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Fig. 1.

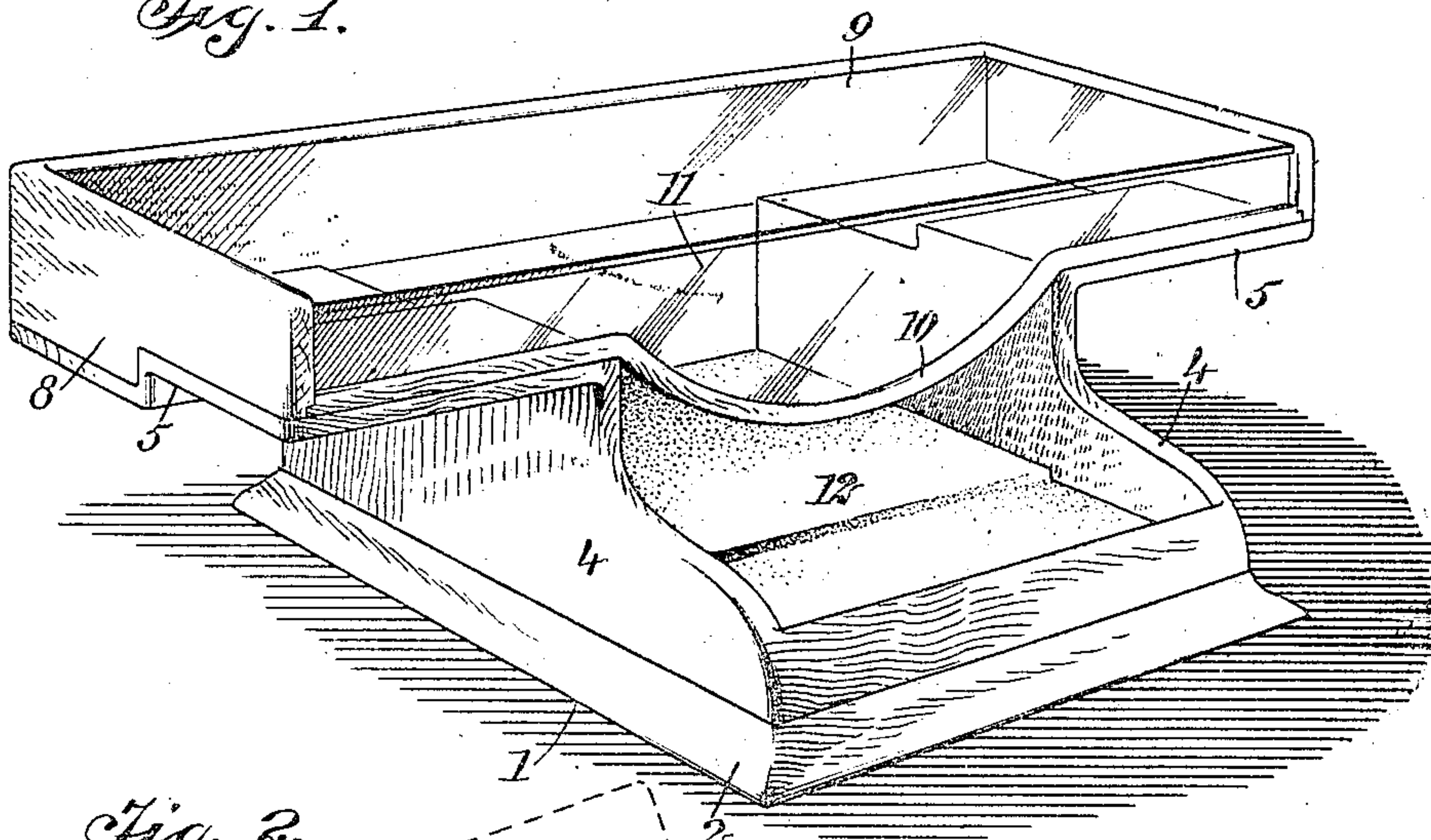


Fig. 2.

