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Fig. 1.

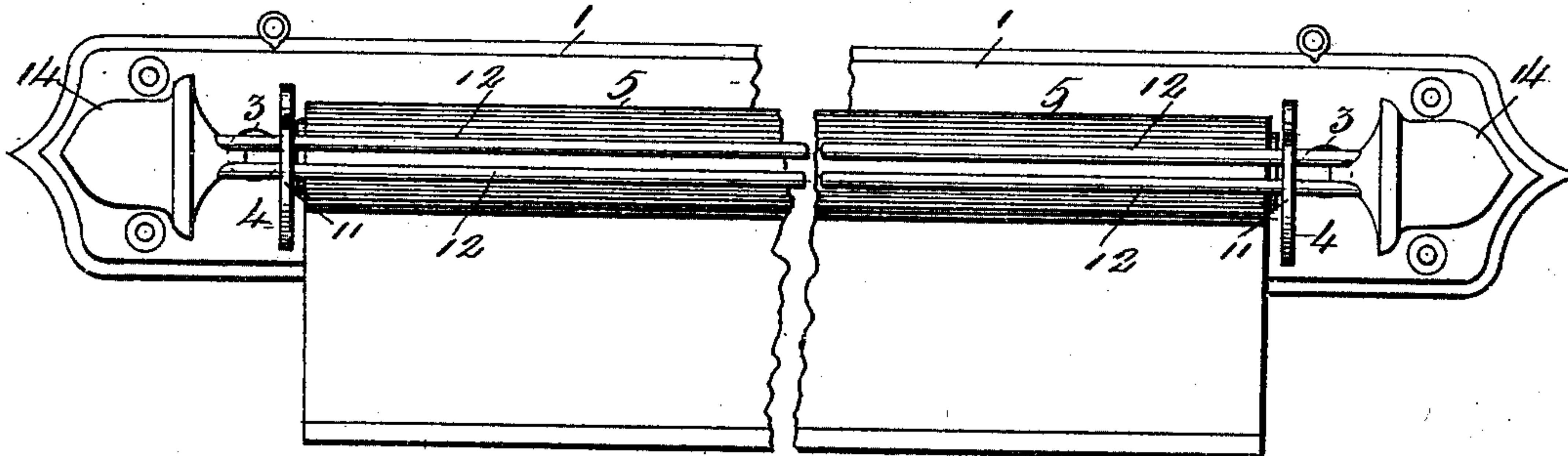


Fig. 2.

