

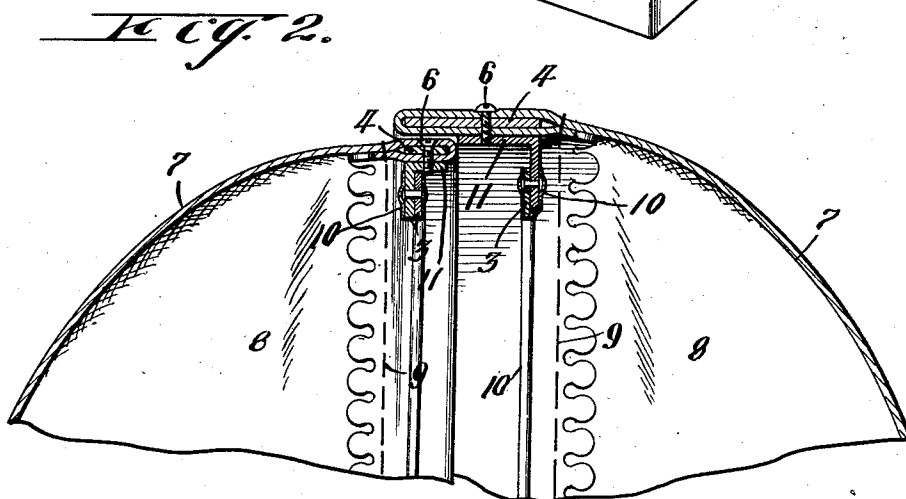
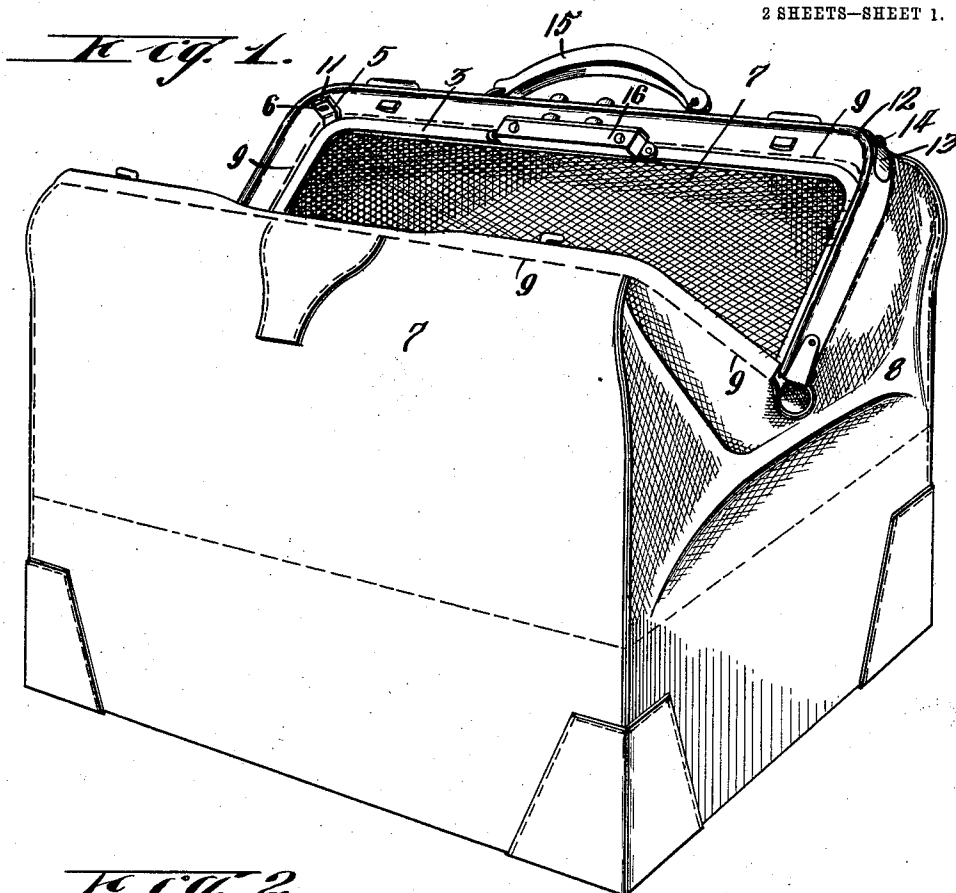
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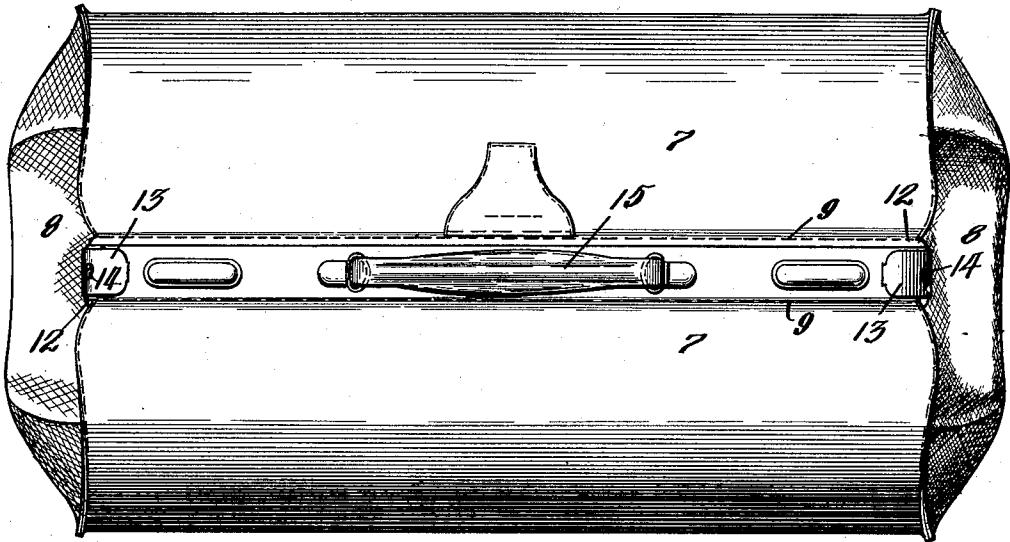
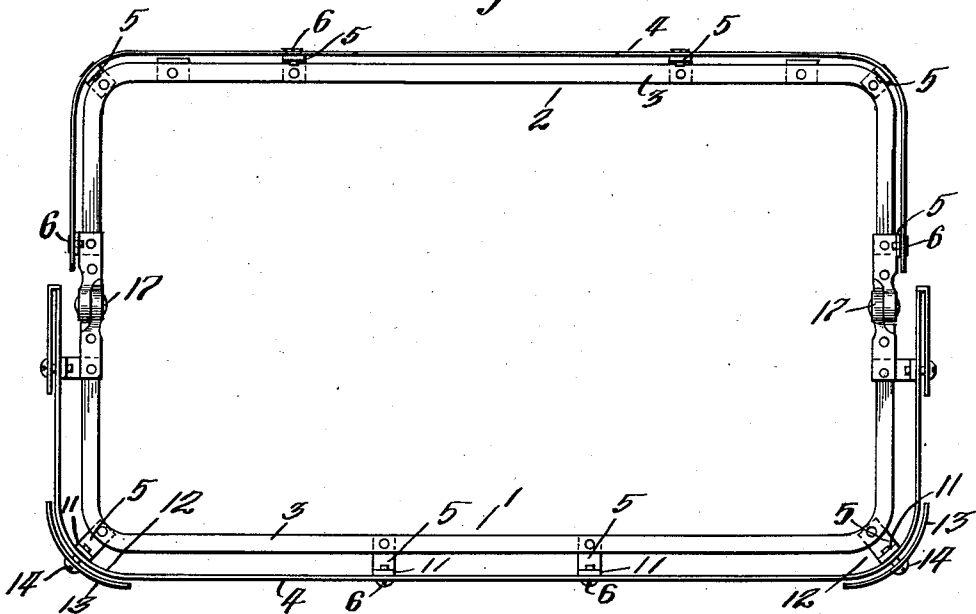


