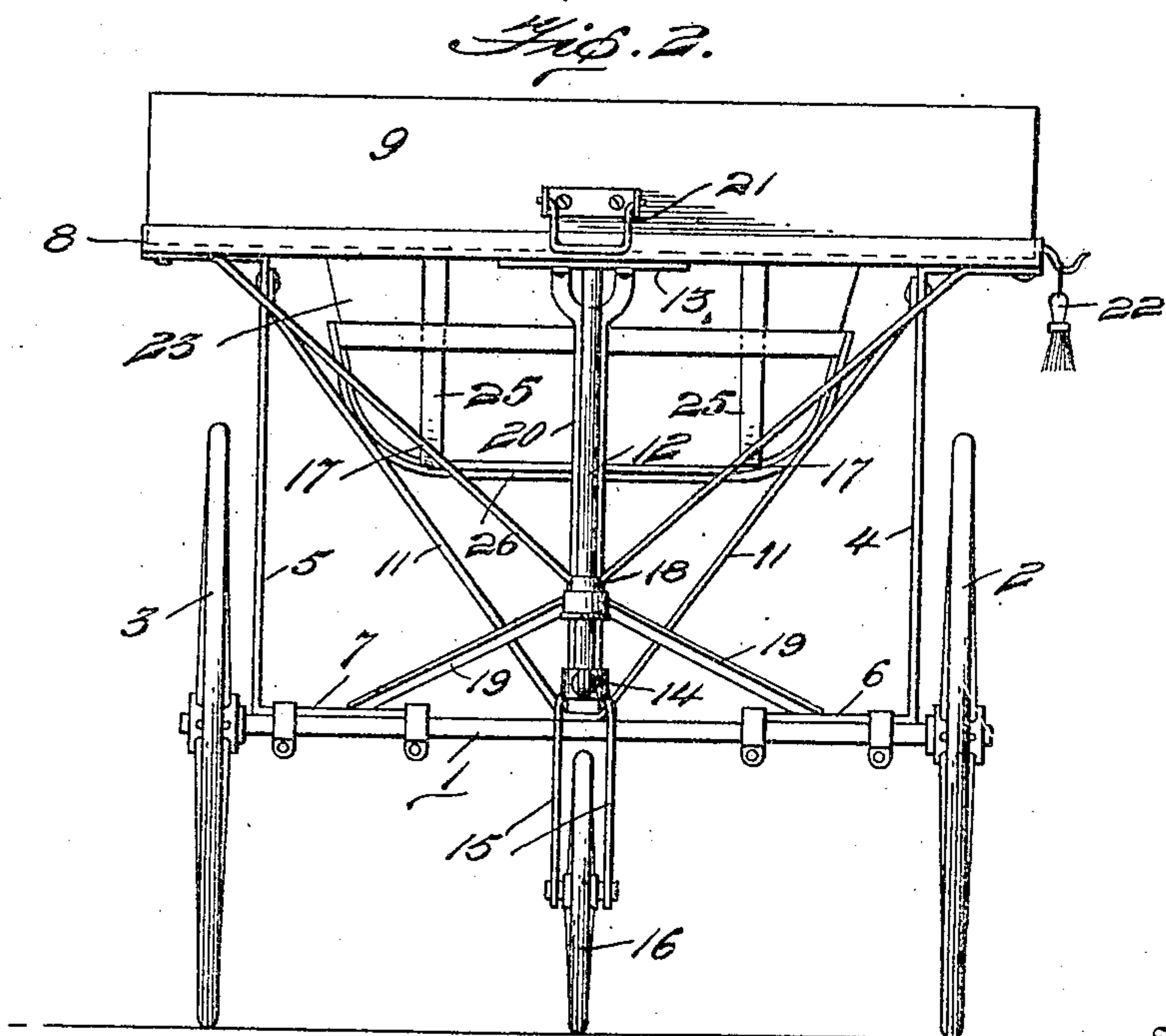
