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# United States Patent [19]

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[54] **CASKET SHELL**

[57] **CLAIM**

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The ornamental design for a casket shell, as shown and described.

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### DESCRIPTION

[\*\*] Term: **14 Years**

FIG. 1 is a front perspective view of our new, original and ornamental design for a casket shell;

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FIG. 2 is a front elevational view thereof, the rear elevational view being identical;

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FIG. 3 is an end elevational view thereof, the rear elevational view being identical;

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FIG. 4 is a top plan view thereof in reduced scale; and,

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FIG. 5 is a bottom plan view thereof, also in reduced scale;

[58] **Field of Search .... D99/1-8; 27/1-7; 40/124.5; 220/400, 402**

FIG. 6 is a front elevational view of a second embodiment of our design, the rear elevational view being identical, both end elevational views being as shown in FIG. 3, the top plan view being as shown in FIG. 4 and the bottom plan view being as shown in FIG. 5;

### [56] **References Cited**

FIG. 7 is a front elevational view of a third embodiment of our design, the rear elevational view being identical, both end elevational views being as shown in FIG. 3, the top plan view being as shown in FIG. 4 and the bottom plan view being as shown in FIG. 5;

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FIG. 8 is a front elevational view of a fourth embodiment of our design, the rear elevational view being identical, both end elevational views being as shown in FIG. 3, the top plan view being as shown in FIG. 4 and the bottom plan view being as shown in FIG. 5;

#### OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Color Reproduction of Casket Lithograph "Fremont" Not Dated.

FIG. 9 is a front elevational view of a fifth embodiment of our design, the rear elevational view being identical, both end elevational views being as shown in FIG. 3, the top plan view being as shown in FIG. 4 and the bottom plan view being as shown in FIG. 5;

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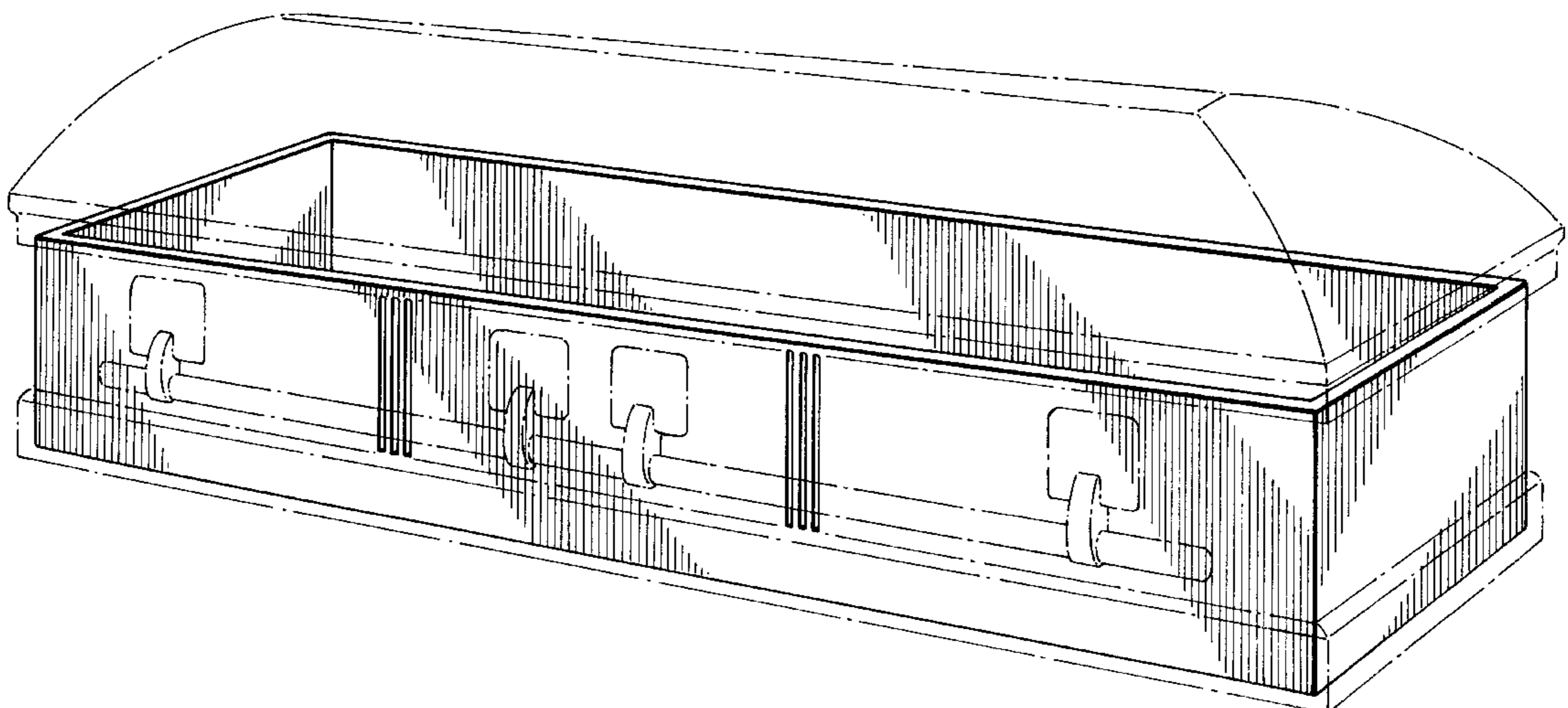
FIG. 10 is a front elevational view of a sixth embodiment of our design, the rear elevational view being identical, both end elevational views being as shown in FIG. 3, the top plan view being as shown in FIG. 4 and the bottom plan view being as shown in FIG. 5.

