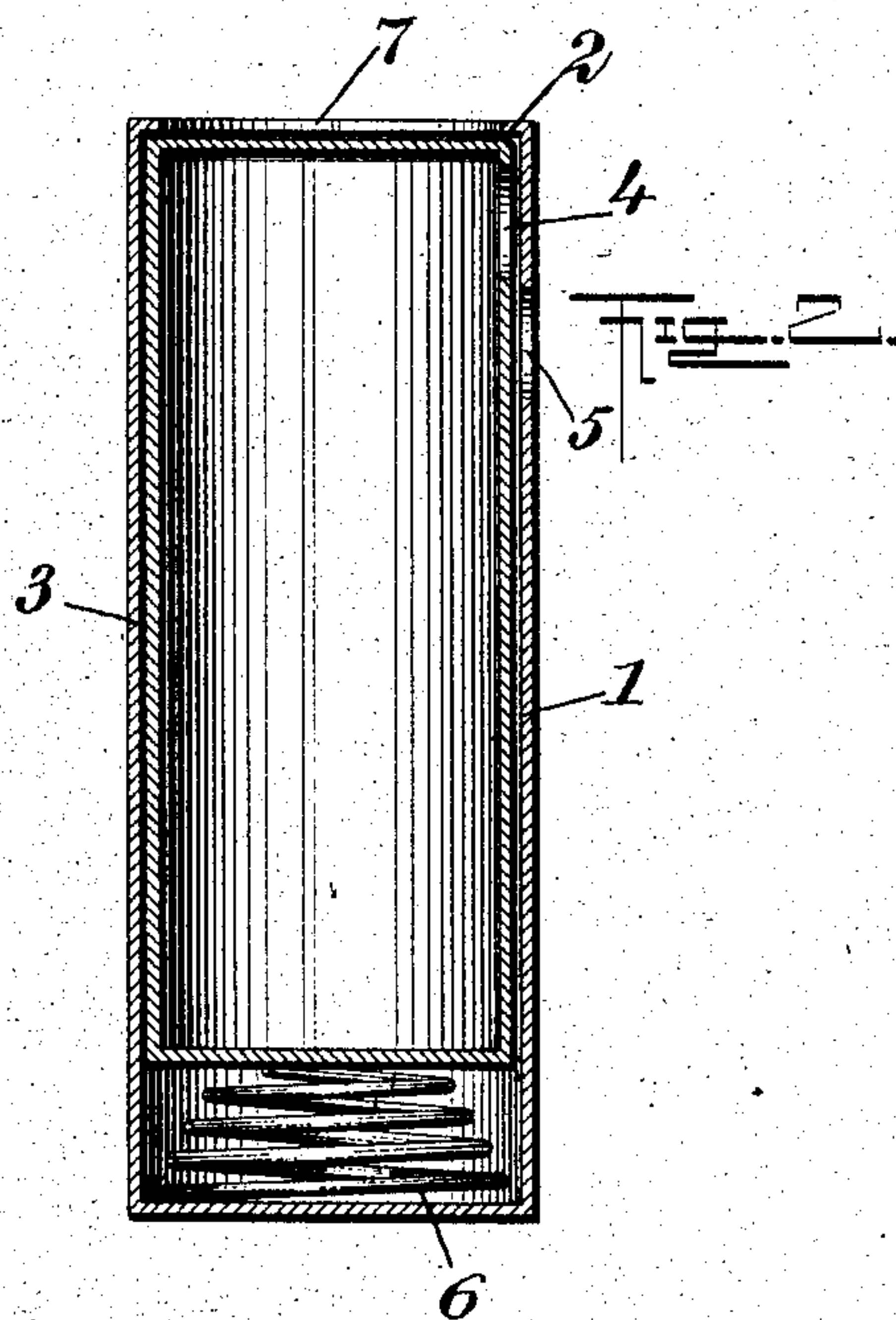
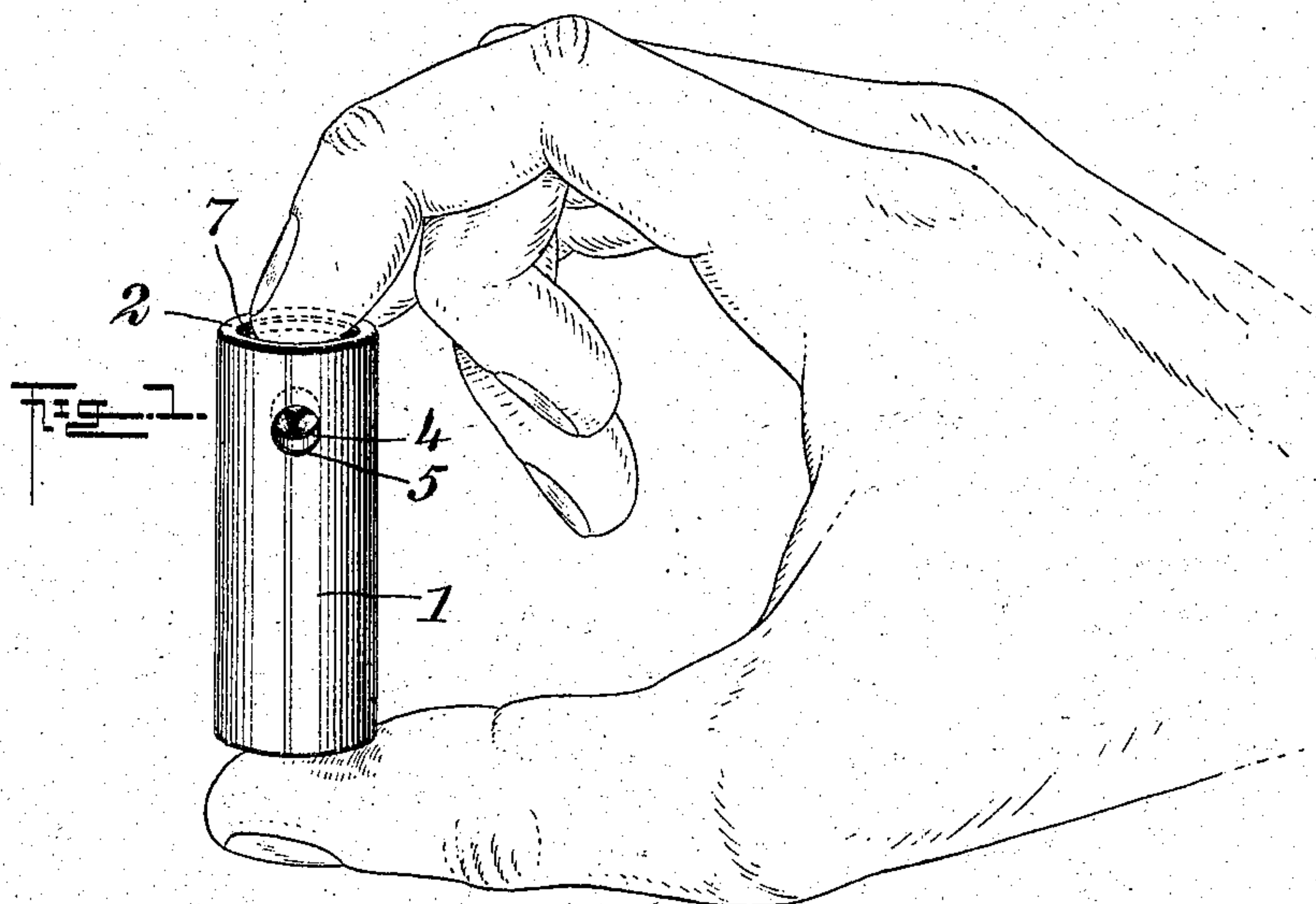