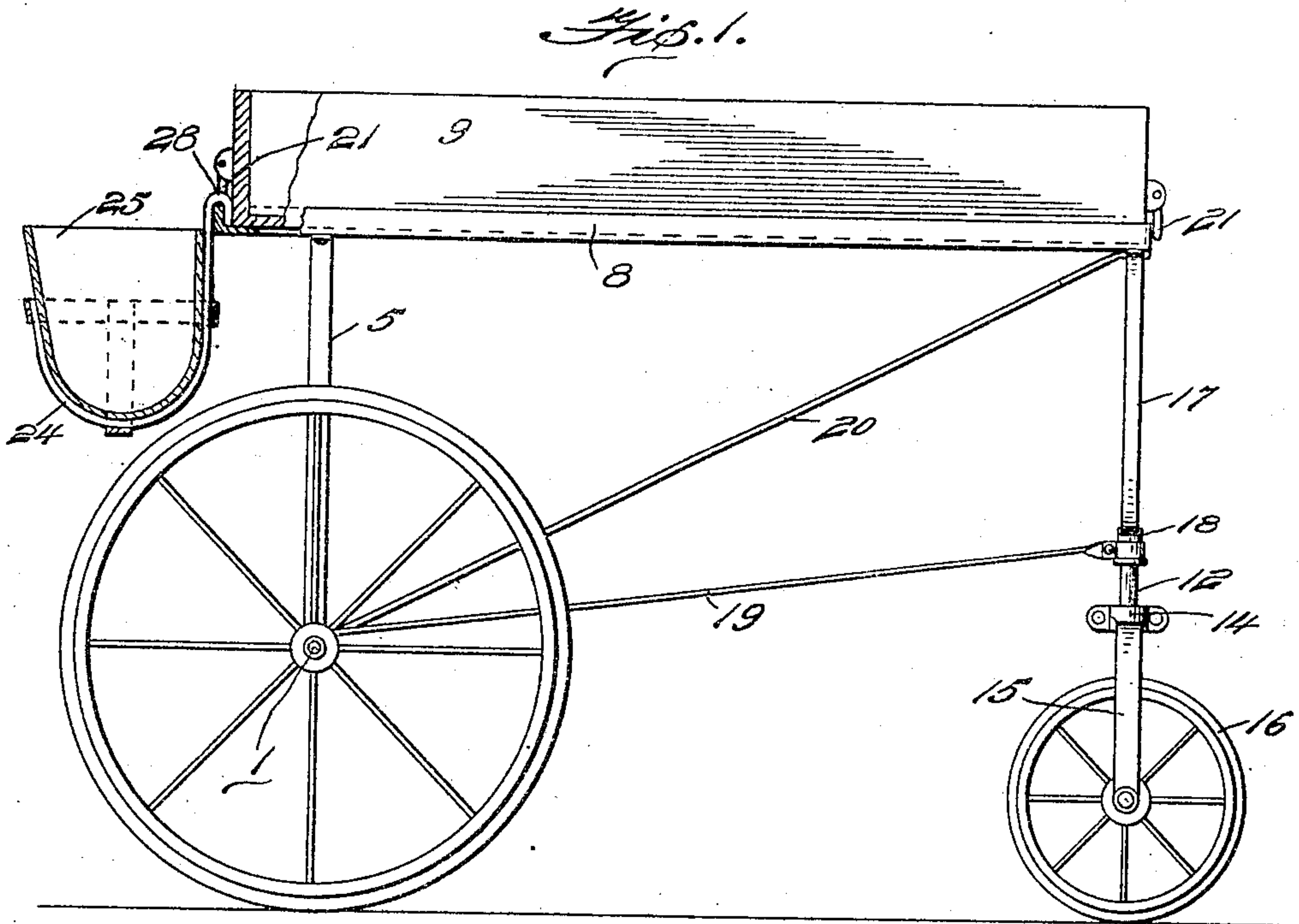


