

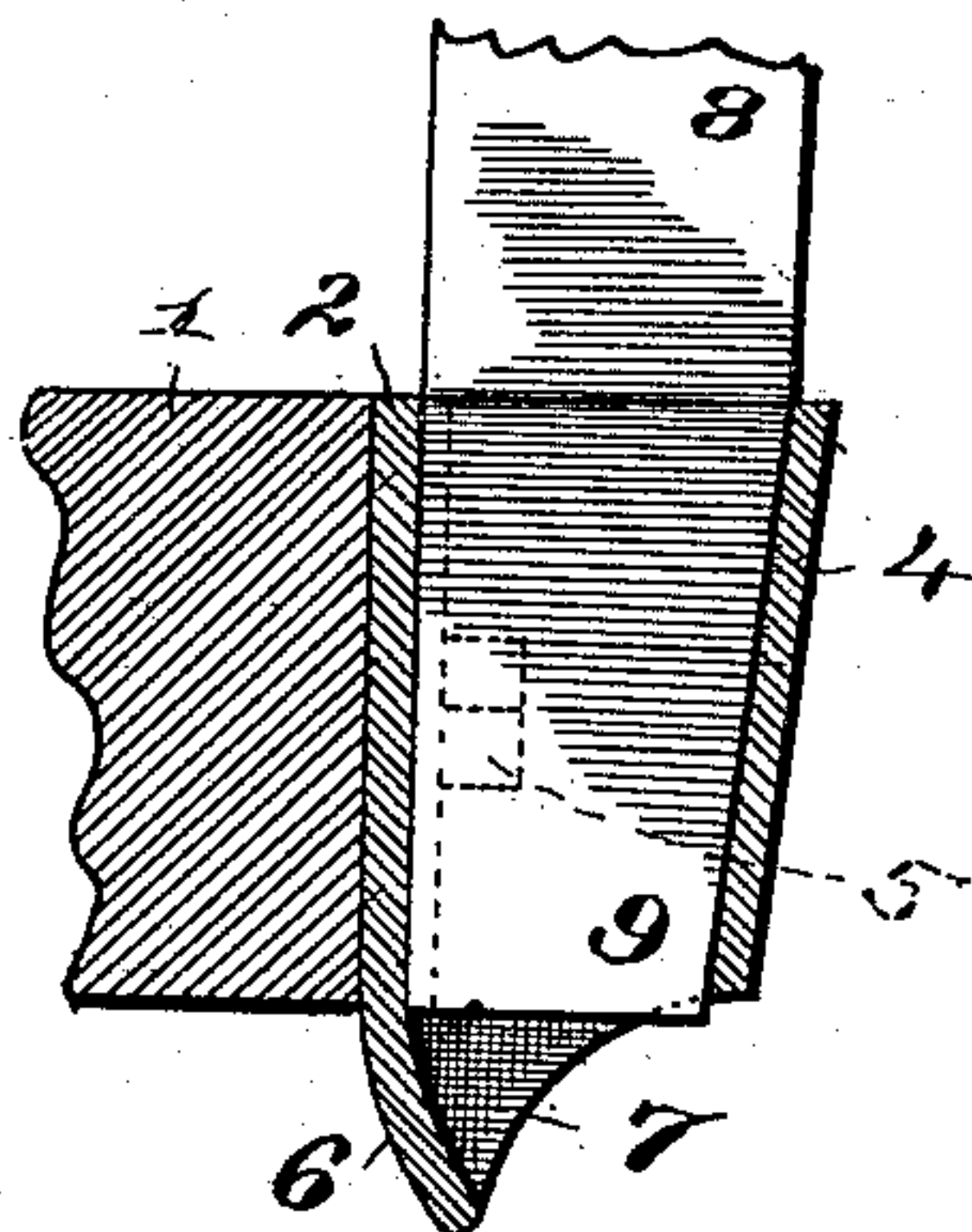
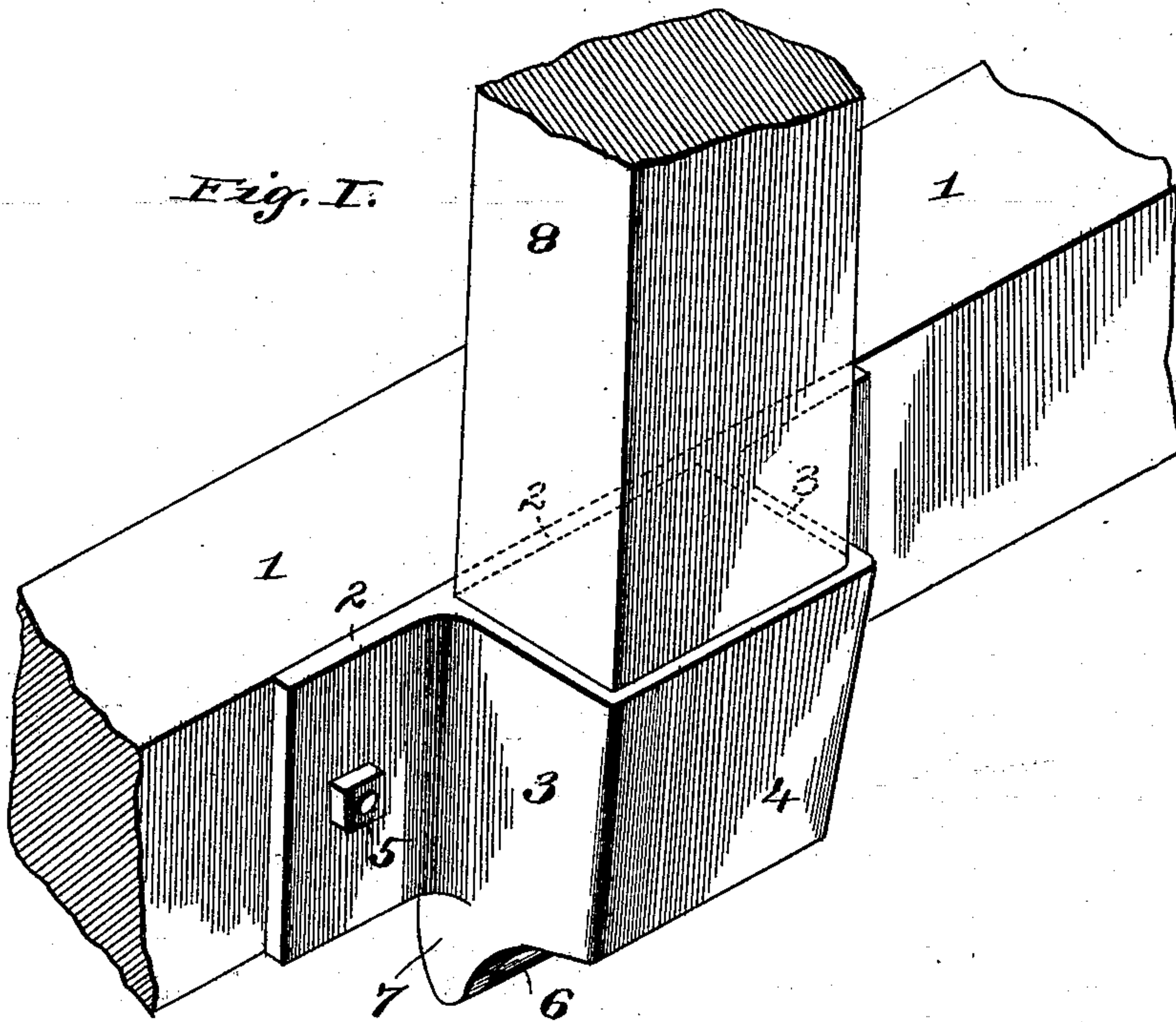
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JULIUS M. SELZER, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city of St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, have
5 invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pockets for Wagon-Stakes, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.
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My invention relates to a pocket for holding wagon-stakes, and is an improvement upon Letters Patent No. 351,246, granted October 19, 1886, to Hermann H. Bothe, of St.
15 Louis, Missouri.

