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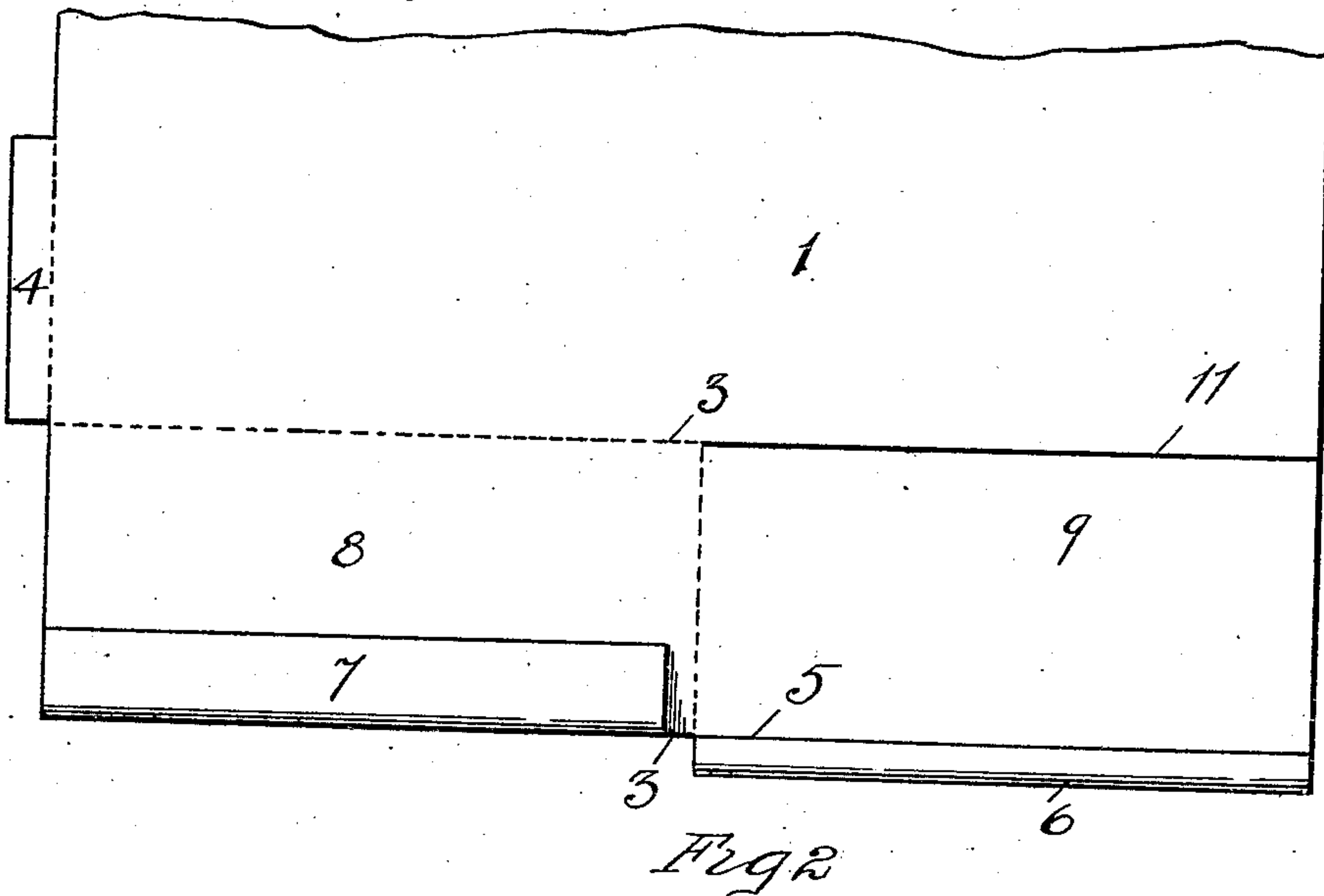
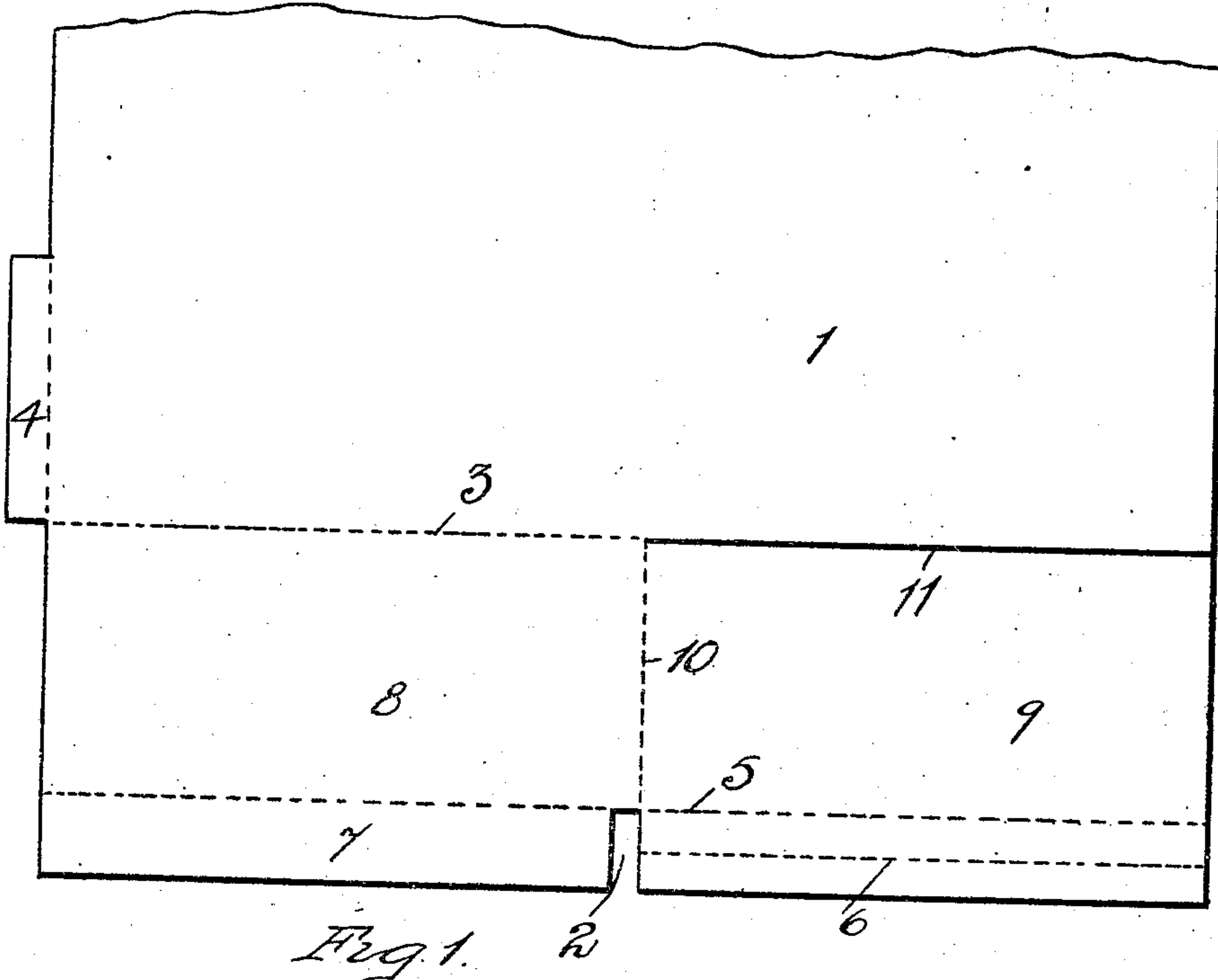
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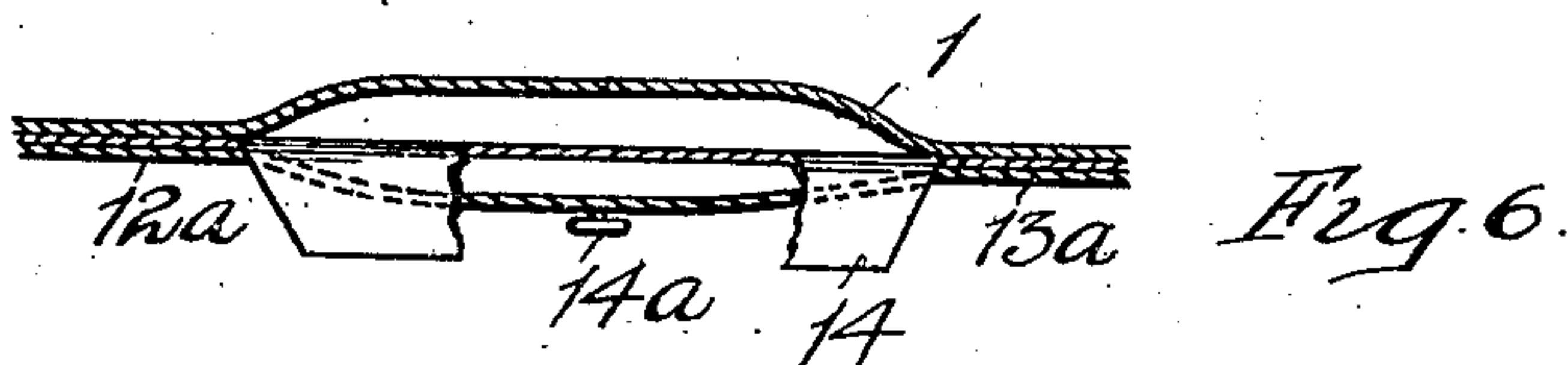
