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LADY'S COMPACT

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Fig. 1.

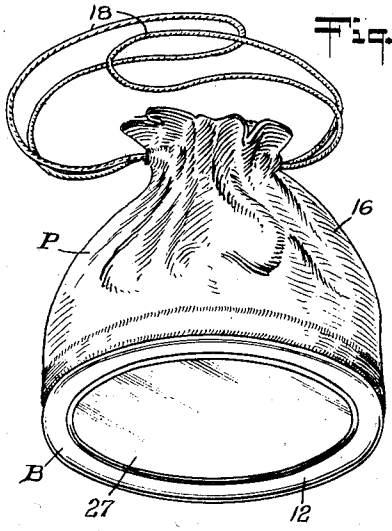


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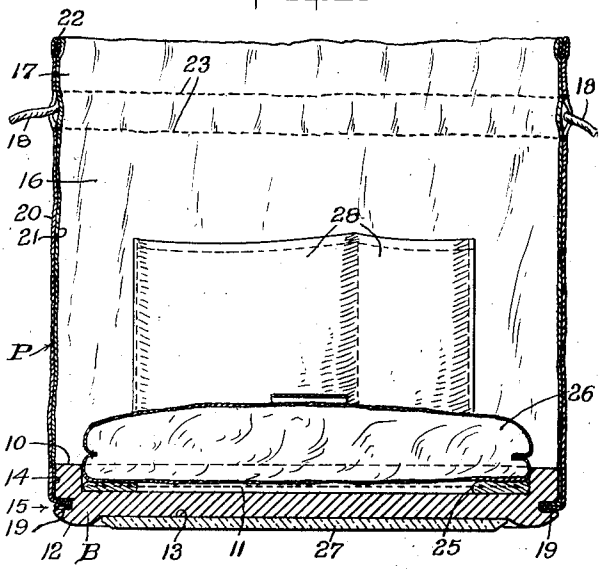


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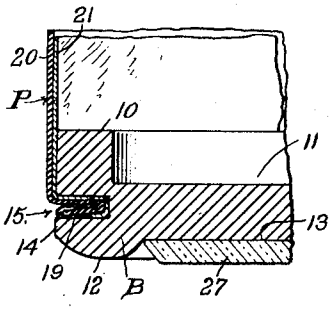


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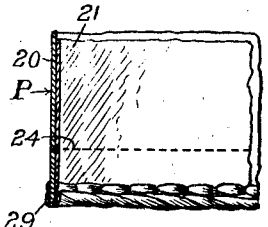


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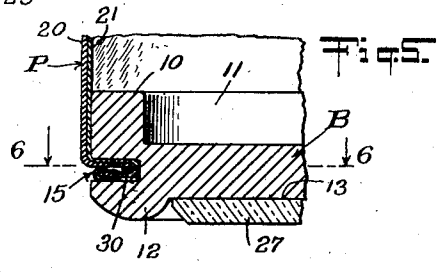
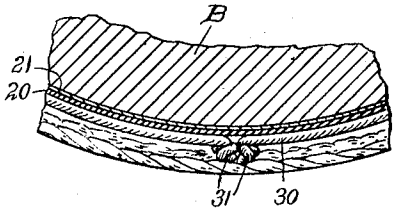


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This invention relates to a novel lady's compact.

The prime object of my present invention centers about the provision of a lady's compact which is fabricated without the use of any metal parts and which, nevertheless, presents a highly attractive and very serviceable lady's compact.

The current war, in placing metal on the so-called priority list, has resulted in the prevention of its use for the manufacture or fabrication of such non-essential war commodities as ladies' compacts or vanity cases. The most attractive types of compacts and vanity cases have been those which were fabricated either partly or wholly out of metal. Metal substitutes are not serviceable or acceptable for a product such as a lady's compact or vanity case, unless such a product can be made in a highly distinctive or attractive form. The object of my present invention resides in the provision of a lady's compact or vanity case made wholly of non-metallic materials and embodied in a form or constructional design which is distinctive and very attractive.

An ancillary object of my present invention relates to the provision of such a lady's compact or vanity case, which, in addition to the foregoing, satisfies the needs of manufacture and the conveniences of use such as the ability to manufacture the product in large quantities and at a reasonable cost and to make the same in a variety of colors and materials, and the ability to use the same in ways that are consonant with the customary use of the ordinary metallic type of compact and vanity case.

To the accomplishment of the foregoing and such other objects as may hereinafter appear, my invention relates to the lady's compact as hereinafter sought to be defined in the claims and as described in the specification taken with the accompanying drawing in which:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the compact of my present invention;

Fig. 2 is a vertical cross-sectional view thereof taken on an enlarged scale and showing the compact in an open condition;

Fig. 3 is a fragmentary cross-sectional view thereof taken on an enlarged scale;

Fig. 4 is another fragmentary cross-sectional view thereof;

Fig. 5 is a view similar to Fig. 3 but showing a modification; and

Fig. 6 is a fragmentary view taken in cross-section in the plane of the line 6—6 of Fig. 5.

Referring now more in detail to the drawing and having reference first to Figs. 1 and 2 thereof, the lady's compact of the present invention comprises a rigid bottom B and a pouch body P secured thereto, said rigid bottom B comprising a disc-shaped piece, made of wood or a suitable cast or molded plastic, shaped or formed as a powder and powder-puff container and as a holder or back for an external mirror, and the said pouch body P comprising a cylindrical piece made of a flexible material such as a suitable fabric or leather and forming the container and closure for the compact.

