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Fig. 1.

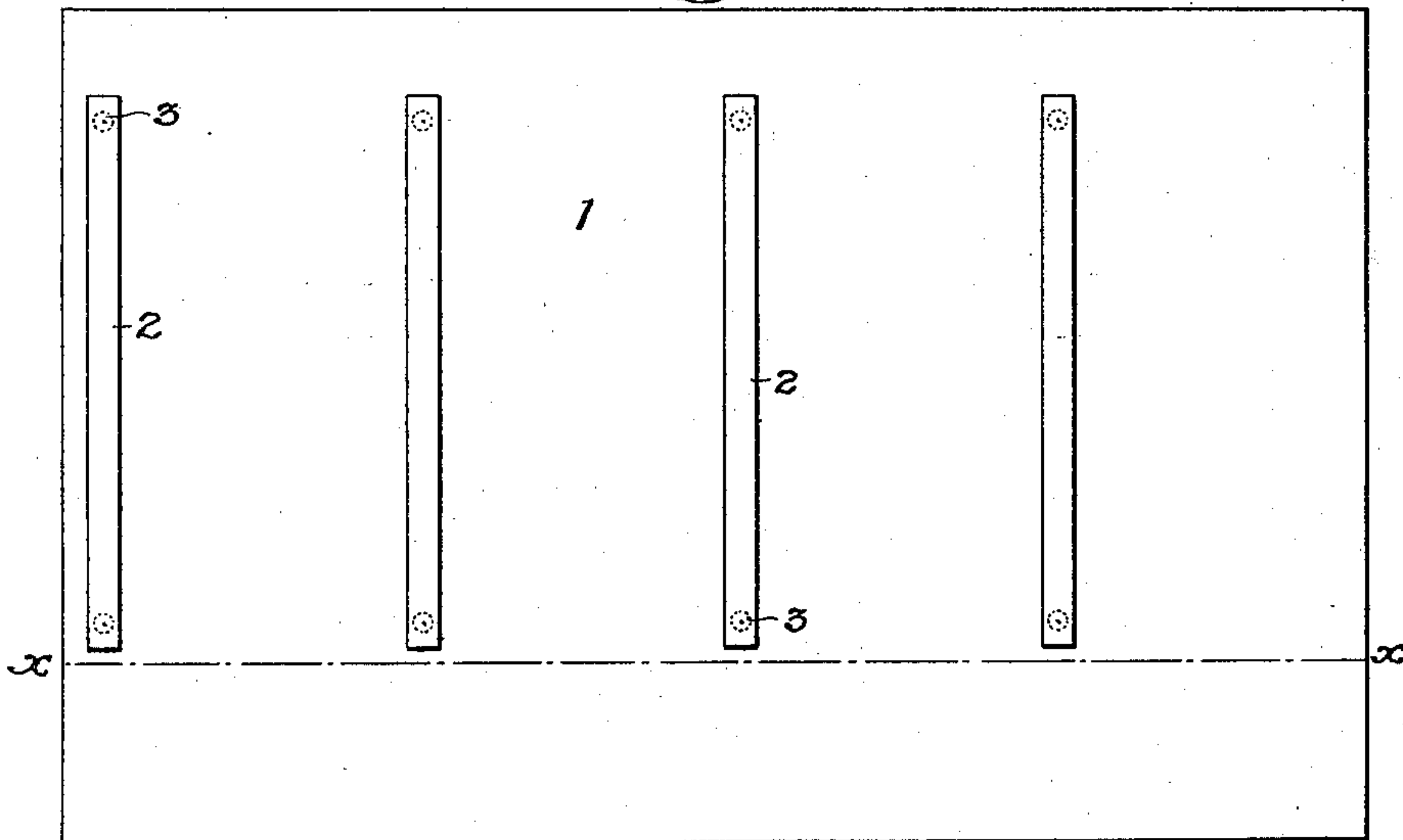


Fig. 3.

