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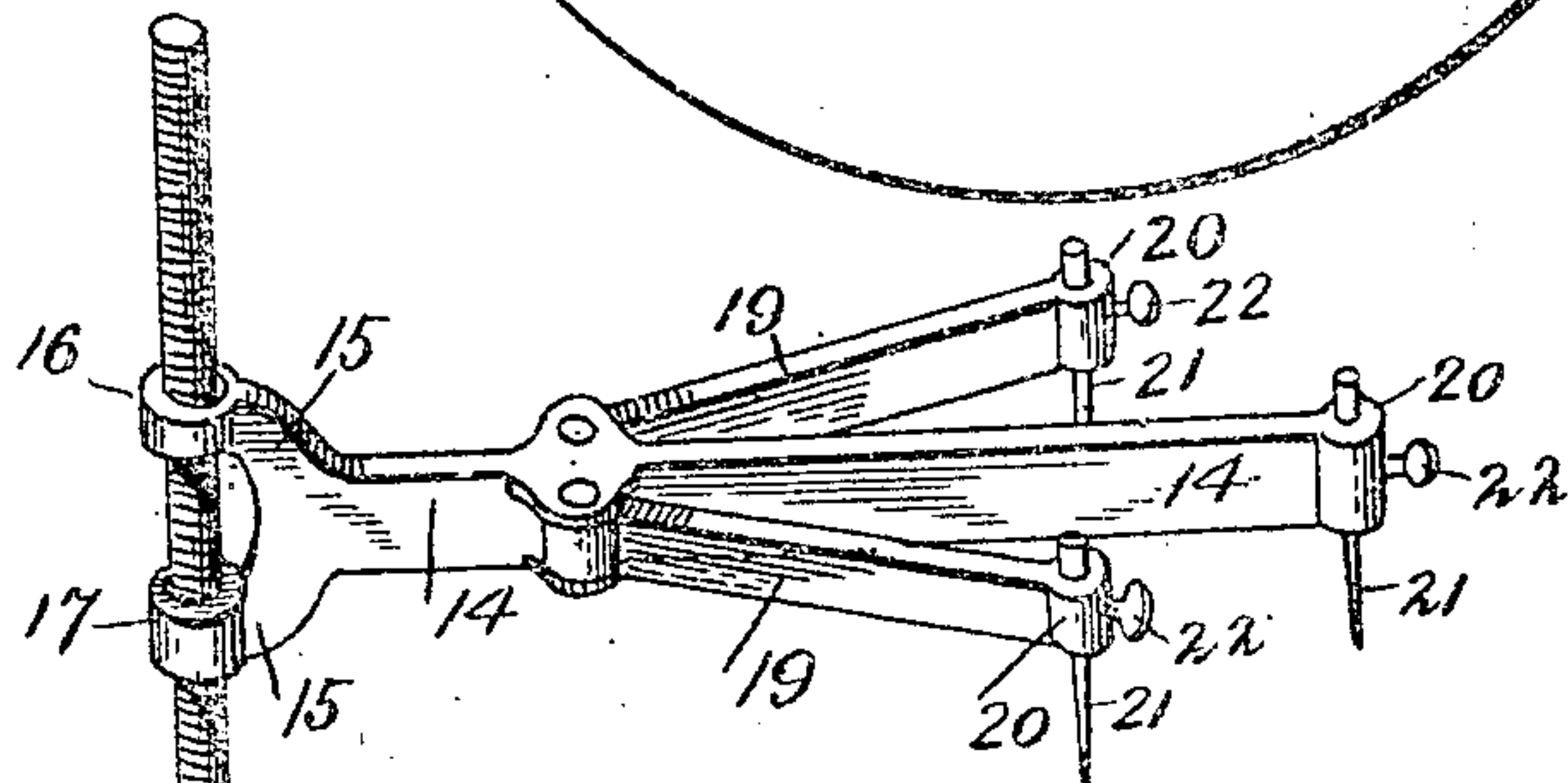
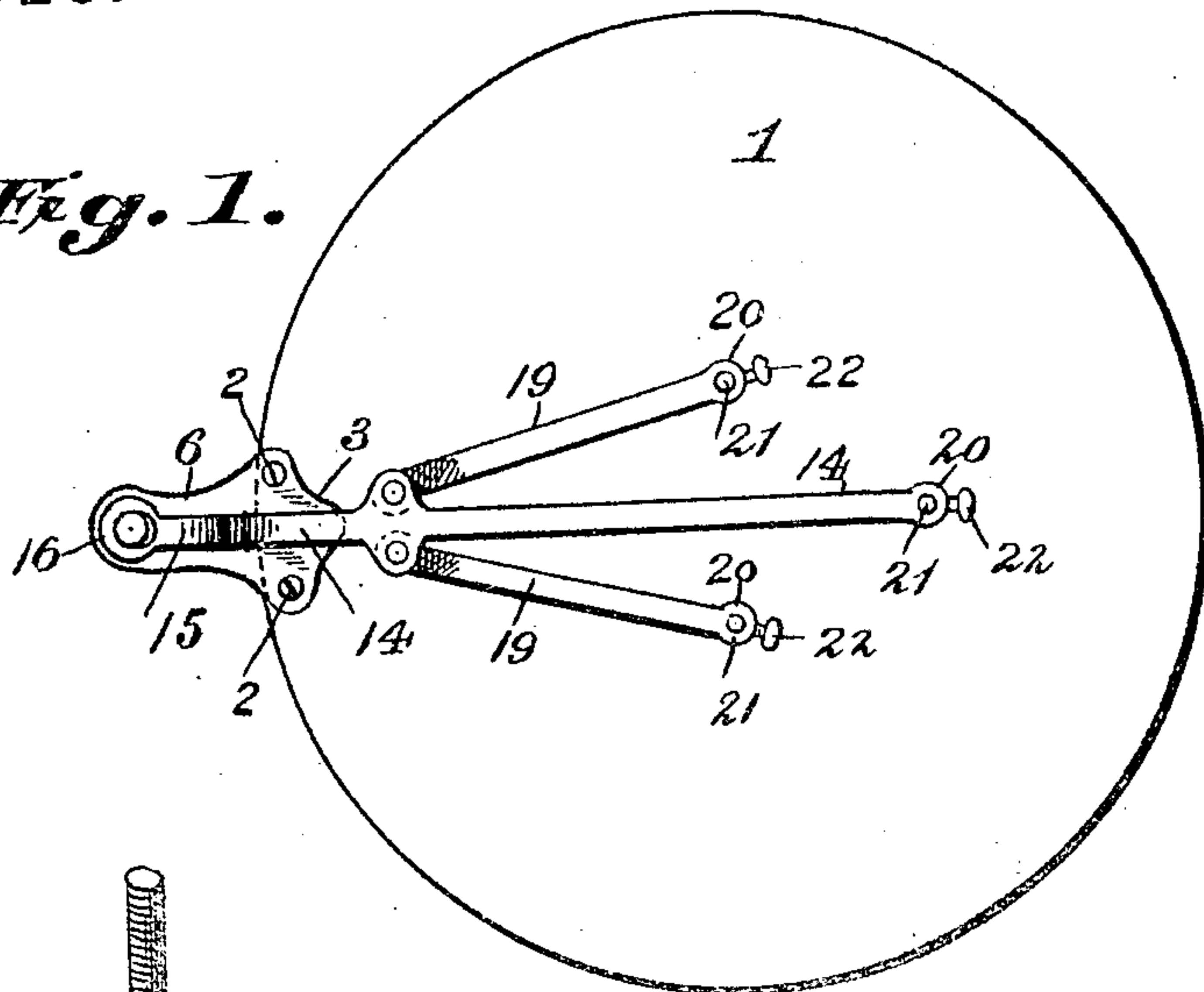
