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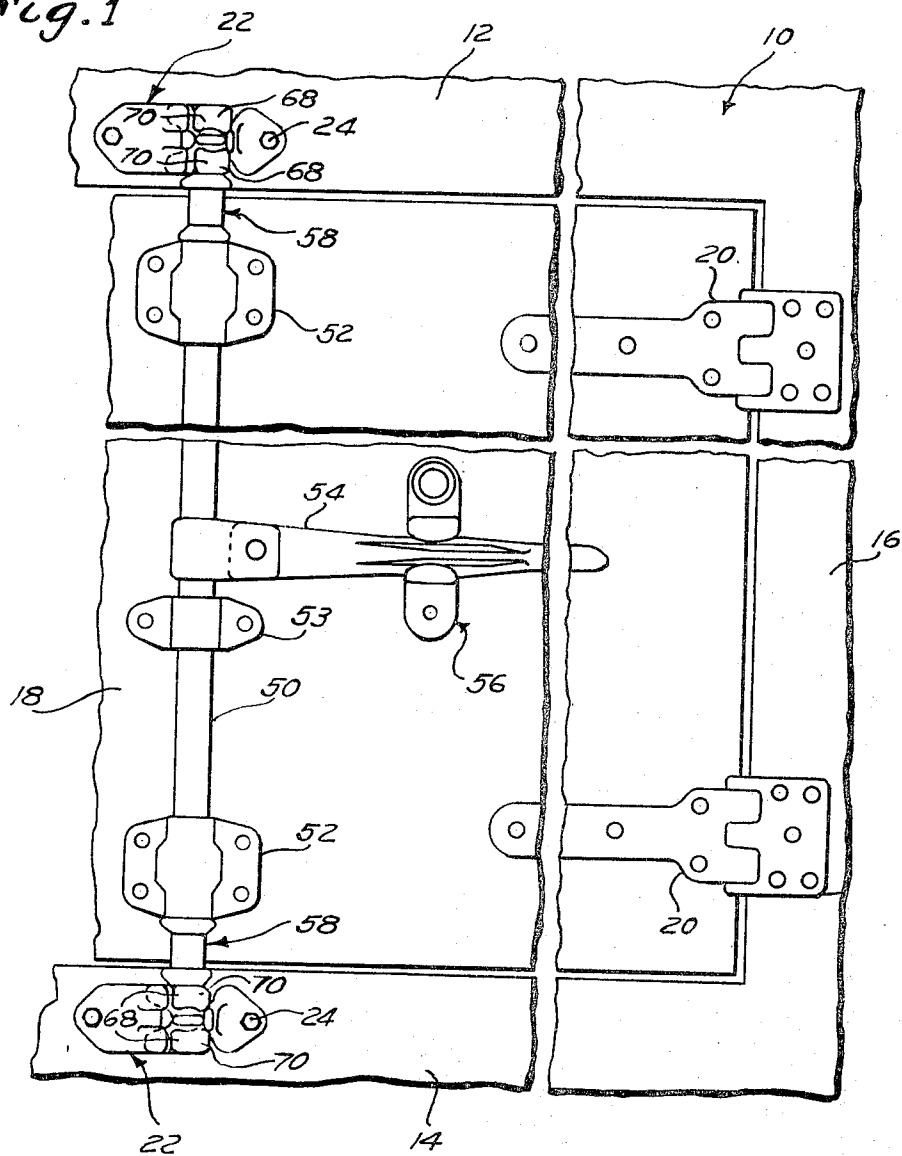
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