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BUGGY BOOT.

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Fig. 1.

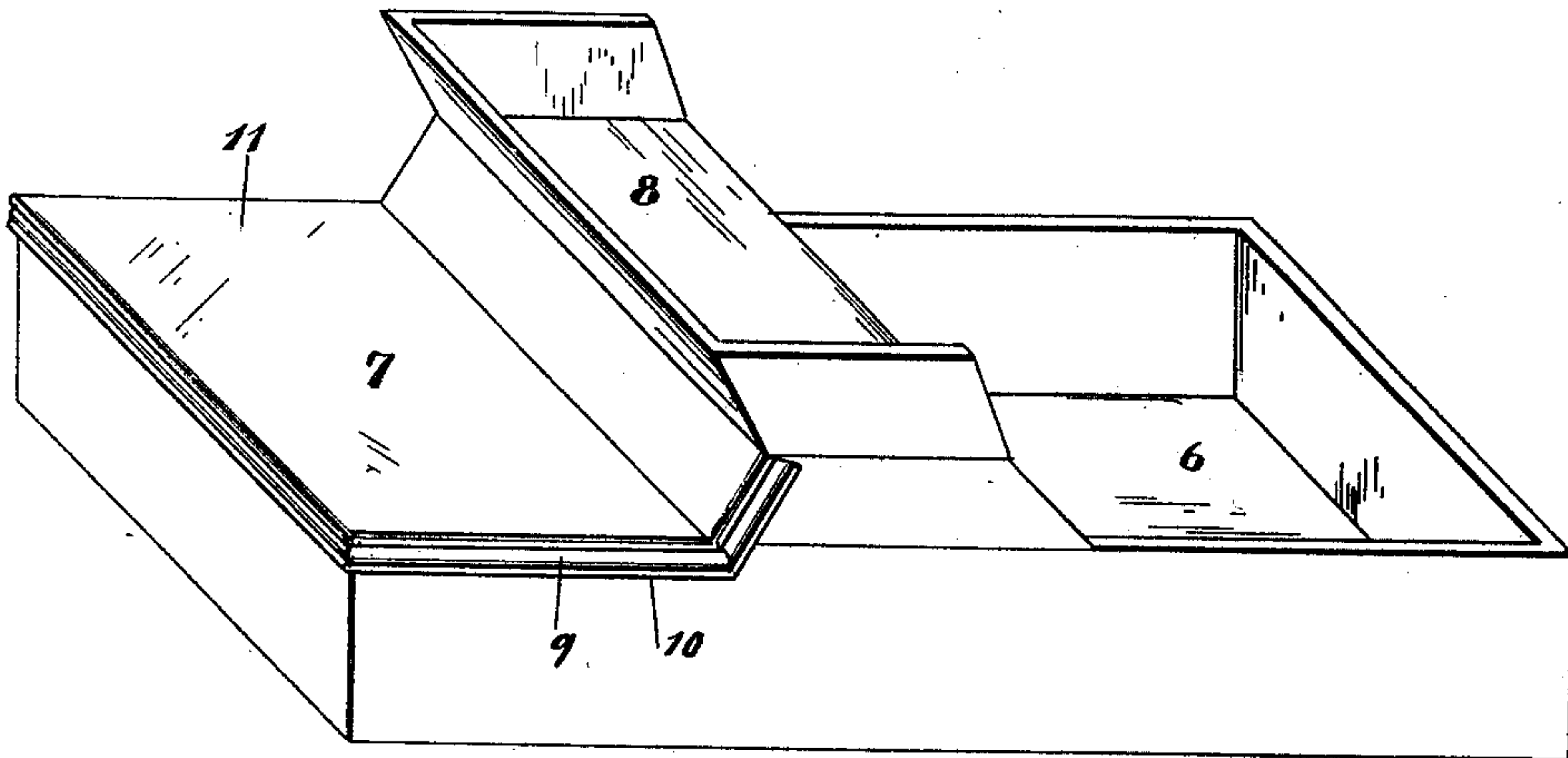


Fig. 2.

