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(54) **U-SHAPED FENCE CONNECTOR**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a u-shaped fence connector, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a first element of the design; FIG. 2 is a perspective view of a second embodiment of the design shown in FIG. 1;

FIG. 3 is a top plan view of the design of FIG. 1;

FIG. 4 is a bottom plan view of the design of FIG. 1;

FIG. 5 is a right side view of the design of FIG. 1;

FIG. 6 is a rear view of the design of FIG. 1;

FIG. 7 is a left side view of the design of FIG. 1;

FIG. 8 is a front view of the design of FIG. 1;

FIG. 9 is a top plan view of the design of FIG. 2;

FIG. 10 is a bottom plan view of the design of FIG. 2;

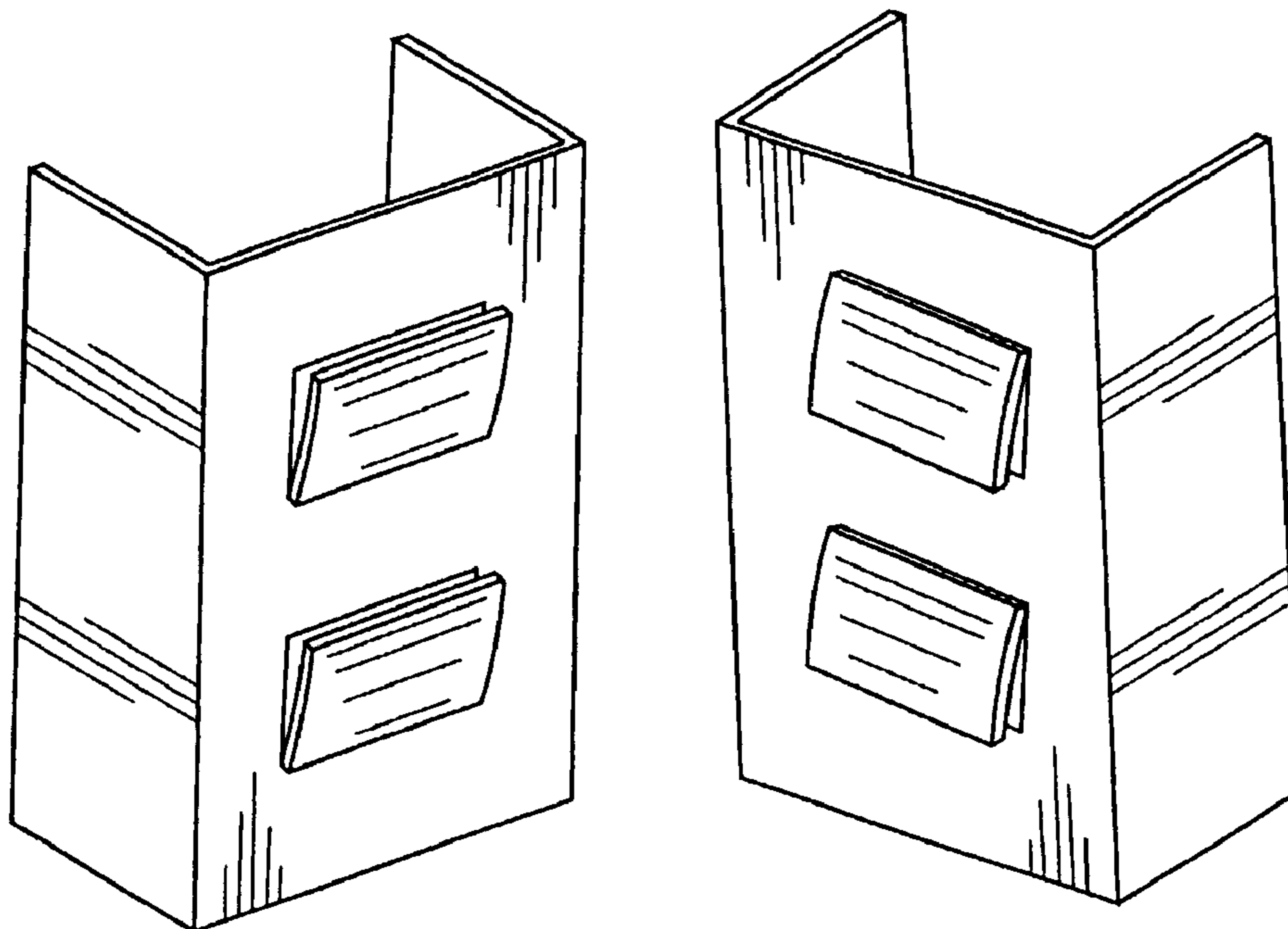
FIG. 11 is a right side view of the design of FIG. 2;

FIG. 12 is a rear view of the design of FIG. 2;

FIG. 13 is a left side view of the design of FIG. 2; and,

FIG. 14 is a front view of the design of FIG. 2.

