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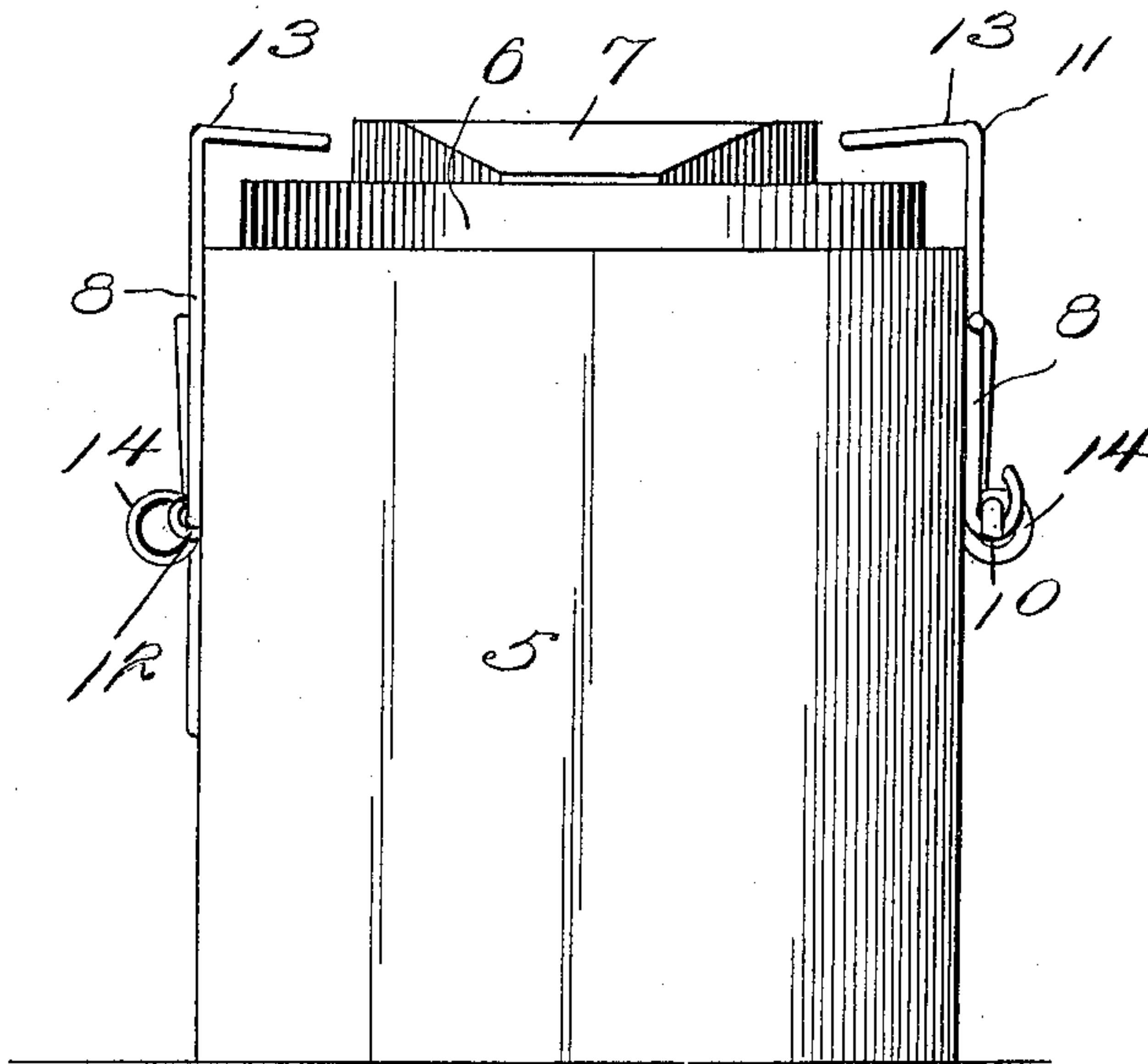
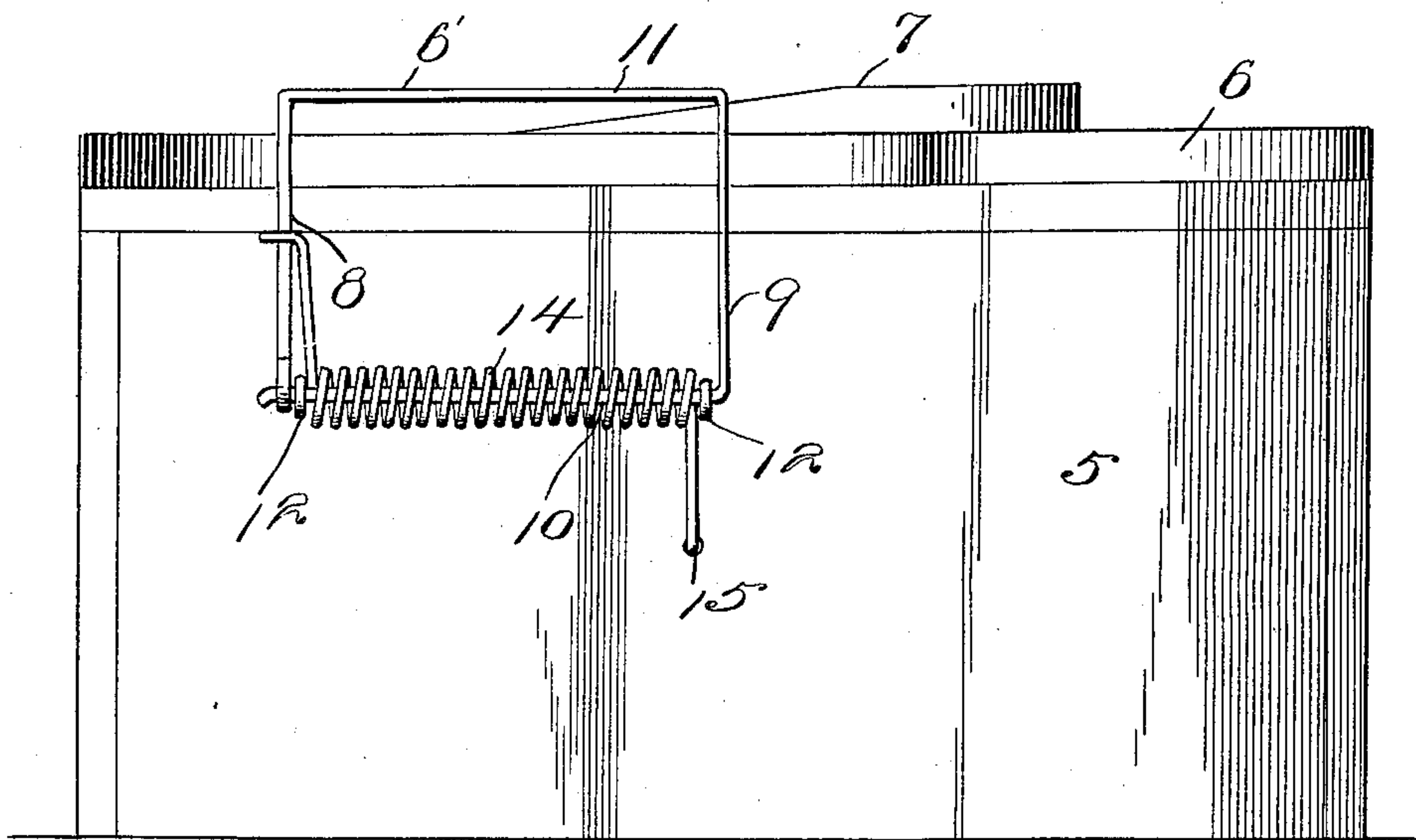


