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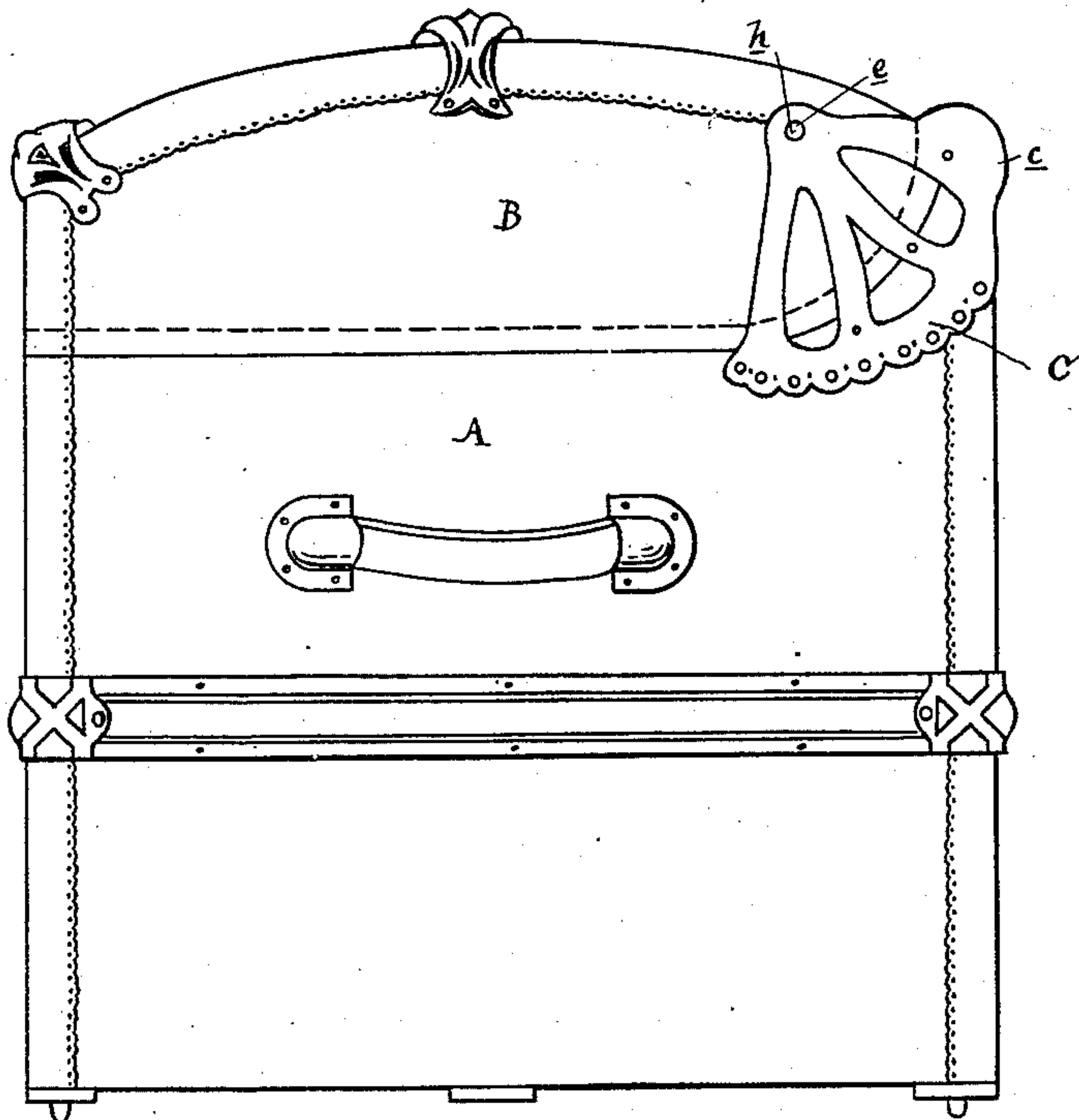