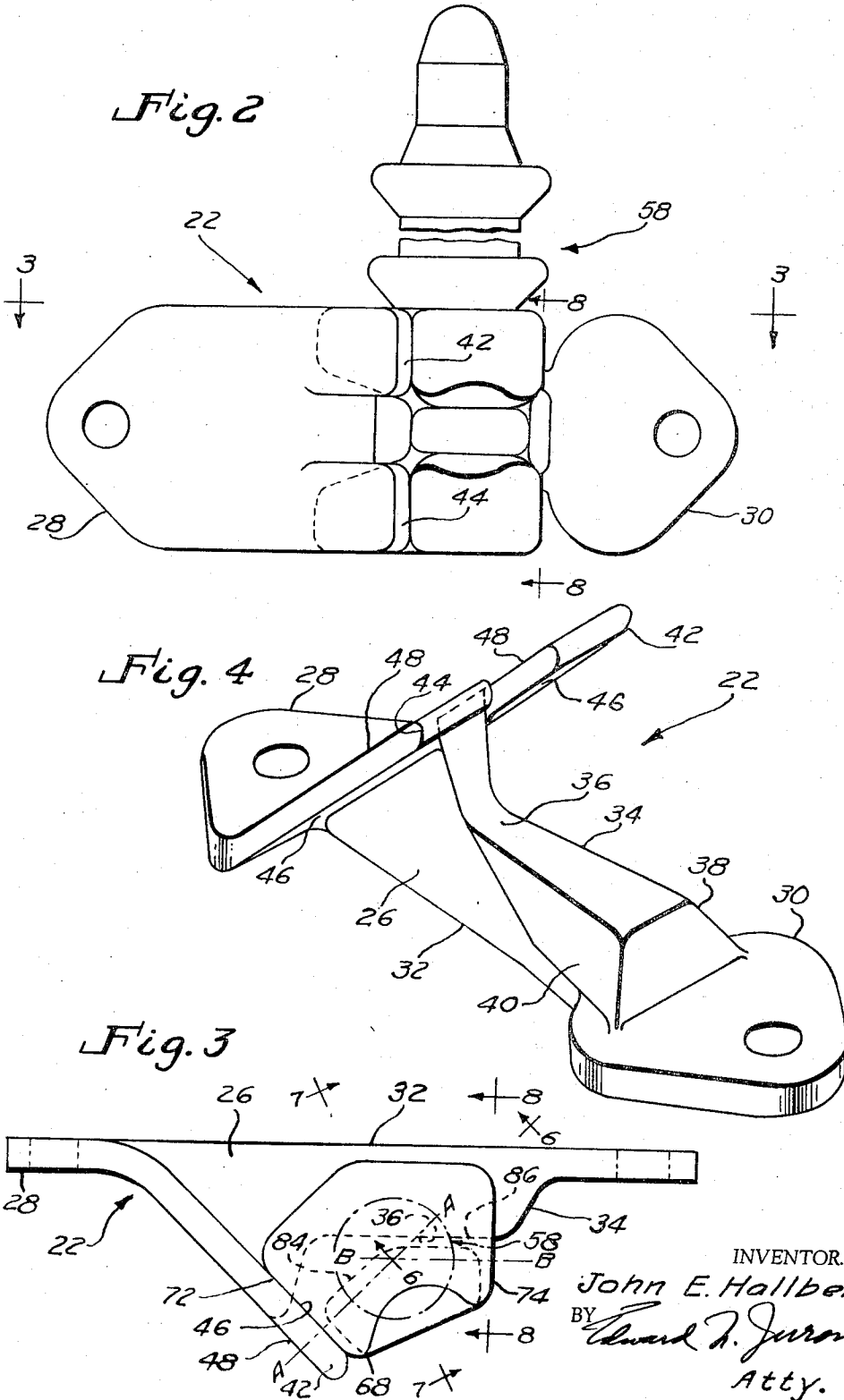
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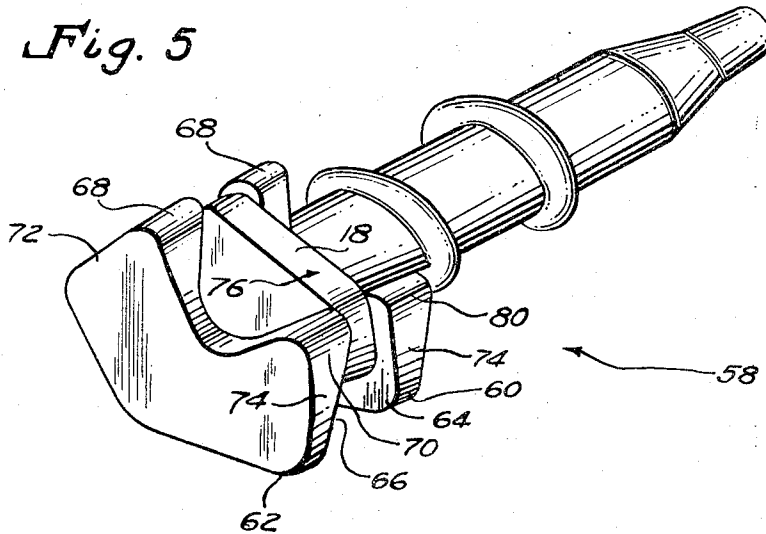


