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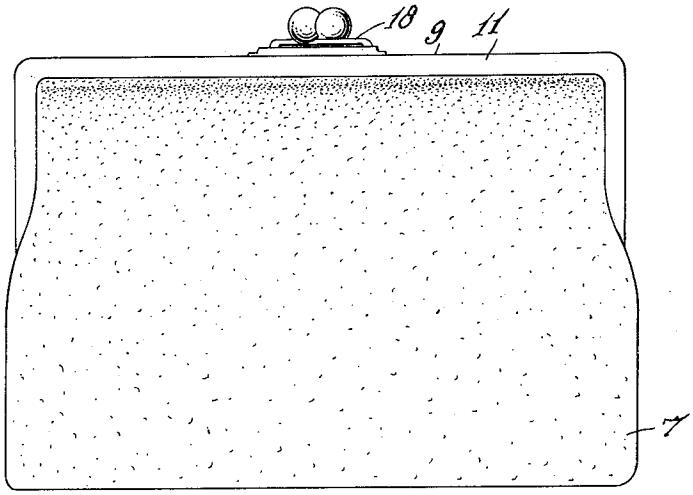


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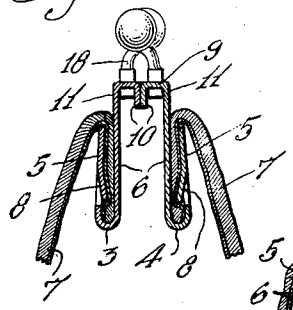
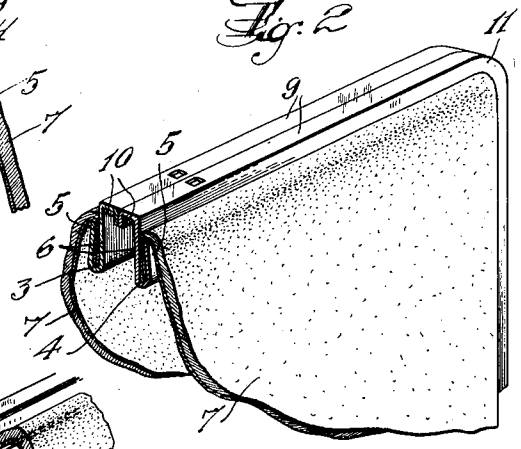


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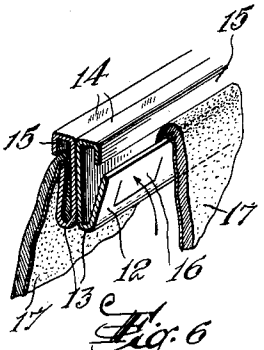
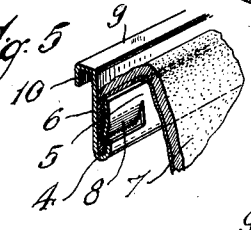


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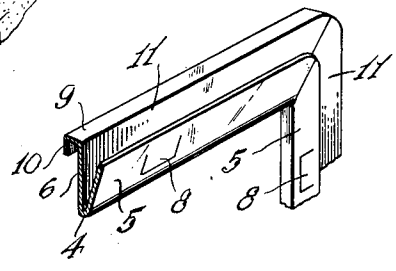


Fig. 3

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This invention relates to hand bags, and more particularly to means for facilitating the attaching of bag covering material to hand bag frame members.

Heretofore, bag covering material has been generally sewed to bag frame members. However, devices have been presented to obviate the necessity of sewing. In such devices the bag covering material is clamped or crimped in a channelled frame member; but they are objectionable in that the clamping or crimping operation is somewhat inconvenient in that it must be performed after the bag has been completely covered. Also, the exposed parts of the frame member are generally marred by tools during the crimping operation.

It is an object of this invention to provide a frame member to which bag covering material can be readily and conveniently attached without marring or damaging the frame member by tools.

A further object is the provision of a frame member to which bag covering material can be conveniently crimped, and which can be provided with fastening devices and ornamentations that in no way interfere with the covering material or the attaching of the covering material to the frame.

These and other advantageous objects, which will later appear, are accomplished by the simple and practical construction and arrangement of parts hereinafter described and exhibited in the accompanying drawing, forming part hereof, and in which:

Fig. 1 is a view of a hand bag embodying my invention,

Fig. 2 is a perspective view, partly in section, showing details of the invention,

Fig. 3 is a view of a frame member embodying the invention,

Fig. 4 is a cross-sectional view of a portion of a hand bag embodying the invention,

Fig. 5 is a view showing a manner of clinching bag material to a frame member, and

Fig. 6 is a perspective view, partially in section, of a modified form of the invention.

Referring to the drawing, there is shown a pair of U-shaped bag frame members 3, 4, which are hingedly connected in a conventional manner, and are of similar shape.

Each frame member is of the upwardly opening channel type, and comprises an outer wall 5 and an inner wall 6, of greater height than the outer wall, the bag covering material 7 being inserted between the two walls. The outer wall 5 is provided with a plurality of inwardly bendable sections 8 which are forced inwardly by means of a tool to securely hold the bag covering material in the channel as shown in Fig. 4.

The inner wall 6 is provided at its upper edge with an inwardly directed right angled flange 9, which, in turn, has a right angled downturned flange 10. Secured to the flange 9 are fastening means 18 of any desired type.

It will be noted that the inner wall 6 extends a considerable distance above the outer wall 5, so that clinching or crimping of the walls to secure the covering material, leaves a considerable portion 11 of the inner wall which is not touched by the clinching tools. This portion 11 of inner wall 6 may be plated with chromium, nickel, silver, gold, etc., and is susceptible to diverse ornamentations without interfering with the securing of the bag material to the frame.

In Fig. 6 is shown a modified form in which a frame member has an outer wall 12 with an inner wall 13 of greater height than the outer wall. The inner wall 13 has at its upper edge a flange 14 which is right angularly and outwardly directed, and having a downturned flange 15. The outer wall 12 is provided with bendable sections 16 which may be conveniently forced inwardly to tightly clinch the bag covering material 17 to the frame. The flanges 14 are adapted to support fastening devices and ornamentations as may be desired.

From the above description it is seen that I have provided an inexpensive frame member to which bag covering material can be speedily and conveniently attached, thus reducing materially the cost of manufacturing hand bags.

The foregoing disclosure is to be regarded as descriptive and illustrative only, and not as restrictive or limitative of the invention, of which obviously an embodiment may be constructed including many modifications without departing from the general scope herein indicated and denoted in the appended claims.

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

1. In a hand bag, an upwardly opening channelled frame member having an outer wall and an inner wall extending above the outer wall, said inner wall having at its upper edge a right angled inwardly directed flange having a right angled downturned flange, and said outer wall having bendable sections adapted to be forced inward to secure bag covering material to the frame member.

2. In a hand bag, an upwardly opening channelled frame member having an outer wall and an inner wall extending above the outer wall, the inner wall having at its upper edge an inwardly directed right angled flange having a downturned portion, and bag covering material secured between said walls.

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