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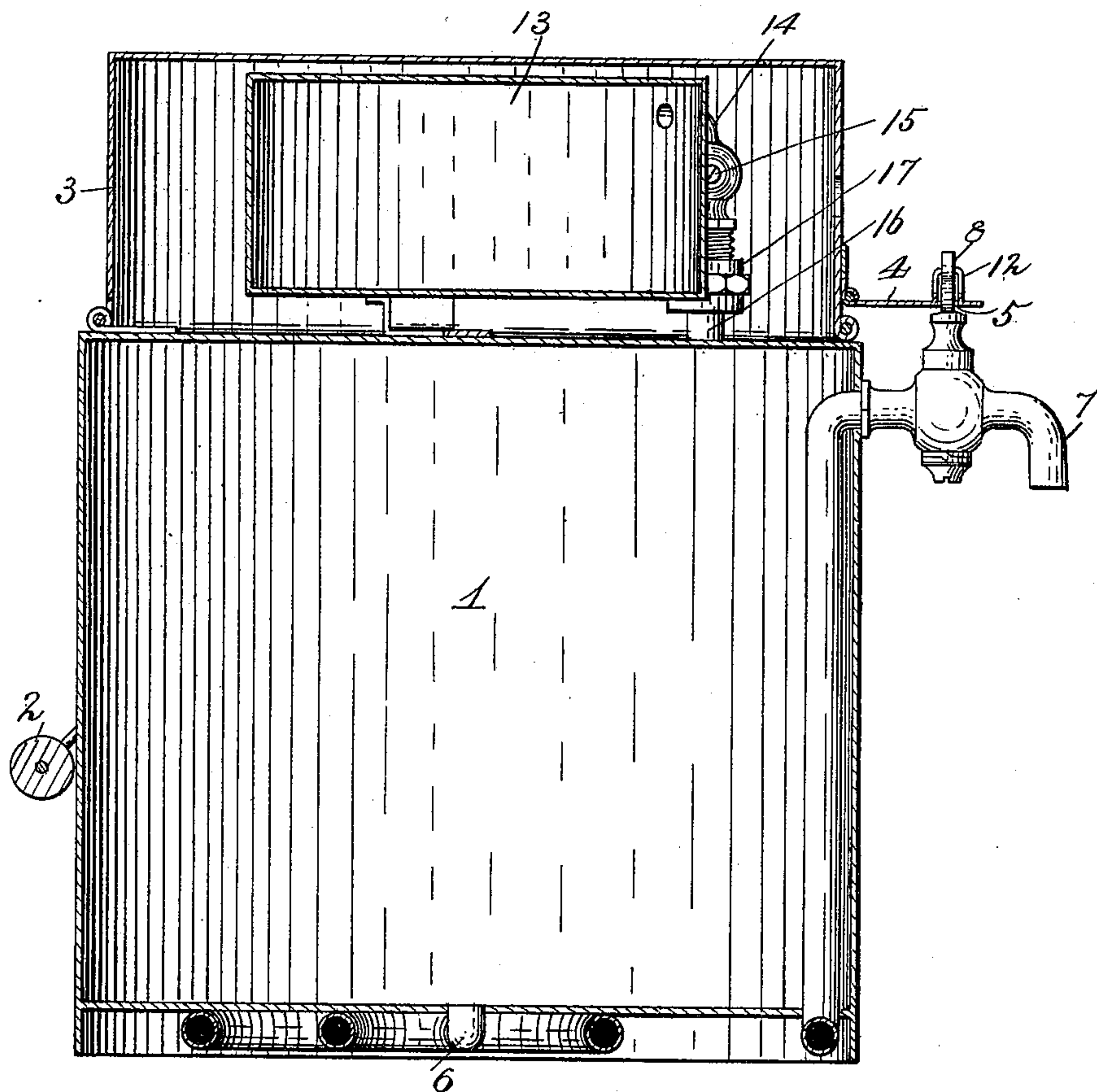
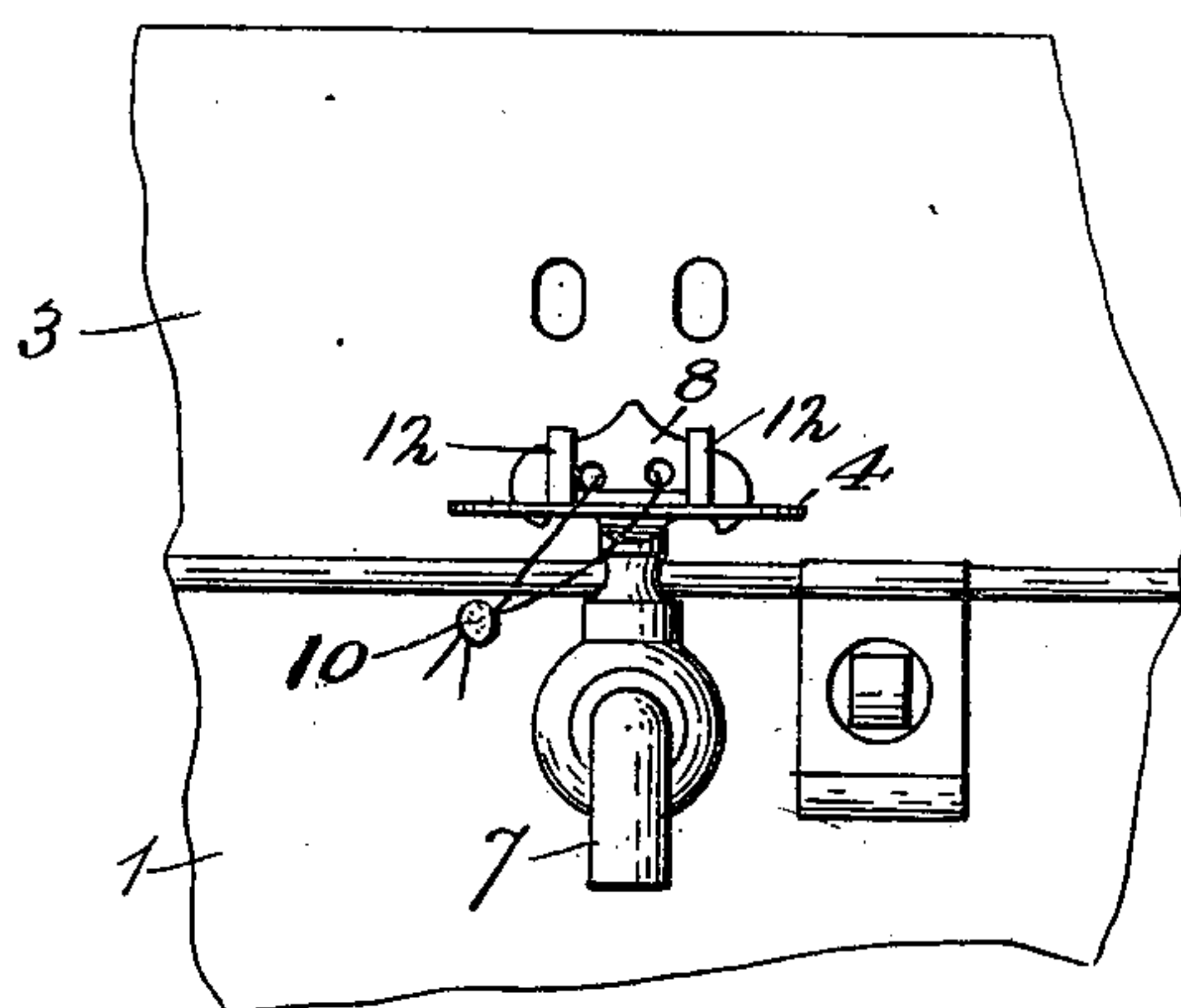


