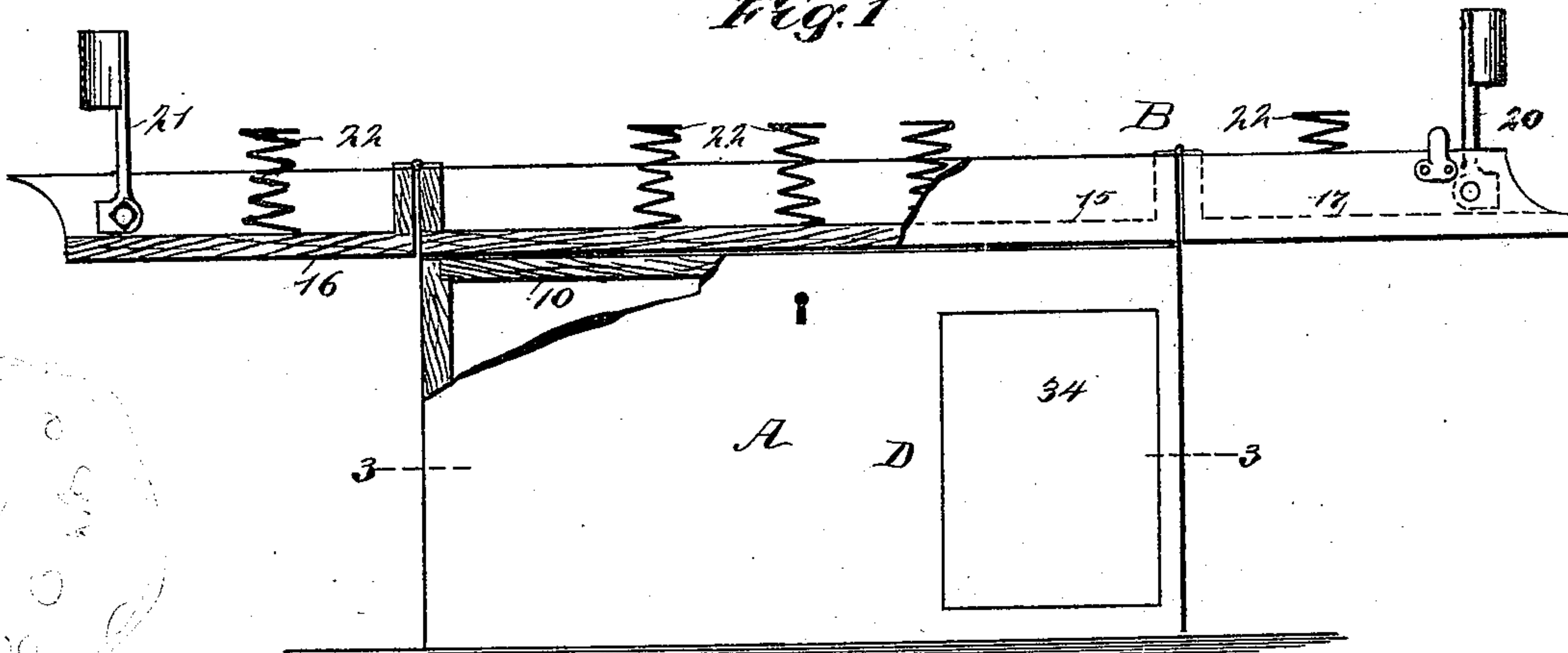


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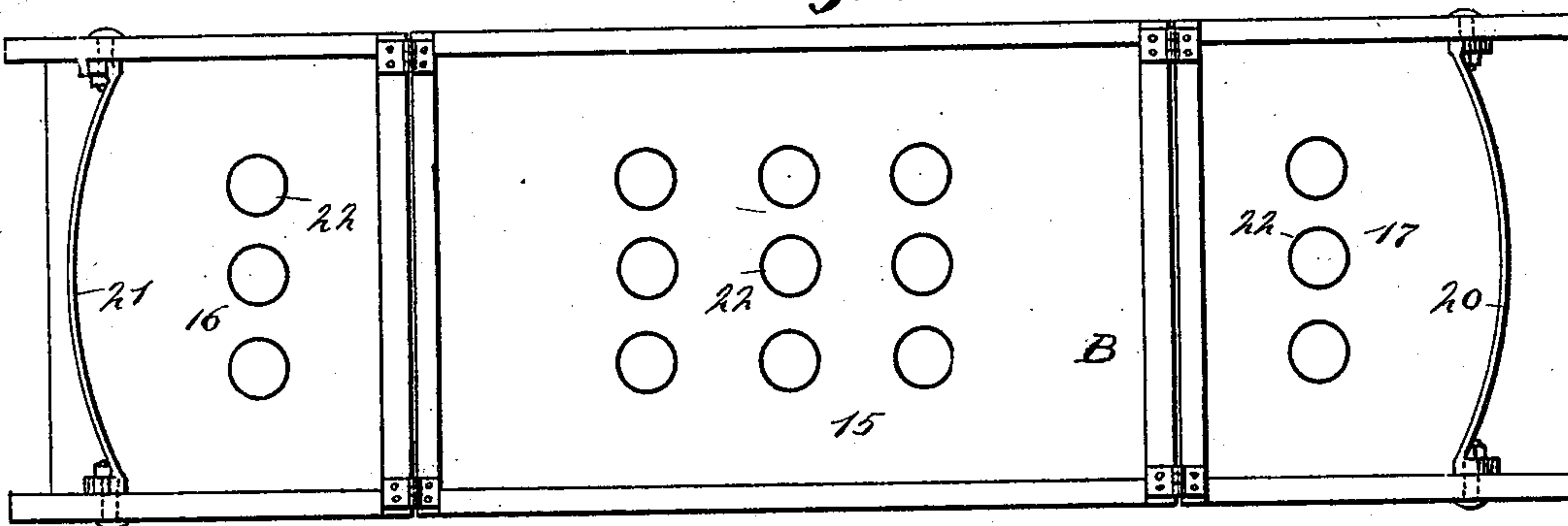
