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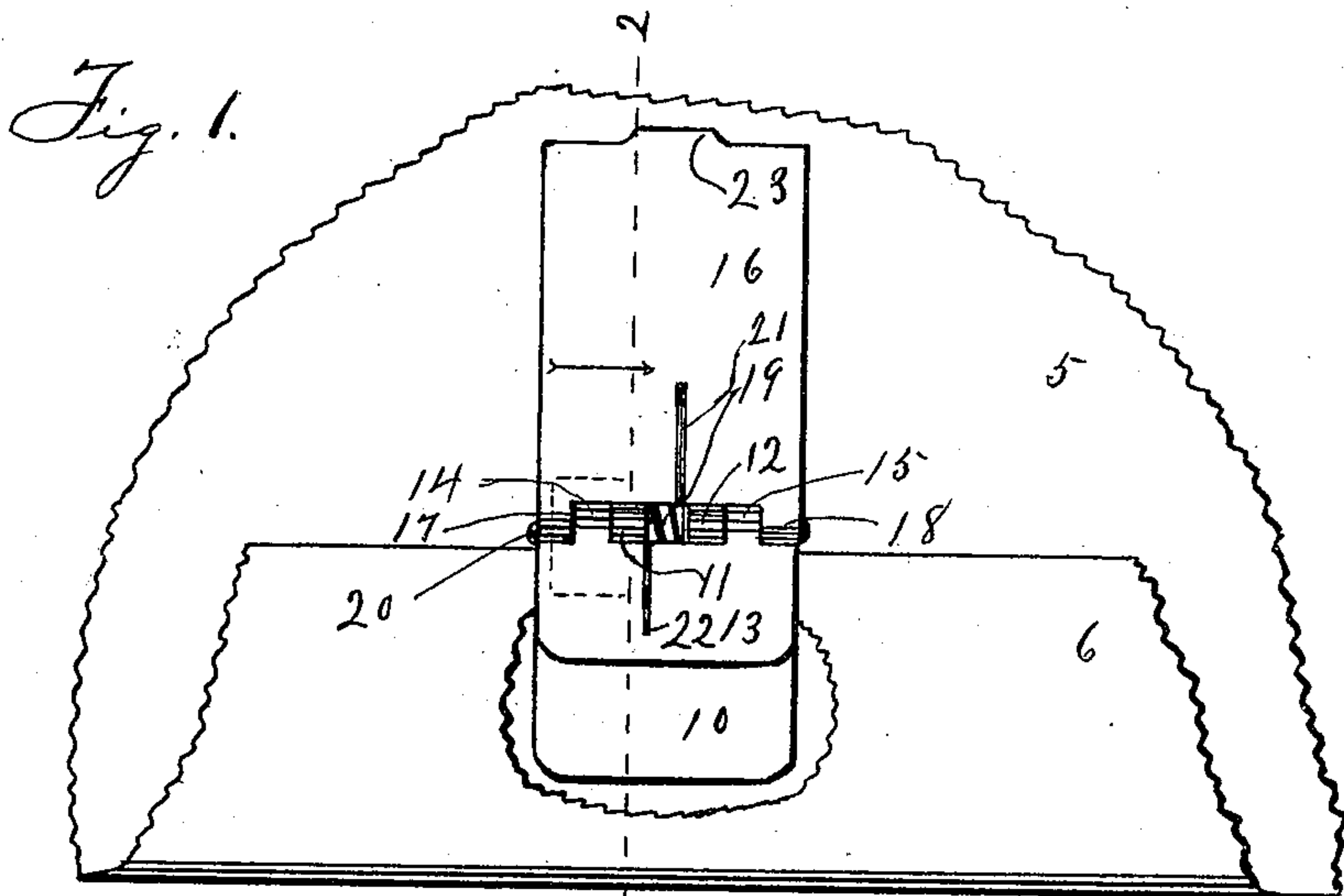