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The phantom lines illustrate environment and form no part of the claimed design.

The broken line showing of the casket in FIG. 1 is for illustrative purposes only and forms no part of the claimed design.

**1 Claim, 3 Drawing Sheets**



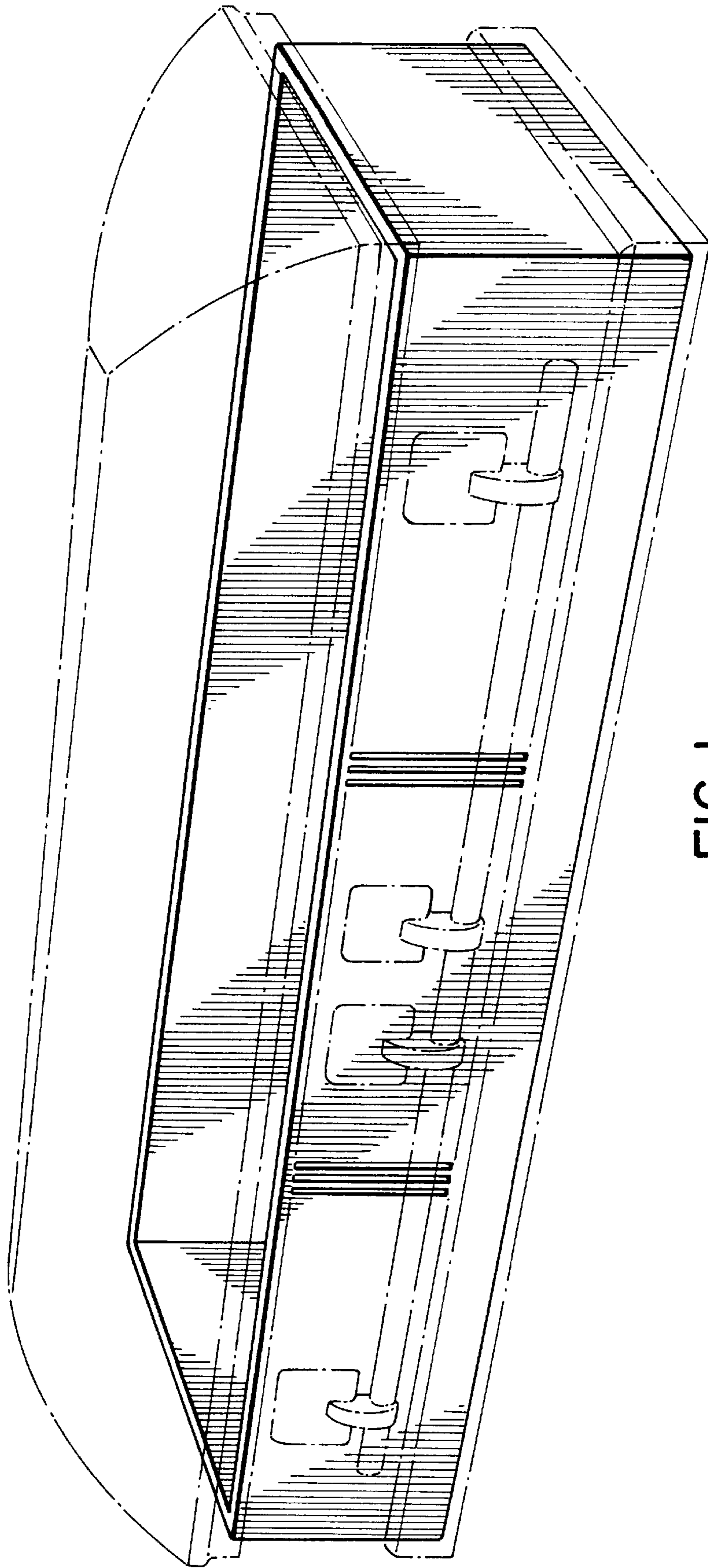


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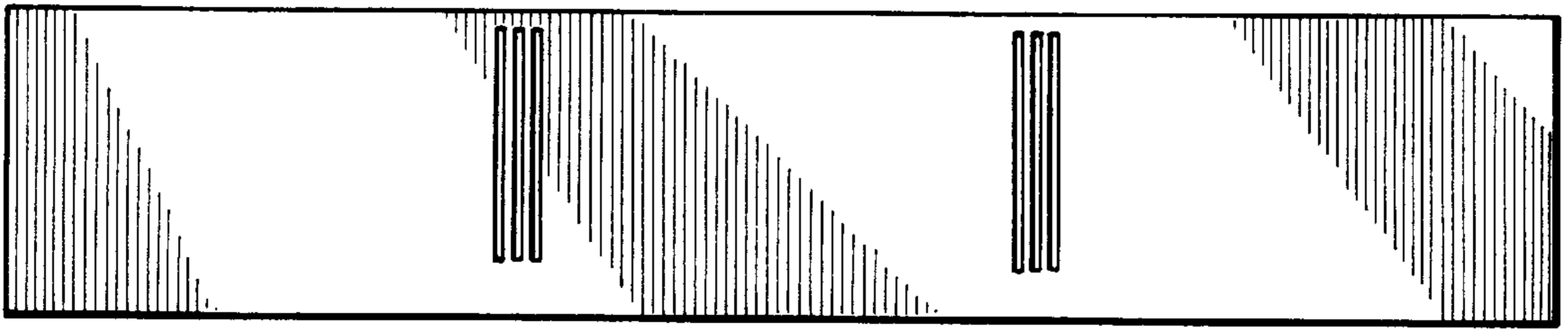


