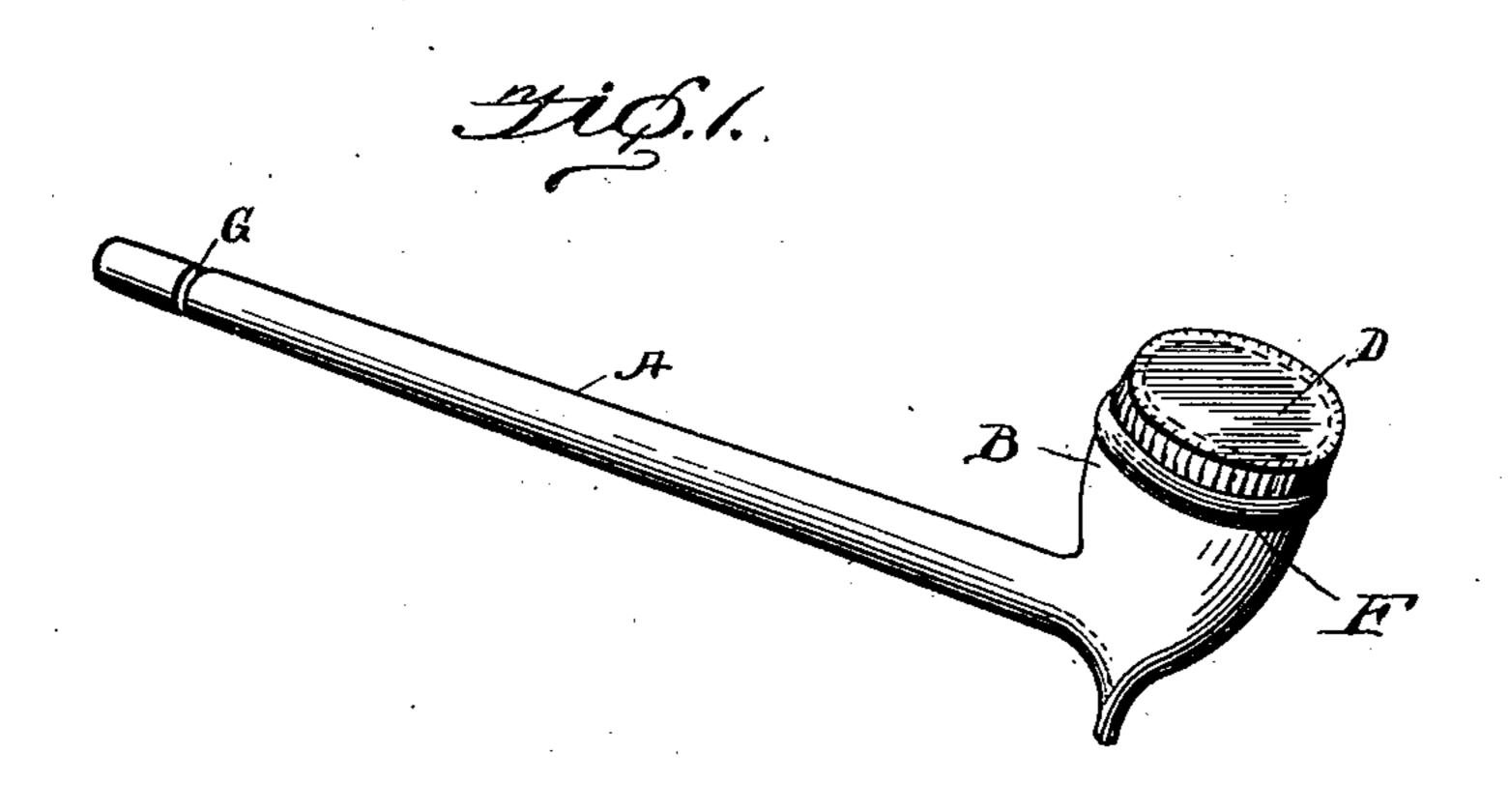
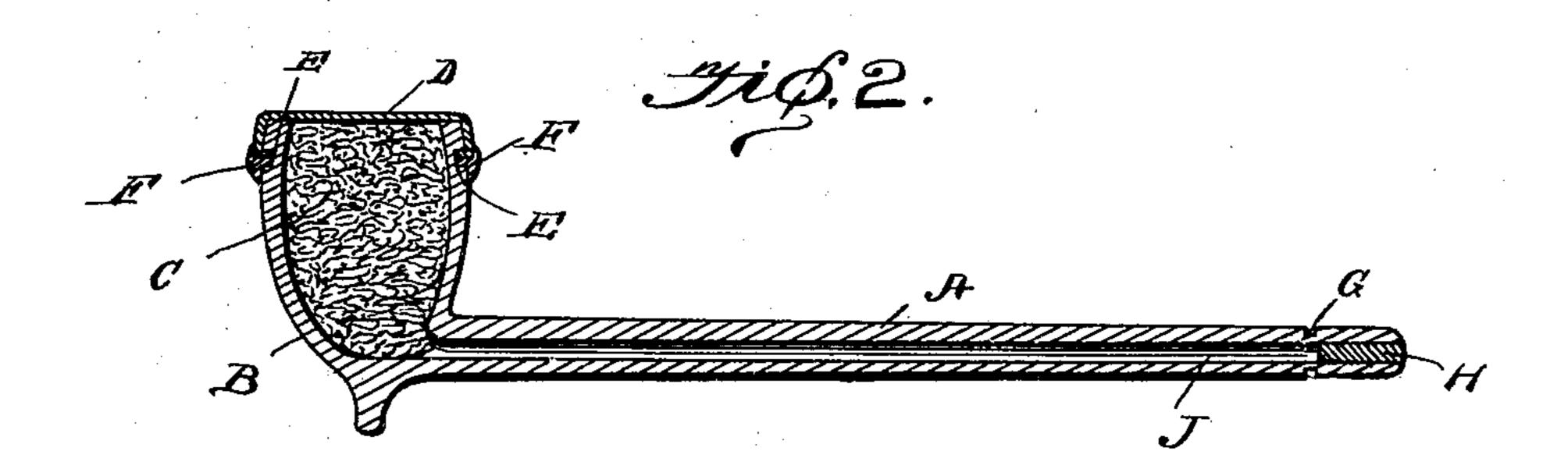
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## SMOKER'S PIPE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY W. RICE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Boothbay, in the county of Lincoln and State of Maine, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Smokers' Pipes, of which