Fig. 1

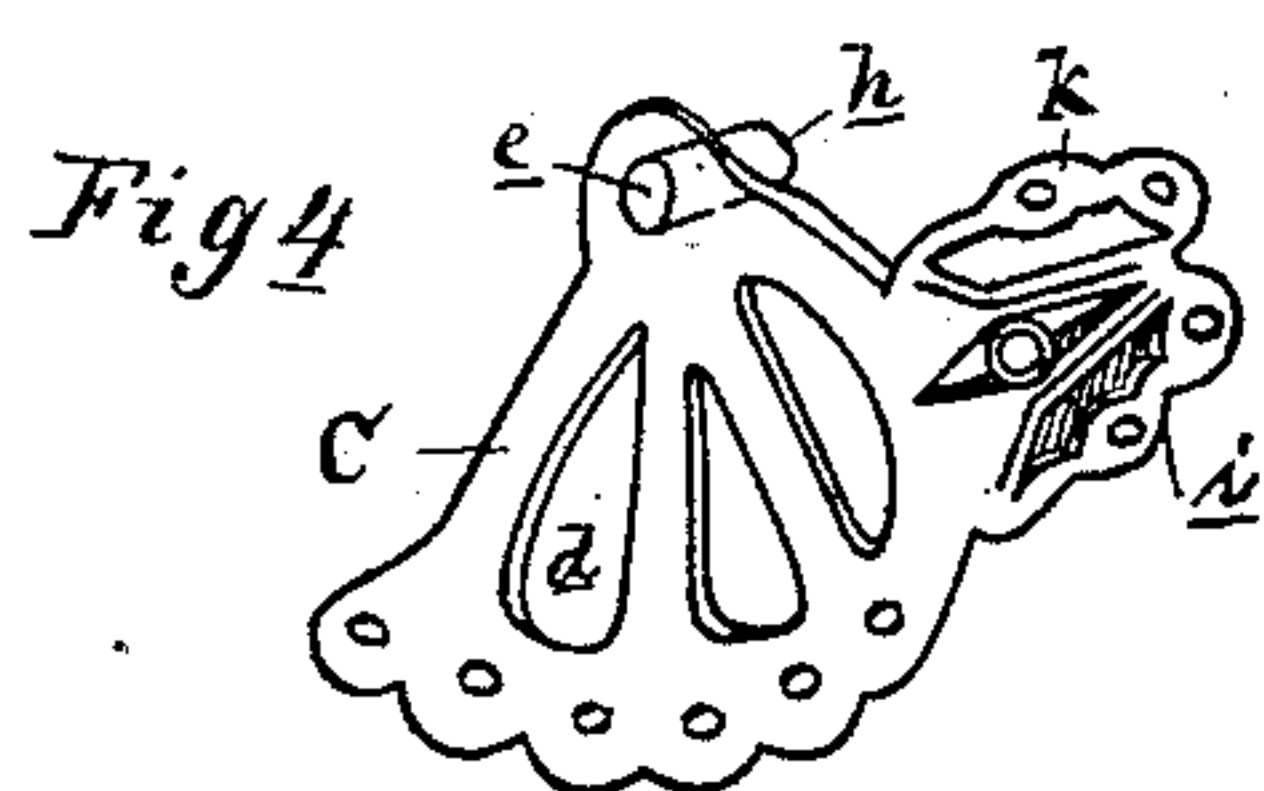


Fig. 4

Fig. 2