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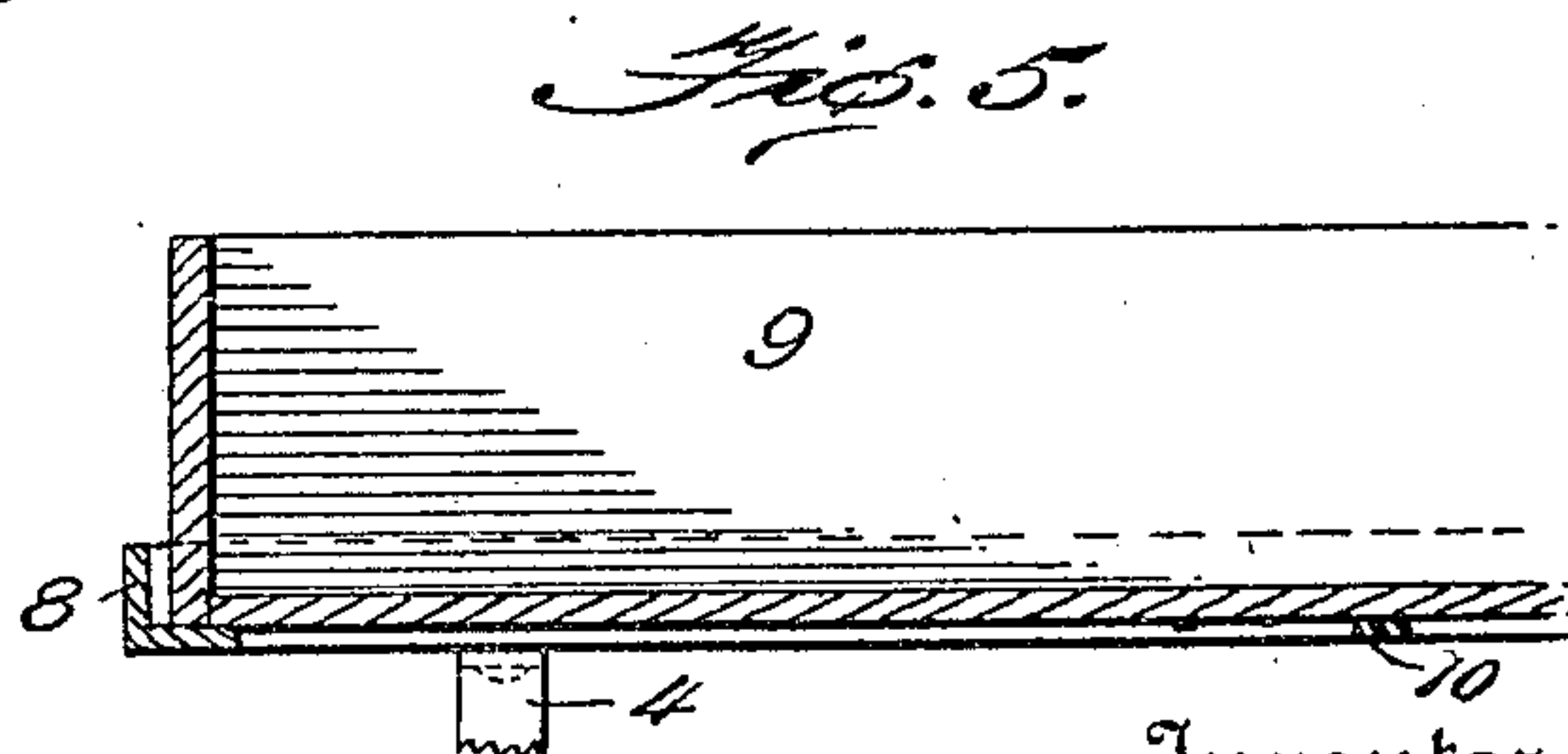
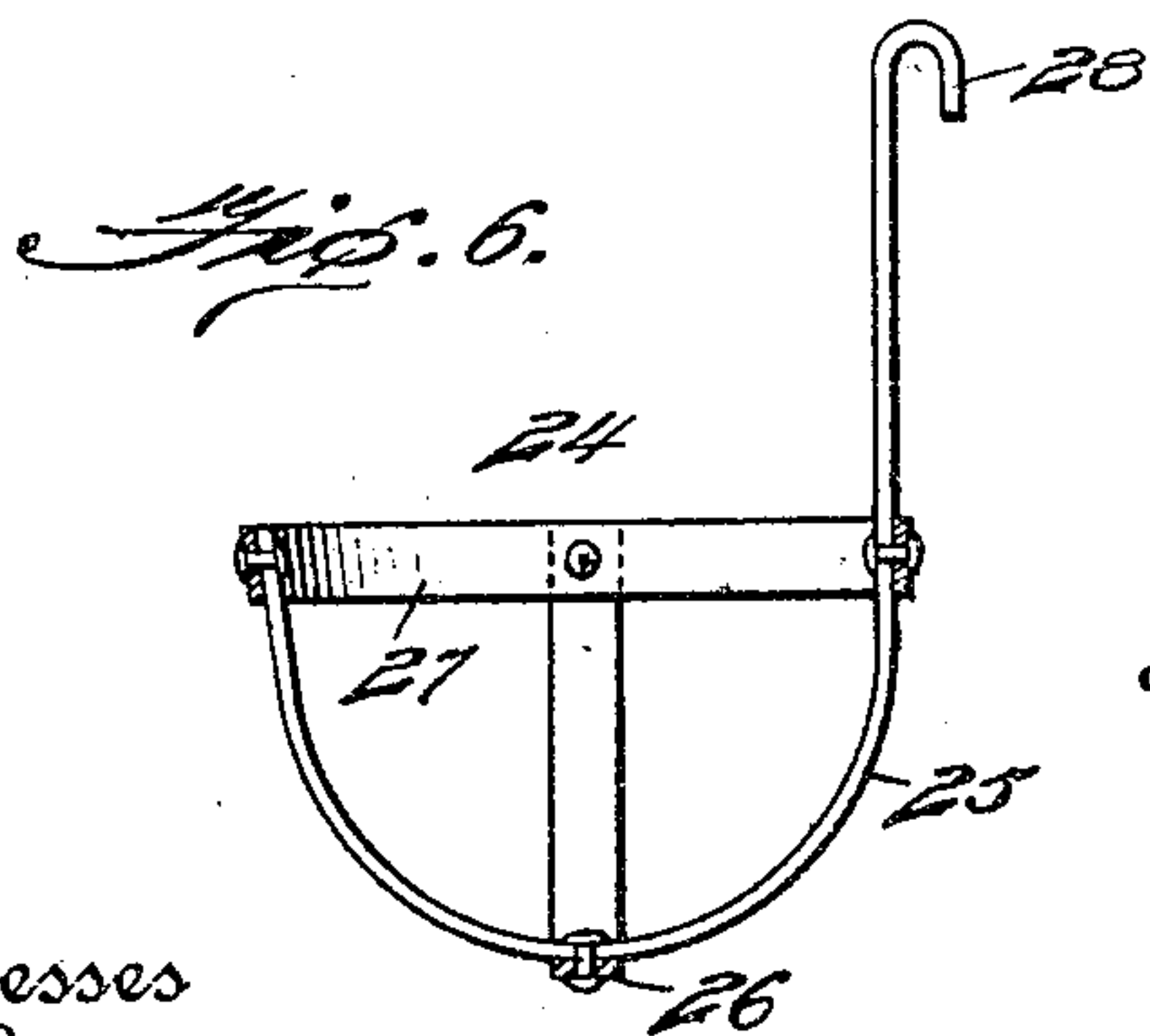
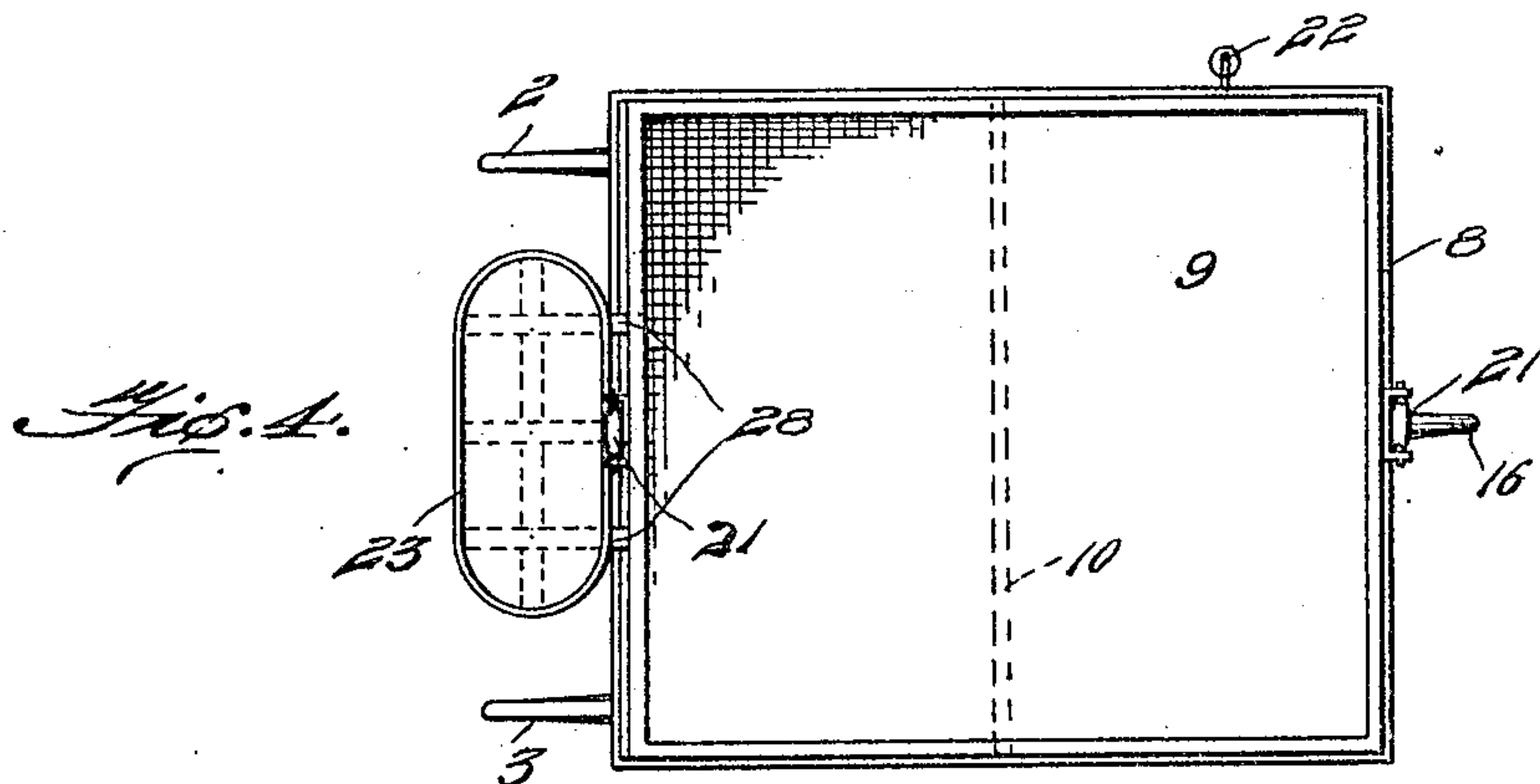
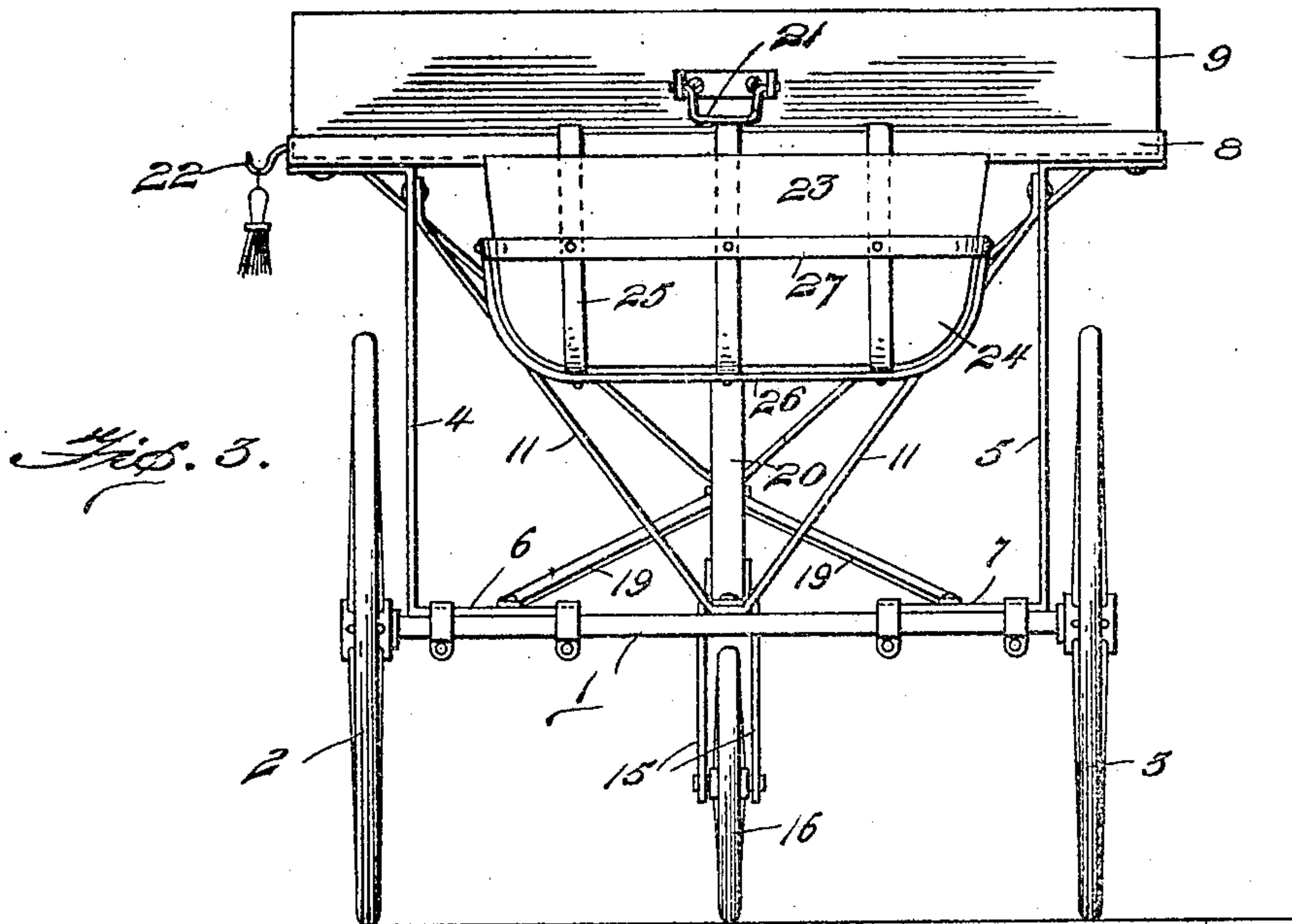
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GEORGIE FLY HILL, a citizen of the United States, residing at San Antonio in the county of Bexar and State of Texas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Portable Waiters; and I do 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 has relation to an improved portable waiter, comprising a wheeled vehicle and a removable tray.

