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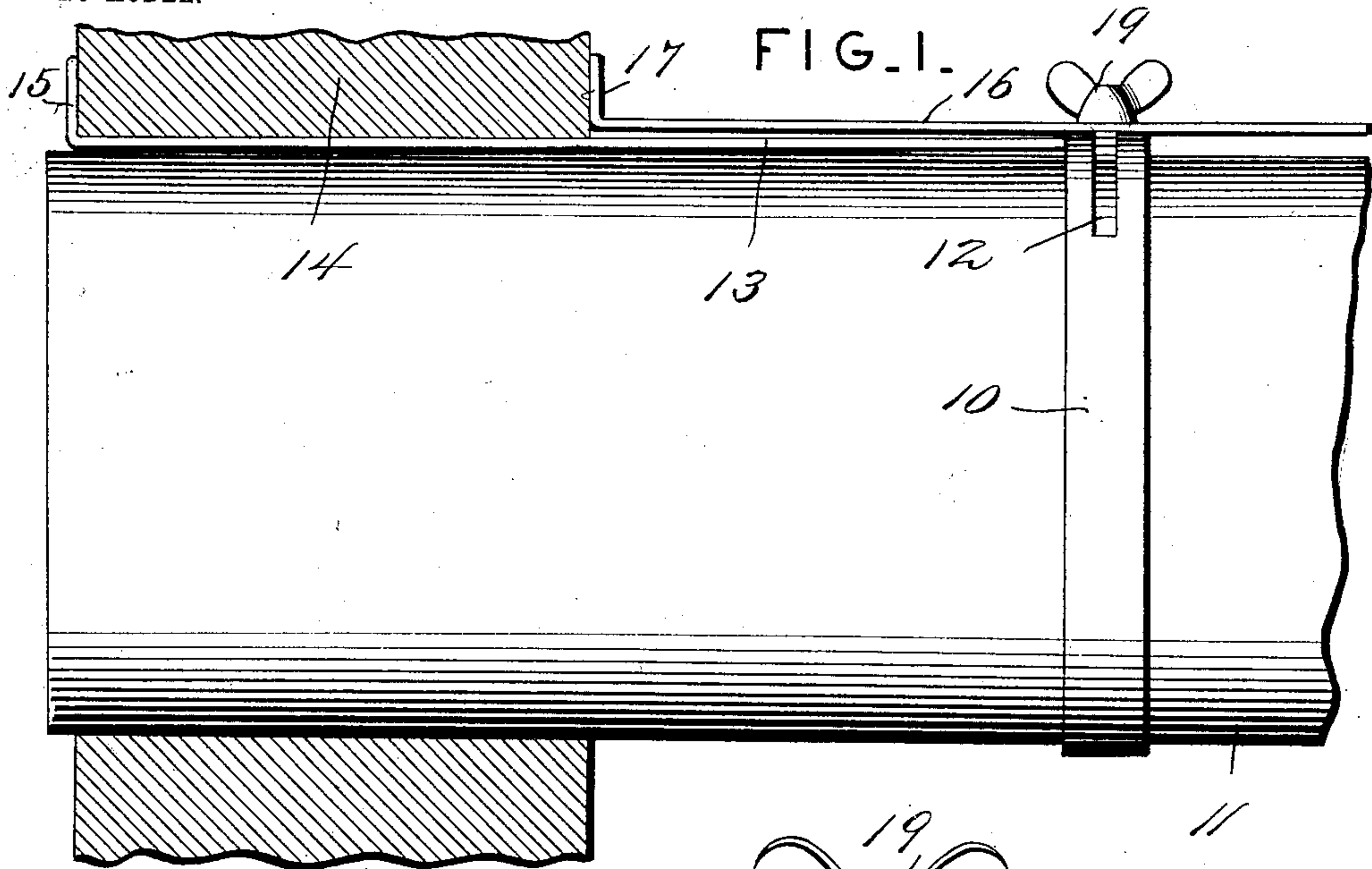


FIG. 2.

