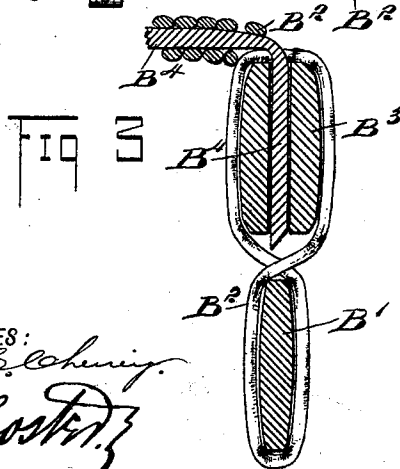
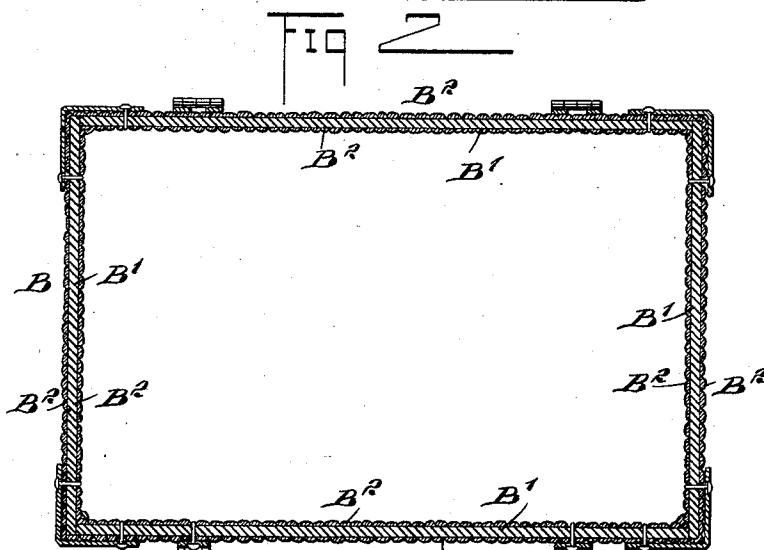
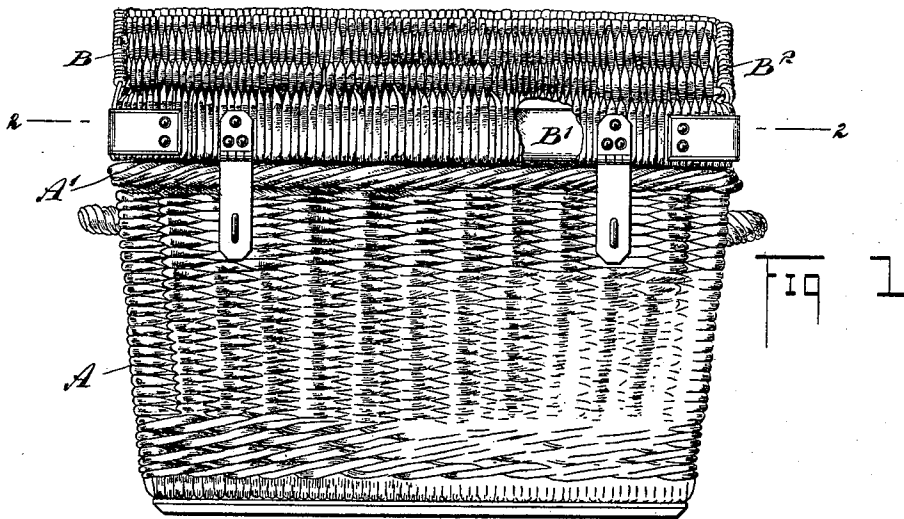


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILHELM SIEVERT, a subject of the Emperor of Germany, at present residing in New York city, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Traveling-Basket, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The invention relates to trunks made of strips of willow, ratan, or the like; and its object is to provide a new and improved basket designed for the use of travelers and other persons and arranged to maintain at all times the shape of the basket and to prevent the cover from spreading when pressed on, so as to avoid crushing in the cover over the basket-body, as is so frequently the case with baskets as heretofore constructed.

The invention consists principally of a basket-cover having in its lower edge a stiffening-frame bound in place by the basket material.

The invention also consists of certain parts and details and combinations of the same, as will be fully described hereinafter and then pointed out in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the improvement with parts broken out. Fig. 2 is a sectional plan view of the same on the line 2 2 of Fig. 1, and Fig. 3 is an enlarged sectional side elevation of one end of the cover of the basket.

The improved traveling-basket is provided with a body A, formed of strips of willow, ratan, or like material in the usual manner, and on the said body is hinged a cover B, formed of strips of willow, ratan, or other material, and having its lower end fitting over the upper end of the body A and adapted to rest with its lower edge on the top of a rim A', so as to prevent the cover from passing too far upon the body when in a closed position.

In the lower end of the cover B is arranged a stiffening-frame B', made of wood, iron, or other material, and bound in by the material B² of which the cover B is formed, as plainly indicated in the drawings, so that the said

frame is not visible on the outside or inside of the cover, but still gives considerable strength to the cover, so as to prevent the sides and ends thereof from spreading and being crushed over the body A when pressure is applied to the top of the cover. The cover is preferably formed transversely in arch shape, and each end is provided with one or more additional transversely-extending stiffening-bars B³, made of wood or like material, arranged directly over the ends of the frame B', as plainly indicated in Fig. 3. The bars B⁴ are bound in by the material B² of which the cover is made, and the said bars are provided with openings for the reception of the ends of the longitudinal rods B⁴, forming part of the cover B and interwoven with the material B². Now it will be seen that by the arrangement described a very strong cover is produced for the traveling-basket, so as to prevent any possibility of the cover being crushed in over the body of the basket, as is so frequently the case with baskets heretofore constructed.

It is evident that when a traveling-basket is filled with dresses and other garments or materials and such basket while in transportation is subjected to pressure on the top of the cover said basket is crushed in, as above described, and great damage is the usual result to the contents of the basket.

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

1. A basket, having a body portion with a broad rim running around the top edge thereof, a cover for the body portion, the cover having downwardly-extending edges, and the cover being formed of bars with material interwoven therewith the bars having their ends projected downward perpendicularly to the cover, a transverse cleat running around the lower edge of the cover and having openings in which the ends of the bars are respectively fitted, a second transverse cleat located beneath the first transverse cleat and forming the lower extremity of the cover edge, and material woven in with said cleats and lashing the same to the bars of the cover, substantially as described.

2. A basket, having a body with a rim run-

ning around its top edge, and a cover for the
basket, the cover being formed of bars with
material woven in therewith, the extremities
of the bars being bent downward perpendicu-
5 larly to the cover, a cleat running around the
lower edge of the cover and having openings
respectively receiving the ends of the bars,
and material woven in with the cleat and
cover and lashing the cleat in place, substan-
10 tially as described.

3. A basket-cover formed of bars with ma-

terial woven in therewith, a cleat running
around the lower edge of the cover and hav-
ing openings in which the lower ends of the
bars are respectively fitted, and means woven 15
in with the material of the cover and lashing
the cleat in place, substantially as described.

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