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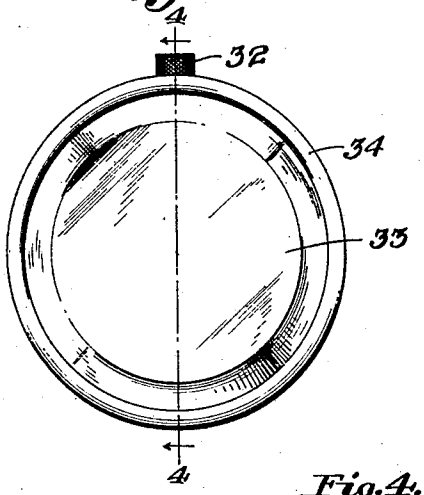


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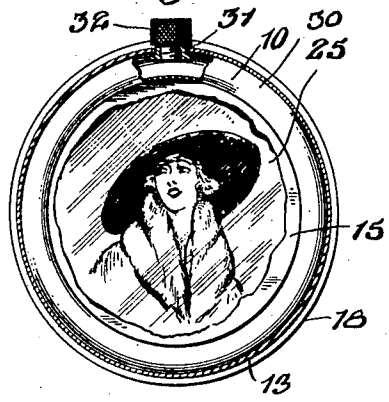


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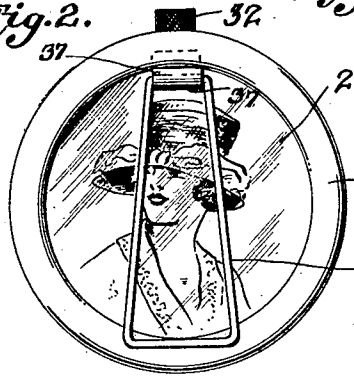


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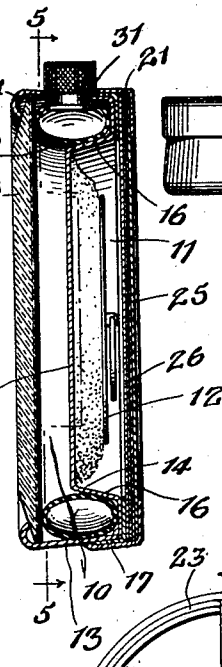


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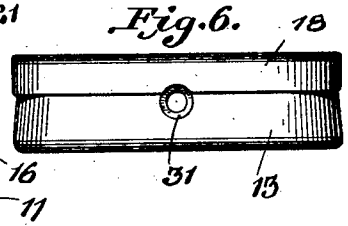


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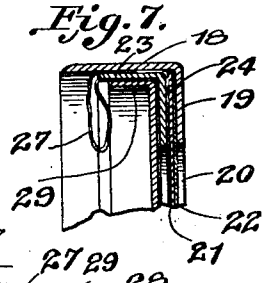


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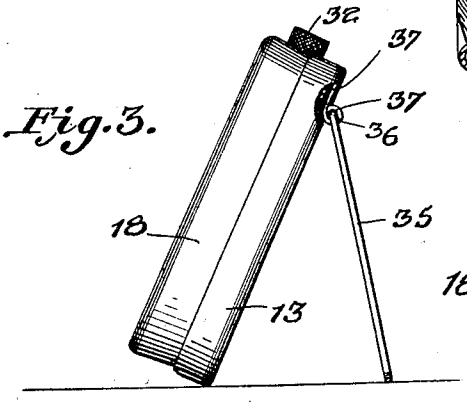
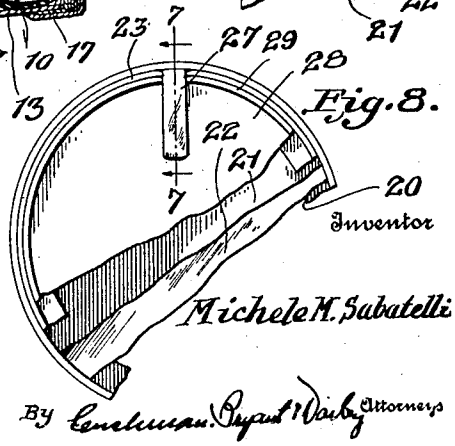


