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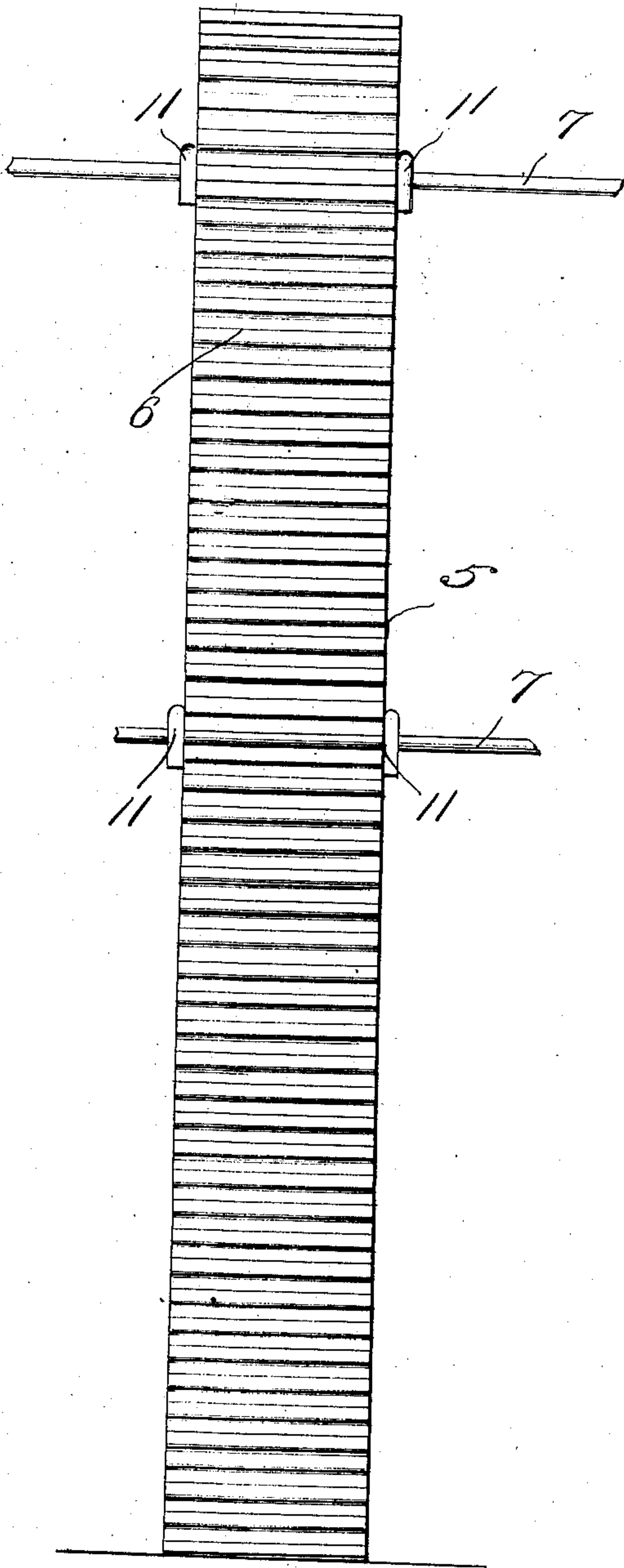


