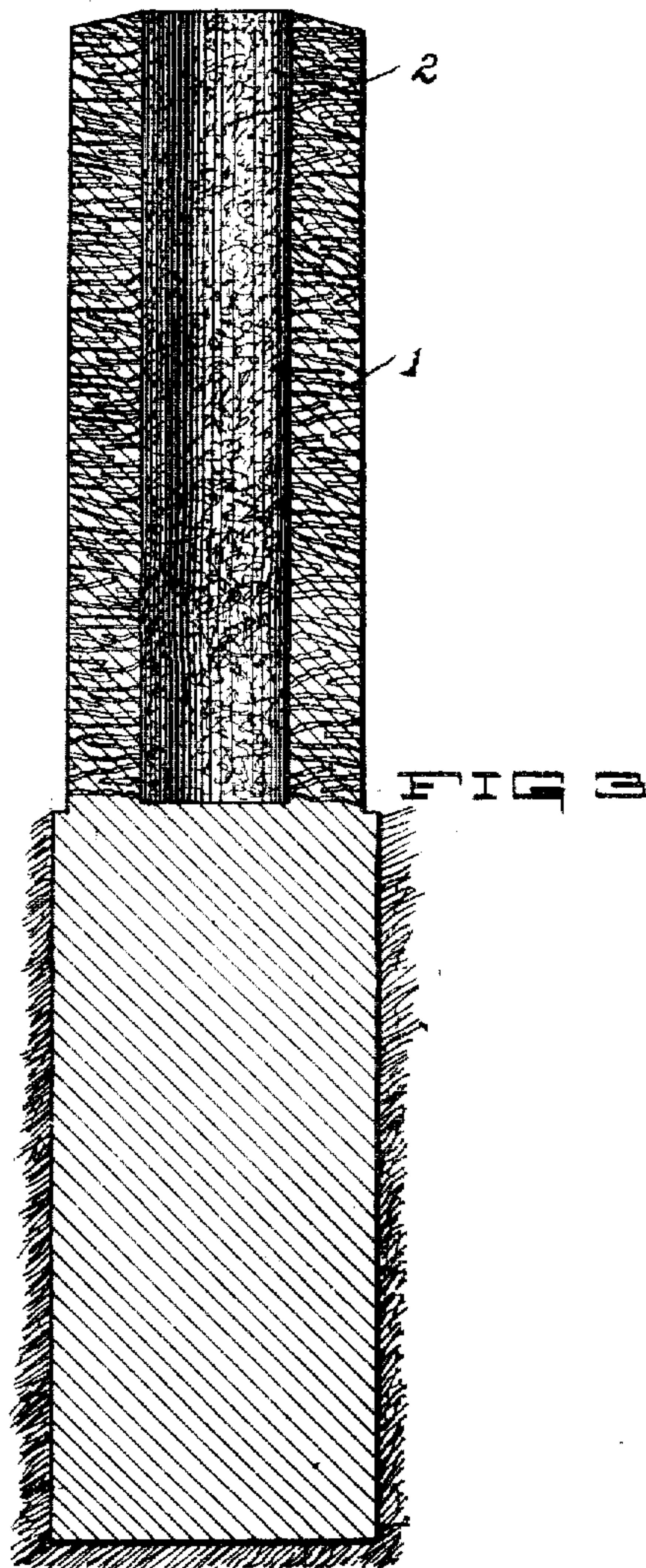
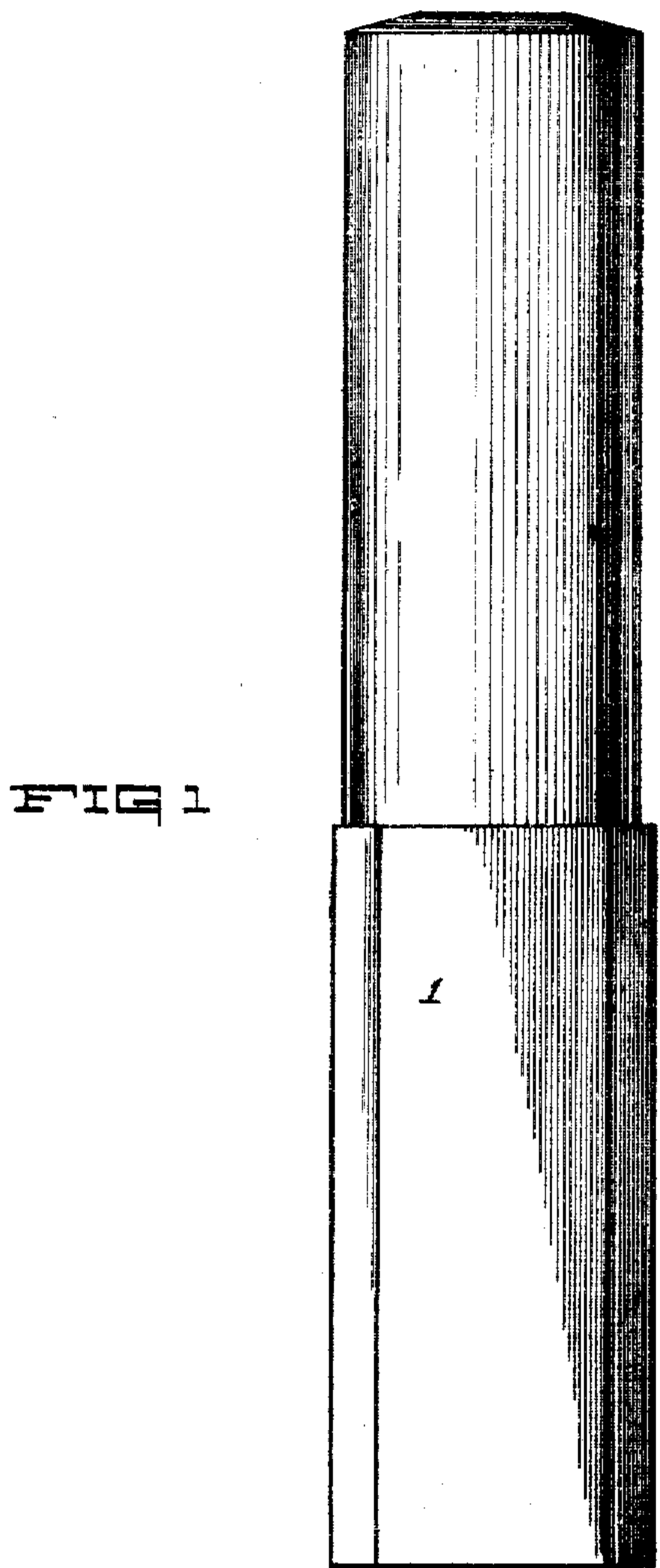
