This invention relates to the attachment of an ornament to some article of apparel or some article carried about by a person such as a bag or the like. The object of it is for one of its objects the provision of means by which the ornament may be readily changed for a different ornament by a sales clerk in a retail establishment by simple manual manipulation and without the use of tools.

Another object of the invention is the provision of a device for removably mounting different ornaments and retaining these ornaments securely in position.

Another object of the invention is the provision of two slidably related parts having substantially duplicate mechanism by which one may interlock with the other when inserted in a desired relative position.

A further object of the invention is the provision of a construction for accomplishing these results which may be made from sheet stock by machine tool operations in large quantities and at a minimum cost for material and labor.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, as will be more fully described, and particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

In the accompanying drawings:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a handbag showing my improved ornament as mounted thereon, which ornament also serves to assist in the retaining of the bag in closed position.

Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the ornament as moved to a position to release the cover of the bag.

Fig. 3 is a sectional view through the front portion of the bag and the ornament on substantially line 3—3 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the permanently mounted member of my device.

Fig. 5 is a perspective view of the other member of my device attached to an ornament.

Fig. 6 is a perspective view showing the members of Figs. 4 and 5 in assembled position with the member shown in Fig. 4 as attached to a fragmental portion of material upon which it is mounted.

Fig. 7 is the bottom plan view of the member illustrated in perspective in Fig. 5.

Fig. 8 is a bottom plan view of the assembly shown in Fig. 6.

Fig. 9 is a sectional view on line 9—9 of Fig. 8.

Fig. 10 is a perspective view illustrating the device as mounted in a different position on a bag frame and in a position to assist in the functioning of a cam lock.

Fig. 11 is a perspective view of an ornament of the type which could be used with the device when mounted in a position such as shown in Fig. 10, as a modified form which may be used in various positions.

In the use of ornaments on personal apparel, hand bags and the like, it is desirable to provide the initial of one's name for identification, and in order that the retail merchant need not carry goods in stock having all of the initials thereon, I have provided an arrangement whereby merely a stock of the initials or ornaments need be carried and when the customer makes a selection for purchase the sales clerk may remove the initial present on the bag and replace it with a different initial or ornament such as desired without the use of tools or any special equipment, or in case other characters than initials are desired, the same may be utilized in a similar manner, and I have also arranged my construction such that it may be used to function as a portion of the device for securing the bag in closed position when desired, and the following is a detailed description of the present embodiment of this invention illustrating the preferred means by which these advantageous results may be accomplished.

With reference to the drawing I have provided a member 14 formed of flat sheet stock having body portion 15 with its opposite edges 16 and 17 rolled inwardly to provide a slidable 18 beneath them to slidably receive a slide member or plate 19 therein to retain it against a movement away from and at right angles to the surface of the sheet metal body portion 15. These members are slid into engaging position by the edges of the plate 19 sliding under the inturned edges 16 and 17 and are held against sliding apart by interlocking latch and catch means.

The latch consists of a tongue 20 cut and raised from the sheet stock of the body 15. This tongue is formed with square shoulders 21 and a rounded finger portion 22 which serves as a handle and may be engaged for manually depressing this tongue or latch against its inherent resiliency to move upwardly as viewed in Fig. 4 by reason of it being deflected from the plane of the body 15. The catch is also formed by a tongue 23 cut and deflected from the sheet stock plate 19. This tongue also has square shoulder portions 24 and is a substantial duplicate of the tongue 20. The stock from which this tongue is raised leaves square shoulder abutments 25 on opposite sides of the tongue which provide a catch.
means so that when the plate 19 is slid beneath the inwardly rolled edges 16 and 17 to a certain position, the latch 20 will move upwardly by reason of its resilient tension in the space left by the tongue or latch which will engage the abutments 25 forming the catch in the plate 19 and will prevent those members from being slid apart, although when desired the finger may engage the portion 22 of the latch 20 and depress the same moving the abutments 21 and 25 out of engagement and out of the same plane permitting the two members to be slid apart for the insertion of a different but like member having a different ornament attached thereto.

