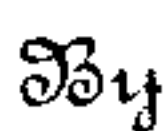


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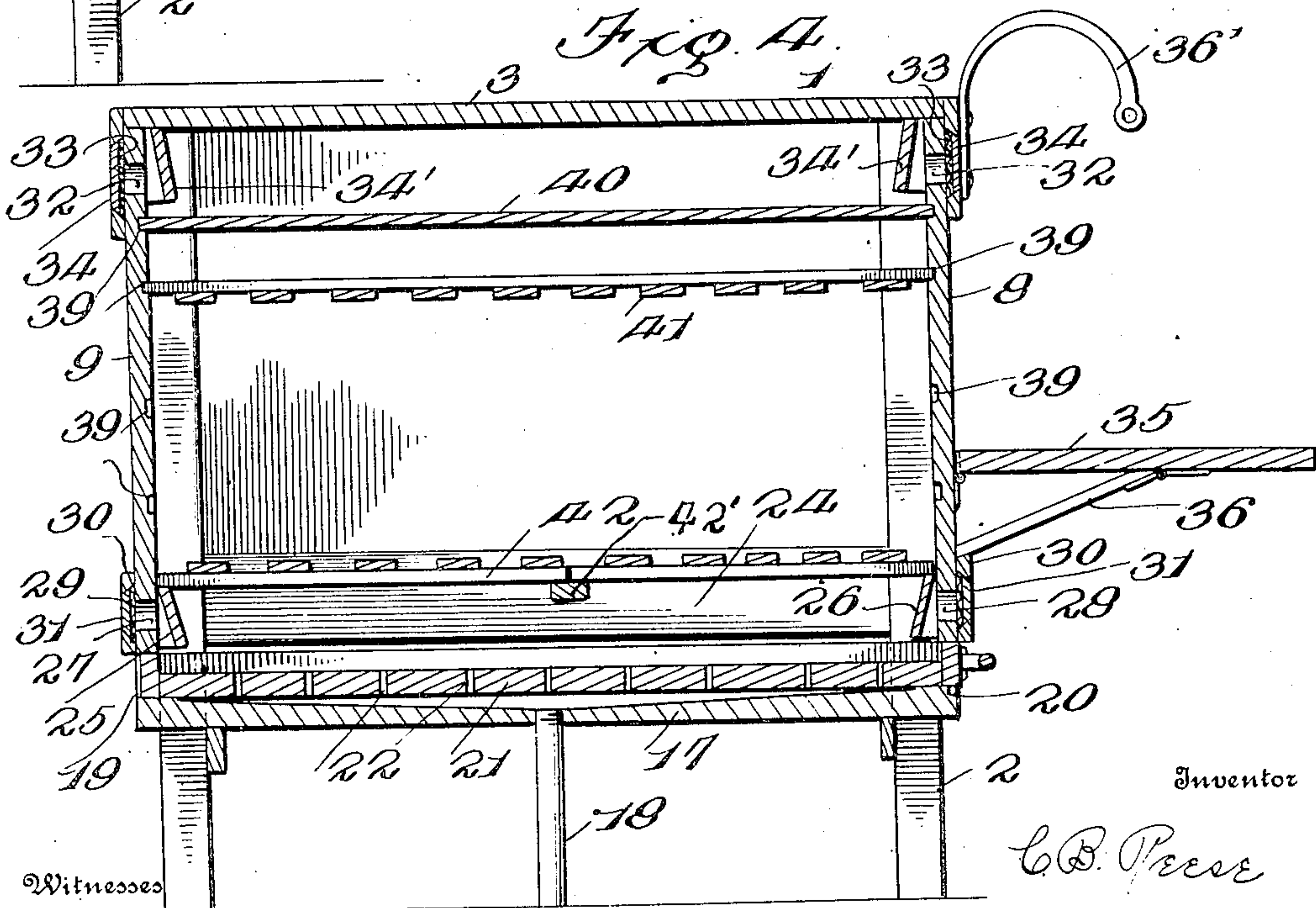
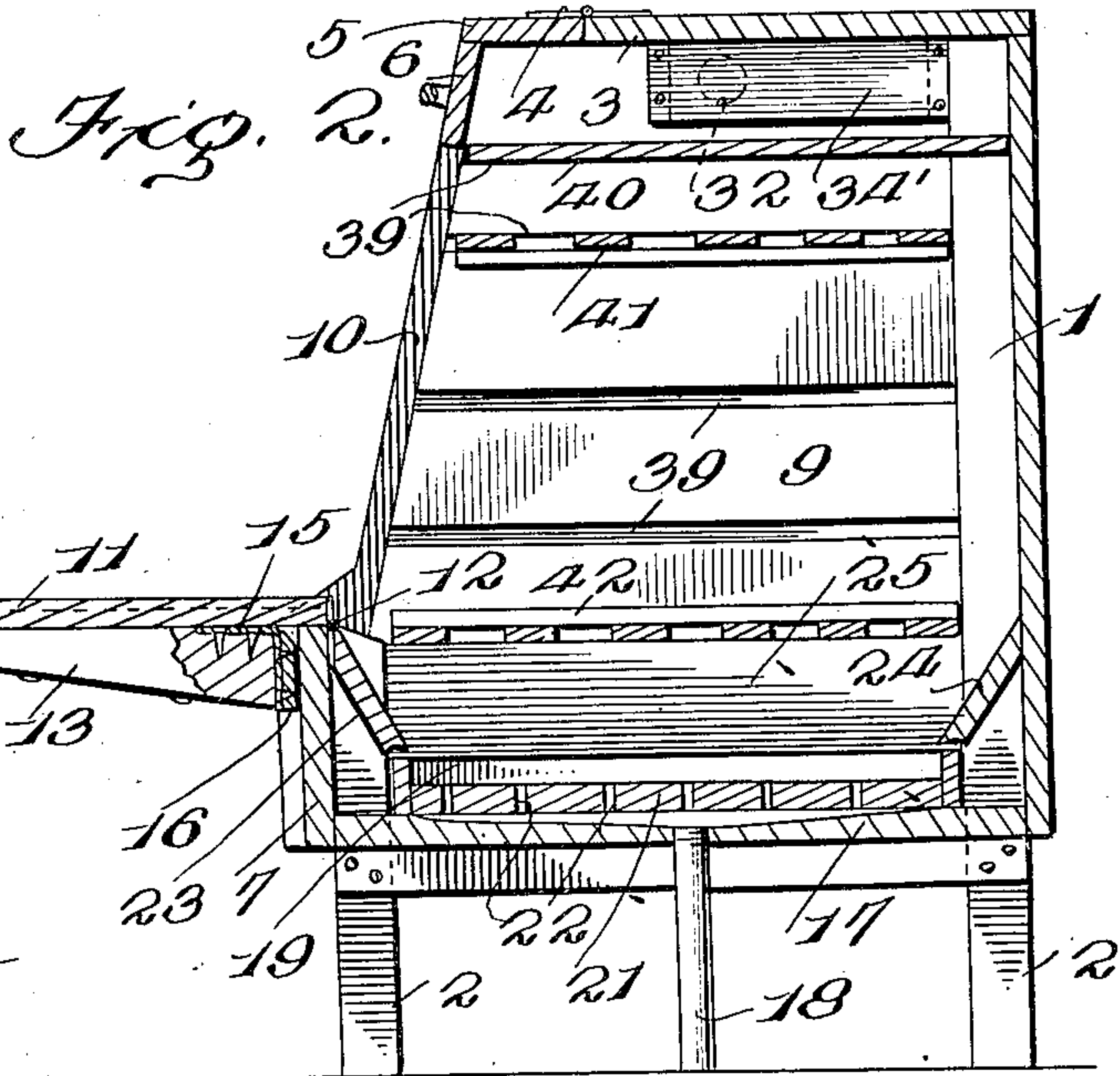
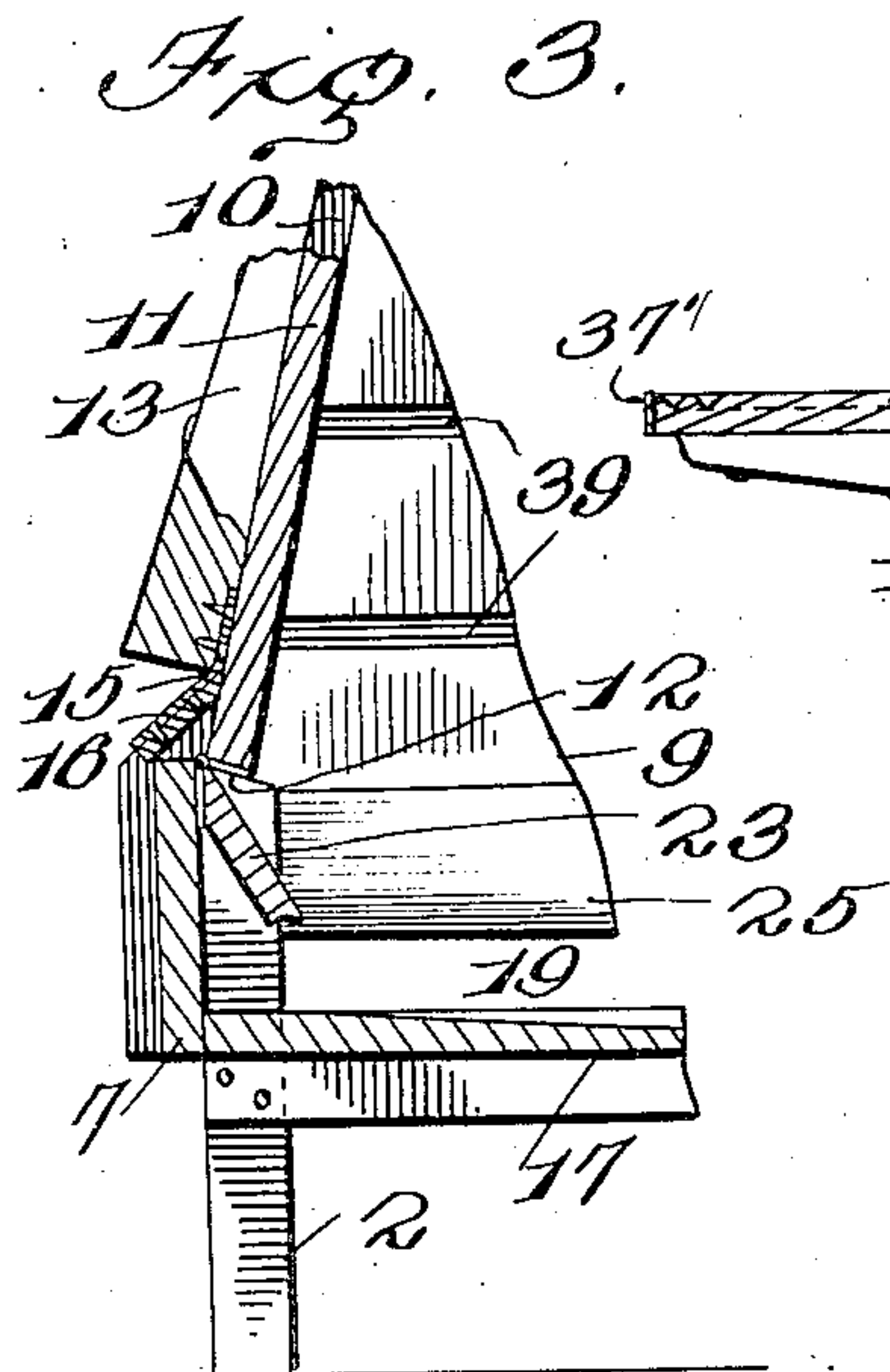
