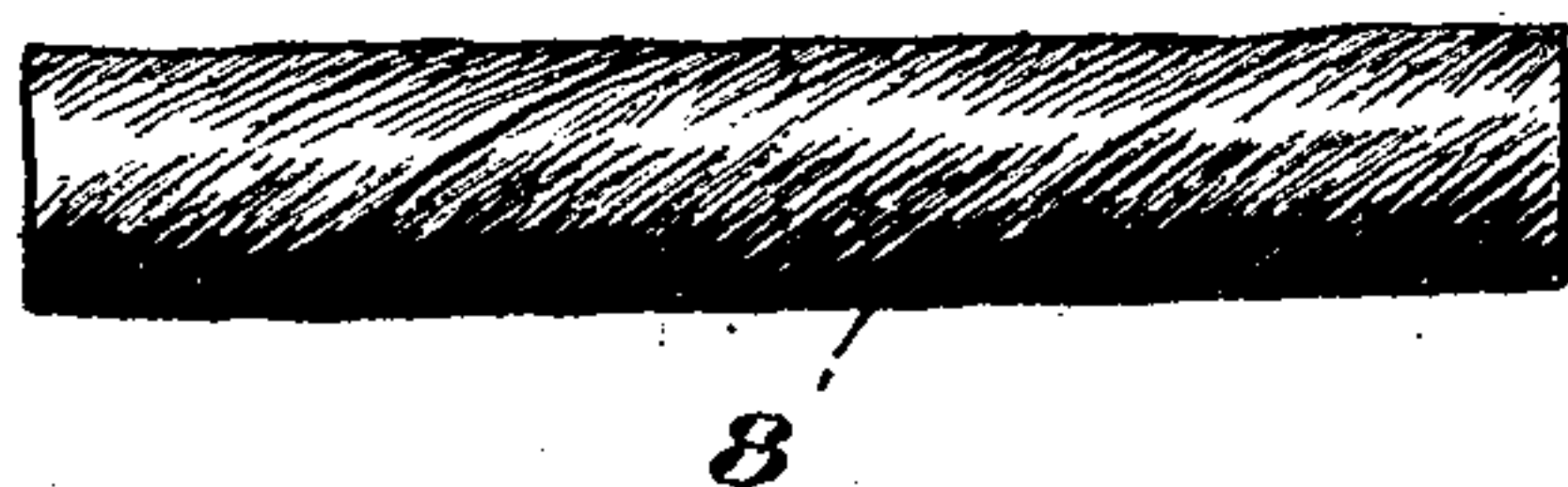
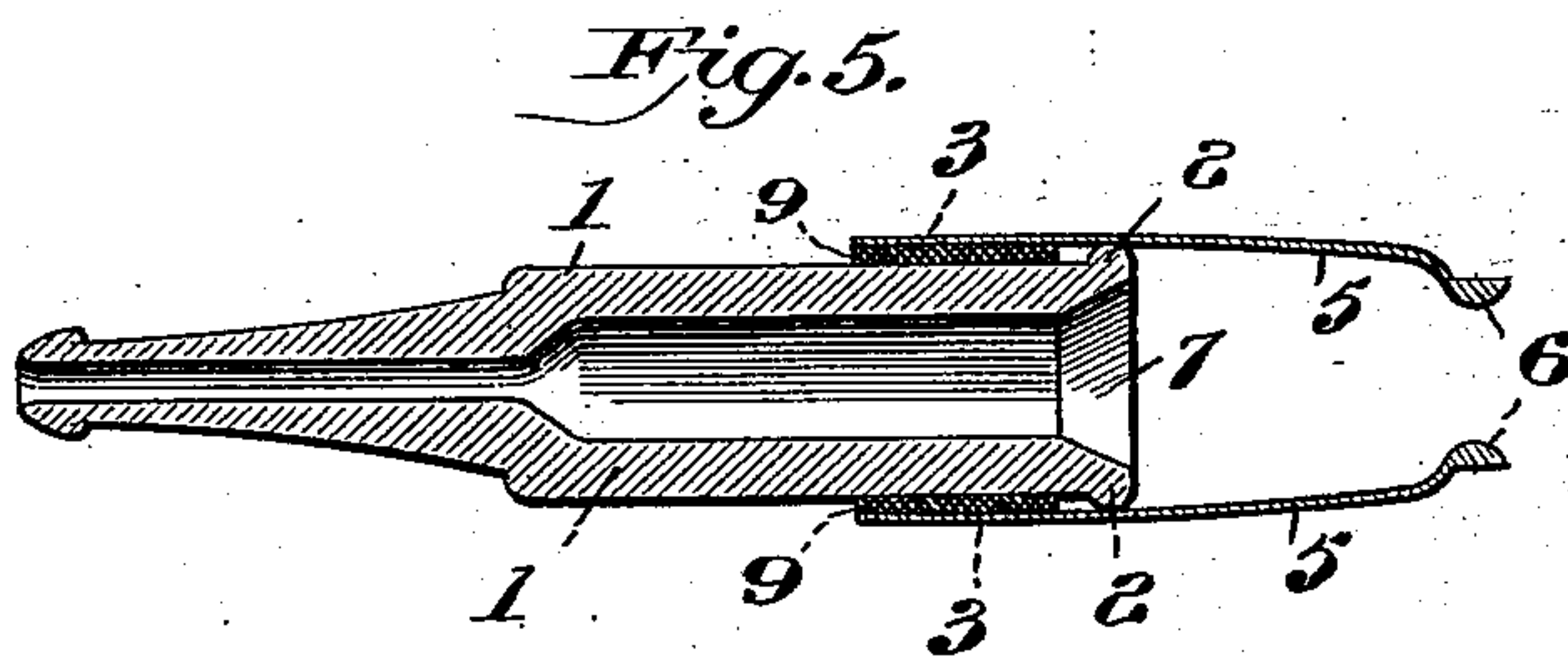
