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Undated Harden catalog ad, p. 13, showing a "Series 16" hexagonal escutcheon base.

1985 Delta catalog ad showing a lever handle.

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a handle, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

In a preferred embodiment, the nature of this product is as a plumbing handle which is primarily useful for controlling a rotatable valve stem.

FIG. 1 is a left, top, front perspective view of a handle embodying my new design;

FIG. 2 is a front elevational view thereof, the rear elevational view being a mirror image of the front elevational view shown;

FIG. 3 is a left side elevational view thereof;

FIG. 4 is a right side elevational view thereof;

FIG. 5 is a top plan view thereof; and,

FIG. 6 is a bottom plan view thereof.

The broken line representation of a mounting structure in FIG. 6 is for the purpose of illustration only, and forms no part of the claimed design.

**1 Claim, 1 Drawing Sheet**



