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Fig. 1.

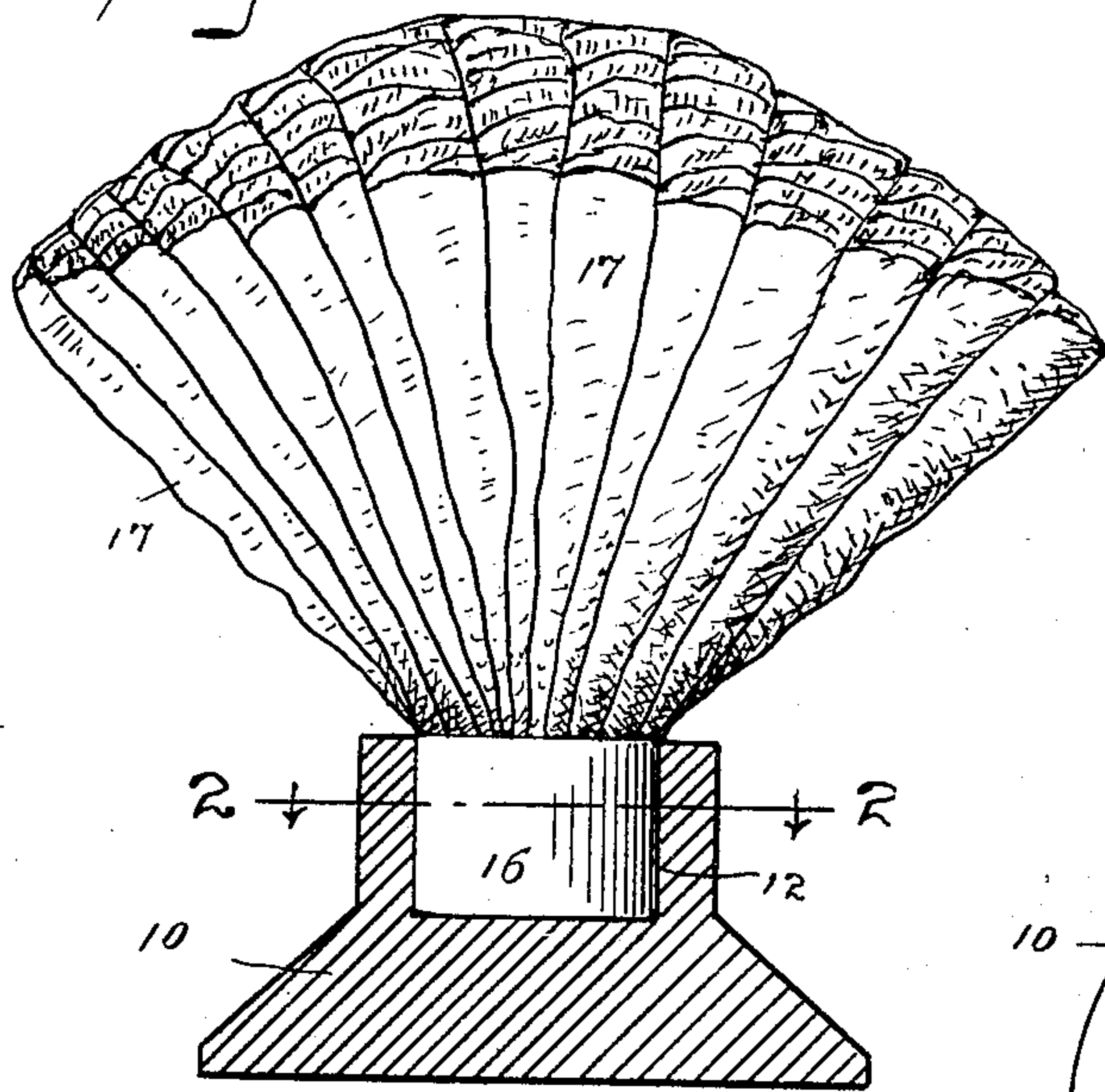


