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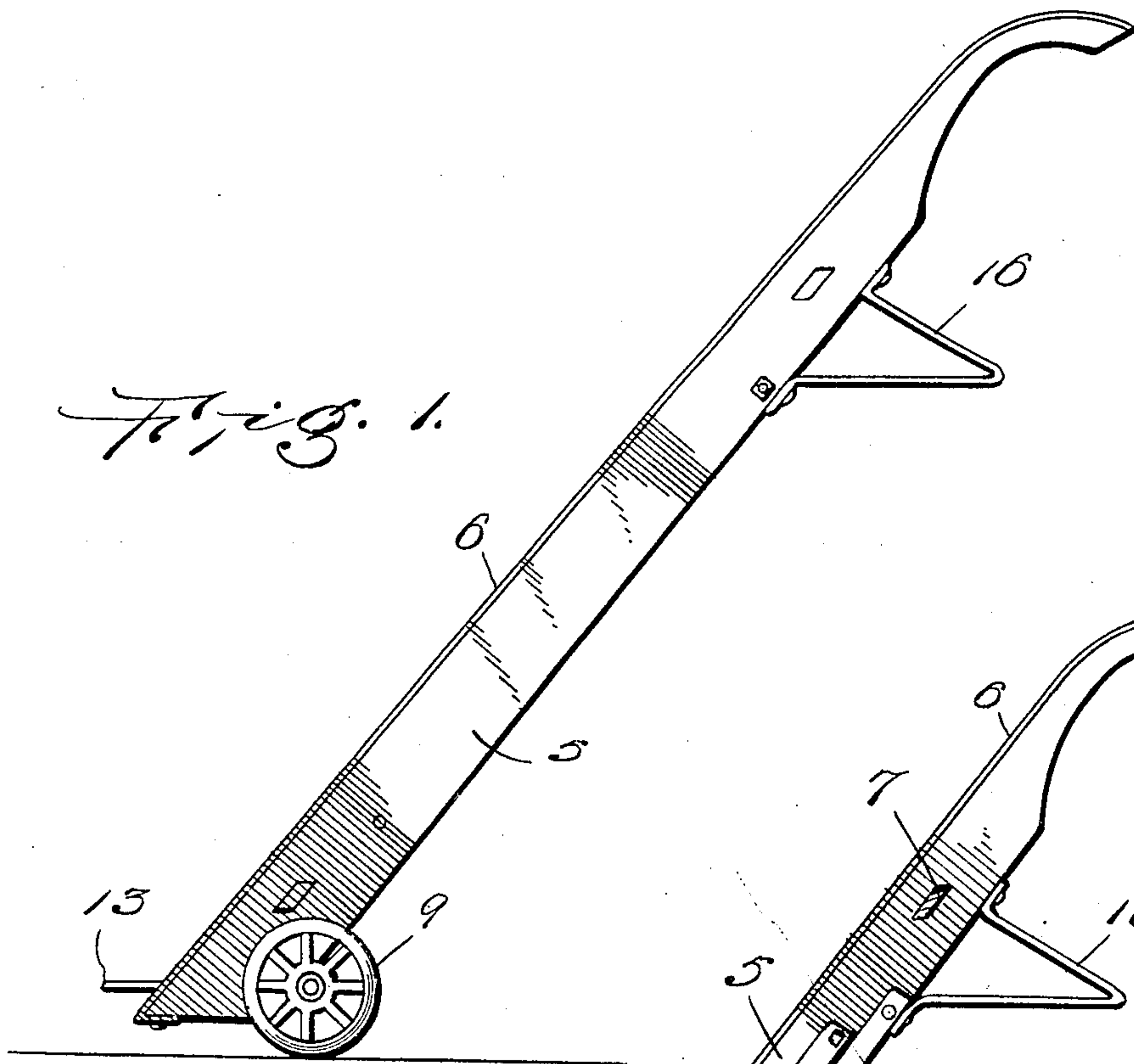


