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(54) **DEVICE FOR CONNECTING A TOW BAR TO A VEHICLE TO BE TOWED**

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(57) **CLAIM**

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I claim the ornamental design for a device for connecting a tow bar to a vehicle to be towed, as shown and described.

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DESCRIPTION

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FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a device for connecting a tow bar to a vehicle to be towed showing my new design;

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FIG. 2 is a top plan view thereof, the bottom plan view being a mirror image thereof;

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FIG. 3 is a side elevational view thereof;

FIG. 4 is an elevational view of the opposing side thereof;

FIG. 5 is an end elevational view thereof;

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FIG. 6 is an elevational view of the opposing end thereof; and,

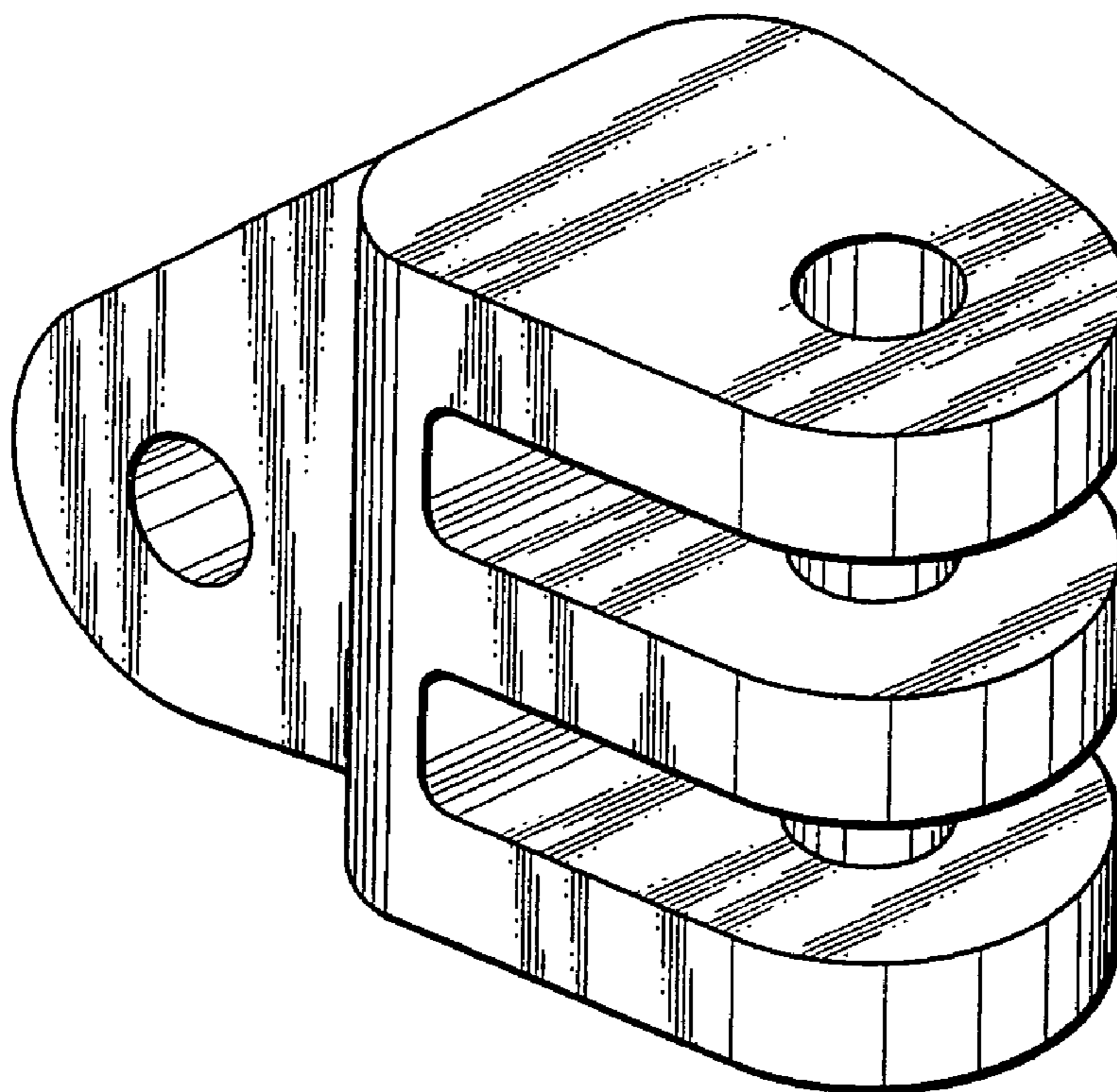
FIG. 7 is a reduced top plan view showing the invention in use; the broken lines depict another device which is the mirror image of the device for connecting a tow bar to a vehicle to be towed and which is used in conjunction therewith; the remaining broken lines depict environmental structure for illustrative purposes only and form no part of the claimed design.

