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Fig. 1.

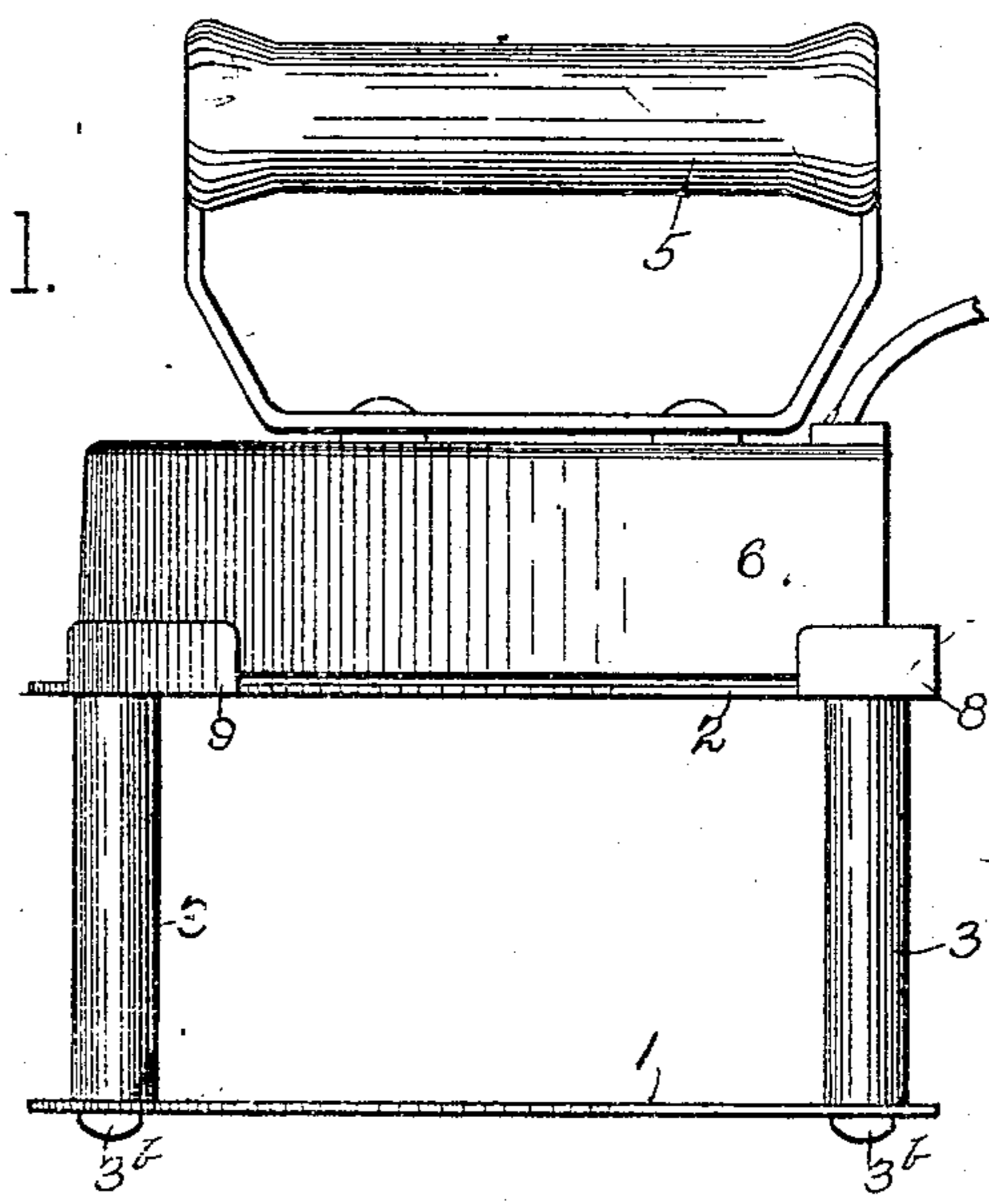


Fig. 2.