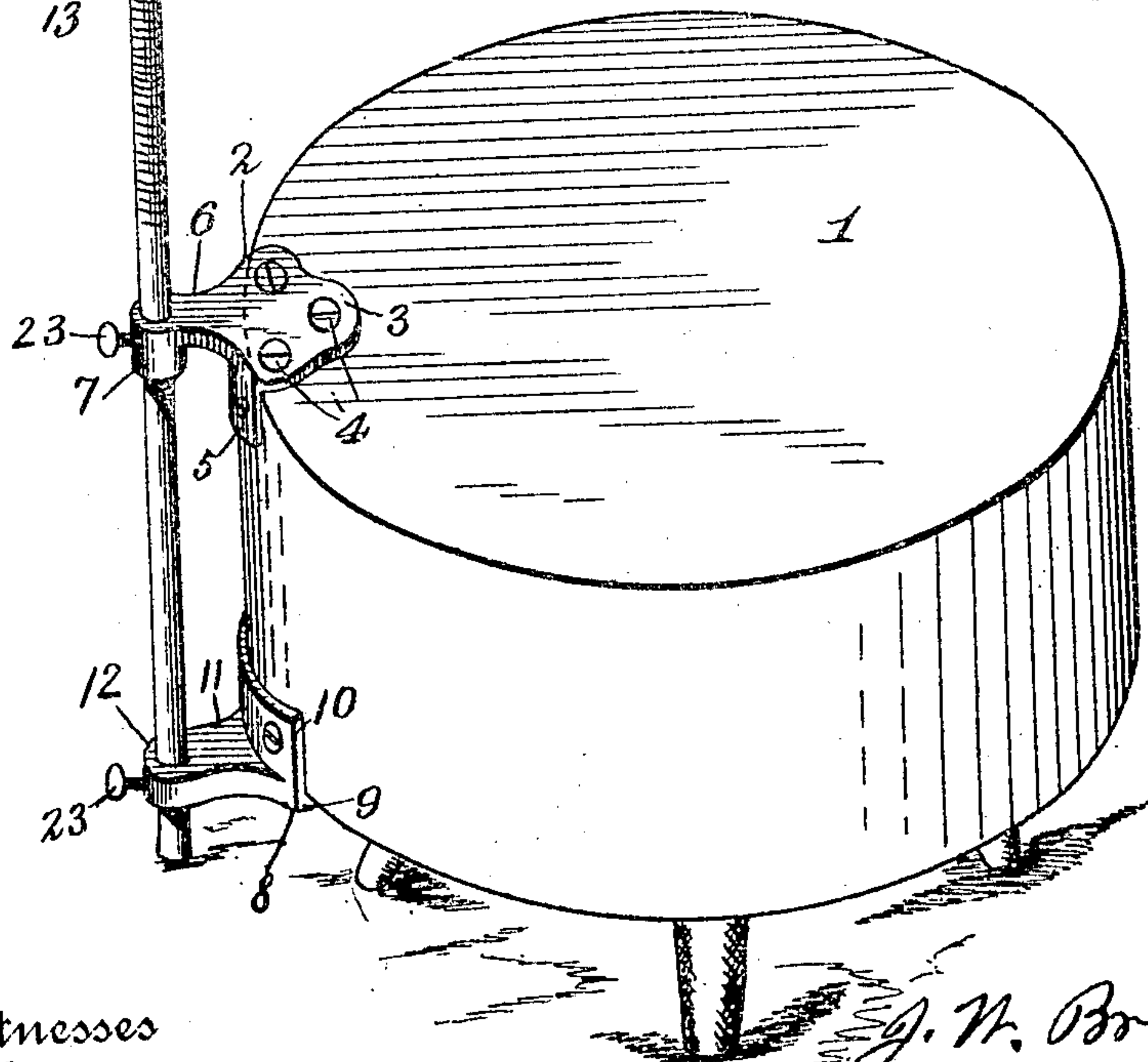