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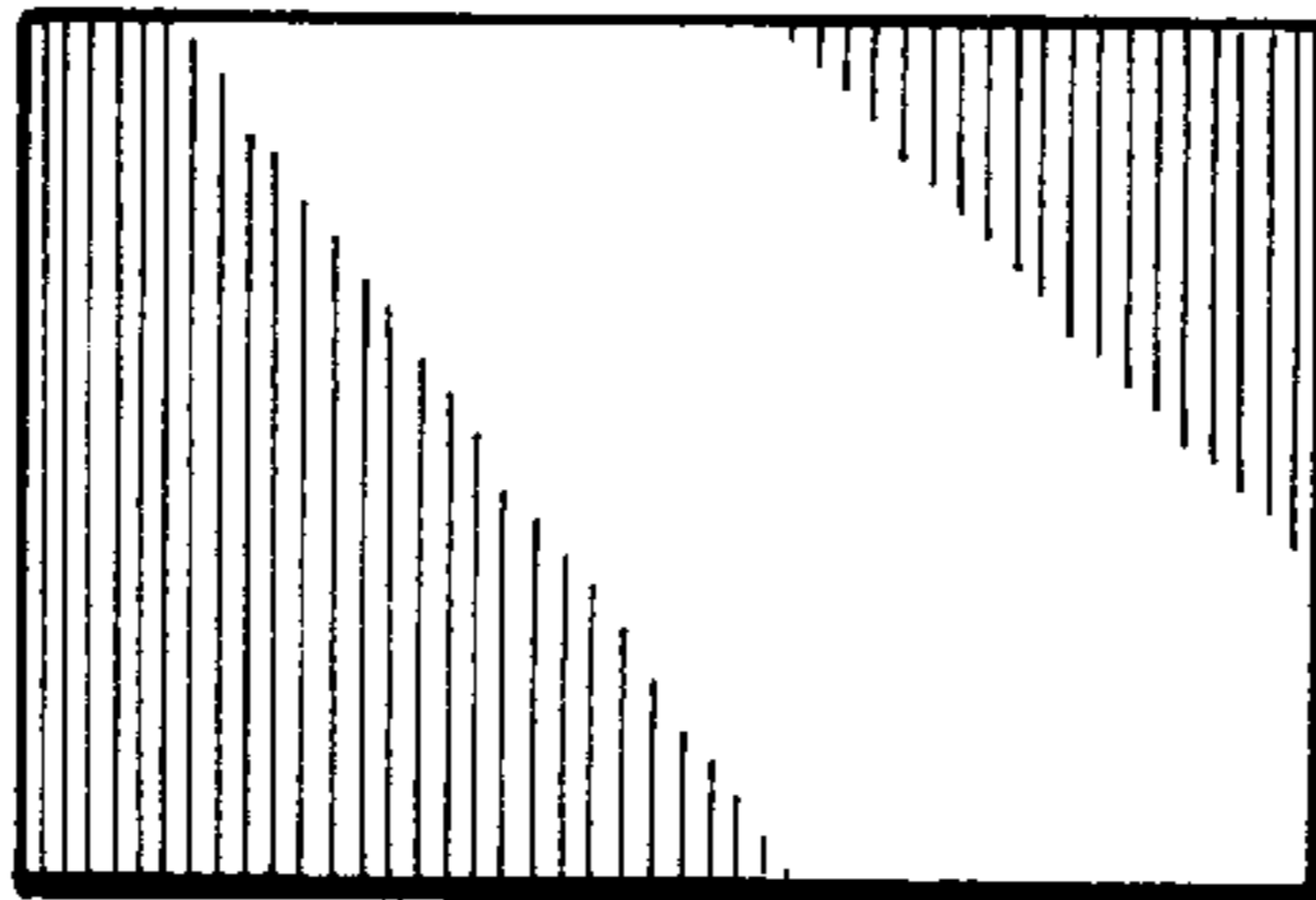


