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Fig. 1.

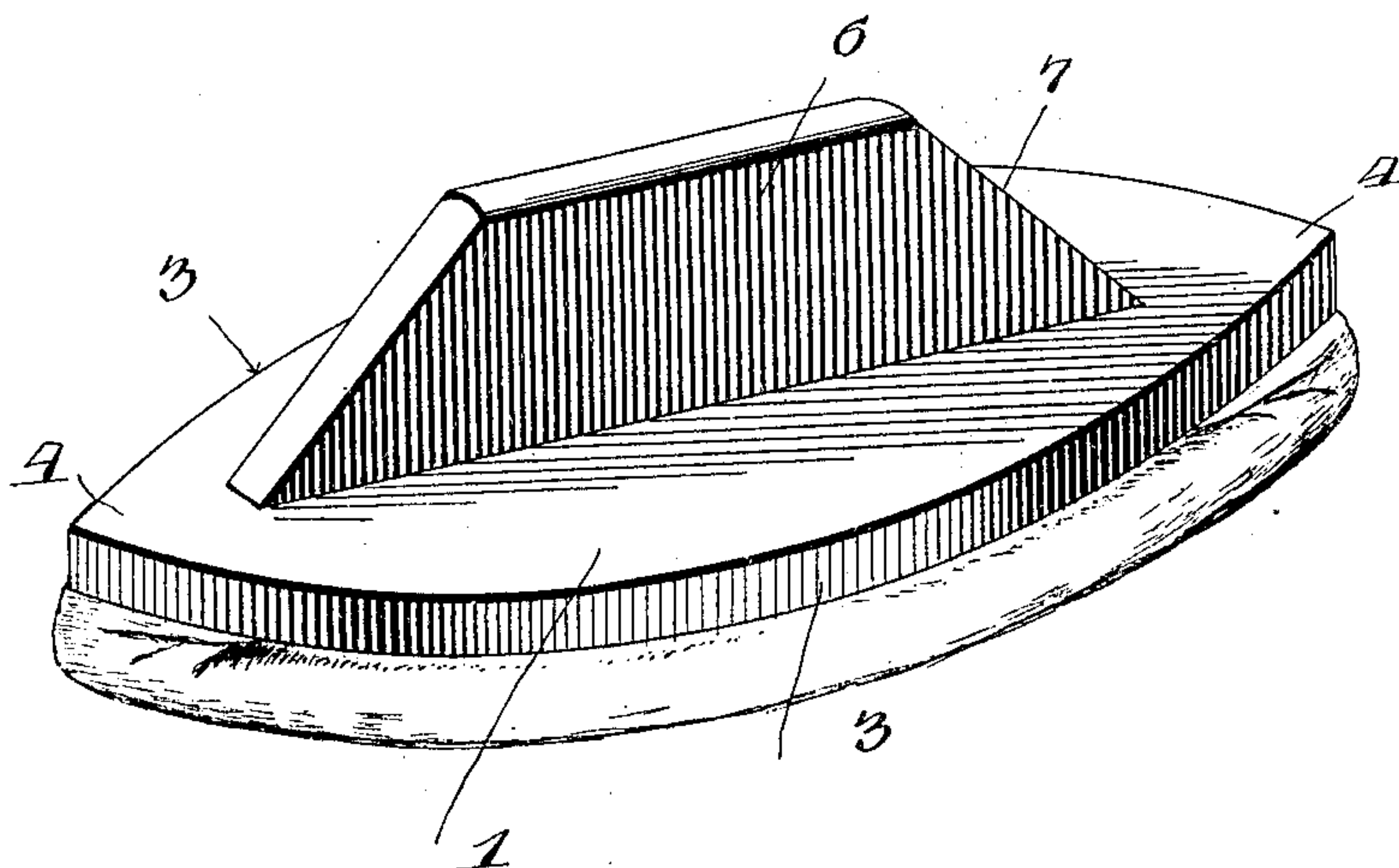
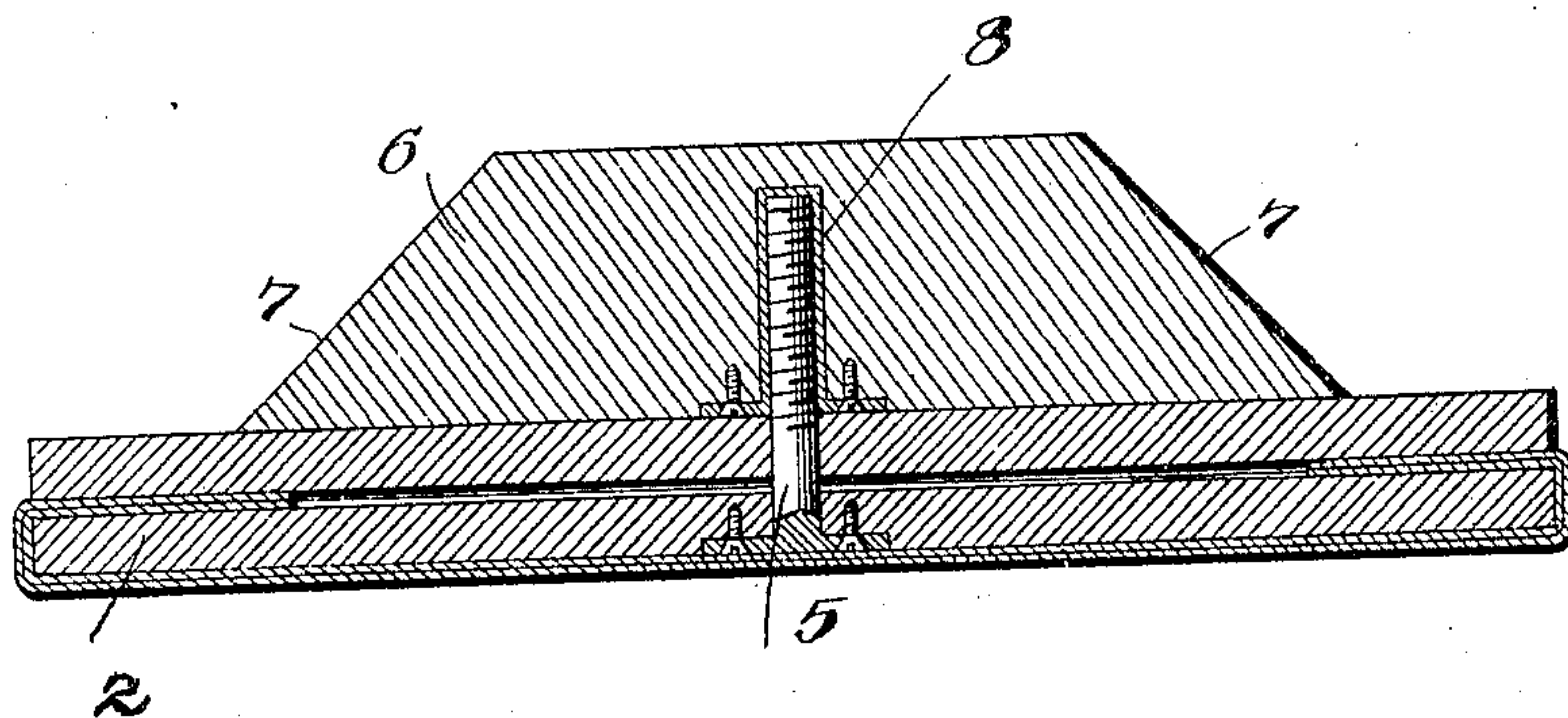


