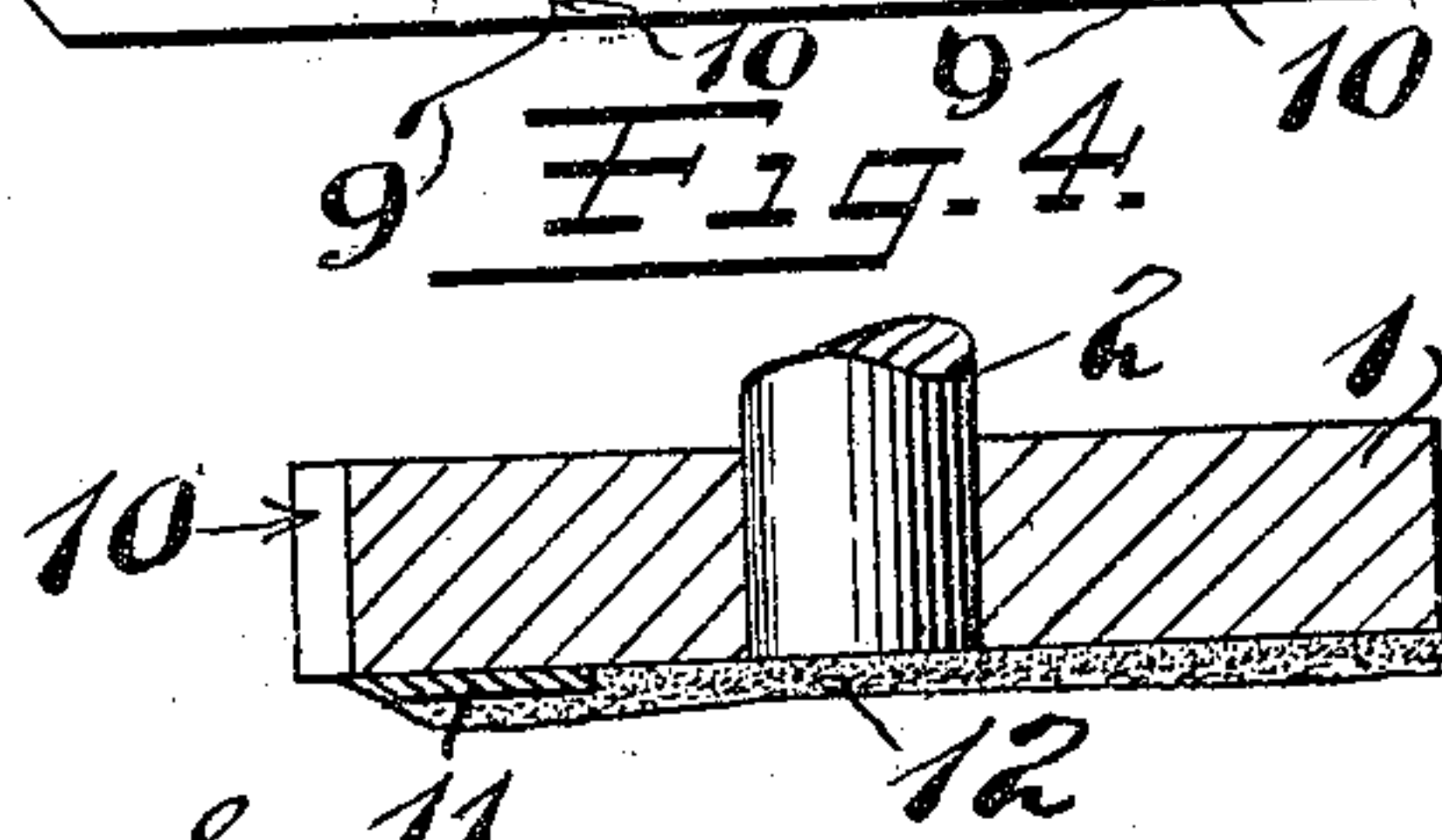
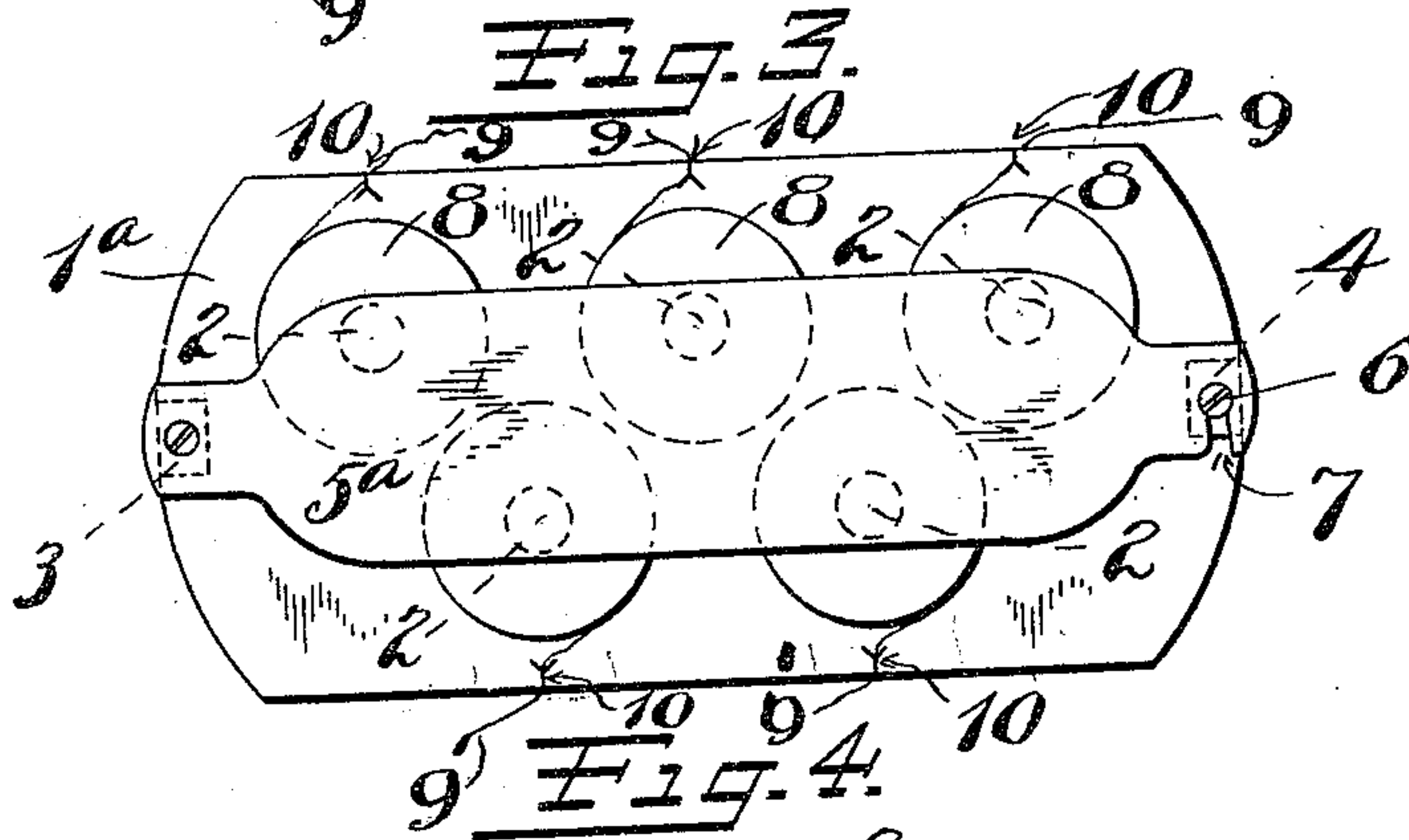
