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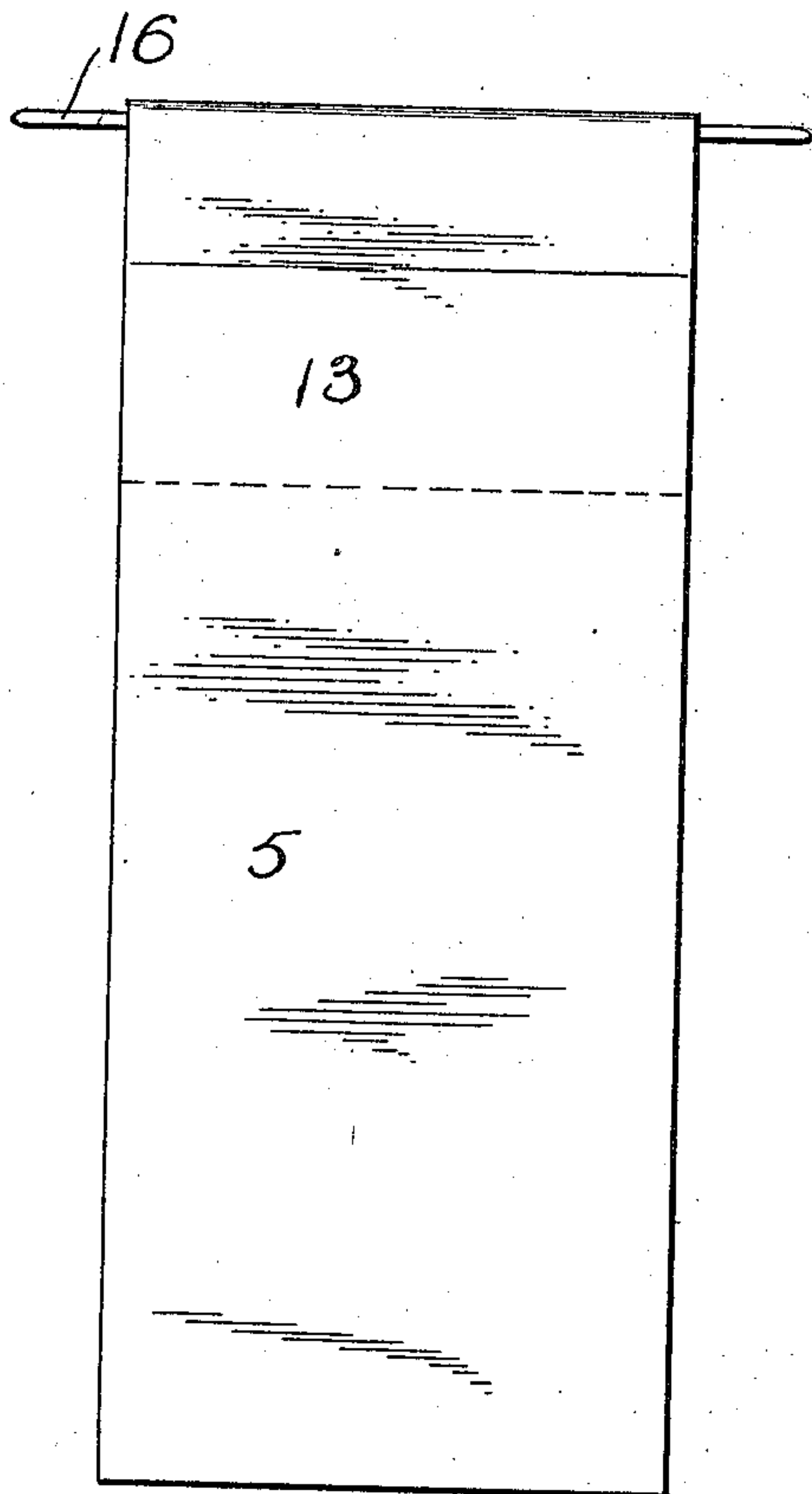