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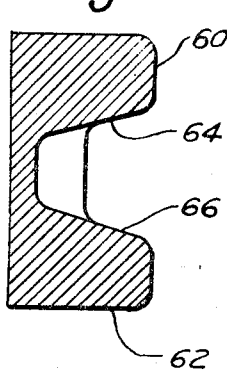


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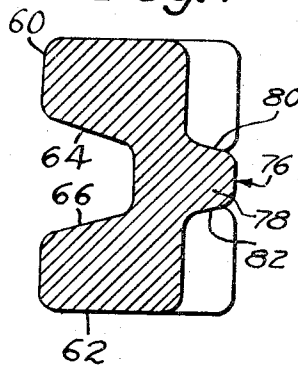


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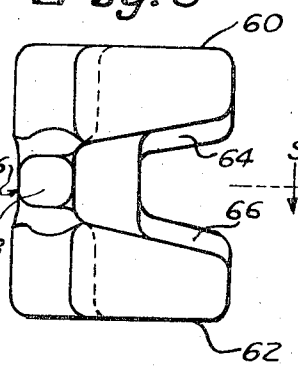
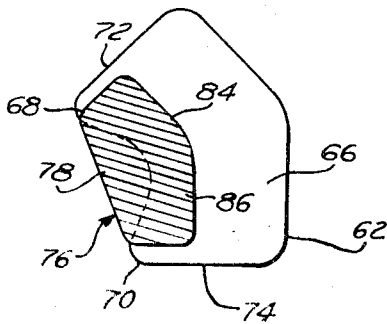


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**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A cargo container door fastening apparatus having frame-mounted universal keepers and locking bar-mounted universal carriers rotatably engageable therewith without regard to right or left handedness with the interengageable parts having complementary cam surfaces to provide leverage locking and vertical aligning and stabilizing features.

My present invention relates generally to door fastening means and more particularly to an improved cam latching arrangement for the doors of railway cars, trailers, containers and the like.

It is common practice to use a cam and keeper arrangement in connection with the door of a transport vehicle or freight container to tightly latch the door. Generally, carrier members having cam portions are attached to the top and bottom of an operating bar, with the cam portions being adapted to engage keeper members mounted on the door frame above and below the door. In existing arrangements, the upper and lower keeper members are reversely arranged, that is, the upper keeper member is inverted in respect to the lower keeper member, and the upper keeper member is open at the bottom while the lower keeper member is open at the top. In such arrangements, the cam portions of the carrier members must also be reversely arranged in order that they may be properly interengaged with their respective keeper members. As a result, the upper and lower keeper members cannot be interchanged, and the upper and lower carrier members cannot be interchanged. Hence, time and money are unnecessarily expended in producing, storing, shipping and mounting two different forms of keeper members and two different forms of carrier members.

It is an object of my present invention to provide door fastening means comprised of upper and lower keeper members which are of universal or identical construction so that they may be used interchangeably.

It is another object of my present invention to provide door fastening means comprised of upper and lower carrier members, having cam portions, which are of universal or identical construction so that they may be used interchangeably.

It is another object of my present invention to provide door fastening means, as described, wherein reaction points are provided for affording leverage to force the door within the plane of the frame as the door is being closed.

It is a further object of my present invention to provide door fastening means, as described, which is operative to force the frame and door relatively in a vertical direction to align the same as the door is swung within the plane of the frame, and which is operative to thereafter maintain proper vertical alignment.

It is a further object of my present invention to provide door fastening means, as described, which will not accidentally become unlocked when outward forces are imposed on the door, for example, as a result of shifting loads within the vehicle or container.

It is a still further object of my present invention to provide door fastening means, as described, wherein reaction points are provided for affording leverage to force the door out of the plane of the frame as the door is being opened.

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Now in order to acquaint those skilled in the art with the manner of constructing and using door fastening means in accordance with the principles of my present invention, I shall describe in connection with the accompanying drawings a preferred embodiment of my invention.

In the drawings:

FIGURE 1 is a fragmentary and foreshortened elevational view of a door frame and a door, with which the door fastening means of my present invention has been incorporated;

FIGURE 2 is an elevational view, on an enlarged scale, of the lower carrier and keeper members of FIGURE 1;

FIGURE 3 is a horizontal view, partly in section and partly in elevation, taken substantially along the line 3—3 in FIGURE 2, looking in the direction indicated by the arrows;

FIGURE 4 is a perspective view of the universal keeper member of my present invention;

FIGURE 5 is a perspective view of the universal carrier member of my present invention;

FIGURE 6 is a vertical sectional view of the lower portion of the carrier member, taken substantially along the line 6—6 in FIGURE 3, looking in the direction indicated by the arrows;

FIGURE 7 is a vertical sectional view of the lower portion of the carrier member, taken substantially along the line 7—7 in FIGURE 3, looking in the direction indicated by the arrows;

FIGURE 8 is an elevational view of the lower portion of the carrier member, taken substantially along the line 8—8 in FIGURE 3, looking in the direction indicated by the arrows; and

FIGURE 9 is a horizontal sectional view, taken substantially along the line 9—9 in FIGURE 8, looking in the direction indicated by the arrows.

