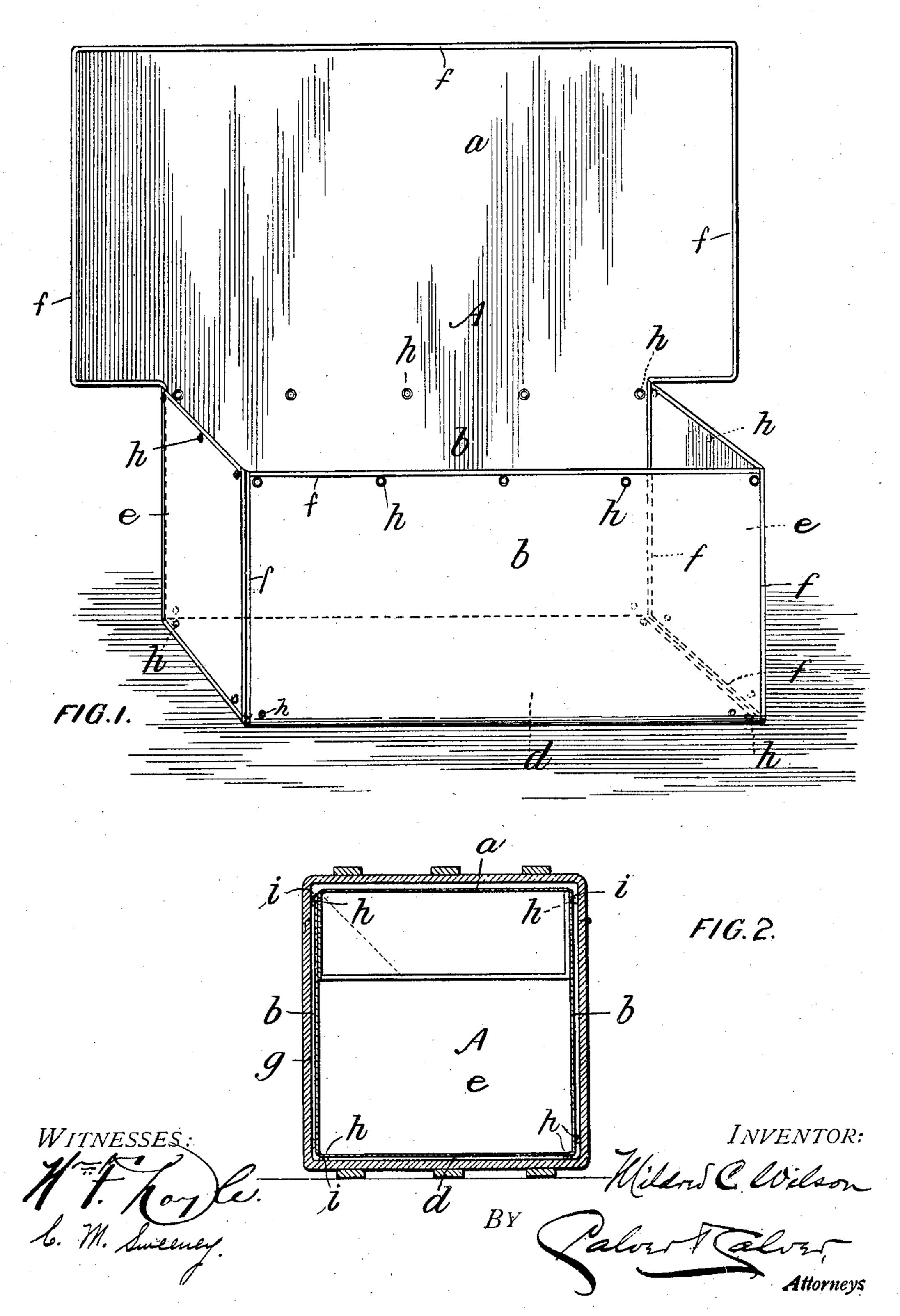
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MILDRED C. WILSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Haven, in the county of New Haven and 5 State of Connecticut, have invented or discovered certain new and useful Improvements in Trunk-Linings, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to a waterproof lining for trunks, suit cases, and similar receptacles, and adapted to be detachably secured in the interior of the receptacle, when desired, to protect the contents from dampness. To 15 this end the improved linings will be made in sizes to fit the different standard sizes of trunks, suit cases or other baggage receptacles for travelers, and will preferably be provided with means for detachably securing 20 them to the insides of the baggage receptacles. These improved linings may be made of any suitable strong and durable waterproof fabric or material, but will preferably be made either of oiled silk or seamless rub-25 ber between two sheets of cloth, or of rubber sheeting having rubber on one side and cloth on the other. The entire lining will be made with as few seams as is consistent with economy of material, the sides, bottom and 30 top being preferably of one piece, and the corner seams at the ends being preferably bound with tape to make them practically air tight. The edges of the lining will also preferably be bound with tape, for strength 35 and durability.

