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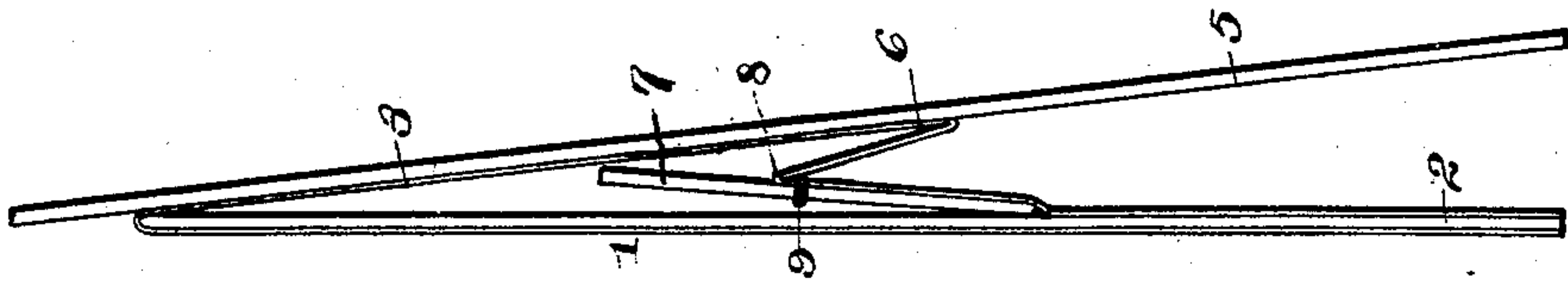


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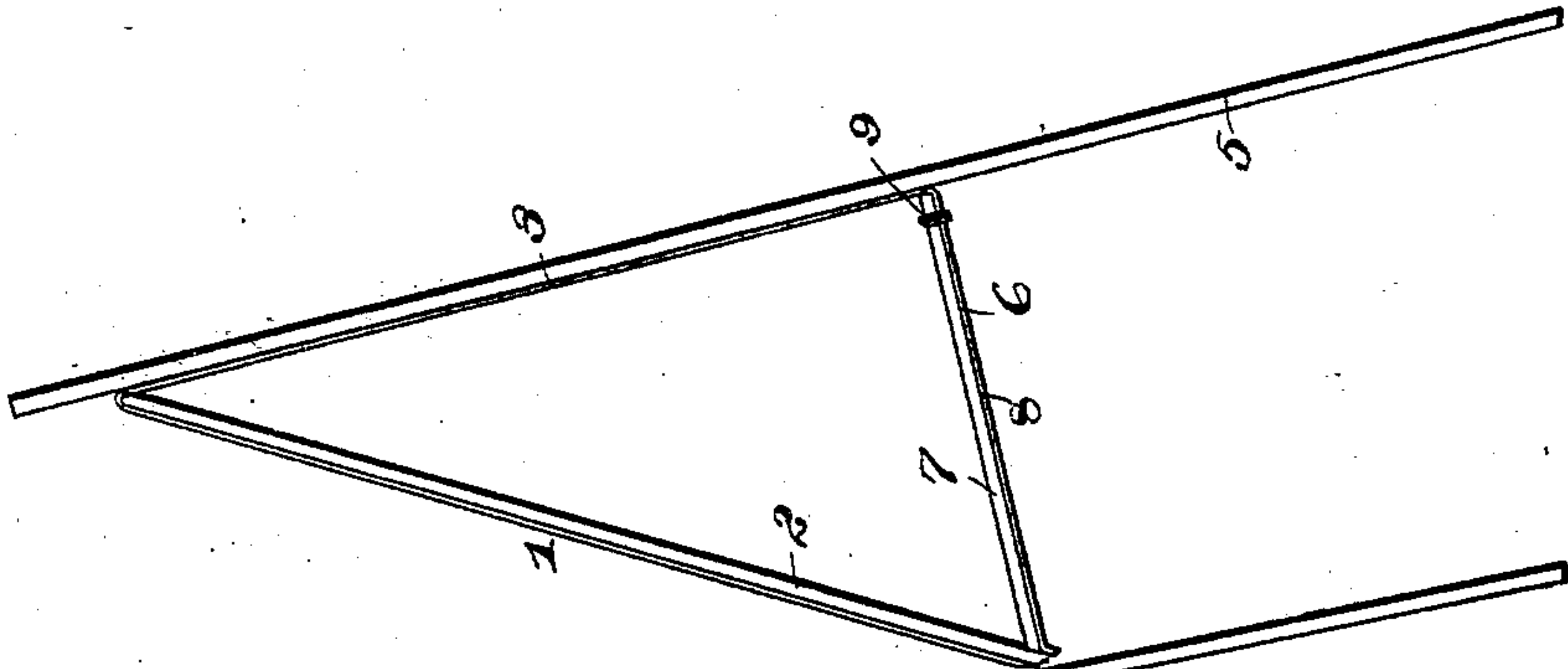


