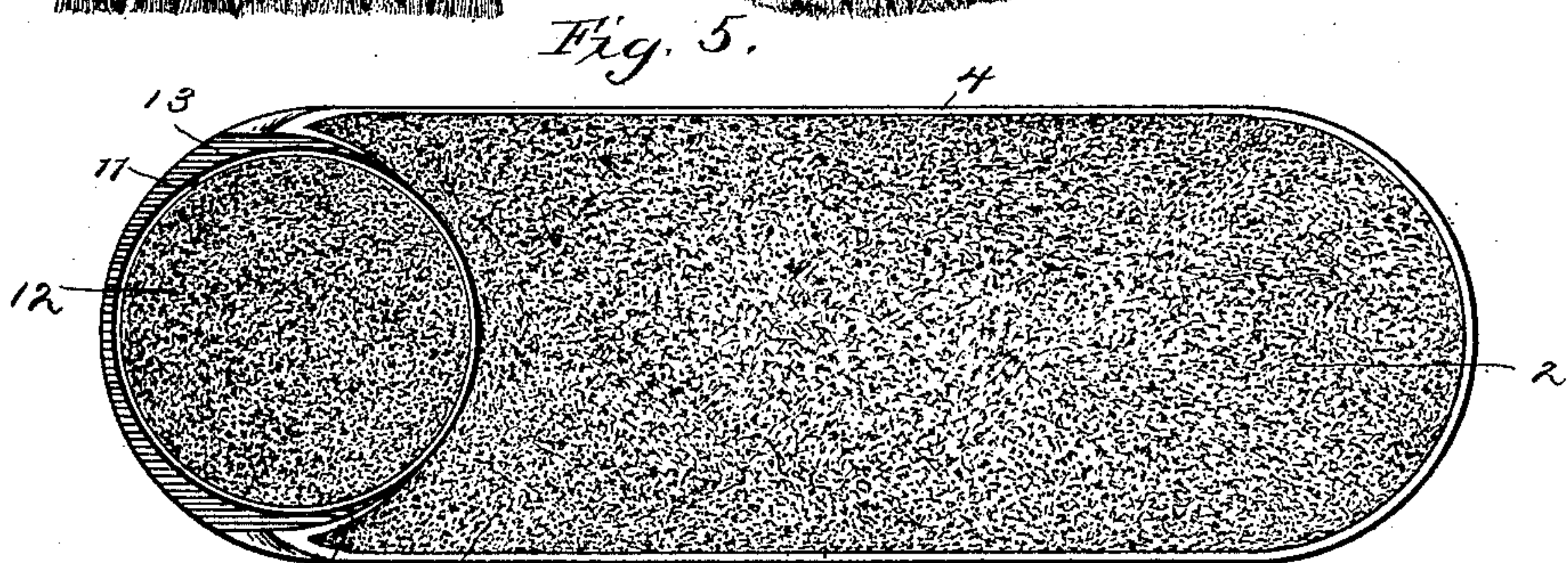
