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Fig. 1.

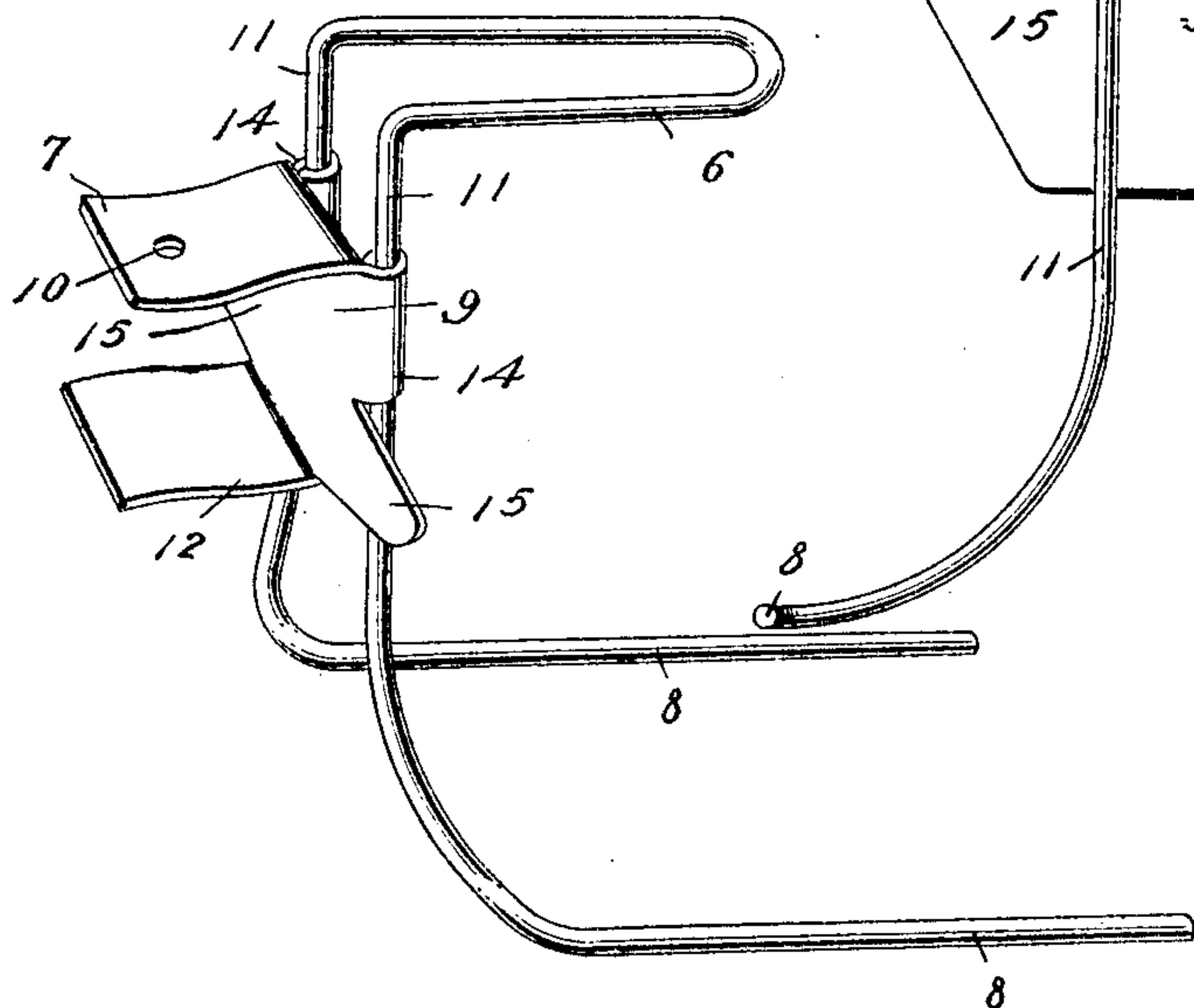


Fig. 2.

