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Fig. 1.

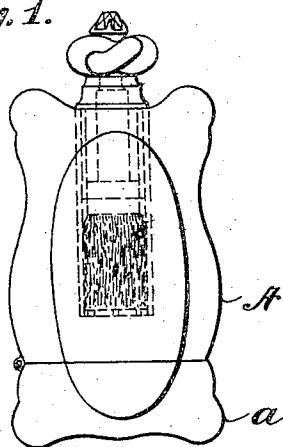


Fig. 2.

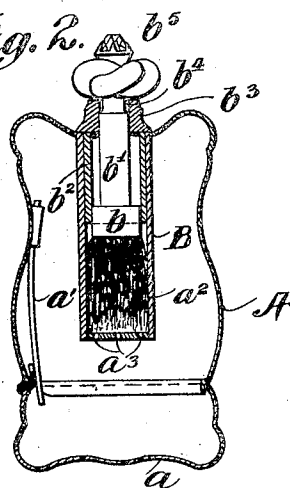


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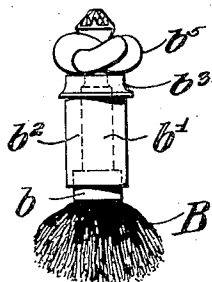
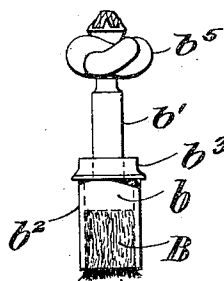


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EPHRAIEM CHAQUETTE, a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of New Rochelle, county of Westchester, State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Powder Brushes or Puffs, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to toilet-brushes or powder-puffs; and the object of my invention is to improve the construction of these articles and of the powder-receptacles with which they are used to enhance their serviceability.

Powder brushes and puffs used in applying toilet-powder to the face, &c., are usually formed of a light feathery material of an expansive character and are liable to injury when being entered through the relatively contracted mouth of a powder-receptacle. Also when withdrawing the brush or puff through the contracted mouth of the receptacle its inherent elasticity upon release causes it to distribute the powder it carries in all directions, flecking the apparel of the user, which is an undesirable effect.

In my improved device these objections are overcome, and a neat and compact article is produced capable of serving its purposes with efficiency.

In the drawings accompanying this application, Figure 1 is a side elevation of my improved powder-receptacle, showing the powder brush or puff therein in dotted lines. Fig. 2 is a vertical section of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a detail of the brush or puff as exposed, and Fig. 4 is a similar view with the brush or puff contained within its sheath.

While my improved powder-receptacle may be of any desirable form, I have, for example, here shown it as consisting of a flat casing A, having a hinged cover a , held by a spring a' in the manner of a match-safe. The receptacle is charged with powder from the end having the cover a . Secured to the opposite end of the receptacle is a tube or pocket a^2 , which extends within said receptacle, being closed at its inner end, but provided with perforations, as a^3 , to permit the passage of a limited quantity of powder. The outer end of the tube a^2 is secured at its peripheral edge within a circular aperture in the receptacle, in which it fits.

The brush or puff, as B, which is adapted to be inserted within the pocket a^2 , is attached to a head, as b , from which a stem b' extends. These members are introduced within a sheath, as b^2 , in which the head b is adapted to slide, said sheath having a cap b^3 , which is provided with an aperture b^4 for the passage of the stem b' , and said stem is topped with a stop, as b^5 , which may be ornamental in character and which is incapable of passing through the aperture b^4 . Thus the head b , carrying the brush or puff B, may be drawn within the sheath b^2 , as in Fig. 4, contracting said brush or puff within the compass thereof, in which form the brush or puff may be conveniently removed from or entered within the pocket a^2 . When within said pocket a^2 , the stem b' is pushed downwardly, causing the brush or puff B to protrude and expand outside the sheath b^2 , (see Fig. 3,) in which form it is capable of receiving a quota of powder that has been sifted through the perforations in the pocket a^2 .

In withdrawing the brush or puff from the powder-receptacle it first enters its sheath and is then removed as contracted within the latter. When removed, the brush or puff is again extended outside its sheath and is in readiness for use.

Having now described my invention, I declare that what I claim is—

1. In a toilet article, a powder-receptacle having an orifice, a tubular sheath adapted to fit slidably therein to form a stopper, said sheath being open at its inner end and provided with a contracted opening at its outer end, and a stem slidable through said contracted opening, said stem having a brush or puff at one end and a terminal enlargement at its opposite end, said enlargement forming a stop and a handle for the stem, and said stem, when pushed inwardly, exposing the brush or puff, and, when pulled outwardly, contracting and containing the brush or puff within the sheath.

2. In a toilet article, a powder-receptacle having an orifice and an interior, perforated pocket, a tubular sheath adapted to fit slidably within said pocket, said sheath being open at its inner end and provided with a contracted opening at its outer end, and a stem slidable through said contracted opening,

said stem having a brush or puff at one end
and an enlargement at its opposite end;
whereby, when said stem is extended inwardly
the brush or puff is exposed beyond the sheath
5 and when said stem is extended outwardly
the brush or puff is contracted and contained
within the sheath.

Signed at New York this 10th day of May,
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