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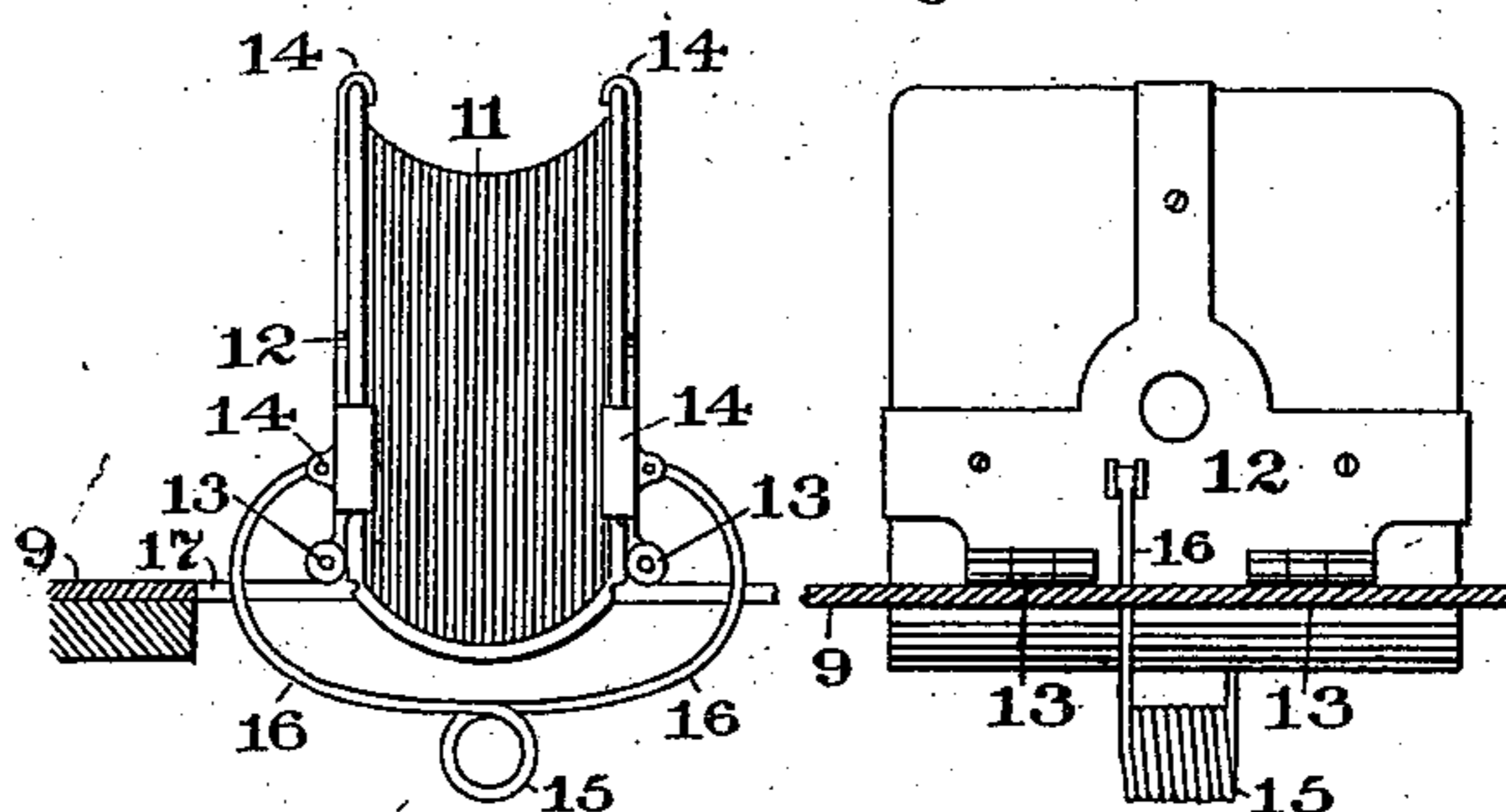
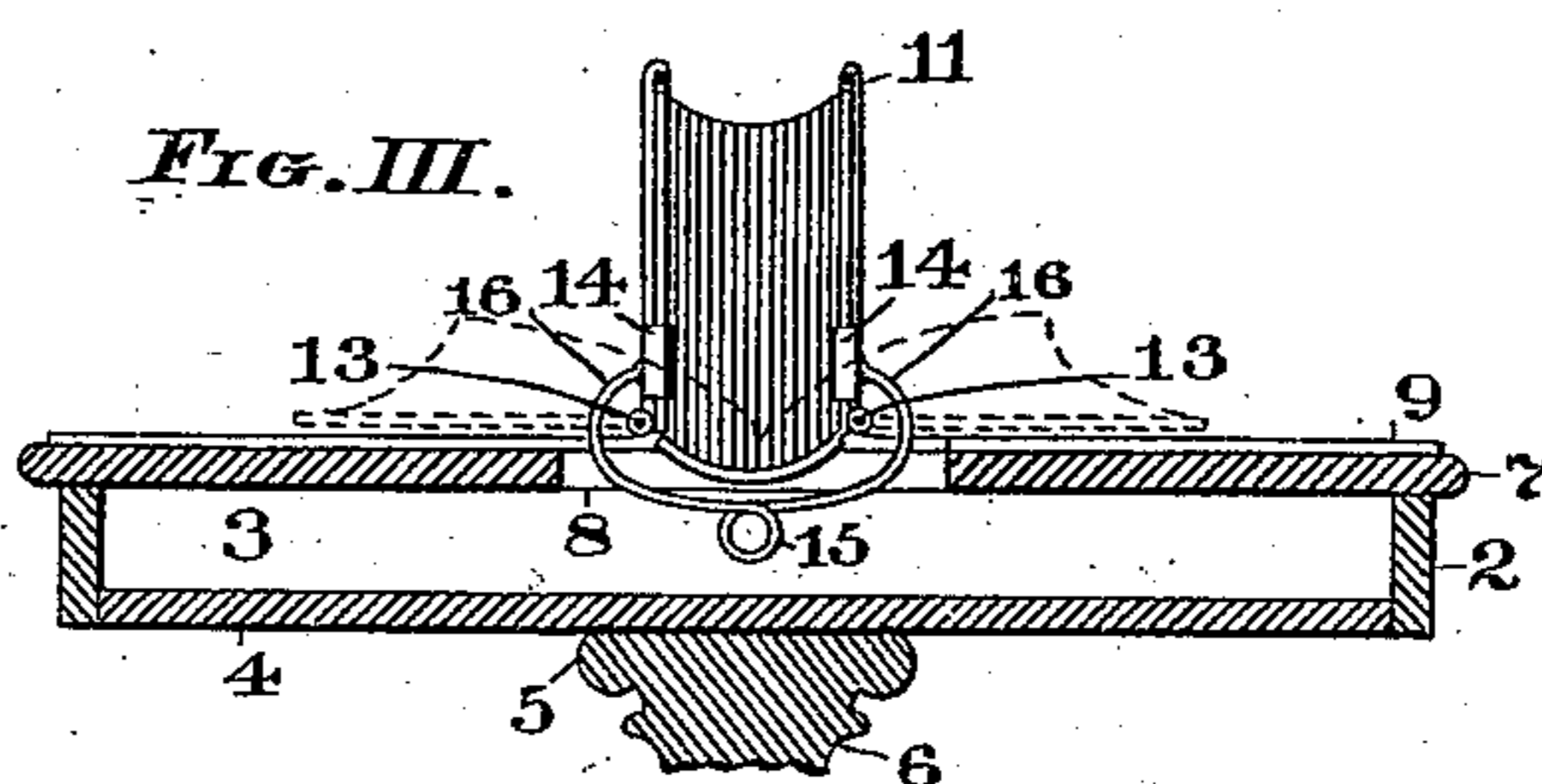