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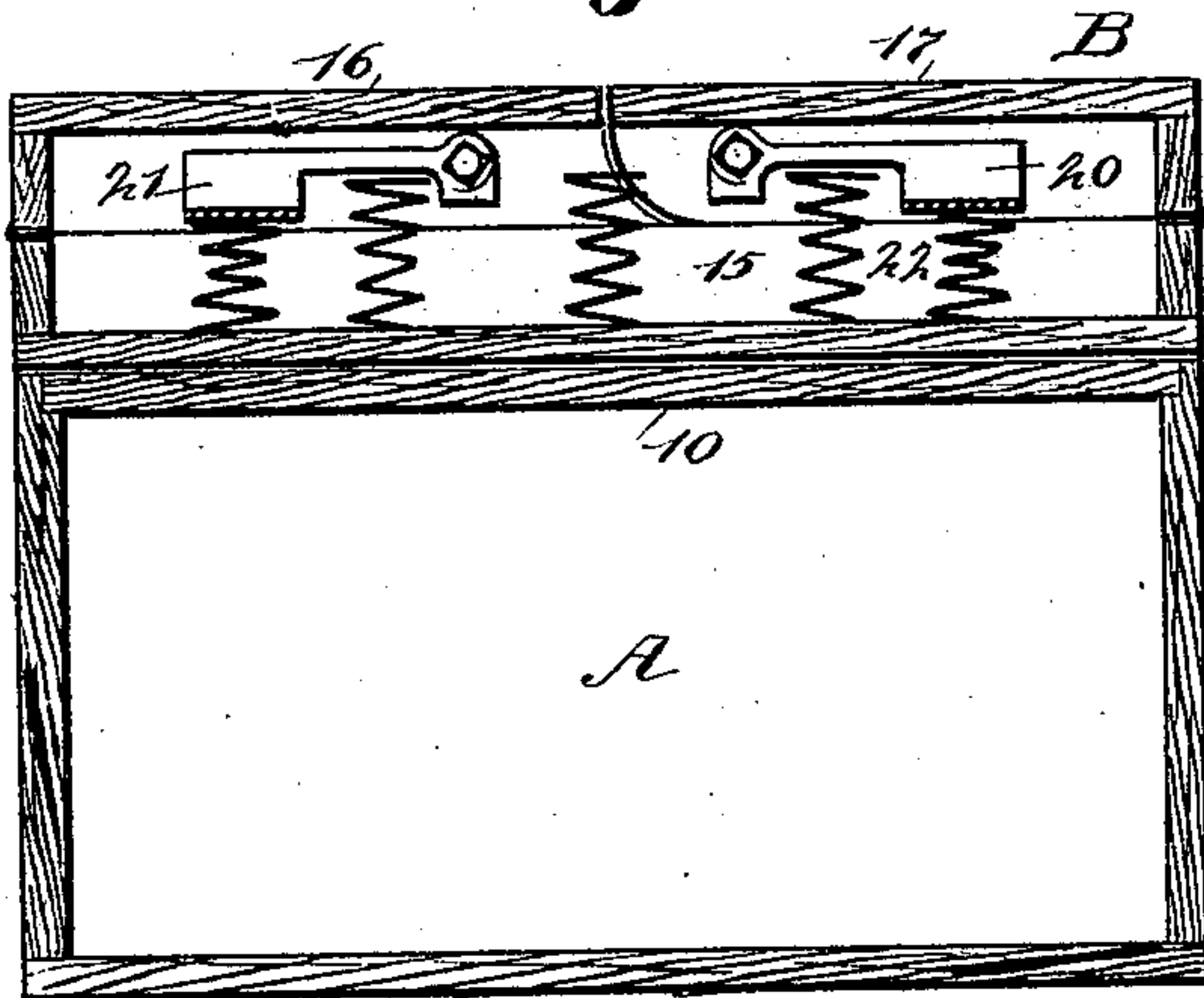
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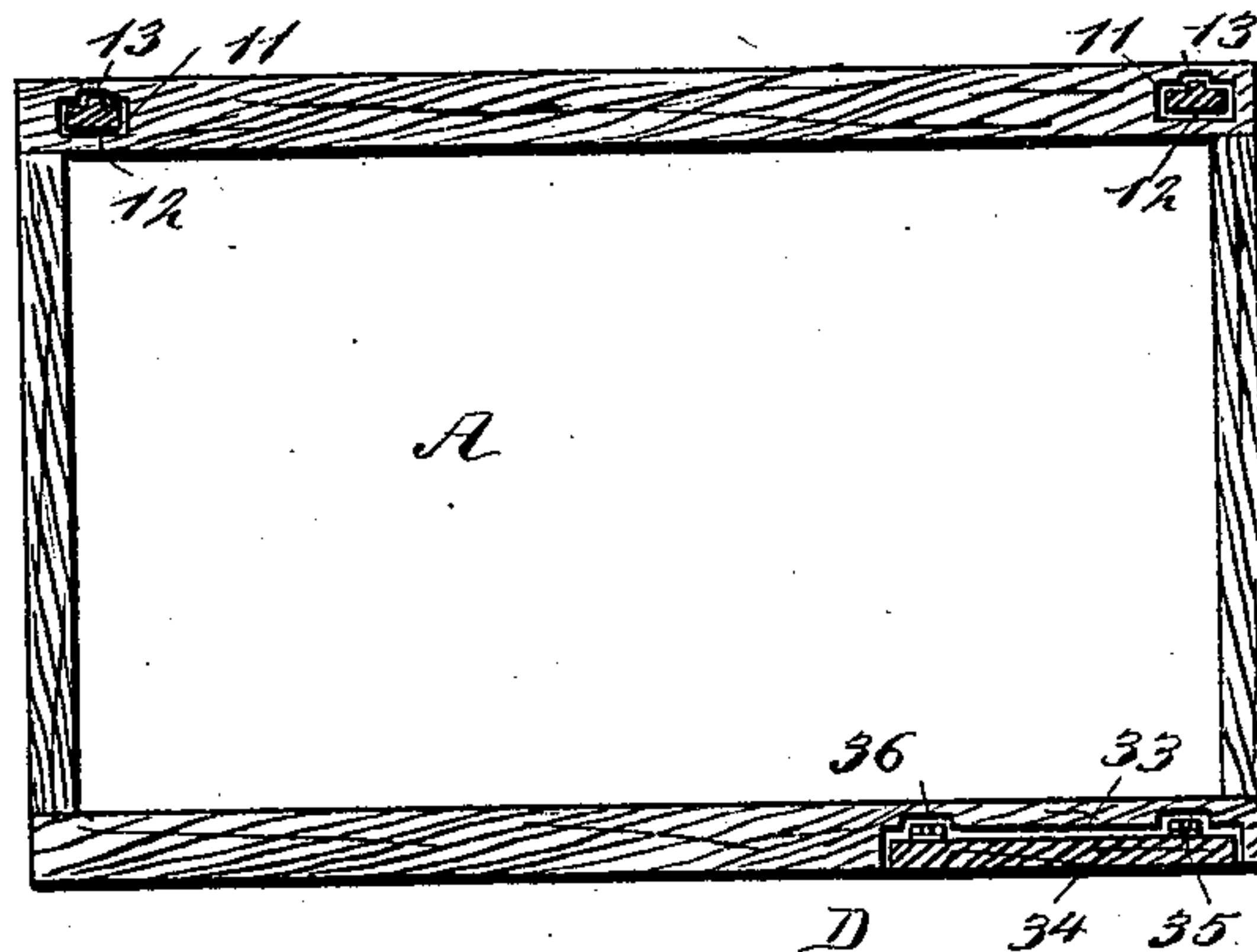
