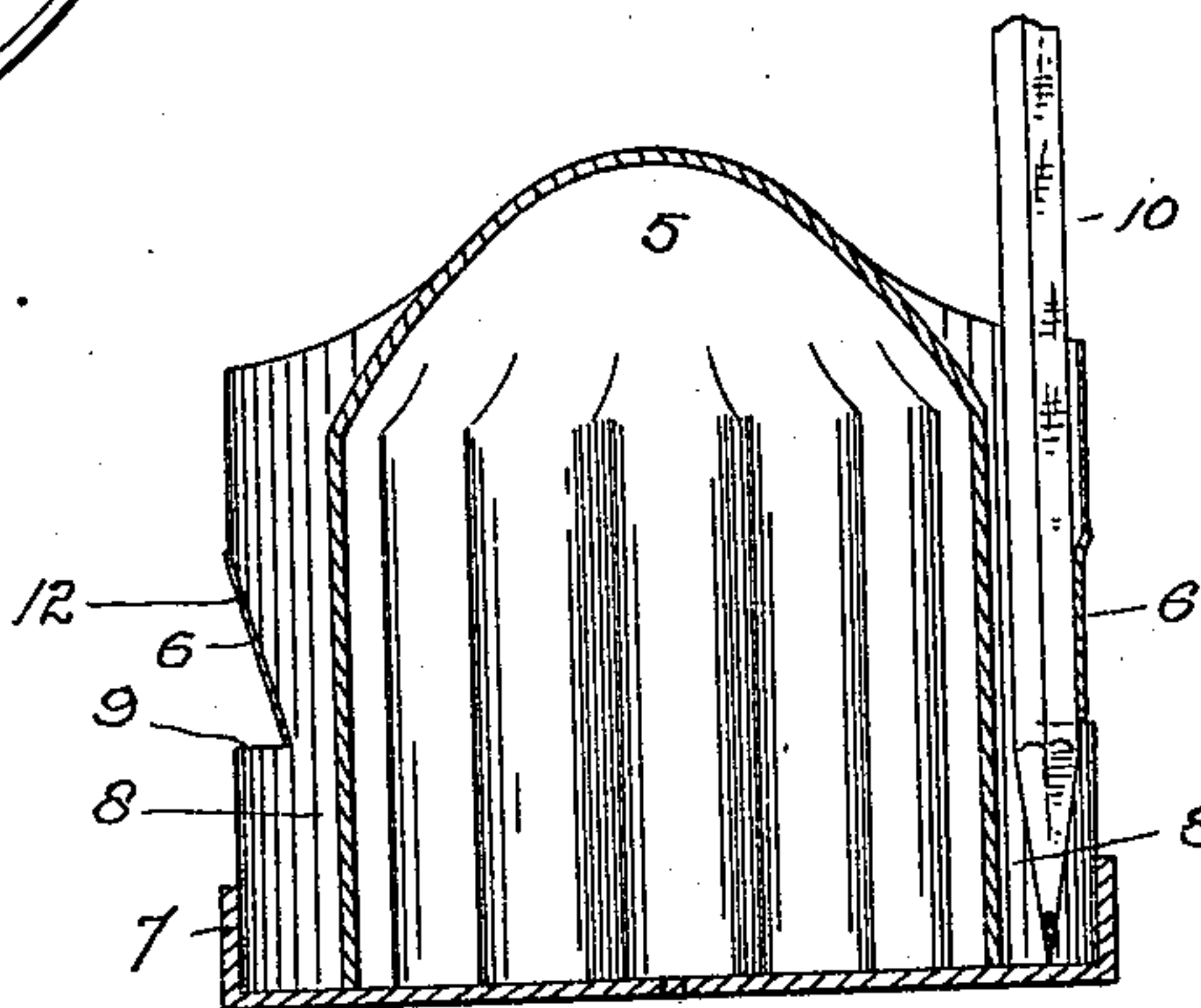
