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Fig. 1

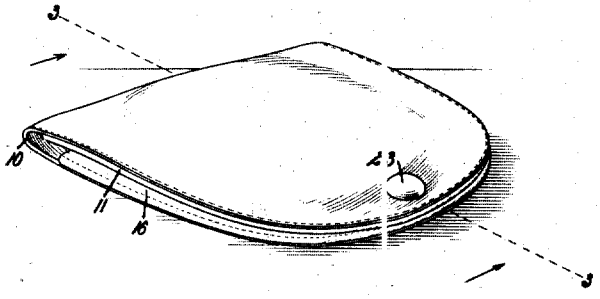


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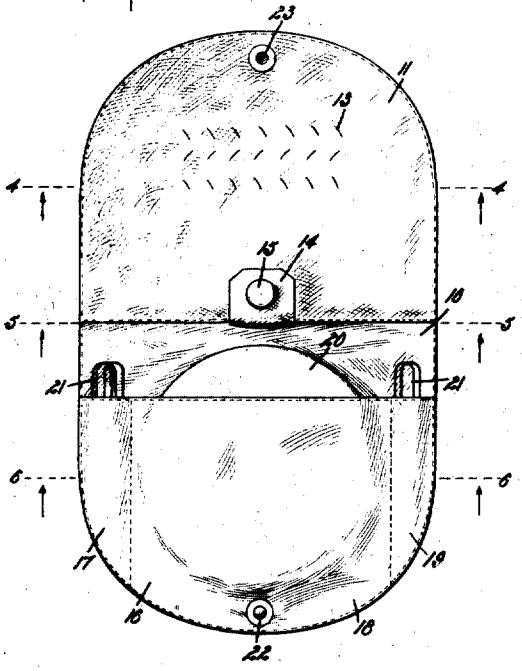


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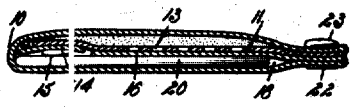


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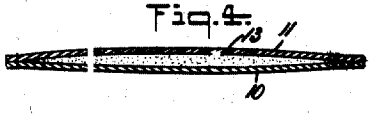


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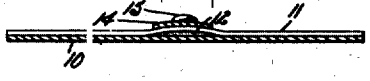


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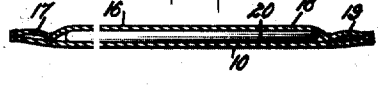


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BELLE R. KANTROWITZ, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of the Bronx, in the county of the Bronx and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Toilet Novelty, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to toilet novelties, and has reference more particularly to a device of this kind which comprises a foldable body adapted to be opened and closed, the body having a face powder receptacle presenting a surface adapted for the application of the powder to the skin, and available for use when the article is open, the body also having means for forming an effective seal to prevent the escape of powder through the said surface of the receptacle, when the article is closed.

The invention also relates to an article of the class described, comprising a foldable body having a powder receptacle adapted to serve as a powder puff when the article is open, and a plurality of pockets adapted for the reception of objects such as hair pins, a mirror and the like, one of the pockets being arranged in juxtaposition to the powder receptacle when the article is closed, and serving as a seal to prevent the escape of face powder from the receptacle.

The object of the invention is to provide a simple, compact and useful toilet novelty which can be fashioned from any suitable ornamental or other material, which serves as a refillable powder puff for applying face powder, and also as a receptacle for objects such as hair pins and a mirror, which, when closed, is substantially flat, and takes up a comparatively small space, which can be inexpensively produced, and from which the face powder cannot inadvertently escape when the article is closed and not in use.

The invention consists in the construction and combination of parts to be more fully described hereinafter and particularly set forth in the claims.

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

Figure 1 is a perspective view of an embodiment of my invention showing the article closed;

Fig. 2 is a plan view showing the article open;

Fig. 3 is a cross-section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 4 is a similar view, on the line 4—4 of Fig. 2;

Fig. 5 is a similar view, on the line 5—5 of Fig. 2;

Fig. 6 is a similar view, on the line 6—6 of Fig. 2; and

Fig. 7 is a cross-section, similar to the cross-section in Fig. 4, showing a modified form of my invention.

