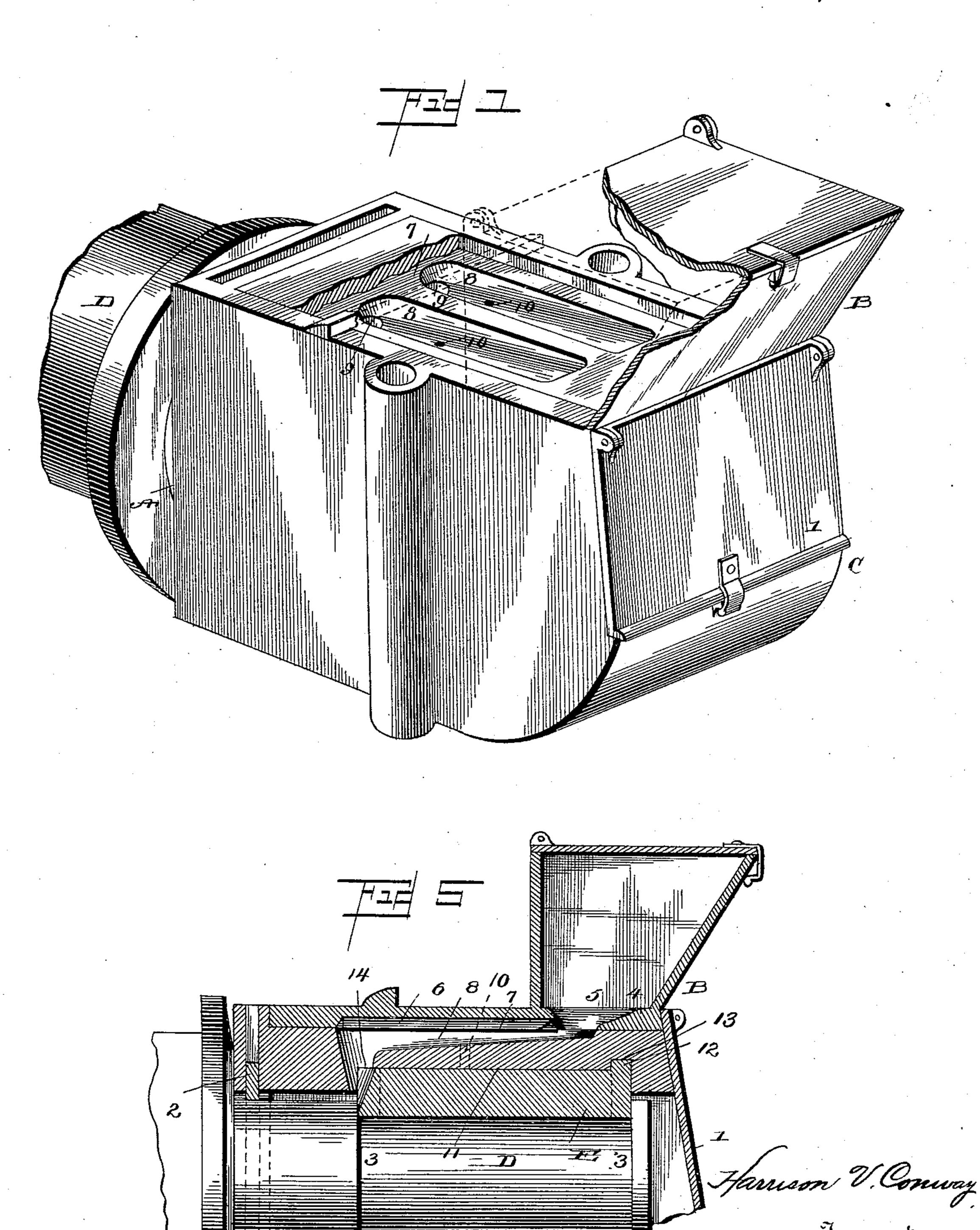
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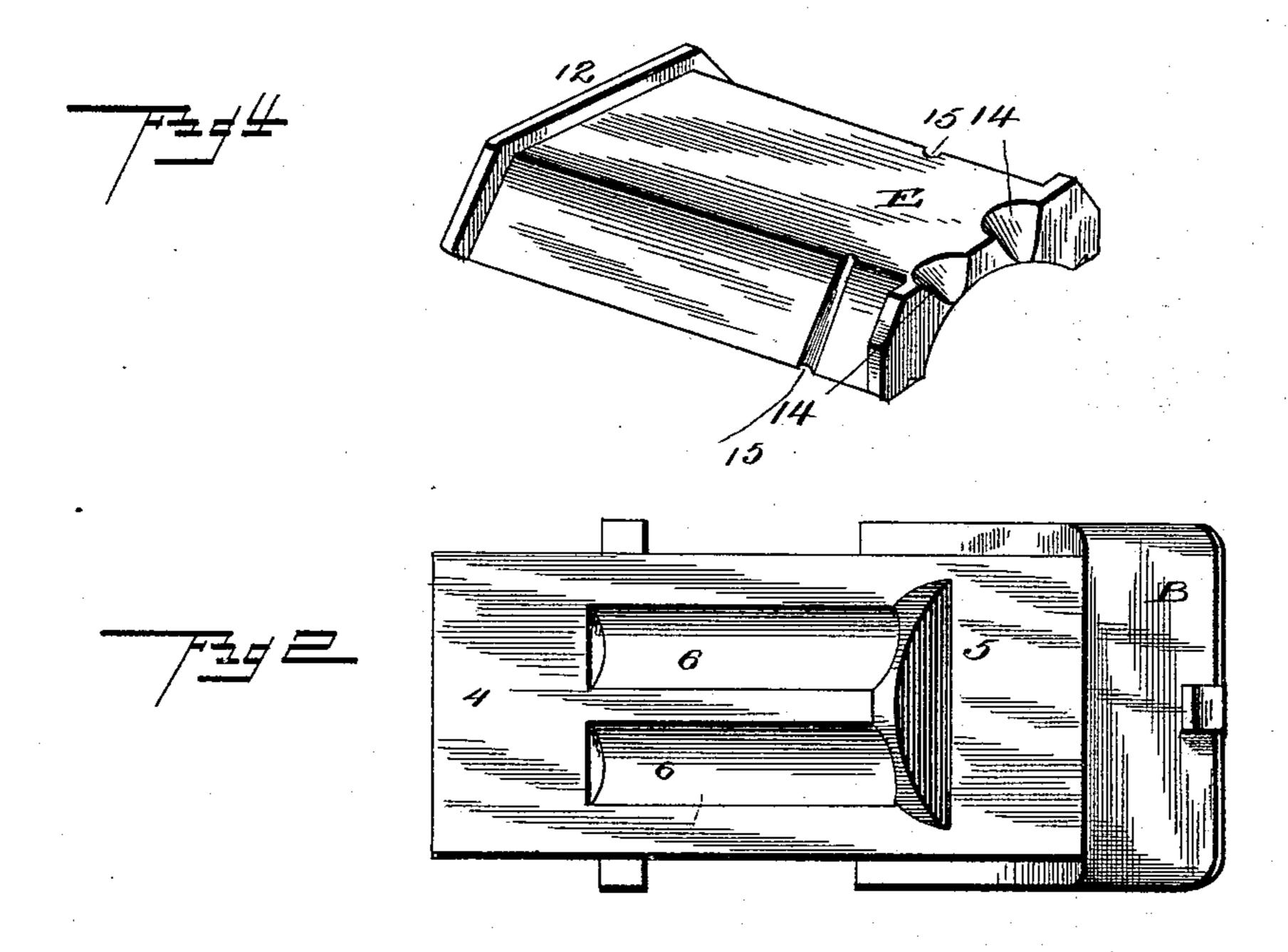