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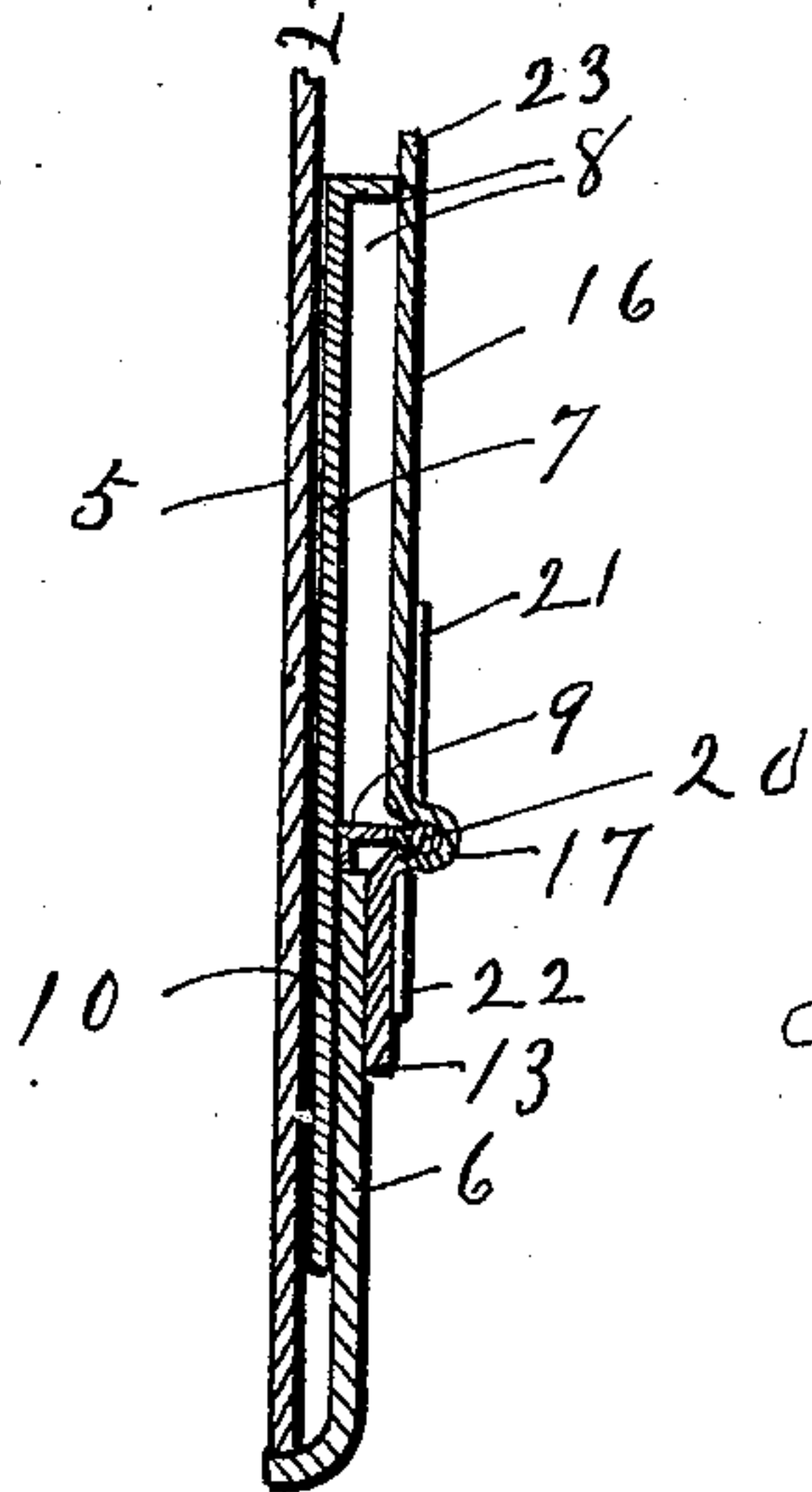


