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HEAD REST.

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FIG. I.

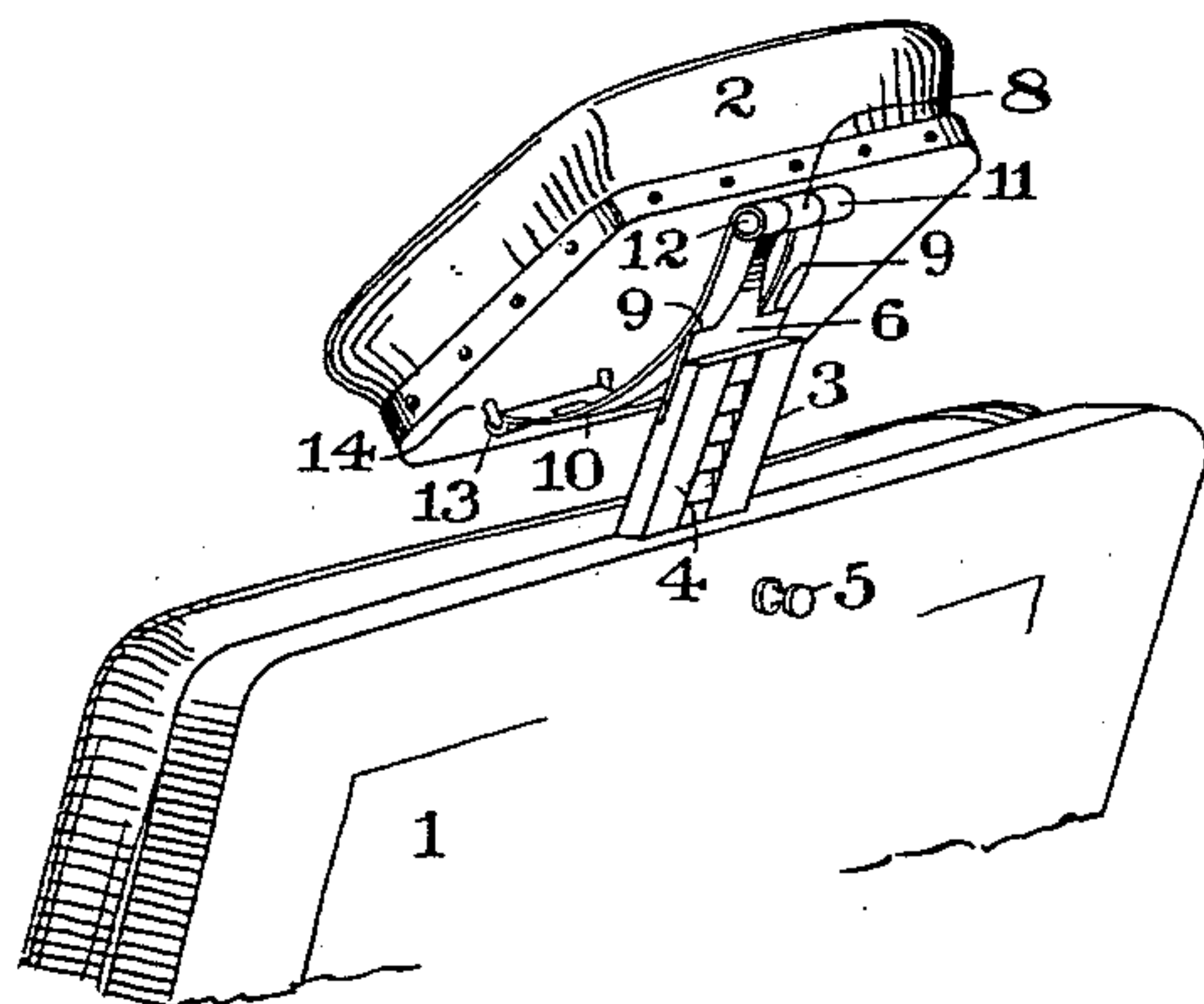


FIG. II.