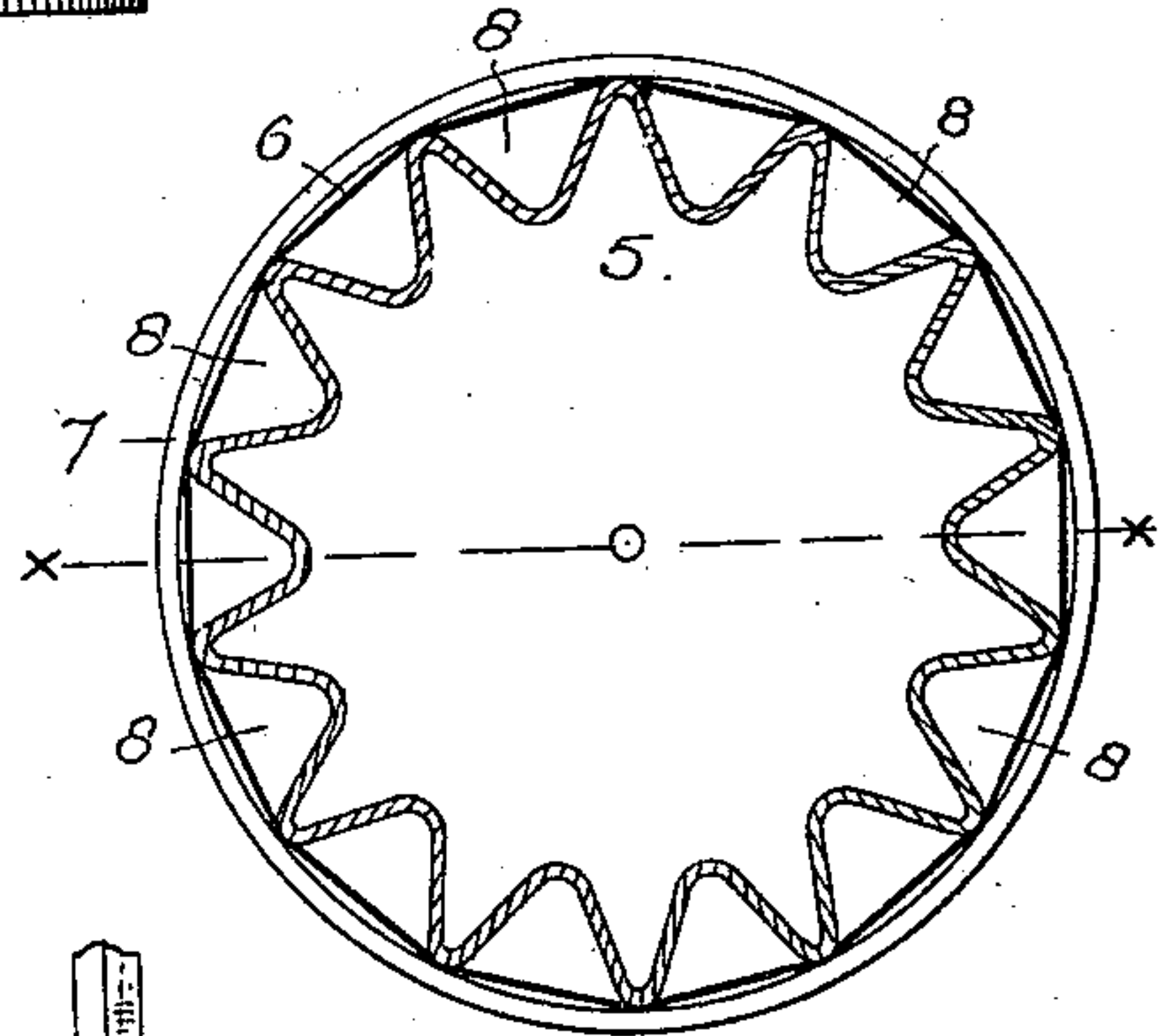
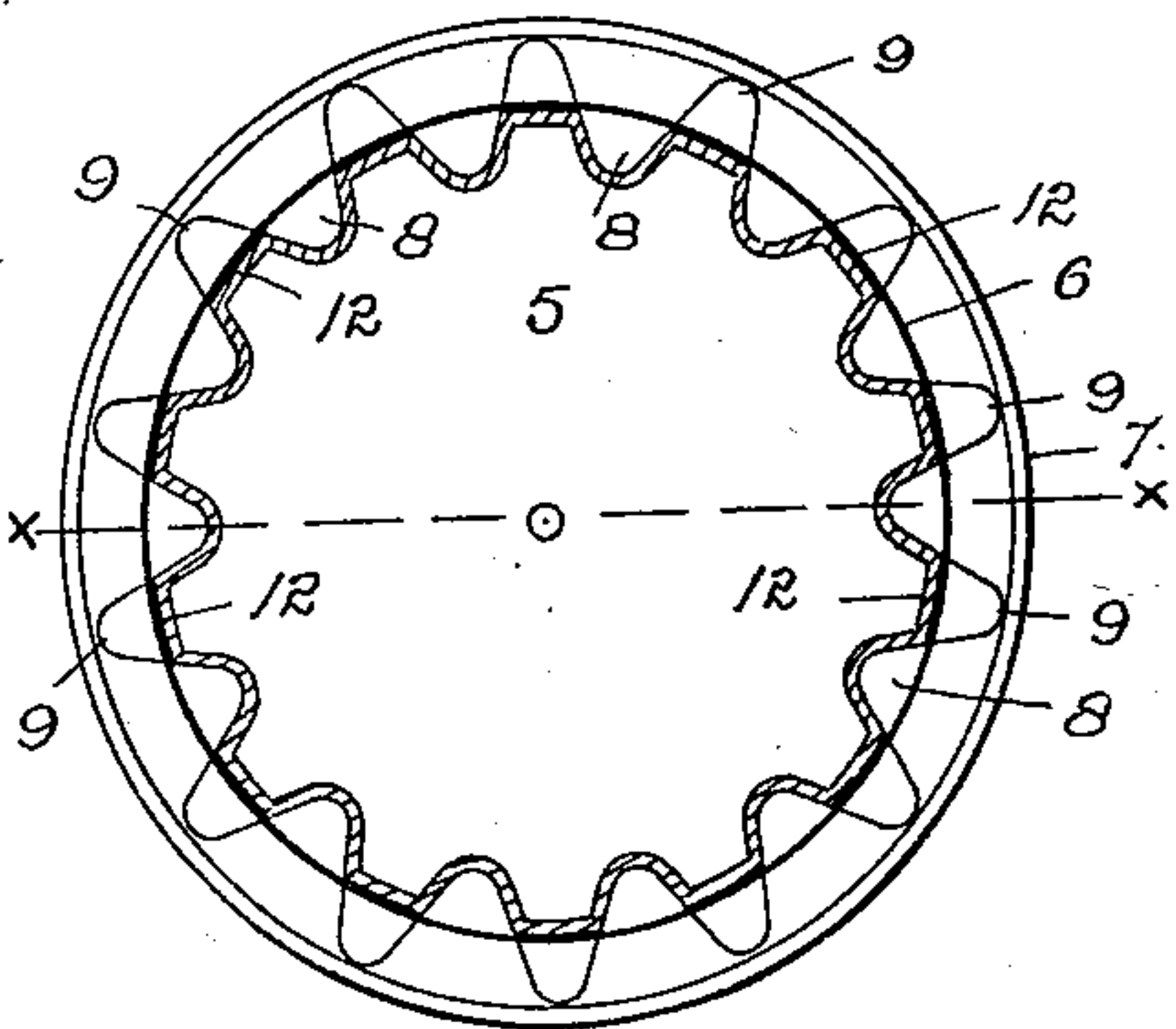