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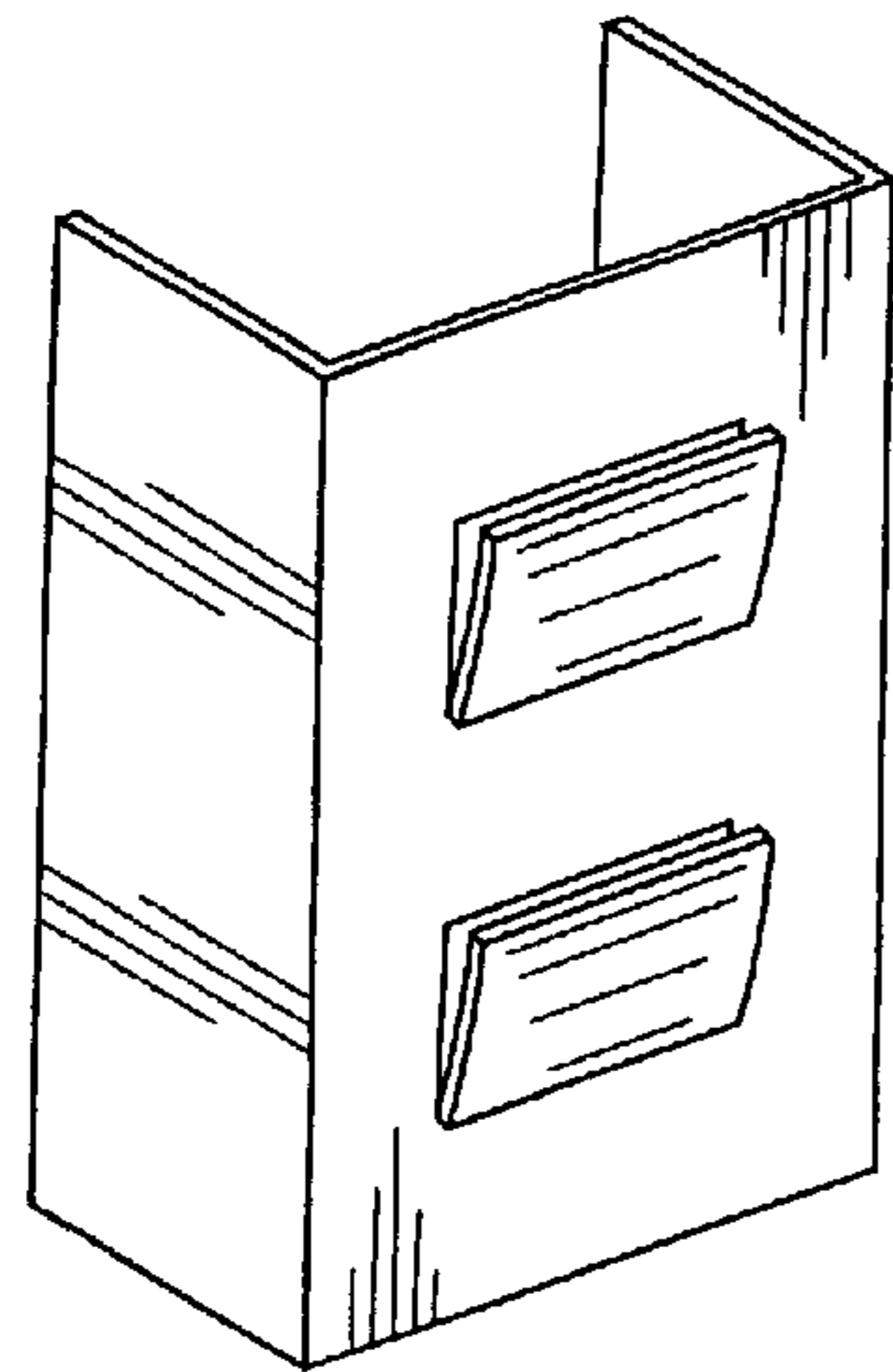