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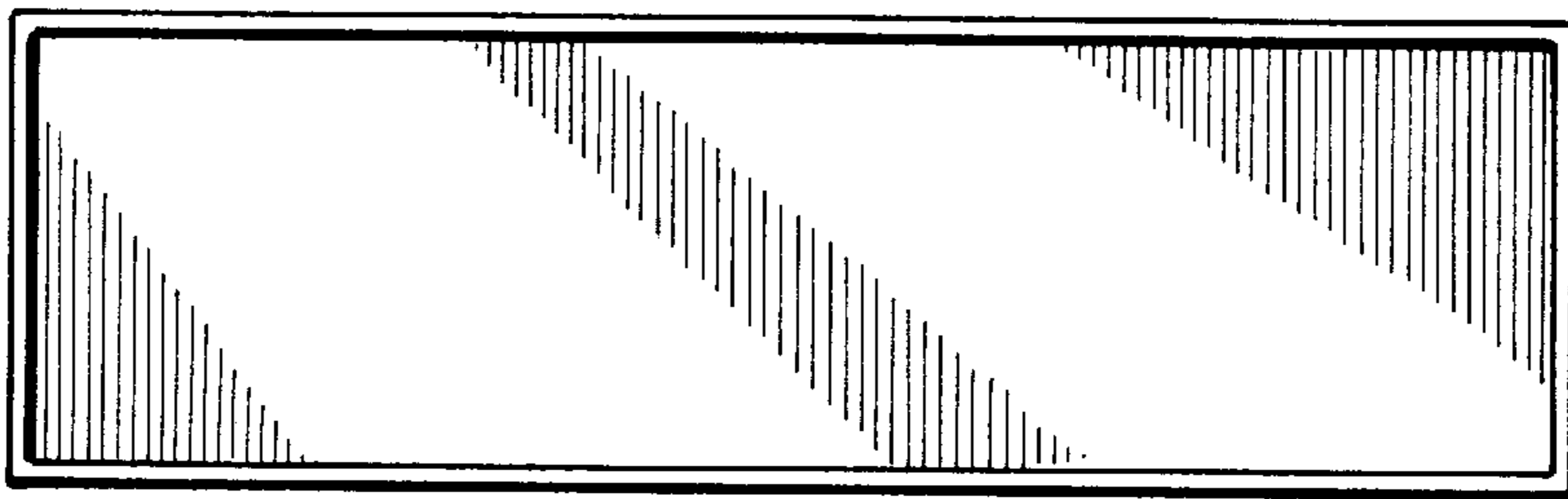


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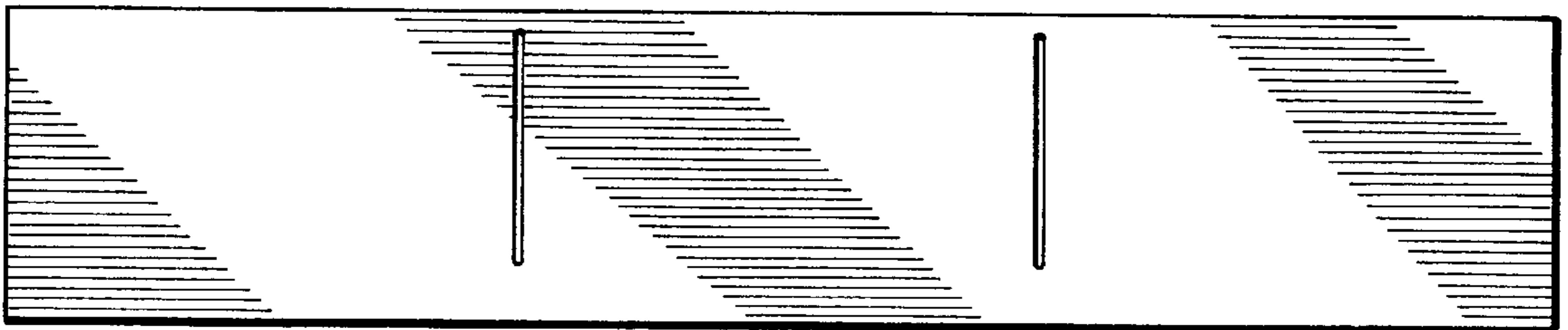


