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Fig. 1.

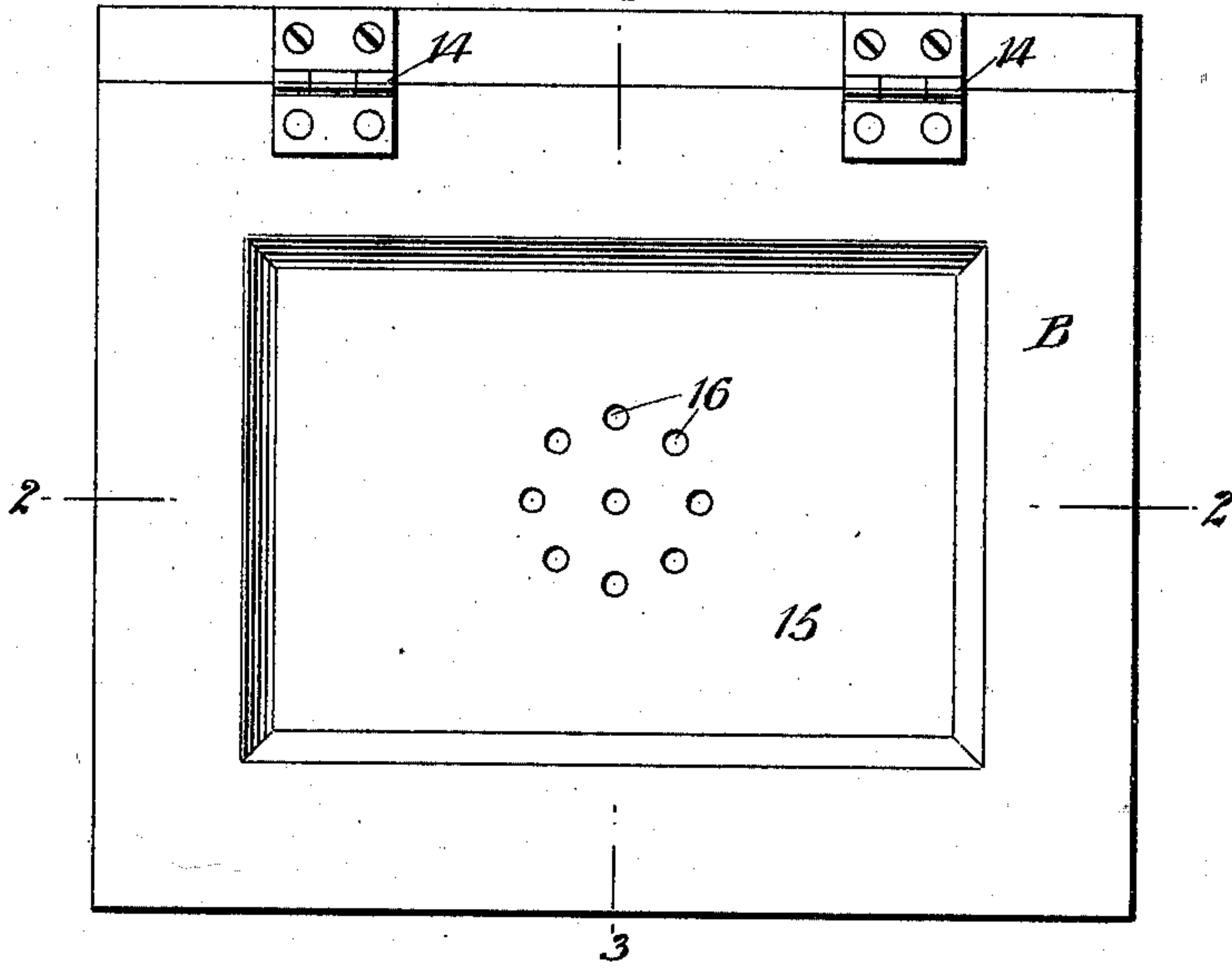


Fig. 2.