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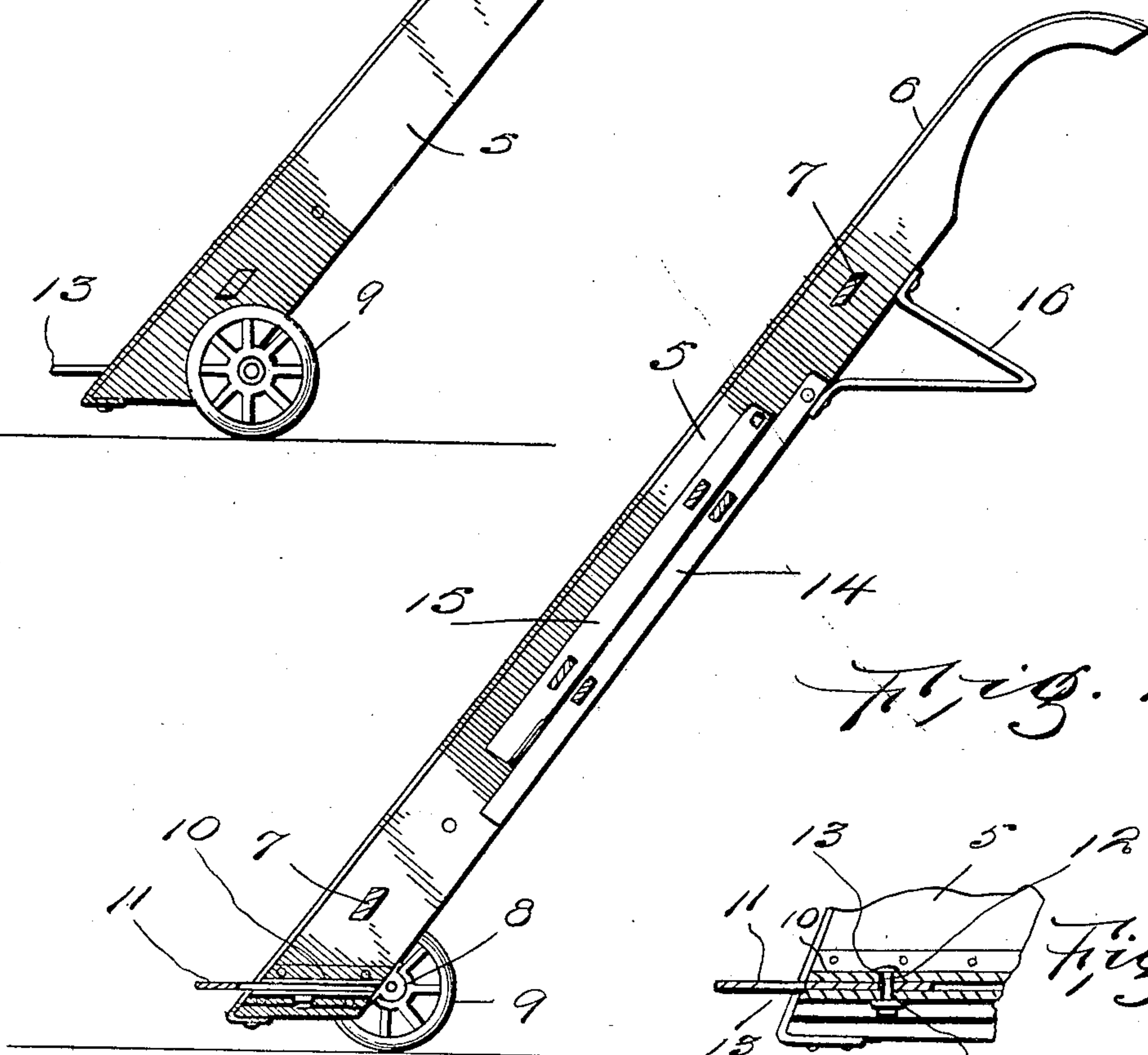
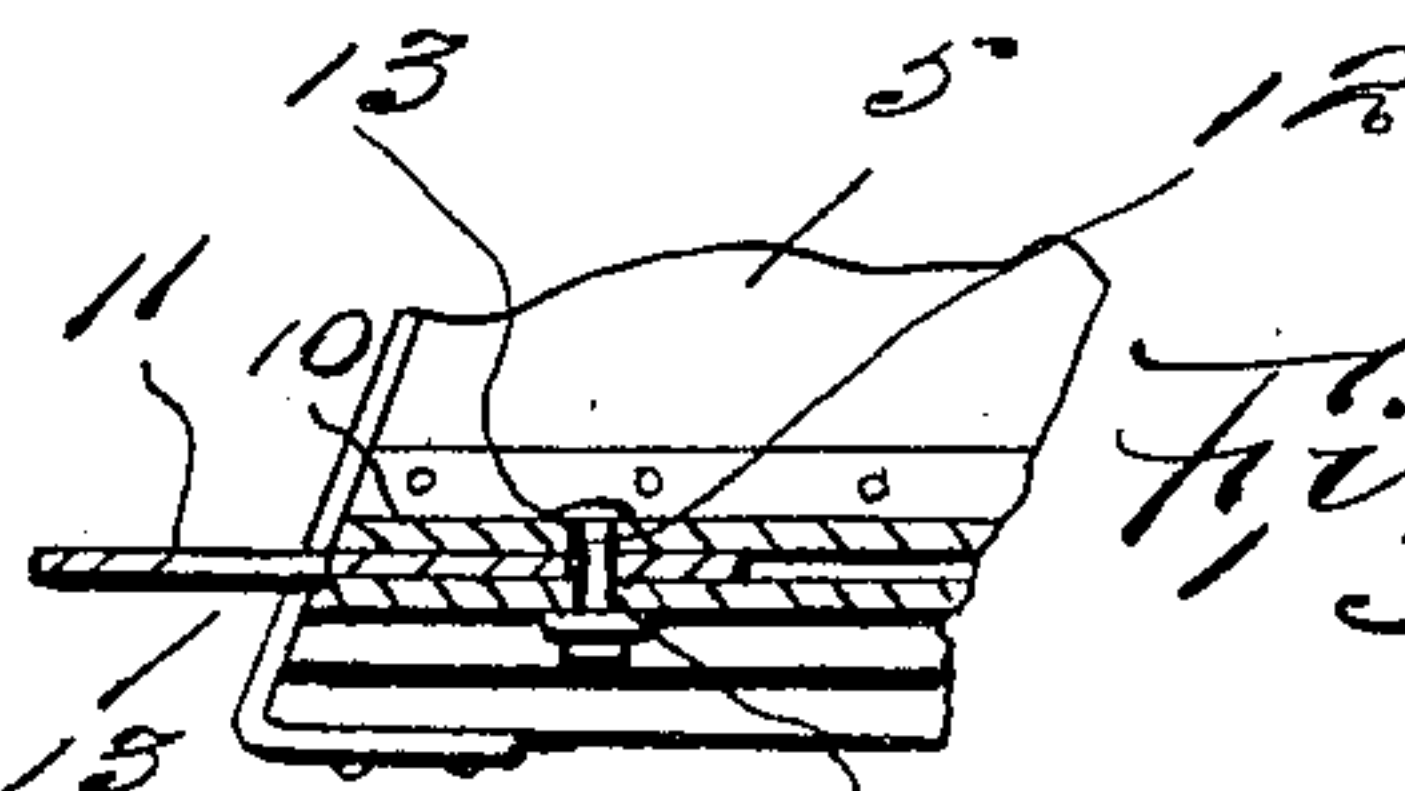


