

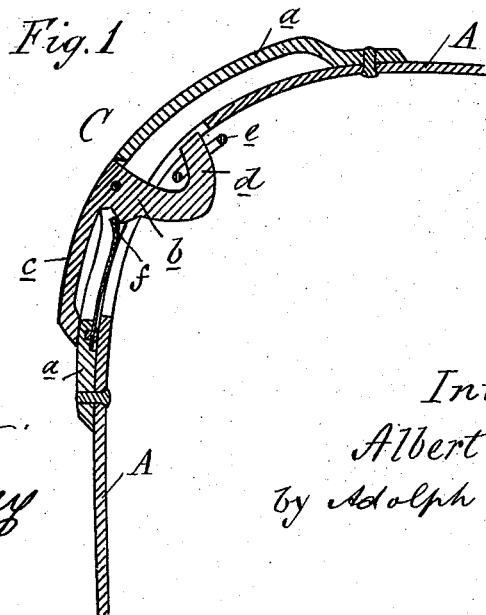
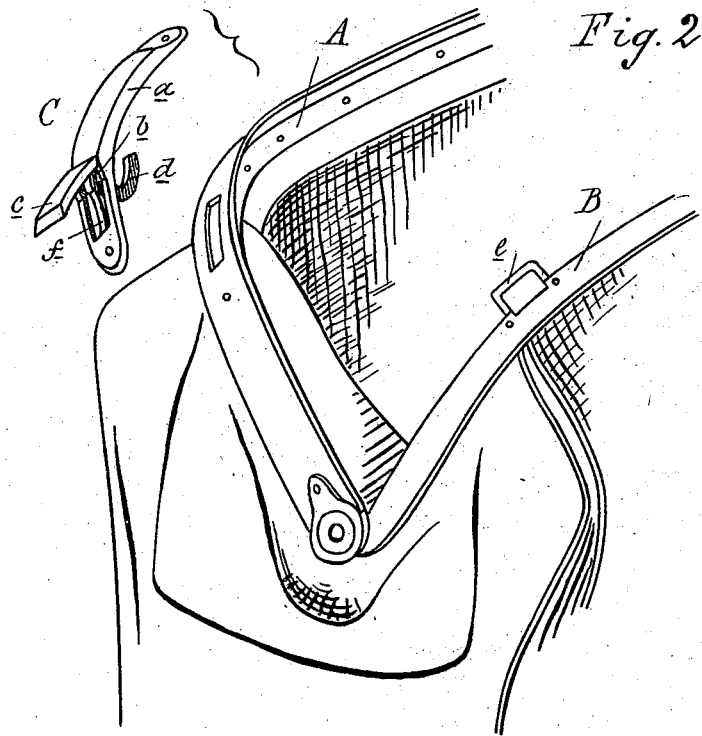
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERT PETERSON, a resident of Detroit, in the county of Wayne and State of Michigan, have invented new and useful Improvements in Locks for Bags or Satchels; and I hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to new and useful improvements in locks for traveling-bags or satchels; and the invention consists in the peculiar construction, arrangement, and combination of parts.

Figure 1 is a section through one corner of a traveling-bag or satchel to which my improved lock is applied. Fig. 2 is a detached perspective view of the lock with the co-operating parts of the satchel.

In the drawings, A and B are the metallic bows of a satchel, and C are two like corner-locks arranged to prevent the satchel from spreading open at the corners.

The construction of these locks is as follows: To the face of the outer bow is secured the corner metal plate, *a*, of any desired plain or ornamental form. Within a slot of this plate is pivotally secured a locking-lever, *b*, the arm *c* of which lever rests on the top of the plate, while the other arm projects below and forms the hook *d*. The arm *c* preferably forms a complementary part of the plate *a*, so as to deceive the eye of the uninitiated about the nature of the device, the whole appearing to be merely a corner-plate when closed. To the inner bow of the satchel is secured a suitable catch, *e*, to engage with the hook *d*. A spring, *f*, is suitably arranged to keep the locking-lever either in its open or closed position.

In practice the raising of the arms *c* of the locking-levers disengages the hooks *d* from the

catches *e* and permits the satchel to be opened, while the reverse movement locks the satchel at the corners.

While I have described and shown my lock as a corner-lock for bags or satchels, I want it distinctly understood that I do not intend to limit myself to such use alone, but as a lock for satchels, bags, purses, &c., in the place of the ordinary locks or clasps as well, in which case the plate *a* assumes the form of the bows at the place to which it is applied.

I do not claim, broadly, a lock for bags, satchels, and the like, consisting of a plate and a spring-actuated lever pivoted thereto, for I am aware that such is not new with me. I deem it important that the outer arm of the lever be formed complementary to the plate, thus making a neat appearance and disguising the presence of a lock or fastening.

What I claim as my invention is—

1. In a lock for bags, satchels, or purses, the combination of a plate secured to the outer bow and a locking-lever pivotally secured between its ends in a slot therein, and having an outer arm formed complementary to the said plate and an inner arm constructed to engage a catch, substantially as and for the purpose described.

2. In a corner-lock for traveling-bags or satchels, a curved corner-plate secured to the face of the outer bow, a locking-lever pivotally secured between its ends in a slot therein and provided with an outer arm formed complementary to said plate and an inner arm forming a hook, and a catch formed on the inner bow, all arranged to operate substantially as described.

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