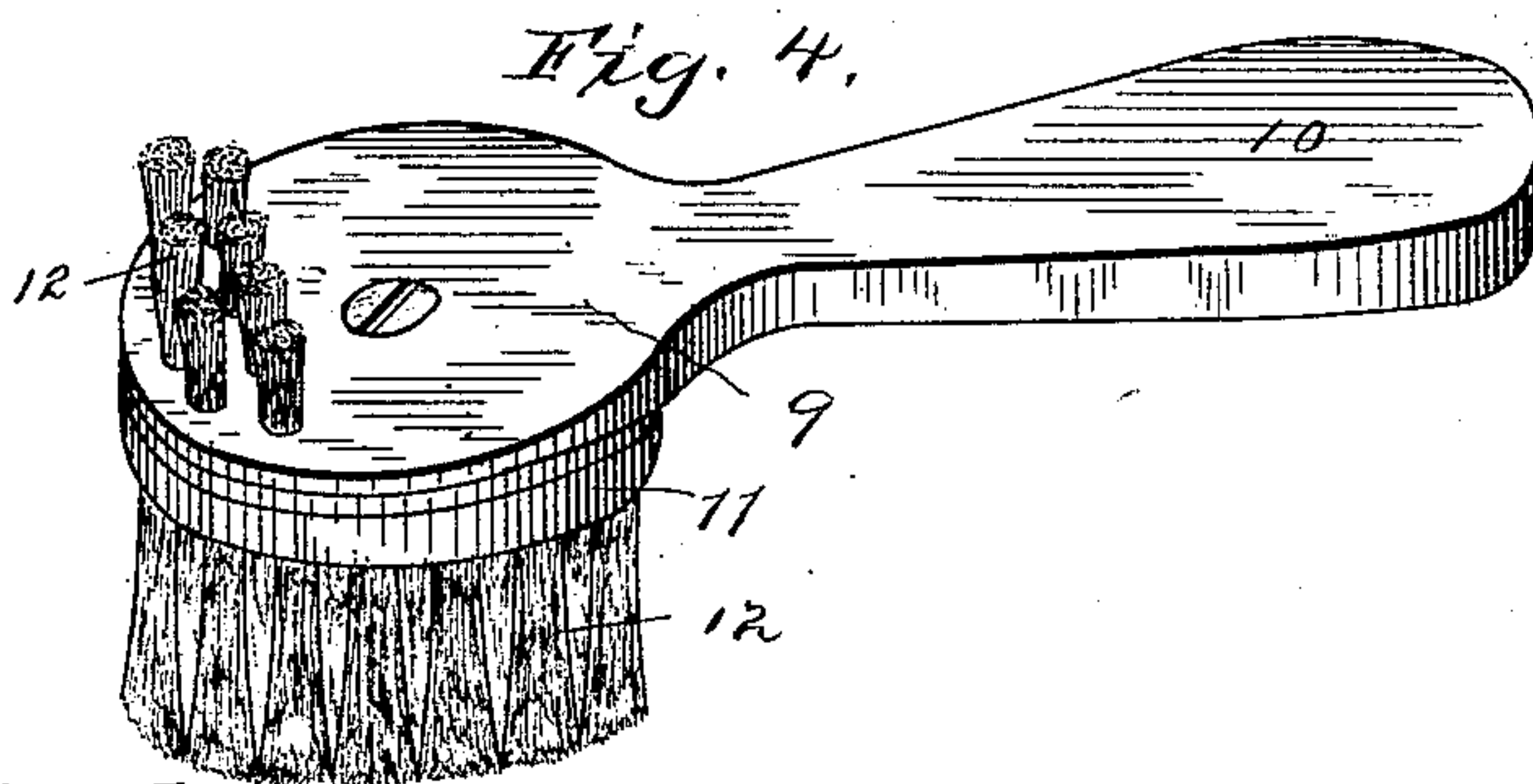
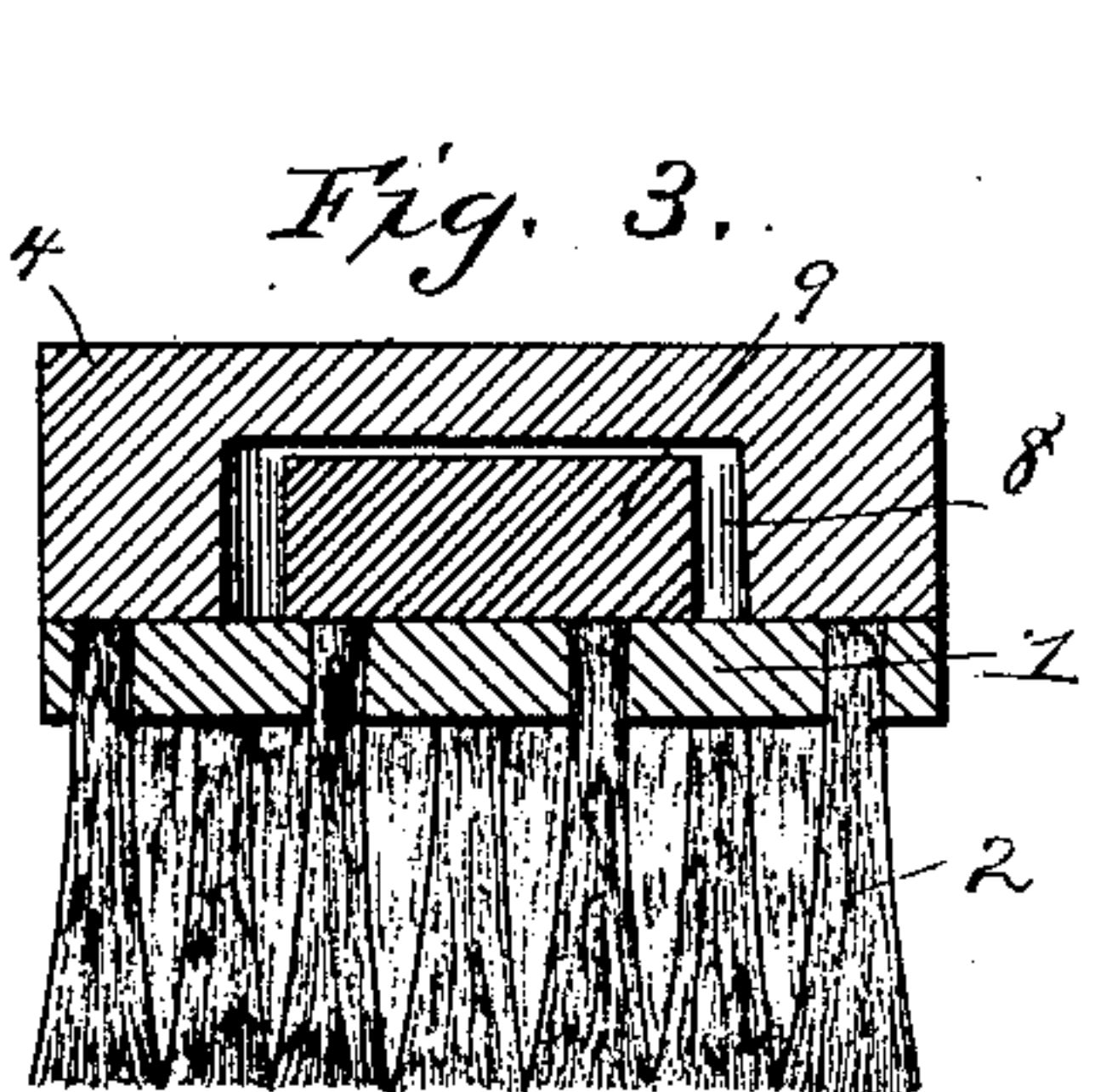
