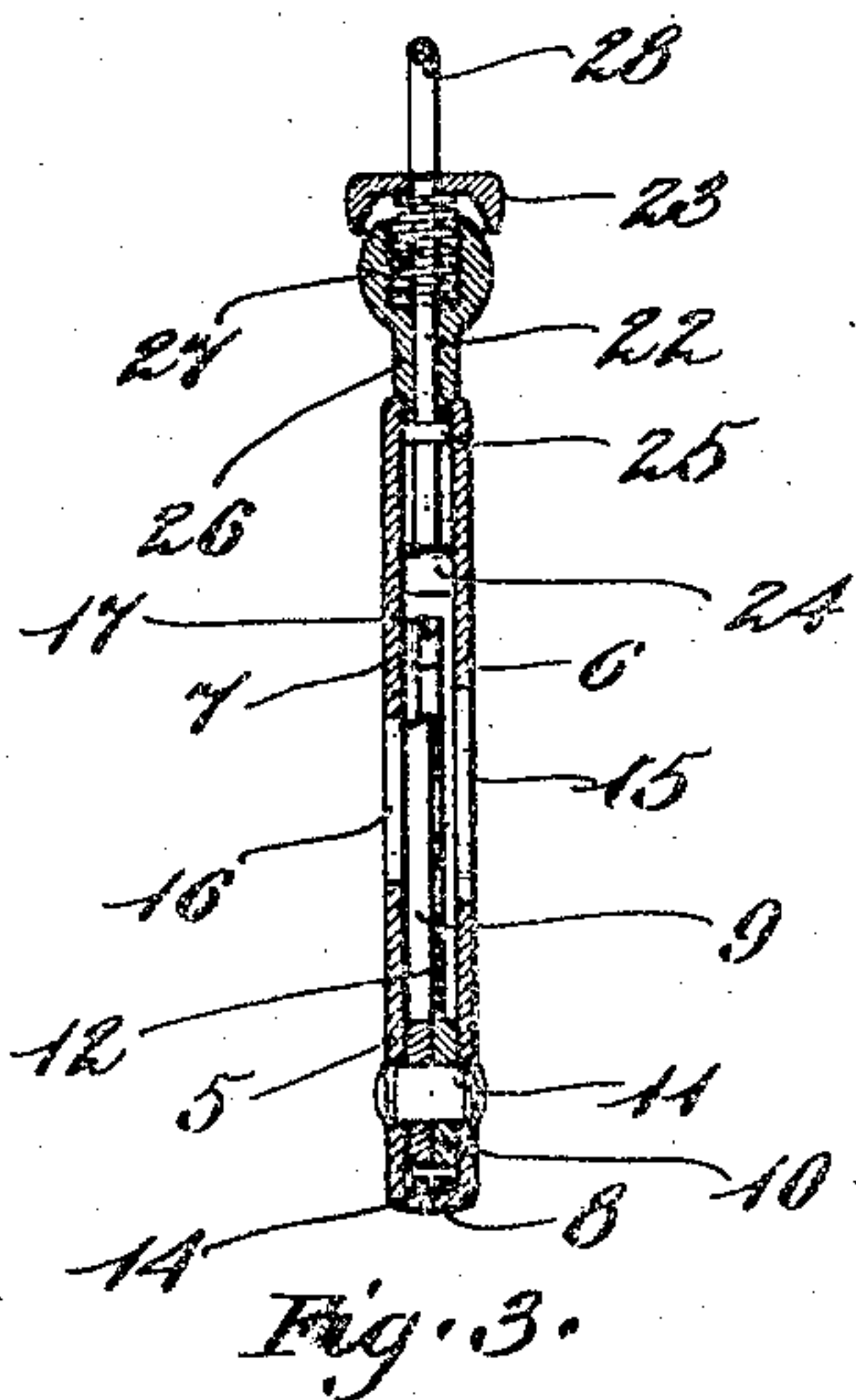
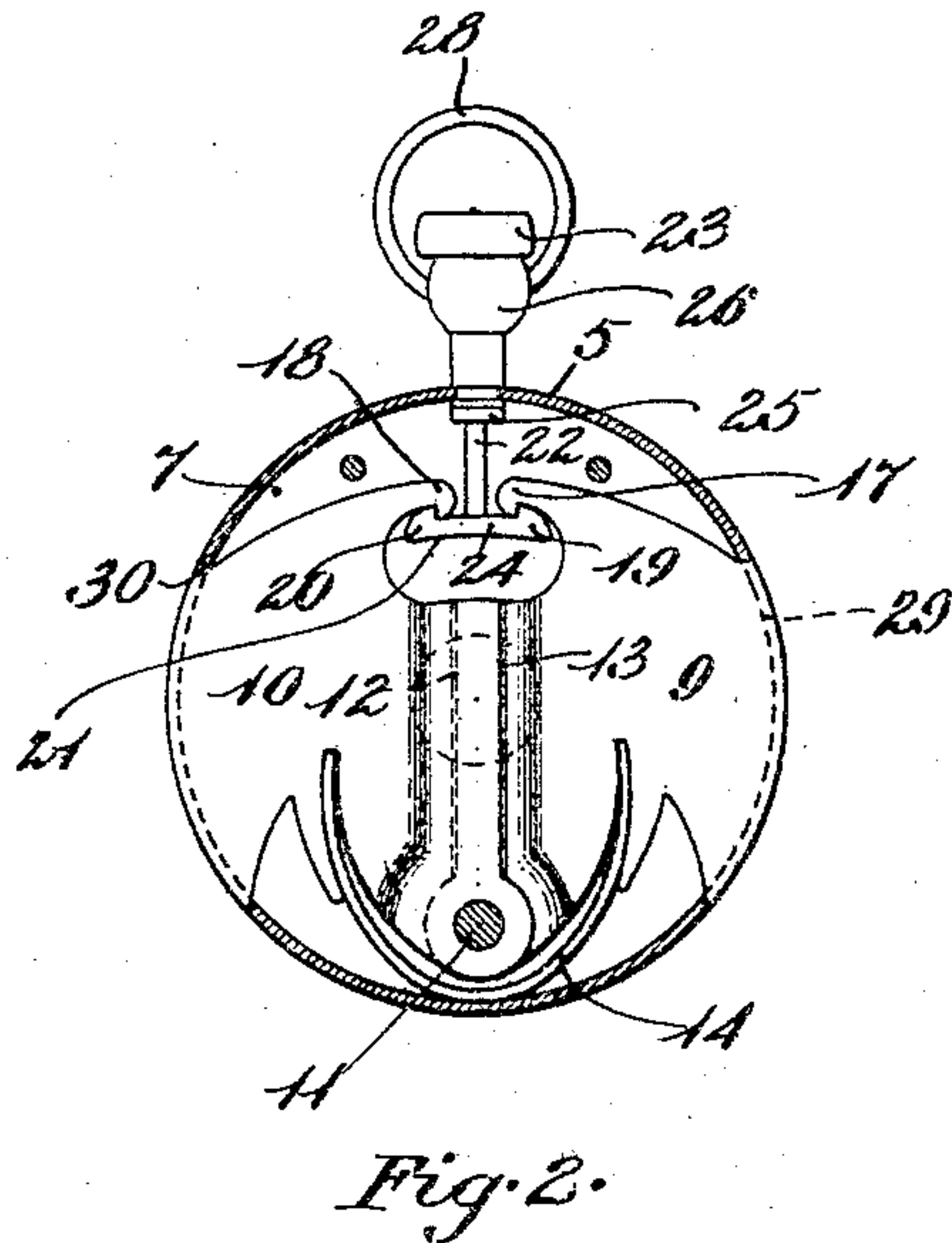
