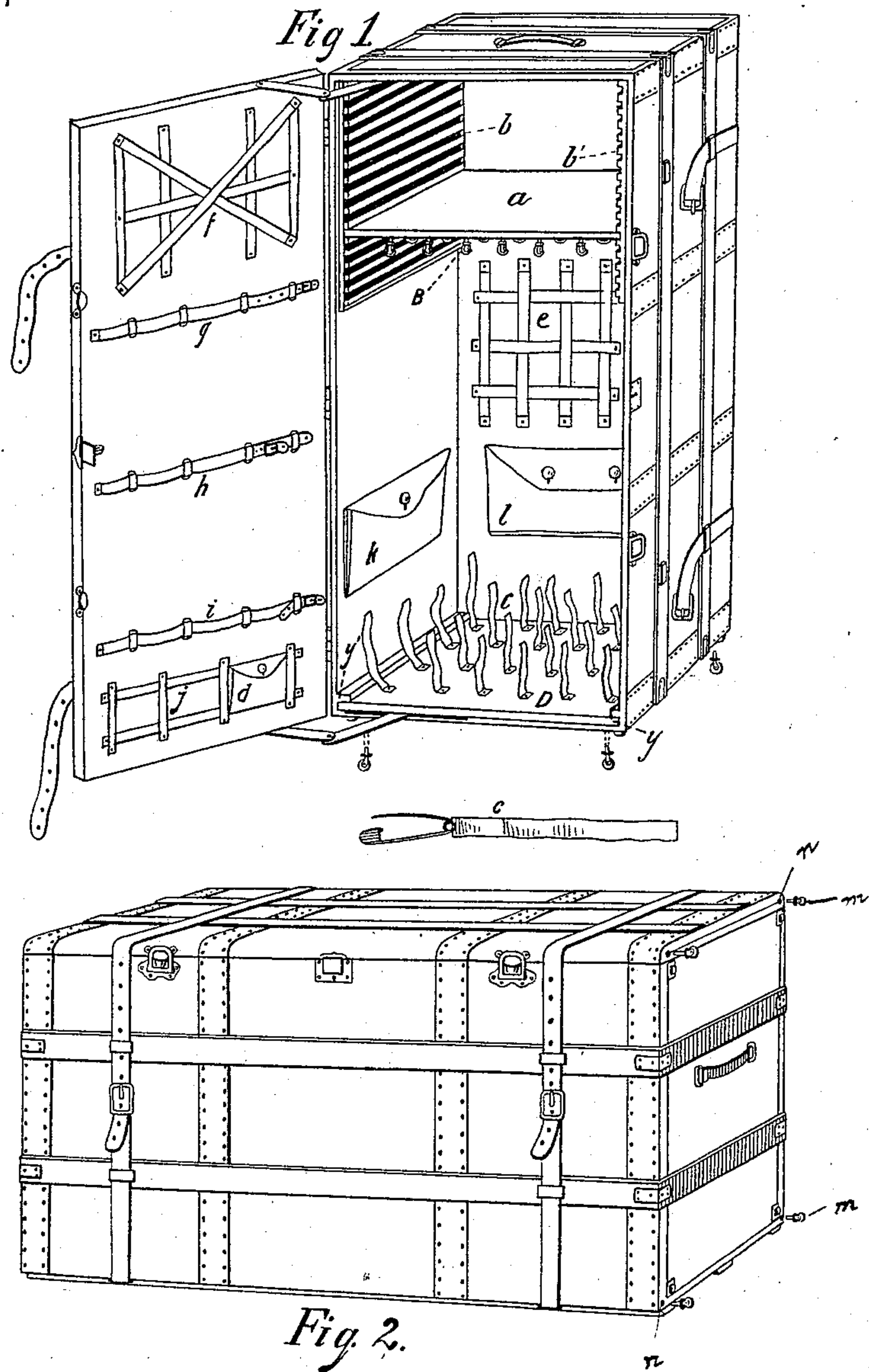


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LIZZIE CRIPPEN COZENS, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Trunk, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in trunks in which ladies' wearing-apparel may be packed for transportation and during sojourn.

The objects of my improvements are, first, to provide an independent support for each garment to prevent it from being crushed or mussed by pressure of the other garments; second, to afford facilities for the removal of any garment without removing or disturbing the rest, and, third, to afford a convenient wardrobe during a sojourn, which may remain packed ready for shipment. I attain these objects by the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is an elevation or representation of the entire trunk standing on end, with the lid partially opened. Fig. 2 is an elevation or representation of the entire trunk closed and ready for transportation.

Fig. 1 represents the trunk as utilized as a wardrobe. The adjustable shelf *a* is fitted in the racks *b b'*. On the under side of this shelf are fitted the series of hooks similar to B. Upon the inside of the bottom of the trunk—that is, at D—is a sliding board fitted in grooves on either side, as shown, upon which are fixed the series of straps *c*, to the loose end of each of which is fixed a safety-pin, so that when suspended from one of the hooks B and fixed at the other end to one of the straps *c*, by means of which safety-pin each garment will hang firmly and independently of the others in whatever position the trunk may be placed. The various racks *b b'* are for the purpose of raising or lowering the shelf *a* to suit the size of the greater number of garments. The letters *d e f g h i j k l* represent the series of straps and pockets that may be placed upon the inside surfaces of the trunk for holding umbrellas, hat-boxes, and sundry articles of toilet and of wearing-apparel. *m* represents adjustable casters to be placed in the end of the trunk, as indicated

at *n*, to add to its greater convenience as a wardrobe.

Fig. 2 represents the trunk ready for carrying, which has the appearance of an ordinary trunk, it being my intention to apply this improvement to any shape or size of trunk and to be made of any material of which trunks are or may be made.

I am aware that prior to my invention trunks have been made with straps and partitions for greater convenience and safety in carrying the various articles of apparel. I therefore do not claim these, broadly; but

What I do claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination, in a trunk, of two boards or shelves *a* and D, one at each end of the trunk, the one *a* sliding in a series of slots or grooves *b b'* at one end of the trunk, the other D sliding in slots or grooves *y y'* at the extreme of the other end of the trunk, with a series of hooks B on the inner or lower side of the board or shelf *a* and a series of straps C on the inner or upper side of the other board or shelf D, whereby is provided an independent support for each garment, thereby preventing it from being mussed or crushed by the other garments, all substantially as set forth.

2. The combination, in a trunk, of two parallel sliding boards or shelves *a* and D, placed at each end of trunk and movable in slots or grooves *b b'*, with a series of hooks B, fastened upon the board or shelf *a*, and a series of straps C, fastened upon the board or shelf D, providing independent support for each garment, so that by partially pulling the shelves or boards *a* and D out of the slots or grooves *b b'* one or more garments may be removed without the necessity of removing or disturbing the others, substantially as described.

3. The combination, in a trunk, of the racks or boards containing grooves or slots *b b'* at one end of the trunk, in or upon which the board or shelf *a* rests and slides, so that said board or shelf *a* may be lowered or moved nearer to the board or shelf D or raised or moved farther from the board or shelf D, as the case may be, in order to accommodate the size of the greater number of garments, the

shelf *a*, which slides and rests in the said grooves *b b'*, upon the under side of which are fixed the series of hooks *B*, the grooves or slots *y y'*, in which slides the shelf or board
5 *D* at the extreme of the other end of the trunk, the board or shelf *D*, upon which are fastened the series or straps *C*, so that from said series of straps *C* and said series of hooks

B may be fastened the various garments, thus providing each garment with independent support, substantially as described.

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