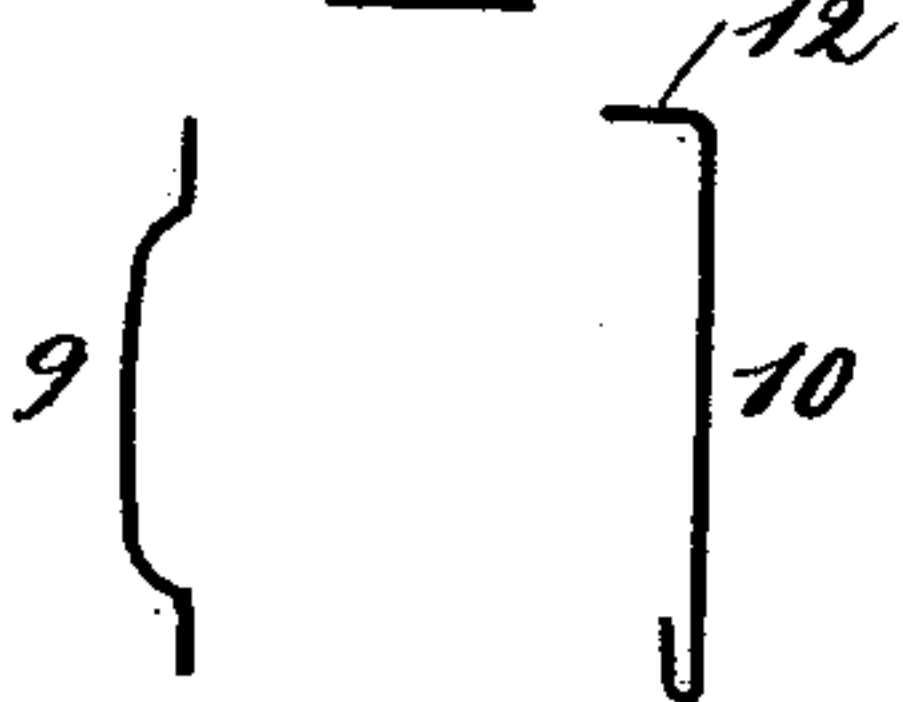


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