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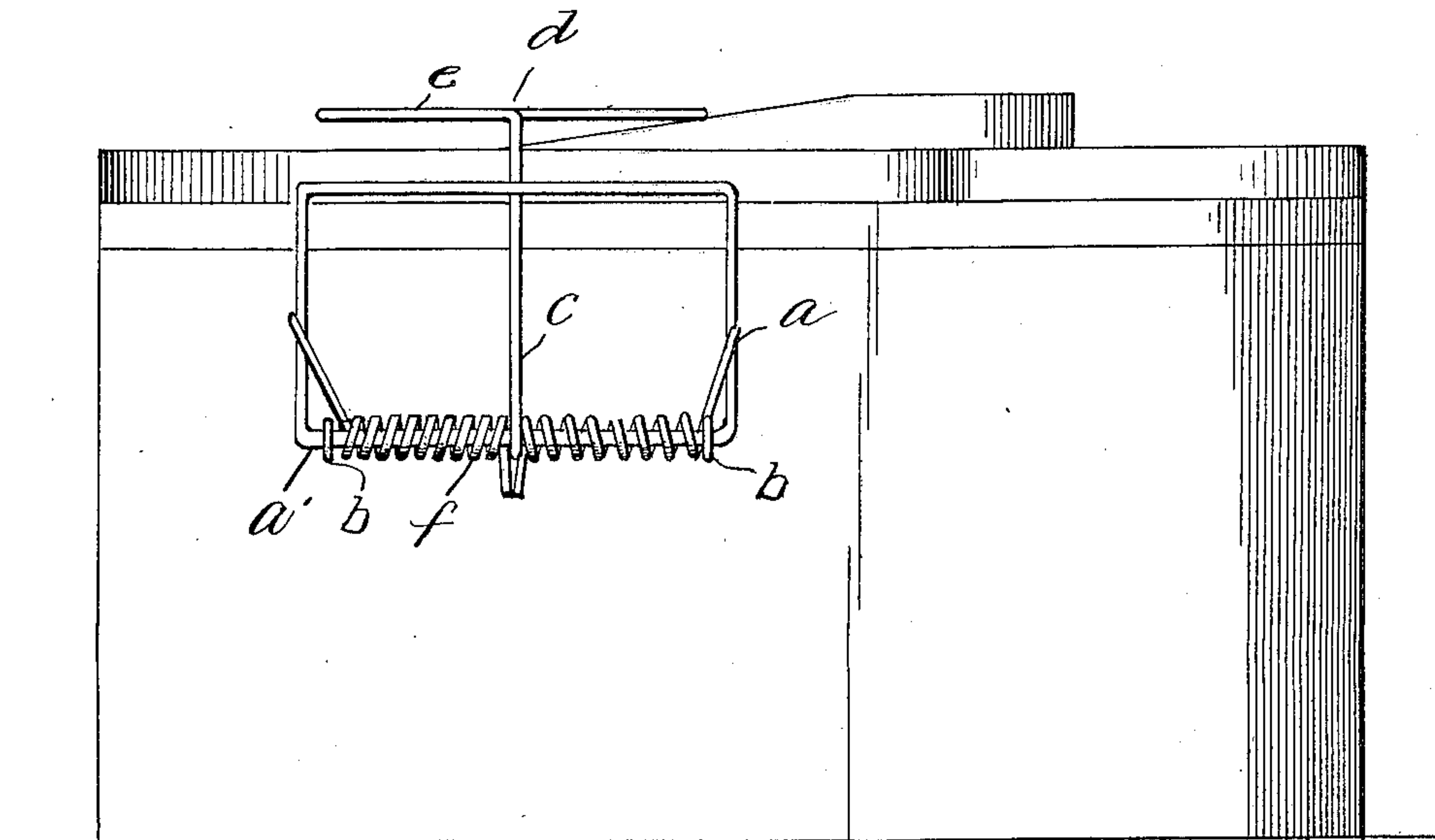