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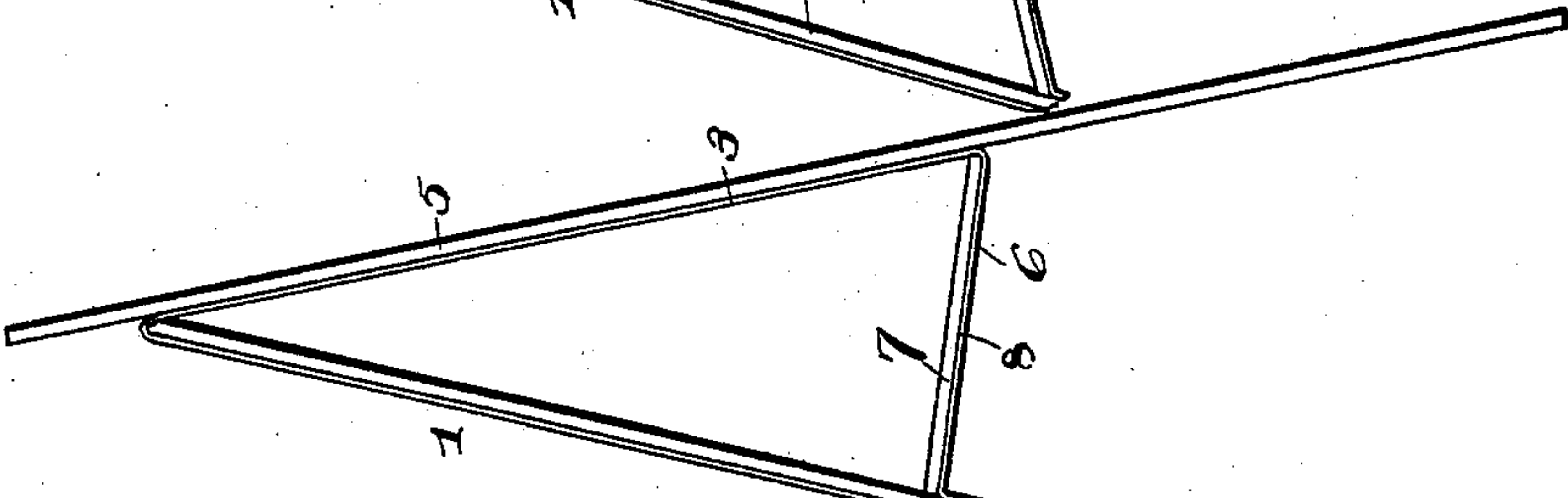


