

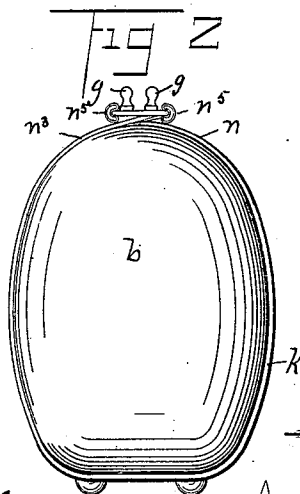
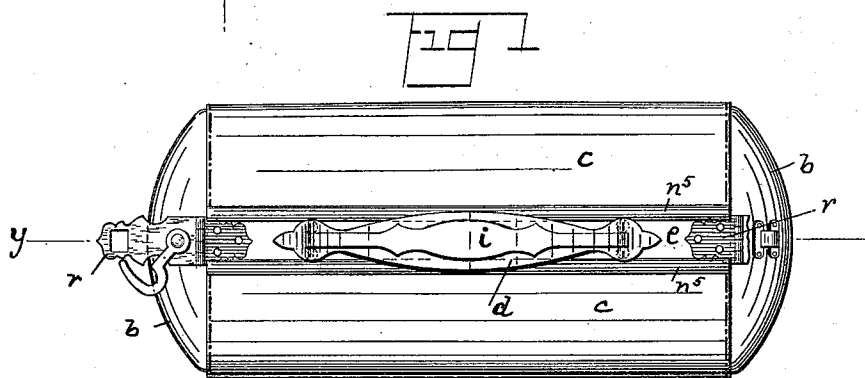
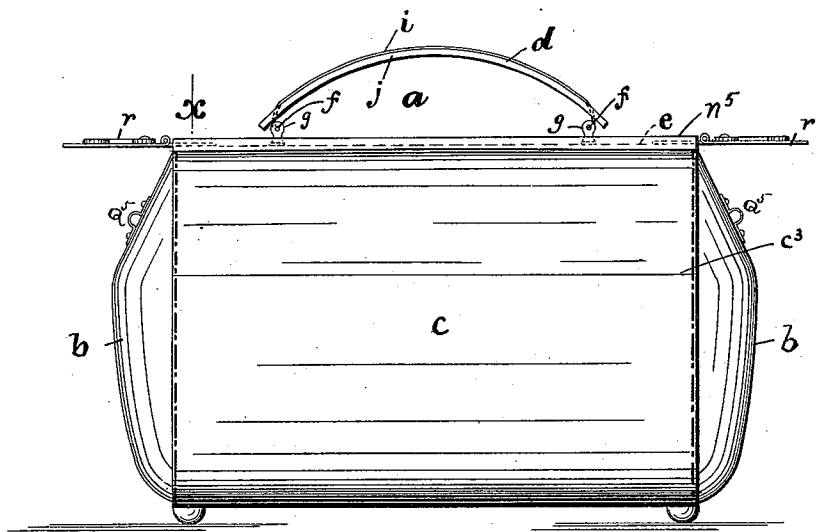
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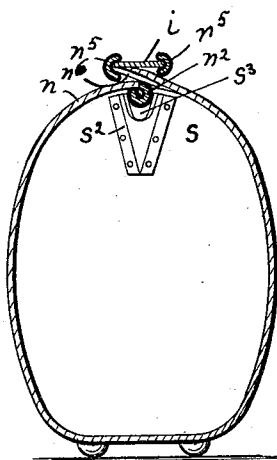


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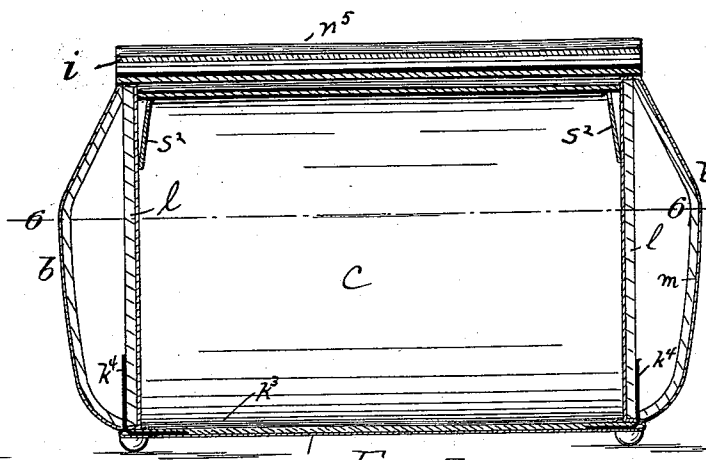