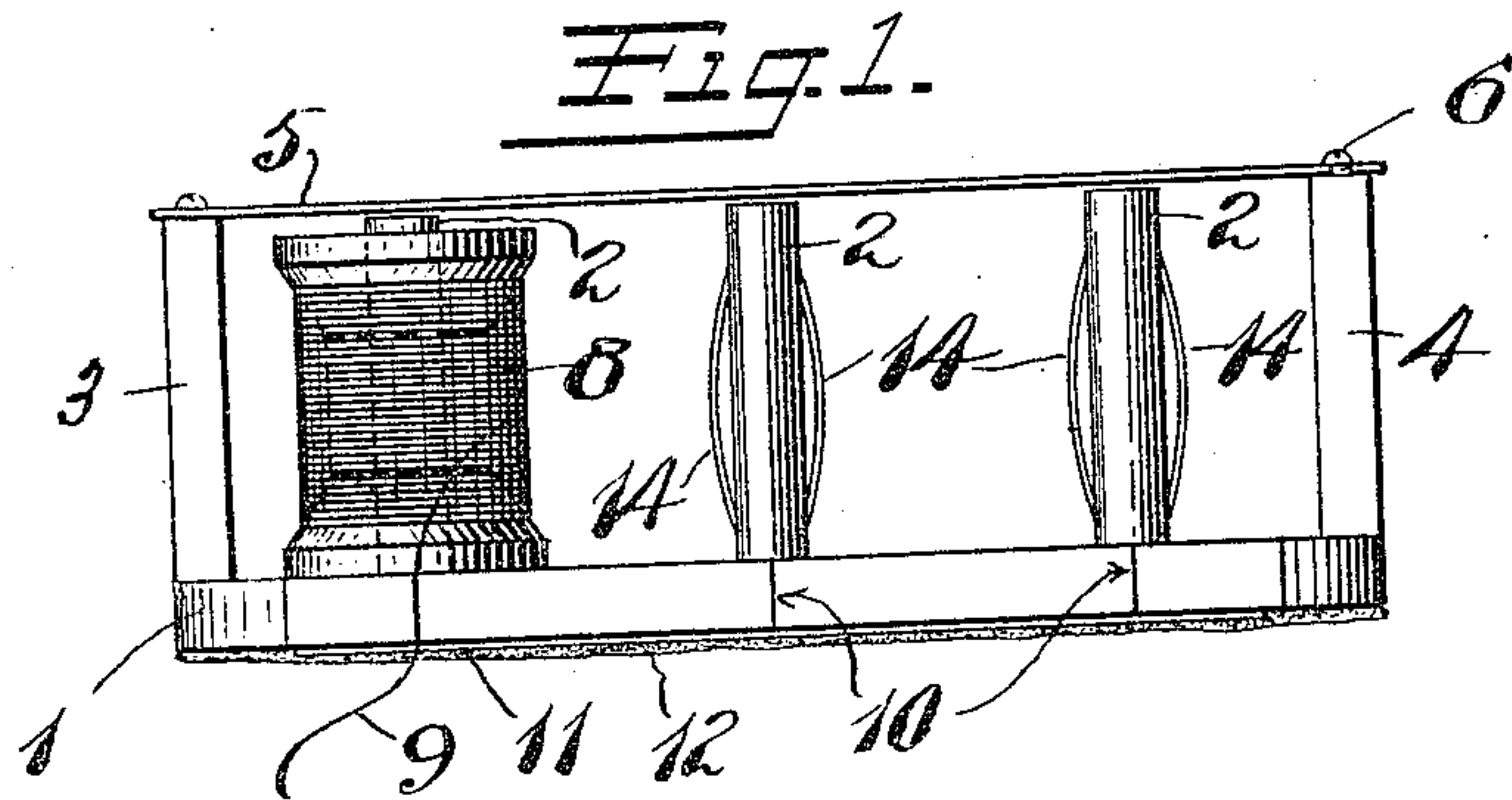


