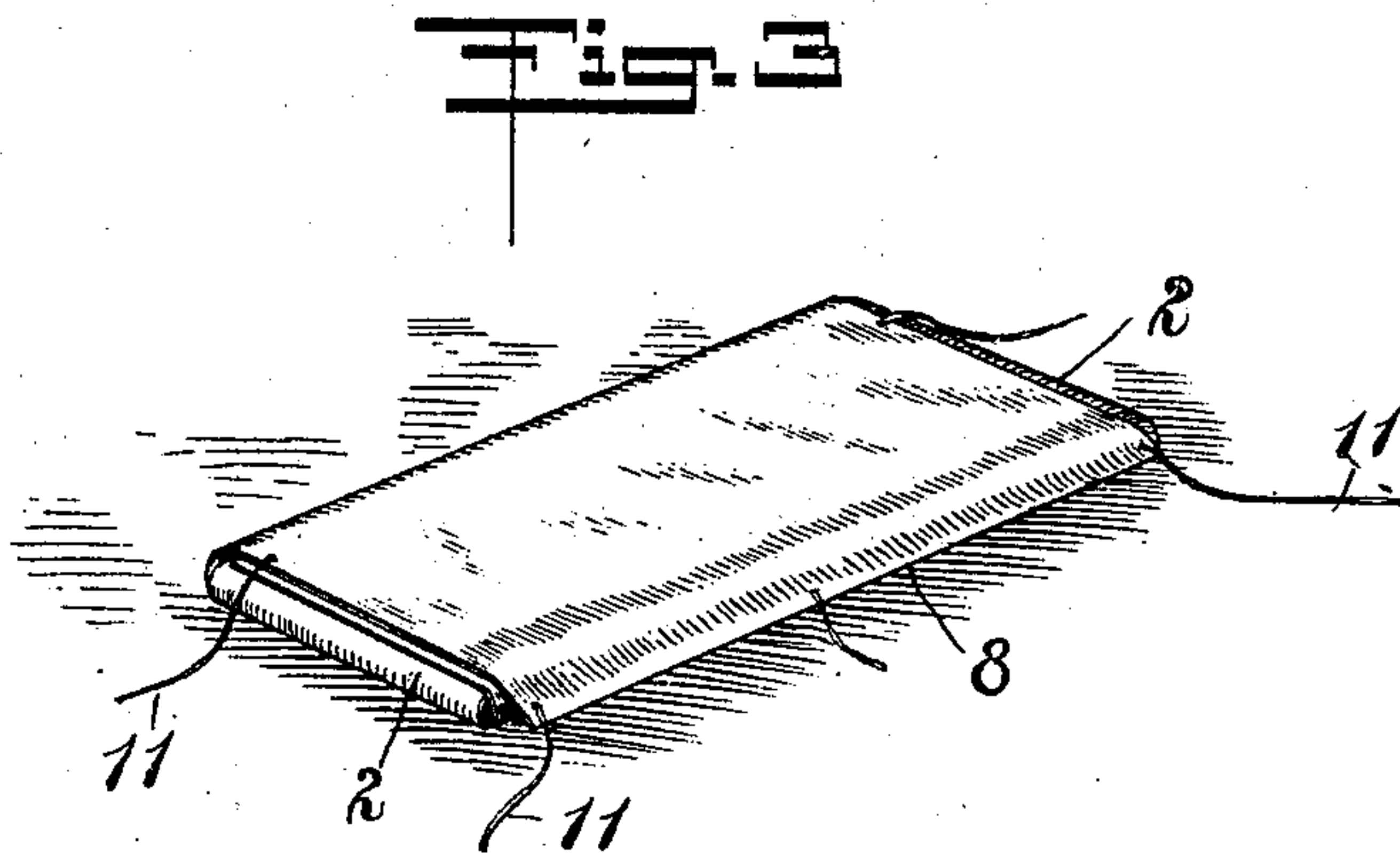