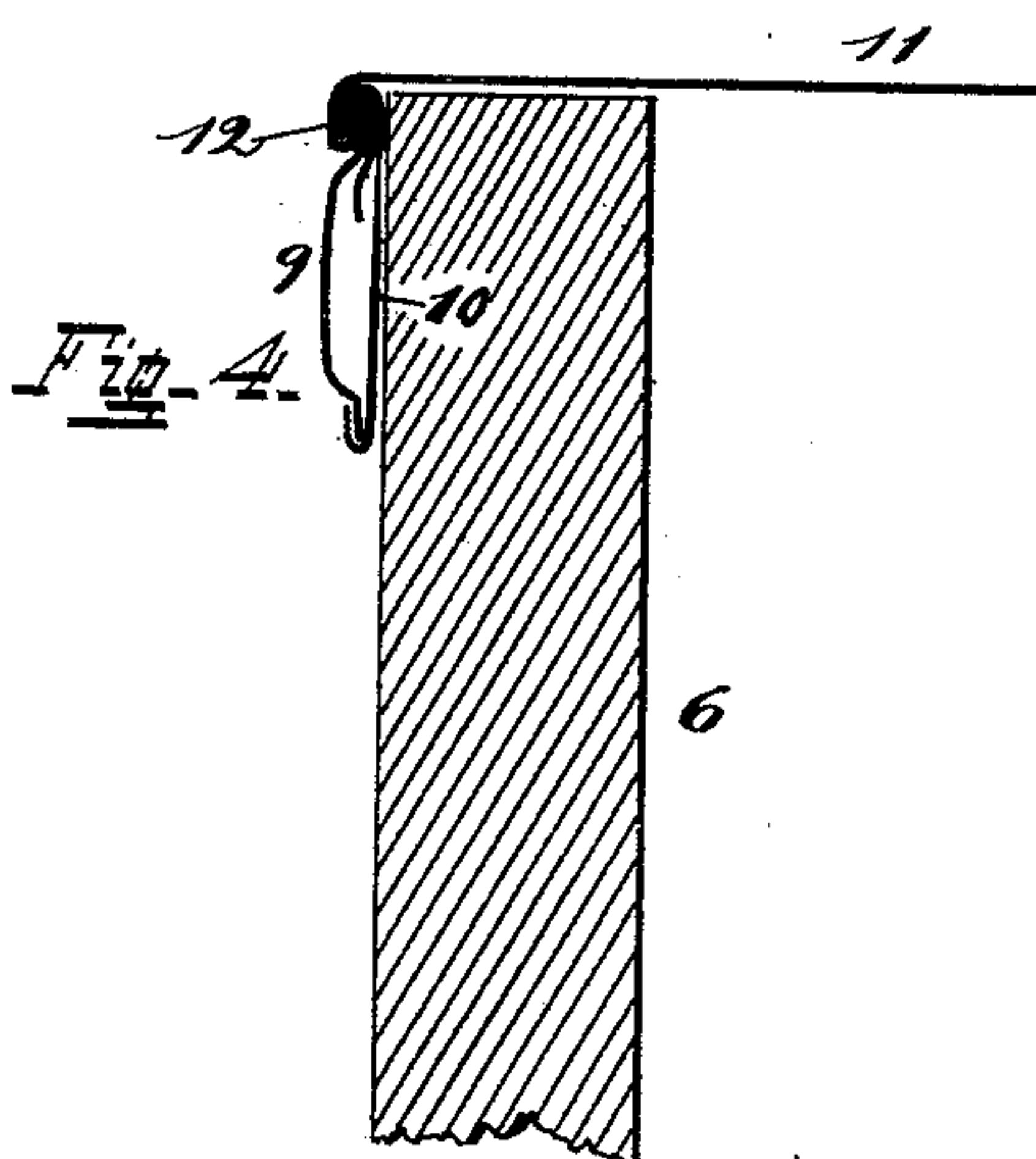
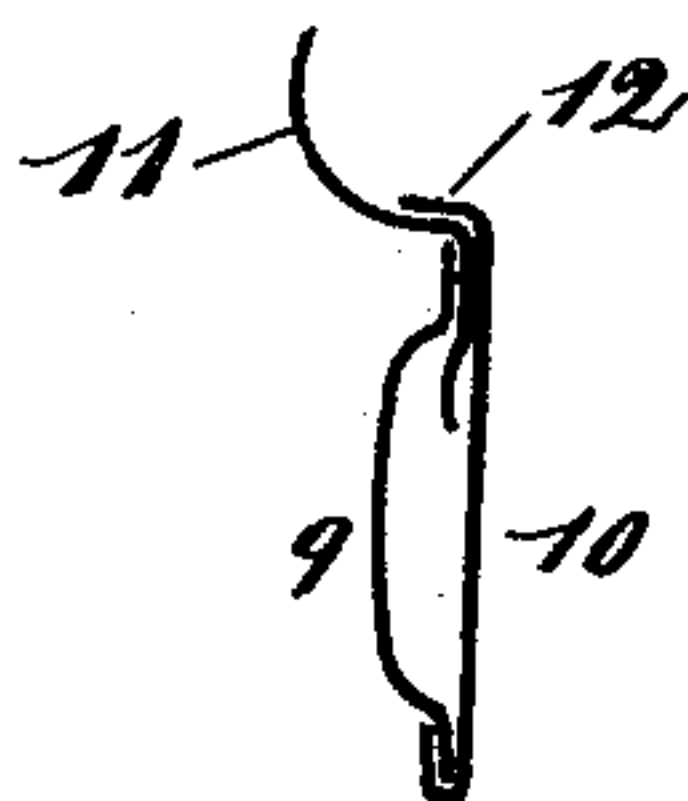
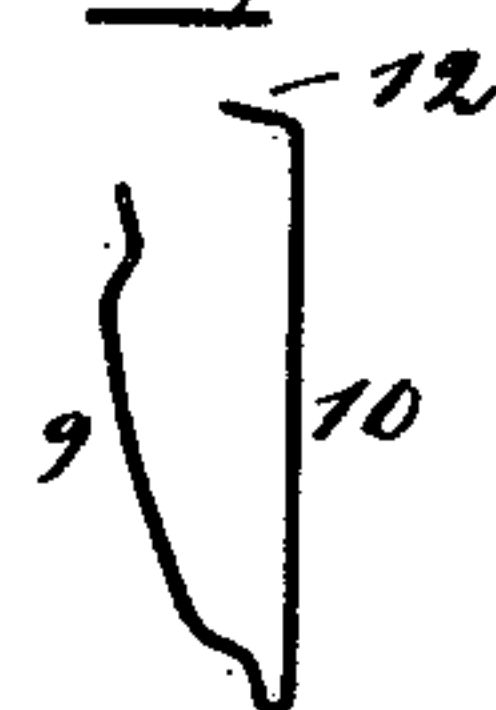


