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Fig. I.

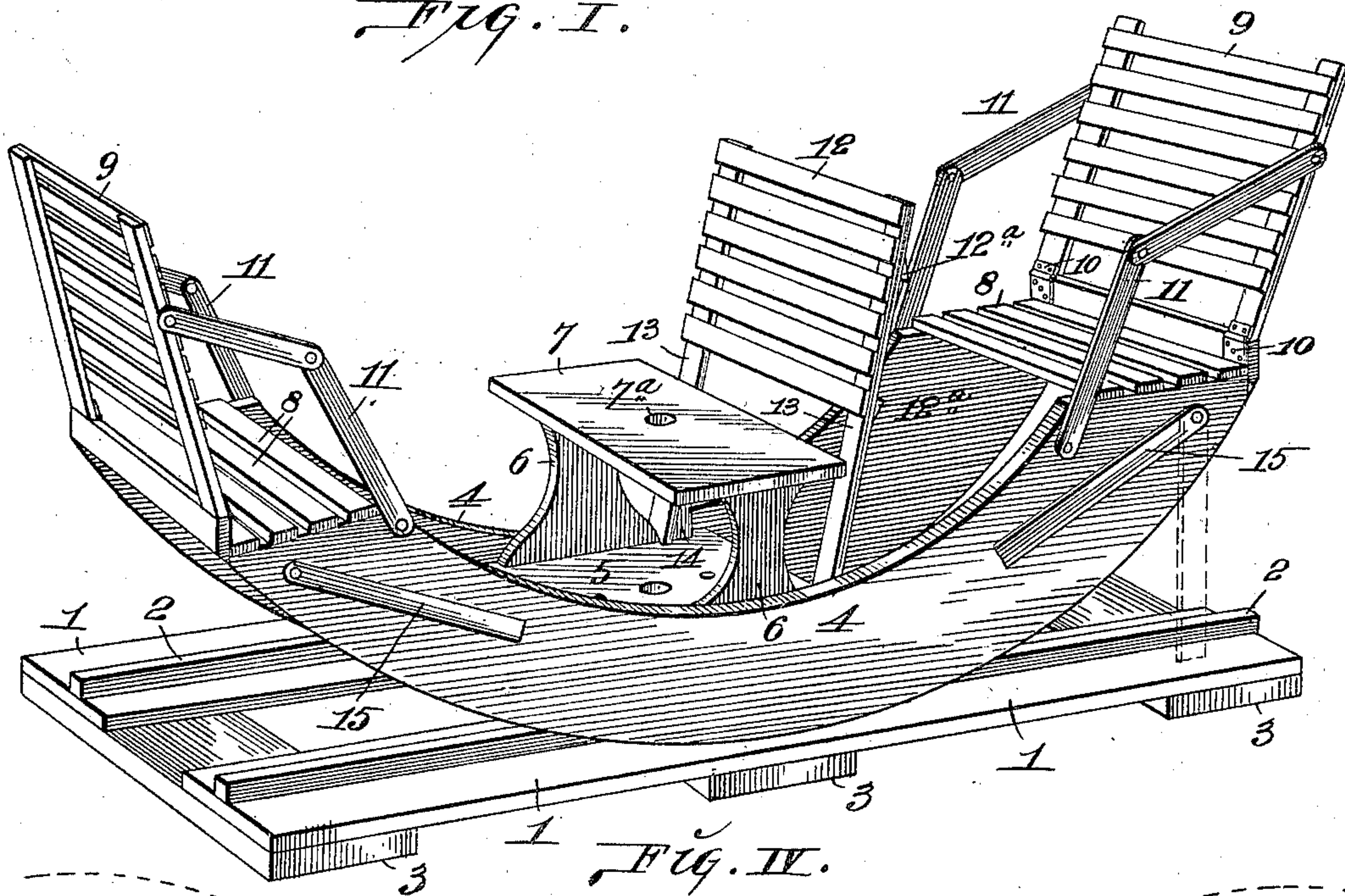


Fig. IV.