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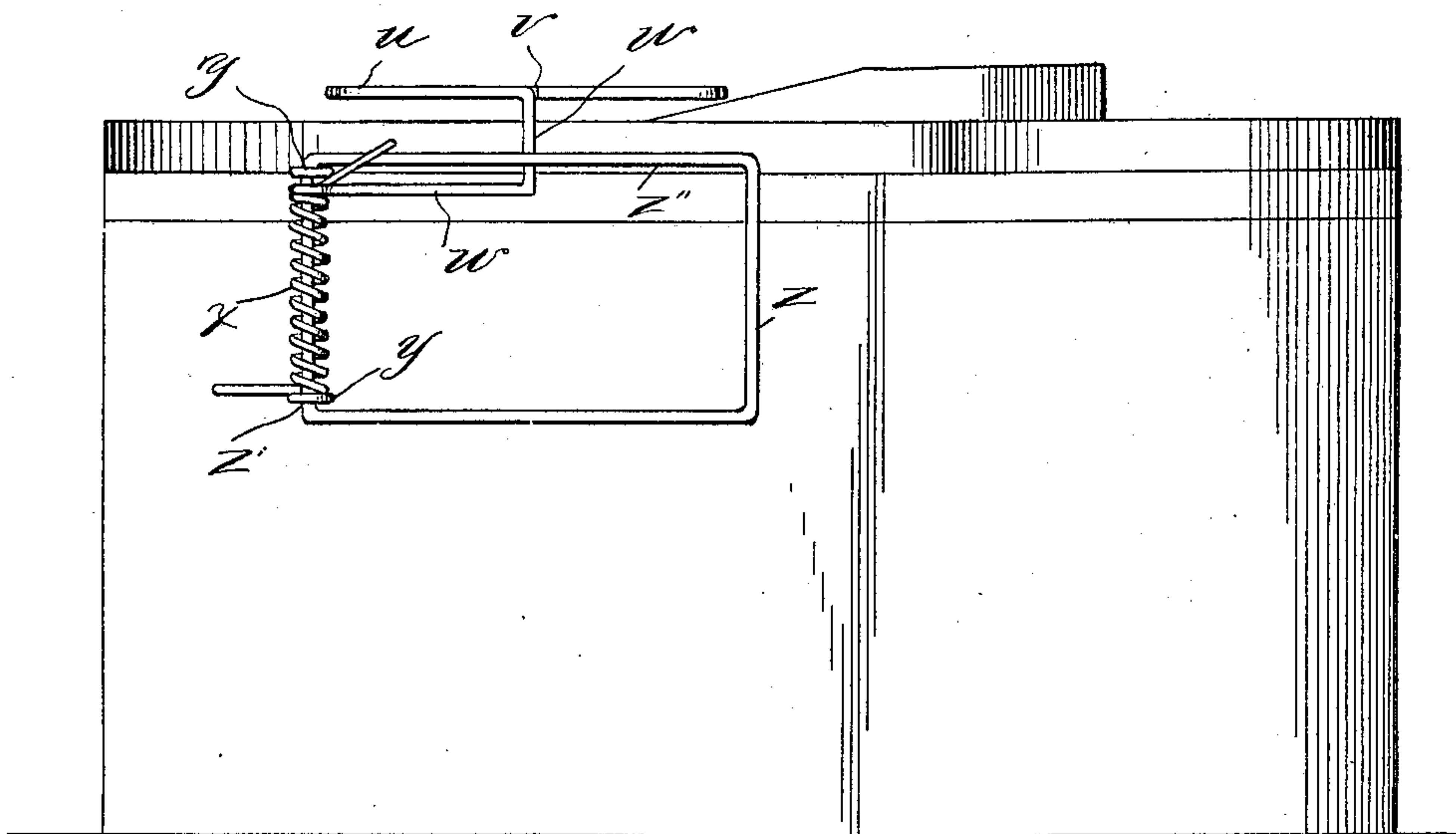