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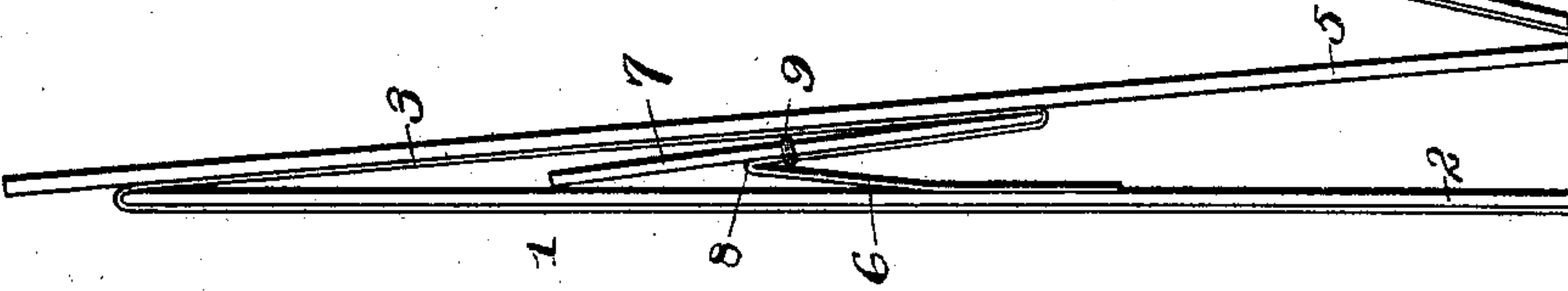
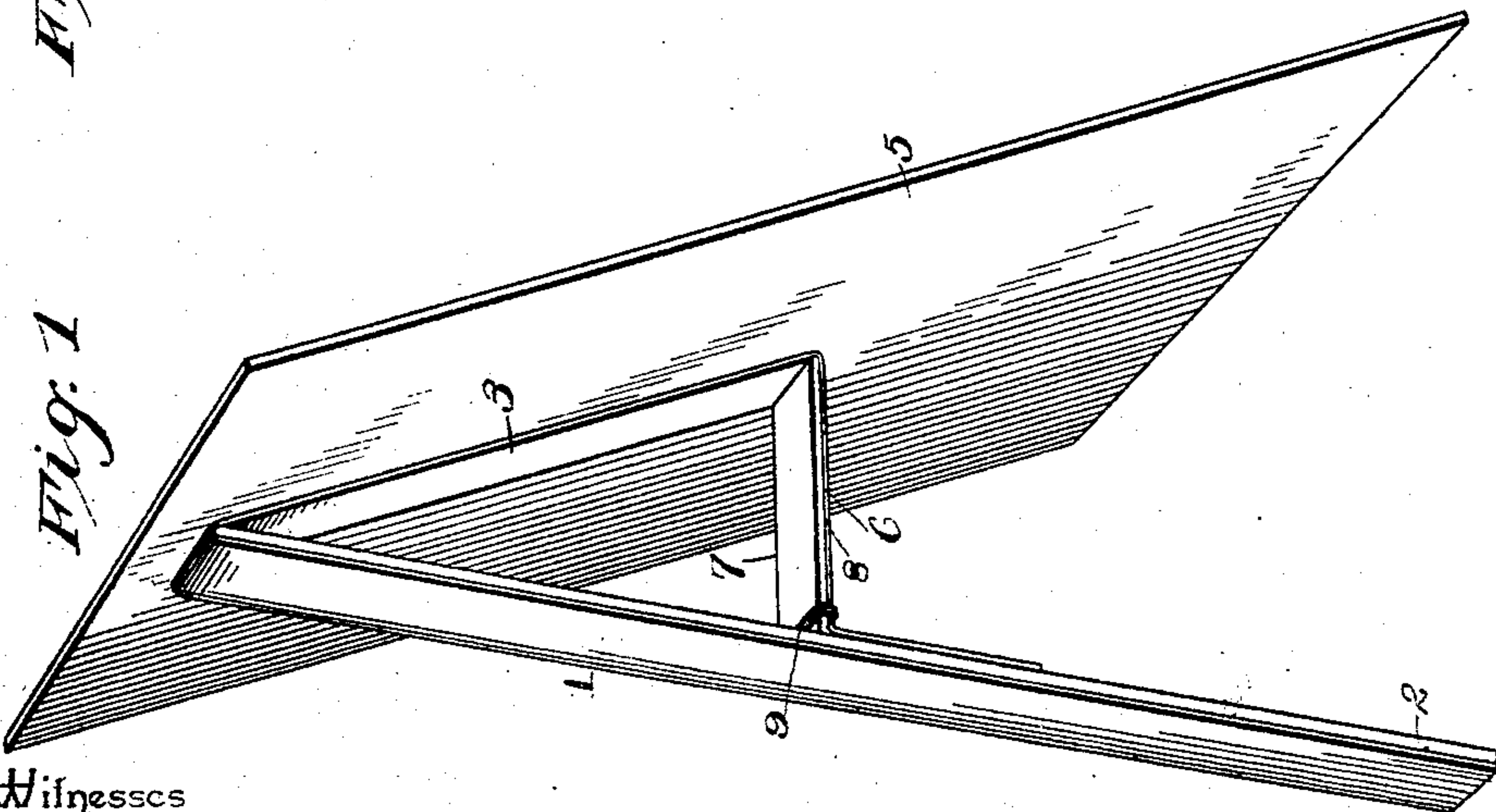