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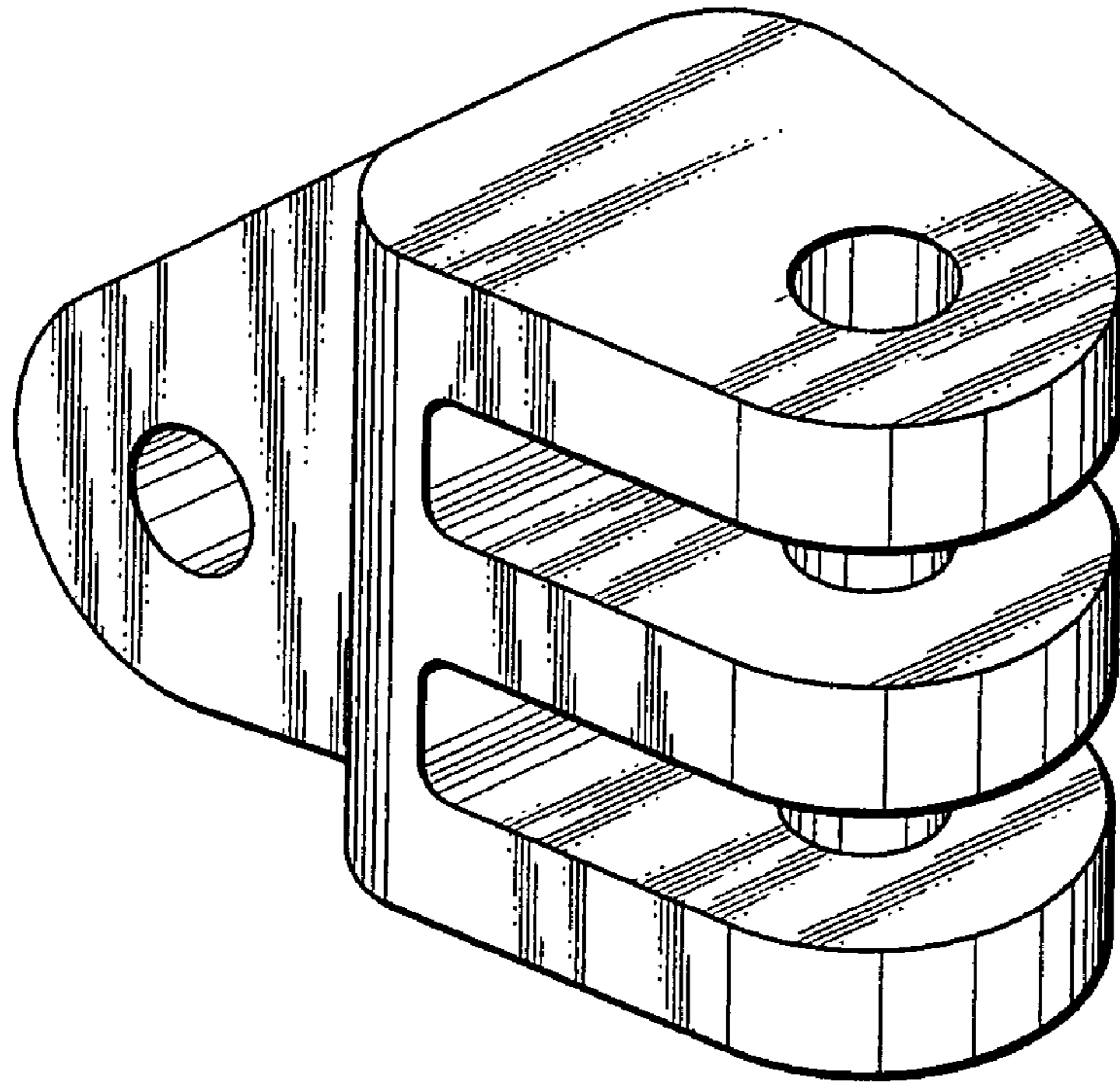


