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Fig. 1.

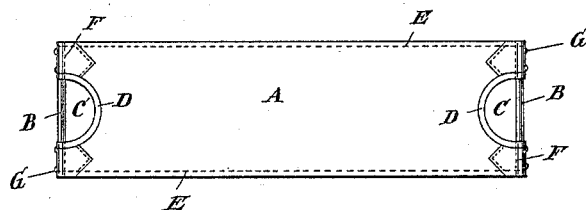


Fig. 2.

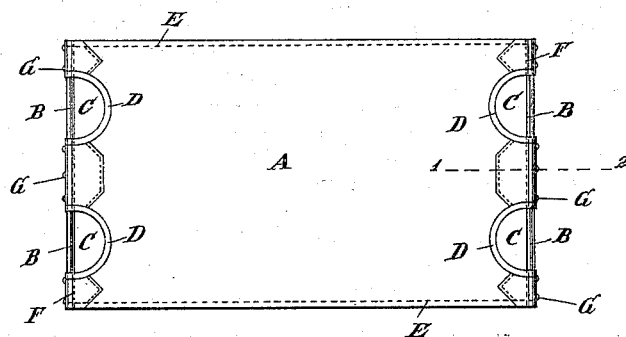
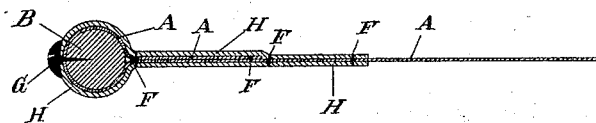


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL FRY, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Orleans, in the parish of Orleans and State of Louisiana, have invented a new and Improved Parcel Sling and Carrier, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is an improved parcel sling and carrier.

It consists simply of a strip of linen, canvas, leather, or other suitable material without regard to color, with a rod or bar of wood or metal of suitable size securely fastened at each end of the sling to serve as handles and stretchers, one or more openings cut out of the body of the sling next to the bar of the handle, through which the hands may be inserted in holding and carrying the sling, as shown in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of a sling in its simplest form to be carried with one hand or hold. Fig. 2 is a plan view of a larger and stronger sling to be carried with both hands or by two persons or by two holds. Fig. 3 is an enlarged sectional view of Fig. 2 at the points indicated by dotted line 1 2.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

The belt A or body A of the sling is made of canvas, duck, leather, or any other material suitable for an enveloping band, varying in material and size according to the character of articles to be carried, and is securely fastened at each end to the handles B by enfolding them with the ends of the belt A, secured by a line of stitching or of metallic rivets F, according to materials used in construction and the use proposed, this fastening to be fortified by a double fold H of the material of the belt A if heavy articles are to be carried or if otherwise desired, as shown in Fig. 3.

C are openings cut out of the body or belt A of the sling of any size desired for the insertion of the hands in holding the handles B. The edge D of the openings C is bound with tape, leather, or metallic binding, stitched or riveted, according to material used, to prevent tearing.

The side edges E of the belt A are lapped over and stitched or bound and stitched or riveted, according to material used or as may be desired.

The handles B are rods or bars in length corresponding to the width of belt A, to serve as handles by which to carry the sling and to keep the belt A stretched to full width when carrying a load. These handles B are made of wood or iron, brass, or other metal in form round or semicircular, straight or curved, as may be desired. They are secured to the belt A, as above set forth, and held in place by rivets or tacks G.

The sling may be of any size and proportions desired and according to use proposed. For use in post-offices the size thirty-eight inches long by twelve inches wide, with one opening C at each end for the hands, is preferable. For use in factories, stores, &c., for transporting heavy or bulky articles, they are made with two openings C at each end, as shown in Fig. 2, so that they may be held by both hands or carried by two persons. It is particularly adapted for use in post-offices for the easy and secure transportation of "stacked" mail from the "stacking table" to the distributing and assorting cases. At present long strips of wrapping-paper folded to the required size are used.

The advantages of my sling and carrier are that it is light, durable, strong, and easy to handle.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The flexible belt or band A, combined with the rigid rods or bars B, of wood or metal, at each end as handles, with the openings C in the body of the belt A for convenience and security in holding the sling when loaded, constituting together an improved sling or carrier for the transportation of parcels and packages, all substantially as set forth.

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