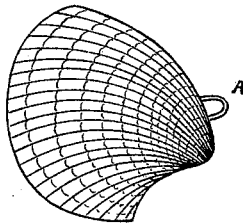


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IMPROVEMENT IN PERFUMED CHARMS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES A. ATKINSON, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Perfumed Charm; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

My invention relates to an improved charm or personal ornament; and it consists in forming the body of the charm of porous earthenware of the desired configuration, and scenting the same by the absorption of a perfume, as hereinafter fully described.

The drawing illustrates a charm made in the form of a shell, and provided with an eyelet, A, for attachment.

In manufacturing the same they are made by mixing porous earths, clays, or cement with water until they assume the consistency of putty, and then pressing the same in proper molds to give the desired configuration. The charm is then baked or dried sufficiently to retain its form, and yet not enough to destroy its porosity.

The perfume is imparted to the charm by bringing it in contact with any essential oil or perfume, which the porous nature of the material causes it to absorb into itself and retain.

The charm is tinted or colored by sprinkling with or immersing in any suitable coloring solution, either before or after perfuming.

In attaching the charm to the watch-chain, ear-ring, &c., either an eyelet, A, may be fastened thereon, or a hole may be formed in the body of the charm for the same purpose.

In relation to the novelty of my invention, I would state that I am aware that fragrant pastils or beads for necklaces, bracelets, &c., have been heretofore made of a pasty non-porous composition, in which a perfume was incorporated as one of the original ingredients; but in such case, the perfume being an original element of the composition, the character of said perfume can only be varied by making a separate composition for each, while the perfume, being originally incorporated, and necessarily so, by reason of the non-porous material, is liable to deterioration during the baking operation.

By making my charms of porous earthenware, it will be seen that they may be made and baked in quantities, and afterward scented with different perfumes, the porosity permitting the absorption of perfume and the complete permeation of the charm by the same subsequent to the baking or drying, which result could not be attained with the pasty non-porous pastils.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new is—

As a new article of manufacture, a charm or ornament made of porous earthenware and scented by the absorption of a perfume, as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 27th day of March, 1876.

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