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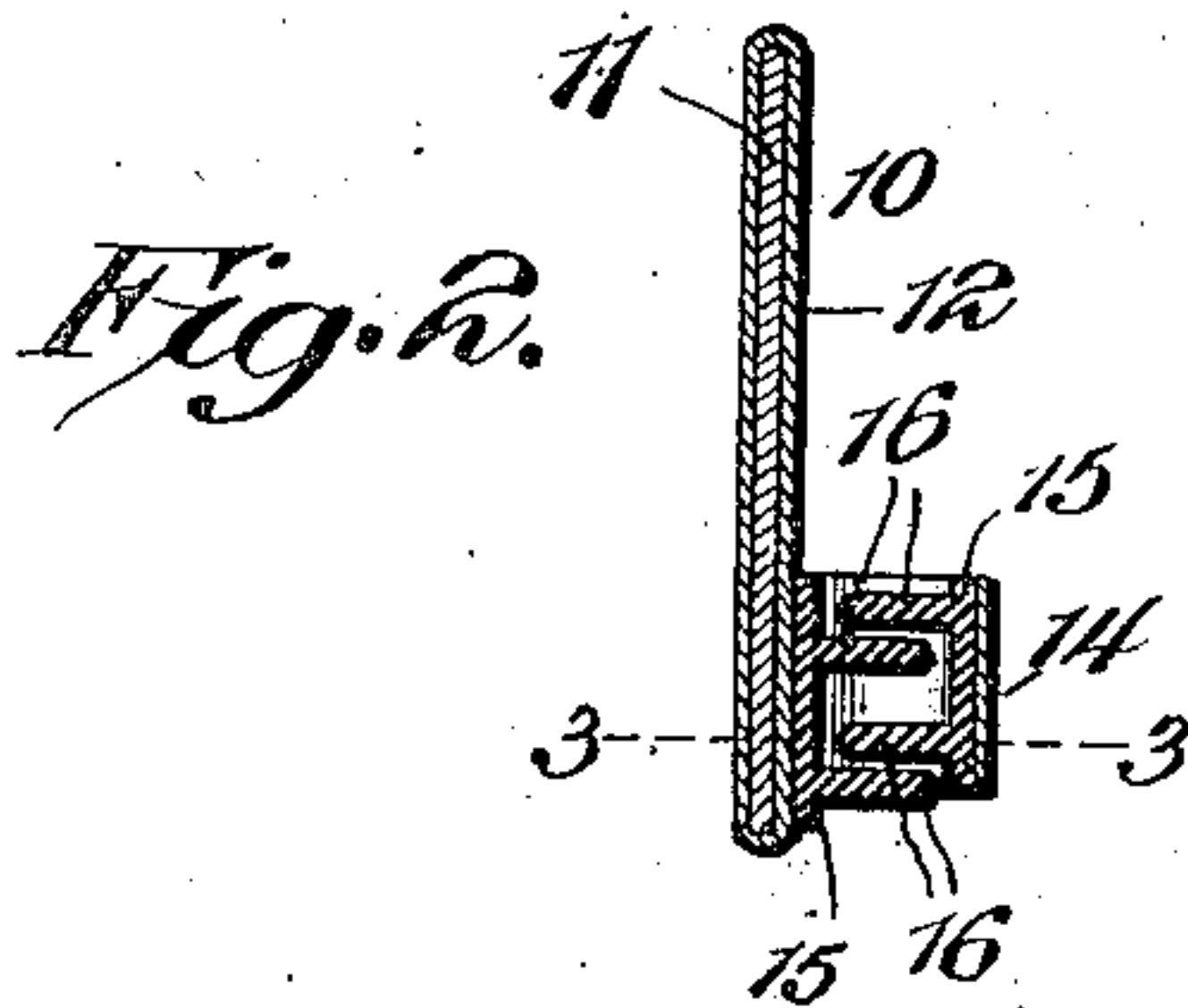
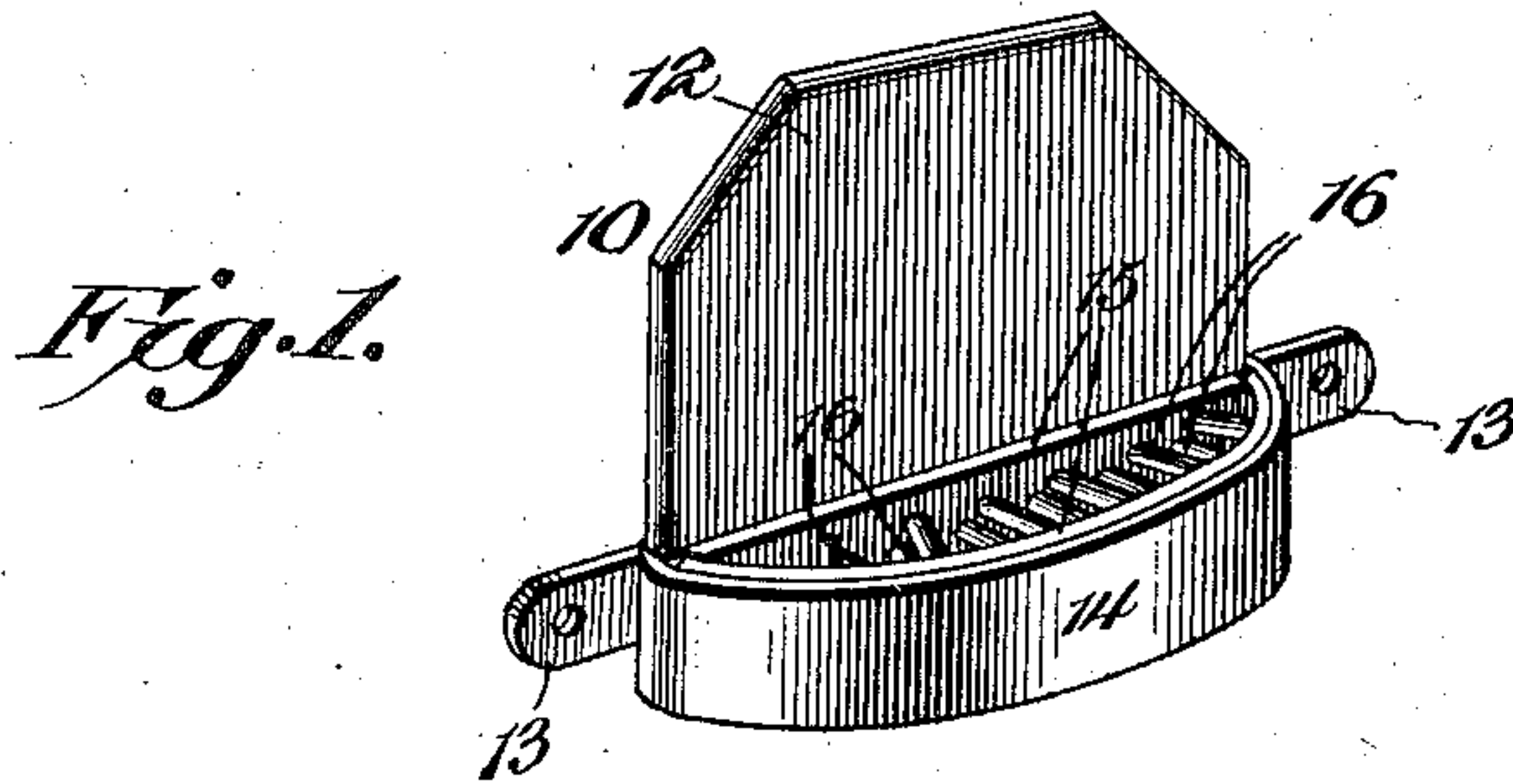