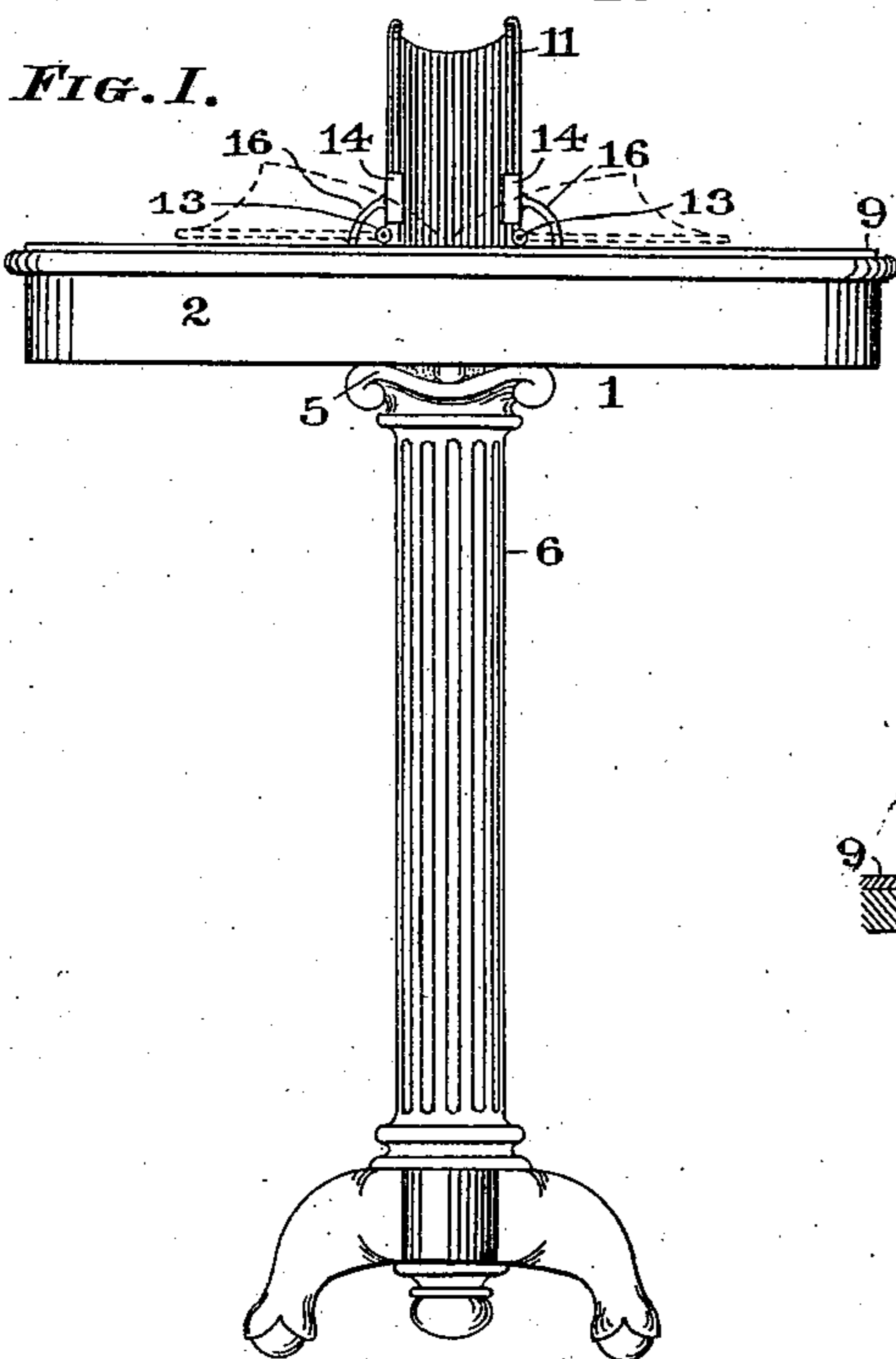
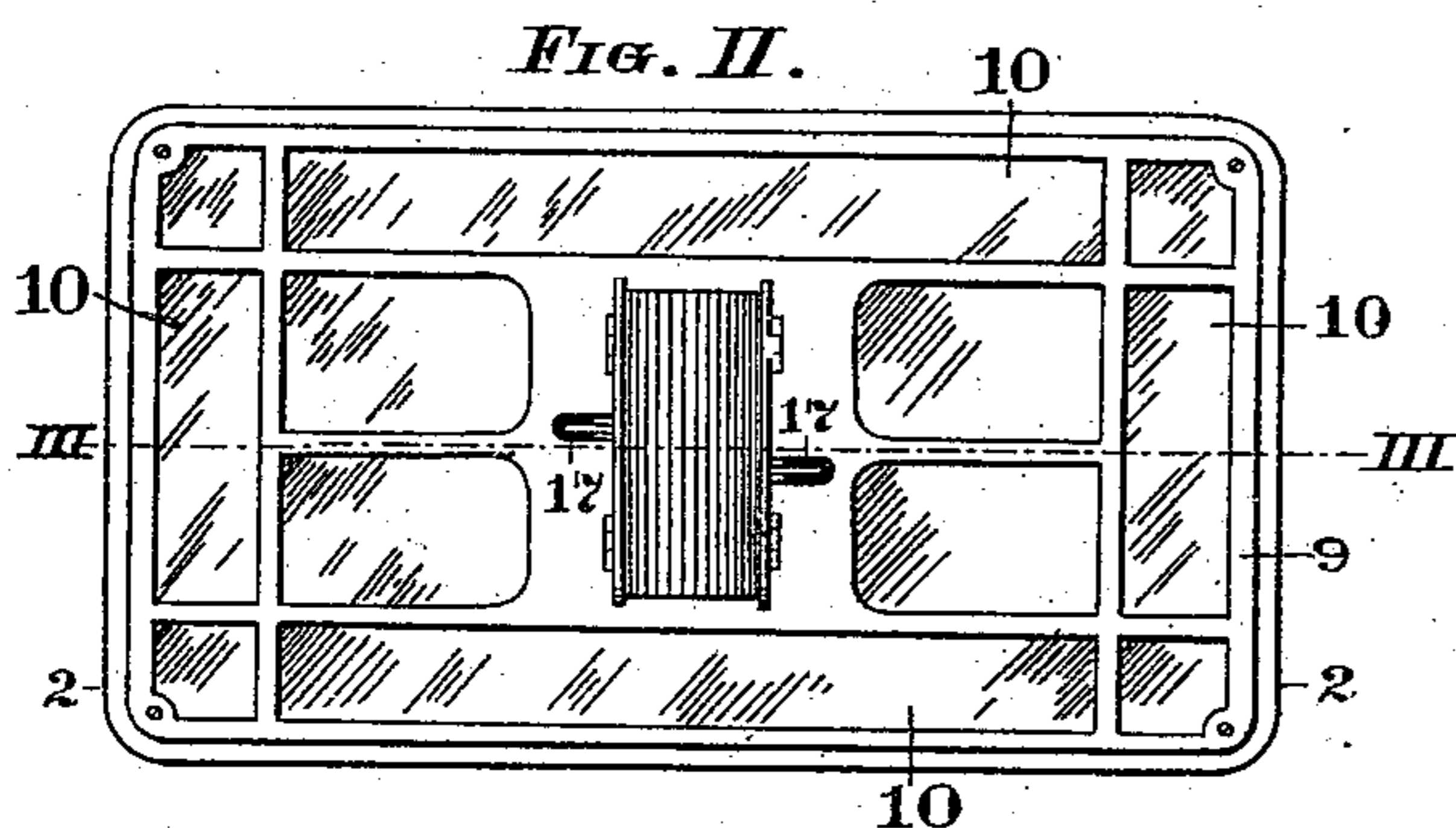


