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PACKAGE CARRIER.

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Fig. I.

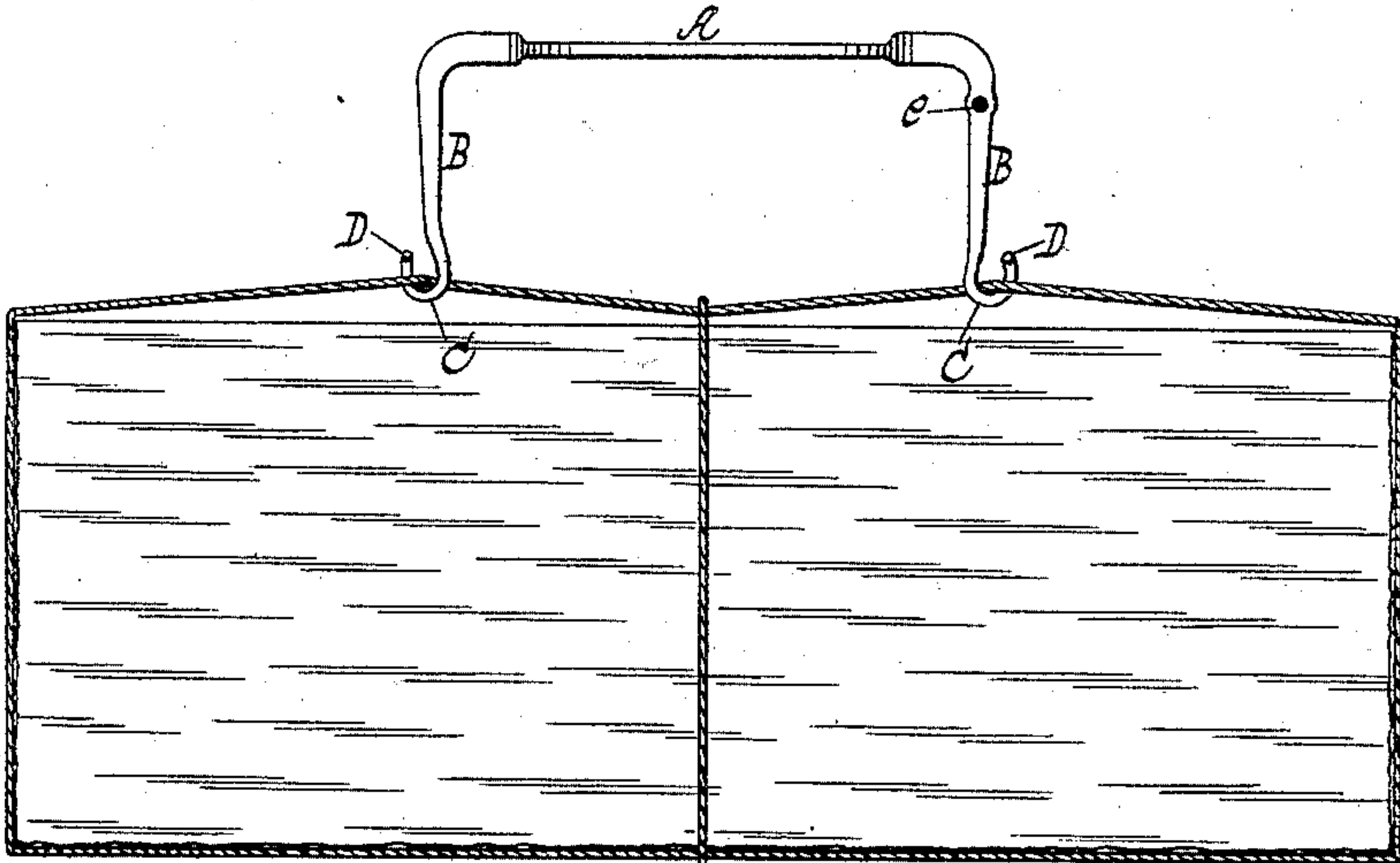


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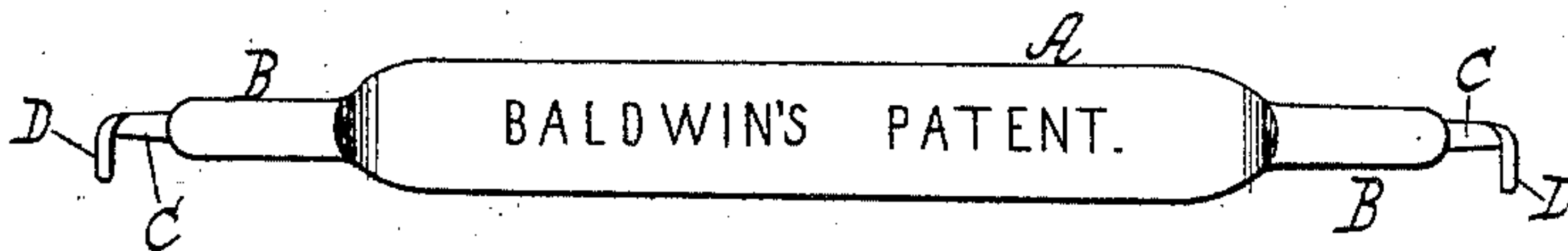