In the accompanying drawing Figure 1 is a perspective view of a preferred form of one of the improved linings, and Fig. 2 is a cross section of a trunk provided with such a lining

40 as is shown in Fig. 1.

Referring to the drawings the lining A, formed of any suitable strong and durable waterproof sheet material, as above described, comprises the top a, sides b, b, bot-45 tom d, and ends e, the said top, sides and bottom being preferably in one seamless piece, and the top being preferably large enough so as to tuck in liberally at the ends and front side to make overlapping joints. The ends e may 50 be integral with the bottom or one side, so as to be partly seamless, or they may be of entirely separate pieces, as may be most economical in manufacture. The corner parts between the ends and the bottom and sides 55 will preferably be suitably stitched together and the seams bound with tape to make

them tight or moisture-proof, and all of the exposed edges of the lining will also preferably be bound with tape, to prevent wear or abrasion. These bindings are denoted by 60

the lines f in Fig. 1.

To detachably secure the linings to the inside of a trunk, as g, said linings are preferably provided near their corners and along their upper sides with suitable fastening de- 65 vices, preferably with the ball elements h of ball and socket fasteners, the other elements of such fasteners, as i, being on the trunk or other receptacle to be lined.

From the foregoing it will be understood 70 that the invention provides means whereby travelers may have their clothes and other belongings effectively protected from moisture, which, on long voyages, in the holds of ships and in warm damp climates frequently 75 causes great injury to clothing by mold and mildew, and even when such injury does not result from the moisture, serious and objectionable wrinkling of clothing results, all of which may be prevented by the present in- 80

vention. Having thus described my invention I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent:

1. A waterproof lining for a baggage recep- 85 tacle consisting of strong, flexible waterproof material shaped to fit the inside of such receptacle and having permanently closed, moisture-proof lower and vertical joints at its end corners, said lining being provided 90 with a top portion entirely covering the top of the receptacle and overlapping the vertical parts of said lining so as to be adapted to tuck in at its front and ends to form practically moisture-proof joints around the top of 95 the receptacle, and means for detachably securing said lining to such receptacle.

2. A waterproof lining for a baggage receptacle consisting of waterproof material shaped to fit the inside of such receptacle 100 and having joints at the corners which are bound with tape to render them waterproof, said lining being provided with an overlapping top and with means for detachably securing said lining to such receptacle.

3. A waterproof lining for a baggage receptacle consisting of flexible waterproof material shaped to fit the inside of such receptacle and the tops, sides and bottom of which are of one seamless piece, and the said lining hav- 110 ing permanently closed, moisture-proof lower and vertical joints at its end corners, com-

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bined with means for detachably securing the said lining to such receptacle, the said top of said lining being of sufficient size to largely overlap at the ends and front sides so 5 as to tuck in at these points to afford practically moisture-proof overlapping joints around the top of the receptacle.

4. A waterproof lining for a baggage receptacle consisting of flexible waterproof mate-10 rial adapted to fit the inside of such receptacles and the top, sides and bottom of which are in one seamless piece, and the said lining having joints at its corners bound with tape

to render them waterproof, combined with means for detachably securing the said lining 15 to such receptacle, and the said top of said lining being of sufficient size to largely overlap at the ends and front side to afford practically moisture-proof overlapping joints.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature, 20

in presence of two witnesses.

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