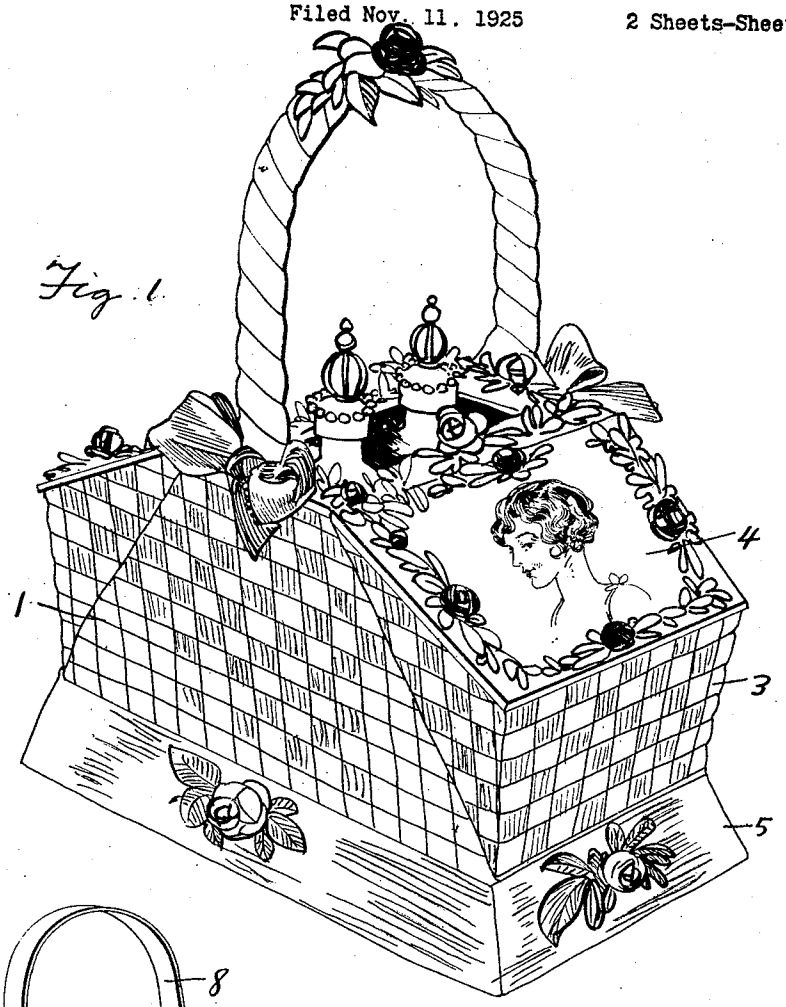
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Fig. 1.



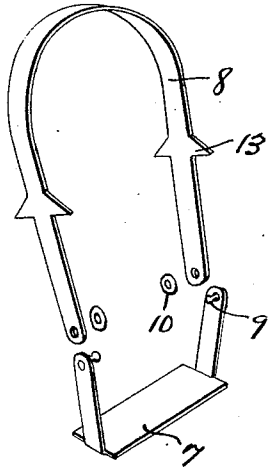
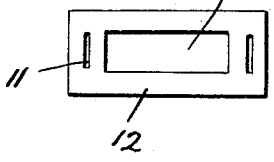


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Fig. 2.

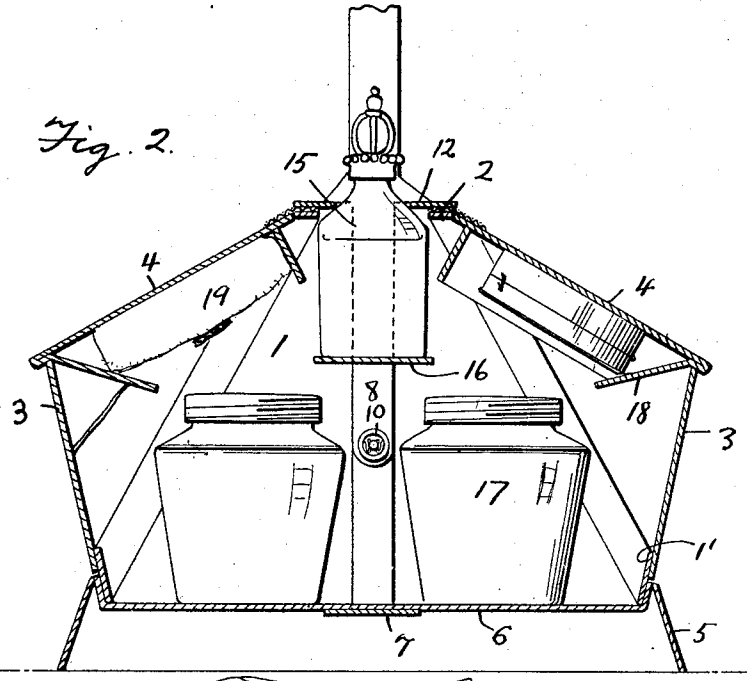
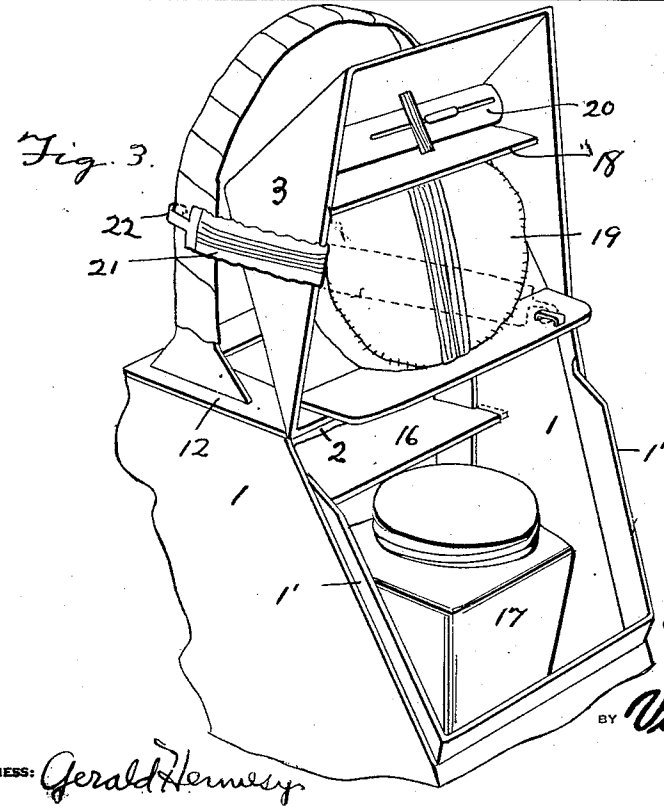


