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Fig. 1

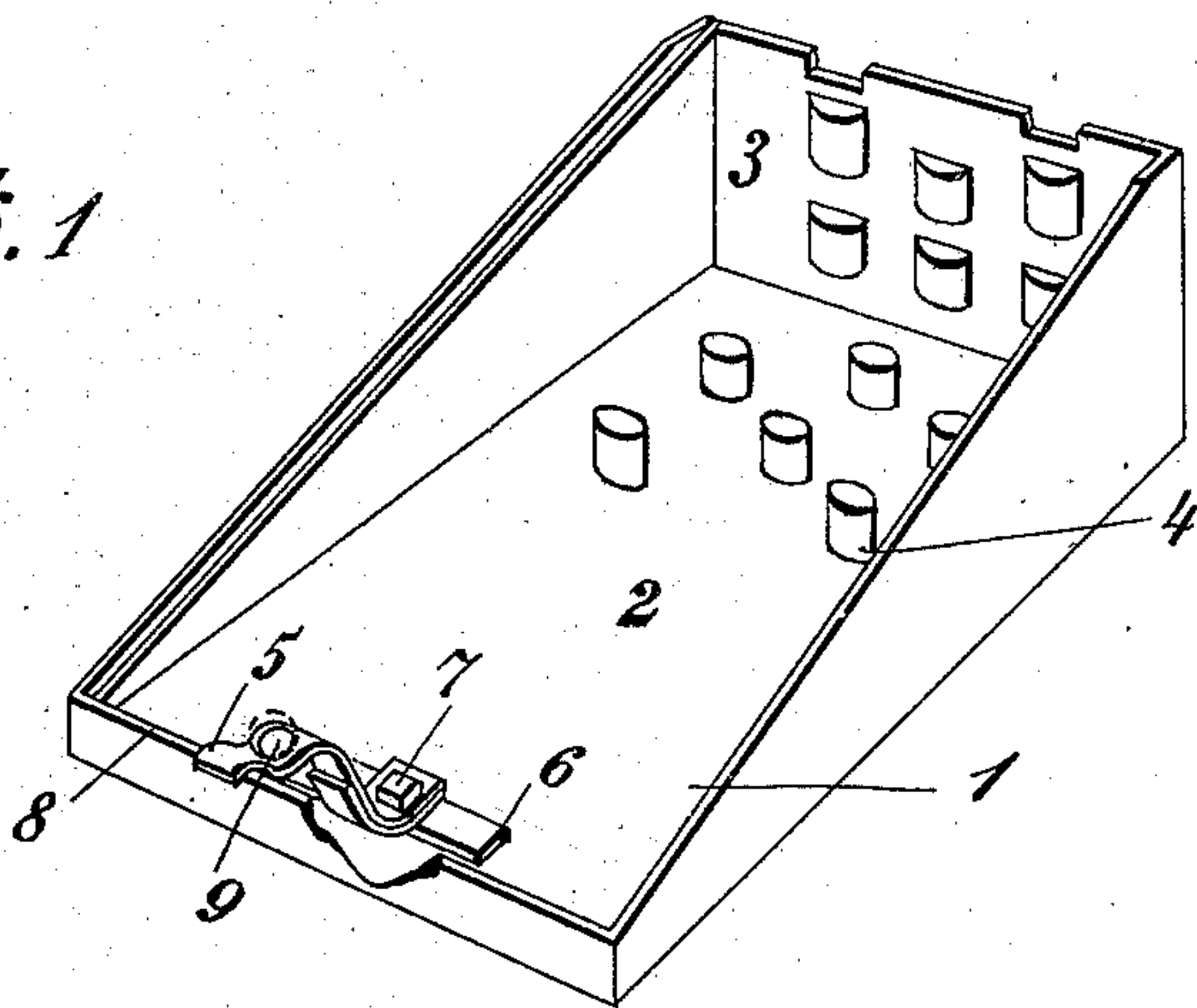


Fig. 2.

