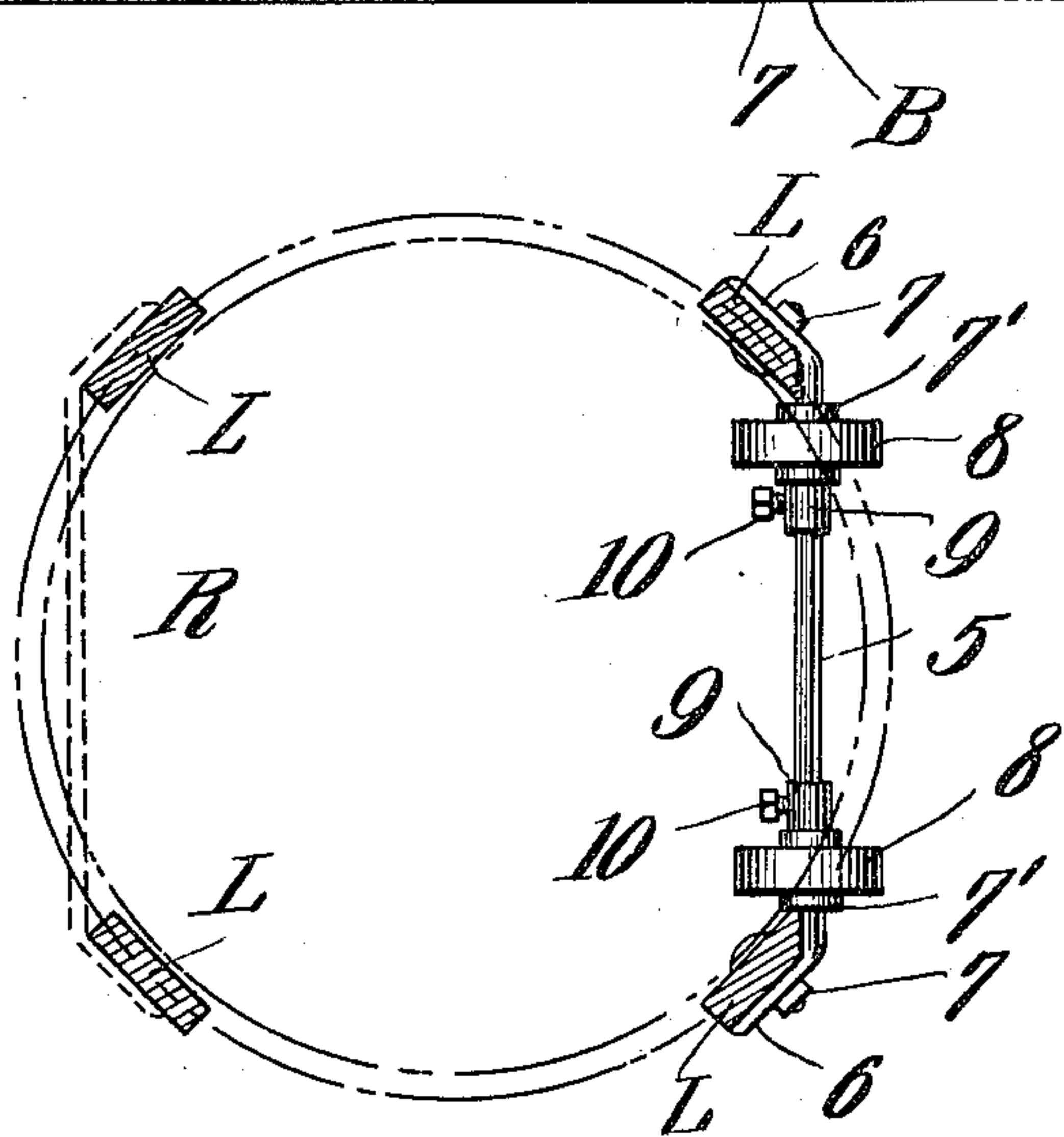
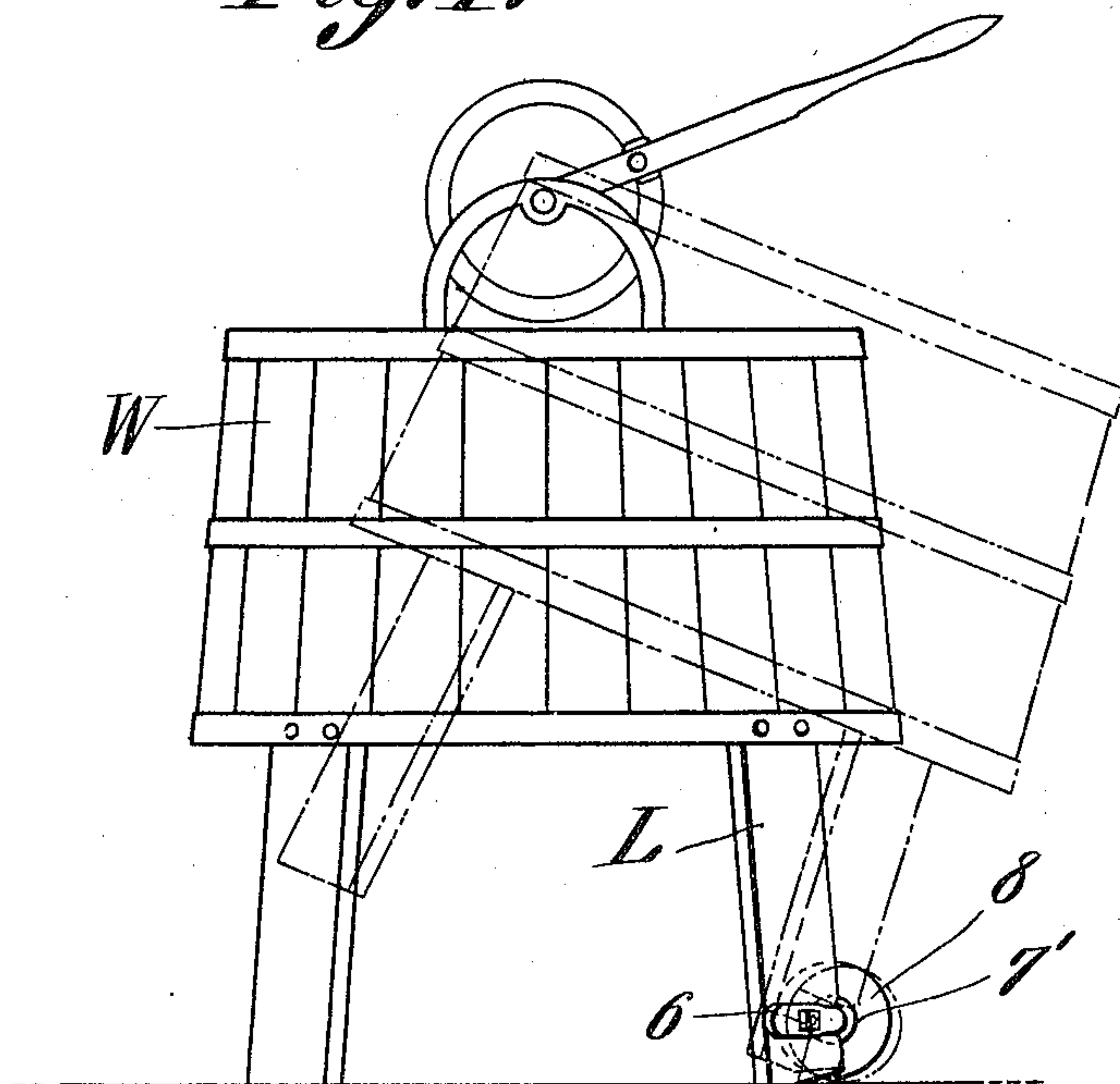


