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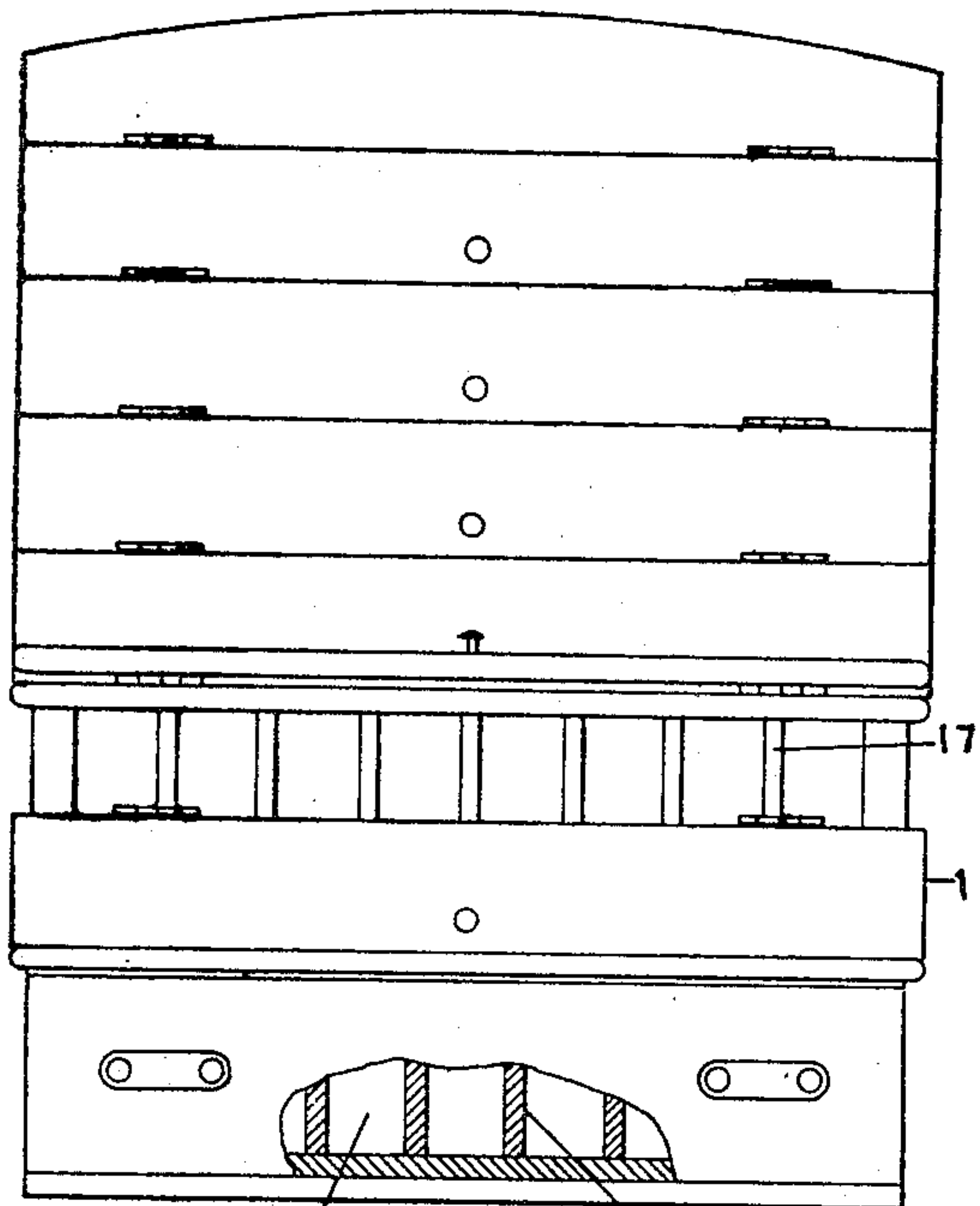


Fig. 1.

