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Fig. 1.

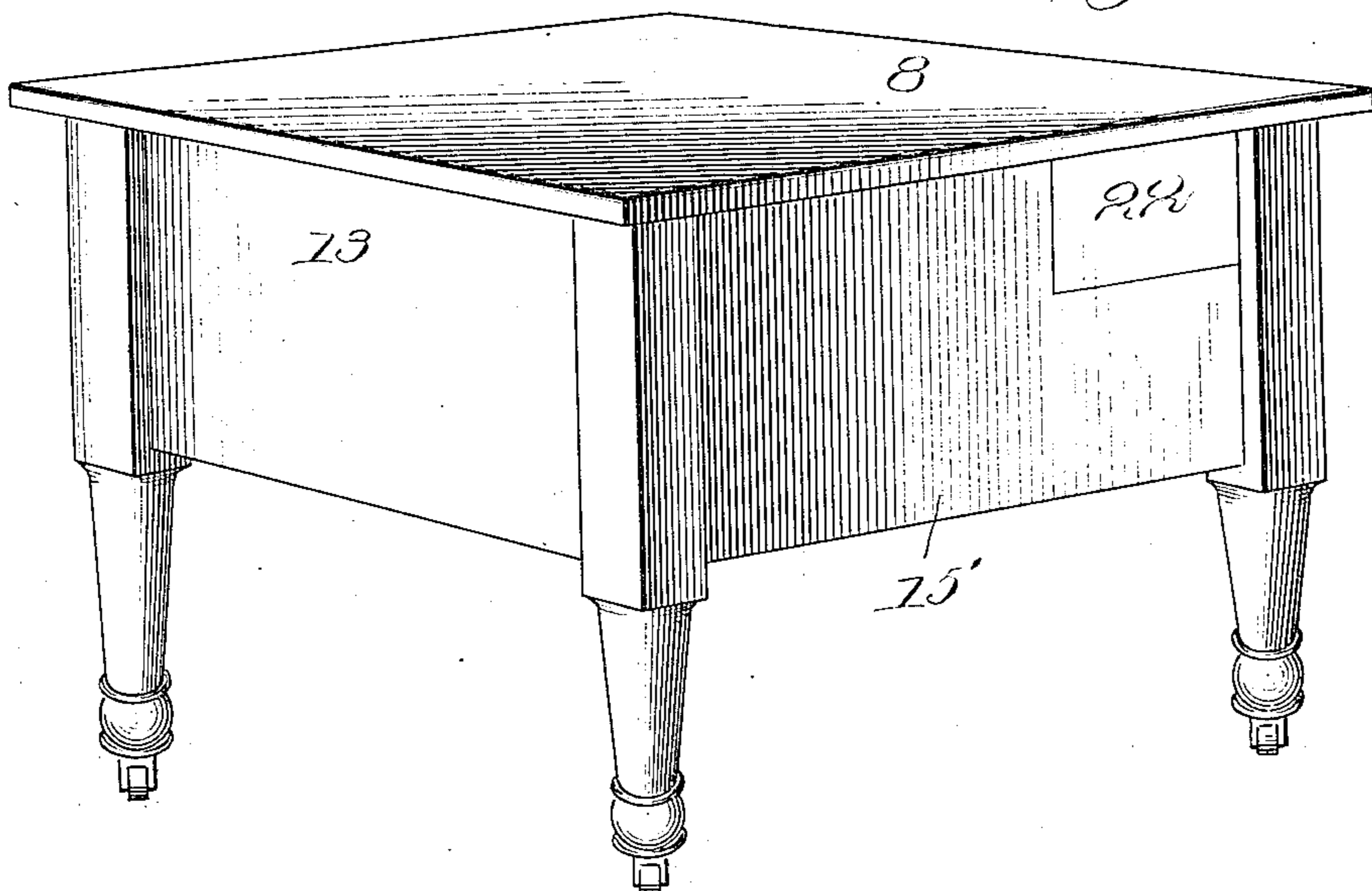
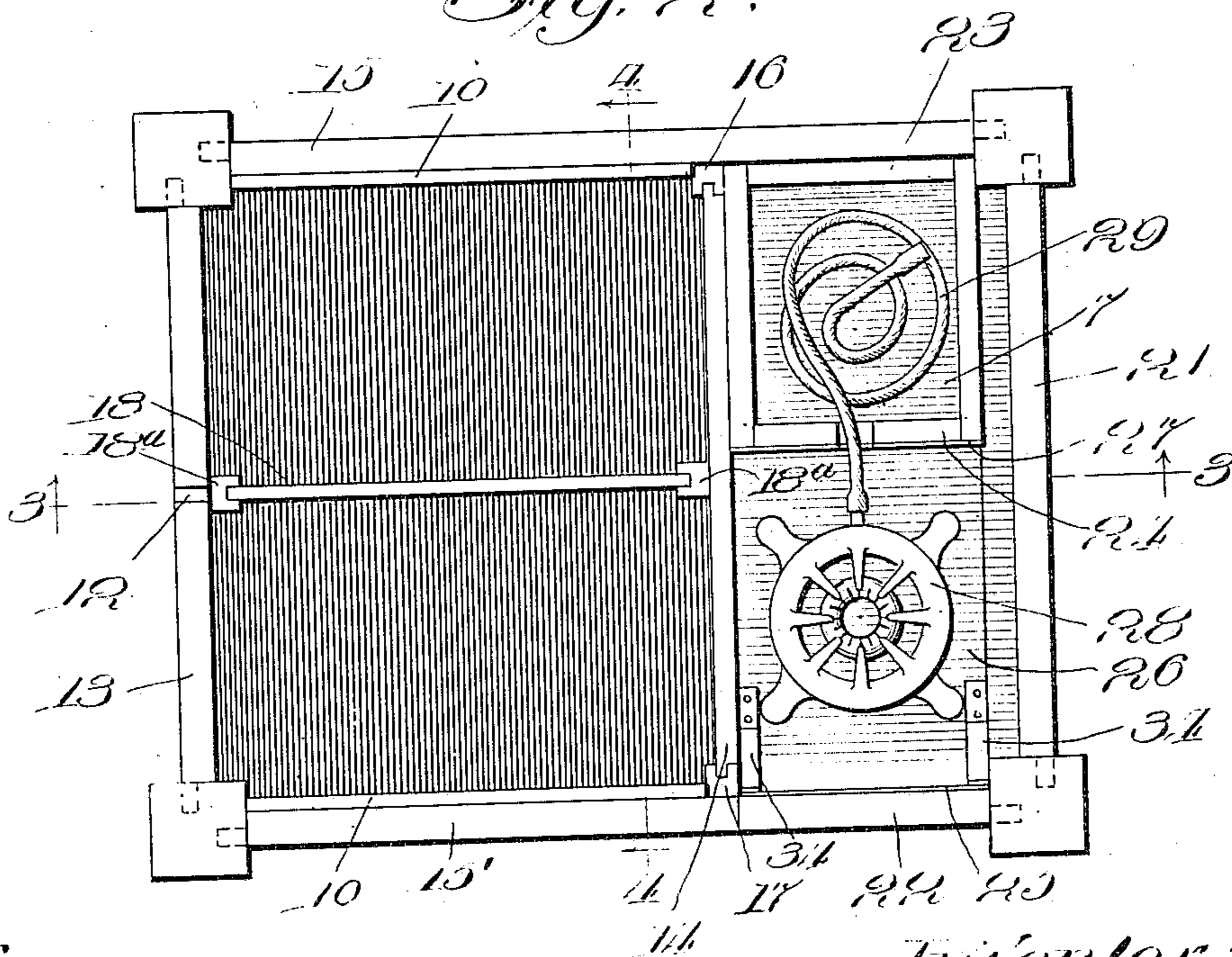


