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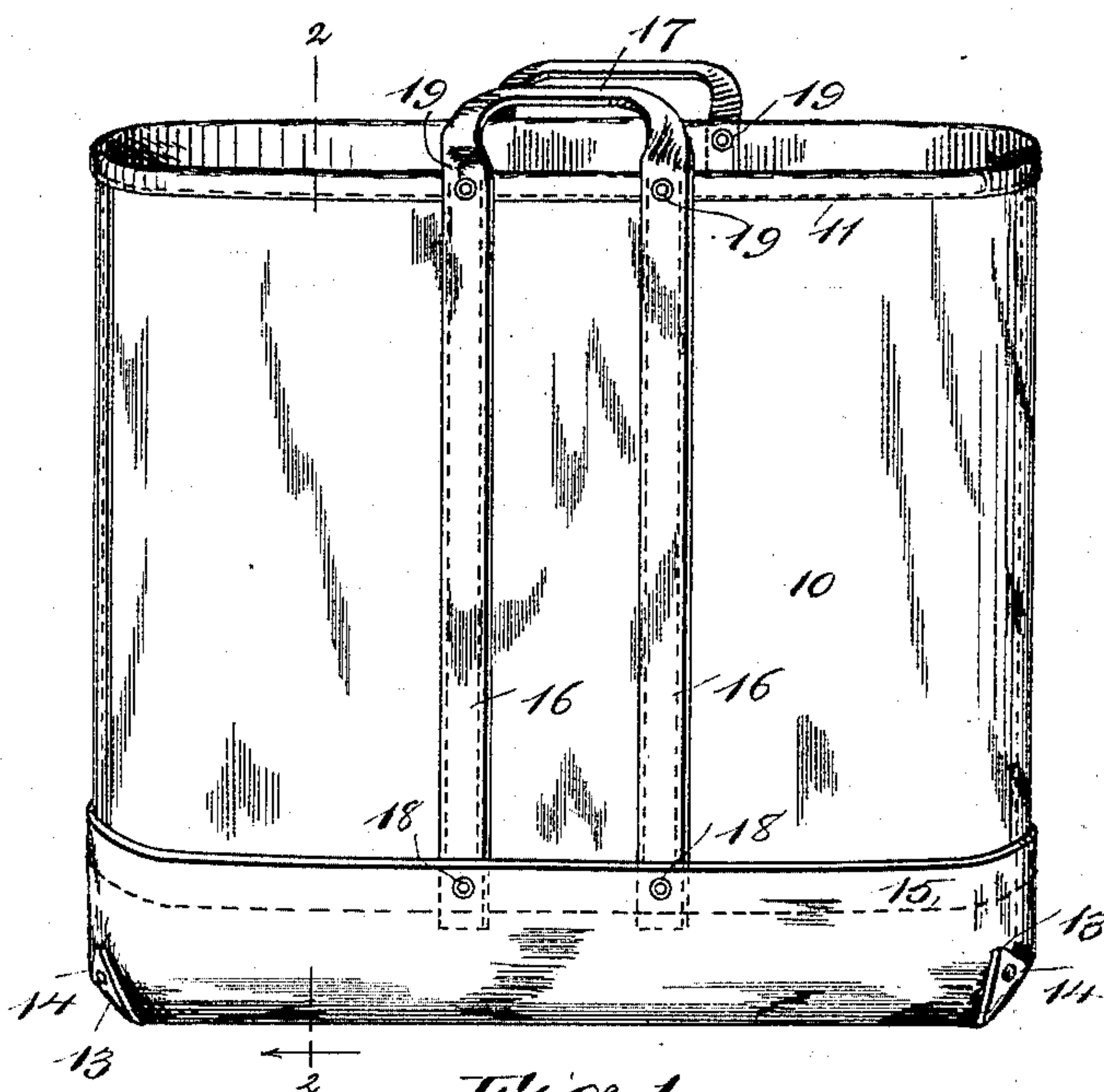