One of the objects of the invention is to provide a portable waiter simple in construction and neat in appearance, which may be readily moved or transported from place to place, and which may be conveniently used for carrying dishes from a dining room to a kitchen, whether loaded or unloaded.

Another object of the invention is the production of a portable waiter adapted to be readily moved from place to place and provided with a removable tray, and means for receiving crumbs from tables or for containing knives and forks and other small table articles.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, combination and arrangement of parts as will be described and particularly pointed out in the appended claims, and in the drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my improved portable waiter, with parts broken away; Fig. 2 is a front elevation thereof; Fig. 3 is a rear elevation; Fig. 4 is a plan view; Fig. 5 is an enlarged sectional view of part of the upper portion of the waiter; and Fig. 6 is a vertical sectional view of a crumb receptacle support.

In the drawings, 1 indicates a rear shaft provided with sheals, 2 and 3, which are mounted on the outer ends of said shaft. A pair of uprights, 4 and 5, preferably formed of angle iron and bent at their lower portions to form arms, 6 and 7, are secured on the shaft, 1, and extend at right-angles to the shaft to form supports for a frame, 8. The frame, 8, is formed of angle-iron and securely joined together so as to form a seat for a removable tray, 9.

The frame, 8, is preferably of greater width than the width of the shaft, 1, and the tray, 9, which is adapted to be seated on said