FIG. 1

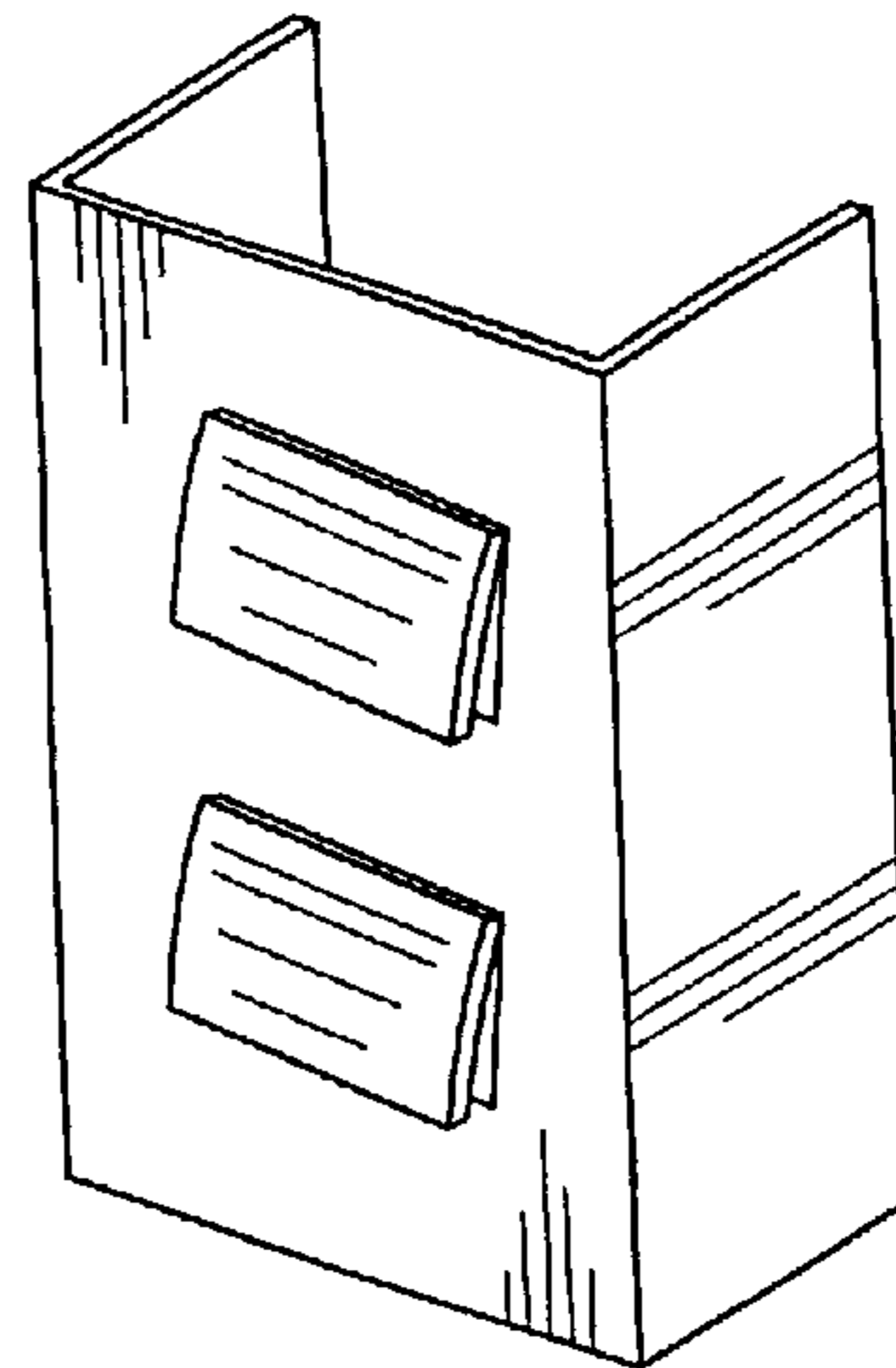


FIG. 2

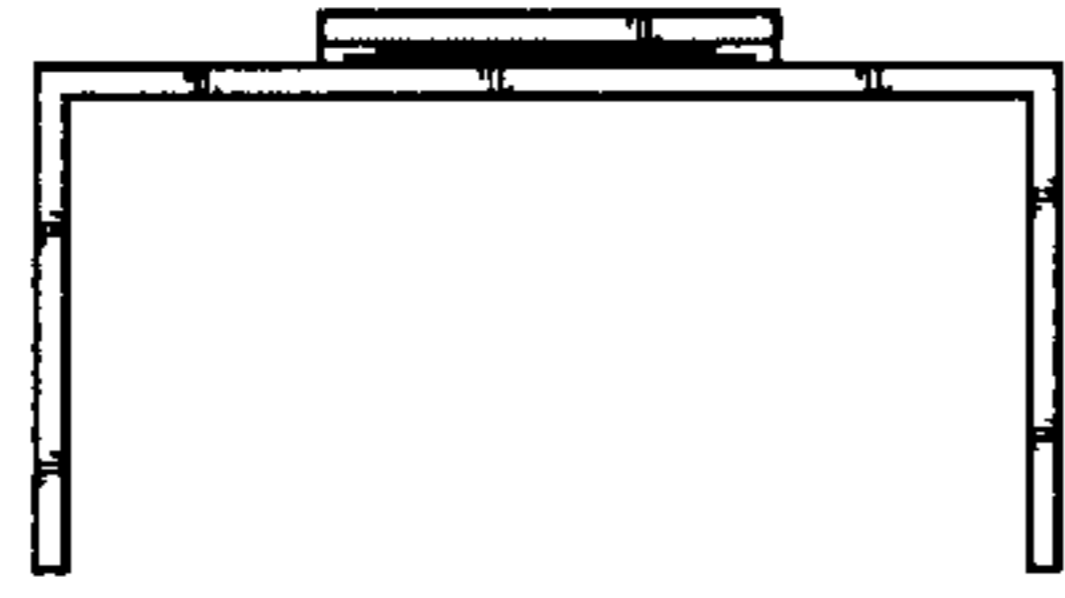


FIG. 3



FIG. 4

