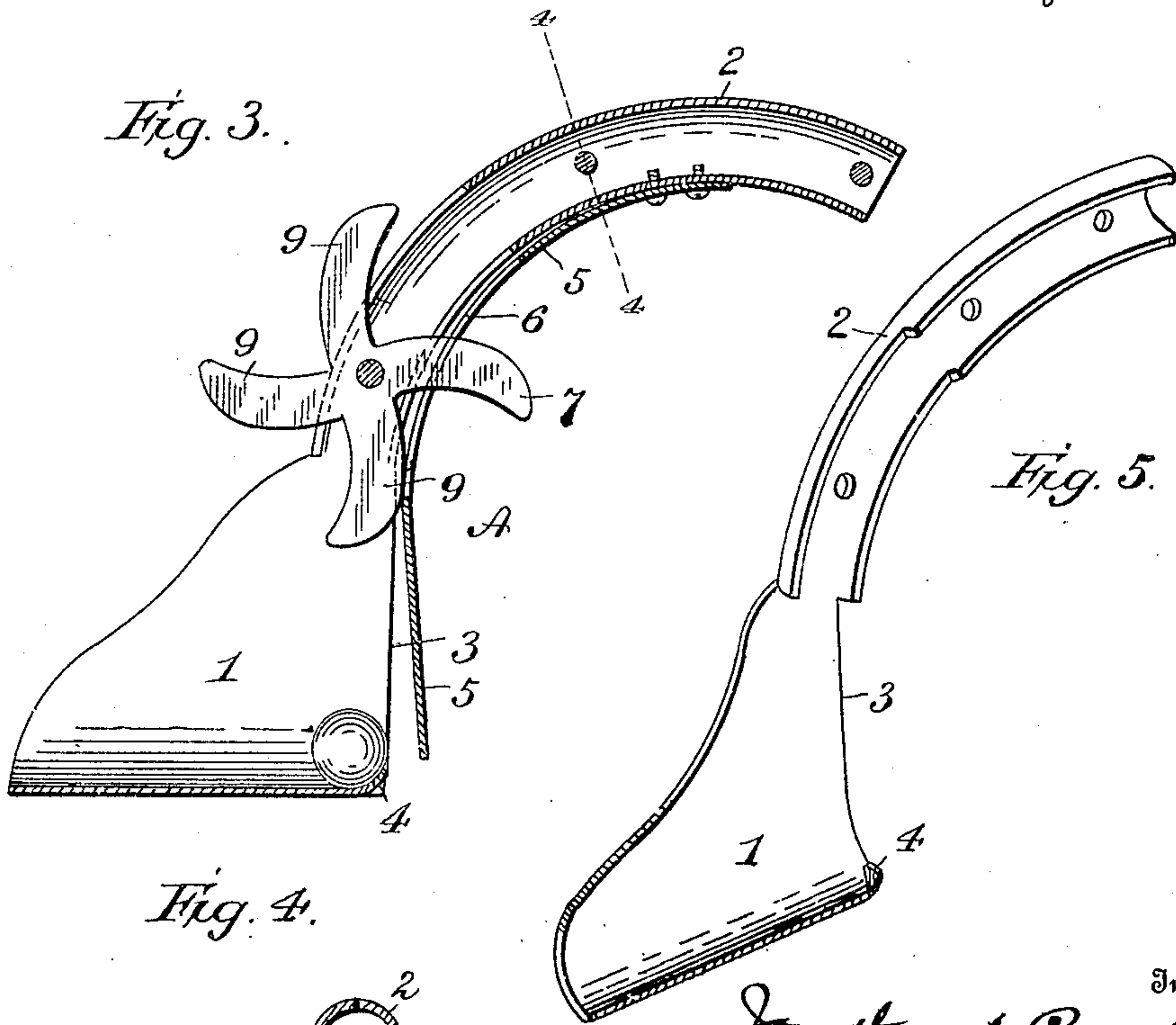
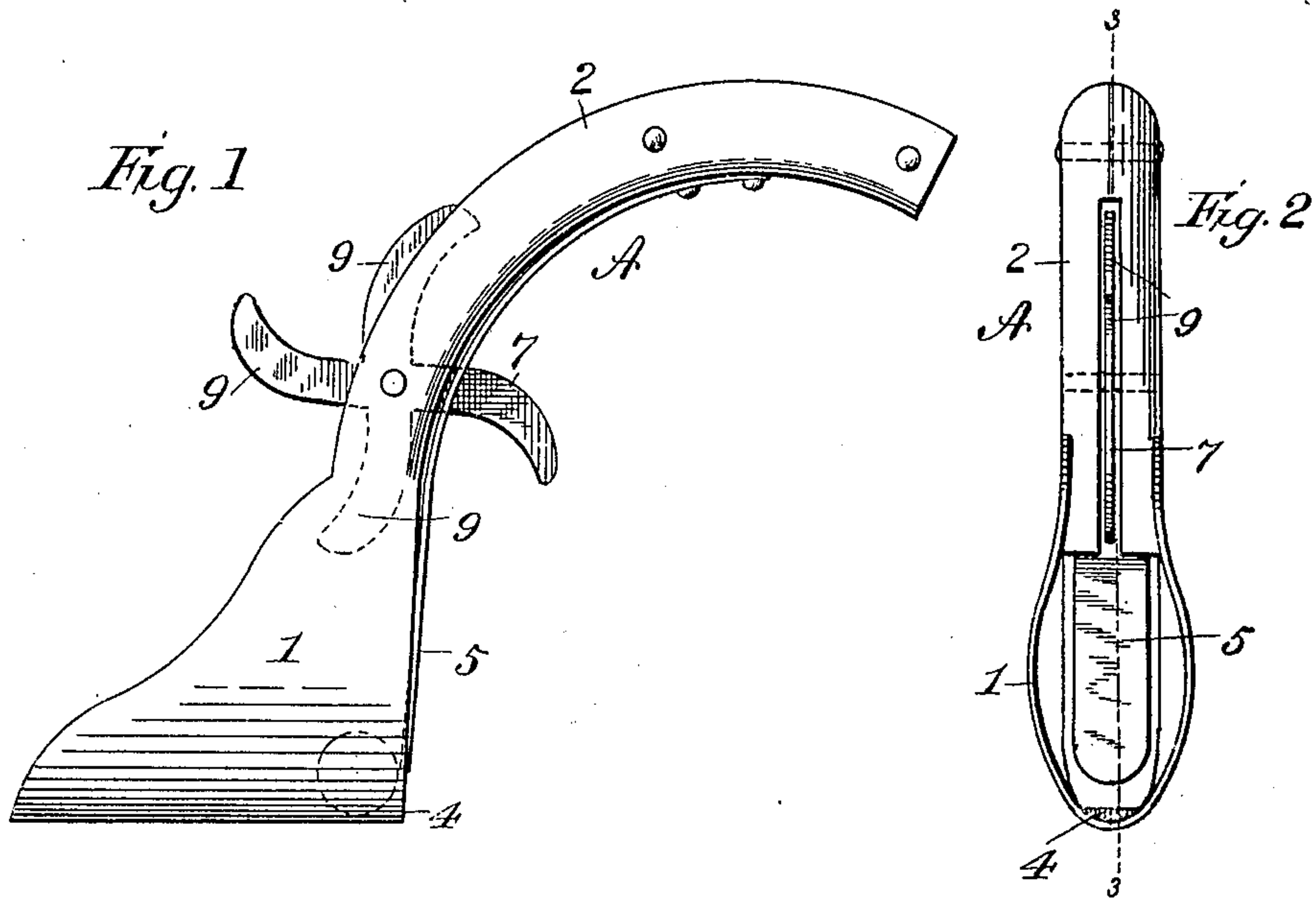