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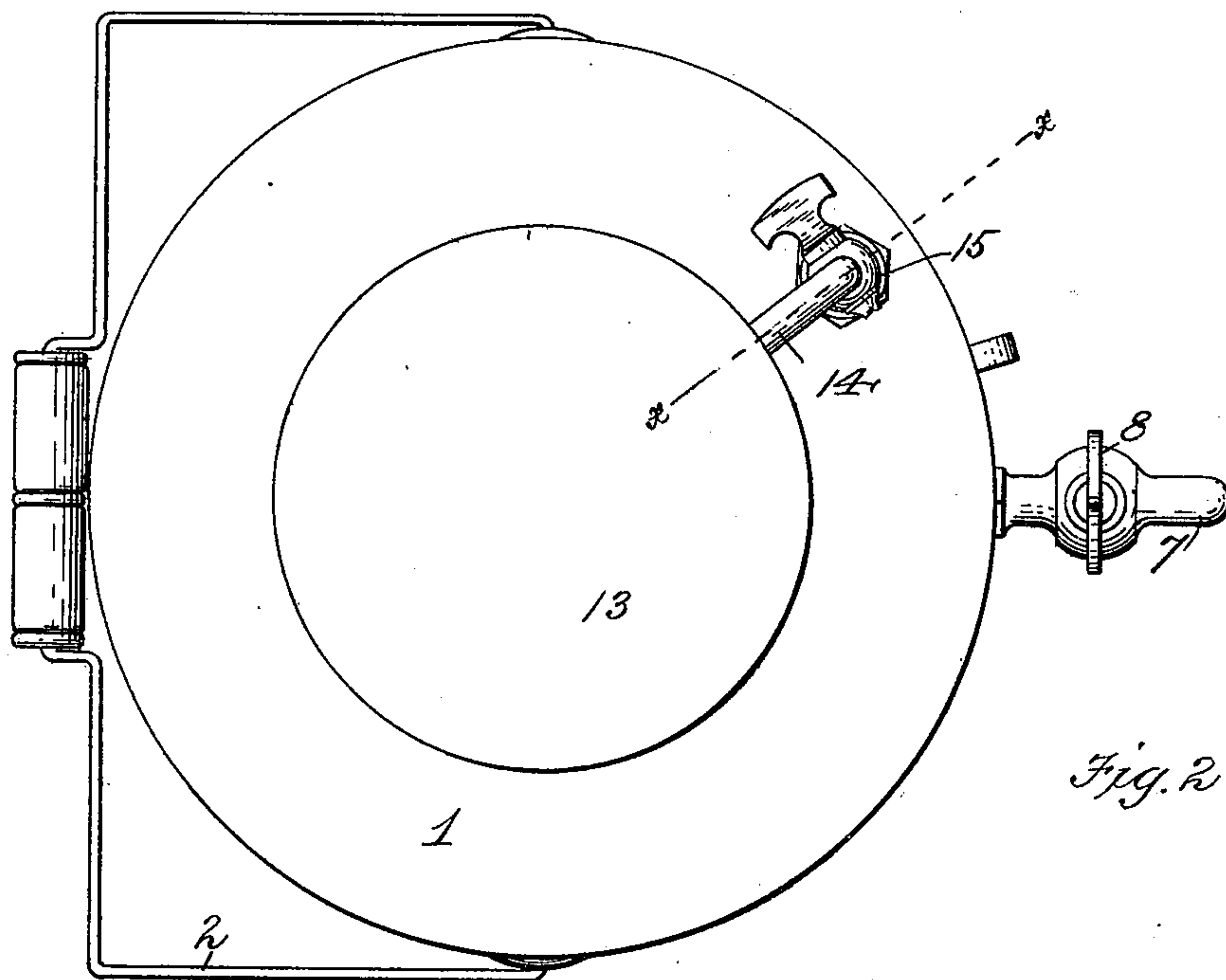