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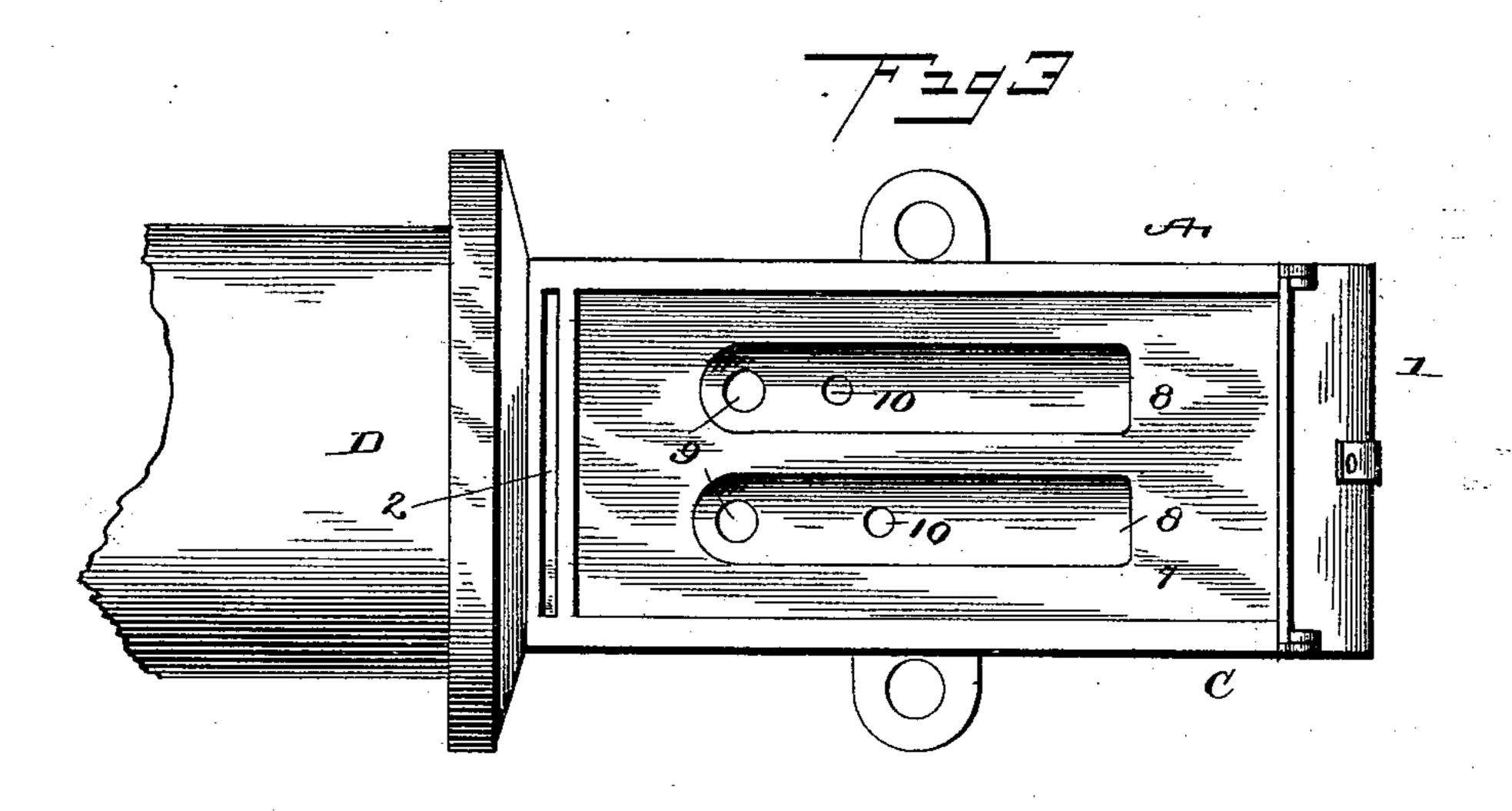


