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Fig. 1.

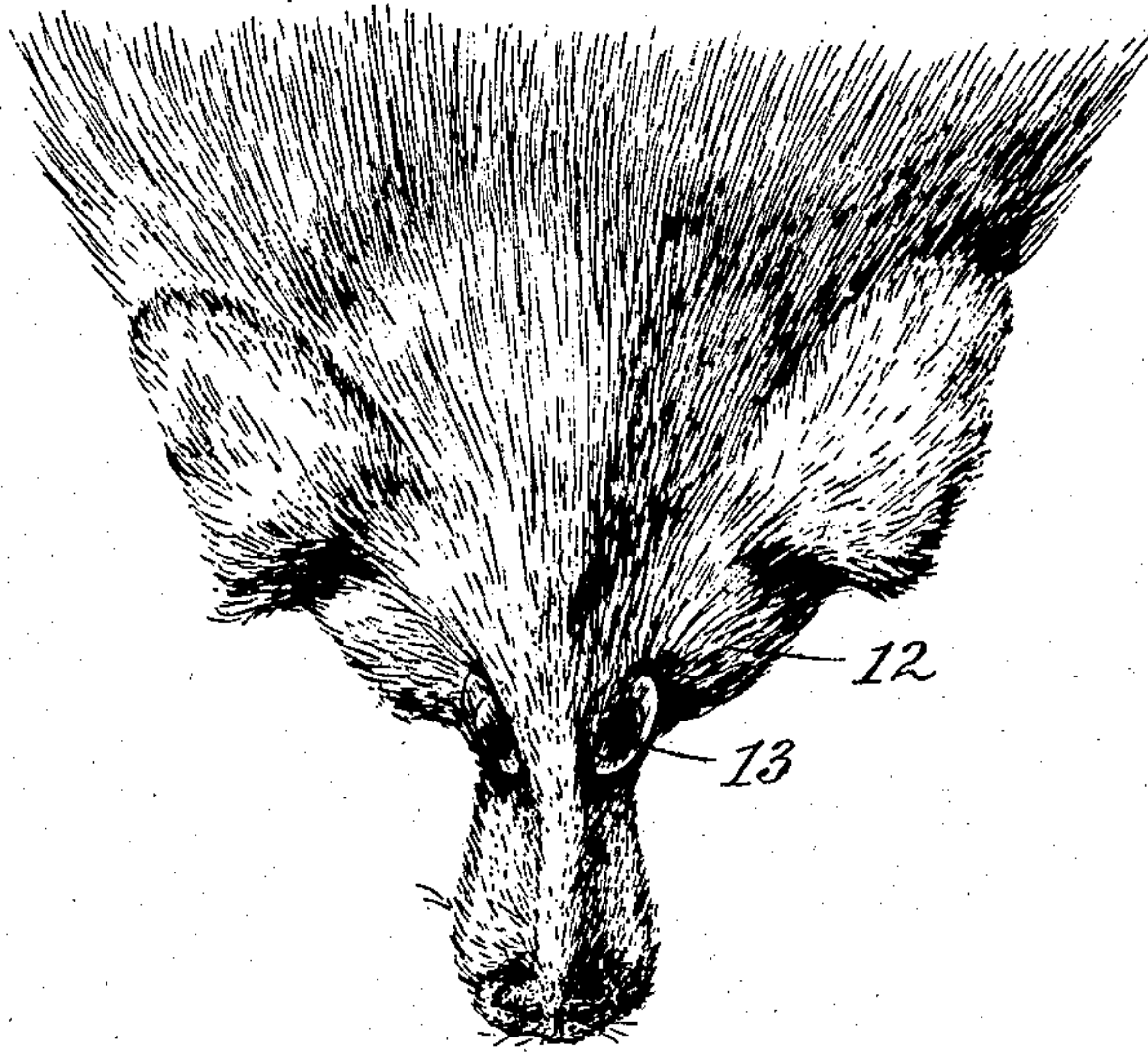


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