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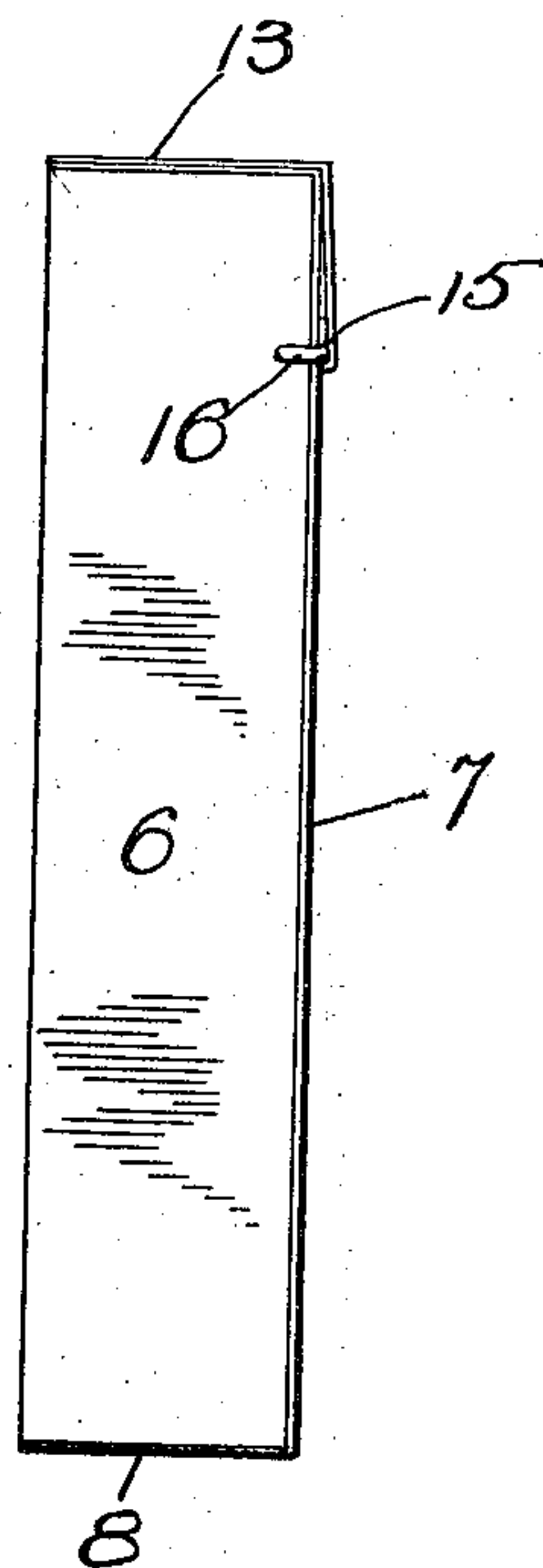
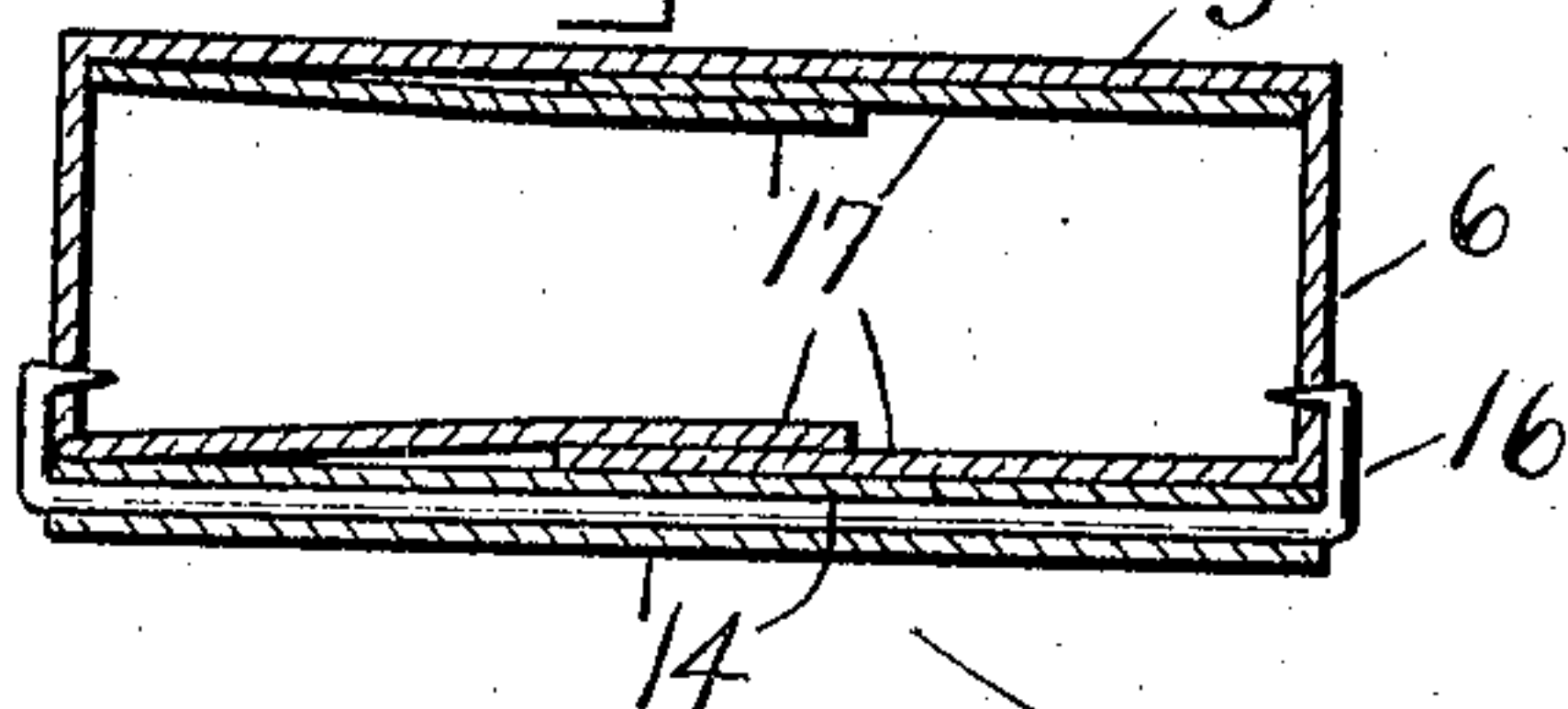