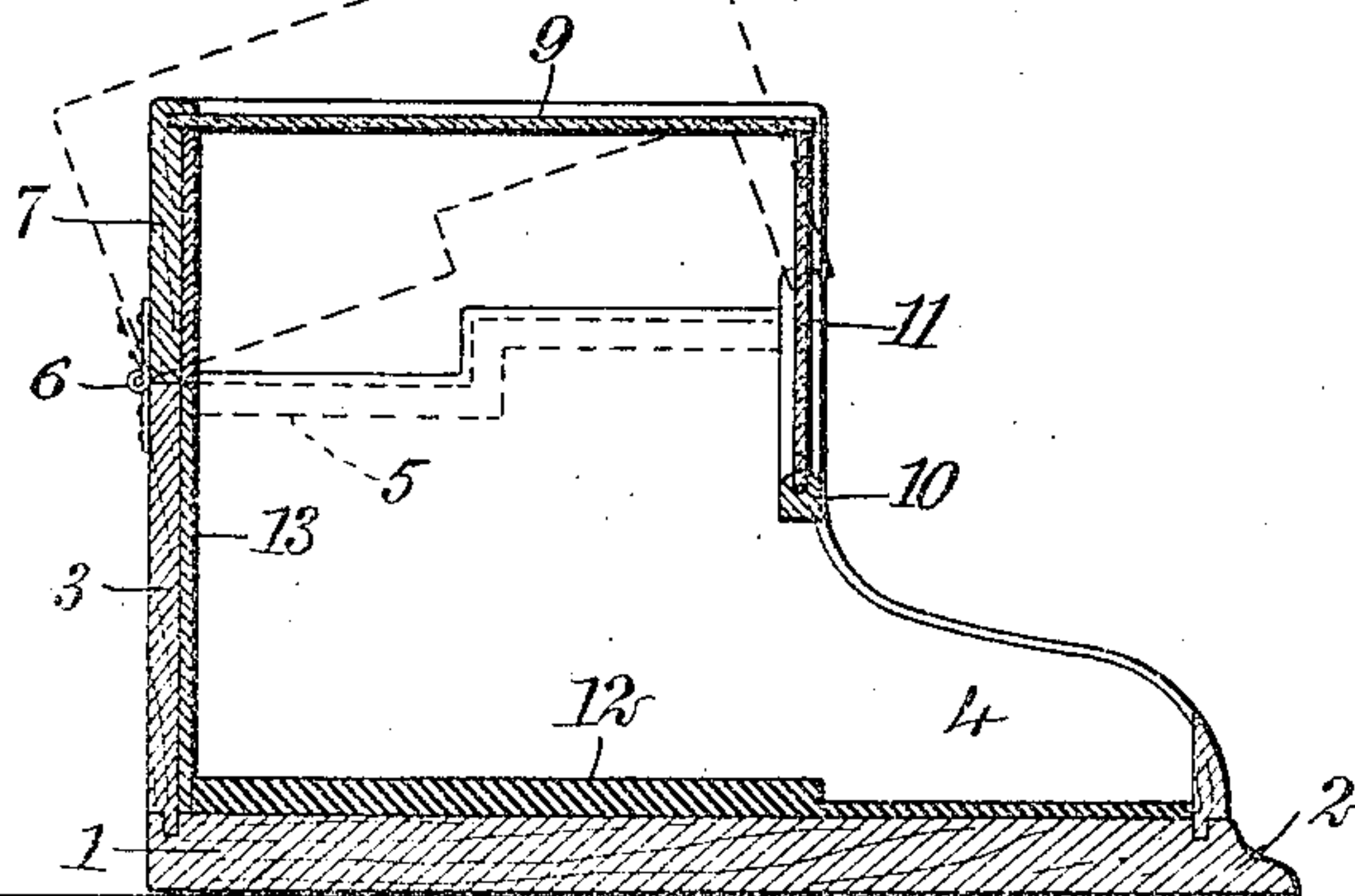