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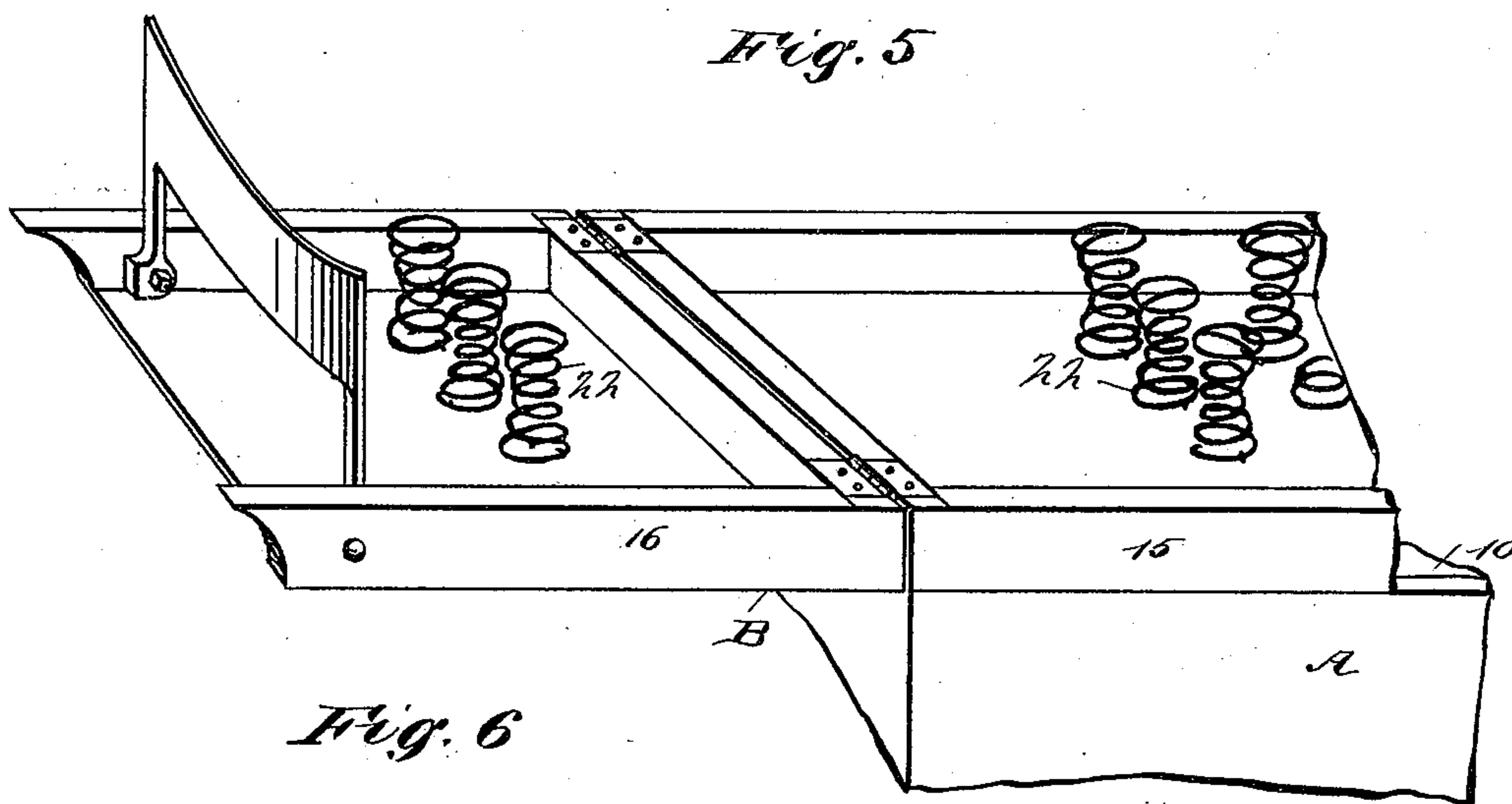
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