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Fig. 1.

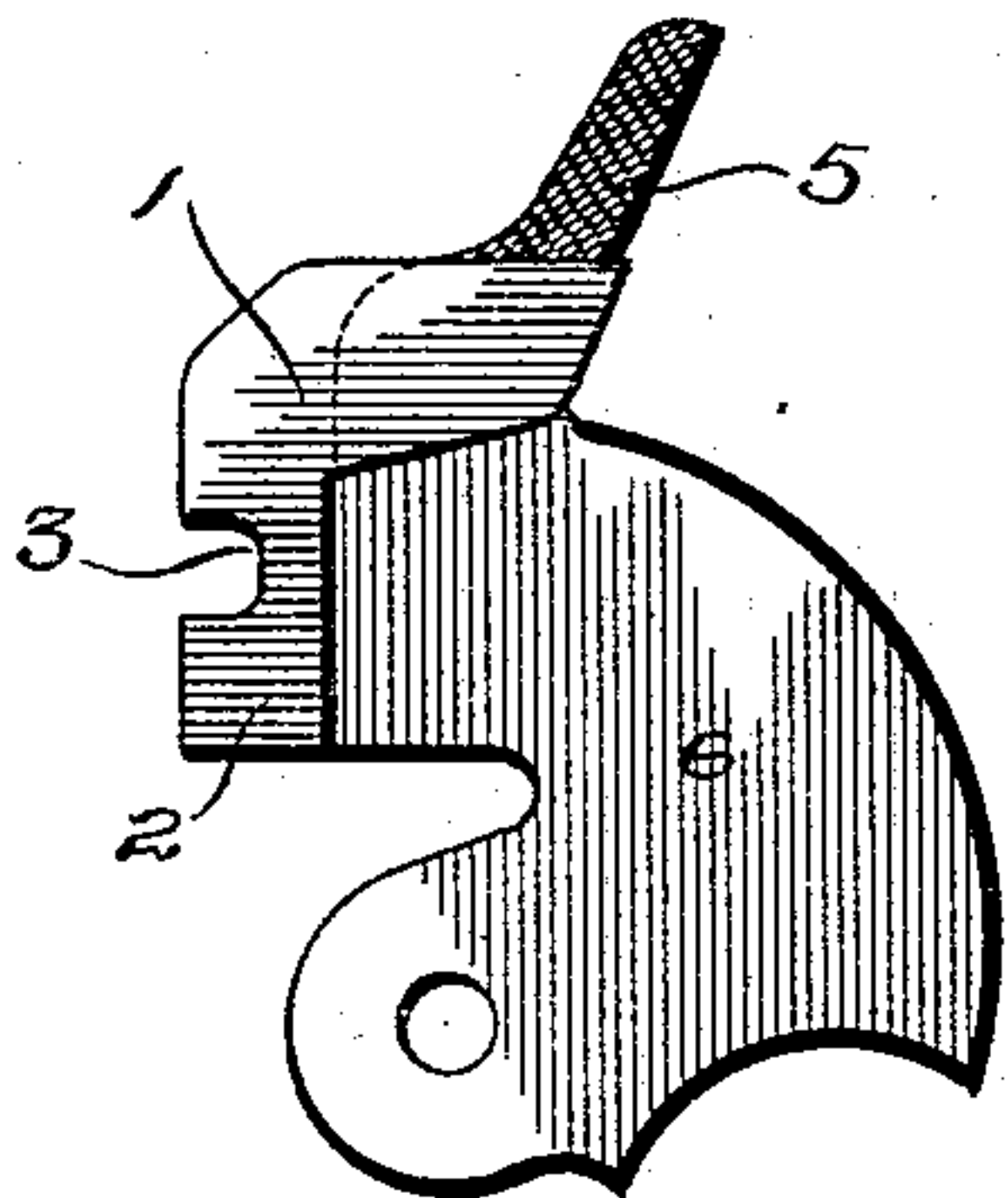


Fig. 2.

