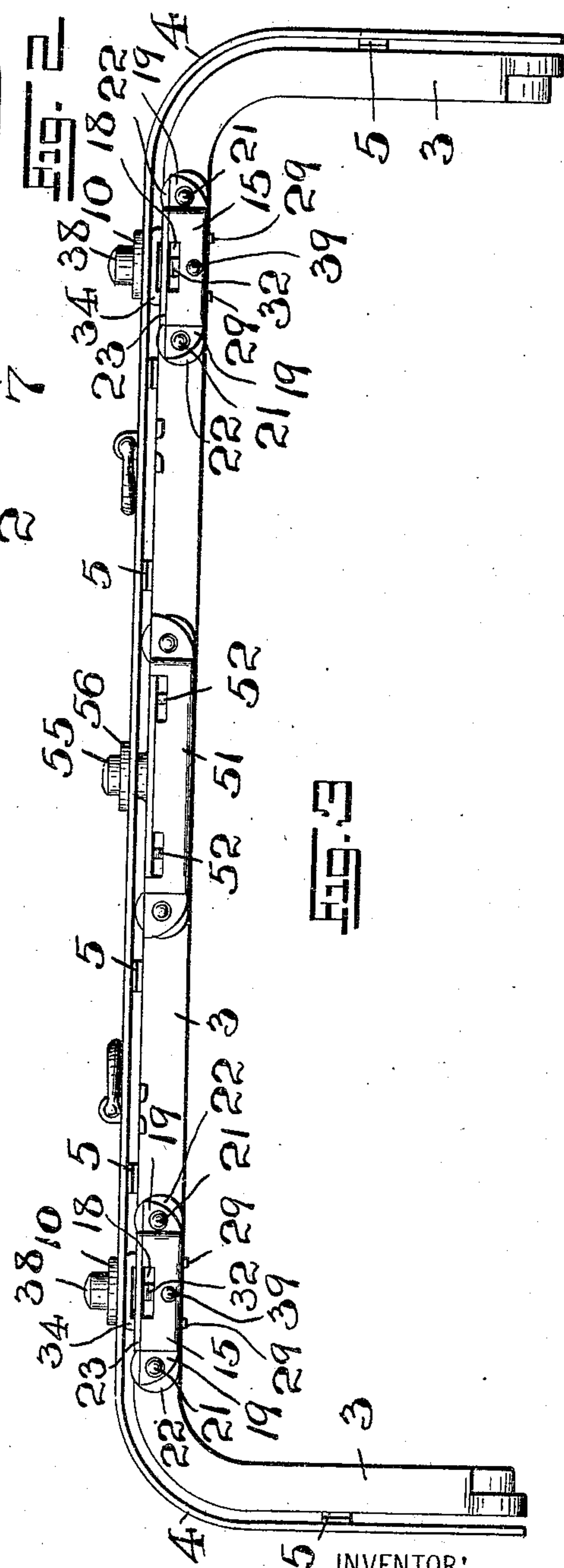
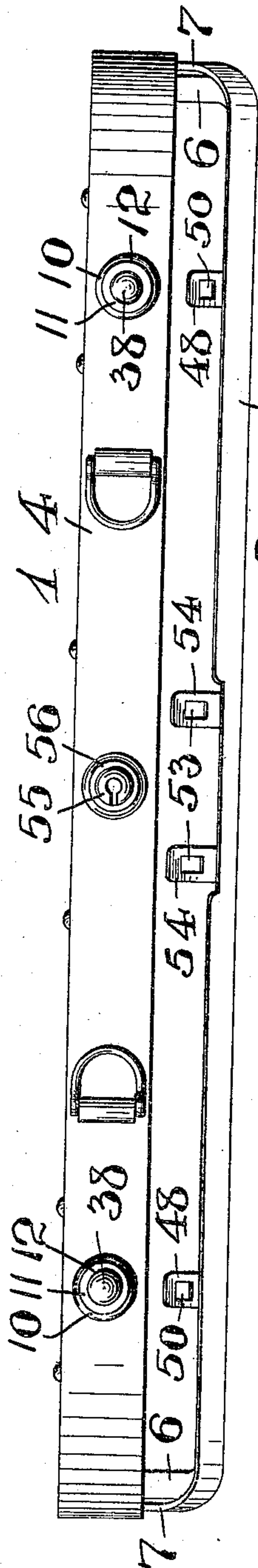
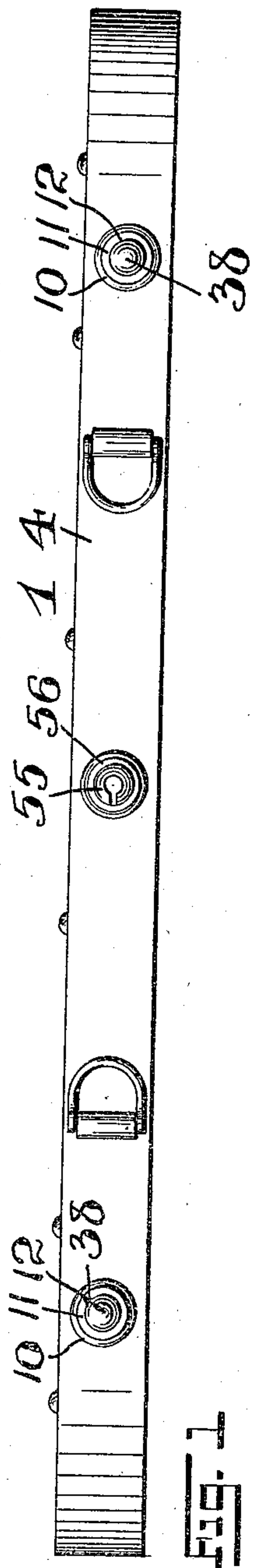