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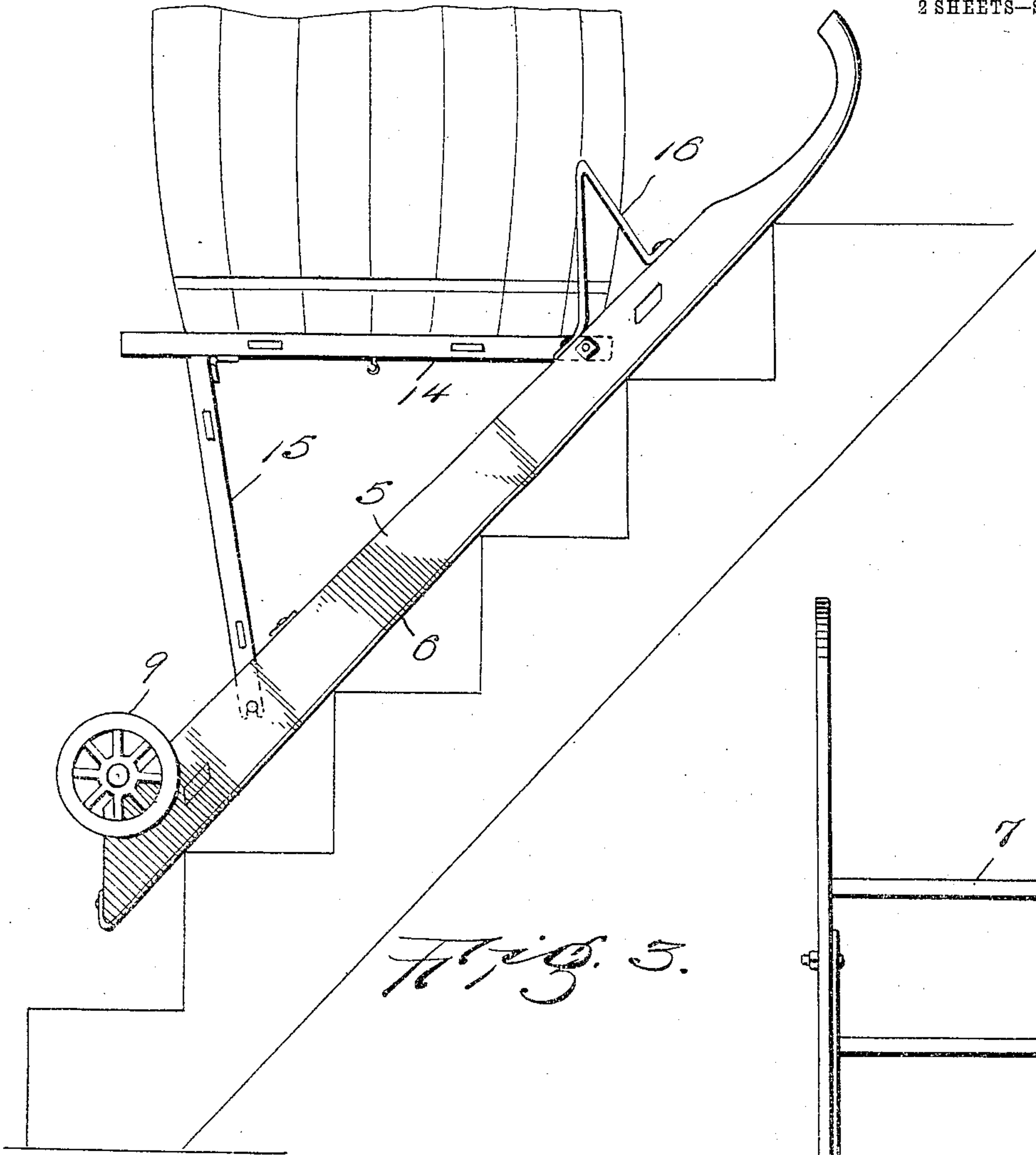


