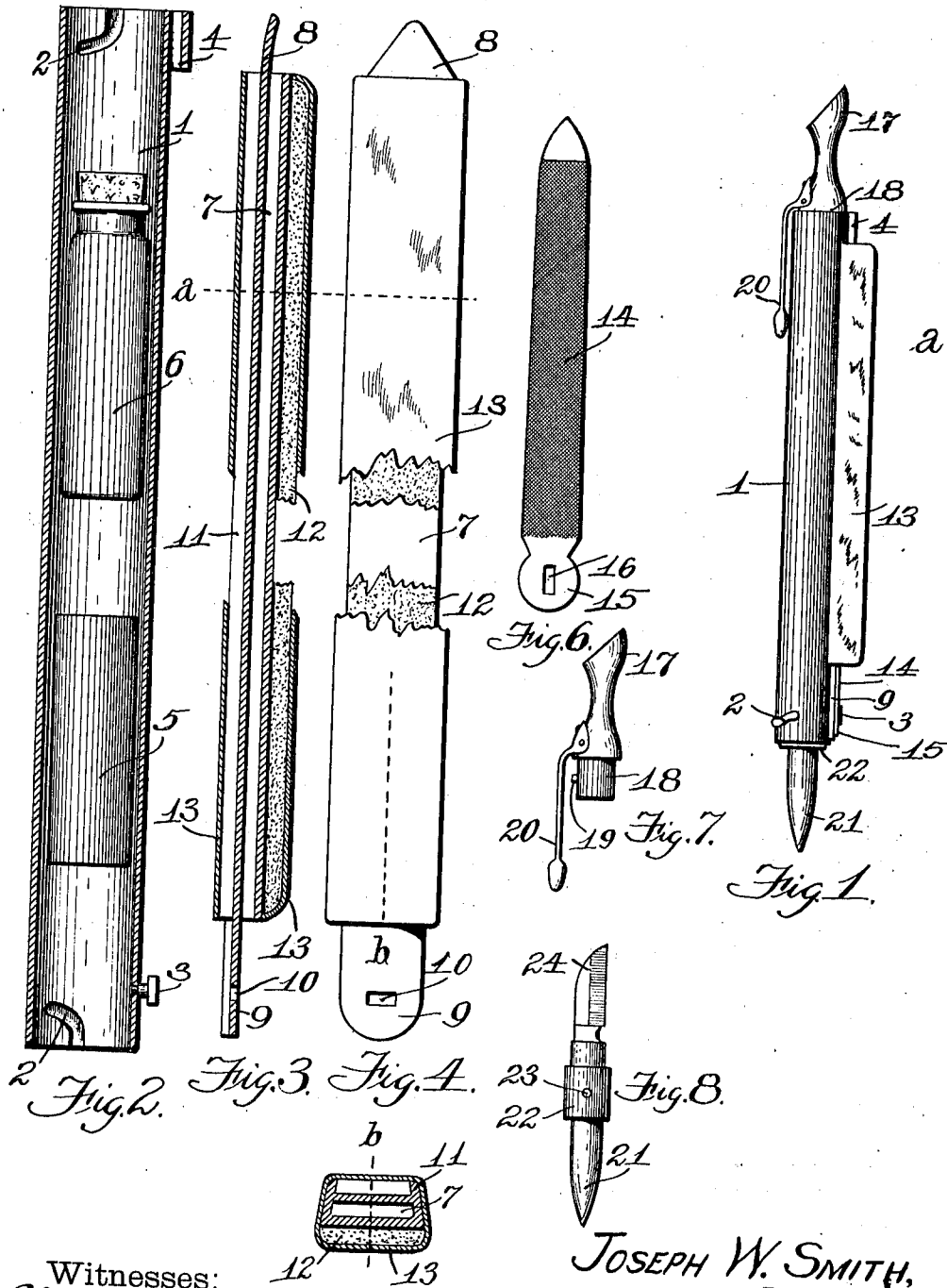


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH WALTER SMITH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Middletown, Butler county, Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Manicure-Kits, of which the following is a specification.

This invention comprehends a manicure kit adapted to be carried in the pocket like a pencil or a fountain pen, and the invention will be readily understood from the following description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing in which:—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a manicure kit exemplifying my invention: Fig. 2 a vertical longitudinal section of the casing, in the plane of line *b* of Figs. 4 and 5: Fig. 3 a vertical longitudinal section of the scabbard and buff in the plane of line *b* of Figs. 4 and 5: Fig. 4 a face view of the scabbard and buff: Fig. 5 a horizontal transverse section of the scabbard and buff in the plane of line *a* of Figs. 1, 3 and 4: Fig. 6 a face view of the file: Fig. 7 a side elevation of the cuticle pusher: and Fig. 8 a side elevation of the cuticle point and knife.

A diversity of scales is employed among the various figures of the drawing.