It consists in features of novelty thereover hereinafter specifically pointed out and claimed.

Referring to the drawings which form a
20 part of this specification, Figure I shows a perspective view of my invention fastened to the side of a wagon with a stake placed therein. Fig. II is a vertical section thereof.

1 represents a part of a wagon-frame, and
25 2 the face-plate of the pocket, which is adapted to be secured thereto.

3 are the side walls of the stake-pocket, extending at right angles from the said face-plate 2, and 4 is the front wall thereof. The
30 front wall 4 is inclined to the line of the face-plate 2, and the side walls 3 may or may not be so inclined.

5 are bolts or screws by means of which the pocket is secured to the side of the wagon 1.
35 Suspended from and forming a part of the pocket is a lower extending lip 6, whose inner surface is inclined at an angle to the line of the face-plate 2. The side walls 3 of the pocket extend down, forming supports 7 for
40 the said lip 6. This lip 6 is preferably placed, as shown in the drawings, below the face-plate 2; but it may be placed in the inclined front wall 4.

8 is the wagon-stake, adapted to be dropped
45 into the pocket as described.

When the stake 8 is placed in the pocket, the inclined front wall 4 thereof acts in the capacity of a wedge to retain the said stake

securely in place. Its lower end, as the stake is jolted or worked down into the pocket, 50 will bear against the lip 6, which tends to secure the same more firmly in place. It will be observed that as the stake is forced downward into the pocket and it bears against the lip 6 it will fulcrum upon the upper edge of 55 the face-plate 2 and the lower edge thereof be forced outwardly, so that the top of the said stake will be drawn inwardly toward the wagon-body. The danger of the old forms of stake-pockets was twofold, in that the stake 60 became so firmly fastened in the pocket that it was only removed with difficulty and that when it worked loose the upper end was drawn outwardly.

With the form of pocket which I have de- 65 scribed the inner side of the lip 6 forms an inclined surface which forces the upper end of the stake inwardly and permits the stake to be easily removed by striking it on the bottom with a hammer or another stake, thus 70 removing the two greatest difficulties in former constructions.

I claim as my invention and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

1. As a new article of manufacture, a pocket 75 for wagon-stakes provided with a lip having an inclined inner surface against which the lower end of the stake is adapted to bear, substantially as described.

2. A pocket for wagon-stakes, rectangular 80 in cross-section, having a vertical back, an inclined front, and provided with a lip having an inclined inner surface against which the lower end of the stake is adapted to bear, substantially as described. 85

3. A pocket for wagon-stakes, having a vertical back, extensions affording means of attachment to the wagon-body, an inclined front, and a lip having an inclined inner surface against which the lower end of the stake 90 is adapted to bear, substantially as described.

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