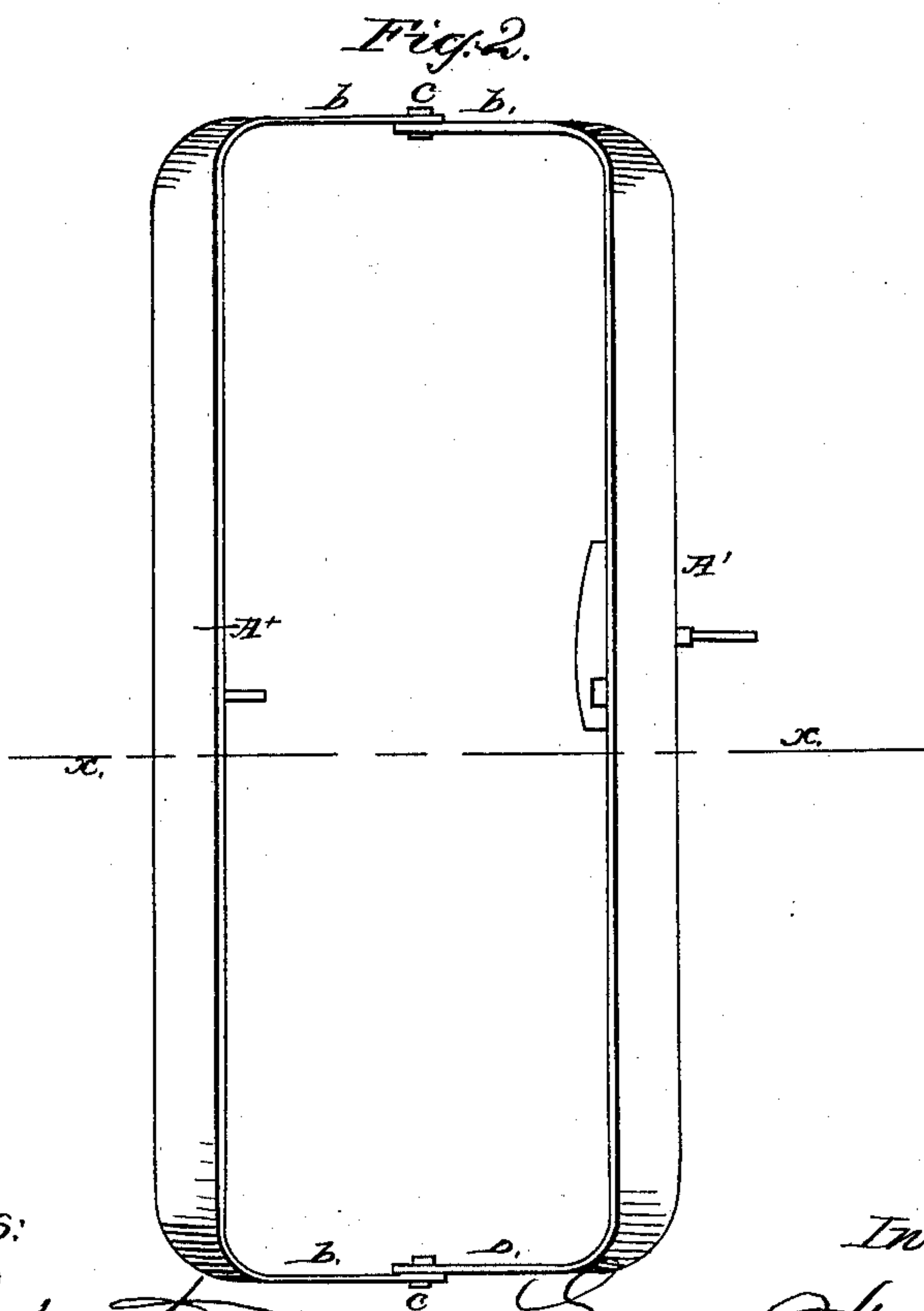
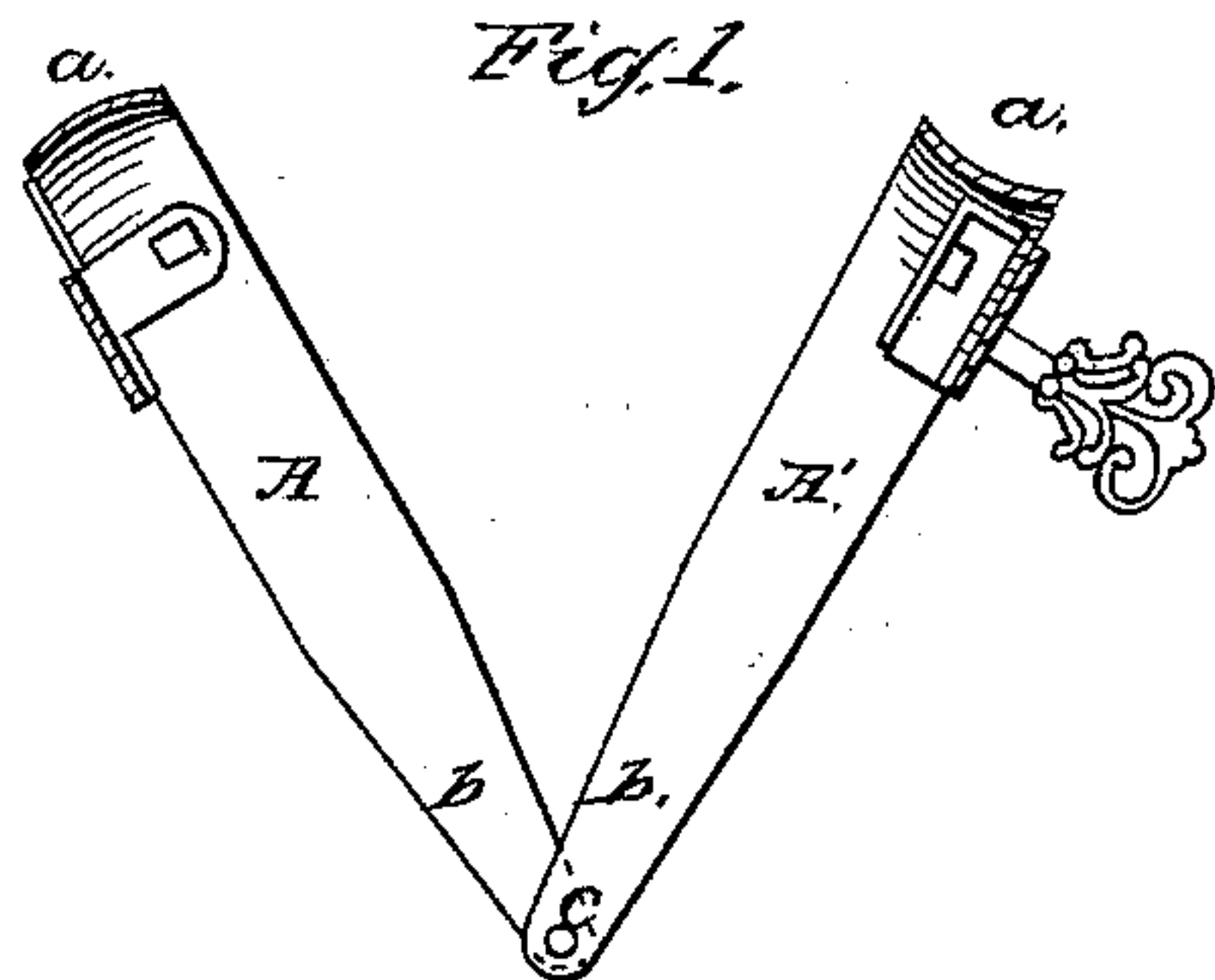


