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MEMORANDUM SALES BOOK.

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Fig. 1.

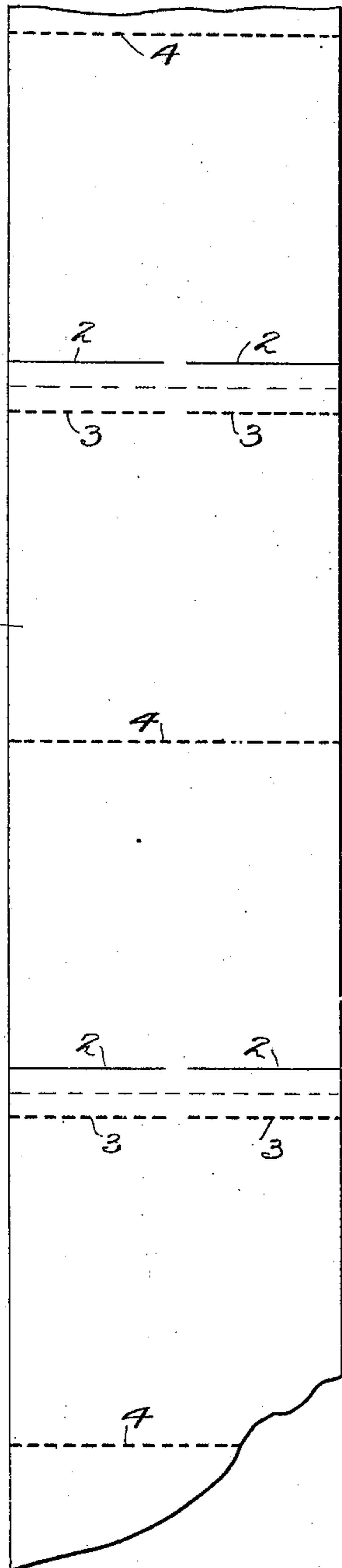


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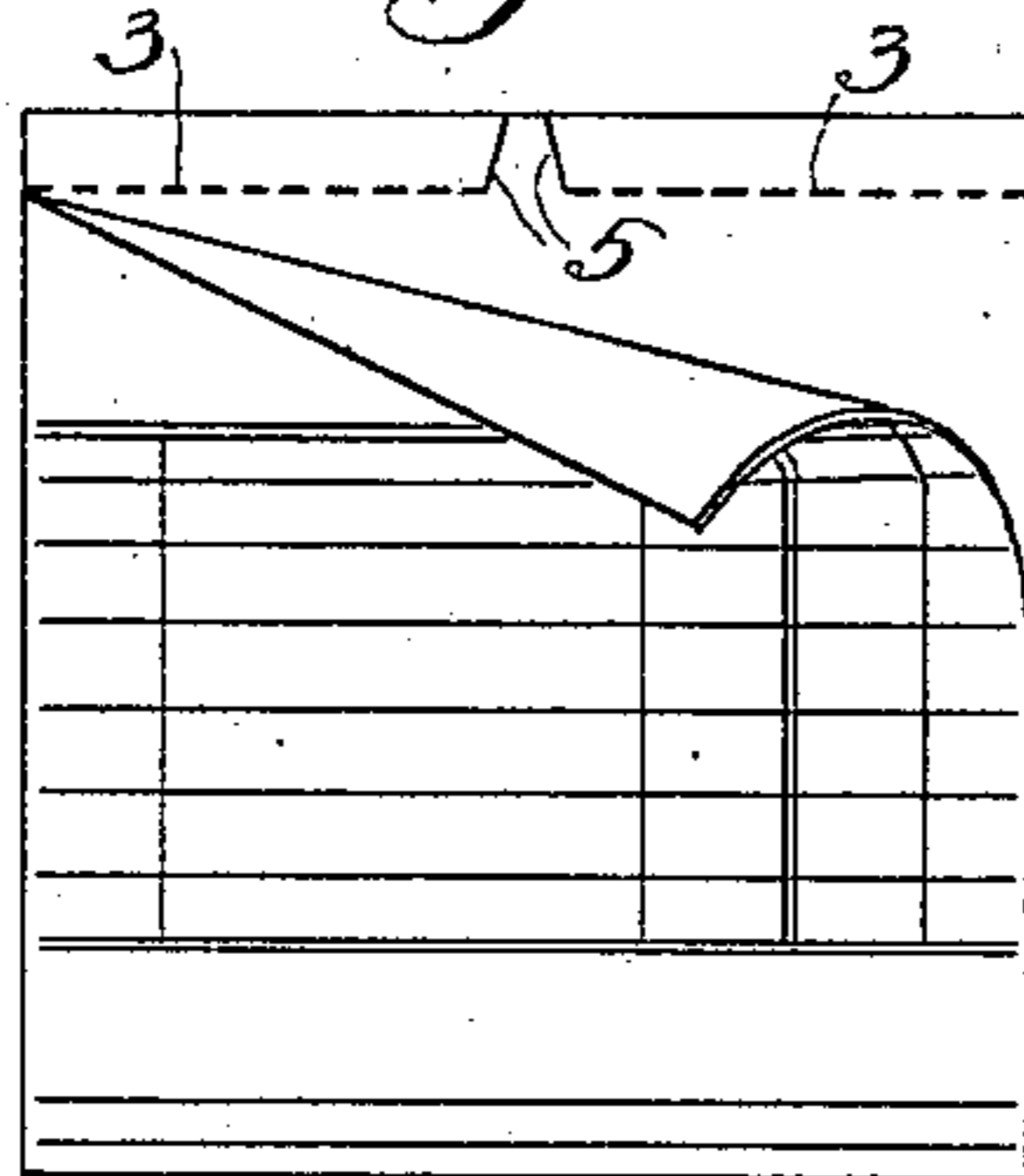