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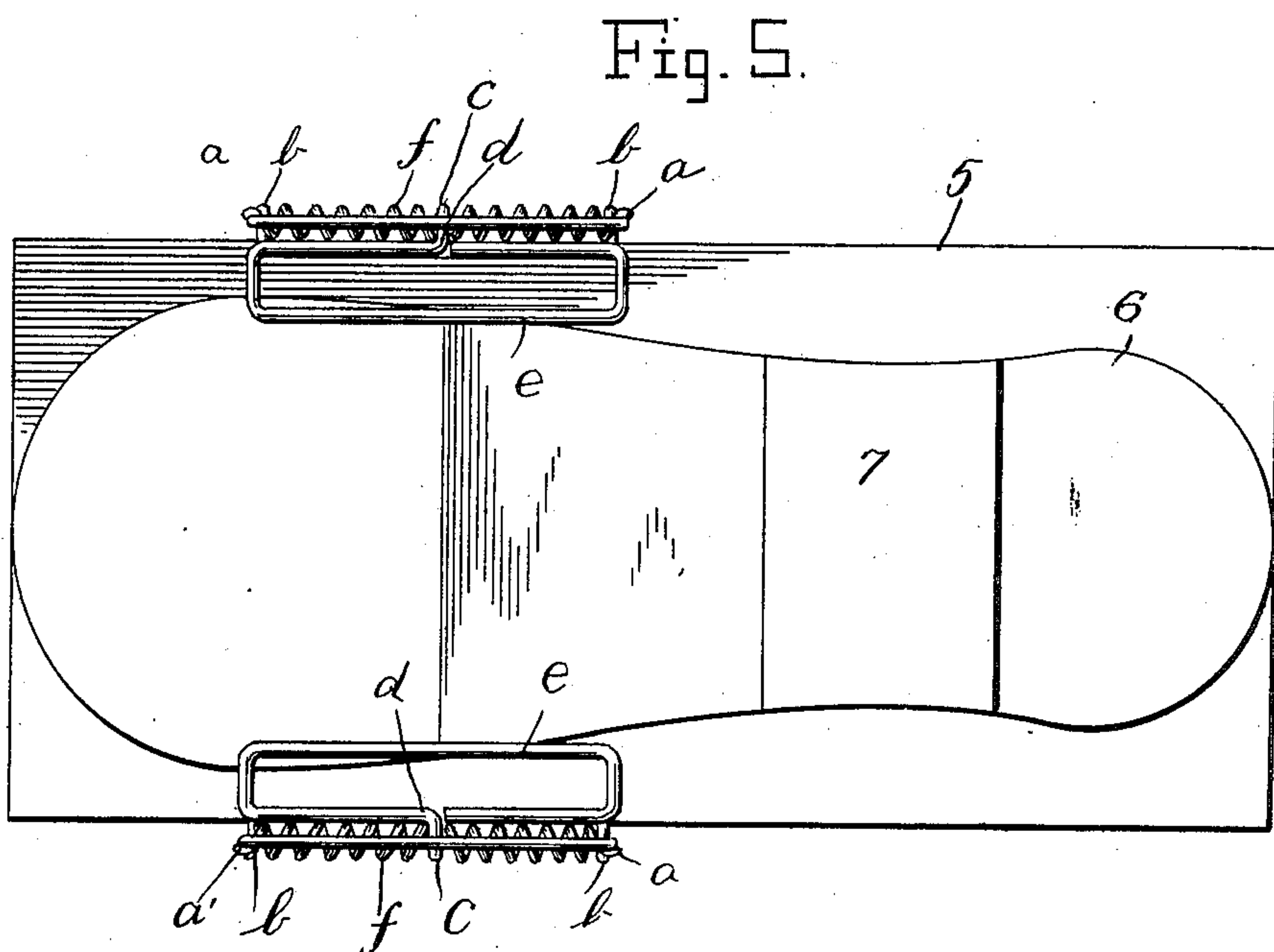
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY L. YARBROUGH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Isaac, in the county of Irwin, State of Georgia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Boot-Blackening Stands; 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 boot-blackening stands, and more particularly to attachments therefor, and has for its object to provide an attachment which may be secured to different stands interchangeably and which will be arranged to engage a shoe disposed upon the foot-plate and to hold it thereupon, another and principal object being to provide an attachment of this kind which may be manufactured at a low figure.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent from the following specification, which describes an embodiment of the present invention.