Referring now to FIGURE 1, there is indicated generally by the reference numeral 10 a conventional door frame which may, for example, be located in the side or end of an enclosed transport vehicle or freight conveyance. The door frame 10 comprises horizontal upper and lower structural elements 12 and 14 and a vertical side structural element 16. Disposed within the door frame 10 for closing the same is a door 18 which is pivotally mounted along its one vertical edge to the side door frame element 16 by means of hinges 20. The door frame 10 may be closed by a single door 18, or by a pair of such doors, as those skilled in the art will readily understand.

The door fastening means of my present invention, which is adapted to secure the door 18 within the door frame 10, comprises a pair of keeper members 22 mounted, as by bolts 24, to the upper and lower door frame elements 12 and 14. The keeper members 22, which are of identical construction, each comprise, as shown in FIGURES 2, 3 and 4, a central web portion 26, and a pair of mounting flange portions 28 and 30 at the opposite ends thereof, which together define a rear planar mounting surface 32. Projecting forwardly from the web portion 26 is a horizontal rib portion 34 having a forward face 36 parallel to the planar mounting surface 32 and having upper and lower surfaces 38 and 40 which taper toward each other both in a forward direction and in a lateral direction toward one end of the keeper member adjacent the mounting flange portion 28. The keeper member 22 further includes arm means in the form of vertically spaced arm portions 42 and 44 which project forwardly therefrom at the one end of the keeper member adjacent the mounting flange portion 28. The arm portions 42 and 44 are arranged at an acute angle relative to the forward face 36 of the rib portion 34, and have vertical inner and outer parallel faces 46 and 48. It is to be understood that the keeper member 22 is symmetrical about its

longitudinal axis and hence may be used interchangeably at the top and bottom of the door frame.

Arranged for operative association with the keeper members 22, as shown in FIGURE 1, is a vertically extending hollow operating shaft or rod 50 rotatably jour-  
nalled in bracket members 52 and 53 suitably secured, as  
by bolts, to the outer face of the door 18. Means for rotat-  
ing the shaft 50 is provided in the form of a horizontal  
hand lever 54 normally retained in a conventional seal  
assembly indicated generally by the reference numeral 56.

Secured within the upper and lower ends of the hollow  
shaft 50 are shaft extensions or carrier members 58 which  
may be rotatably guided, along with the hollow shaft 50,  
in the bracket members 52. Both carrier members 58 are  
of identical construction, and each comprise, as shown in  
FIGURES 5-9, vertically spaced wing portions 60 and 62  
having facing cam surfaces 64 and 66 principally on one  
side of the carrier member. The cam surfaces 64 and 66  
taper toward each other transversely of the carrier mem-  
ber and taper away from each other in a direction away  
from the center of the carrier member. Each of the wing  
portions 60 and 62 is also formed with laterally spaced  
nose sections 68 and 70 on the other side of the carrier  
member generally opposite the cam surfaces 64 and 66.  
In addition, each wing portion 60 and 62 is formed with  
vertical end surfaces 72 and 74 extending angularly to-  
ward each other in the direction of the nose sections 68  
and 70. The end surfaces 72 and 74 respectively extend  
to either side of and are perpendicular to planes (indicated  
by the broken lines A—A and B—B in FIGURE 3) pass-  
ing through the axis of rotation of the carrier member  
58 and shaft 50. Still further, the carrier member 58 is  
provided with a transversely extending center guide por-  
tion 76 intermediate of the wing portions 60 and 62. The  
center guide portion 76 has an outer cam section 78 ex-  
tending between the nose sections 68 and 70 with upper  
and lower surfaces 80 and 82 tapering toward each other  
in an outward direction. The center guide portion 76 is  
also formed with inner cam surfaces 84 and 86 which ex-  
tend angularly away from each other in the direction of  
the outer cam section 78. The inner cam surfaces 84 and  
86 preferably lie in planes perpendicular to the vertical  
end surfaces 72 and 74 of the wing portions 60 and 62.  
Since the carrier members 58 are symmetrical about the  
line 7—7 in FIGURE 3, they may be used interchangeably  
at the top and bottom of shaft 50. The carrier members  
58 are rotatable in one direction relative to the keeper  
members 22 to effect interengagement of these members,  
and are rotatable in the other direction to effect disengage-  
ment of the members.

