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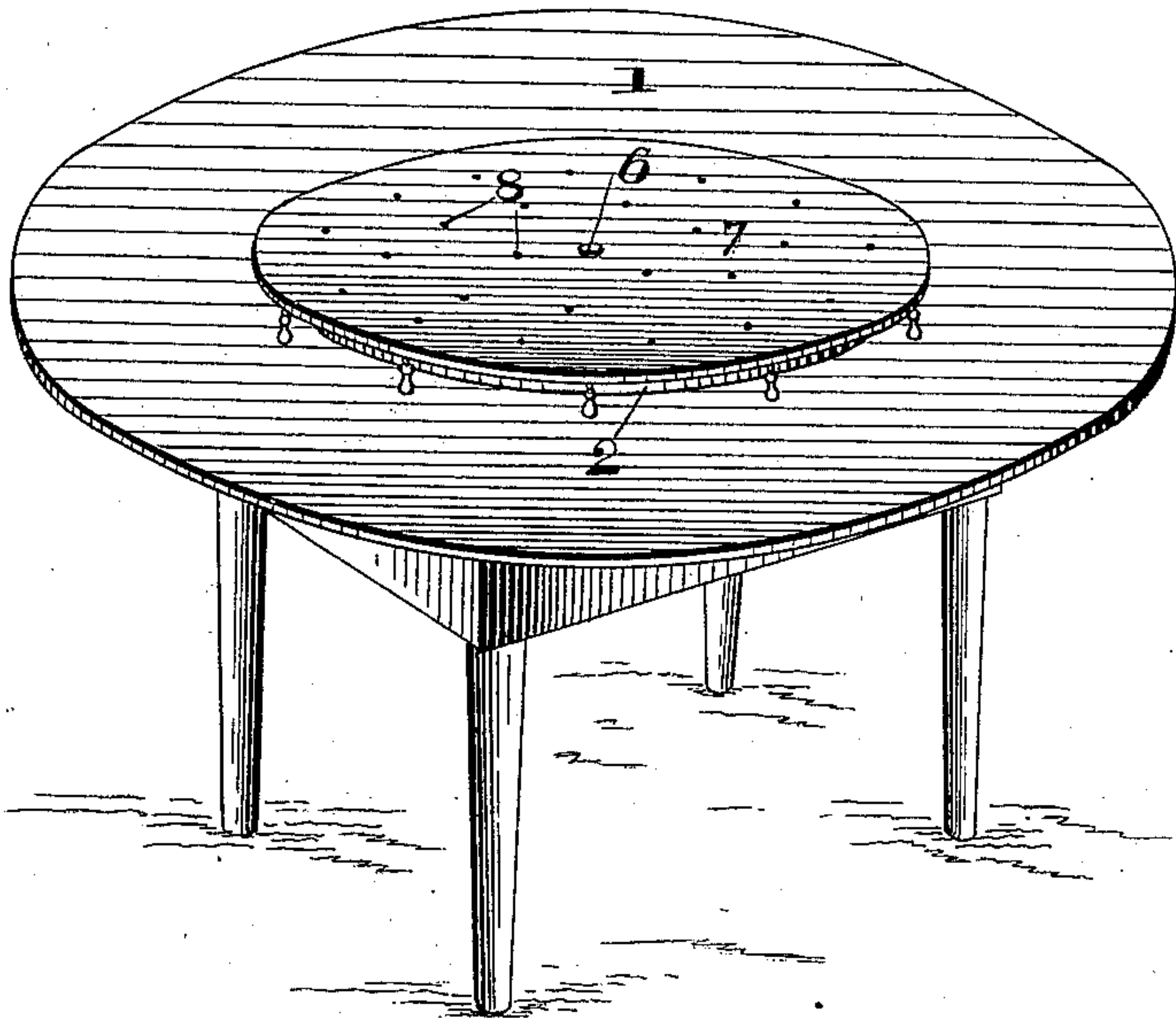
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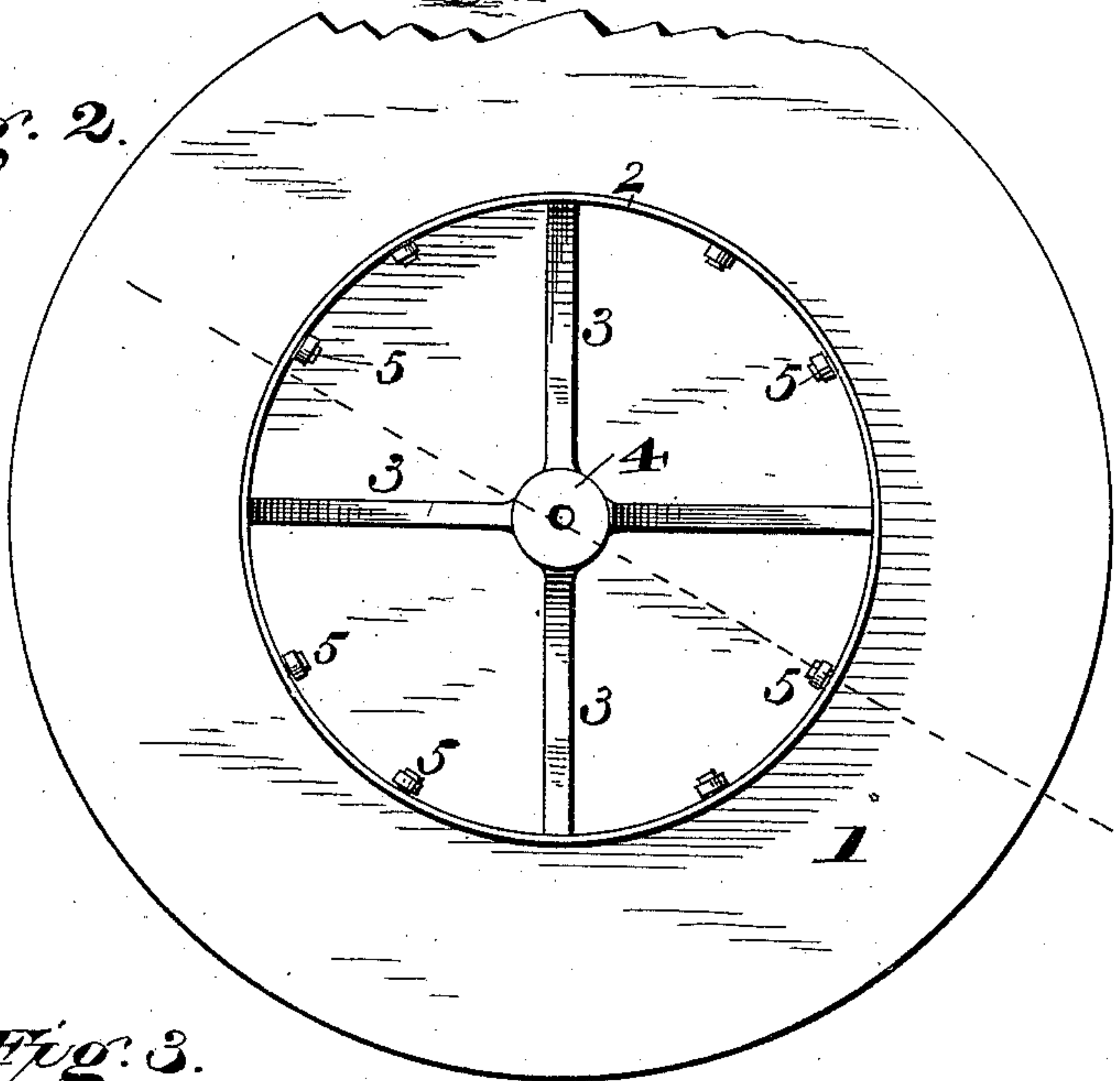
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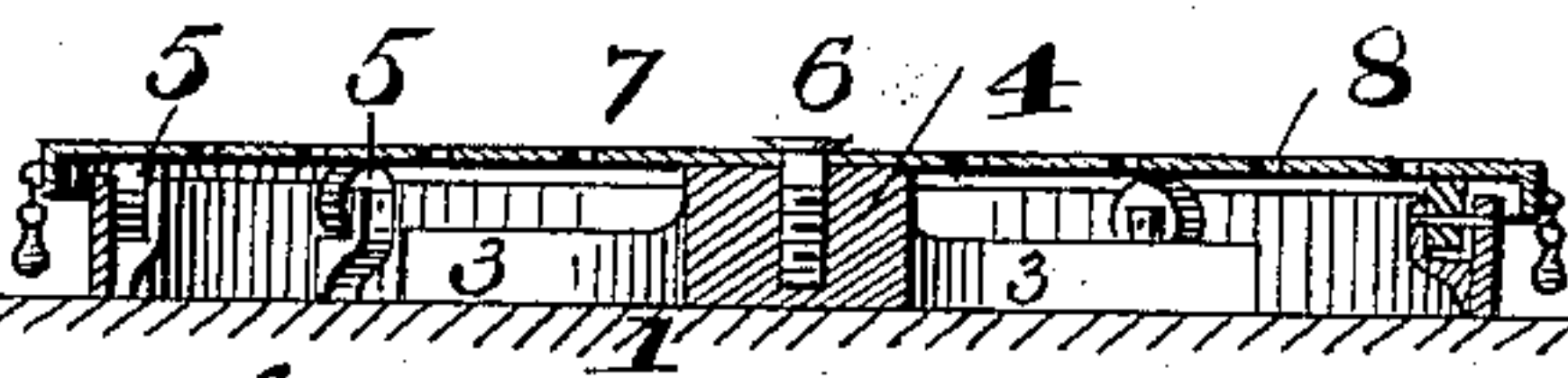
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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## WAITER OR SALVER FOR TABLES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, LAFAYETTE HARRIS, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Three Forks, in the county of Gallatin and Territory of Montana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Waiters or Salviers for Tables; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a table provided with my improved revolving waiter or salver. Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the same, showing the waiter removed and the frame exposed; and Fig. 3 is a diametrical sectional view of the waiter and frame.