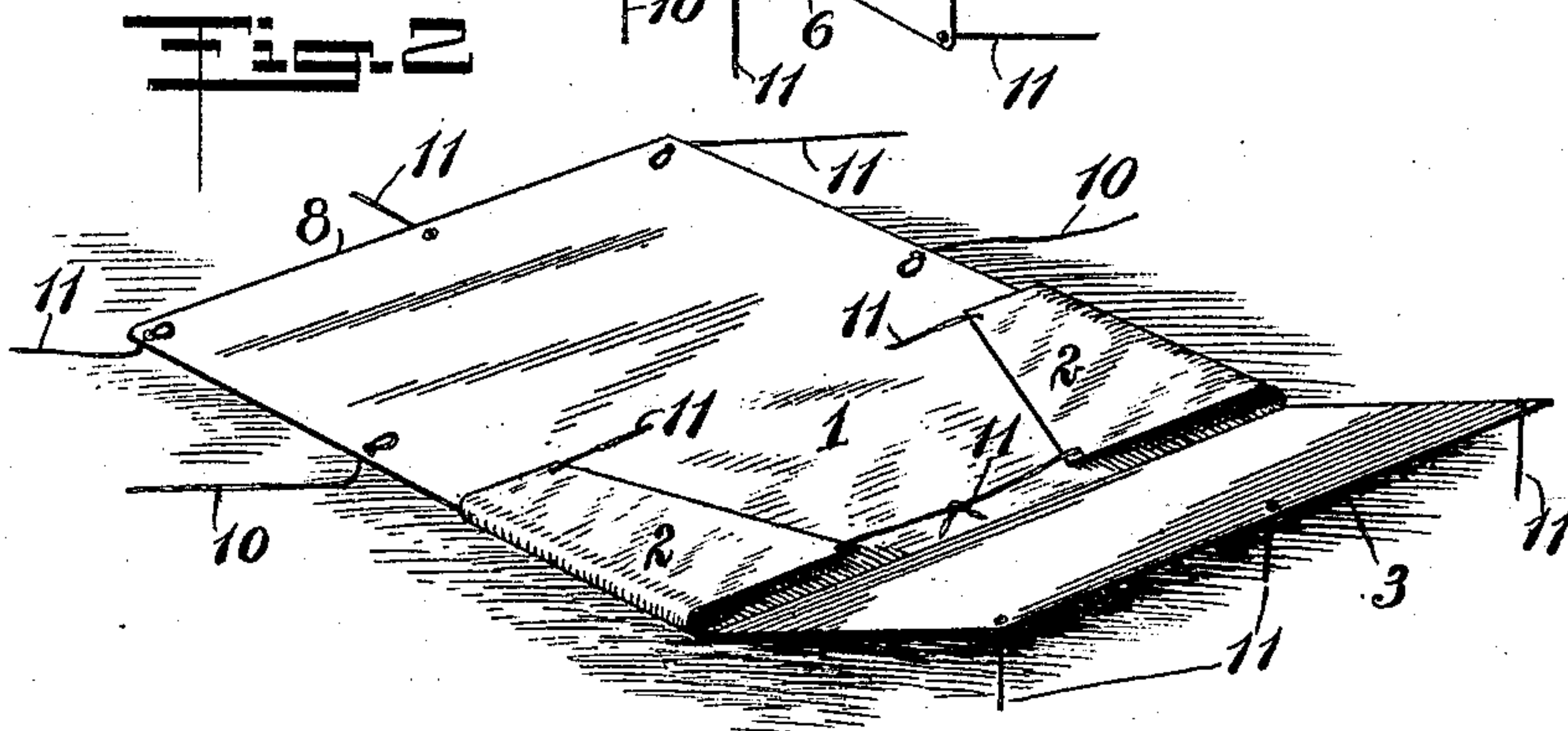