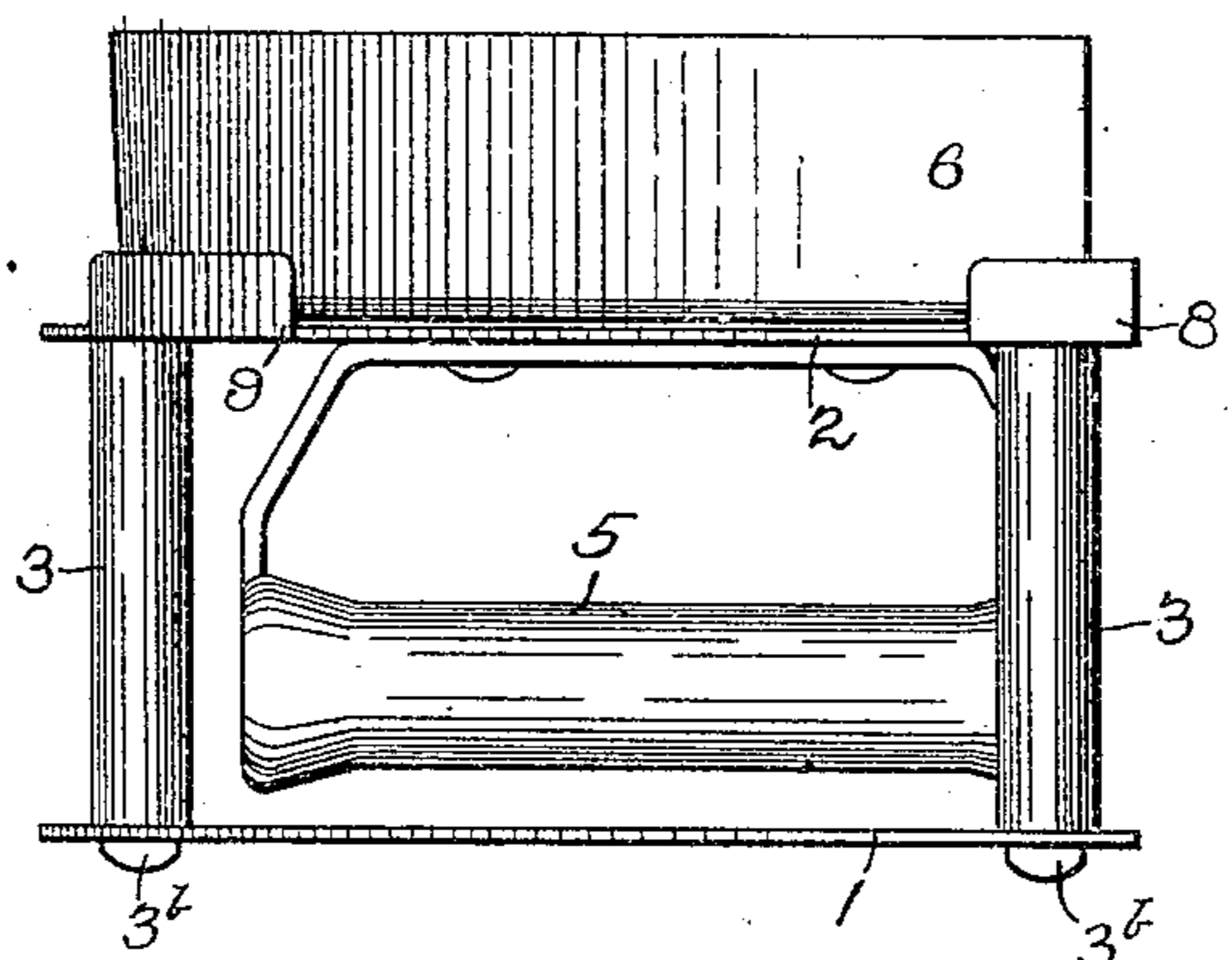


Fig. 3.

