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HANDBAG

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FIG. 1

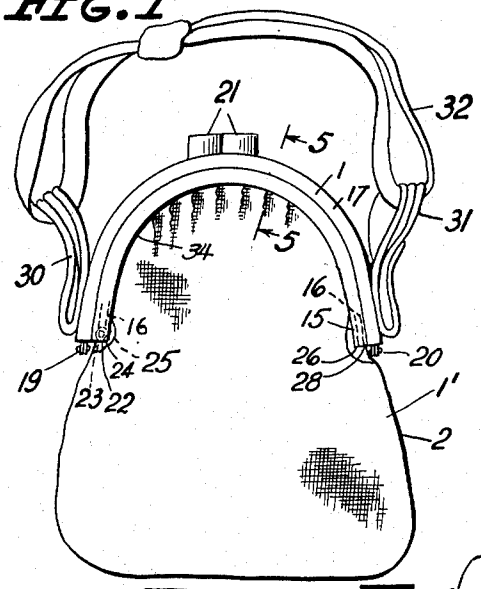


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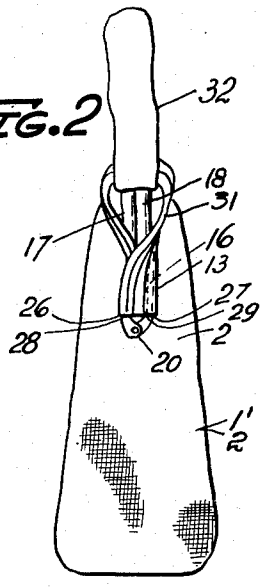


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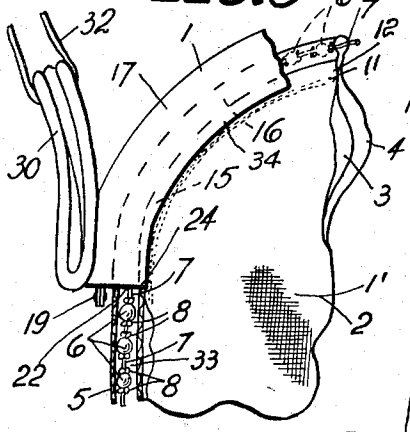


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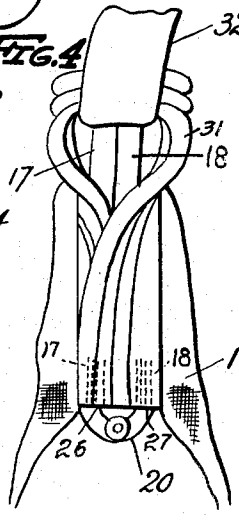


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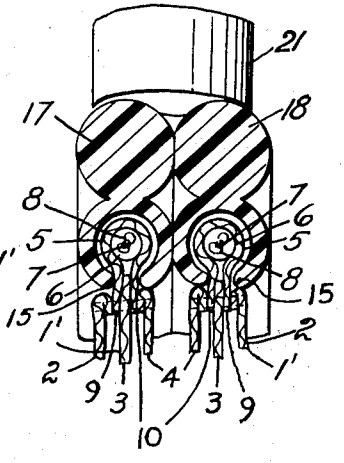
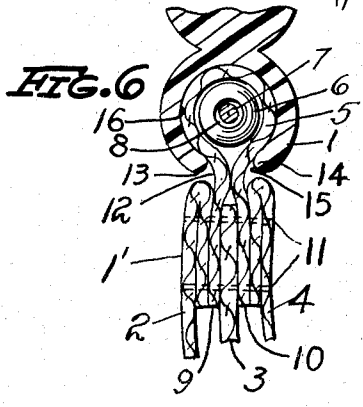


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My invention relates to a hand bag having a detachable hinged frame and particularly to the beading along the upper edge of the bag and the cooperating grooves in the frame into which the beaded edge of the bag is easily inserted or removed.

Among the purposes and objects are to provide a hinged frame having a continuous groove and slit open at the ends to receive the beaded upper edge of the bag opening.

Another object is to provide a frame for detachably securing the bag so that the beaded edge of the bag opening may be fed into the grooves and slit of the two parts of the frame at or near the hinge which connects the swingable parts of the frame.

Another object is to provide a beaded marginal edge for the opening in the bag which will permit the marginal edge to be gathered or pleated when assembled in place in the hand bag frame.

An object is to provide a frame for hand bags having hinges at each side of the bag and a slit and enlarged groove for the beaded edge of the bag; the groove and slit being open at the hinge to receive and detachably secure the bag to the frame which is curved substantially from one hinge to the other.

I accomplish these and other objects by the construction herein described and shown in the drawing in which similar reference characters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

In the drawing:

Fig. 1 is a front elevational view of my hand bag.

Fig. 2 is an end elevation.

Fig. 3 is a fragmentary detail showing how the beaded hem or marginal top edge of the bag portion is fed into one of the grooves and slit of one of the frame parts.