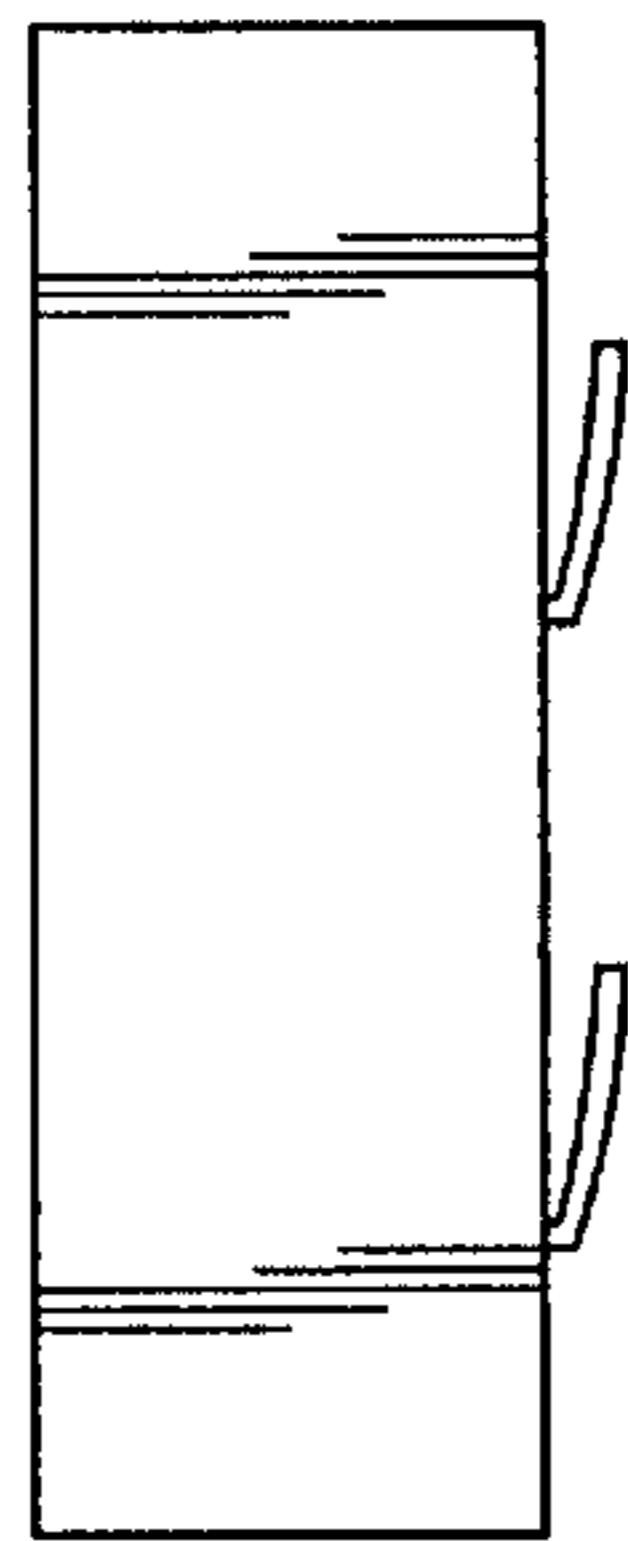


FIG. 5

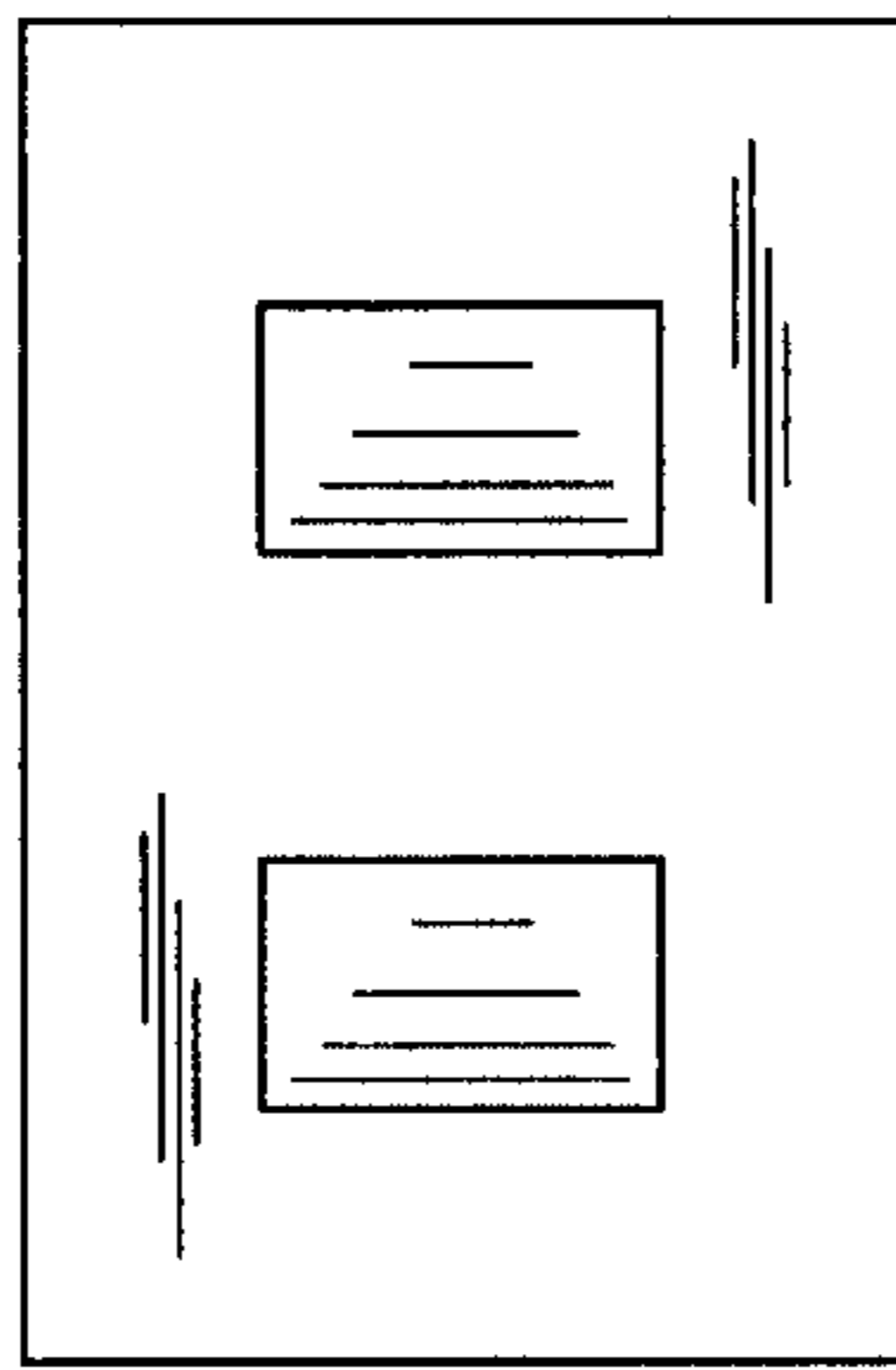


FIG. 6

