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TRANSPORTATION TICKET.

NO MODEL.

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TRANSPORTATION-TICKET.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 776,778, dated December 6, 1904.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PRESTON C. DOCKSTADER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Colorado Springs, in the county of El Paso and 5 State of Colorado, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Transportation-Tickets; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others 10 skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention, which relates to transportation-tickets, is an improvement upon the structures of transportation-tickets forming the 15 subjects-matter of applications for patents filed by me, the filing dates of said applications being January 5, 1903, March 11, 1903, and April 18, 1903, and the serial numbers being, respectively, 137,810, 147,320, and 153,169.

The features of novelty of the present transportation-ticket, the manner of use, and the advantages resulting from the employment of the same are set forth in the following detailed description, in connection with which 25 reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, illustrating the ticket in its preferred form of embodiment, it being understood that various modifications may be made therein without departing from the spirit of 3° invention defined by the concluding claims.

In the drawings, Figures 1 and 1^a are views of the upper and lower halves of a through transportation-ticket embodying my present improvements. Fig. 2 is a view in two sec-35 tions of the reverse side of the ticket. Fig. 3 is a view of a local transportation-ticket containing certain of the present improvements.

Referring to the drawings by numerals, 1 40 denotes the main portion or body of the ticket, to the upper end of which is connected by a weakened line 2 an omnibus-transfer section or coupon 3 and to the lower end of which is connected by a weakened line 4 three sections 45 or coupons 5, 6, and 7, said last-named sections or coupons being separable from each other at the weakened lines 8 and 9. On the main portion or body 1 is printed the name of the issuing-line and the contract, and at 5° one side thereof is a month and year column

10 and a plurality of columns 11, 12, and 13, each consecutively numbered to represent days of a month. The day-columns are successively punched by the conductors examining the ticket, whereby the approximate hours of 55 examination are recorded and a close check is kept on the conductors for the day's run. The month and year column and the innermost column 11 are punched by the selling agent to limit the ticket. The main portion or body 60 1 and the sections or coupons 3, 5, 6, and 7 are each provided, as shown, with a corresponding number, which is the number of the whole ticket, and also with class, limit, and half-fare punch-spaces, so arranged on the 65 sections 5, 6, and 7 as to permit of punching at a single operation by folding the sections one upon the other.

On the main portion or body 1 and on each coupon are the words "Through ticket from 70 station stamped on the back to station opposite punch-mark having destination-station number perforated in the face hereof." By this is meant that the ticket is good for transportation between the station which is stamped 75 on the back of the ticket and the station on the face of the ticket opposite the selling agent's punch-mark. The stations are printed on the main portion or body 1 and on each of the sections or coupons, and each of said 80 stations is given a character—as, for instance, a letter of the alphabet—the letters for the list of stations shown running from "A" to "V," inclusive. The stations and their designatingletters are so arranged in the main body and 85 coupons as to enable the selling agent to punch with one operation the corresponding designating station-letter, the coupons first being folded at the weakened lines of connection.

It will be observed that in the list of sta- 90 tions blank lines are provided the purpose of which is for the insertion by writing or otherwise of a destination-station on any of the railroads mentioned in the main ticket, but not printed in the list of destination-stations 95 listed on the ticket.

In Fig. 3 I have shown a local transportation-ticket on which is a list of stations and the numbers by which said stations are known and recognized by officials and employees. 100

The numbers of stations are well known to passenger conductors and others connected with the running of trains, and it is my purpose to employ such numbers in connection 5 with a through as well as a local ticket to effectually prevent the raising of the destination for which the ticket is issued. To effect this, the selling agent perforates or otherwise provides the ticket with a number correspond-10 ing to the number of the station which is the destination of the passenger, and as an aid to said agent the ticket is provided with stationnumbers in addition to the names thereof, in the manner shown, for example, in the illus-15 tration of the independently-used local ticket.

The line and junction-point of travel or route to be selected by the purchaser of the ticket are each known by a character—as, for instance, a numeral. On the face of the main 20 portion or body of the ticket are twenty-four routes in two consecutively-numbered columns. The route selected by the purchaser of the ticket is punched by the selling agent,

as will be understood.

The through ticket shown in Figs. 1 and 2 comprises the omnibus-transfer coupon 3, the main body 1, a detachable transportation section or coupon 5, an auditor's stub or coupon 6, and an agent's stub or coupon 7. Obvi-30 ously any number of coupons 5 may be employed, dependent upon the distance to be traveled. On the face of each of the coupons 3, 5, 6, and 7 are numbers corresponding to the numbers of the routes on the main body 35 1, said numbers being similarly arranged in | portion bearing matter rendering it good for two columns. On the reverse side or back of each coupon is a numbered list of said routes, the numbered spaces thereof registering with the numbered spaces on the face of the cou-40 pons. Said numbered spaces are so arranged on the several coupons as to be simultaneously punched when said coupons are folded in the manner above described.

Each of the coupons, containing as it does 45 the stamp of the issuing-station, the punched route, and destination-station and the number of the latter, constitutes of itself an advice notice of the kind of ticket sold and is similar in all respects to the main body of the 50 ticket minus the contract and time-limit punches. It will be noted that the omnibustransfer is included in the list of routes, and

when such transfer is necessary the proper space will be punched the same as in the case of a railroad and junction.

By placing the list of routes on the backs of the coupons the size of the whole ticket is materially reduced, thereby lessening cost of production and facilitating handling. Inasmuch as the coupons must be reversed to en- 60 able the conductor to examine the issuingstation date, no time will be lost in ascertaining the route over which the ticket is issued for transportation.

I claim as my invention—

1. A transportation-ticket having a detachable coupon provided on one side with a list of stations with designating characters, and with characters designating different routes. and a list of routes on the opposite side of the 7° coupon having designating characters corresponding with and registering with the routedesignating characters on the aforesaid side.

2. A transportation-ticket having a main portion bearing matter rendering it good for 75 passage and provided with a list of stations and a list of routes over which the ticket may be used, and detachable sections each provided on one side with a list of stations with designating characters and with characters desig- 80 nating different routes, and a list of routes on the opposite side of each section having designating characters corresponding with and registering with the route-designating characters on the aforesaid side.

3. A transportation-ticket having a main passage and provided with a list of stations and a list of routes over which the ticket may be used, a detachable ticket-section and de- 90 tachable omnibus, auditor's and agent's sections each having on one side a list of stations with designating characters and with characters designating different routes, and having on the opposite side a list of routes having 95 designating characters corresponding with and registering with the route-designating characters on the aforesaid side.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in

presence of two witnesses.

PRESTON C. DOCKSTADER.

Witnesses:

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