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Trunk Handle.

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Fig 1.

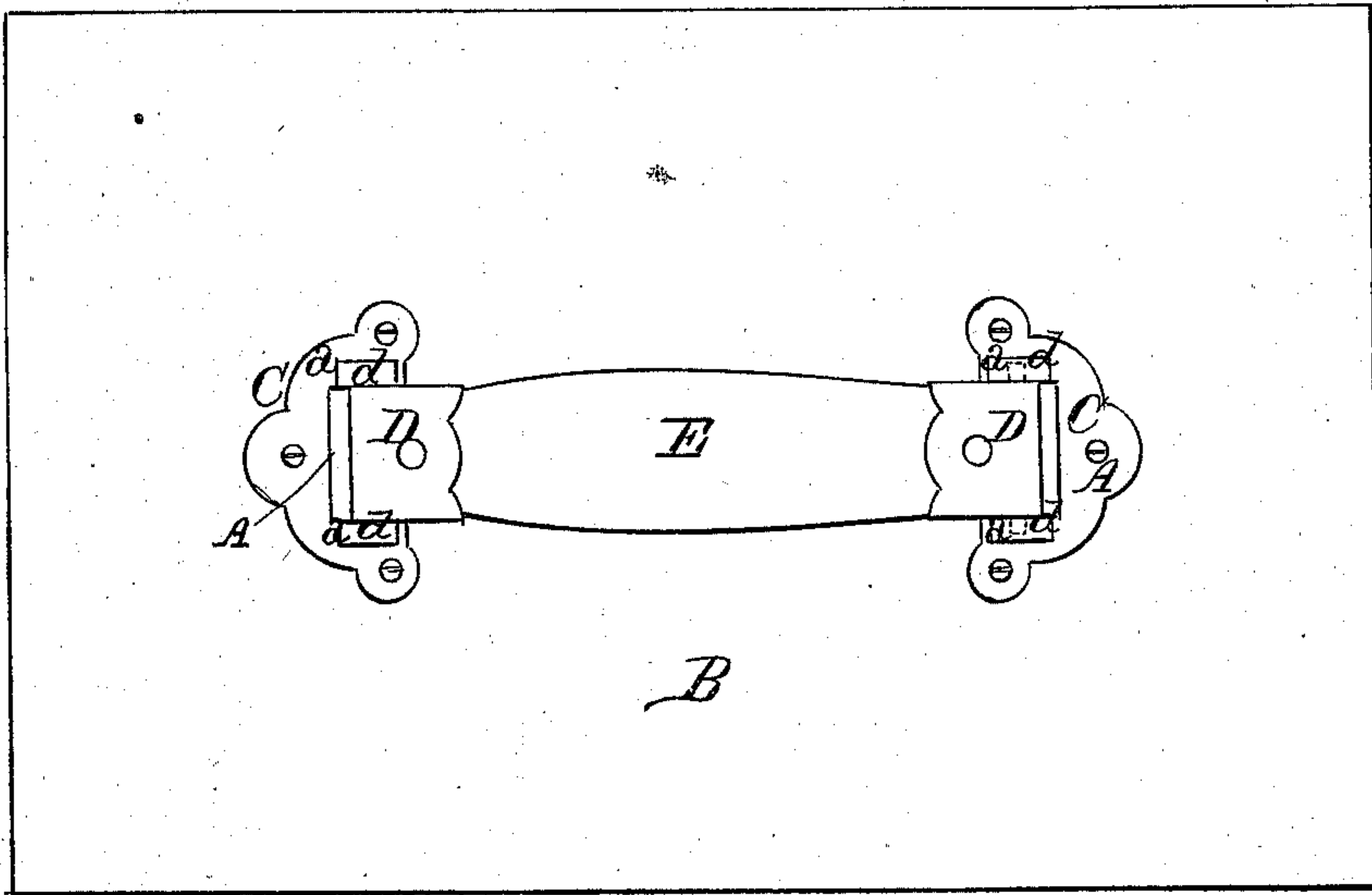


Fig 2.

