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Fig. 1.

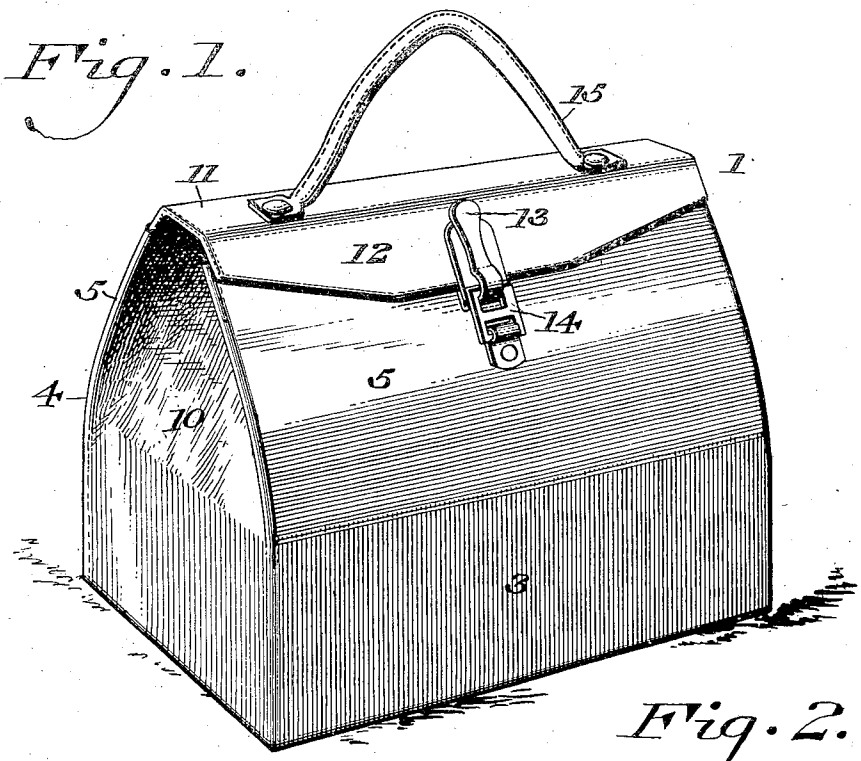
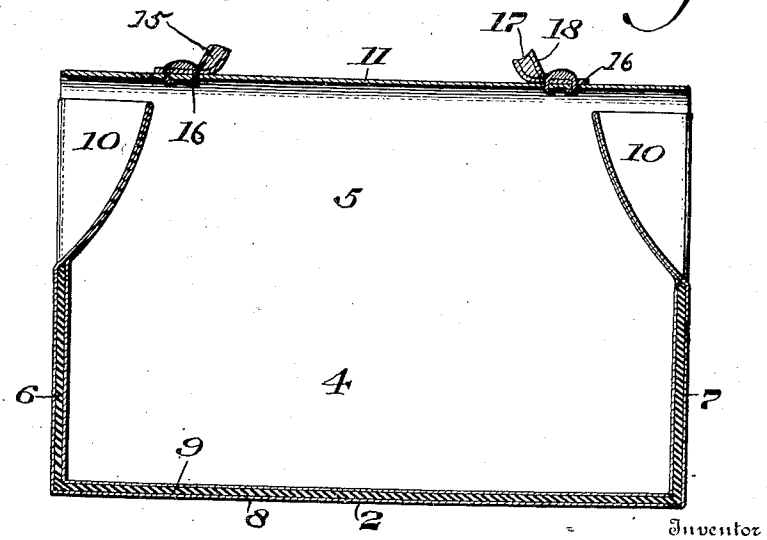


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SOUL BIENENSTOCK, a subject of the Emperor of Austria-Hungary, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Lunch Box or Bag, of which the following is a specification.

My present invention relates to a new and useful lunch box or bag and consists of novel details of construction, all as will be hereinafter fully set forth.