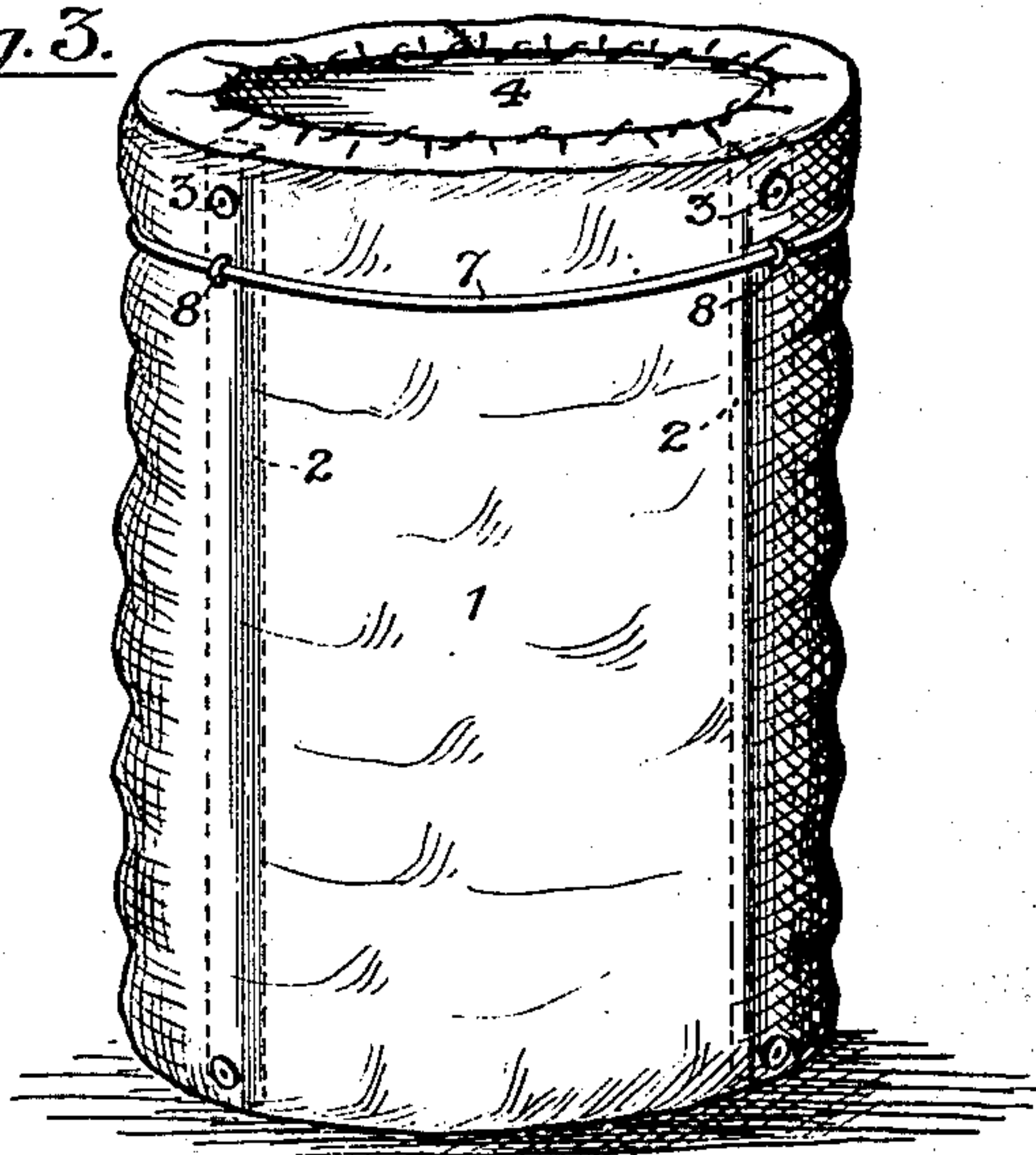


Fig. 2.