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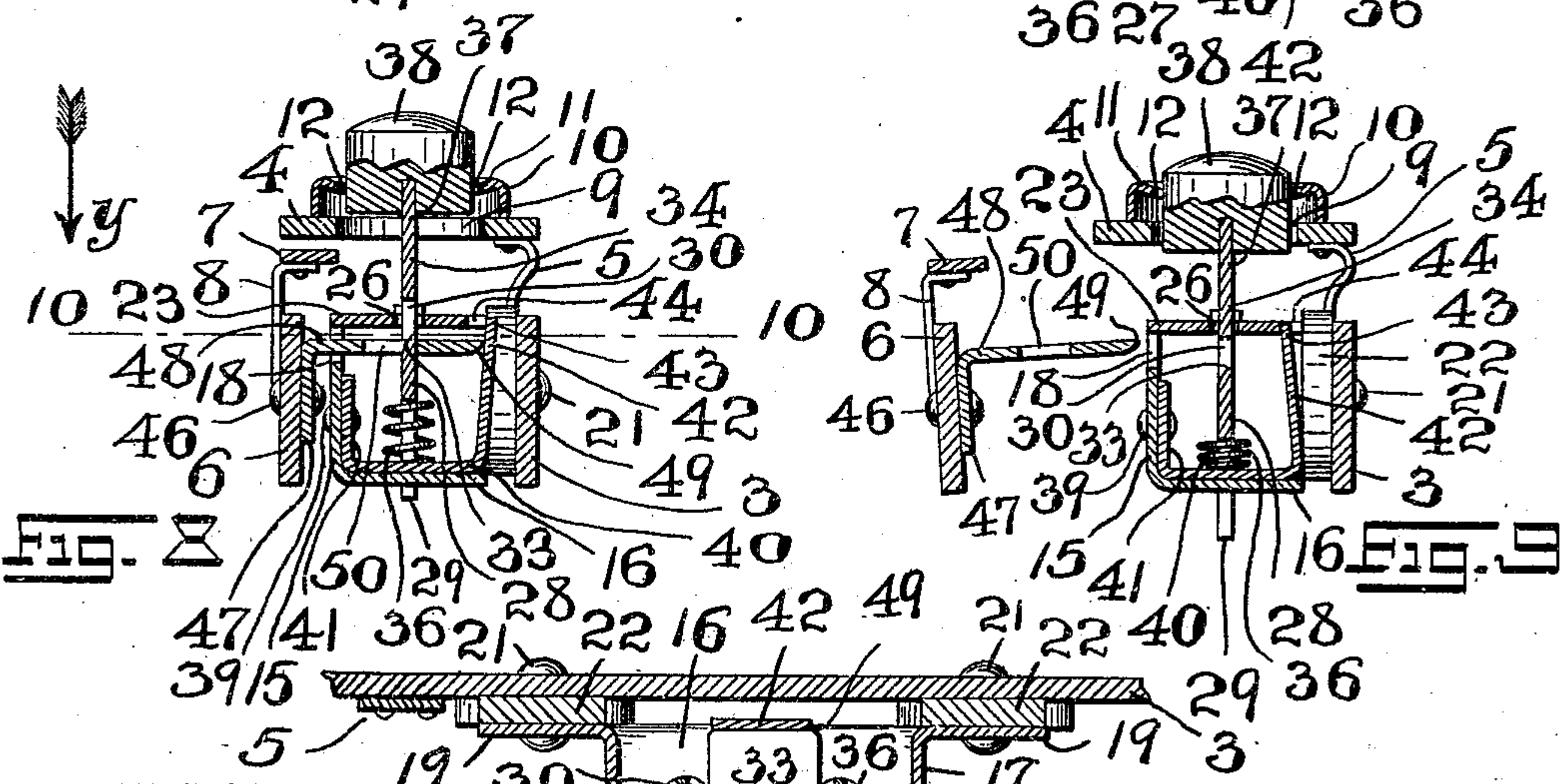
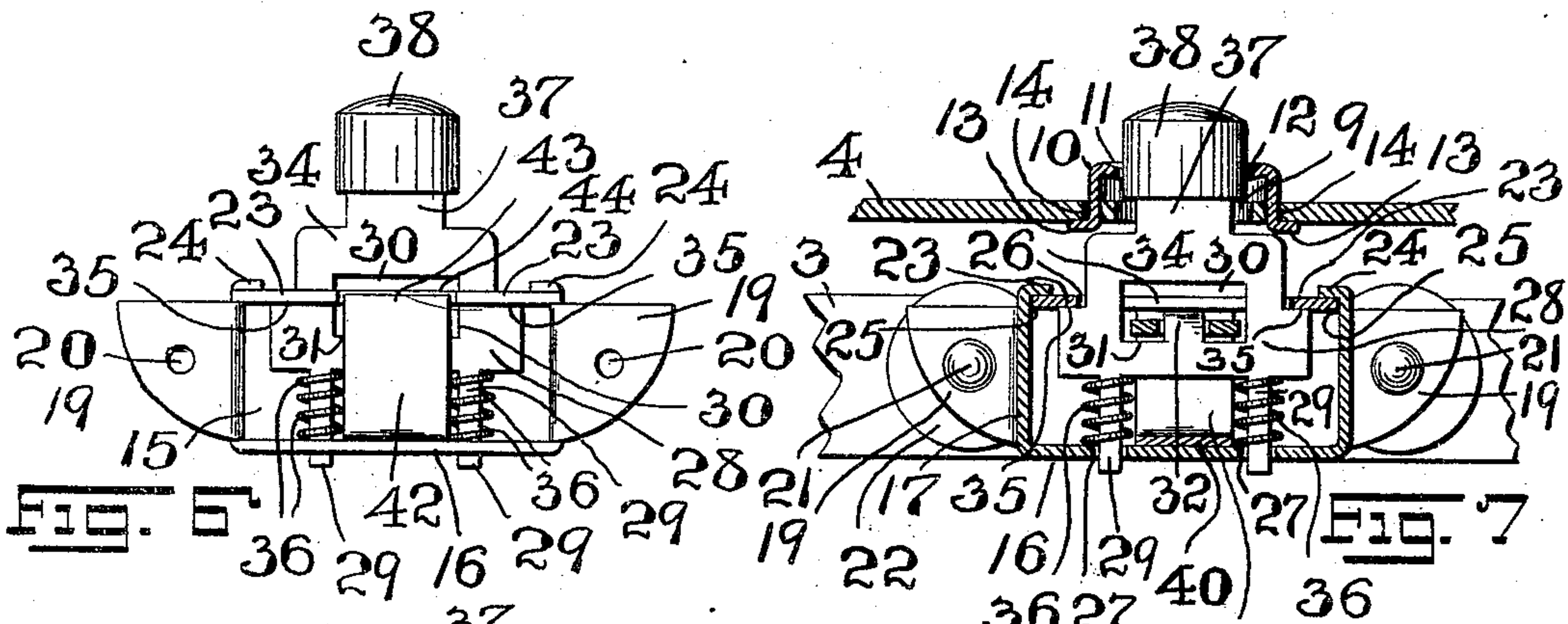
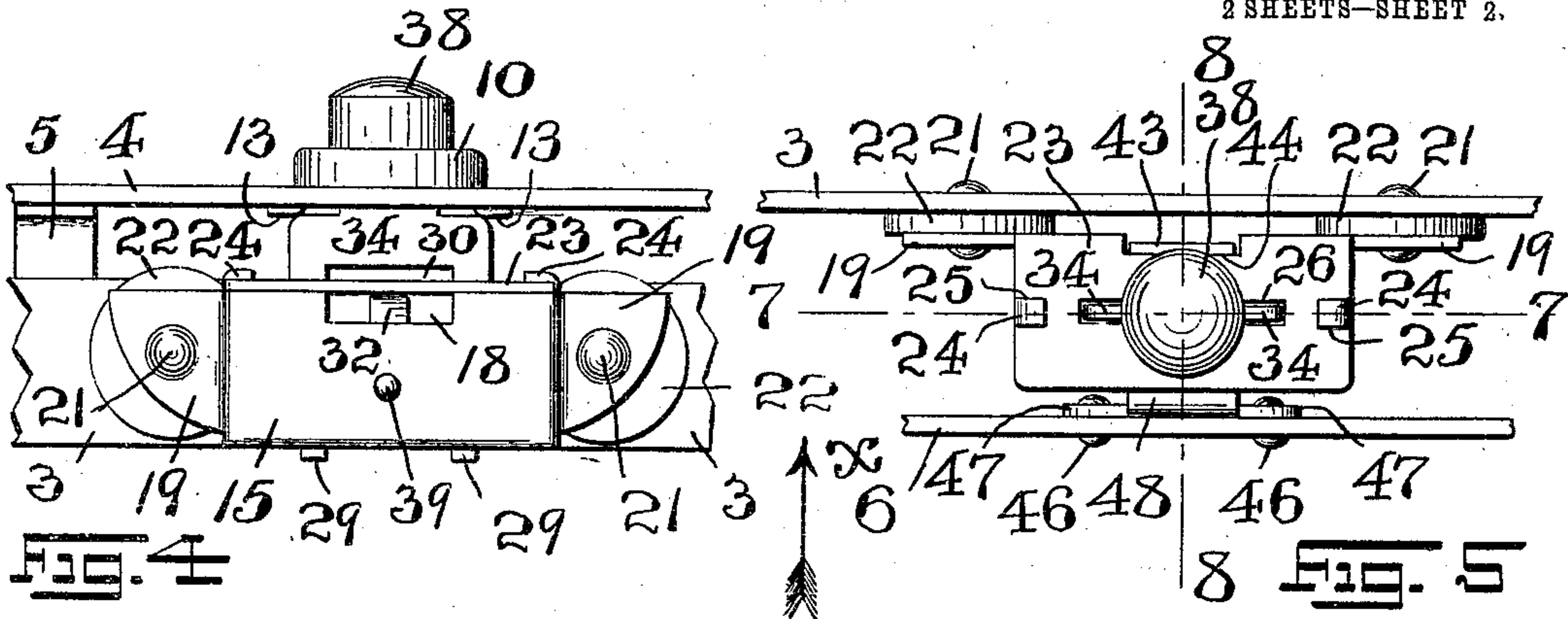
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH S. ISIDOR, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bag-Frame Fasteners; 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, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to characters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates, generally, to improvements in catches for hinged or pivotally connected bag-frame sections or members; and, the present invention relates, more particularly, to a novel construction of holding or retaining catch for locking the sections or members of the bag-frame in their closed relation, the present form of holding catch being in the nature of an improvement upon that form of holding catch described in the specification, and illustrated in the drawings which form part of my former application for Letters-Patent, filed Feb. 15, 1909, Serial No. 477,946.