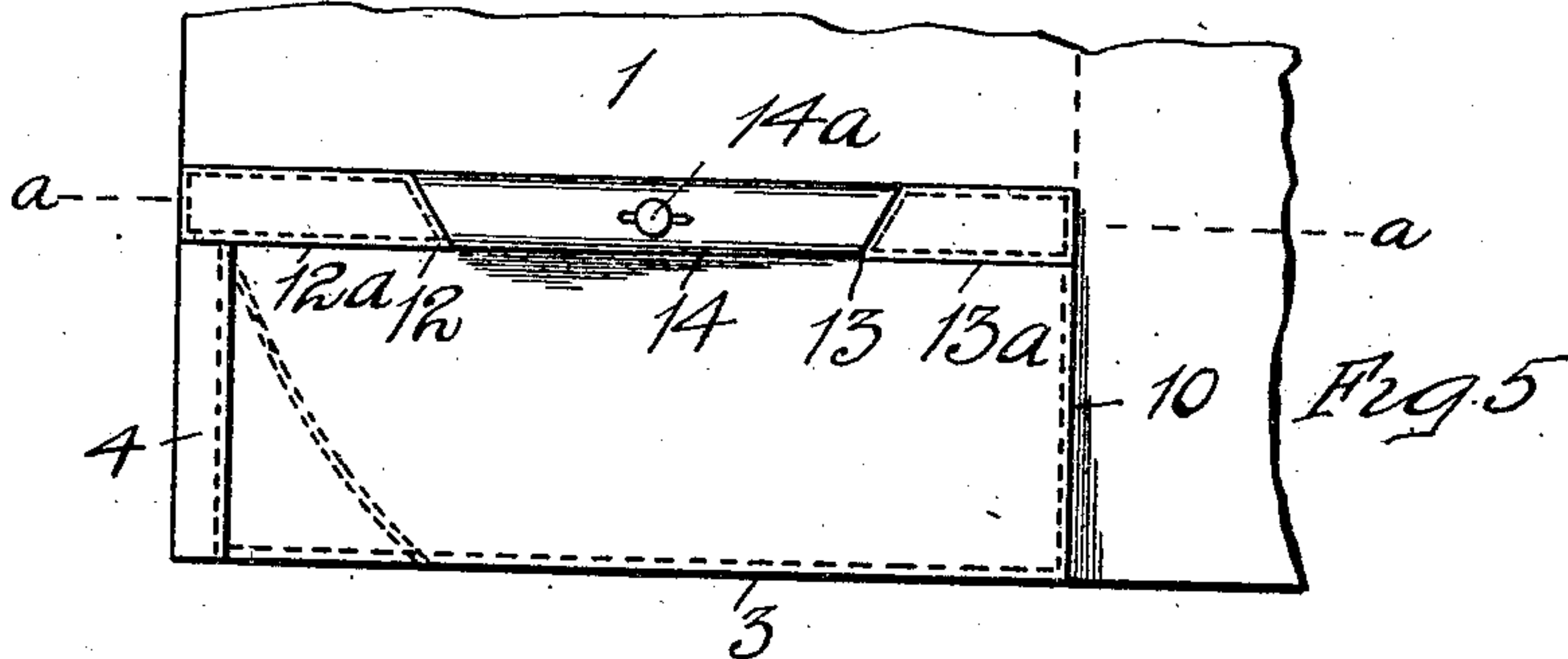
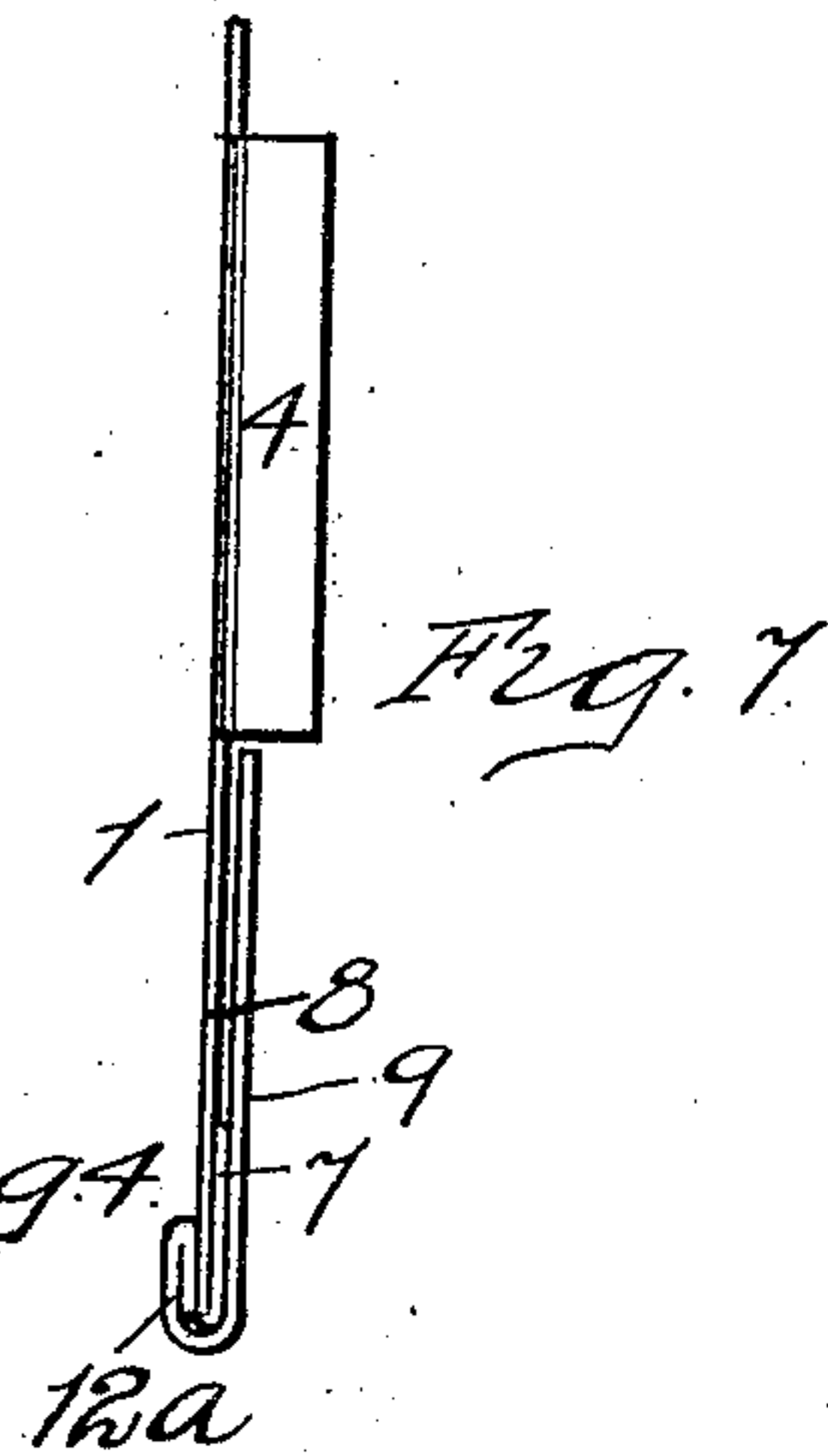
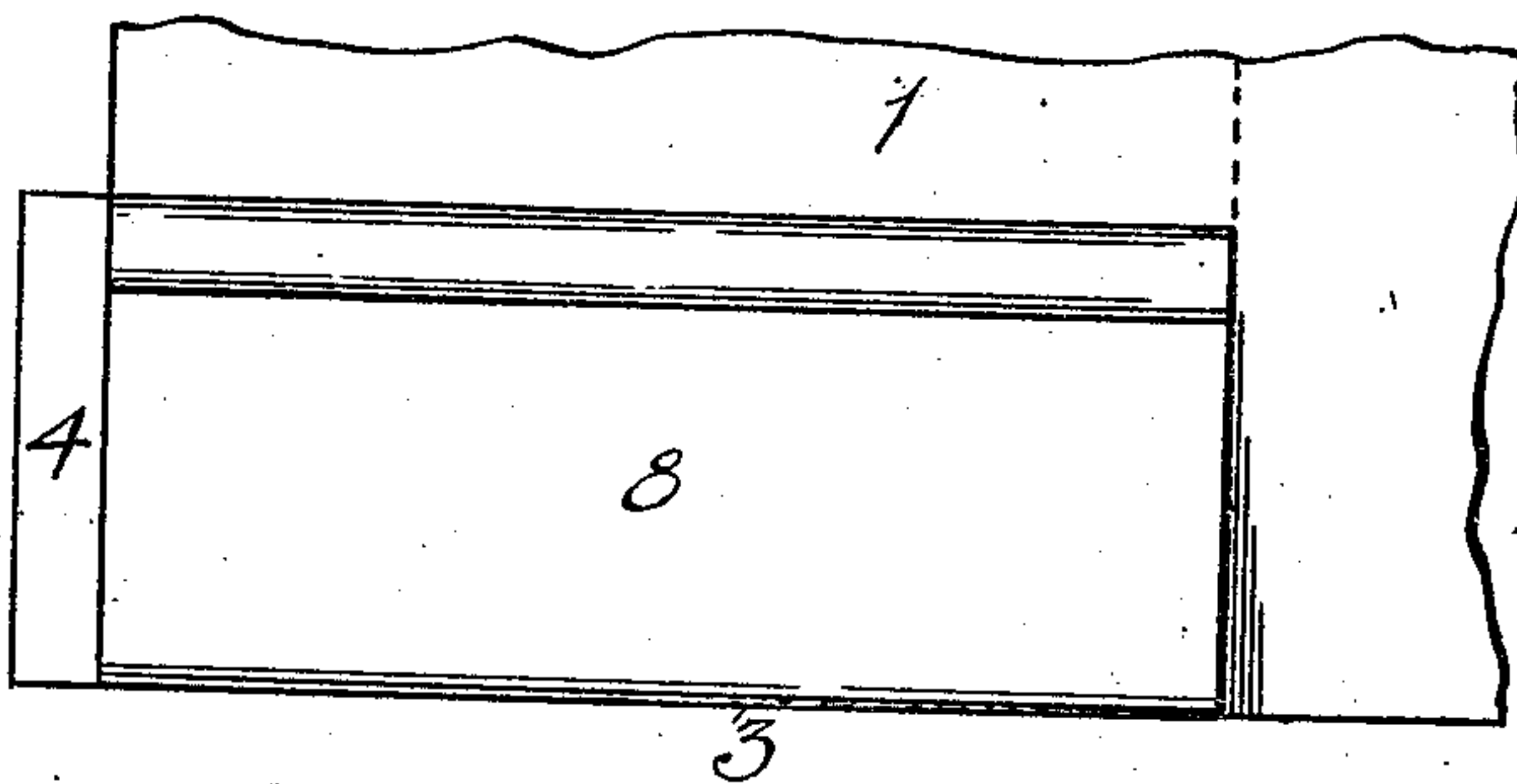
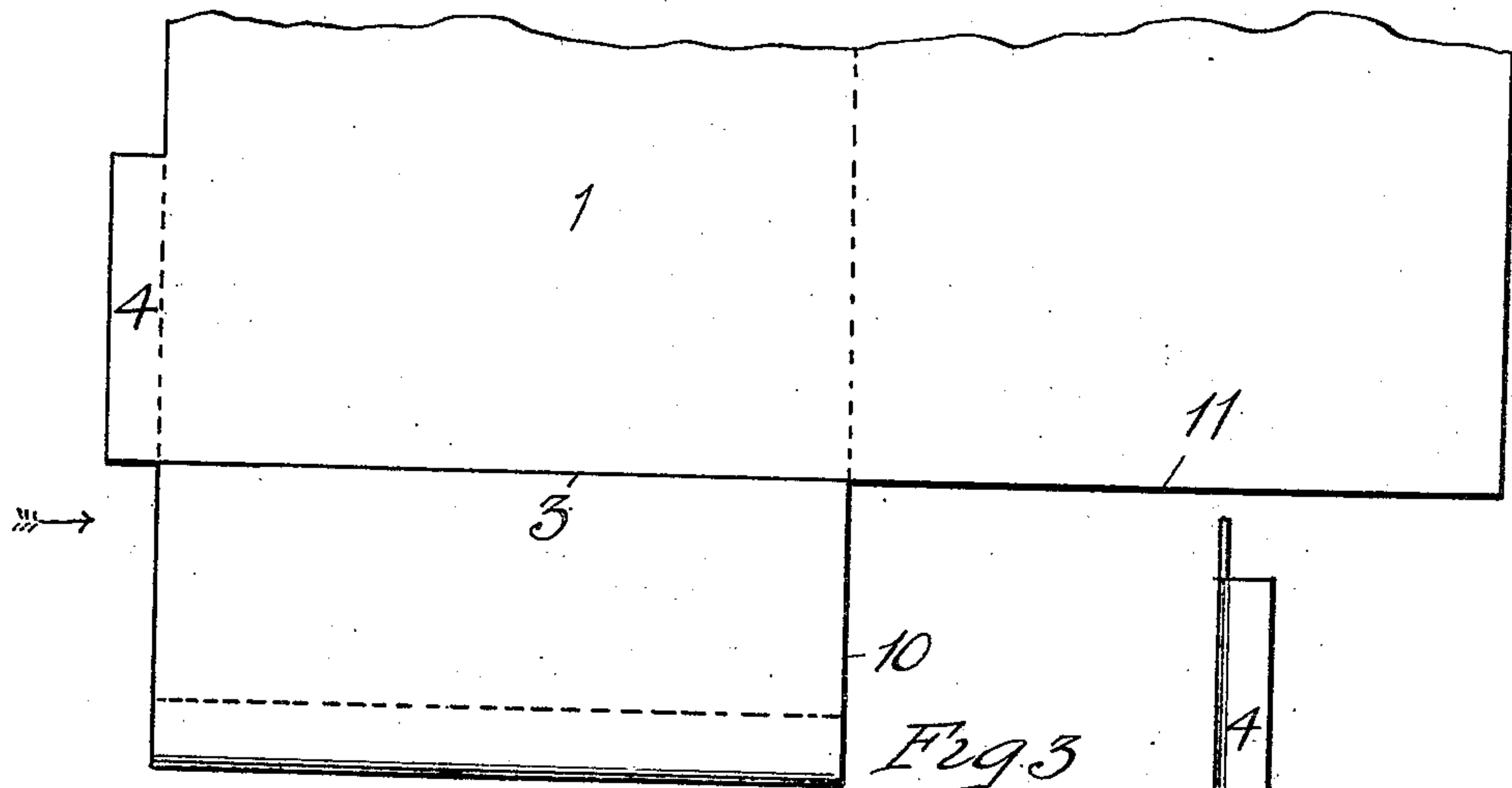
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DAVID TRAXLER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Detroit, county of Wayne, State of Michigan, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Safety-Pockets, and declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to safety pockets, and has for its object an improved device adapted to be included in, and in fact form an integral part of, an ordinary pocket for either a coat or trousers, which can be easily folded into its finished position with comparatively little cutting of the parts, and which, when completed, furnishes a plurality of separate safety pockets within the main pocket, to which access is had through the pocket slit, and which, if not desired for use, do not interfere with the use of the entire capacity of the main pocket.