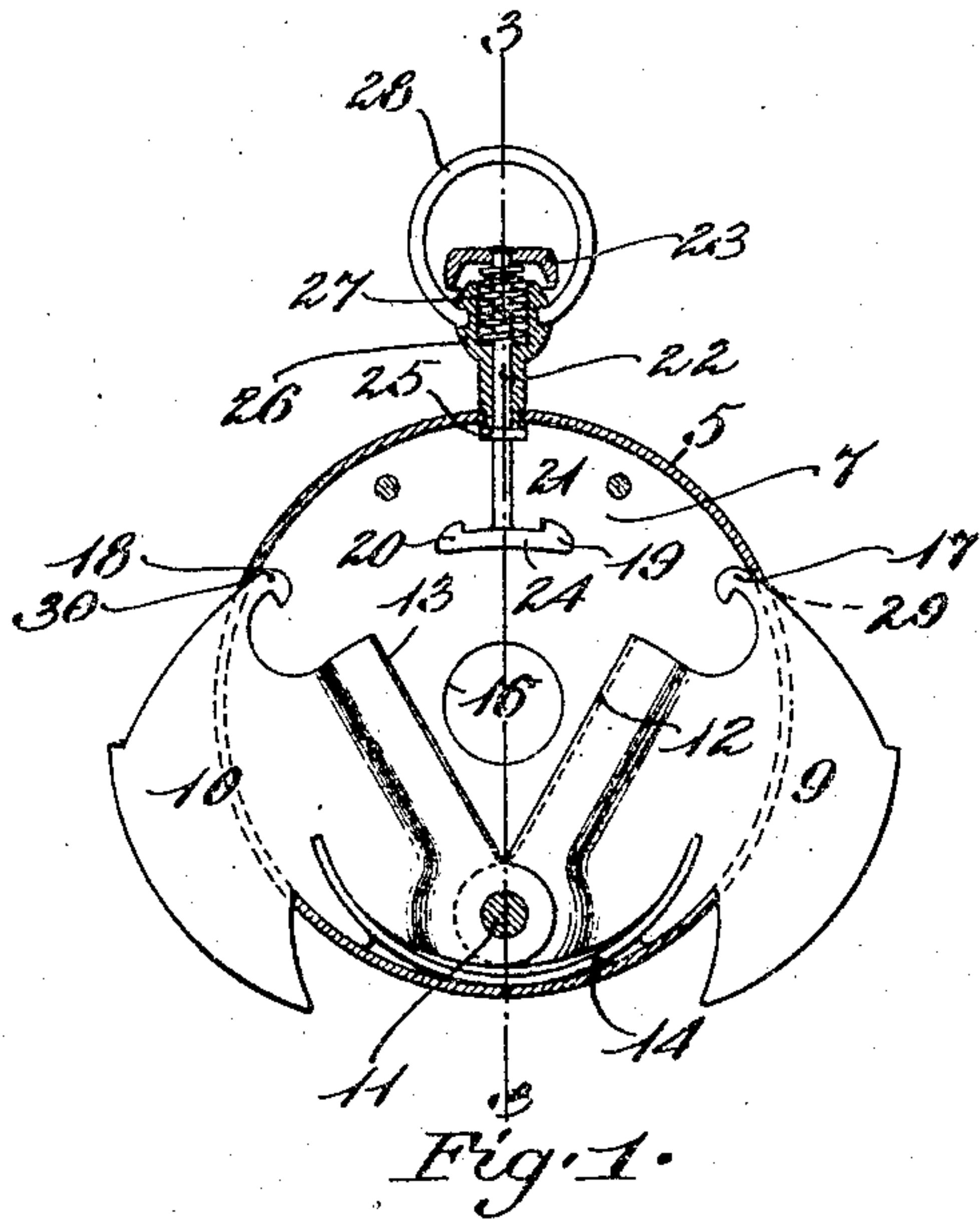