One of these members is permanently mounted in position and I have chosen to mount the member 14 having the slideawy therein permanently upon the bag or article of apparel, and for this purpose I have shown this member in Fig. 4 as provided with prongs 26 cut from the stock of the plate and bent downwardly to leave openings 27 which prongs may extend through the portion 28 of the bag and through openings 29 in a backing plate 30 to be bent back over the same as at 31. This member may be similarly secured on any portion of the bag or upon any article of wearing apparel for the reception of the cooperating plate member 19 which has an ornament 32 secured thereto.

In the showing in Figs. 1 to 8 inclusive the ornament 32 is hingedly mounted to the plate 19 by means of ears 33 swingable around a suitable pivot 34 and is urged in certain positions toward the plate 19 by a spring 35 acting upon an eccentrically located portion 36 formed on the hinge mounting 37 provided on the plate 19. I have also mounted a pin 38 upon the resilient portion or tongue of the plate 19 so that when the member 19 is slid into engagement with the member 14 and locked therein as above described there will project the pin 38 which may extend through an opening 39 in the cover 40 of the bag, which opening is reinforced by an eyelet 41, so that the edge of the cover 40 may be positioned between the plate 19 and ornament 32 with this projection 38 extending through the opening 39 and the ornament swung into closed position to contact with the pin 38 in which position it will be held by reason of the spring 35 and the bag cover will be secured in closed position. If it is desired by the retail sales merchant to replace the ornament or initial with a different ornament or initial it is merely necessary to open the bag, force inwardly the latch 20 by reaching the finger into engagement therewith and when this latch is depressed the slide 19 with the initial attached thereto may be readily removed by sliding the same outwardly from beneath the intertwined edges 16 and 17 and a different initial or ornament may be assembled with the bag by this simple and quick operation.

In some cases I may use the member 14 upon the corner of a bag where no securing means is necessary and in this instance I will prefer to use an ornament 42 having a plate 19 and gear 43 therewith and will provide flanges 44 about the periphery of the ornament so that it will be necessary to spring the plate and flanges outwardly slightly during the insertion of the plate 19 beneath the intertwined edges 16 and 17 of the member 14 whereby when in position and released, the flanges 41 will engage the surrounding surface of a bag or the like and prevent rocking movement of the ornament and thus secure-
being permanently mounted upon some part to which it is desired the ornament be removably applied, and cooperating means on said members comprising a resilient latch cut and lifted from the stock of one member and provided with square shoulder abutments, and a catch on the other member for engagement with said abutments to removably secure said members together.

4. An ornament retaining device comprising two separable members one member being a flat plate and the other member a plate with its edges rolled to provide a slideway to receive said flat plate member, one member being secured to an ornament and the other member being permanently mounted upon some part to which it is desired the ornament be removably applied, and cooperating means on said members comprising an integral resilient latch on one member and a resilient latch formed by rolling the edges of the stock thereof and of a size to slidably receive the other member and a resilient latch cut and lifted from the stock of one member and provided with square shoulder abutments, and a catch on the other member for engagement with said abutments to removably secure said members together.

5. An ornament retaining device comprising two separable metal members shaped to slidably fit one within the other member being secured to an ornament and the other member being permanently mounted upon some part to which it is desired the ornament be removably applied, and cooperating means on said members comprising a resilient latch on one member and a catch on the other member each formed by cutting and deflecting portions of the stock to provide abutment surfaces whereby the abutments of said catch will engage the abutments of said latch to secure said members together.

6. An ornament retaining device comprising two separable members, one member being secured to an ornament and the other member being permanently mounted upon some part to which it is desired the ornament be removably applied, and cooperating means on said members comprising substantially duplicate tongues cut from said members located to one overlie the other, said tongues having square shoulders to provide abutments and leave surrounding abutments in the stock from which the tongues are cut, said tongues being sprung out of the plane of the stock of said members and the shoulder abutments on the tongue of one member engaging the abutments formed in the stock by the cutting of the shoulders of the other tongue therefrom.