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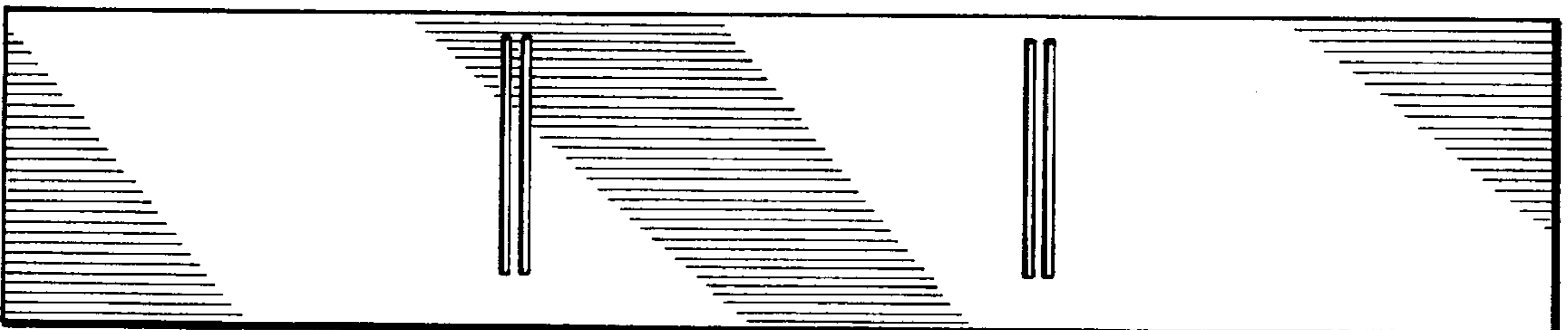


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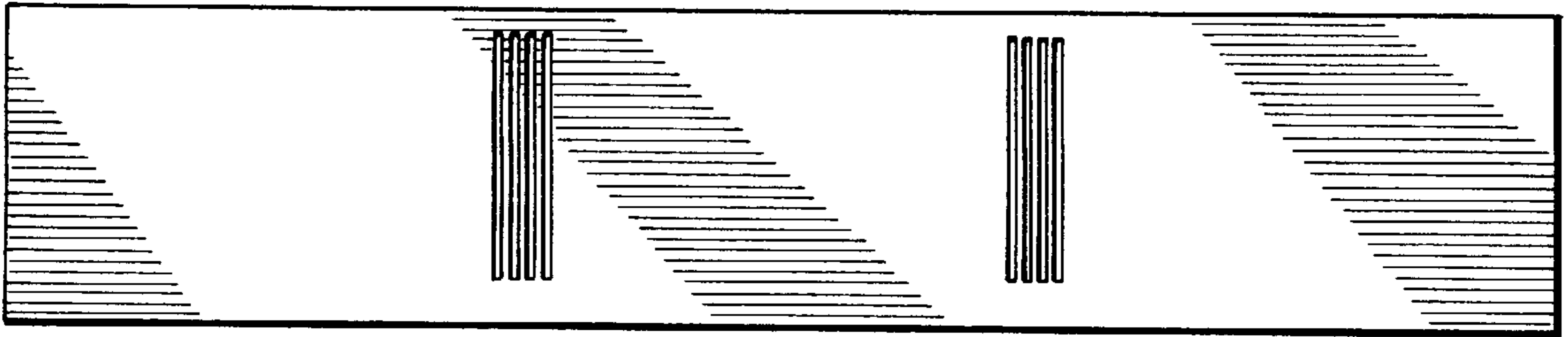


