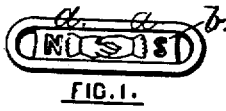


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, VIRGIL DRAPER, of North Attleborough, in the county of Bristol and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new Design for Chain-Links; and I hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

Figure 1 is a view of one side of my newly-designed chain-link. Fig. 2 is the view of the reverse side of my newly-designed chain-link.

The nature of my design is fully represented in the accompanying drawing, to which reference is made, and consists in an oblong chain-link, *a*, provided with rounded ends, the central portion being filled with a panel or block, *b*. On one side of this central panel the word "Centennial" is stamped, engraved, enameled, or otherwise formed, and on the other side of the same panel two clasped hands, and the letters N and S, on each side of the clasped hands, are formed by stamping, casting, engraving, or enameling. The border is formed of the raised link *a*, and the block or panel extends to, or nearly to, the rounded end of the link. The whole forms a new and unique design, emblematic of the union of the North and South in the Centennial year.

I am aware that oblong chain-links used for watch or other chains have been before designed, and also that such links have been provided with blocks or panels; but such chain-links were not made with panels extending to, or nearly to, the rounded ends, nor were such panels before ornamented in the manner shown in my present design.

In constructing a chain of these links, I prefer to arrange the same so that the side shown in Fig. 1 alternates with the design shown in Fig. 2; but I do not consider such an arrangement an essential element in my design.

Having thus fully described my newly-designed chain-link, I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, as my invention—

The design for a chain-link, in which the link forms a border surrounding a panel, on one side of which is the word "Centennial," and on the opposite side are two clasped hands and the letters N and S, all substantially as and for the purpose described.

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