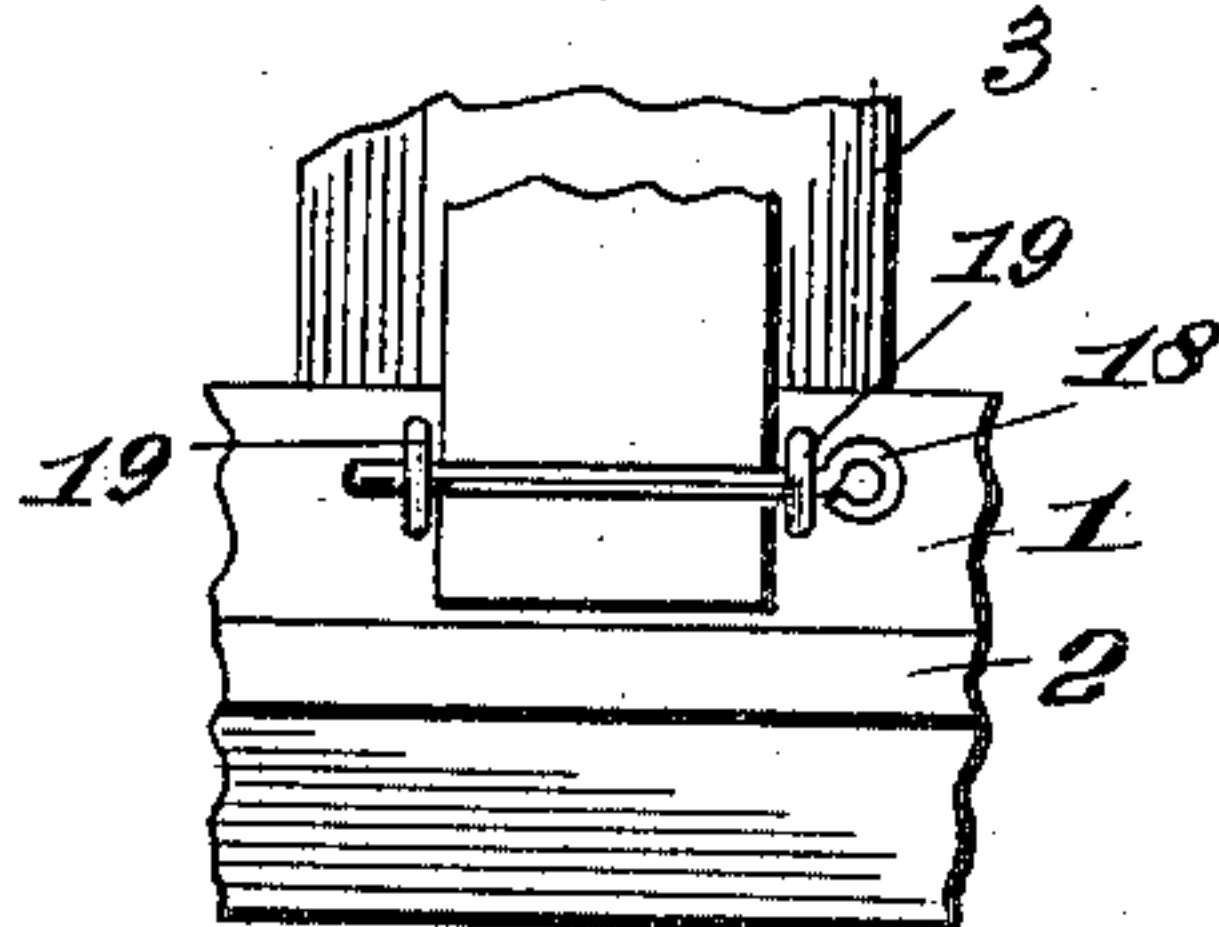


Fig. II.

