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IDENTIFYING MARKER

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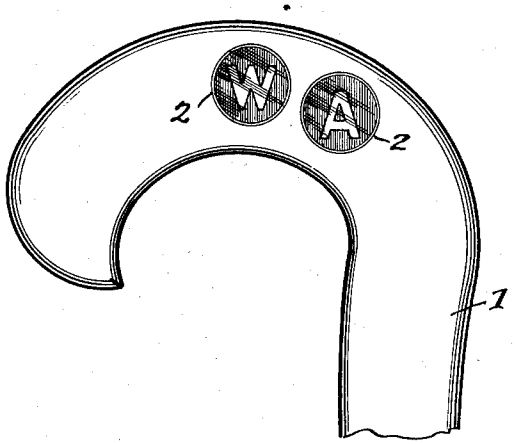


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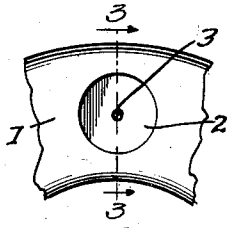


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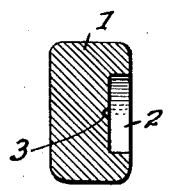


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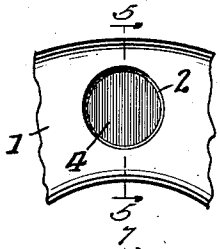


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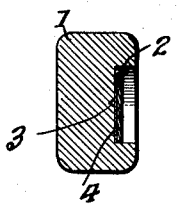


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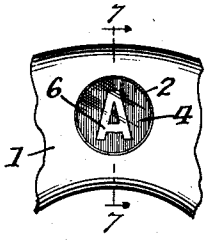


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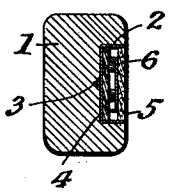


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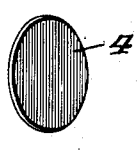


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This invention relates to an improved identifying marker particularly intended for use upon a handle of an umbrella or parasol but it is to be understood that its use is not limited to such articles, as a hand mirror and many other articles may be marked in a similar manner.

One object of the invention is to provide a marker of such construction that it may be easily applied to a prepared handle, thereby permitting a manufacturer to supply the umbrellas or other articles to a merchant in condition for the markers to be applied and the markers set in place by the merchant after a sale has been made.

Another object of the invention is to so construct the improved markers that when they are applied they will be countersunk into seats formed in the handle thereby disposing their outer faces flush with the surface of the handle and not only preventing discomfort when the handle is grasped but also eliminating likelihood of the marker being dislodged.

Another object of the invention is to provide a marker wherein an initial carried by a transparent disk forming part of the marker will be disposed inwardly of this disk where it will be shielded and prevented from becoming tarnished or nicked but at the same time visible through the transparent disk carrying it.

Another object of the invention is to provide a marker including an opaque inner disk serving not only as a background for the initial or emblem carried by the transparent outer disk but also serving to cover the bottom of the socket into which the disks are placed and conceal marks formed by a drill when cutting the handle to form the socket.

Still another object of the invention resides in providing a construction which is simple and durable, inexpensive to manufacture and one which will be very efficient in use.

With these and numerous other objects in view, my invention consists in the novel features of construction, combination and arrangement of parts as will be hereinafter referred to and more particularly pointed out in the specification and claims.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing wherein:

Figure 1 is a view in elevation of an umbrella handle marked in accordance with this invention;

Figure 2 is a fragmentary view showing a portion of the handle drilled to form a marker receiving socket;

Figure 3 is a section taken along the line 3—3 of Figure 2;

Figure 4 is a view similar to Figure 2 showing the backing disk in place;

Figure 5 is a section taken along the line 5—5 of Figure 4;

Figure 6 is a view showing the outer disk in place;

Figure 7 is a section taken along the line 7—7 of Figure 6;

Figure 8 is a perspective view of the inner disk; and

Figure 9 is a perspective view looking at the inner face of the outer disk.

The handle illustrated in general by the number 1 is of the type used for umbrellas and parasols and will have its lower end portion of any suitable construction whereby it may be applied to the staff of an umbrella or parasol. The handle may be of any desired shape and size and, as previously explained, may be used as a handle for a hand mirror, brush or any other article customarily equipped with a handle.