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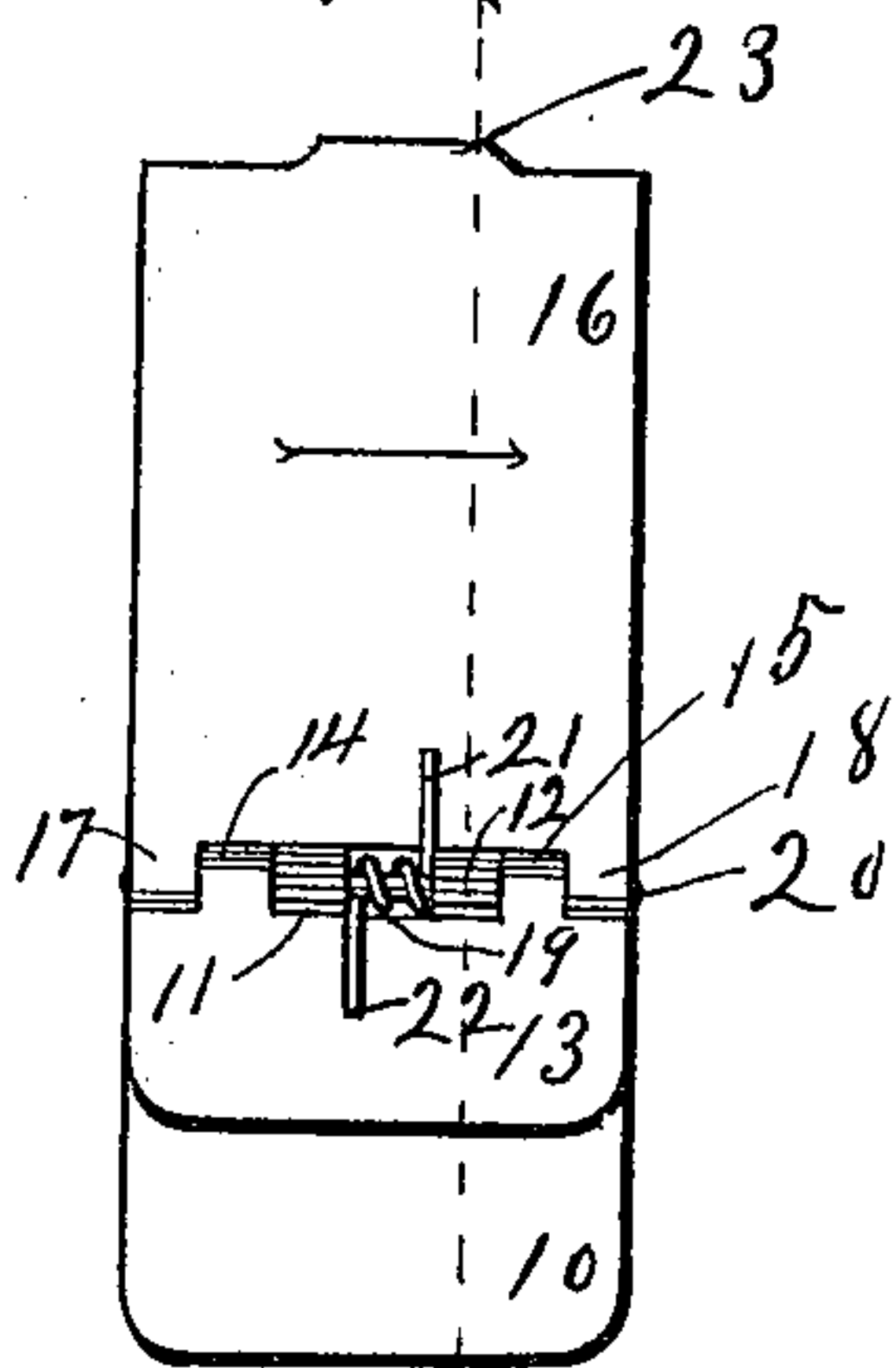
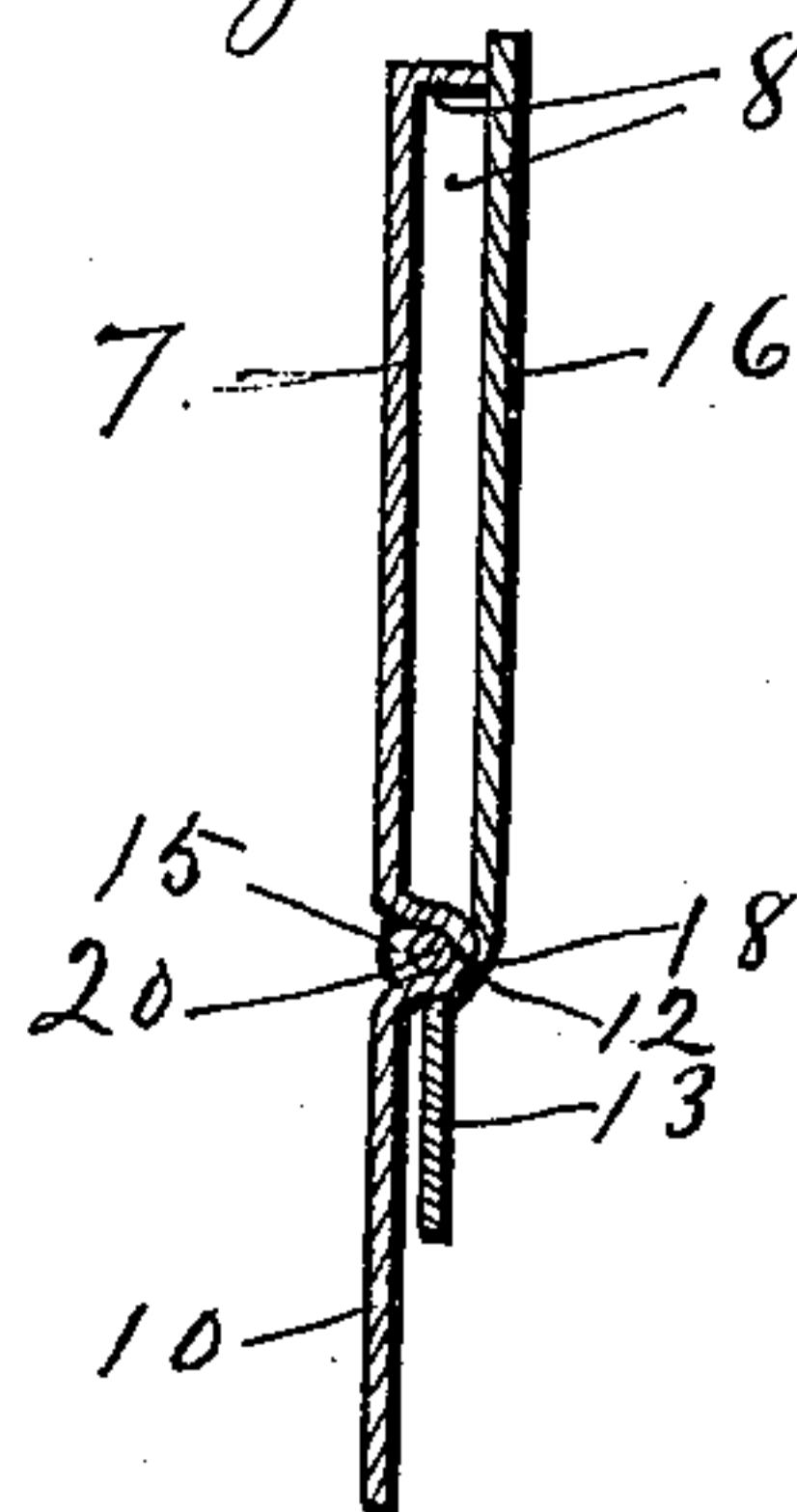