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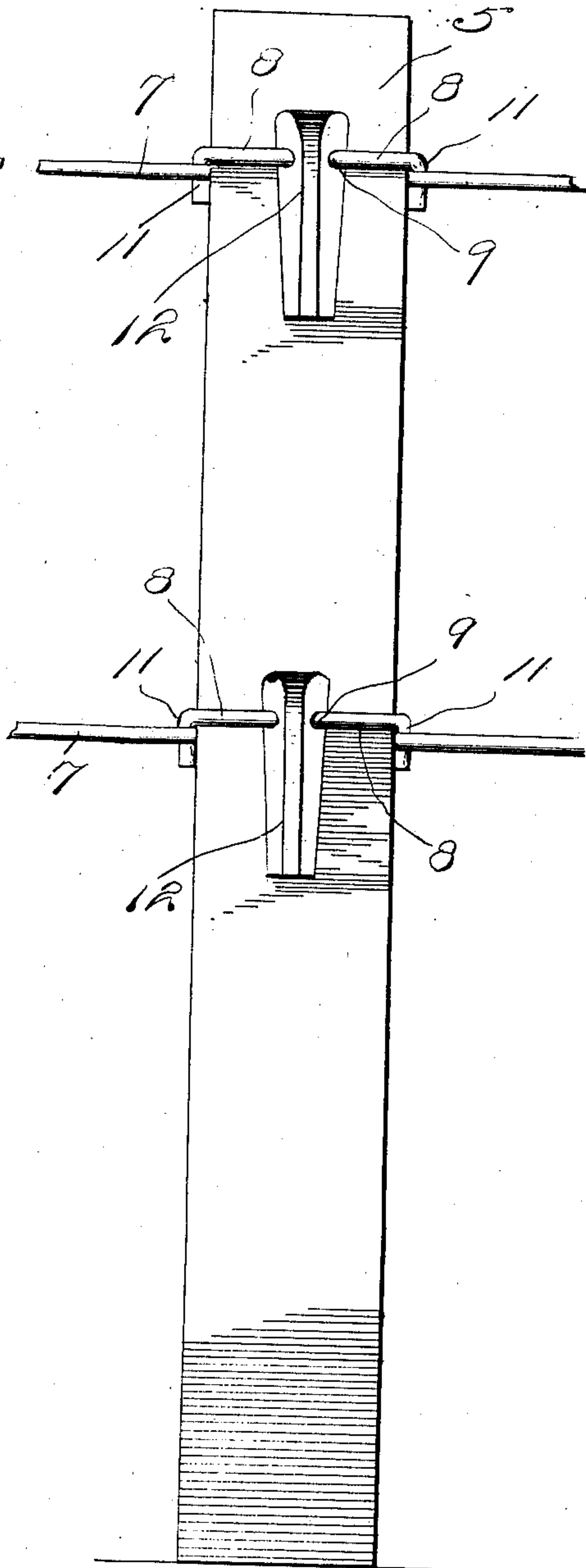