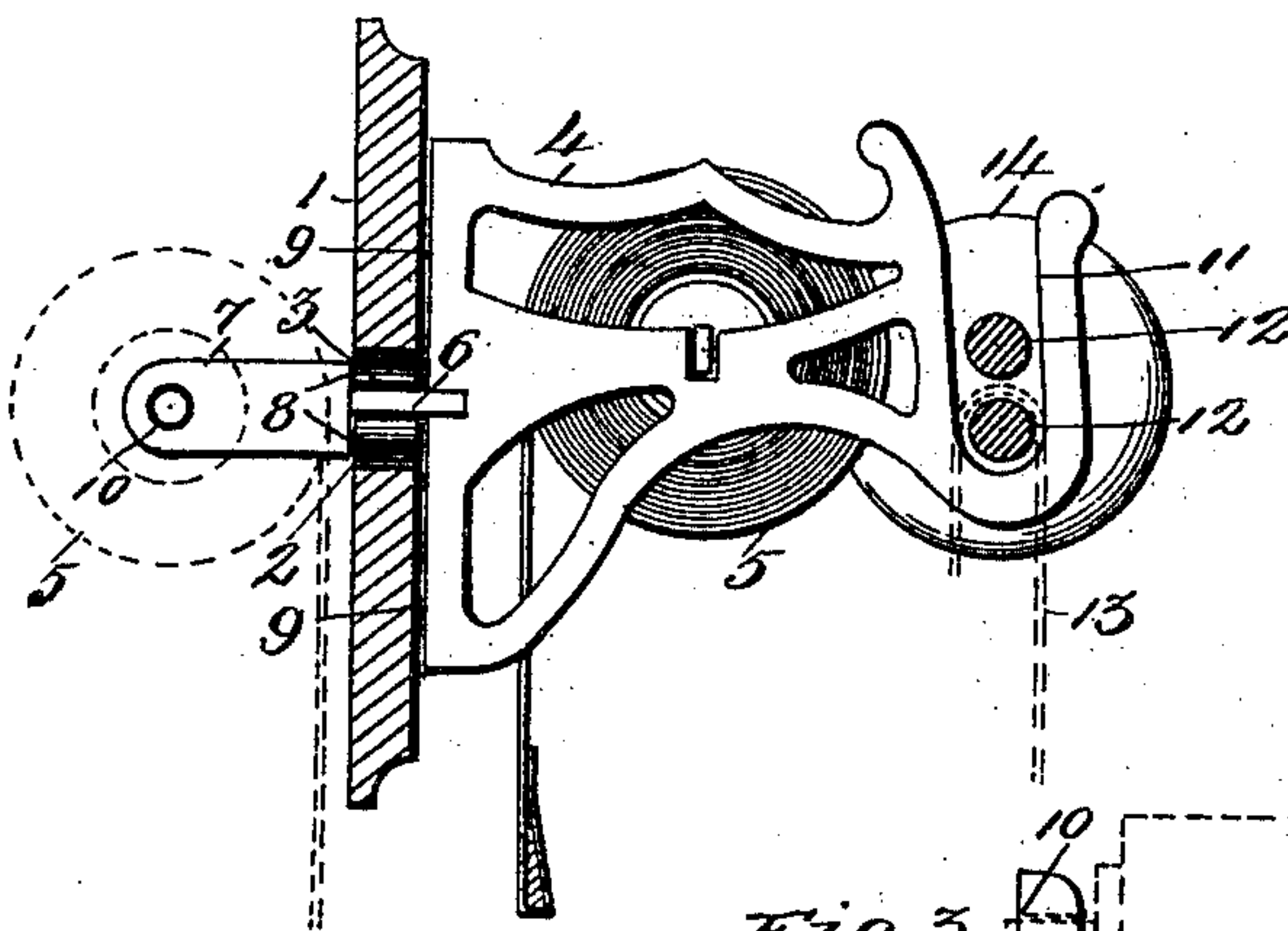


Fig. 3.

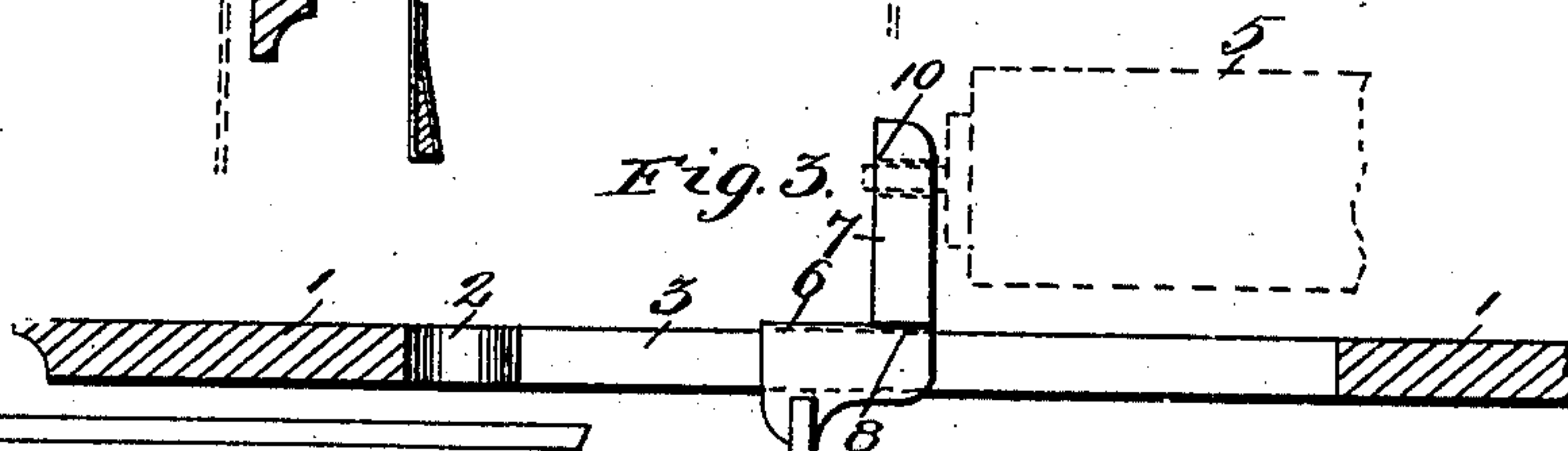


Fig. 4.