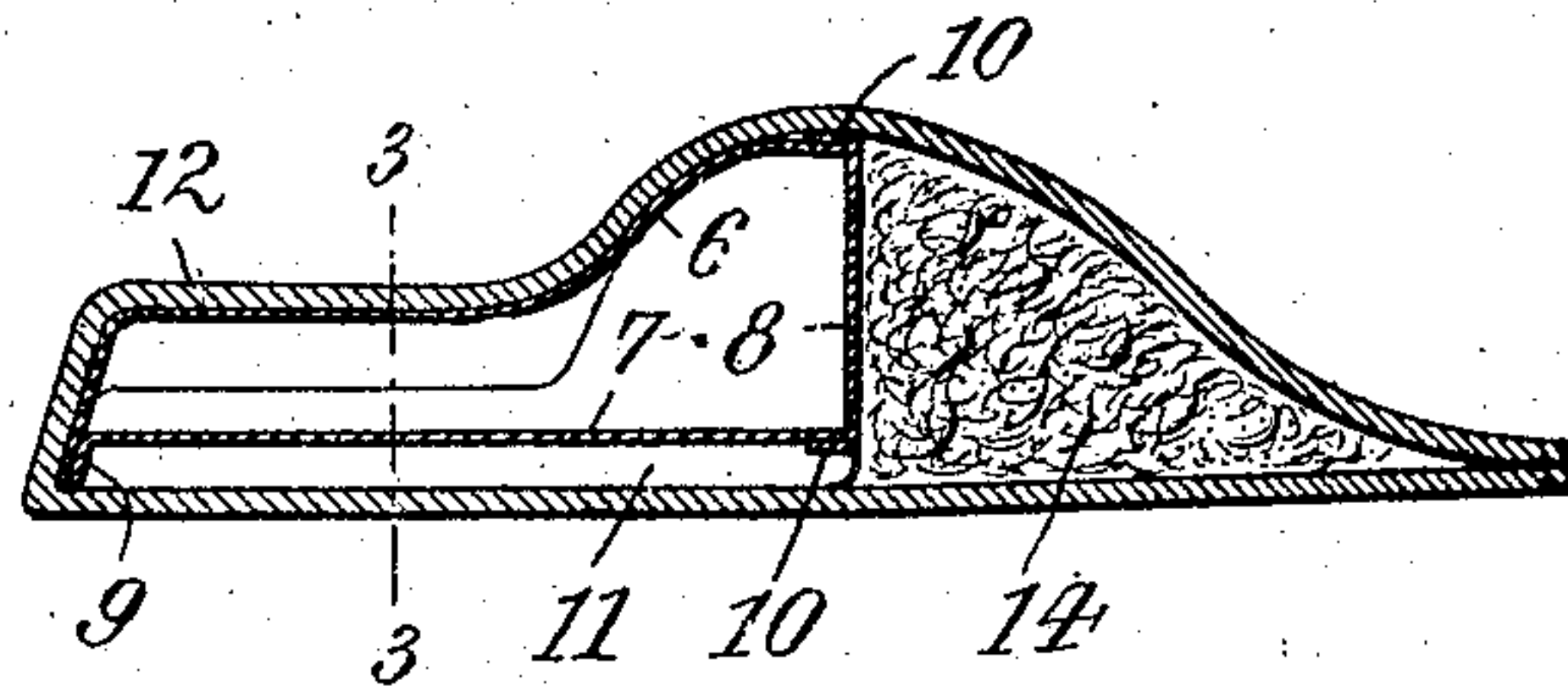


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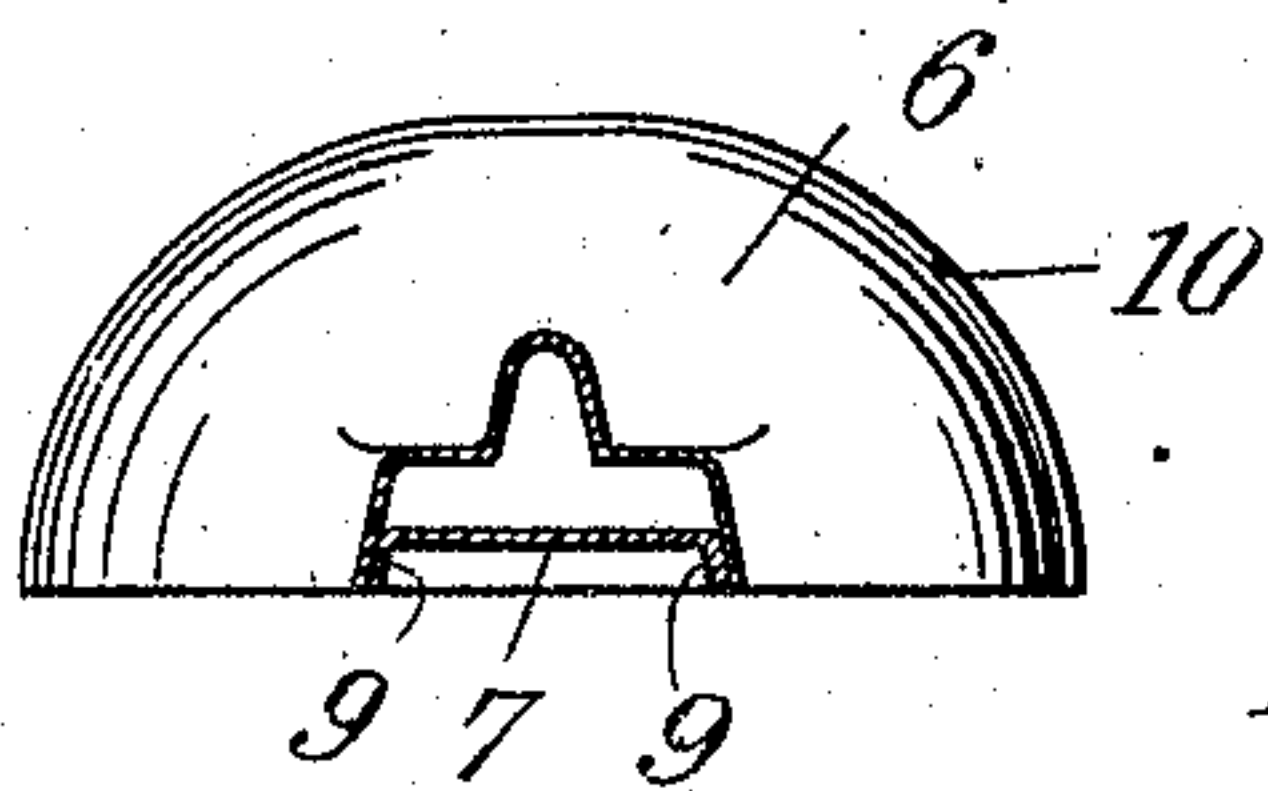