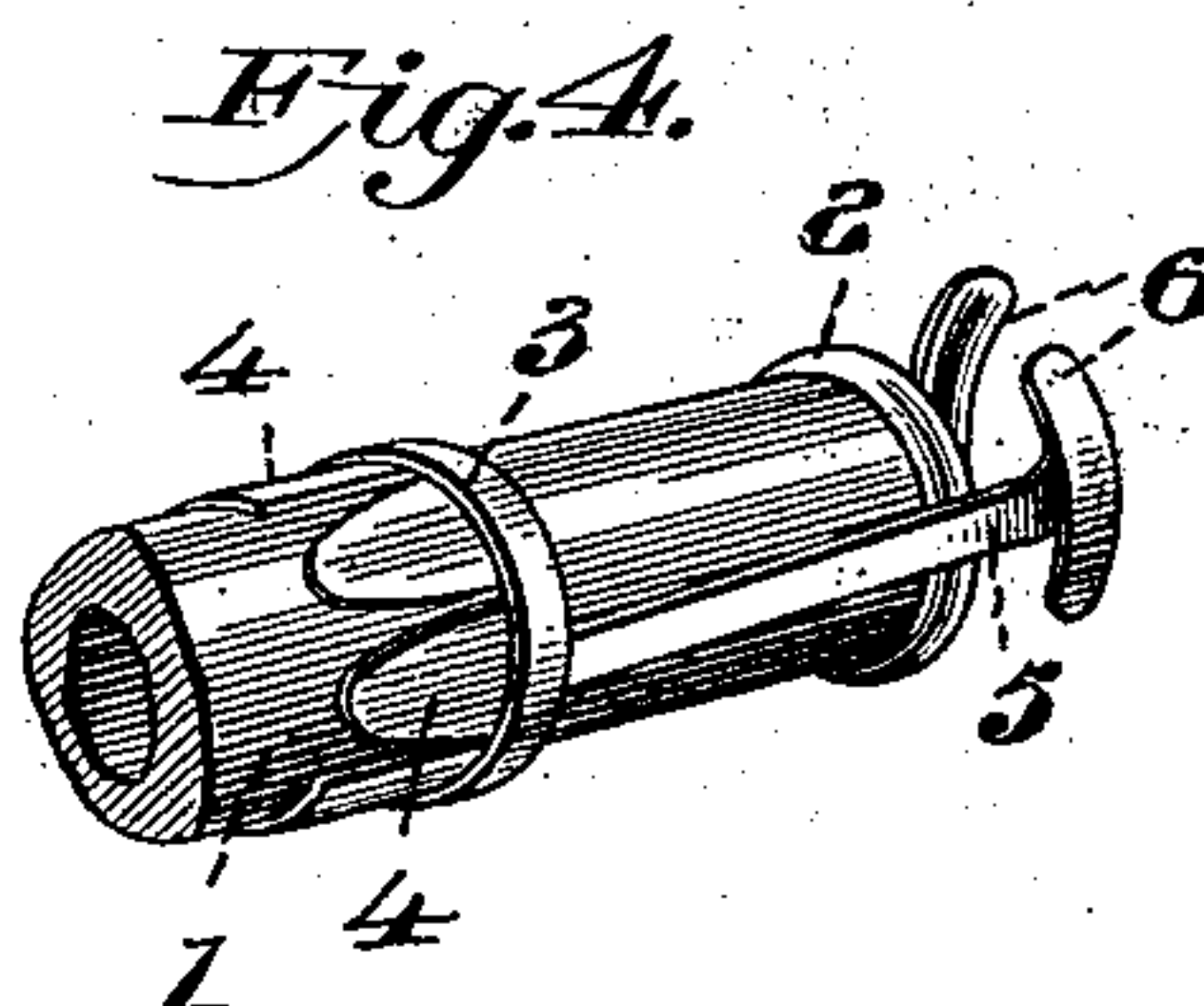
