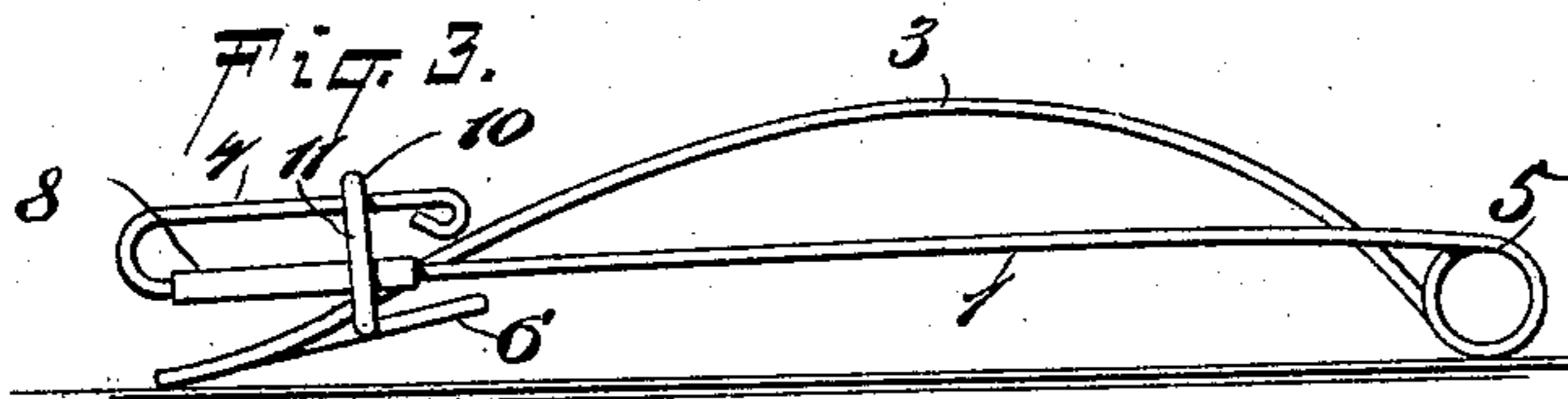
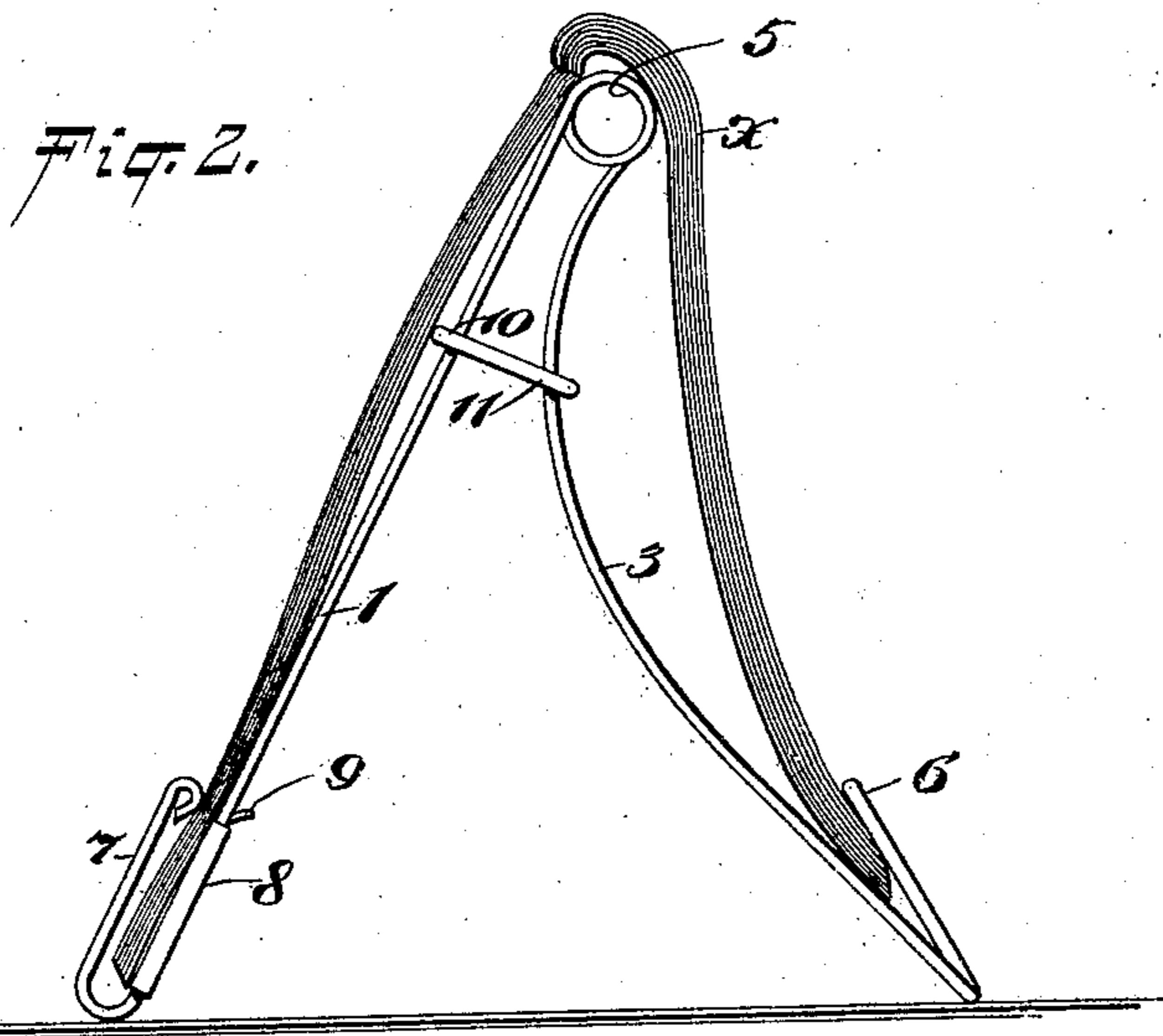
