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FISHING TACKLE CASE.

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Fig. I,

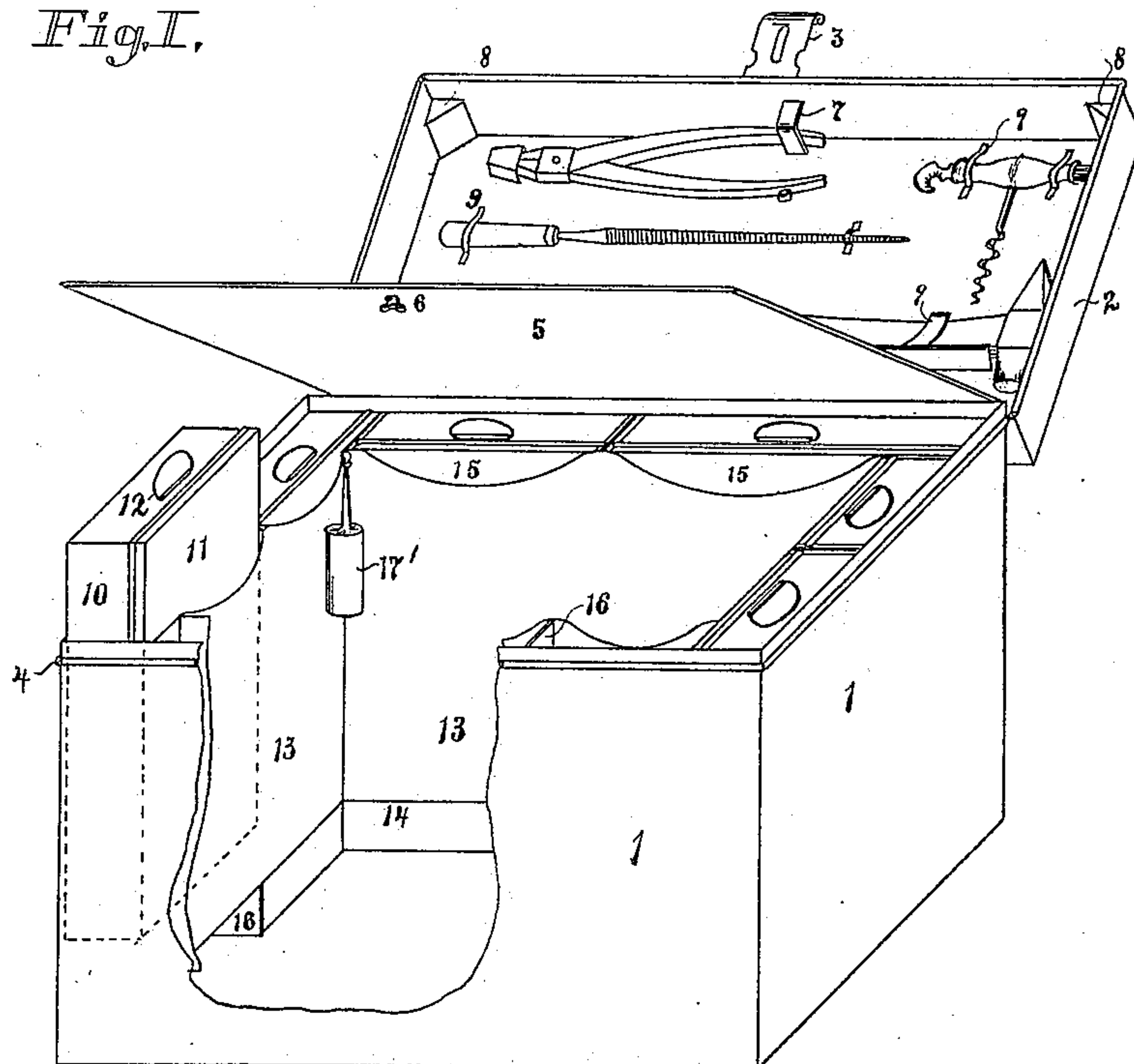
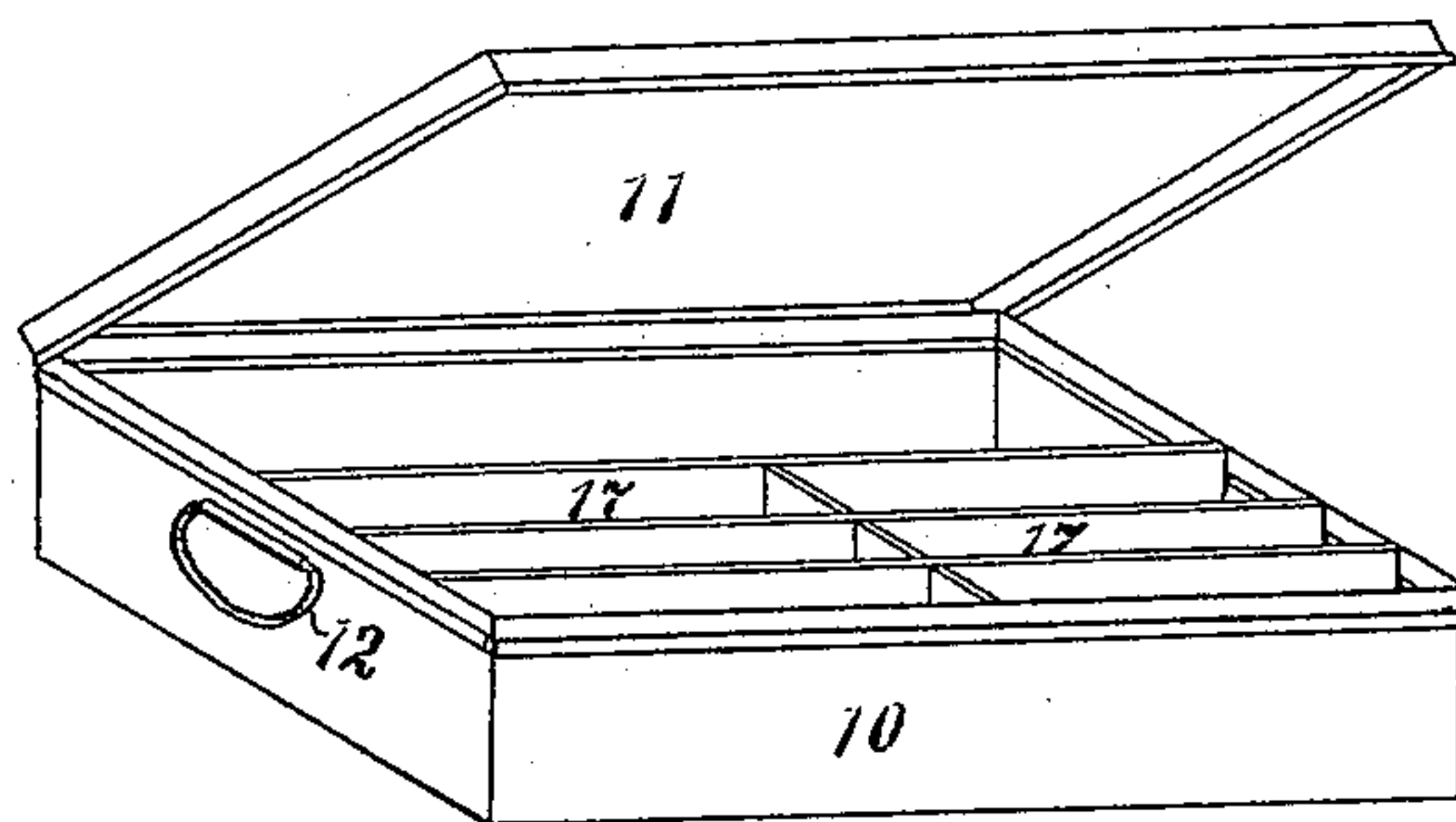


Fig. II,



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALEXANDER H. HANDLAN, Jr., of the city of St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, have invented a certain new and
5 useful Improvement in Fishing-Tackle Cases, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

10 This invention relates to improvements in fishing tackle cases, having compartments within, whereby upon opening the case every compartment is at once accessible, and no occasion ever exists to remove one compartment
5 in order to get at the contents of another. This case is so designed that when the lid is closed all the compartments are held in position, and there is no way for the contents of any compartment to escape or become en-
20 tangled with anything else.