In the drawing: 1 indicates a cylindrical casing formed preferably of thin metal of a size convenient for the pocket, say three-eighths of an inch in diameter and about four inches long: 2, bayonet-joint slots in the ends of the casing, these slots being either cut entirely through the metal of the casing or, as is preferred, indented outwardly from the interior of the casing: 3, a turn-button on the exterior of the casing near one end: 4, a flat pocket formed on the outside of the casing in line with the turn-button but on the opposite end of the casing: 5, a cylindrical cake of nail polish loosely contained within the casing: 6, cylindrical bottle of nail salve loosely contained within the casing: 7, a flat metallic scabbard formed of sheet metal and having a length less than the distance between turn-button 3 and pocket 4: 8, a prong projecting from one end of the scabbard and adapted to enter the pocket 4 of the casing: 9, a shank projecting from the scabbard at the end opposite the prong: 10, a slot through shank 9, this slot extending crosswise of the shank and having a dimension adapting it to pass over turn-button 3 when the button is turned crosswise of the casing, the dimensions of

the turn-button being such that when the scabbard lies against the casing with its prong within pocket 4 the head of the turn-button may engage outside the shank when the head of the turn-button is lengthwise of the casing and scabbard: 11, longitudinal flanges projecting rearwardly from each side of the scabbard: 12, a pad, as of felt lying upon the front face of the scabbard: 13 a sleeve of chamois snugly surrounding the scabbard and pad: 14, a thin nail file having a pointed end, to serve as a scraper, this file being adapted to fit within the scabbard: 15, a flat handle or shank on the end of the file opposite its pointed end and adapted to overlie shank 9 of the scabbard when the file is within the scabbard: 16, a slot through the shank of the file, this slot being disposed endwise of the file and adapted to engage over the head of turn-button 3 when the button lies lengthwise of the casing and the file is in the scabbard: 17, a cuticle pusher in the form of a round bevel-ended chisel, the greatest diameter of this pusher being substantially the same as that of the casing: 18, a cylindrical shank formed on the pusher, this shank being of a size to fit nicely within the end of the casing: 19, a short pin projecting from the shank of the pusher and adapted to engage the bayonet-joint slot in the end of the casing: 20, a clip having a somewhat elastic shank secured at its heel to the cuticle-pusher, the shank extending down alongside the casing when the pusher is in place in the end of the casing and being adapted to clip a reasonable thickness of cloth-fabric between itself and the casing: 21, a cuticle point of stylus form whose greatest diameter is somewhat less than that of the interior of the casing: 22, a shank formed with the cuticle point and adapted to snugly fit within the end of the casing: 23, a pin projecting from this shank and adapted to cooperate with the punch-locking slot in the end of the casing: and 24, a cuticle knife projecting from shank 22 opposite the cuticle point.

The combined cuticle point and cuticle knife illustrated in Fig. 8, may be placed in the end of and locked to the casing with either the knife or the point projecting from the casing, the casing serving, in either case, as the handle.

When the device is to be carried in the pocket the cuticle point will project outwardly, as illustrated in Fig. 1, the knife

being at this time housed within the casing. The cuticle point is serviceable not only in manicure work but as a stylus for use in manifold writing.

5 The device being assembled in the condition illustrated in Fig. 1 may be placed in the user's pocket with the cuticle pusher upward, the clip 20 engaging the front of the pocket and preventing the device from falling from the pocket and serving to support
10 the device in the pocket with the buff 13 toward the body of the wearer. As the clip is permanently secured to the cuticle pusher, and as the cuticle pusher is held in a fixed
15 angular position relative to the casing and buff by the bayonet-lock the buff will always be toward the wearer's body.

The scabbard receives and conceals the file. The file is thin and flexible and when
20 it is poked into the scabbard, the scabbard being on the casing, the slot in its shank snaps over the head of the turn-button, thereby preventing the displacement of the file from the scabbard and preventing the
25 turning of the turn-button to release the scabbard from the casing. The file also serves as a wrench by means of which the turn-button can be turned to release the scabbard from or lock it to the casing.

30 The buff is of good liberal length and is given good efficient yielding service in virtue of the underlying cushion 12. While the buff may be employed while the scabbard is removed from the casing it is intended and far preferable that the buff
35 shall be used while the scabbard is locked to the casing. The buff is formed of a seamed sleeve of chamois, and cushion 12 is permanently secured within the chamois sleeve, as by stitching at its ends.
40 The sleeve with its cushion slides freely over the scabbard, the rear wall of the chamois sleeve projecting across the valley between longitudinal flanges 11. When
45 the scabbard is applied to the casing then the casing depresses the rear wall of the sleeve into the valley and thereby snugly tightens the buff upon the scabbard. Soiled and worn buffs are thus readily renewed.