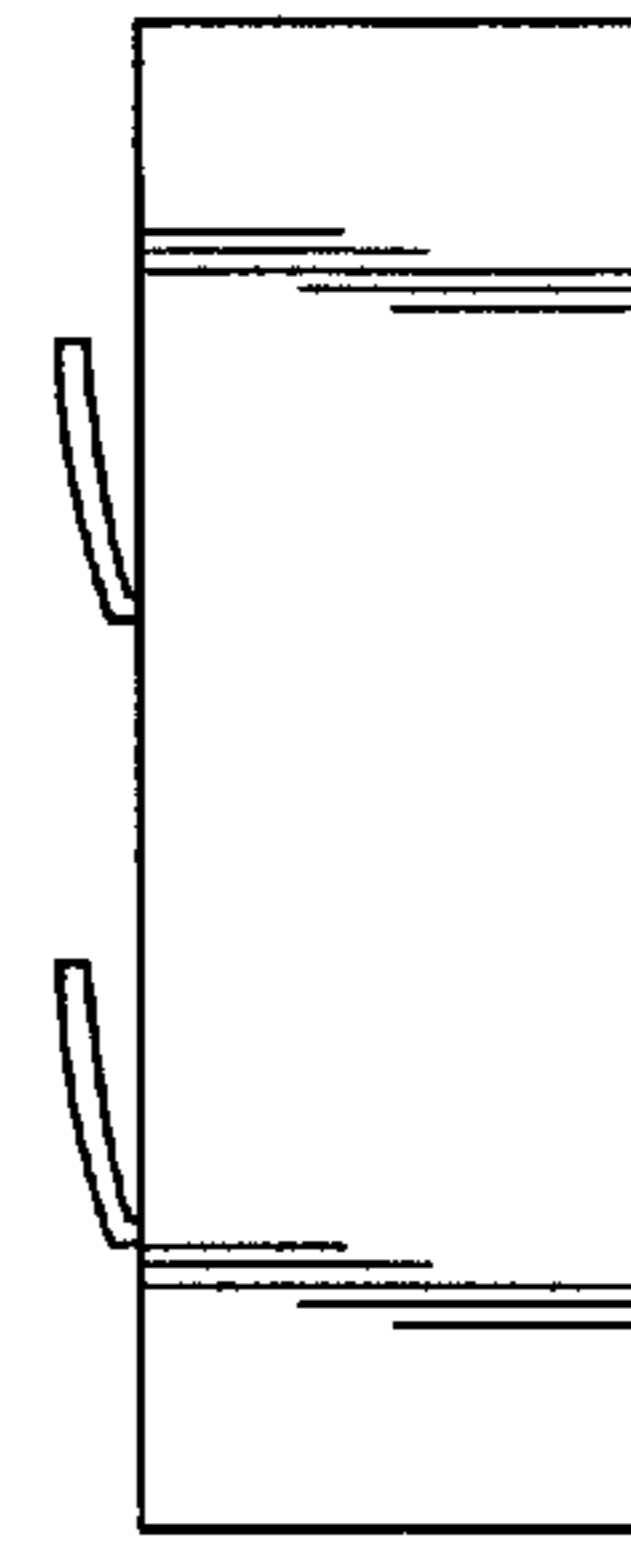


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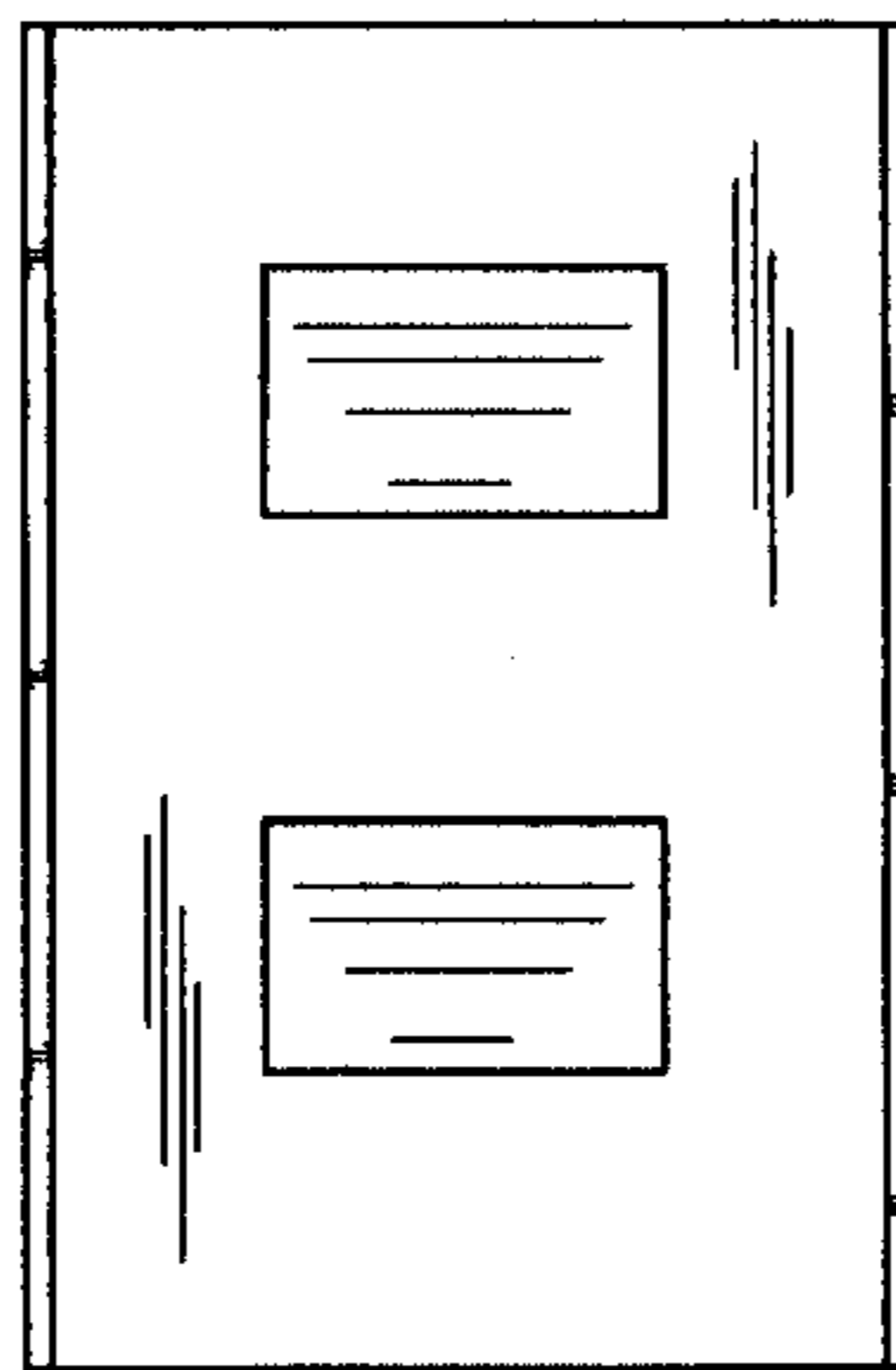