It has previously proposed to provide initials or other identifying marks upon the handle of an umbrella by stamping or otherwise permanently applying the mark at the factory but they have not been satisfactory as the merchant either had to buy a large number in order to supply a customer with an umbrella carrying the proper initial and often failed to make a sale because he did not have an umbrella or parasol of the desired patent carrying the proper initial. It has also been proposed to mark a transparent handle by providing an insert having an initial marked thereon with a pen and then thrust into a tapered socket formed in an end of the handle but this has also been found unsatisfactory as the insert was often not neatly marked or was thrust into place before it was thoroughly dry and became smeared. It also often happened that the insert broke while being thrust into the tapered socket.

In order to overcome these objections the handle 1 which may be formed of a suitable composition or any other material desired is cut with a drill to form one or more sockets 2, two sockets being usually formed in order that initial letters of a person's first and last names may be applied to the handle. An ordinary drill is used to form the sockets and such a drill forms a pit 3 at the center of the inner or rear wall of the socket. A supply of umbrellas having the sockets formed therein is sold to a merchant and also a supply of markers which fit within the sockets and the markers are set in place by the merchant as each sale is made. There-

fore a customer can select an umbrella or parasol of any pattern desired and markers bearing the proper identifying letters can be easily and quickly set in place.

Each marker consists of an inner disk 4 formed of opaque material and an outer disk 5 formed of transparent material and carrying a letter or any desired emblem 6 which may be metal or any desired material but should be of a color which will contrast with the inner disk so that the inner disk will serve as a background when the disks are in place and cause the initial to be prominently displayed through the outer disk. The socket is cut a depth corresponding to the combined thickness of the inner disk, outer disk and initial or emblem carried by the outer disk and therefore when the two disks are set in place within the socket the outer face of the outer disk will be flush with the surface of the handle and an obstruction will not be encountered when the handle is grasped in a person's hand. The inner disk provides a flat and smooth backing against which the letter or emblem carried by the outer disk will bear and as the inner disk is of opaque material the pit 3 and other marks formed by the drill when cutting the socket will be hidden from view. Transparent cement is employed for securing the inner disk against the rear or inner wall of the socket and for securing the outer disk in place against the inner disk and as the outer face of the outer disk is flush with the surface of the handle the outer disk will not be liable to be worked loose by friction when the handle is grasped in a person's hand. As the initial projects from the inner face of the outer disk and the two disks are secured in the socket by cement, the initial will be housed in an air tight space and will not be tarnished by exposure. It will also be shielded and prevented from becoming nicked or broken off. It will thus be seen that the improved handle and marker are so constructed that handles ready to have markers applied to them may be supplied to a merchant and the proper initials or a desired emblem applied by the merchant when a sale is made.

From the foregoing description of the construction of my improved apparatus, the application of the same to use will be readily understood. It will be seen that I have provided a simple, inexpensive and efficient means for carrying out the objects of the invention.

While I have particularly described the elements best adapted to perform the functions set forth, it is obvious that various changes in form, proportion and in the minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the principles of the invention.

Having thus described the invention what is claimed is:

1. A body having a socket formed therein, an inner opaque disk secured in said socket against the inner end wall thereof, said disk having a flat unobstructed outer face, and an outer transparent disk secured in said socket and having a character projecting from its inner face and bearing against the flat outer face of the inner disk.

2. A body having a socket formed therein and open at its outer end, an inner opaque disk secured in said socket, and an outer transparent disk secured in said socket and having a character projecting from its inner face and bearing against the inner disk, the outer face of the outer disk being unobstructed and disposed flush with the surface of the body.

3. A body having a socket formed therein, an opaque backing secured in said socket, and a transparent disk secured in said socket between the backing and outer end of the socket and having a character projecting from its inner face towards the backing and visible through the transparent disk.

4. A body having a socket formed therein, an opaque disk at the inner end of said socket cemented against the inner end wall thereof and serving to conceal the inner end wall of the socket, and an outer transparent disk set into said socket, said transparent disk having an opaque character secured against its inner face, the combined thickness of the character and inner and outer disks corresponding to the depth of the socket whereby the outer face of the outer disk is disposed flush with the surface of the body.

5. A body drilled to form a socket, an opaque inner disk fitted into said socket and cemented against the inner end wall and the side walls of the socket and serving to conceal the inner end wall, said disk having a smooth unobstructed outer face, and an outer transparent disk, the transparent disk having an opaque character cemented against its inner face, the outer disk being cemented into the outer portion of said socket with said character disposed inwardly and cemented against the outer face of the inner disk, said character being confined in an air-tight space defined by the disks and side walls of the socket and the inner disk serving as a background for the character.

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