7. An ornament retaining device comprising two separable sheet metal members, one member being secured to an ornament and the other member being permanently mounted upon some part to which it is desired the ornament be removably applied, and cooperating means on said members comprising a slideway on one member of a size to slidably receive the other member, and a resilient latch on one member formed by cutting out and deflecting portions of the stock and a catch on the other member formed by cutting out portions of the stock to leave abutment surfaces to engage said latch to secure said members together.

8. An ornament retaining device comprising two separable members, one member being secured to an ornament and the other member being permanently mounted upon some part to which it is desired the ornament be removably applied, and cooperating means on said members comprising a slideway on one member of a size to slidably receive the other member and a resilient latch cut and lifted from the stock of one member and provided with square shoulder abutments, and a catch on the other member for engagement with said abutments to removably secure said members together.

9. An ornament retaining device comprising two separable members, one member being secured to an ornament and the other member being permanently mounted upon some part to which it is desired the ornament be removably applied, and cooperating means on said members comprising a slideway on one member of a size to slidably receive the other member and a resilient latch cut and lifted from the stock of one member and provided with square shoulder abutments, and a catch on the other member for engagement with said abutments to removably secure said members together.

10. An ornament retaining device comprising two separable members, one member being secured to an ornament and the other member being permanently mounted upon some part to which it is desired the ornament be removably applied, and cooperating means on said members comprising a slideway on one member formed by rolling the edges of the stock thereof and of a size to slidably receive the other member, and a resilient latch formed by cutting and deflecting the stock of one member and the shoulder abutments on the tongue of one member engaging the abutments formed in the stock by cutting of the shoulders of the other tongue therefrom.

11. An ornament retaining device comprising two sheet metal members, means on one member to secure it to an ornament, means on the other member to permanently secure it to some part to which it is desired the ornament be removably applied, and cooperating means on said members comprising a slideway on one member formed by cutting out and deflecting portions of the stock and a catch on the other member formed by cutting out and deflecting portions of the stock to leave abutment surfaces to engage said latch to secure said members together.

12. An ornament retaining device comprising two sheet metal members, one member being a flat plate and the other member a plate with its edges rolled to provide a slideway to receive the said first flat plate member, means on one member to secure it to an ornament, means on the other member to permanently secure it to some part to which it is desired the ornament be removably applied, one of the members having a portion cut and raised from the sheet stock thereof to form a resilient tongue, the other member having a portion cut and raised from the sheet stock thereof to form a resilient tongue, the other member having a portion cut and raised from the sheet stock thereof to form a resilient tongue.
member having a portion cut from the stock thereof to provide an edge with which said tongue engages to secure the members in locked relation, and a finger piece on said tongue to move the same to unlocked relation.

14. An ornament retaining device comprising two sheet metal members, one member being a flat plate and the other member a plate with its edges rolled to provide a slideway to receive the said first flat plate member, means on one member to secure it to an ornament, means on the other member to permanently secure it to some part to which it is desired the ornament be removably applied, a slideway on one member to slidably receive the other member, one of the members having a portion cut and raised from the sheet stock thereof with square shoulders to form a resilient tongue with abutments, the other member having a portion cut from the stock thereof and shaped to provide an edge with which the abutments of said tongue engage to secure the members in locked relation.

15. An ornament retaining device comprising two sheet metal members, means on one member to secure it to an ornament, means on the other member to permanently secure it to some part to which it is desired the ornament be removably applied, a slideway on one member to slidably receive the other member, one of the members having a portion cut and raised from the sheet stock thereof with square shoulders to form a resilient tongue with abutments, the other member having a portion cut from the stock thereof and shaped to provide an edge with which the abutments of said tongue engage to secure the members in locked relation, and a finger piece on said tongue to move the same to unlocked relation.

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