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Traveling Bag,

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Fig. 1.

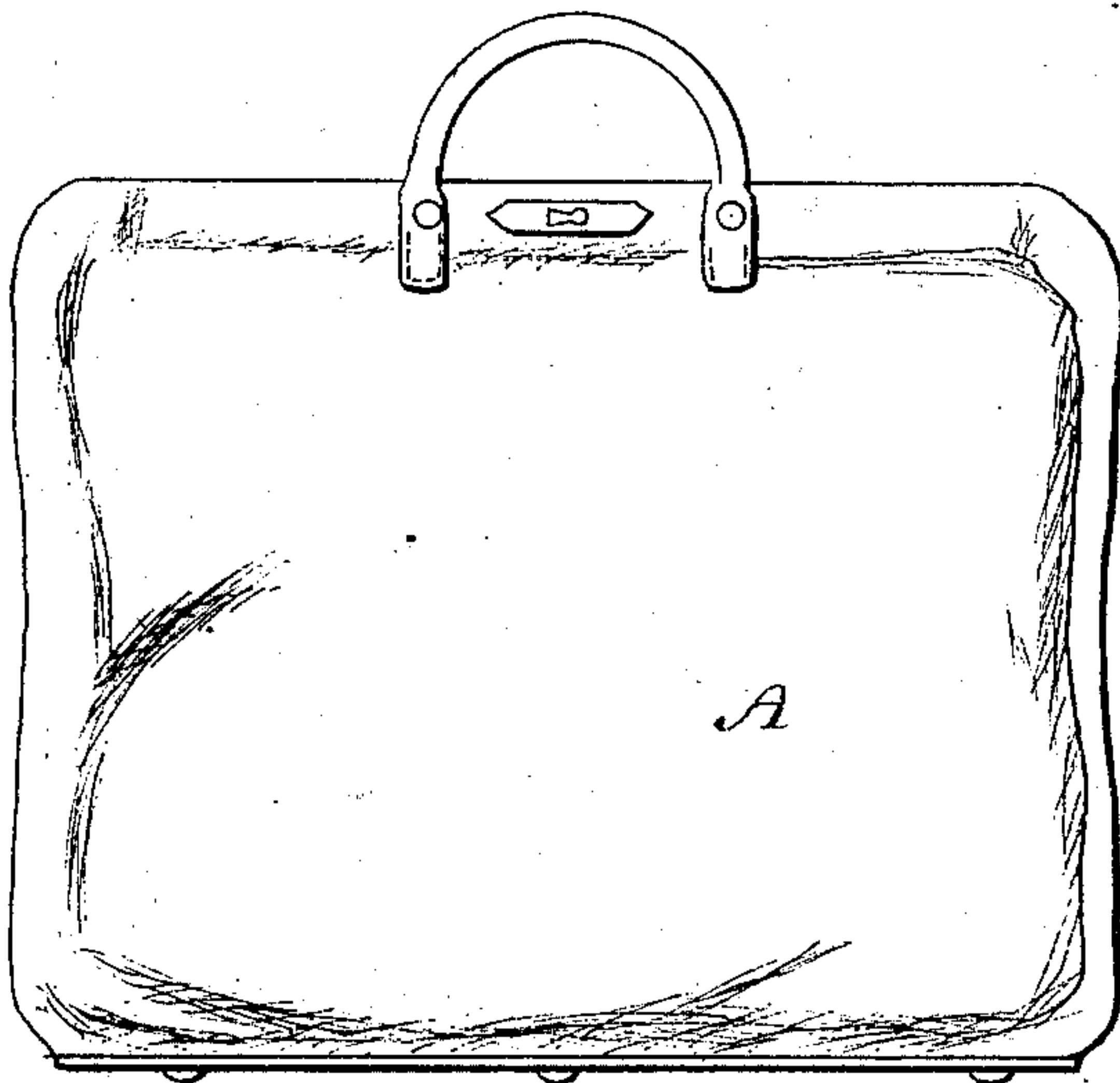


Fig. 2.

