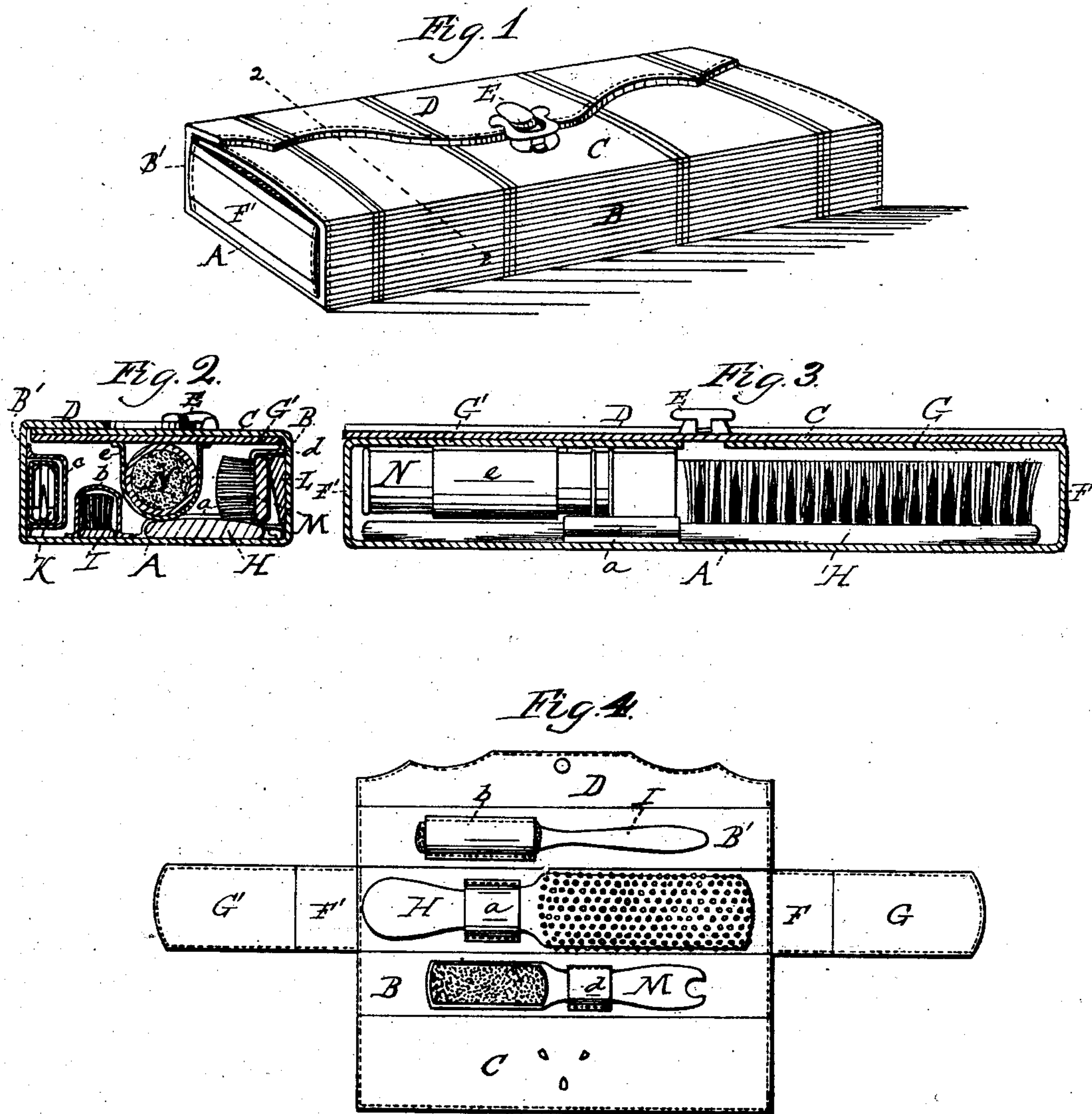


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JESSE B. NOYES, of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Pocket Toilet-Cases, of which the following is a specification.