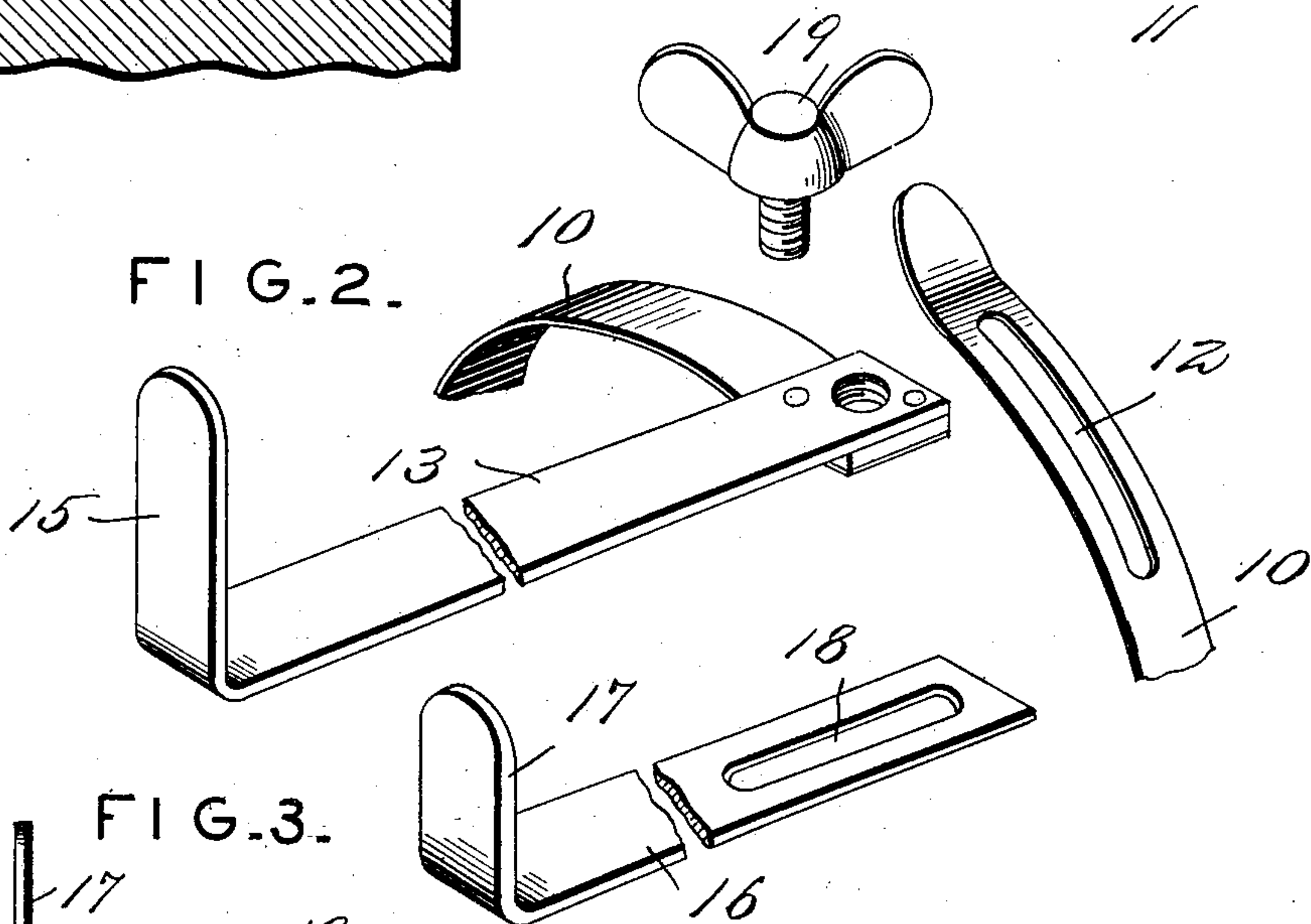
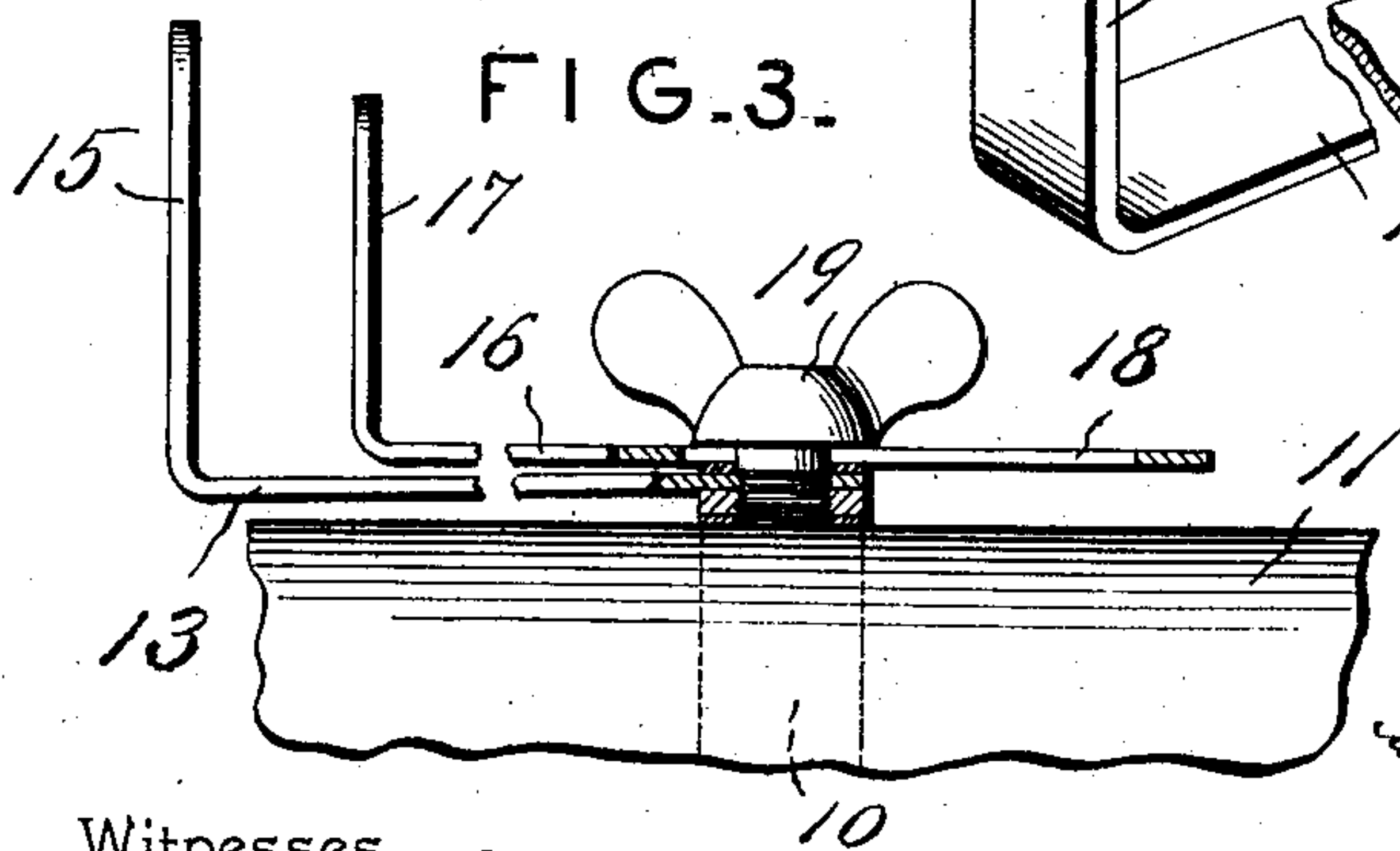