The elements of the door fastener of my present inven-  
tion are shown in a locked or closed position in FIGURES  
1, 2 and 3. In this position, the end surfaces 72 of the  
lower carrier and the end surfaces 74 of the upper carrier  
fully engage the adjacent inner faces 46 of the upper and  
lower keepers 22. To unlock the door fastening means, the  
hand lever 54 is released from the seal assembly 56 and  
swung in a horizontal plane toward a forwardly extending  
position so that the shaft 50 and shaft extensions or car-  
riers 58 are caused to rotate clockwise, as viewed in FIG-  
URE 3, on their common axis. As the carrier members  
58 are thus rotated, the door 18 is first urged slightly in-  
wardly of the door frame 10 until the nose sections 68 of  
the lower carrier and the nose sections 70 of the upper  
carrier are rotated past the planes perpendicular to the  
inner faces 46 and passing through the axis of rotation  
of the carrier members. Simultaneously, the inner cam  
surfaces 84 and 86 of the center guide portions 76 engage  
the forward faces 36 of the rib portions 34 of the lower  
and upper carriers to provide reaction points for initial  
opening leverage. Next, the outer cam sections 78 of the  
center guide portions 76 move between and through the  
arm portions 42 and 44 of the keeper members 22 while  
the nose sections 70 of the lower carrier and the nose  
sections 68 of the upper carrier engage the outer faces

48 of the arm portions 42 and 44 of the lower and  
upper carriers to provide reaction points for additional  
opening leverage. As a result, carrier members 58 are  
moved arcuately away from the keeper members 22, and  
the door 18 may be swung outwardly of the plane of the  
door frame 10 to a fully opened position.

In closing the door opening defined by the door frame  
10, the door 18 is swung toward the plane of the frame 10  
with the carrier members 58 being positioned closely  
adjacent the keeper members 22. Then, the hand lever  
54 is pivoted toward the position shown in FIGURE 1  
whereupon the shaft 50 is rotated for causing interen-  
gagement of the carrier and keeper members. In this con-  
nection, the outer cam sections 78 of the center guide  
portions 76 are moved between and through the arm por-  
tions 42 and 44 of the keeper members whereby to  
initially vertically align the carrier and keeper members  
to compensate for any mis-alignment of the door and  
frame. At this time, the nose sections 68 of the lower  
carrier and the nose sections 70 of the upper carrier en-  
gage the inner faces 46 of the arm portions 42 and 44 of  
the lower and upper carriers to provide reaction points  
for closing leverage. Engagement of the cam surfaces  
64 and 66 of the wing portions 60 and 62 with the upper  
and lower surfaces 38 and 40 of the rib portions 34  
produces a wedging action in both vertical directions.  
Thus, the carriers and keeper members are further  
vertically aligned and are thereafter held against relative  
vertical movement or displacement. In approaching the  
fully closed position, the door 18 is urged slightly in-  
wardly of the position shown in FIGURE 1 to permit the  
nose sections 68 of the lower carrier and the nose sections  
70 of the upper carrier to be rotated "over-center" so that  
the end surfaces 72 of the lower carrier and the end sur-  
faces 74 of the upper carrier may fully engage the inner  
faces 46 of the arm portions 42 and 44 whereupon the  
carrier members 58 are restrained from rotating relative  
to the keeper members 22. Furthermore, the projection of  
the nose sections beyond the plane A—A prevents un-  
locking rotation of the carrier members until the door is  
first urged sufficiently inwardly to permit the nose sec-  
tions to be rotated past the "over-center" positions. Thus,  
outward forces imposed on the door will not cause un-  
locking of the door fastening means of my present inven-  
tion but rather will tend to urge the carrier members  
further into the keeper members whereby to prevent ac-  
cidental springing open of the door.

While I have shown and described what I believe to  
be a preferred embodiment of my present invention, it  
will be understood by those skilled in the art that various  
rearrangements and modifications may be made therein  
without departing from the spirit and scope of my inven-  
tion.