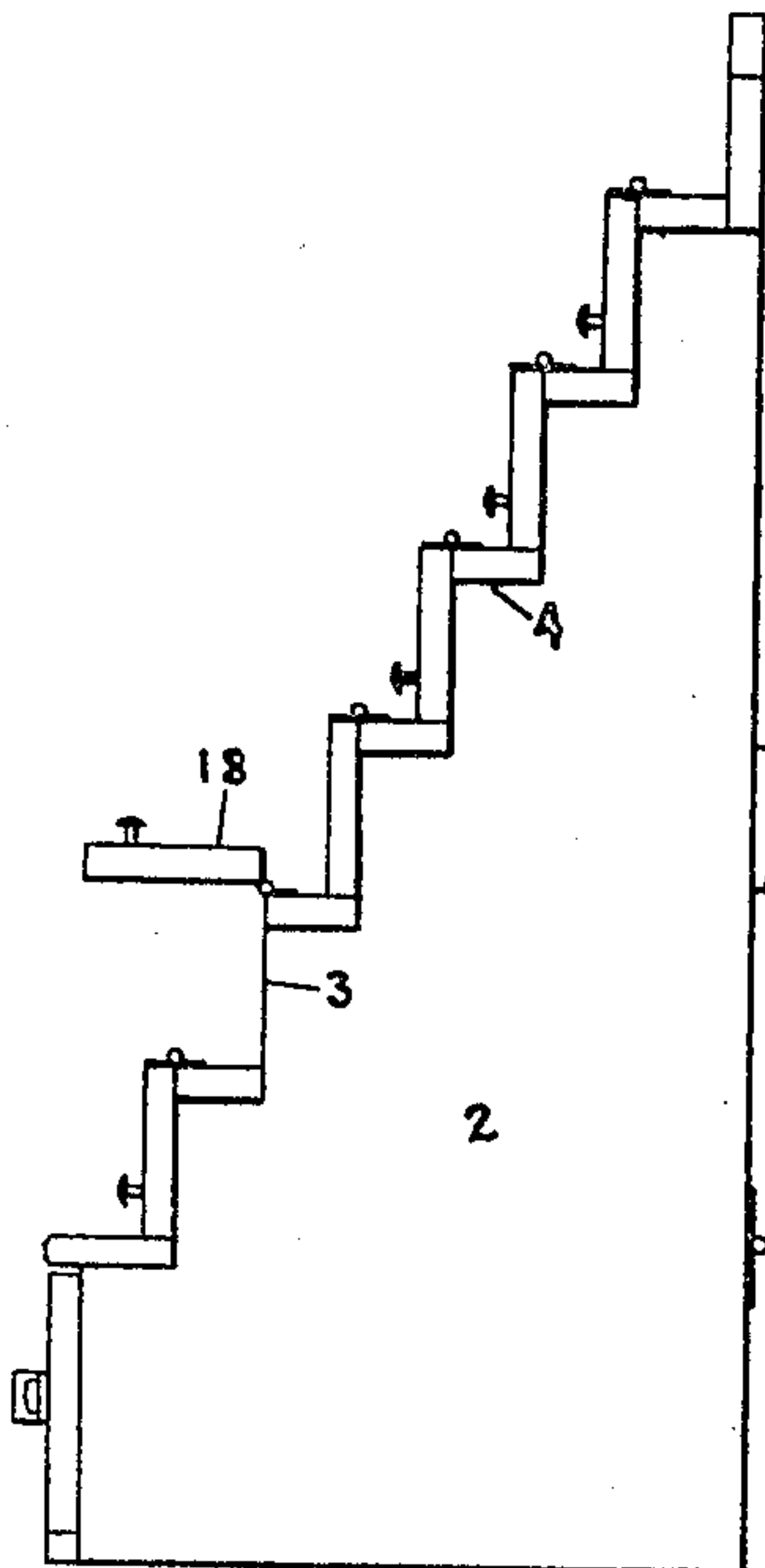


Fig. 2.