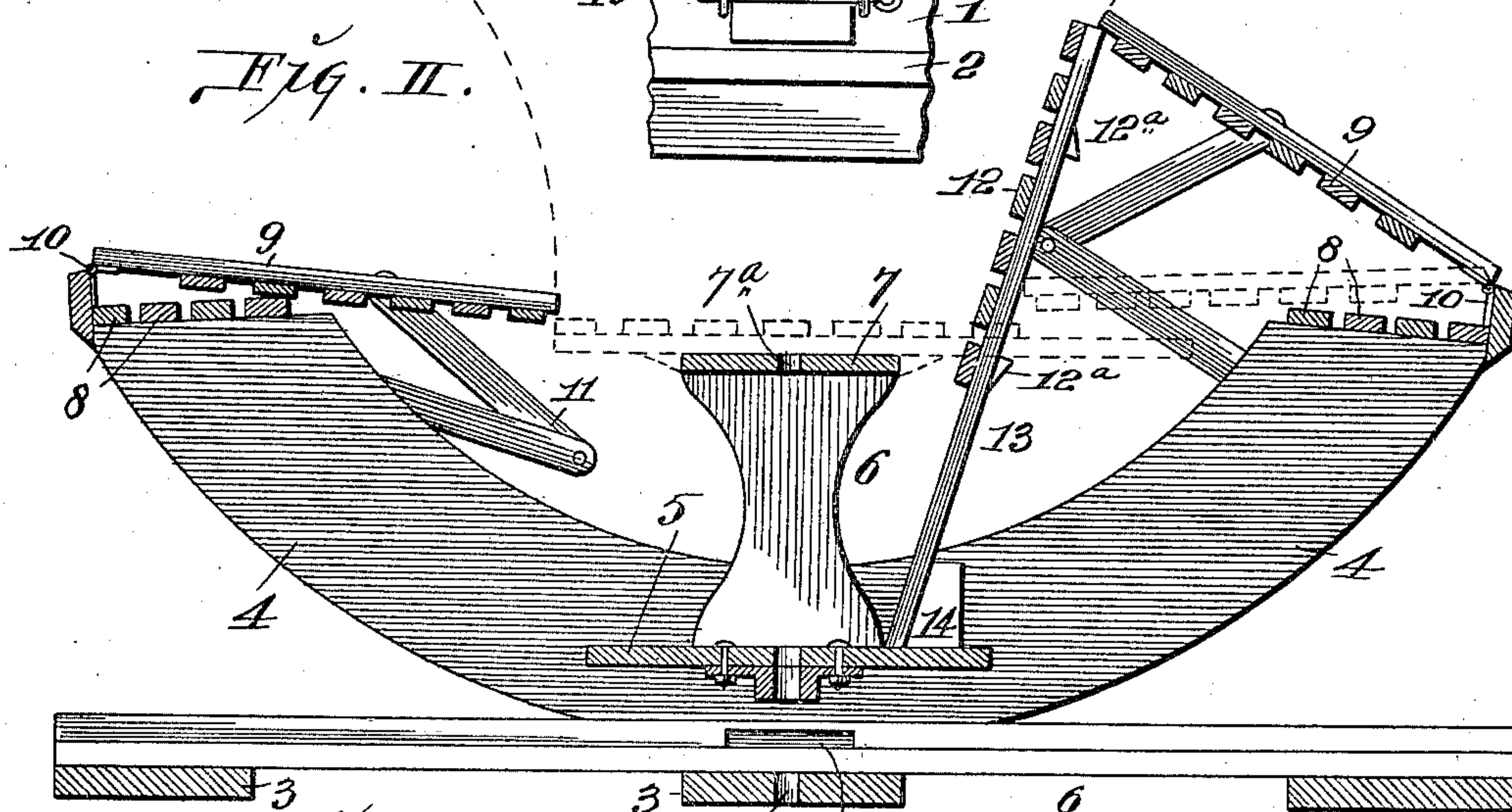
