This invention relates to a bag handle; and has for one of its objects the provision of an ornamental member which incorporates in a simple construction a securing device for holding the handle in place.

Another object of the invention is the simplification of such ornamental plate and securing device by the forming of the same from a single piece of material, thus providing a device which is more simply constructed and also one which is more simply handled in assembling the handle on the bag.

Another object of the invention is the provision of a device which may be assembled from the outside of the bag rather than endeavoring to hold a part within the bag to be secured thereto.

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 drawing:

Fig. 1 is an elevation of the hand bag equipped with this invention;

Fig. 2 is a section on line 2—2 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the ornament and securing device;

Fig. 4 is a perspective view looking at the opposite side of the device;

Fig. 5 is a perspective view showing a bag handle clamped in position;

Fig. 6 is a perspective view similar to Fig. 4 but showing a modified form in that the shape of the outline of the device is different.

Bag handles are secured in place on bags in various ways which involve assembly operations of several parts, and compared to the present invention more complicated structures have been used for securing the bag handle in position; and in order to provide a simple construction which will involve fewer assembly operations, I have formed from a single piece of metal the ornament and clamping means for the handle and also a means for securing this member on the bag; and the following is a more 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, 10 designates a hand bag and 11 a handle which is secured thereto at its opposite end portions 12 and 13. The means for securing these ends to the bag comprise a simple sheet metal structure, as will presently be described.

This sheet metal securing device comprises an ornamental plate or portion 14 having a beveled marginal edge with rearwardly extending flanges along these marginal edges which are designated 15 at the top, 16 at the sides and 17 at the bottom, and from these flanges there extend some suitable securing means for mounting the ornament upon the bag 10. Spurs 18 are a convenient means for accomplishing this purpose and consist of two such spurs on either side of flange 16 extending rearwardly therefrom. An opening 19 is formed in the plate 14 which is so located as to extend to the marginal edge 20 of the plate 14 and into the flange 15 by reason of the notch or recess 21 in this flange.

End portion 12 of the handle extends through this opening 19 which is of a size to snugly fit and lie in the notch 21 forming a part of the opening 19. This end portion 12 is bound firmly in position by a finger 22 which is formed integral with the flange 17 and has a serrated or notched edge 23 which is curved inwardly as at 24 so that as it is rolled toward the back of the plate 14 it binds the end portion 12 against the back of the plate 14 and securely locks it in position, see Figs. 2 and 5.

The spurs are passed through the wall 25 of the bag 10 and bent over as at 26, see Fig. 2, to hold the device securely in position on the bag and snugly against its outer surface. In order that a more pleasing appearance may be had the flanges 15 may be tapered, as shown in Figs. 2, 3, 4 and 5, with a wider flange 17 at the bottom and a narrower flange 15 at the top, thus more desirably conforming to a streamlined appearance of the anchor for the handle 11 than were these flanges of uniform dimension around the periphery of the ornamental plate 14.

It will be readily apparent that the shape of the plate 14 may be varied, one such shape being a circular plate 28, as shown in Fig. 6, which will have a flange 29 extending therefrom which will be tapered with a wider portion 30 opposite the edge 31 of the opening 32. The locking finger 33 will be provided on the edge of the wide portion of the flange for securing the end of the handle firmly in position. Spurs 34 are formed for holding the device against the bar.

In assembly, the device with the end of the handle positioned through the opening will be placed against the bag with the spurs protruding through the front wall 25 and then a closing or pressing operation is performed to at one time fold in and secure the finger against the end portion of the handle and the prongs or spurs
against the inner surface of the wall 25 of the bag. By this arrangement flanges 15, 16 and 17 will lie snugly against the bag closing in and hiding the secured end of the handle to the bag and also providing the necessary space for the accommodation of the end of the handle between the front plate 14 and the bag.

The foregoing description is directed solely towards the construction illustrated, but I desire it to be understood that I reserve the privilege of resorting to all the mechanical changes to which the device is susceptible, the invention being defined and limited only by the terms of the appended claims.

I claim:

1. A handle trimming comprising an ornamental plate having an opening therein through which the handle extends, a flange about said marginal edge of said plate, said opening extending to the edge of said plate and into the marginal flange along said edge, a clamping finger integral with said plate for binding the handle to it, and means to secure said plate to a support.

2. In combination with a bag, a handle trimming comprising an ornamental plate having an opening therein, a handle extending through said opening, a flange about the marginal edge of said plate, said opening extending to the edge of said plate and into the marginal flange along such edge, a clamping finger integral with said plate for binding the handle to it, and means to secure said plate to a support, said flange being of relative narrow dimension adjacent said opening and of wider dimension at a point spaced therefrom.

3. In combination with a bag, a handle trimming comprising an ornamental portion having an opening therethrough, a peripheral flange extending rearwardly from said portion with its edge engaging the bag and providing a space for the reception of the handle end, said flange being of relative narrow dimension at one edge and of wider dimension at a point spaced therefrom, a handle having its end portion extending through said opening and located between said ornamental portion and the bag, a clamping finger integral with said ornamental portion binding the handle in position at the location of the wider dimension of said flange, and means to secure said trimming to said bag.

4. In combination with a bag, a handle trimming comprising an ornamental portion having an opening therethrough, a peripheral flange extending rearwardly from said portion with its edge engaging said bag and being of somewhat wider dimension at one location to increase the space for the handle, a handle having its end portion extending through said opening and located between said ornamental portion and the bag, and a finger integral with said ornamental portion rolled in the direction of the extent of the handle from said trimming to bind the handle in position at the location of the wider dimension of said flange, and means to secure said trimming to said bag.

5. In combination with a bag, a handle trimming comprising an ornamental portion having an opening therethrough, a peripheral flange extending completely about and rearwardly from said portion with its edge engaging the bag and providing a space for the reception of the handle end, a handle having its end portion extending through said opening and located between said ornamental portion and the bag, a clamping finger integral with said ornamental portion, rolled into engagement with the handle for binding the handle in position, and prongs on the flange to secure said trimming to said bag.

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