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Fig. 1.

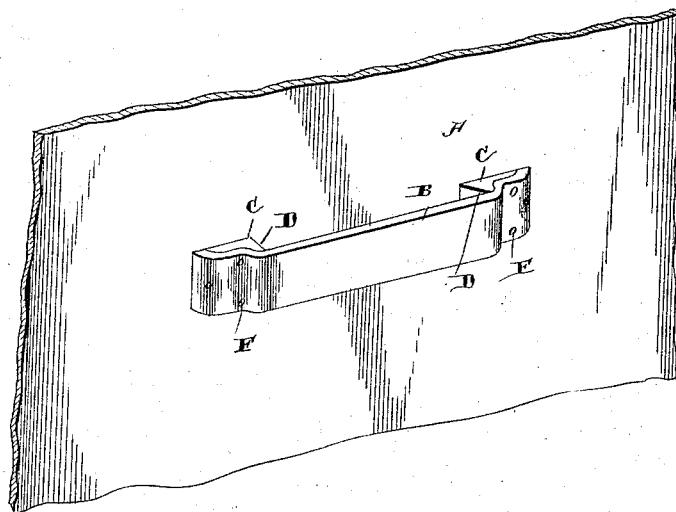


Fig. 2.

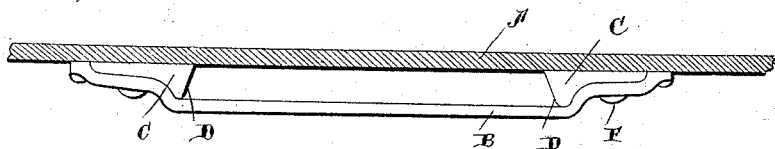
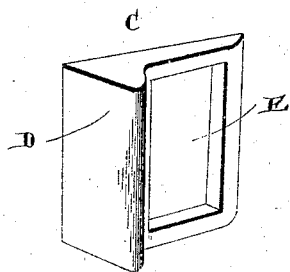


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FREDERICK W. LEIMBERGER, of Petersburg, in the county of Dinwiddie and State of Virginia, have invented
5 certain new and useful Improvements in Trunk-Handles; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable
10 others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in trunk handles; and it consists in the novel
15 features of construction which will be fully described hereinafter, and more especially referred to in the claims.

The object of my invention is to so construct a trunk handle or strap that it will not turn
20 inward toward the trunk body when sustaining the weight of the trunk in the hand of a carrier, thus making a much more convenient handle and one that will not pinch the hand of the person moving the trunk.

Referring to the accompanying drawings,—
25 Figure 1 is a perspective view of a portion of the end of a trunk, having thereon my improved handle. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the same. Fig. 3 is a detached view of my im-
30 proved device for holding the strap handle outward from the trunk.

A, represents the trunk end and B, the strap handle. Between each end of the handle and the trunk end is inserted a small
35 block or casting C, having a flat rear side which rests against the trunk end. On the inner edge of the outer side of the casting is the vertical shoulder D, which curves outward from the casting side as shown. This
40 flange holds the strap projected outward and being the same width as the strap or handle it holds every portion of the width of the strap alike away from the trunk end. The body of the casting is formed with the large

opening E, through which the nails or rivets
45 F, are driven into the trunk end which hold the handle and also the casting firmly in position.

From the above description and the drawings it will be seen that quite a space exists
50 between the handle and the trunk end for the accommodation of the person's hand. While the trunk is being lifted it is quite impossible for the handle to turn inward
55 against the same as the castings and the flanges thereon hold the same away from the trunk body and any turning there is must occur on the vertical flanges of the castings. Thus a simple yet most effective means is
60 provided for permanently holding the handle strap outward from the trunk which removes any possibility of the person's hand being pinched who is lifting the trunk.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by
65 Letters Patents is,—

1. The combination of a trunk, a strap handle secured at its ends thereto, blocks inserted between the said strap ends and the
70 trunk, and flanges on the outer faces of the blocks against which the strap bears, substantially as shown and described.

2. The combination of a trunk, a strap handle secured at its ends thereto, blocks or
75 castings located between the strap ends and the trunk and which are formed with openings through which the securing nails extend, and flanges on said castings or blocks for the purpose of holding the handle ends
80 extended from the trunk, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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