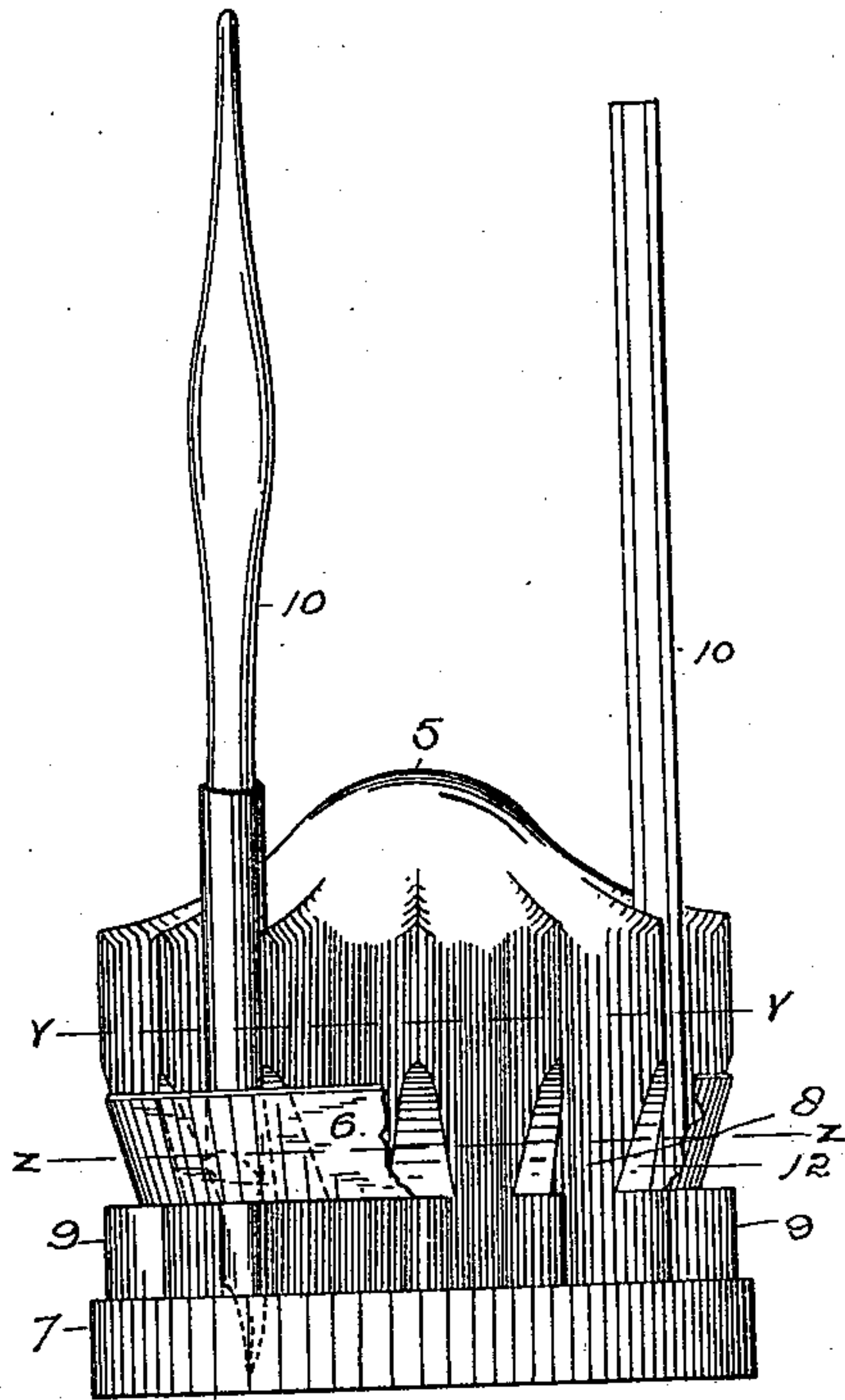