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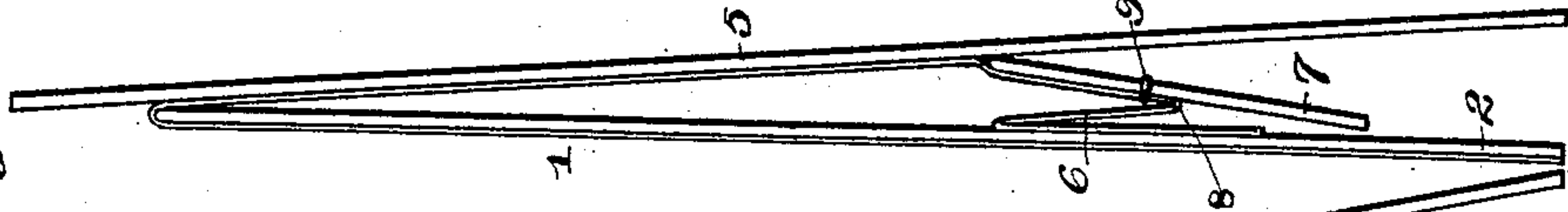


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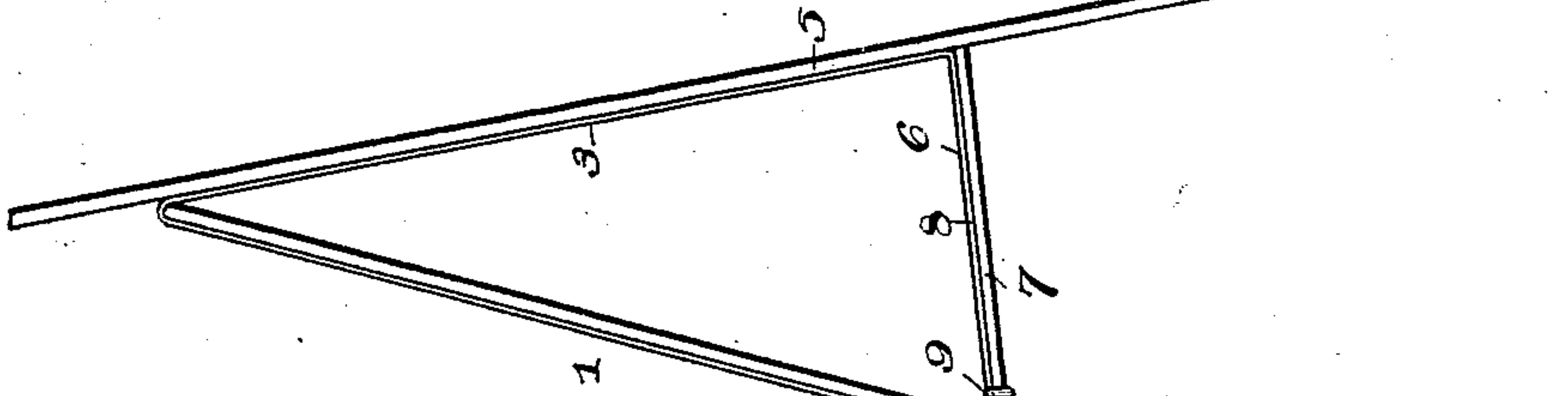