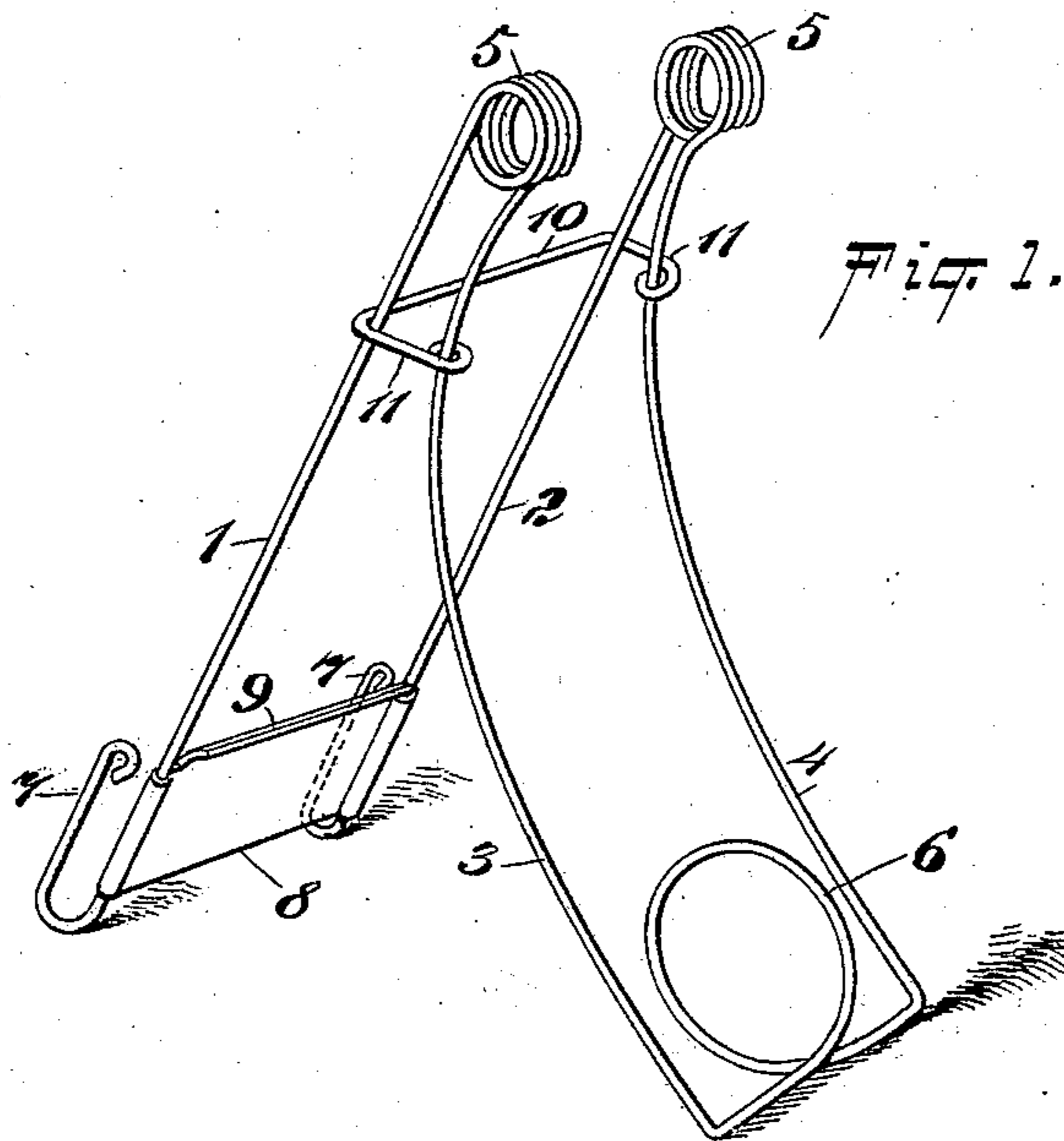