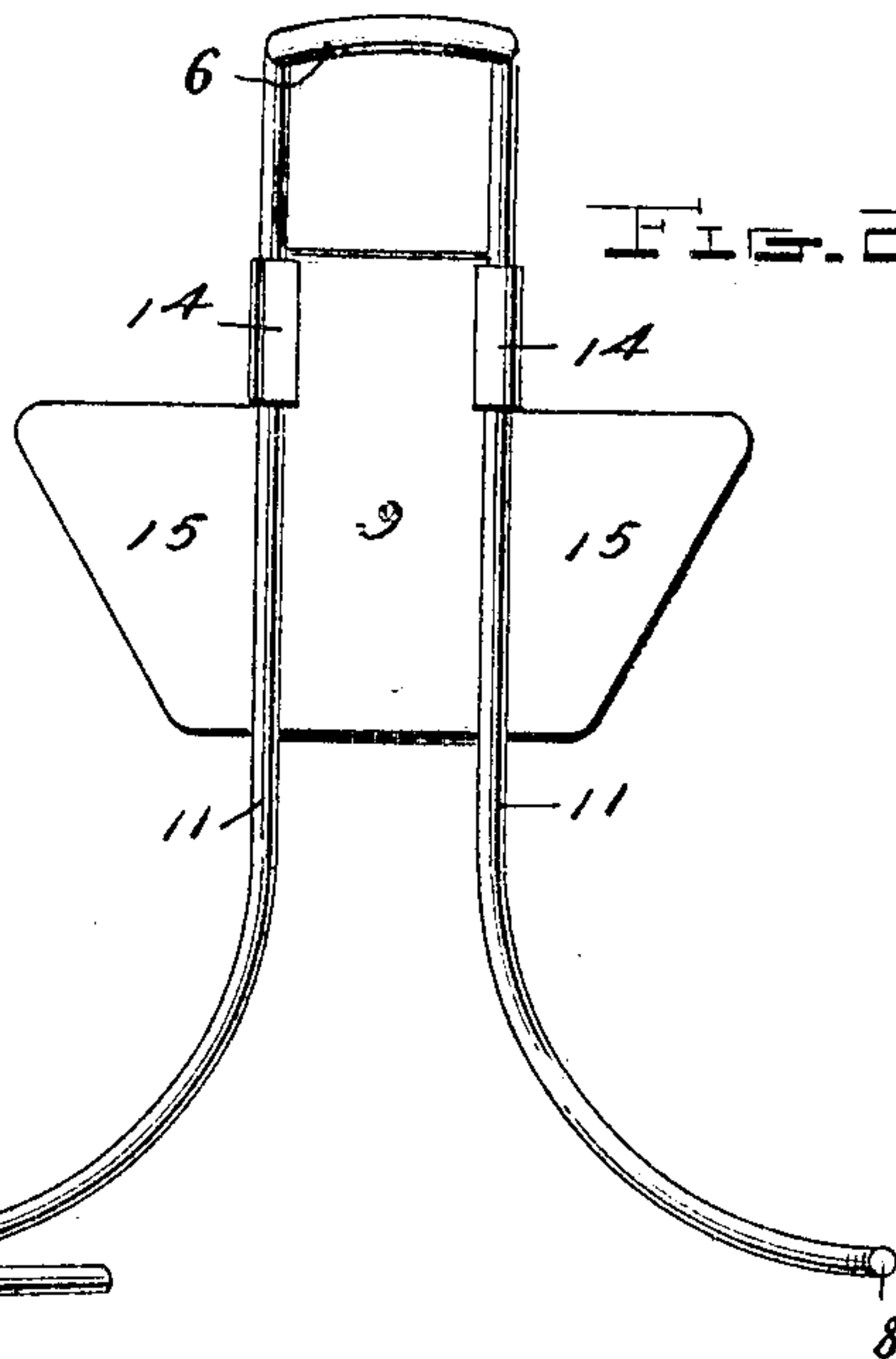
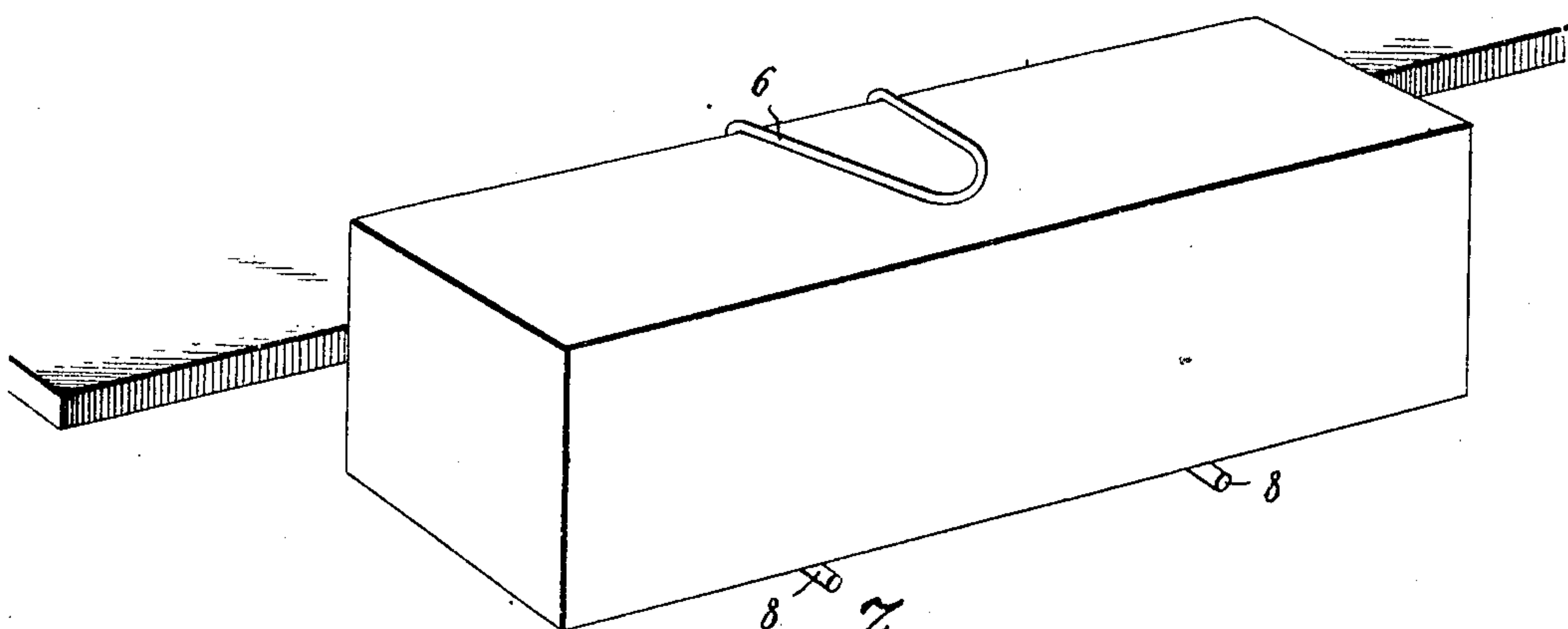