In the drawings:—Figure 1, is a plan, showing the fabric constituting the lower portion of the pocket, and cut in the form which I have found most desirable. In this figure the intended lines of folding are indicated in dotted lines. Fig. 2, is a plan, showing the same partly folded. Fig. 3, shows the pocket after the next step in the process has been accomplished. Fig. 4, shows the pocket completely folded, except the lateral flap. Fig. 5, shows the pocket complete, and sewed in position. Fig. 6, is a sectional view from above along the line *a—*a**, Fig. 5. Fig. 7, is an end elevation looking from right to left of Fig. 3, showing the various folds of the cloth.

1 indicates the foundation piece of the fabric, in which is preferably cut a small indentation 2 about the middle of the lower edge. Extending from one side of this foundation piece above the line 3, which is intended to be the bottom line of the pocket as completed, is a lateral flap 4, which is intended to ultimately constitute the side closure for the completed safety pocket.

The fabric is first folded along the line 5 to which the inner end of the indentation 2 reaches, and in addition folded along the line 6, which is preferably about midway between the line 5 and the bottom of the side 9 of the

original piece of fabric 1, and parallel therewith. The flap 7 now constituted by folding along the line 5, is bent up over the part 8 of the fabric, and that portion below the line 6 on the opposite side 9 is folded so that its free edge is brought into approximate coincidence with the line 5, after which it is once more bent along the line 5, so that no part of the fabric now extends below the line 5. The part 9 is now severed from the part 1 along the line 11 (which is a continuation of the line 3) as far as the line 10. It is then folded laterally along the line 10 to the position shown in Fig. 3. It is now folded along the horizontal line 3, so that the part 9, and its related part of the original piece of fabric above the line 3, lies directly against the part 1, whereas next outside of that lies the flap 7, and outside of it the part 8. The parts are now in the position illustrated in Fig. 4, and the lateral flap 4 is now brought over the adjacent edges of the parts 8 and 9. In this position the bottom line of the pocket is constituted by an unbroken portion of the fabric, instead of a hem uniting the pieces. In effect the entire pocket may be compared to a bag or loop, whose bottom edge is drawn up over the upper portion, so that the bottom of the finished bag or pocket is really near the center of the integral piece of cloth as a whole. The side closed by the lateral flap 4 is similarly free from a hem union of the parts along its edges, while the fabric along the line 10 constitutes the end closure for the pocket on that side. The parts being sewed together, the flap 7 now lying at the top of the portion 8 serves as a reinforcing or stiffening piece for the top edge of the pocket. The folded portion below the line 5, through whose center when unfolded the line 6 passes, is now brought over the top of this edge piece, and slit transversely as at 12 and 13 in Fig. 5. The parts 12^a and 13^a are now sewed firmly over the top of the outer side piece 8, so that no matter which way the pocket is inclined by the position of the wearer of the garment, coins or other small articles included therein are caught in the recesses constituted by these upper corners, and held from escape. On the other hand, the flap 14 being held in position only by the button 14^a, affords easy access to the interior of the pocket.