Fig. 3.

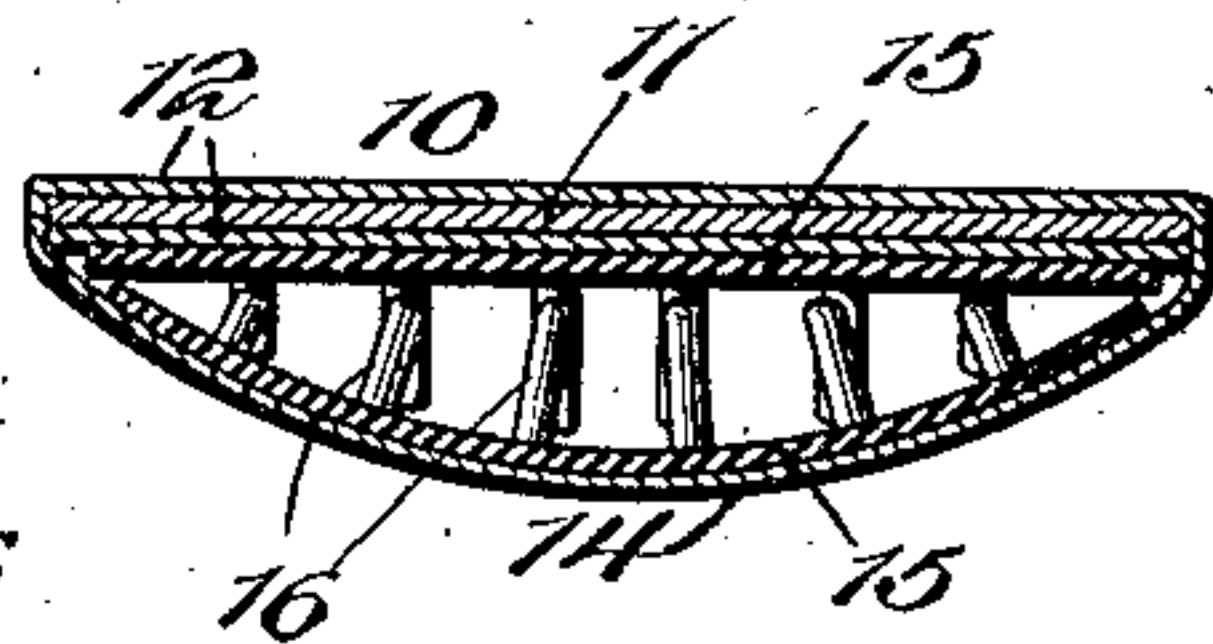


Fig. 4.

