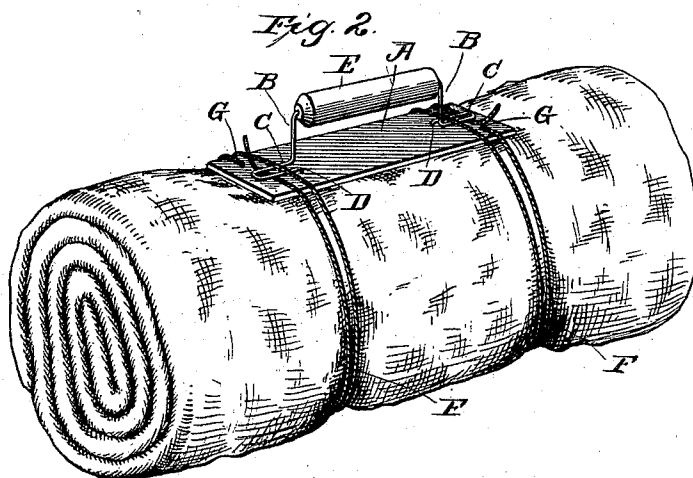
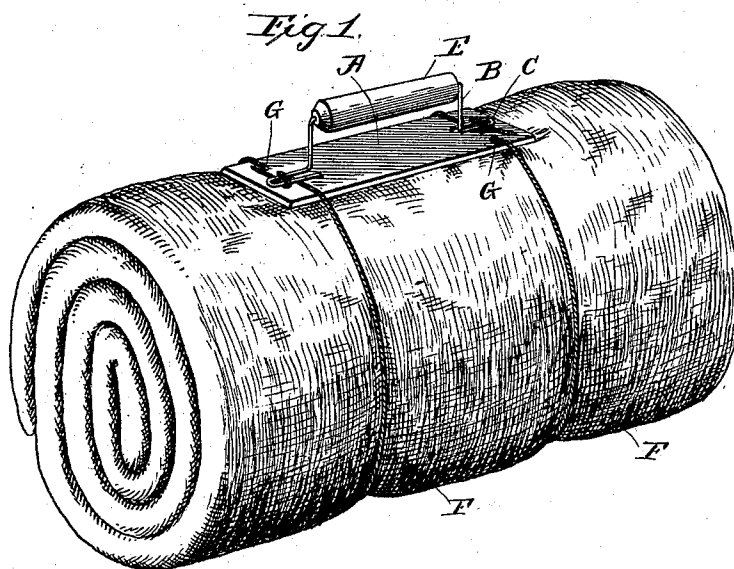


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK K. WILSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Coatesville, in the county of Chester and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Parcel-Carriers, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a new and useful improvement in parcel-carriers, and has for its object to provide a device of this description by means of which a parcel or bundle may be quickly secured without the necessity of having to first tie it with cord, as is usually the case, and, when so secured, will form a perfect handle by means of which said parcel or bundle may be conveyed to one place or another after the manner of a valise or a bundle held by a shawl-strap.

With these ends in view this invention consists in the details of construction and combination of elements hereinafter set forth, and then specifically designated by the claims.

In order that those skilled in the art to which this invention appertains may understand how to make and use the same, the construction and operation will now be described in detail, referring to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective of a bundle secured by my improvement, and Fig. 2 a similar view illustrating the simplest form of securing the binding-cords.

In carrying out this invention a board A is provided, to which is secured a length of wire B, so bent as to provide two feet C, which bear against said board with a spring-pressure, and the ends of this wire are passed through the board at D and turned in such manner as to be secured therein. The portion of the wire which is bent upward out of contact with the board is provided with a handle E, of any suitable material, such as wood, so as to facilitate the carrying of a bundle of considerable weight by the device. The object of the feet which bear against the board with a spring action is to obviate the necessity of tying the binding-cords F after they have been passed around a bundle, and these cords have one of their ends secured at G to the board in any suitable manner, and

when a bundle is to be secured thereby they are passed therearound, their free ends being passed under the feet, as shown in Fig. 2, or if extra security is needed and a bundle is of considerable weight these ends may be secured by passing them under and over and under the feet, as shown in Fig. 1, and it is obvious that this under-and-over winding of the cords about the feet may be carried to a greater extent, each turn adding further safety against the withdrawal of the cords.

In practice it has been found that for ordinary street service it is only necessary to draw the cords under the feet once, and the spring-pressure of said feet upon the cords will tightly hold them against withdrawal from between the feet and the board.

From this description it will be seen that a very convenient parcel-carrier is provided which is not expensive to manufacture and yet will obviate the necessity of first tying the parcel before a carrier can be attached thereto, as has heretofore been the case, and also greatly facilitating the undoing of a parcel when its destination has been reached. One of the advantages gained by this improvement is that a large surface is furnished upon the upper side of the board, upon which any advertising matter may be displayed, either in printing or painting, and at certain seasons of the year this carrier may be utilized as a souvenir and appropriately decorated for that purpose.

It is obvious that for light parcels the handle E may be omitted and the wire serve as the means for grasping the carrier. It is also obvious that the binding-cords may be omitted and the carrier used in connection with the ordinary cord, both ends of which, after being passed around the bundle, may be secured by the pressure of the spring-feet upon the board.

Having thus fully described this invention, what is claimed as new and useful is—

1. A parcel-carrier consisting of a board, a wire secured thereto, said wire being provided with spring-feet adapted to bear against the board, and cords adapted to be clamped to the board by the feet, as specified.

2. The herein-described combination of a board, a single length of wire secured there-

to, said wire being so bent as to form feet, a handle carried by said wire, and cords carried by the board, the free ends of which are adapted to be clamped by the feet, as specified.

5 3. The herein-described combination of a board, a wire secured thereto, feet formed upon said wire and adapted to bear against the board, cords having one of their ends attached to said board, their opposite ends being adapted to be clamped by the feet, and a

handle carried by the wire, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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