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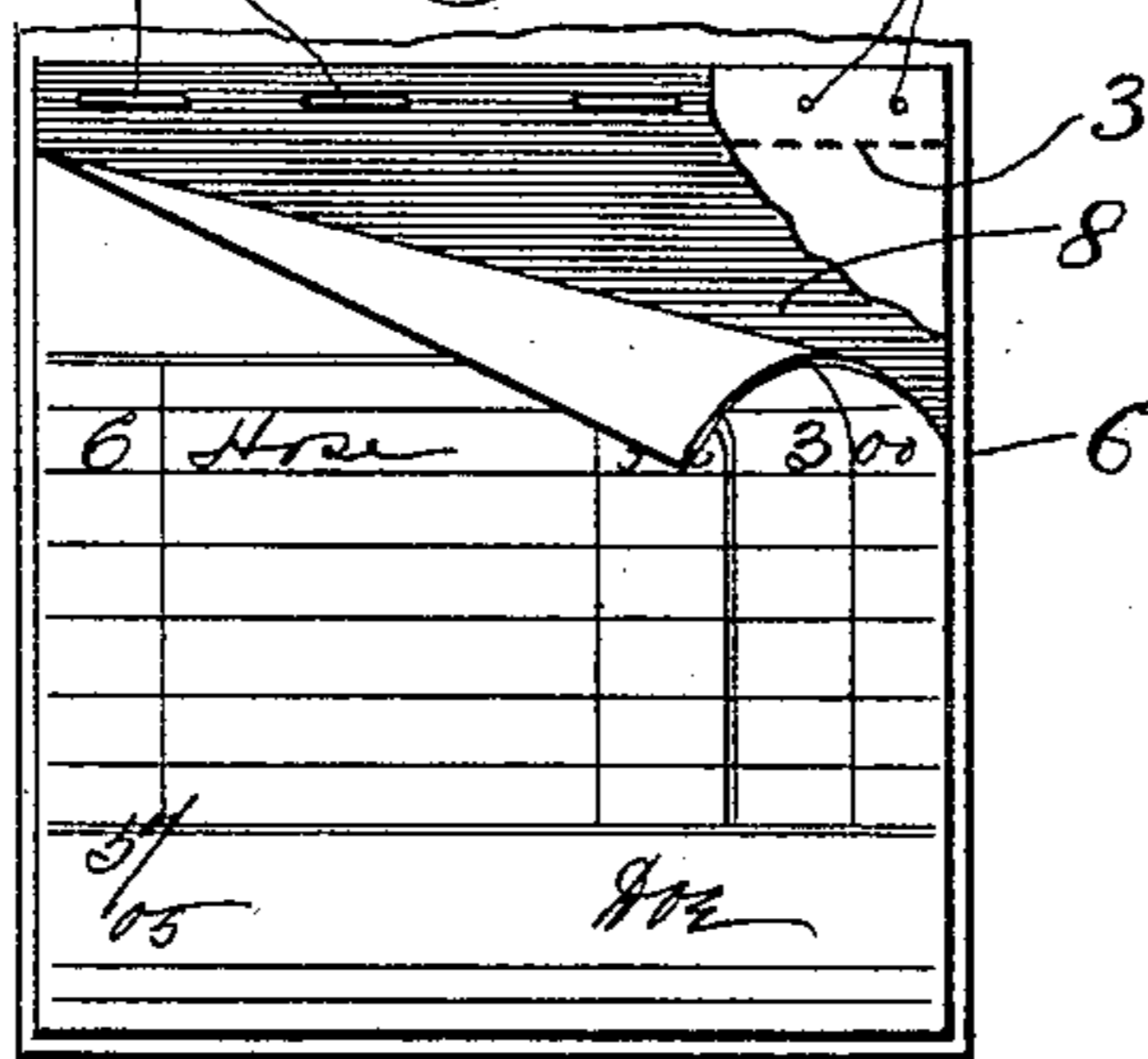