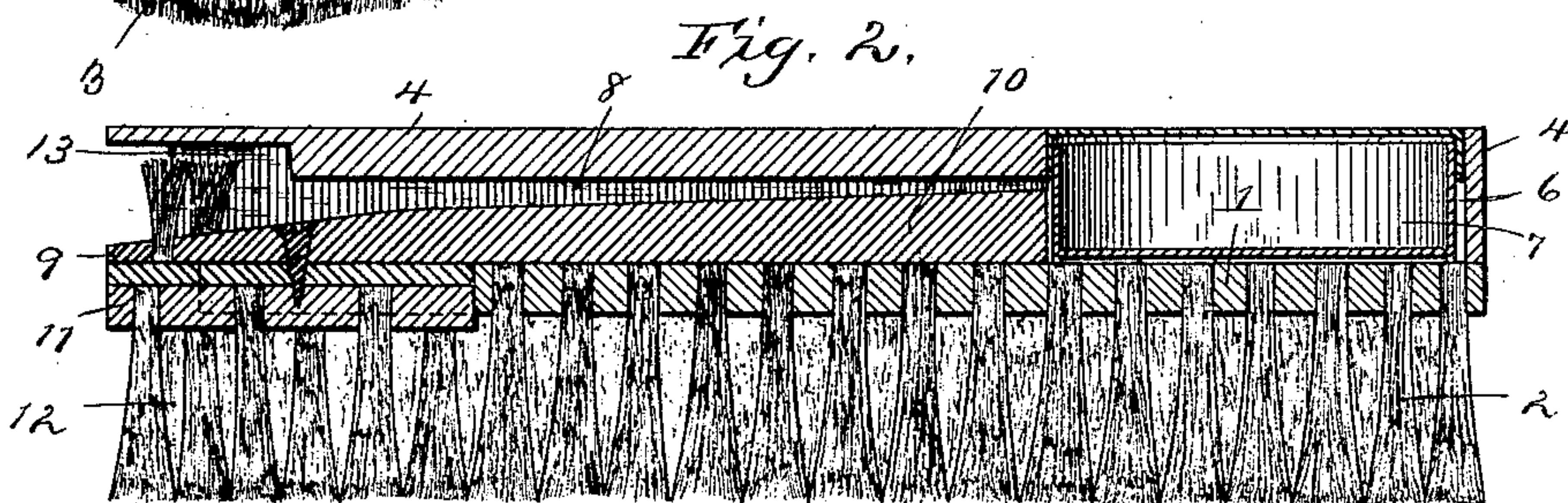