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## CIGAR-CUTTER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FREDERICK W. PARRIS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Brighton, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented new and useful Improvements in Cigar-Cutters, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improved device for cutting off the ends of cigars preparatory to smoking the same.

The object of the invention is to provide a neat, simple, and durable device which may be used as a charm or fob attached to the watch-chain.

The invention consists in the combination and arrangement of parts set forth in the following specification, and particularly pointed out in the claims thereof.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation, partly in section, of my improved cigar-cutter, the upper half of the casing being removed and the edge of said casing shown in section and the cutters shown in readiness for the pointed end of a cigar to be inserted therebetween. Fig. 2 is a front elevation, partly in section, similar to Fig. 1, showing the cutters closed, with their cutting edges overlapping. Fig. 3 is a transverse section, partly in elevation, taken on line 3 3 of Fig. 1.

The device is shown enlarged in the different figures of the drawings.

Like numerals refer to like parts throughout the several views of the drawings.

In the drawings, 5 is the casing of my improved cigar-cutter, the same consisting of a hollow metal disk similar to a watchcase in appearance having a front side 6, a rear side 7, and an edge 8. Two cutters 9 and 10 are located inside said casing and are pivoted at 11 to said casing. Said cutters are provided with cutting edges 12 and 13, respectively, and are held apart by a flat spring 14, passing below the pivot 11, with the opposite ends thereof inserted in slots in the cutters 9 and 10, respectively. Said spring acts normally to hold the cutters 10 and 11 apart, as illustrated in Fig. 1. The cutting edges 12 and 13 of the cutters 9 and 10, respectively, are adjacent to a hole 15, formed in the side 6,

and also are adjacent to a hole 16, formed in the side 7. The hole 15 is larger in diameter than the hole 16, the purpose of making said holes of different diameters being so that when the cigar end is inserted to be cut off by the cutters, as hereinafter described, it may be inserted through the hole 15 if a large piece is desired to be cut from the cigar or through the hole 16 if a small piece is desired to be cut therefrom.