The present invention has for its principal object to provide a neat and simply constructed holding catch, adapted to be readily arranged and secured upon the inside of a bag-frame section, and the said catch having an actuating post connected with a novel form of holding or engaging means, the said post extending through a perforation or guide in said frame-section to a point upon the outside thereof, where it can be manipulated so as to release the said holding mechanism of the catch from its engagement with a latch-plate or holding catch mounted upon and secured to the inner side of the other section of the bag-frame.

This invention has for its further purpose to provide a novel catch of the general construction hereinafter more fully set forth, which like the catch set forth in my former application for a patent, Serial Number 477,946, has a spring-controlled holding-mechanism and a releasing post, said holding-mechanism being adapted to be depressed and automatically retained in its depressed relation by the action of a separately located and independently manipulated lock, so as to hold the two frame-

sections in a partially released relation, until by the manipulation of the lock, preferably by means of a key, the two frame-sections can be separated for opening the bag-frame; and, furthermore, to provide a holding or retaining catch, the parts of which will automatically return to their normal initial positions for springing or forcing the latch or catch-plate upon the other frame-section into its holding or retaining engagement with the holding mechanism of the catch upon the other frame-section, when the two frame-sections are again brought into their closed relation.

Other objects of this invention not at this time more particularly enumerated will be clearly understood from the following description of my present invention.

With the various objects of this invention in view, the said invention consists, primarily, in the novel holding or retaining catch for bag-frames hereinafter set forth; and, the invention consists, furthermore, in the novel arrangements and combinations of the various devices and parts, as well as in the details of the construction of the same, all of which will be more fully described in the following specification and then finally embodied in the clauses of the claim which are appended to and which form an essential part of this specification.

The invention is clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a top-edge view of a bag-frame, with the frame-sections in their closed relation, and provided with a pair of holding or retaining catches made according to and embodying the principles of the present invention. Fig. 2 is a similar view of the two frame-sections, showing them in their opened or separated relation; and Fig. 3 is a side view of the inner face of one of the bag-frame sections, and a front view of a lock and the holding catches mounted upon and secured to the inner face of the frame-section. Fig. 4 is a front view, on an enlarged scale, of one of the holding or retaining catches embodying the features of the present invention, showing in connection therewith a portion of the one frame-section with which the catch is used; and Fig. 5 is a top or plan view of the holding or retaining catch, showing the side-member of the one frame-section to which the catch is secured, and said view showing also a top-edge view of the other frame-

tion and the latch-plate secured thereto. Fig. 6 is a rear face view of the holding or retaining catch detached from the frame-section; and Fig. 7 is a longitudinal vertical section, taken on line 7—7 in said Fig. 5, looking in the direction of the arrow *x*. Fig. 8 is a transverse vertical section, taken on line 8—8 in Fig. 5, when the two frame sections are in their closed relation, showing the latch or catch-plate in its holding or locked engagement with the holding or retaining-mechanism of the catch; and Fig. 9 is a similar sectional representation of the devices and parts represented in said Fig. 8, but showing the same in their separated or disengaged relation. Fig. 10 is a horizontal section taken on line 10—10 in said Fig. 8, looking in the direction of the arrow *y*.

Similar characters of reference are employed in all of the above described views, to indicate corresponding parts.