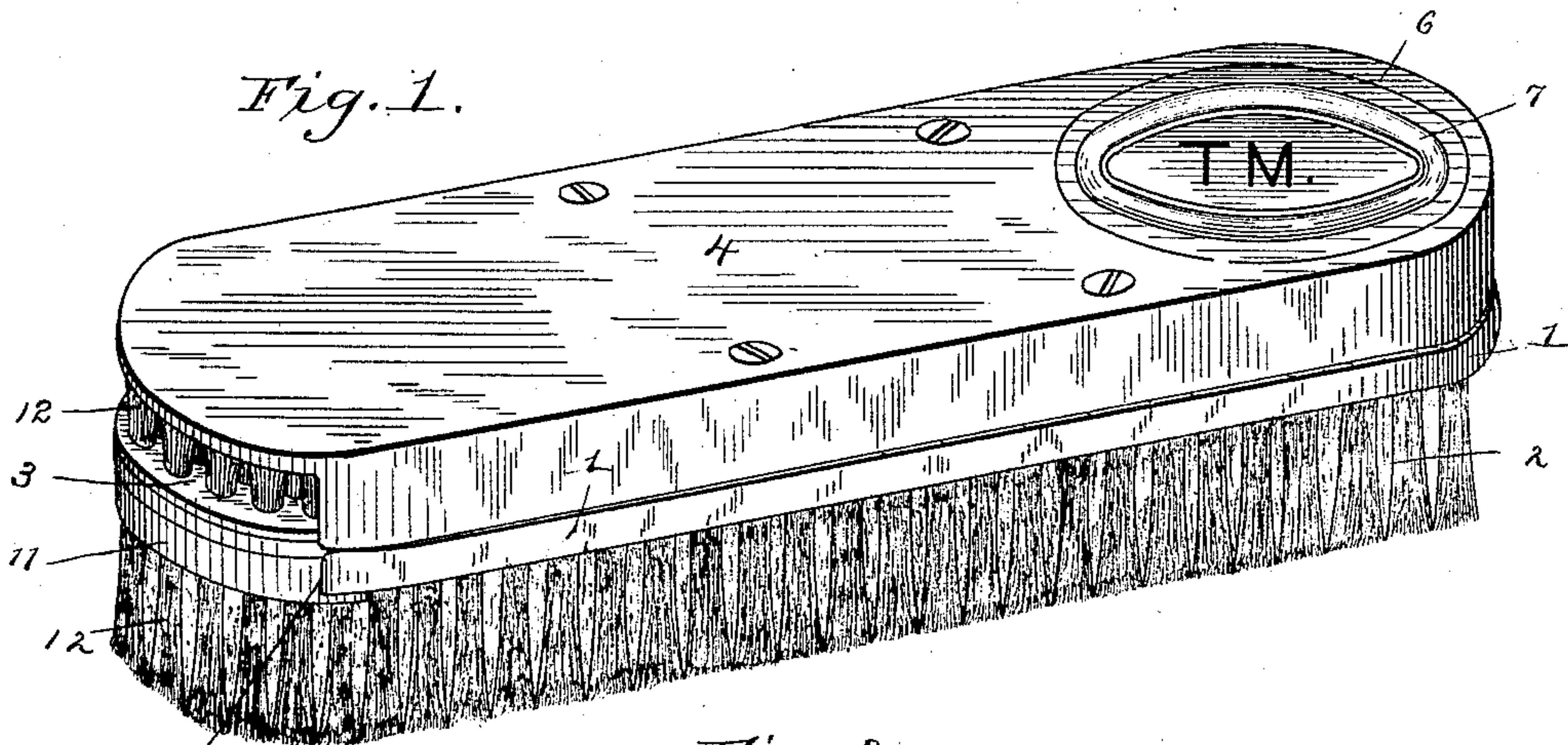


