

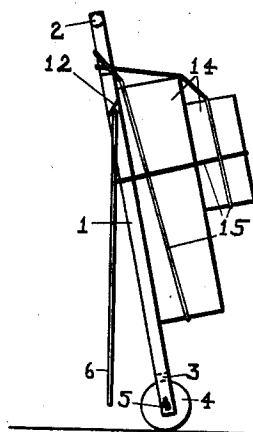
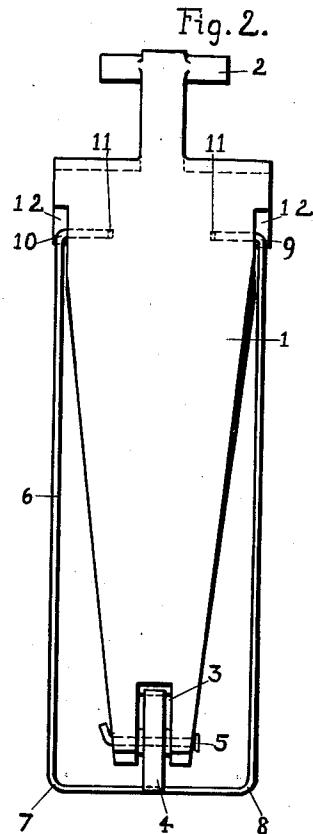
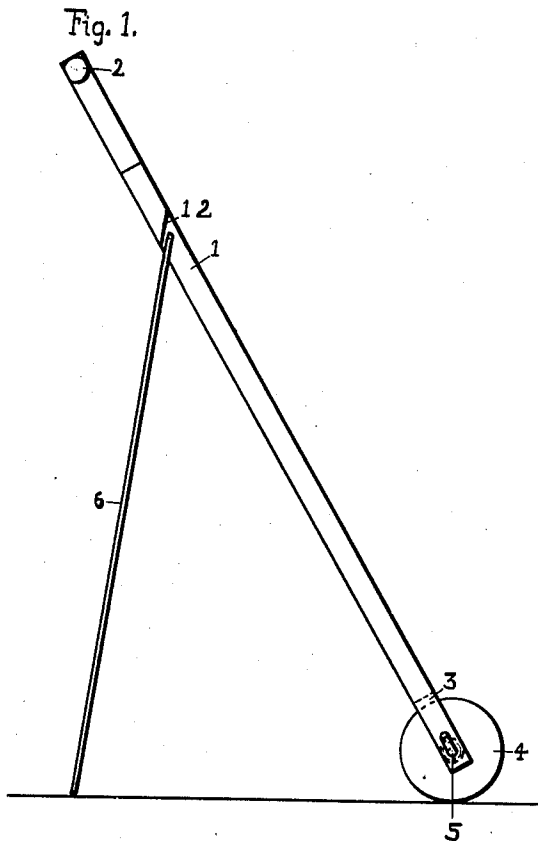
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1 Claim. (Cl. 280—58)

My invention relates to a new and improved package trundle, especially designed as a convenience for shoppers to facilitate the carrying of packages by providing a roller support to bear the major portion of the weight of the packages, but which will permit the packages to be handled otherwise in substantially the same manner as is customary. To this end my trundle is made light in weight and primarily flat so that it, when unloaded, can easily be carried under the arm similar to a light flat handbag. Moreover, my trundle is of the greatest possible simplicity, consisting of only four parts, which practically eliminates repairs and makes it possible to manufacture my trundle at such low cost that it can be given free to customers of grocery, food, or stores of a similar nature.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the unloaded trundle;

Fig. 2, a front elevation of the same; and
Fig. 3, a side elevation of the loaded trundle.

Similar numerals refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

As shown in the drawing my trundle consists of a plate 1, preferably a wooden board, the upper end of which is formed as a crosshandle 2 and the lower end of which is provided with a slot 3 in which a wheel 4, secured to the plate 1 by means of a pin 5, turns. The pin 5, which extends through the lower part of the plate 1, also carries a washer on each side of the wheel 4 within the slot 3 to keep the wheel from grinding on the slot. In order to reduce the weight

of my trundle, the width of the plate 1 may be gradually reduced towards its lower end, as shown in Fig. 2. The ends of a slender rod 6, which is bent rectangularly on the points 7, 8, 9, and 10 to form a crutch, project into the holes 11 in the plate 1. Notches 12 on the plate 1 limit the movement of the crutch 6 so that the trundle will not roll when the owner or porter lets go of the handle.

The packages 14 may be tied on the plate 1, as shown in Fig. 3, or may be hung on the handle by means of strings 15. The packages can then be wheeled conveniently on the street, and when passing stairs, they can be carried together with the trundle as is customary with a bundle of packages.

It must be understood that various changes as to size, shape and arrangement of the parts can be effectuated without departing from the spirit of the invention or the scope of the annexed claim.

What I claim as my invention and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States is:

A package trundle comprising an upright plate formed as a cross handle on its upper end, the width of said plate being gradually reduced towards its lower end, and a slot being cut into the lower end of the said plate; a pin, carrying a wheel, extending perpendicularly to said slot through the lower end of the plate; and a crutch pivoted on the upper part of the said plate, the latter having a notch on each side to limit the movement of the said crutch.

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