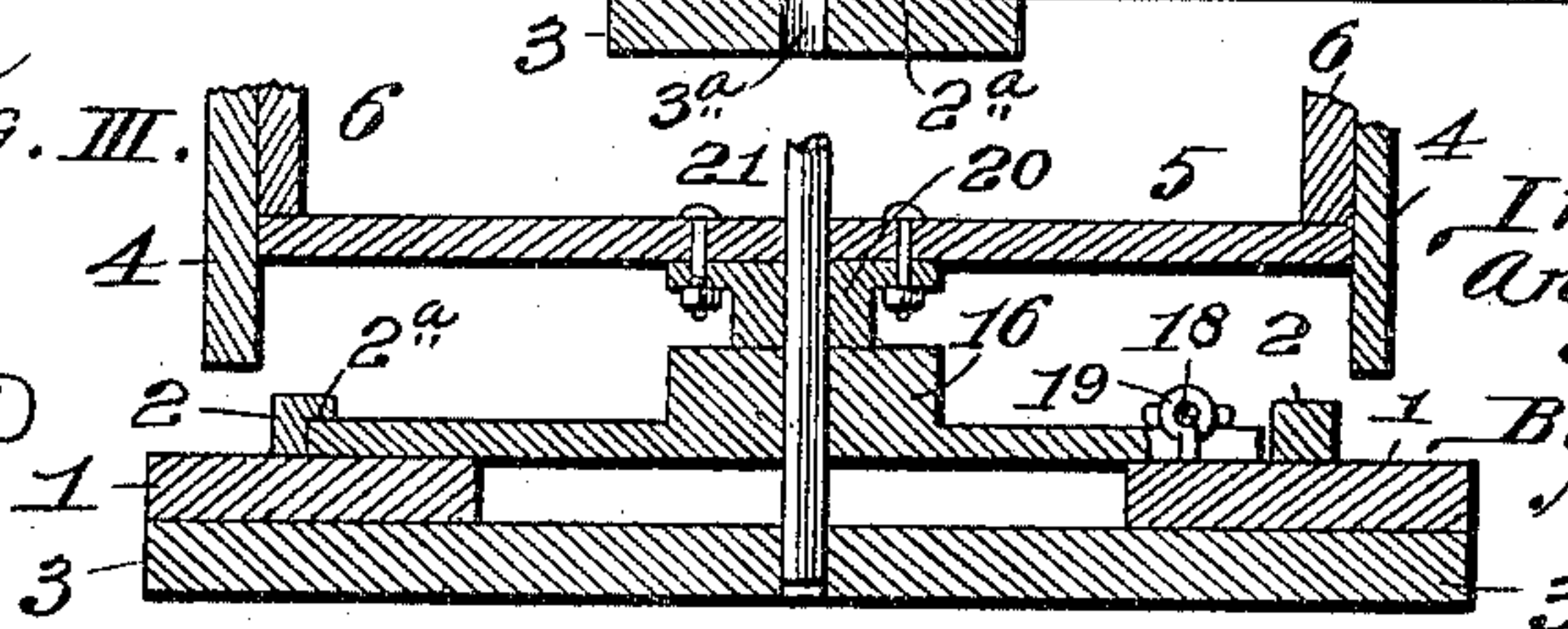