The cutters 9 and 10 are provided with hooks 17 and 18, respectively, said hooks being adapted to engage hooks 19 and 20, formed upon opposite sides of the reciprocatory catch 21. Said catch is provided with a stem 22, which projects through a hole provided in the edge 8 of the casing and has fast to its outer end a flange 23 and to its inner end a cross-bar 24, which terminates in the hooks 19 and 20, hereinbefore described. Said stem has also rigidly fastened thereto a stop-flange 25 and is surrounded outside the casing 5 by a sleeve 26. Inside said sleeve 26 is provided a spiral spring 27, one end of which bears against the exterior of the casing 5 and the other end against the flange 23, the action of said spring being to push outwardly upon the flange 23 until the stop-flange 25 contacts with the interior of the casing 5. A ring 28 is provided fast to the sleeve 26, by means of which the device may be attached to a watch chain or fob. Two slots 29 and 30 are provided in the edge 8 of the casing, through which the cutters 9 and 10, respectively, project.

The operation of the device hereinbefore specifically described is as follows: The pointed end of the cigar is inserted in the hole 15 if a large cut is required or in the hole 16 if a small cut is required, the cutters 9 and 10 being in the position illustrated in Fig. 1, with the cutting edges 12 and 13 thereof upon opposite sides, respectively, of the holes 15 and 16. Said cutters are then pressed together until their cutting edges overlap each other and the hooks 17 and 18 engage, respectively, the hooks 19 and 20 upon the spring-catch 21, as illustrated in Fig. 2, the spring 27 in said catch yielding to allow the same to move downwardly and expanding again, so that the



hooks 19 and 20 engage said hooks 17 and 18 and hold the cutters in the position illustrated in said Fig. 2. The piece which is cut from the cigar drops out of the hole upon the opposite side of the cutters to that upon which the cigar is located when the cutting operation takes place.

The device as a whole is very useful, cheap, convenient, and ornamental.

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

1. A cigar-cutter comprising in its construction a hollow casing provided with a hole in each of the opposite sides thereof, a pair of cutters pivoted inside said casing with their cutting edges adjacent to said holes, a spring acting to hold said cutters apart and upon opposite sides, respectively, of said holes, and a spring-catch adapted to engage and hold said cutters with their cutting edges overlapping each other.

2. A cigar-cutter comprising in its construction a hollow casing provided with two cylindrical holes of different diameters upon opposite sides, respectively, thereof, a pair of cutters pivoted inside said casing, with their cutting edges adjacent to said holes, a spring acting to hold said cutters apart and upon opposite sides, respectively, of said holes, and a spring-catch adapted to engage and hold said cutters with their cutting edges overlapping each other.

3. A cigar-cutter comprising in its construction a hollow casing provided with a hole in each of the opposite sides thereof, a pair of cutters pivoted inside said casing with their cutting edges adjacent to said holes, each of said cutters provided with a hook on its free end, a spring acting to hold said cutters apart and upon opposite sides, respectively, of said

holes, and a reciprocatory spring-catch provided with two hooks on opposite sides thereof adapted to engage the hooks of said cutters and hold said cutters with their cutting edges overlapping each other.

4. A cigar-cutter comprising in its construction a hollow disk-shaped casing provided with a hole in each of the opposite sides thereof, a pair of cutters pivoted inside said casing with their cutting edges adjacent to said holes, a spring acting to hold said cutters apart and upon opposite sides, respectively, of said holes, a spring-catch adapted to engage and hold said cutters with their cutting edges overlapping each other, said casing provided with slots in its edge through which said cutters project when disengaged from said catch.

5. A cigar-cutter comprising in its construction a hollow disk-shaped casing provided with a hole in each of the opposite sides thereof, a pair of cutters pivoted inside said casing with their cutting edges adjacent to said holes, a spring acting to hold said cutters apart and upon opposite sides, respectively, of said holes, each of said cutters provided with a hook on its free end, a reciprocatory spring-actuated catch projecting through the edge of said casing, the outer end of said catch provided with a flange, the inner end with two hooks on opposite sides thereof adapted to engage the hooks on said cutters and hold said cutters with their cutting edges overlapping each other.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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