Fig. 2.



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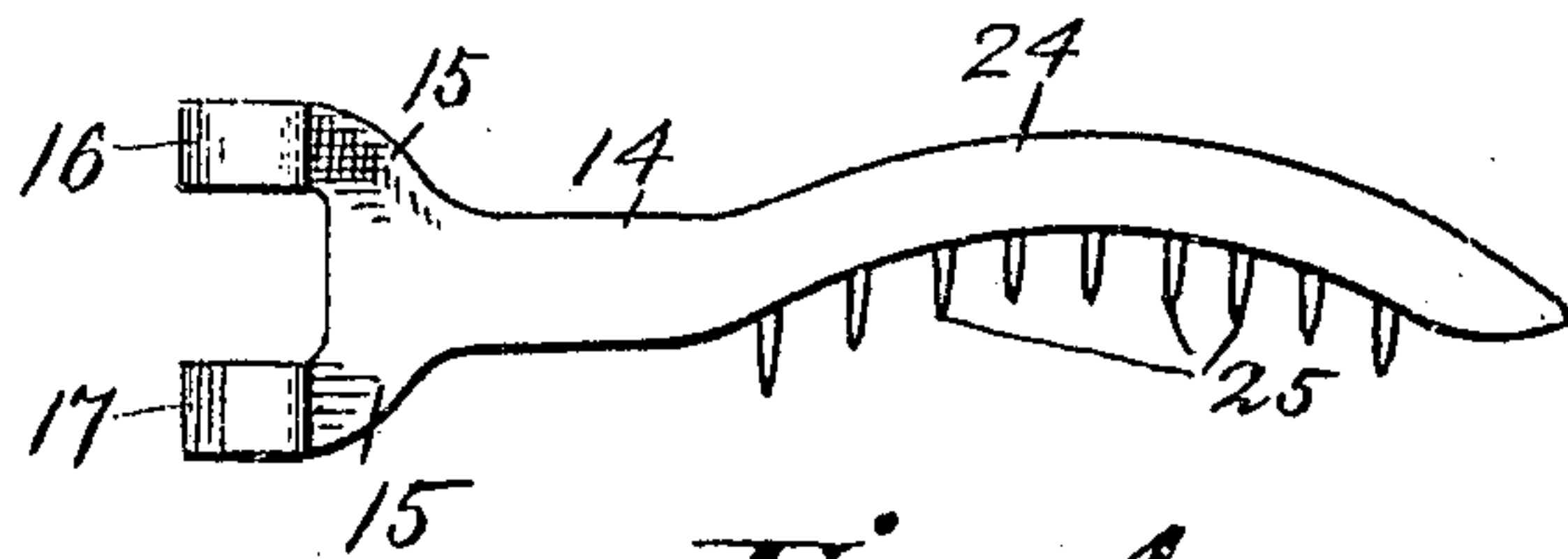
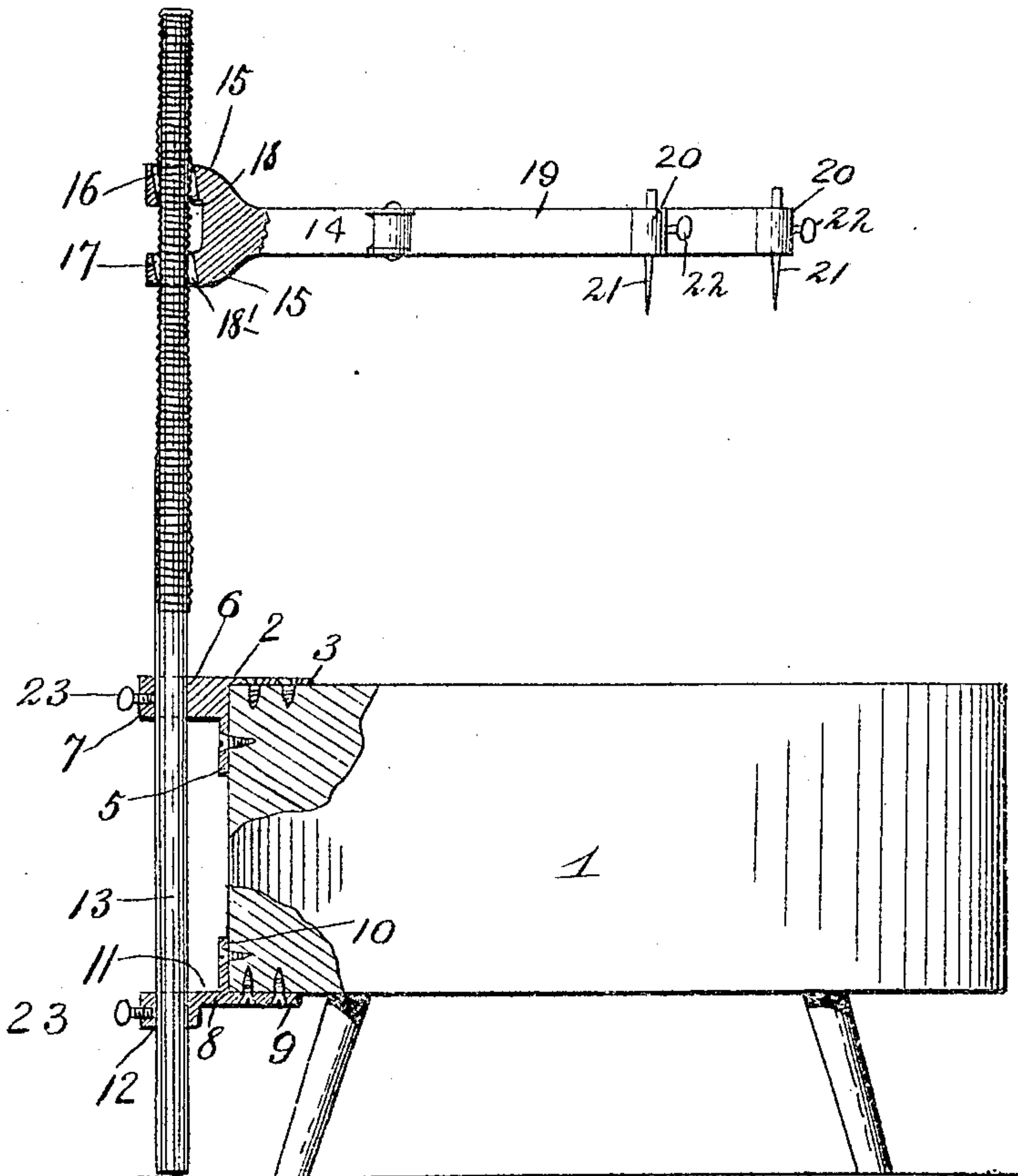
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Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES W. BREEDLOVE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Muldrow, in the county of Sequoyah and State of Oklahoma, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Meat-Holding Devices, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is a meat-holding device, and consists of a circular rod about 1 inch in diameter and about 4 feet long, adjustably secured by keepers to a meat block, and of a meat-holder working on the upper end of said rod, consisting of an arm, fingers and pins as described and claimed. As a modification, the last-mentioned arm has but one finger provided with teeth.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1, is a top plan view of my invention. Fig. 2, is a perspective view. Fig. 3, is a vertical sectional view. Fig. 4, is a perspective view of the arm, provided with but one finger having teeth.