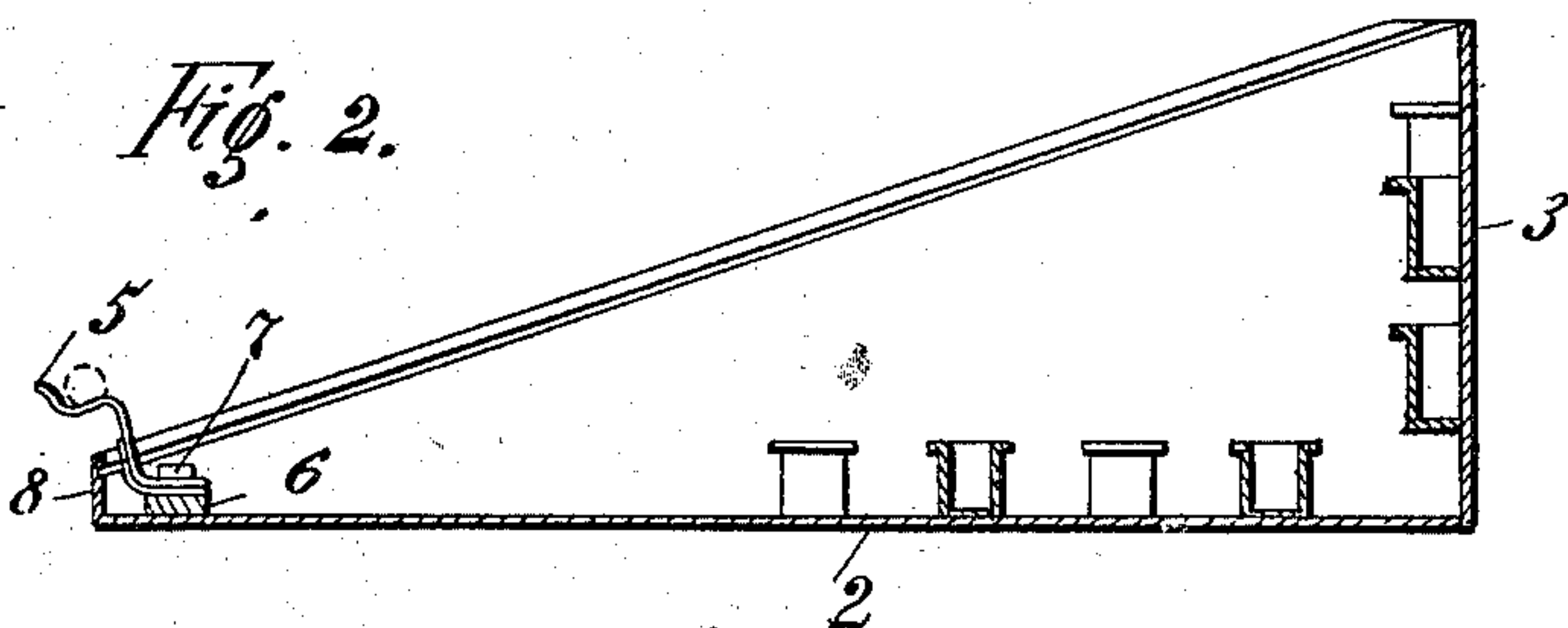


Fig. 3.

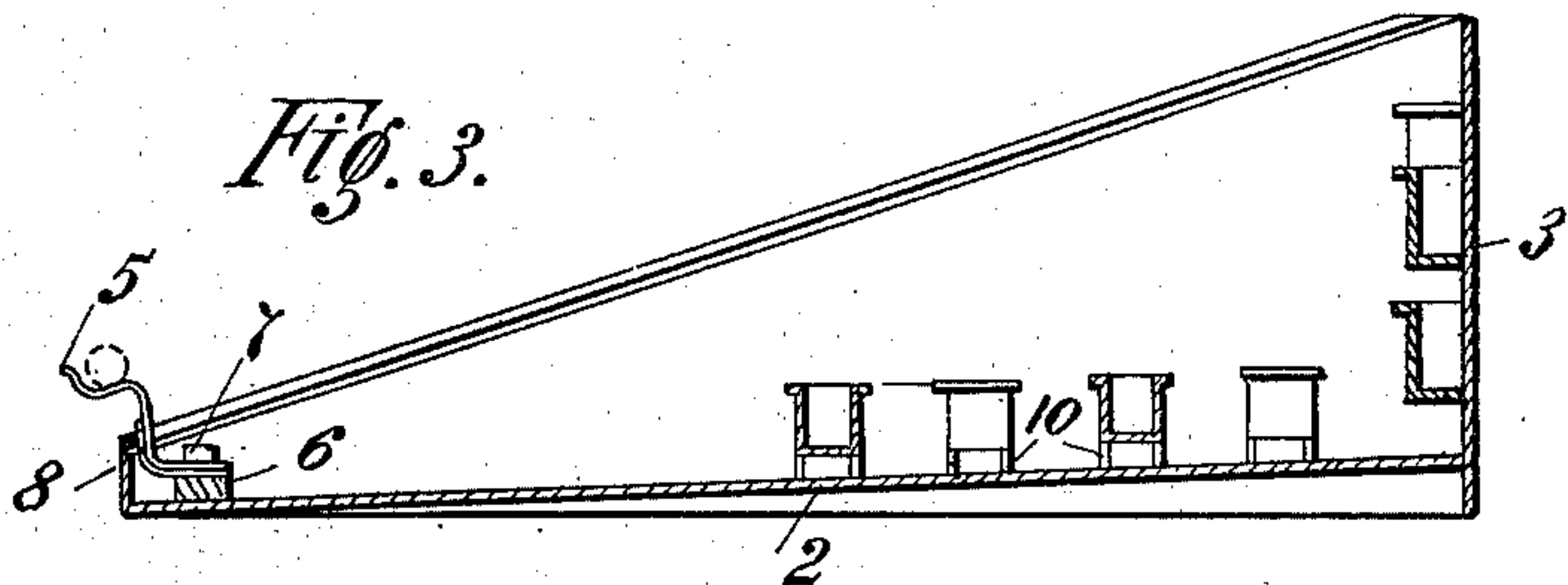
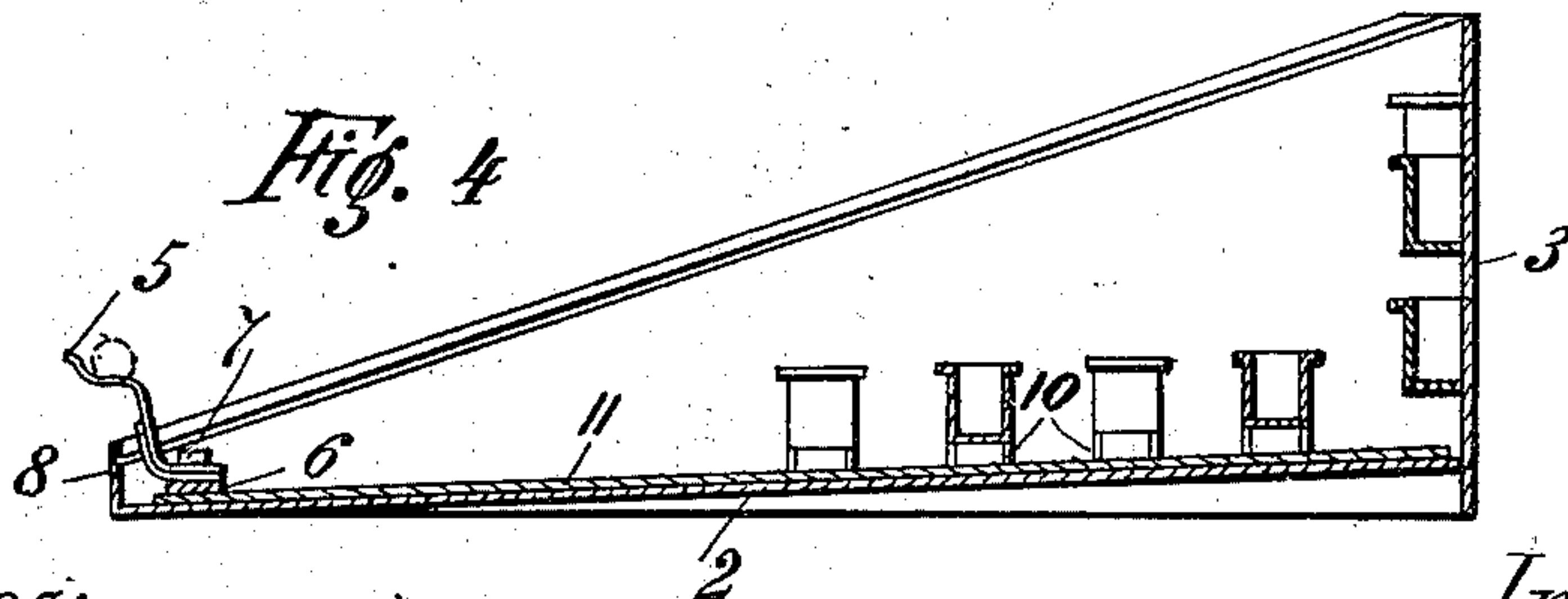