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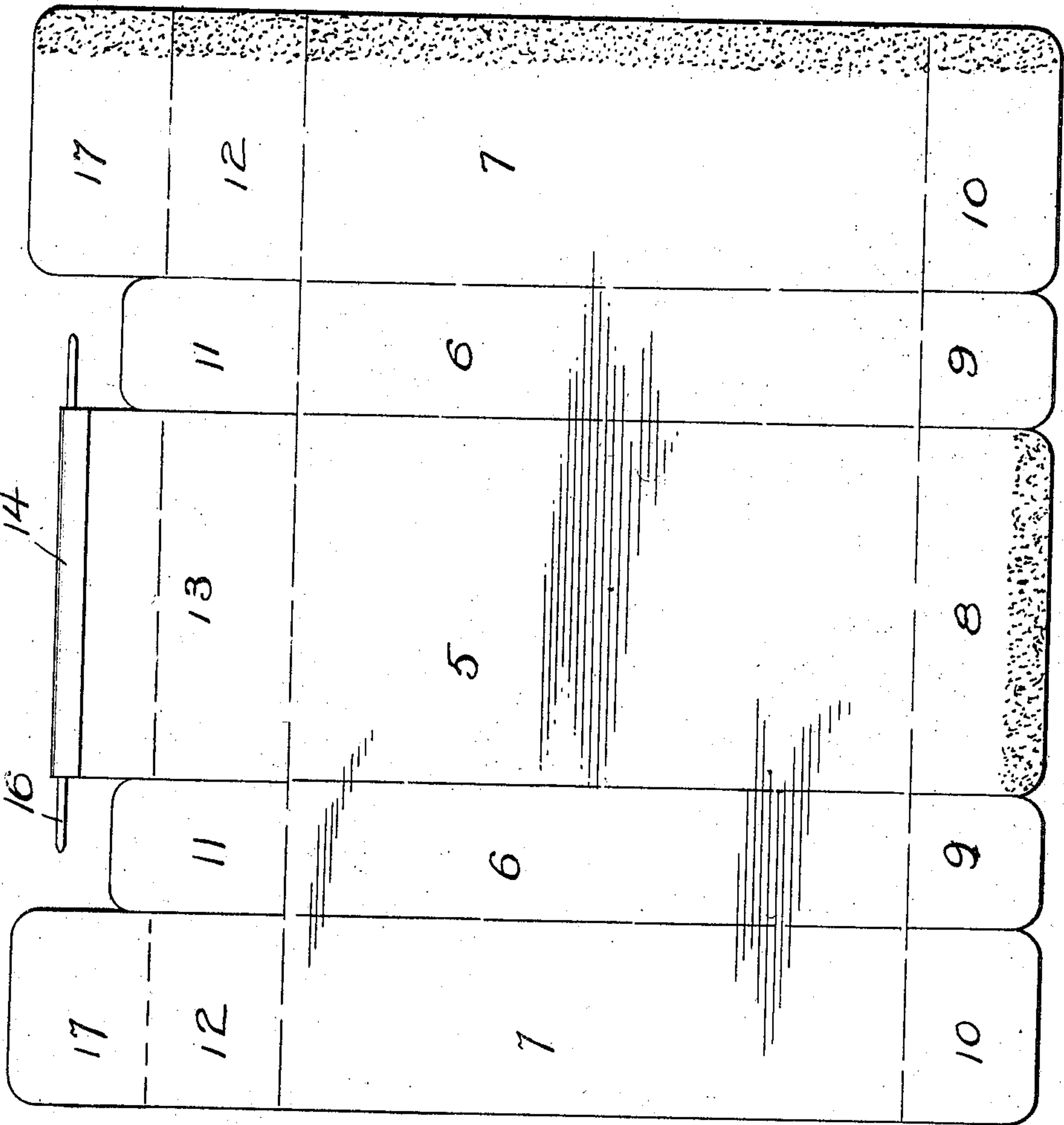
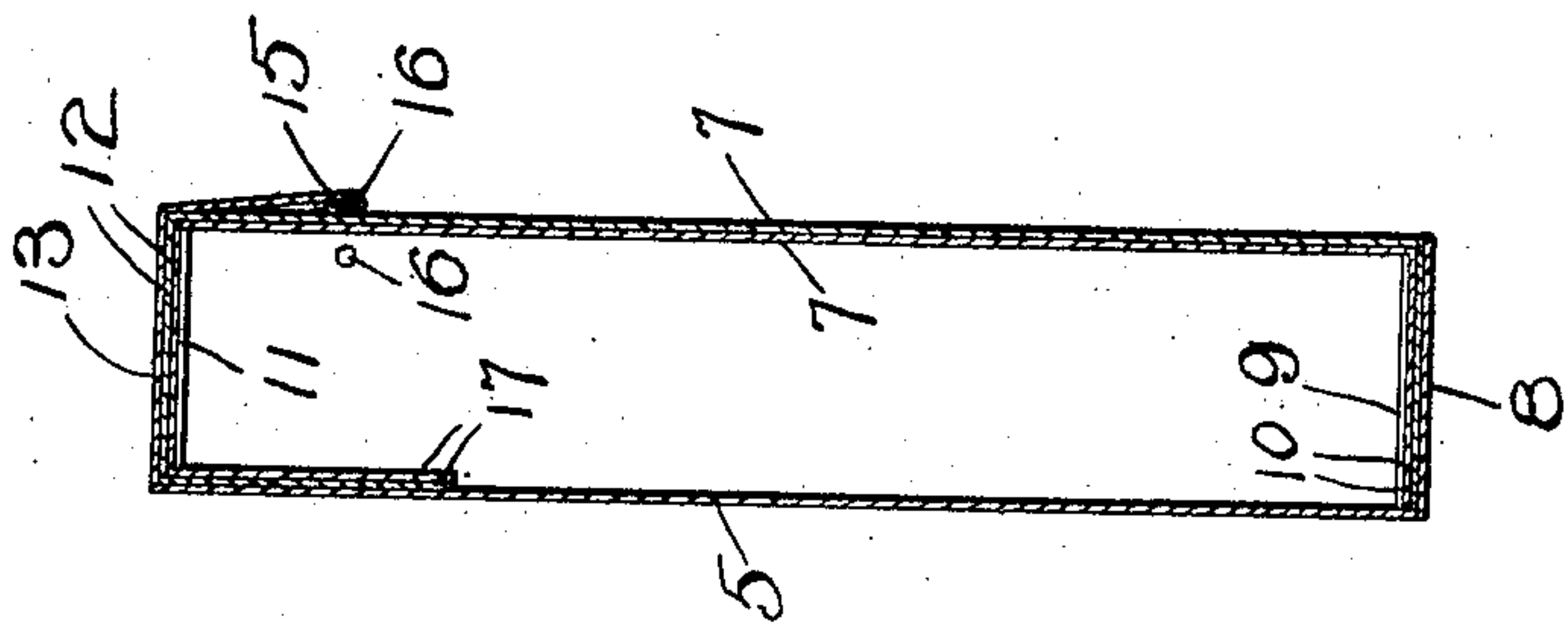