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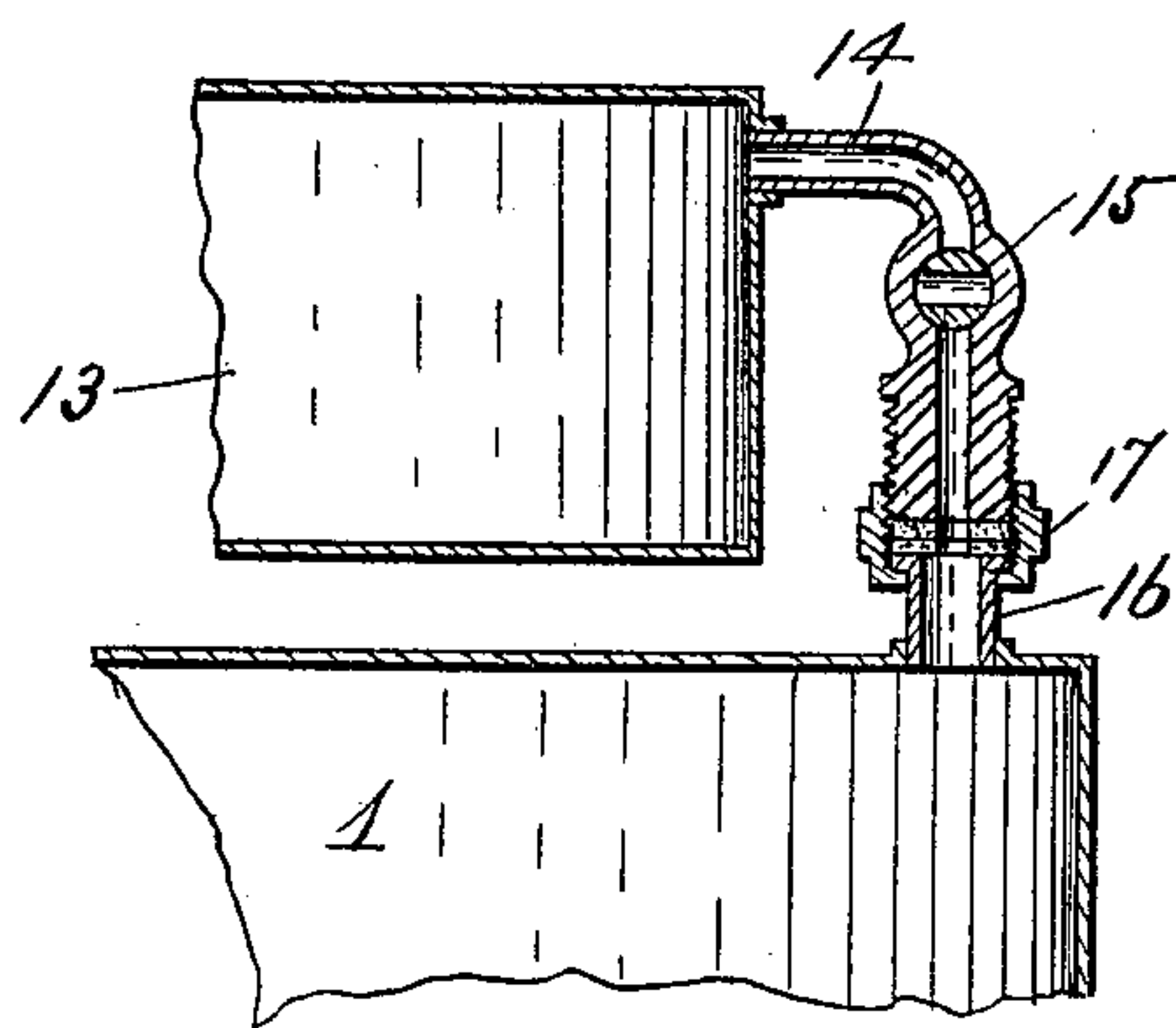