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 a blackening-stand embodying the present invention. Fig. 2 is an end elevation. Fig. 3 shows a modified form of the clip. Fig. 4 shows a further modification. Fig. 5 is a top plan view of Fig. 3.

Referring now to the drawings, there is shown a blackening-stand 5, having a top 6, upon which is secured a foot-plate 7, and to opposite sides of the stand there are secured clips 6', each of these clips consisting of a piece of wire bent in the form of a rectangle 7. This rectangle consists of side portions 8 and 9, a bottom portion 10, and a top portion 11, the ends of the wire being twisted together at the corner of the rectangle formed by the union of the bottom portion 10 and the side portion 8. Each clip has staples 12 engaged with this bottom portion 10 and embedded in the side of the stand, the bottom portions being movable pivotally within the staples, and the side portions 8 and 9 are bent inwardly adjacent to their upper ends, as shown at 13, to bring the top portion 11 over the foot-plate 7 at the forward portion thereof. A helical spring 14 is engaged with the bottom portion 10 and rests at one end against the outer face of the side portion 8,

the other end of the spring being engaged in an opening 15 in the side of the stand. It will thus be seen that the springs 14 hold the rectangles with their upper portions 11 extending over the foot-plate and that these rectangles thus form cooperating jaws lying yieldably in operative position, though they are movable outwardly against the action of the springs to permit of the insertion or removal of a shoe.

In Fig. 3 there is shown a structure embodying a modified form of clip, in which a wire frame *a*, similar to the rectangle 7 in the preferred form, is pivotally connected with the box by means of staples *b*, which are engaged with the lower portion *a'* of the frame. Pivoted upon this portion *a'* there is an upwardly-extending rod *c*, having its upper portion bent to extend over the foot-plate, as shown at *d*, and having a lateral head *e* at its extremity. Helical springs *f* are engaged with the portion *a'* of the frame at opposite sides of the rod *c* and are arranged to hold the frame against the outer face of the rod, so that the latter is held normally in operative position, the springs each having one end resting against the frame and having their other ends resting against the side of the stand.

In Fig. 4 there is shown a third form of the invention, in which a frame *z*, similar to the frame *a*, is pivoted to the side of a blackening-stand for movement in a horizontal plane, staples *y* being embedded in the stand and being engaged over one side *z'* of the frame. A helical spring *x* is engaged with this side *z'* and bears at one end against the frame and at its other end against the stand, this spring being arranged to hold the frame at the limit of its movement in the direction of the stand, and pivoted upon the side *z'* above the helical spring, upon which it rests, there is one end of a rod *w*, which extends toward the free side of the frame and then upwardly, as shown at *w'*, between the upper portion *z''* of the frame and the stand, so that the frame holds this rod normally against the stand, and the upper portion of the rod is bent to extend over the foot-plate, as shown at *v*, and has a lateral head *u* at its extremity corresponding to the head *e*.

It will thus be apparent that in the two forms last described the frames may be moved against the action of the springs and that the rods *c* and *w*, which in this case form jaws, may then be moved out of engagement with

the shoe, with which their heads *e* are adapted for engagement, these heads lying above the sole of the shoe.

What is claimed is—

5 1. The combination with a blacking-stand, of clips mounted upon opposite sides of the stand each of said clips comprising a frame formed of a piece of wire, staples engaged with a portion of said frame and embedded
10 in the stand, said frame being arranged for pivotal movement in the staples, helical springs engaged with said portions of the frames and arranged to hold the frames against the stand, and jaws carried by the
15 frames and arranged to lie when said frames are in their normal positions in position to engage a shoe disposed upon the stand.

2. An attachment for blacking-stands

comprising a frame, fastening devices engaged with the frame and adapted for attachment to a blacking-stand, helical springs engaged with a portion of said frame and resting at one end against the frame and adapted to lie with their other ends against said blacking-stand to hold the frame yieldably against
25 the stand, and a rod pivotally engaged with a portion of the frame and arranged to lie between said frame and a stand to which the frame is attached, said rod having a shoe-engaging head thereupon.

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

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