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Fig. 1

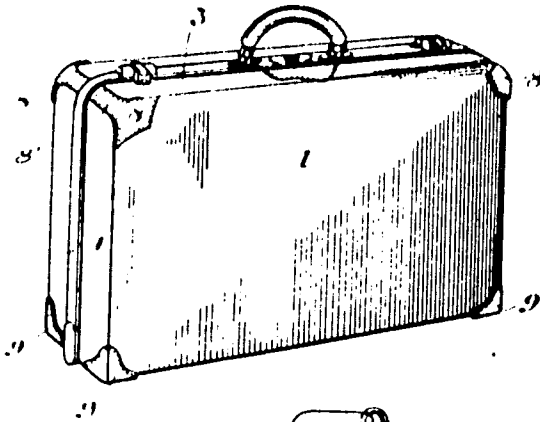


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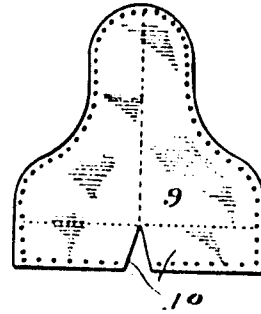


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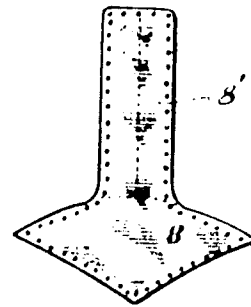


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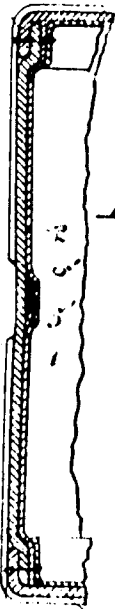


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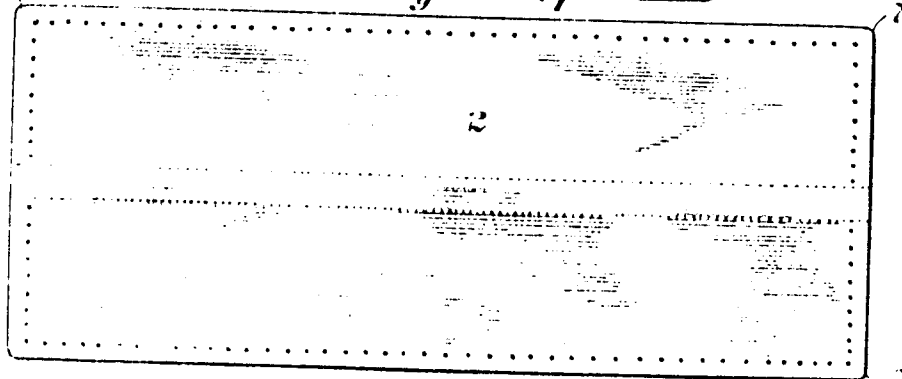


Fig. 3.

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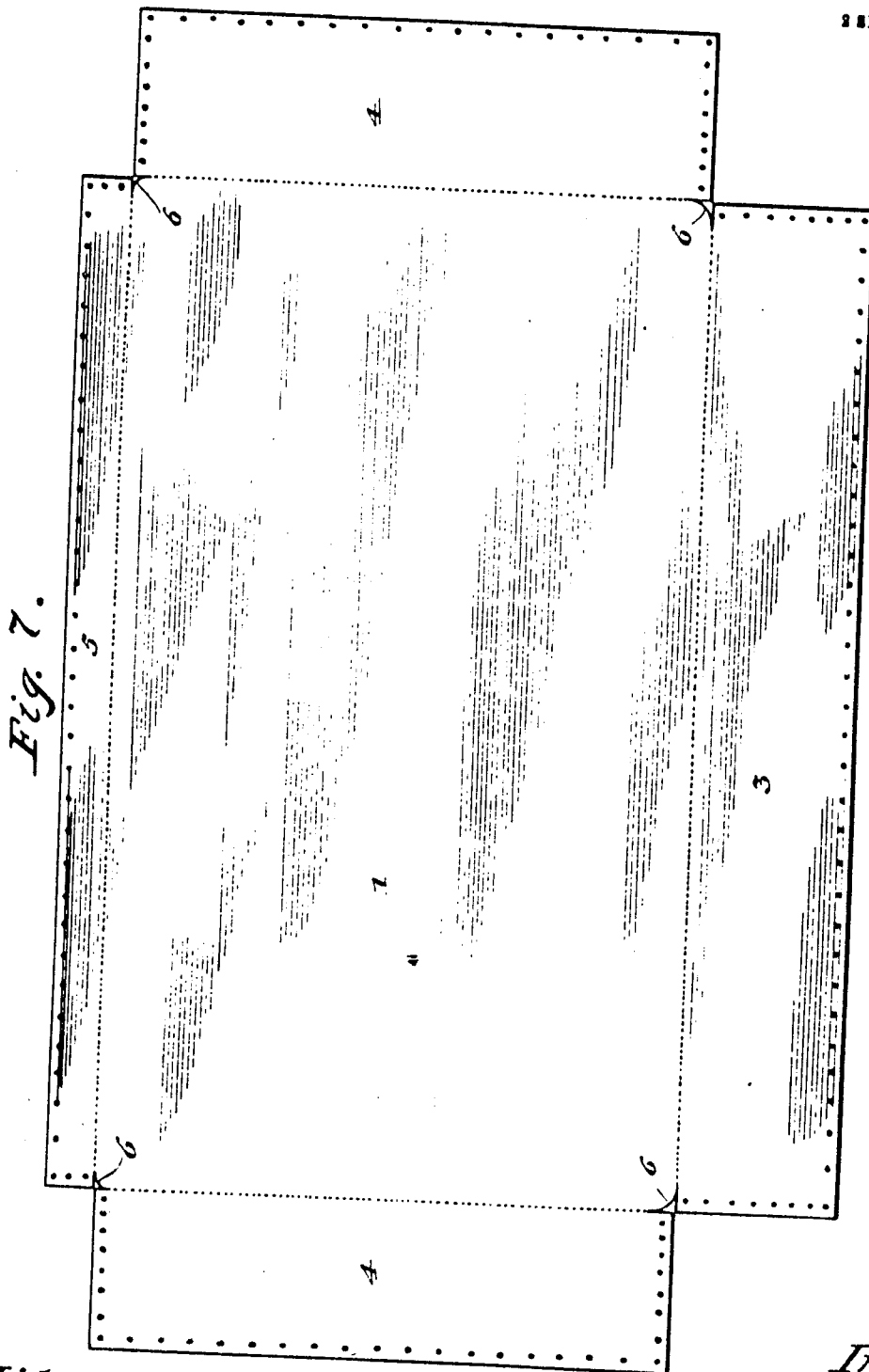


