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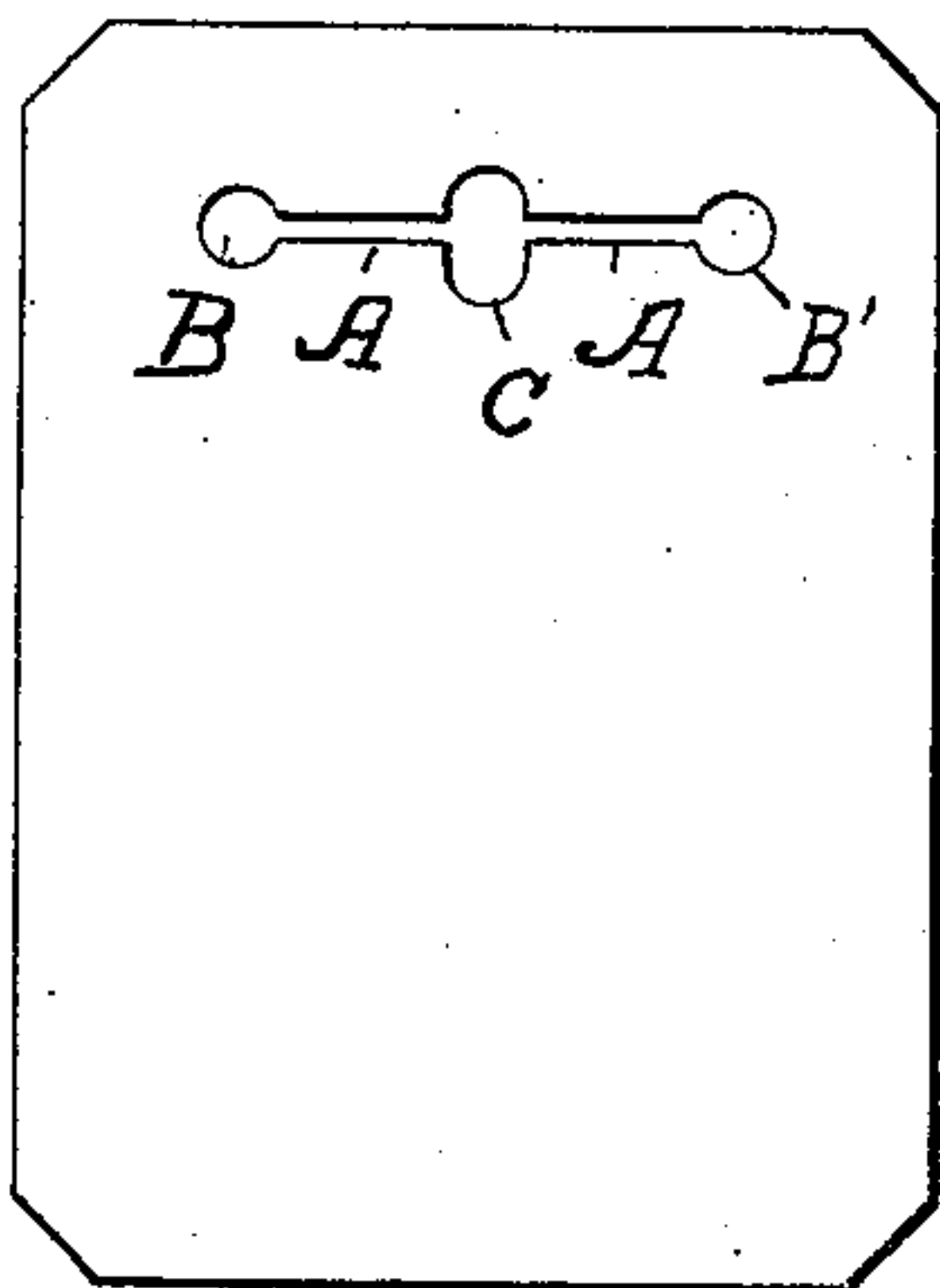
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ADAM KELLER, a citizen of the United States, residing in New York, (Brooklyn,) in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Tags, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to tags for clothing or other articles upon which is a button or similar headed device to which the tags may be fastened for purposes of identification or the entry of business memoranda relating to said articles. The principal use of the device is in connection with clothing to serve as a marker and admit of suitable notes relating to specimen garments carried by a salesman.

The invention comprises a card or ticket punched at the top with a narrow transverse slot terminating at its ends in circular openings and provided at an intermediate point with an enlargement to surround the shank of the button or the thread securing the same to the garment, thus securely locking the tag to the button and preventing it from shifting or working loose.

The features of novelty of the invention will be hereinafter more fully set forth and will be specifically indicated in the claims.

In the accompanying drawing is shown a tag embodying my improvements.

A represents a slot or cut made in a flexible card, and which may be varied in length according to the size of button to be accommodated, although a slot of given length will allow considerable variation in size of button, and terminating in an enlargement, each of which preferably, but not necessarily, has a circular wall B B' at both sides. At an intermediate point, preferably the middle of the slot, it is enlarged, as at C, the walls of the tag around the enlargement serving to inclose the shank or thread of a button.

In applying the tag the button is forced by the thumb through the slot, the flexibility of the card or tag permitting the side walls of the slot to spring over the button, when the

shank of the latter will rest in the enlargement C. The narrowness at the sides of the enlargement prevents the tag from shifting on the button and holds it firmly in place. The enlargement is preferably longer on the axis extending from top to bottom of the tag, thus preventing the tag turning on the button-shank. The circular termini of the slot should be of sufficient diameter to give flexibility to the slot-walls, preferably one-eighth inch or more, and when so constructed the tag will not crack or break at the edges of the slot.

A tag made as herein described firmly grips a button or other headed fastening and is very easily applied without danger of cracking or breaking. A further advantage results from the fact that the slot being straight and transverse to the tag occupies a minimum amount of space and leaves a maximum amount of space for printing or for the reception of memoranda.

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

1. A marking-tag formed of stiff material and provided with a straight narrow slot having its end walls curved and provided near the middle with an enlargement thus providing elastic tongues on both sides of the slot capable of yielding to admit a button.

2. A tag formed of a card of suitable material and provided with central and terminal openings in a line extending across one end of the card, said openings being connected by a transverse cut narrower than the openings and arranged centrally of the openings, whereby a plurality of elastic tongues are formed on both sides of said cut.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name this 26th day of April, A. D. 1897.

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