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## CANDY-HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN JEFFERS, Jr., a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Saginaw, in the county of Saginaw and State of Michigan, have invented a new and Improved Candy-Holder, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of my invention is to provide a receptacle for holding candy or other similar articles, which will automatically close the opening through which the contents are passed and securely hold the same closed until it is desired to remove such contents.

A further object is to provide such receptacle which can be opened as readily in darkness for removing the contents as in the light.

With these and further objects in view my invention consists of the construction and combination of parts hereinafter more specifically described, and fully set forth in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both views.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my device in open position, and Fig. 2 is a central section of the device and through the openings in its side.

An outer tube 1, closed at one end and having an inwardly-extending flange 2 at the other end, contains an inner tube 3, closed at both ends, but having an opening 4 in the side thereof. This opening 4 is in vertical alinement with a similar opening 5, formed in the side of the outer tube 1.

At the bottom of the outer tube 1 is a coil-spring 6, which normally forces the inner tube 3 upward against the flange 2, thus holding the openings 4 and 5 out of alinement and securely closing the receptacle. When it is desired to open this receptacle, a finger is pressed upon the top of the inner receptacle by passing it through the opening 7 in the top of the outer tube 1, and the inner tube is forced against the action of the spring toward the bottom of the outer tube. The openings 4

and 5 are so positioned that when the inner tube has been pressed down as far as possible said openings will be in perfect alinement and the contents of the inner receptacle can readily be removed.

From this description it will be seen that it is not necessary to have light for opening this receptacle; but it can be done as readily in the darkness as in the light.

This is the preferred form of my construction; but I do not wish to be limited to the precise details as described, but only as stated in the claims.

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

1. In a candy-holder, the combination of an outer receptacle having an opening in one end and an opening in its side, an inner closed receptacle within the outer receptacle and having an opening in its side adapted to register with the side opening of the outer receptacle, and a spring for normally holding the inner receptacle with its opening out of register with the opening of the outer receptacle, substantially as described.

2. In a candy-holder, the combination of an outer receptacle, an inner receptacle, a spring interposed between the receptacles for normally holding the inner receptacle at one end of the outer receptacle, means at the other end of the outer receptacle to prevent the inner receptacle from coming out, and an opening in each receptacle, normally out of alinement but adapted to be brought into alinement for removing the contents of the inner receptacle, substantially as described.

3. In a candy-holder, an outer tube closed at one end and an inwardly-extending flange at the other, in combination with an inner tube closed at both ends, a spring normally holding the inner tube at one end of the outer tube, and an opening in each tube, normally out of alinement but adapted to be brought into alinement, substantially as described.

4. In a candy-holder, an outer tube closed at one end and partly closed at the other, in

combination with an inner tube slidingly  
mounted therein and normally held at one end  
of the outer tube by a spring between the ends  
of the tubes, said inner and outer tubes having  
5 corresponding openings adapted to be brought  
into alinement by pressing said spring.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name

to this specification in the presence of two sub-  
scribing witnesses.

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