Referring now to the said drawings, the reference-characters 1 and 2 indicate the two main frame-sections of any suitable bag-frame, in this instance, the frame-section 1 comprising a pair of section-members 3 and 4 which are suitably connected by plates 5, and the frame-section 2 comprising a pair of section-members 6 and 7 which are suitably connected by plates 8, as will be clearly evident from an inspection of the several figures of the drawings. The said section-member 4 is provided with suitably disposed holes or openings 9, and suitably secured over each opening 9, upon the outer face of said member 4, is an ornamental shell or cap 10 which has its upper face 11 preferably depressed or made concave, as shown, and is provided with a hole or opening 12 corresponding to the opening 9 in the section-member 4. The said shell or cap 10 is secured by means of any suitable fastening means or devices upon the outer face of said section-member 4, preferably by means of lugs or tongues 13 which are passed through holes or openings 14 in the section-member 4 and are bent over against the back of said member 4, substantially as illustrated in Fig. 7 of the drawings. As shown in Figs. 1, 2 and 3 of the drawings, the frame-section 1 is usually provided with a pair of such shells or caps, and with a pair of holding or retaining catches, correspondingly located beneath said shells or caps and secured upon the inner face of the section-member 3 of the frame-section 1, in the manner to be presently more fully described.

Each holding or retaining catch consists, essentially, of a main box or shell comprising a front-plate 15, a base-plate 16, and end-plates 17, said box or shell being open at the back or rear and at the top. The said front-plate 15 is provided with a suitably shaped latch-plate-receiving opening, as 18, which is located preferably at the upper edge of said

front plate, and extending at right angles, or approximately so, from the rear edges of said end plates 17 are fastening lugs or ears 19, each lug or ear 19 being formed with a hole or perforation 20 for the reception of pins, screws or rivets 21 for securing the box or shell upon the inner face of the section-member 3 of the frame-section 1, a suitable washer or ring, as 22, being usually arranged upon each screw or rivet, as clearly shown in the several figures of the drawings. Suitably arranged upon the upper edges of the end-plates 17, so as to close the upper open portion of the main box or shell, is a top-plate 23 which is suitably secured to the said box or shell, and preferably by means of ears or lugs 24 which extend upwardly from the upper marginal edges of the said end-plates 17 through suitable openings or slots, as 25, in the said top-plate 23, and are suitably bent over upon the said top-plate, as clearly illustrated in the drawings. The said top-plate is also provided with a suitable slot or elongated hole or opening 26, located beneath the previously mentioned holes or openings 9 and 12, as will be clearly understood from an inspection of Figs. 7, 8 and 9 of the drawings. As shown more particularly in Fig. 7 of the drawings, the said base-plate 16 is made with suitably disposed holes or openings 27 into which extend and are slidably arranged therein, suitable posts or fingers 29 which project downwardly from the lower marginal edge of a reciprocating plate 28. This plate is provided with a suitably formed opening 30, and extending upwardly from the marginal edge 31 which forms part of the boundary of said opening 30 is a retaining or holding lug or projection 32 having an upper chamfered edge-portion, as 33. The said plate is preferably made flat, substantially as illustrated in the several figures of the drawings, being formed with an extension 34 which is movably arranged in the slot or elongated opening 26 of the top-plate 23 and projects for a suitable distance above said top-plate. The said extension 34 with the main portion of the plate 28 provides a pair of off-sets 35 which form suitable stops. The stops, under normal conditions, engage with the inner or under surface of the said top-plate 23, so as to limit the upward movement of the plate 28, such engagement being the result of an arrangement of suitably coiled springs 36, which encircle the previously mentioned posts or fingers 29, between the lower marginal edge of the said plate 28 and the inner or upper surface of the previously mentioned base-plate 16, as clearly indicated in Figs. 6, 7, 8 and 9 of the drawings. Extending from the upper marginal edge of the said extension 34 is a member or element 37 with which is suitably connected an enlargement or knob, as 38, made in the form of a finger or push-piece. A portion of the said

member or element 37 extends into the opening 9 in the frame-section 4, while the said enlargement or knob 38 extends into and through the opening 12 in the shell or cap 10.

5 The said enlargement or knob extends above the upper face 11 of the shell or cap 10, thereby providing a suitable fingerpiece for permitting the operator to push the enlargement or knob, and the parts connected there-
10 with in a downward direction against the opposing action of the springs 36.

Suitably secured to the inner face of the front-plate 15, by means of a rivet 39, or by being fastened thereto in any other well-
15 known manner, is an upwardly projecting member 41 of a spring-plate 40, said plate being located upon the inner surface of the base-plate 16, and having a movable spring-member 42 which extends in an upward di-
20 rection across the open back of the main box or shell, said spring-member 42 having its upper free edge-portion 43 movably disposed in a recessed or cut-away part 44 in said top-plate 23, and the normal tendency of the
25 said edge-portion 43 being to move in a direction toward the edge-portion of said recessed or cut-away part 44; and, when the frame-sections have been brought into their opened relation, to rest against said edge-
30 portion, in the manner illustrated in Fig. 9 of the drawings.