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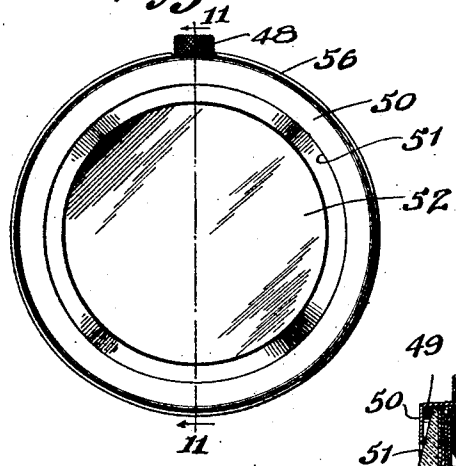
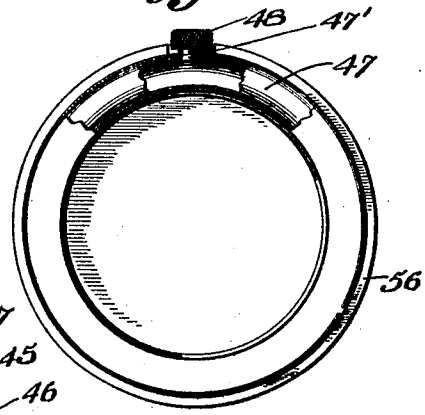


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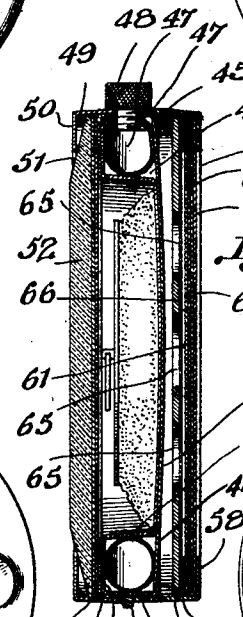


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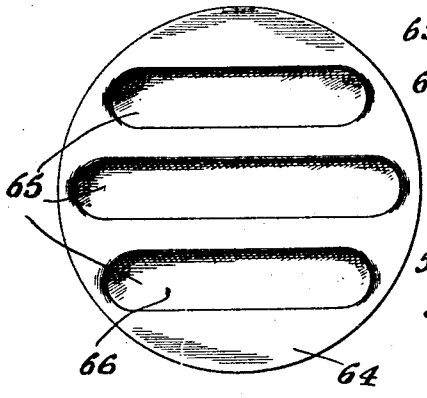


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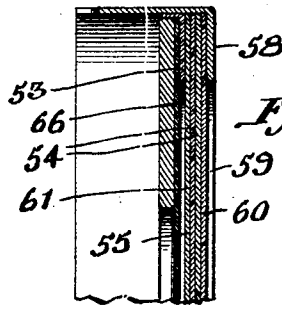


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MICHELE MARIO SABATELLI, a subject of the King of Italy, residing at Leominster, in the county of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, have invented new and useful Improvements in Vanity Boxes, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in containers of the type generally known as vanity boxes, and has as an object the provision of a vanity box of general novel and improved construction which is attractive in appearance, economical to manufacture, and, at the same time, highly useful by reason of its adaptability to the special uses for which such containers are required.

A more specific object of the invention is to provide a vanity box which will hold the usual face powder, in either cake or finely divided form, and will also hold liquid perfume, and, if desirable, other toilet accessories, such as a mirror, lip sticks, etc.

A still further object of the invention is to provide a container of the type above mentioned which has a compartment for the perfume having an opening accessible without removing the top of the powder compartment. Another object is to provide a box construction which will removably hold photographs and other panels similar in construction, such as a mirror.

An additional object of the invention is to provide means which may be readily secured to the box for supporting the same upon edge on a table or other stand so that the mirror or photograph may be displayed and readily viewed.

The above and other objects of the invention which are of a more specific character will become more obvious as the description proceeds.

In the accompanying drawings there are illustrated two forms of a device embodying my invention, and in these drawings

Fig. 1 is an elevational view of the back of the box,

Fig. 2 is a similar view of the front of the box showing an easel applied thereto for supporting the box upon edge,

Fig. 3 is a side elevational view illustrating the use of the easel,

Fig. 4 is a cross sectional view on the line 4—4 of Fig. 1 looking in the direction of the arrows,

Fig. 5 is a sectional view taken on the line 5—5 of Fig. 4 looking in the direction of the arrows,

Fig. 6 is an edge view showing the closure for the perfume compartment removed,

Fig. 7 is an enlarged sectional view of the powder compartment top on the line 7—7 of Fig. 8,

Fig. 8 is an interior view of a portion of the powder compartment top with several panels of the top broken away to disclose more clearly the structure,

Fig. 9 is an elevational view of a modified form of box,

Fig. 10 is an elevational view of the box shown in Fig. 9 with the top removed and with a portion of the wall of the box broken away,

Fig. 11 is a sectional view on the line 11—11 of Fig. 9,

Fig. 12 is an elevational view of the lip stick holder shown in Fig. 11,

Fig. 13 is an interior view of the top shown in Fig. 11, and

Fig. 14 is an enlarged fragmentary view of the bottom cap shown in Fig. 11.