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM BINICK, a subject of the Czar of Russia, residing at Milwaukee, county of Milwaukee, and State of Wisconsin, have invented new and useful Improvements in Traveling-Bags, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in that class of bags in which the frame members of the two opposing frames are covered with leather or other fabric.

Heretofore it has been common to cover the frame members with separate pieces of fabric from that which forms the sides and ends of the bag, and to thereafter stitch the strips which cover the frame members to the fabric which forms the body of the bag, whereby two separate series of stitches are required; one to secure the fabric to the frame members and the other to secure the fabric which forms the sides and ends of the bag to that which incloses such frame members. By my improvement, however, but one series of stitches are required, as the edges of the fabric itself, which forms the bag, are wrapped entirely around and secured by a series of stitches to said frame members. Heretofore it has also been necessary to stitch the leather or other fabric to the frame members wholly or at least partially, by hand, and such work has necessarily been done by hand from the fact that each of the opposing frame members comprise two separate pieces of metal which are arranged at right angles to each other and connected together at short intervals by metallic brackets, which brackets are located in the path of the sewing machine needle, whereby it would be impossible to form a continuous seam around the margin of the frame members without the needle of the machine coming in contact with such brackets. By my improvement, however, the two metal pieces which form the respective frame members are detachably connected together by screws and removable brackets, and said frame members and brackets are first separated before the leather is attached thereto. When the frame members have been thus separated and the brackets removed, the opposing edges of the leather or other fabric which forms the body of the bag are first wrapped entirely around the outer frame members, when the same may be readily and quickly stitched with an ordinary sewing machine, whereby the work

which has heretofore been done by the slow and laborious hand process, is more quickly and much more neatly done by the sewing machine. When the leather or other fabric has been thus secured to the frame members, such frame members are again secured together by screws, as stated.