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To all whom it may concern:

Beitknown that I, HARRISON V. CONWAY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Boone, in the county of Boone and State of Iowa, have 5 invented certain new and useful Improvements in Axle-Box Lubricators; 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 10 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 car-axle boxes; and it has for its objects to provide a car-axle box of such construction as to admit of the perfect and equal lubrication of the entire length of the axle and at the 20 same time prevent any undue waste of the lubricant, which will also save the lubricant, and which can be applied to the usual axle without changing the truck.

The invention consists in the novel con-25 struction and combination of parts of a caraxle box, as will be hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and in which like let-30 ters and numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the axle-box, partly broken away to show the relative positions of the different parts. Fig. 2 is a bottom plan view of the 35 oil-reservoir removed from the box, showing the oil-channels formed in its under side. Fig. 3 is a top plan view of the box, the oil-reservoir removed, showing the channels and outlets for feeding the oil to the axle. Fig. 4 is 40 a detail view of the brass removed from the box. Fig. 5 is a longitudinal sectional view of my lubricator, the axle being in elevation.

Referring to the drawings, A designates the axle-box; B, the top oil-reservoir; C, the bot-45 tomoil-reservoir; D, the axle, and E the brass. The box A is of the ordinary construction and is provided with the usual cover 1, through which the waste and oil is fed to the bottom oil-reservoir C, and with a sliding dust-guard 50 2 at its rear end. As these parts may be of I

any preferred construction, a detailed description of them is deemed unnecessary.

The main feature of this invention is the top or supplemental oil-reservoir B, which is designed to supply oil to the top of the axle, 55 and more particularly to those points which, as a rule, are not plentifully supplied with oil, and more particularly to the shoulder 3, where it contacts with the brass E. In order to accomplish this result, I provide holder or reser- 60 voir B, into which is placed suitable waste for holding the oil or other lubricant. The bottom 4 of the said holder is formed with an opening 5, through which the oil escapes, and the under side of the bottom 4 is provided 65 with a number of channels 6 for directing the flow of the oil to any desired point. The upper side of the top 7 of the box C is formed with a number of channels 8, which incline toward the rear end of the box and when the 70 holder C is in place register with the channels 6 in the latter. The channels 8 each terminate at their inner ends with an orifice 9, designed to admit oil to the rear portion of the axle, and intermediate the ends of the said 75 channels are smaller orifices 10 to supply oil to the axle along its length. The under side of the top 7 is formed with a rectangular seat 11, in which fits the brass E, which latter is provided with a flange 12, designed to engage 80 a recess 13 in the seat to keep the brass in position. The brass is provided with end recesses or channels 14, which register with the orifices 9, and with side channels 15, which register with the orifices 10, whereby to admit 85 of the lubricant finding easy ingress to the interior of the box.

Having thus described the different parts of my device, its operation will be apparent. The manner in which the lower oil-reservoir 90 is constructed the same as with those in use on ordinary car-axle boxes. The upper oilreservoir, however, acts differently in that it allows the oil to be fed to the axle in a liquid state instead of by contact with oil-soaked 95 waste. By this means all portions of the axle are thoroughly oiled, and more particularly the rear portion, which latter is accomplished by means of the channels and orifices already described.

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Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

In a car-axle lubricator, the combination of the box having the lower oil and waste holder, the oil-reservoir mounted on the box and having oil-channels, oil-channels in the box, communicating with the channels of the reservoir, a brass fitting in the box and having channels communicating with the channels of the box,

said channels of the box and brass leading to the inner shoulder of the axle, substantially as described.

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

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