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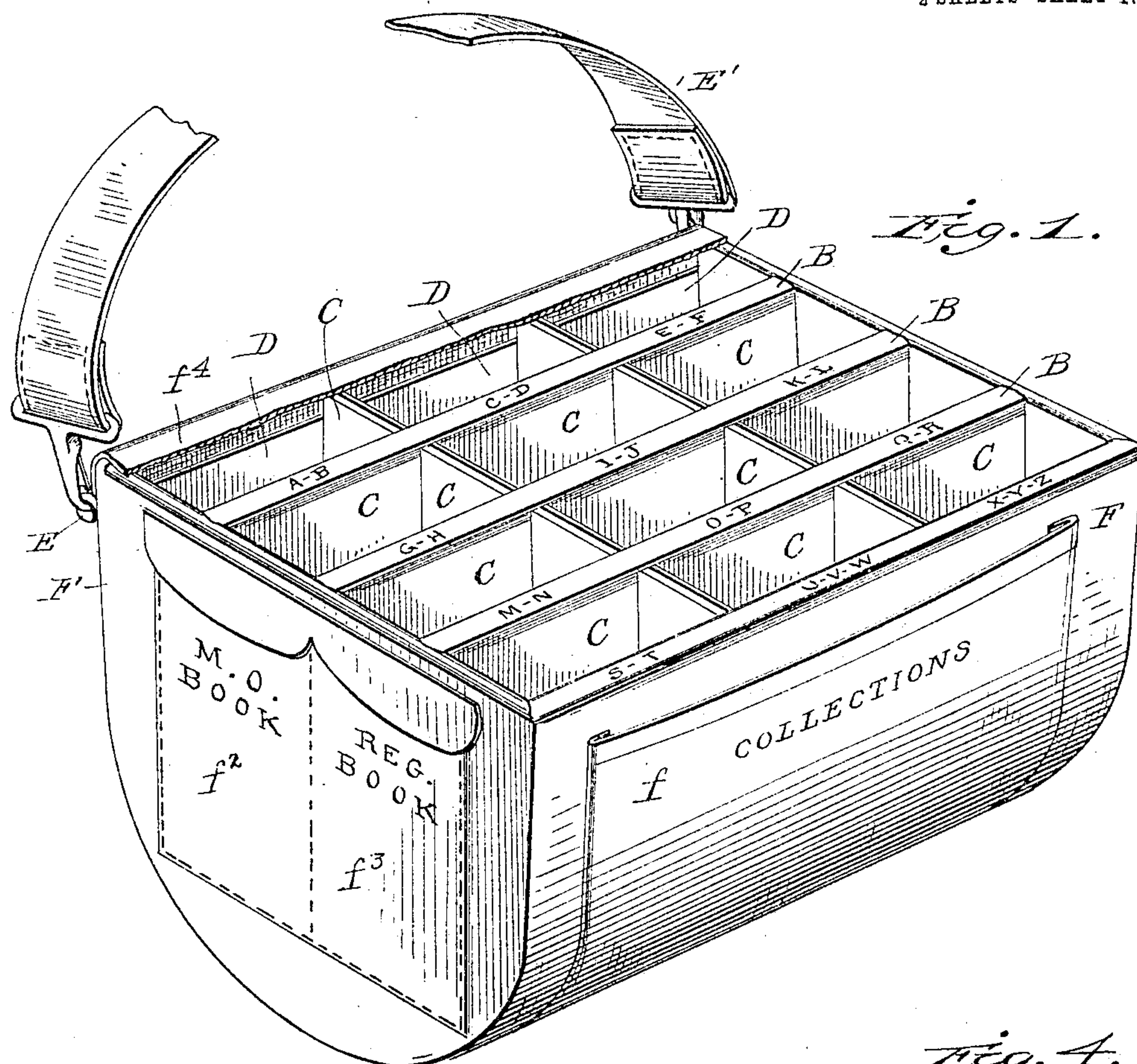
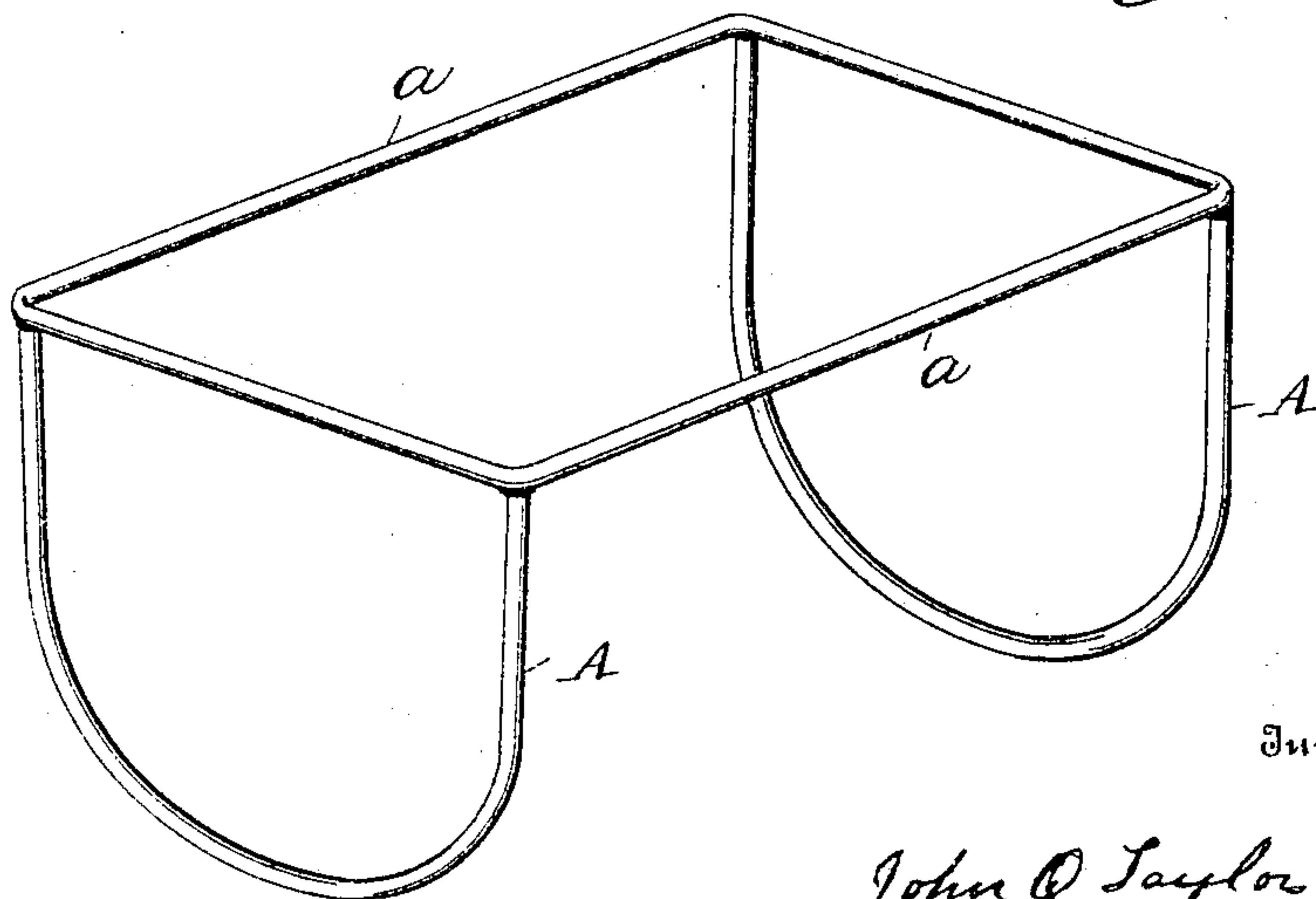