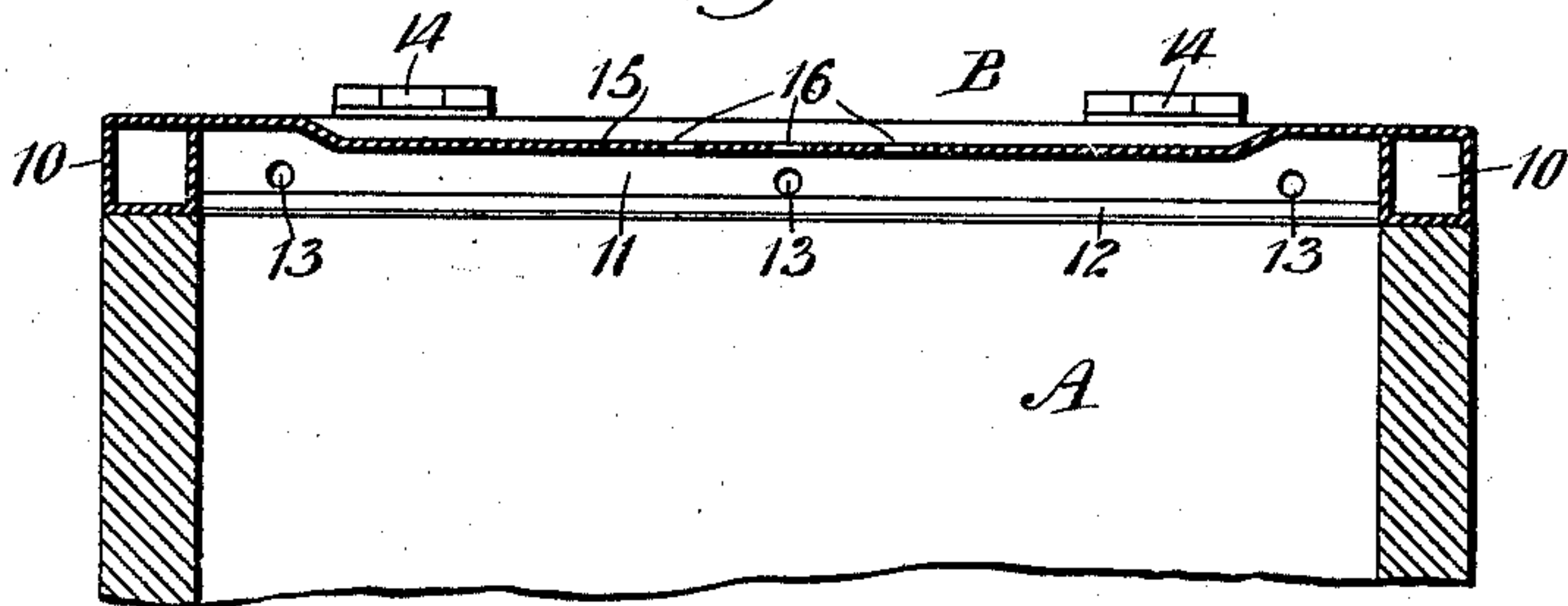
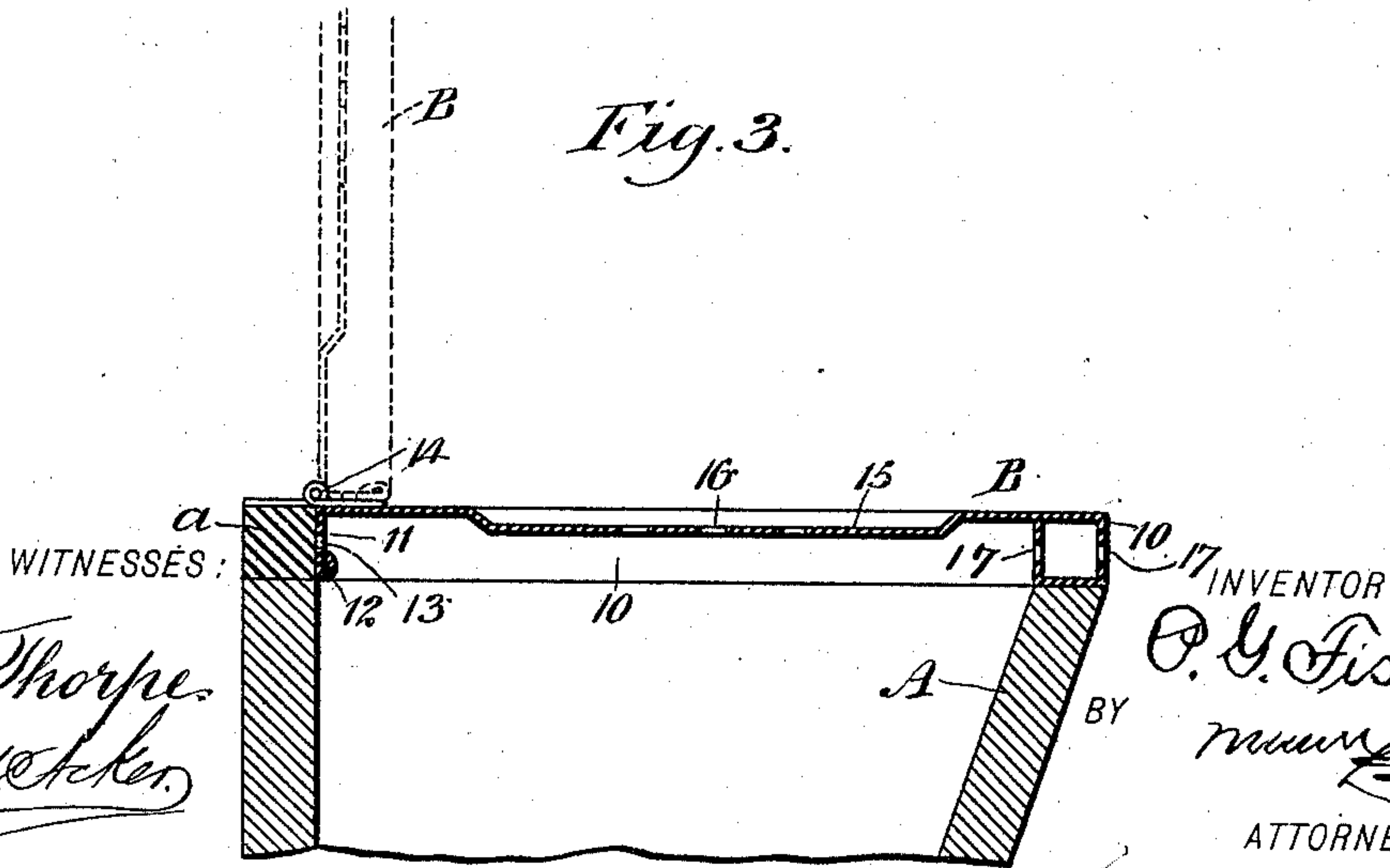


