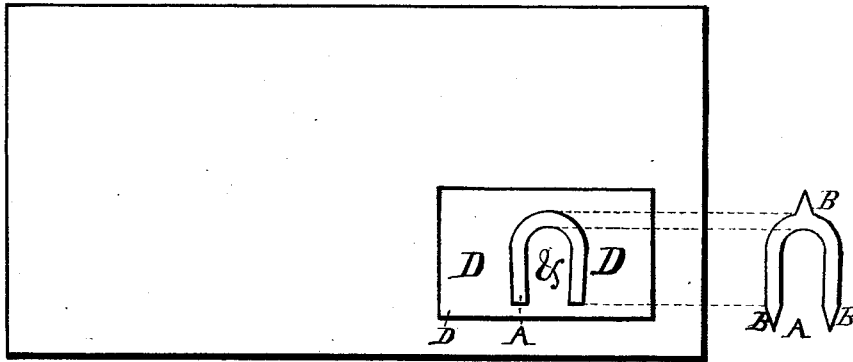


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Fig. 1.



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IMPROVEMENT IN MARKING PLUG-TOBACCO.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES T. DRUMMOND, of Alton, in the county of Madison and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Labels for Marking Plug-Tobacco, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

The invention relates to an improvement in tags or labels for marking plug-tobacco; and consists in the devices hereinafter specifically described, the object being to furnish a suitable means for marking tobacco.

Figure 1 is a plan view of a device embodying the elements of the invention.

In the accompanying drawings, A represents a piece of metal, in the present instance in the form of a horseshoe, which is provided at proper points on its under surface with the lugs B. These lugs may be sharpened or pointed, if preferred, and are designed to be thrust or pressed through the flexible piece of material D, which, together with the metal A, is pressed into the plug of tobacco.

It is obvious that the part D may be of paper, leather, cotton, or other flexible material, as the manufacturer may elect; and, also, that the piece of flexible material may be used as a tablet, upon which the name of the manu-

facturer, the description of goods, or other words or matter, may be printed, written, or otherwise placed thereon, if desired.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A tobacco-marker consisting of a rigid piece of material in the form of a horseshoe, provided with lugs or prongs, which pass through a flexible piece of material of greater dimensions than the horseshoe, and serving as a base for the same, the means of connection acting also as a means of securing the marker upon the tobacco, substantially as set forth.

2. A label for plug-tobacco, composed of the part A, in the form of a horseshoe, provided with lugs B and part D, of flexible material, the said lugs passing through the part D, which is of greater dimensions than the part A, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing improvement in labels for marking plug-tobacco, as above described, I have hereunto set my hand this 17th day of February, 1877.

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