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FIG. 1.

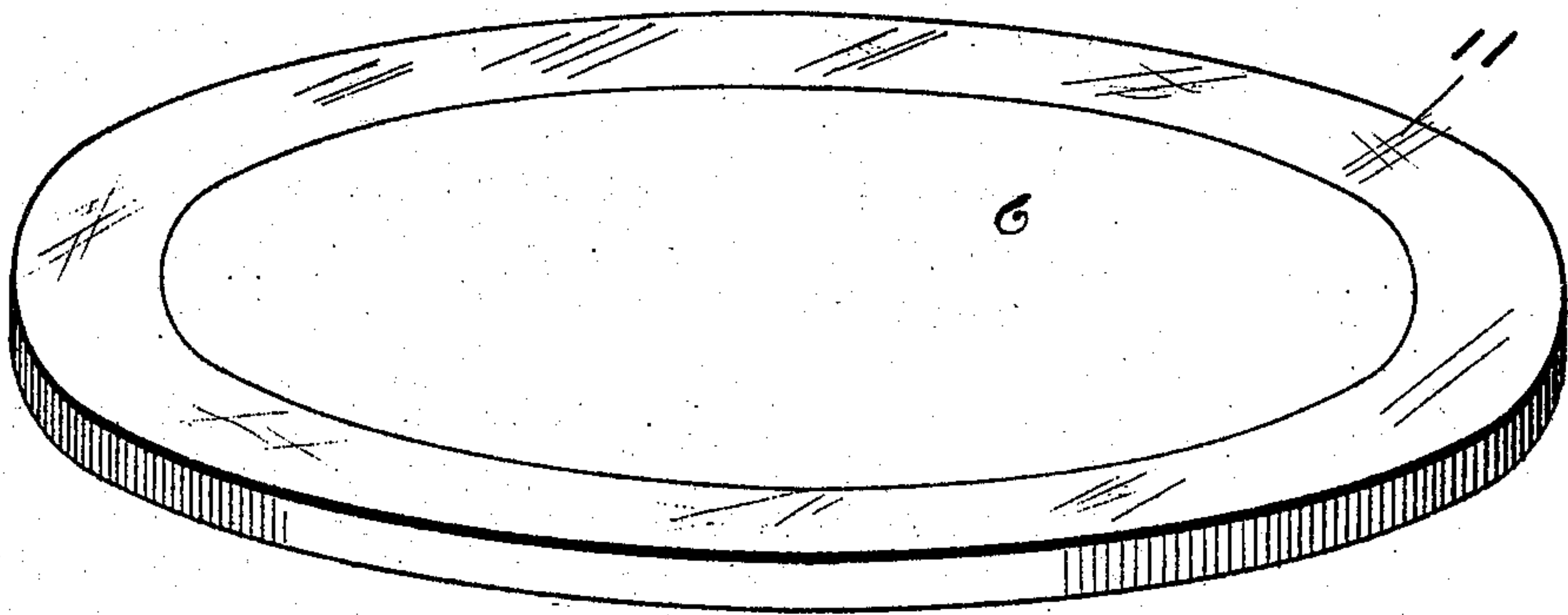
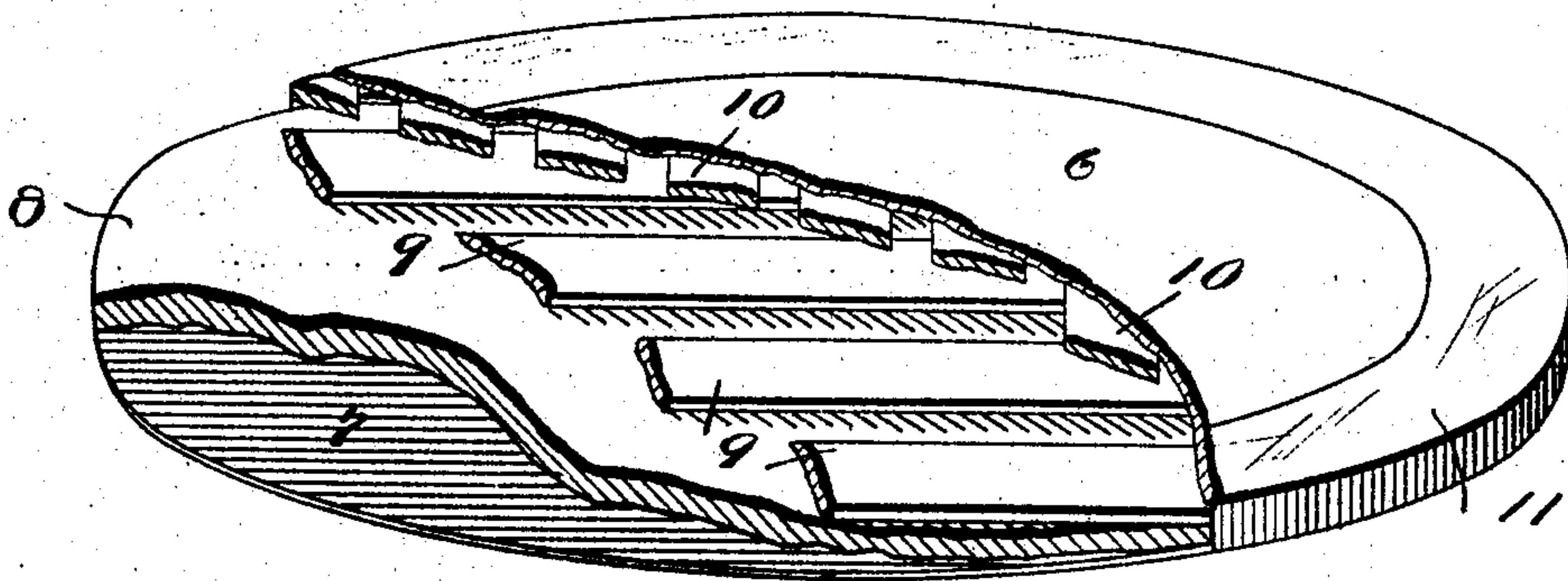


FIG. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARRY B. WALKER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented new and useful Improvements in Table-Mats, of which the following is a specification.

The invention is a mat designed particularly to afford protection from hot dishes to polished tables and also designed to prevent the heat from burning or softening the varnish on tables.

The invention also provides a mat having means for absorbing moisture caused by hot dishes.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the mat. Fig. 2 is a perspective section thereof, the parts being broken away to show how the mat is built up.

Referring specifically to the drawings, the mat has upper and lower sheets of asbestos, (indicated at 6 and 7.) Between these sheets, which are relatively thin, is a thicker sheet of asbestos, (indicated at 8.) Secured to the top of the sheet 8 is a series of strips 9, spaced from each other and secured to the sheet 8 by any suitable adhesive. Secured in a similar manner to the under side of the top sheet 6 is a series of similar strips 10, also spaced apart, and these strips are located at a right

angle to the strips 9, so that the strips cross each other and form numerous small spaces or interstices. The strips 9 and 10 are preferably formed of pasteboard or the like, although they also may be made of asbestos or other material. The mat is conveniently cut in circular form, and the edges of the sheets forming the same are covered by a linen or other cloth binding, (indicated at 11,) which holds the sheets together and makes the device durable. The non-conducting material, such as asbestos, and the air-spaces between the sheets prevent the communication of the heat and moisture from the dish, flat-iron, or whatever is placed on the mat to the table.

The device will be found particularly useful for tables and also as a mat or holder for sad-irons.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A mat consisting of two outer sheets, and spaced strips which cross each other and form air-spaces, and are held between said sheets.

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

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