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Fig. 1.



Fig. 2.

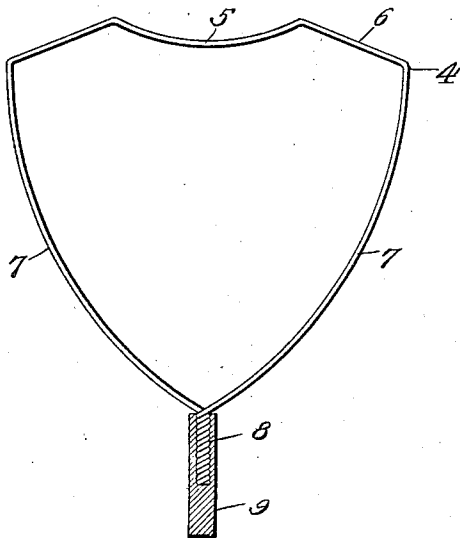
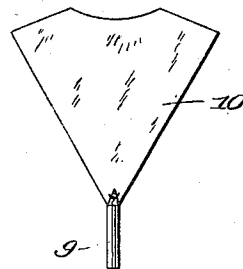


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELEANOR BERGSTROM, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Toilet Articles, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention consists of a toilet article and more especially of a protective shield to eliminate the possibility of face powder coming into contact with the clothes of the user.

The principal object of the invention is to provide a toilet article of this character for use as an appurtenance of the toilet table especially in hotels, theatres, office buildings and other public places to permit application of powder freely to the face and neck without possibility of the powder falling into contact with the clothes of the user.

A co-ordinate object of the invention is to provide an exceedingly simple device which may be suitably ornamented so as to in no way detract from the appearance of the toilet table and which may be used with facility.

Other objects of the invention will be apparent from the following description of the present preferred form of the invention as illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein:—

Fig. 1 is an elevational view of a toilet article constructed in accordance with the present invention illustrating its application;

Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the frame covering removed and showing the handle in section; and

Fig. 3 is an elevational view of a slightly modified form of shield.

The device of the present invention consists especially of a skeleton frame 4 which in the present instance is shown to be composed of a wire strand an intermediate portion of which is flexed inwardly to describe an arc 5 which conforms substantially to the shape of the neck. The portions of the strand at the terminals of the arc are preferably deflected obliquely as shown at 6 and issue into curved sides 7 while the terminals of the strand are twisted together to provide a convoluted shank 8 which is adapted for engagement in a complemental recess

formed in a handle 9. The handle 9 may be made of wood or any other suitable material and ornamented in any desired manner. By forming the wire strand in the manner above described a substantially heart shaped shield is provided. If desired the sides 7 may be made straight to provide a diamond shaped shield as illustrated in Fig. 3.

The skeleton frame 4 has a covering 10 mounted thereover which may be made of silk or other suitable material. The covering is formed so as to flex over the frame 7 and is held from casual displacement from the latter by the inherent resiliency of the frame. The covering may be secured, as indicated at 11 by any suitable means and may be removed when desired for the purposes of cleaning.

In use of this device, as illustrated in Fig. 1 the shield is held in one hand of the user while the powder may be applied to the face and neck with the other hand. The arcuate portion 5 of the frame may be engaged directly with the neck while the portions 6 are arranged to lie above the shoulders. The body of the shield will project outwardly beyond the chin to catch any of the powder which falls from the face.

It is of course to be understood that various changes may be made in this device especially in the details of construction, proportion and arrangement of parts within the scope of the claims hereto appended.

What is claimed is:—

1. A toilet article including a shield to prevent contact of powder with the person of the user during application of the powder to the face, said shield comprising a wire frame an intermediate portion of which is provided with a concave curve to conform to the shape of the neck, a cover for the frame, shoulder shielding portions on the opposite sides of the curved portions, and a handle for supporting the frame.

2. A toilet article for intercepting powder dropping from the face and neck of the user during application including a shield consisting of a stiff body having a concave curve in its margin to fit the neck, portions of the body, on opposite sides of the concave curve, providing shoulder protectors, and means for supporting said body.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.
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