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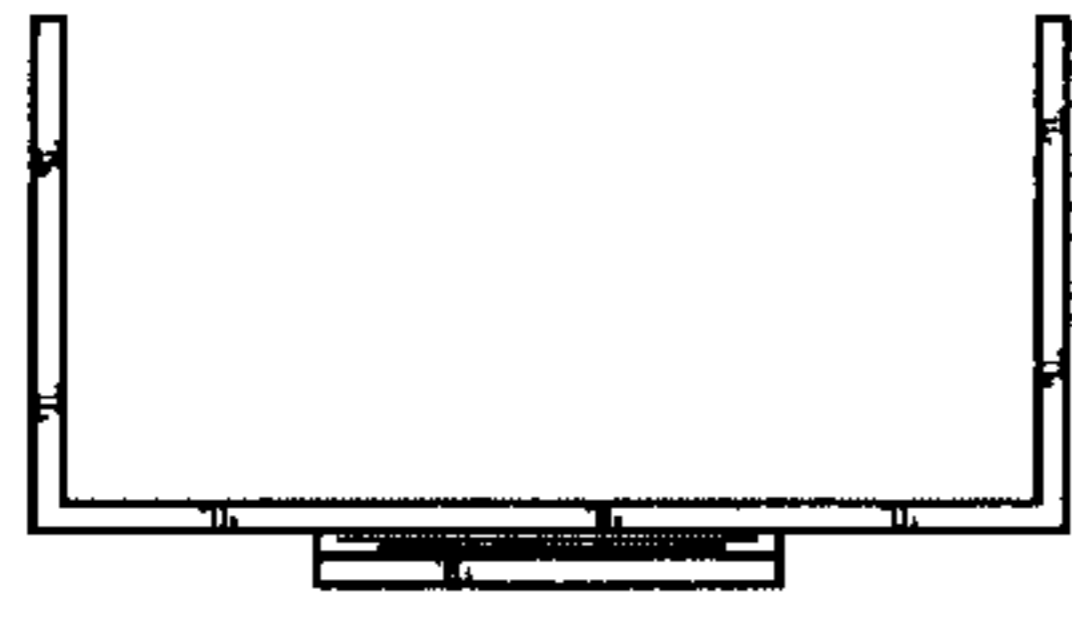


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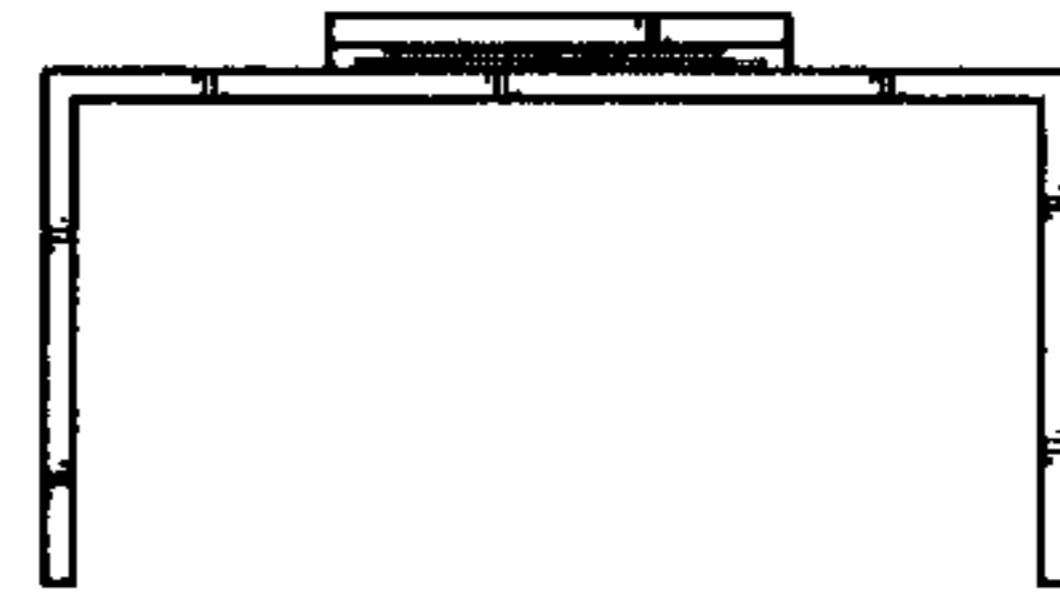


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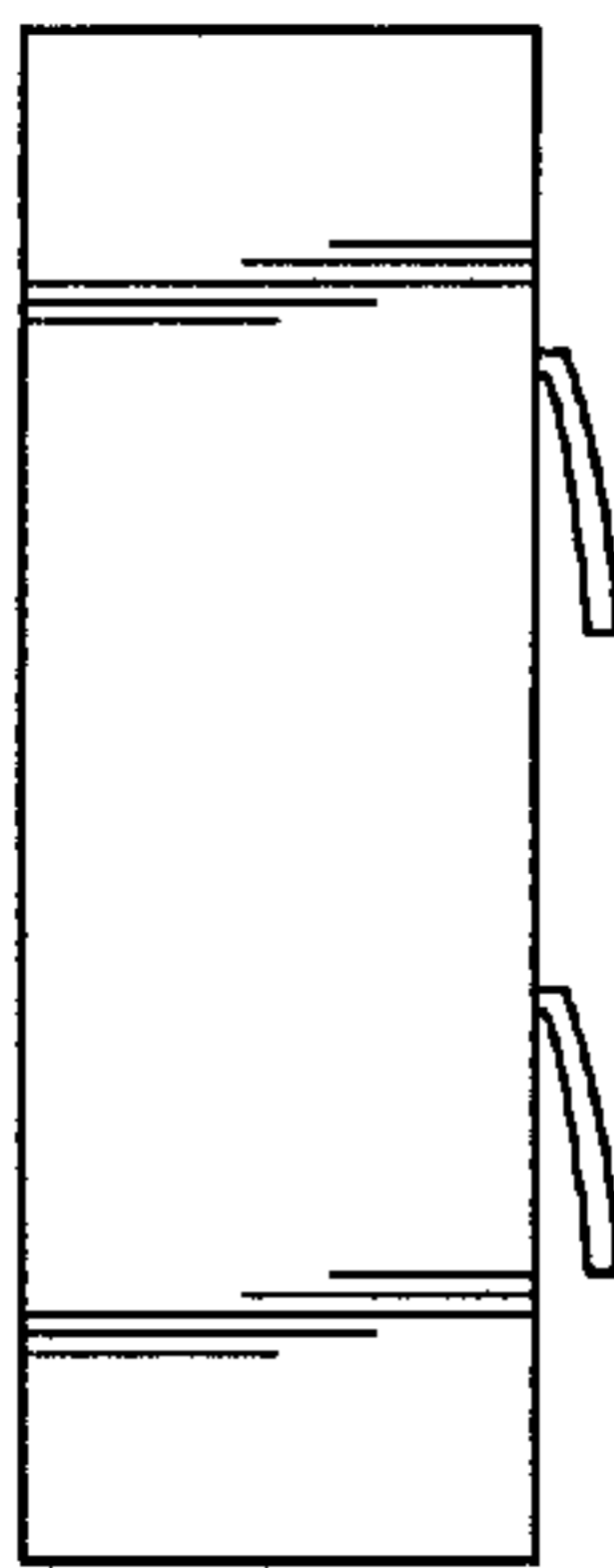