the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in smokers' pipes; and the main object of my invention is the provision of a pipe in which tobaccomay be placed and the openings of the pipe hermetically sealed, so as to prevent moisture from affecting the tobacco, and thus place before the public a pipe which can be sold with the tobacco therein and which is ready for use by simply breaking the end off of the stem and removing the cover from the bowl.

With this object in view the invention comprises a pipe embodying novel features of construction, substantially as disclosed

herein.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the pipe filled and in the condition it is sold to the customer. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view of the pipe, and Fig. 3 is a modified form thereof.

Referring to the drawings, A designates the stem, and B the bowl, of the pipe. Placed in the bowl is the proper quantity of tobacco C, over which is placed a tin-foil cover D, whose lower edge extends downward to the exterior recess or groove E, in which sealing-wax F is placed, so as to make an air-tight joint at the top of the bowl. At the mouth end of the stem I provide the exterior recess or groove G, which is a short distance from the extremity of the stem. In order to hermetically seal this end, sealing-wax H is poured in the channel J in the space between the end of the

stem and the recess, or a piece of tin-foil K 40 may surround the end of the stem and be held in place similar to the tin-foil on the bowl.

To use the pipe, it is simply necessary to remove the tin-foil from the bowl and to break the end of the pipe-stem which is limited by 45 the recess G, thus giving a free channel to enjoy the smoke from the tobacco in the bowl.

It will thus be seen that a pipe constructed according to this invention will be extremely cheap and can be readily filled with a good 50 tobacco for the use of clubmen, yachtsmen, or, in fact, by any one who does not care to load a pipe from a bag, which is liable to be deteriorated from the effects of the elements thereon.

It will thus be seen that I provide a novel means by which tobacco can be distributed to the consumer and which will always protect the tobacco and give it to the consumer in a fresh condition.

What I claim as new is—

A pipe, comprising a bowl having an exterior annular recess near its top, a moisture-proof covering having its depending flanges surrounding the top of the bowl and having the 65 lower end of the flange opposed to the recess, a sealing material filling the recess, and securing the lower edge of the cap to the hermetically-sealed bowl, and a stem provided with an annular recess near its end, and hermetically 70 sealed to prevent moisture from passing into the stem.

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

HENRY W. RICE.

Witnesses:

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