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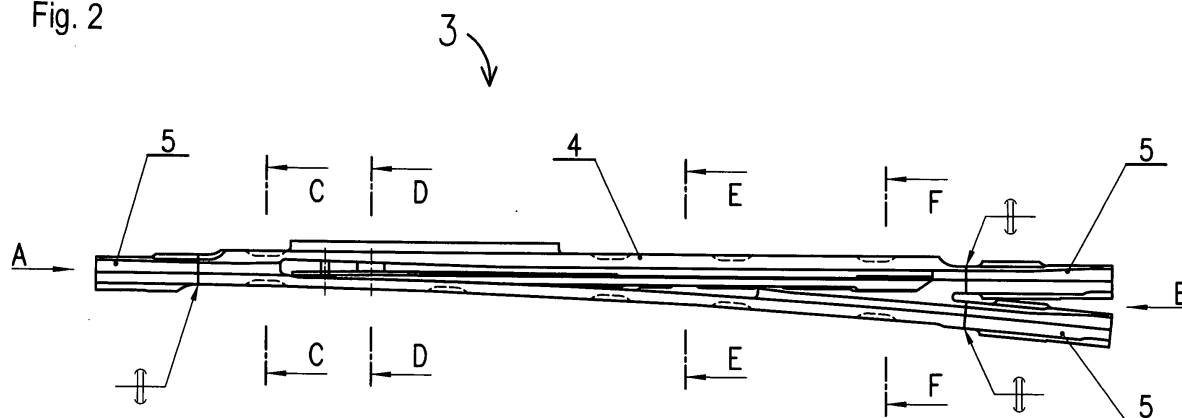
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(54) **Block tram rail half-switch**

(57) Block tram rail half-switch (1) consisting of a block body (4) having a shape adapted to a curved geometry, the switch (1) being connected to construction rails (5) having rail grooves (6) which continually pass from the construction rails (5) across the body block (4),

wherein a footing (7) of the block body (4) is provided with a recess, a sliding surface (8) is prepared on the block body (4), where a latch (9) is to be placed, and wherein the block body (4) also houses a prepared latch stretcher (10).

Fig. 2





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1. claims: 1-6

The subject-matter of independent claim 1 concerns a block rail half-switch for tramways.
Claims 2-6 are referred back to claim 1.

2. claim: 7

The subject-matter of independent claim 7 concerns a method for producing a block rail half-switch for tramways.

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