Suitably secured upon the inner face of the section-member 6, by means of pins, screws or rivets 46, is a suitably formed plate
35 47 which is made with a forwardly extending arm or projection 48 formed with a chamfered edge 49 and a receiving-opening or hole 50, said arm 48 forming a suitable latch-plate which is adapted to be passed upon
40 and over the beveled surface 33 of the holding or retaining lug or projection 32, to be brought into holding or retaining engagement with the said lug or projection, when the said latch-plate enters the hole or open-
45 ing 18, during the closing action of the two pivotally connected or hinged frame-sections of the bag-frame, as clearly shown in Figs. 8 and 10.

Referring now to Figs. 1, 2 and 3 of the
50 drawings, it will be seen, that I have suitably mounted upon and secured to the inner face of the section-member 3 of the frame-section 1 a lock-casing 51, with the holding or retaining lugs 52 of which can be brought
55 in locked engagement, the perforations or openings 54 of a pair of latch-plates 53 which are suitably secured to and extend from the inner face of the section-member 6 of the frame-section 2. The said lock 51 is pro-
60 vided with a key-receiving pressure-post 55 which extends through a suitable opening in the section-member 4 of the frame-section 1 and through a suitable opening formed in the depressed or concave portion of a suit-
65 able shell or cap 56, of a similar construction

as the shells or caps 10, and the post 55 being adapted to be depressed and operating in the same manner as the knobs or fingerpieces of the locking or retaining catches, previously described.

70 Having thus described the general construction, and the arrangements of the several parts, and especially of the holding or retaining catches, I will now set forth the manner of operating the parts to open or
75 close the bag-frame-sections.

Suppose the two frame-sections 1 and 2 having been closed and that the several latch-plates upon the frame-section 2 have been brought in their locked or retaining en-
80 gagement with the respective holding or retaining catches and with the lock 51, the latch-plates 48 having been forced over the holding or retaining lugs or projections 32, as clearly illustrated in said Figs. 8 and 10 of
85 the drawings. To separate the bag frame-sections 1 and 2, all that is necessary is to depress the knobs or fingerpieces of the two holding or retaining catches, so as to move the plates 28 and their parts in downward di-
90 rections against the action of the springs 36 and thereby withdrawing the holding or retaining lugs or projections 32 from the openings 50 of the respective latch-plates 48, as will be clearly evident. At the same time,
95 the edge-portion 43 of the spring-member 42 bears against the edge of the latch-plate 48 and causes it to move from the position indicated in Fig. 8 of the drawings, in which posi-
100 tions the parts are held owing to the holding or retaining engagement of the holding or retaining catches 52 of the lock 51 with the latch-plates 53, so that the parts of the
105 holding or retaining catches are only partially unlocked or disengaged, as long as the lock is not operated, and thus the frame-sections cannot be separated. At the same time, the knobs or fingerpieces of the holding or retaining catches will be retained in their
110 downwardly depressed positions. As soon as the mechanism of the lock 51 is unlocked by means of a suitable key and the pressure-post 55 is depressed, the two frame-sections 1 and 2 become fully separated or opened,
115 and the latch-plates 48 are removed entirely from engaging relations with the holding or retaining lugs or posts 32 of the plates 28, as will be clearly evident. At the same time, the depressed coils of the springs 36 will again
120 return the parts of the holding or retaining catches to their normal initial positions ready for being again engaged by the latch-plates 49, as soon as the frame-sections 1 and 2 are again closed by the operator, as clearly
125 shown in Fig. 9 of the drawings.

From the foregoing description of my present invention, it will be clearly seen that I have provided a simply constructed and efficiently operating holding or retaining
130 catch for bag-frame-sections which is easily

manipulated and in which the parts have been reduced to a minimum so that they cannot easily get out of order.

I am fully aware that changes may be made in the arrangements and combinations of the various devices and parts, as well as in the details of the construction of the same, without departing from the scope of my present invention as described in the foregoing specification and as set forth in the appended claims. Hence, I do not limit my invention to the exact arrangements and combinations of the devices and parts as described in the said specification, nor do I confine myself to the exact details of the construction of the said parts as illustrated in the accompanying drawings.

I claim:

1. A holding or retaining catch for bag-frames comprising a main shell provided with means for securing the same to a frame-section, said shell having an open part and a top-plate provided with an elongated opening, a spring-supported latch-retaining plate movable vertically in said shell and said opening in the top-plate, said retaining plate being formed with an opening, a latch-engaging lug connected with said plate and said lug extending in an upward direction in said opening, a spring-plate in said shell, said spring-plate having a portion arranged in the open part of said shell and having a movement normally toward said retaining plate, and means connected with said retaining plate for depressing the same.

2. A holding or retaining catch for bag-frames comprising a main shell provided with means for securing the same to a frame-section, said shell having an open part and a top-plate provided with an elongated opening, a spring-supported latch-retaining plate movable vertically in said shell and said opening in the top-plate, said retaining plate being formed with an opening, a latch-engaging lug connected with said plate and said lug extending in an upward direction in said opening, a spring-plate in said shell, said spring-plate having a portion arranged in the open part of said shell and having a movement normally toward said retaining plate, an extension extending upwardly from said retaining plate forming with said plate offsets adapted to be brought in engagement with portions of said shell to arrest the upward movement of said retaining-plate, and a fingerpiece connected with said extension.

