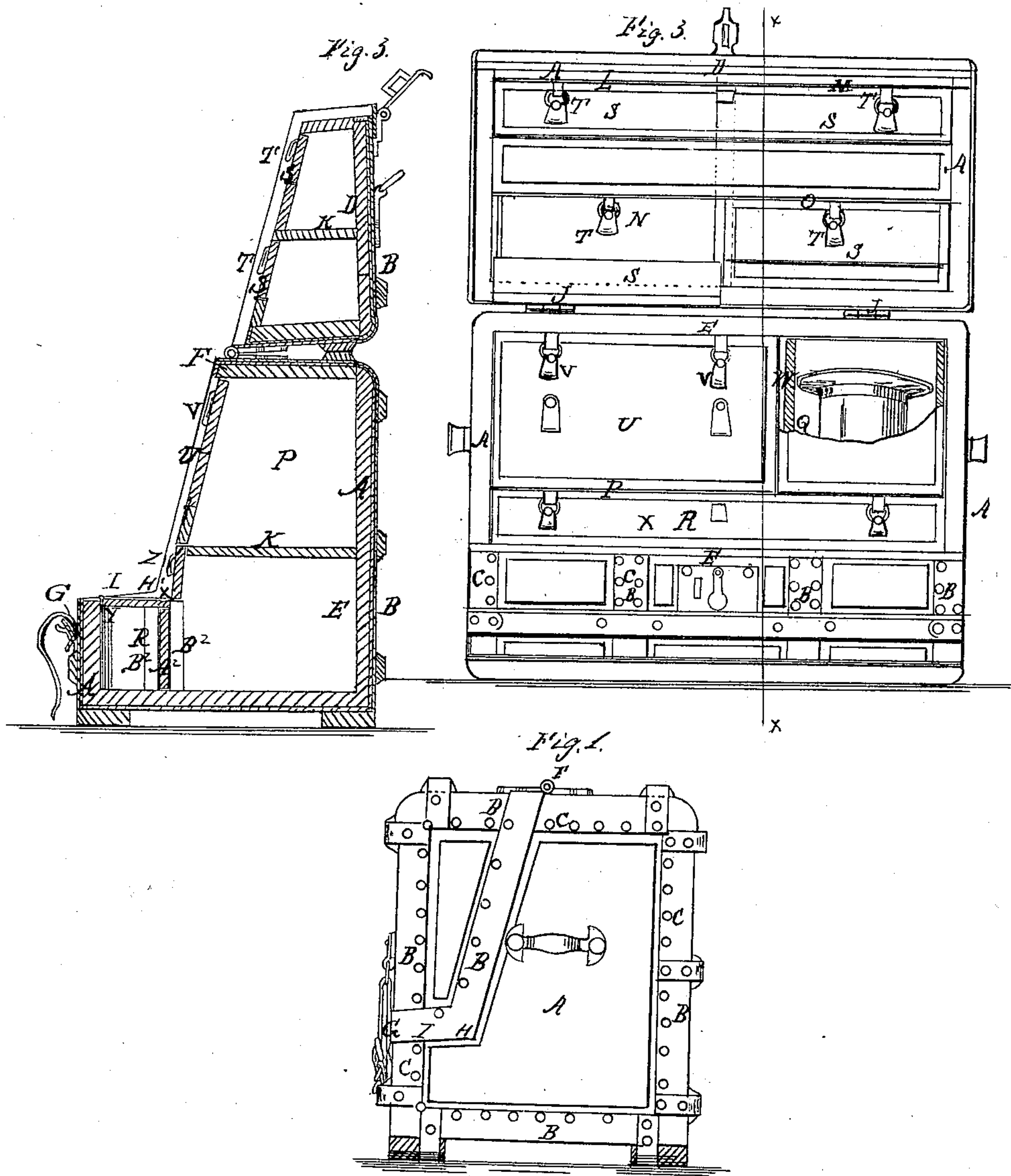


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IMPROVEMENT IN TRUNKS.

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TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, JAMES H. BURNETT, Jr., of Newark, in the county of Essex, and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Travelling-Trunks; 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.

The present invention relates to that class of travelling-trunks divided into two sections in such manner that the one can be swung up and into a position of rest and support upon the top of the other section, presenting the whole interior of the trunk to view for the insertion therein and removal of articles therefrom, as may be desired; and the invention consists, first, in giving such an obtuse-angle shape to the joint of the two sections of the trunk as to offer no obstruction to the closing of the same, and permit them to be hinged together in the most convenient and practicable as well as advantageous manner; second, in a novel construction and arrangement of partitions within the trunk, dividing it into a series of compartments for the reception of wearing apparel, toilet and other articles, &c., whereby simplicity and convenience are secured. In the accompanying plate of drawings my improvements in travelling-trunks are illustrated—

Figure 1 being a view of one end of a trunk made according thereto, when closed.

Figure 2, a face view and elevation of the trunk opened, showing the construction and arrangement of its interior partitions.

Figure 3, a transverse vertical section, taken in the plane of the line *x x*, fig. 2.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A, in the drawings, represents the wooden outside case or box of the trunk, made, in the present instance, of a rectangular shape, and covered with leather, or otherwise protected and strengthened by iron bands B, &c., secured by nails C or otherwise. This box A is divided into two sections, D and E, in a line, from the upper side F of the box to its front side, G, that in direction forms an obtuse angle at H, of sufficient openness, and with the lower arm I, to the same inclining from the said angle-point H sufficiently to allow the one part D to be shut down or closed upon the other, to the upper side of which it is suitably hung by hinges at J, without the least trouble, and with no possibility of obstruction. These two sections D and E are divided by partitions K into compartments, in the first case L, M, and O, and in the second case into compartments P, Q, and R. The several compartments L, M, N, and O of the section D are provided with lids, S, that are hinged thereto so as to be opened and closed at pleasure, they being held closed by elastic bands or straps T, suitably attached to the same. The apartment P to the section E is provided with a lid, U, having fastening-bands or straps V similarly to the lids S, and the apartment O with a drawer or box, W, for holding a hat, bonnet, or other articles of similar wearing-apparel. The apartment R is provided with a lid, X X, made in two sections hinged together, with the one hinged to the trunk-box along its front side or edge, Y, and the other adapted, by fastening-bands or straps Z, to be fastened in a closed position, as shown in the drawings, fig. 3, the two lid sections then forming an angle with each other. This lid, as before stated, opens into the apartment R, which is, as is seen by the drawings, at the bottom of the trunk, and by being made in sections, such apartment can be thus entirely thrown open for the insertion or removal of wearing-apparel, &c. Within the compartment R is a partition-board, A², so confined at each end by the strips B² fastened to the ends of the trunk-box as to be susceptible of easy removal and replacement if so desired.

I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

In combination with a trunk constructed as described, the lid X X, made in two sections, hinged together, one section being also hinged to the front edge of the trunk at Y, and the other adapted to fit against the vertical part of the trunk, both forming an obtuse angle, the removable partition A² in the body of the trunk, and the hat-receptacle, as herein shown and described.

The above specification of my invention signed by me, this 22d day of August, 1867.

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