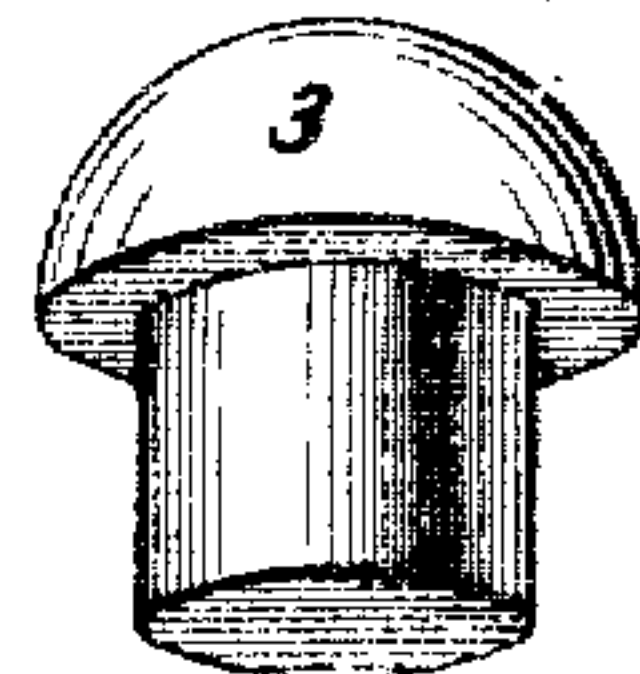
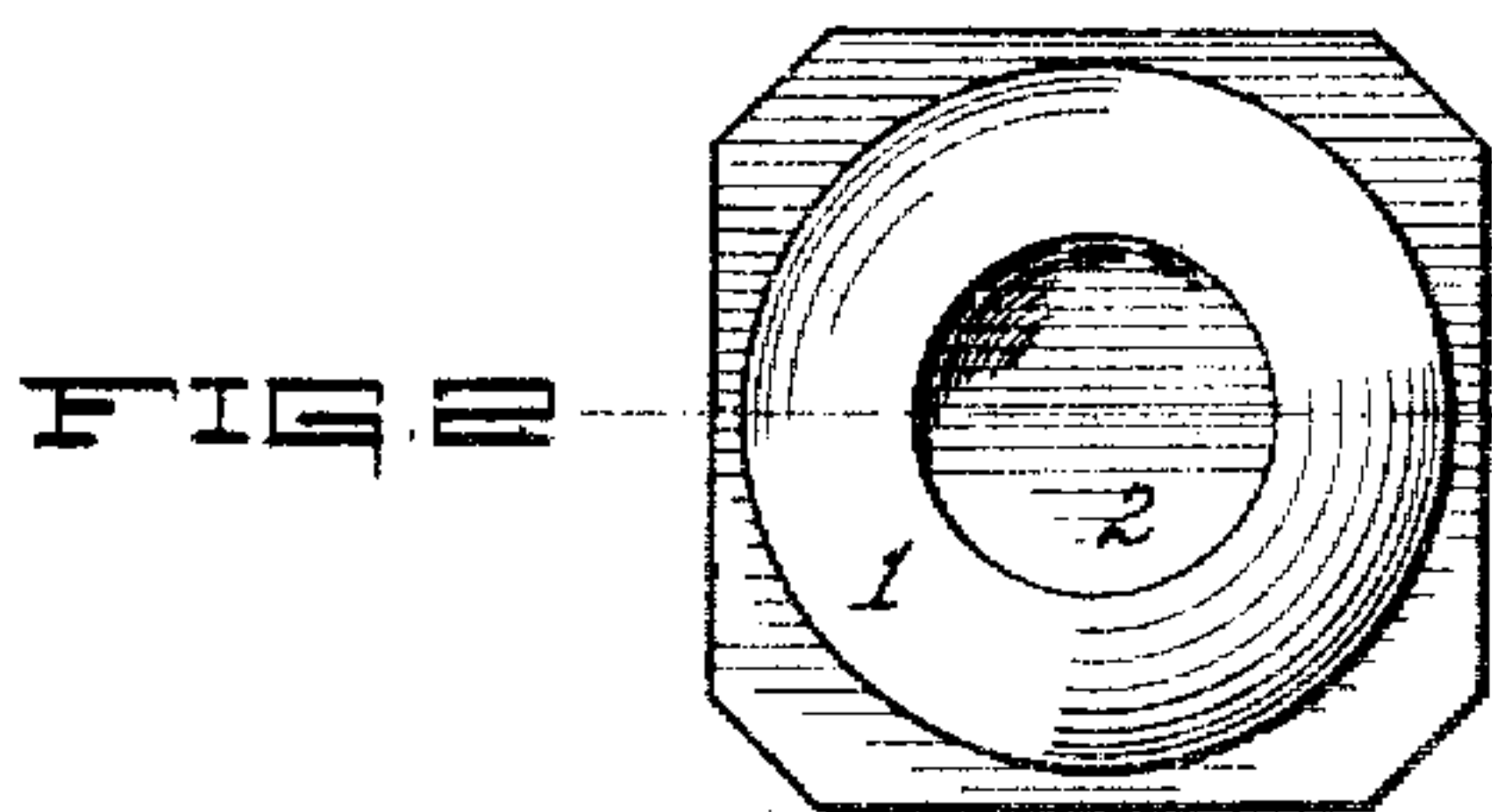