Referring to the drawings for a more detailed description of the construction, like numerals indicating similar parts throughout the several views, 10 indicates the body portion of the container having a compartment 11 which may hold powder and the usual powder puff 12. The body portion is shown as formed of a single piece of material, such as celluloid, and as having an outer wall 13 and a centrally dished portion 14 to form the compartment 11; the dished portion consisting of a bottom 15 and a side wall 16 spaced from the side wall of the body portion to which it is connected by means of a web 17.

The container is provided with a top which, preferably, is constructed so as to hold a panel, such as a photograph, in a manner to be visible from the exterior of the box. Such a construction is shown in the drawings, and comprises an annular member having a depending rim 18 adapted to engage the side wall of the body portion, and an inwardly turned flange 19, the center of the top over the compartment being open, as indicated at 20. Within the annular member 18 and covering the opening 20 is positioned a panel 21 such as the photograph shown in Fig. 2. A transparent sheet 22 (Fig. 7) may be placed between the photograph and the flange 19 for the purpose of

protecting the photograph. The above described construction is more clearly shown in Fig. 7, and for the purpose of maintaining the panel and transparent sheet in position some suitable locking means, such as the ring 23, may be fitted within the top. The ring 23 has an inwardly turned flange 24, preferably co-extensive in width with the flange 19 so that an additional photograph 25 may be placed within the top facing inwardly, as indicated in Figs. 4 and 5, and be covered by an interior transparent sheet 26. As shown in Fig. 7 the inner photograph and transparent sheet are not within the cover, they being shown merely in Figs. 4 and 5. In order that the locking ring 23 may be readily removed a loop 27, of fabric or other suitable material, may be connected to the same. It may, at times, be desirable to cover the interior photograph shown in Figs. 4 and 5, and in such a case an opaque disk 28, having an upstanding flange 29 (Figs. 7 and 8) is located within the cover so as to be removable when desired.

It will be noted that the top construction is such that a mirror or photograph may be held therein in such a way that its face may be turned so as to be visible either from the exterior or interior of the container as the user may wish.

Referring again to the construction of the body portion 10, it will be observed that between the side wall 14 of the powder compartment and the side wall 13 of the main body portion there is a space which may be used as a compartment for perfume. It will generally be found desirable to place in this compartment some container, such as the rubber tube 30 having a nipple 31 extending through an opening in the side wall of the body portion and closed by a cap 32 threaded thereon. It will be noted that access to the perfume container may be had without removing the top of the powder compartment.

The bottom of the box has therein a panel 33 which is illustrated as being a mirror, but which, obviously, could be any other type of panel. The mirror 33 is held in position by means of an inturned flange 34 of the side wall of the body portion, the flange serving as a bezel for the mirror. It should be understood that not only the mirror 33 but also the closing panels for the powder compartment top might be in the form of some other type of panel; the invention is not limited to the specific types of panels illustrated in the several views.

The invention also contemplates the provision of means adapted to be readily secured to the box for supporting the same upon a table or bureau so that the mirror or photographs may be displayed. Such a device is shown in Figs. 2 and 3 and comprises an easel formed from a relatively rigid U-shaped loop 35 having its ends 36 extending into an eye 37 formed upon a tab 37′, the free end of which may be inserted either beneath the flange 19 of the powder compartment top, as indicated in Figs. 2 and 3, or beneath the mirror bezel 34, depending upon whether it is preferred to display the mirror or the photograph.

Referring to Figs. 9 to 14, inclusive, there is shown a modified form of vanity box comprising a body portion having a side wall 40 and a powder compartment formed by a side wall 41 spaced from the side wall 40 of the body portion by a web 42. The powder compartment has a bottom 43 below which is positioned a panel 44 held in position by an inturned flange 45 of the outer wall of the body portion. Between the side of the body portion and the side wall of the powder compartment is located the perfume compartment 46 having therein a perfume container 47 with its nipple 47′ and closure cap 48. The powder compartment is closed by a top which is constructed substantially the same as the top of the form of the invention shown in Figs. 1 to 8, inclusive, and comprises an annular member having a depending rim 49 and an inturned flange 50. The center of the top is open, as indicated at 51, and within the top is positioned a panel 52, which, in the present instance, is a mirror, held therein by a locking ring 53. In Figs. 11 and 13 there is shown located behind the mirror a photograph 54 covered by a transparent sheet 55.