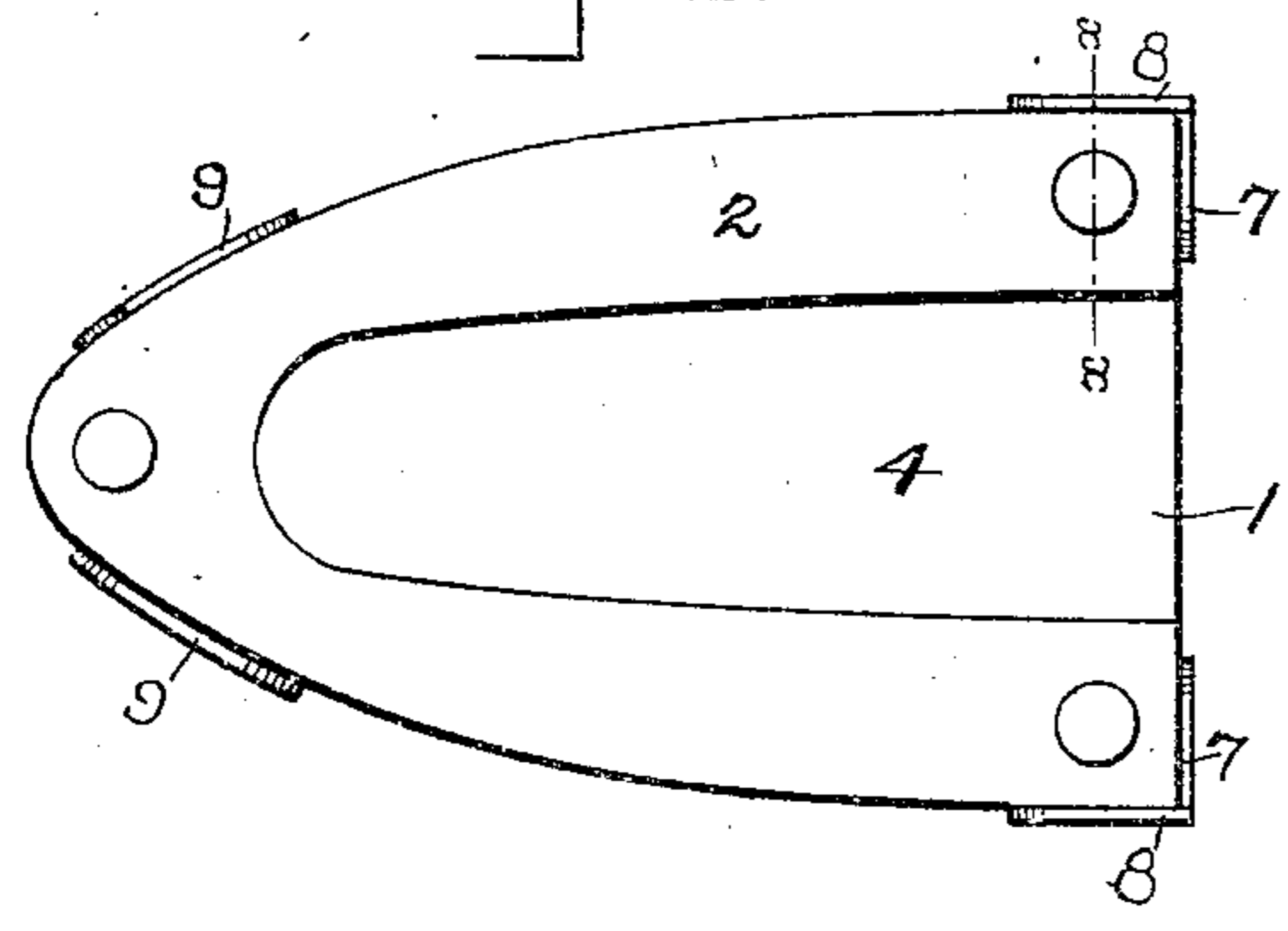
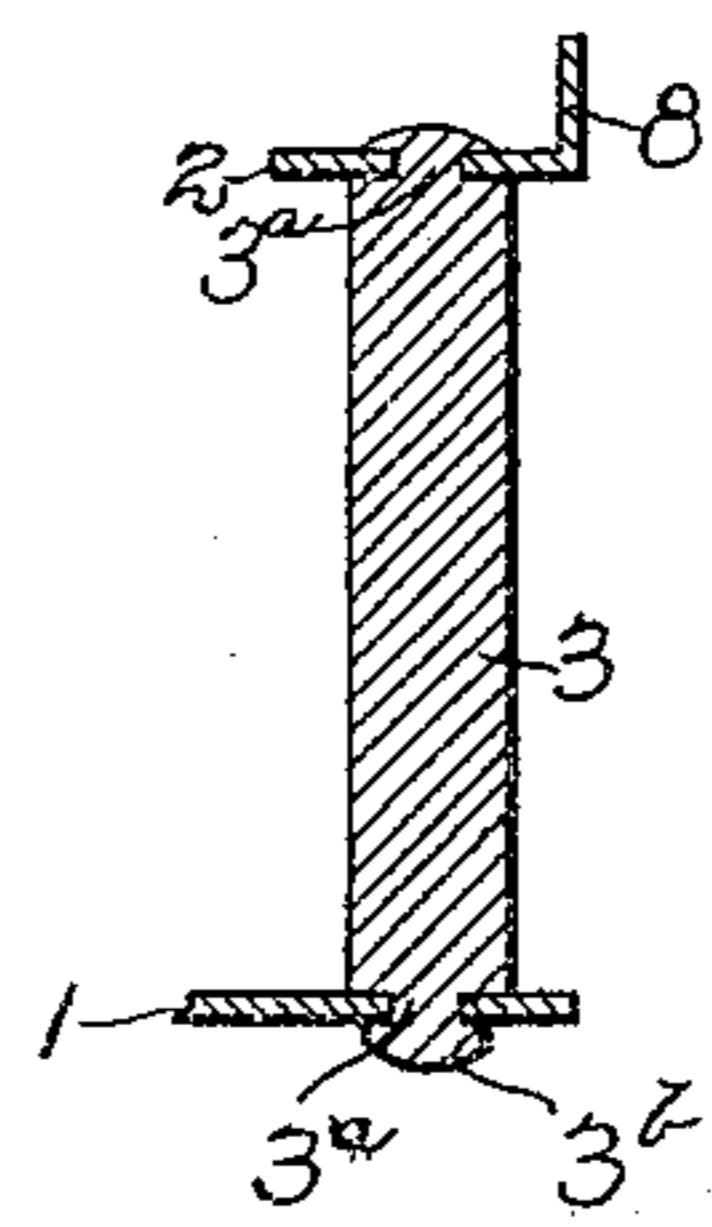