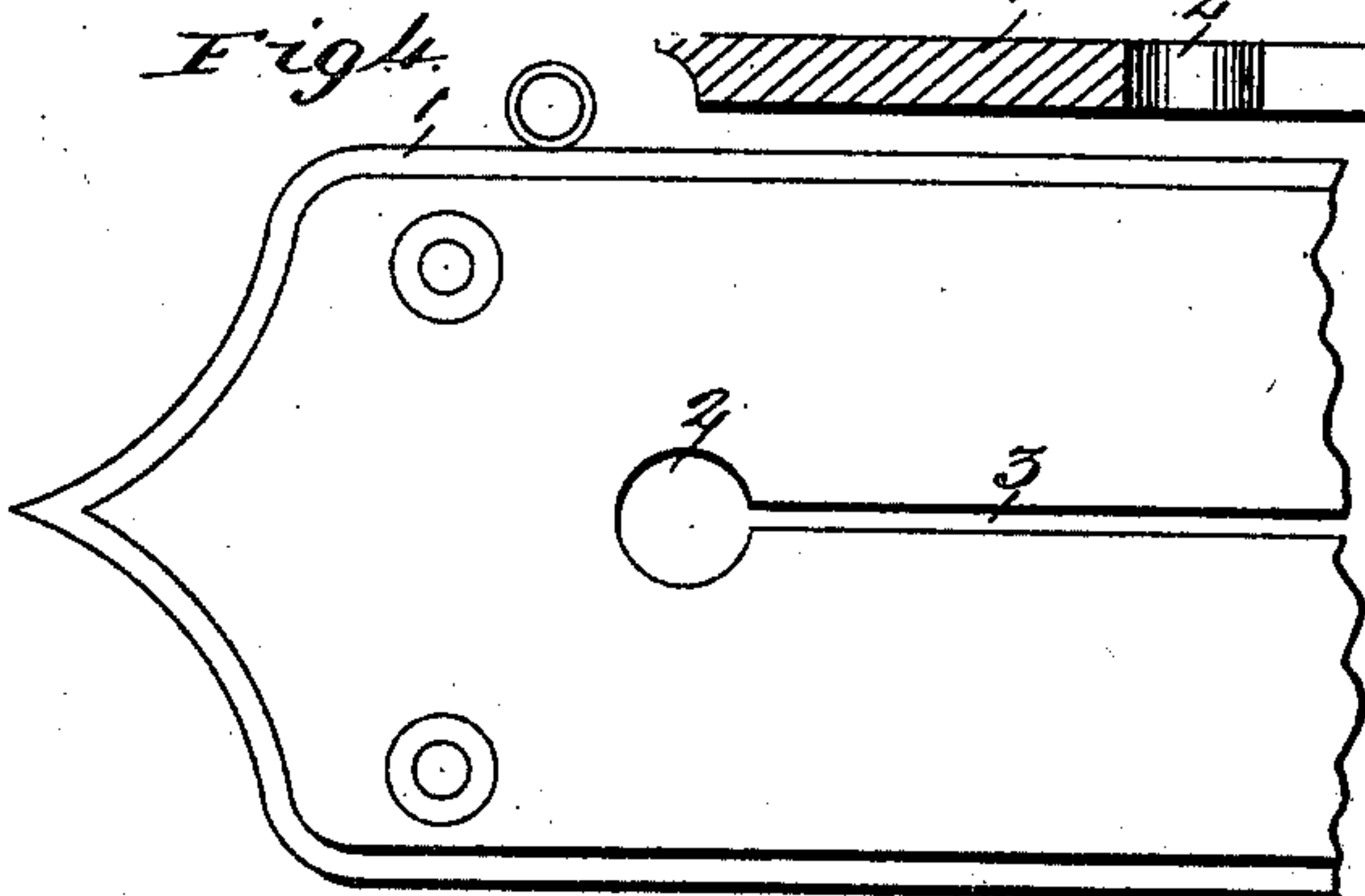
