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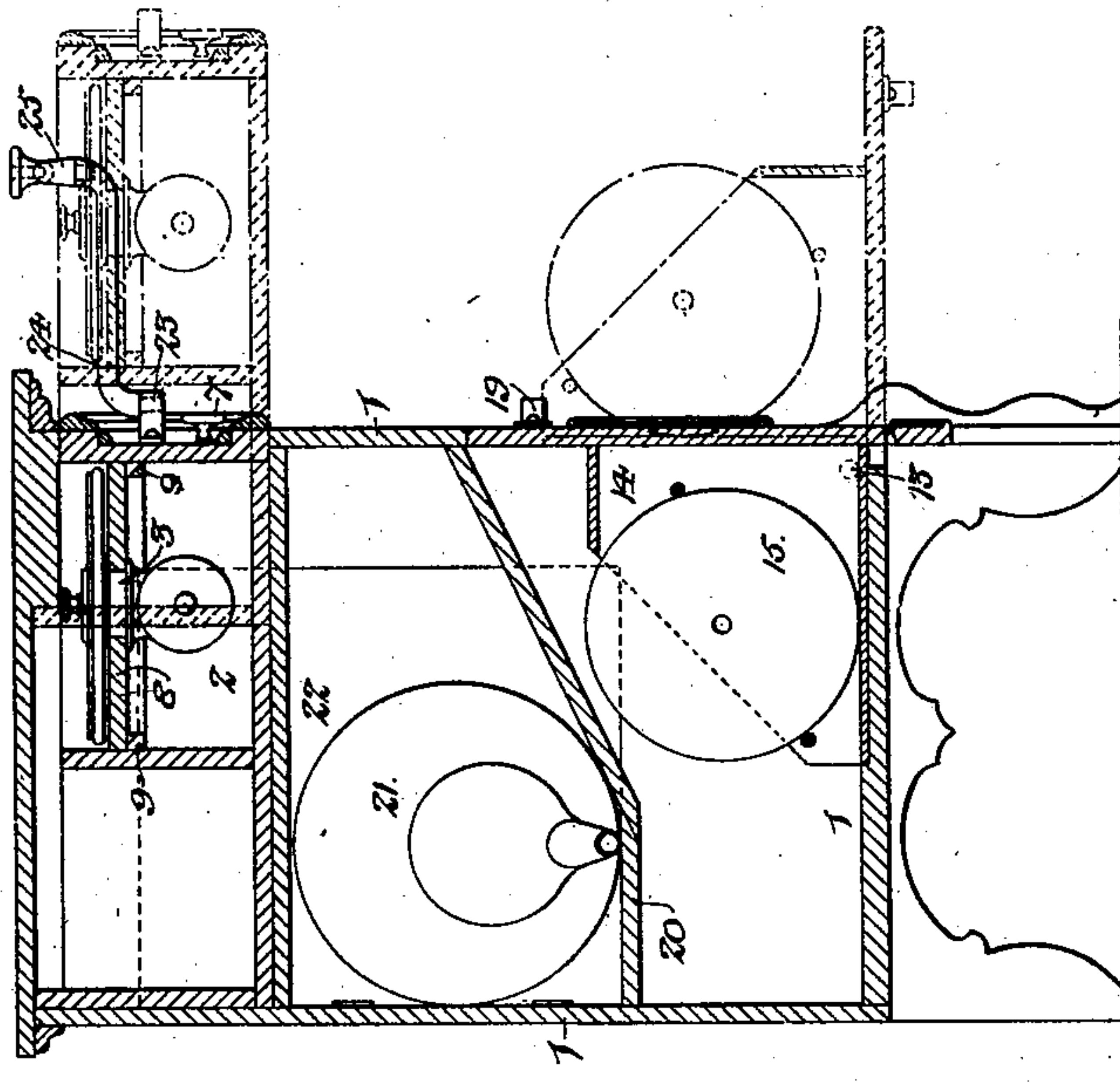
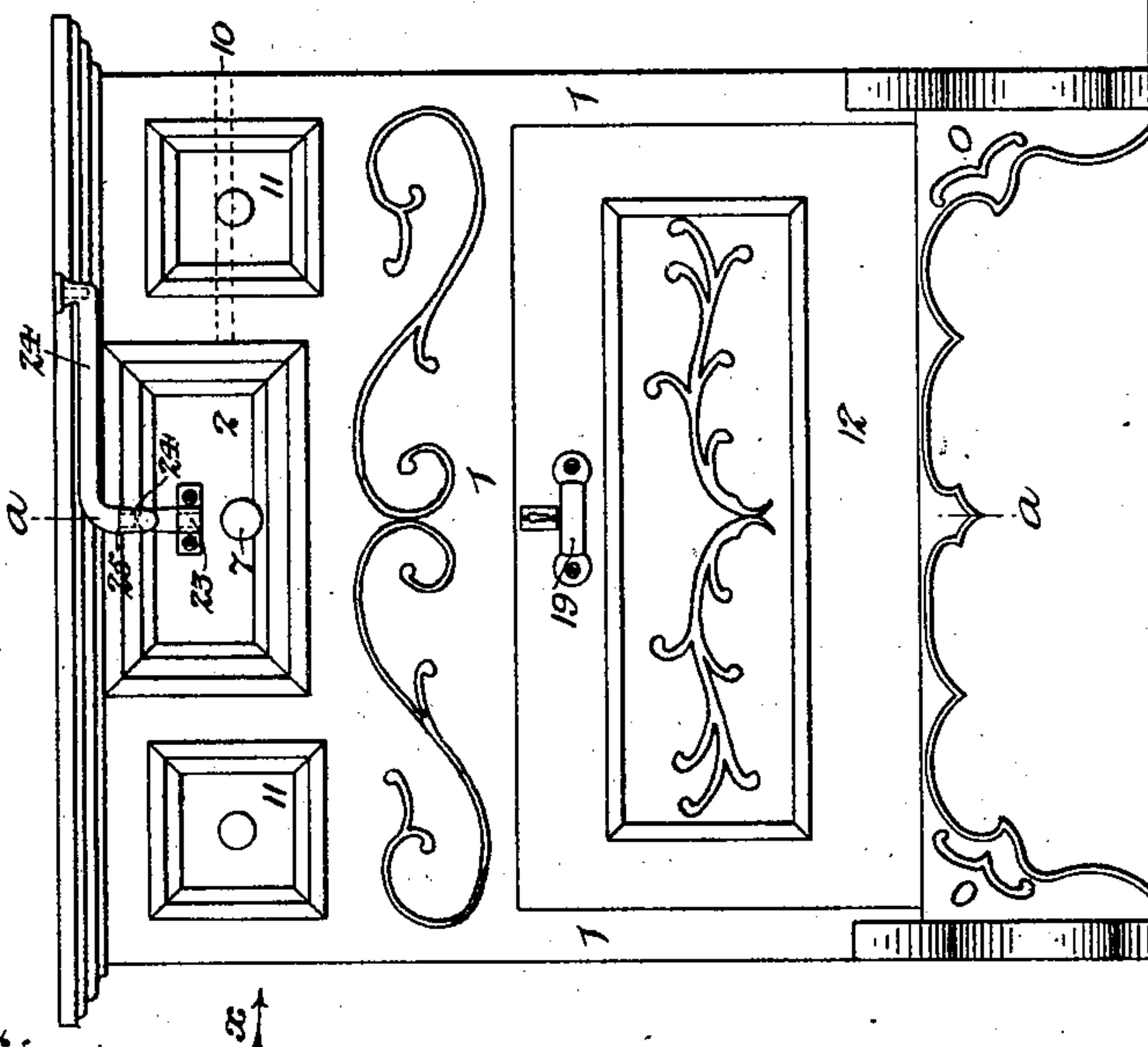