I claim:

1. For use with a door frame having upper and lower  
elements and a door having a vertical edge hinged to  
the door frame, the combination of a vertically extend-  
ing shaft rotatably mounted on the outer face of the door,  
identical keeper members mounted on the upper and  
lower elements of the frame, and identical carrier mem-  
bers mounted at the upper and lower ends of said shaft;  
each of said keeper members having a horizontal for-  
wardly projecting rib portion and having vertically spaced  
arm means projecting forwardly from said rib portion at  
one end thereof; each of said carrier members having a  
pair of vertically spaced wing portions each of which  
portions is characterized by a cam surface on one side of  
said carrier member, by a nose section on the other side  
of said carrier member and by a vertical end surface; said  
shaft being rotatable in one direction to rotate said car-  
rier members relative to said keeper members to effect  
interengagement of said members, said nose sections of  
said wing portions being engageable with said arm means  
to provide a reaction point for closing leverage, said cam  
surfaces of said wing portions upon engagement with

said rib portions serving to align said carrier and keeper members, and said vertical end surfaces of said wing portions when in full engagement with said arm means serving to restrain said carrier members from rotation relative to said keeper members.

2. For use with a door frame having upper and lower elements and a door having a vertical edge hinged to the frame, the combination of a vertically extending shaft rotatably mounted on the outer face of the door, identical keeper members mounted on the upper and lower elements of the frame, and identical carrier members mounted at the upper and lower ends of said shaft; each of said keeper members having a planar mounting surface and a horizontal forwardly projecting rib portion with a forward face parallel to said planar mounting surface, said rib portion having upper and lower surfaces which taper toward each other both in a forward direction and in a lateral direction toward one end of said keeper member, said keeper member having vertically spaced arm portions projecting forwardly therefrom at said one end thereof at an acute angle relative to said forward face of said rib portion, and said arm portions having vertical inner and outer parallel faces; each of said carrier members having vertically spaced wing portions with facing cam surfaces on one side of said carrier member, said cam surfaces tapering toward each other transversely of said carrier member and tapering away from each other in a direction away from the center of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having laterally spaced nose sections on the other side of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having opposed vertical end surfaces extending angularly toward each other in the direction of said nose sections, said end surfaces each extending to either side of and being perpendicular to a plane passing through the axis of rotation of said carrier member, said carrier member having a transversely extending center guide portion intermediate of said wing portions, said center guide portion having an outer cam section extending between said nose sections with upper and lower surfaces tapering toward each other in an outward direction, said center guide portion having inner cam surfaces extending angularly away from each other in the direction of said outer cam section, and each of said inner cam surfaces lying in a plane perpendicular to the adjacent vertical end surfaces of said wing portions; said shaft being rotatable in one direction to rotate said carrier members relative to said keeper members to effect interengagement of said members, said outer cam sections of said center guide portions upon movement between and through said arm portions of said keeper members serving to initially vertically align said carrier and keeper members, one of said nose sections of each of said wing portions being engageable with said inner faces of said arm portions to provide a reaction point for closing leverage, said cam surfaces of said wing portions upon engagement with said upper and lower surfaces of said rib portions also serving to align said carrier and keeper members and to hold the same against relative vertical movement, one of said end surfaces of each of said wing portions when in full engagement with said inner faces of said arm portions serving to restrain said carrier members from rotation relative to said keeper members, said shaft being rotatable in the other direction to rotate said carrier members relative to said keeper members to effect disengagement of said members, one of said inner cam surfaces of said center guide portions being engageable with said forward faces of said rib portions to provide a reaction point for initial opening leverage, said outer cam sections of said center guide portions being movable between and through said arm portions of said keeper members, and the other of said nose sections of each of said wing portions being engageable with said outer faces of said arm portions to provide a reaction point for additional opening leverage.

3. Door fastening means comprising a keeper member

having a horizontal forwardly projecting rib portion, said keeper member having a pair of vertically spaced arm means projecting forwardly from said rib portion at one end thereof, a carrier member having a pair of vertically spaced wing portions, each of which wing portions is characterized by a generally horizontally disposed cam surface on one side of said carrier member, by a nose section on the other side of said carrier member and by a vertical end surface, said carrier member being rotatable in one direction relative to said keeper member to effect interengagement of said members, said vertically spaced nose sections of said wing portions being engageable with said pair of vertically spaced arm means of said keeper member to provide a reaction point for closing leverage, said cam surfaces of said wing portions upon engagement with said rib portion serving to align said carrier and keeper members, and said end surfaces of said wing portions when in full engagement with said pair of spaced arm means serving to restrain said carrier member from rotation relative to said keeper member.

