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 GRIP AND PACKAGE CARRIER.
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Fig. 1.

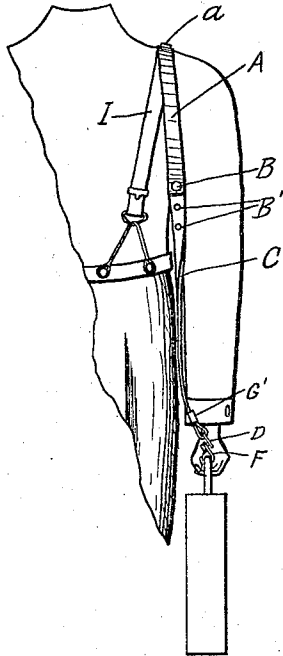


Fig. 2.

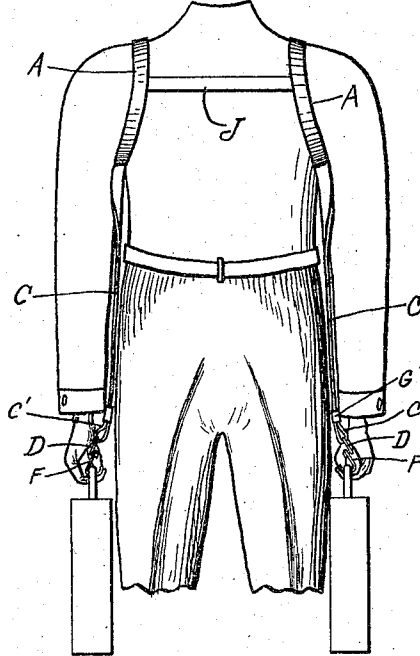


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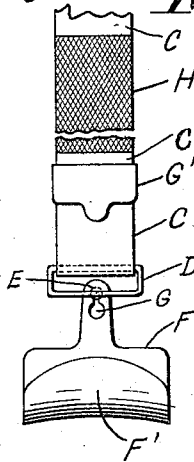


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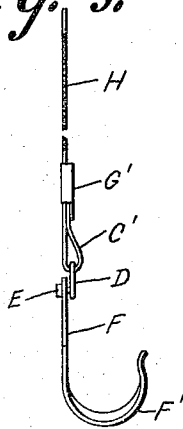
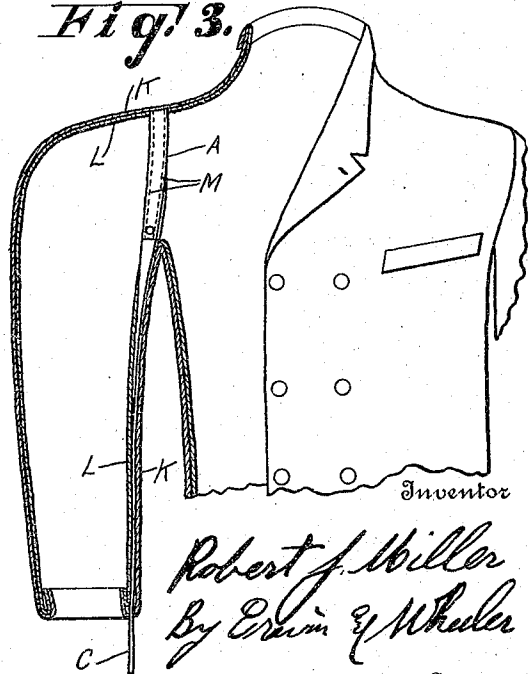


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT J. MILLER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Milwaukee, county of Milwaukee, and State of Wisconsin, have invented new and useful Improvements in Grip and Package Carriers, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in grip and package carriers.

The object of my invention is to provide an efficient, simple and convenient form of carrier for grips, packages and other articles to be manually transported.