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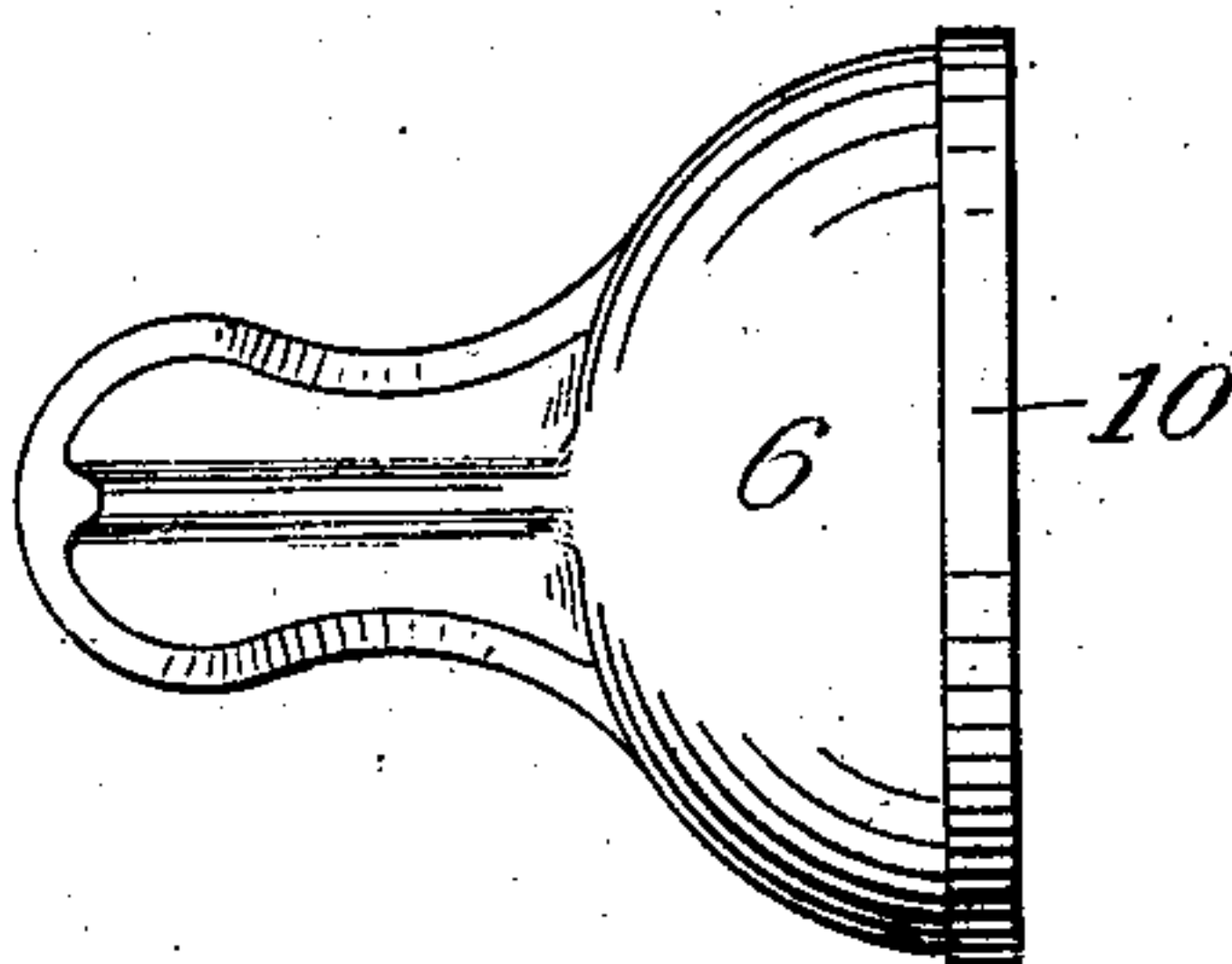
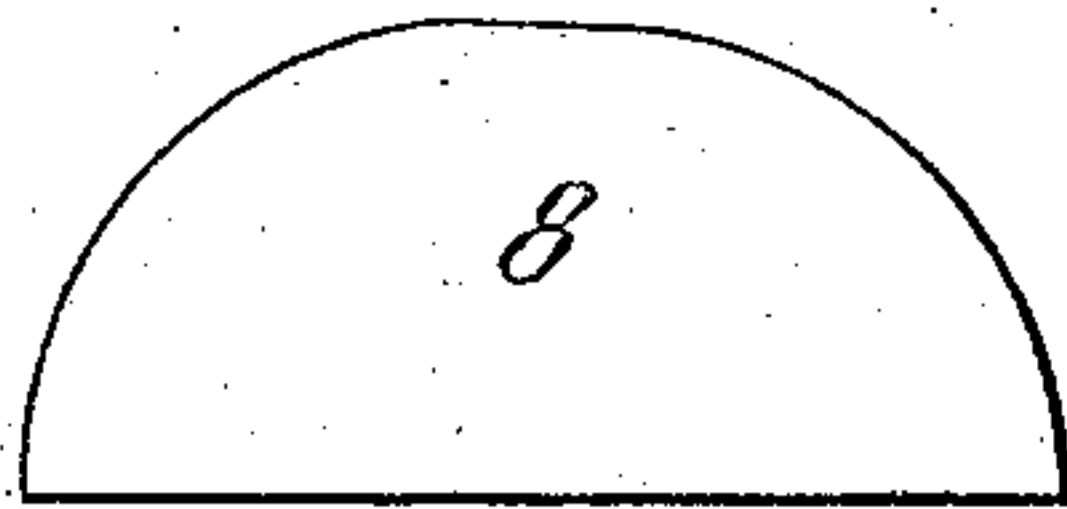


