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Fig. 1.

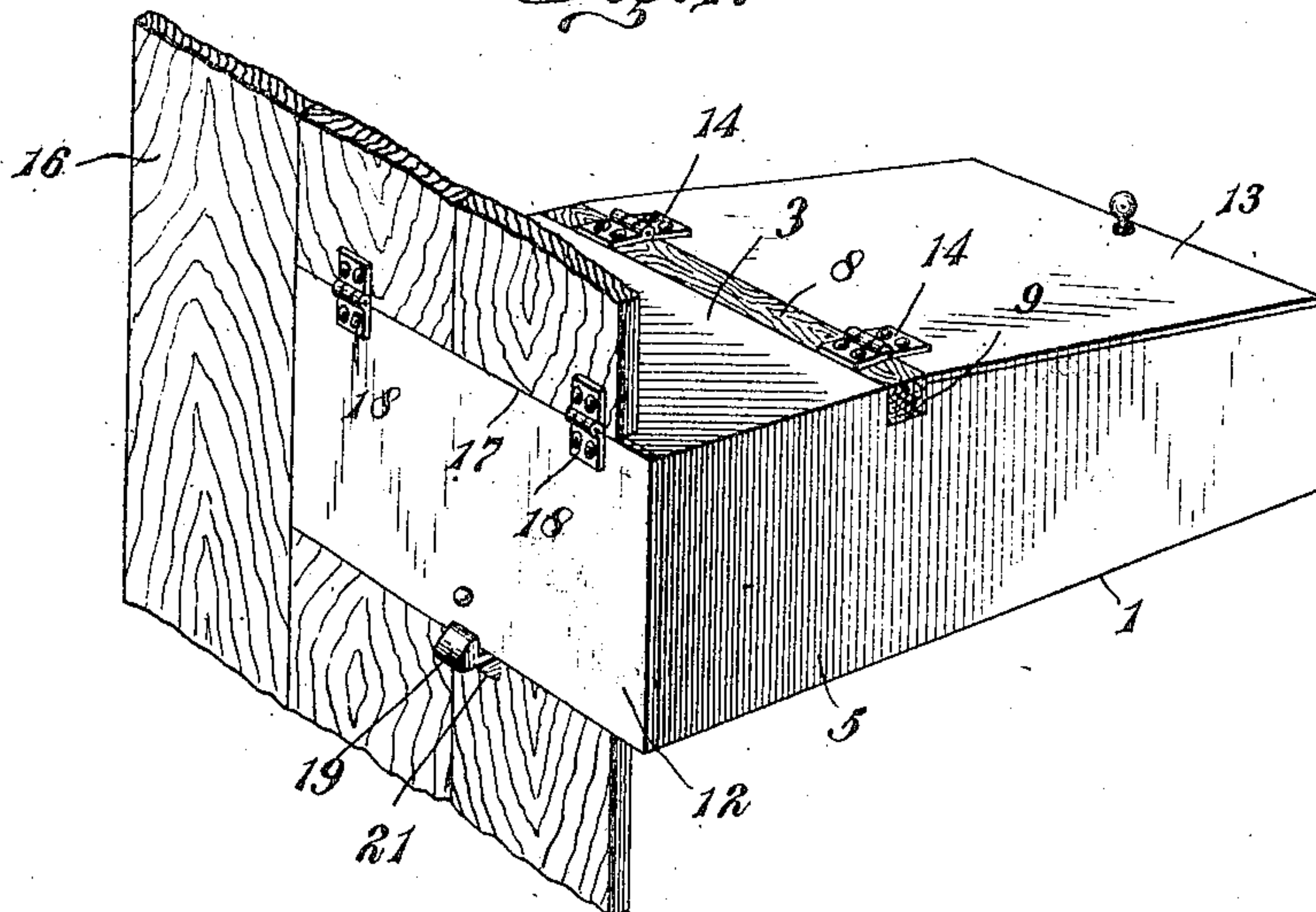


Fig. 2.