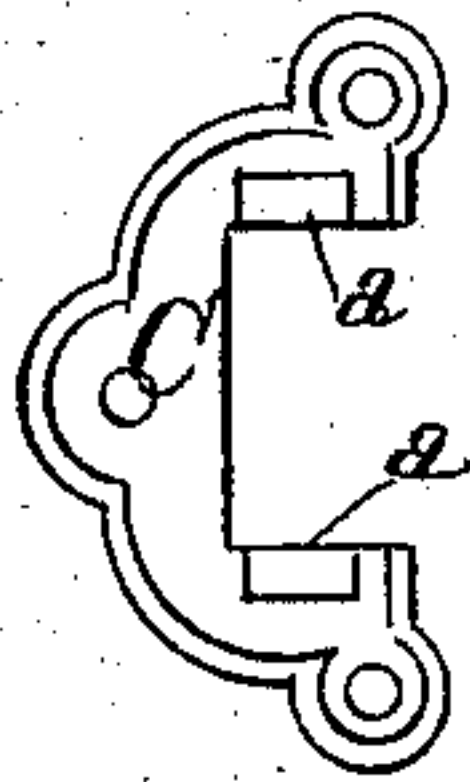
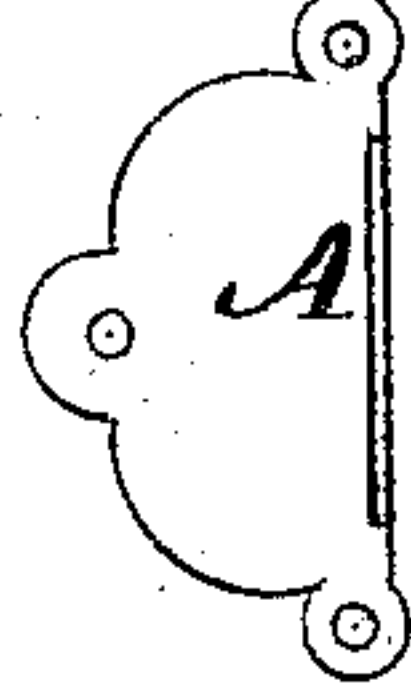


Fig 3.



WITNESSES

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IMPROVED TRUNK-HANDLE.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE B. JENKINSON, of Newark, in the county of Essex, and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Trunk-Handles; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 represents a plan view of my trunk-handle attachment;

Figure 2, an inverted view of one of the sockets or plates for retaining the end-pieces on the handle in place; and

Figure 3 a detached view of one of the plates, over which the socket-plate is secured.

The object of my invention is to provide a self-adjusting handle, and suitable fastening for the same, to be applied to trunks, chests, valises, &c.; and to this end, my invention consists in the employment of a plate or plates formed at each end, with a shoulder recessed out on its under side, to receive ears or projections on plates secured to the handle, in combination with a plate or plates, secured as will be hereinafter set forth.

To enable others to make and use my invention, I will now describe it.

In the accompanying drawings, A represents a metal plate, which is secured to the trunk or chest B. Over

this plate is secured another plate, C, which is made so as to have its outer edges bent downwards, and embrace the plate A. The plate C is also provided, on its upper surface, with an aperture or opening, at each end of which is formed a shoulder, *a*, (see fig. 1,) which is recessed out on its under side, for the purpose of receiving the projections, *d*, formed on the metal plate or clasp D, to which the handle E is fastened. The shoulders *a a* are recessed out sufficiently to admit the projections *d d*, on clasps D, to freely slide back and forth on the plates A A, thus allowing the handle E to adjust itself to the hand when grasped, and when removed therefrom, to admit the elasticity of the handle to force itself back into its original position.

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

1. The sockets or plates C C, constructed with the hollow shoulders or elevations *a a*, with an aperture or opening between them, arranged and operated substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The clasps or plates D D, provided with projections *d d*, working in the sockets or plates C C, as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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