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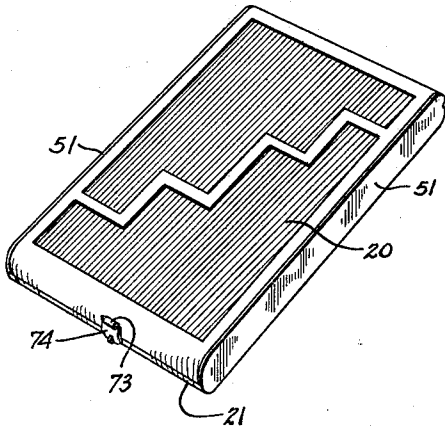


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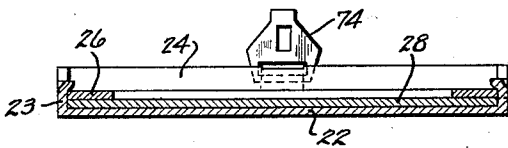


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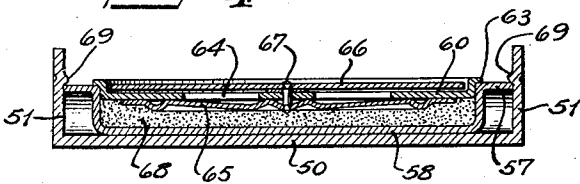


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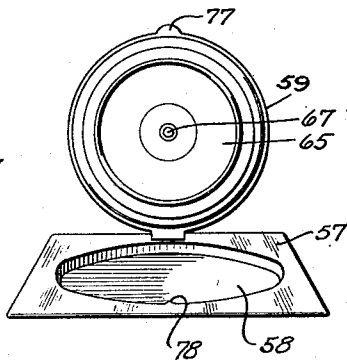


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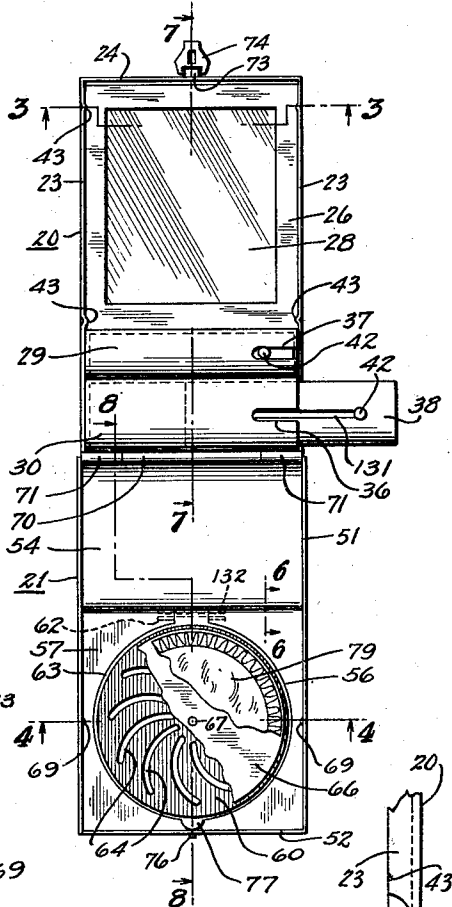


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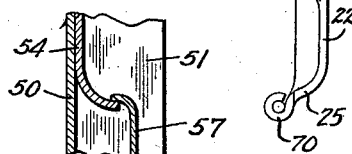