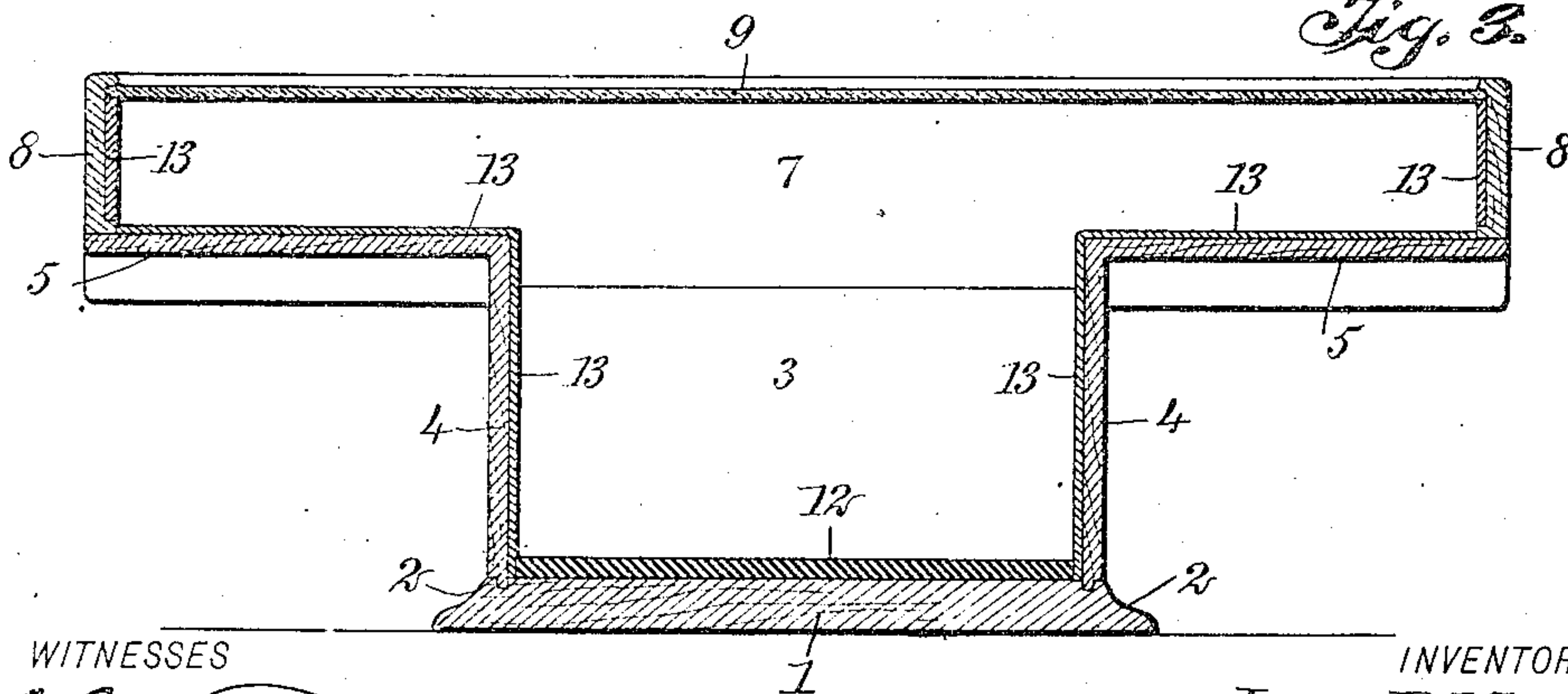