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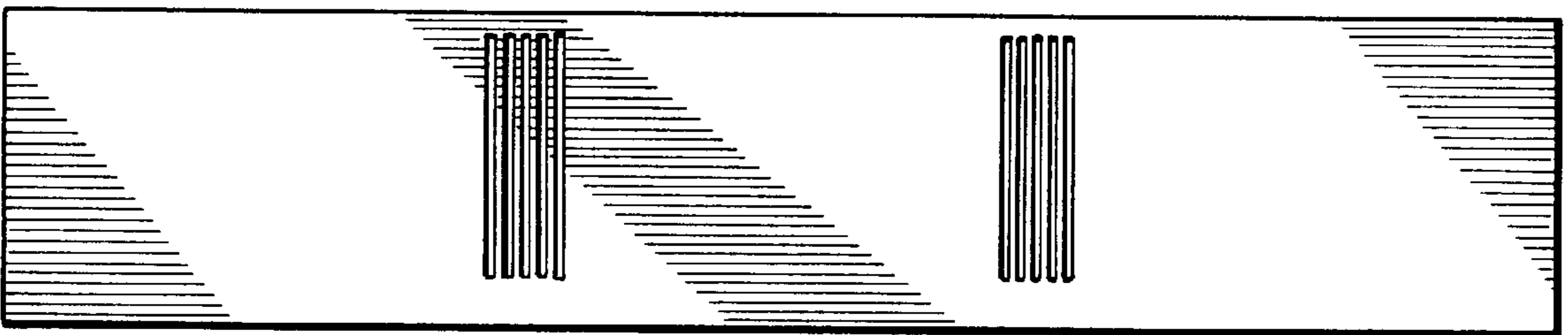


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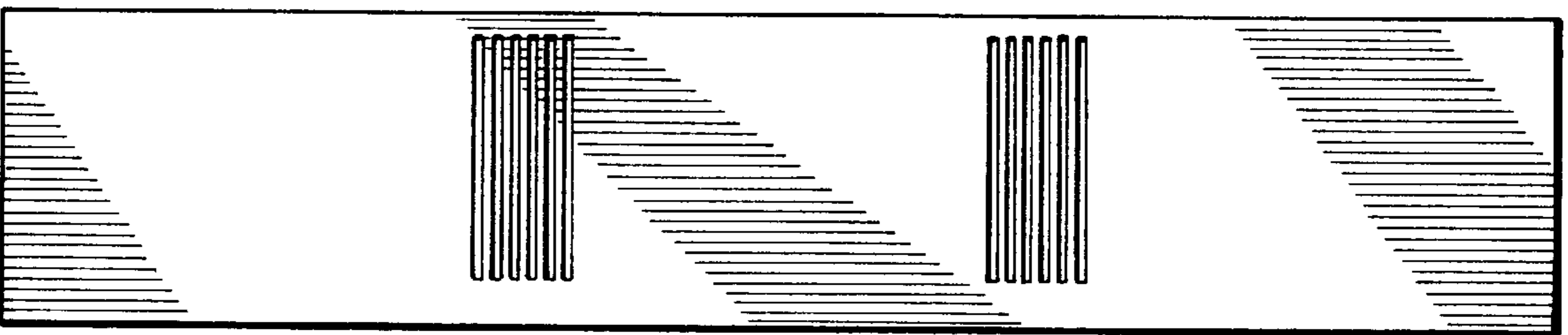