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## PEN-RECEPTACLE.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JAMES H. HAYDEN, a citizen of the United States, residing in Denver, in the county of Arapahoe and State of Colorado, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Devices for Holding Pen-Handles, Pencils, Paint-Brushes, and the Like; 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.

This invention relates to certain novel improvements in devices for holding penholders, pencils, paint-brushes, and the like; and it consists in the construction and novel arrangement of parts, as will hereinafter be fully described, whereby are provided recesses, notches, or indentures 8, of suitable shape to fit or nearly fit the shape of small handles of penholders, pencils, or paint-brushes, these recesses, notches, or indentures being longer in height than in width, cut, molded, or impressed in the side of a round or a roundish dome-shaped piece of glass, metal, or hard substance 5, the aforesaid recesses, notches, or indentures 8 standing in a perpendicular position, or in a nearly perpendicular position, and an elastic rubber band or a cord or a wire-spring garter 6 pressing against the projections 9, which form the sides of each indenture, so that when a penholder or pencil or a paint-brush handle is placed or pushed into the aforesaid recess, notch, or indenture 8 and behind the elastic band 6 the said band will press against said penholder, pencil, or brush-handle and hold the penholders, pencils, or brush-handles against the sides of the aforesaid projections 9 and in the said recesses 8, thereby holding penholders, pencils, or brush-handles in an upright position, easily drawn from and replaced into said position by a person.