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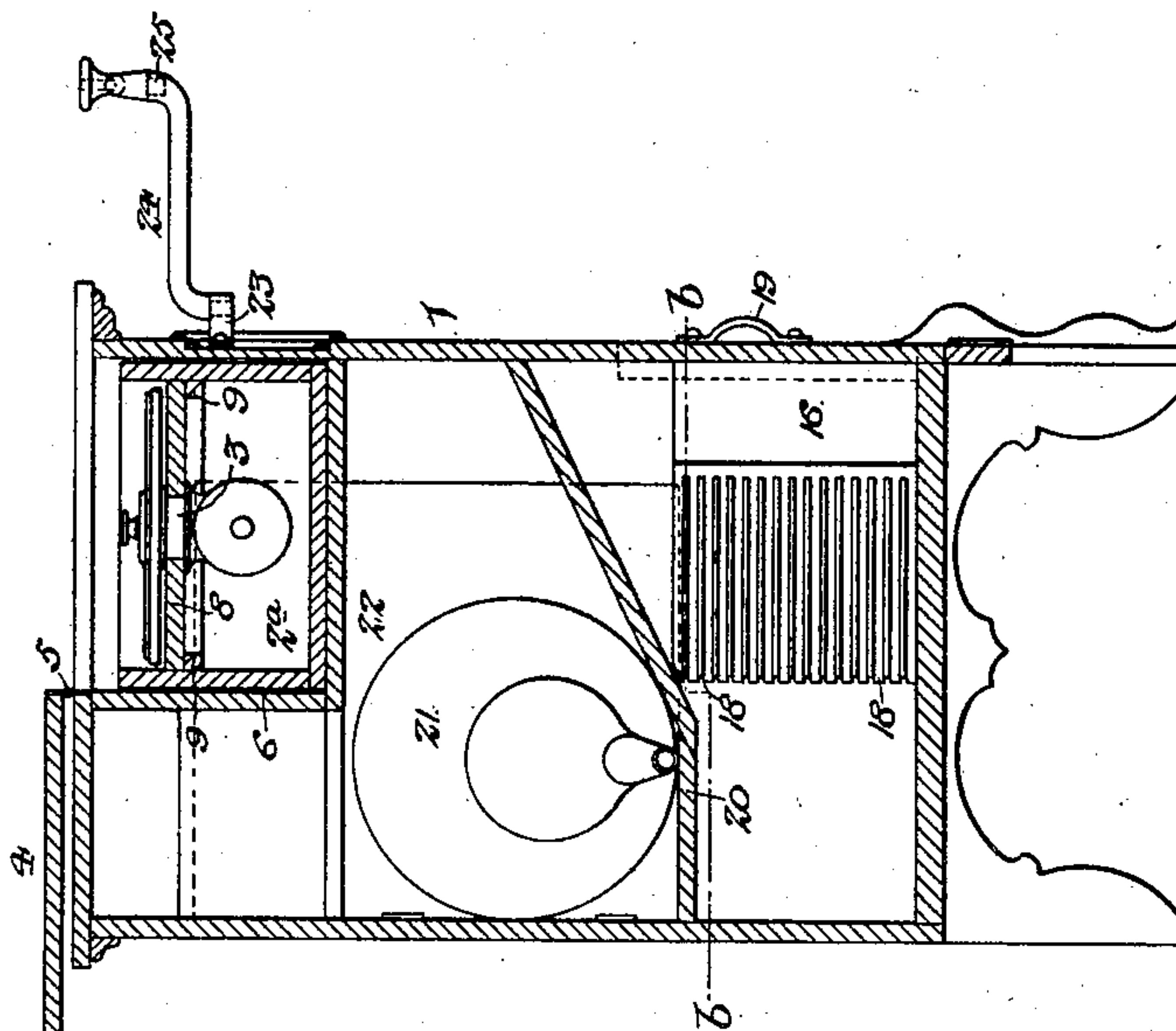
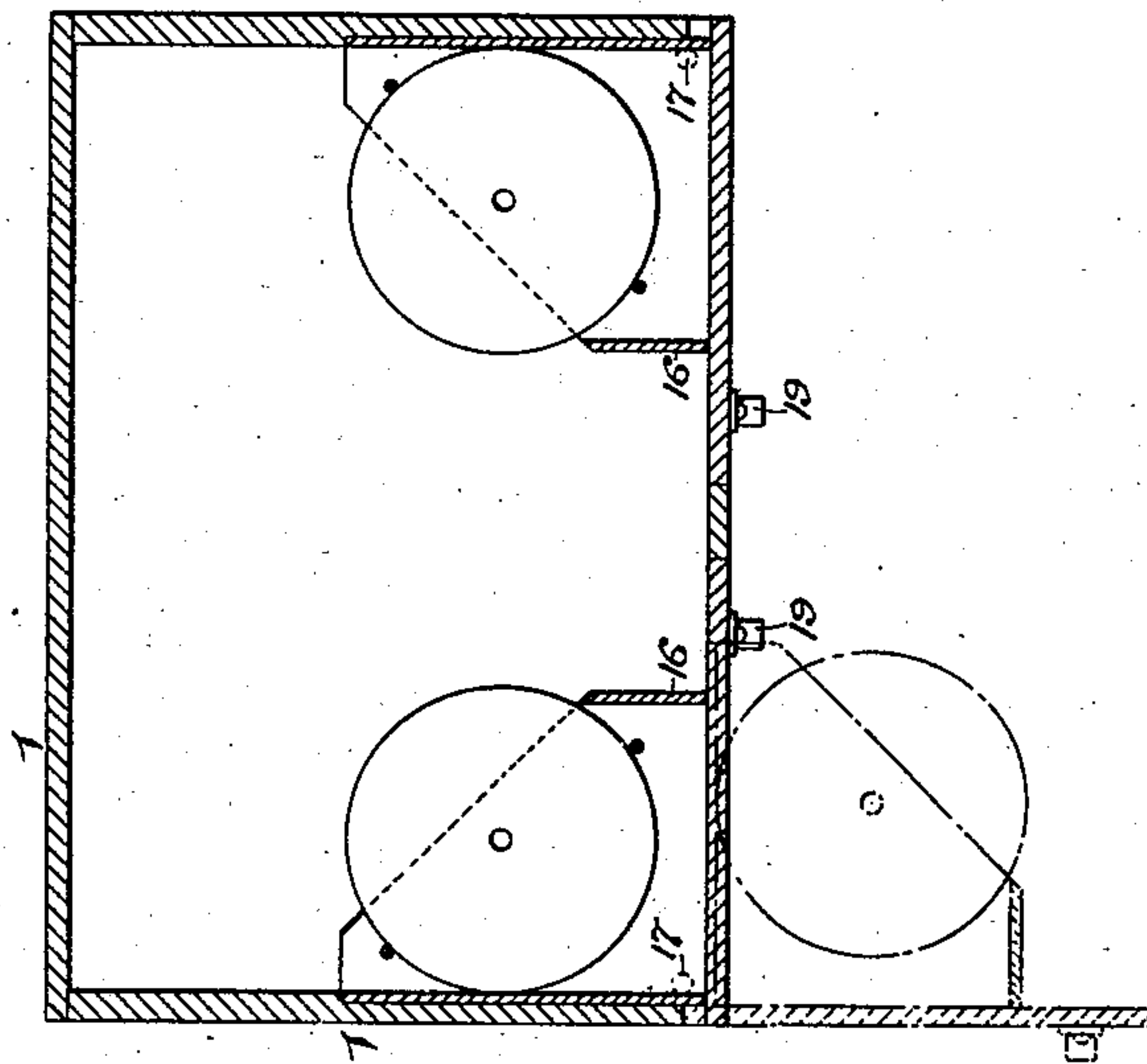
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## TALKING-MACHINE CABINET.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HORACE SHEBLE, a citizen of the United States, residing in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have invented an Improved Talking-Machine Cabinet, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to structures of this character designed more particularly for use in connection with gramophones or talking-machines using disk or flat records. The cabinet is constructed to hold the gramophone and its operating mechanism, the records, the horn, and all attachments and parts used in operating the said talking-machine.

