

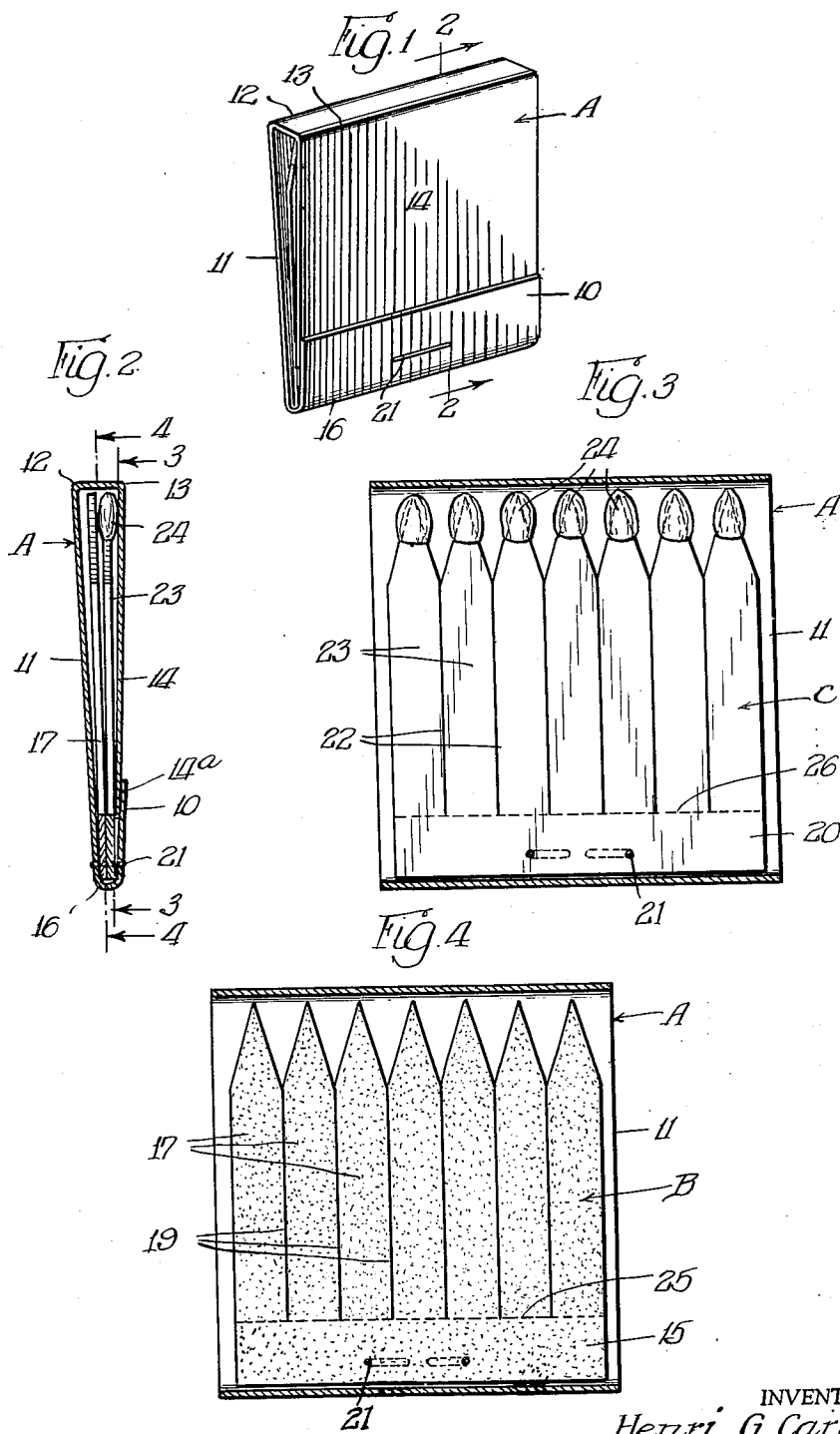
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This invention relates to a packet or folder containing manicuring aids.

In traveling or in doing ordinary tasks the nails accumulate dirt and otherwise become soiled, and it would be very desirable to have handy some convenient means for cleaning and whitening the nails which would not require the carrying of some sharp instrument of a permanent nature. Also, it is frequent that a nail becomes broken or split and gives a great amount of annoyance; and in such case it would be of great advantage to take from a convenient purse packet a suitable abrasive strip which may be discarded after use.

It is a general object of my invention to provide a packet or folder which will meet the needs above referred to. More specifically an object of the invention is to provide a packet or folder which contains the necessary manicure elements in the form of removable strips which may be easily taken from the folder, used in treating the nails, and then discarded. It is desired that the folder be capable of very economical construction with a minimum of material. Other objects and advantages will appear as the specification proceeds.

One embodiment of the invention is illustrated by the accompanying drawing in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the closed manicure folder;

Figure 2 is a transverse section taken as indicated at line 2-2 of Figure 1;

Figure 3 is a sectional view taken as indicated at line 3-3 of Figure 2; and

Figure 4 is a sectional view taken as indicated at line 4-4 of Figure 2.