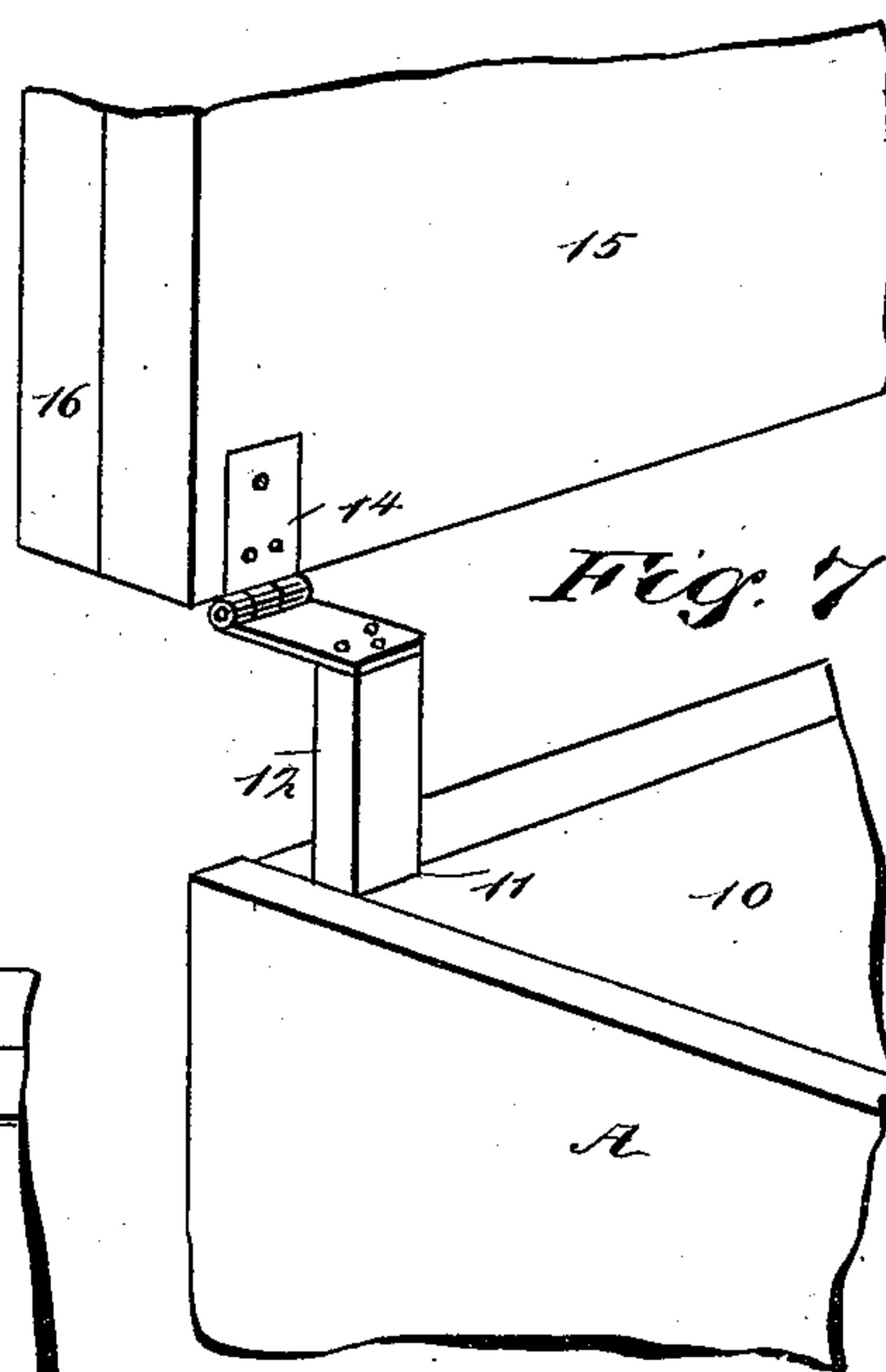
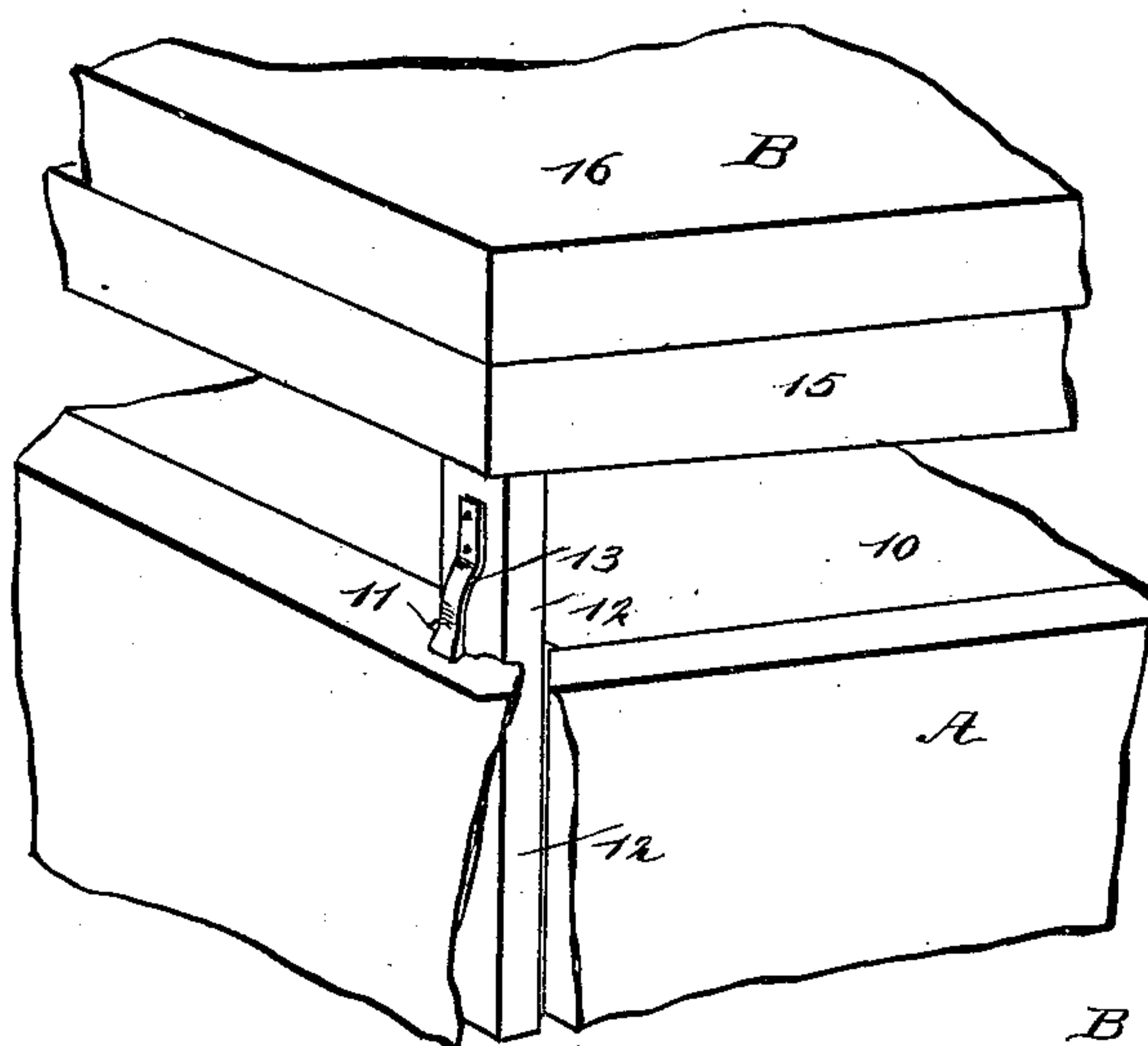
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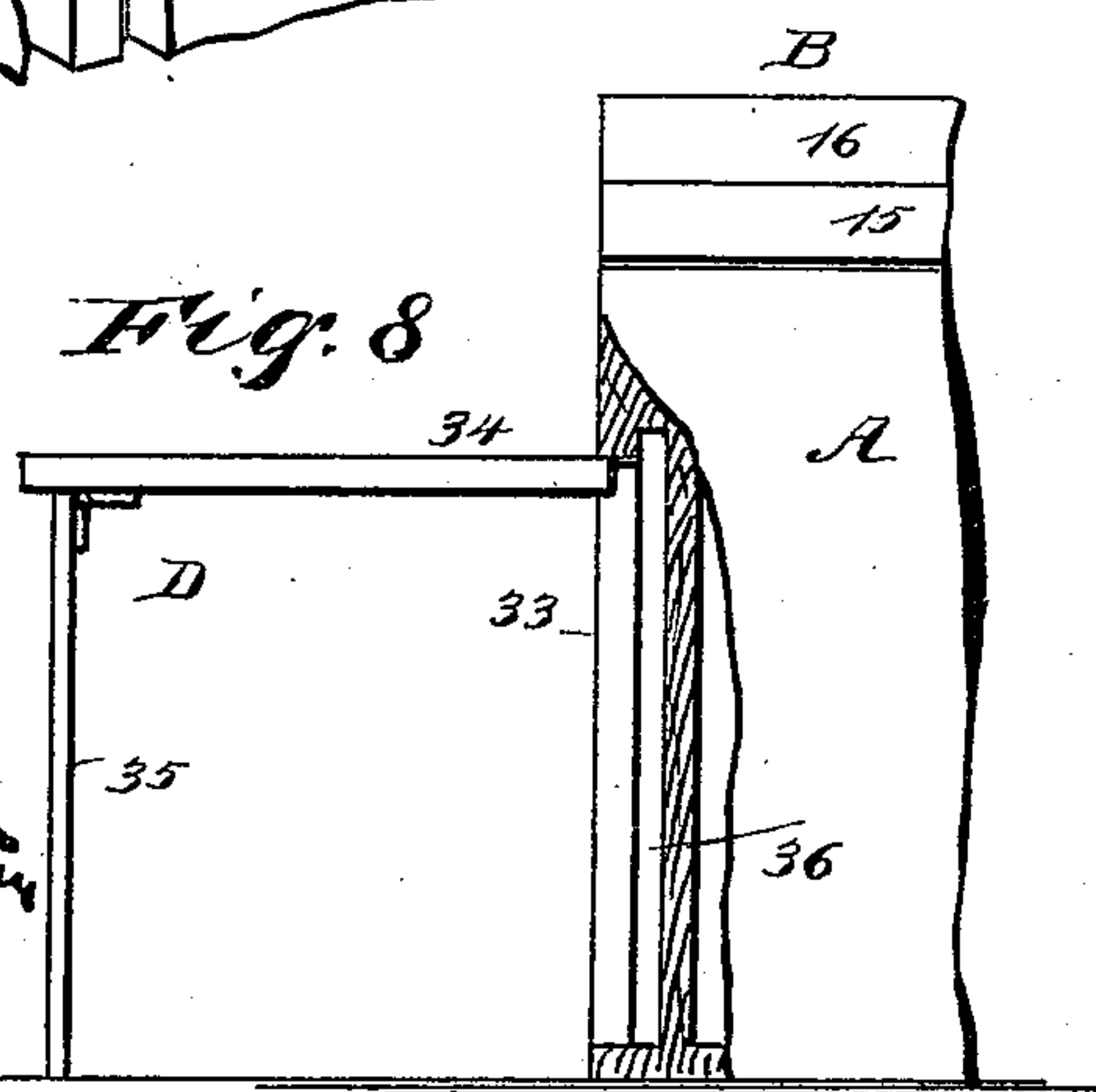