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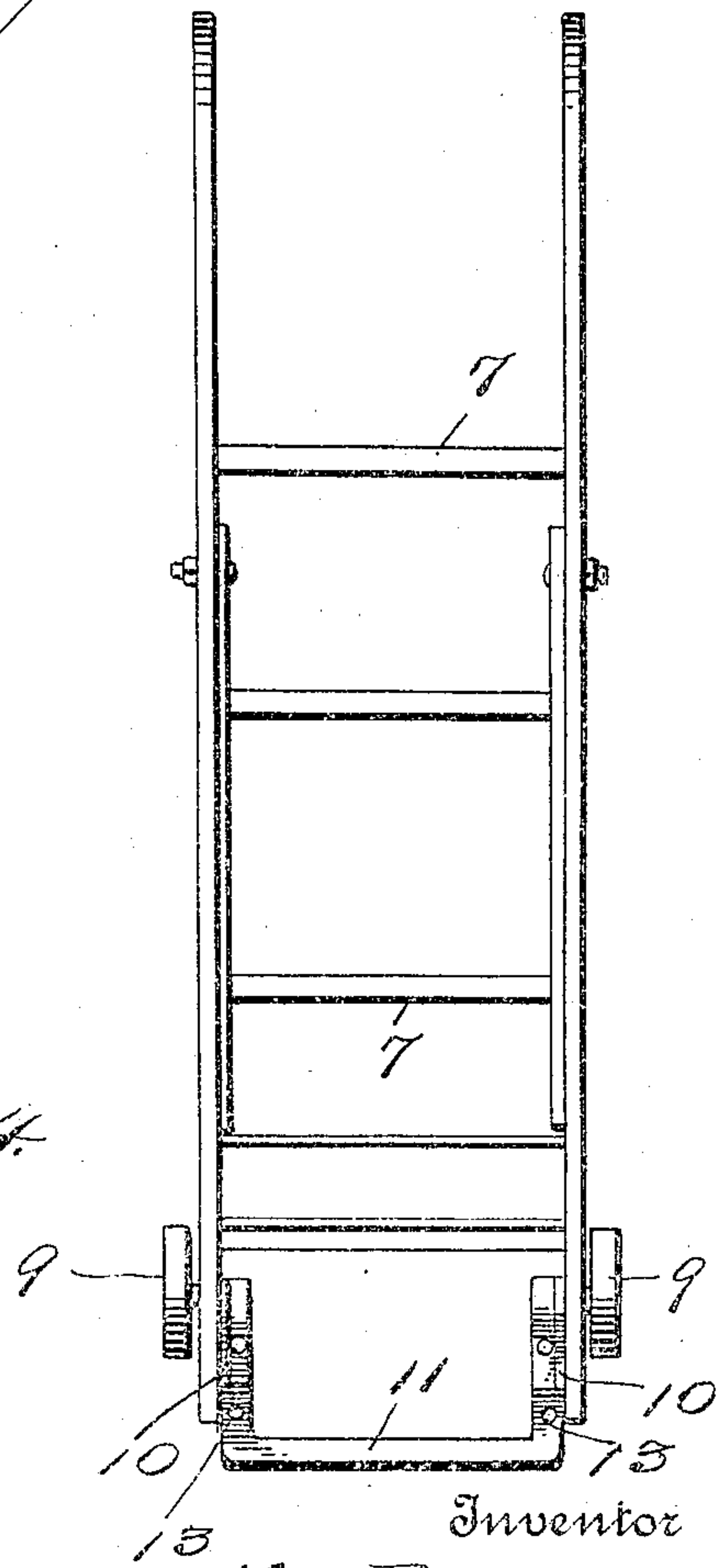


