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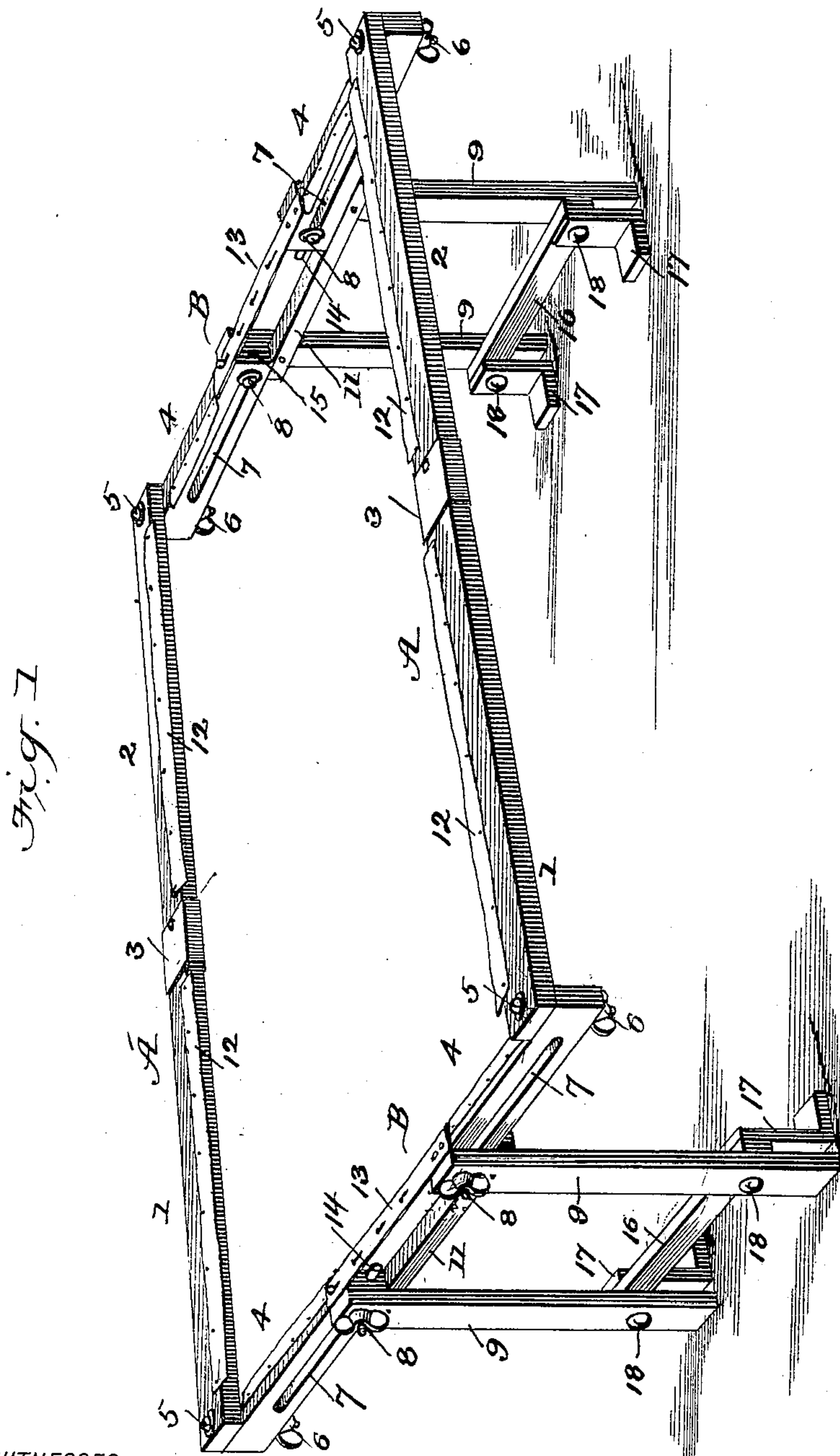