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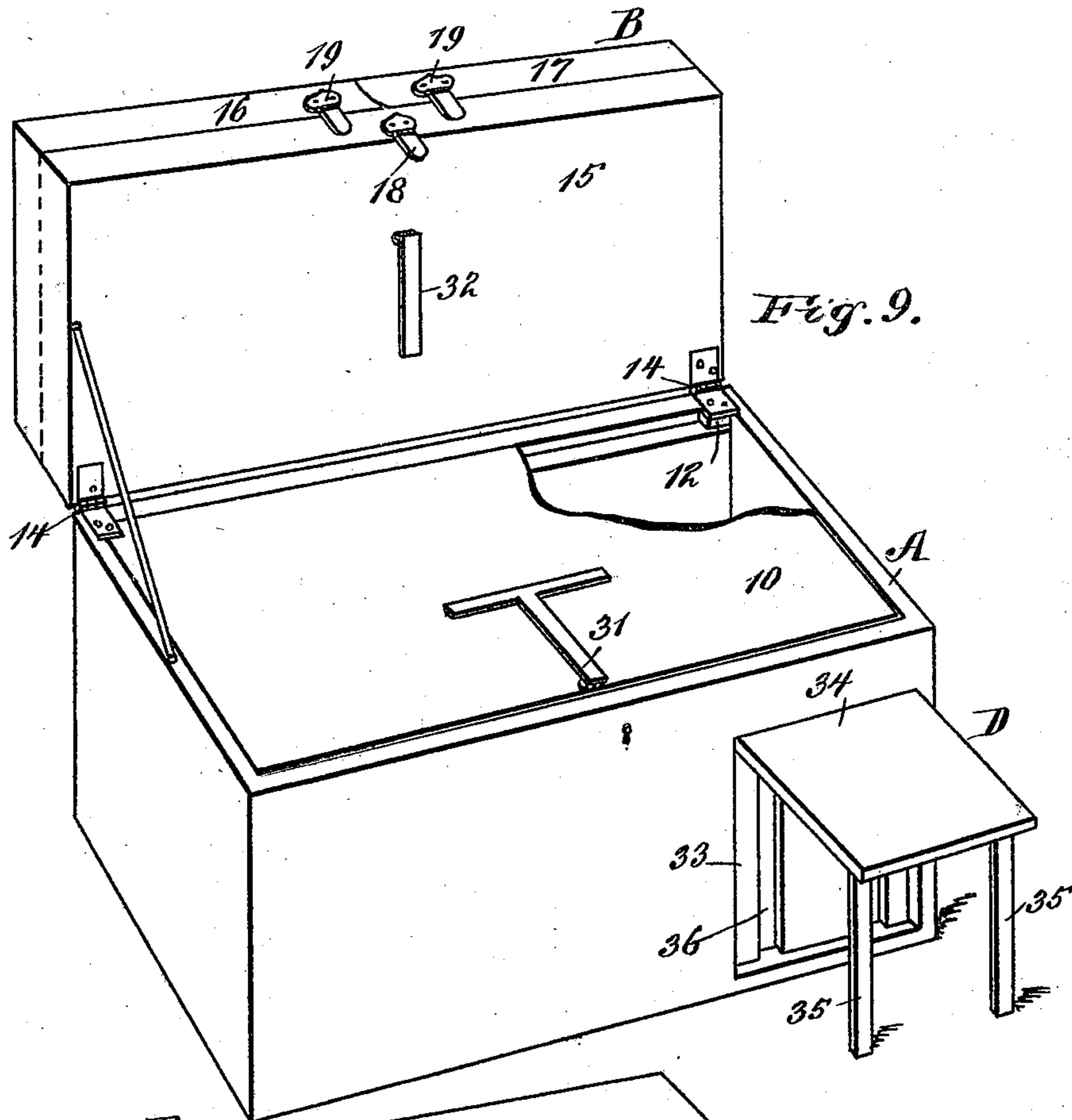


