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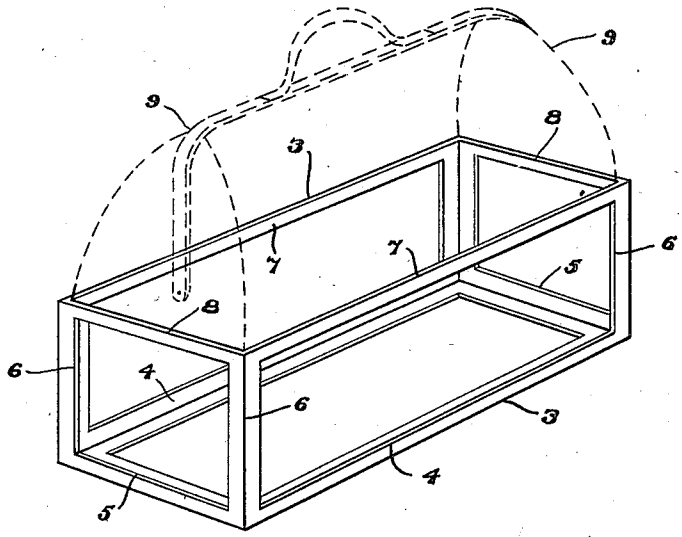


Fig. 1.

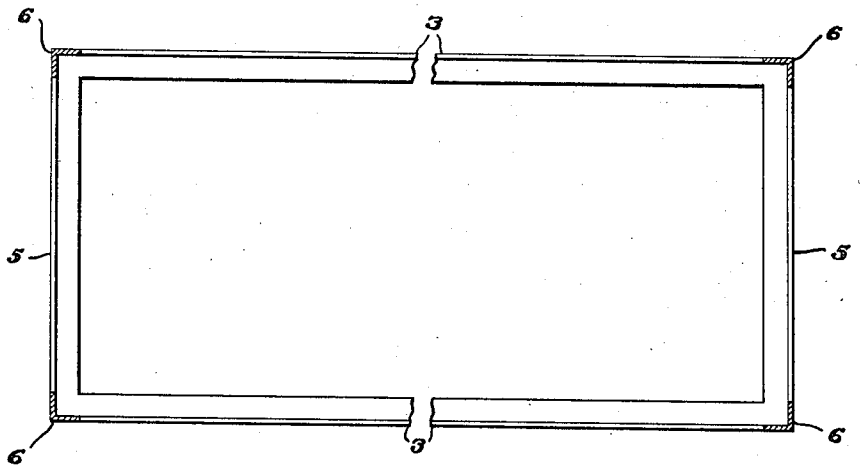


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN B. JOHNSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented new and useful Improvements in Reenforcements for Hand Bags, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to hand bags and it has more particular reference to protecting and reinforcing means therefor the primary object being to provide a frame or crate-like structure for hand bags and the like which will effectively protect and reinforce the corners and edges whilst safeguarding them from damage when subjected to rough usage.

Another object of this invention is to provide a reenforcement for hand bags which when applied thereto will not mar the appearance whilst at the same time it will effectively prevent its distortion when used for carrying heavy matter or substances.

With the foregoing and other objects in view as will become more apparent from the following description this invention consists of a unitary structure comprising side and bottom angle sections, the upper edges whereof are connected by integral strips or battens.

In the further disclosure of the invention reference is to be had to the accompanying sheet of explanatory drawings constituting a part of this specification and in which like characters of reference designate the same or corresponding parts in both the views.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved hand bag reinforcing means with a hand bag indicated by dotted lines therein; and,

Figure 2 is an enlarged sectional plan of the same.

Referring to the drawings and in accordance with my invention I construct a frame or crate-like structure 3 of metallic angular section material and comprising bottom side and end members 4, 5, respectively, and vertical members 6 likewise of angle cross section, said members being welded together or otherwise integrally connected at their points of intersection. The four vertical members 6 are integrally connected at their upper ends by side and end bars or strips 7, 8 respectively, of metal likewise welded or otherwise integrally connected whereby a unitary reinforcing structure is provided into which the hand-bag 9 may be forced and retained by frictional engagement; or, said frame or structure may be cemented or riveted thereto as desired and made a permanent part of the hand bag as will be clearly understood by those acquainted with the art to which this invention appertains.

Reinforcing devices such as are above described may be manufactured and offered for sale as a complete article ready for attachment to the outside or inside of a hand bag or the like, and I do not restrict myself to the kind of metal employed as they can be easily produced from brass, nickel, aluminum, thin steel or the like, and thereby rendered accommodating for individual tastes. Furthermore, it will be perfectly clear that the shape or contour may be varied to meet different requirements or shapes of hand-bags and the right is hereby reserved to make such detail changes as fairly lie within the scope of the appended claim.

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

A reenforcement for hand-bags comprising a frame for frictional engagement with the exterior of a hand-bag, said frame including an angle-iron base, angle-iron uprights and strips connecting the upper ends of said uprights and all of said elements formed integrally with each other, for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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