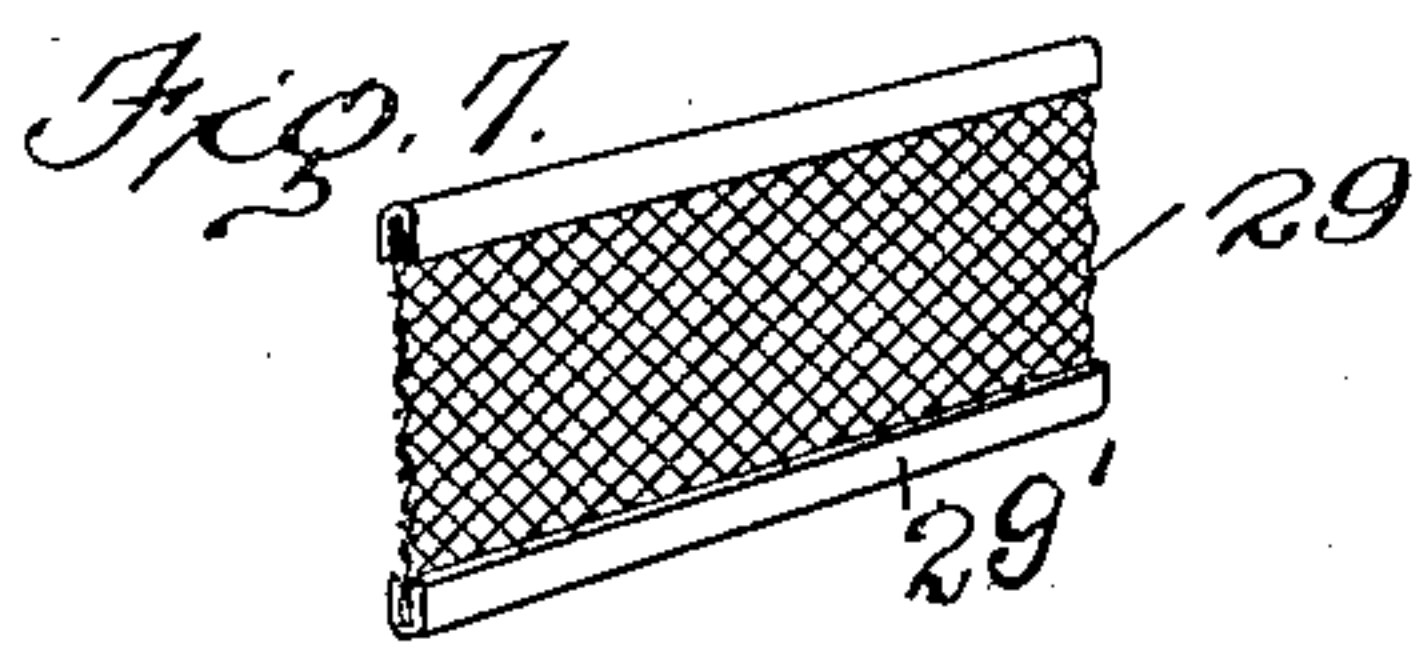
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CLYDE B. REESE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Reese, in the county of Watauga and State

