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Fig. 1.

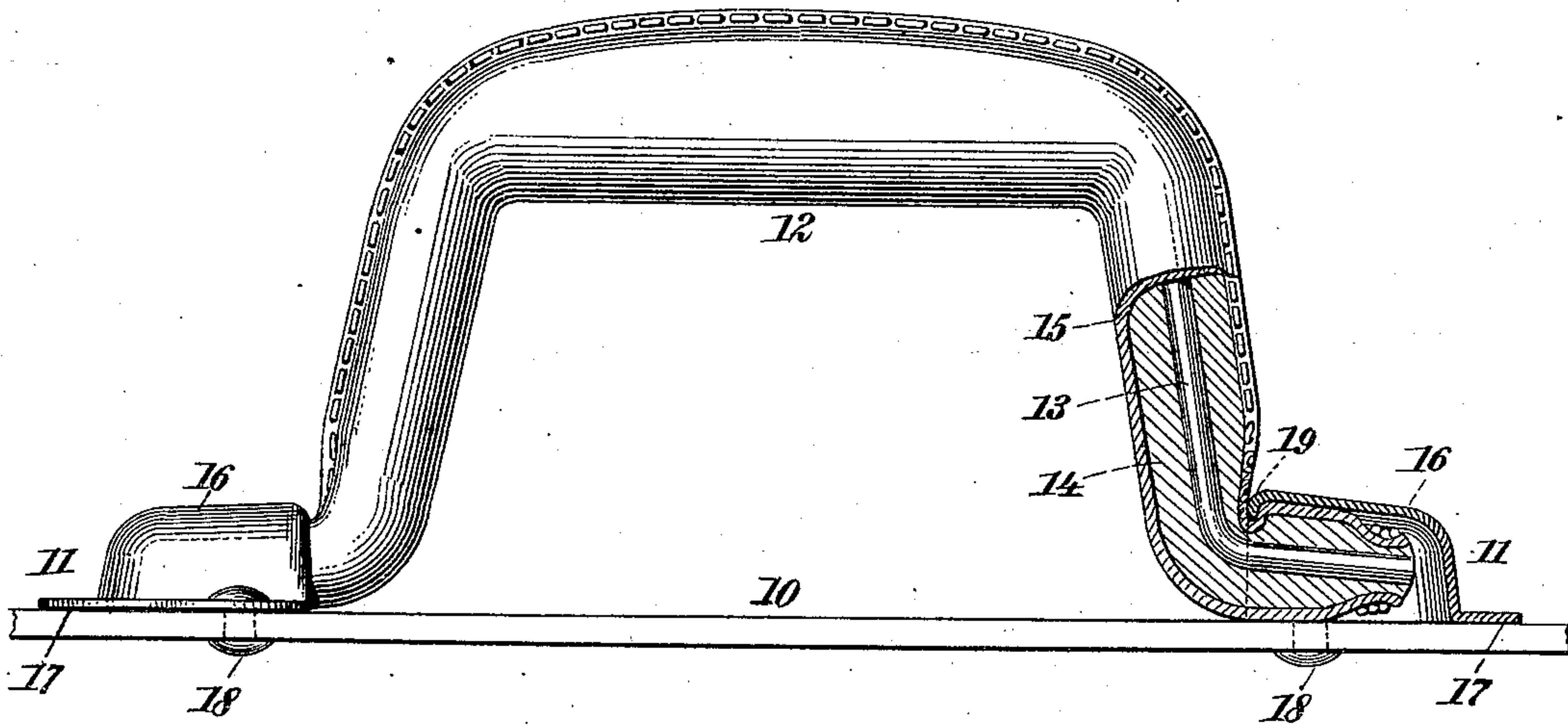


Fig. 2.