Fig. 2.



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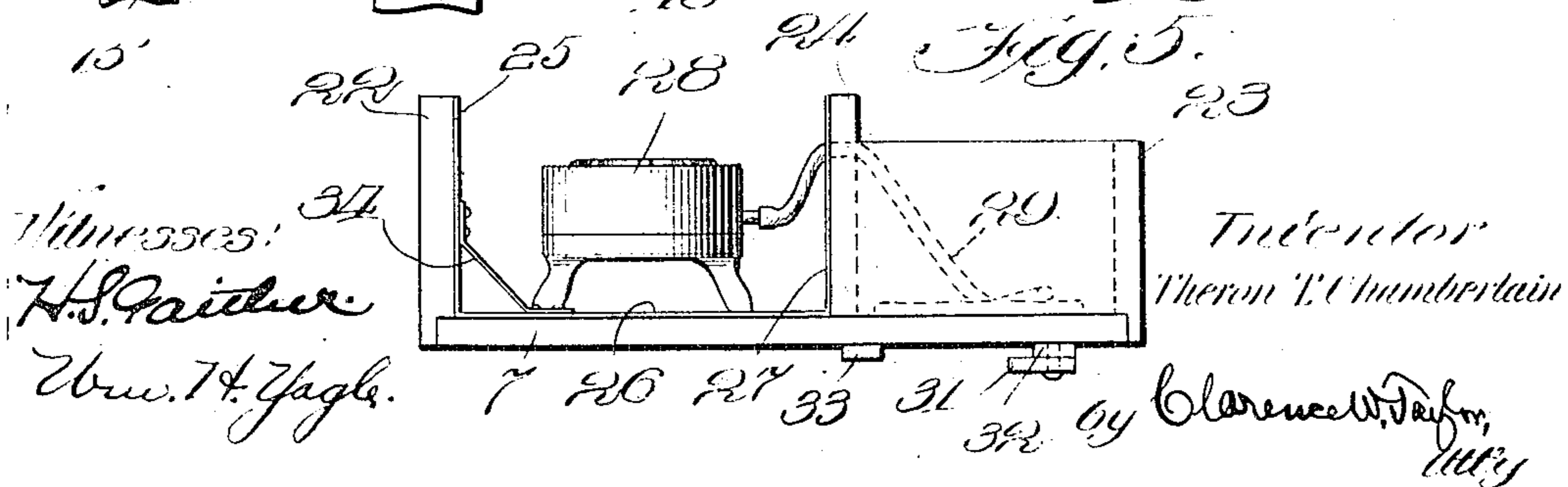
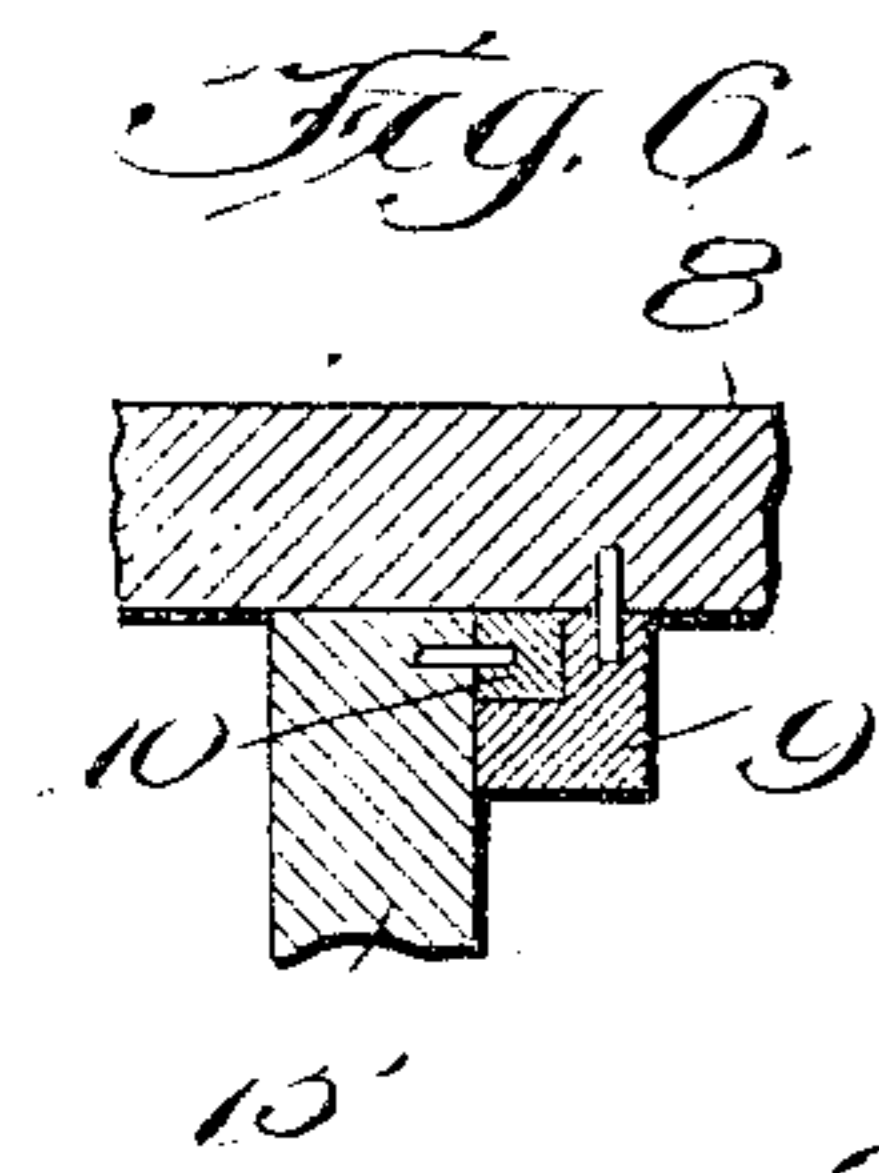
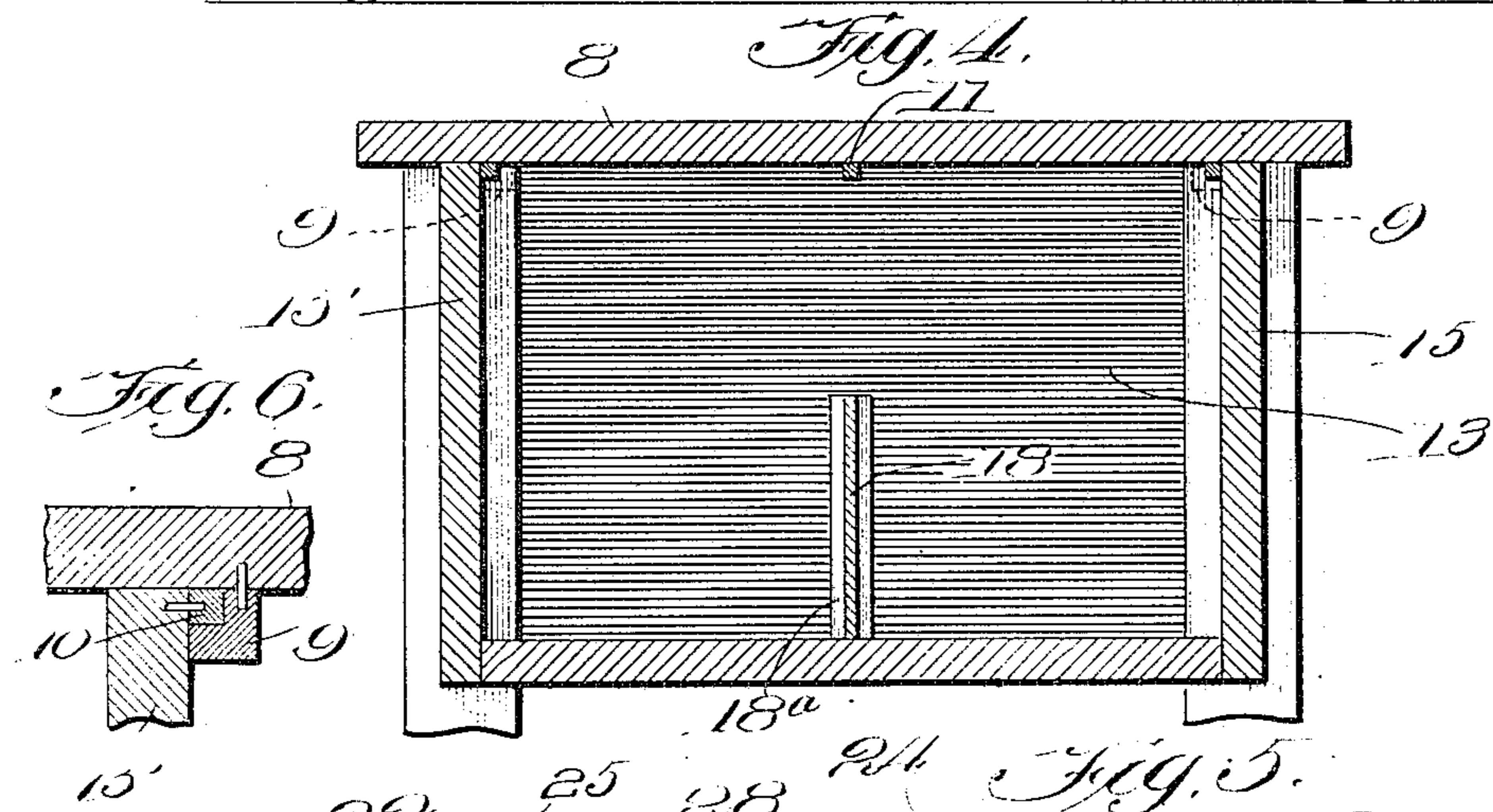
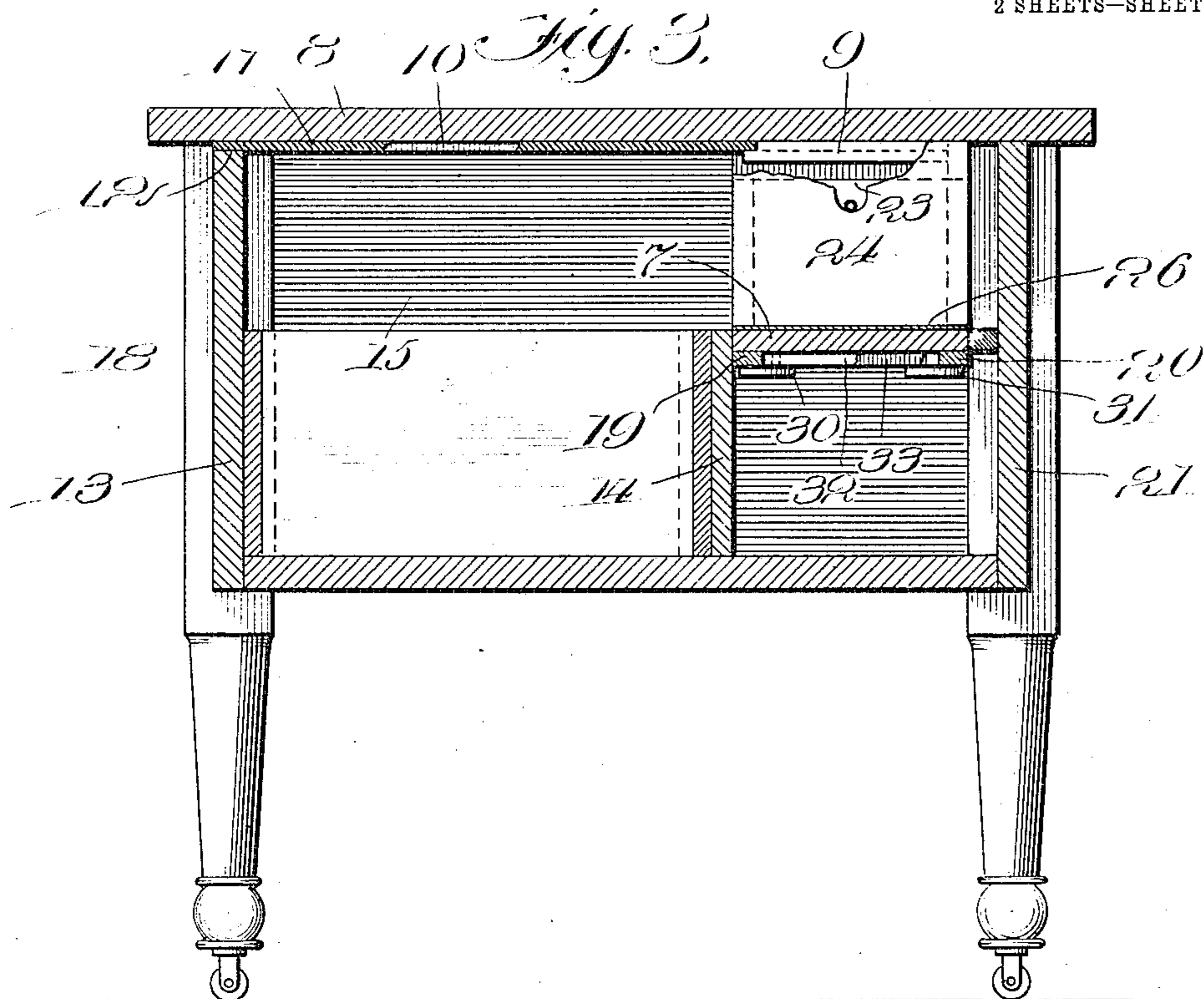
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THERON T. CHAMBERLAIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Lunch-Cabinet Tables, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in lunch-cabinet tables, and has for its objects, first, to provide a sanitary lunch-cabinet table suitable for light housekeeping which shall be simple in construction, practical in operation, and comparatively inexpensive to manufacture, and, second, to produce a lunch-cabinet table especially designed for use as a table, a kitchen-cabinet, and for cooking purposes in living or other rooms and where floor-space is expensive.

