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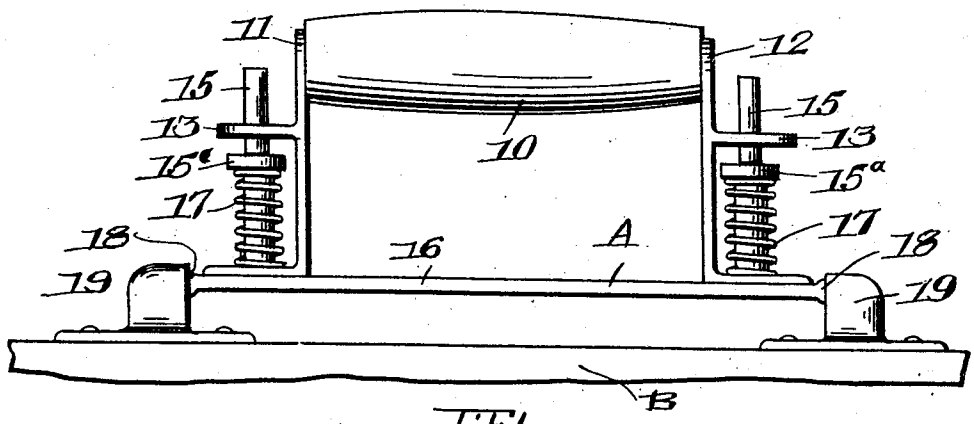
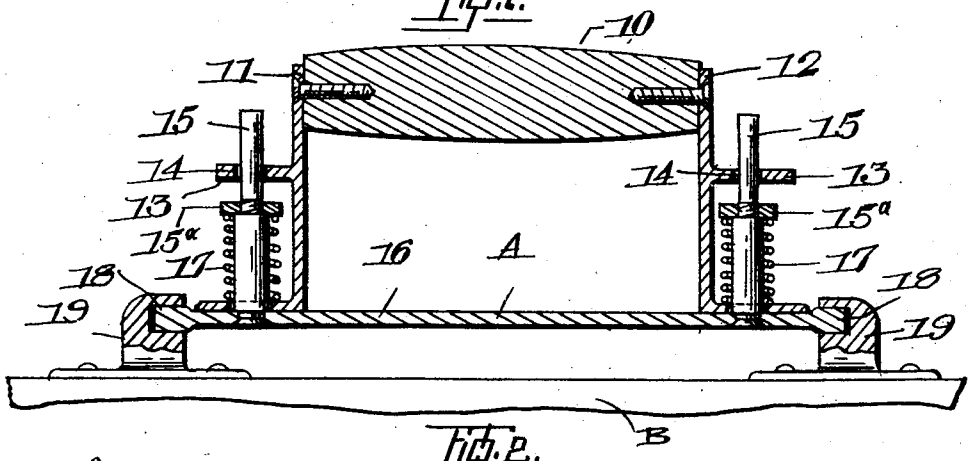


Fig. 1.



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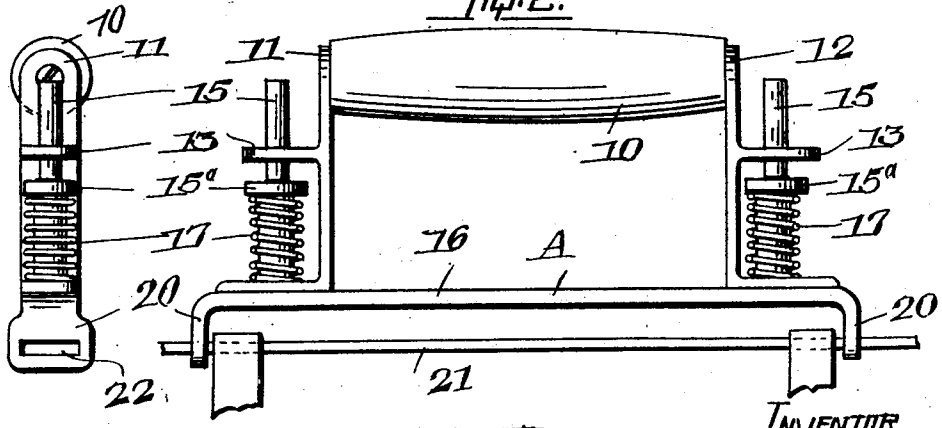

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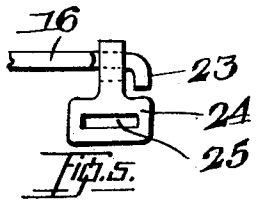

Fig. 5.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD JOHN FALKINER, a citizen of New South Wales, Australia, and a resident of the city of New York, county and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Handles for Trunks, Kit Bags, and the like, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in handles for trunks, kit-bags and the like.

The object of the invention is to provide a resilient handle to replace the common leather handle now in use on portmanteaux, kit-bags and the like.

This carry-all or handle can be cheaply manufactured and will do away with the unsatisfactory and uncomfortable leather handle now universally used.

In the drawings,

Figure 1 is an elevation of the handle or gripping means as applied to portmanteaux, etc.

Fig. 2 is a sectional elevation of the same.

Fig. 3 is an elevation of an alternative form.

Fig. 4 is an end view.

Fig. 5 is a view of a further alternative form.

Like characters of reference indicate like parts in the several figures.

Referring to the drawings, A represents this invention as designed to replace the common leather handle now in use on portmanteaux, kit-bags, etc. A tubular or solid handle 10 is joined on each side by two supports 11 and 12 which are shaped like the letter L, having in the middle of the top half of the support (which is attachable to the handle) a shelf 13, which is pierced by a hole 14 in the center enabling a guide rod 15 which has a capping 15^a to be used. The top end working up and down in the guide hole of the shelf 13 (already described) the bottom guide pin passes through a hole in an elongated receptacle or plate 16 and is made fast to it on the outside of the two holes. The rods are enclosed in two spiral springs 17. The receptacle or plate is elongated and has two rounded ends 18 which enables two holders to be placed conveniently on the ends and the said holders are attachable to a suitable place on the bag or trunk B. The springs 17 at each side of the handle are brought into operation by the weight of the bag and its contents enabling the bag, trunk, bundle or package to have a resilient motion when carried, taking the strain as in any vehicle where springs are used.

Figs. 3, 4 and 5 show alternative forms of elongated plates enabling the handle to be attached to bundle carrying straps consisting of downwardly turned ends 20 engaging the strap 21, which passes through an opening 22, in the ends 20, Fig. 5. The plate is formed with a downwardly extending end 23 adapted to engage a member 24 which is also provided with an opening 25 through which a suitable strap is designed to pass.

What I claim as my invention is:

1. A handle comprising a member mounted on supports at either end and a shelf projecting outwardly from the said supports at either end and springs mounted between the shelf and the supports.

2. A handle comprising a member pivotally mounted on supports at either end and a shelf projecting outwardly from the supports at either end and guide rods passing through the shelves, and springs connected at one end to the supports and at the other end to the guide rods.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name this 8th day of June, 1921.

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