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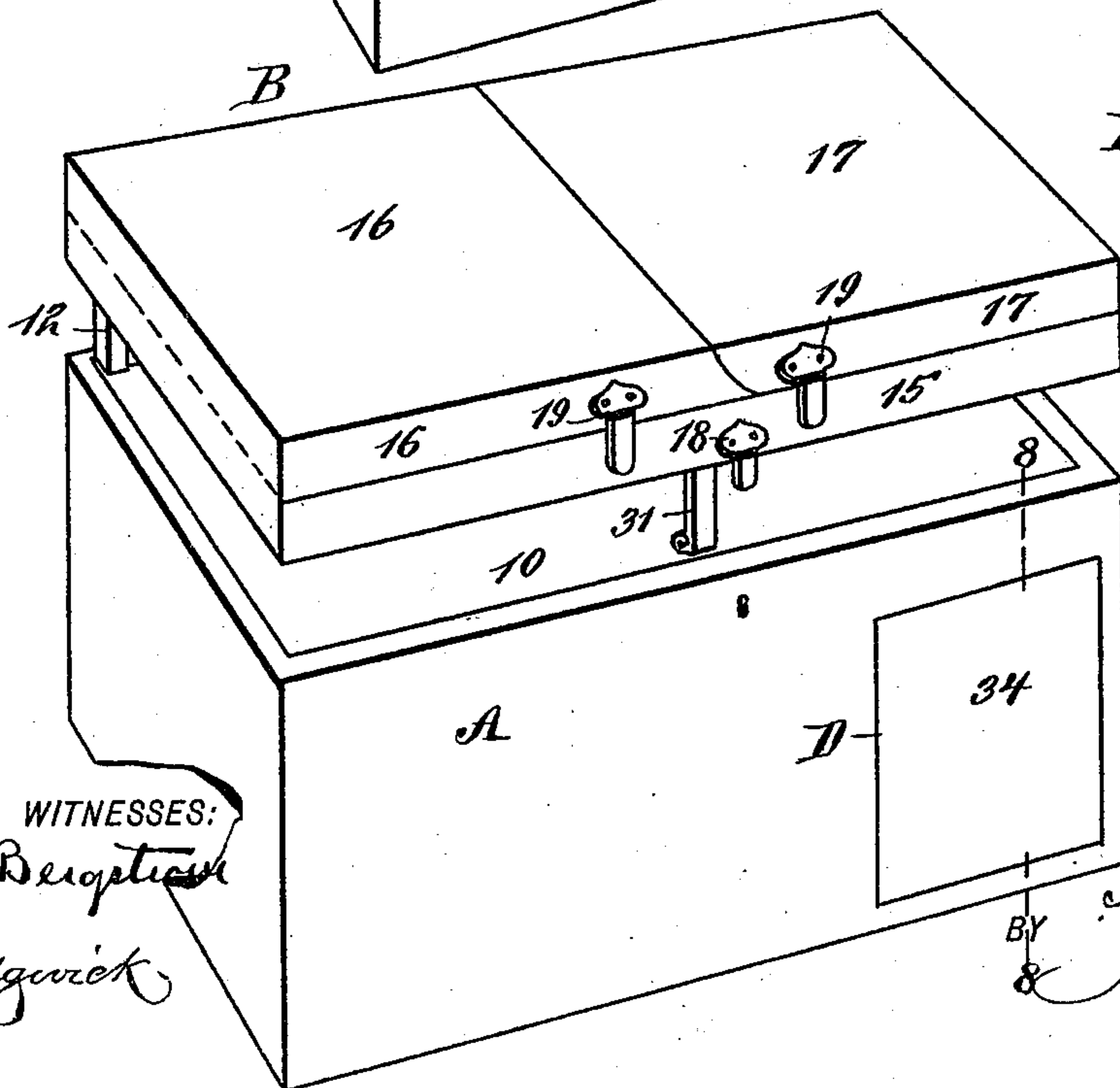


