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COMBINED HAND BAG FRAME AND VANITY CASE

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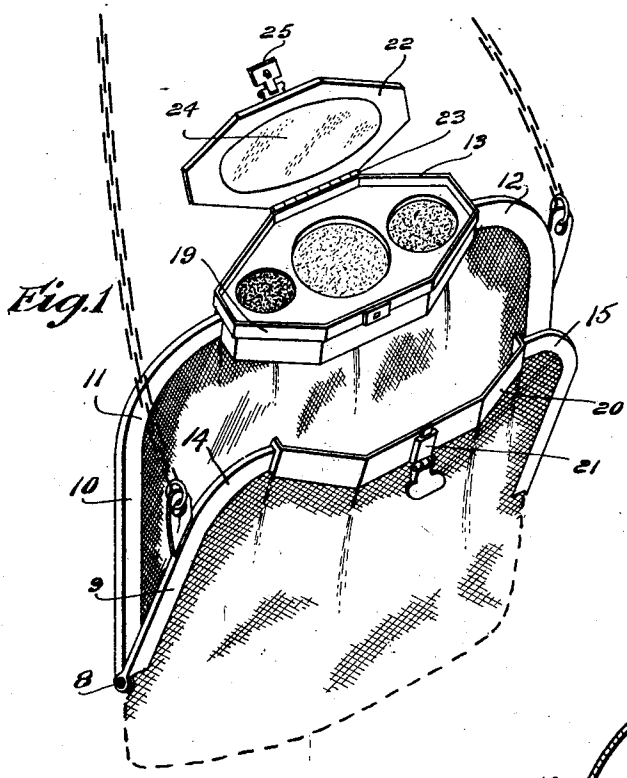


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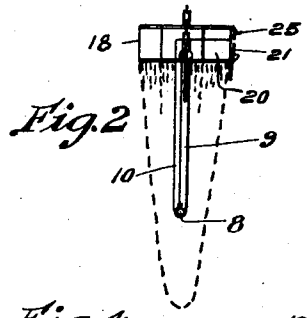


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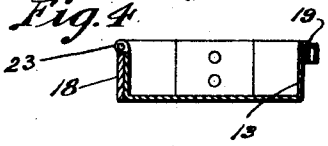


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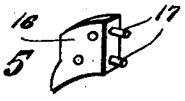


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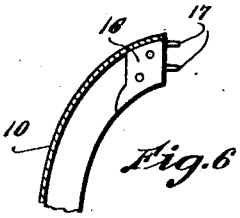


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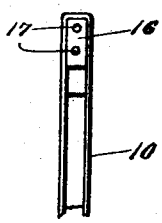


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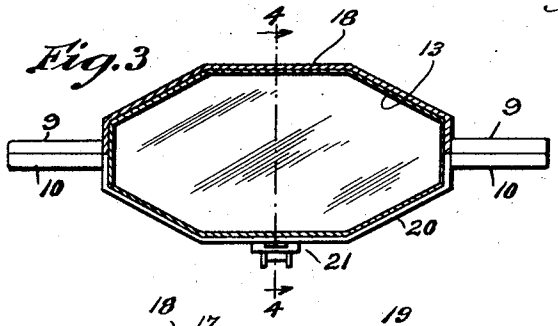


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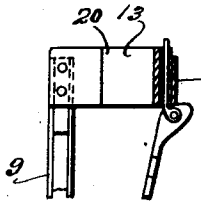


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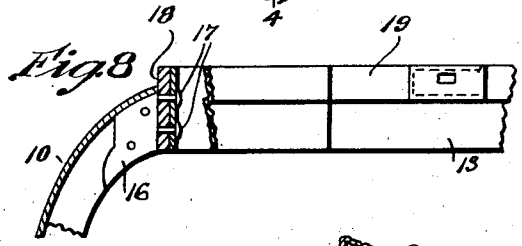


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, RALPH C. BANGS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Providence, in the county of Providence and State of Rhode Island, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Hand-Bag Frames and Vanity Cases, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in the construction of combined hand-bag frame and vanity case; and has for its object to provide in such a device a bag-frame having a pair of jaws hinged together and one of the jaws being arranged to support a casing in horizontal position thereon, and means being provided for releasably securing said jaws in closed position.

A further object of the invention is the mounting of the casing on one of the jaw members in such a manner that the casing forms a fastening or support for a portion of one edge of the bag fabric; and the other of said jaw members being shaped to fit around the opposite side of the casing and arranged to support the opposite edge of the bag-fabric. This casing may be shaped to serve as a device for carrying toilet articles, coins, cigarettes or other similar articles.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, as will be more fully described, and particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

In the accompanying drawings,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved combination handbag and vanity case showing the jaws of the bag-frame as swung to open position; also the cover of the vanity case as being open showing the mirror at its inner face.