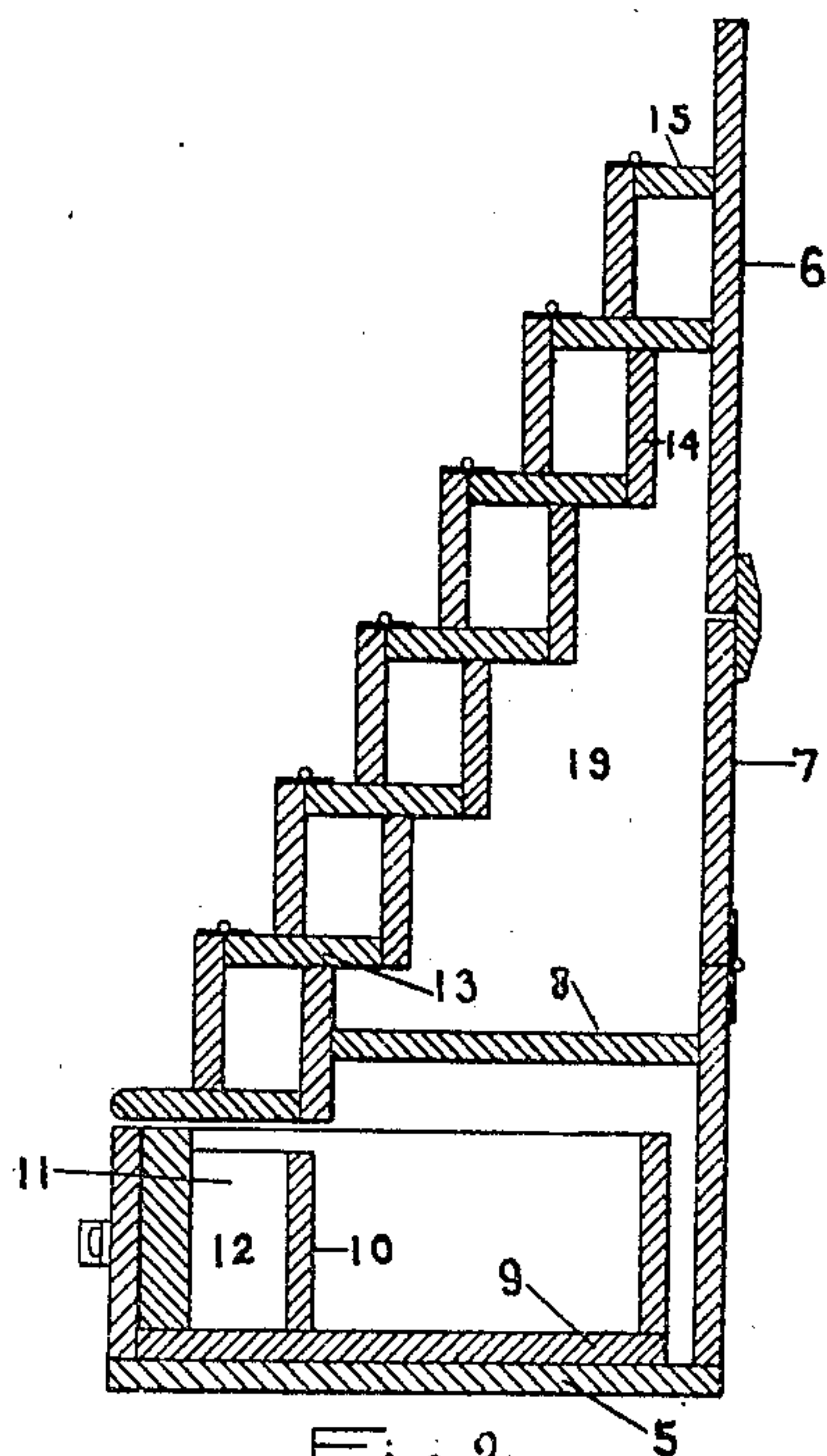


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## SEED-STAND.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ROBERT NICHOLSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Dallas, in the county of Dallas and State of Texas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Seed-Stands, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to new and useful improvements in seed stands.

