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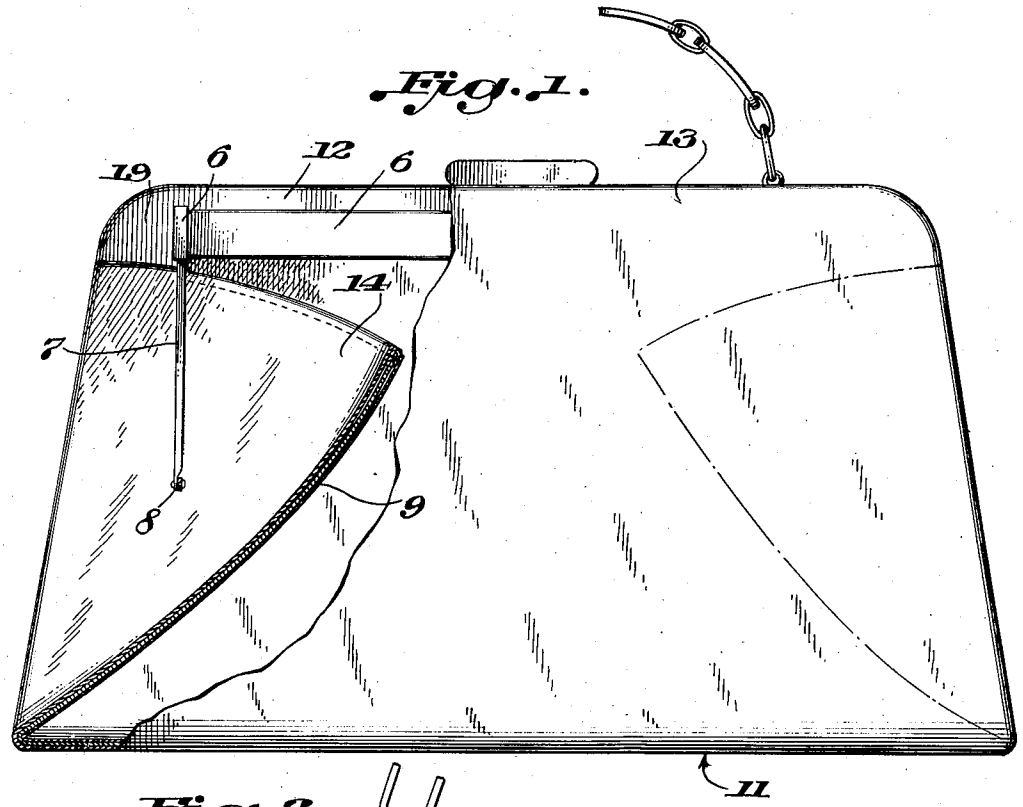
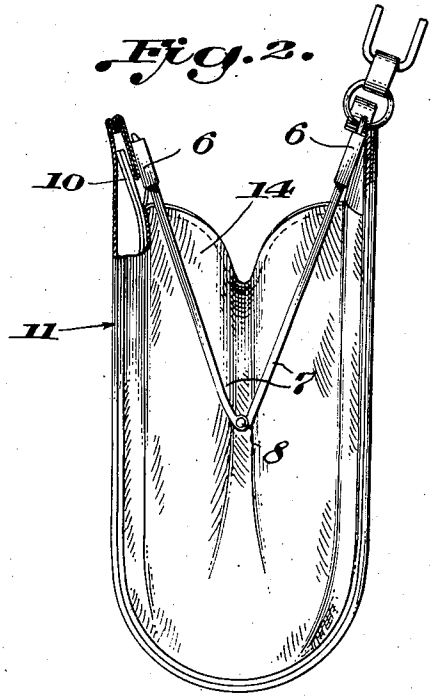


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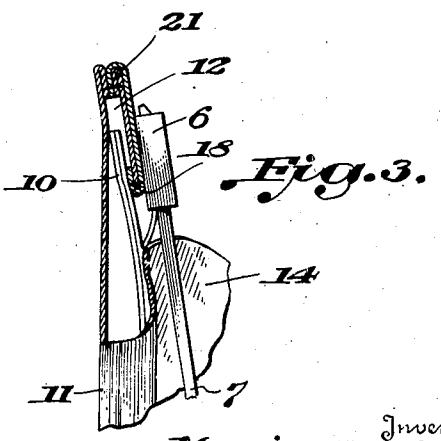