of North Carolina, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cabinets, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

My invention relates to improvements in cabinets, and pertains more particularly to that class adapted to vend salt meat.

The object of my invention is to provide a cabinet in which meat and especially salt meats can be stored and protected against flies, etc., and the door thereof serving as a table upon which the meat can be cut and vended.

Another object of my invention is to provide a cabinet of this character in which many details of construction are shown to form a more complete and effective device to accomplish the various results necessary in a cabinet for such purposes.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1, is a perspective view of my improved cabinet. Fig. 2, is a transverse vertical sectional view taken through the cabinet when the door is swung down in a horizontal position. Fig. 3, is an enlarged vertical sectional view of the front part of the cabinet showing the door closed. Fig. 4, is a longitudinal vertical sectional view of the cabinet. Fig. 5, is a perspective view of the salt-receiving and holding tray removed. Fig. 6, is an enlarged perspective view of a portion of the cover. Fig. 7 is a perspective view of one of the removable screens.

Referring now to the drawings, 1 represents my improved cabinet which is preferably of a rectangular form mounted upon legs 2. While I have shown the body of a rectangular form, it will be understood that any desired form could be effectively used.

The top 3 or upper face of the cabinet has hinged thereto by hinges 4, the angle-section or cover 5 which has the vertical portion 6 extending down over the front of the cabinet and closing the upper end thereof. This hinged section allows ready access to the upper end of the cabinet which will be readily seen. The front of the cabinet at its lower end is provided with the vertical wall 7 which is about one-fifth the height of the body of the cabinet. The ends 8 and 9 of the cabinet above said wall 7 have their for-

ward edges slanting inwardly for the purpose hereinafter more fully set forth. The slanting edges 10 of the ends begin at a point inside of the inner face of the vertical front wall 7.

The cover or door 11 has hinges 12 secured to the lower edge with the pivots thereof flush with the outer face, and the hinges secured to the inner face of the vertical wall 7, whereby the outer face of the cover or door is in a line with the inner face of the vertical wall 7 when the cover is closed against the slanting edges 10 of the ends 8 and 9. By this structure it will be seen that any scraps of meat or salt left upon the cover will be discharged into the cabinet when the cover is swung upwardly. The outer face of the cover or door is provided with blocks 13 and 14, and hinged to the lower edges of the blocks at 15 is a strip 16 which assumes an oblique position when the cover or door is swung upwardly and closes the crack or space between the lower edge of the cover or door 11 and the vertical wall 7, and prevents flies or anything else from entering the cabinet. When the cover is swung downwardly the strip 16 assumes a vertical position against vertical wall 7 and against which the blocks 13 and 14 abut, and whereby the cover or door, by means of the blocks, is held in the horizontal position.

The bottom 17 of the cabinet is made slightly concave and provided at the center with a pipe 18 by means of which any liquid or drippings from the meats will be drained from the cabinet. The ends 8 and 9 just above the bottom 17 are provided with openings 19 and 20 in which the tray 21 is adapted to slide and to be removed or inserted. The ends of the tray close said openings and form a tight cabinet. The bottom of the tray is provided with openings or perforations 22 which allow the liquid or juices from the meats to pass there-through and out of the cabinet. The tray is adapted to catch and hold the salt, whereby it may be readily removed and at the same time allowing the liquid to pass from the cabinet. In order to prevent any scraps of meat or salt from getting around the edges of the tray, I provide at the front and back the strips 23 and 24. The strip 23 starts at a point flush with the vertical portion 7 of the cabinet and covers the hinges, and said strips slant inwardly. The ends 8 and 9 are also provided with slanting strips 25 and

26, and the ends beneath the strips are provided with openings 27 and 28 which are covered with wire netting 29 to prevent flies etc. from entering the cabinet. The ends on the outside of the openings are provided with guide ways 30 in which slide the covers 31 by means of which the openings 27 and 28 are closed, excluding light or heat when desired.

The upper portion of the ends 8 and 9 are provided with openings 32 covered by wire netting 33, and said openings are also closed by covers 34 in a similar manner to the openings 27 and 28. The openings 32 are provided on the inside with hoods 34' which are open at their lower ends, and these hoods serve as traps to catch the flies. That is, the flies will crawl up under the hood in an attempt to get out through the openings 32 and will remain therein, as flies always seek light and also always crawl upward.

