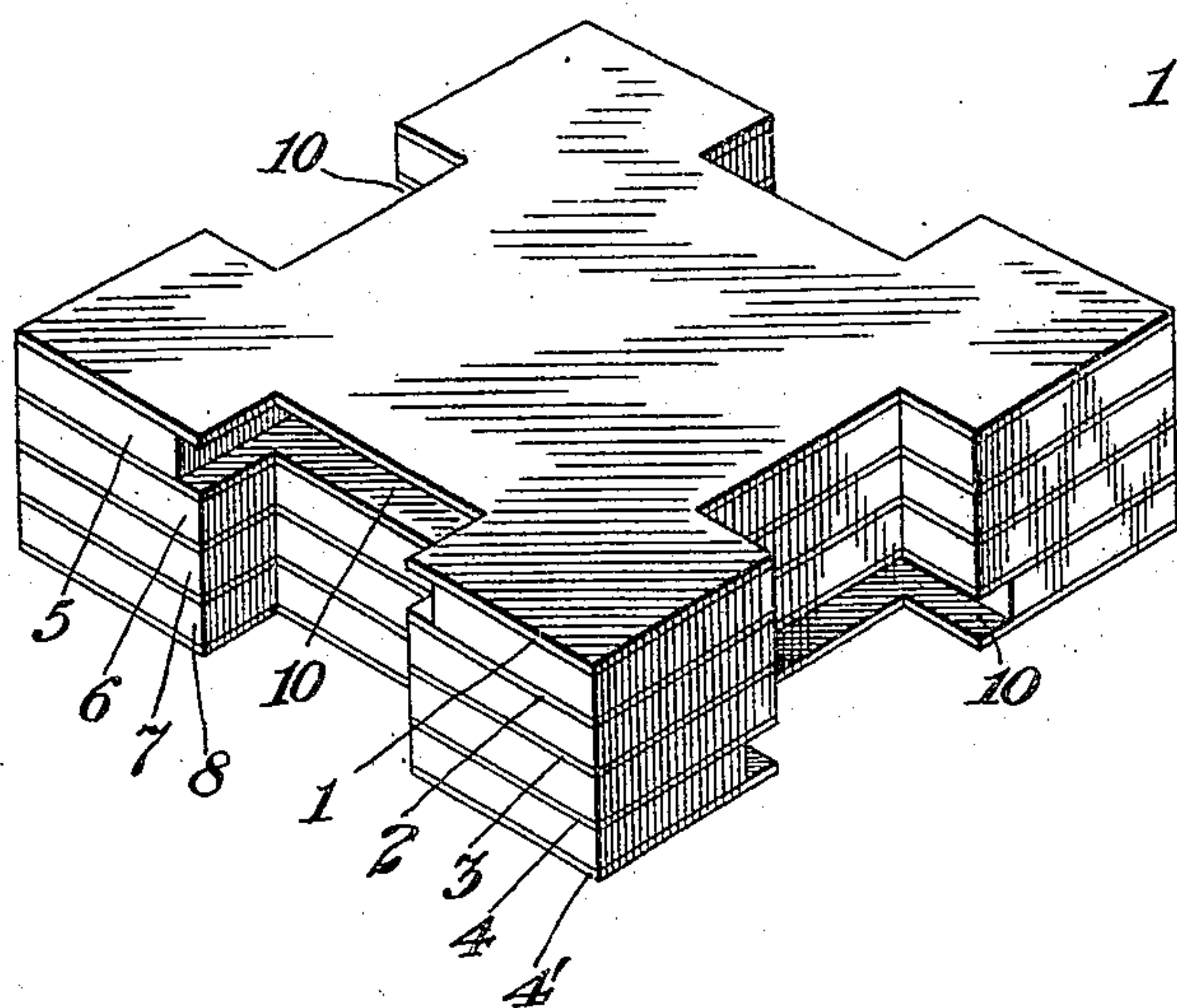


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