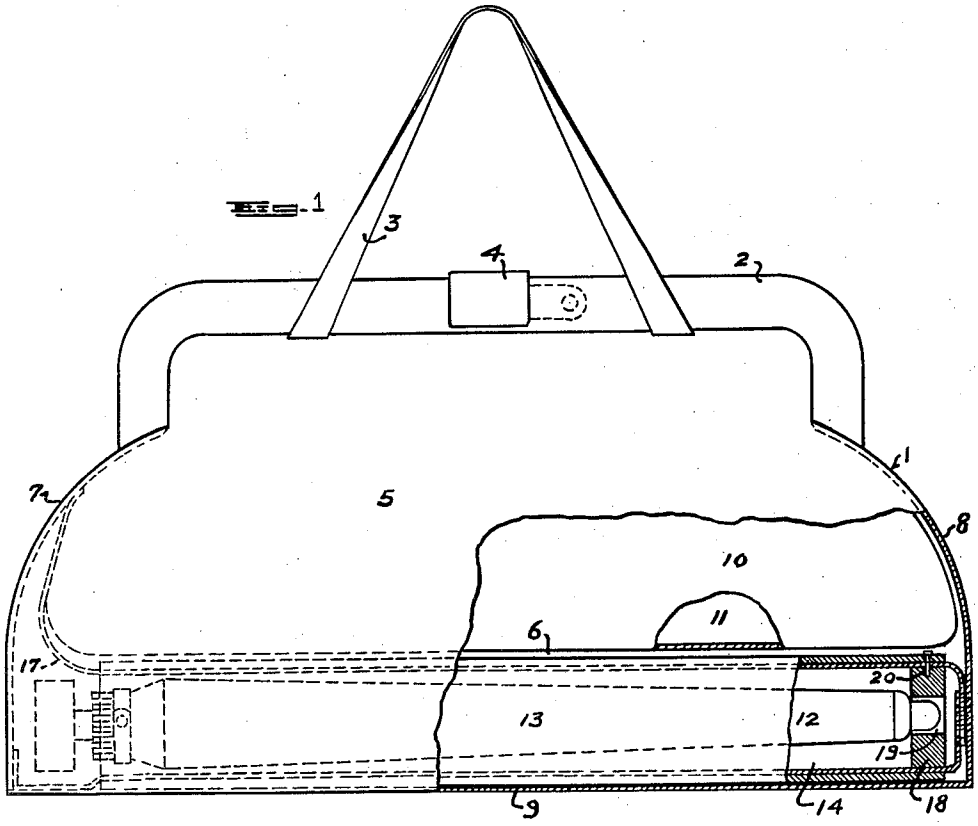
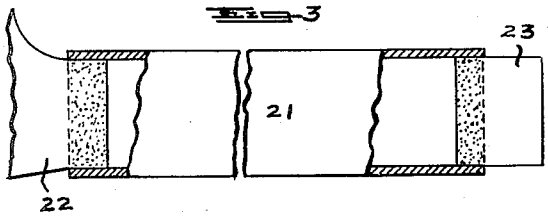
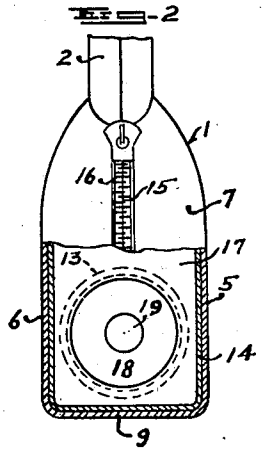
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This invention relates to a lady's improved hand bag, and important objects and advantageous thereof are to provide a hand bag of the character described, which embodies an elongated compartment of a size sufficient to allow a closed, full length umbrella to be inserted therein without in any way interfering with the usual normal utility of the hand bag, which will completely enclose and house the umbrella so no part of the latter is visible when stored in the compartment, which will facilitate the insertion or removal of the umbrella without liability of damage to the latter or to the hand bag, which will retain its shape and render same more readily accessible, which is simple in its construction and arrangement, durable, compact, attractive in appearance, and comparatively economical in its manufacture, maintenance and use.

With the foregoing and other objects in view which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the novel construction, combination and arrangement of parts herein specifically described and illustrated in the accompanying drawing, but it is to be understood that the latter is merely illustrative of an embodiment of the invention, and that changes in the form, proportions and details of construction may be resorted to that come within the scope of the claims hereunto appended.

In the drawing wherein like numerals of reference designate corresponding parts throughout the several views:

Figure 1 is a side elevational view, partly in section, of an improved hand bag constructed in accordance with the invention.

Figure 2 is a fragmentary end view thereof partially in section.

Figure 3 is a side elevational view, partly in section, of a modified form of tube compartment structure embodied in the present invention.

Referring in detail to the drawing, the improved hand bag comprises an elongated, flexible body 1, which is connected with a pair of similar frame members 2. The latter are hingedly joined together and are provided with carrying handles 3 and with a closure clasp 4.