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN DUSHECK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Freeland, in the county of Luzerne and State of Pennsylvania, have invented new and useful Improvements in Beer-Fountains, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to portable fountains of that class or character for containing beer or other beverages by which the beverage is dispensed by the pressure of carbonic-acid gas contained in a separate receptacle, which also tends to preserve the same, so that it will retain its effervescing quality for an indefinite period.

The object of the invention is to provide an improved construction of fountain which shall possess superior advantages with respect to efficiency in use.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of parts hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a central longitudinal sectional view of a fountain constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a plan view, the cover being removed. Fig. 3 is a detail sectional view on the line *xx*, Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a detail front elevation showing the fastening for the cover and the faucet.

In the said drawings the reference-numeral 1 designates the receptacle for containing the beer or other liquid, and in the present instance is shown as being cylindrical in shape, although this is not essential. This receptacle is provided with a handle or bail 2, by which it may be transported from place to place.

The numeral 3 designates a cover for the receptacle, hinged thereto at the rear and provided at the front with a hasp 4, formed with a hole or opening 5, adapted to fit over the turning-plug of a faucet, hereinafter described.

Passing centrally through the bottom of the receptacle is a pipe 6, which is coiled around the outside thereof and is then extended through the bottom at the front and carried vertically up to near the upper end of the receptacle. Said pipe is then extended through the receptacle and provided with a faucet 7.

The turning plug or stop-cock 8 of the faucet is provided with a hole or holes for the passage of the shackle of a padlock for holding the hasp of the cover, or, as in the present instance, for the passage of a wire provided with a seal 10. The hasp 4 is formed with two lugs 12 on its upper side, which engage with the turning plug, so that it cannot be pushed down below the horizontal portion of the plug. Located on top of said receptacle is a gas-reservoir 13, provided with a pipe 14, having a stop-cock 15. This pipe is connected with a pipe 16, extending through the top of the receptacle, by means of a screw-coupling 17. By unscrewing this coupling the said pipes can be disconnected, so as to allow the reservoir to be removed when desired or necessary.

The device may be made in any size found convenient, so that it can be placed in an ice-box or refrigerator to cool the contents. It may also be made ornamental, so that it will present a neat and attractive appearance when set upon a table.

The beer-receptacle and the gas-reservoir are separate from each other, and when in use the receptacle is filled with beer or other liquid through the faucet. The reservoir is then charged with carbonic-acid gas through the pipe 14 and then secured to the pipe 16 by means of the screw-coupling, the turning plugs or stop-cocks of the faucet and pipe 14 being closed. When it is desired to withdraw the contents of the receptacle, the stop-cock or turning plug of the faucet and the stop-cock of pipe 14 are opened, when the gas, which is compressed in the reservoir, will be forced down into the receptacle, displacing the beer, which will flow out of the faucet. The pressure of the gas in the receptacle can be regulated by the stop-cock 15. When the cover is closed and its hasp locked, not only will it be impossible to turn the stop-cock of the faucet, but tampering with the gas-reservoir will also be prevented. The object of the coil at the bottom of the receptacle and outside the same is that when the receptacle is placed on a block of ice the beer in the coil will be rapidly cooled. The receptacle should be made out of sheet metal, although this is not essential.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim is—

1. In a beer or other fountain, the combination with the receptacle, the pipe extending through the lower end thereof and coiled around the bottom on the outside, and then extended upwardly and provided with a faucet and turning plug, of the removable gas-generator located on top of said receptacle and connected with the receptacle, the hinged cover, and a locking device for locking the said cover and turning plug by the same means, substantially as described.

2. In a beer or other fountain of the character described, the combination with the receptacle, the gas-reservoir and the pipe con-

nected with said receptacle, provided with a faucet and a turning plug, of the cover hinged to said receptacle, the hinged hasp provided with two lugs adapted to engage with the turning plug and provided with holes to receive a locking device whereby the cover and turning plug are both locked by the same means, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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