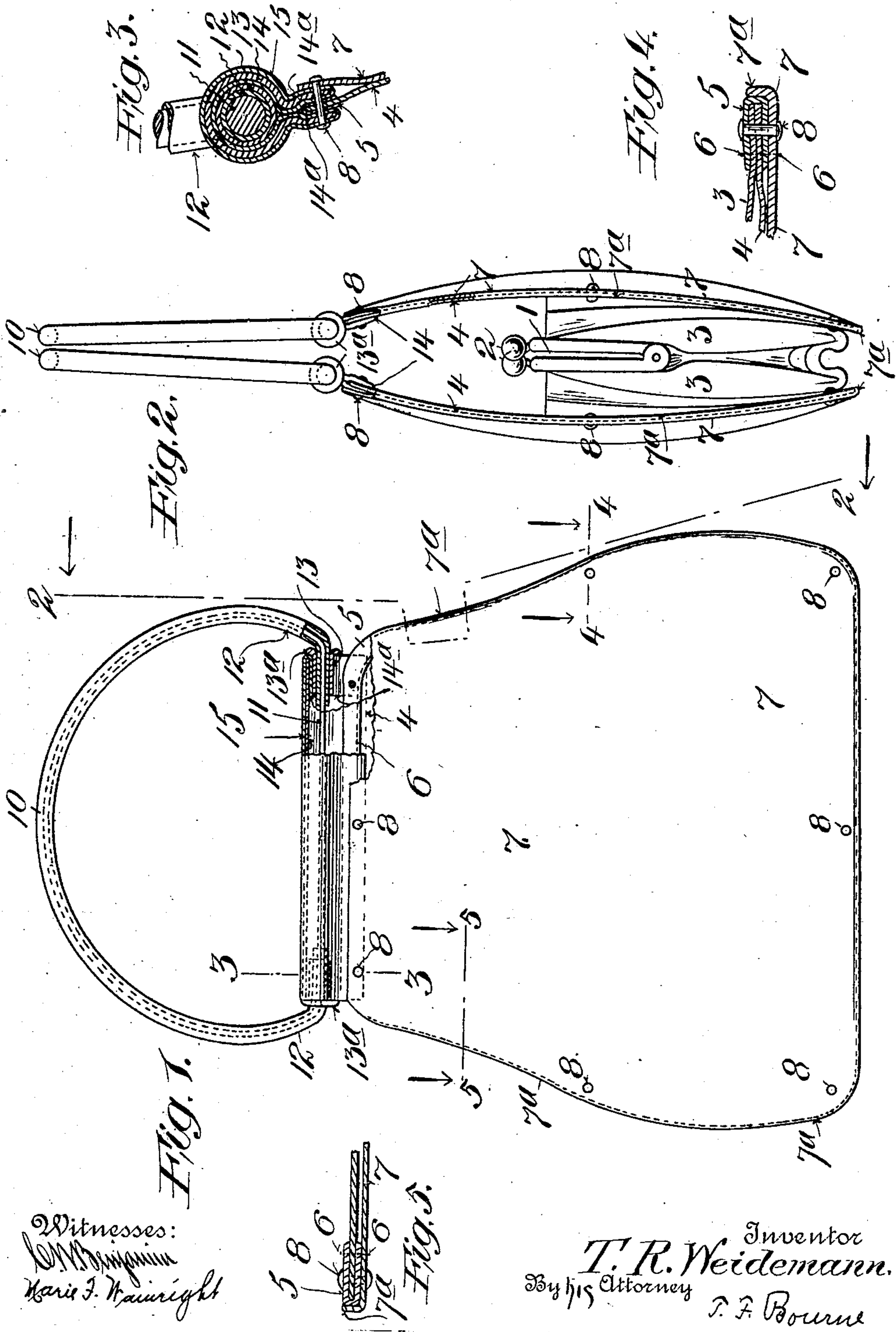


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THEODORE R. WEIDEMANN, a citizen of the United States, and resident of Jersey City, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hand-Bags and the Like, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a hand bag or similar article with metal plates upon the outer faces to strengthen, protect and embellish the same, and whereby said plates may be bent to the desired shape and give to the bag the desired permanent exterior configuration, and wherein also the edges of the inner walls of the bag will be protected and substantially concealed, and also to provide improved means for firmly attaching the handles to the bag members.