3. A holding or retaining catch for bag-frames comprising a main shell provided with means for securing the same to a frame-section, said shell having an open part and a top-plate provided with an elongated opening, a spring-supported latch-retaining plate movable vertically in said shell and said opening in the top-plate, said retaining plate being formed with an opening, a latch-en-

gaging lug connected with said plate and said lug extending in an upward direction in said opening, a spring-plate in said shell, said spring-plate having a portion arranged in the open part of said shell and having a movement normally toward said retaining plate, and means connected with said retaining plate for depressing the same, combined with a bag-frame section formed with an opening, and a shell secured over the opening in said frame-section, said shell having a perforated and concave face through which the said retaining plate depressing means extends.

4. A holding or retaining catch for bag-frames comprising a main shell provided with means for securing the same to a frame-section, said shell having an open part and a top-plate provided with an elongated opening, a spring-supported latch retaining plate movable vertically in said shell and said opening in the top-plate, said retaining plate being formed with an opening, a latch-engaging lug connected with said plate and said lug extending in an upward direction in said opening, a spring-plate in said shell, said spring-plate having a portion arranged in the open part of said shell and having a movement normally toward said retaining plate, an extension extending upwardly from said retaining plate forming with said plate offsets adapted to be brought in engagement with portions of said shell to arrest the upward movement of said retaining-plate, and a fingerpiece connected with said extension, combined with a bag-frame section formed with an opening, and a shell secured over the opening in said frame-section, said shell having a perforated and concave face through which the said fingerpiece extends.

5. A holding or retaining catch for bag-frames comprising a main shell provided with means for securing the same to a frame-section, said shell having an open part and a top-plate provided with an elongated opening and a marginal recessed or cut-away portion, a spring-supported latch-retaining plate movable vertically in said shell and said opening in the top-plate, said retaining plate being formed with an opening, a latch-engaging lug connected with said plate and said lug extending in an upward direction in said opening, a spring-plate in said shell, said spring-plate having an upwardly projecting spring-member arranged in the open part of said shell and having a movement normally toward said retaining plate with its upper edge-portion movably arranged in the marginal recessed or cut-away portion of the said retaining plate, and means connected with said retaining plate for depressing the same.

6. A holding or retaining catch for bag-frames comprising a main shell provided with means for securing the same to a frame-

section, said shell having an open part and a top-plate provided with an elongated opening and a marginal recessed or cut-away portion, a spring-supported latch-retaining plate movable vertically in said shell and said opening in the top-plate, said retaining plate being formed with an opening, a latch-engaging lug connected with said plate and said lug extending in an upward direction in said opening, a spring-plate in said shell, said spring-plate having an upwardly projecting spring-member arranged in the open part of said shell and having a movement normally toward said retaining plate with its upper edge-portion movably arranged in the marginal recessed or cutaway portion of the said retaining plate, an extension extending upwardly from said retaining plate forming with said plate off-sets adapted to be brought in engagement with portions of said shell to arrest the upward movement of said retaining-plate, and a fingerpiece connected with said extension.

7. A holding or retaining catch for bag-frames comprising a main shell provided with means for securing the same to a frame-section, said shell having an open part and a top-plate provided with an elongated opening and a marginal recessed or cut-away portion, a spring-supported latch-retaining plate movable vertically in said shell and said opening in the top-plate, said retaining plate being formed with an opening, a latch-engaging lug connected with said plate and said lug extending in an upward direction in said opening, a spring-plate in said shell, said spring-plate having an upwardly projecting spring-member arranged in the open part of said shell and having a movement normally toward said retaining plate with its upper edge-portion movably arranged in the marginal recessed or cut-away portion of the said retaining plate, and means connected with said retaining plate for depressing the same, combined with a bag-frame section formed with an opening, and a shell secured over the opening in said frame-section, said shell having a perforated and concave face through which the said retaining plate depressing means extends.

8. A holding or retaining catch for bag-frames comprising a main shell provided with means for securing the same to a frame-section, said shell having an open part and a top-plate provided with an elongated opening and a marginal recessed or cut-away portion, a spring-supported latch-retaining plate movable vertically in said shell and said opening in the top-plate, said retaining plate being formed with an opening, a latch-engaging lug connected with said plate and said lug extending in an upward direction in said opening, a spring-plate in said shell, said spring-plate having an upwardly projecting spring-member arranged in the open part of

said shell and having a movement normally toward said retaining plate with its upper edge-portion movably arranged in the marginal recessed or cut-away portion of the said retaining plate, and means connected with said retaining plate for depressing the same, an extension extending upwardly from said retaining plate forming with said plate off-sets adapted to be brought in engagement with portions of said shell to arrest the upward movement of said retaining-plate, and a fingerpiece connected with said extension, combined with a bag-frame section formed with an opening, and a shell secured over the opening in said frame-section, said shell having a perforated and concave face through which the said fingerpiece extends.

