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KNITTING OR UTILITY BAG HANDLE

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Fig. 1.

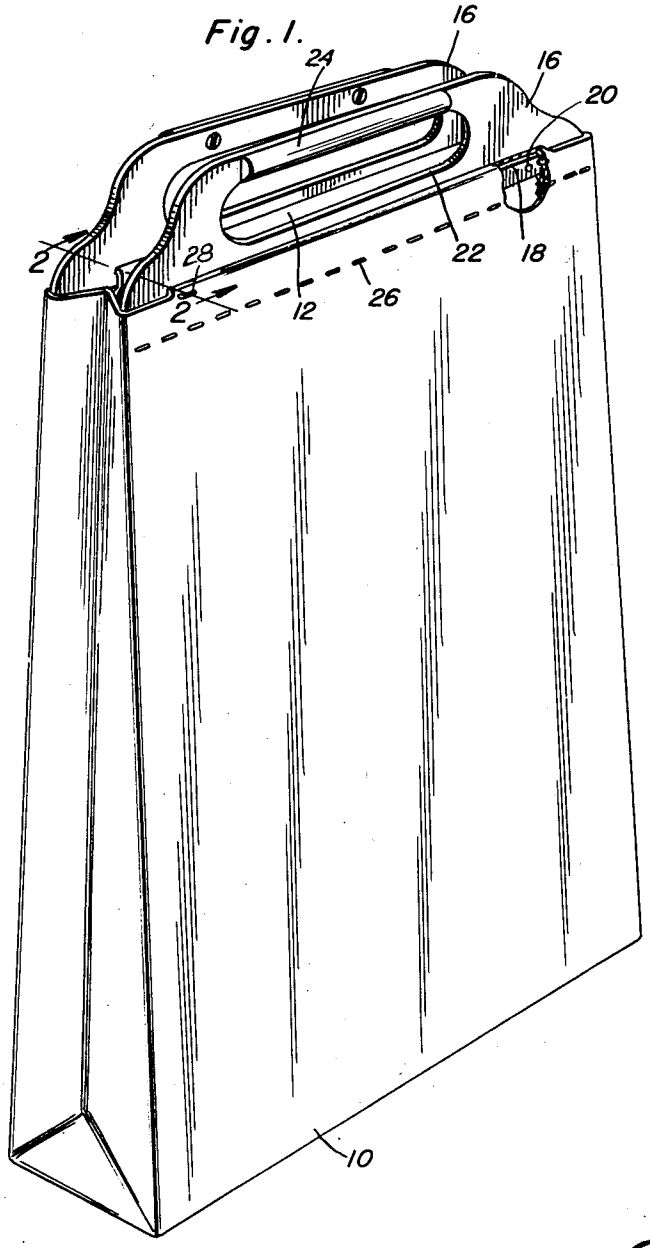


Fig. 2.

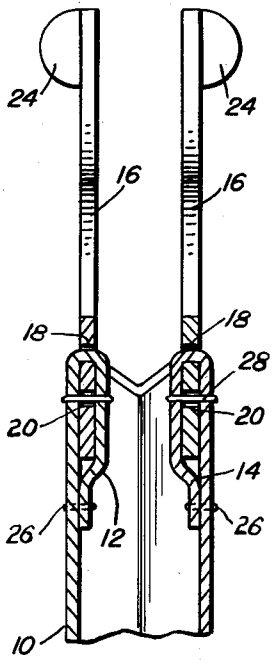
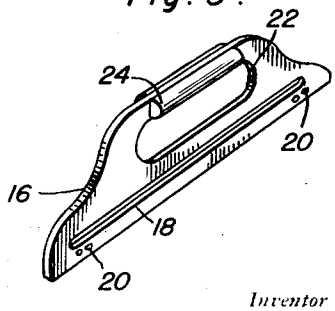


Fig. 3.



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This invention appertains to novel and useful improvements in handbags and has for its primary object means for closing and grasping a receptacle of an improved nature.

