

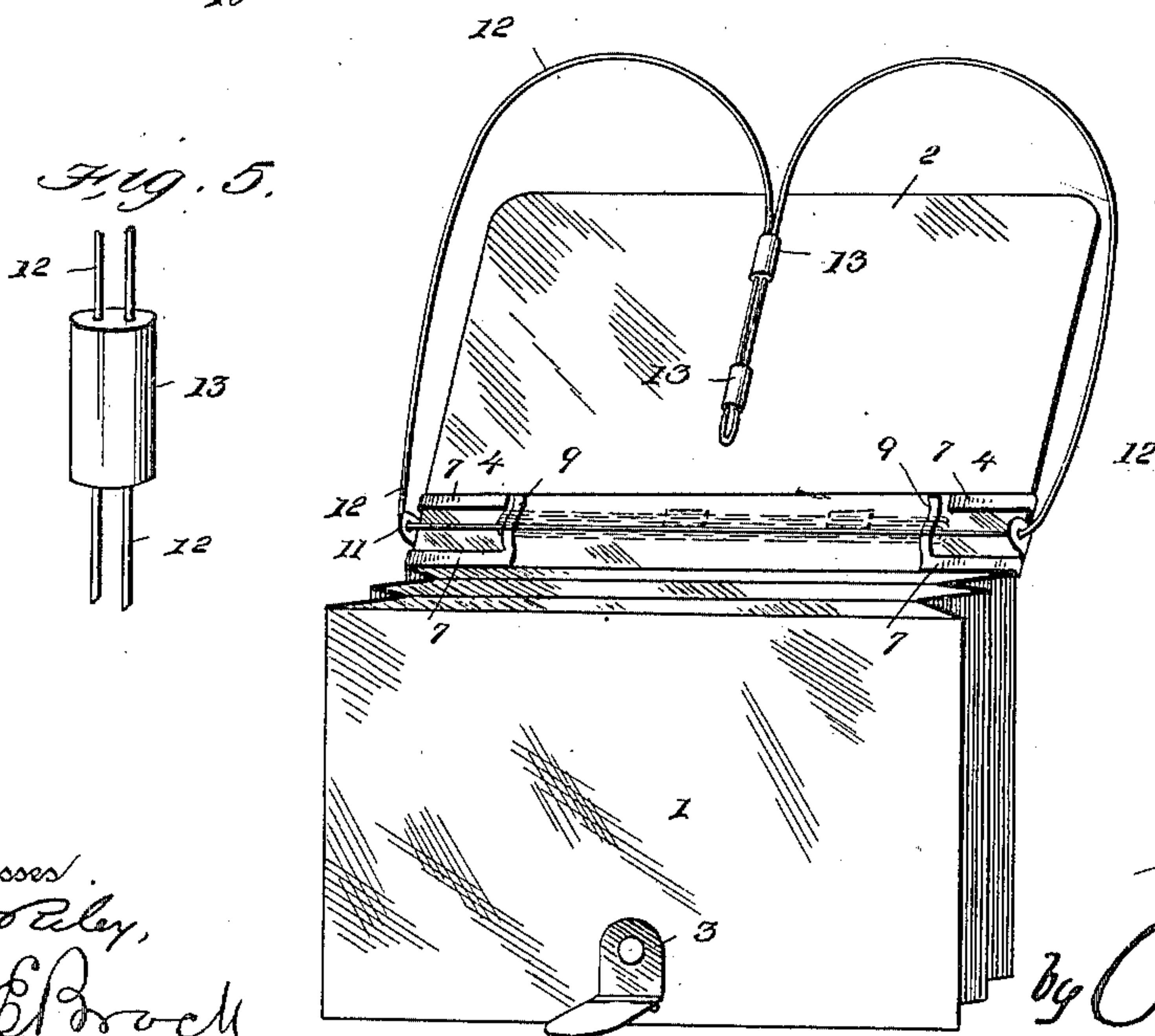
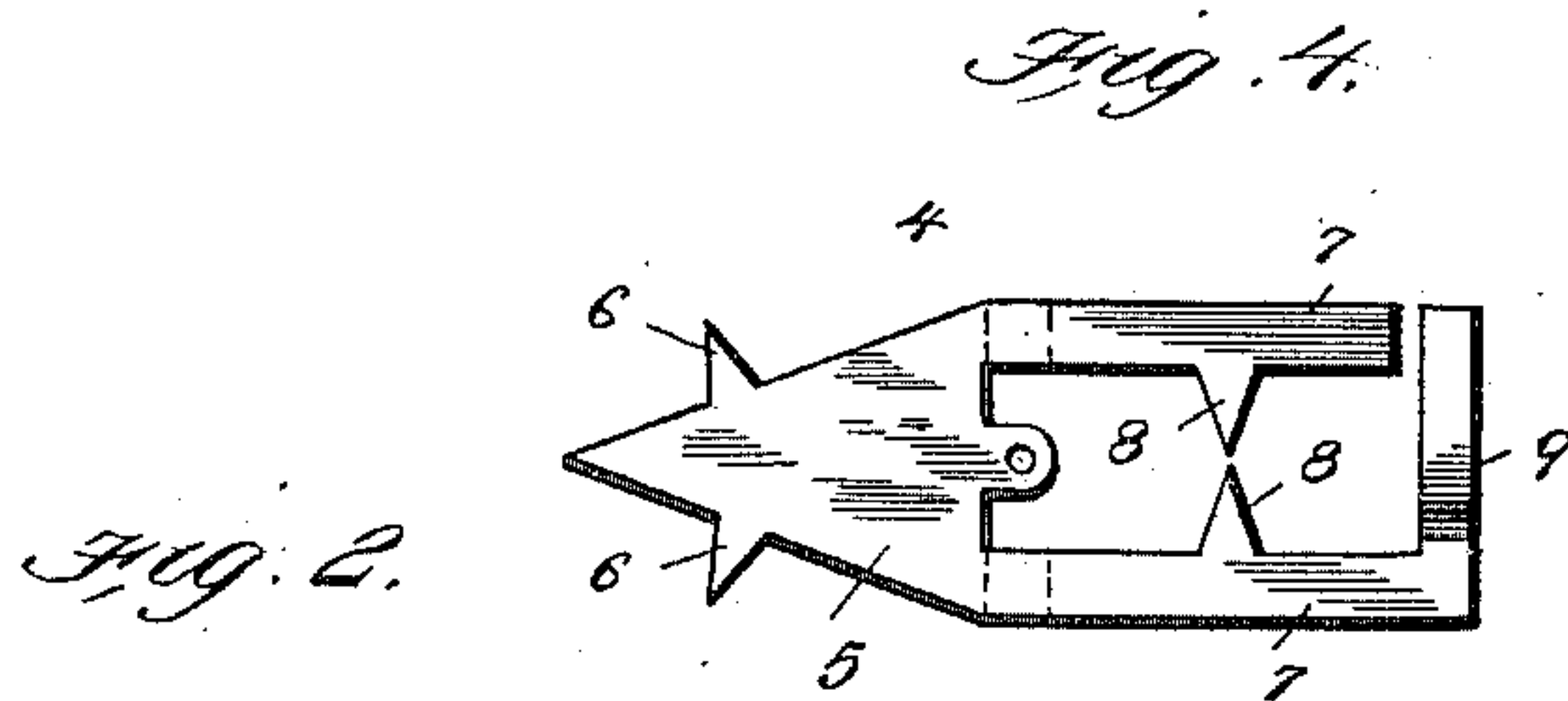
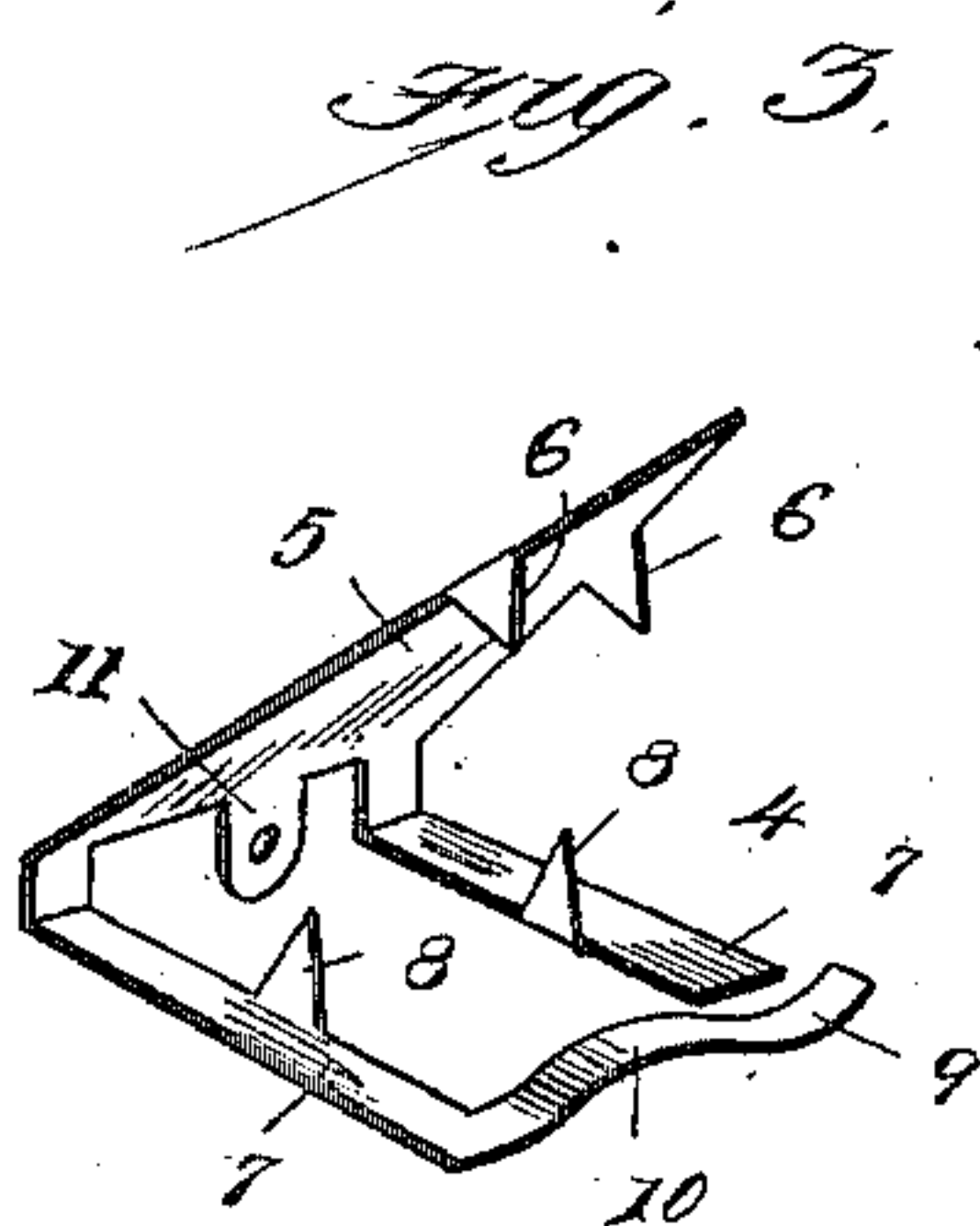
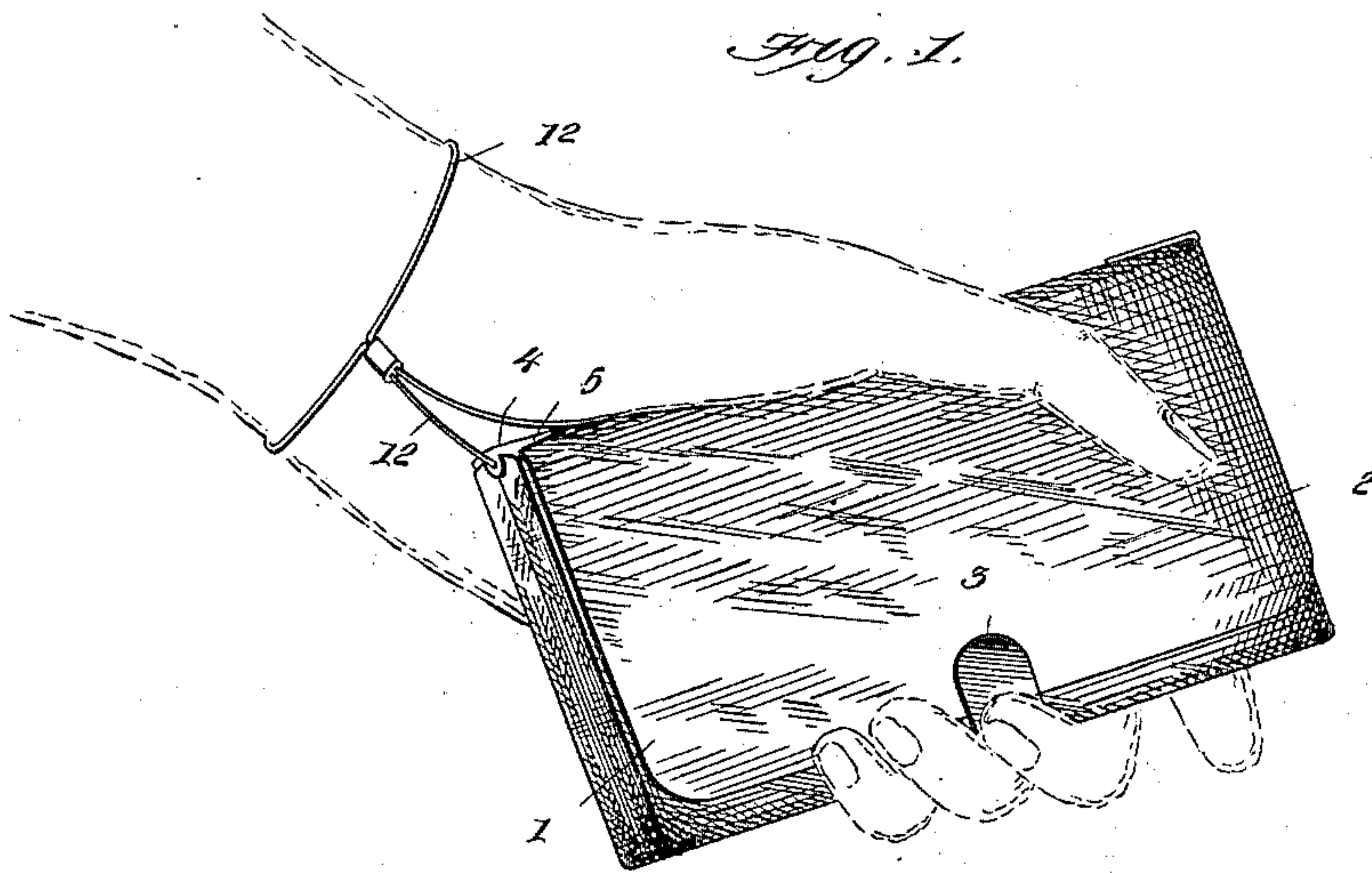
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## POCKET-BOOK ATTACHMENT.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ESTELLA V. JONES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Pocket-Book Attachment, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to pocket-book attachments, and has for its object to produce a device of this kind by means of which the owner of the book can connect it with her arm, so that it will be very difficult, if not impossible, for any one to grab the book and escape with it, as is so frequently done with the ordinary pocket-book. In addition to this it avoids the liability of the book being laid down upon the counter when shopping or at any other place and forgotten. When it is not desired to use the attachment, it can be folded within the book out of sight and retained there until required for further use.