At the end 8 of the cabinet I provide a hinged shelf 35 which is supported by an arm 36 which rests upon the guide-way 30 of the opening 28, and which serves as a wrapping shelf. The end above the shelf is provided with a bracket 36' which is adapted to support the scales.

The front edge of the cover or door 11 is bound with metal 37' and is provided with a slot 37 having a transverse pin 38, and said slot is adapted to receive the end of the knife, and the same rests under the pin and forms a fulcrum point for the knife in cutting bones or tough gristle. The cover on its inner face is provided with a groove surrounding the front and end edges, and in which the salt is collected to prevent it from falling therefrom.

The ends 8 and 9 are provided with oppositely-arranged grooves 39 in which are arranged the shelves or trays 40, 41 and 42, and the grooves 39 being fairly close together, it will be seen that the shelves may be spaced a greater or less distance apart or a greater number of shelves placed in the cabinet.

The wire netting 29 and 33 covering the openings 27, 28 and 32 is preferably carried by a frame 29' which allows the same to be moved in the guide-ways 30 for the covers 31 and 34, and thus allowing the screens to be removed for cleaning purposes and allowing the flies to pass out. The shelf 42 is preferably made in two sections and supported by the transverse beam 42'.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:—

1. A cabinet of the character described, comprising a box-like portion having a concave bottom and one side open, the ends of the cabinet having horizontal openings extending from side to side, a perforated tray resting upon the concave bottom and

having its ends closing the openings in the ends of the body portion, whereby the tray may be removed from either end of the body portion, inwardly and downwardly inclined plates carried by the inner sides of the body portion and extending over the inner edges of the tray, and a hinged cover or door closing said open side of the body portion.

2. A cabinet of the character described, comprising a body portion having a concave bottom, a pipe connected to the center of said bottom, the ends of the body portion having horizontal slots, a tray passing within said slots and covering the bottom, and the ends of the tray closing said openings, inwardly and downwardly inclined plates carried by the inner sides of the body portion and extending beyond the edges of the tray, the body portion beneath the plates having ventilating openings covered by wire netting, slides on the outside of the openings for closing the same, a cover closing the front of the body portion and adapted to swing downwardly and to be supported in a horizontal position to serve as a cutting shelf, a wrapping shelf carried by one end of the body portion, and an outwardly-extending arm carried by the body portion and extending over the wrapping shelf and adapted to support scales.

3. A cabinet of the character described, comprising a body portion having an opening in the front side, a cover hinged to the inner side of the body portion and closing the opening and adapted to swing outwardly, and a strip hinged to the outer side of the cover and adapted to close the crack between the cover and body when the cover is closed.

4. A cabinet of the character described, comprising a body portion having an opening in its front side, a cover hinged to the inner side of the body portion and closing the opening and adapted to swing outwardly, blocks carried by the outer face of said cover, their lower ends a distance from the hinged end of the cover, and a strip hinged to the ends of the blocks and against which the blocks bear when the cover is swung downwardly, said strip assuming an oblique position closing the crack between the cover and the body.

5. A cabinet of the character described, comprising a body portion having a concave bottom, a pipe connected to the center of said bottom, a tray slidable upon the bottom and removable from either end of the body portion, openings in the upper end of the cabinet and covered by wire netting, and hoods on the inside of the cabinet covering the said openings and having lower open ends.

6. A cabinet of the character described, comprising a body portion having an opening in one side, a hinged cover closing said opening, means for supporting the cover in a

horizontal position when the cover is open, said cover having grooves surrounding the edges and a recess, said recess being provided at one end with a transverse pin, substantially as described.

7. A cabinet of the character described, comprising a body portion having a vertical lower front wall, a cover hinged to the inner side of said vertical wall bringing the inner face of the wall flush with the outer face of the cover, said cover adapted to swing down

and be supported in a horizontal position, and a strip hinged to the outside of the cover and closing the crack between the cover and the vertical wall of the cabinet.

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

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