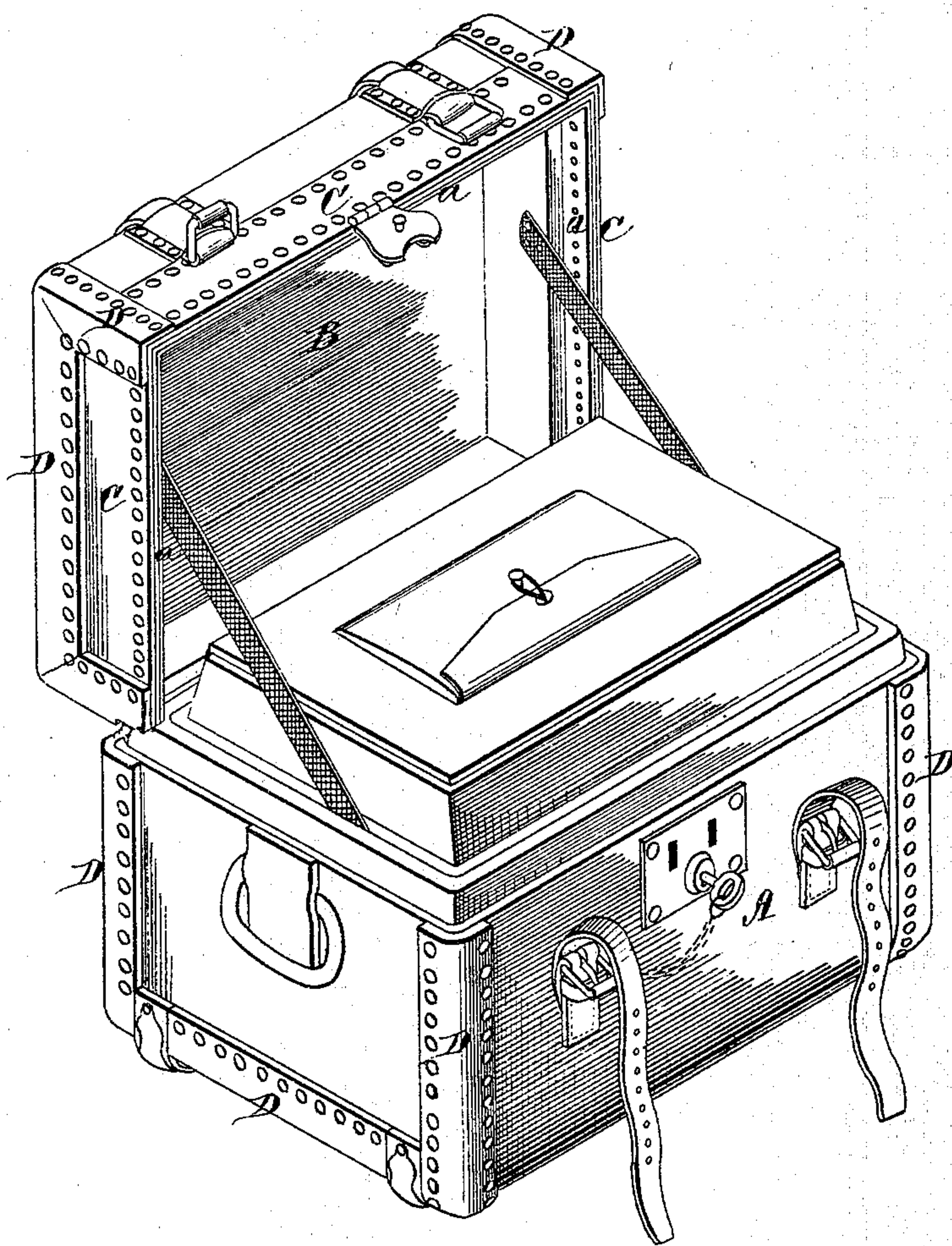


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IMPROVEMENT IN TRUNKS.

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To all whom it may concern:

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

The nature of my invention consists in riveting a strip of heavy leather around the valance of a trunk, portmanteau, or valise, and also in binding heavy leather on the ends, riveted and burred on the inside, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawing, which represents a trunk with my improvements.

A represents the body of the trunk, and B the lid. *a* represents the valance around the front and ends of the lid B. Ordinarily, thin pieces are secured on the inside, which are continually tearing off by friction caused by opening and shutting the trunk. I obviate

this difficulty by riveting a strip, C, of heavy leather, said strip being riveted along its upper edge to the lid, and along the lower edge to the valance, as shown. D D represent strips of heavy leather placed on the ends, over the corners of both the body and lid of the trunk, and riveted to the same and burred on the inside.

By this mode of binding the ends or corners a great saving of leather is effected, it not being necessary to use such heavy leather all through, thereby avoiding weight and expense, and giving a trunk just as durable as were it all of the heaviest of leather.

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

The strips C and D of heavy leather riveted and burred around the valance and edges of leather trunks, as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 25th day of February, 1873.

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