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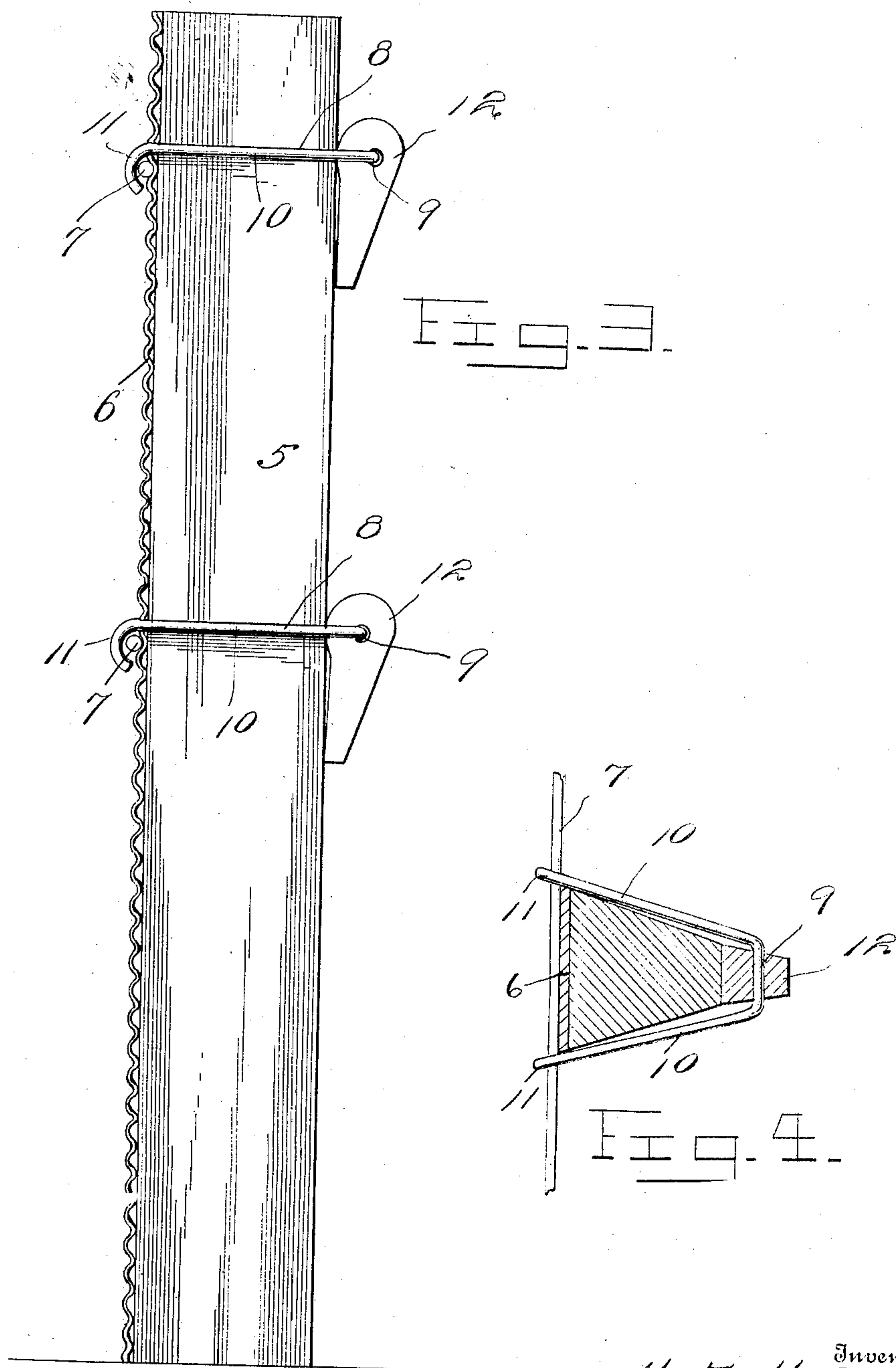
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MELVIN A. McCOY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Thomas, in the county of Floyd, State of Kentucky, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fence-Posts; 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 fence-posts and to means for securely holding the line-wires of a fence thereto, the primary object of the invention being to provide a construction of fence-post which will cooperate with the fastening or clamping devices used therewith in preventing vertical movement of the said line-wires.

In order to attain the above object, I provide a corrugated metal post, between the corrugations of which the wires extend, and cam clamping devices carrying hooked arms for engagement with the wires upon each side of the post.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of a post embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a rear elevation. Fig. 3 is a side elevation thereof, and Fig. 4 is a detail horizontal sectional view therethrough.

The post proper, which forms a part of my invention, is in the form of an upright 5, to which is secured a corrugated strip 6, which extends throughout its height and between the corrugations of which are received the line-wires 7 of a wire fence, it being readily understood that the said corrugations prevent vertical movement of the said wires.

In order that the wires may be held firmly against the post, I provide suitable clamping members, which will now be described.

Each of the clamping members comprises a rod or strand of thick wire 8, which is bent upon itself at its middle, as at 9, to form

spaced arms 10, which are arranged to lie upon opposite sides of the posts and strips 6 when the clamping device is in place thereon. The outer end of each arm is bent downwardly and thence inwardly to form a hook 11 for engagement with the said line-wires upon opposite sides of the post. In order that a strain may be exerted upon the grasping members 9 to firmly hold the line-wires 7 to the post, a cam-lever 12 is pivotally mounted upon the bight portion of each of the members and is designed to contact with the opposite side of the post to the strip 6 for the purpose stated.

It will be seen that the line-wires may not only be quickly clamped to the post, but may be as readily released therefrom, and, furthermore, that the wires and clamping devices may be adjusted vertically of the post as may be desired.

What is claimed is—

1. In a device of the class described the combination with a post, of a corrugated strip disposed against the post and arranged to receive the fence-wires between its corrugations, and means disposed upon the post and in engagement with the said wire to hold the said strip in position thereon.

2. A device of the class described comprising a post, a corrugated strip carried by the post, and arranged to receive fence-wires between its corrugations, and means for clamping the wires to the post, said means comprising a wire-grasping member partially encircling the post, and a cam element connected with the wire-grasping member and arranged to contact with the post.

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

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