As illustrated particularly in Fig. 6, the space between the rearward face of the part

9 and the adjacent face of the foundation piece 1 constitutes another pocket, which lies alongside of the flat pocket; to it access is had from above, except that no removal of
5 the flap is necessary.

What I claim is:—

1. A safety pocket composed of a unitary piece of fabric folded into a plurality of sections lying in parallel relation the one to the
10 other, one of said sections being also adapted to serve as one face of a general pocket, and another of said sections being folded over and about the corresponding lateral edges of the remaining sections, whereby the bottom edge
15 and the lateral edges of the several pocket sections thus constituted are closed by unitary portions of the fabric, the several parts being held in place with respect to one another by lines of stitching, substantially as
20 described.

2. A safety pocket, comprising a plurality of sections unitary with one another as regards the constituent fabric, each of said sections being folded with respect to the others
25 into positions of relative parallelism and held in place by lines of stitching, the top wearing edges of each part being reinforced by the sewed attachment thereto of folded over edge portions of the fabric next adjacent
30 thereto, a lateral guard piece also a unitary part of the fabric folded over the cut lateral edges of the several sections and united therewith at a distance therefrom, whereby each wearing edge of each pocket is com-
35 prised of an uncut portion of fabric, substantially as described.

3. In a safety pocket, the combination

with a base portion of a plurality of division pieces integral with one another and thereby with said base portion, and folded into posi-
40 tions of substantial parallelism therewith, a lateral flap similarly integral with the base portion and united with the several division pieces over whose cut edges it engages by lines of stitching spaced from such cut edges, and
45 top reinforcing pieces integral with one of the division pieces, extending a portion of the distance across the open top of one of said pockets from each lateral edge and sewed thereto and to the base portion, whereby ac-
50 cess to and the egress of articles from said pocket is possible only at its central portion, substantially as described.

4. A safety pocket, made from a single piece of fabric folded into a plurality of sec-
55 tions along the bottom edge and one lateral edge into positions of parallelism with one another to constitute the sides of the pocket and the wearing edges named, the other lateral edge being closed by the engagement
60 thereover of a lateral flap projecting from the originally opposite edge of the fabric than that whose closure it effects, said flap being attached to the outer one of the lateral faces of the pocket along a line appreciably spaced
65 from the edge thereby closed, by lines of stitching, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof, I sign this specification in the presence of two witnesses.

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