Fig. 1

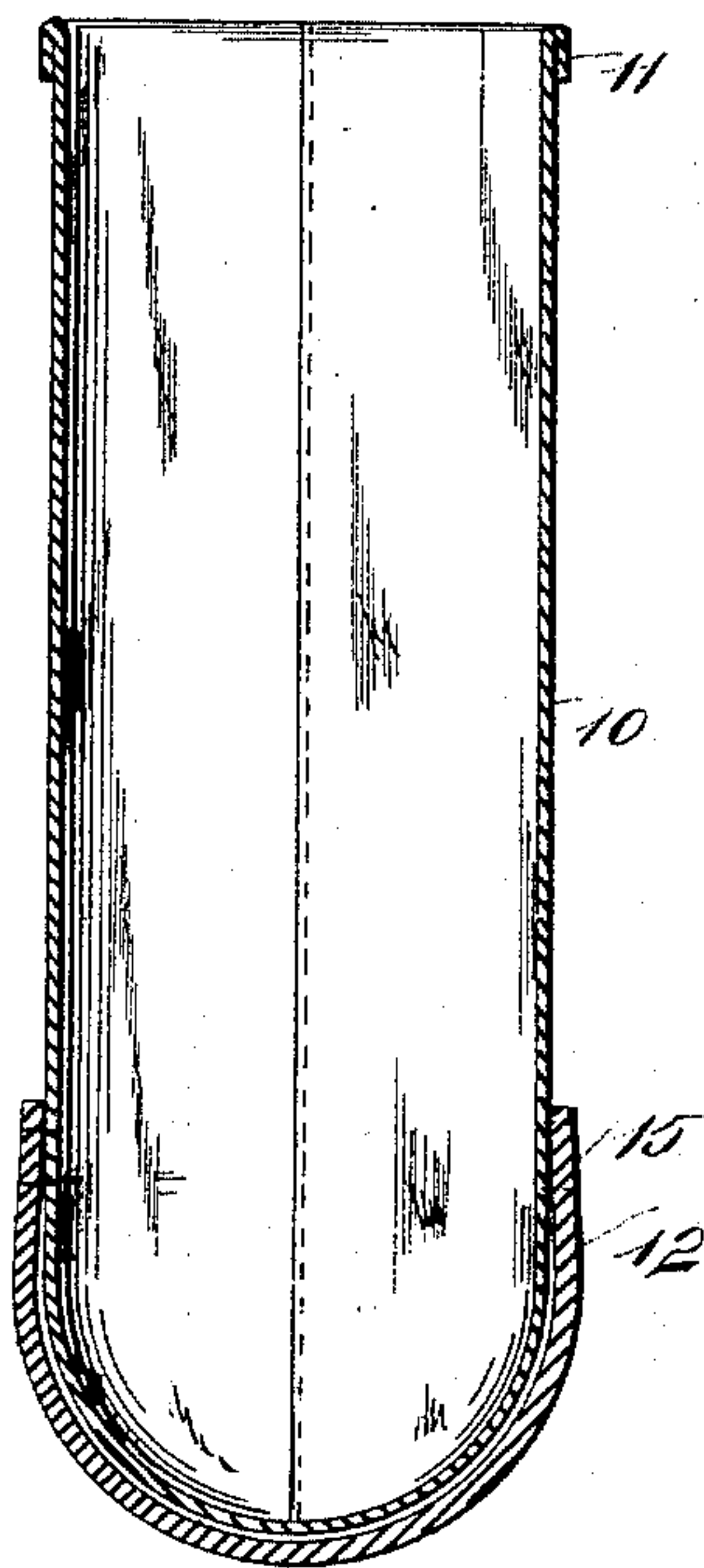


Fig. 2

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. FIELD, of Port Chester, in the county of Westchester and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Bag, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to improvements in bags and particularly to that class of bags which are used in delivering coal.

It has come to be a practice to put up coal in bags and carry the bags to the place where the coal is to be delivered and there dump their contents into the coal bin, thus saving shoveling, dust, and other incident annoyances, but it is found that the bottoms of such bags quickly wear out and that where the bags are provided with rope handles, as some are, they are very awkward things to carry, as the bags are carried on the back of the person delivering the coal. The object of my invention is to produce a bag of this kind, which has a double bottom, capable of resisting great wear, which has its sides relatively light as there is comparatively little strain on this portion of the bag, and which has flat handles connecting with the double bottom so that the handles lift the bag in such a manner as to enable it to withstand the strain, this arrangement of the handles also causing the bags to be easily carried. It will be readily understood that this construction enables a bag to be made exceptionally strong and yet be very cheap, because the sides of the bag may be made of comparatively cheap material, and the manner of attaching the handles causes them not only to be very strong but to bind the sides of the bag when the person lugging the bag grasps the handles and places the bag on his back. To these ends my invention consists of a bag, the construction of which will be hereinafter described and claimed.

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

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the bag embodying my invention; and Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

The bag is made of canvas or other strong material and its body portion 10 may be made of a single piece, as illustrated, or several pieces may be employed if desired. This body portion of the bag is relatively light

and is preferably hemmed at the upper edge, as shown at 11, to make it more durable, and its bottom is reinforced by a piece of material 12 which is of much stronger material than the body and side portions of the bag and is capable of withstanding the rough usage to which it is subjected. As the bottom 12 is of heavy material its corners are preferably doubled in, as shown at 13 in Fig. 1, and fastened by rivets 14, although this is not absolutely essential, and the top portion of the bottom strip 12 is stitched, as shown at 15, or otherwise fastened to the body portion of the bag. The bag is provided with handles formed of flat strips 16, which are fastened to the body portion of the bag and the middle portions 17 of which project above the bag to form the handles 17.

The stitching in the strips 16 and the body of the bag serves merely to hold the strips in place, but the strips are firmly secured at their lower ends by rivets 18 or equivalent fastenings to the bottom 12, the lower ends of the strips projecting between this bottom strip and the body of the bag, while the upper portions of the strips are secured by rivets 19 or equivalent fastenings to the top portion of the bag.

It will be seen from the above description that the wear will come almost entirely on the reinforced bottom and that the remainder of the bag may be of comparatively weak and cheap material.

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

As an improved article of manufacture, a bag consisting in the body 10, a deep pocket-like outer reinforcing bottom 12 of heavier material having bottom, end and side walls and inclosing the entire lower portion of the body and secured thereto near its upper edge by a line of fastenings, and the flat  $\cap$ -shape handles secured one at each side of the bag; the lower ends of the handle strips extending between the body and upper edge of the false bottom and rivets 18 extending through all three thicknesses, while the upper ends of said handles extend above the upper edge of the body, substantially as described.

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