Fig. 3, a cross-section thereof.

The object of our invention is to provide a holder for the use of travelers upon railways, which may be attached to some portion of the dress, and in which the ticket or conductor's check may be placed, and thus kept continually in sight.

The invention consists in a small light case or frame, constructed to receive the check or ticket, and secured to a suitable pin and loop, by means of which it may be attached to some portion of the dress.

The requirement in force upon most railways, that passengers keep their tickets or checks in sight, is a source of considerable annoyance to travelers, especially those who are journeying with through-tickets, for which they receive conductors' checks on different divisions, which they are always requested to keep in sight. With ladies the requirement is peculiarly annoying, as they must either hold the checks in the hand continually, or be liable to frequent requests from the conductor to produce them.

Our invention is designed to relieve travelers from this annoyance.

In the drawings, A represents a small case or frame, which is provided with a groove, *a*, wide enough to receive an ordinary railway-ticket or conductor's check, B, and nearly as deep as the latter is long. The front part of the case is cut away, as shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings, so as to leave large openings *b b*, through which the check is exposed, as well as at the top, by the ends projecting slightly above the groove or recess in the case. This case A is secured by a hinge-joint, *c*, to a brooch-pin, C, by which it is attached to the lapel of the coat, or to any portion of the dress of the traveler which may be convenient, provided the ticket is left in sight. A simple hinged joint is shown at *c*, by means of which the two parts may be connected and disconnected at pleasure. Instead of this hinged joint, one or two small links or any other similar device may be employed.

We construct the holder from wood, metal, or paper, and give it an ornamental form, so that it will present an attractive appearance. The article is so simple that it can be manufactured cheaply, and thus, by its simplicity, cheapness, and ornamental appearance, commend itself to the favor of travelers.

If made of paper or a similar cheap material, the holders may be sold at a cost so slight that they may be thrown away at the end of the journey.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The holding-case A, in combination with the pin-piece C and hinge *c*, connecting the two former together, all constructed and operating substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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