Fig. 3.



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## DISPLAY-HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FREDERICK PRUTTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Display-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is a display holder, designed particularly for holding and displaying an article or sample of merchandise, and especially to support such article at the edge of a shelf.

The object of the invention is to form an improved device which will serve for the purpose of conspicuously displaying the articles or samples, and the holder serves the further purpose of holding a sample of a certain kind of stock and therefore acting as an index or key to the location of the stock.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which

Figure 1 is a rear perspective view of the device. Fig. 2 is a front view. Fig. 3 is a perspective view showing the device applied, or in use.

The holder consists of two parts or members, one of which comprises a plate 9 having upper and lower spring arms 7 and 12 which form a clip adapted to engage over the edge of a shelf or the like, as indicated in Fig. 3. A hole 10 may be made through the upper arm to receive a tack or screw if desired. The plate 9 has laterally-extending wings 15 at each side which rest against the edge of the shelf and serve to steady the device, and said plate also has at each edge, above the wings 15, a tube or sleeve 14 formed by curling the edge of the plate.

The member or rack for holding or retaining the article or sample of merchandise consists of a piece of wire doubled upon itself

forming parallel parts 11 which extend through the tube 14, and at the top the wire is folded or bent downwardly, as indicated at 6, and at the bottom the lower or free ends are bent outwardly, as indicated at 8, forming, in connection with the parts 6, a holder or clamp to receive a box or article, as indicated at 12. The elasticity of the wire will serve to grip the sample or article and hold the same quite firmly. The parts may be varied to suit articles of different sizes by bending the arms 8 at different points, the wire allowing this to be readily done at the time the holder is put in place. The upright parts or wires 11 fit snugly in the tubes 14, but nevertheless the parts may be made by special effort to slide up and down in said tubes to vary the height at which the package or article is held. Thus for a high shelf the parts can be adjusted to bring the sample or package down to lowest point, or to the contrary when samples are displayed from a low shelf.

I claim:

The combination of a spring clip comprising a plate having rearwardly-extending arms at its upper and lower edges and vertically-extending tubes at its side edges, and an article holder comprising a piece of wire folded and bent to form vertical parts held by friction and slidable vertically in the tubes, and forwardly-extending spring arms at the upper and lower ends of said parts, between which the article is held.

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

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