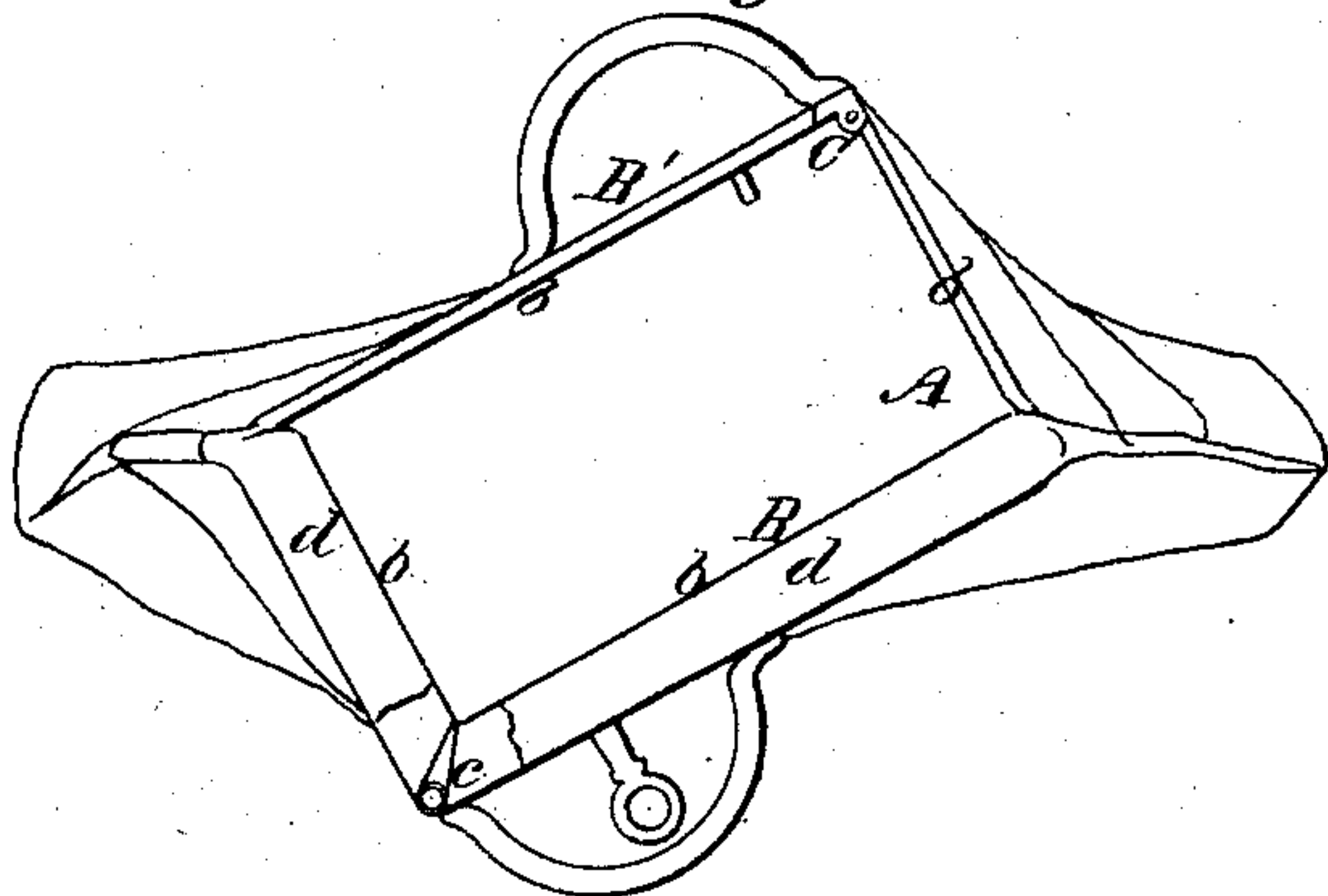
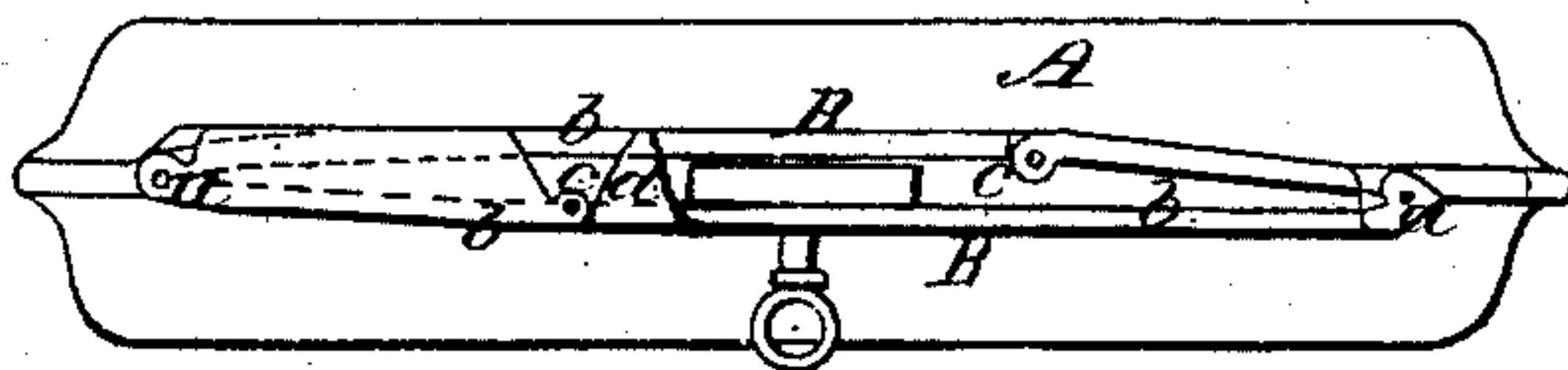