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARY A. HILL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Tolley, in the county of Ward, State of North Dakota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Paper Receptacles; 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 receptacles and more particularly to that class which are designed for the purpose of sending small articles through the mail.

The primary object of the invention is to provide a simple box-like construction of receptacle of this class which may be readily opened for inspection should it become necessary and hence will not require to be sealed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of the receptacle before being closed, Fig. 2 is a side elevation thereof after being closed, Fig. 3 is a vertical sectional view therethrough after being closed, Fig. 4 is a plan view of the blank from which the receptacle is formed, and, Fig. 5 is a transverse section through the receptacle in the plane of the fastening wire, the latter being shown in elevation.

As shown in the drawings the receptacle comprises a blank including a front 5, sides 6, and a back 7, the back being formed by two flaps which extend from the outer edges of the sides 6 and overlap each other and are secured together by mucilage in this relation. Extending from the lower end of the front 5 is a flap 8 and from the lower edges of the side 6 extend flaps 9 there being flaps 10 extended from the lower edges of the back sections 7. Flaps 11 extend from the upper edges of the sides 6 and flaps 12 extend from the corresponding edges of the back sections 7. A flap 13 extends from the upper edge of the front 5 and has its extreme outer edge portion turned over upon itself as at 14 and glued in this position to form a pocket 15 through which a wire 16 is passed.

In constructing my receptacle the back sections 7 are glued together at their overlapping edges as heretofore stated and the flaps 10 are then folded over to close the bottom of the receptacle thus formed, the flaps 9 being afterward folded over and

finally the flap 8 is folded over the flaps 9 and glued thereto. The receptacle is now closed except at its upper end through which end the article to be mailed is introduced. The flaps 11 are folded over to close the said upper open end and the flaps 12 are then folded over upon the flaps 11 and are of such length that tab portions 17 thereon may be inserted between the edges of the flaps 11 adjacent the front 5 of the receptacle and the said front as clearly shown in Fig. 3 of the drawings. The flap 13 is then folded over and is brought down against the back 7 of the receptacle. The wire 16 has its ends projecting beyond the ends of the pocket 15 and after the flap 13 has been folded as stated, the said projecting ends of the wire are engaged inwardly through the sides 6 of the receptacle and serve to hold the closure flap 13 against being accidentally opened. It will be understood however that if it is necessary to inspect the contents of the receptacle the ends of the wire may be disengaged from the sides 6 and afterward reinserted.

From the above description it will be understood that there is provided a box-like receptacle wherein at both ends there are provided three thicknesses of material so that if the weighty contents of the box shifts from end to end in transit it will not break through the ends of the receptacles. Furthermore it will be noted that by engaging the rear flap between the edges of the side flaps and the front of the receptacle, the contents are secured, in addition to the holding of the front flap which is finally folded over both the rear and side flaps and downwardly against the rear face of the receptacle. This front flap it will be noted is sufficiently long to permit of engagement of the extremities of the wire 16, through the side walls of the receptacle a sufficient distance below the upper ends to insure against tearing through. Also that provision of the side flaps 11, absolutely prevents upward tearing by the wire 16, beyond the lines of fold of the side flaps.

What is claimed is—

A box-like receptacle of flexible material comprising a front, a back, sides, and a bottom, in fixed relation, the sides having flaps extending from their upper edges throughout their widths, the box having a back flap extending from its upper edge of a width equal to the width of the box and of a length

greater than the distance between the back and the front, said flap being creased to fold with its free edge portion between the front and the adjacent edges of the side flaps, a
5 flap extending upwardly from the upper edge of the front of the box throughout its width and of a width greater than the distance between the front and the back, said front flap being creased to fold over the top
10 of the receptacle and downwardly against the back face thereof, the extreme end portion of the front flap being folded and glued upon itself and having a resultant tubular pocket, and a sharp ended wire engaged in

said pocket and extending from the ends 15 thereof, the length of the wire being sufficiently greater than the width of the receptacle to permit the end portions of the wire to be bent forwardly against the side faces of the receptacle and to be bent inwardly 20 and extended through the side walls of the receptacle.

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

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