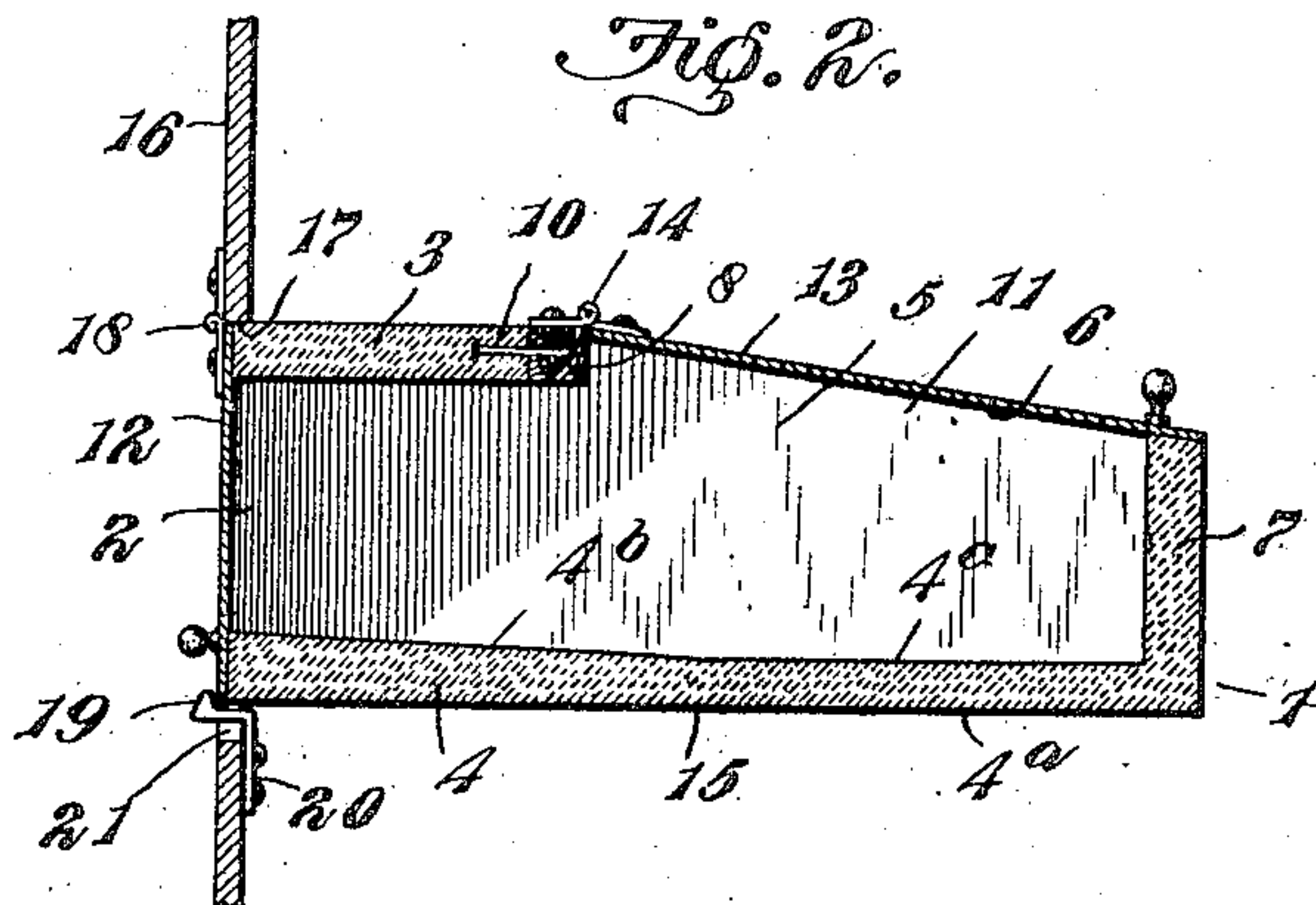
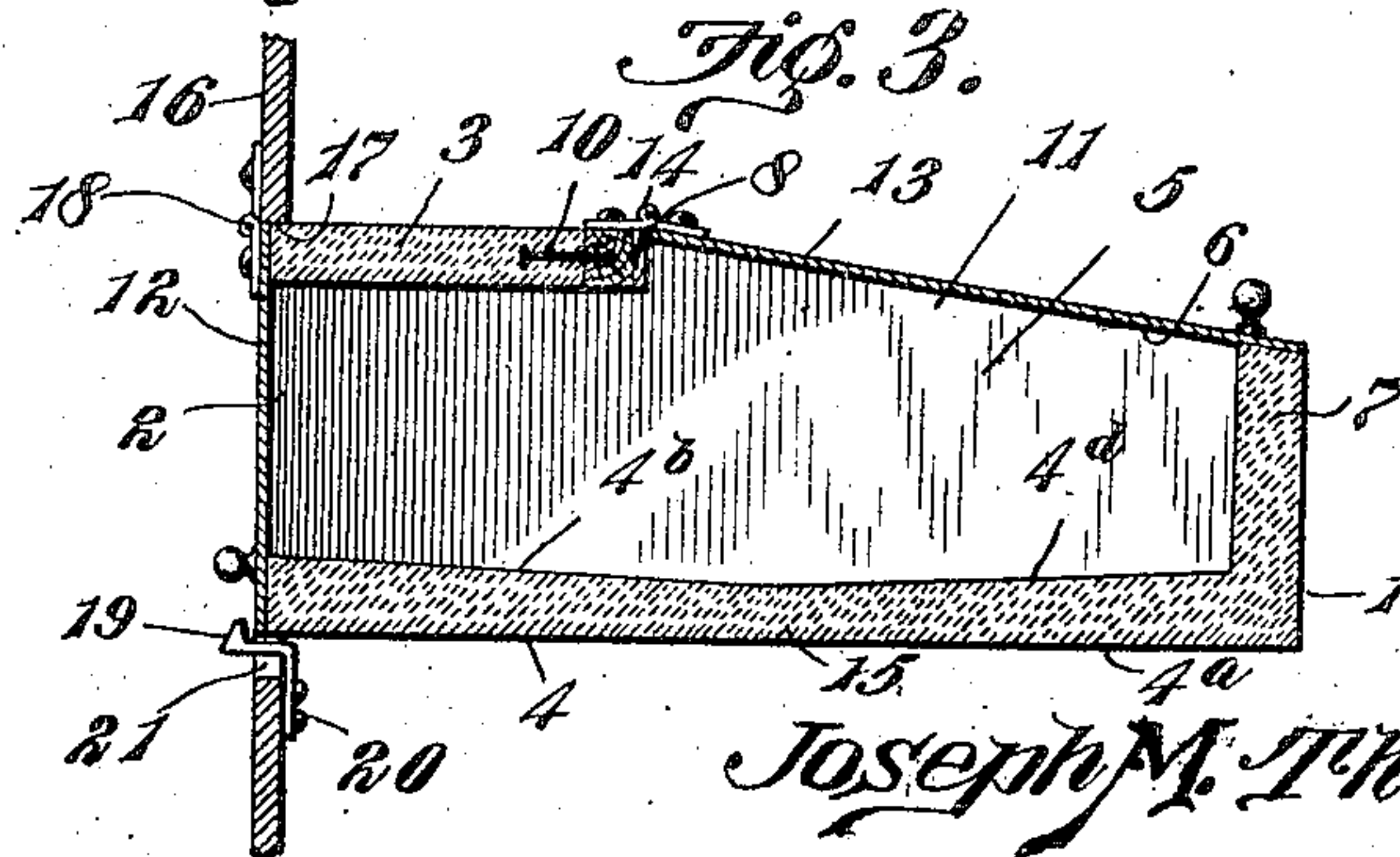