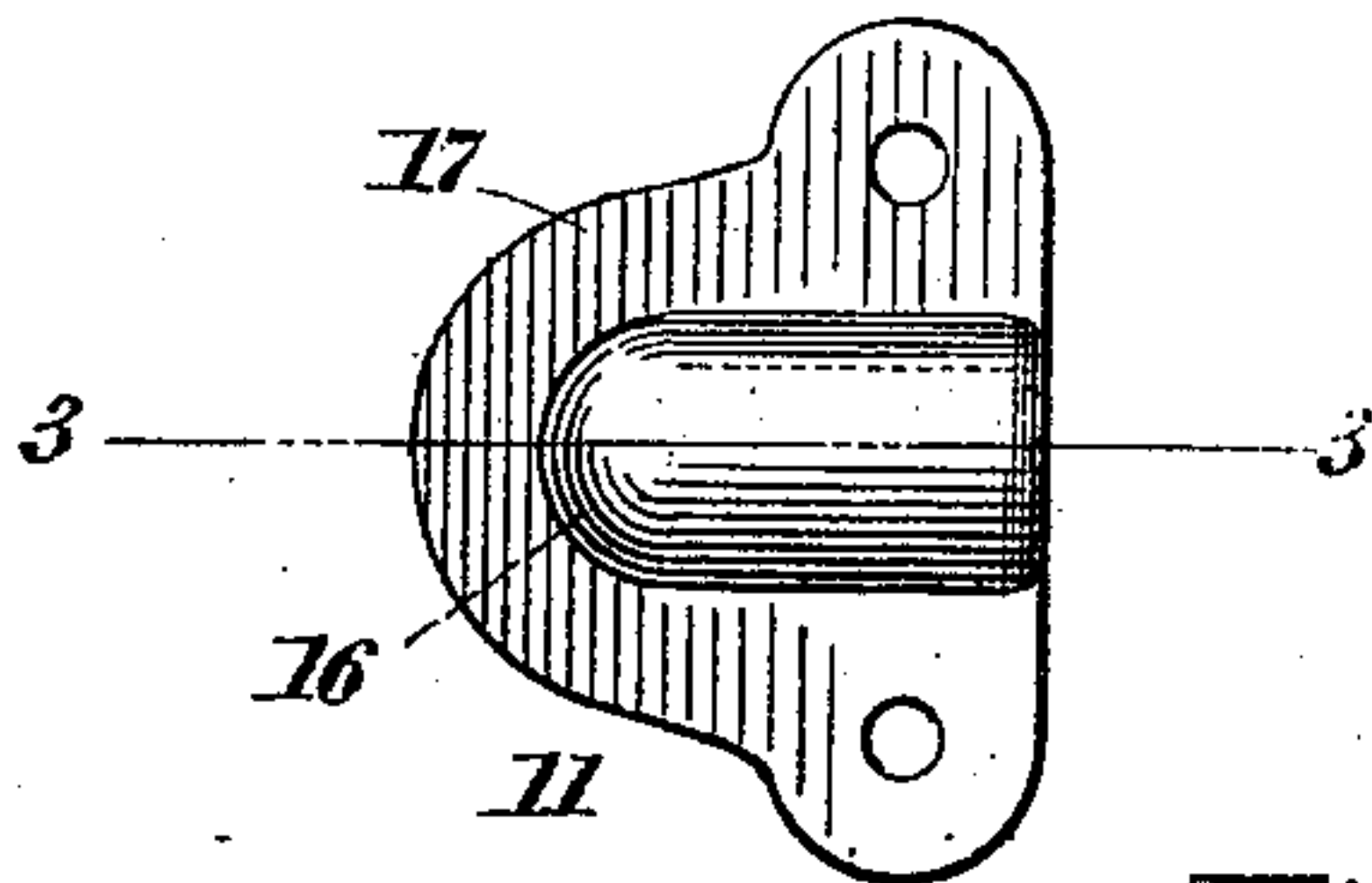


Fig. 3.

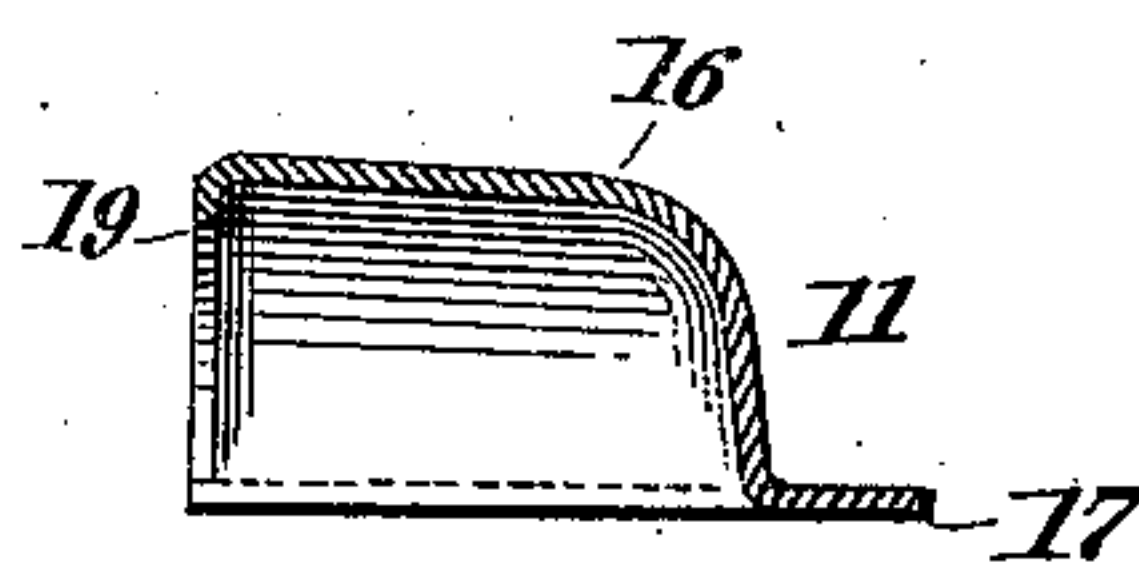
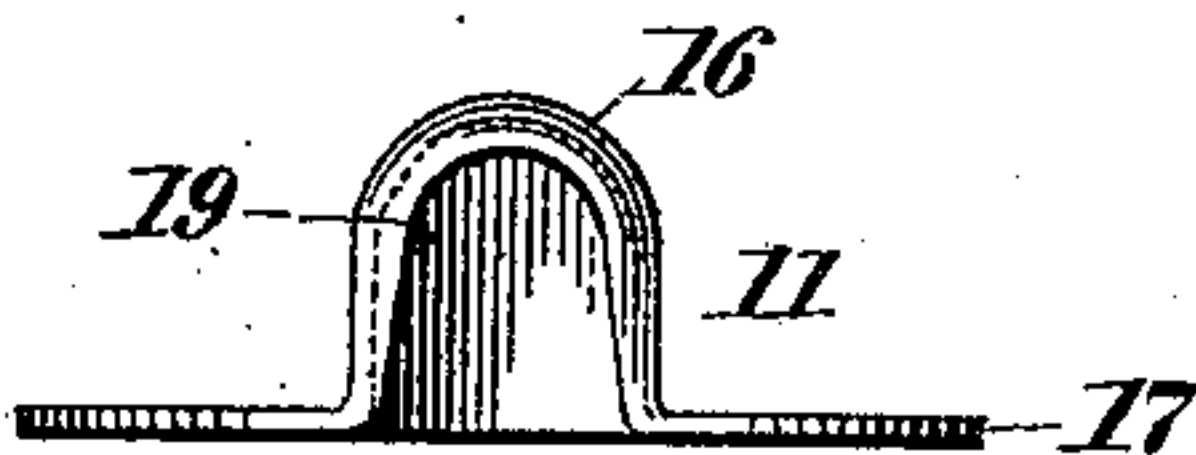