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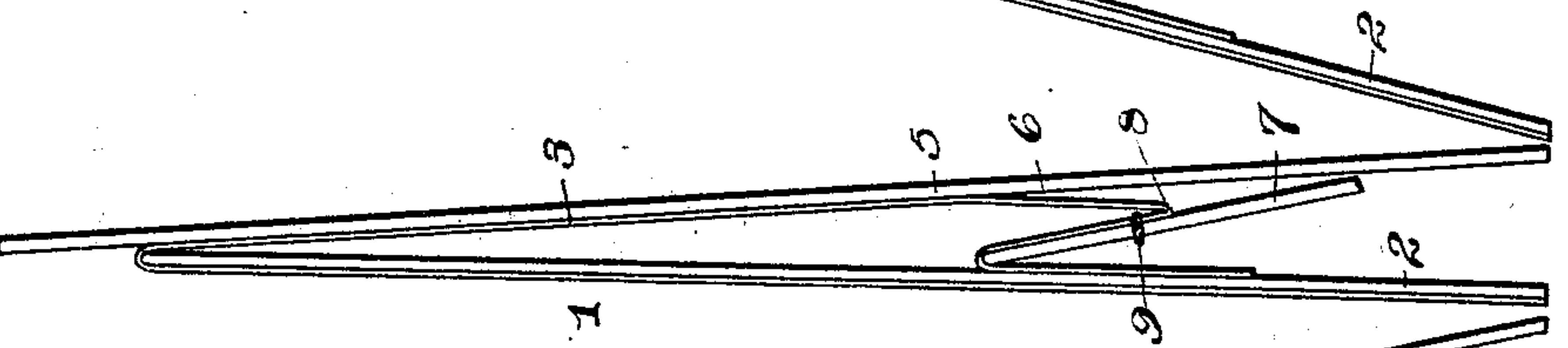


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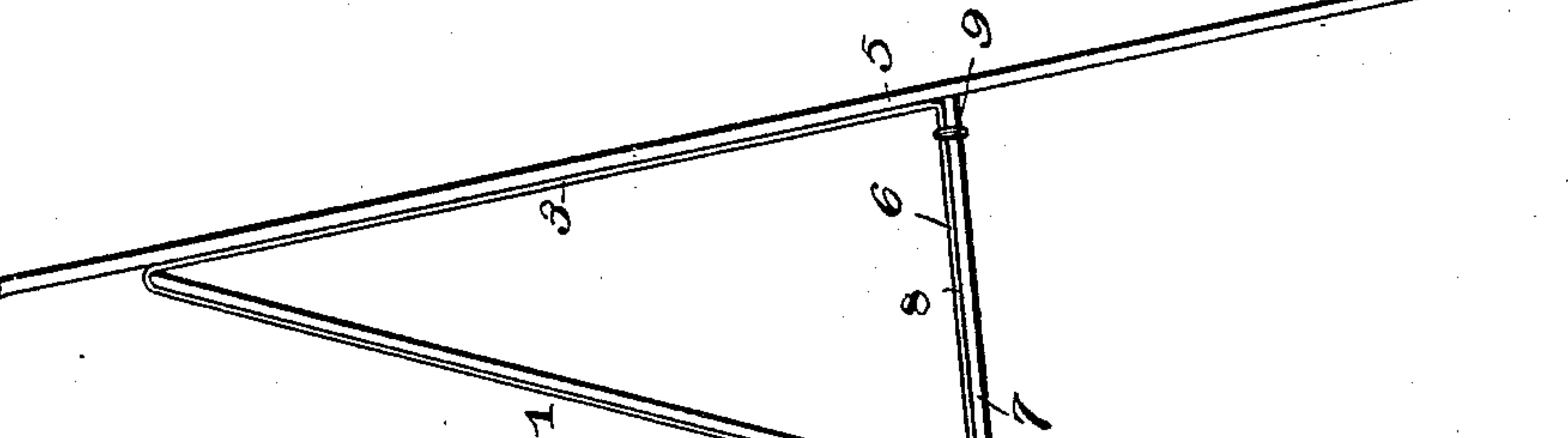