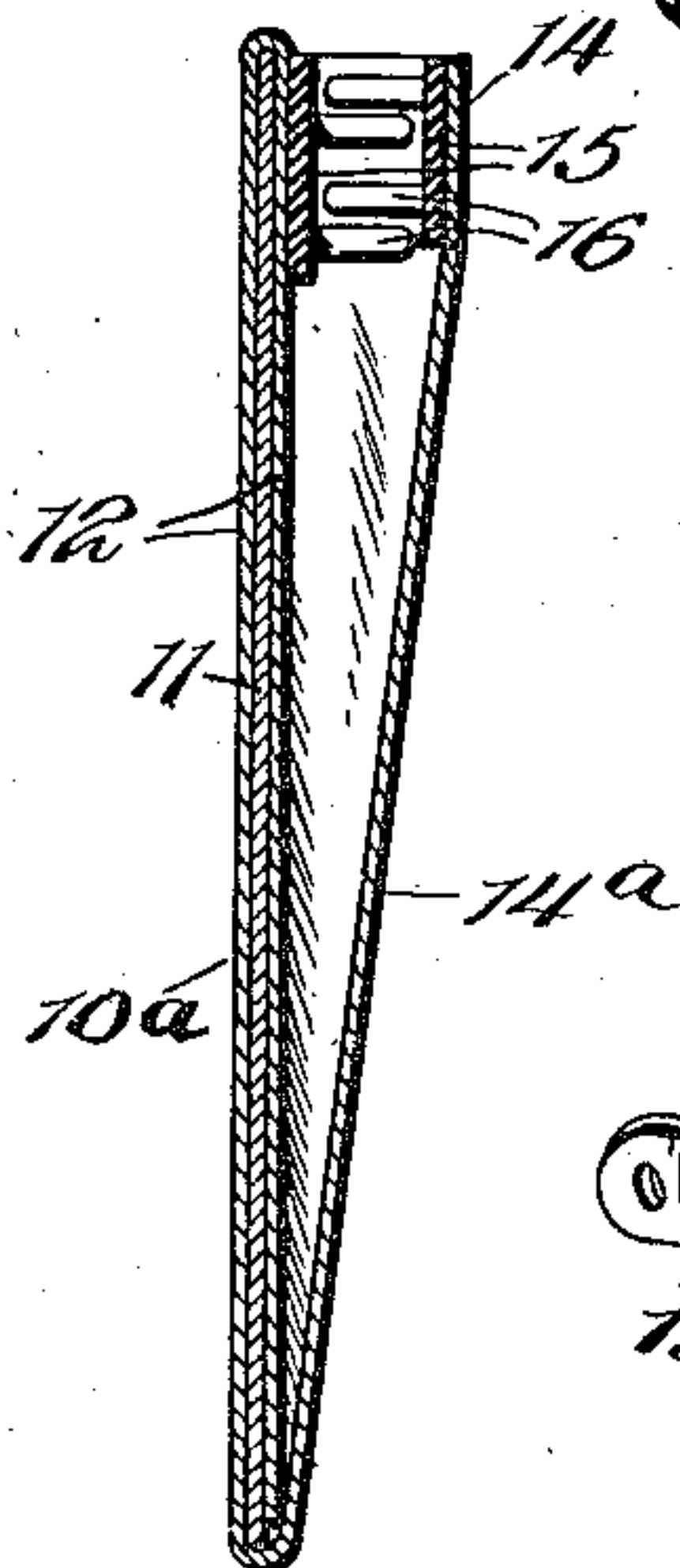
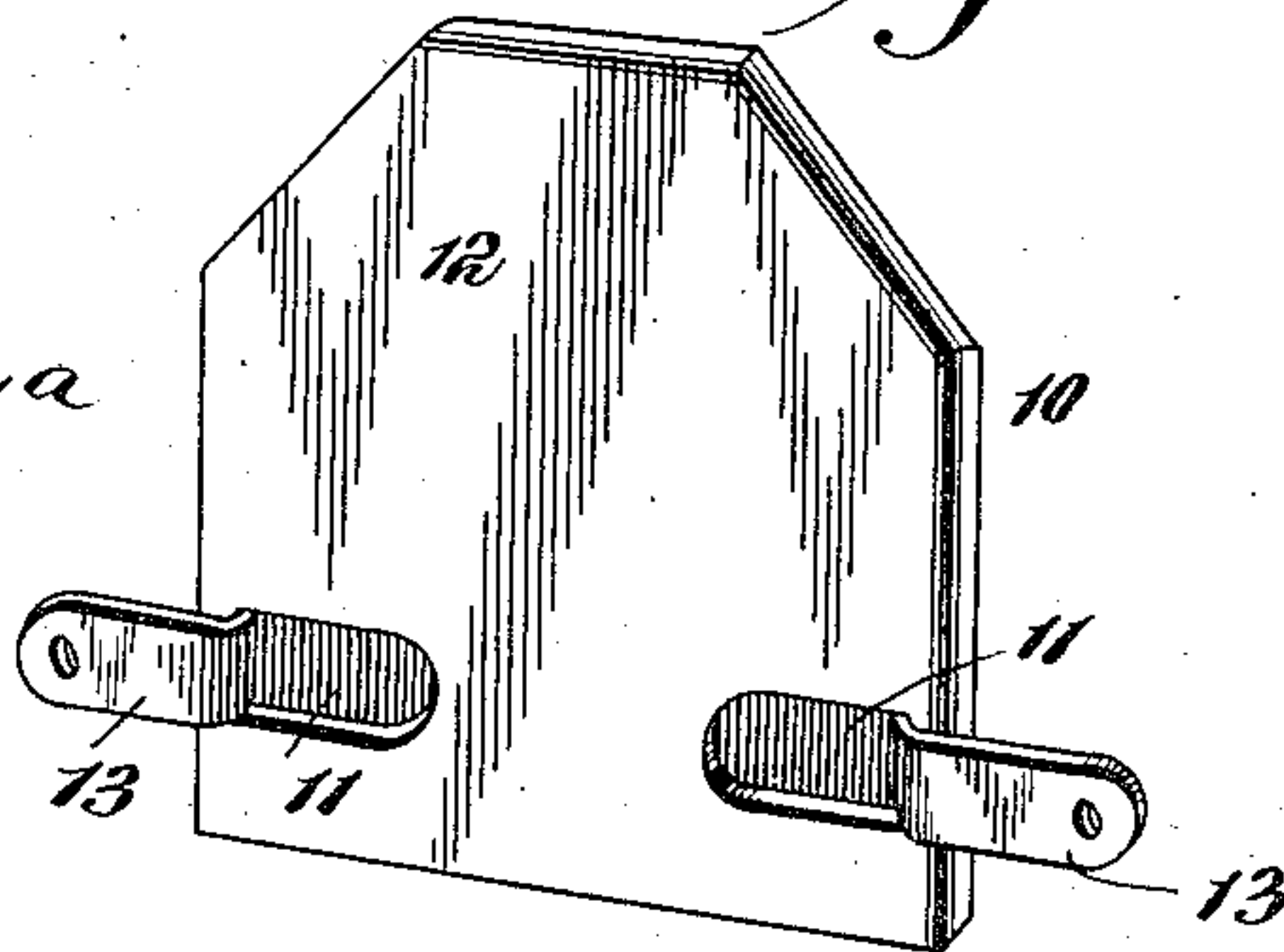


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, STEPHEN J. MEYERPETER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Holder, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to means for holding pens, pencils, and the like usually carried loosely in the pockets.

