

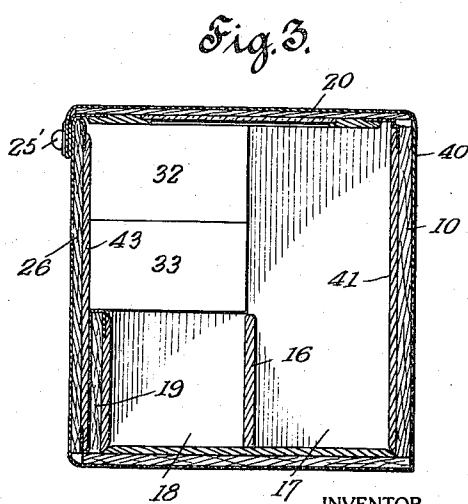
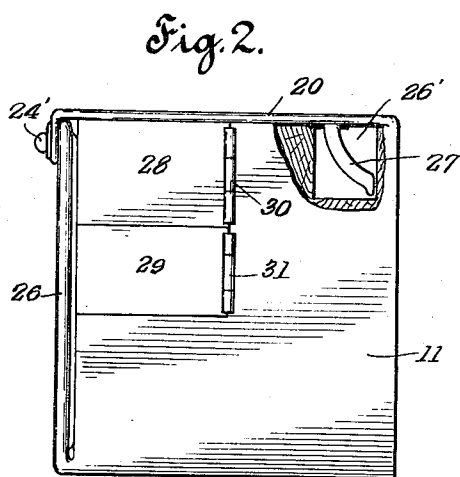
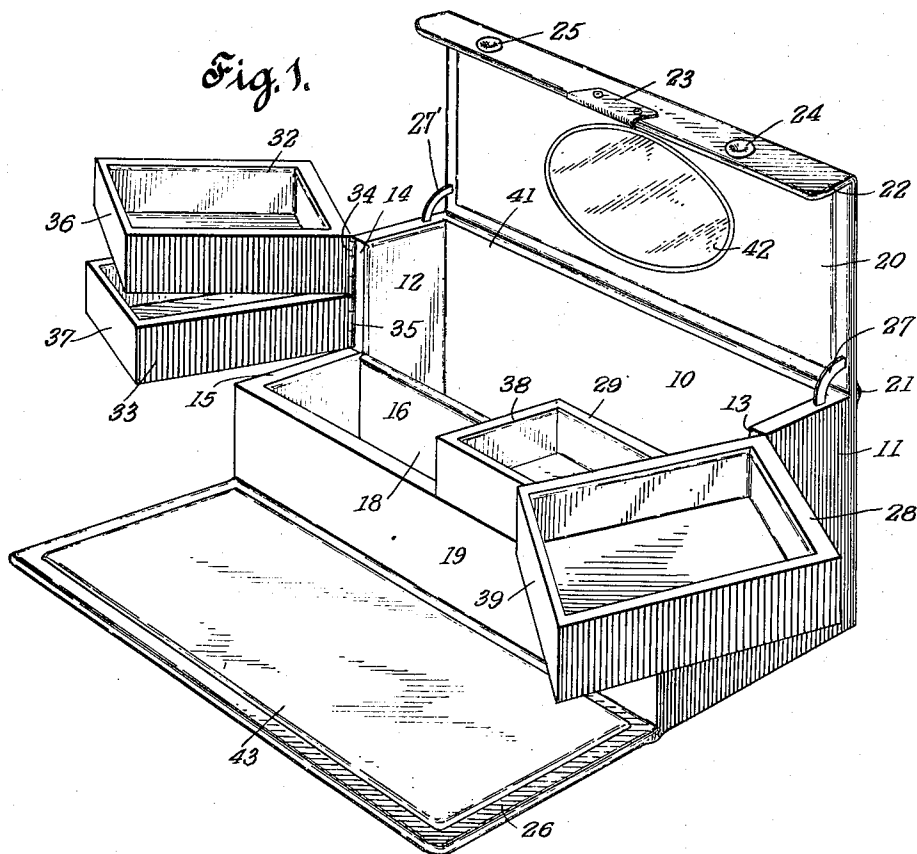
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This invention relates to improvements in vanity cases or boxes, particularly ladies' dressing cases containing a plurality of cosmetics and other articles necessary to complete a lady's toilet, and it is the principal object of my invention to provide a case of this type which can be neatly and compactly folded in order to allow a convenient transportation during travel, which occupies but little space, and which can be quickly opened and placed upon a lady's dressing table to allow a ready and handy use of the articles contained therein, and then folded again.

Another object of the invention is the provision of a case or box of this character which has a plurality of compartments for the reception of the various toilet articles and cosmetics, such as powder and rouge boxes, salves, perfume bottles and sprayers, dressing gowns, hair brushes and combs, tooth brushes, an electric lamp, etc.

A further object of the invention is the provision of a vanity case of this type having its side or end walls stepped to receive a series of superposed trays hinged to the steps and adapted to be readily swung out laterally to allow ready access to their contents and which may conveniently be swung inwardly with their inner end walls in engagement with each other allowing a smooth folding of the cover and front flap over their front walls in order to allow a closing of the case to present a compact whole.

A still further object of the invention is the provision of a case or box presenting a pleasing and highly ornamental exterior on account of its leather covering and a silk lining to embellish its interior when in use on a dressing table; the inner face of the cover being provided with a mirror to further increase the usefulness of the case.

