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Fig. 1.

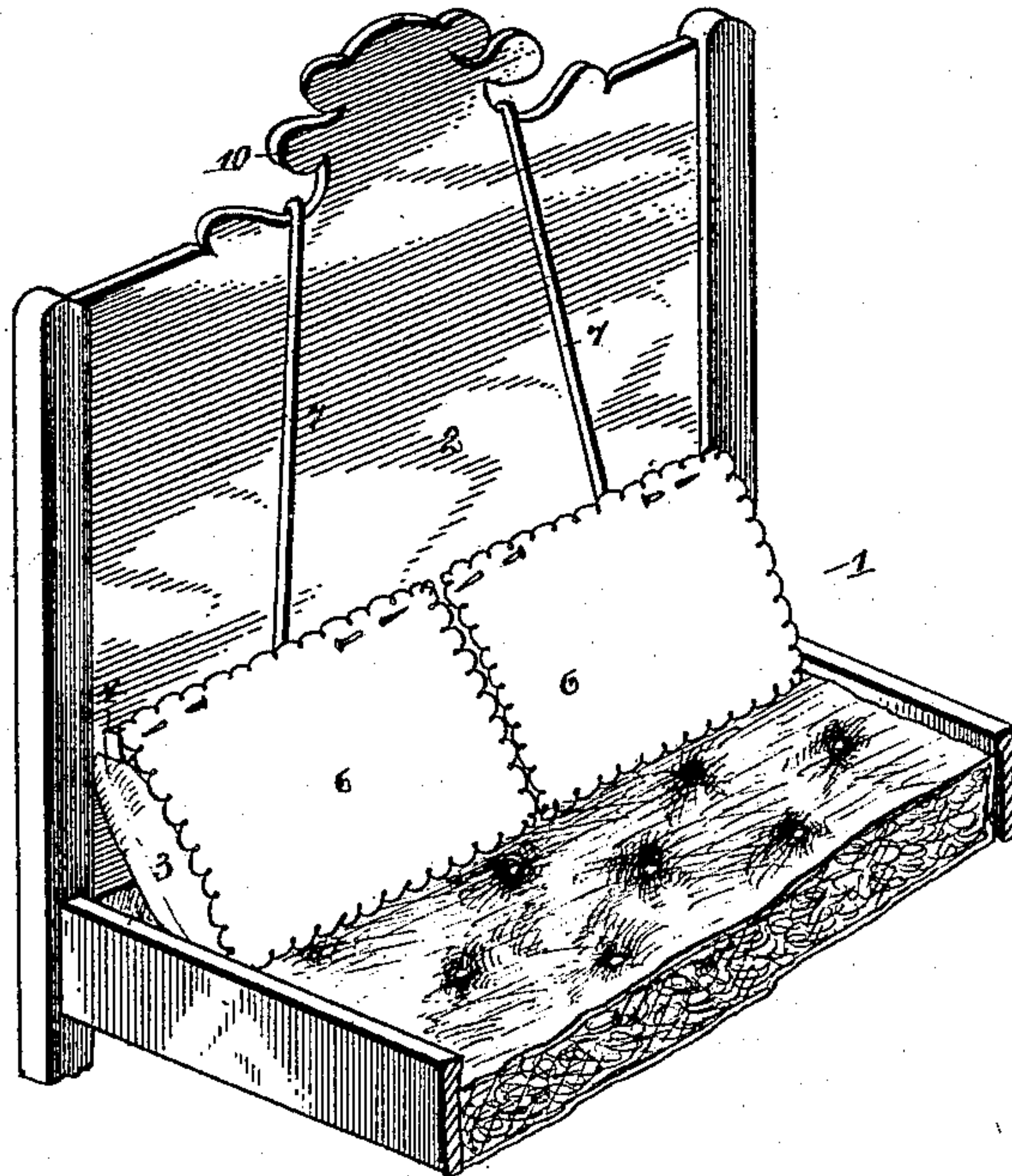


Fig. 2.