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WALTER T. IVES, of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Note-Book Holder, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates more particularly to holders for note-books used by stenographers; and the object is to provide a holder of simple construction and comparatively inexpensive that will take up but little room when in use and that may be compactly folded for packing or storing in a desk, drawer, or box.

I will describe a note-book holder embodying my invention, and then point out the novel features in the appended claims.

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

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a note-book holder embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a side elevation thereof, showing a note-book in place; and Fig. 3 shows the device as folded.

The note-book holder as here shown consists principally of a single strip of wire and having the front standards 1 and 2 and the brace-rods 3 and 4. The front standards and the brace-rods are designed to have a spring movement relatively to each other. As here shown, each front standard is connected at the top to its brace-rod by means of a spring-coil 5. The brace-rods 3 and 4 are connected together at the lower end by a cross-piece which is curved to make a ring-shaped clip 6. The lower ends of the standards 1 and 2 are each curved outward and upward to form keepers 7, and the lower ends of these standards are here shown as connected together by means of a metal plate 8, which may have its upper edge rounded or curved rearward, as shown at 9, which will prevent the cover of the note-book from catching on the upper edge of the said plate when the note-book is placed in position.

The adjustable holding-bar 10 has its rearwardly-extended arms 11 provided with eyes, through which the brace-rods 3 and 4 loosely pass. The front bar 10 of this sliding keeper engages around the front of the standards 1 and 2, and the arms 11 are of sufficient length

to allow the said front bar to engage over the front of the keepers 7 when the device is folded, as shown in Fig. 3. It is obvious that the pitch of the standards 1 and 2 may be regulated, as desired, by sliding the holding-bar up or down on said standards and brace-rods. Of course the nearer the holding-bar is to the top the wider will be the spread between the lower ends of the brace-bars and the lower ends of the standards.

In use the note-book will have its pages to be copied from inserted at the lower end between the portion 7 and the plate 8. After copying from a page the same may be turned over and inserted under the spring-yielding clip 6. The note-book *x* is shown in proper position in Fig. 2. When it is desired to fold the device, the holding-bar may be slid downward and engage across the keepers 7, as plainly shown in Fig. 3. As the wire is resilient it is obvious that the device may be pressed downward more closely together than is shown in Fig. 3 for the purpose of packing in a box. The brace-rods 3 and 4 are longitudinally curved, so as to provide for a sufficient spread when the holder is in its open position.

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

1. A note-book holder, comprising front standards having upwardly-turned clip portions at the lower end, brace-rods having a spring-yielding connection with said standards, a spring-clip at the lower portion of the said brace-rods, and a holding-bar adapted to slide longitudinally of the standards and of the brace-bars to hold them as adjusted, substantially as described.

2. A note-book holder, comprising a single strip of metal forming front standards having upwardly-turned lower ends, brace-rods having coiled-spring engagement with the standards, a spring-yielding clip formed at the lower portion of the said brace-rods, a plate connecting the lower ends of the standards, and a sliding holding-bar having rearwardly-extended arms provided with eyes engaging loosely around the brace-rods, substantially as described.

3. A note-book holder, consisting of a single strip of resilient wire bent to form front stand-

ards having upwardly-turned keepers at their lower ends, coils at the upper ends of the said standards, brace-rods extended from said coils and connected at the lower end by a cross-
5 piece curved to form a substantially ring-shaped clip, a holding-bar engaging loosely with the standards and also loosely engaged with the brace-bars, and a plate connecting

the lower ends of the standards, the upper part of the said plate being transversely rounded 10 or curved, substantially as described.

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