It is also one of the objects of my invention to provide a vanity case having its top or cover hinged to the upper edge of its rear wall and held in its open position by segmental arms adapted to slide into suitable openings in the end walls when the case is to be closed.

These and other objects and advantages of my invention will be more fully disclosed as the description thereof proceeds, and will then be specifically pointed out in the appended claims.

In the accompanying drawing, forming a material part of this disclosure:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a vanity

or toilet case constructed according to the present invention, open.

Figure 2 is an end view thereof, in its closed position. 60

Figure 3 is a cross-section through the folded case with its walls on an enlarged scale to illustrate the various materials used to cover the outer walls of the case and to line its interior. 65

The case or box comprises a body composed of the rear wall 10, side or end walls 11 and 12, stepped in front to produce vertical shoulders or abutments 13 and 14, and horizontal shoulders or steps 15. A partition 16 divides the case into two longitudinal compartments, a rear compartment 17 and a front compartment 18. The front compartment is closed or limited by the comparatively low front wall 19. 70 75

A cover 20 is hinged as at 21 to the upper edge of the rear wall 10, and has an upper angular bent flange 22 to which a keeper 23 for a lock is attached, and the members 24, and 25 of a suitable clamping or securing mechanism, the co-operating members of which, 24' and 25' are attached to the front face of a flap or front cover 26 which carries also the lock co-operating with keeper 23 and is hingedly attached, or otherwise secured to the lower edge of the front wall 19 at the point of its junction with the bottom of the case. 80 85

The side or end walls 11 and 12 have in their upper edges suitable openings 26' in which the lower ends of two segmentally shaped metal arms 27, 27' engage and are frictionally guided therein, the upper ends of which are attached to the inner face of the cover 20 near the lower outer edges thereof. The lower ends of these arms may also be formed with lips as illustrated in Figure 2 adapted to engage suitable abutments or lugs within openings 26' and adapted to hold the cover in its fully opened position illustrated in Figure 1. 90 95 100

A pair of superposed, comparatively deep trays 28, 29 are hingedly secured at their rear corners to the step or shoulder 13 by means of hinges 30, 31 or the like respectively, and are adapted to be swung in- and outwardly about their hinges to assume a position as illustrated in Figure 1, or an inner superposed position as will hereafter be more described, resting on top of the front wall 19 and partition 16. 105 110

Another pair of superposed trays 32, 33

similar to trays 28, 29 are hingedly secured at their rear corners by means of hinges 34 and 35 or the like respectively to the abutment or shoulder 14, and are likewise adapted to be swung around their hinges out of the casing to assume the position illustrated in Figure 1, or into the casing to assume a superposed position with the lower tray resting on top of front wall 19 and the partition 16, while their inner end walls 36 and 37 are adapted to meet and snugly fit against the inner end walls 38 and 39 of the trays 28, 29 respectively.

As illustrated in Figure 3, the case is covered on its outside by a cover of leather, morocco, etc., generally designated 40, while the inner walls of the case are covered by a cover of silk or satin, etc., designated 41.

A mirror 42 is attached to the inner face of the cover flap 20, and the said face of cover 20 as well as the inner face of front flap 26 are covered by a soft material 43, the dimensions of which are somewhat smaller than the dimensions of cover and front flap as illustrated in Figure 1.

In use, the compartments and trays are supplied with the various articles usually adorning a lady's dressing table, as powder and rouge boxes, perfumes, tonics for the hair and skin, tooth paste, etc. and the front compartment 18 may be used as a container for a dressing gown, hair and tooth brushes, combs, etc. while an electric lamp may be added to complete the outfit.

It will be evident that such changes may be made in the general arrangement and in the construction of the minor details of my invention as fall within the scope of the appended claims without departing from the spirit of my invention.

What I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. In a vanity case, stepped end walls, two trays hingedly secured in superposition to the front edge of each of the upper steps of said endwalls, a partition dividing said case into a front and a rear compartment for the reception of toilet articles, said

trays adapted to be swung about their hinges to cover said compartments and articles contained therein and to be swung outwardly to display the contents of said trays, a top, a mirror in said top, a front wall, and a flange on said cover adapted to engage over said front cover when the case is closed, means for guiding the movements of said top, and a means for locking said top to said front cover.

2. In a vanity case, a bottom, stepped end walls on said bottom, a rear wall integrally made with said bottom, and a front wall, smaller than said rear wall integral with the bottom, a partition dividing the case into two compartments for the reception of various articles of a lady's toilet, a front cover movably attached to the front edge of the bottom, adapted to fold against said front wall, a top movably attached to the upper wall of said rear wall, a mirror in said top, pairwise arranged trays hingedly secured at their inner rear edges to the front edge of the upper step of said end walls, said trays adapted to be swung into the case to close the compartments below the top and to be swung outwardly to display the articles contained in said trays, segmentally shaped arms attached to the innerface of the top near the lower ends thereof, said stepped end walls having openings in their upper edges into which said arms frictionally engage, lugs within said openings and lips on the free ends of said arms adapted to engage said lugs for holding the top in upright position and allowing a folding of the same against the case, a flange angularly disposed to the upper edge of said top and adapted in closed position of the case to engage over the upper edge of said front cover, and means on said flange to engage means on said front cover to lock the case in closed position.

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