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Fig. 1.

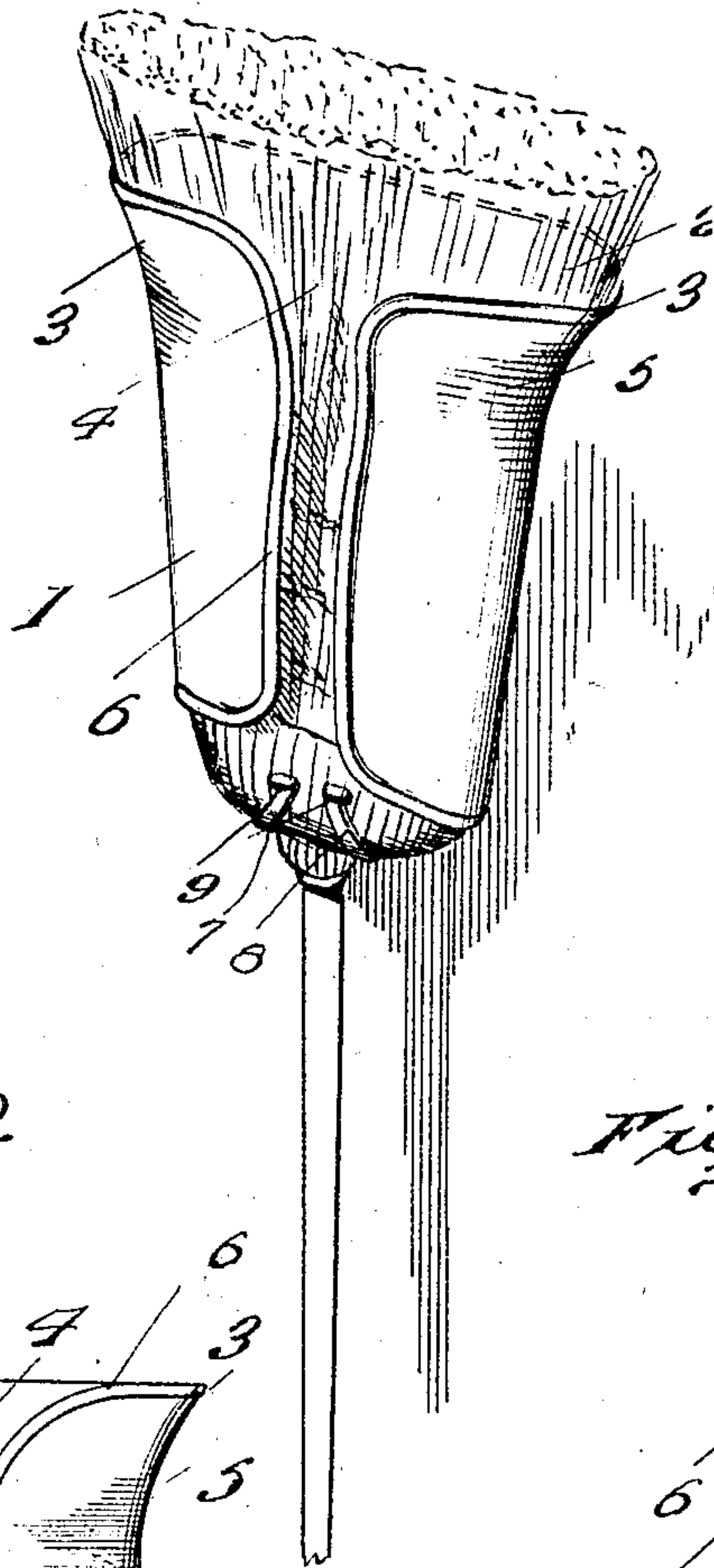


Fig. 2.