frame is prevented from moving off said frame by means of the vertical flanges of the angle-irons comprising said frame. The frame 8 is also provided with a central cross bar, 10, which has its ends riveted to the side strips of said frame. A V-shaped brace, 11, has its ends secured to the upper portions of the uprights, 4 and 5, and its middle body portion secured to the shaft 1, and said brace serves to strengthen the connections between the uprights 4 and 5, and the shaft, 1. The forward end of the frame, 8, is supported on an upright, 12, having a head piece, 13, and said upright is formed with a swivel joint, 14, and a plurality of legs, 15, extends downwardly from said swivel joint to form bearings for a forward wheel, 16, which is journaled to said legs. The upright 12 is braced to the frame, 8, by means of a second V-shaped brace, 17, which has its end secured to the side strips of the frame, 8, and its middle body portion secured by means of a sleeve, 18, to the upright, 12. The uprights, 4 and 5, and 12, are braced together by braces, 19 and 20. The brace, 20, extends from the shaft, 1, forwardly and upwardly and connects with the underside of the frame, 8. The brace, 19, is preferably V-shaped and is connected at its middle body portion to the sleeve, 18, and has its ends secured to the opposite ends of the shaft, 1.

The tray, 9, is preferably provided with a plurality of handles, 21, and a hook, 22, for supporting a crumb brush. A crumb or knife receptacle, 23, which is preferably formed of porcelain or similar material and formed with a rounded bottom for preventing the accumulation of crumbs, is supported on the frame 8 by means of a hanger or support, 24, said hanger or support being formed of a plurality of L-shaped strips, 25, a bottom brace, 26, and a body strip, 27. The strips, 26 and 27, are secured to the strips, 25, in any desired manner, as by riveting, and the upper ends of the strips 25 are doubled upon themselves at 28 to engage the upper edges of the frame 8.

By means of my improved portable waiter, it is possible for a person to transport a large number of meals from a kitchen to a dining room, and to conveniently serve the same to the diners, and when the dinner has been completed, the waiter may be employed for removing the empty dishes from the table.

Owing to the peculiar construction of the



body of my device, the same will have great strength without being inconveniently heavy, and can be moved or turned in awkward positions. The structure of the device is  
 5 such that all of the parts may be readily cleaned when it is necessary, and the tray for carrying the dishes may be readily mounted on the frame and removed therefrom.

10 In the drawing I have illustrated the preferred embodiment of my invention, but it is understood that the device shown is simply for illustrative purposes and not drawn to scale.

15 From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, the construction and operation of the invention will be readily understood without requiring a more extended explanation.

20 Various changes in the form, proportion and the minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the principle or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention as defined in the appended  
 25 claims.

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

1. In a device of the class described, a  
 30 rear shaft, a plurality of wheels secured on the shaft, uprights formed of angle-iron having their ends bent on and secured to the shaft, a frame formed of angle-iron and supported on the uprights, an upright mounted  
 35 on the forward end of the frame for supporting the same, a swivel joint secured on the

lower end of the upright, a plurality of legs formed with bearings depending from the swivel joint, a wheel journaled to the legs, means for bracing the uprights to the frame, 40 and to each other, and a tray removably positioned on the frame.

2. In a device of the class described, a rear shaft, a plurality of wheels mounted on the ends of said shaft, a plurality of uprights bent 45 on said shaft and extending above the same, a V-shaped brace connected to said shaft and said uprights, a frame formed of angle-iron forming a seat for a tray mounted on the uprights, a central brace for the frame, a front 50 upright secured by a head piece to the lower side of the frame, a swivel joint formed on the front upright, legs depending from the swivel joint, a wheel journaled to the legs, a V-shaped brace for bracing the front upright 55 to the frame connected to a sleeve mounted on the upright, a second V-shaped brace connected to said sleeve and extending rearwardly to the rear shaft, a brace extending from said shaft upwardly to the forward end 60 of the frame and having connections therewith, a tray removably mounted on the frame, a hanger removably mounted on the frame, and a receptacle supported on the hanger. 65

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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