Fig. III.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, ANTON BREMSER and JOHN MANN FULTZ, citizens of the United States, residing at Quincy, in the county of Adams and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Convertible Rocking-Chairs, Couches, and Merry-Go-Rounds, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being
10 had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

Our invention relates to the construction of a lawn rocking-chair that is convertible into a stationary seat, a couch, or a merry-go-round.

15 The invention consists in features of novelty hereinafter fully described, and pointed out in the claims.

Figure I is a perspective view of the article. Fig. II is a longitudinal vertical section taken
20 centrally through the article. Fig. III is a cross-sectional view taken centrally through the lower portion of the article in the condition in which it is used as a merry-go-round. Fig. IV is a detail top view illustrating the
25 manner in which the turn-table of the merry-go-round is secured to the platform of the article.

The platform of the article is composed of a pair of base-boards 1, each surmounted by a
30 guard-strip 2 and united by cross-pieces 3.

4 designates a pair of rockers arranged to rest on the base-boards 1 and joined together by a cross-piece 5, that is surmounted by the legs 6 of a center seat 7. Upon the ends of
35 the rockers 4 are end seats 8.

9 designates folding backs joined to the rockers 4 by hinges 10 at the location of the end seats 8 and movably held by lugs 11, that are pivoted to the folding backs and to the
40 rockers.

12 designates a removable back adapted to be positioned at one side of the center seat 7 and having its legs 13 arranged to rest against posts 14, mounted on the cross-piece 5 between
45 the rockers.

When the article is to be used as a rocking-chair, the parts are positioned as seen in Fig. I, and the three seats 7 and 8 may all be occupied and each person sitting on the seats
50 may lean against the back associated there-

with for comfort. When the article is used by one person only, the center seat 7 is alone used and the folding back 9 in front of the occupant may be folded down into the position seen in Fig. II and the other folding back be
55 moved forwardly, as seen in Fig. II, to serve as a brace for the back 12, that is associated with the center seat. In either instance the rockers 4 rock freely on the base-boards 1 of the platform, and their movement is directed
60 by the guard-strips 2. If it is desired to convert the article into a stationary seat, the legs 15, pivoted to the rockers 4, are swung downwardly into the position shown by dotted lines at the right-hand end of Fig. I and the rock-
65 ers are thereby held from movement. In order to convert the article into a couch, the removable back 12 is lifted from the position in which it is seen in full lines in Figs. I and II and laid upon the center seat 7, so that the lugs
70 12^a, projecting therefrom, embrace the edges of the seat and hold it from slipping thereon. The folding backs 9 are then moved inwardly and downwardly until they rest on the seats 8, as illustrated in Fig. II by full lines at the
75 left-hand end and dotted lines at the right-hand end. In converting the article into a merry-go-round a turn-table base 16 (shown in Figs. III and IV) is made use of. The turn-table base is provided with arms, one of
80 which engages in a notch 2^a, contained by one of the guard-strips 2, and the other arm is retained on the opposing base-board 1 by a pin 18, that passes through eyes 19, set into the base-boards. The turn-table base receives a
85 bearing-block 20, that is fixed to the under side of the cross-piece 5 between the rockers 4, and when the turn-table base is introduced and the bearing-block 20 mounted thereon the rockers 4 are elevated above the guard-strips
90 2, so as to be capable of clearing said guard-strips as the rockers are revolved with the turn-table base as a central bearing. The cross-piece 5, together with the bearing-block 20 and the turn-table base 16, are pivotally con-
95 nected by a swivel-pin 21, that extends there-through, as seen in Fig. III, the pin also preferably extending through an aperture 7^a in the center seat 7 and an aperture 3^a in the central cross-piece 3 of the platform in order
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to provide more rigid support and bearing therefor.

We claim as our invention—

1. In an article of the class described, the
5 combination of rockers provided with a pair
of end seats and a center seat, a removable
back detachably mounted between said rock-
ers at the location of said center seat and
adapted to be positioned on said center seat,
10 and a pair of backs hinged to said rockers at
the location of said end seats and adapted to
be folded into a horizontal position, substan-
tially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. In an article of the class described, the
15 combination of a platform, a turn-table base
detachably applied to said platform, and rock-
ers provided with seats and revolubly mount-

ed on said turn-table base, substantially as
described.

3. In an article of the class described, the 20
combination of a platform, a turn-table base
detachably applied to said platform, rockers
provided with seats, a cross-piece mounted
between said rockers, a bearing-block carried
by said cross-piece and adapted to rest upon 25
said turn-table base, and a swivel-pin posi-
tioned in said cross-piece, bearing-block and
turn-table base, substantially as described.

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