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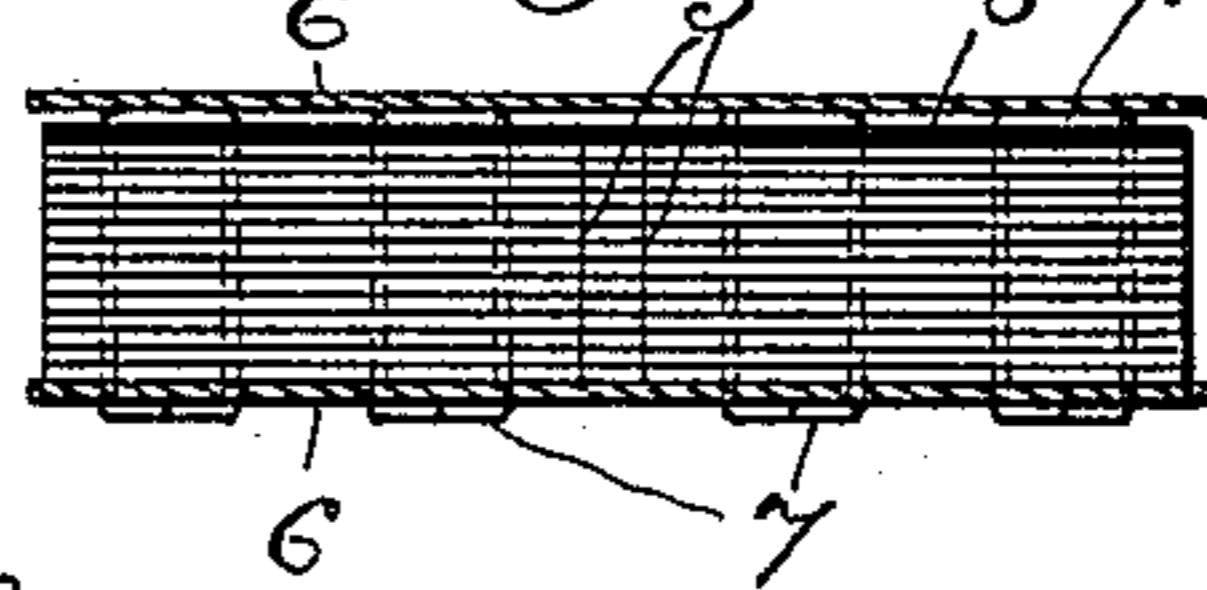