Fig. 4 is a fragmentary detail taken at right angles from Fig. 3.

Fig. 5 is a sectional detail taken at 5—5, Fig. 1.

Fig. 6 is a sectional view of one of the frame parts and one of the tubular hems and the parts of the bag portion secured thereto.

My hand bag and frame is particularly suited to hand bags having a bag portion of pliable material such as fabric, leather or material which may be easily gathered to conform to the frame and to permit the marginal edge of the opening, which is detachably secured to the frame, to be formed into a substantially tubular hem into which the beading is concealed, and which is

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preferably provided with a plurality of beads held apart in spaced relationship so that the marginal hem may be compressed, gathered or pleated to facilitate feeding the beaded edge of the bag into the open end of the groove and slit and also to adapt the bag and its opening to conform to the curved frame between its two side hinges.

The length of the beaded edge of the bag is substantially longer than the groove and slit into which it is fed or the entire beaded periphery of the bag, if continuous, is longer than the two hinged parts of the frame when the parts are assembled.

I have not attempted herein to show all possible modifications of my invention but rather have described and shown in detail a preferred embodiment so that one skilled in the art to which this invention pertains may more readily understand the construction. Modifications may suggest themselves after a study of this, my disclosure.

The preciseness of the detailed description and the preciseness of the drawings are not intended to limit the scope of my invention which is set forth in the appended claims.

Referring to the drawings, in which similar characters refer to similar parts, the hand bag has a frame 1 and the bag portion 1' which is shown as having an outer cover 2, a filler 3 and a lining 4, the cover 2 and lining 4 are turned over and inward to receive the tubular beaded hem 5 in which the beads 6 are spaced apart and strung on the string 7 which is knotted at 8 to hold the beads apart.

The edges 9 and 10 of the tubular hem 5 are spaced apart to receive the filler 3 and all are secured together by the rows of stitching 11.

The material of the hem 5 is a double thickness only at the neck 12 above the filler and turned-over cover and lining to slidably engage the edges 13 and 14 at each side of the slit 15 which is substantially narrower than the enlarged inner groove 16 which is of a sufficient diameter internally to permit the beads within the tubular hem and the hem to freely slide within and throughout the length of the groove and slot in the parts 17 and 18 of the frame portion 1.

I have shown the parts of the frame 1 as hinged to each other by the hinges 19 and 20, at each side of the bag. The hinge 19, at one side, is disposed at or near the open ends 22 and 23 of the grooves 16 and 24 and 25 of the slits 15. The grooves and slits may be open at both ends or near the hinge 20 as at 26 and 27 and 28 and 29; near or at the hinge at the opposite side of the

bag. The parts 17 and 18 of the frame portion 1 are detachably secured to each other, when closed, in the usual manner by the snap clasp 21.

Near each hinge I have provided the loops or eyes 30 and 31 for the carrying strap 32.

The bag portion is easily attached or detached to or from the frame portion by starting the first bead on each side of the side centerline of the bag at one side of the frame and thereby feeding the successive beads into the groove until the first beads arrive at each side of the centerline at the opposite side or end of the grooves and slits and all of the beads have entered their respective grooves 16.

The space 33 between the beads is sufficient to permit the tubular hem and adjacent parts secured to it along the top periphery of the bag portion, to be gathered, compressed or otherwise made to conform to the portion 34 disposed between the ends of the frame at each side of the bag. The frame parts 18 and 17, and their intermediate parts 34 are preferably curved so that the beads may be easily fed from one end to the other thus to secure the beaded tubular hem and the upper periphery of the bag, its opening, to the frame parts. The bag may be easily removed by reversing the above-described feeding process; by withdrawing the beads successively out of the open ends of the grooves.

It will be apparent that many advantages may be accomplished by easy removal of the bag portion from the frame portion; such as, worn out bags may be discarded without the loss of an elegant, expensive frame, the bag may be cleaned or laundered. Bags of various shapes and colors may be secured to the same frame thus to change the appearance, and many other uses as well as modifications may be made to suit them without departing from the principles underlying my invention.

The size and material of the parts of my invention may be changed to best suit the particular use to which it is adapted.

Having thus described a preferred embodiment of my invention what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is set forth in the following claim.

I claim:

A bag for a pair of hinged frames each curved a substantial part of its length and having a slit and enlarged groove for receiving the open top of the bag, the slits and grooves in both frames of said pair of frames being open at both ends and spaced apart as between the open ends of the grooves and slits in one frame and the open ends of the grooves and slits in the other frame, said bag comprising a tubular hem and a single string of beads in said hem spaced apart a distance greater than the distance between said open ends of said grooves and slits in one frame and said open ends of the grooves and slits in the other frame, whereby any two beads in said string of beads may be fed into said open ends at one end of said frames simultaneously and the remaining beads in said string of beads is divided into equal numbers as the beads are fed progressively into said open ends.

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