With these points in view, the invention consists in certain details of construction and arrangement of the several parts as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

25 Figure I represents, in perspective, the case, with part of the front broken away, in order to show the interior, and the arrangement of the partitions. Fig. II is a perspective view of one of the boxes withdrawn from the case,
30 showing partitions within the same.

Referring to the drawings, 1 represents the case proper. 2 is the hinged cover with an ordinary hasp 3 for closing over a staple in the front of the case. Around the case is a wire
35 ledge or shoulder 4 which the lid closes down flush against, as in any ordinary sheet metal case. Inside of the cover 2 of the case is a lid 5 hinged to that side of the cover, which is hinged to the case 1, and is held closed by the
40 small button catch 6 which turns into the projection 7. Within the upper corners of the cover are blocks 8 which serve as stops for the lid to rest against when closed. With-
in the cover 2 and secured by clamps and
45 springs 9, or other convenient means, are placed the necessary tools for the repair and mending of the tackle, together with such other implements as the taste of the owner finds useful or convenient. The lid 5 being
50 closed, prevents these tools from catching in or entangling the lines or other tackle in the

case, and also keeps the tools dry when not in use.

Within the case 1, arranged around the sides of the same are a number of boxes 10 55 with hinged lids 11, which are slid into vertical compartments, and out by means of a ring 12, placed at one end. These boxes have partitions 17 in them, thereby dividing them into convenient spaces for the different sized
60 hooks, sinkers, and other tackle placed within them. The partitions 13 which form the compartments into which these boxes are slid do not extend all the way down to the bottom of the case, but stop a half inch or so above it, 65 as shown at 14. So that when anything is dropped into one of the compartments it is not necessary to invert the whole case to get it out; the case is just tilted a little and the article will pass into the large center com- 70
partment. These partitions are also cut down somewhat at the top, as at 15, which will give a little additional place to take hold of the box in case it sticks in the compartment. The cross partitions 16 extend to the bottom 75 of the case 1, and are secured thereto, which adds much to the firmness and strength of the whole case, as well as the partitions. Within one corner of the inside compartment is a small holder 17' for an oil can. 80

By this arrangement of the compartments there is ample room in the center of the case for reels, and large tackle, which may always be reached by simply raising the cover 2. Tools and such things are kept in an entirely 85 separate place where they cannot come in contact with wet lines or any thing in the case proper. All small tackle such as hooks, flies, spoons, sinkers, bobs, &c., cannot accidentally get out of place by the case being tipped over, 90 nor does one box ever have to be displaced or taken out in order to get into some other one, as is generally the case where trays are used. Whatever is wanted from the case can be had without disturbing any other part of the entire 95 contents, and when the cover 2 is closed, it is impossible for any part of the contents to escape and cause a general entanglement. The overcoming of this difficulty which every angler has experienced, is one of the chief merits of 100 this invention.

I claim as my invention—

1. In combination a fishing tackle case having vertical sliding boxes 10, separated and contained by the partitions 16 and 13, the partitions 13 not extending to the bottom of the case, and the hinged lid 5 separating the interior of the cover 2 from the case and operating to hold the sliding boxes 10 in position when the case is closed, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.
2. In combination a fishing tackle case having vertical sliding boxes 10 separated and contained by the partitions 16 and 13, the partitions 13 not extending to the bottom of the case, and cut away at the top 15, a cover provided with an internal hinged lid 5 separating the interior of the cover from the case and operating to hold the sliding boxes 10 in place when the case is closed, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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