To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, EVERETT D. GUDGEL and MATT M. COREY, citizens of the United States of America, and residents of Chicago, county of Cook, and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Stamp Mounts and Indexes, of which the following is a specification.

Our invention relates to a stamp mount and index for rubber stamps, and has for its object improvement in such devices.

In the accompanying drawings—
Fig. 1 is an end elevation; Fig. 2 is a central longitudinal section; Fig. 3 is a section on line 2—3 of Fig. 2; Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the stamp mount with the screw secured thereto; Fig. 5 is a similar view of the card holder; and Fig. 6 is a view of the index card.

The mount proper is a rectangular box 10 which is open below for the reception of a rubber die, and is closed on the other sides. It is made of sheet metal by bending downward the four sides of a rectangular sheet so as to form a rectangular box to serve as a receptacle.

The base of the box, which is in fact the upper side of the device, has a central perforation of oval shape, and the metal adjacent to that perforation is pushed upward to form a pocket adapted to receive the head 11 of the screw 12, as shown in Fig. 2. The screw is of slightly larger diameter next to the head than farther out. After the screw is put in place, the box is set over an anvil which bears against the inner face of the box and serves as a support for the screw with the bottom of its head level with the metal of the box. In this condition, a die is forced downward over the screw so as to upset the larger diameter thereof in the oval hole and form a bead 13 which is over and in firm contact with the conical portion 14 of the box 10. As so constructed, the screw is firmly secured to the box by the conical portion 14 being clamped between the head 11 and bead 13, both of which are integral with the screw 12, and is held from turning by the upset which fills the oval hole.

On the top of the box is a card holder 15 having a central hole 16 to fit over the screw 12. The sides of this holder are bent upward and over to form lips 17 which furnish card holding channels. The width of the card holder is preferably about equal to the width of the box 10. The length of the card holder is a little greater than the length of the box, and has its ends bent downward as shown at 18 to fit and embrace the box. When the holder is placed over the box with its hole over the screw and its lips 18 fitting the ends of the box, the bearing of said lips on the box prevent the holder being skewed with respect to the box. That is, the hole 16 lining the screw 12 centrally locates the holder, and the lips 18 keep the box and holder parallel with each other.

The index or card 19 has a hole 20 which corresponds to the hole 16, and said card is of a size which will enable it to fit into the channels formed by the lips 17. There is also furnished a sheet 21 of celluloid which is of the same size and shape as the card 19, and has a similar hole therein.

In assembling the device, the card, with the celluloid sheet over it, is placed in the holder, and the holder is then placed on the screw. These parts are then held in place by screwing the handle 22 down on the screw so as to clamp the holder and its contents to the box. The manner in which the screw is secured to the mount holds it firmly against turning when the handle, which serves as a nut, is screwed upon it or is removed for the purpose of changing the index card.

What we claim is:—
1. In a stamp mount, a box formed of sheet metal so as to have one side open, and a screw inserted in a hole in the metal of the side opposite the open side, said screw having a head formed thereon by upsetting part of the metal thereof so as to clamp the metal of the box between the head of the screw and said head.

2. In a device of the class described, a rectangular sheet of metal arranged to be attached to and removed from a stamp mount, opposite edges on two sides of said sheet being turned up to form a card holding channel and the other two opposite edges being turned down to embrace corresponding parts of the mount so as to prevent the sheet from turning with respect to the mount.

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