FIG. 3.



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## STOVEPIPE-HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, CHARLES S. POTTER, JR., and ROBERT K. POTTER, citizens of the United States, residing at Creston, in the county of Union and State of Iowa, have invented a new and useful Stovepipe-Holder, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to attachments to stovepipes for holding them in place relative to the chimney, and has for its object to simplify and improve the construction and produce a device of this character which may be readily applied to any size of pipe or to any thickness of chimney-breast without change in the structure of either the pipe or chimney.

With these and other objects in view, which will appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists in certain novel features of construction as hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and in which corresponding parts are denoted by like designating characters, is illustrated the preferred form of the embodiment of the invention capable of carrying the same into practical operation, it being understood that the invention is not necessarily limited thereto, as various changes in the shape, proportions, and general assemblage of the parts may be resorted to without departing from the principle of the invention or sacrificing any of its advantages, and the right is therefore reserved of making all the changes and modifications which fairly fall within the scope of the invention and the claim made therefor.

In the drawings thus employed, Figure 1 is a side elevation of the device applied. Fig. 2 is a perspective view showing parts of the device disconnected and illustrating the construction of the joint whereby the parts are adjustably united. Fig. 3 is an enlarged sectional detail of the joint portion of the improved device.

The improved device comprises a band 10, of flexible sheet metal, for encircling the stovepipe, (represented at 11,) having a longitudinal slot 12 at one end, there being a bar 13 extending laterally therefrom at the other end for projection through the pipe-hole of

the chimney, (represented at 14,) the free end of the bar being bent off at right angles, as at 15, to engage the inner face of the flue to prevent its withdrawal while the pipe 11 is in the chimney-hole. The bar 13 is thin enough to pass between the pipe 11 and the thimble in the chimney-aperture without interfering with the draft of the chimney or injuring the pipe or thimble and will be riveted or otherwise connected to the band 10 and provided with a threaded aperture at the juncture with the band. Disposed longitudinally above the bar 13 is a shorter similar bar 13, having at one end a lateral extension 17 for bearing against the chimney-breast and with a longitudinal slot 18 at the other end for transverse registration with the slot 12 in the band 10, and through which slots a clamp-screw 19 is inserted into the threaded aperture in the bar 13 above mentioned. By this arrangement of parts it will be obvious that the pipe may be firmly clamped within the band 10 and to the bars 13 16, and the bar 16 adjusted to any required extent to cause the laterally-extending ends 15 17 to engage the outer and inner faces, respectively, of the chimney, and thus hold the pipe firmly in position relative to the same.

The material employed will usually be of the same general appearance as the other parts of the pipe and will not therefore be conspicuous or attract undue attention and will not therefore detract from the appearance of the pipe.

The device is simple in construction, can be inexpensively manufactured, and easily applied or changed from one locality to another when required.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is—

A stovepipe-holder comprising a band having its ends arranged to overlap, one end of the band being provided with a threaded socket and the other end having a longitudinal slot for registration with the socket, a bar rigidly connected to the socket end of the band and projected transversely at one side thereof with its outer end provided with a lateral shoulder, a longitudinally-slotted and endwise-adjustable bar arranged transversely

of the band and projected at opposite sides thereof and overlapping the rigid bar with its inner end provided with a lateral shoulder, and a clamping-screw engaging the slotted  
5 portion of the adjustable bar and the band and also the threaded socket to adjustably connect the parts.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing as

our own we have hereto affixed our signatures in the presence of two witnesses.

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