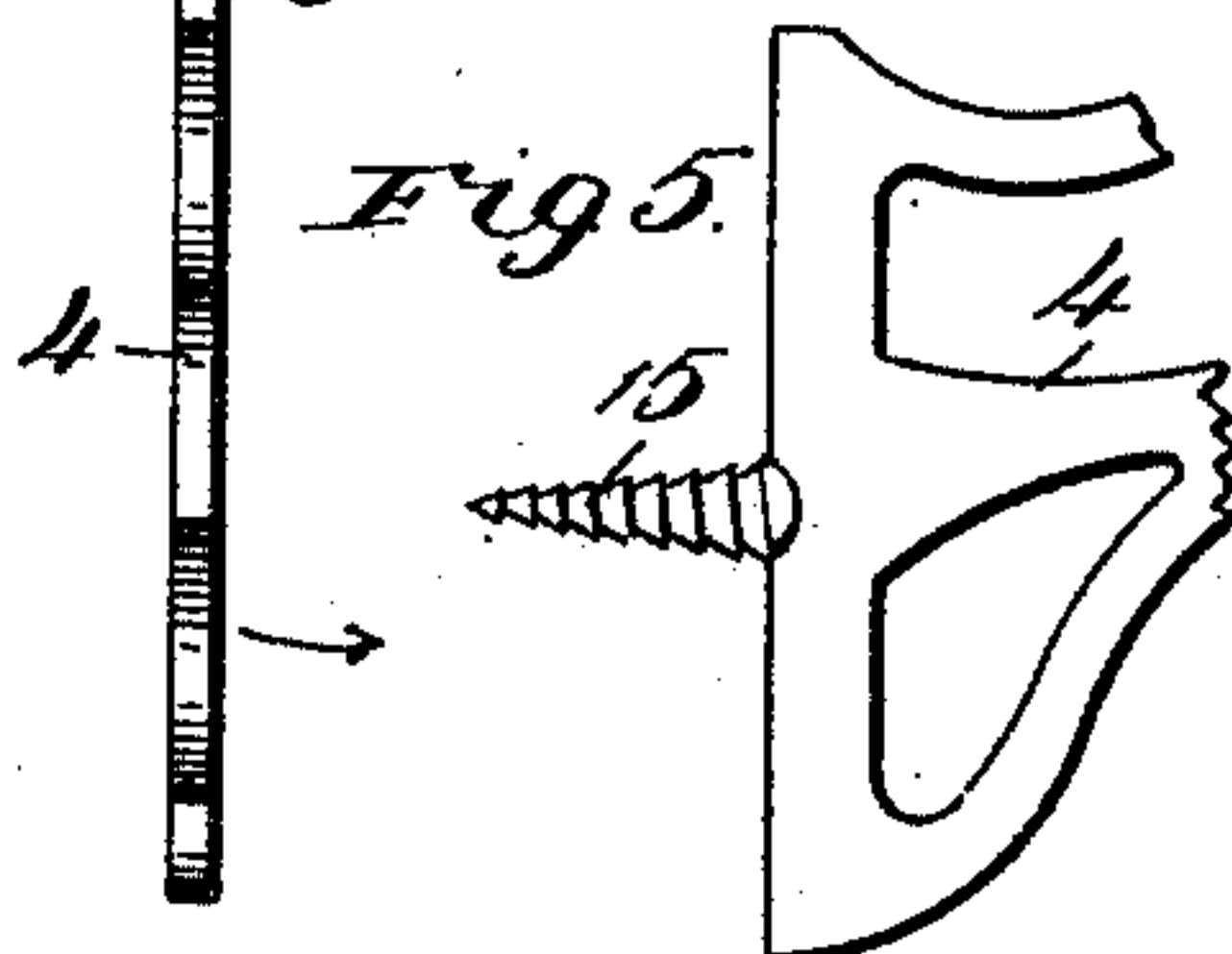