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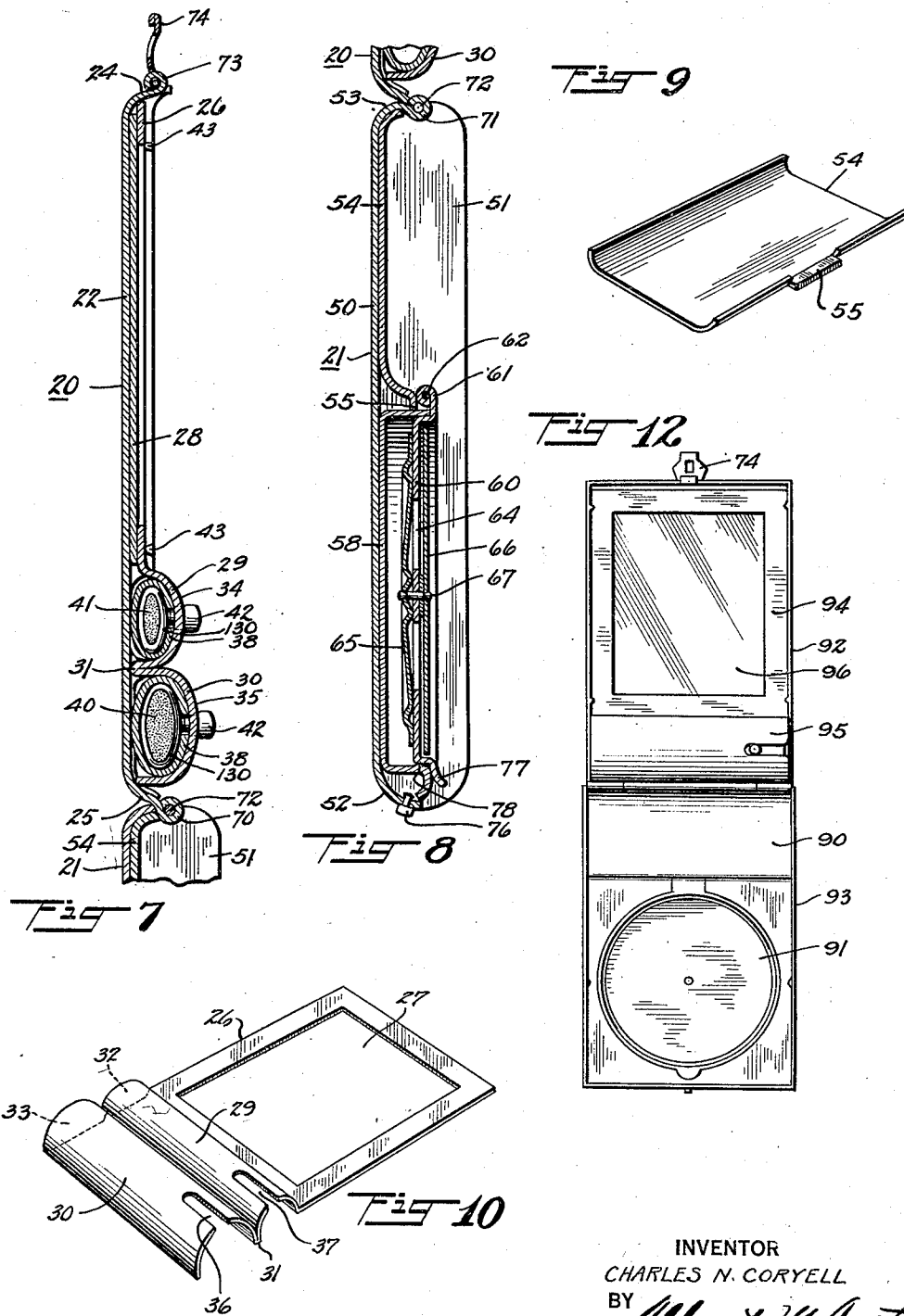
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The invention relates to vanity boxes of the type commonly carried in women's handbags and containing toilet articles such as a mirror, cosmetics, etc.

According to a preferred form of the invention the vanity may comprise top and bottom covers hinged together, the bottom cover carrying a dispensing arrangement for loose powder and the top cover carrying a mirror and one or more holders for stick material. A one piece frame member may be provided for holding the mirror and the one or more holders for stick material in the top cover. The dispensing arrangement for loose powder may be placed at one end of the bottom cover leaving a recess to accommodate the holders for stick material when the cover is closed. The holders for stick material may contain lipstick and eye crayon or any other desired cosmetic material in stick form. The dispensing arrangement for loose powder may consist of a sifter arrangement for dispensing the powder by pressure on a dispensing plate. If desired, instead of using two holders for stick material, one holder for stick material may be provided, making the box correspondingly smaller.