Fig. 3.



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COMBINED LAUNDRY-TUB COVER AND DRAINING-BOARD.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PETER G. FISCHER, of Homestead, North Bergen, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and Improved Combined Laundry-Tub Cover and Draining-Board, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of my invention is to so construct a cover for a laundry-tub that it will not become weakened or dismembered by the action of steam.

Another object of the invention is to so construct the improved cover that it will be simple, durable, and economic and when closed will provide for the ventilation of the tub.

A further object of the invention is to so construct the tub-cover that it may be effectually used as a dish-drainer or draining-board without removing the cover from the tub.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of the several parts, as will be hereinafter fully set forth, and pointed out in the claim.

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 figures.

Figure 1 is a plan view of the improved tub-cover. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal vertical section on the line 2 2 of Fig. 1, and Fig. 3 is a transverse vertical section on the line 3 3 of Fig. 1.

A represents a tub especially adapted for laundry purposes, and B the cover therefor. The cover is made of metal, either plain, enameled, or decorated, and the said cover is provided upon its under face, usually at the front and at the sides, with a box-flange 10, arranged to rest firmly upon the upper edge of the tub, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3. At the rear of the cover a single downwardly-extending flange 11 is preferably provided, having a bead 12 at its bottom and having openings 13 in its body portion at predetermined intervals. The cover is connected with the usual back strip *a*, which may be either of wood or of metal, through the medium of hinges 14, secured to the top of the cover at its rear or single-flanged edge by rivets or their equiv-

alents, the hinges being likewise attached to the upper face of the back strip. When the cover is closed, the box-flange 10 rests entirely upon the upper edge of the tub, the single or rear flange 11 resting against the back strip, as shown in Fig. 3. I desire it, however, to be understood that a box-flange may be substituted for the single flange 11, if desired, in which case the rear box-flange will be suitably apertured. When the cover is opened, should any water or products of condensation adhere to the under face of the cover, the water will find an exit from the cover into the tub through the rear apertures 13.

A sunken panel 15 is made in the top portion of the cover, and the said panel is provided with any desired number of openings 16. This panel is adapted to receive dishes that have been washed and are to be drained. The dishes may be safely placed on this panel, and all the water drained from the dishes will pass through the openings 16 into the tub.

It may happen that the drainage-apertures in the cover may be closed by an auxiliary cover—as, for example, an oil-cloth, a tray, or the like—in which event the tubs will be properly ventilated through openings 17 made in the flanges, and said openings will provide at all times for a current of air above the tubs, obviating the musty odor common to tubs upon which the ordinary cover is placed.

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

As an improved article of manufacture, a top for laundry-tubs, constructed of metal and comprising a back strip, a cover hinged to the back strip, said cover having a depression forming a tray, and apertures in the said depressed surface, whereby the cover may be used as a draining-board, and a hollow, ventilated marginal flange for the cover, whereby also air may circulate above the tub beneath the cover when said cover is closed, substantially as described.

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