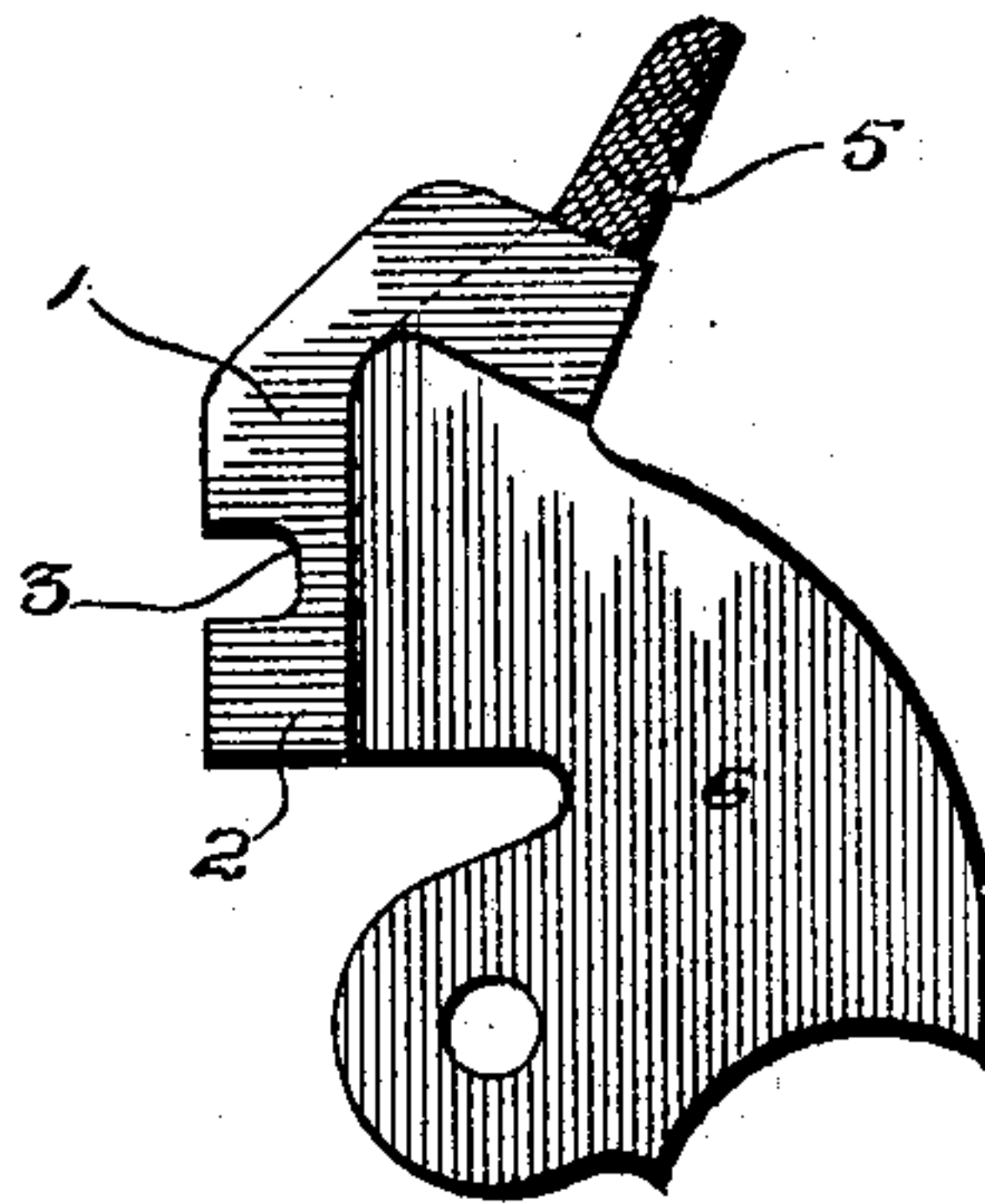


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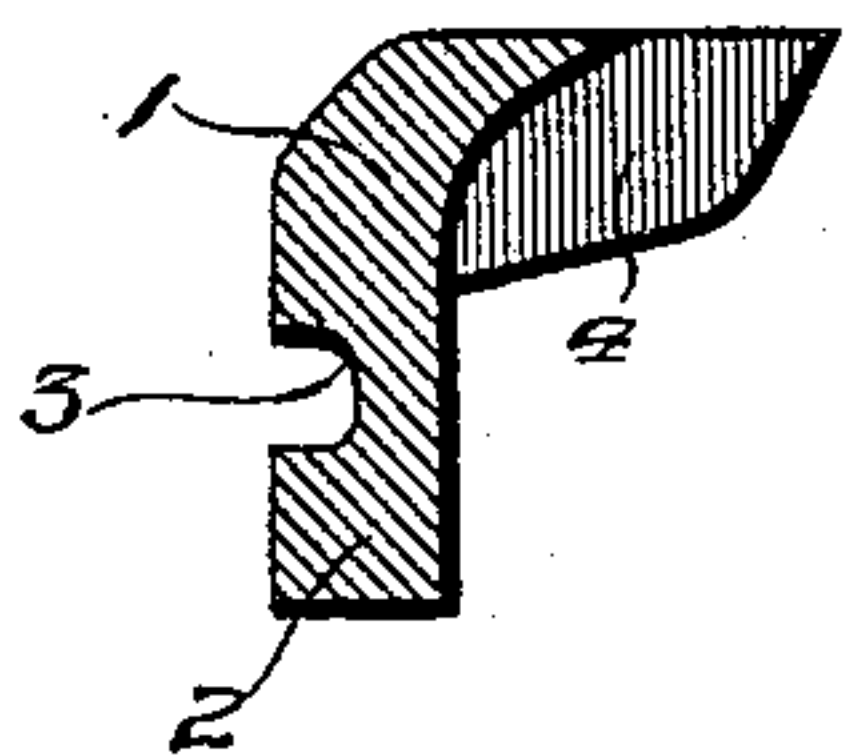


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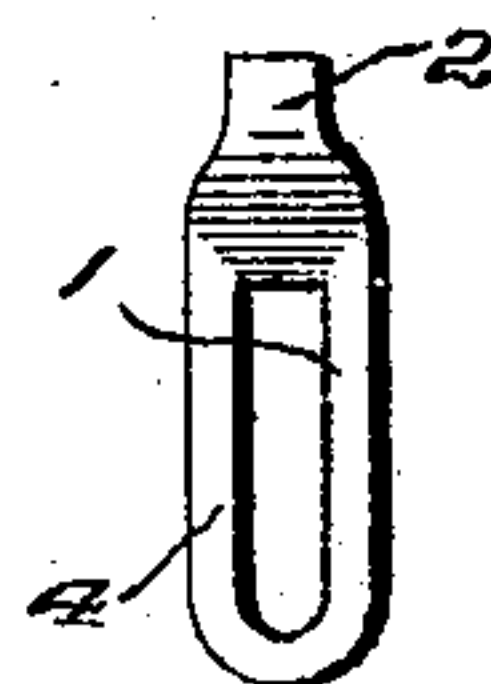


