CORD APPLIQUE FOR HANDBAGS AND OTHER ARTICLES

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This invention relates to new and useful improvements in a cord appliqué for handbags and other articles.

The invention proposes the construction of appliqué material as mentioned which is characterized by a relatively stiff base sheet of cloth material, a top work sheet of cloth material on the base sheet, and a novel arrangement of appliqué upon these sheets.

More specifically, the invention proposes to provide a base solid cord appliqué design on the sheets, and to superimpose on this appliqué design an open work top appliqué design.

In another form of the invention it is contemplated to superimpose on the base solid appliqué design more than one layer of appliqué designs to enhance the construction and appearance of the finished article.

Still further the invention proposes to so arrange the appliqué construction that it may be applied in accordance with conventional methods of applying appliqué. The designs may be suitably prepared by the use of the usual buckram or prepared chemical paper guides which may be burned out or dissolved out of the finished article upon completion of the appliqué patterns.

Still further the invention proposes to so construct the appliqué design that it may be formed from cords of various types and on base materials of various kinds.

Still further the invention also proposes a novel construction by which certain areas or layers of the appliqué construction may be stiffened or rendered completely flexible when desired.

For further comprehension of the invention, and of the objects and advantages thereof, reference will be had to the following description and accompanying drawing, and to the appended claims in which the various novel features of the invention are more particularly set forth.

In the accompanying drawing forming a material part of this disclosure:

Fig. 1 is a fragmentary plan view of cord appliqué material constructed in accordance with this invention.

Fig. 2 is a fragmentary enlarged sectional view taken on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a plan view of another piece of cord appliqué material constructed according to another form of this invention.

Fig. 4 is a fragmentary enlarged sectional view taken on the line 4—4 of Fig. 3.

Fig. 5 is a fragmentary plan view of another piece of cord appliqué material constructed in accordance with still another form of this invention.

Fig. 6 is a fragmentary enlarged sectional view taken on the line 6—6 of Fig. 5.

The cord appliqué material for handbags and other articles, in accordance with this invention, includes a relatively stiff base sheet of cloth material upon which there is superimposed a top work sheet of cloth material. A solid cord appliqué design is applied on these sheets. An open work top appliqué design is applied on the solid design.

The base sheet may comprise muslin, buckram or other material suitable as a base material. The top work sheet may comprise soft muslin, satin, silks or other desirable top materials. The solid cord appliqué design is constructed from cord material which is sewn upon the sheets in close formation in any selected design. The design shown in Fig. 1 is of square configuration. The open work top appliqué design is shown upon the appliqué design and the sheets in Figs. 3 and 4.

In Figs. 3 and 4 a modified form of the invention has been disclosed in which the cord appliqué for handbags includes a relatively stiff base sheet of cloth material upon which there is a top work sheet of cloth material. A base solid cord appliqué design is applied on the sheets in close formation in any selected design. The design shown in Fig. 1 is of square configuration. The open work top appliqué design is shown upon the appliqué design and the sheets in Figs. 3 and 4.

In this arrangement there are three layers of appliqué cords at certain areas of the article. The base appliqué design is shown as of spiral formation, the intermediate appliqué design of square formation. The top appliqué designs are of other ornamental arrangements.

In Figs. 5 and 6 another modified form of the invention is disclosed which distinguishes from the prior form in the construction and arrangement of the intermediate appliqué design. In accordance with this form of the invention these intermediate designs are applied on an intermediate piece of cloth material. This intermediate sheet has strips of cloth material secured to its bottom face by lines of stitches forming a passage which extends...
from one edge to an opposed edge of the appliqué design.

Stiffening strips 24 are removably mounted in these passages 23. Each stiffening strip 24 has an aperture 25 at one end by which it may be gripped so that it may be pulled out from the passage 23. At the other end each strip 24 has several laterally extending prong portions 25 cut from the material thereof and resiliently engaging the lines of stitches 22 to releasably hold the strip 24 in position in the passage 23.

In Fig. 5 two of the reinforcement strips 24 are shown arranged beneath the intermediate appliqué design, for stiffening this area. When desired these strips 24 may be removed as previously explained.

The stiffening strips 24 act to stiffen certain areas of the appliqué design while other portions remain soft and pliable to the touch of one's hand. This combination of soft pliable areas and stiffened areas appeal to the touch sense and adds interest to the article having such appliqués.

While I have illustrated and described the preferred embodiments of my invention, it is to be understood that I do not limit myself to the precise constructions herein disclosed and the right is reserved to all changes and modifications coming within the scope of the invention as defined in the appended claims.

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

1. Appliqué for handbags and other articles, comprising a base sheet of cloth material, a base solid cord appliqué design on said sheet, small areas of solid cord intermediate appliqué designs on said base appliqué design, and a top appliqué design on said intermediate appliqué designs, said intermediate appliqué designs having base base sheets, and means for reinforcing the latter base sheets, comprising strips on the latter base sheets secured with lines of spaced parallel stitches forming passages extending to opposite sides, and stiffening strips removably mounted within said passage.

2. Appliqué for handbags and other articles, comprising a base sheet of cloth material, a base solid cord appliqué design on said sheet, small areas of solid cord intermediate appliqué designs on said base appliqué design and a top appliqué design on said intermediate appliqué designs, said intermediate appliqué designs having base base sheets, and means for reinforcing the latter base sheets, comprising strips on the latter base sheets secured with lines of spaced parallel stitches forming passages extending to opposite sides, and removably stiffening strips mounted within said passage, each stiffening strip having projecting lateral elements engaging the said lines of stitches.

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