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Fig. 2.

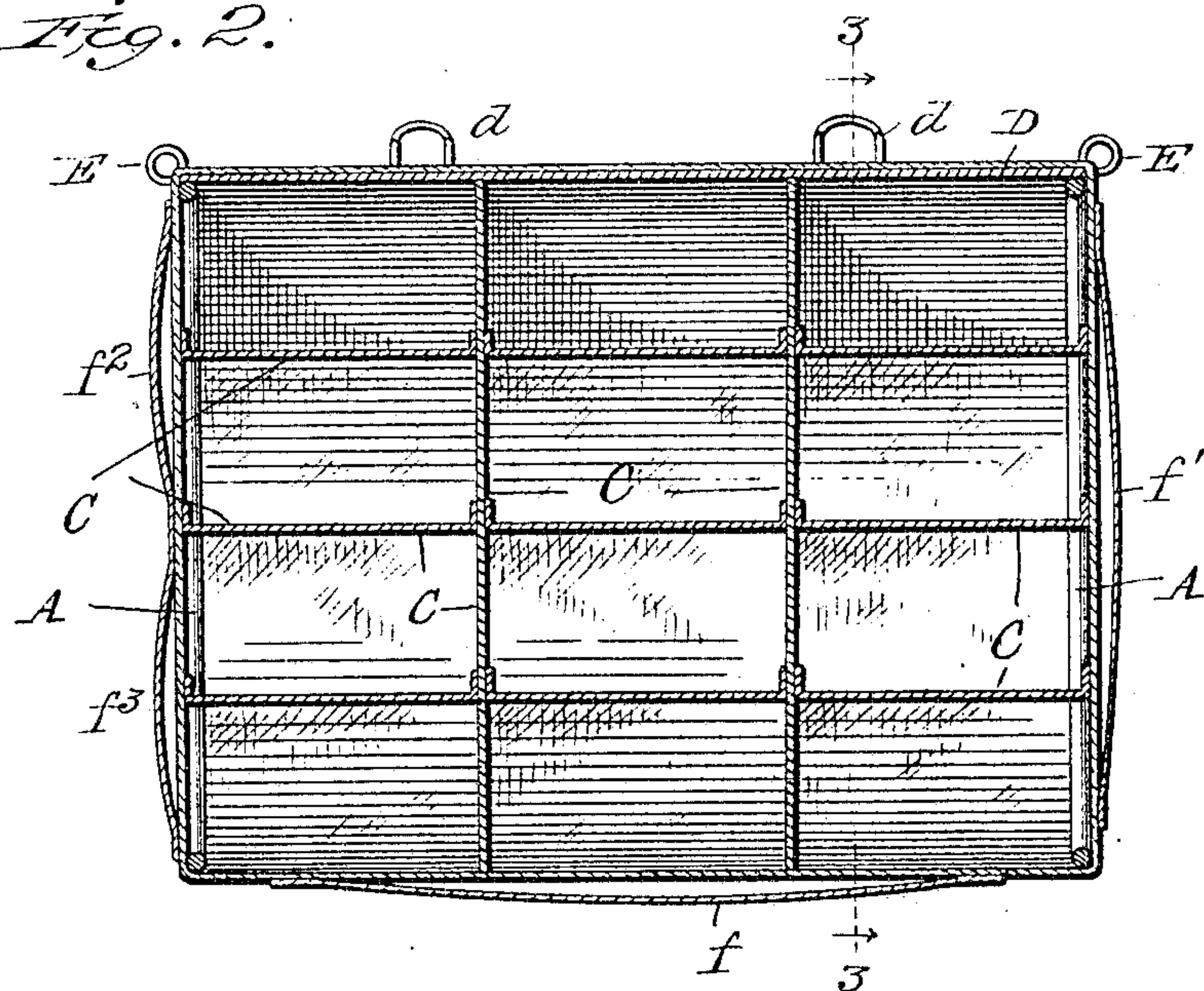
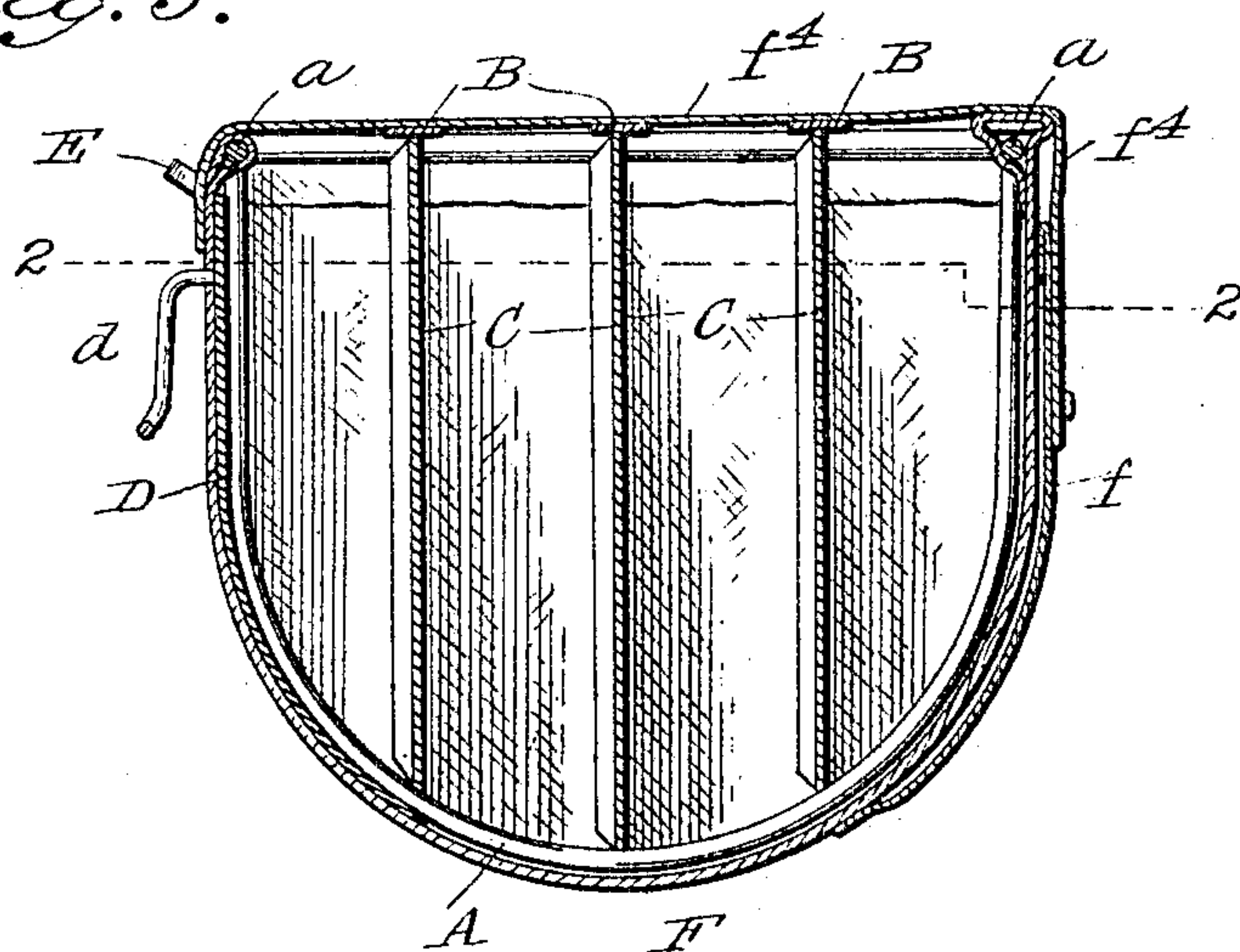