With these ends in view my invention consists in the improved construction and novel arrangement of parts of such an attachment, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In the accompanying drawings, in which the same reference-numerals indicate corresponding parts in each of the views in which they occur, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a pocket-book provided with my attachment and showing the manner in which the same is secured to the wrist of the owner. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of a pocket-book open provided with my improved attachment, the attachment being shown in dotted lines when not in use. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of one form of a portion of the attachment. Fig. 4 is a plan view of the same before it is bent into shape, and Fig. 5 is a perspective view of one of the slides and portions of the cord upon which the same operates.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, 1 indicates a pocket-book, which may be of any suitable shape and style, but preferably provided with a flap 2, which is adapted to be folded down over the pocket portion and secured by the clasp 3 in the ordinary manner.

Secured upon opposite edges of the flap are two metallic clamps 4, the outer portion 5 of which is preferably triangular in shape and provided with one or more prongs 6, which may be forced through the material of the

flap and clenched upon the opposite side for holding the clamp in position. The inner portion of the clamp is preferably formed from two parallel strips 7, each of which is provided with one or more prongs 8, by means of which they may be secured to the book in the same manner as the prongs 6. The outer end of one of the strips 7 is provided with a spring 9, which extends transversely across to the opposite end of the other strip and has its free end slightly curved outward and its central portion preferably slightly bowed upward, as shown at 10. The intermediate portion of the clamp is provided with a perforated portion 11, which projects from the base of the outer portion 5 and may extend beyond the edge of the flap, if desired.

Secured at its ends in the eyelets or perforated portions 11 is a cord 12, which is adapted to be passed over the wrist of the owner for the purpose of securing the pocket-book thereto. Loosely mounted upon the cord are two slides or runners 13, one of which is adapted to be slipped up next to the wrist to prevent the doubled portion of the cord from slipping over the hand, and the other one is adapted to be slipped down as close to the pocket-book as desirable to hold the cords together, so as to present a neater appearance and also to keep the cord out of the way in opening and closing the book.

When it is desired to use my improved attachment, the clamps are placed upon the edges of the flap, preferably at the fold, so as to cause the book to hang edgewise when suspended, and the runner next to the doubled portion of the cord is drawn down sufficiently to permit of the insertion of the hand through the loop in the cord. The runner is then moved as close to the wrist as desirable and the other runner pushed down toward the pocket-book. In this manner it is evident that it will be impossible for the cord to be accidentally removed from the wrist, and the book may be carried with security, as it will be impossible for any one to snatch the book without breaking the cord, which can be made as strong as desirable, although I prefer to make it of silk rubber and just long enough to allow the owner to use it with convenience. When it is desired to use the pocket-book without utilizing the attachment, the cord



may be folded back and forth under the spring on the inner ends of the clamps, as shown in dotted lines in Fig. 2, where it will be entirely out of the way and will scarcely be noticeable upon the book.

As above described, it will be seen that my improved attachment can be formed cheaply by stamping the clamps from any suitable material—as aluminium or silver—and, if desired, can be ornamented to suit the fancy. Its presence upon the book will not be objectionable in any manner, and it will avoid the possibility of accidentally losing the book and decreases the liability of the book being stolen. It is also evident that minor changes and variations in the details and construction of the parts may be resorted to without departing from the spirit of my invention, and I reserve the right to make such alterations and changes.

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

1. In an attachment for pocket-books, the combination, with two clamps, each of which comprises a flat portion and two strips and

an eyelet projecting therefrom, said flat portion and the strips being each provided with a fastener, and one of the strips being provided with a laterally-extending spring, of a cord secured at its ends to said eyelets, and having its intermediate portion doubled upon itself, and two runners upon the doubled portion, substantially as described.

2. The combination, with a pocket-book, of two clamps secured thereto, one upon each edge of the flap thereof, each clamp comprising a flat portion and two strips and an eyelet projecting therefrom, said flat portion and strips being each provided with a prong for engaging with the flap, and one of the strips being provided with a laterally-extending bowed spring, a cord secured at its ends to said eyelets and having its intermediate portion doubled upon itself, and two runners upon the doubled portion of the cord, substantially as described.

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