Fig. 3.



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DISPLAY BASKET.

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This invention relates to a basket, the general object of the invention being to provide a basket of attractive appearance and which is so constructed that various articles can be placed in different parts thereof so that the articles will be readily accessible when the cover or covers of the basket is open. The basket can be used for holding toilet preparations, candy and the like.

Another object of the invention is to provide means whereby the basket can hold a bottle or bottles of perfume, with the top projecting through the top of the basket, so that the perfume can be taken from the bottle without opening the basket.

A further object of the invention is to make the handle and an ornamental portion of the basket removable, so that these parts can be substituted for others of different kinds and shapes, when desired.

This invention also consists in certain other features of construction and in the combination and arrangement of the several parts, to be hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings and specifically pointed out in the appended claims.

In describing my invention in detail, reference will be had to the accompanying drawings wherein like characters denote like or corresponding parts throughout the several views, and in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the basket.

Figure 2 is a vertical sectional view.

Figure 3 is a perspective view of part of the basket showing the same in open position.

Figure 4 is a view of the handle arrangement.

Figure 5 is a view of the detachable plate for carrying the flowers.

As shown in these views, the body of the basket is formed of the two sides 1, each of which is of substantially triangular shape, with its point cut-away at the top. A top piece 2 connects the upper portions of the sides together. The ends of the body are open but are adapted to be closed by the covers 3, each of which has a sloping top 4 and a substantially straight outer side. The side edges of each cover are beveled to engage the sloping edges of the sides 1 which are provided with the flanges 1′ to be overlapped by the covers. These covers are hinged to the top piece 2. A base 5 supports the bottom 6 of the body in spaced relation to the surface upon which the basket is placed. A stirrup shaped member 7 is placed under the center of the bottom 6 with its upright pieces passing through holes in the bottom and engaging the inner walls of the side pieces. A U-shaped handle 8 has its extremities pivoted to the member 7 by the pins 9 which are adapted to receive the snap fasteners 10 so that the handle is detachably connected with the stirrup member. The limbs of said handle pass through slots formed in the top piece and through slots 11 formed in a plate 12 which rests upon the top piece. The handle is provided with the projections 13 which rest upon the plate 12 and act to hold it in position. The plate 12 is provided with an opening 14 which registers with a similar opening in the top piece. This plate is adapted to be ornamented with flowers or the like as shown in Figure 1 and the exposed part of the handle is also adapted to be ornamented with ribbons, flowers and the like.

By making the handle and the plate detachable, these parts can be removed and replaced by others to suit the taste of the user. The tops 4 of the covers can also have attached thereto a picture with an ornamental design, as shown in Figure 1. Other portions of the basket can be ornamented in various ways, as desired.

Bottles 15 are placed on a shelf 16 arranged in the center of the basket with the tops of the bottles extending through the opening 14 and plate 12 and the opening in the top piece. Thus the stoppers can be removed from the bottles and some of the contents taken from the bottles without opening the basket. Of course, if desired, a large bottle can be placed in the basket by omitting the shelf 16 with its top projecting through the openings. In this case, the bottle would rest directly on the bottom 6. Jars 17 of face cream and other toilet preparations may be placed in the basket and the covers 3 are divided by partitions 18 into chambers which may contain various articles, such as a powder puff 19, a lipstick 20, etc.

An elastic band 21 is attached to the inside of each cover and has a hook 22 thereon for engaging the handle to hold the cover in open position, as shown in Figure 3.

It is thought from the foregoing descrip-

tion that the advantages and novel features of my invention will be readily apparent.

I desire it to be understood that I may make changes in the construction and in the combination and arrangement of the several parts, provided that such changes fall within the scope of the appended claims.

What I claim is:—

1. A basket of the class described, comprising a body, hinged covers for the same, a handle, means for detachably connecting the handle with the body, and an ornamental top plate detachably held in position by the handle.

2. A basket of the class described, comprising a body, hinged covers for the same, an ornamental top plate, a handle having means for detachably holding the top plate in position, means for detachably connecting the handle with the body, the top of the basket and the top plate having openings therein so that bottles placed in the basket will extend through the openings and means for ornamenting various parts of the basket.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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