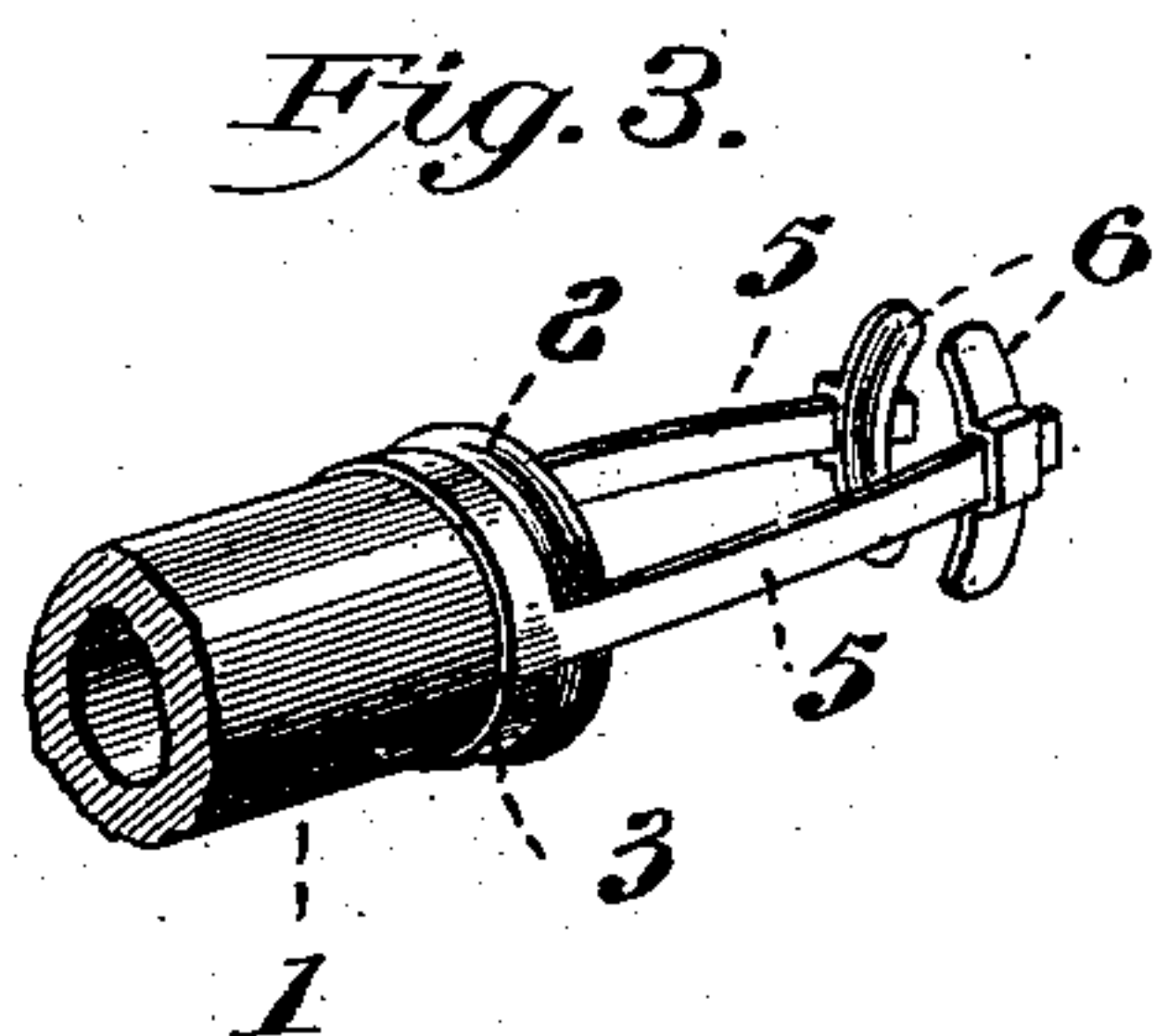
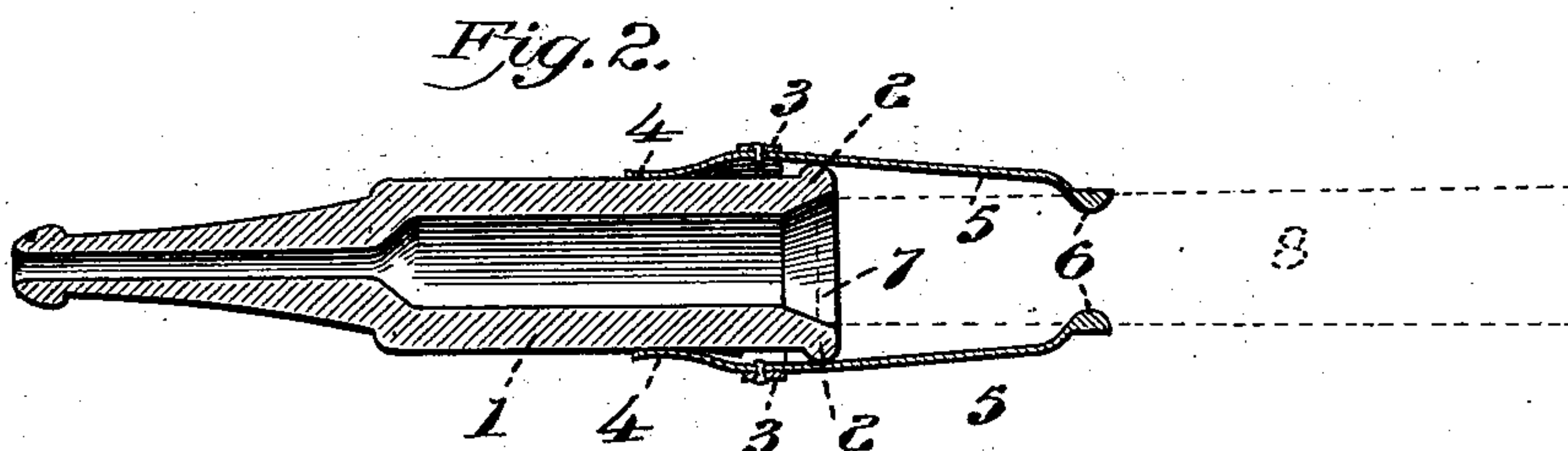
