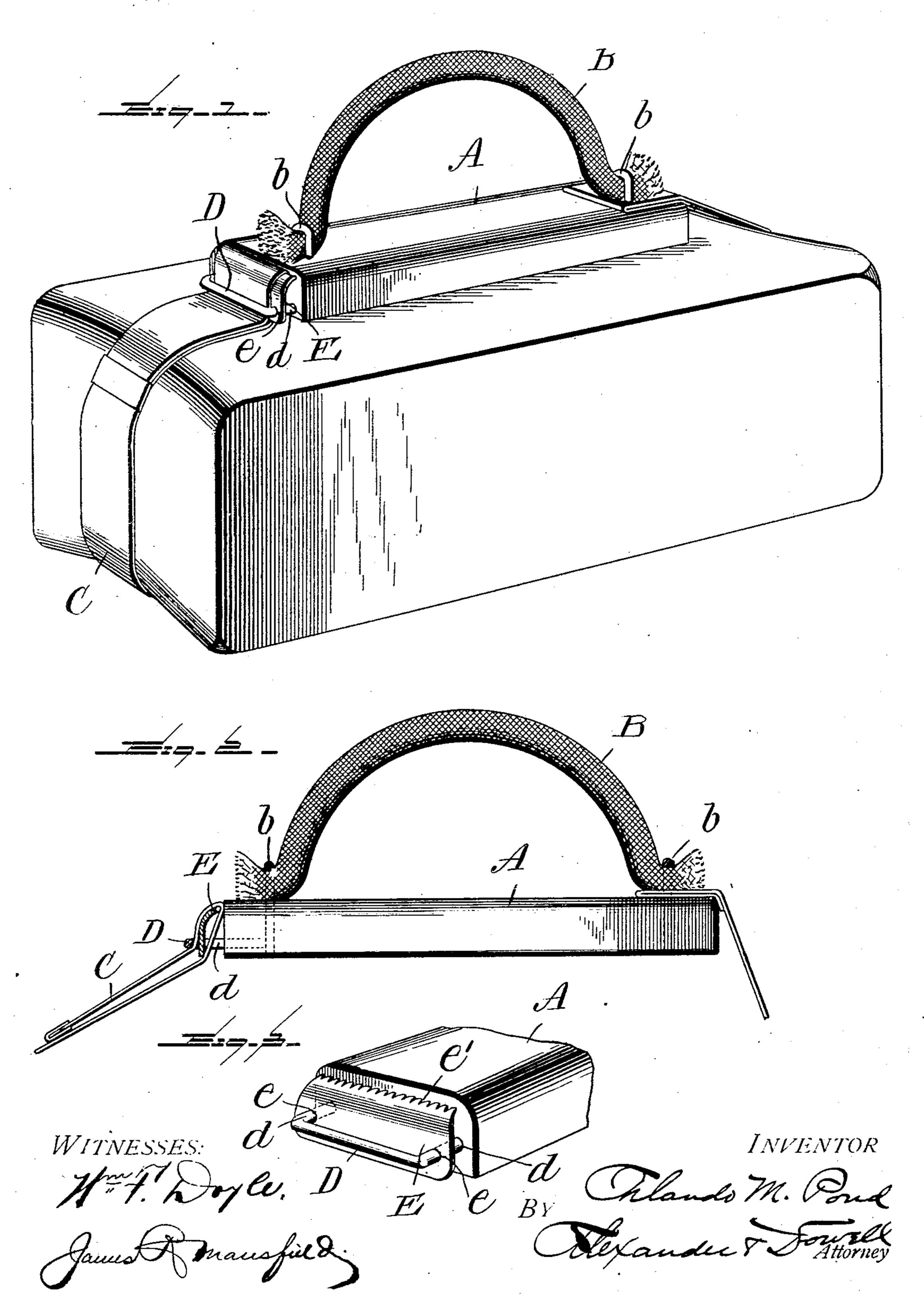
O. M. POND. PACKAGE CARRIER.

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PACKAGE-CARRIER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Orlando M. Pond, of Independence, in the county of Buchanan and State of Iowa, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Package-Carriers; and I hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

This invention is an improved carrier for packages, school-books, &c.; and its object is to provide a carrier which can readily be adjusted to different sizes of bundles, &c., and the strap tightly fastened rapidly and securely.

The invention consists in the novel construction of the carrier, as shown in the drawings and hereinafter described and claimed.

In said drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the carrier attached to a package. Fig. 2 is a sectional view through the strapfastener thereof. Fig. 3 is a detail.

The carrier comprises a stiff bar A, preferably of wood, to which a hand-loop B is fas-25 tened by staples b or in other suitable manner. To or near one extremity of this bar is fastened the end of a strap C, the other end of which may be passed through a staple or keeper D, attached to the other end of bar A 30 and projecting horizontally therefrom, as shown. On this staple is hung a catch-plate E, having perforations e, through which the legs d of the staple pass, so the plate E can be moved toward or from the bar A. The 35 plate E is bent longitudinally, so that its upper edge points toward the end of bar A, and this upper edge is serrated, as at e'. The strap C is passed between the plate E and end of bar, and if the strap is pulled back-40 ward the serrations e' of the plate catch the strap and bind it tightly against the end of bar, as shown in the drawings.

To apply the carrier to a bundle, the strap is loosened sufficiently to slip around the bundle. Then its free end is drawn through 45 staple D and between the plate and bar until it is taut around the bundle. The strap is then bent down over the plate E and the latter pushed inward until its edge e' bites the strap against the end of bar, whereupon the 50 strap is securely fastened and the package can be carried by loop B. To release the strap, plate E is drawn away from the end of bar A and the free end of strap raised, so that it can be readily drawn back through keeper D. 55

Having thus described my invention, what

I therefore claim as new is—

1. In a package-carrier the combination of the bar, the staple-shaped keeper attached to one end thereof, the catch-plate slidably 66 mounted on the keeper, and the strap attached at one end to the bar and having its free end passed through the keeper and between the catch-plate and end of bar, substantially as described.

2. In a package-carrier, the combination of the bar, the hand-loop, and the strap attached at one end to the bar; with a staple-shaped keeper fastened to one end of the bar, the catch-plate strung on the legs of the keeper 70 and movable to and from the end of bar, said catch-plate having its upper edge bent toward the bar and serrated, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as 75 my own I affix my signature in presence of

two witnesses.

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