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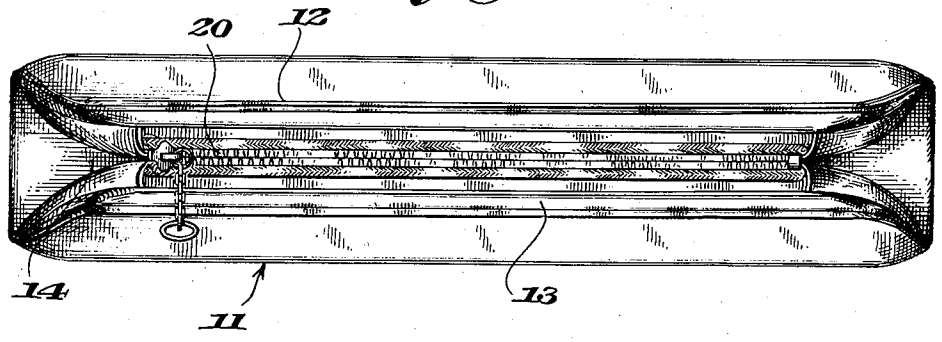
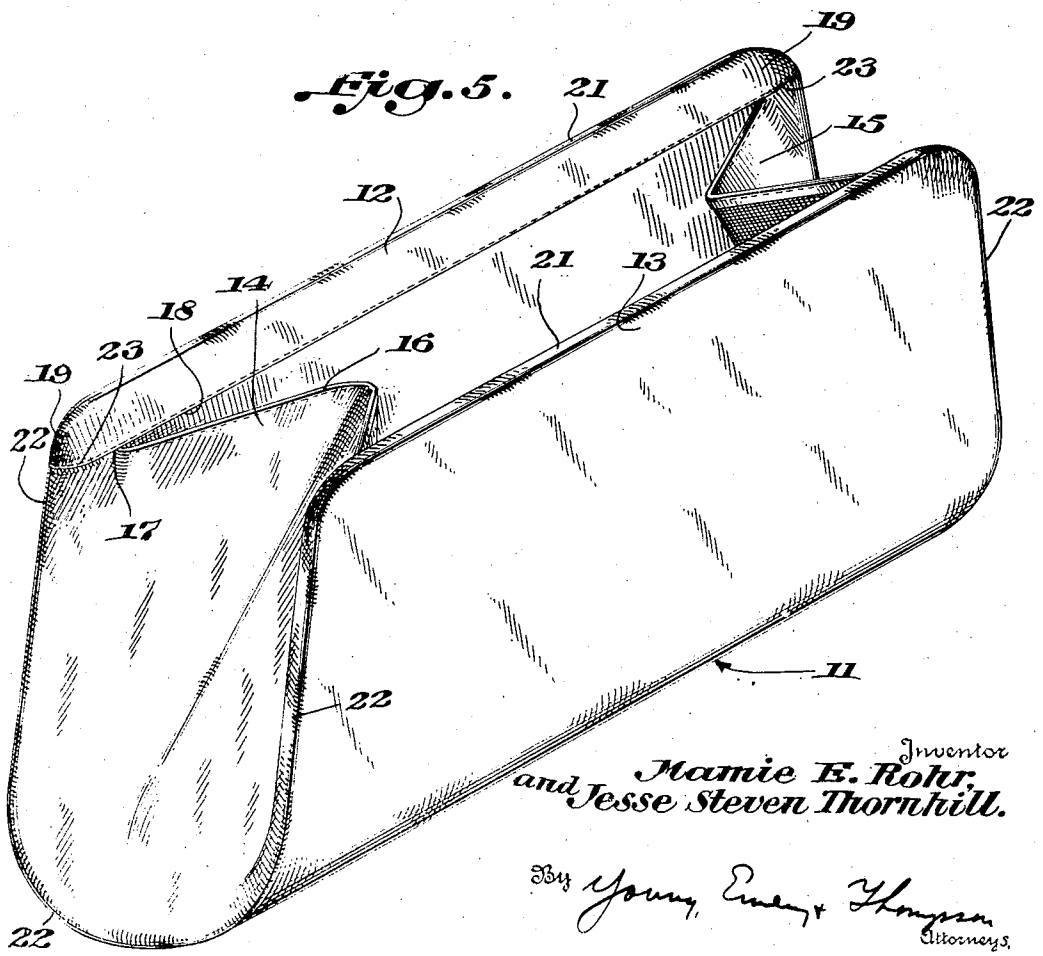


Fig. 5.