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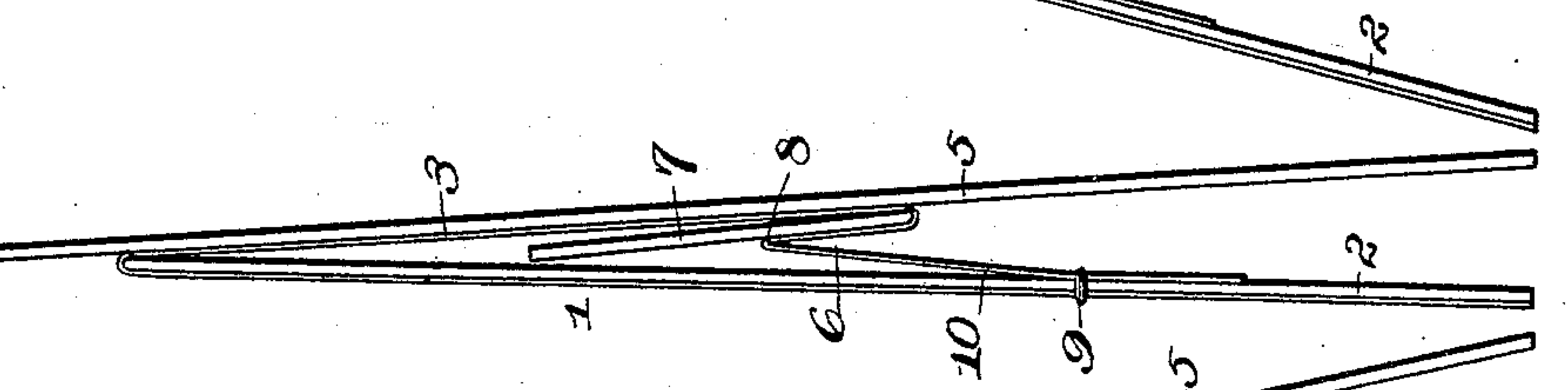
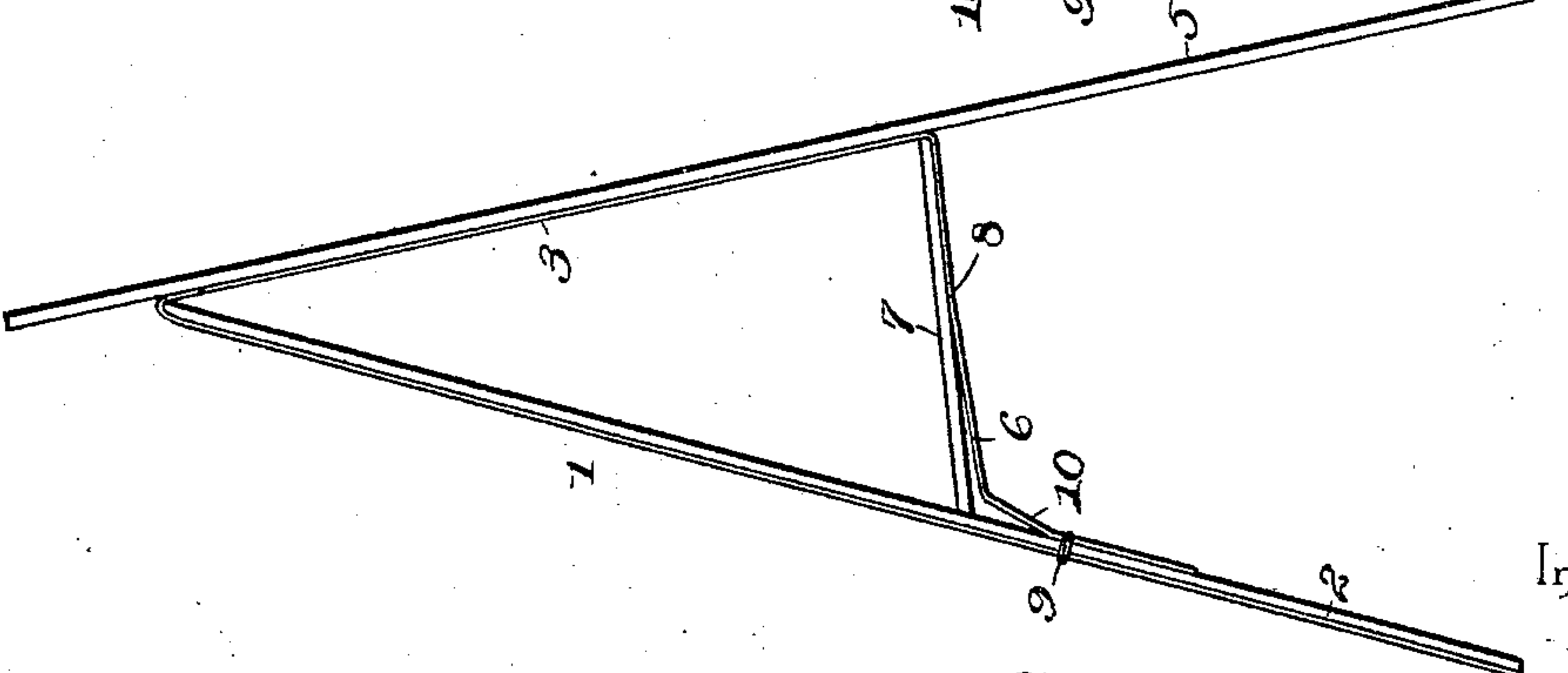