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FREDERICK FRANKL, a citizen of the United States, residing at East Orange, Essex county, State of New Jersey, have invented new and useful Improvements in Artificial Animal-Heads, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an artificial animal-head for fur trimmings which is so constructed that the rear portion thereof is soft to the touch and not liable to inconvenience the wearer by pressure.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a plan of an animal-head embodying my invention; Fig. 2, a longitudinal section thereof; Fig. 3, a cross-section of the core or skull on line 3-3, Fig. 2; Fig. 4, a plan of the skull, and Fig. 5 a rear view thereof.

Heretofore the core of artificial animal-heads was made to duplicate substantially the entire skull of the animal. The consequence was that the core presented an objectionable large rigid body which was apt to incommode the wearer by pressure. By my invention the fore part only of the core is made rigid, while the rear part is made soft, so that any pressure exerted by the core against the wearer is greatly reduced.

In carrying out my invention I so shape the core that it reproduces the front half only, but not the rear half, of the animal's skull. The core consists of a curved and fluted top plate 6, conforming in shape to the forehead and snoot of the animal, of a bottom plate 7, and of a transverse back plate 8. The bottom plate 7 is countersunk, as shown, and is provided with a downwardly-extending flange 9, by which it is secured to plate 6. The back plate 8 is of semicircular or semi-elliptic form, Fig. 5, and has a forwardly-ex-

tending flange 10, that projects over the rear edges of the plates 6 and 7.

The rigid front half-skull, made as shown, is introduced into a pocket 11 of the fur covering 12, adapted to receive the same and having the usual glass eyes 13. The pocket 11 is, however, of a size to accommodate not only said front half-skull, but also a hind head or rear half-skull back of such front half-skull. This rear section of pocket 11 is filled out with a soft core of wadding or similar material 14, which gives the proper rear-head shape to the back of the pocket.

It will be seen that an artificial animal-head made as described is rigid at its front only, while its top and back are soft and flexible, thus being pleasant to the touch and preventing objectionable pressure. Further, any pressure on the back head is not apt to break or injure the core. The shape of the head may be readily varied, and restuffing may be performed from time to time whenever necessary.

What I claim is—

1. An artificial animal-head composed of a rigid front half-skull, a soft rear half-skull, and a pocket inclosing both half-skulls, substantially as specified.

2. A half-skull for artificial animal-heads, composed of a top plate shaped to the forehead and snoot of an animal, a bottom plate, and a semicircular back plate, substantially as specified.

Signed by me at New York city, (Manhattan,) New York, this 26th day of March, 1906.

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