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VANITY BAG.

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Fig:1.

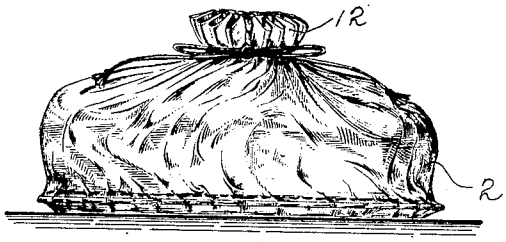


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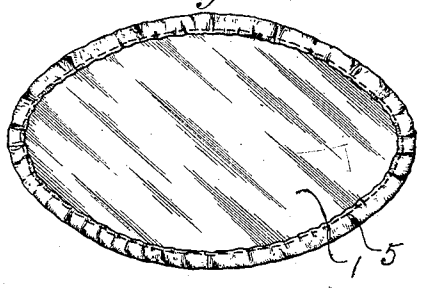


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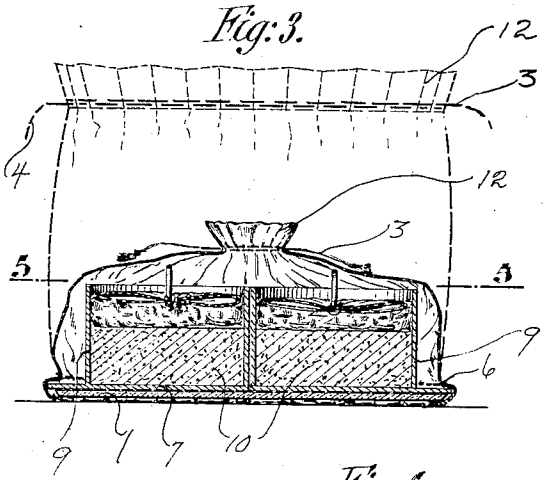


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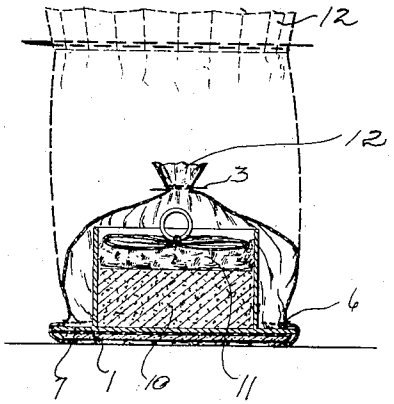
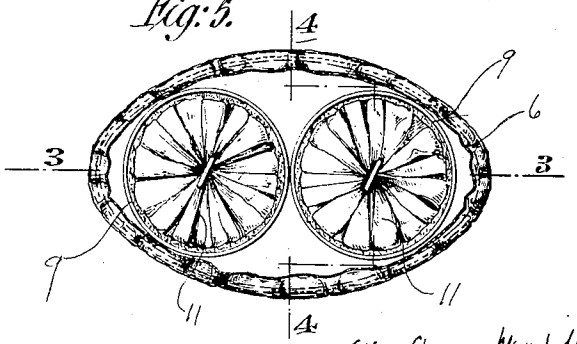


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ETTA SPENCER MEYERHOFF, a citizen of the United States, residing at 321A Fourth street, Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Vanity-Bags, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a new and improved vanity bag of a simple and convenient construction. Vanity bags of various kinds have been heretofore proposed but they mostly involved a somewhat bulky construction and they were expensive to manufacture. According to my invention a very attractive, simple and economical construction is provided which can be readily manipulated and does not take up too much space when it is packed up in a handbag or some other receptacle.

Other objects of my invention will be disclosed in the following description and drawings which illustrate a preferred embodiment thereof.

Figure 1 is an elevation.

Fig. 2 is a bottom view.

Fig. 3 is a vertical section along the line 3—3 of Fig. 5. Fig. 4 is a vertical section along the line 4—4 of Fig. 5.

Fig. 5 is a horizontal section on the line 5—5 of Fig. 3.

A mirror 1 is suitably connected to a bottomless bag 2 which is made of silk or some other soft ornamental material, and which is provided at its upper end with shirring strings 3 and 4 whose ends are preferably tied together to form loops as shown in Fig. 1. This shirring string construction can be of any well known type, such as is customary in many forms of bags and requires no further illustration for that reason as my invention is neither limited nor directed to this particular feature. The mirror 1 is connected to the silk bag 2 by doubling over and stitching together the open bottom of the bag 2, the line of stitching 5 serving to prevent any substantial displacements of the mirror from the bag. A line of stitching 6 is also run around the margin of the bag above the mirror 1, so that the mirror is inclosed between the two lines of stitching which hold it in an elastic but firm manner to the bag. The two lines of stitching 5 and 6 are made so close to each other and in such relation to the thickness of the mirror 1 and its back 7 that the said mirror and its back are gently gripped between the two lines of stitching.

The back 7 of the mirror 1 is preferably made of celluloid or some other flexible and sanitary material and has cylindrical holders 9 secured thereto. These holders serve to contain cakes 10 of powder or the like and powder puffs 11 of the usual type.

The bag can be conveniently opened as illustrated in dotted lines in Fig. 3 and Fig. 4 or even be bent backward upon itself without any injury so as to enable ready access to the cakes of powder or the like 10. When closed, as shown in Fig. 1, the article has a very graceful and attractive appearance which is due to the fact that the gathering up of the top 12 of the bag produces graceful plaits both in this top and in the body of the bag, as is shown in Fig. 1.

The back 7 of the mirror 1, which as before stated, is preferably made of flexible celluloid which projects beyond the margin of the mirror 1 so that it is compressed by that part of the bag intermediate the lines of stitching 5 and 6 which produces a gentle but firm grip of the bag upon the mirror. This also assists in preventing breakage when the mirror is put with a number of other articles into a lady's handbag or the like as this flexible extension of the back 7 protects the edges of the mirror 1.

I have shown a preferred embodiment of my invention but it is clear that many changes could be made without departing from its spirit.

I claim:

1. In a vanity bag, the combination of a bottomless bag made of flexible material and open at the top, a mirror, the open bottom of the bag being directly adjacent the face of the said mirror, said bottom being connected by a line of stitching therein, a portion of the bag directly above the said mirror being connected by a second line of stitching which draws it in above the said mirror, so that the mirror is firmly held by that portion of the bag intermediate the said two lines of stitching, and a receptacle connected to the back of the said mirror for containing toilet preparations.

2. In a vanity bag, the combination of a mirror having a flexible back which projects beyond the margin of the said mirror at all parts thereof, a bag made of flexible material and open at the top secured to the said mirror and back by two rows of stitching,

one row of said stitching being below said back and the other being above said back, and a receptacle carried by the back of said mirror adapted to hold toilet preparations.

3. In a vanity bag, the combination of a bottomless bag made of flexible material and open at the top, shirring strings located near the said top and adapted to close it and arrange the flexible material of the said bag in graceful plaits, a mirror having a flexible back which projects beyond the margin of the said mirror at all parts thereof, the bottom of the said bag being underneath the said mirror and having a line of stitching therein, that part of the said flexible bag directly above the said back being connected by a second line of stitching so that the said flexible back is gently gripped by that part of the fabric of the bag intermediate the said two lines of stitching, the said flexible back being united to receptacles for containing toilet preparations.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature.

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