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Fig. 1

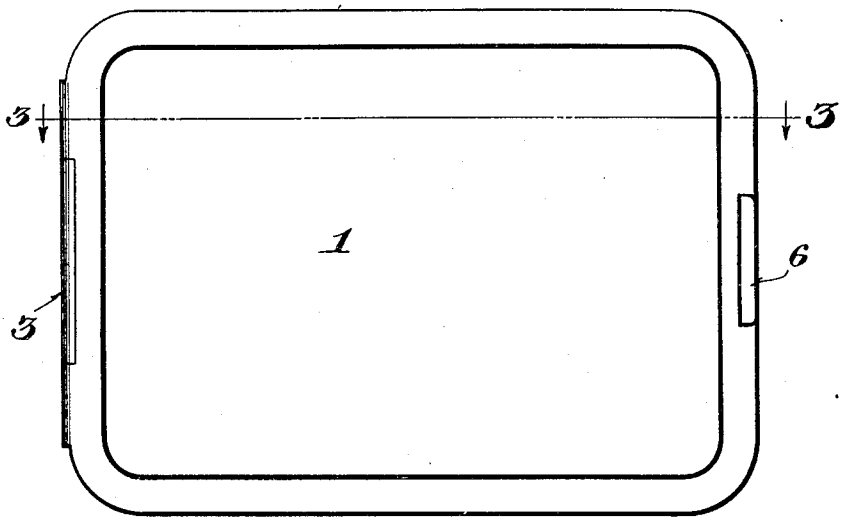


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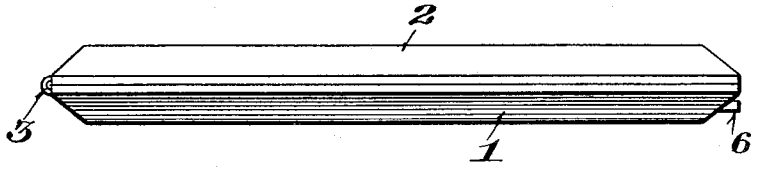


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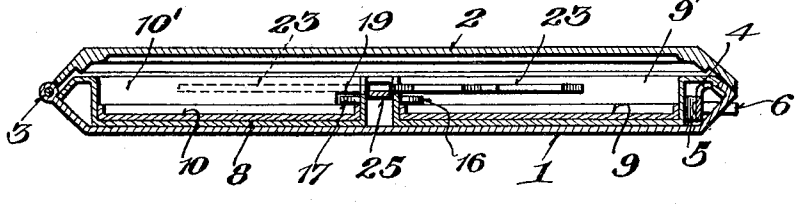
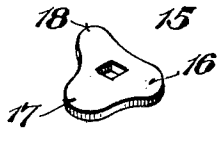


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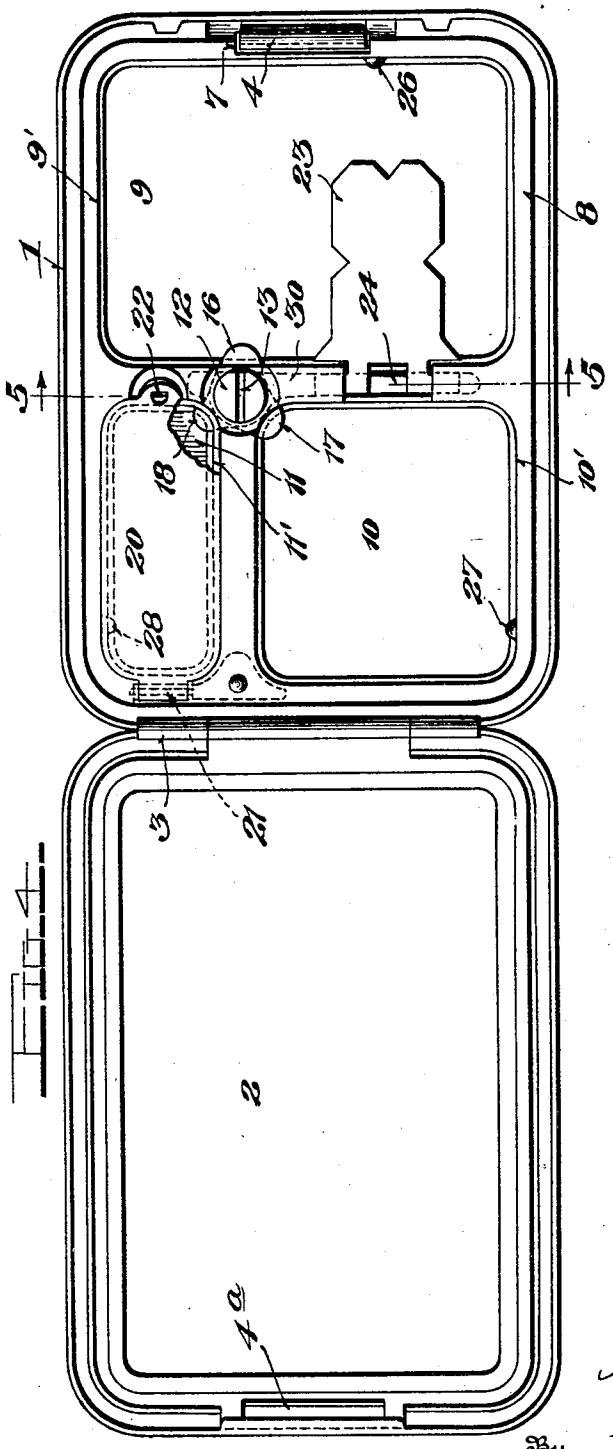
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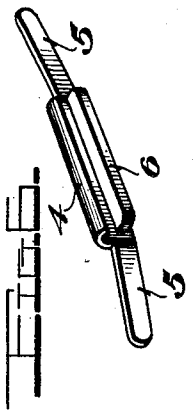
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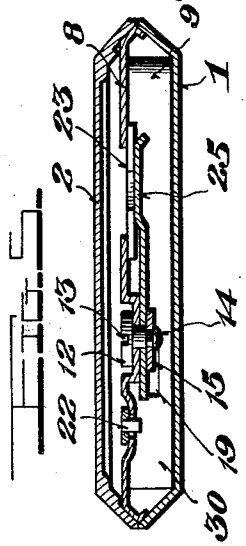
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VANITY CASE