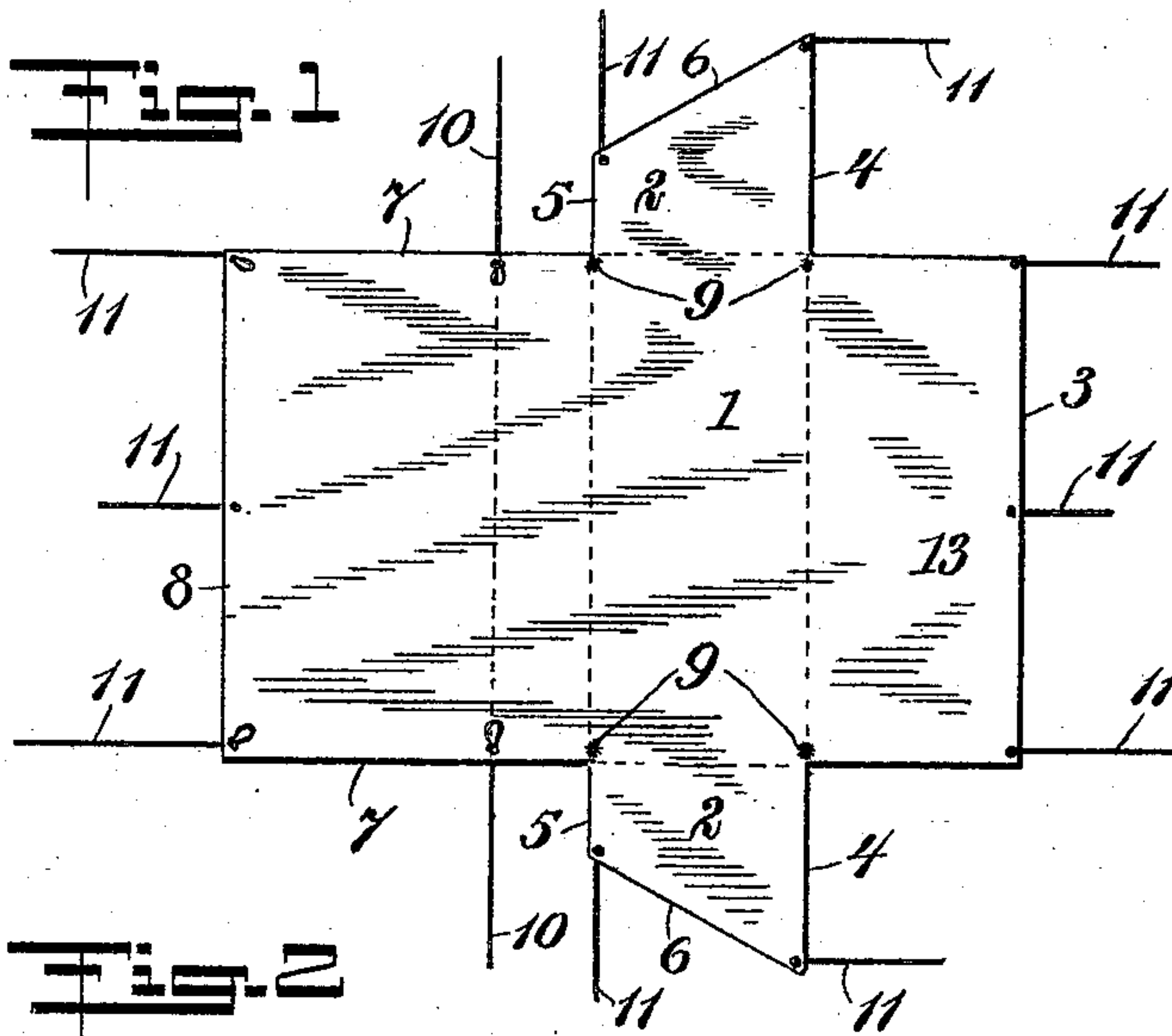