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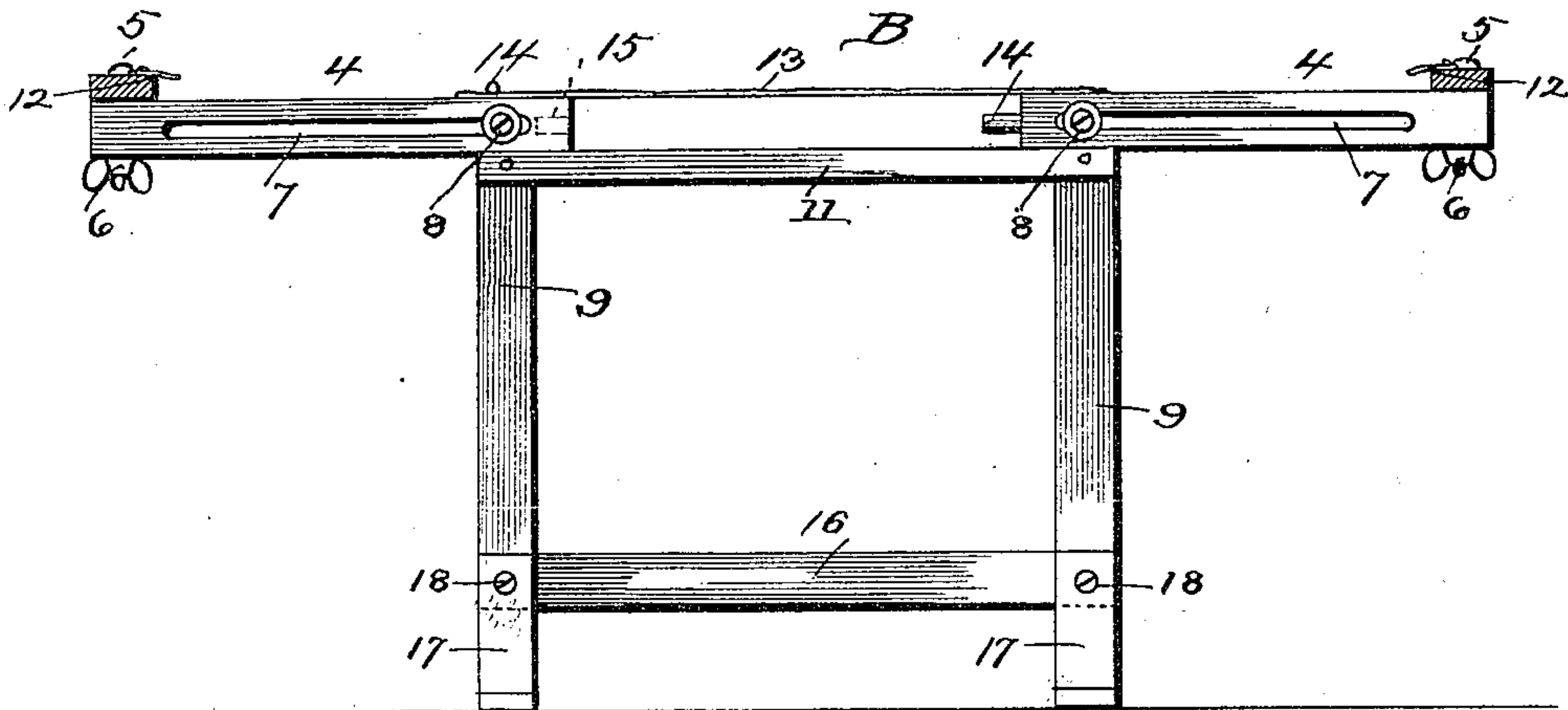
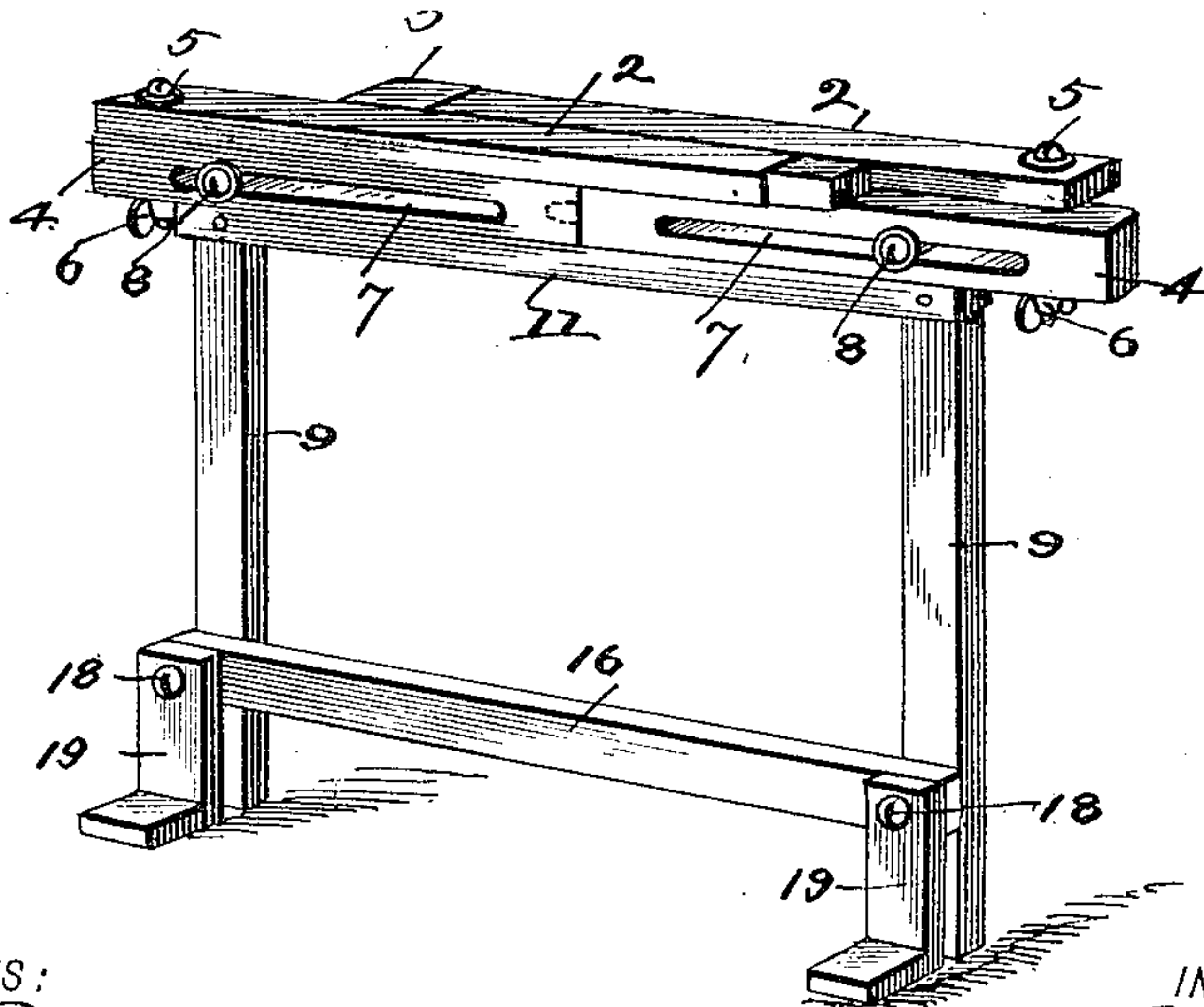