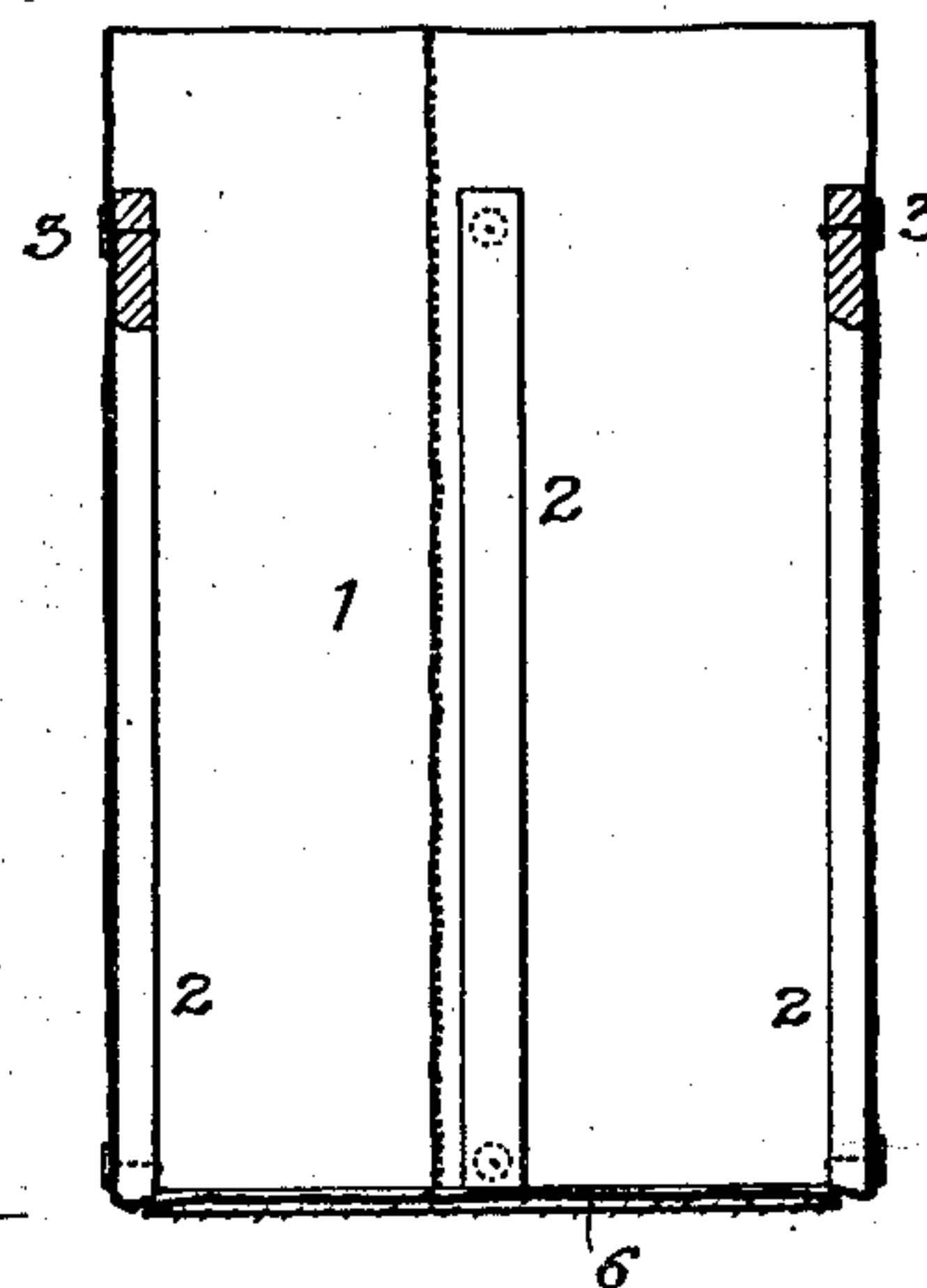


Fig. 5.