FIG. 1

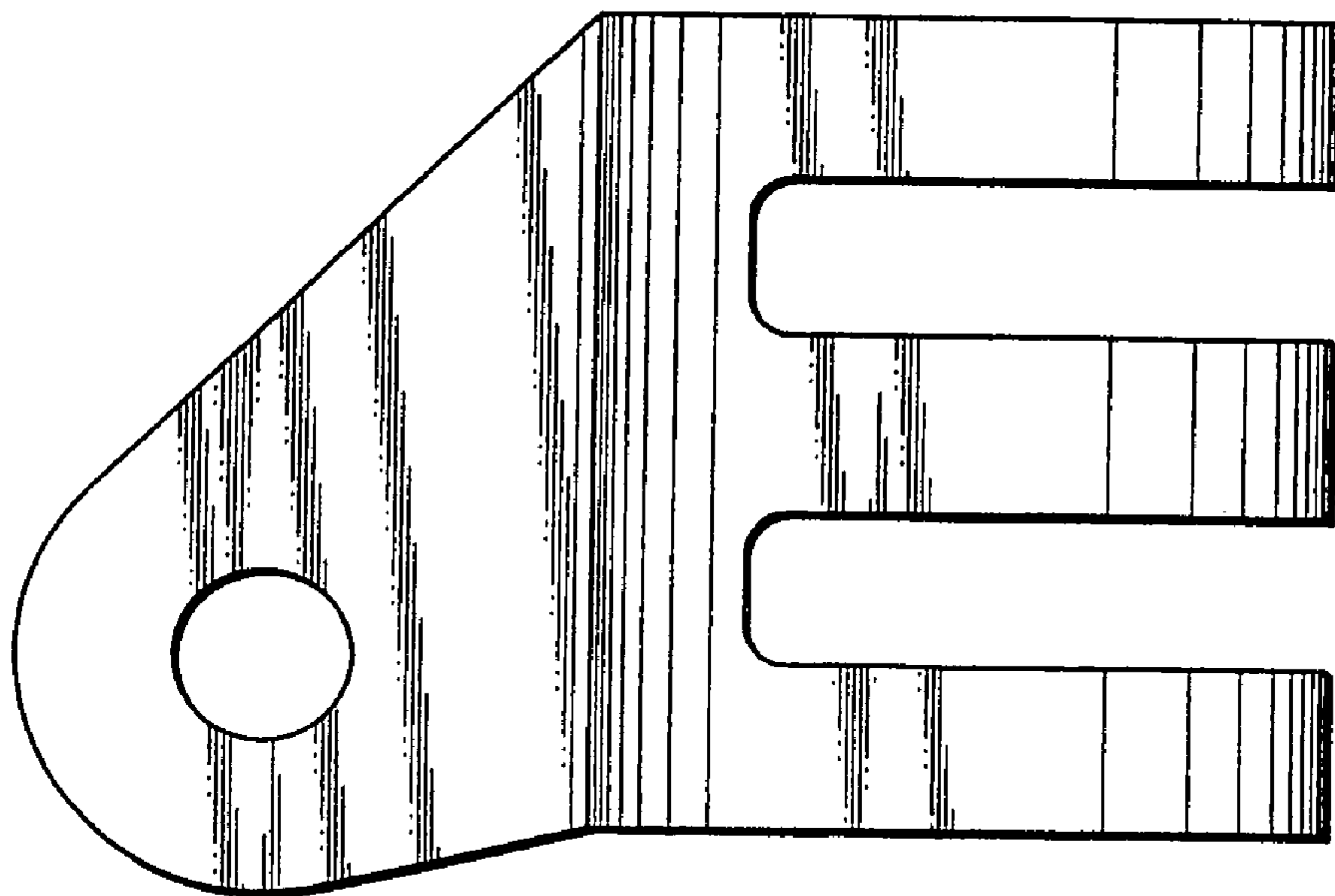