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, SIMON DALSHIMER and ABNER GREENLEAF, citizens of the United States, residing at Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, have invented a new and useful Support for Cards, Pictures, &c., of which the following is a specification.

The invention relates to improvements in supports for cards, pictures, &c.

10 The object of the present invention is to provide for cards, pictures, and the like, a supporting frame or support, adapted to hold an advertising card, picture or the like in an inclined position in the manner of an easel, and capable of folding compactly against the back of a card or picture for packing and shipping.

20 The invention consists in the construction and novel combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings and pointed out in the claims hereto appended.

In the drawings—Figure 1 is a perspective view of a support constructed in accordance with this invention and shown applied in operative position to a card. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same, the support being partially folded. Fig. 3 is a side elevation of a support similar to that shown in the preceding figure with the exception of the sliding bank which is omitted. Fig. 4 is a side elevation of a support illustrating a modification of the invention, the rigid cross-brace being secured to the cross-strip at the section thereof adjacent to the leg. Fig. 5 is a similar view of the same showing the parts almost folded. Fig. 6 is a side elevation of a support illustrating another modification of the invention, the parts being distended and in position preparatory to securing them by the sliding band. Fig. 7 is a similar view showing the parts nearly folded. Fig. 8 is an elevation showing another modification, the parts being distended. Fig. 9 is a similar view showing the parts folded. Figs. 10 and 11 show another modification of the invention.

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

50 1 designates a support for cards, pictures, and the like, comprising a frame of substantially the shape of the figure 4, and composed

of a rigid leg 2 arranged at an angle to the picture or card to be supported, and attachment strips 3 secured to the back of the picture or card 5 and extending downward from the top of the leg to a point intermediate of the length of the same, a folding cross-strip 6 extending from the lower terminus of the attachment strip to the leg at an intermediate point of the same, and a rigid cross-brace 7 attached to the folding cross-strip and adapted to be brought against and in alignment with the same to prevent a cross-strip folding, and to form a rigid brace between the lower terminus of the attachment strip and the leg. The leg is preferably constructed of card or paste board, and the attachment strip and the cross-strip are preferably formed of a single piece or strip of flexible paper, the ends of the strip or piece of paper being pasted or otherwise secured to the leg. The cross-strip 6 is provided intermediate of its ends with a hinge crease 8 to permit the leg to fold flat against the back of a picture or card; and the rigid cross-brace 7, which is preferably constructed of the same material as the leg, is secured to the cross-strip, by pasting or the like, at one side of the hinge crease 8 and is adapted when the parts are distended for supporting the card or picture to be brought flat against the cross-strip throughout its entire length, and to form a rigid brace or connection between the card and the leg to prevent the support from collapsing.