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE W. DARLING, a citizen of the United States, residing at Owosso, in the county of Shiawassee and State of Michigan, have invented a new and useful Blacking-Brush, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has relation to a blacking-kit for use of travelers and others, wherein it is desired to economize space within the grip-sack and to preserve clothing and other articles contained therein from becoming soiled by contact with the loose articles usually composing a kit.

With these general objects in view the invention consists, broadly, in recessing the back of the brush in such a manner as to accommodate the dauber and the box of blacking.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective of a kit constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal vertical section. Fig. 3 is a transverse section. Fig. 4 is a detail in perspective of the dauber. Fig. 5 is a bottom plan view of the polishing-brush.

Like numerals of reference indicate like parts in all the figures.

The back 1 of the polishing-brush is provided with the usual bristles 2, the rear end of the brush-back being provided with a semicircular recess 3. Upon the back there is located a superimposed block 4, the front portion of which is provided with a circular recess 6, designed to accommodate a box 7 of blacking in such a manner that the box may be readily moved for use and replaced thereafter, and when so replaced will have its upper portion or top flush with the upper surface of the block or below the same. The under surface of the block is provided with a longitudinal channel or recess 8, extending from a circular opening to the end of the block, said channel being for the accommodation of the handle of the dauber. The rear end of the block is semicircular and covers that portion of the brush-back that is removed.

9 represents the dauber, and the same comprises a handle portion 10, a bristle-head 11, and upon the upper surface of the handle and over the head is a series of tufts 12 of

stiff bristles designed to act as a mud scraper or remover.

When the dauber is in position, it will be seen that the circular head of the same snugly fits within the semicircular recess in the rear end of the brush-back, so that the bristles of the dauber will form a continuation of those of the main brush. The under surface of the roof or upper portion of the block at the rear end of its longitudinal recess is cut away, as at 13, to receive the short bristles forming a mud-scraper.

As shown in Fig. 1, wherein the parts are illustrated as combined, it will be seen that the three elements, the dauber, polishing-brush, and blacking-box, combined to form the kit are all combined in a single compact article, in reality consuming no more space than would an ordinary polishing-brush. By such a construction, also, no tumbling about of the parts can take place among articles of apparel contained within the same satchel, and thus not only is the soiling of such articles prevented, but the loss and separation of the articles of the kit is also prevented.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

1. A blacking-brush the back of which is, together with its bristles, provided with a semicircular recess and the back with a block, said block being recessed longitudinally upon its inner surface and having the rear portion of the top of the recess cut away, as at 13, in combination with a dauber the handle of which takes within the recess and provided upon the upper side of its head with a series of tufts of stiff bristles taking in the cut-away portion, the usual bristles fitting into the recess formed in the bristles of the brush, substantially as specified.

2. A blacking-brush the back of which is longitudinally bored, said back and bristles being provided at one end with a recess, in combination with a dauber the handle of which is removably inserted in said bore and the head and bristles of which snugly fit within the recess of the brush, the bristles of the dauber forming an uninterrupted continuation of those of the brush, substantially as specified.

3. A blacking-brush comprising a back and
a series of bristles, the back and bristles be-
ing provided with a semicircular recess at one
end of the brush, in combination with a block
5 mounted on the back of the brush and hav-
ing a longitudinal recess and an opening to
receive the blacking-box flush within the
same, and a dauber the handle of which is
located in the longitudinal recess and the
10 head of which takes within the semicircular

recess, the bristles of the dauber forming a
continuation of those of the brush, substan-
tially as specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as
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