FIG. 2

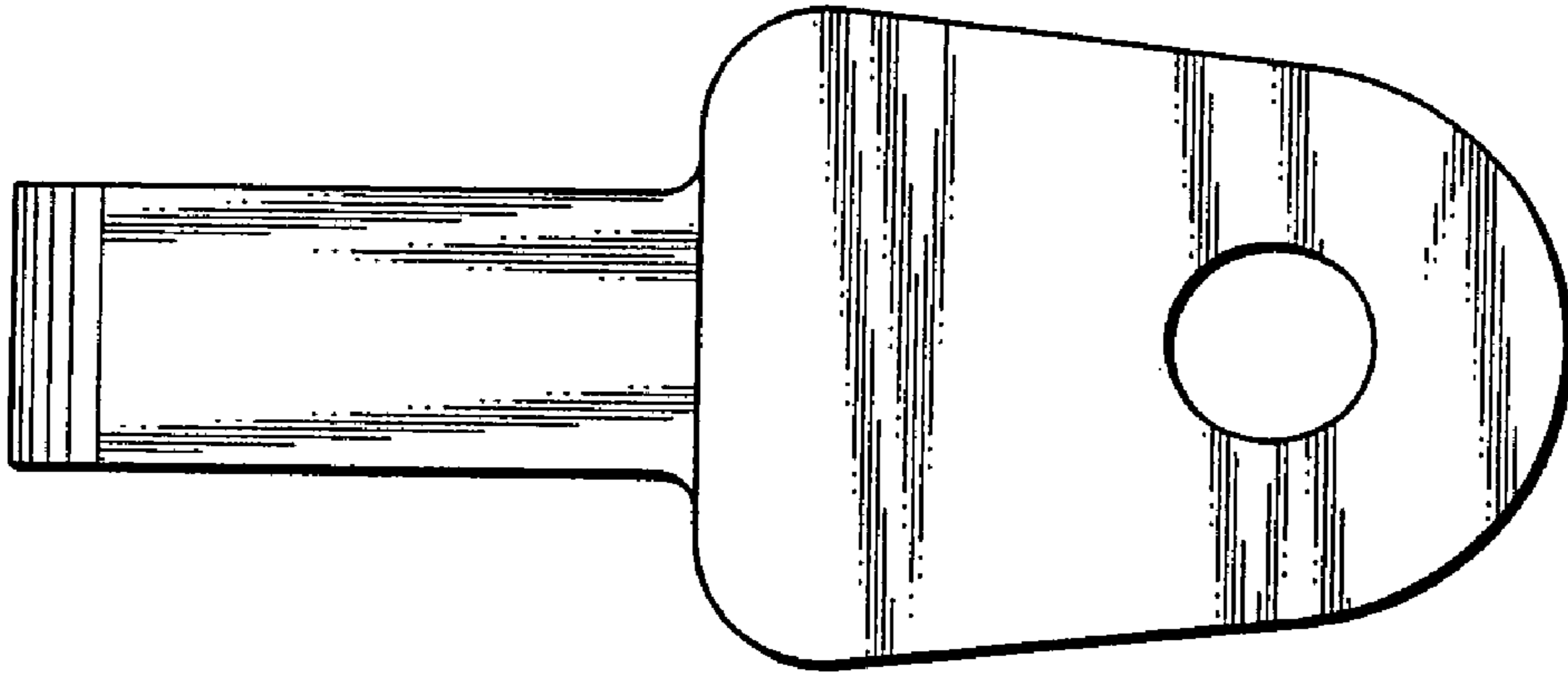