The bag body 1 and the frame members 2, with associated elements are generally of the conventional construction and operation, with the bag body comprising a pair of side walls 5 and 6, and pair of end walls 7 and 8, and a bottom 9. The body 1 has suitably secured therein an attached pocket lining 10 forming the main bag compartment 11 adapted for receiving and carrying the customary paraphernalia concomitant with ladies' requirements.

The bottom of the main compartment 11 is spaced a considerable distance from the body bottom 9, and this intervening space is utilized and prepared for housing an umbrella 12.

An umbrella compartment tube 13 is mounted in the bag body 1. The tube 13 is approximately of a length commensurate to the length of the bag body, but is spaced from the body end wall 7. The latter is provided with a vertically disposed opening 15, which may be opened or closed by the operation of the well known interlocking slide fastener mechanism 16 carried by the walls of said opening 15. The opening 15 affords entrance or access to the open or outer end of the compartment tube 13.

A flexible lining sleeve 14 extends through the compartment tube 13 and covers the interior surface wall of the latter. The lining sleeve 14 projects beyond the respective ends of the compartment tube 13, and the outer end thereof is flared, as indicated at 17, and attached to the open outer end wall 7 to facilitate the insertion and removal of the umbrella into and from the compartment tube 13. The lining sleeve 14 serves to finish the compartment tube by completely concealing the latter in the hand bag structure.

The inner end of the compartment tube 13 is closed by a closure member or disk 18, which is fixed in position by a pin 20 or otherwise, and secures the lining sleeve 14 to the inner end of the compartment tube. The primary purpose of the closure disk 18 is to provide a bumper element for the end tip of the umbrella 12 to eliminate liability of damage to the bag structure when the umbrella is inserted into the compartment tube 13. The closure disk 18 is provided with an aperture 19 for receiving the said umbrella tip and thereby lessen and conserve the bag length.

The projecting inner end of the lining sleeve 14 is attached to the body end wall 8 whereby the compartment tube 13 together with the lining sleeve 14 is secured against longitudinal shiftable movement in the bag structure.

The compartment tube 13 is preferably cylindrical, but may be tapered or polygonal-shaped in transverse cross section. The compartment tube is preferably rigid but may be semi-rigid, and may be constructed of paper, metal, plastic, or any other suitable light-weight material. The

lining sleeve 14 is constructed of textile fabric, preferably moisture-resisting material.

In the modification shown in Figure 3, the compartment tube 21 does not have its interior covered by a lining sleeve extending throughout the length thereof. Instead, a flaring entrance lining 22 is cemented or otherwise secured to the outer open end of the compartment tube 21, and a relatively short attaching sleeve 23 is secured to the inner end of the latter by cementing or by the use of the closure disk 18 in the manner above set forth. The entrance lining 22 and the attaching sleeve 23 are adapted for being secured to respective end walls 7, 8, for securing the compartment tube 21 in the hand bag structure. In this modified arrangement, the embodied compartment tube 21 is completely concealed from view in the bag structure.

It is, of course, obvious that in order to house or enclose a full length umbrella within a hand bag, the latter must of necessity be of a considerable length. The embodiment of the rigid compartment tube for receiving the umbrella, as herein disclosed, not only provides a most durable structure facilitating the insertion and removal of the umbrella, but further serves to maintain the proper and correct shape of the bag structure, by preventing sagging of the ends of the hand bag, particularly when the latter is being carried under the arm of the user, in the not infrequent manner.

The present invention provides a most efficient device of its kind, which may be economically manufactured, and conveniently and successfully employed in the manner and for the purpose herein set forth.

What I claim is:

1. In a hand bag of the character described, a bag body, a tube mounted in said body and providing a compartment for receiving an umbrella, a lining sleeve extending through said tube and having the ends thereof attached to respective end walls of said body for securing said tube in the latter, said body having an opening in one of said end walls to provide access to said compartment, and means operable to open and close said opening.

2. In a hand bag of the character described, a bag body, a tube mounted in said body and providing a compartment for receiving an umbrella, a lining sleeve extending through said tube and having the ends thereof attached to respective end walls of said body for securing said tube in the latter, a bumper element fixed in one end of said tube and securing said sleeve to said tube, said body having an opening in one of said end walls to provide access to said compartment, and means operable to open and close said opening.

3. In a hand bag of the character described, the combination of a bag body including a pair of end walls and a bottom and being provided with a main compartment, a rigid tube mounted in said body below said main compartment and extending along said bottom and providing an umbrella compartment for receiving an umbrella, a lining sleeve extending and projecting through said tube and having the ends thereof attached to respective end walls of said body for securing said tube in the latter, a bumper element fixed in the inner end of said tube and securing said sleeve to said tube, said body having an opening in one of said end walls to provide access to said umbrella compartment, and means carried by said open end wall operable to open and close said opening.

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