Fig. 3.



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## TYPE-WRITER CASE.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JUAN B. VIDAL, a citizen of the Republic of Cuba, and a resident of Habana, Cuba, have invented a new and Improved Type-Writer Case, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to certain improvements in typewriter cases, and more particularly comprises a case designed to inclose all parts of a typewriter except the key board, and being so designed that the machine may be operated while inclosed within the case. The case is also so constructed as to deaden the sound made by the machine when the latter is being operated, and to permit the operator to see the work as it is being done, and the case also serves to exclude the dust, thus rendering it unnecessary to inclose the machine when the latter is not in operation.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures, in which

Figure 1 is a perspective view of one form of my improved case; Fig. 2 is a vertical transverse section thereof showing in dotted lines the cover in a partially open position; and Fig. 3 is a vertical longitudinal section.

My improved case comprises a base board 1 of a size slightly larger than the base of the machine for which the case is designed, and the outer edge of this base board may, if desired, be provided with an ornamental curved edge 2. Supported upon the base and extending upward therefrom, I provide a rear wall 3 and side walls 4. The rear wall preferably extends to a height slightly greater than that of the machine for which the case is constructed, while the side walls 4 extend upward to a height slightly less than that of the machine below the carriage. The side walls are provided with flanges or wings 5 extending outward in opposite directions and preferably parallel to the base 1. These wings or flanges extend outward to distances slightly greater than the outermost positions which the carriage may occupy during the normal operation of the same. The rear wall 3 is preferably formed of two parts secured together by hinges 6 located at approximately the same height as the wings 5, and the upper section 7 of the rear wall carries what constitutes the upper or movable section of the case.

Extending forward from the ends of the back or rear section 7, are two ends 8 adapted to fit the upper surface of the wings 5 and terminating at a point adjacent the front edge of said wings. The section 7 of the rear wall and the two ends 8 support a glass top 9, said top being secured thereto in any suitable manner, as, for instance, by insertion between grooves in the back and end members adjacent the top edges thereof. The front lower corners of the ends 8 are connected by a

narrow strip or frame section 10 directly below the front edge of the glass top 9, and between this strip and the front edge of said top is a glass front 11, the center portion of which extends downward intermediate the side walls 4 of the case, so as to lie behind the keys but not to interfere in any way with their normal operation. It will thus be noted that the case is made up of two sections hinged together, the upper section comprising the rear wall 7, the ends 8, the strip 10, and the glass top and front wall 9 and 11. The machine sets between the two side walls 4 and the key board extends outward in front of the glass front wall 11 but above the front portion of the base 1. The upper or hinged section is of considerably greater width than the lower or stationary portion of the case, and the ends of the upper or movable section form with the wings 5, pockets or recesses into which the ends of the carriage may be moved as the machine is operated. The case thus serves to exclude the dust from every portion of the machine save the key board, and as the carriage may be returned to its original position after each line is written, by means of a key located upon the key board, it will be entirely unnecessary to open the case from the time the sheet of paper is first inserted until the complete page is written. The glass front and top permit of an inspection of the work and prevent the paper from being soiled while within the machine.

The base of the case is provided with a soft rubber cushion 12 upon which the machine rests, and the inner surfaces of all the walls save the glass top 9 and the glass front 11, are lined with a sheet of some sound-deadening material 13, as, for instance, sheet lead. Many persons object to the presence of a typewriter in their offices, due to the noise made when the machine is in operation, but by the use of my improved casing lined with a sound-deadening material and so constructed that the machine may be operated while the case is closed, this objection is entirely removed.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent:

1. A typewriter case having a base, a rear wall, oppositely-disposed side walls, and a transparent top wall, said case being provided with pockets extending outward at right angles to said side walls and in opposite directions, said pockets being adapted to receive the ends of the typewriter carriage.

2. A typewriter case having a base, a cushion of deadening material thereon, vertical side and rear walls, pockets carried by said side walls and adapted to receive the ends of the typewriter carriage when the latter is in operation, a lining of deadening material for said side and rear walls and said pockets, and a transparent top for said case, a portion of the front of said case being open, whereby a machine contained therein may be operated.

3. A typewriter case having a base, a rubber cushion thereon, a rear wall, oppositely-disposed side walls, outwardly-directed wings or flanges carried by said side walls and of a width less than the width of the base, end walls

adjacent the extremities of said wings or flanges, and a glass top carried by said rear wall and said end walls.

4. A typewriter case, comprising a suitable base, a rear wall formed of two hinged sections, side walls supported upon said base, outwardly-directed wings or flanges adjacent the upper edges of said side walls, end walls carried by the movable section of the rear wall and supported adjacent the ends of the wings or flanges and a top wall of transparent material supported by said end walls and the movable section of said rear wall.

5. A typewriter case, comprising a suitable base, a rubber cushion secured thereto, vertical, side and rear walls, a lining of sheet lead secured to said walls, outwardly-directed wings or flanges adjacent the upper edges of said side walls, and of less width than said base, a movable

section hinged to said rear wall, end walls carried by the movable section and supported adjacent the ends of the wings or flanges, a top wall of transparent material supported by said end walls and the movable section of the rear wall and all substantially the same width as said wings or flanges, and a transparent vertical front wall carried by said end walls and supported upon the edges of the wings or flanges.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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