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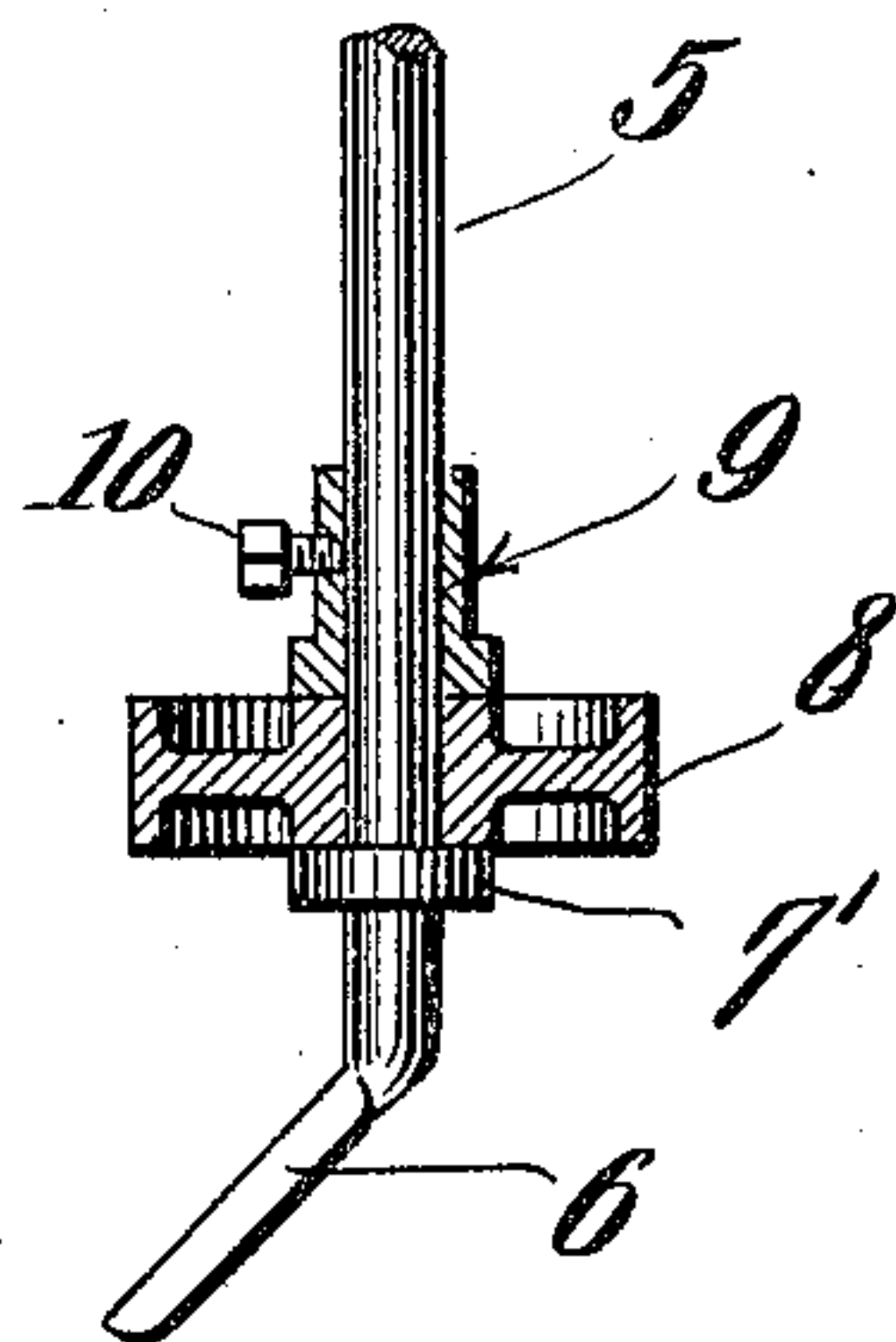
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, AUGUST SCHARNWEBER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Davenport, in the county of Scott and State of Iowa, have invented a new and useful Roller-Support, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to casters, and more especially those of that class known as leg elevators; and the object of the same is to produce an improved roller support for heavy articles such as washing machines or the like as illustrated in the accompanying drawings, although it is obvious that this support may be attached to any similar heavy articles having legs.