My invention pertains further to the device for covering and securing in place the meeting edges of the outer fabric on the corners of the frame members.

My invention is further explained by reference to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of the traveling bag provided with my improvements. Fig. 2 is a vertical section from the interior of the bag, looking toward one end thereof. Fig. 3 is a top view, showing the bag in its closed position, and Fig. 4 is a top view, showing the frame members in open position before they have been covered with leather or other fabric.

Like parts are identified by the same reference numerals throughout the several views.

It will be understood that each bag comprises an overlapping or exterior frame member 1, and an interior frame member 2, which member 2, when the bag is closed, is brought within the exterior frame member. Each of said frame members 1 and 2 comprises two separate strips of metal, to-wit:—the inner members 3, 3, and the outer members 4, 4, and said members 3 and 4 are connected together at short intervals apart by a plurality of brackets 5. The frame members thus far described are substantially of ordinary construction, and such parts have been heretofore permanently connected together and with brackets by a plurality of rivets. By my present improvement, however, said rivets have been substituted by a plurality of screws 6, which are adapted to be withdrawn, whereby said frame members may be separated from each other preparatory to securing the leather or other fabric to them with an ordinary sewing machine. It will be understood that when said frame members 3 and 4 have been permanently connected together by rivets and brackets, it becomes necessary to stitch the fabric to such parts by hand, as the ordinary machine needle would be brought into contact with said brackets and thereby become broken. When, however, said frame

members 3 and 4 have been separated from each other and said brackets, the leather or other covering is readily stitched to them with an ordinary sewing machine. By my improved bag, the sides 7, 7 and end members 8, 8 of the bag are wrapped entirely around the outer frame members 4, 4, as more clearly shown in Fig. 2, when the fabric forming the bag is permanently secured in place around each of said outer frame members 4 by a series of stitches 9, 9, which series of stitches 9 extend entirely across the tops and ends of both of said frame members, as shown in Fig. 1, whereby a single series of stitches only is necessary to secure the fabric 7 and 8 to said frame members.

The so-called inner frame members 3 are covered with separate strips of leather 10, 10 in the ordinary manner, and when both of said frame members have been covered, they are connected together by a plurality of screws 6, which screws extend through the fabric 7 and the outer frame members 4, into the member 11 of said brackets, whereby all of said cooperating parts are permanently secured together.

In view of the fact that the end and side portions of the fabric which forms the body of the bag, unite at the corners 12 of the frame members and are liable to become unglued or detached at such point, I preferably provide the exterior or overlapping frame member 4, at the respective upper corners, with fabric retaining plates 13, which are secured in place by a plurality of screws 14, whereby the meeting edges of the fabric at such point are securely retained in place, while said plates serve to reinforce the frame and give the bag a neat and finished appearance.

The bag is provided with a handle 15 and locking mechanism 16 or ordinary construction. Also the frame members 1 and 2 are pivotally connected at their respective ends by pivotal bolts or rivets 17, in the ordinary manner.

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

1. In a device of the described class, the combination of a pair of bag frames pivotally connected together, each frame comprising an inner member and an outer member arranged at right angles to each other, means for detachably connecting said inner and outer members together, and means for

connecting the fabrics comprising the sides and ends of the bag with the outer members of both of said bag frames.

2. In a device of the described class, a pair of bag frames pivotally connected together, said frames comprising an outer and an inner member detachably secured at right angles to each other, in combination with the side and end fabrics of a bag, the opposing edges of such side and end fabrics being respectively wrapped entirely around the outer members of both of said bag frames and secured thereto by an uninterrupted series of stitches.

3. In a device of the described class, a pair of bag frames pivotally connected together, each frame comprising an outer and an inner member secured at right angles to each other, a plurality of brackets respectively detachably connected at one of their ends to the outer member and at their opposite ends with the inner member of said bag frames, in combination with the edges of the side and end fabrics of a bag, said edges being respectively wrapped entirely around the outer members of both of said frames and secured thereto by an uninterrupted series of stitches.

4. In a device of the described class, the combination of a pair of bag frames pivotally connected together, each frame comprising an inner member and an outer member arranged at right angles to each other, a plurality of brackets, a plurality of screws for detachably connecting said brackets at their respective ends to the outer and inner members of said frames, a flexible fabric comprising the body of the bag, the opposing edges of the ends and sides of said fabric being respectively wrapped entirely around the outer member of said bag frames, and secured thereto by an uninterrupted series of stitches, and a reinforcing plate secured to the outer member of the exterior bag frame against the exterior surface of said fabric, whereby the exterior frame member is reinforced and the contiguous edges of the fabric thus covered are securely retained in place.

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

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