With these and other objects in view my invention consists of the novel features and combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter more specifically described, illustrated in the drawings, and particularly pointed out in the claims hereto appended.

In describing the invention in detail reference is had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, wherein like numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts throughout the several views, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my invention. Fig. 2 is a top plan view with the top of the table removed. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal section on line 3 3 of Fig. 2 with the top of the table in position. Fig. 4 is a cross-section on line 4 4 of Fig. 2 with the top of the table in position, and Fig. 5 is a detail view of the heater-tray. Fig. 6 is a detail of the rabbeted cleat 9 and the slide-cleat 10.

The body portion of my invention is divided into compartments. The upper and end portion of the interior of the lunch-cabinet table affords a position for the heater-tray 7. (Shown in Fig. 5.)

The numeral 8 indicates the table-top, which is slidable longitudinally and removable vertically. The table-top carries on its under surface and near each lateral edge a rabbeted cleat 9, each of which extends from near the right end of the table-top about one-fourth of its length. On the inside at the top of each side rail flush with the upper edge thereof is a slide-cleat 10, forming a slide, with

the cleat 9 on the under side of the top 8. Also on the under surface of the table-top I provide a guide-strip 11, centrally disposed and extending from the left end of the top to about the position of the heater-tray and adapted to be slidably seated in a notch 12 in the top of the left end rail 13. Cross-partition 14 is fitted to the inner walls of the side rails 15 and 15' by means of grooved cleats 16 and 17. The partition 18, which extends to the bottom of the cabinet, is fitted to the cross-partition 14 and the inner wall of the end rail 13 by means of grooved cleats 18^a. The heater-tray 7 is supported by slide-cleats 19, fastened to the side wall of the cross-partition 14 and near its upper edge, and 20 on the inner wall of the end rail 21. The heater-tray is preferably provided with end pieces 22 and 23 and the partition 24. The space between the end or closure piece 22 and the partition 24 is adapted to contain the means for heating purposes, and the floor and inner side walls of this space 25 26 27 may be covered with a heat-resisting material. For economy I use sheet-zinc. The compartment between 23 and 24 is adapted to contain gas-hose or electric wires when not in use. Other uses will be apparent. Any means for heating may be employed, such as an alcohol-burner, oil-burner, electrical heater, or gas-burner. I have shown a small gas-burner 28 with flexible hose 29 to connect with the gas-supply. To obviate overheating or burning of the table-top 8, I purposely construct the heater-tray so it cannot be withdrawn or returned to its normal position in the table unless the table-top is first pushed from a position above the heater-tray or otherwise removed. It will be seen the rabbeted cleat 9 and the top of the partition 24 prevent it.