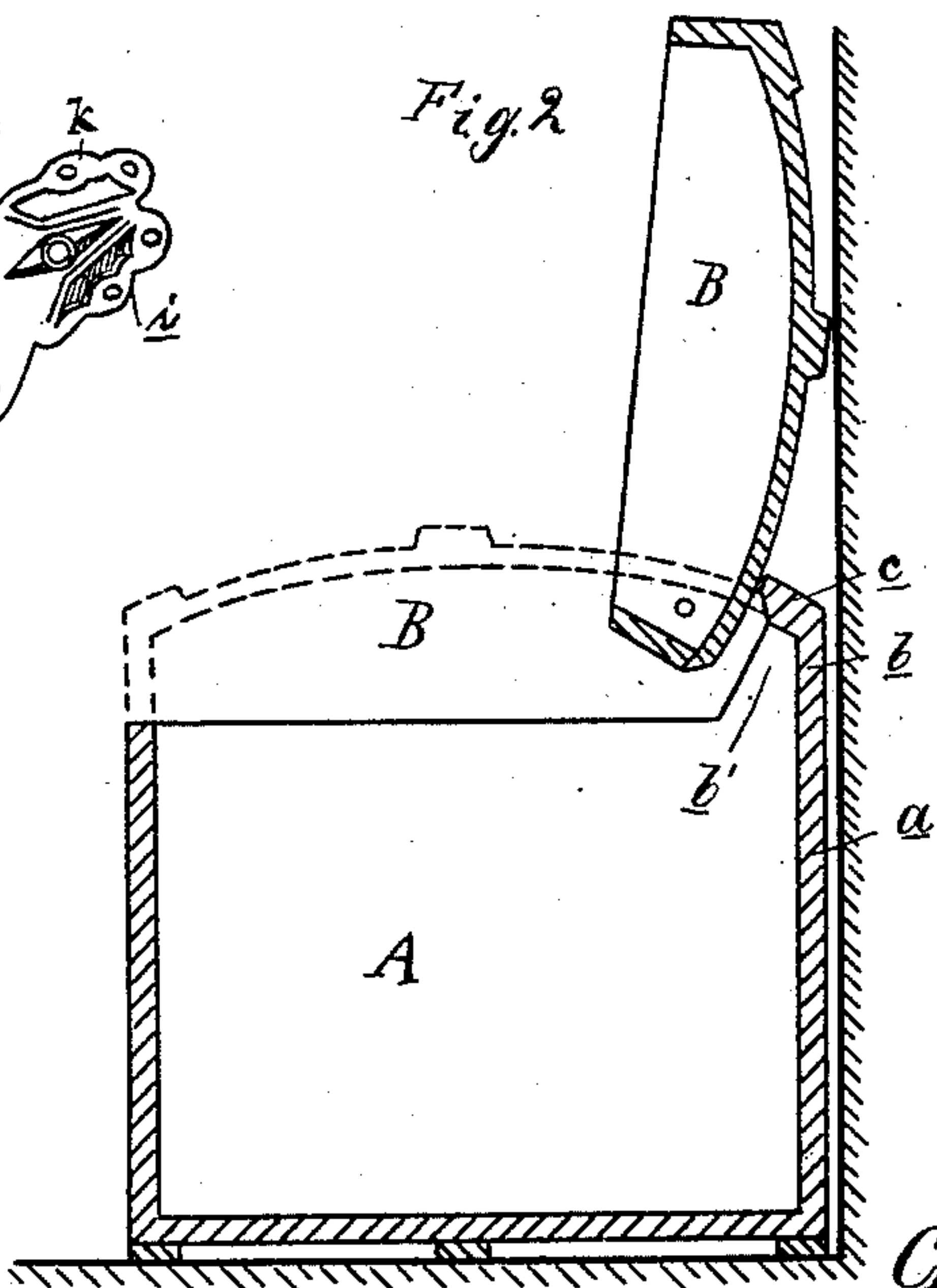
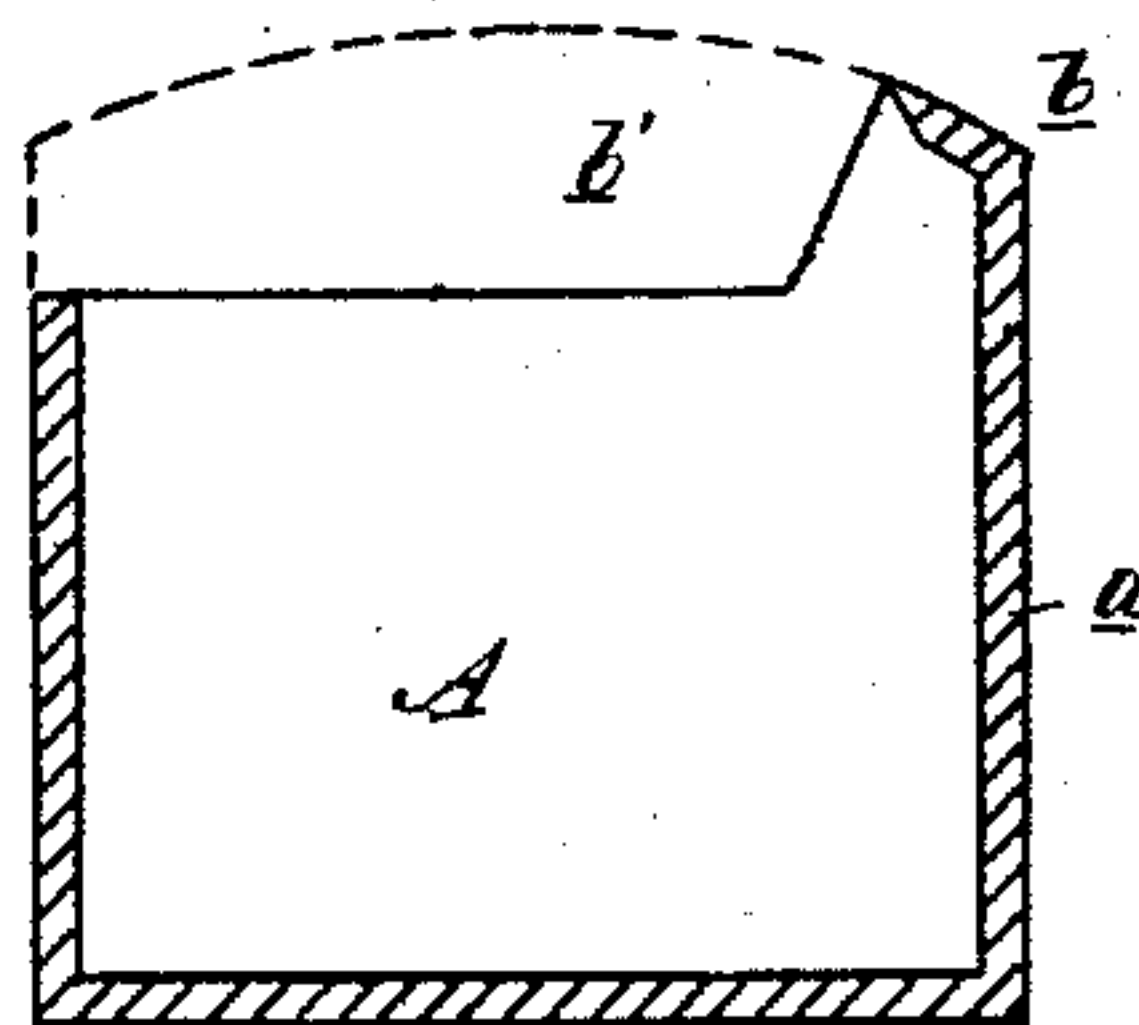