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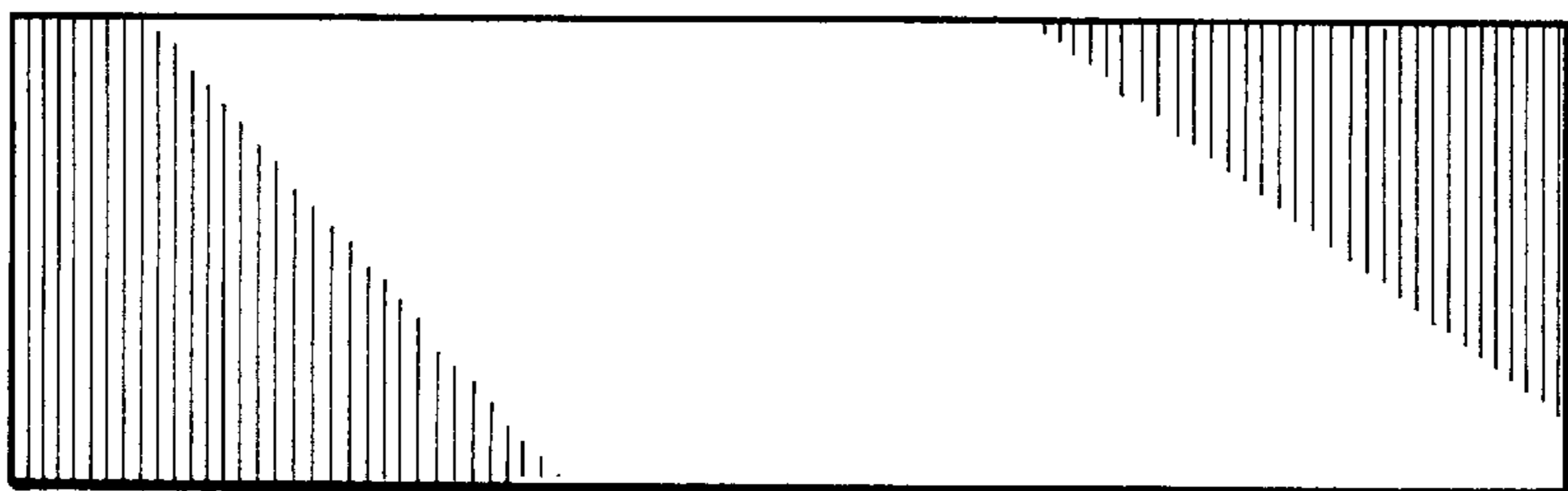


FIG. 5



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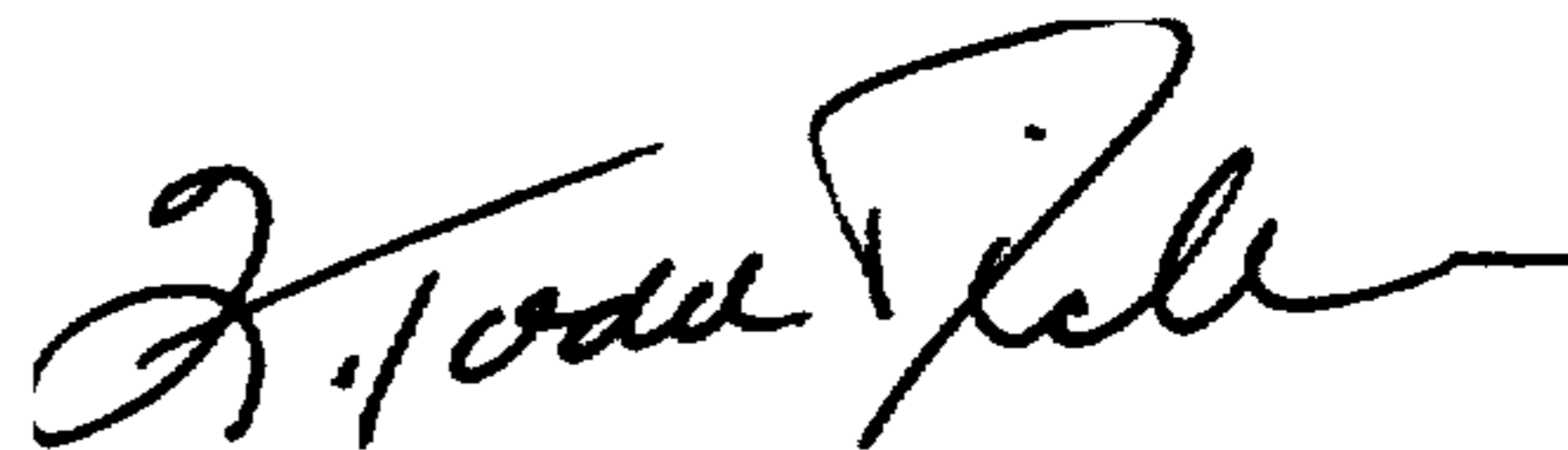
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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On the title page,  
DESCRIPTION, FIG. 3, should read -- thereof, the other end  
elevational view -- instead of "thereof, the rear  
elevational view".

Signed and Sealed this  
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