The invention also consists in certain new and original features of construction and combination of parts hereinafter set forth and claimed.

Although the novel features which are believed to be characteristic of this invention will be particularly pointed out in the claims appended hereto, the invention itself, as to its objects and advantages, the mode of its operation and the manner of its organization may be better understood by referring to the following description taken in connection with the accompanying drawings forming a part thereof, in which

Fig. 1 represents a perspective of the vanity box closed;

Fig. 2 is a plan view of the vanity box open;

Figs. 3 and 4 are sections on the lines 3—3 and 4—4 of Fig. 2, respectively;

Fig. 5 is a perspective of the loose powder container with the lid in open position;

Figs. 6, 7 and 8 are sections on the line

6—6, 7—7 and 8—8 of Fig. 2, respectively;

Fig. 9 is a perspective of an insert plate used in the bottom cover;

Fig. 10 is a perspective of the frame for holding the stick holders and mirror in the top cover;

Fig. 11 is a side view of a part of the top cover; and

Fig. 12 represents a modified form of box using a single holder for stick material.

In the following description and in the claims parts will be identified by specific names for convenience, but they are intended to be as generic in their application to similar parts as the art will permit.

Like reference characters denote like parts in the several figures of the drawings.

In the drawings accompanying and forming part of this specification, practical commercial embodiments of the invention are shown, but as such illustrations are primarily for purposes of disclosure, it will be understood that the structure may be modified in various respects without departure from the broad spirit and scope of the invention as hereinafter defined and claimed.

Referring now to the drawings, the vanity box comprises a top cover 20, a bottom cover 21 suitably hinged thereto. The top cover 20 may have any suitable ornamental design on its top outer surface as illustrated.

The top cover 20 comprises a bottom wall 22 having upstanding side walls 23, a front wall 24 and a back wall 25. As shown, particularly in Fig. 7, the front and back walls 24 and 25 are curved and extend a greater distance than the side walls 23.

Held within the top cover 20 is a frame 26 having an opening 27 through which the mirror 28, which may be of metal, is viewed, the mirror being held between the bottom wall 22 and the frame member 26. The frame member 26 also comprises curved portions 29 and 30 having a doubled portion 31 therebetween, these parts cooperating with the bottom wall 22 to form sheaths 34 and 35 to hold stick material.

Bottom walls 32 and 33 are formed from the material of frame 26 for the sheaths 34

and 35, providing closed ends for the holders for stick material.

The other ends are open as shown, the adjoining side wall 23 being suitably notched as shown in Fig. 11 to form a complete opening with the edges of the curved portions 29 and 30. Notches or slots 36 and 37 are provided in the curved portions 29 and 30 for the reception of the finger engaging parts of the holders for stick material.

Each sheath 34 and 35 contains a holder for stick material of identical construction, these differing only in size. Removable from each sheath is a holder tube 38 in which is disposed carrier member 130 having a finger engaging part 42 disposed in a slot 131 in the holder tube 38. It will be understood that the holder tube 38 may be completely removed from the vanity box and the stick material fed by moving the finger engaging portion 42 in a manner which is well known in the lipstick art.

The larger stick material is denoted by 40 and the smaller stick material is denoted by 41. The stick material 40 may be a lipstick while the stick material 41 may be eye crayon. It will be understood that suitable nibs 43 are struck in from the side walls 23 to hold the frame plate 26 in position.

Referring now to the bottom cover 21, this cover comprises the bottom wall 50 having comparatively high side walls 51 and back walls 52 and 53. The front and back walls 52 and 53 are curved to meet the corresponding front and back walls on the top cover, while the side walls 51 are sufficiently high to extend all the way to the bottom wall of the top cover when the case is closed, receiving the side walls 23 of the top cover between them and thereby preventing the holder tubes 38 from sliding out of the box when it is closed.

Disposed at one end of the bottom cover is a loose powder dispensing arrangement denoted by 56. This comprises a chamber 58 containing loose powder 68, the chamber 58 having a circular upstanding wall with a squared flange 57 which is held in position by nibs 69 struck in from the walls 51.