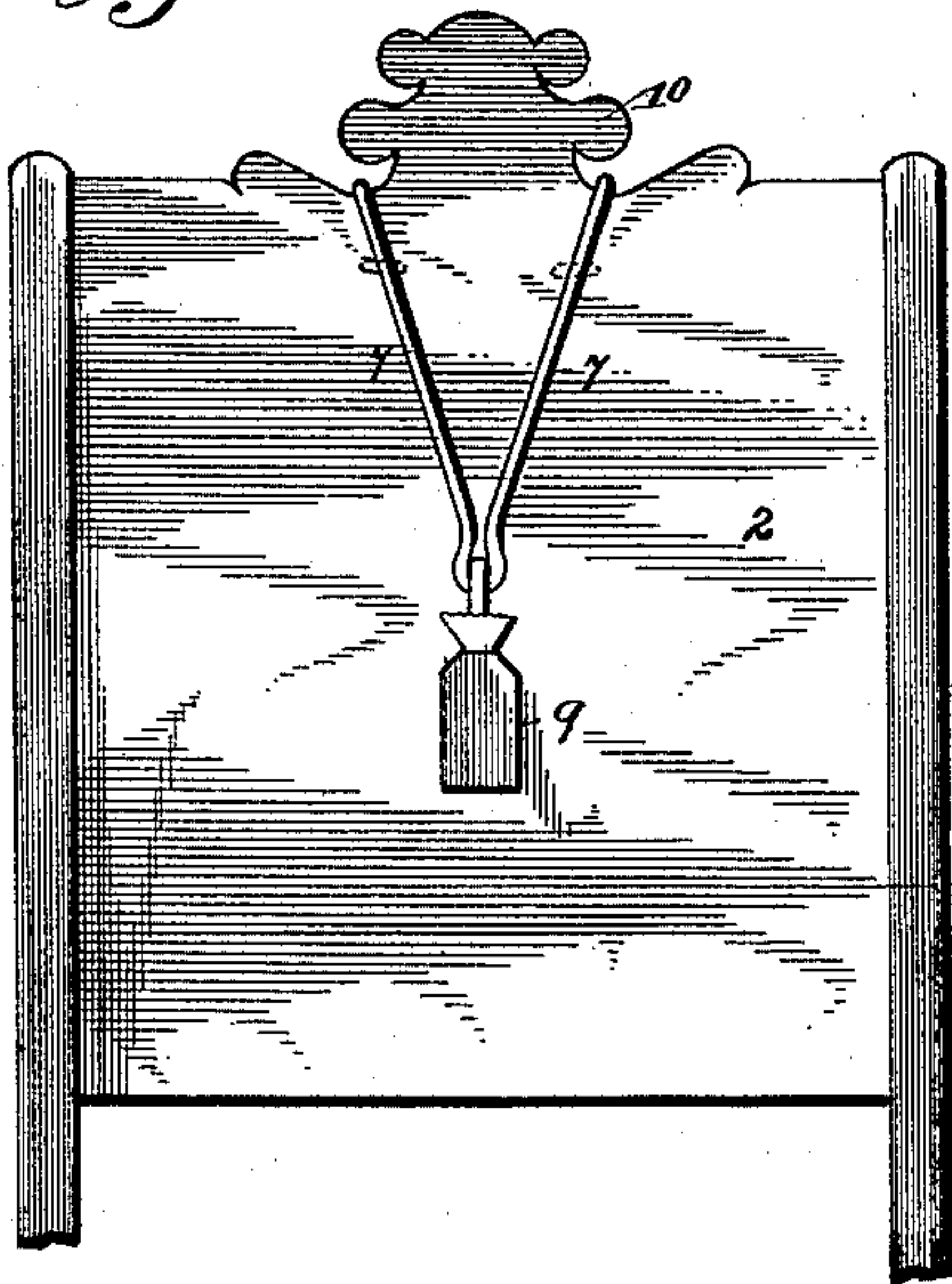


Fig. 3.