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANZ WALDSCHMITT, Jr., a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Rockaway Beach, in the county of Queens and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Handle-Caps for Dress-Suit Cases, Traveling-Bags, and the Like, of which the following is a specification.

The invention relates to improvements in caps or holders for the handles of dress-suit cases, traveling-bags and the like; and it consists in the novel structure hereinafter described, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

The object of my invention is to provide novel holders, each in one integral piece, for the ends of a handle of a dress-suit case or analogous article, said holders adapted to effectually resist the withdrawal of the handle therefrom even though considerable weight be carried in the suit-case or bag suspended by the handle.

The invention will be fully understood from the detailed description hereinafter presented, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a portion of the frame of a dress-suit case equipped with a handle and holders therefor constructed in accordance with and embodying my invention, one of the holders and a portion of one end of the handle being in section; Fig. 2 is a detached top view of one of the holders; Fig. 3 is a vertical longitudinal section of the same on the dotted line 3—3 of Fig. 2, and Fig. 4 is an inner-end elevation of the same.

In the drawings, 10 designates a portion of the frame of a dress-suit case, 11 the holders secured thereon, and 12 the handle whose ends are within and retained by said holders.

The handle 12 is of usual construction, being composed of a metal stiffening rod 13, a filling 14 and an exterior leather covering 15. The ends of the handle extend outwardly from each other at right angles to the vertical plane of the handle and are confined within the holders 11.

The holders 11 are exactly alike and each comprises integrally a dome 16 open at its inner end and a laterally extending flange 17 adapted to the frame 10 and to be rigidly

secured thereto by means of rivets 18. The outer end, top and sides of each dome 16 are closed and the bottom thereof is initially open to receive or be pressed upon the bent end of the handle, after which said bottom becomes closed by the frame 10 when the holder is secured thereto.

The holders 11 snugly receive the ends of the handle, as shown in Fig. 1, and each holder is formed at the top and sides of its open end with an inwardly projected edge flange 19 which not only stiffens the holder at its open end but very closely binds against the covering on the inner extremity of the bent end of the handle 12, said flange pressing into the leather covering of the end of the handle and forming, when the suit-case is in use, a groove therein by its engagement therewith. The inwardly turned flanges 19, engaging the somewhat yielding substance of the ends of the handle, effectually prevent the withdrawal of the handle from the holders even though excessive weight be carried in the suit-case or the latter be roughly treated.

It is a matter of annoyance and expense to the owner of a suit-case to have the handle slip from the end-holders therefor, and my invention by a simple, inexpensive and effectual construction securely holds the handle, the weight of the case causing an increased binding of the holders and handle together.

One advantage of my invention resides in the fact that it does not increase the expense of manufacturing the suit-case or necessitate the use of additional individual parts requiring special operations in their assembling. The holders of my invention are each in one integral piece of metal and neat in appearance and of extreme durability and efficiency.

What I claim as my invention and desire to secure by Letters-Patent, is:

For dress-suit cases and the like, a handle 12 comprising a stiffener, filling and leather covering and having outwardly bent ends, and metallic holders 11 for said ends, said holders each being an integral hollow metal cap having a laterally extended base flange 17 to be rigidly secured to the frame of the case, an initially open bottom to admit the end of the handle, a closed outer end, closed

top and sides and an open inner end formed
along its top and sides with an inwardly
projected flange 19 closely binding against
the yielding covering on the handle at the
5 inner extremity of its bent end; substan-
tially as shown and described.

Signed at New York city, in the county

of New York, and State of New York, this
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