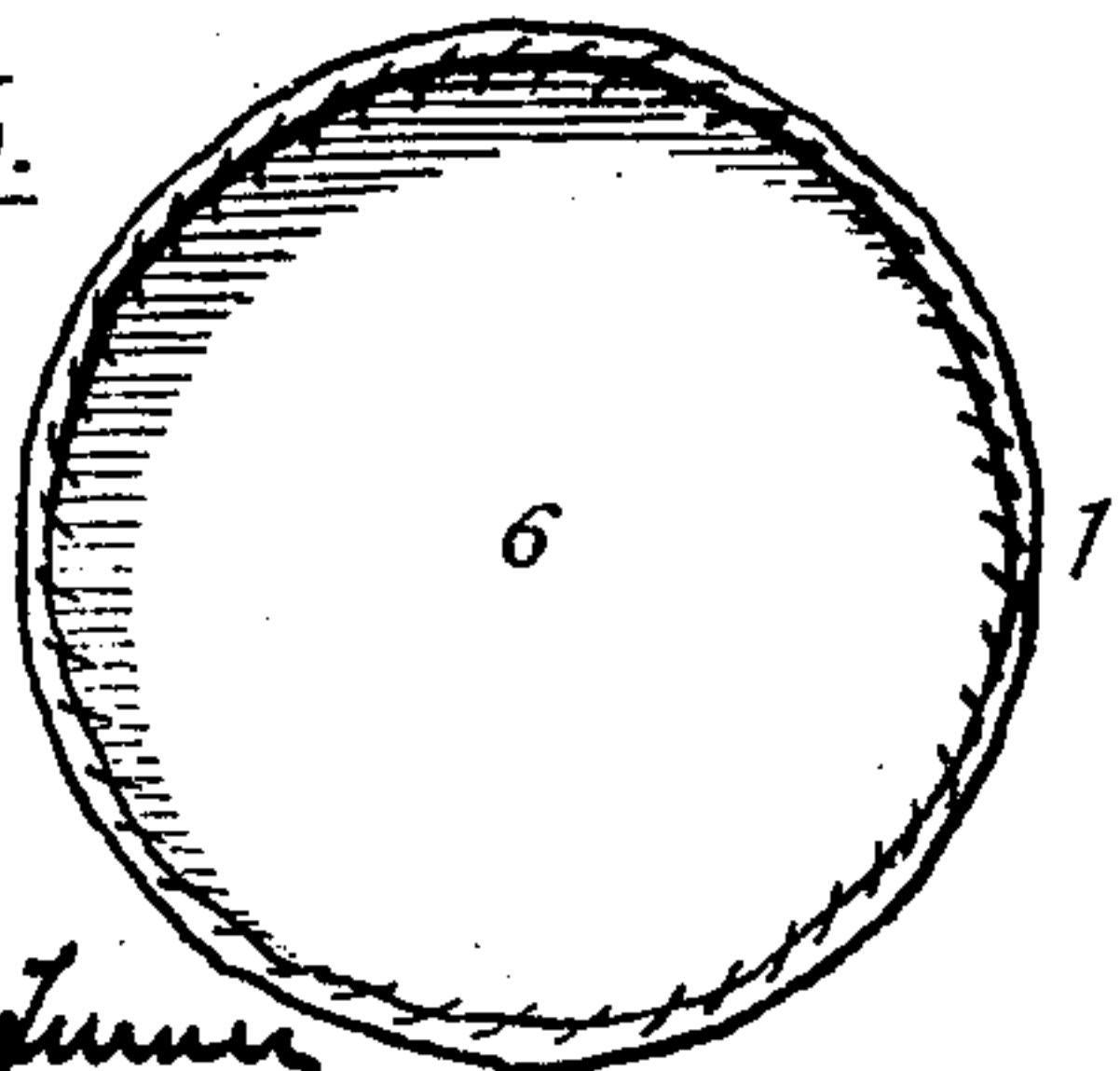