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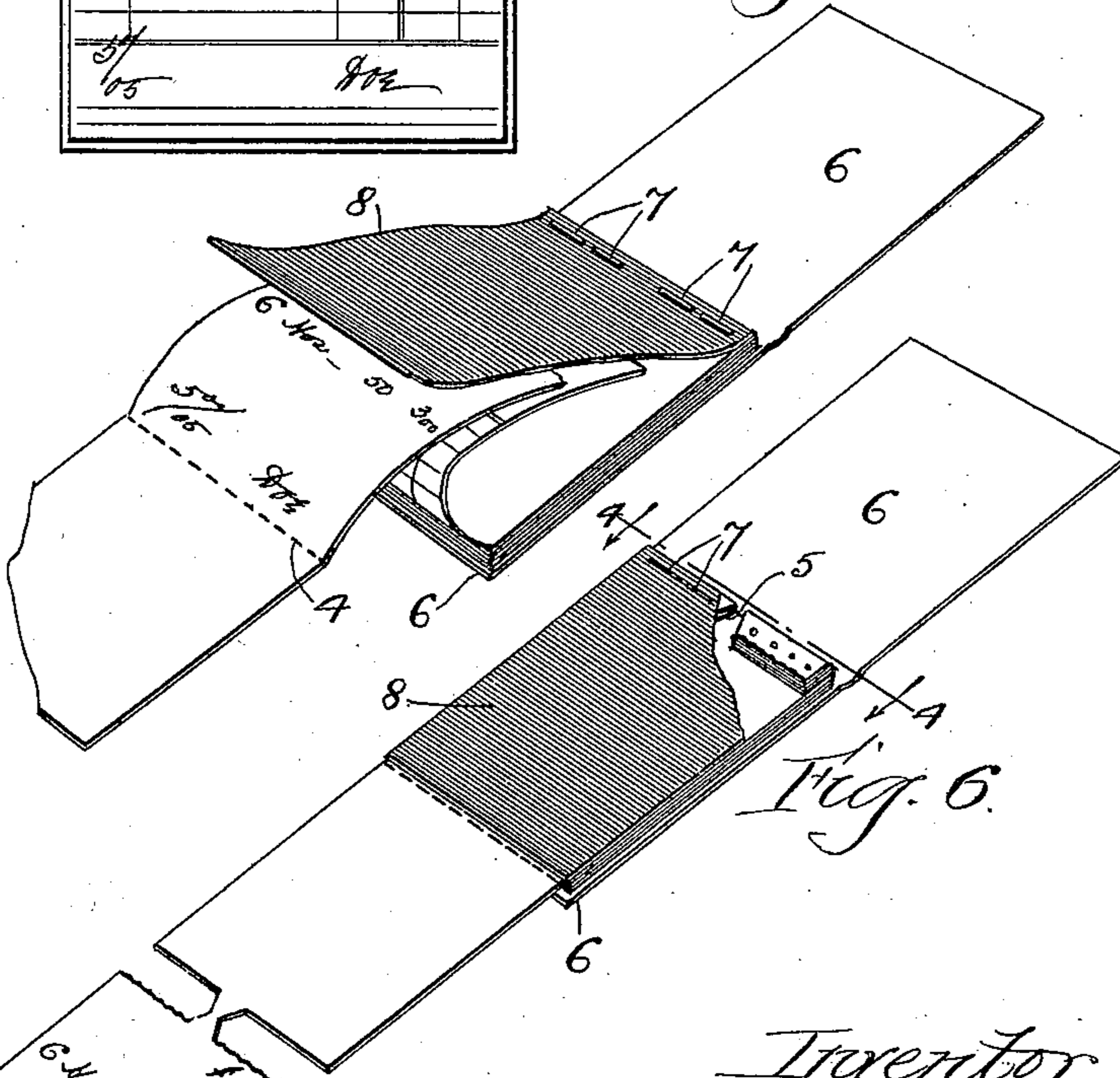
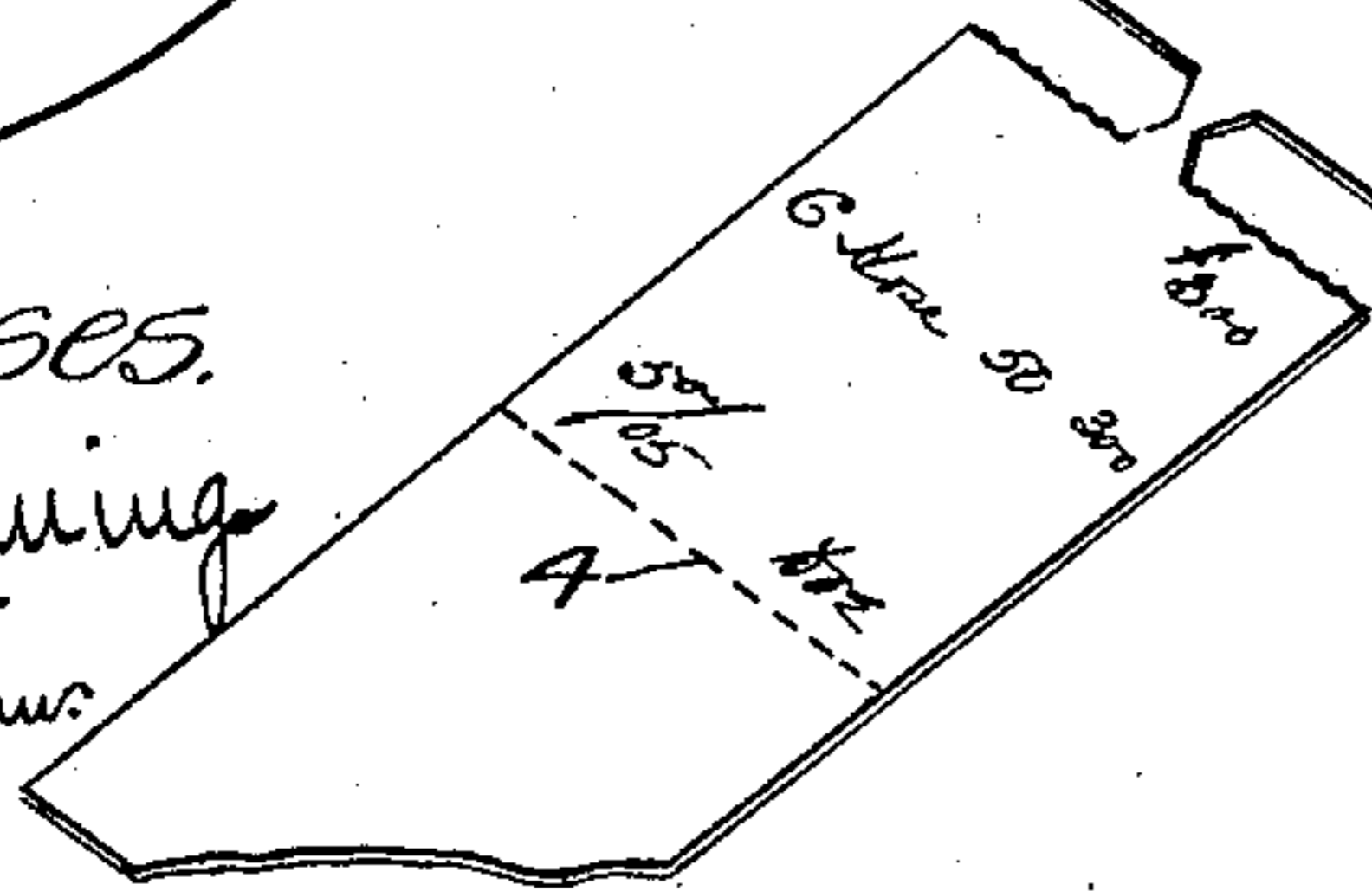


