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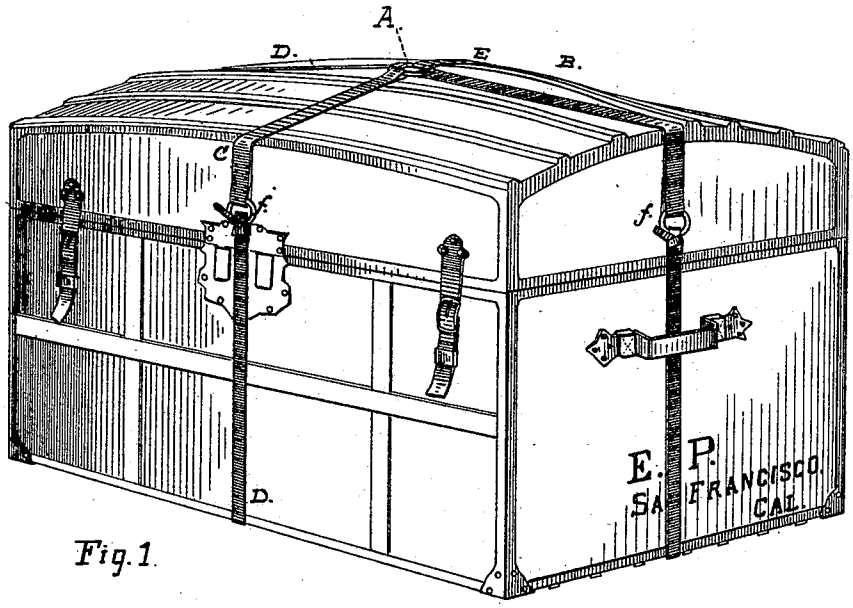


Fig. 1.

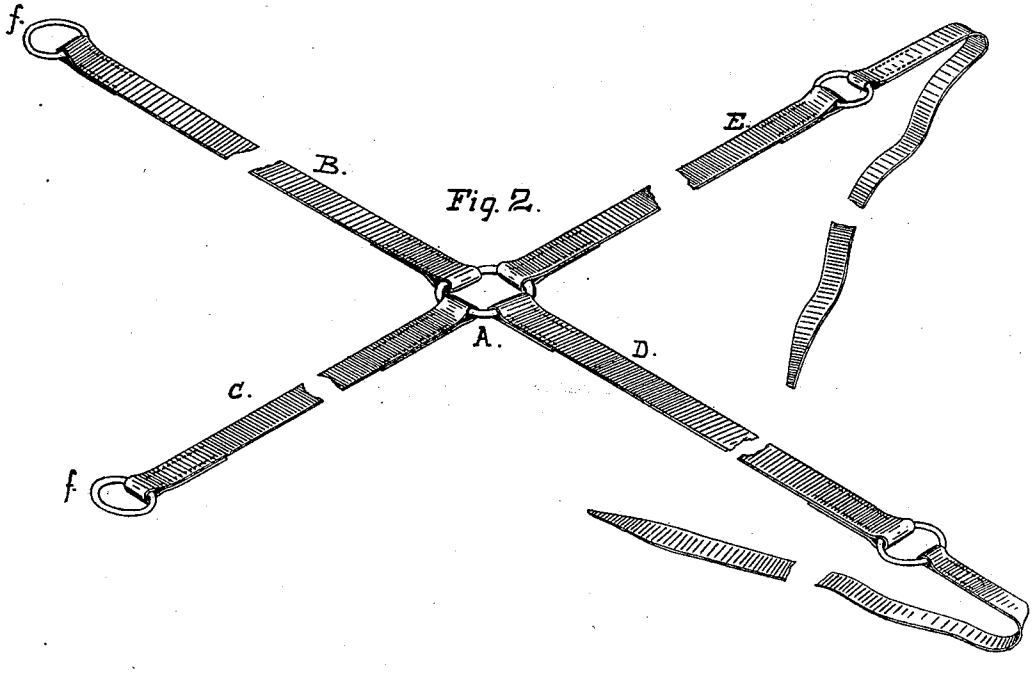


Fig. 2.

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TRUNK-STRAP.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EVERETT POMEROY, of the city of San José, county of Santa Clara, in the State of California, have invented an Improved Trunk-Strap; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to an improved strap that can be readily applied to a trunk, box, or parcel, for the purpose of binding or banding it, and thus prevent it from bursting or coming to pieces, and also as a safeguard to prevent it from being opened by unauthorized persons.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 shows my invention applied to a trunk, and Fig. 2 the construction of the strap.

A represents a metallic ring or link, to which I secure four straps, B C D E, so that they will radiate in four directions therefrom. Two of these straps, B C, I make long enough to pass around the trunk, box, or parcel at right angles to each other, while the other two, D E, are short, so as to extend across the top of the trunk, box, or parcel and hang a short distance down its side or end. To the end of each short strap D E, I secure a ring or buckle, *f*, in which the ends of the long straps are fastened after they have been passed around the trunk, box, or parcel.

To apply the strap I place the ring, loop, or link A upon the top of the trunk near its center, as shown at Fig. 2. I then arrange the long straps so that one will pass around the trunk, box, or parcel in each direction at right angles to each other. I then arrange the short straps in opposite directions to the long straps, so that when the long straps have been passed around the trunk, box, or parcel their ends can be fastened in the buckles or rings at the ends of the short straps, thus securely binding or banding the trunk, box, or parcel.

The straps can be fastened to the ring A by sewing, by means of rivets, or by other convenient means, and it is immaterial which of the straps are long and which are short, so long as there are two long and two short ones.

By this arrangement of the strap it can be quickly applied and fastened around a trunk, box, or parcel, and it can be drawn as tight as desired, and fastened so as to resist any strain to which it may be subjected by ordinary handling.

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

A strap for trunks, boxes, or parcels, composed of two short straps, D E, and two long straps, B C, attached at one end to a metallic ring or link, A, the short straps being provided with rings or buckles *f* at their ends, all arranged substantially as described.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal.

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