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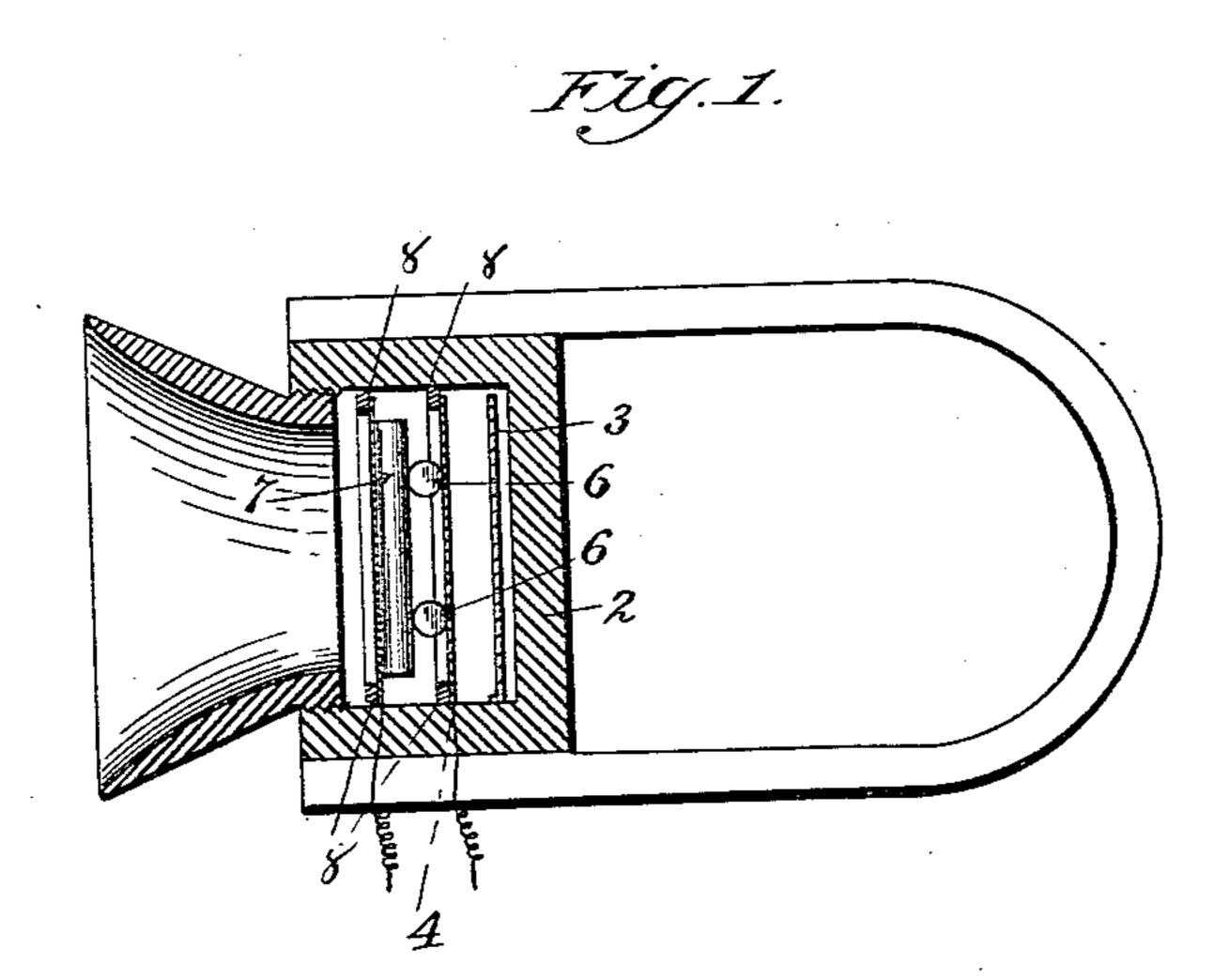


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THEODORE BERDELL, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of New York, in the county of New York and 5 State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Telephones, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates especially to transmitting-telephones, and has for its object the 10 provision of a simple and effective transmitter of great power and volume not liable to get out of adjustment or be influenced by changes of temperature, &c.

To attain the desired end, my invention con-15 sists, essentially, in certain novel and useful combinations or arrangements of parts and peculiarities of construction and operation, all of which will be hereinafter first fully described, and then pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings forming a part hereof, Figure 1 is a vertical axial sectional view of a telephone embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a modification of the construction illustrated in Fig. 1.

Similar numerals of reference, wherever they occur, indicate corresponding parts in both figures.

1 is a permanent magnet, preferably of horseshoe form.

2 is a box or case of non-magnetic material. 3 is an iron disk, either placed loosely in the box or secured or attached thereto.

4 is a diaphragm of magnetic material swinging loosely in the lines of force between 35 the poles of the magnet, being held out of contact therewith by the inclosing case 2.

6 are electrodes, such as carbon pencils, at-

tached to the diaphragm 4.

5 is a second diaphragm, constructed and 40 arranged the same as diaphragm 4 and bearing electrodes 7, which are in contact with the electrodes 6.

8 are non-metallic or hard-rubber rings fitting snugly into the box or case 2, the posi-45 tions in which they are placed regulating the position of the diaphragms 4 and 5. As both these diaphragms and the disk 3 are magnet-

ized with like polarity, they repel each other, thus forming what I term a "magnetic cushion" or "spring." If the inner one of the 50 rings 8 be pushed toward the disk 3, a stronger cushion or spring is formed, and if withdrawn therefrom a lighter. In the construction shown in Fig. 2 the disk 3 is provided with an adjusting-screw 10, by which this cushion or 55 spring may be regulated, and in the same figure the diaphragm 5 is placed outside of the case 2 in front of the poles of the magnet 1.

Having now fully described my invention, what I claim as new therein, and desire to se- 60

cure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A telephone in which is comprised a magnet; a non-magnetic box or case between the poles of the magnet; a magnetic plate at the rear of the box; two swinging diaphragms lo- 65 cated in front of said plate, and means of limiting the movement of the diaphragms, substantially as shown and described.

2. In a telephone of the character herein specified, two swinging diaphragms supported 70 within a case of non-magnetic material between the poles of a magnet, in combination with adjustable regulating-rings arranged, substantially as shown and described.

3. In a telephone of the character herein 75 specified, the combination with a swinging diaphragm located in a box or case of nonmagnetic material between the poles of a magnet, of an adjustable regulating-ring, substantially as shown and described.

4. In a telephone of the character herein specified, the combination with a swinging diaphragm located in a non-magnetic case as set forth, of a magnetic plate mounted at the rear of the diaphragm, substantially as shown 85 and described.

Signed at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, this 1st day of October, A. D. 1895.

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