My invention is fully illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the improved cabinet forming the subject of my invention. Fig. 2 is a sectional elevation of the same on the line *a a*, Fig. 1, looking in the direction of the arrow *x*. Fig. 3 is a sectional view similar to that shown in Fig. 2, illustrating modified details of the invention; and Fig. 4 is a sectional plan view taken on the line *b b*, Fig. 3.

The structure forming the subject of my invention comprises an upright cabinet or casing having, preferably, an ornamental exterior and forming an article of furniture of pleasing aspect.

In the upper portion of the cabinet or casing 1 and by preference in the center of the same I provide a receptacle 2 for the gramophone or talking-machine 3. This receptacle may be in the form of a non-removable drawer, as shown in Fig. 2, such drawer adapted to be projected at the front of the cabinet, being shown in such position in dotted lines, or I may hinge a portion 4 of the top of the cabinet at 5 and place a removable receptacle 2<sup>a</sup> in a pocket 6 in the cabinet arranged directly beneath this hinged cover. In either instance the talking-machine is removable from its receptacle, and when such receptacle is the removable one adapted to the pocket in the cabinet it may also be removed and form a base for the talking-machine. When the drawer is used, I provide the same with a handle 7.

In all cases the gramophone or talking-machine is provided with a base-board 8, to which it is secured in any suitable manner,

such base-board fitting within the receptacle for the talking-machine and resting upon the inwardly-projecting portions 9 of the same.

The cabinet is provided with an aperture 10 at the side for the insertion of the stem of the winding key or handle, and the receptacle 2 for the talking-machine has an opening registering therewith and in line with the spring-drum of the machine.

In the upper portion of the cabinet on either side of the receptacle 2 drawers or other receptacles 11 are provided for the reception of the reproducing or recording needles or stylus and for the different parts of the talking-machine or its operating mechanism. Below the drawers 11 and the receptacle 2 in the form of cabinet shown in Figs. 1 and 2 the lower portion 12 of the same is hinged at 13, and this portion 12 carries on its inner side a series of narrow vertical receptacles 14 for the reception of the disk records 15. This portion 12 is arranged to swing forward, as shown by the dotted lines, Fig. 2, bringing all of the records into view, thereby permitting their ready removal.

In the form of cabinet shown in Figs. 3 and 4, however, I have shown a receptacle 16 for the records that is hinged vertically at 17, in which the records may be laid one on top of another or laid upon a series of narrow shelves 18. In each instance the hinged portions of the front of the cabinet are provided with handles 19, whereby they may be readily opened.

In the interior of the cabinet a shelf 20 is arranged, and the space above this shelf between it and the top of the cabinet serves as a receptacle for the horn 21. The side of the cabinet is provided with a door 22, so that the horn is readily accessible. This door serves also to cover the aperture through which the winding-key is passed.

With this form of talking-machine it is usually necessary to have a support for the horn and the recording or reproducing stylus, and for the purpose of carrying such a support I provide a socket 23, secured in the form of cabinet shown in Figs. 1 and 2 to the non-removable drawer carrying the talking-machine and in the form of cabinet shown in Fig. 3 to the front of the same. In this socket 23 I mount a support for the horn, &c., in the form of a swinging arm 24. This arm is



jointed at 25, and being freely movable in its socket it may be adjusted to any desired position. When not in use, this support may be removed from the socket and placed in one  
5 of the drawers 11.

If it be desired to transport the talking-machine at any time, the removable receptacle 2<sup>a</sup> (shown in Fig. 3) is used as a base for the machine when the latter is removed from the  
10 cabinet. After the hinged cover 4 of the top of the cabinet has been lifted then the gramophone may be taken out and after this the removable receptacle for the machine. The talking-machine is then placed in said recep-  
15 tacle and the latter serves as its base, the base-board of the machine fitting the receptacle as usual. The talking-machine may be readily removed from the drawer, (shown in Figs. 1 and 2;) but in such instance it is nec-  
20 essary to have an additional base to receive the machine when the latter is removed from the cabinet.

While I have described the cabinet forming the subject of my invention as being particularly adapted for use in connection with  
25 talking-machines using disk or flat records, it is to be understood that I do not wish to limit its use thereto, as with minor modifications it may serve for use in connection with  
30 other forms of talking-machines.

Having thus described my invention, I

claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The combination of the casing or inclosing structure, of the character described, a re- 35 ceptacle in the upper part of the same for a talking-machine, said receptacle having side supports for the base of said machine, receptacles arranged on either side of the talking-machine receptacle for the recording and re- 40 producing needles and other parts of the machine, a compartment in the lower portion of the casing having a series of recesses or receptacles for the records, said compartment adapted to swing outwardly to expose the 45 records to view, a chamber or compartment to receive the horn arranged between the talking-machine receptacle and the record-compartment, entrance to such chamber being at the side of the casing, and a door closingsuch 50 entrance, said casing having an aperture registering with the winding-drum of the talking-machine when the latter is in place, such aperture being closed by the door of the horn-compartment. 55

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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