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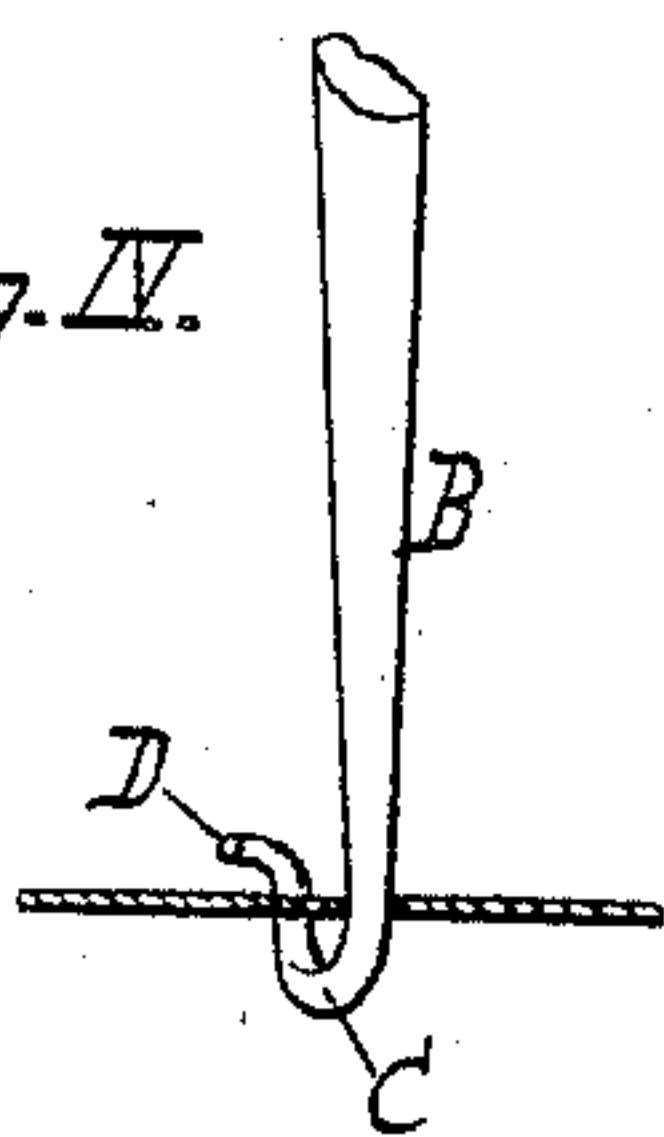


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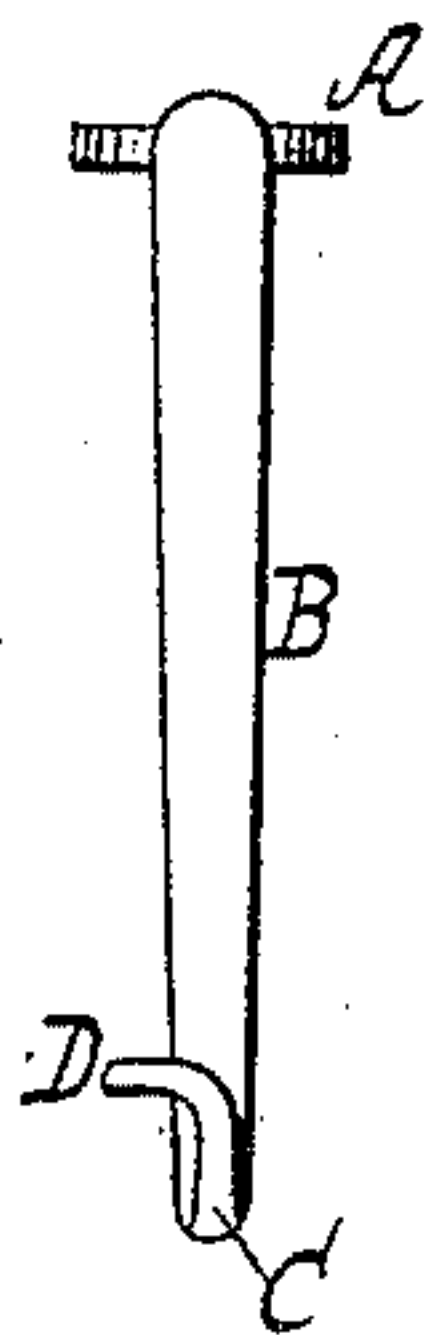
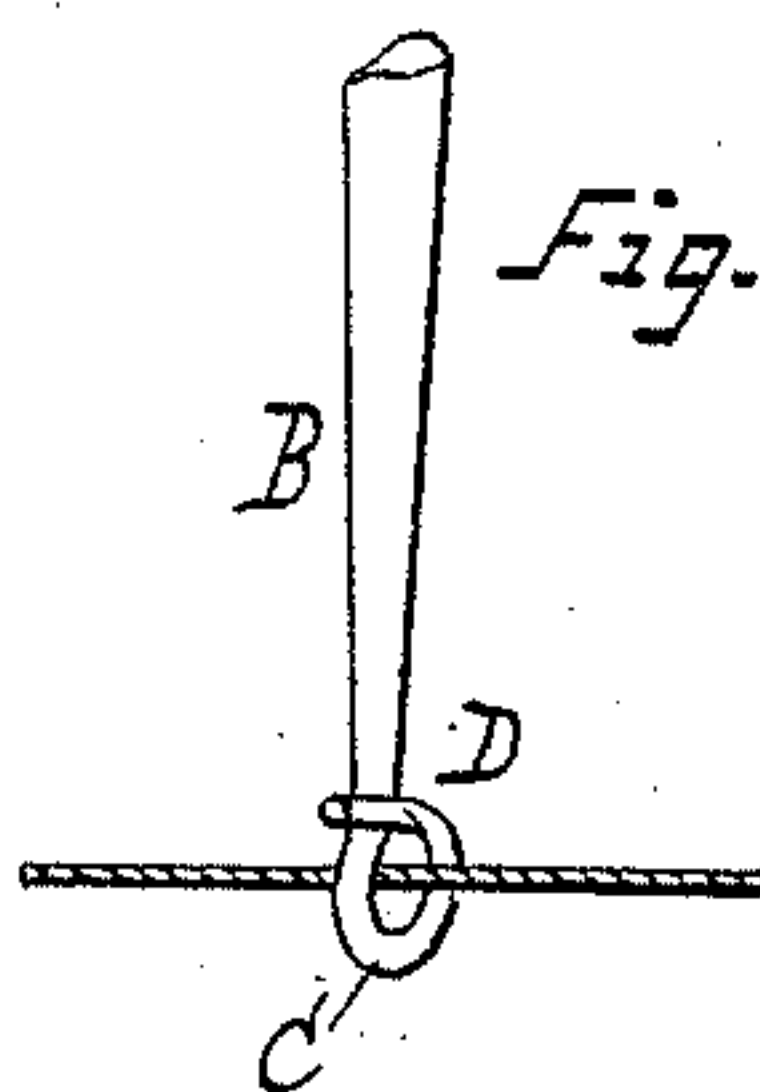