In the embodiment illustrated, the improved packet has a cover A which may be made of any suitable material. Suitably the cover may be formed of an elongated paper strip of uniform width. One end of such a strip, here designated by the character 10, is turned forwardly to make a fold. The strip extends upwardly to form the back 11 of the cover, and is folded forwardly and downwardly along the edges 12 and 13 respectively. The other end portion 14 of the strip serves as the front of the cover and also as a flap which can be opened to expose the contents. The extreme end 14a is tucked under the forwardly turned end 10 when the packet is closed.

Contained within the folder is the sheet B which is adjacent the back 11 and has its lower edge 15 disposed within the fold 16 provided by the forwardly turned end 10. This sheet has

spaced vertical cuts 19 extending downwardly to the lower portion 15 and providing a series of strips 17 which are secured only at their lower ends. At their upper ends strips 17 are pointed as more clearly illustrated in Figure 4 of the drawing. Suitably, the sheet B, and consequently the strips 17, may be of paper or cardboard, laminated wood, or other suitable material, and may advantageously carry at least on one side and preferably on both sides an abrasive material.

The embodiment here shown contains also a second sheet C which may also be formed of a paper or paper-like material. The lower portion 20 of this sheet, like the lower portion of sheet B, is disposed within the fold 16, and is held fast by the wire staple 21. Any other suitable fastening means might be used. Sheet C, like sheet B, has spaced vertical cuts 22 which provide strips 23 secured only at their lower ends. At their upper ends strips 23 are pointed and provided at their points with nail white composition 24. This may be any well known nail white composition and may be formed on these points by dipping them in liquid nail white and permitting this to congeal, or by any other suitable process. Desirably, the sheets B and C are secured in the cover with their cuts aligned so that a strip in one row may be bent and removed more easily after the corresponding strip in the other row has been removed.

If desired, the sheets B and C may be provided with lines of weakness 25 and 26 along the base of the strips so that the strips may be more easily torn off when intended for use. Also, lines of weakness might be substituted for the vertical cuts in each of these sheets, but it is preferable that cuts be used so that the strips may be more easily removed.

In the use of the improved packet, it may be carried around in a lady's purse or in a gentleman's pocket until such occasion as it may be needed. After opening the cover by turning back the front 14, the user may pull off one of the strips 17 and run its pointed end beneath the fingernail tips to clear any dirt that may have accumulated, then brush the abrasive side of the strip over the end of the nail to shape and smooth it. This used strip may then be discarded. One of the strips 23 is then pulled off in the same way, and after moistening the nail or the tip of the strip, the user passes this tip underneath the nail to whiten the exposed edge. The used strip 23 may then be discarded. The packet containing the remainder of the strips is then closed and placed again in

the pocket or purse until the next time the nails need treatment.

Though in its broader aspects the invention can be practiced where a cover A contains only the removable strips 17 having pointed ends, or where a cover A contains only removable strips 17 carrying abrasive material, the full advantage of the invention is obtained where the cover contains the strips 17 having pointed ends and carrying abrasive material on their sides, and contains also the strips 23 carrying nail white on their tips. The cover A may, of course, be made of any suitable material though I prefer to use a paper material such as a light cardboard.

While only one specific structure has been set forth in the drawing and the detailed description just given, it is understood that the invention is capable of embodiment in widely different structures all embraced within the spirit of the invention. The foregoing detailed description has been given for purposes of explanation only and no unnecessary limitations should be understood therefrom.

I claim:

1. A manicure packet comprising a cover 25 formed of a paper strip, said strip having one end turned forwardly to form a fold, a sheet having removable abrasive strips secured within said fold, said strips being pointed so as to serve as nail-cleaning implements as well as nail- 30 abrading implements, and a second sheet coextensive with said first-mentioned sheet and secured within said fold, said second sheet also having removable strips, said last-mentioned strips having nail white on their ends, said paper strip 35 extending about said sheets and having its other end removably tucked into said fold to close said packet.

2. A manicure packet as set forth in claim 1

wherein the strips of said second sheet are aligned with the strips of said first-mentioned sheet.

3. A manicure packet comprising a cover, a series of abrasive strips secured in said cover and adapted to be removed therefrom, and a second series of strips secured in said cover rearward of said series of sanded strips and adapted to be removed from said cover, the strips of said second series being provided at their ends with nail white.

4. A manicure packet comprising a cover formed of a paper strip, said strip having one end turned forwardly to form a fold and having its other end tucked under said one end when said packet is closed, and a sheet having parallel cuts forming strips being provided with sanded surface and, said strips having an end pointed so as to serve for nail abrading and also nail cleaning purposes, said sheet being secured within said fold, said strips being tearable from said sheet and so individually removable from said packet.

5. A manicure packet comprising a cover formed of a paper strip, said strip having one end turned forwardly to form a fold and having its other end tucked under said one end when said packet is closed, a sheet having a sanded surface and having parallel cuts providing a series of strips, and a second sheet rearward of said first-mentioned sheet and having parallel cuts forming a second series of strips, said second series of strips having their one ends pointed and equipped with nail white at their points, said sheets being secured within said fold, the strips of each of said series being tearable from its sheet and so individually removable from said packet.

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