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IMPROVEMENT IN FRAMES FOR TRAVELING-BAGS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 57,438, dated August 21, 1866.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOUIS FRÜHINSFELD, 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 thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a transverse section of my invention, taken in the line *xx*, Fig. 2; Fig. 2, a plan or top view of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate like parts.

The invention relates to a new and improved metal frame for traveling-bags; and it consists in constructing the bars of which the jaws of the frame are composed of curved or bent form in their transverse section, so as to insure lightness with strength; and the invention also consists in having the ends of the jaws of taper form, or gradually decreasing in width from points above the rivets down to the same, whereby the cloth, leather, or other material of which the bag is constructed will not be liable to be torn by the ends of the jaws as the latter are opened or closed.

A A' represent the two jaws of a traveling-bag frame. These jaws are constructed of flat bars of iron bent longitudinally in the

usual form, and bent transversely, so as to be of arch or angle form, as shown at *a* in Fig. 1, the transverse bend or curvature being produced by pressure-rollers or other means. This bending or curving of the jaws transversely renders them very stiff and firm, even when constructed of light metal or thin bars, and without the necessity of riveting brace-bars and stays to them; hence much labor and expense are avoided.

The ends of the jaws A A' are made of taper form, or attenuating nearly to a point, as shown at *b* in Fig. 1, the rivet *c* passing through them near their extreme ends, which are rounded in semicircular form. By this arrangement the ends of the jaws are not liable to tear or cut the fabric of which the bag is made, as is the case with the ends of the ordinary bag-frames, which ends are broad or of the same width as the other portions, and present angular points, which act upon the fabric under a leverage power every time the jaws are opened and closed.

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

The combination of the jaws A A', curved as shown, with taper ends *b*, in the manner and for the purpose herein specified.

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