FIG. 3

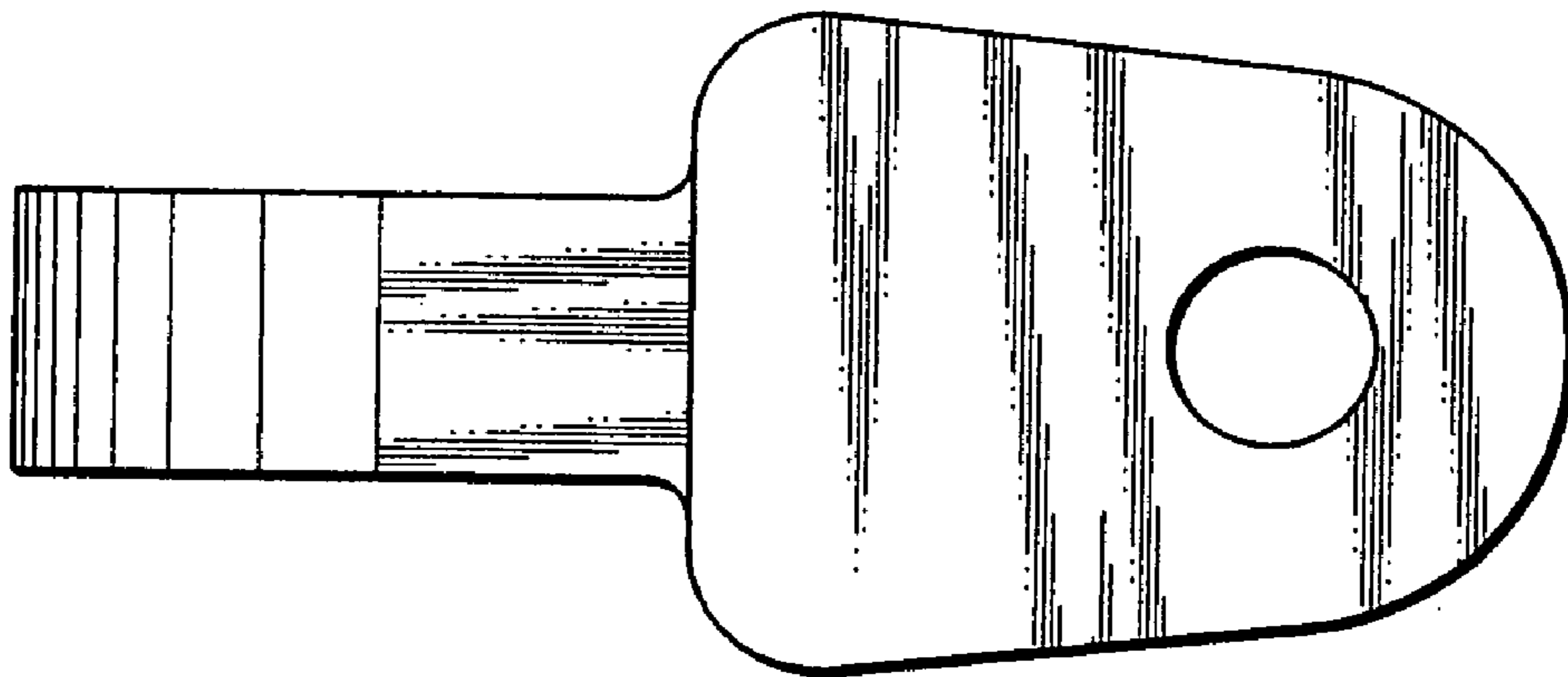