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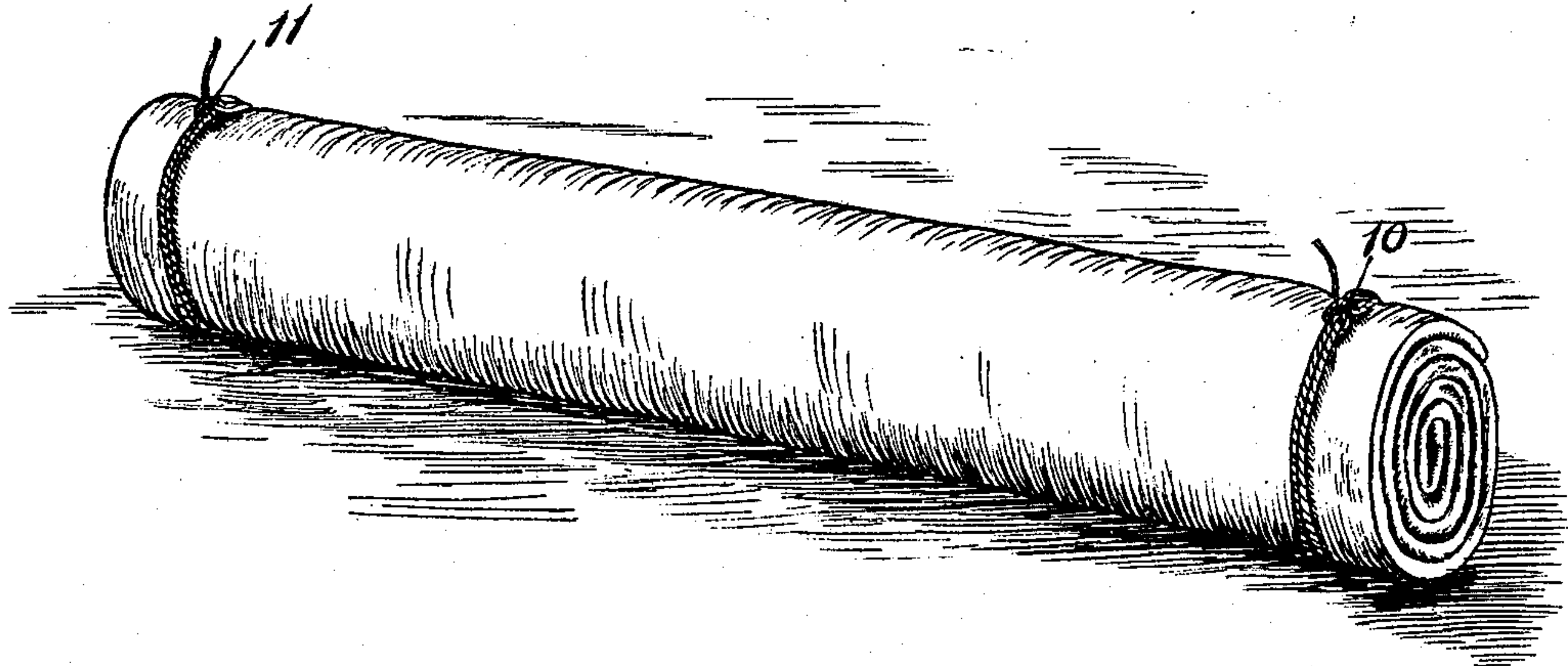
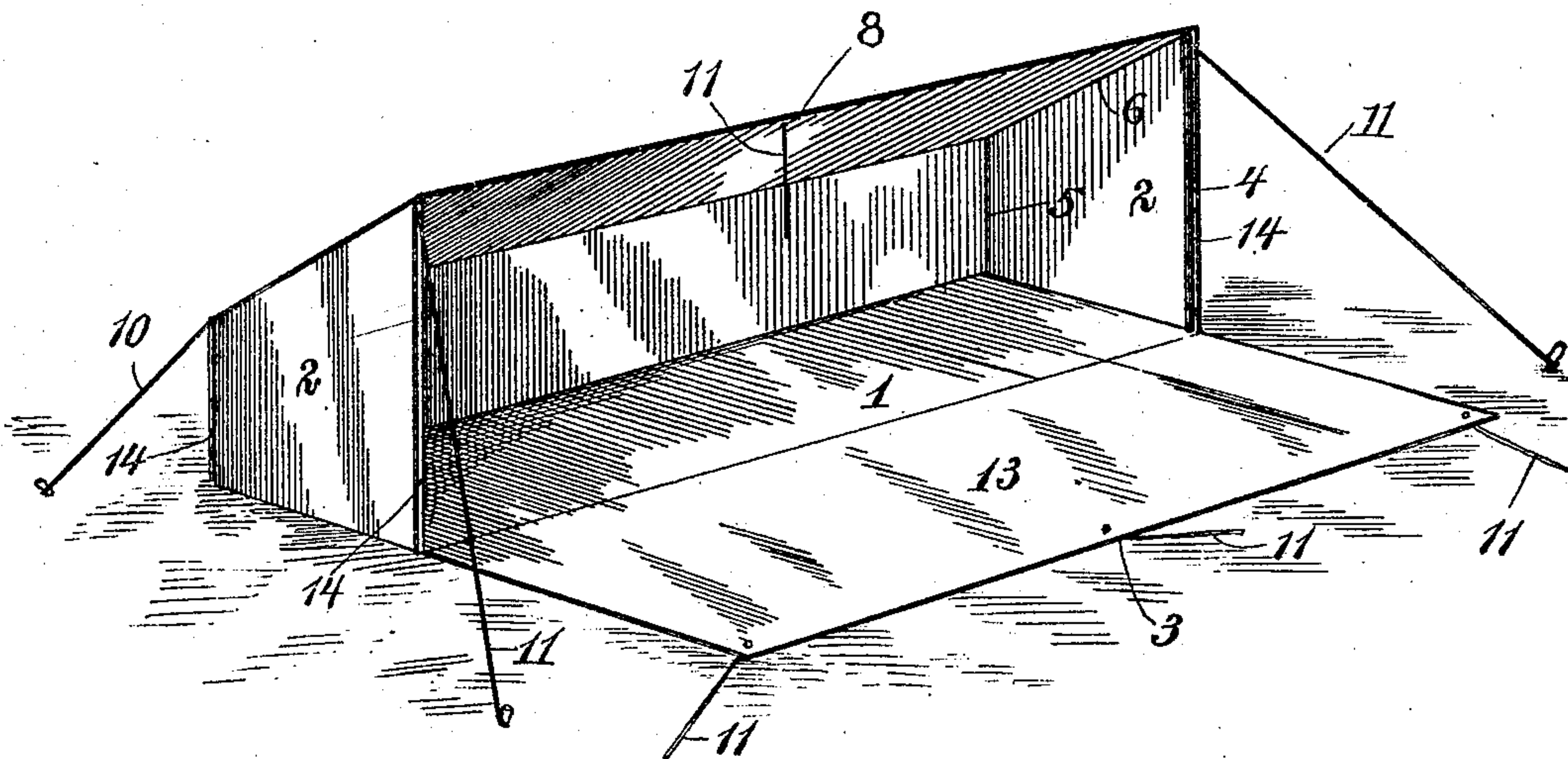