4. Door fastening means comprising a keeper member having a horizontal forwardly projecting rib portion, said keeper member having vertically spaced arm portions projecting forwardly therefrom at said one end thereof, a carrier member having vertically spaced wing portions with facing cam surfaces on one side of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having a nose section on the other side of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having a vertical end surface, said carrier member having a transversely extending center guide portion intermediate of said wing portions, said center guide portion having an outer cam section laterally of said nose sections, said carrier member being rotatable in one direction relative to said keeper member to effect interengagement of said members, said outer cam section of said center guide portion upon movement between and through said arm portions of said keeper member serving to initially vertically align said carrier and keeper members, said nose sections of said wing portions being engageable with said arm portions to provide a reaction point for closing leverage, said cam surfaces of said wing portions upon engagement with said rib portion also serving to align said carrier and keeper members and to hold the same against relative vertical movement, and said end surfaces of said wing portions when in full engagement with said arm portions serving to restrain said carrier member from rotation relative to said keeper member.

5. Door fastening means comprising a keeper member having a horizontal forwardly projecting rib portion with upper and lower surfaces which taper toward each other both in a forward direction and in a lateral direction toward one end of said keeper member, said keeper member having vertically spaced arm portions projecting forwardly therefrom at said one end thereof, said arm portions having vertical inner and outer faces, a carrier member having vertically spaced wing portions with facing cam surfaces on one side of said carrier member, said cam surfaces tapering toward each other transversely of said carrier member and tapering away from each other in a direction away from the center of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having a nose section on the other side of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having a vertical end surface, said end surfaces extending to either side of and being perpendicular to a plane passing through the axis of rotation of said carrier member, said carrier member having a transversely extending center guide portion intermediate of said wing portions, said center guide portion having an outer cam section laterally of said nose sections, said carrier member being rotatable in one direction relative to said keeper member to effect interengagement of said members, said outer cam section of said center guide portion upon movement between and through said arm portions of said keeper member serving to initially vertically align said

carrier and keeper members, said nose sections of said wing portions being engageable with said inner faces of said arm portions to provide a reaction point for closing leverage, said cam surfaces of said wing portions upon engagement with said upper and lower surfaces of said rib portion also serving to align said carrier and keeper members and to hold the same against relative vertical movement, and said end surfaces of said wing portions when in full engagement with said inner faces of said arm portions serving to restrain said carrier member from rotation relative to said keeper member.

6. Door fastening means comprising a keeper member having a horizontal forwardly projecting rib portion with upper and lower surfaces which taper toward each other both in a forward direction and in a lateral direction toward one end of said keeper member, said keeper member having vertically spaced arm portions projecting forwardly therefrom at said one end thereof, said arm portions having vertical inner and outer faces, a carrier member having vertically spaced wing portions with facing cam surfaces on one side of said carrier member, said cam surfaces tapering toward each other transversely of said carrier member and tapering away from each other in a direction away from the center of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having laterally spaced nose sections on the other side of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having a vertical end surface, said end surfaces extending to either side of and being perpendicular to a plane passing through the axis of rotation of said carrier member, said carrier member having a transversely extending center guide portion intermediate of said wing portions, said center guide portion having an outer cam section extending between said nose sections, said center guide portion having an inner cam surface, said carrier member being rotatable in one direction relative to said keeper member to effect interengagement of said members, said outer cam section of said center guide portion upon movement between and through said arm portions of said keeper member serving to initially vertically align said carrier and keeper members, one of said nose sections of each of said wing portions being engageable with said inner faces of said arm portions to provide a reaction point for closing leverage, said cam surfaces of said wing portions upon engagement with said upper and lower surfaces of said rib portion also serving to align said carrier and keeper members and to hold the same against relative vertical movement, said end surfaces of said wing portions when in full engagement with said inner faces of said arm portions serving to restrain said carrier member from rotation relative to said keeper member, said carrier member being rotatable in the other direction relative to said keeper member to effect disengagement of said members, said inner cam surface of said center guide portion being engageable with said rib portion to provide a reaction point for initial opening leverage, said outer cam section of said center guide portion being movable between and through said arm portions of said keeper member, and the other of said nose sections of each of said wing portions being engageable with said outer faces of said arm portions to provide a reaction point for additional opening leverage.