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JEANNE L. BUEB, a citizen of the United States, residing at Greenwich, county of Fairfield, State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Spool-Holders, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to improvements in holders for spools of thread, the object being to provide a simple and effective holder for such devices which shall be so constructed as to retain the free end of the thread and to provide a means for cutting off said free end at any desired length.

In the drawings: Figure 1 is a side elevation of my holder with only one spool mounted thereon; Fig. 2 is a plan view of the same; Fig. 3 is a plan view of a modification; Fig. 4 is a relatively enlarged sectional view of a portion of Fig. 1.

1 is the base having mounted thereon spindles or spool supports 2—2.

3—4 are end pieces.

5 is a top piece, in this particular instance pivoted to the end piece 3 and arranged at its other end to be secured to the end piece 4 by snap fastening or otherwise. In the preferred form shown, 6 is a screw, which operates as a holding stud for the adjacent end of the top piece 5, one edge of said top piece being recessed or slotted as at 7, said recess being arranged at an angle so that a snap effect is secured when the part 5 is engaged with the stud 6.

8 represents a spool of thread mounted on one of the spindles 2.

9 is the free end of the length of thread on spool 8. The edge of the part 1 is slitted to frictionally hold the free end 9 of the thread, as shown in Fig. 1, two of said slits being shown at 10—10, Fig. 1.

11 is a blade arranged closely adjacent to the slits 10—10 but slightly to the rear of the same, the cutting edge of said blade 11 being so disposed that when it is desired to sever a length of thread it is merely necessary to draw the end 9 into engagement with

said blade and thereby sever the same, leaving the balance still retained in the slit 10. 50

12 is a pad preferably of suitable non-abrasive material, which furnishes both a cover for the blade 11 as well as a bottom for the spool holder so that it will not scratch any polished surface upon which said holder may be placed. 55

In Fig. 3 I have shown a slight modification in which instead of one single row of spool spindles I have provided two parallel rows of spool spindles to hold the parallel rows of spools as shown; the cover 5^a being sufficiently wide to hold said spools in place, the base 1^a being sufficiently wide to carry the two rows of spindles. In this case I have provided notches 10—10 at both edges of the base 1^a. Obviously the number and arrangement of the spool-receiving spindles is immaterial to the invention. 60 65

As shown in Fig. 1 it is preferable to employ suitable means for preventing the spools from turning too freely upon the spindles and to that end I have provided one or more light springs 14—14 carried by the spindles to engage the bore of the spool and lightly restrain the same from turning. 70 75

What I claim is:

A holder for spools of thread, said holder comprising a base, spindles carried thereby, a movable spool retaining means arranged to cooperate with the spindles to hold the spools in place, said spool retaining means comprising a bar pivotally mounted at one end above said spindles and arranged to swing horizontally to clear the spindles, means carried by one of the parts to frictionally hold the free end of a piece of thread, and thread cutting means adjacent to said thread end holding means, said cutting means comprising a blade secured to the lower side of the base and slightly to the rear of the edge of the base and adjacent to the thread end holding means. 80 85 90

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