Hinged to the container 58 is a lid or cover 59. The lid 59 comprises a slitted plate 60 having a plurality of spiral slits 64, forming in effect spring fingers therebetween. The slitted plate 60 has a projecting peripheral wall 63 adapted to engage over the squared plate 57 when the lid 59 is closed. The slitted plate 60 has a hinge knuckle 61 through which a pintle 62 passes, this pintle being held by knuckles 132 struck from the squared plate 57.

Disposed under the slitted plate 60 is valve plate 65 and disposed over the slitted plate is a top plate 66, these three plates being held together by a rivet 67. It will be apparent that by pressing down on the top plate 66 the valve plate 65 will also go downwardly

allowing the powder 68 to be forced or blown through the slits 64, around the top plate 66 to be taken up by the powder puff 79. It will be understood that although one loose powder dispensing or sifter arrangement has been disclosed, any type of loose powder arrangement may also be used.

In the sifter arrangement illustrated, the slitted plate 60 is provided with a sifter engaging portion 77 for raising the lid 59 and the wall container 58 is provided with a projection 78 adapted to engage a corresponding part of the slitted plate 60 to hold the cover 59 closed. To improve the appearance of the box, an insert 54 having a recess 55 to accommodate the hinge knuckles 61 and 132 is provided, this insert having curved ends fitting under the hinge knuckles 71 and 70 and under the squared plate 57, respectively.

For hinging the top and bottom covers 20 and 21 together, the bottom cover is provided with spaced knuckles 71, the top cover is provided with knuckle 70 fitting therebetween, a pintle 72 being passed through these knuckles. To provide a catch for the box, a catch-piece 74 is provided having a slot through which a hinge knuckle 73 on the front wall 24 is passed. Catch-piece 74 is provided with a recess to engage a projection 76 secured to the front wall 52 of the bottom cover 21.

Referring now to Fig. 12 which shows a modified form of box, the top and bottom covers are denoted by 92 and 93, the frame member by 94, mirror by 96, loose powder dispensing arrangement by 91, the insert by 90 and the holder for stick material by 95. The construction of this box is practically identical to the construction of the box described above, except that the frame member 94 has a single curved portion to accommodate a single lipstick and the insert 90 is correspondingly smaller than the insert 54 since it only has to accommodate a single holder for stick material instead of two holders for stick material.

Thus a vanity box construction has been disclosed which is neat and attractive in appearance and convenient to use. It may be made thin and graceful in appearance and yet hold considerable toilet articles. The favorite loose powder of the user may be dispensed from the dispensing arrangement and the desired stick material such as lipstick and eye crayon may also be used.

While certain novel features of the invention have been shown and described and are pointed out in the annexed claims, it will be understood that various omissions, substitutions and changes may be made by those skilled in the art without departing from the spirit of the invention.

What is claimed is:

1. In a vanity box, separable top and bot-

tom covers, a mirror in said top cover, lipstick and eye crayon in said top cover alongside said mirror, and a powder holder in said bottom cover, said bottom cover having a recess to accommodate said lipstick and eye crayon when the box is closed.

2. In a vanity box, separable top and bottom covers, a mirror in said top cover, lipstick and eye crayon in said top cover alongside said mirror, a loose powder chamber in said bottom cover, said loose powder chamber having a sifter top, said bottom cover having a recess to accommodate said lipstick and eye crayon when the box is closed, a hinge connecting said covers, said lipstick, eye crayon and recess adjoining said hinge and extending parallel thereto.

3. A vanity box comprising separable first and second covers, a powder holder in said second cover, stick material in said first cover, a mirror alongside said stick material in said first cover, said second cover having a clearance space alongside said loose powder chamber to accommodate the stick material and said mirror overlying said powder holder when the box is closed, a hinge connecting said covers, said clearance space and stick material adjoining said hinge, said stick material lying parallel to said hinge.

4. In a vanity box, a cover, a mirror located in said cover, a toilet article alongside said mirror, and a single frame fixedly holding both said mirror and toilet article in said cover so that they must move with the cover when the box is opened.