Similar numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

My invention has relation to that class of waiters or salviers which are pivoted with their centers upon the top of a table, enabling the various dishes upon the waiter or salver to be within reach of the persons surrounding the table, as the waiter may be revolved upon its pivotal central point; and it consists in the improved construction and combination of parts of such a waiter or salver, as hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, the numeral 1 indicates the top of the table, which may be of any desired construction and of any suitable shape, although a circular table is most convenient for this class of waiters.

A circular frame, 2, having suitable radiating arms, 3, extending from a hub, 4, rests on the top of the table, concentric with the same, or approximately so, as near as practicable. A number of rollers, 5, are journaled radially upon the inner side of the rim of this frame, so that their upper portions will project slightly above the upper edge of the rim. The hub of the frame is provided with a central pivotal bolt, 6, preferably screwed into the hub, and the circular waiter or salver 7 is centrally pivoted upon this bolt, and has, preferably, a number of perforations, 8, in its

bottom. The edge of the waiter is provided with a number of pendants, hanging knobs, or handles, by grasping which the waiter may be easily revolved. It will thus be seen that the dishes may all be placed upon the waiter and carried to the table, upon which the frame has already been placed, whereupon the waiter may be pivotally secured upon the frame, revolving around its central bolt upon the upper sides of the rollers, so that a person seated at the table may bring the side at which a desired dish is placed around to his side by merely revolving the waiter upon the frame.

By having the waiter resting upon the frame it will be sufficiently raised above the top of the same to prevent the heat from the dishes upon the same from injuring the table, and by having the perforations in the waiter this danger is still more obviated, as a current of air may pass in under the waiter and up through the same, cooling the face or top of the table as it passes over the same and upward.

By having the waiter pivoted upon the frame instead of having it pivoted upon the table, as is generally the case with this class of waiters and tables, the table and its top may be entirely uninjured, and any table may be used with the waiter, and the table may be covered with a table-cloth or other covering, which need not be mutilated with a central perforation for the pivotal bolt, as a cloth or covering for the usual style of table for revolving waiters will need.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

1. The combination, with a circular frame having radiating arms upon a central hub, and having a rim provided upon its inner side with revolving rollers projecting above the upper edge of the rim, of a waiter journaled upon a central pivotal bolt to revolve upon the rollers and projecting beyond the edge of the frame, and having pendent knobs or handles for revolving it, as and for the purpose shown and set forth.

2. The combination, with a circular frame having radiating arms upon a central hub, and having a rim provided with radially-journaled rollers upon its inner side projecting

above the upper edge, of a circular perforated  
waiter pivoted upon a central bolt in the hub  
to revolve upon the same and upon the rollers,  
and projecting beyond the rim of the frame  
5 having pendants at its edge, as and for the pur-  
pose shown and set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my

own I have hereunto affixed my signature in  
presence of two witnesses.

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