50 Prong 8 should have such fit in pocket 4 that when the scabbard is first put in place its shank end will lie a little distance from the casing. A trifle of force applied to the shank of the scabbard may then press the
55 scabbard to place against the casing, the turn-button passing through the slot in the shank of the scabbard, after which the turn-button is to be turned to a position at right angles with its slot in the scabbard shank,
60 using the file as a wrench, thus firmly locking the scabbard and buff to the casing and preventing any displacement or rattling. The scabbard shank 9 is slightly concave so as to fit fairly and neatly against the casing,
65 the outer face of the scabbard shank being

correspondingly convex. The result is that the turn-button has its operative under surface free from the outer surface of the shank when the turning motion of the button is initiated, but when the turn-button has been
70 turned to a position at right angles to the slot in the scabbard shank it has engaged higher portions on the outer surface of the shank, due to the convexity thereof, the button thus forcing the shank end of the scabbard home with a cam-like action, and when
75 the file has been put in place in the scabbard then the scabbard is firmly locked to the casing and the file locked within the scabbard.

80 If it should be desired to apply a removable protecting jacket of fabric to the buff, a properly fitting jacket may be readily slipped to place, while the scabbard and buff are separated from the casing, and
85 when the scabbard is replaced and locked to the casing the downward action due to depressing the fabric in the valley between the longitudinal channels of the scabbard will draw the jacket tightly over the buff,
90 thus producing a nice finish for the jacketed buff.

I have described the scabbard and casing as being formed of metal, and such is the preference, but manifestly any other suitable
95 material may be employed.

I claim:—

1. A manicure kit comprising, a cylindrical casing having bayonet-locking slots at its ends and adapted to contain manicure
100 material, a cuticle-pusher having a cylindrical shank and projecting pin adapted to engage and lock in the end of the casing, a cylindrical shank and pin adapted to engage and lock into the opposite end of the
105 casing, a cuticle-point projecting from one end of the last-mentioned shank, a cuticle-knife projecting from the other end of said shank, a chamois leather buff disposed at one side of the casing and extending length-
110 wise thereof, and locking means at the ends of the casing and buff for securing the buff removably to the casing, combined substantially as set forth.

2. A manicure kit comprising, a cylindrical
115 casing having bayonet-locking slots at its ends and adapted to contain manicure material, a cuticle-pusher having a cylindrical shank and projecting pin adapted to engage and lock in the end of the casing, a
120 cylindrical shank and pin adapted to engage and lock into the opposite end of the casing, a cuticle-point projecting from one end of the last-mentioned shank, a cuticle-knife projecting from the other end of said
125 shank, a scabbard removably secured to the side of the casing, and a buff secured to said scabbard, combined substantially as set forth.

3. A manicure kit comprising, a cylindri- 130

cal casing having a bayonet-locking slot at its end, a cylindrical shank provided with a pin adapted to engage and lock in the end of the casing, a manicure tool carried by said shank, and a clip having its heel secured to said tool and having its body extending alongside the casing when the shank is locked in the casing, combined substantially as set forth.

4. A manicure kit comprising, a flat scabbard adapted to contain a nail file, a chamois sleeve surrounding the scabbard, and a cushion interposed between sleeve and a flat face of the scabbard and secured to the sleeve, combined substantially as set forth.

5. A manicure kit comprising, a cylindrical sleeve, a pocket at one end of the outside of the casing, a turn-button projecting from the outside of the opposite end of the casing in line with said pocket, and a flat scabbard having at one end a prong to engage within said pocket and having at its opposite end a slotted shank to cooperate with said turn-button, combined substantially as set forth.

6. A manicure kit comprising, a cylindrical sleeve, a pocket at one end of the outside of the casing, a turn-button projecting from the outside of the opposite end of the casing in line with said pocket, a flat scabbard having at one end a prong to engage within said pocket and having at its opposite end a slotted shank to cooperate with said turn-button, and a chamois jacket surrounding said scabbard, combined substantially as set forth.

7. A manicure kit comprising, a cylindrical sleeve, a pocket at one end of the outside of the casing, a turn-button projecting from the outside of the opposite end of the casing in line with said pocket, a flat scabbard having at one end a prong to en-

gage within said pocket and having at its opposite end a slotted shank to cooperate with said turn-button, and a flexible file adapted to said scabbard and having a shank provided with a slot adapted to engage and lock said turn-button when the turn-button is in position to lock the scabbard to the casing, combined substantially as set forth.

8. A manicure kit comprising, a cylindrical casing, a flat scabbard having projections at its ends, locking devices carried by the ends of the casing to lock the scabbard to the casing, longitudinal flanges projecting rearwardly from the back of the scabbard, and a chamois sleeve encircling the scabbard and flanges and adapted to be depressed into the valley between the flanges and tighten upon the scabbard as the scabbard is being secured to the casing, combined substantially as set forth.

9. A manicure kit comprising, a cylindrical casing, a flat scabbard having projections at its ends, locking devices carried by the ends of the casing to lock the scabbard to the casing, longitudinal flanges projecting rearwardly from the back of the scabbard, a chamois sleeve encircling the scabbard and flanges and adapted to be depressed into the valley between the flanges and tighten upon the scabbard as the scabbard is being secured to the casing, and a cushion interposed between the sleeve and the outer face of the scabbard and secured to the sleeve, combined substantially as set forth.

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