5. A vanity box comprising separable first and second covers, a loose powder chamber in said second cover, stick material in said first cover, a mirror alongside said stick material in said first cover, said second cover having a clearance space alongside said loose powder chamber to accommodate said stick material and said mirror overlying said loose powder chamber, when the box is closed.

6. A vanity box comprising a cover member, a mirror in said cover member, a holder tube for stick material in said cover member, a frame plate having a first part provided with an opening holding said mirror in said cover member and a second part holding said holder tube in said cover member.

7. In a vanity box, a cover having a hinge knuckle at one edge, a loose powder compartment comprising a bottom chamber, a lid hinged thereto, a dispensing device in said lid, and an insert having its edges under said hinge knuckle and under a part of said bottom chamber, respectively.

8. In a vanity box, a rectangular cover having a bottom wall, side walls, front and back walls, a hinge on said back wall, a loose powder holder comprising a rectangular top plate having a circular depending cupped portion to form a loose powder chamber, a lid hinged to said top plate for closing said chamber,

a dispensing device in said lid, said top plate having a rear depending flange and an insert having upstanding back on front end fitting under said hinge and depending flange, respectively.

9. In a vanity box, a cover having a bottom wall and upstanding side, back and front walls, a frame member comprising a flat part having an opening and a curved wall, a mirror between said frame member and bottom wall and visible through said opening, said curved wall extending from one side wall of the cover to the other and forming with the adjacent part of the cover a sheath, a holder for stick material in said sheath, said sheath being closed at one end and open at the other end, said holder tube having a slot in its side wall, a carrier member in said holder tube having a finger piece in said slot, said frame member having a short slot at the open end of said sheath for the reception of said finger piece, and a second cover for closing the box.

10. In a vanity box, a cover having a rectangular, flat, bottom wall and upstanding side, back and front walls, a frame member comprising a flat part having a rectangular opening and a curved wall, a mirror between said frame member and bottom wall and visible through said opening, said curved wall extending from one side wall of the cover to the other and forming with the adjacent part of the bottom a sheath, a holder for stick material in said sheath, said frame member having a part to form the bottoms of said sheath, said sheath being open on the other end, the side walls of the cover at the open end of said sheath having a notch registering with said holder tube, said holder tube having a slot in its side wall, a carrier member in said holder tube having a finger piece in said slot, said frame member having a short slot at the open end of said sheath for the reception of said finger piece, and a second cover having upstanding second side walls between which the side walls of the first cover fit, said second side walls holding said holder tube in position when the box is closed.

11. In a vanity box, a cover having a rectangular, flat, bottom wall and upstanding side, back and front walls, a frame member comprising a flat part having a rectangular opening and first and second curved walls with a loop therebetween, a mirror in said opening, said curved walls extending from one side wall of the cover to the other and forming with the adjacent part of the bottom wall separate sheaths, holder tubes for stick material in said sheaths, said frame member having a part to form the bottoms of said sheaths, said sheaths being open on the other end, the side walls of the cover at the open end of said sheaths having notches registering with said holder tubes,

each holder tube having a slot in its side wall, a carrier member in said holder tube having a finger piece in said slot, said frame member having short slots at the open ends of said sheaths for the reception of said finger pieces, and a second cover having upstanding second side walls between which the side walls of the first cover fit, said second side walls holding said holder tubes in position when the box is closed.

12. In a vanity box, a cover having a bottom wall and upstanding side, back and front walls, a frame member comprising a flat part having an opening and first and second curved walls with a loop therebetween, a mirror visible through said opening, said curved walls extending from one side wall of the cover to the other and forming with the adjacent part of the cover separate sheaths, holders for stick material in said sheaths, said sheaths being open at one end and closed at the other end, each holder tube having a slot in its side wall, a carrier member in said holder tube having a finger piece in said slot, said frame member having short slots at the open ends of said sheaths for the reception of said finger pieces, and a second cover having upstanding second side walls between which the side walls of the first cover fit, said second side walls holding said holder tubes in position when the box is closed.

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