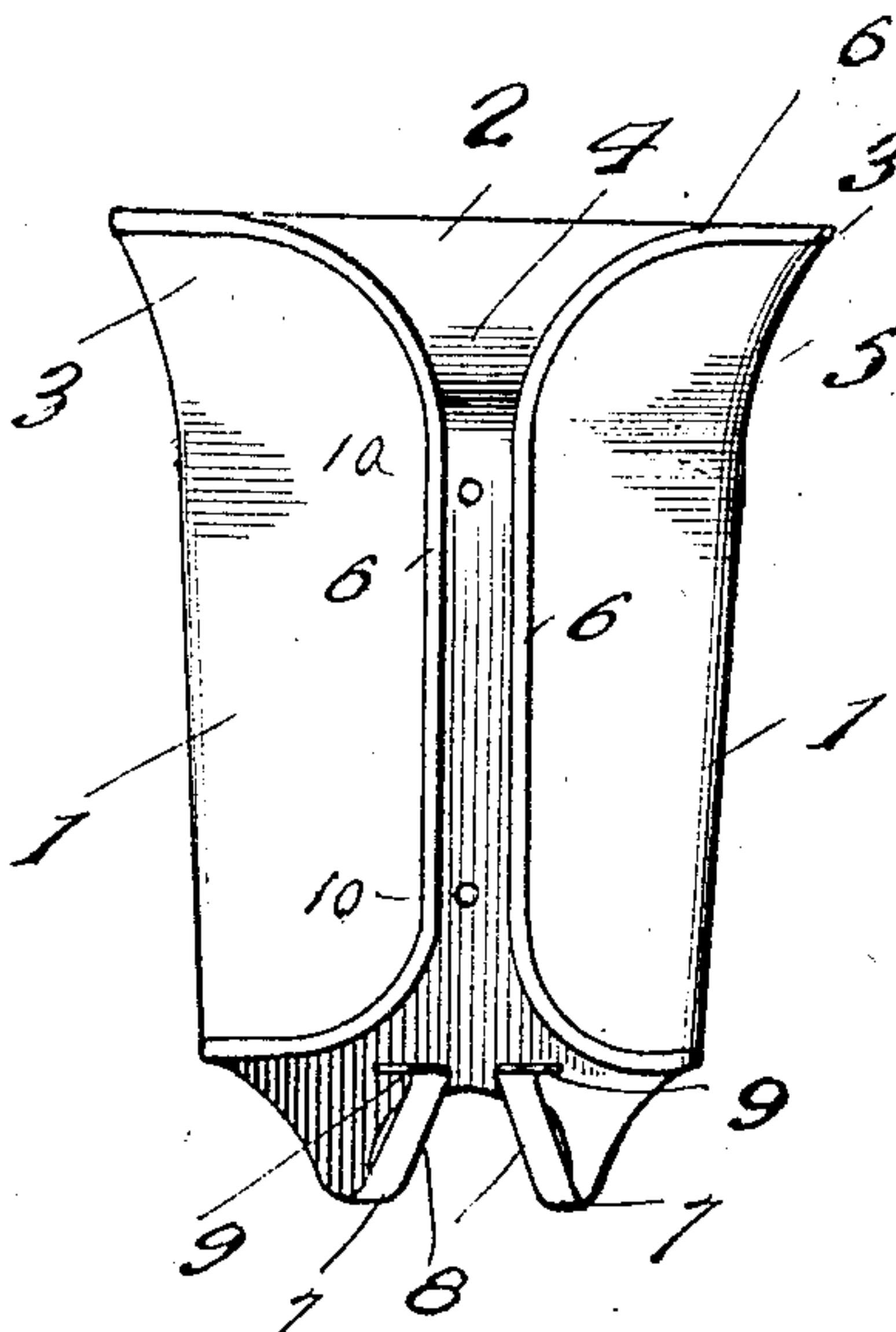
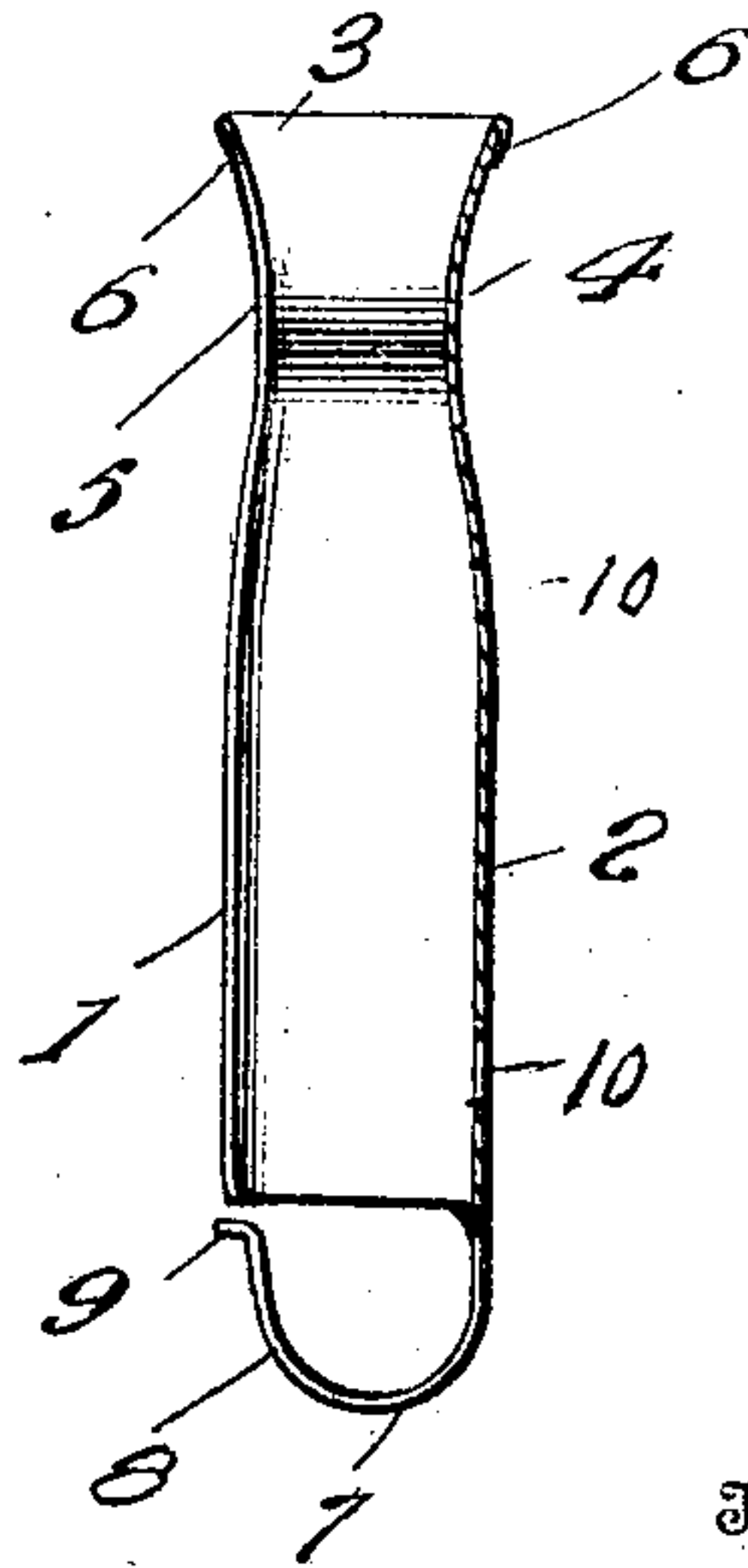