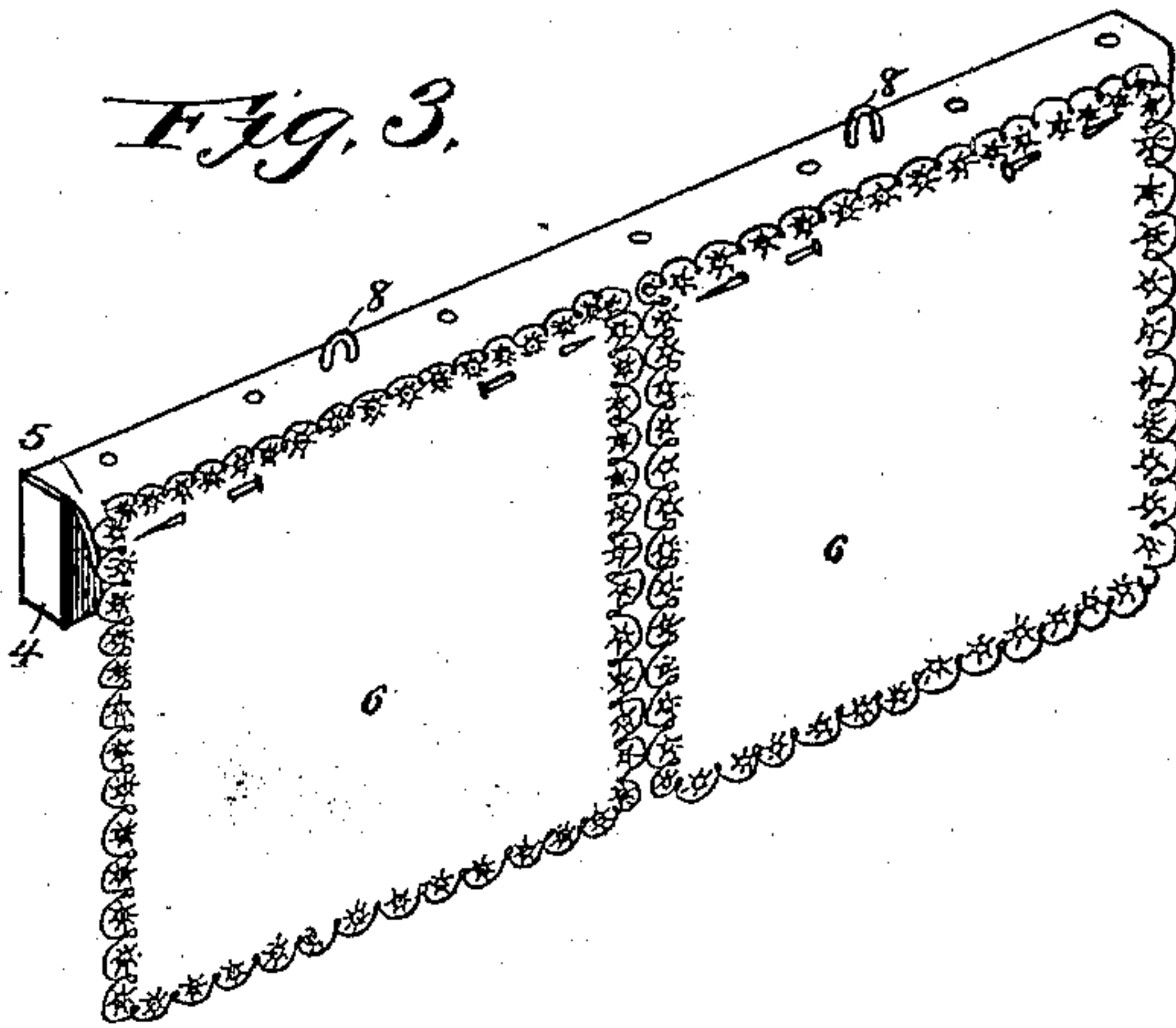
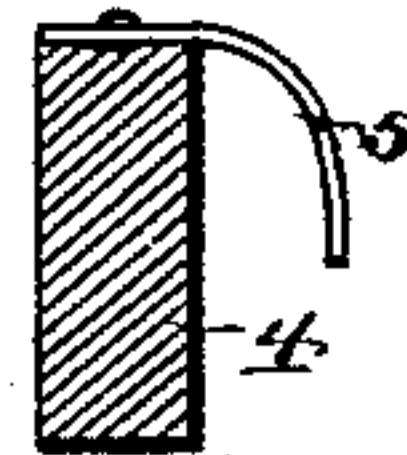