Fig. V.



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PACKAGE-CARRIER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES E. BALDWIN, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Package-Carriers, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to the class of package-carriers which are to be applied to the cord used for tying the package after the cord has been adjusted thereon; and it consists of certain novel features, hereinafter fully described, whereby I obtain an article of superior utility at a comparatively low cost.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure I represents a side view of a package-carrier embodying my invention as it appears when in use. Fig. II represents a plan or top view thereof on a larger scale than in the previous figure. Fig. III represents an end view thereof. Figs. IV and V represent perspective views of the limbs of the article.

Similar letters of reference indicate similar parts.

The carrier is composed entirely of a bar of metal or other like rigid material, which is preferably tapered toward both ends, and which is shaped like a yoke, as shown in Fig. 1, the back A constituting a handle and the two depending limbs B a means for joining the handle with the desired cord. Said back A is flat, while the remainder of the bar is usually round, and by this shape of the back it affords a convenient and effective grip to the hand, it also presenting a comparatively large area of surface, which can be used to advantage for advertising purposes, and when the back is to be so used the proper letters, figures, or other characters may be stamped in or upon the outer face thereof. The free end of each of the limbs B is bent into the shape of a hook C, which extends in the line or plane of the yoke-shaped bar, and the extremity of each of said hooks is bent at a right angle, or nearly so, to said plane thereof in order to create at that point a laterally-projecting toe or spur D, forming a stop, as

hereinafter explained, both of these spurs being located at one and the same side of the carrier, as more clearly shown in Fig. II.

In applying the carrier to use the end hooks C are adjusted on the cord of the desired package, so as to bring a wrap of the cord into the hooks, as indicated in Fig. I, and due to the plane of the hooks the cord becomes slightly twisted at the points of its intersection therewith, thus tending to prevent a longitudinal displacement of the carrier, while the laterally-projecting spurs D overlap the cord lying in the hooks and thus counteract a withdrawal of the cord, preserving its engagement with the hooks, especially when the carrier is laid in a horizontal position on the package, in which position of the carrier the parts might become disengaged if the spurs were omitted.

If desired, either or both of the limbs B may be perforated to form an eye or loop *e*, so that if one end of a cord or strap is affixed to this loop the cord may be thence wound on the package and fastened to one of the hooks C for retaining the carrier and cord on the package.

It will be apparent that by my construction of the carrier it may be in one piece and shaped by means of suitable dies, reducing the cost of its manufacture to a minimum.

In defining the scope of my invention I would remark that I do not claim, broadly, a flat back or handle, nor the hooks of the carrier; but

What I claim is—

The herein-described package-carrier composed of the yoke-shaped bar with the flat back forming a handle, the end hook on each of its depending limbs to receive the cord of a package, and the laterally-projecting spur at the extremity of each of said hooks forming a stop to preserve the engagement of the cord with the hooks, as set forth.

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