Fig. 5.



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## COMBINED CURTAIN-POLE AND POLE-SUPPORT.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HIRAM C. STOUT, a citizen of the United States, residing at St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Curtain-Pole and Pole-Support, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part hereof.

My invention relates to improvements in a combined curtain-pole and pole-support; and it consists in the novel combination and arrangement of parts, as will be hereinafter more particularly described, and pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of my complete invention. Fig. 2 is a combined end view and vertical section of the same. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal section of the supporting-board and bracket carried thereby. Fig. 4 is a plan view of one end of the supporting-board, and Fig. 5 is a modified form of bracket with parts broken away.

The object of my invention is to provide a simple and ornamental curtain-pole and pole-support which may either form a permanent part of the window-frame or be readily detached should it be desired, the shade-fixture being of such a nature that shades of various widths can be accommodated in a practical and operative manner, the said fixture being further adapted to removably support a curtain-pole, the latter being of such a construction that the ordinary curtain-rings and other fastening devices usually employed are entirely dispensed with and yet effectually hold the curtain in its proper position.

Referring to the drawings, 1 represents a supporting-board, of any suitable ornamentation or design, which is adapted to be secured in any suitable and mechanical manner in a horizontal position to the upper portion of the window-frame. Formed in the said board are two circular openings 2, which are located at a suitable distance from the opposite ends of the same, and communicating with the same and running toward the center of the board or plate are two narrow slots 3, which are adapted to receive a portion of the brackets 4 in a manner hereinafter described, whereby the latter are adjustably and removably se-

cured in their proper positions in respect to one another in order to properly accommodate the ordinary shade and roller 5.

The bracket 4 is provided with a medial flat portion 6, which extends a suitable distance to one side of the same and is of a width to be loosely but snugly received by the slot 3, and forming a continuation of said flat portion and extending at a right angle therefrom but substantially parallel with the bracket proper is an enlarged extension 7, having inner shoulders 8, which come in contact with the rear surface of the board 1 when the bracket is in its normal position, the vertical straight edge 9 of the latter being in contact with the front surface of said board. The rear ends of the extensions 7 are provided with openings 10, which are adapted to receive the spindles of the shade-roller should it be desired to place the shade behind the board instead of in front of the same, as shown in dotted lines in the drawings. In order to remove the bracket from the board, the same is slid or moved in the slot until the enlarged portion or extension comes opposite the circular opening 2 of the board; but in order to slide the bracket either for adjusting or removing the same from the board the said bracket must first be slightly turned or inclined in the direction shown by the arrow, Fig. 3, in order to remove the friction between the parts.

As shown in the drawings, the shade-roller and shade are ordinarily supported between the brackets 4 in the well-known manner, and the opposite or outer ends of said brackets terminate in hooks 11 for removably receiving the curtain-pole, the construction of which will now be described.

The curtain-pole is composed of two parallel poles or bars 12, which are located adjacent to one another, sufficient space being left between them for the free passage of the upper edge of the curtain 13 in a position as shown in dotted lines in Fig. 2, after which the pole is turned, together with the curtain thus inserted, by which operation the curtain is not only securely fastened or held by the pole, but the proper length is given the curtain in a few moments. The opposite ends of the poles 12 are secured in knobs 14, of any



desired design, whereby the parts are rigidly secured together and a rigid and durable pole constructed.

In Fig. 5 I have shown a modification of the bracket, in which the same is provided with a screw 15, which forms a rigid part of the same, whereby said bracket may be secured direct to the window-frame, and thus dispense with the board 1, the bracket serving in a like manner to support the shade and curtain-pole.

I do not limit myself to the exact construction of the parts as herein shown and described, as it is evident that the same may be varied without departing from the nature of my invention.

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

1. A curtain-pole fixture, comprising two adjustable brackets, the outer ends of which

terminate in hooks, a pole comprising two bars arranged substantially parallel, but separated from one another, and suitable knobs to which the opposite ends of the bars are secured, the said pole adapted to be received by the said hooks, and being supported and prevented from turning thereby, as and for the purpose described.

2. A curtain-pole fixture comprising two bars arranged substantially parallel, but separated from one another, suitable knobs to which the opposite ends of the bars are secured, and brackets adapted to receive, support and prevent the bars from turning for the purpose stated.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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