Fig. 7.



Fig. 8.



Fig. 9.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL DRESNER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, county of Cook, and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Suit-Cases, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in suit cases, the object of the invention being the production of a suit case which shall be less expensive of manufacture, more durable and neater in appearance than the suit cases in common use.

A further object of my invention is to provide such a construction that a minimum number of parts is required in the manufacture, and thus avoid a number of joints, welts, and seams which are apt to tear and rip when subjected to rough usage. Other objects will appear hereinafter.

With these objects in view my invention consists in the novel construction and arrangement of parts which will be hereinafter fully described and more particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

My invention will be more readily understood by reference to the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, and in which,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved suit case in its preferred form. Fig. 2 is an end elevation thereof partly in section showing the same in the open position. Fig. 3 is a detail view showing the form of blank used in making the bottom of the case. Figs. 4 and 5 are detail views showing the blanks used in making corner-pieces for the case. Fig. 6 is a transverse section showing the method of attaching the sides to the bottom of the case. Fig. 7 is a detail view showing the form of blank used in making the sides and top of the case. Fig. 8 is a detail view showing the method of overlapping a corner of the case, and Fig. 9 shows the forming of a corner-piece for attaching the same to a corner of the case.

Referring now to the drawings 1 designates the sides of the case and 2 the bottom thereof, a blank for the former being shown in Fig. 7 and the blank for the latter in Fig.

3. The blank 2 for the bottom is substantially rectangular in form, and the corners thereof are rounded to permit the end portions and a bottom flap of the case to overlap, stitching holes being formed adjacent the edge as shown.

A side 1, top portion 3, end portions 4 and bottom flap 5 are formed from a single blank, the side 1 being separated from the other parts by creasing, as shown. The length of the end portions 4 is equal to the width of the side 1, and the length of the top portion and bottom flap is equal to the length of the side 1, the latter being cut away and rounded at the corners 6, stitching holes being provided as in the bottom 2. The end portions 4, top portions 3, and bottom 2 are secured to metallic hinge frames 5' by pasting or otherwise. The corner-pieces 8 are suitably formed and stitched to the upper corners of the case, and the corner-pieces 9, formed somewhat larger than the corner-pieces 8, are stitched to the lower corners of the case. The corner-pieces 8 have large ends and parallel portions 8', and the corner-pieces 9 have V-shaped notches 10 which are provided to facilitate overlapping.

As aforesaid the manner of forming the corner-pieces for attaching to the corners of the case is shown in Fig. 9, the stitching holes of the former being arranged to register with the stitching holes of the latter.

While I have shown what I deem to be the preferable form of my invention I do not wish to be limited thereto as there might be various changes made in the details of construction and arrangement of parts described without departing from the invention, and hence I desire to avail myself of such variations and modifications as fairly fall within the scope of the appended claim.

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

A suit case formed of two hinged parts, each of said parts comprising a single side member having integral top and end portions and a bottom flap, a single bottom member for both of said parts overlapping

and secured to the bottom flaps, each of said side members being cut away and rounded at its corners and the ends of the top and side portions and bottom flap being overlapped and secured together, and corner pieces secured over the corners of said case, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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