FIG. 4

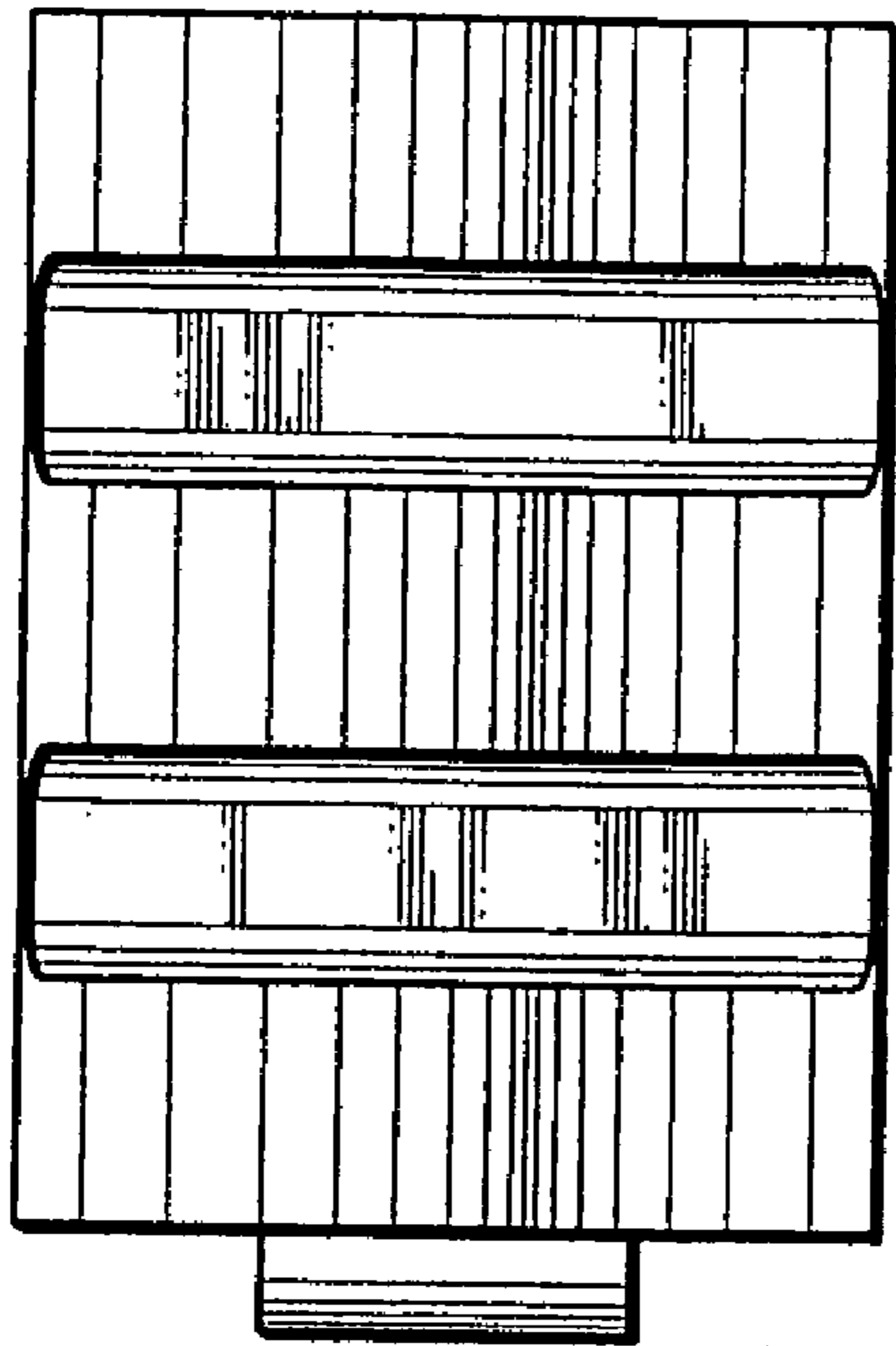