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JULIUS SHUTTING, a citizen of the United States, residing at Nashville, in the county of Davidson and State of Tennessee, have invented a new and useful Pillow-Sham Holder, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has relation to pillow-sham holders; and among the objects in view are to provide a sham-holder adapted to be supported by the head-board of a bedstead in such a manner that said holder and the shams depending therefrom may be elevated or adjusted at any desired height and will be maintained at such height.

With these general objects in view the invention consists in certain features of construction hereinafter specified, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective of a head-board of a bedstead provided with a sham-holder constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a rear elevation of the head-board. Fig. 3 is a perspective of the sham-holder detached, and Fig. 4 is a detail in transverse section of the holding or suspension bar.

Like numerals of reference indicate like parts in all the figures of the drawings.

1 represents an ordinary bedstead, at the upper end of which is the head-board 2; and 3 represents the pillows, all of the usual construction.

4 represents the sham-suspending bar, and the same is a light bar of wood, of a length agreeing substantially with the width of the head-board.

Tacked or otherwise secured to the upper edge of the bar 4 is a heavy strip of muslin or linen 5, to the free edge of which is pinned or otherwise removably secured the shams 6.

7 represents the sham-suspension bar-supporting cord, the terminals of which are secured to the suspension-bar at any suitable points by means of screws 8, projecting from the upper edge of the bar. The cord is sufficiently long to extend over the upper edge of the head-board and depend to the rear thereof, and at its center is connected to and suspends a weight 9, preferably covered by some soft material to muffle any noise occasioned by the same coming in contact with the head-board when

the weight is raised and lowered. The head-board in this instance, as is usual, is provided with a central ornamental crown-piece 10, and the cord branches and extends over the board at each side of the piece, said piece serving the function of a guide. In cases where no crown-piece is employed screw-eyes (see dotted lines, Fig. 2) may be inserted in the rear face of the head-board and the two branches of the cord passed through the same. The specific gravity of the weight 9 is about equal to that of the suspension-bar and shams, so that by raising the bar and releasing the same the weight prevents the shams from falling and acts as a counter-balance. In this manner the shams and bar may be raised and lowered to any height desired and thrown into and out of position over the pillows.

Having described my invention and its operation, what I claim is—

1. The herein-described pillow-sham holder, consisting of a sham-suspension bar adapted for the reception and removable retention of the shams, and a suspension-cord, the terminals of the cord being connected to the bar, and a weight connected to the cord intermediate the terminals thereof, substantially as specified.

2. The herein-described pillow-sham holder, consisting of a sham-suspension bar having a muslin or other sham-receiving strip along one of its edges, and a suspension-cord the terminals of which are connected to the bar, and a counterbalancing-weight connected to the cord intermediate the terminals thereof, substantially as specified.

3. The combination, with a head-board of a bedstead provided with opposite guides, of the suspension-bar adapted for the support of the shams, and the suspension-cord mounted in the guides and having its terminals connected to the bar, and the muffled counterbalancing-weight connected at the center of the cord and depending at the rear of the head-board, substantially as specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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