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANCIS E. GRIFFETH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Athens, in the county of Clarke and State of Georgia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sad-Iron Holders; 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.

My invention relates to sad-iron holders adapted to support the iron in an upright position when used as a sad-iron and also in an inverted position so that it may be used as a stove for cooking purposes.

The object of the invention is to provide a holder of this kind which is very simple in construction, can be manufactured economically and will hold the iron securely against slipping off in any direction when supported thereby in either an upright or inverted position.

The invention consists in the features of construction and combination of parts hereinafter described and specified in the claim.

In the accompanying drawing illustrating the preferred embodiment of my invention: Figure 1 is a side view of the stand showing an iron supported in an upright position thereon. Fig. 2 is a similar view of the holder showing the iron supported in an inverted position. Fig. 3 is a plan view of the holder alone, and Fig. 4 is a broken sectional view on the line $x-x$ of Fig. 3 showing particularly the connection between the posts and the plates.

The holder illustrated in the drawing comprises a base-plate 1 and an upper U-shaped plate 2 arranged horizontally and supported substantially parallel to each other, one above the other, by upright posts 3. The shape of said plates conform generally to the shape of an iron, there being three posts 3, one arranged at the forward end and two at the respective corners of the rear end of the base-plate. Each of the posts consists of a rod of metal which is preferably round in cross-section and which has its ends reduced, as at 3^a, in Fig. 4. These reduced portions are passed through openings in the base-plate and U-shaped plate, respectively, and have their extremities upset whereby rigid connections are made with said plates. The reduced portions at the lower ends of

said posts are rounded, extend some distance below the base-plate and constitute feet 3^b which support said plate above the surface on which the holder is placed.

The U-shape of the plate 2 leaves a central slot 4 which is closed at the front end of said plate but open at its rear end. This slot allows the handle 5 of the iron 6 to extend below said plate when the iron is placed on the same in an inverted position. The U-shaped plate is spaced from the base-plate so as to support the handle of the iron above and out of contact with said base-plate whereby the wooden hand-piece, usually fitted on electrically heated irons for which my holder is especially designed, will not be rubbed, scratched or otherwise marred as would result if it did come in contact with the base-plate or was supported thereby.

In order to prevent the iron from accidentally slipping off of the holder rearwardly when in an inverted position, upwardly extending lugs 7 are arranged at the rear end of the U-shaped plate, one at each side of the central slot. When the iron is in this position, it will be impossible for it to slip off in either a forward or lateral direction by reason of the U-shape of said upper plate. In order to retain the iron upon the holder in an upright position, two upwardly extending lugs are arranged on each side of the U-shaped plate, one of said lugs 8 being placed at or near the rear corner and the other 9 near the front end of said plate. These lugs 8 and 9 prevent the iron from slipping off in either a forward or lateral direction, when in an upright position. The lugs 7 prevent said iron from slipping off rearwardly when in this position as well as when in an inverted position.

I do not limit myself to the details of construction shown and described herein. For instance, while I have shown the lugs 7 and 8 meeting at the rear corners of the U-shaped plate, said lugs may be spaced some distance apart and still perform their intended functions. I, therefore, reserve the right to make such changes as fairly fall within the scope of my invention as defined by the claim.

I claim:—

A sad iron holder comprising a base plate, a U-shaped plate adapted to support said iron in either an upright or inverted

position, lugs at both sides and both ends
of said U-shaped plate for the purposes
specified, the lugs at the open end of said
plate serving to prevent the horizontal dis-
5 placement of the iron in that direction when
in either an upright or inverted position,
and upright posts connecting said plates and
extending through said base plate and

forming feet which support said plate above
the surface on which the holder is placed. 10

In testimony whereof, I affix my signa-
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