FIG. 5

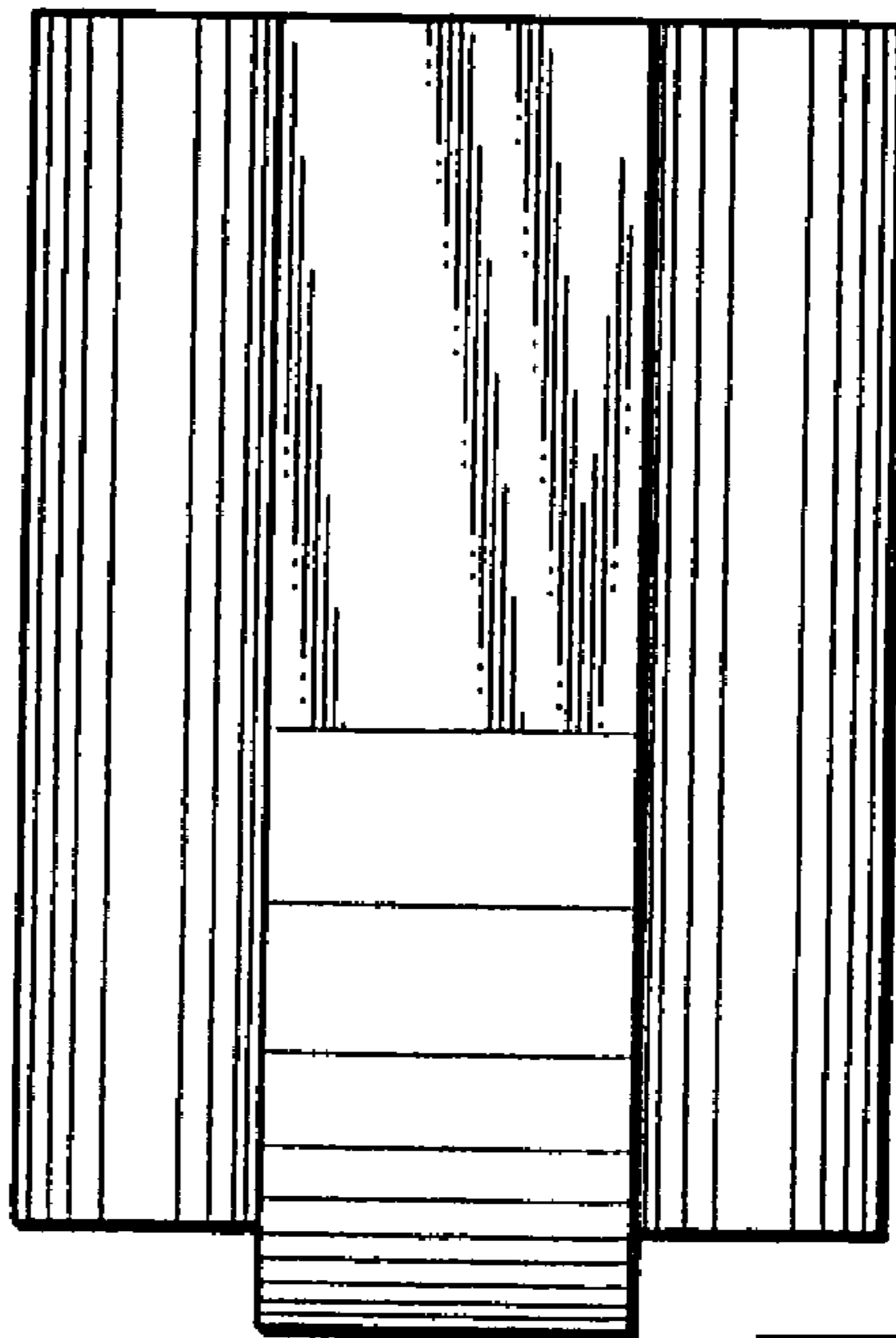


FIG. 6

