

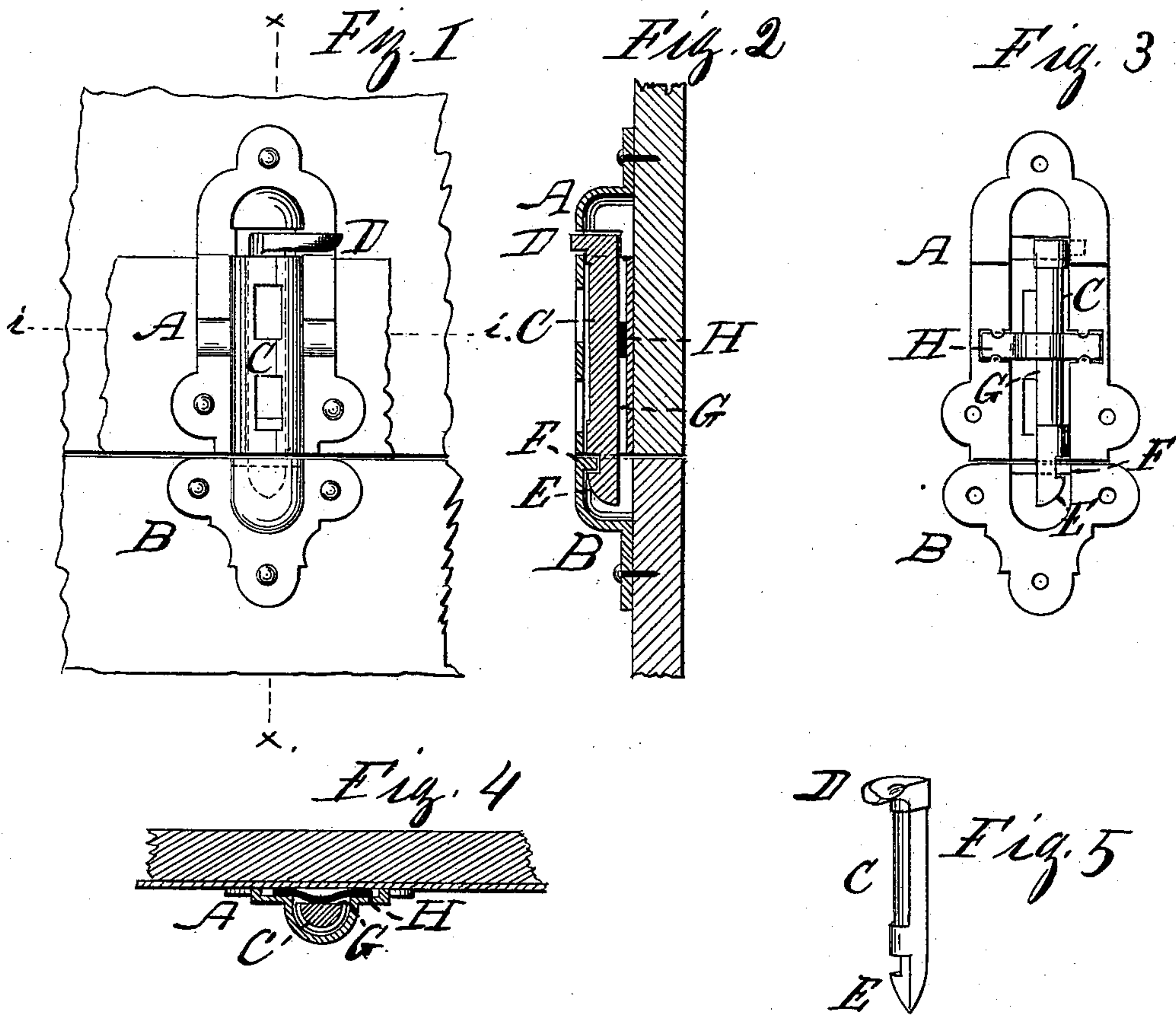
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TRUNK-CATCH.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, IRA W. CONSELYEA, of Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful
5 Improvement in Trunk-Catches, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a trunk-catch; and it consists in an operative bolt made to connect a case and nose-piece relatively on the body and
10 cover of a trunk, the bolt having an end extending out beyond the case in which it is held to enter the nose-piece, and is made to lock or unlock with or from the nose-piece by a partial motion on its axis, and is held in position, locked
15 or unlocked, by an operating-spring.

Figure 1 is a plan. Fig. 2 is a cross-section of Fig. 1 on a line of *xx*. Fig. 3 is an inverted plan. Fig. 4 is a cross-section of Fig. 1 on a line of *ii*. Fig. 5 is a detailed view.

20 In my construction, A is a case on the cover of a trunk, and B a nose-piece on the body. These positions may be reversed, if desired.

C is a bolt lying in the case, having an arm, D, at the upper end, extending outside of the
25 case, with which to operate said bolt; and when the bolt is in position to engage the nose-piece this arm will lie down in a recess in the case and be out of the way. (See Fig. 1.) The bolt has an end extending below the case, with a
30 catch, E, one side, and when the cover is brought down this catch end enters the nose-piece and engages a catch, F, on the inside of

the upper end of the nose-piece, when the bolt is in the position as seen in Figs. 1 and 2. The bolt is made with one flat side, G, and trans- 35 versely under it in the case is fixed a spring, H, made to bear against the bolt and hold it in position either when the bolt engages the nose-piece, as seen in Fig. 2, or when it is disengaged from it, (see Fig. 3.) The spring presses 40 the bolt forward when in the position seen in Figs. 2 and 3, but yields when the cover is brought down and the beveled side of the catch slides down into the nose-piece over the catch F, and when in position the spring holds the 45 two catches engaged. The catch is unlocked by a partial movement of the bolt on its axis by means of the arm D, and when in this released position (see Fig. 3) the spring prevents a return of the bolt of itself to a locking posi- 50 tion.

I claim—

A trunk-catch having the case A, carrying the bolt C and spring H, said bolt extending out of and below the case, and having a catch, 55 E, to enter the nose-piece B and engage the catch F, said bolt being operated by a partial movement on its axis with an arm, D, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

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