Fig. 6.



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MEMORANDUM SALES-BOOK.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, OSCAR W. GILL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Memorandum Sales-Books; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to an improved memorandum sales-book in which duplicate copies are made by means of carbon-sheets in the usual manner.

The object of the invention is to provide a memorandum sales-book adapted to be formed from a continuous sheet at small cost and which can be used and manipulated in a cleanly and convenient manner and with the greatest facility.

The invention consists in the novel features hereinafter fully described and set forth, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of a continuous sheet of paper cut and perforated ready to be folded into book-form; Fig. 2, a plan view when folded and provided with a vertical angular cut through the folds at the binding end; Fig. 3, a like view when bound with the front cover removed, showing a memorandum made upon the first sheet or slip above the carbon-sheet; Fig. 4, a transverse section taken on the line 4 4 of Fig. 6. Fig. 5 shows the front cover thrown back with the memorandum-sheet partly drawn out, bringing with it the next original and duplicate sheet; and Fig. 6 shows the two connected sheets fully drawn out.

Referring to the drawings, 1 designates a continuous blank sheet of paper the width of which is that of the book it is designed to form. Said sheet is provided with a series of separating-cuts 2 2 along both edges extending from either side transversely to near the center thereof, leaving a central integral or uncut portion holding the sheet together. The interval or distance between each of said cuts along said edges is twice the desired length of book and is adapted to form a series of original and duplicate slips. 3 3 are lines of

perforations adjacent to said cuts parallel therewith and which, like said cuts, do not extend entirely across the sheet, but from either edge to near the center, leaving an unperforated portion corresponding in width to that between said cuts. The dotted lines at the center of the space between said lines of perforations and said cut lines are points of folding.

4 4 are lines of perforations and also of folding formed midway the length between the dotted folding-lines and are for the purpose of separating the original memorandum slip or sheet from its duplicate.

The necessary printing and ruling may be done before or after the cuts and perforations are made, after which the sheet is folded, as shown in Fig. 2. A vertical angular cut 5 is then made through the folds of the binding end, by which the integral central portion of the sheet contained between the ends of the cuts and ends of the adjacent lines of perforations is formed into a neck or narrow strip which connects each original and duplicate sheet of the series together. Said neck or narrow strip is adapted to pull out from under the carbon-sheet the next sheet of the series when a preceding sheet is torn from the binding-stub, as shown in Figs. 5 and 6.

The book is bound between covers 6 by wire staples 7, one or more carbon-sheets 8 being bound therewith, as the thickness of the book may require.

The practical operation will be readily understood, and consists in tearing a sheet of the series containing a memorandum and its duplicate from the bound stub, which action by means of the narrow connecting-strip pulls out the next sheet of the series, as before stated, from which it is separated by breaking the narrow angular connecting-strip by which they are held together, after which the original and duplicate are torn apart through the central line of perforations.

It will be observed that the cuts in the edges of the sheet and the adjacent lines of perforations are vertically one above the other when bound and upon the inside of the stub or binding, each sheet of the series being held thereto only by said interrupted lines of perforations. The central connecting-strip lying loosely folded within the binding and having a

wedge or angular form is readily disengaged therefrom.

It will also be seen that the pulled-out sheet is conveniently turned over the carbon without touching or soiling the hands with the carbon-sheet, the arrangement being unique and capable of the most expeditious and convenient manipulation.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

1. In a memorandum sales-book, the combination with carbon material of a series of folded original and duplicate slips or sheets, one end of each of said series of sheets adapted to be folded and bound together, and provided upon the inside of the binding with interrupted lines of perforations, and the opposite ends of each of said series provided with lateral cuts as described, all of said sheets connected or attached one to the other at the

ends by an intervening angular neck or strip, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. In a memorandum sales-book the combination with carbon material of a series of original and duplicate sales-sheets, perforated and folded midway their length and partly cut and perforated at the ends as described, to form integral connecting-strips between each of said series, said connecting-strips folded into the binding-stub and adapted to pull out from under a carbon-sheet the next sales-sheet of the series when the first or preceding sheet is torn from the binding-stub, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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