FIG. 11

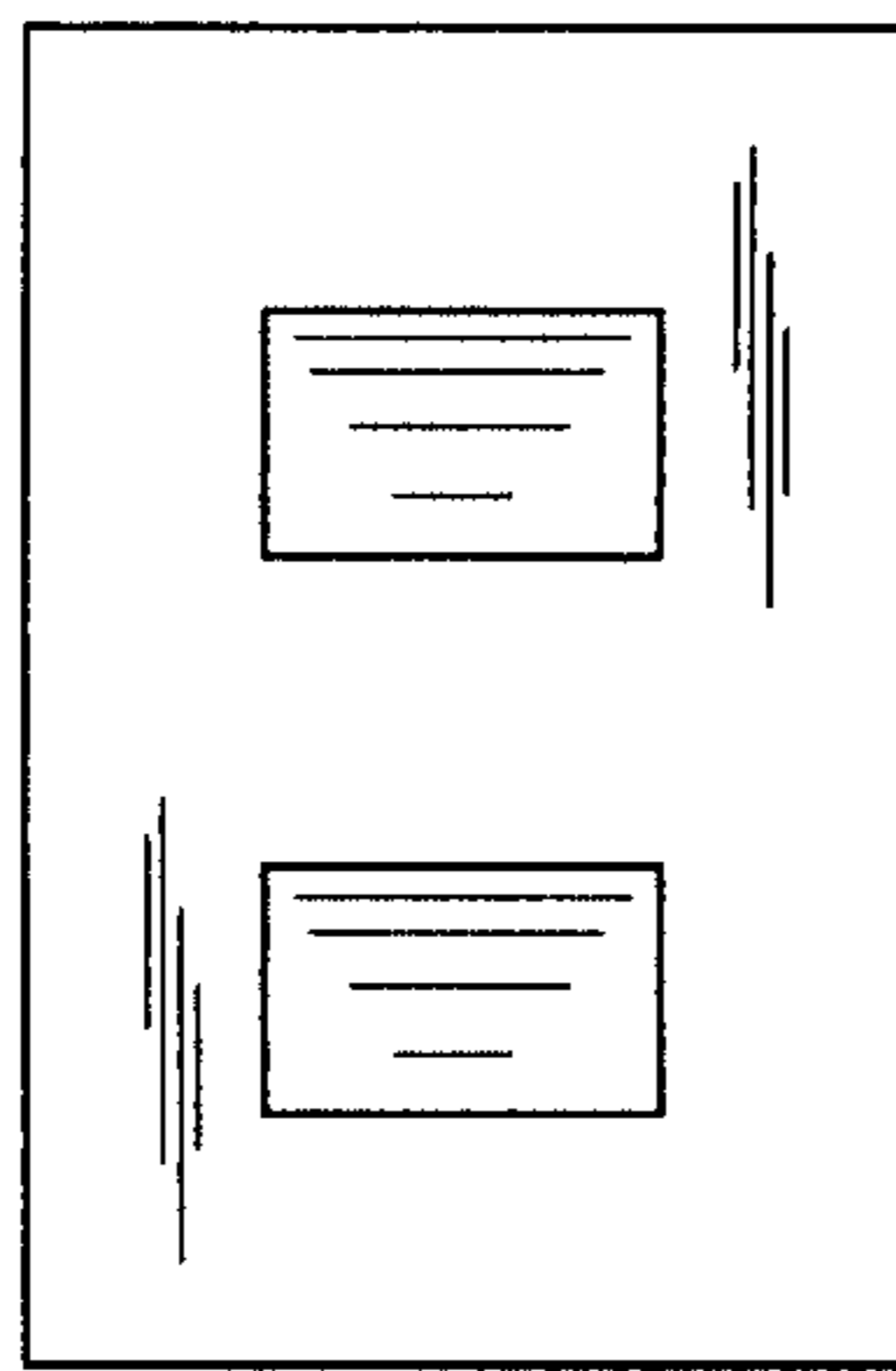


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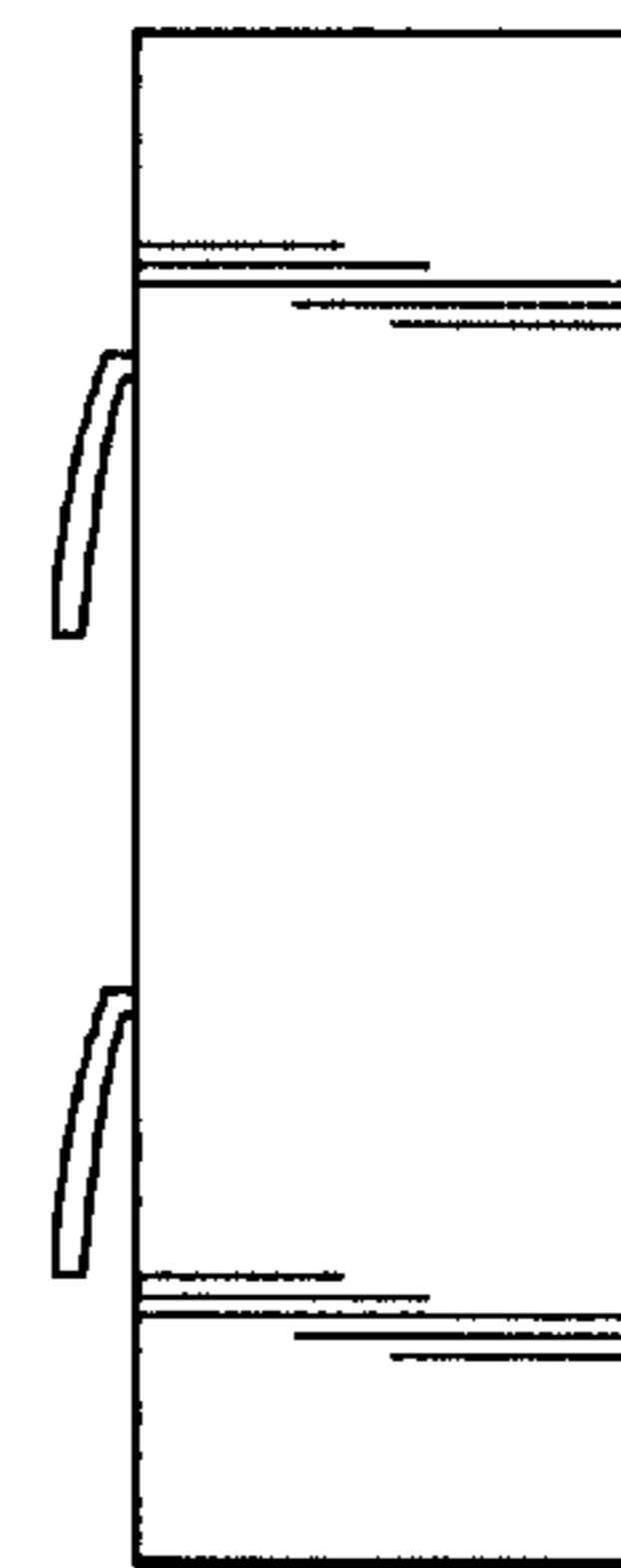