In assembling, the table and the heater-tray in table-top if in position will be pushed toward the left end enough to uncover the entire opening for the tray and the tray set down on the side cleats 19 and 20 and the turn-buttons 30 and 31 turned to engage the under sides of the cleats. It will be noted I have shown eccentric turn-buttons mounted on cross-piece 32 by means of screws. Any suitable means may be adopted to removably hold the tray in sliding engagement with the cleats. Cross-piece 33 is for the purpose of limiting the outward movement

of the tray when in use. No drawer-pull or usual means for opening or withdrawing the tray is provided; but the end piece 22 is purposely provided with suitable iron brackets 5 34 on either side to give strength needed in pulling out or returning the tray.

It will be noticed I have made the top, the heater-tray, and partitions slidable and removable. In cleaning the interior and in 10 moving these features will enhance the value of the invention.

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

15 1. The combination with a table having a top slidable longitudinally and removable vertically, of a heater - tray slidable transversely and removable vertically and provided with an outer end piece and an inner 20 partition each coextensive with the tops of the end and side rails, a rabbeted cleat positioned on the under surface of said top adapted to obstruct the movement of said inner portion to prevent withdrawal or return to 25 closed position of the tray when said top is above the tray, and means for heating purposes carried by said tray.

2. The combination with a table having a top slidable longitudinally and removable 30 vertically carrying on its under surface near its lateral edges rabbeted cleats and a guide-strip centrally disposed and slidably seated in a notch in the top of the left end rail, of a heater-tray slidable transversely and remov- 35 able vertically and provided with an outer end piece and an inner partition each coextensive with the tops of the end and side rails, one of said rabbeted cleats positioned to obstruct the movement of said inner partition 40 and prevent withdrawal or return to closed position of the tray when said top is above the tray, and means for heating purposes carried by said tray.

3. The combination with a table having a 45 top slidable longitudinally and removable vertically and carrying on its under surface near its lateral edges rabbeted cleats and a guide-strip centrally disposed and slidably seated in a notch in the top of the left end 50 rail, relatively wide end and side rails, removable partitions forming compartments therein, of a heater-tray slidable transversely and removable vertically and provided with an outer end piece and an inner partition each

coextensive with the top of the end and side 55 rails, one of said rabbeted cleats positioned to obstruct the movement of said inner partition and prevent withdrawal or return to closed position of the tray when said top is 60 above the tray, a cross-piece on the bottom of the tray to limit its outward movement, and turn-buttons to removably hold the tray in sliding engagement with slide-cleats upon 65 which said tray is seated.

4. The combination with a table having a 65 top slidable longitudinally and removable vertically and carrying on its under surface near its lateral edges rabbeted cleats and a guide-strip centrally disposed and slidably 70 seated in a notch in the top of the left end rail, relatively wide end and side rails, removable partitions forming compartments therein, of a heater-tray slidable transversely and 75 removable vertically and provided with an outer end piece and an inner partition each coextensive with the top of the end and side rails, one of said rabbeted cleats positioned 80 to obstruct the movement of said inner partition and prevent withdrawal or return to closed position of the tray when said top is above the tray, a cross-piece on the bottom 85 of the tray to limit its outward movement, and turn-buttons to removably hold the tray in sliding engagement with slide-cleats upon which said tray is seated, and means suitable 90 for cooking purposes carried by said tray.

5. The combination with a table having a removable top, of a slidable heater-tray removable vertically and provided with an 95 outer end closure and an inner partition each coextensive with the tops of the end and side rails, a rabbeted cleat on the under surface of said top positioned to obstruct the movement of said inner partition and prevent 95 withdrawal or return to closed position of the tray when the table-top is over the tray, a cross-piece on the bottom of the tray to limit its outward movement, turn-buttons to removably hold the tray in sliding engagement 100 with slide-cleats upon which said tray is seated, and means for heating purposes carried by said tray.

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

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