The rigid disc-shaped bottom piece B made as aforesaid out of some non-metallic material such as wood or a suitable plastic (cellulosic or phenolic or other type), is molded or shaped so that it is formed on its interior wall 10 with a cavity 11 defining a powder and powder-puff well, on its exterior wall 12 with a recess 13 for receiving a mirror, and on its peripheral wall 14 with a circumferential groove 15 for receiving the bottom of the pouch body P. To provide these parts, the interior wall 10 is hollowed to form a substantially cylindrical well cavity, the exterior wall 12 is recessed to a depth suitable for receiving a mirror and for forming a back therefor, and the peripheral wall 14 is suitably grooved to a depth sufficient for receiving and having secured therein the bottom edge of the flexible pouch P.

The flexible pouch body P comprises as aforesaid a cylindrical piece made of the suitable fabric material or of leather having a cylindrical body 16 provided at its upper end 17 with the draw-strings 18 and having a bottom edge 19 which is secured in the peripheral groove 15 by being stuffed into this groove in the manner best shown in Figs. 2 and 3 of the drawing. This pouch body consists of an outer fabric piece 20 and an inner fabric lining 21 stitched together at the top as at 22 and folded at this line of stitching, the said outer fabric piece and the inner fabric lining being also stitched together by the lines of stitching 23 which define the channel for the draw-strings 18. These pieces may also be stitched at their bottoms as by a line of stitching 24 close to the bottom edge, which is stuffed into the peripheral groove of the rigid bottom piece B.

The powder and powder-puff well 11 is deep enough to receive a powder sifter 25 and to seat the powder-puff 26 (see Fig. 2). Secured to the bottom of the recess 13 as by means of a suitable adhesive or the like, is the outwardly facing mirror 27. For receiving other vanity articles such as lipstick and the like, the inner lining 21

may be provided with the pockets 28, 28 formed by stitching a piece of fabric to the inner lining.

In the modification shown in Figs. 4 to 6 of the drawing, the bottom edge of the pouch body P, in addition to being stuffed into the circumferential groove 15 of the bottom B, is secured thereto by a locking string. The pouch body P having its bottom finished as at 29 is stuffed into the groove 15 together with a cord 30 having its opposite ends knotted as at 31, this cord being pushed, as clearly shown in Figs. 5 and 6 of the drawing, into the deepest part of the groove 15. The cord forms a secure locking element and is itself firmly held in position because of the knotted ends 31.

This compact may be made with a variety of materials and in a variety of colors to meet all of the tastes and needs of service. The fabric pouch bodies P may have their outer covers made of an attractive fabric such as silk or a flexible material such as leather, in any desired tint or shade and with suitable surface ornamentation. The rigid bottoms B, whether made of wood or of plastic, may be made to match any tint or shade. The parts may be quickly fabricated and assembled. Highly attractive compacts, saleable at a low figure, are thereby produced. The compacts may be readily opened and closed by actuating the draw-strings. When open, access may be had to the compact container and to the various parts thereof as shown in Fig. 2 of the drawing. After being closed as shown in Fig. 1 of the drawing, the pouch compact may be contracted and conveniently stored in a lady's handbag. The compact forms an efficient receptacle or container for the powder, the powder sifter and the powder-puff, as well as other articles such as lipstick and lipstick holders.

While I have shown my invention in the preferred forms, it will be obvious that many changes may be made therein without departing from the spirit of the invention defined in the following claims.

I claim:

1. A lady's compact comprising a rigid bottom and a pouch body, said rigid bottom comprising a disc-shaped piece hollowed on its interior wall to define a powder and powder-puff well, recessed on its exterior wall to receive a mirror and grooved on its peripheral wall to receive the bottom of the pouch body, a mirror secured in said recess, said pouch body comprising a cylindrical piece made of a flexible material having a draw-string at its top and having its bottom edge secured into the circumferential groove of said rigid bottom piece.

2. A lady's compact comprising a rigid bottom and a pouch body, said rigid bottom comprising a disc-shaped piece hollowed on its interior wall to define a powder and powder-puff well, recessed on its exterior wall to receive a mirror and grooved on its peripheral wall to receive the bottom of the pouch body, a sifter and powder-puff in said well, a mirror secured in said recess, said pouch body comprising a cylindrical piece made of a flexible material having a draw-string at its top and having its bottom edge secured into the circumferential groove of said rigid bottom piece.

3. A lady's compact comprising a rigid bottom and a pouch body, said rigid bottom comprising a disc-shaped piece formed on its interior wall with a cavity defining a powder and powder-puff well, on its exterior wall with a recess for receiving a mirror and on its peripheral wall with a circumferential groove, a mirror secured in said recess, said pouch body comprising a cylindrical piece made of a flexible material having a draw-string at its top and having its bottom edge secured into the circumferential groove of said rigid bottom piece, said pouch body consisting of an outer fabric piece and an inner fabric lining stitched thereto, the said lining having pockets for receiving lipstick or the like.

4. A lady's compact comprising a rigid bottom and a pouch body, said rigid bottom comprising a disc-shaped piece formed on its interior wall with a cavity defining a powder and powder-puff well, on its exterior wall with a recess for receiving a mirror and on its peripheral wall with a circumferential groove, a mirror secured in said recess, said pouch body comprising a cylindrical piece made of a flexible material having a draw-string at its top and having its bottom edge stuffed and secured into the circumferential groove of said rigid bottom piece, and a cord stuffed into said groove and additionally securing the pouch bottom edge in said groove.

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