My invention also comprises novel details of improvement that will be more fully hereinafter set forth and then pointed out in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings forming part hereof, wherein,

Figure 1 is a face view, partly in section, of a hand bag embodying my invention, Fig. 2 is an edge view, partly broken, taken on the line 2, 2, in Fig. 1, Fig. 3 is a section, enlarged, on the line 3, 3, of Fig. 1, Fig. 4 is a section, enlarged, on the line 4, 4, in Fig. 1 looking in the direction of the arrows, and Fig. 5 is a section on the line 5, 5, in Fig. 1.

Similar numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several views.

The bag illustrated in the accompanying drawings has an inner pocket 1, which may be kept closed by fasteners 2 in well known manner, and at the sides of such pocket may be other pockets within bellows members 3, the outer parts of which bellows are attached to walls 4, which walls extend above the pockets. I have shown folded bindings 5 passing around the edges of walls 4 and inclosing also bellows portion 3 at the edges, as indicated in Figs. 4 and 5, which folded binding may be stitched to walls 4 and to the bellows 3 by stitches 6. At 7 are plates preferably of metal, placed along the exterior of walls 4 and having the same general outline as said walls, the edges of said walls being bent inwardly at 7^a, so that the adjacent edges of walls 4 and the bindings 5 are protected and substantially concealed from an edge view by the flanges 7^a, as indicated in

Figs. 4 and 5. Rivets 8 are shown passing through plates 7 and the corresponding walls 4 and also through the bindings 5 (see Fig. 4) whereby the parts are securely fastened together.

The walls of the bag are shown provided with handles 10, which as illustrated, comprise suitably bent wires 11, whose inner ends may be soldered together, and provided with a covering of leather or the like 12, upon which covering are mounted ferrules or tubes 13 having flanges 13^a. The horizontal portions of the handle and the ferrules 13 project into suitably bent or tubular hinge-members or clips 14, which may be made of metal plates preferably covered by leather or the like 15. From the tubular portion of parts 14 depend flanged portions 14^a which receive between them the upper edges of walls 4, the adjacent edge portions of plates 7 being shown located upon the outer side of one of the flanges 14^a, rivets 8 passing through the parts 4, 7 and 14^a and their coverings and bindings, whereby they are all secured firmly together, see Fig. 3. By the construction shown the outer flange portion 14^a is substantially concealed from view on the exterior by the corresponding plate 7, and the entire hinging devices for the handles are securely held without danger of becoming detached or broken. The flanges 13^a of the ferrules 13 serve as bearings and wearing points for the handles as they swing to keep them from chafing on the ends of the metal hinge portions 14.

A further advantage of my improvements is that the metal plates 7 may be stamped or formed to any desired oval, hollow or other ornamental shape, and will retain the bag in such shape in addition to materially strengthening the entire bag. The surface of one or both of the plates 7 may also be embellished in any desired manner.

Having now described my invention what I claim is:

1. A hand bag having outer walls and interior pockets and plates secured and extended over the outer faces of said walls, said plates having their edges turned inwardly in line with and protecting the edges of said walls, hinge members having flanges extending downwardly along the faces of and secured to said plates, and handles journaled on said members.

2. A hand bag having outer walls and

inner pockets, binding strips passing around the edges of said walls, metal plates located over the outer faces of said walls and having their edges turned inwardly in line with the edges of said walls, and rivets passing through said walls, bindings and plates securing them all together near their edges.

3. A hand bag having metal plates secured over and concealing the outer faces with hinge members secured to the upper adjacent edges of said plates, ferrules entering said hinge members, and handles passing into said ferrules and carried by said hinged members to be simultaneously grasped in one hand.

4. A hand bag comprising walls having pockets, plates secured and extending over the outer faces of said walls, hinge members comprising plates bent into tubular form and having downwardly extending flanges, said flanges receiving the corresponding wall between them, the corresponding plate being located on the outer face of one of the flanges, rivets passing through said plates, walls and

flanges securing them all together, and handles carried by said hinge members.

5. A hand bag comprising walls having pockets, plates secured on the outer faces of said walls, hinge members comprising plates bent into tubular form and having downwardly extending flanges, said flanges receiving the corresponding wall between them, the corresponding plate being located on the outer face of one of the flanges, rivets passing through said plates, walls and flanges securing them all together, handles carried by said hinge members and ferrules mounted upon the handles and entering the tubular part of the hinge members, said ferrules having flanges surrounding the handles exterior of the tubular portions of the hinge members.

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