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES W. COFFMAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Springfield, in the county of Sangamon and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Rubbing-Post, of which the following is such a full, clear, and exact description as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use my said invention.

This invention relates to means for treating live stock infested with vermin or having skin diseases which may be treated by oils or medicated compounds applied on the body of the animal.

The purpose of the invention is to provide a rubbing-post of absorbent material adapted to contain oil or other medicinal compounds and having a porous structure such that the oil or other compounds will seep through the material of the post.

With this end in view my invention consists in the novel features of construction shown in the drawing, to which reference is hereby made, and hereinafter particularly described and finally recited in the claim.

Referring to the drawing in which similar reference numerals designate like parts in the several views; Figure 1 is a side elevation of the post; Fig. 2 is a top plan of the post; Fig. 3 is a vertical longitudinal section through the post and Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a plug adapted to fit in the upper end of the bore of the post.

The post 1 is made of porous wood or other porous and absorbent material suitable for the purpose, such for example as the porous clay used for flower pots, or the like. The post is preferably cylindrical in its upper part and polygonal in its lower part,

the contour of the post however is not an essential feature, and may be varied according to circumstances. The post has a central longitudinal bore 2 adapted to contain a supply of coal oil, or water treated with carbolic acid, or other suitable medicinal compound which will seep through the pores of the post. A plug 3 fits in the upper end of the post and excludes dirt therefrom.

In practice the post will be planted in the ground to a suitable depth, the oil or other medical compound will be placed in the bore of the post and the bore closed by means of the plug 3. The post will be so located that the infested or diseased animals will have free access thereto, and the animals by rubbing against the post will apply the oil or other compound upon their own bodies. The post being porous allows the medicating material to seep gradually through the post and keep the surface of the post covered with the medicated material so that by rubbing against the post the animal will apply the material on its body.

Having fully described my invention what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

A rubbing post consisting of an integral structure of porous material comprising a solid basal part adapted to be planted in the ground, and a tubular upper part for containing a medicinal agent adapted to seep through the pores of the material of the post.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name at Springfield, Illinois, this 14 day of Feby. 1908.

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