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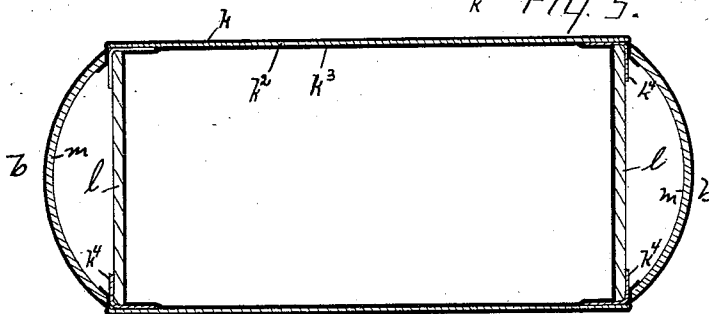


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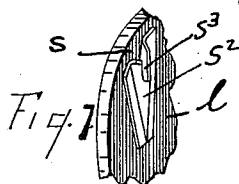


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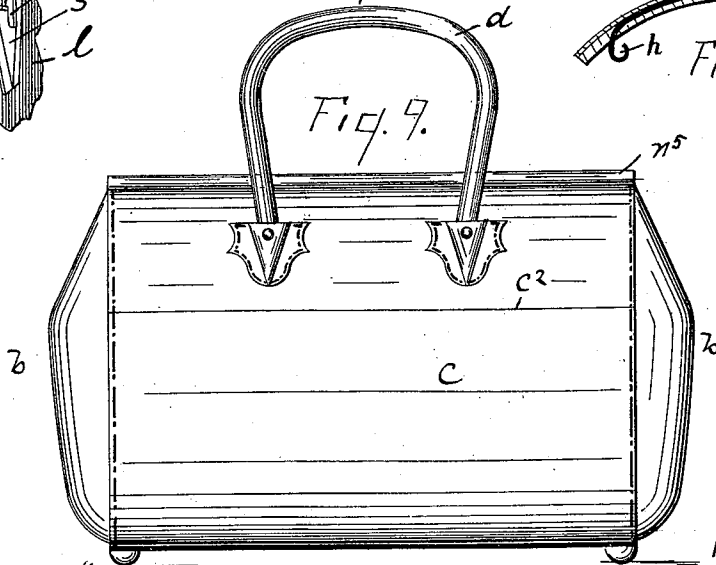


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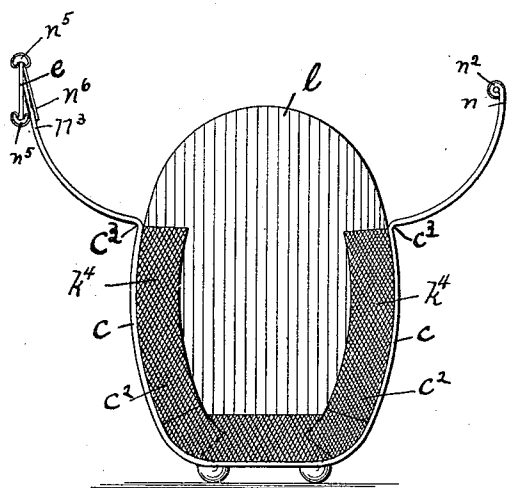
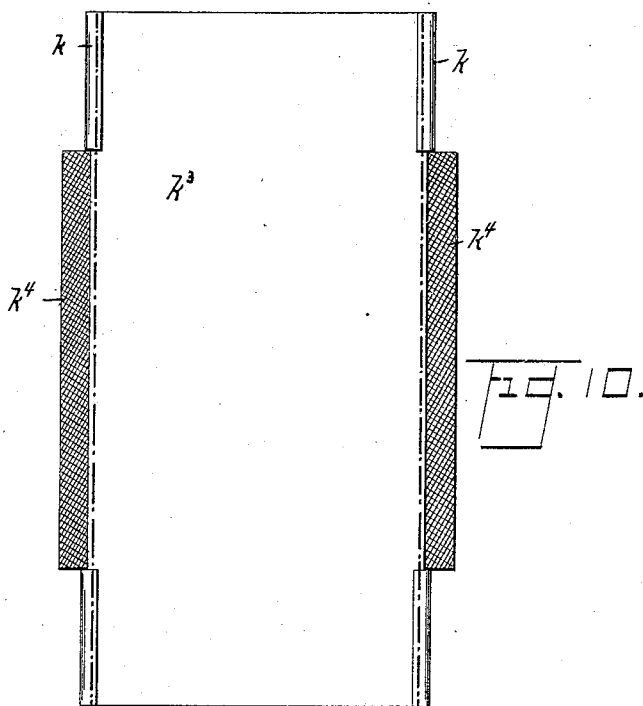


