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POWDER PAD.

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Fig. 1.

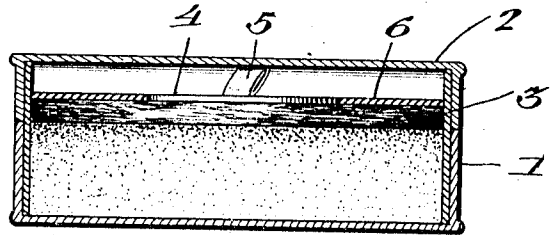


Fig. 2.

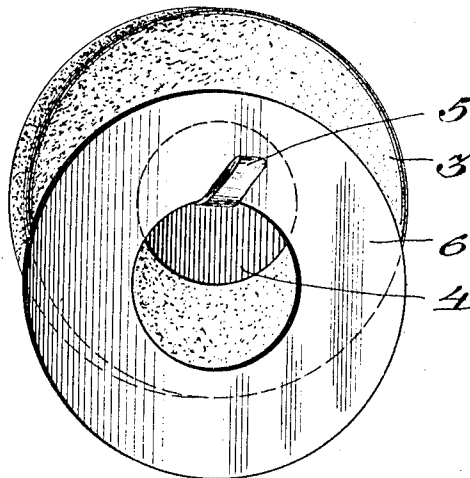
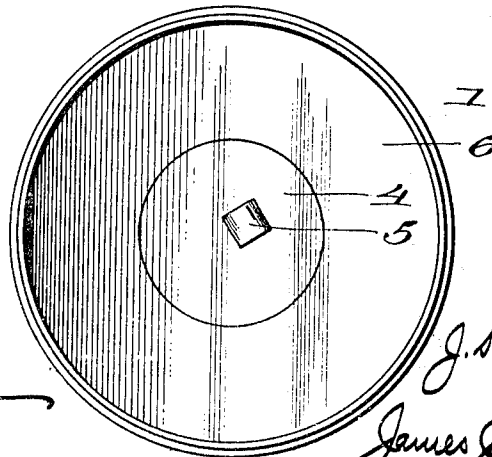


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, JONAS K. CHENEY and I FRANCIS PURDY, citizens of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented new and useful Improvements in Powder-Pads, of which the following is a specification.

Our present invention pertains to devices for applying toilet powder to the person; and it has for its object to provide a pad designed and adapted to be carried in a box of toilet powder, and constructed with a view to detracting as little as possible from the capacity of the box.

The invention also contemplates the provision of a powder-applying pad of such construction that it is calculated to permanently retain but a minimum quantity of powder, or in other words is adapted to serve as a temporary vehicle for transferring powder from the box to the skin of the user.

The invention further contemplates the provision of a powder-applying pad embodying a construction, whereby powder can be conveniently applied to the skin, and this without dropping of the powder on a dresser or on the apparel of the person using the pad.

Other advantageous characteristics of the invention will be fully understood from the following description and claim when the same are read in connection with the drawings, accompanying and forming part of this specification, in which:

Figure 1 is a diametrical section illustrative of the arrangement of our novel pad in a box of toilet powder, and relative to the mass of powder and the box cover. Fig. 2 is a view showing the position that the annulus comprised in our novel device assumes with reference to the pad when the latter is applied to the face or arms of the user. Fig. 3 is a plan view showing the pad properly positioned in the box.

Similar numerals of reference designate corresponding parts in all of the views of the drawings.

The box shown is preferably of conventional form and construction—*i. e.*, is made up of a body 1 and a cover 2, designed to be held on the body by frictional contact. The box is designed to carry in its body a mass of powder which may be of any description without affecting our invention, and the box is also designed to carry above the powder

the pad constituting the subject matter of our invention. The said pad comprises a disk or pad proper 3, of felted cotton or other material compatible with the purpose of the pad, the said disk or pad proper being thin in order to occupy but little of the interior of the box, and being calculated to permanently retain as little powder as possible. In other words, the pad is designed to serve merely as a momentary or temporary holder for transferring a portion of the powder from the box to the skin, and so that practically all of the powder taken up by the disk or pad will be caused to adhere to the skin, instead of remaining in or on the disk or pad. It will also be appreciated that the thin disk or pad proper, backed by the comparatively small disk 4, is adapted to lend itself to the curvature of the face and body and thereby assist in the application of powder thereto.

In addition to the disk or pad proper 3, the pad comprises a disk 4, preferably of fiber board which is connected by an adhesive or any other suitable means to the back of the disk, and is equipped with a tab or finger-piece 5 that is flexible in character, and is preferably, though not necessarily, formed by a piece of ribbon. The pad further comprises an annulus 6 which may be made of fiber board, pasteboard or any other cheap and otherwise suitable material, and is of a diameter to snugly occupy the body of the box. The said annulus 6 is superposed on the disk or pad proper 3, and surrounds the disk 4 when in the box, and consequently it will be manifest that the annulus in combination with the disk or pad proper, will serve to confine the powder in the lower portion of the box. It will also be manifest that when the pad is properly held by the tab, the annulus will gravitate and assume a position on the tab and consequently will serve as a guard and materially lessen the liability of powder dropping from the disk or pad 3 upon a dresser or upon the apparel of the person using the pad. This will be better appreciated when it is borne in mind that while holding the tab 5 between the thumb and forefinger, the user can press the lower portion of the annulus 6 against the skin so that said lower portion of the annulus will catch and hold any surplus powder that may drop from the disk or pad or from between the disk or pad and the skin. It will further be manifest that when the tab

is held between the thumb and forefinger, pressure may be applied by other fingers on any part of the disk or pad so as to make the powder adhere more closely to the skin in a particular spot. The disk 4, in addition to effecting connection of the tab to the disk or pad 3, serves to lend a certain amount of stiffness to the disk or pad proper, so that the latter will retain its flat state for an indefinite period.

In addition to the practical advantages hereinbefore ascribed to the pad, it will be noted that the same is susceptible of being manufactured without the employment of expensive machinery, and that the pad can be produced so cheaply as to permit of its being given away when the box of powder is sold.

Having described our invention, what we claim and desire to secure by Letters-Patent, is:

A powder-applying device, comprising a flexible pad, a stiff disk, of much smaller

diameter than the flexible pad, attached to the central portion of the back of the flexible pad, a finger tab, of flexible material, carried at the center of the comparatively small disk, and an annulus having a central opening of a size to snugly receive the comparatively small and stiff disk but easily separable therefrom; the said annulus corresponding in diameter to the first-named pad, and adapted when the same is applied to the face to rest in pendent position on the finger tab and between the hand and skin of the user, and also adapted in such position to serve as a guard and catch powder that may fall from the first-named pad.

In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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