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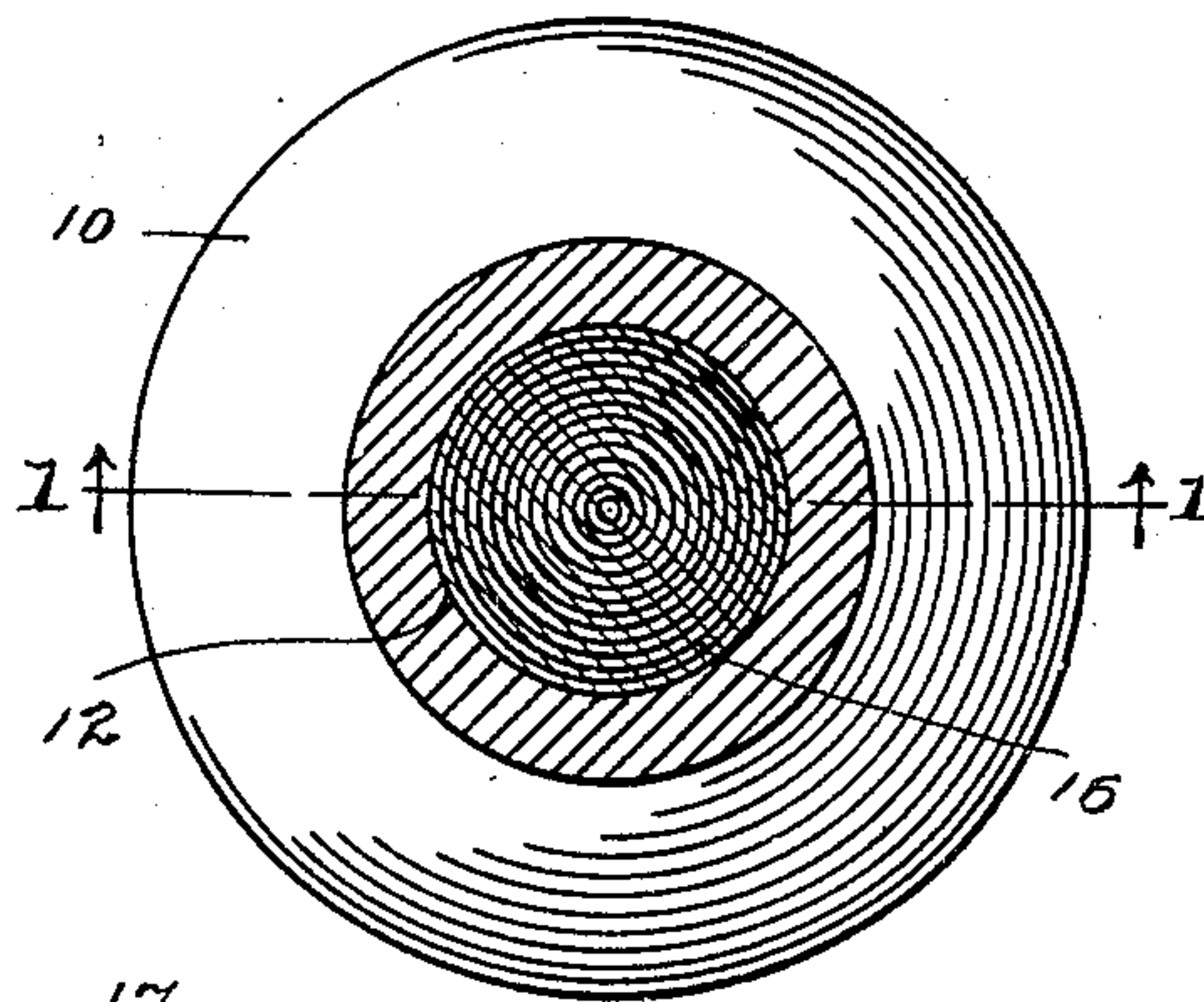
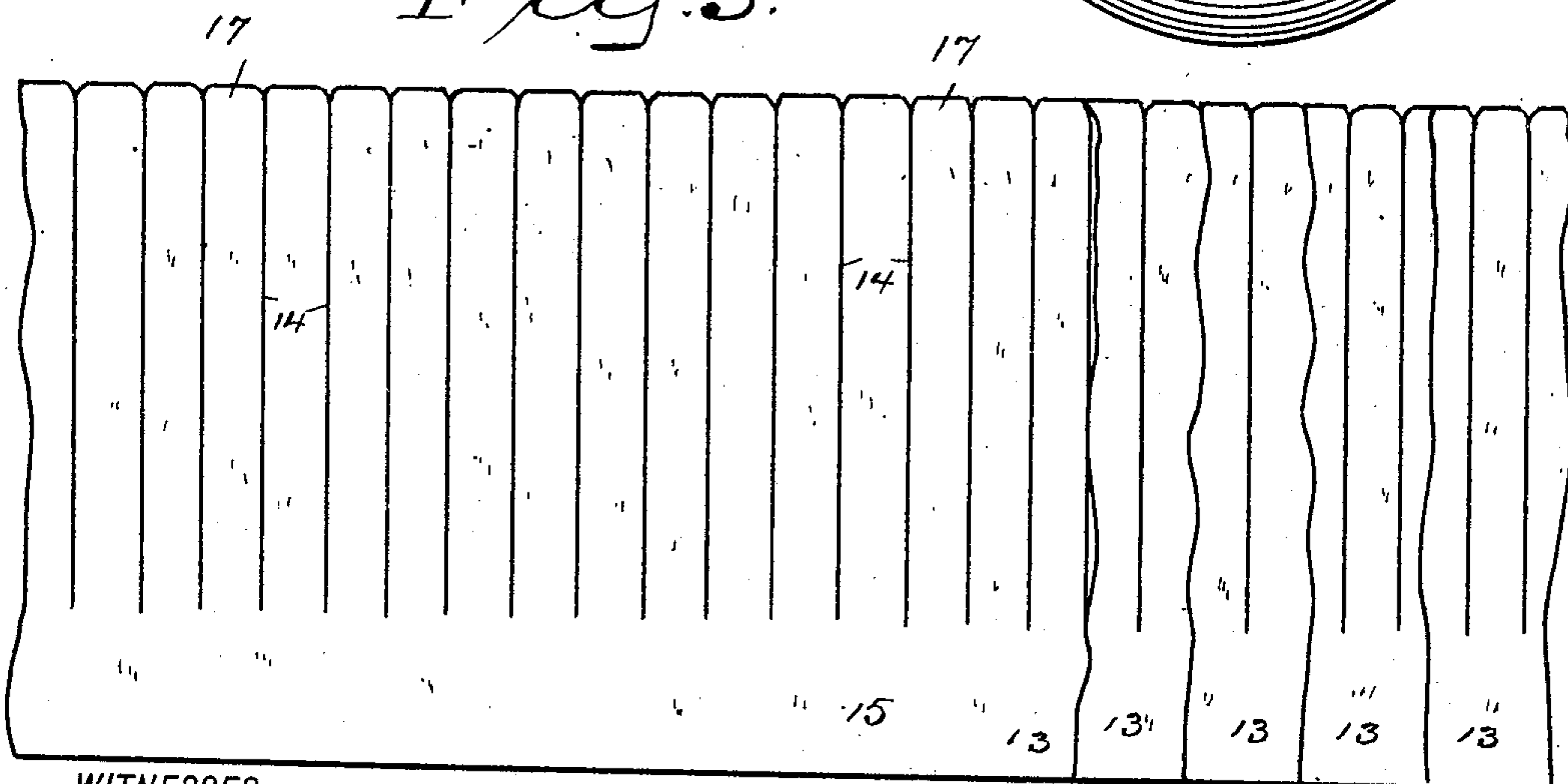


Fig. 3.