In the drawings;—Figure 1 is an elevation illustrating one form of my invention as it appears in use, the carrier being detachably secured to a suspender strap where it passes over the shoulder of the wearer. Fig. 2 is a similar view showing an embodiment of my invention in which two grip carriers are connected together in the form of a special suspender yoke. Fig. 3 illustrates my invention in combination with a coat, the sleeve of which is shown in section. Fig. 4 is a detail fragmentary view of the lower end of the carrier showing the detachable package engaging clip, the extension buckle and the extensible elastic section. Fig. 5 is a view of the same parts illustrated in Fig. 4, but rotated to an angle of ninety degrees from the position illustrated in Fig. 4.

Like parts are identified by the same reference characters throughout the several views.

A strap, composed of leather, tape, or other suitable material, is formed into a loop A, adapted to extend over the shoulder of the wearer, the two portions of the loop being connected under the arm pit by mutually engaging fastenings, B, B'. A portion C of the strap extends downwardly and connects at its lower end with a coupling member D, having a stud projection E. A clip F is provided with a key hole slot G, whereby the clip may be detachably connected with the projection E. The lower portion of the clip F is formed into a hook F', adapted to engage the handle of a grip or the tie cord of a package. The lower extremity of the strap is looped through the coupling member D, folded upon itself as shown at C', and secured to the hanger member C by a buckle G'. The hanger member C preferably includes an elastic section H,

and the loop A may be provided with a fastening *a*, (Fig. 1), whereby said loop A may be detachably connected with an ordinary suspender strap I.

In use, the loop A being adjusted to the shoulder of the wearer as shown in Fig. 1 and secured at *a*, to the suspender strap I, it will be observed that the hanger C extends downwardly along the arm of the wearer and may be inclosed in the coat sleeve of the wearer.

The coupling member D will normally be supported by the elastic section H in a raised position where it will be concealed within the coat sleeve, but when it is desired to carry any article such as a grip or a package, the clip F may be adjusted to the knob E, and the hook F' engaged with the handle or tie cord of the package, whereupon the weight of the package will distend the elastic section H and allow the handle or cord of the package to rest in the hand of the operator. The hook F' is broad enough to serve as a handle when the package is without a handle. The hand of the user will be clasped over the hook F' as shown in Fig. 1.

In Fig. 2, I have illustrated two of the above described package carriers connected with each other by a cross band J, said band being employed to connect the shoulder loops A of the respective carriers.

In Fig. 3, I have illustrated the shoulder loop A and hanger C interposed between the outer covering K and the lining L of a coat sleeve. The strap forming the members A and C, will, in such case, be preferably connected with the coat sleeve by stitches M. The lower end of the hanger C extends through a hole formed in the lining L, at the lower end of the sleeve as illustrated in Fig. 3.

The buckle G' permits a variation in the length of the hanger member C, whereby the device may be adjusted to the length of the arm of the operator.

The elastic section H may be renewed from time to time as its resiliency decreases. Whenever the package is deposited at its destination, the clip F will be uncoupled and dropped into the pocket of the user or otherwise disposed of until its use is again required. As soon as this clip is removed the elastic section H draws coupling member D upwardly to conceal it within the sleeve of the user.

I claim:—

1. A grip carrier, comprising the combination of a shoulder loop adapted to be worn underneath the coat of the user, means for retaining the shoulder loop in position, a flexible longitudinally adjustable hanger provided with a resilient section, a coupling member at the lower end of the hanger adapted to be normally drawn by the resilient section to a concealed position within the coat sleeve of the wearer, and a package engaging member adapted to be adjustably engaged with said coupling member and provided with a rounded surface adapted to constitute a handle which may be interposed, when the resilient section is extended, between the load and the hand of the user, substantially as described.

2. A grip carrier comprising the combination of a flexible member adapted to be looped over the shoulder of a wearer, and provided with a depending extremity provided with a headed stud, a package engag-

ing hook having a cylindrically rounded under surface, adapted to serve as a handle, and also having an upward extension provided with a key hole slot adapted to detachably engage said stud.

3. A grip carrier comprising the combination of a shoulder loop, means for connecting said loop with the garments of the wearer to retain the shoulder loop in position, a flexible longitudinally adjustable hanger, and a package engaging member detachably engaged with the hanger and provided with a rounded surface adapted to constitute a handle to be grasped by the user to support a weight carried thereby, substantially as described.

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

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