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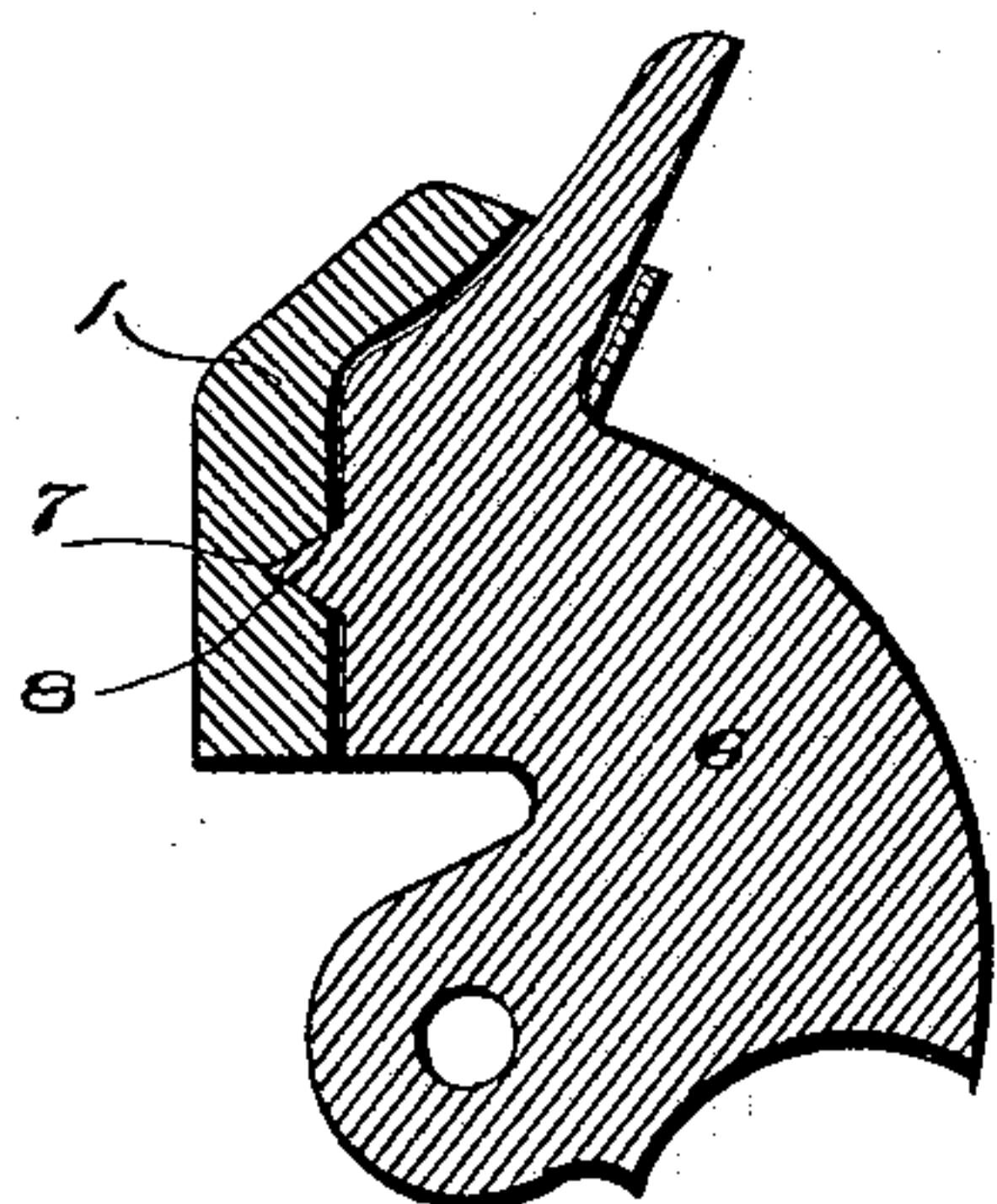
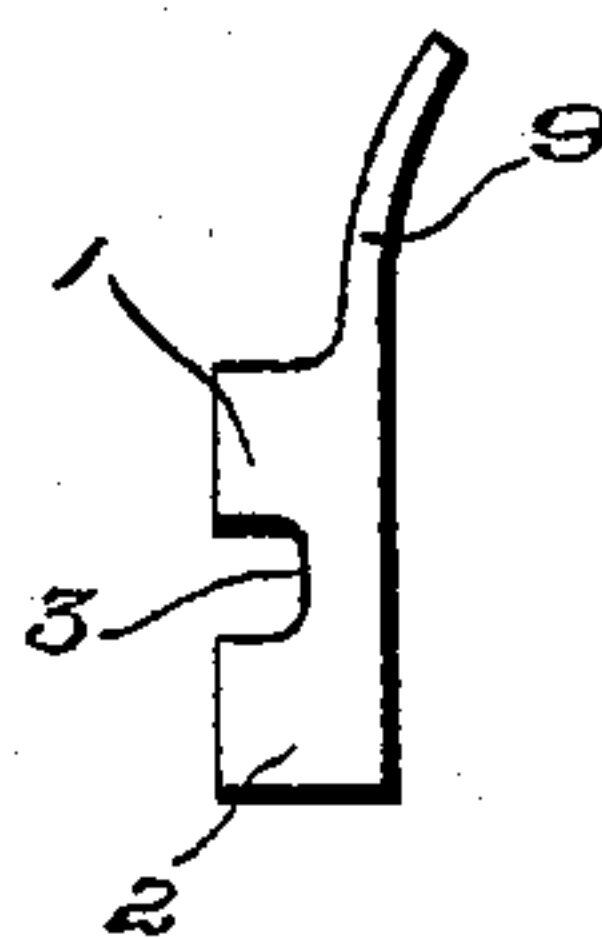