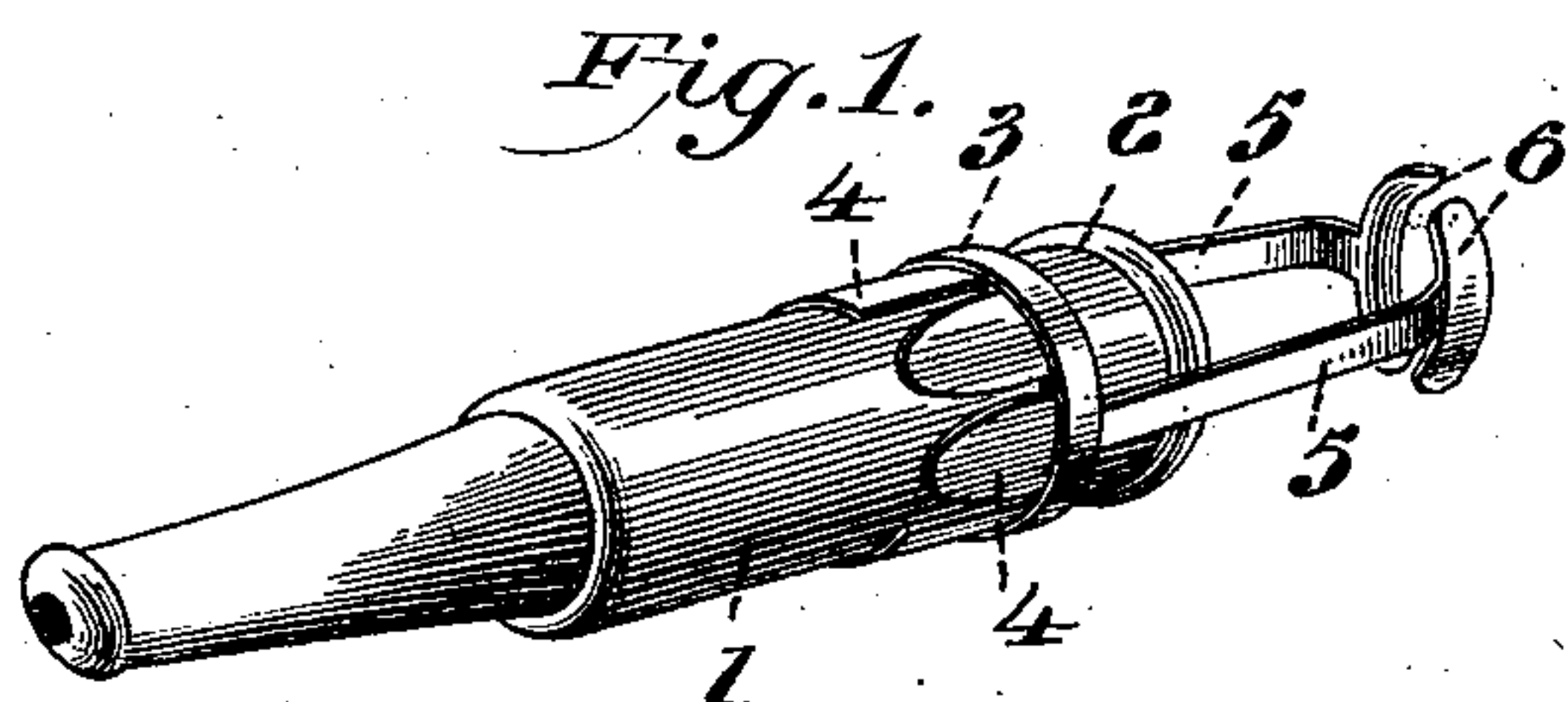