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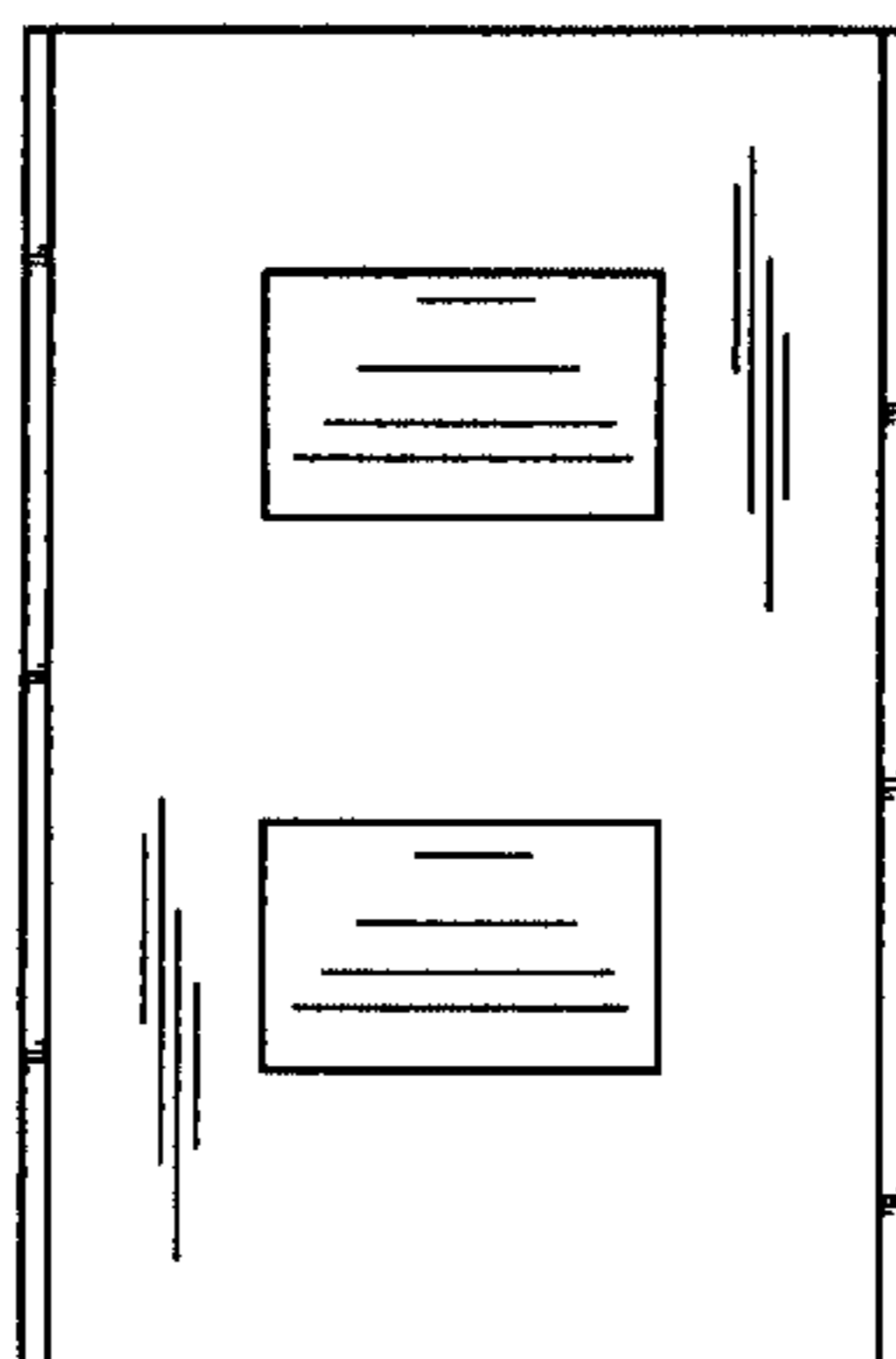


FIG. 14