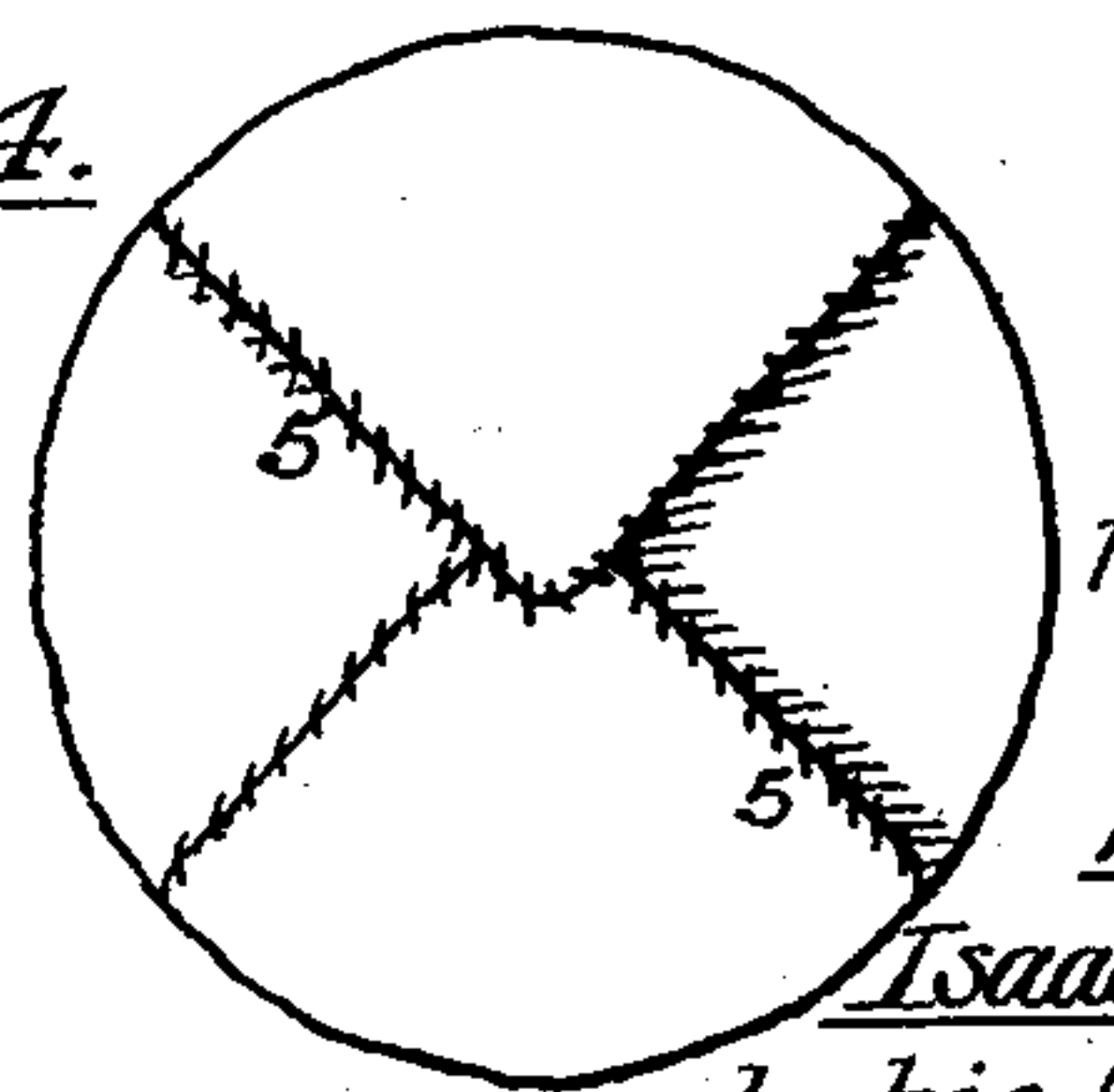