It will be noted that the body portion of the box is provided with a rounded side wall with a circumferentially extending rib 56 which serves as a stop for the rim 49 of the powder compartment top. The bottom of the box is provided with a removable cap similar in construction to the top for the powder compartment. This cap is preferably formed so as to hold therein removable panels which are visible from the exterior of the box, and also, means for receiving lip sticks. In the preferred embodiment of the invention the cap comprises an annular member having a depending rim 57 and an inturned flange 58, the center being provided with an opening 59 which is closed by transparent sheets 60 and 61 spaced by panels 62, such as photographs, which may face in opposite directions so as to be visible from both the interior and the exterior of the box. The transparent sheets and photographs may be held in the cap by a locking ring 63. The means for holding the lip sticks is shown as a disk 64 having a plurality of spaced slots 65 and a backing 66 secured to the disk adjacent its marginal edges, as by an adhesive. It will, of course, be understood that the lip stick holder may be removed when desired and the box might be used without the bottom cap since the body

portion is neatly finished on the bottom by the panel 44, which corresponds to the mirror 33 shown in Fig. 4.

It should also be understood that although I have described a concrete embodiment of the invention and disclosed its details of construction, the showing is merely illustrative, and not in any sense restrictive of the invention, such modifications being covered by my invention as come within the scope of the following claims.

I claim:

1. A vanity box comprising a body portion formed of a single piece of material and having a side wall, a centrally dished portion therein having a bottom and side wall to form a powder compartment, a panel positioned beneath the bottom of said compartment and secured to the body portion side wall, and a removable top for said compartment having means for maintaining therein a panel member so as to be visible from the exterior of said compartment.

2. A vanity box comprising a body portion having a bottom to form a powder compartment, and a removable top for said compartment, said body portion having a second compartment surrounding said first mentioned compartment adapted to hold perfume and accessible without removing said top.

3. A vanity box comprising a body portion having a bottom to form a powder compartment, and a removable top for said compartment, said body portion having a second compartment adapted to hold perfume and accessible without removing said top, and said top comprising a member having a depending rim to engage the side wall of said body portion and an inturned flange extending over said body portion, the center of said member being open, a panel removably positioned within said opening to close the same, and means to retain the panel in position.

4. A vanity box comprising a body portion having a bottom to form a powder compartment, and a removable top for said compartment, said body portion having a second compartment adapted to hold perfume and accessible without removing said top, and said top comprising a member having a depending rim to engage the side wall of said body portion and an inturned flange extending over said body portion, the center of said member being open, a panel removably positioned within said opening to close the same, and a locking ring within said top for retaining the panel in position.

5. A vanity box comprising a body portion having a bottom to form a powder compartment, and a removable top for said compartment, said body portion having a second compartment adapted to hold perfume and accessible without removing said top, and said top comprising a member having a depending rim to engage the side wall of said body portion and an inturned flange extending over said body portion, the center of said member being open, a panel removably positioned within said opening to close the same, a locking ring within said top for retaining the panel in position, and a transparent protecting sheet between said ring and said panel.

6. A vanity box comprising a body portion having a bottom to form a powder compartment, and a removable top for said compartment, said body portion having a second compartment adapted to hold perfume and accessible without removing said top, and said top comprising a member having a depending rim to engage the side wall of said body portion and an inturned flange extending over said body portion, the center of said member being open, a panel removably positioned within said opening to close the same, a locking ring within said top for retaining the panel in position, a transparent protecting sheet between said ring and said panel, and a second transparent protecting sheet between said panel and the flange on said top member.

7. A vanity box comprising a body portion having a bottom to form a powder compartment, a removable top for said compartment having means for removably holding a panel therein so as to be visible from the exterior of said compartment, said body portion having a second compartment surrounding said first mentioned compartment adapted to hold perfume and accessible without removing said top.

8. A vanity box comprising a body portion having a side wall, a centrally dished portion therein having a bottom and a side wall spaced from the side wall of the body portion to form a powder compartment, and a removable top for said compartment, said body portion having a second compartment adapted to hold perfume and accessible through the side wall of said body portion without removing said top.

9. A vanity box comprising a body portion having a side wall, a centrally dished portion therein having a bottom and a side wall spaced from the side wall of the body portion to form a powder compartment, and a removable top for said compartment, said body portion having a second compartment between said side walls surrounding said first mentioned compartment adapted to hold perfume and accessible through the side wall of said body portion without removing said top.