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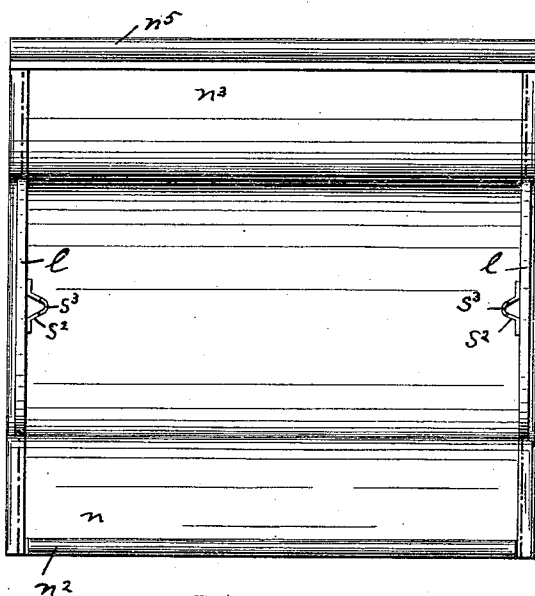


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANTON REZNICEK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Jersey City, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bag-Frames; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to a new and useful improvement in a bag or satchel, and has for its object greater simplicity, cheapness, and durability, as well as to increase the open space, thereby enabling the user of the bag or satchel to insert articles the full length as well as the width of the inside opening of said bag or satchel.

With these ends in view my invention consists of the peculiar features and combination of parts more fully described hereinafter and pointed out in the clauses of the claim.

This invention is best understood in connection with the accompanying drawings, in which like letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in each of the several figures where they occur.

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my improved bag or satchel, having the end catches extending outward from the end of the bag or satchel, so as to better show the construction. Fig. 2 is a top plan view of said Fig. 1 and having the catch on the right of said bag or satchel to show the eye-hook secured to the body of the bag or satchel. Fig. 3 is an end elevation of said Fig. 1, the handle being detached from the frame. Fig. 4 is a vertical cross-section on the line *xx* of Fig. 1. Fig. 5 is a vertical longitudinal section on the line *yy* of Fig. 2, omitting the handle and the end catches. Fig. 6 is a longitudinal section on the line 6 6 of Fig. 5. Fig. 7 is a perspective view of the inside supporting device for supporting the inside flap of the bag or satchel. Fig. 8 is a modification of the construction of the handle and the eye-hook to secure the same to the bag or satchel frame. Fig. 9 is

a modification showing the handles secured to both sides of the bag or satchel, and this construction is more adapted to ladies while out shopping. Fig. 10 is a plan view of the pattern on a reduced scale, showing the shape of the leather or other material to be used in constructing the bag or satchel before the same is completed. Fig. 11 is an end elevation having the outer form removed and showing the pattern secured to the partition by cementing or otherwise fastening the canvas to said partition, having the ends of the bag open to its full width. Fig. 12 is a top plan view of said Fig. 11 omitting both end forms.

In said drawings, *a* represents the bag or satchel of my improved construction and having end forms *b* secured to the body portions *c* of the bag or satchel in any well-known manner. These end forms *b* are preferably shaped as shown, made of any suitable material, and are secured at their edges to the vertical walls *l*, leaving an air-chamber in between, as shown in Fig. 5. These end forms are shaped so as to resist knocks and inward pressure, and serve not only to protect the vertical walls or partitions *l* from being cracked, broken in, or injured, but serve as supports to which the staple-like portions of the fastenings are secured. By forming air-chamber at the ends of the bag, as here shown, and interposing two rigid walls between outside objects, glass and articles that are easily broken can be placed at the center of the partitions with comparative safety, for the outside forms *b* protect them from without and the ends of the partitions protect them from the sides. These outside forms being covered with the same material as that from which the body portion is made, they not only strengthen the bag, but help to give it an ornamental appearance.

d represents the handle, fastened to the plate *e* by a pin *f* passing through a post *g* and through an eye-hook *h* formed in said handle by a plate *i* resting upon the top of said handle and passing through said leather when both ends of said plate *i* are turned up to serve as eye-hole *h*, as fully shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings.