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FREDERIC WHITNEY, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Cimarron, in the county of Colfax and Territory of New Mexico, have invented a new and Improved Combination Bed-Sheet and Shelter-Tent, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of my invention is to provide a bed sheet for stockmen, which when desired, may be quickly supported in the form of a shelter tent, the device being so constructed that it can be readily packed for transportation and which is complete in one piece with ropes attached so that it may be adjusted with supports as a shelter tent, or when desired, may be used as a bed sheet, the stockman having the complete device in very compact form at all times, with the exception of the supports, which can readily be obtained when desired.

In this specification I will describe the preferred form of my invention, but I do not limit myself thereto as I consider myself entitled to all forms and embodiments of the invention which may be held to fall within the scope of the appended claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of my invention when stretched out prepared for use; Figs. 2 and 3 are perspective views showing how the device may be used as a bed sheet; Fig. 4 is a view showing how the device may be rolled up with blankets, etc., and Fig. 5 is a perspective view showing how the device may be supported as a shelter tent.

By referring to the drawings, it will be seen that the invention consists of an oblong piece of canvas, or other suitable material 1, having flaps 2, which project at either side respectively. These flaps 2 are nearer the end 3 of the main or oblong principal material 1 than the outer end, and the sides 4 of the flaps 2 which are nearer this end 3 of the material 1 are longer than the opposite sides 5 of the flaps 2, the extremities 6 of the flaps 2 being obliquely disposed with reference to the sides of the principal portion 1 of the device. The sides of the material 1, from the sides 5 of the flaps 2, to an end 8 of the material 1, are substantially the same in length as the sum of the side 5 and the