7. Door fastening means comprising a keeper member having a planar mounting surface and a horizontal forwardly projecting rib portion with a forward face parallel to said planar mounting surface, said rib portion having upper and lower surfaces which taper toward each other both in a forward direction and in a lateral direction toward one end of said keeper member, said keeper member having vertically spaced arm portions projecting forwardly therefrom at said one end thereof at an acute angle relative to said forward face of said rib portion, said arm portions having vertical inner and outer parallel faces, a carrier member having vertically spaced wing portions with facing cam surfaces on one side of said carrier member, said cam surfaces tapering toward each

other transversely of said carrier member and tapering away from each other in a direction away from the center of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having laterally spaced nose sections on the other side of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having opposed vertical end surfaces extending angularly toward each other in the direction of said nose sections, said end surfaces each extending to either side of and being perpendicular to a plane passing through the axis of rotation of said carrier member, said carrier member having a transversely extending center guide portion intermediate of said wing portions, said center guide portion having an outer cam section extending between said nose sections with upper and lower surfaces tapering toward each other in an outward direction, said center guide portion having inner cam surfaces extending angularly away from each other in the direction of said outer cam section, each of said inner cam surfaces lying in a plane perpendicular to the adjacent vertical end surfaces of said wing portions, said carrier member being rotatable in one direction relative to said keeper member to effect interengagement of said members, said outer cam section of said center guide portion upon movement between and through said arm portions of said keeper member serving to initially vertically align said carrier and keeper members, one of said nose sections of each of said wing portions being engageable with said inner faces of said arm portions to provide a reaction point for closing leverage, said cam surfaces of said wing portions upon engagement with said upper and lower surfaces of said rib portion also serving to align said carrier and keeper members and to hold the same against relative vertical movement, one of said end surfaces of each of said wing portions when in full engagement with said inner faces of said arm portions serving to restrain said carrier member from rotation relative to said keeper member, said carrier member being rotatable in the other direction relative to said keeper member to effect disengagement of said members, one of said inner cam surfaces of said center guide portion being engageable with said forward face of said rib portion to provide a reaction point for initial opening leverage, said outer cam section of said center guide portion being movable between and through said arm portions of said keeper member, and the other of said nose sections of each of said wing portions being engageable with said outer faces of said arm portions to provide a reaction point for additional opening leverage.

8. For use in a door fastener, a keeper member having a horizontal forwarding projecting rib portion with upper and lower surfaces which taper toward each other both in a forward direction and in a lateral direction toward one end of said keeper member, said keeper member having vertically spaced arm portions projecting forwardly therefrom at said one end thereof, and said arm portions having vertical inner and outer faces.

9. For use in a door fastener, a keeper member having a planar mounting surface and a horizontal forwardly projecting rib portion with a forward face parallel to said planar mounting surface, said rib portion having upper and lower surfaces which taper toward each other both in a forward direction and in a lateral direction toward one end of said keeper member, said keeper member having vertically spaced arm portions projecting forwardly therefrom at said one end thereof at an acute angle relative to said forward face of said rib portion, and said arm portions having vertical inner and outer parallel faces.

10. For use in a door fastener, a carrier member having vertically spaced wing portions with generally horizontally disposed facing cam surfaces on one side of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having a pair of laterally spaced nose sections on the other side of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having opposed vertical end surfaces extending angularly toward each other in the direction of said nose sections.

11. For use in a door fastener, a carrier member having vertically spaced wing portions with generally horizontally disposed facing cam surfaces on one side of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having a pair of laterally spaced nose sections on the other side of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having a vertical end surface, said carrier member having a transversely extending center guide portion intermediate of said wing portions, and said center guide portion having an outer cam section extending between said nose sections.

12. For use in a door fastener, a carrier member having vertically spaced wing portions with generally horizontally disposed facing cam surfaces on one side of said carrier member, said cam surfaces tapering toward each other transversely of said carrier member and tapering away from each other in a direction away from the center of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having a pair of laterally spaced nose sections on the other side of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having a vertical end surface, said end surfaces extending to either side of and being perpendicular to plane passing through the axis of rotation of said carrier member, said carrier member having a transversely extending center guide portion intermediate of said wing portions, said center guide portion having an outer cam section extending between said nose sections, and said center guide portion having an inner cam surface.

13. For use in a door fastener, a carrier member having vertically spaced wing portions with facing cam surfaces on one side of said carrier member, said cam surfaces tapering toward each other transversely of said car-

rier member and tapering away from each other in a direction away from the center of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having laterally spaced nose sections on the other side of said carrier member, each of said wing portions having opposed vertical end surfaces extending angularly toward each other in the direction of said nose sections, said end surfaces each extending to either side of and being perpendicular to a plane passing through the axis of rotation of said carrier member, said carrier member having a transversely extending center guide portion intermediate of said wing portions, said center guide portion having an outer cam section extending between said nose sections with upper and lower surfaces tapering toward each other in an outward direction, said center guide portion having inner cam surfaces extending angularly away from each other in the direction of said outer cam section, and each of said inner cam surfaces lying in a plane perpendicular to the adjacent vertical end surfaces of said wing portions.

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