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COMBINED TRUCK AND SKID.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, NELSON E. DRURY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Princeton, in the county of Worcester, State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Truck and Skid; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to trucks, and more particularly to those of the barrow type, and has for its object to provide a truck which may be used for sliding barrels and similar bodies down stairways and other inclines, as well as for wheeling them from place to place.

In the drawings forming a portion of this specification, and in which like numerals of reference indicate similar parts in the several views, Figure 1 is a side elevation of the present invention. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the invention used as a skid. Fig. 4 is a front view of the truck. Fig. 5 is a detail sectional view through the lower end of the truck.

Referring now to the drawings, the present invention comprises side pieces 5, having the usual iron frame 6 secured to their forward edges and provided with transverse connecting-braces 7. Secured to the rearward edges of the side pieces adjacent to their lower ends are brackets 8, in which are journaled the wheels 9 of the truck, and secured to the inner faces of the side pieces adjacent to their lower ends are guides 10, which coincide with each other for the reception of a sliding nose 11, which is thus movable to extend beyond the forward faces of the side pieces in operative position or to lie therebetween and in inoperative position, the guides being provided with openings 12, with which may be alined openings 13 in the nose for the reception of pins to hold the nose in either position.

Pivoted between the side pieces is a platform 14, which is movable to lie therebetween or to extend beyond the rearward edges thereof, and to hold it in its last-named position

the platform is provided with a hinged brace 15, the lower end of which is arranged for engagement with one of the braces 7.

When the device is used as a truck, the platform lies between the side pieces 5 and the brace is folded thereagainst. When it is desired to use the invention as a skid, however, the nose is slid between the side pieces and the platform and brace are unfolded. The truck is now disposed with the iron frame 6 resting upon the edges of the steps or against any other incline down which it is desired to slide a body, in which position the platform 14 extends outwardly in a horizontal plane and in position to receive the body which may be disposed thereon. The platform is so disposed that its rearward edge lies adjacent to the legs 16 of the truck, so that these legs may rest against a body disposed upon the platform, as shown, to aid in holding it thereon.

What is claimed is—

1. In a truck, the combination with a frame, of a nose slidably connected therewith and arranged for movement into and out of operative position, and a platform arranged to extend at times rearwardly from the frame to receive and support a body.

2. In a truck, the combination with a frame, of a nose slidably connected therewith and arranged for movement into and out of operative position, means for holding the nose in either of said positions, and a platform arranged to extend at times rearwardly from the frame to receive and support a body.

3. In a truck, the combination with a frame, having legs projecting from its rearward side, of a nose slidably connected with the frame and movable into and out of operative position, and a platform arranged to extend at times rearwardly from the frame for coöperation with the legs to support a body.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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