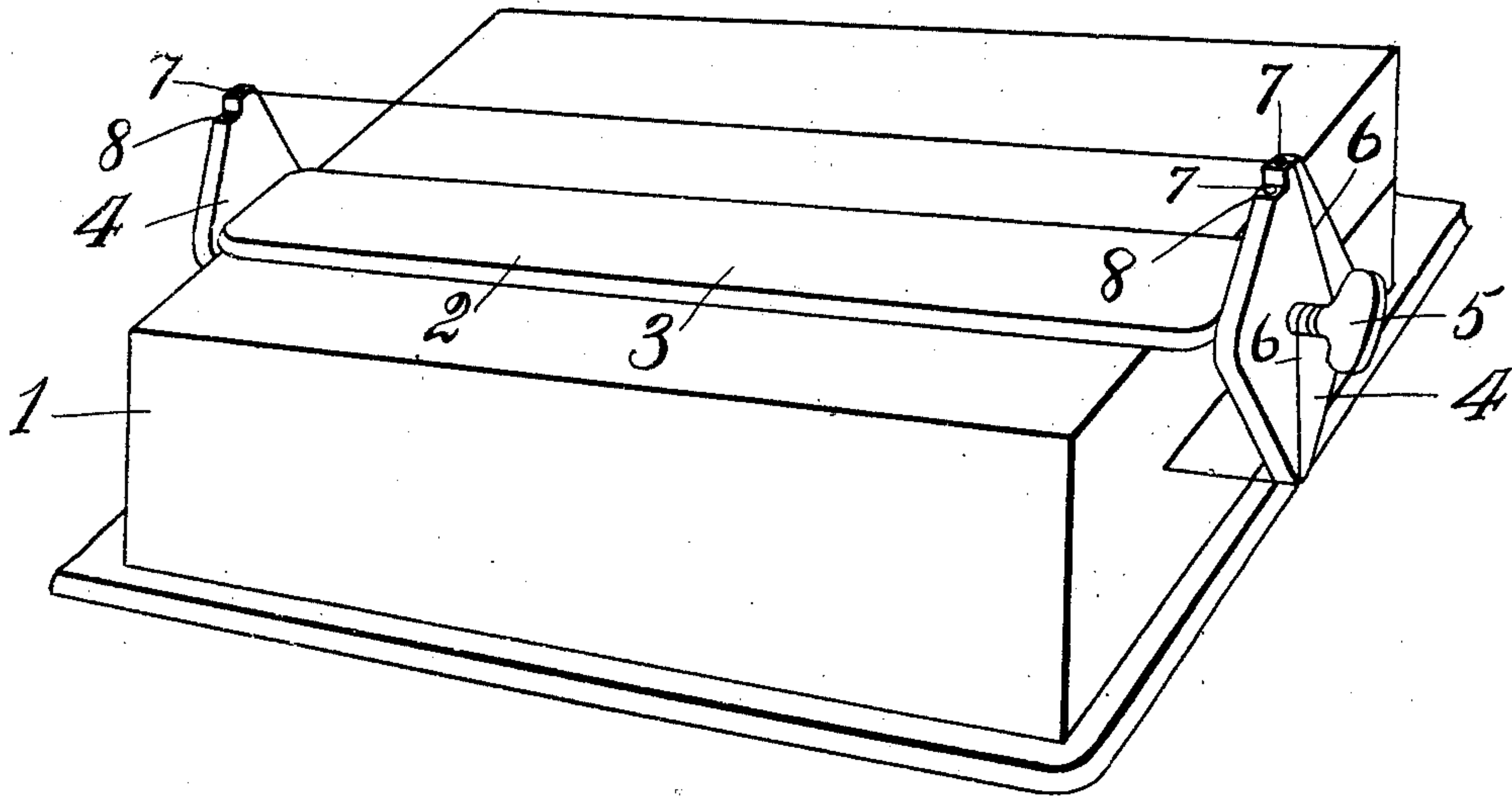


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FRANK J. FEILING, a citizen of the United States, residing at San Francisco, in the county of San Francisco and State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Butter-Cutters, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in butter-cutters, the object of my invention being to provide means for cutting slabs of butter from a large block.

My invention therefore resides in the novel construction, combination, and arrangement of parts for the above ends, hereinafter fully specified, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawing, the figure is a perspective view showing a block of butter, the upper slab being cut therefrom by means of the wire cutter.

Referring to the drawing, 1 represents a block of butter, and 2 the wire cutter for cutting a slab therefrom. Said cutter comprises a central slide-plate 3, end blocks 4, fixedly secured to said plate, and a key 5 at one end, around which are secured the ends of a wire 6. Said wire is in the form of a loop, and the sides of the loop pass over the top and bottom of the end blocks 4, into which are inserted nails 7, the head of which sustain the pressure of the wire and prevent it cutting into the wood. By screwing up the key the wire may be brought to any desired degree of tautness. The end blocks 4 are of such vertical dimension relatively to the central board 3 that the sides of the wire loop

will be at a predetermined distance from said board, which distance may be different for the two sides. Thus one side of the loop may be used to cut the butter to one depth and another side to another depth. By this means the same cutter may be used to cut slabs of different thicknesses. In addition to this it will be observed that said end blocks 4 at one end, which appears as the upper end in the drawing, are formed with a ledge 8, slightly lower or nearer the center than the end of the block, so that when the wire is passed over said ledges a still thinner slab can be cut, and by this means the same cutter may be used to cut slabs of three different thicknesses.

I claim—

A butter-cutter comprising a central slide-plate arranged to extend across the block of butter and to slide on the upper surface thereof, end blocks secured upon the ends of said slide-plate, and a wire passed around the ends of said end blocks remote from said slide-plate, and means for tightening said wire, said end blocks having at one end a shelf nearer the center of the end block than the end thereof, upon which the wire may be supported to cut a thinner slab of butter, substantially as described.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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