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN Q. TAYLOR, a citizen of the United States, residing at Media, in the county of Delaware and State of Pennsylvania, have invented new and useful Improvements in Mail-Bags for Carriers' Delivery, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to mail-bags for carriers' delivery.

The object of my invention is to provide a conveniently-arranged mail-bag for mail-carriers having compartments for assorting the mail ready for delivery, compartments for registered-mail book, money-order book, a compartment for supplies, and a mail-collection compartment.

It is also my object to provide a bag of this description with means for detachably hanging the same to the dashboard of a vehicle and also with a conveniently-arranged strap for suspending the bag from the shoulders, thereby adapting the same for rural free delivery by vehicle or horseback.

My invention chiefly consists in providing a non-collapsible mail-bag for carriers having rounded sides and bottom and U-shaped ends furnished with interior and exterior compartments, also in providing a skeleton frame designed especially with a view to strength and lightness, arranging the same with divisions for interior compartments and providing a flexible cover therefor provided with suitably-arranged pockets.

My invention further consists in the parts and combination of parts hereinafter mentioned.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view with the top portion of the cover or flap removed. Fig. 2 is a horizontal section. Fig. 3 is a vertical cross-section taken on line 3 3 of Fig. 2, and Fig. 4 is a detail view of the skeleton frame.

The frame of the bag is made of steel wire, though other material of the requisite strength and lightness may be used, and is composed of U-shaped end pieces A A, the ends of which are connected to a rectangular frame formed of ribs *a*, affording an inverted-arch shape to the sides and bottom of the bag, which besides adding strength to the frame dispenses with angles or corners upon the under side of the bag which interfere with the comfort of the

carrier while carrying the same. Another advantage of this construction is it facilitates the adjustment of the bag to give access to the compartments and pockets.

B denotes flat cross-braces made of sheet-tin doubled upon itself and soldered or otherwise secured to the top braces and lettered, as shown, for each interior compartment.

C denotes rigid partitions separating the several interior compartments, made of sheet-tin or other material and secured to the skeleton frame.

D denotes a back-plate, made of sheet-tin or other material of the requisite strength and lightness, soldered or otherwise fastened to the bag-frame, provided with hooks *d d* for suspending the bag to the dashboard of a vehicle. Said plate besides strengthening the frame and serving as a back-support for suspending the bag acts also as a wear-plate for the cover, preventing the rear edges of partitions C from chafing it.

E E denote eyes fastened to the back-plate, adapted to engage with snap-hooks secured to a suitable shoulder-strap E'.

F denotes the cover for the frame, made of leather, canvas, oil-cloth, or other pliable material, provided in front with a pocket *f* for mail collections, on the right side with a pocket *f'* for supplies, and on the left side with pockets *f''* and *f'''* for registered-mail book and money-order book. The cover is sewed or otherwise secured to the frame and has a loose flap or extension *f''*, which extends over the top of the bag, reaching down in front to cover the collection-pocket.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A non-collapsible mail-bag for carriers' delivery made of pliable material having U-shaped ends and rounded sides and bottom portion and a rigid frame dividing the same into compartments.

2. A mail-bag for carriers' delivery having a frame composed of U-shaped ends and ribs forming rounded bottom and sides, cross-braces connecting said ribs and ends, interior compartments formed of partitions connected to said frame, and a cover of pliable material connected to said frame provided with pockets upon its exterior.

3. A mail-bag for carriers' delivery consist-

ing of a frame composed of U-shaped ends
and ribs braced by and fastened to rigid par-
titions forming interior compartments, a back-
plate fastened to said frame, a pliable cover
5 provided with pockets upon its exterior, and
hooks secured to said back-plate for suspend-
ing the bag to the dashboard of a vehicle.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in
presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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