Fig. 3.



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## GARBAGE-RECEPTACLE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH M. THINNES, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Chicago, county of Cook, and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garbage-Receptacles, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to garbage receptacles and the object of my invention is to provide an improved garbage receptacle adapted to be arranged at a back fence in such a manner as to permit a ready access thereto from either side of the fence, from one side to place refuse therein and from the outside to remove the same therefrom.

A further object of my invention is to provide a device as mentioned which shall remain closed except when placing the refuse therein or removing it therefrom, to keep out the sun, flies and animals and which shall in a large measure prevent the escape of odors.

A further object of my invention is to provide a garbage receptacle having an open end extending through the fence and so constructed that it will not drain the liquid portions either into the alley or the yard, and one which will last indefinitely without becoming leaky.

Other objects will appear hereinafter.

My invention will be more readily understood by reference to the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification and in which,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a garbage receptacle embodying my invention in its preferred form. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section of the same, and Fig. 3 is a similar view of a slightly modified form.

The garbage receptacle comprises a substantially rectangular box 1 having its outer end 2 open for its full extent between the top wall 3, the bottom 4 and the side walls 5, 5. The top wall 3 is parallel with the bottom 4 and extends but a short distance back from the front or outer end 2 and the upper edges of the side walls incline downwardly therefrom, as at 6, to the rear wall 7.

8 indicates a transverse wooden member or strip arranged along the inner edge of the wall 3 and forming an extension thereof. The box 1 is formed of cement and the upper edges of the walls 5 are recessed as at 9 adjacent to the inner end of the wall 3 to receive the ends

of the strip 8. The strip 8 is preferably molded in place when the device is formed and to this end its edge adjacent to the wall 3 is provided with tie members 10 to hold it securely in place. These are preferably nails partially driven into the strip and which are embedded in the wall 3.

The box is entirely closed except for the open end 2 and the opening 11 in the top which extends from the strip 8 to the wall 7, which openings are closed by the metal doors 12 and 13 respectively, the latter of which is hingedly connected as by the hinges 14 to the strip 8. The bottom face 4<sup>a</sup> of the bottom 4 is preferably level or horizontal and its inner face or upper face is preferably downwardly inclined from the opening 2 to prevent the fluid portion of the refuse from leaking into the alley. To this end the outer end of the wall 4 is made much thicker than at the center and gradually slopes backward as indicated at 4<sup>b</sup>. From the center 15 it may extend straight back as indicated at 4<sup>c</sup> in Fig. 2 or slope slightly upwardly as at 4<sup>d</sup> in Fig. 3.

The device is adapted to be arranged at a back fence so as to be accessible from the outside thereof and to this end the outer end 2 is arranged to fit snugly in an aperture formed therein.

16 indicates the fence and 17 the aperture. The door or closure 12 is arranged flush with the outer face of the fence and is hingedly connected thereto at its upper edge as by the hinges 18.

19 indicates a spring latch which engages the lower edge of the door 12 to hold the same tightly closed. This is secured to the inner face of the fence as at 20, and extends through an aperture 21 formed below the receptacle and of sufficient size to permit free movement of the latch.

The device may be provided with any suitable support, and if the level of the alley is below that of the yard the receptacle may rest upon the ground.

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

A cement garbage receptacle comprising a substantially rectangular box open at one end and formed of parallel side walls and parallel top and bottom walls, said top wall extending but a short distance back from the



open end leaving a filling opening, a wooden strip arranged abutting the inner edge of said top wall, tie members on said strip and embedded in said top wall, said strip being  
5 molded in place when the receptacle is formed, and a metal door hinged to said strip, substantially as described.

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

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