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PATRICK J. COAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Lawrence, in the county of Essex and State of Massachusetts, have invented new and useful Improvements in Cloth-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates, primarily, to a kitchen utensil, and although its sphere of use is not thus necessarily limited I have devised it for holding a cloth to be used in cleaning and polishing stoves and other kitchen articles.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my device. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal sectional view of the same.

The numerals 1 and 2 represent two flat parallel plates, preferably made of wood of equal size and provided with curved sides 3 and pointed ends 4, as shown. The central under surface of the plate 2 is countersunk and has secured therein the flanged portion of an upwardly-extending screw-threaded stem 5, on which is loosely mounted the plate 2 by means of an opening 5', formed in the central portion of said plate 2.

The numeral 6 indicates a handpiece which is a separated part of the plate 2, and as a means for securing the handpiece 6 and plates 1 and 2 together I provide said handpiece with a central opening in which is mounted a screw-threaded sleeve or socket 8, which is secured in the said opening by an integral flange projecting from the base of the socket, said flange being countersunk in the handlepiece contiguous with its central opening. The handpiece 6 is provided with inclined ends 7, which serve to diminish its size when grasped by the hand.

In use the handpiece 5 is unscrewed and the upper plate removed, several folds or pieces of cloth 9 being placed over the bottom face of the plate 2 and folded over its edges to its upper side. The top plate is then slipped over the screw and pressed on the folded portions of the cloth. The handle is afterward screwed on the stem until its under side presses the plate 1 into close contact with the cloth, thereby holding it securely in place over the plate 2. The formation of the frame

composed of the clamping-plates 1 and 2 with pointed ends adapts the device to be more conveniently manipulated for cleaning and polishing corners and other ordinarily inaccessible parts of utensils.

A utensil made as described serves a very useful and handy purpose about a kitchen. It saves the hands from dirt, bruises, and when polishing stoves from burns. Kitchen-work is expedited by its use, as more can be done than with a cloth alone. It is simple in construction and readily admits of a change of cloths in a very short while. It will be observed that the handpiece 6 extends longitudinally upon the upper side of the plate 1 and is of such length that its end portions overlap the folded ends of the fabric and maintain the ends of the plate 1 in clamping engagement therewith. By this arrangement the folds of the cloth or fabric 9 are securely retained against any tendency of the ends of the plate 1 yielding and releasing them, and thus the body portion of the fabric covering the under side of the plate 2 will be kept at all times taut and in condition to form a free unyielding cleaning or polishing surface.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

A polishing-brush comprising a plurality of oval-shaped plates having pointed ends, the bottom plate being provided with a central opening having a flanged screw-threaded stem secured therein and projecting vertically upward from said plate, a top plate having a central opening therein to permit of the same being detachably mounted on said stem, a handle having a central opening, a flanged screw-threaded socket mounted and secured in said opening, a covering for the bottom plate having its edge portion interposed between the edges of the two plates and held thereto by means of the socketed handle being turnable on the screw-stem which serves to contact said handle with said top plate, substantially as specified.

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

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