In Fig. 8 the construction of the handle is shown having the plate *i* inserted between

two layers of leather v^2 and v^3 , and these are sewed together around the edges, as will be manifest.

The body portion c is made up out of a leather piece k for the outer side and a stiff lining k^2 to give the body a firm position, and to this is secured the inner lining k^3 . At each end of said body portion c and between the inner lining k^3 and the stiff lining k^2 is secured a canvas lining k^4 having the ends protruding beyond the leather k , whereby the said body portion c is firmly secured to the end partition l , either by cementing the projecting end to the partition or by nailing. This is left to the option of the manufacturer. To these partitions l is secured the outer form m to give the bag a finished appearance.

The body portion c is secured to the end partition, as at c^2 , and having their ends open, as at c^3 , so that said opening will be as wide as the bag and the opening lengthwise will be as large as between the two end partitions l , thus doing away with the hinge in the center of the bag, which form gussets, which are found very objectionable in bags now on the market.

At the end n of the body portion c is secured a rod n^2 and at the other end, n^3 , is secured the top plate e . Said plate e is secured to said end n^3 by a  shape metal cover n^5 secured at the side of said plate e , thereby securing said end n^3 and the additional back plate, n^6 , to the top plate, e , on which are secured the posts g having holes h for riveting or otherwise fastening the handle d to the bag. At each end of said top plate, e , I have shown a fastening device r for closing said bag. This fastening device may be of any construction, as will be apparent, without departing from the scope of my invention.

On the inner side s of the end partition l and nearly to the top edge thereof is secured a support s^2 , having a circular opening s^3 for the reception of the rod n^2 , so that said end n will not fall into the opening, as shown in Figs. 4 and 5. The said rod also serves to prevent the bag from collapsing inward.

In Fig. 9 is shown a bag or hand-satchel for the use of ladies while out shopping, and in this construction I secure the handles to each end of the body portion and dispense with the fastening device at each end.

I do not wish to be understood as limiting myself to the exact construction shown, as various changes may be made without departing from the spirit of my invention.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

1. In a bag or satchel the combination with the end partition, a body portion secured to

said end partition, a support secured to the inner side of said end partition, a rod secured to one end of the body portion and resting in a groove in said support, the other end of said body portion secured to a plate having the handle, substantially as specified.

2. A bag or satchel frame having straight vertical inner walls, or partitions, to which the ends of the material out of which the body is made, are fastened, and the outer curved end forms which are secured at their edges to the vertical walls or partitions substantially as specified.

3. In a bag or satchel, the vertical walls or partitions, the supports s^2 , secured thereto, and one of the covers provided with a rod n^2 along its edge, and which rod has its inner end to catch in the said supports, combined with the outside forms b , having the staple portions of the fastenings secured to them, the overlapping portion of the cover, and the fastenings secured to its ends, substantially as shown.

4. In a bag or satchel having its sides, top and bottom made from a single piece of leather k , or any other appropriate material for the outside, a stiff lining k^2 and an inner lining k^3 secured to said leather k and a piece of canvas k^4 interposed between said leather k and lining k^3 on the sides and bottom, said canvas projecting beyond said leather and linings to secure said side and bottom to the end partition at c^3 , substantially as set forth.

5. A bag or satchel having flexible overlapping covers, the plate n^6 , secured to the inner edge of one of the covers, the plate e , secured to its outer side, and the semicircular coverings n^5 secured to opposite edges of the plate e , combined with the rod n^2 secured to the opposite cover, substantially as specified.

6. A bag or satchel composed of the vertical inner walls l , and the outer end forms b , secured to the edges of the walls l , combined with the outer covering material k , a lining k^3 that is applied to the inner side of the covering material, and the canvas lining k^4 applied between the edges of the covering k and lining k^3 , and having its edges secured to the inner walls l ; the covering material being secured to the outer edges of the rigid end pieces, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the invention set forth above I have hereunto set my hand this 15th day of April, 1895.

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