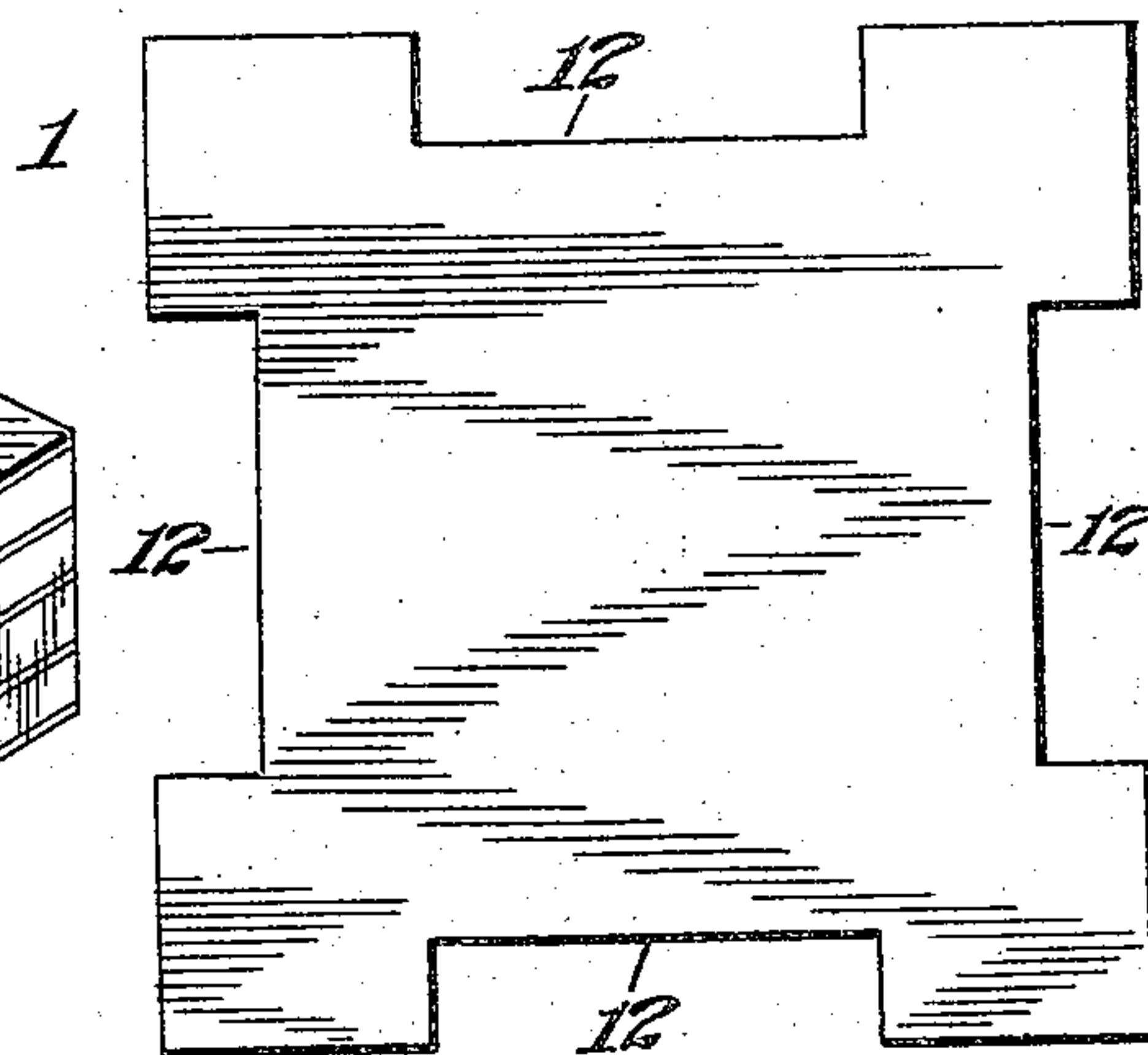