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ELIZABETH M. PHILLIPS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Glenbrook, county of Fairfield, State of Connecticut, have invented a new and useful Pen-Wiper, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has for its object to produce a pen-wiper that will form a neat and attractive article of desk and library furnishing, which may be made at trifling expense or of more expensive material, as preferred, which shall be inexpensive to maintain, and which will always provide a convenient, attractive, and sanitary wiper for a pen.

With these and other objects in view I have devised the novel pen-wiper which I will now describe, referring to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and using reference characters to indicate the several parts.

Figure 1 is an elevation of my novel pen-wiper as in use, the base being in vertical section on the line 1 1 in Fig. 2; Fig. 2, a horizontal section on the line 2 2 in Fig. 1 looking down; and Fig. 3 is a view of the wiper detached and unrolled, showing the mode of its construction.

My novel pen-wiper comprises a base (indicated by 10) and a wiper proper, (indicated by 11.) The base may be formed of metal, glass, wood, hard rubber, or other suitable material and may be made of any suitable ornamental design or configuration. It must be made sufficiently heavy and so shaped as to be self-retaining in an upright position and stand firmly on a desk or table. The essential feature of the base is that it is provided with a socket 12, adapted to detachably receive the butt of the wiper.

The wiper is made of folds or plies of suitable light absorbent material, as a light blotting-paper or tissue-paper, or, if preferred, of textile material, these plies being indicated by 13 in Fig. 3. The plies are cut transversely, as at 14, the cuts extending from one edge approximately to the other and separating the material into leaves, (indicated by 17,) leaving uncut strips, however, at one edge, (indicated by 15.) The cuts may be made straight into the plies, as indicated in Fig. 3,

or portions of the strip may be cut away ornamentally to produce the form of natural leaves or the petals of flowers, as the petals of the chrysanthemum, rose, or violet, and various-colored plies may be used in the same wiper to produce desired ornamental effects. In forming the wiper a suitable number of plies are superposed, as in Fig. 3, and then the plies are tightly rolled lengthwise, the uncut strips forming a butt 16, adapted to detachably engage the socket in the base. The uncut strips of the plies, which form the butt, are secured together in the form of a roll by pasting the plies together or by securing them by means of a cord or tape or in any suitable manner. Having secured the uncut strips of the plies together to form the butt, the cut edges of the plies are opened out widely and loosely, as in Fig. 1, to form the wiping portion.

The use of my novel pen-wiper will be obvious without description. The base, which may be made more or less expensive, as desired, is permanent. The wipers are very cheap when made in quantities and are furnished by the dozen or hundred at little expense. In packing for shipment the cut edges of the wipers are left close together, so that they may be packed in small compass. When required for use, the cut edges are opened out, as in Fig. 1. As the wiper is made of absorbent material, it will remove the ink from a pen as soon as the latter is placed in contact therewith. As soon as the wiper is seriously soiled it is thrown away and a new one is placed in the socket, thus insuring at all times an efficient, attractive, and sanitary wiper for pens.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

1. A pen-wiper formed from plies of absorbent material cut from one edge to form leaves and rolled lengthwise, the uncut edges being secured together and forming a butt, substantially as described, for the purpose specified.

2. A pen-wiper formed from plies of absorbent material cut across from one edge approximately to the other, leaving uncut strips, said plies being rolled lengthwise and the uncut strips being secured together to

form a butt, substantially as described, for the purpose specified.

3. A pen-wiper consisting of a base having a socket and a wiper consisting of plies of ab-  
5 sorbent material cut transversely from one edge toward the other and then rolled lengthwise, the uncut edges being secured together to form a butt adapted to engage the socket

in the base and the cut edges being opened out loosely to form a wiping portion. 10

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

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