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN W. CHERRY, a citizen of the United States, residing in Denver, Colorado, have invented an Improvement in Stamp-Boxes, of which the following is a specification.

Figure 1 is a view in elevation of the stamp-box in position for use in a hat, parts of the hat being broken away. Fig. 2 is a section on the line 2 2 of Fig. 1. Figs. 3 and 4 show a modification.

My object is to construct a convenient box for carrying postage-stamps and the like, and the box is designed to be carried in a hat.

Referring to the drawings in detail, 5 is the wall of the hat. The inner sweatband is indicated by 6. The stamp-box is placed inside of the wall 5 and is attached to the sweatband 6.

The stamp-box is constructed as follows: The top and side edges of the back 7 are bent forwardly to form the wall 8. The wall 9 is soldered in position against the forward face of the back 7 and connects the lower ends of the side walls. The rigid clamping-plate 10 is formed integrally with and extends downwardly from the back 7. Ears 11 and 12 extend from the forward edge of the wall 9. The hinged or yielding clamping-plate 13 is somewhat shorter than the rigid clamping-plate and has ears 14 and 15 extending from its upper edge a suitable distance apart to fit against the outer sides of the ears 11 and 12, respectively. The door 16 has ears 17 and 18 projecting downwardly against the outer sides of the ears 14 and 15, the openings through said ears 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, and 18 being in alinement. The coil-spring 19 is placed be-

tween the ears 11 and 12, and the hinge-pin 20 is inserted through the ears and through the coil-spring. One end 21 of the spring extends upwardly against the front face of the door 16, and the other end 22 of the spring extends downwardly in front of the clamping-plate 13, the tension of the spring serving to hold the door yieldingly closed and also serving to yieldingly operate the clamping-plate 13 toward the rigid clamping-plate 10. A handle 23 extends upwardly from the upper edge of the door to be engaged in opening the door. The box is placed in position in the hat with the rigid clamping-plate extending downwardly between the sweatband and the wall, the bottom resting upon the upper edge of the sweatband and the yielding clamping-plate pressing against the inner face of the sweatband.

The operation is obvious.

In the modification shown in Figs. 3 and 4 the wall 9 is omitted and the ears 11 and 12 are formed integrally with the back 7 and clamping-plate 10 by cutting away portions of the metal and bending the remaining portions forwardly, as shown in Fig. 4.

I claim—

In a stamp-box, a receptacle, a rigid clamping-plate projecting from said receptacle, a door yieldingly hinged to said receptacle, a yielding clamping-plate hinged to said door and to said receptacle, and a spring in position to close the door and operate the yielding clamping-plate.

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