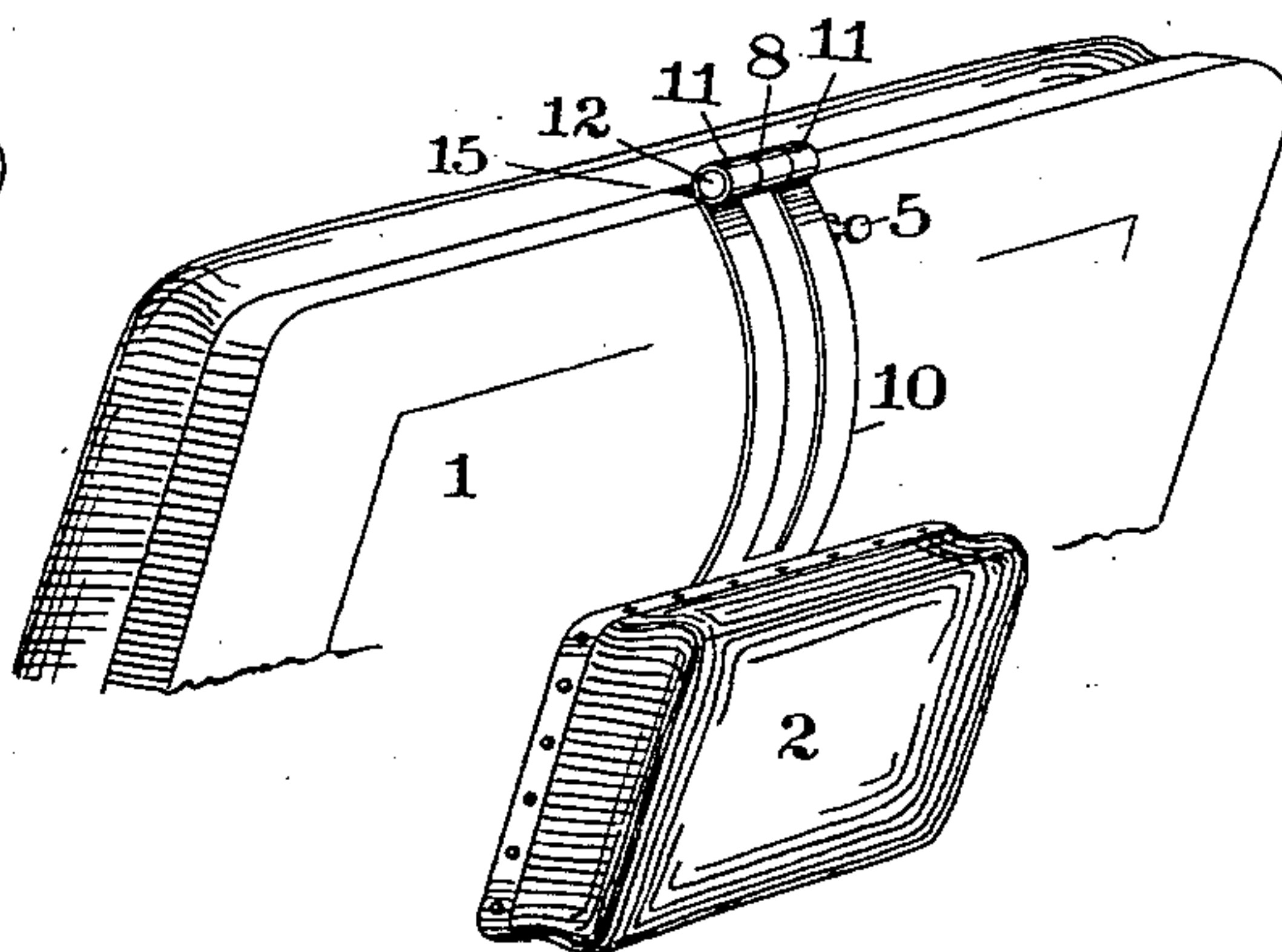


FIG. III.

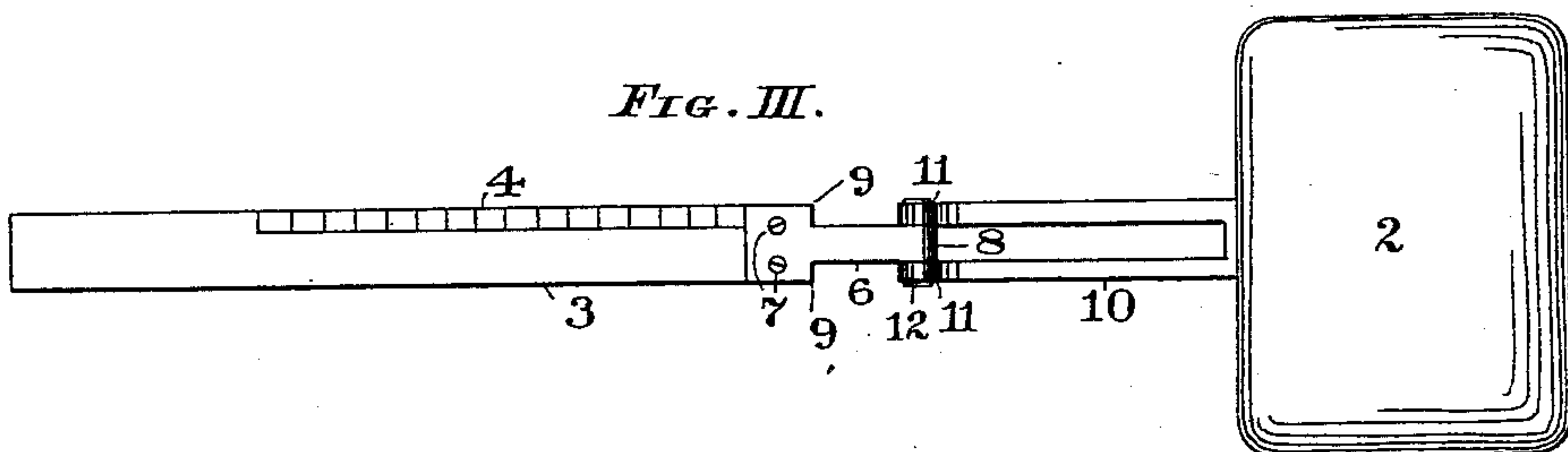
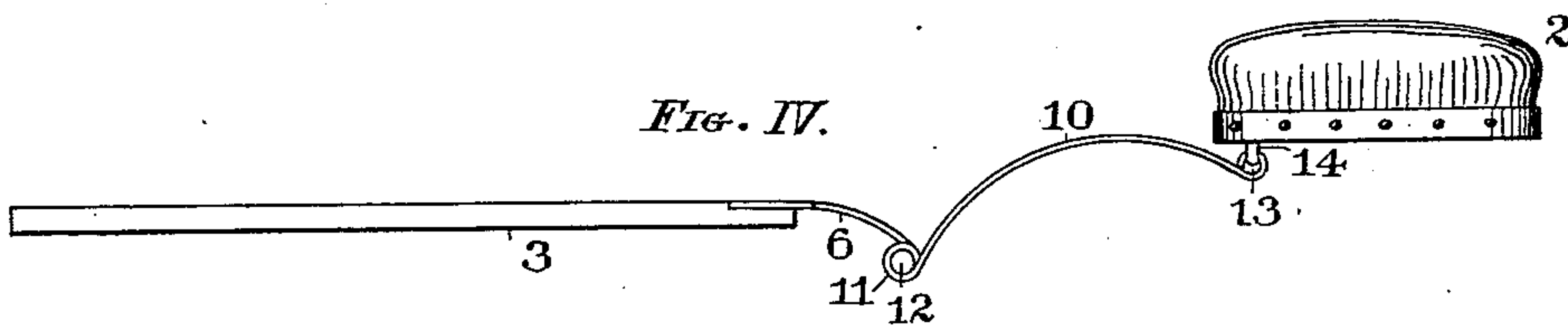


