TOWEL TAGS TO PERMIT MINIMIZING THE USE OF WATER AND DETERGENT DURING WASHING AND MINIMIZING WEAR AND TEAR OF TOWELS, THE SPREAD OF GERMS AND DISEASES BETWEEN TOWEL USERS, AND MINIMIZING THE USE OF ENERGY, AND SAVING MONEY

BACKGROUND

[0001] 1. Technical Field

[0002] The present application relates to towel tags to permit minimizing the use of water and detergent during washing and minimizing wear and tear of towels, the spread of germs and diseases between towel users, and minimizing the use of energy, and saving money.

[0003] 2. Background Information

[0004] Background information is for informational purposes only and does not necessarily admit that subsequently mentioned information and publications are prior art.

[0005] Towels may be used in a variety of public or places or shared environments where users or towel owners may forget which towel belongs to them, such as a pool, a hotel, a home with multiple occupants, or a dorm room, among other places. Towels may look similar and be easily confused, for example if the towels are white. Using another person's towel may result in the unwanted passing of germs. Infections and diseases, like coughs, colds, skin infections, and other illnesses, may be passed from person to person if a towel is shared.

[0006] If individuals are unsure about whether a towel is theirs, they may use more fresh, clean towels unnecessarily instead of reusing a towel to minimize the passing of germs and/or diseases from person to person. Individuals may also wash the towels to minimize the spreading of germs. Frequent washing of towels may result in a wasteful increase in water usage and detergent as well as wear and tear on the towels. If the towel users knew which towel belonged to whom, they could conserve resources and save on water, energy, and detergent costs as well as time. This would be a green solution which could also save money for towel users.

OBJECT OR OBJECTS

[0007] An object of the present application is to provide a method of identifying towels, minimizing the spread of germs and diseases, minimizing the use of water and detergent, minimizing the use of energy, and saving money.

SUMMARY

[0008] The present application related to towels and a method of identifying towels.

[0009] If towels may be kept separate or identified to an individual user, a user may be more likely to reuse the same towel without spreading germs or frequent rewashing of the towel. Tags or identifiers may be used to associate one towel with an individual user to promote reusing of the same towel by the same user. Identifying individual towels of a plurality or set for individual users may be helpful if the towels are the same color or comprise the same pattern and/or design, for example if the towels are white or the towels are striped. The tags may also be used if the towels do not comprise the same color and/or pattern.

[0010] The above-discussed embodiments of the present invention will be described further herein below. When the word "invention" or "embodiment of the invention" is used in this specification, the word "invention" or "embodiment of the invention" includes "inventions" or "embodiments of the invention", that is the plural of "invention" or "embodiment of the invention". By stating "invention" or "embodiment of the invention", the Applicant does not in any way admit that the present application does not include more than one patentably and non-obviously distinct invention, and maintains that this application may include more than one patentably and non-obviously distinct invention. The Applicant hereby asserts that the disclosure of this application may include more than one invention, and, in the event that there is more than one invention, that these inventions may be patentable and non-obvious one with respect to the other.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0011] FIG. **1** shows one possible embodiment of the tag of the present application with hook and loop fasteners;

[0012] FIG. **1**A shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **1**;

[0013] FIG. **1**B shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **1**;

[0014] FIG. **1**C shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **1**;

[0015] FIG. **1**D shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **1**;

[0016] FIG. **2** shows one possible embodiment of the present application with a clasp and a tag, attached with the clasp, identifying a towel;

[0017] FIG. **2**A shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **2**;

[0018] FIG. **2**B shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **2**;

[0019] FIG. **2**C shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **2**;

[0020] FIG. **2**D shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **2**;

[0021] FIG. **3** shows one possible embodiment of the present application with the tag disposed as a loop;

[0022] FIG. **3**A shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **3**;

[0023] FIG. **3**B shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **3**;

[0024] FIG. **3**C shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **3**;

[0025] FIG. **3**D shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **3**;

[0026] FIG. **4** shows one possible embodiment of a tag according to the present application with the tag disposed as a loop;

[0027] FIG. **4**A shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **4**;

[0028] FIG. **4**B shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **4**;

[0029] FIG. **4**C shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **4**; and

[0030] FIG. **4**D shows one possible embodiment of a tag similar to the one seen in FIG. **4**.

DESCRIPTION OF EMBODIMENT OR EMBODIMENTS

[0031] A first embodiment, which may be seen in FIG. **1**, is a removable garment tag comprising a fabric where the fabric