Fig. 3



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GODFREY S. EGGEMANN, of Toledo, in the county of Lucas and State of Ohio, have invented new and useful Improvements in Trunks; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

10 This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in the construction of trunks, by means of which they are made more convenient to open, and greater strength is obtained than is found in trunks as ordinarily constructed.

15 The invention consists in the peculiar construction of the parts and their combination, as more fully hereinafter described.

20 Figure 1 is an end elevation of a closed trunk of my improved construction. Fig. 2 is a like view of the same open. Fig. 3 is an end elevation of the body with the top and its attachments removed. Fig. 4 is a perspective and detached view of the corner-brace, which also forms a part of the device by means of which the top is secured and swung upon the body.

30 In the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, A represents the body of the trunk, differing from those of ordinary construction in the fact that the back *a* is carried up to or nearly to the plane of the top, as shown at *b* in Fig. 3, and the projections *b'*, one being on each end of the trunk, are connected together by a rail, *c*, which upon its upper surface should conform to the general contour of the top B. C is a corner iron or bracket secured to the upper rear corners of the trunk in the usual way. This bracket is constructed, as shown in Fig. 4, with a portion, *i*, to embrace the rear wall of the trunk-body, and a portion, *k*, which projects over and is secured to the rail *c*, and it is provided on the side with a bracket projection, *d*, which

when in place projects forward and upward 45 from the side and ends, and near the extremity of this projecting end there is formed a hole or bearing, *e*, which receives a trunnion or bolt, *h*, upon which the top swings. The top is made wide enough to cover the body in 50 front of the back wall, over which the top does not project, as is usual, as the rear side of this top rests against the front of the back wall. The pivotal point upon which the top swings being at a little distance from the rear 55 side of the top, allows the same to be swung open without removing the trunk from the wall of the apartment against which it may be placed. When the top is raised, it rests against the rail *c*, which forms a stop for the purpose, 60 and at the same time covers the rear joint between the top and the body.

It will readily be seen that a trunk thus constructed will entirely obviate the difficulties and the dangers of displacement and damage 65 hereinbefore described.

What I claim as my invention is—

1. The combination, with a trunk-body having its back carried up to or nearly to the plane of the top, and the projections *b'*, of the 70 ends connected by the rail *c*, of the brackets C, having a portion, *d*, to embrace the ends of the trunk, a portion, *i*, to embrace the rear wall, and a portion, *k*, to embrace said rail *c*, and forming a part of the pivotal connection 75 between said body and a swinging top, substantially as described.

2. The combination, in a trunk, of the top B, the body A, having end projections, *b'*, the rail *c*, connecting said projections and forming a stop for said top, and the corner-iron brackets C, carrying trunnions *h*, which form the pivot-point on which said top turns, substantially as described.

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