Fig. 4.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CORNELIUS BAUER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cincinnati, in the county of Hamilton and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Buggy-Boots; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to an improvement in buggy-boots, an article of manufacture used to cover that portion of the body of a buggy or similar vehicle which is behind the seat. They are generally hinged to the latter, so as to permit ready access to the interior of the body for storing purposes, for instance, and when down cover it, closely conforming to the shape of the same, so as to protect its inside from the detrimental influences of the weather, dust, &c.

The object is to provide a cheap and nice-appearing article generally, but more particularly to provide a practical joint between leather and frame which is rain and moisture proof. The construction by which I attain these objects is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a vehicle-body, showing boot in position. Fig. 2 shows in a cross-section the two members of the frame separated. Fig. 3 shows them in a similar view together, with the leather between. Fig. 4 shows in a cross-section the joint complete. Fig. 5 shows in a cross-section a modified form of frame.

6 is the vehicle-body, and 7 the boot attached rearwardly of the seat 8.

9 and 10 are the two members of the frame, preferably of sheet metal, of which 9 is the outside one, and by being given the shape of a suitable molding may therefore be utilized to give the boot a more or less ornamental appearance. They may be separate from each other, as shown in Figs. 2, 3, and 4, or

partly connected, as shown in Fig. 5. The leather 11 of the boot is introduced between the members 9 and 10, as shown in Fig. 3, and finally flange 12 is turned down and pressed onto the leather, locking it between the two members and completing the joint, as shown in Fig. 4. It is preferable to make the frame part in one piece, except where such, from the nature of the bent or angle, is not practicable, and in which case different pieces may be used, which afterward are suitably connected by soldering or otherwise, as deemed best for the purpose.

In a boot of this kind the leather covers the frame all over, and being higher than the latter no water can accumulate on it, as is the case in many other boots where parts of the frame project above the covering-leather. Then again the joint is perfectly water-proof, for it is constructed somewhat similar to the standing seam on a metal roof. The leather, after being bent down, is turned up again between the two members of the frame, as shown most plainly in Fig. 4.

In many other boots now in use the water is enabled to find its way between leather and frame, whereby the parts soon rot and become worn out.

Having described my invention, I claim as new—

1. As a new article of manufacture, a buggy-boot consisting of a sheet-metal frame the upper edge of which is bent down and back upon itself, the leather covering of the boot being stretched over the top of the frame and down over its downwardly-bent portion, covering this latter, and is held in place by being clamped in between the main part of the frame and its upper downwardly-turned portion, all as shown and described.

2. As a new article of manufacture, a buggy-boot having a frame consisting of two members, one of which is locked onto the other one by an overturned flange, the leather covering being introduced first and after closing of the joint is held by the two members and turned up over the joint, completely covering it and that part of the frame adjacent to it, all as shown and described.

3. In a buggy-boot, the combination of the
covering proper with the frame consisting of
two members locked together by a flange
overlapping on one of the members, the
5 leather being clamped in between the two
members, turned over and covering them at
that point, all as shown and described.

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

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