10. A vanity box comprising a body portion having a side wall, a centrally dished portion therein having a bottom and a side wall spaced from the side wall of the body portion to form a powder compartment, a

removable top for said compartment, said body portion having a second compartment between said side walls surrounding said first mentioned compartment adapted to hold perfume, a panel within said body portion below the bottom of said powder compartment, and means for maintaining said panel in position, said perfume compartment being accessible without removing said top or the bottom panel.

11. A vanity box comprising a body portion having a side wall, a centrally dished portion therein having a bottom and a side wall spaced from the side wall of the body portion to form a powder compartment, a removable top for said compartment, said body portion having a second compartment surrounding said first mentioned compartment adapted to hold perfume and accessible without removing said top, and a panel within said body portion below the bottom of said powder compartment, said side wall of the body portion having an inturned flange to maintain the panel in position.

12. A vanity box comprising a body portion having a side wall and a centrally dished portion having a bottom and a side wall spaced from the side wall of said body portion to form a powder compartment, a removable top for said powder compartment having means for maintaining therein a panel member so as to be visible from the exterior of said compartment, said body portion having a second compartment surrounding said first mentioned compartment adapted to hold perfume and accessible without removing said top, a panel in said body portion beneath the bottom of said powder compartment, and an inturned flange on the side wall of the body portion to maintain said last mentioned panel in position.

13. A vanity box comprising a body portion having a side wall and a centrally dished portion having a bottom and a side wall spaced from the side wall of said body portion to form a powder compartment, a removable top for said powder compartment having means for maintaining therein a panel member so as to be visible from the exterior of said compartment, said body portion having a second compartment between said side walls surrounding said first mentioned compartment adapted to hold perfume and accessible without removing said top, a panel in said body portion beneath the bottom of said powder compartment, and an inturned flange on the side wall of the body portion to maintain said last mentioned mirror in position, one of said panels being a mirror.

14. The combination with a device as specified in claim 13, of means adapted to be removably connected to the vanity box and to support the same substantially upon edge whereby said mirror will be visible.

15. The combination with a device as specified in claim 13, of means adapted to be removably connected to either the top or the bottom of said box and to support the same substantially upon edge whereby either the mirror or the other panel may be visible.

16. A vanity box comprising a body portion having a side wall, and a centrally dished portion having a bottom and a side wall spaced from the side wall of said body portion to form a powder compartment, a removable top for said powder compartment having means for maintaining therein a panel member so as to be visible from the exterior of the box, said body portion having a second compartment accessible from the exterior without removing said top and adapted to hold perfume, and a removable cap for said body portion beneath the bottom of said powder compartment, said cap having means therein for holding a lip stick.

17. A vanity box comprising a body portion having a side wall, and a centrally dished portion having a bottom and a side wall spaced from the side wall of said body portion to form a powder compartment, a removable top for said powder compartment having means for maintaining therein a panel member so as to be visible from the exterior of the box, said body portion having a second compartment accessible from the exterior without removing said top and adapted to hold perfume, and a removable cap for said body portion beneath the bottom of said powder compartment, said cap having means therein for holding a lip stick, and means for holding a panel so as to be visible from the exterior of the box, one of said panel members being a mirror.

18. A vanity box comprising a body portion having a side wall, and a centrally dished portion having a bottom and a side wall spaced from the side wall of said body portion to form a powder compartment, said body portion having a second compartment between said side walls surrounding the powder compartment and having an opening through the side wall of said body portion, two caps for said body portion, one adapted to close said powder compartment and the other adapted to cover the bottom of the body portion below said powder compartment bottom, each of said caps having means for removably holding therein a panel member so as to be visible from the exterior of the box, one of said panel members being a mirror, and means in one of said caps for holding a lip stick.

19. A vanity box comprising a body portion formed of a single piece of material and having a side wall, a centrally dished portion therein having a bottom and side wall to form a powder compartment, a removable panel positioned beneath the bottom of said

compartment and secured to the body portion side wall, and a removable top for said compartment having means for maintaining therein a panel member so as to be visible from the exterior of said compartment.

20. A vanity box comprising a body portion formed of a single piece of material and having a side wall, a centrally dished portion therein having a bottom and side wall to form a powder compartment, a panel positioned beneath the bottom of said compartment and secured to the body portion side wall, and a removable top for said compartment having means for maintaining therein a panel member so as to be visible from either the interior or the exterior of said compartment.

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