end 6 of each of the flaps 2. Gromets 9 are secured in the principal material 1, so that it may, when desired, be secured to the ground. At a distance from the sides 5 of the flaps 2, equal to the length of the flaps, are secured ropes 10, and similar ropes 11 are secured to the outer corners of the flaps 2, to the corners of the principal material 1 and to the ends 3 and 8 of the principal material 1, between the ropes which are secured to its corners.

When the device is to be used as a bed sheet, the flaps 2 are turned over the principal portion 1 of the device, as is shown in Fig. 2, and then the hunter or stockman reclines on the principal portion 1 of the device, with the flaps over his head and feet respectively. The end portions of the principal portion 1 of the device are then drawn over, as is shown in Fig. 3.

When the device is to be used as a shelter tent, the principal portion 1 is spread upon the ground and the blankets, etc., may remain thereon while the tent is being erected; the ropes 10 and 11, which may be at all times secured to the end 8 of the device, which forms the roof, being secured to stakes or pegs. Jointed poles 14 of a suitable length, or forked sticks, are then placed perpendicularly under the ropes 10 and 11, at or near their points of attachment to the tent, thus drawing that part of the sheet which forms the roof taut and in its proper position. The flaps 2 and 13 may then be raised and be attached to that portion of the end 8 which forms the roof by means of the ropes, or the flap 13 may be spread in front for a carpet, or over the blankets as an additional covering for the hunter or stockman, and if desired the flaps may be left down and used as an additional protection for the head and feet.

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

1. In combination, as a bed sheet and shelter tent, a piece of tent material, two projecting flaps secured to and which form a part thereof, the flaps being disposed one at either side of the tent material, the flaps being quadrilateral in shape, the distance between each of the said flaps and one of the ends of the tent material being substantially as long as the length of one side and one end of each of the flaps respectively, the portion of the tent material between the flaps being

disposed on the ground, the flaps being disposed substantially at right-angles thereto, the end of the tent material which is as long as the sides and the ends of the flaps being disposed upwardly and forwardly in contact with the flaps, means for securing the flaps to the said end of the tent material, and means for supporting the tent material.

2. In combination, as a bed sheet and shelter tent, a piece of tent material, two projecting flaps secured to and which form a part thereof, the flaps being disposed one at either side of the tent material, the flaps being quadrilateral in shape, the distance between each of the said flaps and one of the ends of the tent material being substantially as long as the length of one side and one end of each of the flaps respectively, the portion of the tent material between the flaps being disposed on the ground, the flaps being disposed substantially at right-angles thereto, the end of the tent material which is as long as the sides and the ends of the flaps being disposed upwardly and forwardly in contact with the flaps, means for securing the flaps to the said end of the tent material, and means for supporting the tent material, there being a second end of

the tent material which is disposed opposite to the first named end, the second end being substantially as long as one of the sides of the flaps respectively.

3. In a combination bed sheet and shelter tent, a piece of oblong material, flaps secured to and which form a part thereof, the sides of each of the flaps being disposed substantially at right angles to the oblong material and extending from the oblong piece of material different distances so that the outer surfaces of the flaps are not parallel to the sides of the oblong piece, one side and the outer surface of each of the flaps respectively being substantially equal in length to the distance between the flaps and one of the ends of the oblong piece of material, and means secured to the corners of the oblong piece and the flaps by which they may be held together.

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

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