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COMBINATION PARASOL HANDLE.

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Fig. 1.

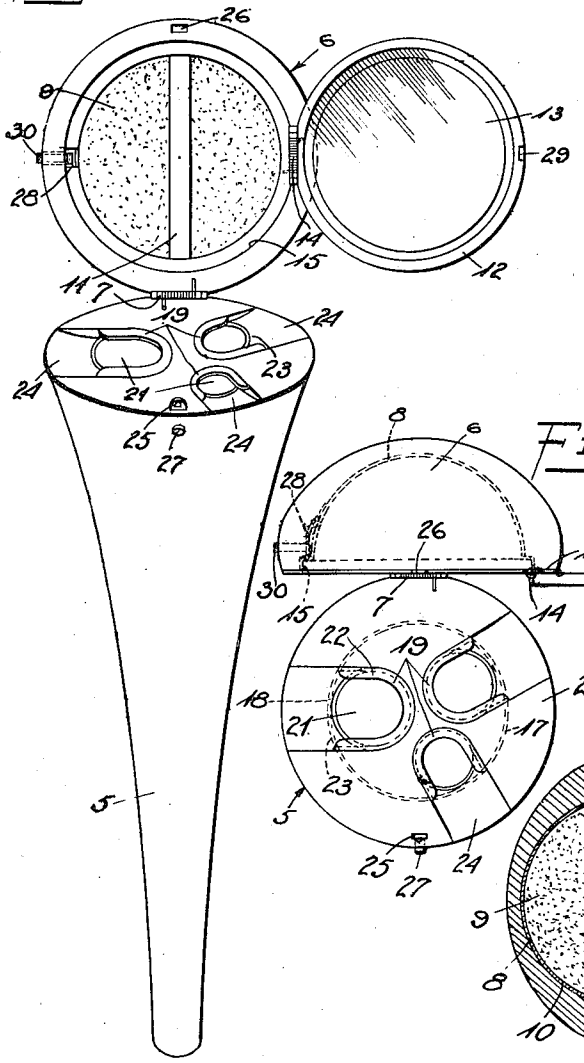


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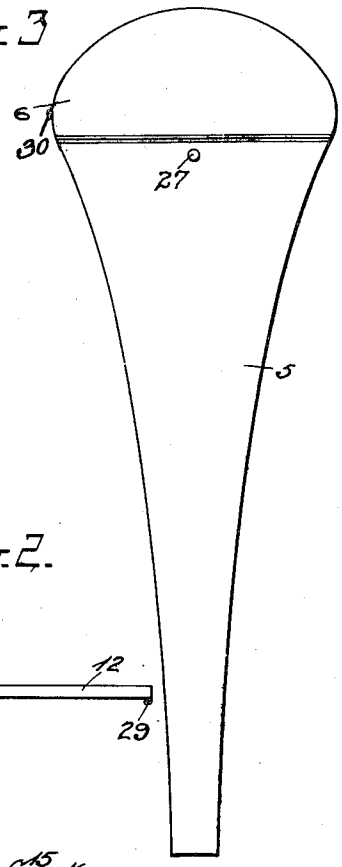
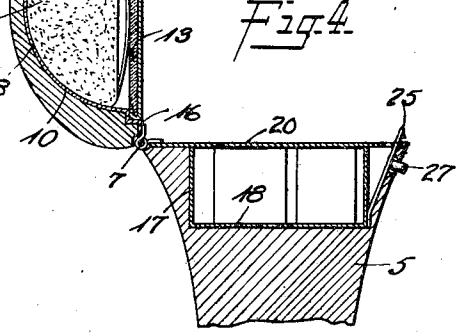


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DAVID REICH, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Combination Parasol-Handle, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to an improved parasol handle or the like, and the object thereof is to provide a combination parasol handle in which the handle forms a vanity case and is so fitted as to contain, in a novel way, a mirror, a powder puff and a coin case. The object of this arrangement is to bring together these accessories and so arrange them inside the handle of a parasol, umbrella or the like, as to save women a great deal of unnecessary inconvenience by having the several articles combined in one, thus permitting the user to have one hand entirely free while the other hand is used for holding the parasol or transporting the same, especially during the hot summer months, while at the same time permitting her to conveniently use the accessories of the vanity case as well as to have the powder puff, mirror and money all safely stored away in the parasol handle.

With the above and other objects in view, the invention resides in the peculiar combination and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter more fully illustrated, described and claimed, it being also an object to provide a device which is simple in construction, durable and efficient.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective elevation of a combination parasol handle constructed in accordance with my invention, with the parts in open position; Fig. 2 is a plan view thereof with the parts in the same positions; Fig. 3 is an elevation of the handle with the parts in closed position; and Fig. 4 is a vertical sectional view of the upper portion of the handle at right angles to the cap in Fig. 2 but with the mirror in closed position.

As illustrated in the drawings, the handle 5 which is enlarged toward its grasping portion or tapered toward its lower end where adapted for attachment to the staff, may be that of a parasol, umbrella or the like, as will be readily apparent. The grasping portion of the handle, which is of rounded form so as to be almost semispherical, is illustratively large and is severed to provide a cap or upper portion 6 which is hinged at a point of its surrounding edge to the edge of the handle proper by means of a spring hinge 7 which tends to hold the cap in an upright position at right angles to the upper end of the handle proper formed by severing the top portion as described.