Figure 2 is an edge view reduced in size and showing the bag fabric as having one edge attached to one of the jaws and to one side of the casing and its other edge to the other jaw sections and to the bridge connecting them.

Figure 3 is a plan view showing the casing partly in section.

Figure 4 is a section on line 4—4 of Figure 3.

Figure 5 is a detail in perspective showing the block that is secured in the end of the channel-shaped bag-frame.

Figure 6 shows a section of one of the bag-frame jaws with this attaching block secured therein.

Figure 7 is an edge view of the channel frame.

Figure 8 is a view illustrating the channel frame as riveted to one end of the vanity case.

Figure 9 shows one construction of hinge by which the jaws of the frame may be secured together.

Figure 10 is an edge view of the connecting band or bridge which joins the ends of the sections of one of the jaws of the bag-frame.

It is found in the practical construction of combination hand-bag and vanity case, of advantage to set the casing in a horizontal position and support the same between the spaced apart ends of the sections of one of the jaws of the bag-frame whereby a portion of one of the edges of the bag-fabric may be attached thereto and to provide a bridging member between the ends of the other bag-frame sections, the bridging member being shaped to fit around one side of the casing and being arranged to permit the opposite edges of a portion of the bag-fabric to be attached thereto. The casing supported on the frame member may be made of any suitable size or shape to serve as a vanity case, a coin case, a cigarette case, or as a receptacle for any similar article; and the following is a detailed description of one construction of combined bag-frame casing by which the desired results may be accomplished:—

With reference to the drawings, 9 and 10 designate the jaws of a bag-frame which are hinged together at 8. Jaw 10 is preferably formed of two-spaced-apart sections 11 and 12, the space between the ends of the sections being bridged by a casing 13 set preferably in a horizontal position and supported by the ends of these jaw sections 11 and 12.

The frame sections of these jaw members are preferably formed of channeled bars. In the outer end of the channel of each section is riveted a block 16 having pins 17 which extend through and are riveted in corresponding holes in the end wall of the casing as illustrated in Figure 8. The body of the casing 13 is preferably formed of thin sheet stock into any desired shape and an ornamental band 18 of heavier material may be arranged to extend

around the outer sides of the receptacle to stiffen the same and render the casing handsome and attractive in appearance. This band on the front edge of the box is very narrow forming shoulder 19 to cooperate with bridge band 20 in supporting casing 13 when the jaws are in closed position.

The jaw 9 is formed like the jaw 10 in two sections 14 and 15 and is provided with blocks 16 having pins 17 which are riveted into the ends of the bridge band 20.

This bridge band is shaped to fit around the front edge of the casing so as to permit these jaw members to lie adjacent each other when the mouth of the bag is closed and the width of this bridge member plus that of the narrow band 19 is preferably a little greater than that of the depth of the casing and this bridge is correspondingly ornamented to complete the bend around the front edge of the casing.

In attaching the bag-fabric to the frame one edge of the bag is connected inside of the channel frame and around the rear bottom edge of the casing, while the other edge of the bag-fabric is attached to the jaw 9 in a similar manner and its upper edge is connected to the lower edge of the bridge band 20.

The casing may be made in any suitable shape and size, that shown being adapted to carry any desired articles such as toilet articles, coins, cigarettes and other similar articles, those shown being shaped to carry toilet articles such as rouge, powder and lip-stick.

A lid member 22 is hinged at 23 to the casing, the inner surface of the lid being provided with a mirror 24 and the free edge of this lid is provided with a clasp 25 by which it is secured in closed position.

My improved vanity case is shown and described as being adapted to carry toilet articles but this casing may be shaped to carry coins, cigarettes and other articles and I desire the term "vanity case" to be of such scope as to cover a case adapted to carry any of such articles.

My improved construction of hand-bag and casing is not only handsome and attractive in appearance but by being mounted on the upper portion of the frame of a hand-bag is most convenient for use and is so arranged that the bag can be opened without opening the casing.

In some instances, it is found of advantage in attaching the bag material to the frame, to employ a single strip of material in the construction of each of the bag frame jaw members instead of a double channeled frame for these jaws, in which case the bridge portion of one of the jaws may be made integral with the rest of the frame member and shaped to extend around the body of the casing supported on the other frame or jaw member.

The foregoing description is directed solely towards the construction illustrated, but I desire it to be understood that I reserve the privilege of resorting to all the mechanical changes to which the device is susceptible, the invention being defined and limited only by the terms of the appended claim.

I claim:

A combined hand bag frame and casing comprising a pair of hingedly related jaws, each formed of two spaced apart sections, a casing interposed between the spaced apart ends of the sections of one of the jaws, a bridge band interposed between the spaced apart ends of the sections of the other of the jaws and a shoulder carried by the casing and adapted to cooperate with the bridge band to support the casing when the jaws are in closed position.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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