The invention consists in a structure specifically set forth below and shown in the drawings wherein—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a washing machine with my improved roller support attached, showing the whole in dotted lines as pivots. Fig. 2 is a cross section taken through the legs just above the roller support. Fig. 3 is an enlarged sectional detail.

In the drawings, the letter W designates broadly a washing machine having legs L depending from its body, and R dotted in Fig. 2 represents a round between two legs, the others possibly also being connected in that way. My improved support, however, connects two of the legs and takes the place of the round at that side as will be seen.

Coming now more particularly to the present invention, the numeral 5 designates a rod which has a round body and is of a length to connect two of the legs as seen, and this rod is flattened at its ends and formed into eyes 6 through which pass bolts 7 connecting two of the legs L as best seen in Fig. 2. On the rod at points near the eyes are formed collars 7' against which rest wheels 8, and sleeves 9 are mounted on the rod inside the hubs of the wheels and

may be held thereon by means of set screws 10 or in any approved way. Thus the two wheels 8 are mounted on a common axis which is the center of the rod 5, at points adjacent but out of contact with two contiguous legs L, and (as will be seen in Fig. 1) at a height from the lower end of the legs which is sufficient to hold the peripheries of the wheels out of contact with the floor when the washing machine stands upright and upon its four legs.

In use, when it is desired to move the machine, the whole is tilted from a perpendicular or upright position wherein its four legs rest upon the floor, to an inclined position as seen in dotted lines in Fig. 1, which brings the perimeter of the rollers into contact with the floor and lifts the legs off of the same so as to render the machine easily movable upon the rollers by which it is then supported. Thus it will be seen that by tilting the whole the rollers are thrown automatically into play and the legs are automatically lifted out of contact with the floor.

What is claimed as new is:

In combination with a frame having four depending legs, the lower outermost corners of two of the adjacent legs being beveled; a support comprising a rod secured to and extending straight across between said legs near their lower ends, collars on the rod at remote points and between said legs, rollers journaled on the rod next inside the collars and revolving on a common axis but out of contact with the floor when all legs rest thereon, and sleeves secured to the rod next inside said rollers.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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