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QUILTING-FRAME.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LUCINDA A. WOLFE, residing at Webb City, in the county of Jasper and State of Missouri, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Quilting-Frames, of which the following is a specification.

It is the object of my invention to provide an improvement in that class of quilting-frames which are adapted for self-support upon the floor and for lateral adjustment for taking up a quilt as the sewing progresses.

I provide means for adjusting the parts whereon the side or quilt-carrying bars are supported and also adapt the principal parts of the apparatus to be detached from each other, so that they may be packed or stored in small space.

The details of construction, arrangement, and combination of parts are as follows:

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the frame. Fig. 2 is a transverse vertical section of the same. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of one-half of the frame folded.

The side or quilt-carrying bars A are connected with end frames B B, which constitute the pedestals or supports of the apparatus. The said side bars A are divided at the middle of their length, the two sections 1 2 being connected by metal sleeves 3, which are permanently secured to one section and adapted to receive the other. These side bars A are secured detachably to the outer ends of adjustable bars 4, forming attachments of the end frames B, by means of screw-bolts 5, having thumb-nuts 6. Two such bars 4 are arranged on each end frame B and alined, as shown. They are provided with lengthwise slots 7 to receive clamp-bolts 8, that pass through the parallel vertical parts 9, constituting the legs of the end frames B, and are provided with thumb-nuts 10. Directly beneath each slidable bar 4 is arranged a fixed supporting and guide bar 11, which also serves to connect the upper ends of the legs 9.

The side edges of fabric to be quilted are sewed to the cloth strips 12 on the side bars A and end bars 4, the latter being adjusted or slid outward to give the required tension

to the fabric and clamped in place by bolts 8. At different stages in the work the slotted bars 4 are loosened and slid inward or toward each other, and the quilted portions of the fabric are rolled on the side bars A, the latter being for that purpose detached from the adjustable bars 4 by first removing the clamp-bolts 5.

When the slotted end bars 4 are adjusted apart, as shown in the drawings, the gaps between them are bridged by leather straps 13, which are permanently secured to one bar and detachably connected with the other by means of a stud or pin 14, that enters by one of several holes in the strap.

The inner ends of each pair of adjustable bars 4 are provided, respectively, with a dowel 14 and socket 15, (see Figs. 1 and 2,) so that when said ends abut they may be more rigidly connected.

The legs of the end frames B are connected by a bottom cross-bar 16 and provided with supplemental feet 17, that are secured by the same bolts 18 that pass through said cross-bar. The end frames B B are thus adapted to support themselves firmly on a floor.

When the quilting-frame is not required for use, the slotted end bars 4 are pushed together and the sections 1 and 2 of side bars A are disconnected and swung on the bolts as pivots, so as to lie over the respective end bars, as shown in Fig. 3. Thus the apparatus is separated into two like frames, which may be handled with ease and packed or stored compactly. The apparatus may be quickly put together or dismembered, and the manipulations required in use are easily and speedily effected.

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

1. In a quilting-frame, the combination with end frames proper of the alined end bars adapted to slide toward and from each other, and having dowels, and sockets at their opposing ends as described, and means for clamping said bars, as shown and described.

2. In a quilting-frame, the combination with the end frames proper of alined but separable end bars and extensible straps secured

to and arranged to connect their adjacent inner ends, as shown and described.

3. In a quilting-frame, the end portions consisting of horizontal cross-bars and vertical bars, supplemental feet attached to the
5 lower cross-bars, and bolts passing through such feet, the vertical bars, and lower cross-

bar, and securing the three together, as shown and described.

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