Fig. 3.



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Fig. 4.



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FRAMES FOR TRAVELING-BAGS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 41,411, dated January 26, 1864.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ZACHARIAH WALSH, of Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Frames for Traveling-Bags; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side view of a traveling-bag with my invention applied to it; Fig. 2, a top view of the same in an open state; Fig. 3, a top view of the same in nearly a closed state, the lip or flange of one of the sides of the frame being removed; Fig. 4, a detached transverse section of the frame.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

To enable those skilled in the art to fully understand and construct my invention, I will proceed to describe it.

A represents a traveling-bag, which may be of the usual form and constructed of any of the materials usually employed for such purpose. The frame of the bag is composed of two parts or sides, B B', the ends of which are connected by joints *a a*. Each side B of the frame is composed of two pieces, *b b*, connected by a joint, *c*, and these joints *c* are in the same plane with the joints *a a*. The two sides B B' when in contact are parallel with each other and straight, one side, B, being provided with a lip or flange, *d*, at its upper

edge, to admit of the other side, B', fitting under the lip, as shown in Fig. 4. All access to the interior of the bag is thus prevented. In opening the frame the two sides B B' spread so as to form a rectangular opening, as shown in Fig. 2, and the interior of the bag is fully exposed and rendered very accessible for filling the same or taking articles out from it.

The joints *c* of the two sides B B' are not in line with each other, but at opposite sides of the center of the frame, as shown clearly in Fig. 3. By this means the frame is rendered strong and durable. If the two joints *c c* were directly opposite each other they would be liable to considerable strain and subject to be broken; but by having them arranged as shown the longer part *b* of one side of the frame serves to protect the joint *c* of the opposite side.

I do not claim the invention of the jointed frame, nor the use of protecting-lips upon carpet-bags; but,

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

The combination of the divided lip *d d* and jointed frame B, constructed and arranged as and for the purpose herein shown and described.

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