Another purpose of this invention is to provide a pair of plates having a plurality of apertures therein, whereby continuous rows of stitching may be utilized for fixing the plates to a receptacle so that the receptacle cannot slide on the plates.

Another purpose of this invention is to provide an extremely simple device of a nature to be described which may be easily and conveniently manufactured, thereby rendering the device more economical.

Ancillary objects and features of novelty will become apparent to those skilled in the art, in following the description of the preferred form of the present invention, illustrated in the accompanying drawing, wherein:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the preferred form of the present invention;

Figure 2 is a transverse sectional view of the invention shown in Figure 1 and taken substantially on the line 2—2 thereof and in the direction of the arrows, and

Figure 3 is a perspective view of the handle means forming an important part of the present invention.

It is one of the prime purposes of the present invention to provide a device which is extremely simple to manufacture. Ancillary to the above mentioned objects is to provide a device which will be cheaply manufactured as a necessary consequence of the above mentioned purpose.

A flexible receptacle 10 is provided with extensions or flaps 12 and 14 respectively extending from the marginal edges of the open upper end thereof.

It is noted at this point that the said receptacle may be made of any suitable material such as nylon, canvas, etc. This is of course, but a choice of material, left entirely within the prerogative of the manufacturer.

In Figure 3, it will be noted that a plate 16 is provided for the purpose of forming a part of a closure as well as a gripping device or handle. Two of these plates are utilized in conjunction with each other and are adapted to be gripped in one hand. Due to the identity of the plates, an individual description of each plate is deemed unnecessary. A slot 18 extends longitudinally of the plate 16 adjacent the bottom edge thereof. A plurality of apertures 20 are provided between the slot and the lower edge of the plate for a

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purpose to be described hereinafter. Another aperture 22 is provided adjacent the top portion of the plate 16 and a convenient hand grip protuberance 24 is secured above the slot 22.

The flaps 12 and 14 respectively extend through the slot 18 and are folded behind the plate 16. Then, a continuous row of stitching 26 is supplied in the receptacle and flaps holding the flaps 14 and 12 respectively in the desired fixed position. This of course, retains the plate 16 as an operative portion of the said receptacle and handbag.

In sewing the flaps 12 and 14 respectively, a machine operation is utilized whereby the stitches extend across the receptacle 10 near the top thereof and continue through the apertures 20 with stitches 28. This permits the handle means or plates 16 to be retained in the operative position on the said receptacle 10 by a single machining operation.

Having described the invention what is claimed as new is:

1. A handbag comprising a receptacle composed of flexible material and having a pair of flaps extending from the open upper end thereof, a pair of handle plates, each plate having a longitudinal slot therein above the lower edge thereof, and each plate having a plurality of apertures between the lower edge thereof and said slot, one of said flaps being passed through each slot, a row of stitching passed through each flap and a part of the receptacle thereadjacent, said stitching being disposed below each lower edge of the handle plates, and stitching passed through said flaps and adjacent parts of said receptacle and said apertures to prevent the upper end of the receptacle from sliding within the slots.

2. A handbag comprising a receptacle composed of flexible material and having a pair of flaps extending from the open upper end thereof, a pair of handle plates, each plate having a longitudinal slot therein above the lower edge thereof, each plate having a pair of apertures disposed below the slot therein and above the lower edge thereof and said apertures being disposed adjacent the ends of each slot, one of said flaps being passed through the slot in one of the handle plates and the other of said flaps being passed through the slot in the other handle plate, a row of stitching passed through one of the flaps and a part of the receptacle adjacent the flaps, and a second row of stitching passed through the other of the flaps and a part of the receptacle thereadjacent, both of said rows of stitching be-

ing disposed below the lower edge of the handle plates, stitching passed through said flaps and the apertures in said plates at the end of said slots to prevent the upper end of the receptacle from sliding within the slots, and said handle plates having hand gripping means operatively connected therewith.

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