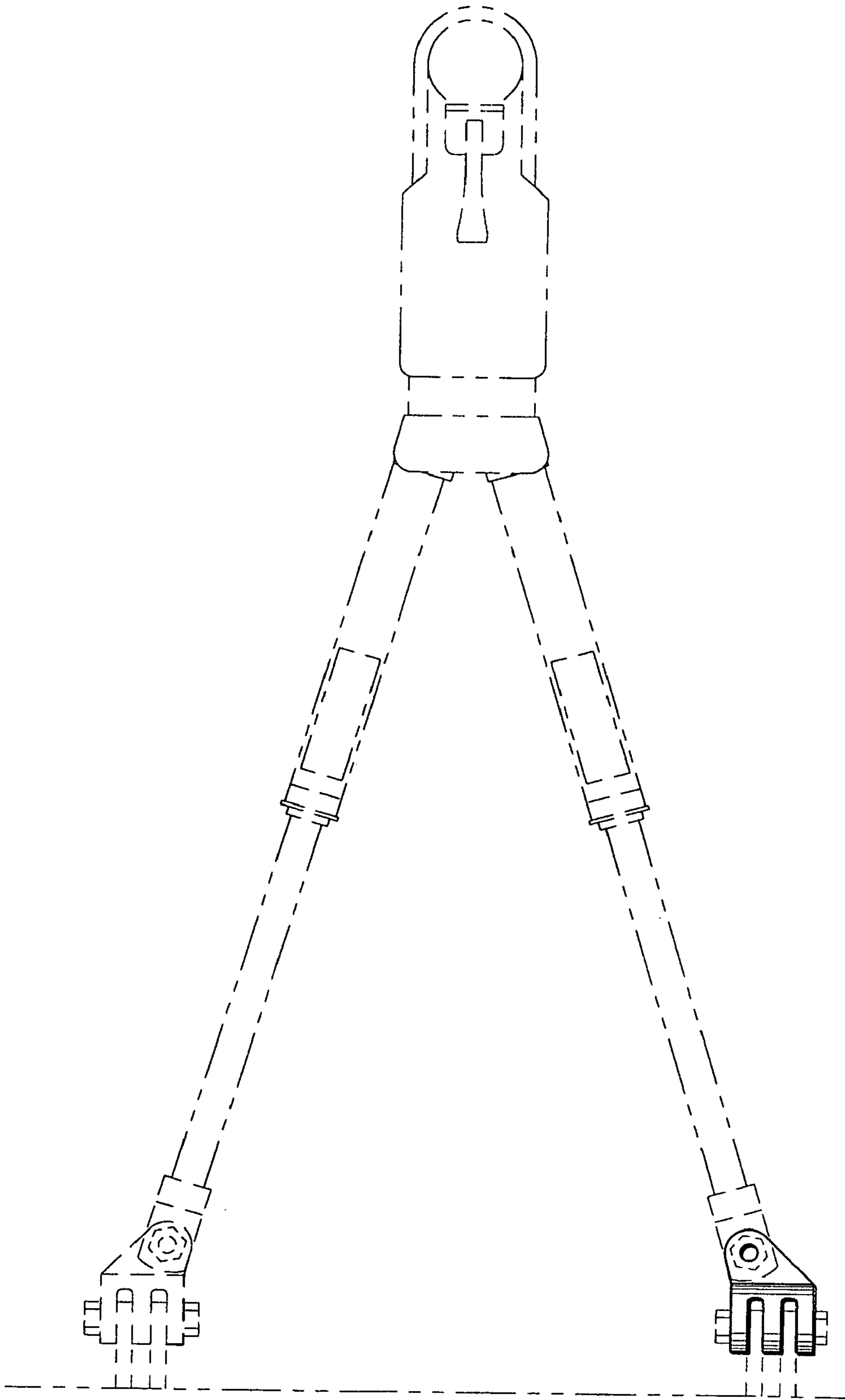


FIG. 7