Before proceeding to a more detailed explanation of my invention, it should be understood that while the device is particularly intended for use as a powder receptacle and powder puff, adapted to apply face powder to the skin, it can also be advantageously used for similarly applying other finely divided or powdered material. I have shown in the exemplification of my invention disclosed herein a toilet article in which a plurality of pockets is provided, adapted to receive and hold objects such as hair pins and a mirror. The mirror pocket has a specific purpose, which will be pointed out more particularly hereinafter, and a round, flat mirror lends itself particularly to this purpose, when located in the said pocket. However, any other object of substantially similar form can be employed. The toilet novelty may be fashioned from leather, or silk, or other fabric.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, my invention has a main or body piece 10 which is preferably of elongated form with rounded ends as clearly shown in Fig. 2. Attached to the body piece by means of stitching, or in any other suitable manner, is a facing piece 11 covering substantially half of the area of the body piece 10 and

conforming in outline thereto. The facing piece has an edge extending substantially across the middle of the body piece and is stitched or otherwise fastened thereto along the length of this edge except near the middle, whereby is left an opening 12, giving access to the powder pocket formed between the body piece and the facing piece. The latter has a plurality of centrally located apertures 13 through which the powder in the pocket can escape for application to the skin. A tab 14 is sewed to the body piece 10 at the opening 12, and is adapted to be folded over the opening to close the same. The tab and the facing piece 11 are provided with a suitable closing device such as a button and socket fastener 15, for securing the tab in place, to seal the opening 12.

A second facing piece 16 is secured to the body piece 10 by stitching or in any other suitable manner, covering the portion thereof which does not form part of the powder pocket. However, the facing piece 16, while having rounded edges conforming to the corresponding edge of the body piece 10, is of smaller area than the facing piece 11, so that it does not extend to the middle of the body piece 10, leaving a transverse section of the latter uncovered. The body piece 10 and the facing piece 16 are joined by lines of stitching whereby a number of pockets for the reception of objects is formed. I have shown for example, three such pockets, 17, 18 and 19, of which 17 and 18 are located near the edge and at opposite sides of a larger, central pocket 18. The latter is intended for the reception of a round, flat mirror 20, while objects such as hair pins 21 can be inserted in the pockets 17 and 19.

I prefer to arrange the apertures 13 of the powder pocket substantially central and within the outlines of the pocket 18, and specifically within the circumference of that portion of the mirror which is located in the pocket 18. It will be understood that the article folds along a substantially central, median line, so that when the article is closed the facing pieces 11 and 16 are in juxtaposition. At the ends of the article are provided respectively, the button 22 and the socket 23 of a fastening device for securing the article in the closed condition. It will be understood that any suitable fastening device can be used for the purpose. When the article is closed the pocket 18 will be distended owing to the presence of the mirror 20 therein, and will thus be pressed closely against the facing piece 11 and over the apertures 13, thus forming an effective seal for the apertures, and preventing the accidental escape of powder from the powder pocket when the device is not in use. By providing the side pockets 17 and 19, the pocket 18 is suitably proportioned to receive the mirror 20 snugly and to locate it definitely with reference to the apertures 13 of the powder pocket.

While the article may be fashioned from any suitable material, I prefer to form the facing piece 11 from such material as is well adapted for the application of face powder to the skin. Such material may be chamois skin, or, as is shown in the modified form illustrated in Fig. 7, a napped fabric, 24. Material of this kind obviously, lends itself exceeding well for use as a powder puff.

It will be noted that a substantial space is left between the adjacent edges of the facing pieces 11 and 16. This permits the objects to be inserted or removed from the pockets 17, 18 and 19, without difficulty, and furthermore, renders the article readily foldable along a transverse, substantially median line.

One of the important useful features of this invention resides in the refillable character of the powder pocket or receptacle. Thus, powder or like material can be introduced through the opening 12 from time to time, as is needed, and in any suitable quantity.

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

1. An article of the class described, comprising a foldable body adapted to be opened and closed, said body having a powder receptacle provided with a surface adapted for the application of powder to the skin and having a plurality of apertures adapted for the emission of powder, said surface being available for use as a powder puff when the article is open, said body having a pocket adapted to receive an object tending to distend said pocket and overlying said apertures when the article is closed, whereby said distended pocket forms a seal for said apertures, said pocket having a filling opening, and means for closing said opening, the article being provided with fastening means adapted to secure it in a folded and closed condition.

2. An article of the class described, comprising an elongated member adapted to be folded in the middle, an apertured facing member secured to the body near the margin thereof and across the piece substantially in the middle whereat said body folds, said facing member being suitable for the application of powder to the skin, and with the body forming a pocket, a flap at the transverse seam of the facing member for closing the pocket opening, and a second facing member secured to the body at the margin and also in seams running parallel to the longitudinal edges of the body, whereby a plurality of pockets is formed between the body and said second facing member, one of

said pockets adapted to overlie the apertures in the first-mentioned facing member when the body is folded, the portion of the second facing forming said pocket being adapted to be distended when an object is inserted into said pocket and consequently forming a seal for the apertures in said first-mentioned facing member.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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