Fig. 6.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARTIN MATTSON, of Sellwood, in the county of Multnomah and State of Oregon, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Firearm Attachments; 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 firearm attachments, and the object in view is to provide a simple, cheap, and convenient device which may be applied to the hammer of a gun or any firearm for the purpose of preventing the accidental discharge of the gun.

The device is in the form of a cap or cushion adapted to be interposed between the hammer and breech and to be sustained in place and when detached and not in use can be readily carried in the pocket.

The invention consists in a device of the character referred to embodying certain novel features and details of construction herein-after specifically set forth, illustrated in the drawings, and incorporated in the claims here-to appended.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation showing the attachment applied to a hammer. Fig. 2 is a similar view showing a slightly-modified form of cap or cushion applied to a hammer. Fig. 3 is a sectional view of the attachment. Fig. 4 is a plan view thereof. Fig. 5 is a sectional view of a modified form of cap. Fig. 6 is a side view of another form of cap adapted to be fitted against the breech.

Similar numerals of reference designate corresponding parts in the several figures of the drawings.

The improved attachment contemplated in this invention is in the nature of a combined cap and cushion, the same being indicated at 1. This cap is composed entirely of rubber, and comprises a main body portion 2, which is centrally cut out or notched, as indicated at 3, to provide a recess for the reception of the firing-pin. The portions of the cap at each side of the recess 3 act as cushions and strike against the breech, thus preventing the actuation of the firing-pin and rendering it im-

possible to discharge the firearm in the event of the hammer being accidentally drawn back and released.

In order to attach the cap to the hammer, said cap is provided at one end with a resilient loop 4, preferably formed integrally with the cap and adapted to extend around the finger-piece 5 of the hammer, thus holding the cap firmly in place against the advance edge of the hammer, as clearly shown in Figs. 1, 2, and 5.

In Fig. 2 the body 2 of the cap is shown as reduced to the width or thickness of the hammer 6, so that said cap will enter the slot or recess in which the hammer moves.

In Fig. 5 the cap is shown as uninterrupted at its outer or active surface and is provided upon its inner surface with a notch or recess 7 to receive the firing-pin 8, which is shown as formed on the hammer, thus adapting the cap to this specific form of hammer.

Where it is not practicable to secure the attachment to the hammer, it may be constructed, as shown in Fig. 6, so as to fit against the breech and over the firing-pin, in which case the cap will be provided with an upwardly-extending finger-piece 9, by which it may be placed in position between the hammer and breech and as readily removed therefrom.

When the attachment is in place, it will absolutely prevent the premature or accidental discharge of the firearm, and when not in use it may be readily carried in the pocket.

It will of course be understood that the device is susceptible of changes in the form, proportion, and minor details of construction, which may accordingly be resorted to without departing from the principle or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new, and desired to be secured by Letters Patent, is—

1. An attachment for firearms, consisting of a rubber cap adapted to fit over the end of a hammer, and provided with a resilient loop to embrace the thumb-piece of the hammer, substantially as specified.

2. A device for preventing the accidental discharge of firearms, consisting of a body portion of rubber recessed to fit over and cover

the striking-face of the hammer, and an elastic
loop integral with the body portion and de-
signed to be stretched over and to embrace
the thumb-piece of the hammer for maintain-
5 ing the device as a whole on the hammer,
substantially as described.

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