Fig. 4.



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## BALE OR PACKAGE COVER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ISAAC SCHLICHTER, a citizen of the United States, residing in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have invented an Improved Bale or Package Cover, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to bag-like covers employed as inclosures for merchandise packed in bale form; and it consists of an improved form of cover made from a sheet of material suitably secured together to form a bag-like structure adapted to receive the goods, such structure being strengthened by a series of battens or braces secured to the same and having when filled an additional strengthening or securing means in the shape of an encircling band or hoop. This improved structure I have termed a "barrel-bag."

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

Figure 1 shows a blank from which the package-cover is formed. Fig. 2 is a sectional elevation of the package-cover before filling. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of a bale or package inclosed by the cover forming the subject of my invention, and Figs. 4 and 5 are inverted plan views of different forms of bottoms for the same.

It has been the practice hitherto to employ barrels of different character, preferably those in which flour or sugar has been packed, for the purpose of shipping various kinds of manufactured articles—such, for instance, as rope and twine in small balls or hanks. The scarcity of packages of this character, however, with their corresponding and increasing high price, has led me to devise the bale or package cover forming the subject of my present invention, which I have termed a "barrel-bag."

This cover consists, as is clearly shown in the accompanying drawings, of a section of material 1 of a size sufficiently large to make a cover of the required dimension, and secured to this section of material at intervals are battens or braces 2, held to the material by any suitable form of fastening, which is indicated at 3. In the present instance this fastening consists of a metal washer held to the batten or brace by a nail. When the bale

or package cover is shaped up, these battens extend from the bottom of the same to a point near the top, which will leave sufficient material to be turned over for such cover to be suitably secured by sewing or otherwise to a top covering-piece 4 for the bale or package. The bottom of the bale I may make, as shown in Fig. 4 of the accompanying drawings, if a blank the size of the full lines, Fig. 1, is used by folding it and then stitching down the lines of the fold, as clearly indicated at 5. The form of bottom, however, is immaterial, and it may be made by inserting a separate section 6, that is sewed or otherwise secured to the edge of the main section or body 1 of the cover, as shown in Figs. 2 and 5, and for this purpose the blank shown in Fig. 1 may be cut on the dotted line *xx*.

After the bale or package has received its contents and the top has been fastened in place, as shown in Fig. 3, such bale or package is further strengthened or supported by means of a hoop or band 7 encircling the upper portion of the same, whereby the whole structure may be held together without danger of rupture by the combined strength and support of the battens or braces and the encircling hoop. Such hoop or band has its ends suitably secured together and is also secured to the battens 2 at the points 8.

The material of which my improved cover is made may be burlap, canvas, or any other material of sufficient strength capable of providing an inclosure for the merchandise noted and adapted to receive the battens or braces to be secured thereto.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. A bale or package cover comprising a sheet of textile material shaped to form an inclosing structure, permanently secured together with a closed end or bottom, and having a series of independent battens or braces secured to the body of textile material forming the cover.

2. A bale or package cover comprising a sheet of textile material shaped to form an inclosing structure, permanently secured together with a closed end or bottom, and hav-



ing a series of independent battens or braces secured to the body of textile material in line with the greatest dimension of the cover.

3. A bale or package cover comprising a  
5 sheet of material shaped to form an inclosing structure and permanently secured together with a closed end or bottom secured thereto, independent battens or braces secured to the  
10 body of the material in line with the greatest dimension of the cover, and a hoop or band  
12 for encircling the bale or package after the latter has been filled.

4. A bale or package cover comprising a  
15 sheet of material shaped to form an inclosing structure and permanently secured together with a closed end or bottom secured thereto, independent battens or braces secured to the  
body of the material in line with the greatest  
dimension of the cover, a hoop or band for  
20 encircling the bale or package after the latter has been filled, and means for securing said  
hoop or band to the battens or braces.

5. A bale or package cover comprising a  
sheet of textile material shaped to form an in-  
closing structure permanently secured to- 25  
gether with an integral end or bottom formed  
by folding said material, and having a series  
of battens or braces secured to the body of  
textile material forming the finished cover.

6. A bale or package cover comprising a 30  
sheet of textile material shaped to form an in-  
closing structure permanently secured to-  
gether with an integral end or bottom formed  
by folding said material and having a series  
of battens or braces secured to the body of 35  
textile material in line with the greatest di-  
mension of the finished cover.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name  
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