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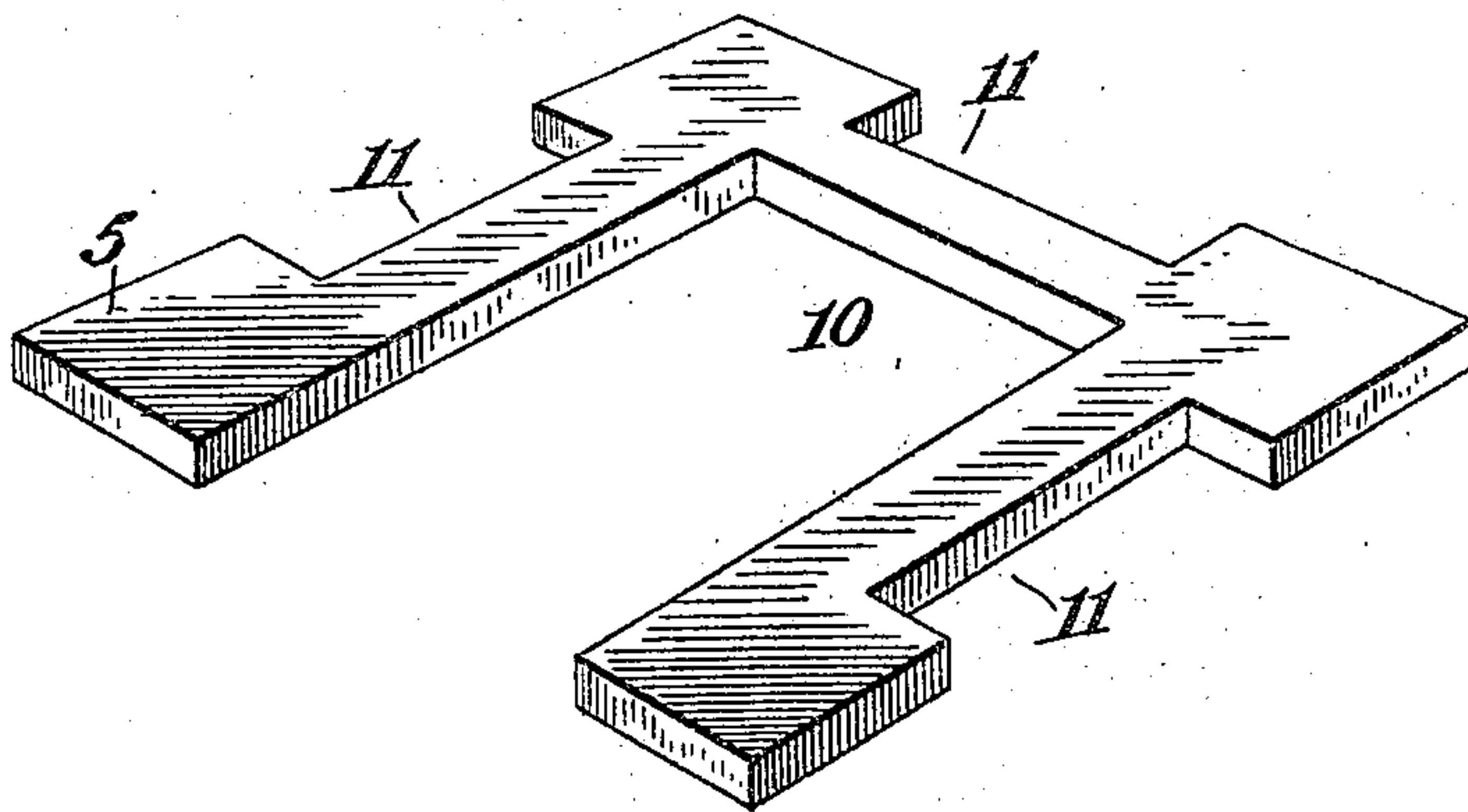
*Fig. 1*