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD L. GAYLORD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Bridgeport, in the county of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Adjustable Extension-Holders for Cigars; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to cigar holders, but more particularly has reference to devices of this description in which an adjustable extension holder is provided, whereby the position of the latter may be changed from time to time as the cigar burns away.

In the accompanying drawings which form a part of this specification—Figure 1 is a perspective of my improved cigar holder; Fig. 2 a longitudinal sectional elevation of the same, and showing a cigar in dotted lines within the holder; Fig. 3 a detail broken perspective of a modification of my improvement; Fig. 4 a detail broken perspective showing the cigar support retracted; Fig. 5 a view similar to Fig. 2 but showing a modified form of frictional device for grasping the body of the holder, and Fig. 6 an elevation of a cigar whose shape is well adapted for use in connection with my improvement.

Similar numbers of reference denote like parts in the several figures of the drawings.

In cigar holders as ordinarily made, it is necessary to provide quite a deep opening for the reception and retention of the cigar, but it is a well known fact that the wedging of the cigar within this opening deprives the tip end of the cigar of all ventilation, the consequence being that said end will sweat and become saturated with moisture, thereby giving to the cigar a disagreeable flavor. It has been essayed to cure this defect by providing a permanent extension holder to act as a support for the cigar, the latter being slightly pressed against the end of the mouth-piece of the holder, but while this extension holder allows of good ventilation to the cigar, nevertheless it is open to serious objection, because, after the cigar has burned down to the end of the extension holder, the balance of said cigar must