The cap is hollowed out as shown at 8 to provide a semispherical interior compartment or chamber to receive a powder puff 9, the cap being interiorly lined or cased as shown at 10, forming a wall for pivotally connecting the cap to the handle portion proper by the hinge heretofore described. The powder puff may be of wool or other desirable material such as felt, and as shown is of semispherical form to fit the inner contour of the compartment and provided with a ribbon or tape 11 attached to diametrically opposite portions of the edge thereof to form a handle for grasping or holding the powder puff when it is desired to use it. In fact, the powder is deposited in the compartment or the puff covered with the powder to be applied when desired but adapted to be normally protected in the cap. For this purpose a mirror, which comprises a casing 12 in the form of a wooden frame carrying the mirror 13, is pivotally connected to the inside of the cap at a point 90° or approximately so from the hinge connection of the cap with the handle proper, as through the medium of a spring hinge 14, so that the mirror swings in a plane at right angles to the cap and away from the latter. In practice the compartment in the cap is preferably about one inch deep and outwardly thereof the cap is provided with a rabbeted portion or annular groove 15 which receives the frame of the mirror so that the latter will seat therein and lie flush with the edge portion of the cap produced by the flange 16 disposed against the bottom edge thereof. Thus the reflector or glass portion of the mirror will be disposed toward the back of the puff and while retaining the puff in position will also be simultaneously protected thereby.

The exposed portion of the handle proper is hollowed out, as shown at 17, to provide a cell or seat for a coin case 18, such case being mounted in the lower portion of the handle and having three compartments 19

for containing coins of three denominations, preferably nickles, dimes and quarters. This case when seated in position is so located that its edge portion 20 will fit against the exposed face of the lower portion of the handle so as to provide for the pivotal connection of the cap thereto. The special construction of these compartments is of no especial importance, they being provided with the usual expelling means positioned under the retaining plates or followers 21 and having offsets 22 preventing the displacement of the followers and any coins placed above the same but having cutaway portions 23 to permit the insertion or withdrawal of the coins as desired.

The plates or followers 21 are in the nature of false bottoms between which and the offsets the coins are disposed and held when forced upward by the usual springs well known to the art, and the coins may be readily inserted or removed through the medium of depressions 24 in the exposed face of the lower portion of the handle communicating with the cutoff portions 23, it being understood that the followers are depressed slightly so that as the coins are inserted or removed they are disposed in slight angular positions and thus do not interfere with the coacting faces of the handle proper and the cap thereof or the edge and bottom portions of the handle coming flush together.

In order to provide for securing the cap against the lower portion of the handle, a spring catch 25 is provided, the same being designed to engage the cap through an aperture or hook 26 and adapted to be disengaged therefrom as by means of a depressible button 27 so as to permit the cap to swing to an open position upright with respect to the bottom portion of the handle or the top face thereof, as shown in the drawings. It is also understood that the catch is designed to hold the cap in a closed position against the action of the spring hinge when the mirror held toward and inclosed within the area of the cap or seated in the annular groove or rabbet in the bottom face thereof. For this purpose a catch 28 is carried by the cap to engage an aperture or hook 29 at the free edge of the mirror frame so as to hold the mirror toward the cap and in seated position, but the catch is adapted to be released by a depressible button 30 so as to permit the mirror to swing to an open position under the action of the spring hinge 14 at right angles to the cap proper and with the mirror and powder puff facing in the same direction. In this manner the powder puff will be in convenient position to be grasped for use and the mirror will be in the proper position to see into but at the same time will be spaced from the top face of the lower portion of the handle so as not to interfere with the use of the coin case. It is to be understood that the coins can be inserted by sliding them in or taken out by sliding them off in the same manner as is done with the arrangement in an ordinary coin case, but in the present instance the coin case serves to form a top portion for the exposed face of the handle portion proper without interfering with the cap fitting tightly or flush thereagainst so that it is hardly perceptible that the handle contains the accessories which have been described. When it is desired to use the devices the button 27 is depressed to permit the cap to open and then the button 30 is depressed to permit the mirror to open. When they are not required the mirror is first closed by simply folding it toward the cap and then closing the cap by folding it toward the lower portion of the handle.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:—

1. A handle having a grasping portion, said handle being gradually enlarged toward said grasping portion and severed at right angles to the length thereof to provide top and bottom portions with recesses in their opposed walls forming seats, means to pivot the top portion to the bottom portion and to hold said top portion away from the bottom portion with the faces at right angles, said recess in the top portion having a surrounding annular rabbet, a frame pivoted to the top portion at the outer wall of said rabbet and at an agle of 90° from the pivot point of the top portion, said frame being normally held away from the face of the top portion for disposal in a direction coincident with the plane of the face of the top portion, a mirror on the inside of the frame disposed toward the seat when the frame is swung into the rabbet and being exposed in the same direction as the seat when swung in a direction common to the direction of extent of the face, said bottom seat being closed by the frame when the latter is disposed in the rabbet and the top is closed, and independent externally operated means for securing the frame and top portion in the last named position and for instantaneously releasing the same independently or simultaneously.

2. A combination parasol handle comprising a handle portion proper, a cap pivoted thereto and having a compartment with a surrounding seat, a second member pivoted to the cap to swing therefrom in a plane coincident with the plane of the cap and adapted to fit in the seat and lie flush with the bottom face of the cap, means for securing the pivoted member of the cap toward the latter and means to secure the cap toward the handle portion proper.

3. The combination with a parasol handle

or the like, severed to provide top and bottom portions each being hollowed out to provide a receptacle or seat at their inner faces; of a spring hinge pivotally connecting said portions so that the top portion will normally spring away from the bottom portion, means to hold said parts together with their surrounding faces flush, a mirror including a frame adapted to fit flush in the seat in the inner face of the top portion of the handle, a spring hinge connecting said frame to said top portion and to cause the same to normally swing therefrom in a plane parallel to the inner face of the top portion and means to hold the mirror toward said face.

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