In the form illustrated in Figs. 1 and 2 the brace 7, when the parts are in operative position is at right angles to the leg; and in order to hold the brace positively in this position, and to prevent it accidentally slipping upward from the cross-strip a sliding band 9 is provided. The band encircles the brace 7 and the cross-strip, and is adapted to be shifted or moved on these parts to carry it to either side of the hinge crease 8 to permit the parts to be folded and to hold them against folding or collapsing.

The band 9 is not absolutely necessary in Figs. 1 and 2, but is advantageous for the purpose above set forth; and in Fig. 3 of the accompanying drawings is illustrated this form of support without the sliding band.

In Figs. 4 and 5 of the accompanying drawings the disposition of the cross-brace is

changed as to the place of securement to the cross-strip, it being attached to that section or side of the cross-strip which is adjacent to the leg. In this form of support the sliding band may be omitted, but is desirable.

Figs. 6 and 7 of the drawings disclose another arrangement of the cross-brace, it being attached to the section of the folding strip 6, adjacent to the attachment strip, and being located at right angles to the card or picture instead of at that angle to the leg. In this form it is necessary to provide the cross-strip 6 with a downward extension 10 in order to permit the cross-strip and brace to swing or move sufficiently away from the leg to allow the brace in folding to move upward past a position perpendicular to the leg. The sliding band 10 in this form is mounted on the lower portion of the leg, and holds the extension 10 against the leg thereby securing the brace in operative position.

In Figs. 8 and 9 the brace is disposed with relation to the card at the same angle as that shown in the two preceding figures of the drawings, but is attached to the cross-strip adjacent to the leg and arranged below or on the lower face of the cross-strip.

In Figs. 10 and 11 the form shown differs from that illustrated in Figs. 8 and 9, in that the brace is attached to that section of the cross-strip adjacent to the card, instead of to the leg.

It will be apparent that the support is simple and inexpensive in construction, that it is adapted to be readily attached to a card, picture or the like, that it is capable of holding the card or picture in an inclined position, and that it is adapted to fold compactly against the back of such to facilitate shipping and storing.

Changes in the form, proportion and the minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the principle or sacrificing any of the advantages of this invention, such as constructing the sliding band of paper or of other material than rubber.

What we claim is—

1. A support for cards, pictures and the like comprising a frame of substantially the shape of the figure 4 and composed of a rigid leg, an attachment strip designed to be secured to the back of a picture, card or the like and having its upper end attached to the upper

end of the leg, a folding cross-strip having a hinge crease and connecting the lower end of the attachment strip with the leg at an intermediate point of the latter, and a cross-brace secured to the cross-strip at one side of the hinge crease and adapted to be arranged longitudinally of the cross-strip to form a rigid brace between the leg and the attachment strip, substantially as described.

2. A support for cards, pictures and the like comprising a frame of substantially the shape of the figure 4 and composed of a rigid leg, an attachment strip designed to be secured to the back of a picture, card or the like and having its upper end attached to the upper end of the leg, a folding cross-strip having a hinge crease and connecting the lower end of the attachment strip with the leg at an intermediate point of the latter, a cross-brace secured to the cross-strip at one side of the hinge crease and adapted to be arranged longitudinally of the cross-strip to form a rigid brace between the leg and the attachment strip, and a sliding band for holding the brace longitudinally of the cross-strip to prevent the frame from collapsing, substantially as described.

3. A support for cards, pictures and the like comprising a frame of substantially the shape of the figure 4 and composed of a rigid leg, an attachment strip designed to be secured to the back of a picture, card or the like and having its upper end attached to the upper end of the leg, a folding cross-strip having a hinge crease and connecting the lower end of the attachment strip with the leg at an intermediate point of the latter, a cross-brace secured to the cross-strip at one side of the hinge crease and adapted to be arranged longitudinally of the cross-strip to form a rigid brace between the leg and the attachment strip, and a sliding band encircling the brace and the cross-strip and adapted to be moved from one side of the hinge crease to the other, substantially as and for the purpose described.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing as our own we have hereto affixed our signatures in the presence of two witnesses.

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