be wasted, since after it burns past the extension holder it will drop away from the mouth-piece of the holder proper.

It is the object of my present invention to obviate the disadvantages which pertain to both of the constructions above noted, and the broad feature which underlies my invention resides in the fact that the extension supports are adjustable toward and away from the body of the holder, while at the same time they never lose their hold on the cigar, and that the cigar is never moved but always maintains a fixed position with respect to the body of the holder.

1 is the body of the holder which is of any suitable shape and is preferably provided at its outer end with a bead 2.

3 is a collar around the body 1 and capable of sliding freely thereon, and 4 are spring tongues, integral with said collar or rigidly secured thereto, which grasp the body 1 circumferentially with a friction sufficient to hold the collar 3 in any adjustment but not great enough to materially retard the sliding manipulation of said collar. Extending forward from this collar are arms 5 having on their ends circular shaped grasping lips 6. These arms 5 may be integral with the ring 3 or they may be rigidly secured thereto in any ordinary manner. The lips 6 are of any desired shape best adapted for the purpose of holding the cigar in a firm grasp.

In using my improvement a cigar is placed between the lips 6 and lightly pressed against the wall of the opening 7 in the end of the body, as shown in dotted lines at Fig. 2. By sliding the collar 3 along the body 1 the lips may be adjusted so as to grasp the cigar at any desired point near its rear end, and as the cigar burns down close to said lips, the latter may be retracted from time to time to permit of the free burning of the cigar and at the same time to always maintain a grasp on the latter. Thus it will be seen that well nigh the entire cigar may be smoked without any of the disagreeable effects hereinbefore observed.

My invention makes it possible and even desirable to manufacture cigars in the form of cartridges 8, as shown at Fig. 6, which latter may be of various lengths according to

the demand of the occasion. A smoker may therefore use a fresh cigar only an inch long and may smoke the same entirely with the same enjoyment as in the case of a cigar of the usual length, and this is a great advantage both as a matter of economy and also in the event that the smoker has only a limited time at his disposal.

In Fig. 3 I have shown a construction in which the lips 6 are capable of sliding along the arms 5 in order to afford adjustability during the burning of the cigar, and while this construction is within the province of my invention, I prefer the device shown at Fig. 1 since it is more easily made, is neater, and is more readily manipulated.

By lining the collar 3 with an annulus 9 as shown at Fig. 5; of felt or other analogous material, the spring tongues 4 may be done away with, since the felt will maintain sufficient friction on the body 1 to hold the lips in the desired adjustments.

The bead 2, while it is not absolutely necessary, nevertheless is a good feature, since it acts as a stop to prevent the accidental pulling off of the ring.

When not in use the collar may be retracted, as shown at Fig. 4, thus enabling the holder to be conveniently placed in the pocket or within any suitable case of not more than ordinary length.

Having thus described my invention, what

I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a cigar holder, the combination of the body of the holder proper having in its outer end a seat for the tip of the cigar, with resilient arms loosely supported around said body and extending beyond it and constituting the support for the cigar, said arms having a sliding movement along said holder and maintaining at all times a grasp on the cigar without moving the latter, substantially as set forth.

2. The combination of the body of the holder, the friction collar around said body and capable of sliding thereon, and the spring arms projected from said collar and carrying at their extremities claspings lips, substantially as set forth.

3. The combination of the body of the holder, the collar around the same and having spring tongues which bear against said body, the resilient arms projected from said collar, and the claspings lips carried by the extremities of said arms, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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