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Fig. 1.

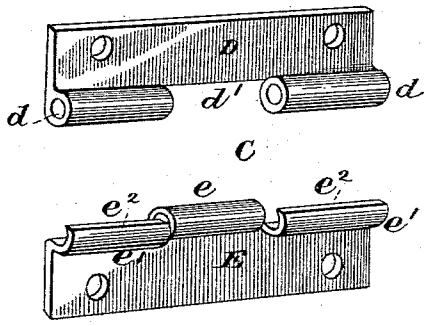
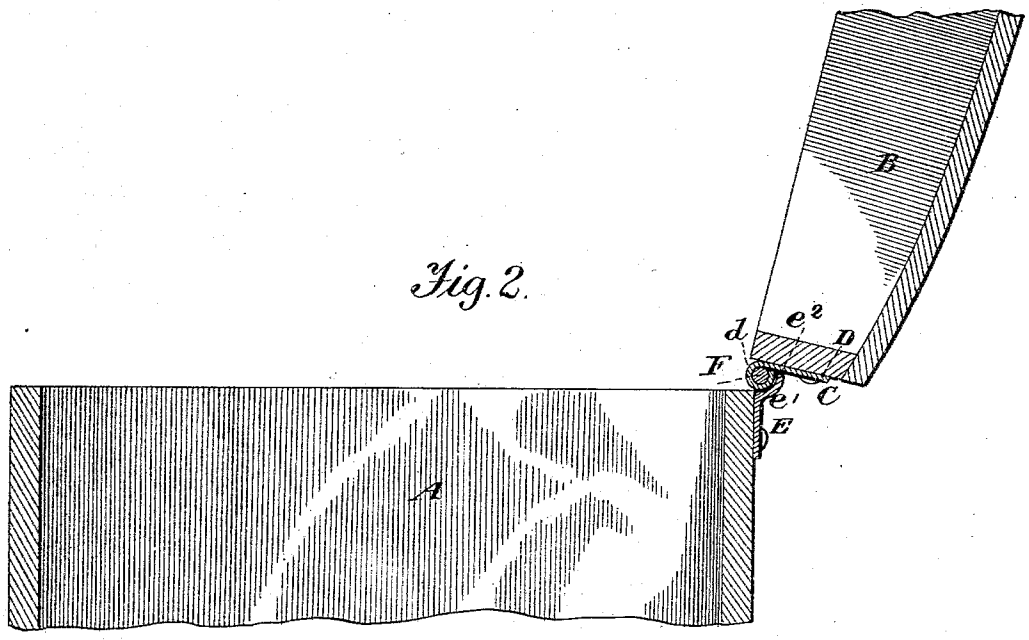


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SUSAN JONES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Oxford, in the county of Lafayette and State of Mississippi, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Trunk-Lid Supports; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The special object of my invention is to dispense with the side straps usually employed to confine the lid to the ends of the body of trunks and boxes. For this purpose I make two integral projections from the lower plates of the butt-hinges which connect the lid and body, so that when the lid is thrown back it will be supported at a slightly-backward inclination on the lower plate of the hinge.

Figure 1 of the drawings is an elevation in perspective, and Fig. 2 a transverse vertical section.

In the drawings, A represents a trunk, and B its lid, the latter being secured to the former by the butt-hinges C C.

D is the upper and E the lower plate of the hinge, the former containing two end eyes, *d*, and a middle excision, *d'*, while the latter has one median eye, *e*. Through the eyes *d e d* passes the usual pintle, F. I cut out of the plate E the two end strips, *e' e'*, leaving one side attached to the plate. I bend back the strips *e' e'* on the line of their junction with the plate, and then bend forward the upper edge to form the lid-support e^2, so that when the lid is turned back the upper plate, D, will rest so as to hold the lid in a backwardly-inclined position. I thus render the usual side straps for supporting the lid entirely unnecessary.

Having thus described all that is necessary to a full understanding of my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to protect by Letters Patent, is—

A combined hinge and trunk-lid support consisting of the upper plate, D, having the two end eyes, *d d*, and a middle excision, *d'*, a lower plate, E, having the eye *e* and end strips, *e' e'*, bent at e^2 e^3, and a pintle, F, passing through the eyes *d e d*, all substantially as shown and described.

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

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