The object of the invention is to provide a stepped stand having a compartment drawer in its base and provided at each step with a plurality of vertical compartments extending transversely of the stand; also a transverse hinged closure for the compartments at each step.

Another feature lies in the hinging of the closures whereby they may be swung upward to expose the compartments and caused to remain in this position permitting free access to the compartments normally closed thereby.

Finally the object of the invention is to provide a device of the character described that will be strong, durable, efficient and simple and comparatively inexpensive to construct, also one in which the several parts will not be likely to get out of working order.

With the above and other objects in view, the invention has relation to certain novel features of construction and operation, an example of which is described in the specification and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein:

Figure 1 is a front elevation, showing one of the closures opened upward and the front of the drawer broken away to show the compartments therein, Fig. 2 is side elevation, one of the closures being swung upward, and Fig. 3 is a vertical sectional view of the parts shown in Fig. 2.

In the drawings, the numeral 1, designates the stand formed of sides 2 having their front ends stepped to provide vertical front edges 3 and horizontal edges 4. The sides rest on a base board 5, which also supports a rear wall 6 having a downwardly swinging door 7 mounted therein, below which a bottom board 8 extends forward and slightly overhangs the base board. A space is thus provided between the boards in which a drawer 9 is mounted to slide outward.

Within the drawer and a short distance from the front wall thereof a vertical division board 10 extends laterally of the drawer

providing a large receptacle in rear of the board, while in front of the board, short pieces 11 extend forward to the front wall of the drawer, forming a plurality of compartments 12 in which packages or seeds in bulk may be stored.

On the horizontal edges 4 of the sides, shelves or horizontal boards 13 extend laterally across the stand, while beneath these shelves back boards 14 extend between the sides 2, being set in a short distance from the front stepped vertical edges 3 and the lowermost board 14 resting on the bottom board 8. It will be noted that the shelves overhang the back boards on each side, extending forward and terminating flush with vertical edges 3 on one side and extending rearward and engaging with the under edge of the next highest back board on the other sides, except in the case of the top shelf 15 which extends from the front edge 3 to the rear wall 6 of the stand.

Beneath the shelves vertical partitions 16 having the front edges flush with the front edges of the next highest shelf, extend inward to the back boards 14, thereby forming a plurality of compartments or pockets 17 at each step of the stand in which seeds in packages may be stored. The row of compartments at each step are covered or closed by elongated doors or closures 18, hinged to the front edges of the shelves so as to hang against the front edges 3 of the sides 2 with their lower edges in close proximity to the next lowest shelf.

I wish to call attention to the fact that the doors 18 are so hinged that upon being swung upward to open and expose the compartments, they will assume a vertical position in which position the door will remain until swung downward; thus making it unnecessary to hold the door open while access is being had to the compartments. By this particular arrangement the shelf in front of each row of compartments provides a table or support onto which the contents of any of the compartments may be moved; thereby facilitating the selection and removal of any desired package or packages. Further the large compartments 19 beneath and in rear of the rows of compartments 17, access to which may be had by way of the door 7, together with that part of the drawer 9 in rear of the division board 10, provides considerable storing space.



What I claim, is:

In a seed stand, stepped sides, vertical  
back boards supported on the sides, shelves  
between the back boards, partitions extend-  
5 ing forward above and below the shelves  
forming compartments at each step, and  
doors hinged to the shelves so as to be swung  
up and on to the shelves.

In testimony whereof I have signed my  
name to this specification in the presence of 10  
two subscribing witnesses.

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