9. In a holding or retaining catch for bag-frames comprising a main shell provided with means for securing the same to a frame-section, said shell having an open part, a base-plate provided with perforations, and a top-plate provided with an elongated opening, a latch-retaining-plate movable vertically in said shell and said opening in the top-plate, posts projecting from the lower edge of said retaining plate, said posts extending into and being movably arranged in the perforations of said base-plate, a coiled spring encircling each post, said retaining plate being formed with an opening, a latch-engaging lug connected with said plate and said lug extending in an upward direction in said opening, a spring-plate in said shell, said spring-plate having a portion arranged in the open part of said shell and having a movement normally toward said retaining plate, and means connected with said retaining plate for depressing the same.

10. In a holding or retaining catch for bag-frames comprising a main shell provided with means for securing the same to a frame-section, said shell having an open part, a base-plate provided with perforations, and a top-plate provided with an elongated opening, a latch-retaining-plate movable vertically in said shell and said opening in the top-plate, posts projecting from the lower edge of said retaining plate, said posts extending into and being movably arranged in the perforations of said base-plate, a coiled spring encircling each post, said retaining plate being formed with an opening, a latch-engaging lug connected with said plate and said lug extending in an upward direction in said opening, a spring-plate in said shell, said spring-plate having a portion arranged in the open part of said shell and having a movement normally toward said retaining plate, an extension extending upwardly from said retaining plate forming with said plate off-sets adapted to be brought in engagement with portions of said shell to arrest the upward movement of said retaining-plate, and a fingerpiece connected with said extension.

11. In a holding or retaining catch for bag-frames comprising a main shell provided with means for securing the same to a frame-section, said shell having an open part, a
 5 base-plate provided with perforations, and a top-plate provided with an elongated opening, a latch-retaining-plate movable vertically in said shell and said opening in the
 10 top-plate, posts projecting from the lower edge of said retaining plate, said posts extending into and being movably arranged in the perforations of said base-plate, a coiled spring encircling each post, said retaining
 15 plate being formed with an opening, a latch-engaging lug connected with said plate and said lug extending in an upward direction in said opening, a spring-plate in said shell, said spring-plate having a portion arranged in the
 20 open part of said shell and having a movement normally toward said retaining plate, and means connected with said retaining plate for depressing the same, combined with a bag-frame section formed with an opening, and a shell secured over the opening in said
 25 frame-section, said shell having a perforated and concave face through which the said retaining plate depressing means extends.

12. In a holding or retaining catch for bag-frames comprising a main shell provided with
 30 means for securing the same to a frame-section, said shell having an open part, a base-plate provided with perforations, and a top-plate provided with an elongated opening, a latch-retaining-plate movable vertically in
 35 said shell and said opening in the top-plate, posts projecting from the lower edge of said retaining plate, said posts extending into and being movably arranged in the perforations of said base-plate, a coiled spring encircling
 40 each post, said retaining plate being formed with an opening, a latch-engaging lug connected with said plate and said lug extending in an upward direction in said opening, a spring-plate in said shell, said spring-plate
 45 having a portion arranged in the open part of said shell and having a movement normally toward said retaining plate, and means connected with said retaining plate for depressing the same, an extension extending up-
 50 wardly from said retaining plate forming with said plate off-sets adapted to be brought in engagement with portions of said shell to arrest the upward movement of said retaining-plate, and a fingerpiece connected with
 55 said extension, combined with a bag-frame section formed with an opening, and a shell secured over the opening in said frame-section, said shell having a perforated and concave face through which the said fingerpiece
 60 extends.

13. In a holding or retaining catch for bag-frames comprising a main shell provided with means for securing the same to a frame-section, said shell having an open part, a
 65 base-plate provided with perforations, and a

top-plate provided with an elongated opening and a marginal recessed or cut-away portion, a latch-retaining plate movable vertically in said shell and said opening in the
 top-plate, posts projecting from the lower 70
 edge of said retaining plate, a coiled spring encircling each post, said retaining plate being formed with an opening, a latch-engaging lug connected with said plate and said lug
 extending in an upward direction in said 75
 opening, a spring-plate in said shell, said spring-plate having an upwardly projecting spring-member arranged in the open part of said shell and having a movement normally
 toward said retaining plate with its upper 80
 edge-portion movably arranged in the marginal recessed or cut-away portion of the said retaining plate, and means connected with said retaining plate for depressing the same.

14. In a holding or retaining catch for bag- 85
 frames comprising a main shell provided with means for securing the same to a frame-section, said shell having an open part, a base-plate provided with perforations, and a
 top-plate provided with an elongated opening 90
 and a marginal recessed or cut-away portion, a latch-retaining plate movable vertically in said shell and said opening in the top-plate, posts projecting from the lower edge of said
 retaining plate, a coiled spring encircling 95
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 cessed or cut-away portion of the said retaining plate, an extension extending upwardly from said retaining plate forming with said plate off-sets adapted to be brought in en-
 gagement with portions of said shell to arrest 110
 the upward movement of said retaining-plate, and a fingerpiece connected with said extension.

15. In a holding or retaining catch for bag-frames comprising a main shell provided 115
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 spring-plate having an upwardly projecting 130