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ABRAHAM BOTKIN, of New York city, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved  
5 Combined Trunk, Bed, Table, and Chair, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to an article of furniture which embodies a trunk capable of use  
10 as such, a bed, and a seat or chair, and the top of the trunk is so constructed that it may be utilized as a table when required.

Another object of the invention is to construct the article of furniture in such a manner that it will be convenient of manipulation, and whereby when it is in condition for  
15 transportation it will have the appearance of an ordinary trunk.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of the several parts, as will be hereinafter fully set forth and pointed out in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification,  
25 in which similar figures and letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a partial side elevation and partial sectional view of the article of furniture,  
30 showing the top of the trunk opened out for the support of the bed. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the article of furniture as it appears in Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a horizontal section taken on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a central  
35 vertical transverse section through the trunk when it is folded for transportation. Fig. 5 is an enlarged perspective view of one end of the article of furniture when it is in position for use as a bed, the view being enlarged to  
40 show the construction of the bedstead. Fig. 6 is a perspective view of one corner of the article of furniture, illustrating the top elevated so as to form a table, and illustrating the manner in which the top is held in its  
45 elevated position. Fig. 7 is a perspective view of one corner of the trunk body and top, showing the manner in which the top is connected with the body. Fig. 8 is a section taken through the body, on the line 8—8 in  
50 Fig. 10, showing the manner in which the seat is connected therewith and operated. Fig. 9

is a perspective view of the trunk body and top, showing the sections of the latter closed and elevated, and also illustrating the seat withdrawn from the body; and Fig. 10 is a  
55 perspective view of the trunk body and top when the latter is supported in position for use as a table.

The body portion A of the device, is constructed substantially like the body of a trunk, 60 and the top of the body is usually closed by a lid 10. The front and back of the body A, are usually made quite thick, in order that in the rear side portion, near each end, a vertical channel or opening 11 may be produced 65 for the reception of posts 12. The openings are usually rectangular in cross section, and the posts are of correspondingly shaped cross sectional contour. The posts are capable of sliding freely in the openings, and each post 70 is provided with a latch 13, as shown in Fig. 6, whereby it may be held at its upper portion some distance above the body portion A.

In Fig. 6 the form of latch is a strip of spring metal attached to the post, which when 75 the post is slid downward is closed in tight to it, but when the post is moved upward a sufficient distance to free the plate, the lower end of the strip will spring outward and rest upon the top edge of the body. 80

The top B of the device is connected directly with the tops of the posts 12, and this connection is effected through the medium of hinges 14, one leaf of each hinge being secured to the under face of the cover, as shown 85 in Fig. 7. The other leaf of each hinge is secured to the top of the posts 12. Thus when the cover is raised the posts are carried in the same direction.