FIG. V.

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BOOK-HOLDER AND ADVERTISING DEVICE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES L. WHIPPLE, of Los Angeles, in the county of Los Angeles and State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Book-Holding and Advertising Devices, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in combined book-holding and advertising devices. Such a device is shown in my application filed November 22, 1894, Serial No. 529,667, and is intended more especially for directories and other books exposed in hotels and other public places where it is desired to prevent the book from being removed or stolen and to display advertising-matter, but which also serves for offices and other private use; and my invention consists in certain features of novelty hereinafter described and claimed.

Figure I represents a side elevation of a stand with my improved book-holding and advertising frame supported thereon. Fig. II is a top view. Fig. III is a vertical section taken on line III III, Fig. II. Fig. IV is a detailed end view showing book and manner of attaching clamp and spring. Fig. V is a detail side elevation showing book and clamp and spring attachment.

Referring to the drawings, 1 represents a stand having a box-top 2, with a central chamber 3. The bottom section 4 of the box-top is secured at 5 to the supporting-post 6. The upper section 7 of the top 2 has a central aperture 8.

Resting on the top of the stand is a skeleton frame 9, provided with a series of spaces 10, in which may be placed advertising-cards or cards containing other matter of information.

11 represents a directory or other book firmly locked to the stand by means of clamps 12, hinged at 13 to the advertising-frame 9, said clamps having lips 14 extending over the different edges of the book-cover to firmly lock and support the book.

15 represents a coil-spring having its coil located in the chamber 3 beneath the book and having its ends formed into semicircular arms 16, which bear against the back of the clamps and hold the book closed after the same has been shut up. The arms of the spring extend through slots 17 in the top of the stand, which permit of their receding when the book is opened. By secreting the coil-spring in the chamber 3 the same is protected from unauthorized interference, and at the same time it is impossible for any one to remove the book without removing or uncoupling the hinges or removing the advertising-frame, which is screwed to the top of the stand.

I claim as my invention—

A combined book-holding and advertising device comprising a support, a top formed with an upper section having a book-aperture, a skeleton advertising frame secured to the upper section forming a support for a book, and having slots located transversely to the book-aperture, and a series of card spaces surrounding the book-apertures, the clamps hinged to the frame at the edges of the book-aperture, and having lips for engaging the edges of the book covers, and the coil-spring located beneath the frame and having semi-circular arms extending through the transverse slots of the frame and bearing against the clamps; substantially as described.

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