The object I have in view is to produce a pocket toilet or dressing case which can be laid open flat on all sides and can be folded into box form, will have the articles arranged in an exceedingly convenient manner and properly protected from contact with each other without dividing the case into separate compartments, and so that they can be folded together into compact form and will fill the entire interior of the case; and my object is, further, to so construct such a case that it will be sufficiently open at all times to ventilate the articles contained therein and prevent them from getting musty.

My invention consists in the peculiar construction of my pocket toilet-case to accomplish the above objects, as fully hereinafter explained, and pointed out by the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part hereof, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the case closed; Fig. 2, a cross-section of the case on line 2 2; Fig. 3, a longitudinal section of the same, and Fig. 4 a view of a smaller form of the case laid open.

Like letters denote corresponding parts in all four figures.

The toilet or dressing case is of oblong-box shape. It is composed of a rectangular oblong back, A, which is preferably made of leather, stitched to a suitable lining, or pasted with a lining to a suitable intermediate stiffening material. The case has two rectangular sides, B B', which are the same length as the back, and are preferably made in one piece therewith, the leather being creased at the juncture of the sides and back, so that the natural position of such sides will be at right angles to the back. A rectangular covering or front piece, C, of the same size and shape as the back A, is made continuous with one of the sides, while the other side has a flap, D, which folds over upon the piece C, and is secured thereto by a suitable fastening, E. The ends F F' of the case are

made separate from the back A, or in one piece therewith, and have inwardly-extending top flaps, G G', which enter the case below the front piece, C. All the parts of the case are creased at the angles, so that they will fold naturally into box shape, but can be readily opened out flat to give access to the interior of the case. The ends F F' are retained in place wholly by the flaps G G'. The case springs apart at the ends far enough so that a thorough ventilation of its interior is secured, and being flexible, the case is very strong and cannot be damaged or broken by close packing in a valise or trunk, or by being accidentally dropped.

On its interior the case has a loop, *a*, on the back A, for receiving the handle of a hair-brush, H. In the large case shown in Figs. 1, 2, and 3 this loop is placed a little to one side of the lateral center of the case, and a long loop, *b*, for the tooth-brush I is also secured to the back A. This loop *b* receives and covers the entire head of the tooth-brush, protecting it from dirt or dust. This loop *b* is also arranged opposite the handle of the hair-brush, so that no odor from the hair-brush can be communicated to the tooth-brush.

On one of the sides B B' of the large case is a loop, *c*, for a razor, K, while on the other side is a loop, *d*, for a comb, L, and nail-brush M. In the folding of the case the head of the nail-brush lies over the handle of the hair-brush. This leaves a space over the said handle between the nail and tooth brushes. This space is occupied by an extension lather-brush, N, held by a loop, *e*, on one of the end flaps G G'. Thus it will be seen that very little space is lost, while the articles are well separated.

In the small case, Fig. 4, the loop *a* for the handle of the hair-brush is placed in the lateral center of the back A, while the long loop *b* for the tooth-brush, and the loop *d* for the nail-brush and comb, (or for the nail-brush alone when a wire hair-brush is used,) are located on the sides B B', in such positions that the heads of the tooth and nail brushes fold over the handle of the hair-brush.

It will be seen that this case is made wholly of flexible material and without any rigid frame.

It is evident that cloth or other suitable material would be used in place of leather, although leather is preferred for this purpose.

5 An extra loop or pocket could be provided for receiving the end of the tooth-brush handle, to prevent the tooth-brush from moving in the case.

10 I am aware that it is not new to construct pocket toilet-cases with loops on the inside to receive the ends of brushes, and to form on the inside of the side flaps pockets to hold sponges and soap. I am not, however, aware of any formed of material creased at the angles and folding into rectangular box form, and
15 having its sides sufficiently rigid to rest in an upright position without additional support, and also having end flaps, F F', and top flaps, G G', folding over so as to secure the contents, and provided with loops to receive and hold

the brushes, &c., in the positions designated 20 herein.

What I claim as my invention is—

The pocket toilet-case herein described, consisting of rectangular oblong back A, rectangular sides B B', rectangular front piece, C, 25 flap D, ends F F', inwardly-extending top flaps, G G', and a suitable fastening, E, said parts being creased at the angles to adapt them to fold into box form, having a single compartment provided with loops for holding and separating the articles, the heads of the tooth and nail brushes being located next to the handle of the hair-brush, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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