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of a lunch box or bag embodying my invention. Fig. 2 represents a central sectional view thereof, with a portion of the handle broken away.

Similar numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in the figures.

Referring to the drawings, I have found in practice that in the lunch boxes now in use that, owing to the shape of the same and the size necessary to contain the lunch, the box is cumbersome, unwieldy and hard to handle and my present invention is designed to overcome this defect.

In the drawings I have shown a construction for carrying out my invention, but I do not desire to be limited in every instance to the exact form or arrangements as herein shown and described, as other instrumentalities may be employed which will accomplish the same results.

1 designates a lunch box or bag, which is formed of suitable light material such as straw-board, covered in any convenient and attractive manner and suitably lined if necessary, the article being in the shape of a small hand bag and being provided with means for connecting the lid or flap with the body of the box and also with the handle for ease of carrying.

The box consists of the bottom 2, with the sides 3 and 4, the upper portions 5 of the sides normally converging towards each other and the sides 3 and 4 being separated by the end pieces 6 and 7, it being noted that, in the present instance, the parts thus described are provided with the covering 8 and also with the lining 9, and that the portions 5 of the sides 3 and 4 are provided at each end of the bag with the flexible connection 10. This connection comprises the lining and the covering without the strawboard which latter terminates at a point somewhat above the midheight of the end, as seen best in Fig. 2, it being understood that this flexible connection is integral with the covering and lining of the end piece, but by reason of the absence of the strawboard it is made more flexible.

11 designates the top of the box or bag, which is connected or forms part of one of the sides, in the present instance the side 4, and which is provided with a flap 12, carrying the pivoted portion of the catch 13, the other portion or eye member 14 being connected with the side 3, said member 13 being adapted to pass the eye and upon proper movement thereof, is locked in engagement therewith.

A handle 15 is provided which, in the present instance, is connected with the top 11 by the rivets 16. By opening the catch and releasing the member 13 of the same from the member 14, the top 11 can be turned back, so that access to the interior of the box or bag can be had.

It will be understood that by the above construction a neat and attractive device, results, the appearance being that of a small hand bag or satchel, and that the same is light in weight and inexpensive in manufacture.

The resilient connection 10 between the upper portion of the sides 3 and 4 permits movement thereof, so that articles can be easily inserted and removed from the interior of the bag, while the end pieces 6 and 7 being situated between the sides 3 and 4 hold the body rigidly in position by reason of the connection formed by the covering and lining as described.

I preferably form the sides 3 and 4, bottom 2, top 11 and flap 12 of one piece of material, although it will be understood that they can be formed of any desired number.

In the form of handle shown, I have made the interior or lining 17 of a reed or other similar material and have bound the same with cloth 18 or other suitable material.

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

1. In a device of the character described, a frameless structure comprising a bottom, side and end pieces of like material, said bottom, sides and the ends being exteriorly covered and provided with an interior lining, the upper portions of said ends terminating

at a distance from the top of the device, and the lining and covering forming inwardly extended flexible connections between the sides at the ends thereof.

2. In a device of the character described, a frameless structure comprising a bottom, sides and end pieces of like material, said bottom, sides and end pieces being provided with an interior lining, said end pieces terminating a distance from the top of the device, and said lining forming inwardly extended flexible connections between the sides at the ends thereof.

3. In a device of the character described, a frameless structure comprising a bottom, sides and end pieces of like material, said bottom, sides and end pieces being provided with an interior lining and an exterior covering, said material at the ends between the lining and the covering terminating at a distance from the top of the device, said lining and covering forming inwardly extended flexible connections between the sides at the ends thereof, and one of said sides being extended to form a downwardly projecting flap and cover for the device.

4. In a device of the character described, bottom and side pieces, the latter extending to the top of the device, end pieces terminating appreciably below the top and a lining bridging the space between the sides above the end pieces and forming a flexible connection between the sides and ends.

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