The object is to provide an extremely simple device of this character that can be readily attached to an article of clothing and will constitute a secure holder for small articles of various kinds and different sizes, permitting the ready insertion or removal of said articles without material interference.

In the drawings forming part of this application, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the preferred form of holder. Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view through the same. Fig. 3 is a horizontal sectional view taken on the line 3 3 of Fig. 2, and Fig. 4 is a vertical sectional view through a slightly-modified form of construction. Fig. 5 is a rear perspective view of the holder illustrated in Fig. 1.

Similar reference-numerals indicate corresponding parts in all the figures of the drawings.

In the embodiment of the invention illustrated in the first three figures of the drawings it will be seen that the holder comprises a rear wall 10, preferably stiffened by a reinforcing core-plate 11, that is covered with a sheathing 12. The wall 10 is provided at its opposite side edges with outstanding attaching-cars 13, by means of which the holder can be fastened to an article of clothing. A front flexible wall 14 is secured at its edges to the side edges of the rear wall 10 and terminates short of the top edges thereof, being practically nothing more than a flexible band. The various parts forming the walls may be secured together by gluing or in any suitable manner desired. The flexible wall 14 may be formed from the material of which the sheathing is constructed, and the ears 13 may in like manner be constructed of said material. As a result a receiver is formed having an upper open mouth and open bottom. Re-

taining elements in the form of compressible pads 15 are secured to the opposing inner faces of the mouth, or, in other words, to the adjacent faces of the walls 10 and 14. These pads carry oppositely-projecting teeth or studs 16, that extend across the mouth and have their free portions interfitting to leave spaces between them, through which the articles to be held are passed, as illustrated in Figs. 2 and 3.

The device can either be placed in an ordinary pocket and secured therein by sewing or otherwise fastening the ears 13 to one of the walls of the pocket or an opening may be made in the cloth and the device inserted therein and fastened. The pen, pencil, or other similar article is simply pushed into the open mouth of the receiver and passing between adjacent sets of the interfitting teeth will force said teeth apart. Their resilient action will cause them to frictionally engage the article with sufficient force to hold the same against accidental movement and yet will permit the ready removal of the same without interference. Articles of different sizes may be placed in the holder side by side, and all will be retained. Moreover, the removal of one will not affect the security of the remainder. The device can be manufactured at small cost, as the elements *per se* are extremely simple. The upstanding portion of the rear wall 10 is also an important feature, as it affords an abutment and guide against which the articles are placed and which directs said articles into the holder.

Fig. 4 is a longitudinal sectional view of a slightly-modified form of construction. In this instance the receiver is in the form of a sack or pocket having coacting front and rear walls 10^a and 14^a, the bottom being closed by the securing of said walls together. The remainder of the structure is substantially the same as that already set forth, and it is believed to be unnecessary to describe it further, the same reference-numerals being employed to designate similar parts. Furthermore, the action and manner of securing the holder is the same as the holder illustrated in the first three figures.

From the foregoing it is thought that the construction, operation, and many advantages

of the herein-described invention will be apparent to those skilled in the art without further description, and it will be understood that various changes in the size, shape, proportion, and minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention.

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

1. In a holder of the class described, the combination with a rear wall comprising a reinforcing stiff core-plate and a sheathing covering the same, of a non-reinforced flexible and easily-bendable front wall secured at its side edges to the rear wall, and compressible yielding pads located on the inner faces of the walls and in opposing relation to each other, said pads permitting the passage therebetween of and binding upon the articles to be held, and the front wall and pad being yieldable to permit said passage.

2. In a holder of the class described, the combination with front and rear walls, of

spaced sets of oppositely-extending yielding teeth projecting from the inner faces of the walls and located between them, said teeth having their free ends disposed in overlapping relation, the various sets being interfitted to leave spaces between them through which the articles to be held are passed.

3. In a holder of the class described, the combination with a reinforced stiff rear wall, of a flexible front wall secured at its side edges to the rear wall, and compressible pads secured to the opposing inner faces of the walls and having spaced sets of yielding teeth, the free ends of which overlap, said sets being interfitted and spaced apart to form passages between them through which articles may be inserted.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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