Fig. 4



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GAME.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, RODERICK SUTHERLAND BRADBURY, merchant, of Dane Cottage, Buglawton, Congleton, county of Chester, England, have invented new and useful Improvements in Games, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a new game in which by means of a bent blade-spring which can be adjusted in lateral direction balls are thrown into cups which are of different value and accordingly numbered.

This game requires skill and exercise.

In the accompanying drawings the apparatus which is used for playing the game is shown in Figure 1 in a perspective view. Fig. 2 is a section of Fig. 1, and Figs. 3 and 4 represent in section a modified construction of the apparatus.

The apparatus for playing the game consists of a case 1, which may be either open at the front part or provided with a low front wall 8. On the bottom 2 of the case and on the high back wall 3 of the same a certain number of cups 4 are systematically arranged. These cups 4 are numbered according to the value which the ball thrown into the respective cup would gain. At the front end of the bottom 2 a bent blade-spring 5 is fixed in a foot 6 by means of an adjusting-screw 7 in such a manner that the blade-spring can be turned in lateral direction. In the upper upwardly-bent end of the blade-spring a circular opening 9 is cut out, in which the ball is placed. The bottom 2 can be slanting, as shown in Fig. 3, in which case the cups 4 must have little supports 10 to assure their horizontal position.

The game can be played by two or more persons and according to rules which may be made to suit requirement and do not form part of this invention. One may, for example, use the rules for billiards or any other similar game.

For playing the game the ball is placed in the opening 9 on the outer end of the blade-spring 5, and after the spring has been turned in the direction required the outer end of the spring is slightly pressed downward, so that as soon as the spring is released the ball springs in the direction of the cup 4 toward which it was aimed.

If one wants to use the rebounding action of balls for playing the game the balls may be of elastic material or the bottom 2 may be lined with elastic covering 11, Fig. 4.

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

An apparatus for playing a ball game consisting of a case with low front wall, cups systematically arranged on the bottom and on the back wall of said case and a blade-spring loosely fixed on the front end of the bottom, the outer end of said blade-spring being horizontally bent backward and a circular opening in the said upper end as a rest for the ball, substantially as described and shown and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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