

ABSTRACT.

LUGGAGE CASE

A luggage case 11 comprising two shells 12, 13. Each shell has a peripheral side wall 15, 17, the side walls forming the front 18, back 19 and end walls 20 of the case. The two shells are hinged together at the back wall 19 and have latches 24, 25 for releasably fastening the edges of the shells together when the case 11 is closed. There are two latches 24, 25 located near the corners between the front and end walls 20 of the case. The periphery of each shell is formed with a projecting rim 33, 30. The rims have gaps in the regions of the two latches 24, 25. The gaps in one of the shells 12 have an external lip and a recess 93 therein. The latches 24, 25 are mounted on the outside of the other shell 13. Each latch 24, 25 includes a hooked latch member 54, can engage over the external lip 33 and into the recess 93 in the rim of the said one shell 12, the latch having a toggle action to draw the shells together. When the latch is so fastened the outer surface of the hooked latch member 54 fits within the gap in each rim 33, 30 and is substantially flush with the outer surfaces of the rims 33, 30.

Figure 1