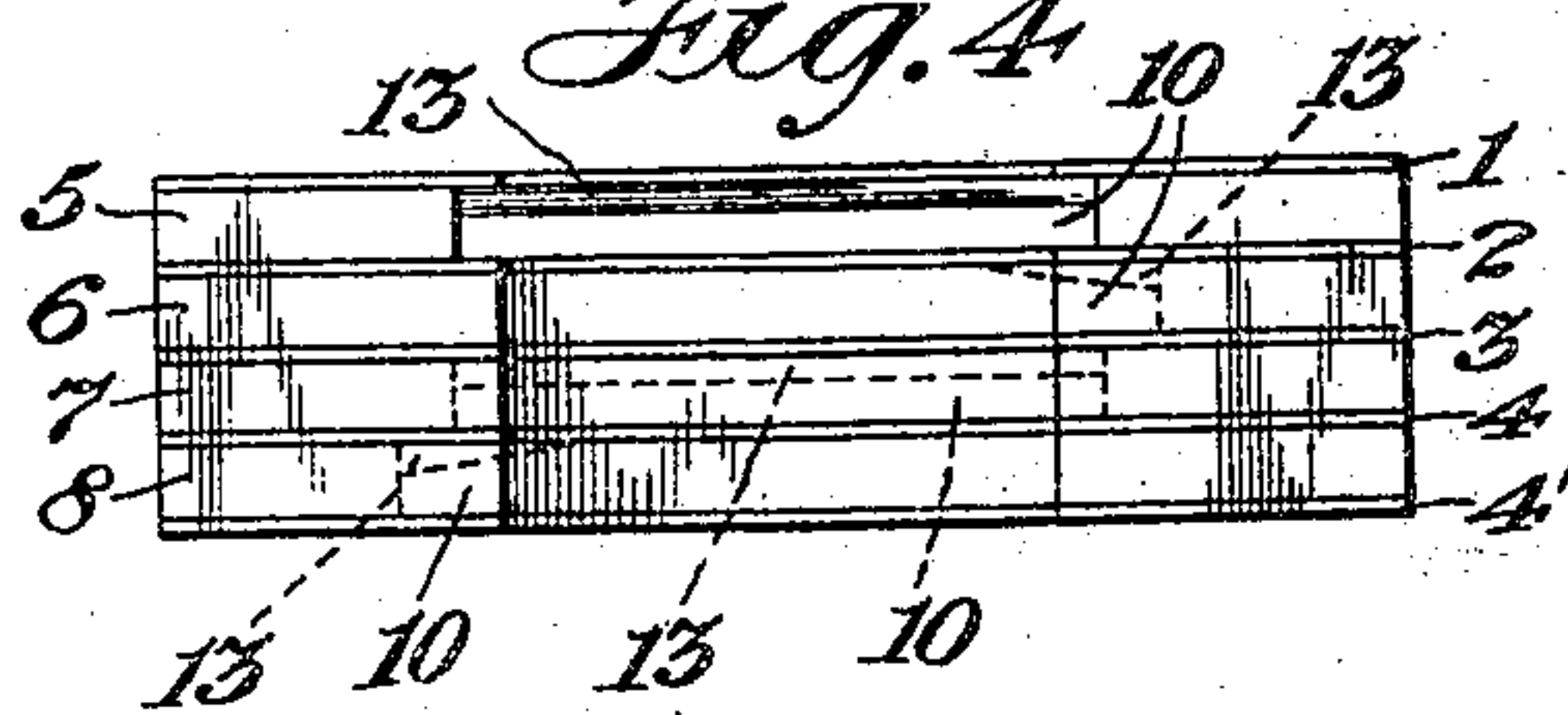
*Fig. 3*



*Fig. 2*



*Fig. 4*



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CLARINE E. BUZBY, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Highland Mills, in the county of Orange and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Duplicate-Whist Apparatus, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to duplicate-whist apparatus adapted to serve as an accessory to the game of duplicate whist or any other games requiring the preservation of the hands in the relative order in which they were played. It has for its object to provide a duplicate-whist apparatus comprising a rectangular board having a horizontal recess leading in from each edge one above the other and of a size to accommodate a hand of cards, a vertical notch in each edge intersecting the horizontal recess therein, and means at the inner end of each of said horizontal recesses to frictionally engage the upper card of each hand, thereby pressing the cards together and preventing accidental displacement, but allowing their removal when a slight pull is given thereto.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the complete device; Fig. 2, a perspective view of one of the thick strips. Fig. 3 is a plan view of one of the thin pieces. Fig. 4 is an edge view of Fig. 1.

In all the figures of the drawings illustrating my invention like reference characters designate corresponding parts.

Referring to the drawings, the device is constructed of thin strips of cardboard or other suitable material 1, 2, 3, 4, and 4' and thick strips 5, 6, 7, and 8 interposed between the thin strips, and all the strips are secured together by any suitable means. Each thick strip is provided with an elongated recess 10 opening through one edge and a vertical notch 11 in its other edges, and each thin strip is provided with a notch 12 in each edge.

In forming the card device from the strips described a wedge-shaped piece of felt or other resilient material 13 is secured to the under face of each thin strip and the thick strips are interposed between the thin strips, so that an opening to one of the elongated recesses is presented in each edge of the card-device and so that the felt pieces will project into the rear ends of said recesses.

From the above description it will be understood that four recesses are provided for the reception of the cards comprising the hands and that the cards are retained in said recesses against accidental displacement by the felt pieces projecting therein, but may be withdrawn when a slight pull is given thereto.

I do not wish to be understood as limiting myself to the precise detail and arrangement of parts shown and described, but reserve the right to all modifications within the scope of my invention.

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

1. A duplicate-whist apparatus comprising a plurality of strips each having notches and a plurality of strips interposed between the first-mentioned strips and each having an elongated recess opening through one edge and notches in its edges registering with the notches in the other strips, substantially as described.

2. A duplicate-whist apparatus comprising a plurality of strips each having notches, a plurality of strips interposed between the first-mentioned strips and each having an elongated recess opening through one edge and notches in its edges registering with the notches in the other strips, and means in said recesses for frictionally engaging and holding the cards therein against accidental displacement, substantially as described.

3. A duplicate-whist apparatus comprising a plurality of strips each having notches, a plurality of strips interposed between the first-mentioned strips and each having an elongated recess opening through one edge and notches in its edges registering with the notches in the other strips, a piece of resilient material in each of said holes, and notches in the edges of the strips intersecting said recesses, substantially as described.

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