The cover B, is preferably made in three 90 sections, comprising an inner base section 15 and two upper sections 16 and 17, the upper sections being hinged to the end portions of the base section and the two upper sections when folded over the base section to a positive 95 contact therewith, have an interlocking connection over the center of the base, as shown in the drawings. Ordinarily the inner ends of the top sections 16 and 17 are beveled, so that one end will fit neatly over the other. 100 When the upper sections of the cover are folded upon the base section, the top appar-



ently is the same as the top of an ordinary trunk; but the depth of the top may be varied as occasion may demand.

The top B, is preferably provided with a keeper 18, to engage with an ordinary lock, located in the body A, but any form of lock may be employed to secure the cover in a closed position upon the body, as locks 19 of any approved type are likewise used to lock the upper portion of the cover in a folded position upon the base section. When the top is folded out, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, it is adapted to hold a mattress and constitute a bed, and to that end a head board 20, is pivoted in one section of the cover, for example, the outer section 17, near the outer end of that section, and a foot board 21, is pivoted in a corresponding manner in the other folding section 16, as is likewise shown in Figs. 1 and 2. The head and foot boards are of such shape that when not required for use they may be folded down within the sections to which they are pivoted, as shown in Fig. 4. Likewise, both the base and the top or outer sections 16 and 17 of the cover are provided with a series of springs 22, the springs being attached to what is the bottom portion of all of the cover sections when the sections are folded out for use as a bed; and upon these springs, the mattress, which may be quite thin, is placed, the springs supporting the mattress, and the ends of the mattress are made to approach the head and foot boards 20 and 21 when the latter are carried up to a vertical position.

When the bed is not needed the mattress may be removed and the head and foot boards are folded within the cover sections. The two top sections 16 and 17, are then folded over upon the base section of the cover and locked to the base, as shown in Fig. 4. The entire cover may now be thrown backward in like manner to an ordinary trunk, and the contents of the trunk may be readily viewed or removed by raising the lid 10. It will be understood that if in practice it is found advisable, the cover sections may be made deep enough to admit of a thin mattress remaining therein upon the springs when the sections are folded one upon the other.

When it is desired to utilize the cover of the device as a table, the cover B is lifted up, carrying the posts with it, until the latches 13, find a bearing upon the upper edge of the body, as shown in Fig. 6, and then the forward portion of the cover is supported by means of a leg 31, which is preferably fitted upon the top central portion of the lid 10, and this leg may be given a T-shape, as shown in Fig. 9. If in practice it is found desirable an additional leg 32, may be hinged to the central under portion of the cover to support that portion of it when the cover is to be elevated and used as a table.

In addition to the trunk, table and bed above described, a seat D, is added in the construction of the device, and this seat forms a

portion of the body section A. To that end, at one corner of the front portion of the body, in the front face thereof a recess 33, is produced. At the top portion of the recess a panel 34, is hinged, the said panel being so connected with the upper wall of the recess that it is capable of being dropped to a perpendicular position and of completely filling and hiding the recess 33. When the panel is in its perpendicular position it is flush with the front face of the body A, as shown in Fig. 10.

Near the lower edge of the panel two legs 35, are pivoted. These legs when in use support the panel when in a horizontal position, producing thereby a comfortable seat as shown in Figs. 8 and 9. When the seat is not in use the legs are folded up to an engagement with the under face of the panel, and when the panel enters its recess 33 the legs enter deeper recesses 36, produced in the perpendicular wall of the main recess 33.

An article of furniture constructed as above set forth is exceedingly convenient, as for example, when used by a traveling salesman a bed may be readily made up when hotel accommodations are not to be had or are difficult to obtain; and, further, the cover of the device may be elevated to form a table upon which to display samples, while a seat is also provided, enabling the person displaying the samples, or looking them over, to rest while doing so.

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

1. An article of manufacture, comprising mainly a body and cover, the cover having a hinged and a vertically sliding connection with the body, and the latter being adapted for use for the storage of articles, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. An article of the character described, comprising a body adapted for use for the storage of articles, posts constructed to slide within the body, a cover having a hinged connection with the said posts, and means for holding the posts in position, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

3. An article of the character described, comprising a body adapted for use for the storage of articles, posts constructed to slide within the body, a cover having a hinged connection with the said posts, latches for holding the posts in position, and a pivoted leg adapted to extend between the body and the cover to support the latter at its forward end, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

4. An article of the character described, comprising a body adapted for use for the storage of articles, a cover capable of a vertical movement in relation to the body and having a hinged connection therewith, and a seat provided with folding legs and pivoted to the body to enter a recess provided in the outer face thereof, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.



5. An article of the character described, comprising a body adapted for use for the storage of articles, a cover adapted to form a table, and a seat having legs hinged thereto at the forward portion thereof, the said body being provided in its outer face with a recess adapted for the reception of the seat, and with deeper recesses for the reception of the legs, and the seat being hinged to the body in the upper portion of the said recess so that when the seat is folded into the recess, the upper face of the seat is flush with the outer face of the body, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

6. In an article of the character described, a cover comprising a base section and two upper sections having hinged connections with the ends of the base section and adapted to be brought into longitudinal alignment with the said base section, the aggregate length of the upper sections being equal to that of the base section, the said sections being recessed to form a frame adapted for the reception of

a mattress, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

7. An article of the character described, consisting of a trunk-like body and a cover comprising a base section adapted to fit on the top of the body, and two upper sections having hinged connections with the ends of the base section and adapted to fold over the base section to be in contact therewith and to interlock with their free ends over the center of the base, said upper sections being also capable of being brought into longitudinal alignment with the base section, the said sections being recessed to form a frame adapted for the reception of a mattress, springs secured within the sections of the cover, and means for locking the said sections the one upon the other, substantially as described.

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