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This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in vanity cases and the primary object thereof is to provide improved means for removably holding the powder and rouge containing pans in the case, and to also provide means which can be easily and quickly operated to enable removal of the pans.

A further object of the invention is to provide a single means for simultaneously holding a plurality of pans in the case, which means upon movement to inoperative position allows all of the pans to be removed.

A still further object of the invention is to provide holding means which may be operated by use of a coin for the purpose of rotating the holding means into and out of operative position.

The invention has further and other objects which will be later set forth and manifested in the course of the following description.

In the drawings:—

Figure 1 is a top plan view of the case in closed position;

Figure 2 is a side edge elevation;

Figure 3 is a section on line 3—3 of Figure 1;

Figure 4 is a top plan view of the case in open position;

Figure 5 is a section on line 5—5 of Figure 4;

Figure 6 is a detail perspective view of the latch for the cover, and

Figure 7 is a detail perspective view of the latch for the pans.

In proceeding in accordance with the present invention the case is provided with a body 1 and a top 2 hinged at 3 to the body. The cover is removably held in closed position by means of a latch 4, the latter having spring tensioning arms 5 at its ends and a finger engaging or operating member 6, the latch operating in a cut out 7 formed in the end wall of an insert 8. The insert engages within the body and is formed with a plurality of integral die-struck compartments 9′, 10′ and 11′, in which the pans 9, 10, and 11 are removably disposed. The cover is provided with a keeper 4a to engage the latch.

Referring to Figure 4 of the drawings it will be seen that the compartments for the pans and consequently the latter are located so that each pan has a portion disposed adjacent to a common latching or holding device, the latter composed of a head 12 diametrically slotted at 13, the slot being of a size to receive a coin such as a penny or dime whereby the head can be rotated. The head has a shank which is headed at 14 into engagement with a member 15, formed with three radially extending fingers or arms 16, 17, and 18, which fingers or arms are adapted to engage with and extend over the adjacent top edges of the rims of the pans. As shown in Figure 5 of the drawings the partition 30 of the insert which separates the compartments is slotted at 19 in order to allow each of the latching fingers 16, 17 and 18 to freely move into and out of engagement with the pans.

A cover 20 hinged at 21 to the insert is provided for the pan 11 and is held closed by means of a latch 22. For the purpose of holding a powder puff or pad in either of the pans 9 or 10, an arm 23 is provided which is hinged at 24 to the insert and is secured thereto by the shank of the head 12, as shown in Figure 5.

As shown in Figure 4 the several compartments for the pans are provided with knobs or teats 26, 27 and 28 which are adapted to engage over the rims of the pans so as to hold the latter firmly in position in conjunction with the holding member 15.

In operation, referring to Figure 4 of the drawings, it will be seen that the member 15 is movable to have its arms 16, 17, and 18 simultaneously projected out of the slots 19 to overlie the rims of the pans thereby simultaneously holding all three of the latter in position, and upon turning of the member 15 to move the arms 16, 17, and 18 out of the slots, the pans may be disengaged from the teats 26, 27 and 28, and thereby freely removed from the case.

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

1. In a vanity case, a body having a partition therein dividing same into a series of

spaced compartments, removable pans in the compartments, said partition having slots which communicate with the respective compartments, a rotary member located in the space between the compartments and having arms movable into and out of the respective slots to be engaged with and disengaged from the pans, stops in the compartments opposite to the arms to engage the pans, and a head on said member having a slot to receive a coin or the like, whereby to rotate the member.

2. In a vanity case, a body having a partition therein dividing same into a series of spaced compartments, removable pans in the compartments, said partition having slots which communicate with the respective compartments, a rotary member located in the space between the compartments and having arms movable into and out of the respective slots to be engaged with and disengaged from the pans, stops in the compartments opposite to the arms to engage the pans, and means to rotate the member.

3. In a vanity case, a body having a series of juxtaposed spaced pan-receiving compartments, a rotary member having a slotted head disposed in the space between the compartments and arms on the member to engage the pans of all of the compartments to simultaneously latch the pans in, and to release same for removal from, the compartments.

4. In a vanity case, a body having a series of juxtaposed spaced pan-receiving compartments, a rotary member disposed in the space between the compartments and arms on the member to engage the pans of all of the compartments to simultaneously latch the pans in, and to release same for removal, from the compartments.

5. A vanity case having a series of juxtaposed spaced compartments each having a pan therein, and a single rotary means located in the space between the compartments for releasably and simultaneously latching all of the pans in the compartments.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this application.

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