The annexed drawings, to which reference is made, fully illustrate my invention, in which—

Figure 1 represents a side elevation of my pen-receptacle, showing a penholder held in proper position by the elastic band 6, and showing a portion of the V or tooth shaped notches 12 in the projections 9, around which the elastic band or cord 6 is stretched and held

securely in its proper place. Fig. 2 is a section taken along line Z Z, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a section taken along line Y Y, Fig. 1. Fig. 4 represents a section taken along line X X, Figs. 2 and 3, showing position of elastic 6 while elastic 6 is not pressed outwardly by a pencil or handle to a pen, and also showing elastic 6 pressed outwardly by a pencil when in proper position in the pen rack or receptacle.

Referring by figure to the accompanying drawings, 5 represents the device (a section of the elastic taken from it.)

6 represents the elastic band on the pen-rack.

7 represents the thin inverted cap which fits over the bottom of the pen-receptacle and is held tightly by the friction of the bottom portion of the pen-receptacle or pen-rack pressing against the upturned edge or part of the cap 7. The purpose of the inverted cap 7 is to keep ink from running from pens onto the desk or table on which pen-receptacle 5 may be sitting.

8 represents the recesses, notches, or indentures mentioned before in this specification, into which the penholders, pencils, or brush-handles are to be placed and held in proper position by aid of the elastic band or cord or spring-garter 6.

9 represents the projections which form the sides of the recesses on which the penholder or pencil is pressed by the force of the elastic band or garter 6.

12 represents the flattened faces on the projections 9, caused by the V or tooth shaped notches or cuts, into and around which the elastic is placed.

My device or receptacle for holding penholders and pencils is simple, useful, and ornamental, and can be easily manufactured, and different entirely from other pen racks and receptacles for holding pens and pencils and the like. It is superior in many ways to all other pen-receptacles now on the market or in use, for the following reasons: Pens and pencils in my receptacle are always in proper position. They are also in a position so that one can tell one from the other. They can not fall out or off easily. They are more easily replaced in proper position than they are in any other rack or receptacle known to myself. It is easily handled, and when moved



or dusted or accidentally hit the pens and pencils do not lose proper position or fall from the receptacle. No ink falls or drips from the pens onto desks or papers. Red-ink pens are never mixed with dark-ink pens. Pencils are always separate from pens. It can be used for double desks or single desks and be used from both sides. The dry ink, which often bothers one by sticking to the pen-points, can be easily removed when my receptacle is used by simply drawing the point of the pen across the upturned edge of the inverted cap 7. In using it one simply takes hold of the pen-handle or pencil with thumb and finger and draws it from behind the elastic 6. In replacing the pen or pencil one simply places the point somewhere on the pen rack or receptacle 5 above the elastic 6, and by pressing downward the pen or pencil passes on the smooth surface of the pen-receptacle 5 into the recess 8 and behind the elastic 6, which forces the pen or pencil against the receptacle, and by aid of the projections 9 holds it in proper position.

25 This pen-receptacle may be made of glass or material which takes a polish.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

30 1. A roundish domed shaped device 5, with

projections 9 longer in height than in width, pressed molded or made into its side, and standing in an upright position, with a V or tooth shaped notch 12, cut or molded into each projection 9, an elastic band or spring garter 6, which is to encircle aforesaid pen receptacle or pen rack 5 and enter the notches 12 for the purpose of holding up the pen handles, pencils, or brushes, and the like, substantially described and for purposes specified.

2. A roundish dome shaped device 5 with cuts 8, down its side, large enough to admit a pencil, an elastic band or spring garter 6, stretched around said device held in position by V or tooth shaped notches (12) in the projections (9) which stretch the elastic a little more at the upper side than the lower side, allowing the pencil or penhandle to more easily enter between the elastic and the pen receptacle, an inverted cap 7, forced onto the receptacle 5, for the purpose of catching ink which often runs down from the pens, all substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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

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