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**(54) Clamp and container incorporating clamps.**

(57) A dismantlable container in accordance with the invention intended to stand upright in use has walls (11) which, when the container is assembled, are joined to one another along their mutually adjacent edges by respective clamps (12). Each clamp is in accordance with the further aspect of the invention and comprises two elongate plates (13, 14) spaced apart by one or more bolts (17) or other tightening means located centrally of the clamp (12), the bolts (17) or other clamp tightening means, as they are slackened, enable the plates (13, 14) to be spaced progressively farther apart, in a parallel but still conjoined relationship. The plates (13, 14) once spaced apart being movable again towards one another without having to work the tightening means (17). Those faces of the plates (13, 14) which define the jaws of the clamp (12) are either curved or angled and the clamps (12) when tightened hold the walls (11) adjacent one another without piercing the walls.

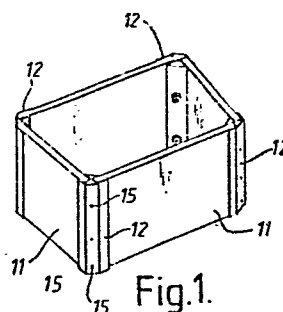


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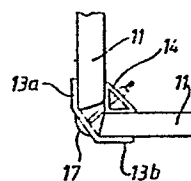


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