FIG. IV.



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HEAD-REST.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN A. BARKER, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Pasadena, in the county of Los Angeles and State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Head-Rests for Barbers' Chairs, 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 head-rests for barber's chairs; and my invention consists in certain features of novelty hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claims.

Figure I is a detail perspective of a chair, showing my improved head-rest in position for shaving. Fig. II is a detail perspective in which the standard is entirely inclosed within the socket and the head-rest is folded back. Fig. III represents the front of the head-rest and standard removed from the chair proper. Fig. IV is an edge view of the same.

Referring to the drawings, 1 represents the upper portion of the back of a barber's chair; 2 the head-rest proper, and 3 the ordinary standard used in supporting the head-rest. The standard is provided with the usual ratchet-teeth 4, which may be placed in the center of the standard, as shown in Fig. I, or at one side, as shown in Fig. II, in order to fit a chair having its supporting-pawl (not shown) located in the center or to one side of the center, the pawl being actuated by the usual button 5, located at the back of the chair.

6 represents a bracket preferably secured to the top of the standard by means of screws 7, but which might be formed integral with the standard. The bracket is curved in form and is provided with a loop 8 at its outer end and shoulders 9 near its connection with the standard.

10 represents a bifurcated link having loops 11 at one of its ends, by which it is connected by means of a pin 12 with the outer looped end 8 of the bracket 6. The opposite end of the bifurcated link 10 is provided with a loop 13, through which a staple 14 passes and by which means it is connected with the head-

rest 2 by being driven into the under side of the same, as shown in Fig. I, or by any other suitable means, such, for instance, as screws or nails. The bifurcated link is made of flexible or spring material, so as to afford an easy rest for the head, and which will at the same time permit the head-rest to adjust itself to the occupant of the chair. The bifurcated link is bow-shaped and when in position for shaving the outer portion of the curved bracket enters the slot of the link, and the convex side of the link rests upon the shoulders 9 of the bracket 6.

When it is desired to cut the occupant's hair, or if for any other reason the head-rest is in the way, all that is necessary to do is to push the button 5, permitting the standard 3 to drop in its socket 15. As the standard drops the under side of the bow-shaped link 10 comes in contact with the top of the chair and is thrown over into the position shown in Fig. II, where it remains suspended at the back of the chair until it is again desired to use the same.

I have shown and described my device as connected with a barber's chair, but it can also be used in connection with surgeons', dentists', and other forms of chairs.

I claim as my invention—

1. In a barber's chair the combination of a standard, a bracket having shoulders and secured to the standard, a bifurcated bow-shaped link pivoted to the standard, a head-rest and means for pivoting the opposite end of the link to the head-rest substantially as set forth.

2. The combination of a head-rest, a standard, a bracket having shoulders and a curved outer portion and secured to the standard, the curved bifurcated spring-link hinged at its inner end to the curved portion, and at its outer end to the head-rest; the spring-link when folded being adapted to rest on the shoulders of the bracket and to receive the curved outer portion of the bracket within it; substantially as described.

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