Similar numerals refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

In describing my invention I designate the right-hand sides of the drawings as the forward ends.

My invention is described as follows:—In the accompanying drawings, the numeral 1 represents a butcher's block, which may or may not be mounted on legs; 2, represents a keeper secured to the periphery and upper end of said block. Said keeper is provided with an upper flange 3, which is secured to the upper end of said block by screws 4. Said keeper is also provided with a lower flange 5, secured to the periphery of said block. Extending outwardly from said upper flange 3, is an arm 6, provided with a vertical sleeve 7. There is also secured to the lower end, and periphery of said block, a keeper 8. This keeper is immediately on a vertical line under keeper 2, and is provided with a lower flange 9, secured to the under end of said block, and with an upper flange 10, secured to the periphery of said block. Extending outwardly from said keeper is an arm 11, provided with a perforation. This perforation is immediately under the sleeve 7, so that when the rod is passed through said sleeve and perforation it will stand perpendicularly. Adjustably secured in said sleeve, and said perforation, is a cylindrical rod 13. The upper end of said cylindrical rod is corrugated nearly down to the upper

keeper 2, as shown in Figs. 3 and 4. Slidably fitted on the upper end of said rod 13, is an arm 14; the rear end of said arm is divided into two short arms 15, one above the other. The upper arm is provided with a sleeve 16, and the lower arm with a similar sleeve 17. The forward and upper edges of the walls of the sleeves 16 and 17, extend upwardly and rearwardly, forming teeth 18, which, when the forward end of the arm 14, and the fingers 19, weigh upwardly, said teeth catch in said corrugations and prevent said arm and fingers from slipping up. The rear and lower edges of the wall of the sleeves 16 and 17 extend downwardly and forwardly forming teeth 18¹ which, when the forward end of the arm 14 and the fingers 19 weigh upwardly, said last mentioned teeth catch in said corrugated teeth and assist teeth 18 in preventing said arm and fingers from slipping up. To raise said arm and fingers, the forward end of said arm is lowered a little and this releases the bite of said teeth and permits the said arm and fingers to slide up and thereby release the meat. Said arm has hinged to each side thereof fingers 19, the free ends of which are provided with sleeves 20, and the free end of the arm 14, is also provided with a sleeve 20. Slidably fitted in said sleeves are pins 21, adjustably secured therein by means of thumbscrews 22. The said rod 13, is slidably secured in the vertical sleeve 7, and perforation 12 of arm 11, by means of thumb screws 23.

The arm 14 shown in Fig. 4, is just the same as the arm shown in Figs. 1, 2 and 3, except it is not provided with swinging arms nor sleeves or pins, but is provided with a bowed extension 24, having extending from its under face teeth 25. This last mentioned meat-holder is intended as a modification.

I may do entirely away with the upper flange 3, and secure the keeper 2, alone by the lower flange 5.

In order to secure the meat on the top of the block that it may be sawed or cut, I let the holding device down on the meat, and when the meat is cut or sawed I raise the holding device up out of the way, and may swing it around out of the way.

Although I have specifically described the combination, construction and arrangement of the several parts of my invention I do not confine myself particularly to such spe-

cific combination, construction and arrangement, as I may make such changes and modification therein as may clearly fall within the scope of my invention, and which may be
 5 resorted to without departing from the spirit, or sacrificing any of my patentable rights therein.

Having described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:—
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1. A meat-holding device, consisting of a block; a keeper, consisting of upper and lower flanges, and vertical sleeve, secured to the upper end and periphery of said
 15 block; a keeper consisting of an upper and lower flange and perforated arm secured to the lower end of said block; a corrugated rod, slidably secured in said keepers; an arm divided at its rear end into two short
 20 arms, one above the other, terminating in sleeves, the forward faces of the inner walls of said sleeves having upwardly extending teeth; the rear faces of the inner walls of said short arms having downwardly ex-
 25 tending teeth; the forward end of said arm

provided with a sleeve; swinging fingers, hinged to said arm, the free ends of said fingers and said arm terminating in sleeves, and pins adjustably secured in said sleeves, substantially as shown and described and 30 for the purposes set forth.

2. A meat-holding device, consisting of a block; an upper keeper secured to the upper end and periphery of said block; a lower keeper secured to the lower end and 35 periphery of said block; a corrugated rod, vertically and slidably secured in said keepers by thumb screws, an arm provided with rear short arms, sleeves in each short arm, inwardly, upwardly and downwardly 40 extending teeth, in said sleeves, its front end provided with fingers and sleeves, and pins adjustably secured in said sleeves, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature 45 in presence of two witnesses.

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