Fig. 3.



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FRANKLIN H. BOLLMAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Beardstown, in the county of Cass and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Broom-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention has for its object to provide an improved broom-holder which will form a convenient support for the broom when not in use and which is so designed as to be very cheaply constructed out of a single piece of sheet metal.

A further object is to so construct the device as to hold the straws together and prevent the broom from losing its shape.

To these ends the device is formed by bending the sides of a piece of sheet metal forwardly to form wings, which in conjunction with the back are peculiarly formed, so as to hold the straws of the broom closely together, supporting-tongues being also provided to hold the broom on the holder.

For a full description of the invention and the merits thereof and also to acquire a knowledge of the details of construction of the means for effecting the result reference is to be had to the following description and accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the preferred form of broom-holder. Fig. 2 is a front view. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal sectional view.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated in all the views of the drawings by the same reference characters.

In the manufacture of the present device a piece of sheet material is employed, the sides of which are bent forwardly, so as to form the wings 1 and back 2. In this connection it will be observed that the sides of the broom-holder flare outwardly, from the bottom, so as to conform to the shape of the broom-head, and that this flare is greatly increased toward the upper end, as seen at 3, in order to throw the sharp edges outward and prevent any possible injury to the straws of the broom. The space between the wings 1 is just sufficient to permit the broom-handle to pass therethrough, whereupon the broom can be lowered, so as to throw the head thereof into the support. The upper portion of the back

2 is pressed inwardly at 4, and the wings 1 are formed with a corresponding depression 5, which coöperates with the depression 4 to hold the straws of the broom closely together. It will also be noticed that the corners of the wings 1 are very carefully rounded and that the edges of the sheet metal are bent back upon themselves at 6 to eliminate any sharp projections which might work injury to the broom.

The lower portion of the back 2 is formed with two integral and downwardly-projecting tongues 7. These tongues are so placed as to lie upon opposite sides of the broom-handle and are bent outwardly, so as to engage with the head of the broom and prevent the same from slipping through the support. The ends of the tongues 7 are bent inwardly toward each other at 8, so as to fit around the broom-handle, and are then bent outwardly at 9. These outwardly-bent portions 9 flare apart, so as to form a guideway which engages with the broom-handle and enables the same to force the inwardly-bent portions apart when the broom is being placed in position.

When using the invention, the handle is inserted in the place between the wings 1 and forced between the two tongues and then allowed to drop into position. In order to secure the holder to any suitable support, openings 10 are formed in the back 2 for the passage of screws or other fastening means.

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

As a new article of manufacture, a broom-holder comprising a piece of sheet metal consisting of a back having the vertical edge portions thereof bent forwardly and toward each other to form wings adapted to embrace the head of the broom, the lower end portion of the back being formed with integral downwardly and upwardly projecting tongues arranged in spaced relation and having the upper extremities thereof outwardly flared.

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

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