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This invention relates to handbags, and more particularly to washable covers for handbags.

It is an object of the invention to provide a washable cover with upper edge pockets which fit over upstanding elements of the foundation bag. A further object of the invention resides in a cover which is provided with a gusset at each end which fits snugly against the ends of the foundation bag. Another object resides in the pocket structure of the cover in which the upper edge of the gusset meets the bottom edge of the pocket spaced some distance from the side end of the cover.

It is thus an object of the invention to provide a cover having a pair of upper pockets each adapted to receive an extended side strip of the foundation bag and which is of shallow depth. Furthermore, the cover is provided with a gusset at each end to fit closely against a similar gusset in the ends of the foundation bag.

A still further object of the invention resides in a cover made in any variety of colors which may be interchangeably slipped onto and over a foundation bag.

Further objects will be apparent from the following description when considered in connection with the accompanying drawing in which:

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the cover and foundation bag with certain parts in section,

Fig. 2 is an end elevation of the cover and foundation bag with certain parts in section,

Fig. 3 is a sectional view of a detail,

Fig. 4 is a top plan view of the cover and modified foundation bag, and

Fig. 5 is a perspective view of the cover.

The foundation bag of Figs. 1 to 3 is of the type in which the frame has two horizontal side bars 6 with a pair of lever bars 7 interconnected at a hinge 8. The bag portion 9 terminates at each top side part with a flap section 10. The actual cover 11 is provided with a U-shaped body portion terminating in two upper pockets 12 and 13 interconnected by a side gusset 14 and 15. The upper edge 16 of each gusset terminates at 17 to and at the lower edge 18 of each pocket 12 and 13 to form thereby a closed end section 19.

Fig. 4 illustrates a foundation bag having a "zipper" closure 20 instead of the closure shown in 1 to 3. For a foundation bag having a "zipper" closure the structure of the cover 11 is exactly the same as disclosed in Fig. 5, that is, the cover is provided with pockets 12 and 13 and closed end sections 19.

The cover as shown in Fig. 5 may be cut out and stitched together in any suitable manner, but one suitable method is to stitch along the

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edges 21 and 22 and also along 18 extending into the gusset sections 14 and 15 and 23, thereby forming the closed end sections 19. Fig. 3 also shows the line of stitching 21.

The foundation bag may of course comprise any shape desired, it only being necessary that it shall have the extending flaps or strips 10 which project into the pockets 12 and 13 and into the closed extended pockets 19. In other words, the cover 11 fits snugly over the foundation bag and follows the parts of the foundation such as the gussets as shown in Fig. 1.

We claim as our invention:

1. A removable cover for a handbag of the type to be placed on a foundation bag provided with projecting side strips comprising a U-shaped body portion terminating at each upper end in a pocket, and a gusset at each end of the body portion extending up to the lower open edge of the pockets at a distance spaced from the end of the pocket, each pocket receiving a side strip of the foundation bag, and having closed sections at each end thereof, the top edge of the gusset merging into the open edge of the pocket at the point where the closed section begins.

2. A handbag comprising a foundation bag provided with projecting side strips, a removable cover including a U-shaped body portion terminating at each upper end in a pocket, a gusset for the cover at each end of the body portion extending up to the lower end of the pockets, each pocket receiving a side strip of the foundation bag and each pocket having a closed end section at each end thereof into which the ends of the side strips extend and into which the upper edge of the gusset merges into the lower end of the pocket, and a frame for the foundation bag including a pair of lever bars hinged to each other on each end of the handbag and extending into the outside space formed by the gusset.

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