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SYMBOL MOUNT.

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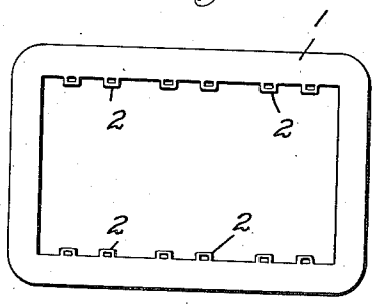
Fig. 1.



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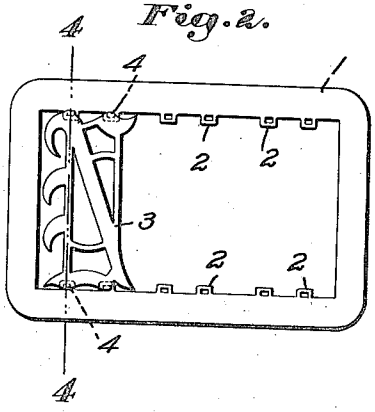

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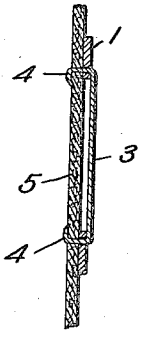

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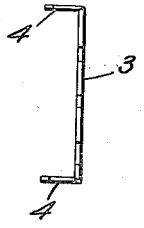

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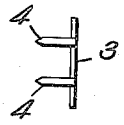

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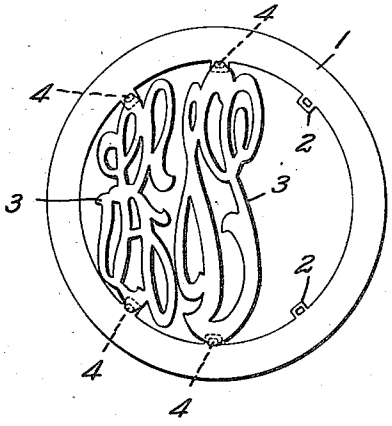

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES W. COLGAN, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Roxbury, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented an Improvement in Symbol-Mounts, of which the following description, in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a specification, like letters on the drawings representing like parts.

This invention relates to symbol mounts.

In order that the principle thereof may be readily understood, I have disclosed a single embodiment in the accompanying drawing, wherein—

Figure 1 is a plan view of the band of a symbol mount embodying my invention; Fig. 2 is a similar view showing one of a series of symbols applied to said band; Fig. 3 is a view similar to Fig. 1 of a slightly modified form of my invention; Fig. 4 is a vertical sectional view upon the line 4—4 of Fig. 2; Fig. 5 is an edge view of the symbol shown in Fig. 2; and Fig. 6 is an end view of the symbol shown in Fig. 5.

My invention relates to improved means for attaching symbols to the object to be marked thereby. The symbol or symbols may be letters, figures or any suitable characters for attachment to valises or similar receptacles, belt buckles, watch fobs, brooches, automobile radiators or any other object to be marked by monogram or in any other distinguishing manner.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, the band is represented at 1 in Figs. 1, 2, 3 and 4, it being of any suitable shape, size, character and material. I have here represented it in Figs. 1 and 2 as substantially rectangular and in Fig. 3 as circular. Preferably the band is stamped from sheet metal, such as brass, and is preferably continuous. In order to receive the symbols I provide the band with formations, such as eyes 2, at suitable points and preferably extending from the inner edge of the band as shown. Preferably also the eyes are provided at opposite points of the band as shown, so as to receive prongs extending from both the top and bottom or other suitable portions of the symbols. It is, of course, evident that the eyes may be of any suitable character and need not be wholly closed provided they are adapted to receive and retain the projections from the symbol. While the eyes are preferably formed upon the inner edge of the band, so that the symbols need not overlap or overlie the band, it is obvious that they may be formed at any suitable points upon the band. In practice I preferably stamp out the band and form the eyes at one operation, thus greatly reducing the expense of manufacture. Any suitable number of eyes may be provided and they may be placed as desired.

In the form of the invention shown in Figs. 1 and 2, I have represented both the upper and the lower portion of the band as provided with two eyes to receive two prongs from each of three letters which may constitute the initials of the owner of the article to which the symbol mount is to be applied.

I have represented a typical symbol at 3 in Figs. 2 to 6 inclusive, and in Figs. 2 to 5 inclusive have represented the symbol as provided with two prongs 4 at its upper edge and two at its lower edge, these prongs being formed upon the symbol at such point that they register with and are received by the proper eyes 2 when the symbol is applied to the band. These prongs are of any suitable width and length and are preferably flexible, so that they may be bent as indicated in Fig. 4 after penetrating the band. In Fig. 3, I have represented each of the symbols as provided with a single prong only, and the band as furnished with a corresponding number of eyes.

In Fig. 4, wherein the symbol mount is represented as applied to an object 5, I have represented the prongs 4 as passing through the band 1 and also through the object 5, and then bent so as to secure the mount in place. I have represented the faces of the eyes as flush with the faces of the band and the eyes are represented as of the full thickness of the band, this being the preferred construction.

Having thus described one illustrative embodiment of my invention, I desire it to be understood that although specific terms are employed, they are used in a generic and descriptive sense and not for purposes of limitation, the scope of the invention being set forth in the following claims.

Claims:

1. A symbol mount comprising a continuous symbol receiving band having a substan-

tially smooth back to be applied directly to the object to be marked and provided with opposite prong receiving eyes and a symbol having prongs penetrating said eyes and adapted also to penetrate the object to be marked, thereby constituting the means for securing the symbol to the band and the band to said object.

2. A symbol mount comprising a ring-like symbol receiving band having a substantially smooth back to be applied flatwise and directly to the object to be marked and provided with a plurality of opposite symbol receiving eyes at the inner edge of said band and substantially flush with the front face thereof, and a symbol having prongs at its opposite ends penetrating said eyes and adapted also to penetrate the object to be marked, thereby to secure the symbol to the band and also the band to the said object to be marked.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification, in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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