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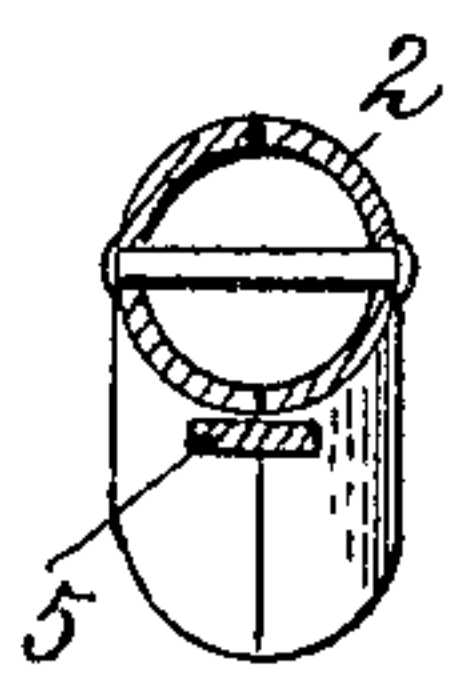
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JONATHAN A. RADEBAUGH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Columbus, in the county of Franklin and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Marble Shooters or Guns, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in marble shooters or guns, and the object is to provide a gun which can be used by placing the same on the ground and permitting the hands of the operator to remain off from the ground, thereby preventing the hands and knuckles from becoming chapped.

A further object is to provide a harmless weapon which can be used by a person without danger of its being discharged in the face of others, as the marble will be caused to shoot into the air when it is pointed at a person.

The invention consists of certain novel features of construction and combinations of parts which will be hereinafter described and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings—Figure 1 is a side view; Fig. 2 is a front view; Fig. 3 is a sectional view, and Figs. 4 and 5 are details.

A, represents the gun or shooter, which is preferably made from a single piece of material. The material, which is preferably of any suitable metal, is folded at or about the center, forming a pocket or magazine 1, and the ends of the material are made to form a preferably curved rounded handle 2. The pocket or magazine extends a short distance beyond the handle, and the rear end of the pocket or magazine is preferably open, as at 3, the lower rear end being preferably bent upwardly a short distance, as at 4, to form a stop to limit the movement of the marble or other object to be discharged through the pocket.

A spring 5 is secured to the under side of the handle and extends downward nearly to the base of the pocket. The spring is provided with an elongated slot 6, through which a trigger 7 is received, which trigger is pivotally mounted in a slotted opening 8 in the handle 2. This trigger is provided preferably with four curved arms 9, 9. The

outer ends of the arms as they are revolved by the finger of the operator pulling rearwardly on one of the arms engage the spring 5, drawing it rearward until the arm of the trigger passes through the elongated slot 6 in the spring, thereby releasing the spring which will strike the marble or object in the pocket, causing it to be discharged therefrom.

In the operation the marble or object to be discharged is placed in the pocket or magazine and the arm of the trigger extending underneath the handle is drawn rearward by the finger of the operator, and one of the arms is adapted to bear against the spring to force it rearward. The marble will rest against the stop 4, and as the arm which is forcing the spring rearward passes through the elongated slot 6 in the spring, the spring is released, causing it to strike the marble in the pocket, thereby effecting the discharge of the marble. The arm which has just passed through the slot 6 can then be drawn rearward by the operator, producing the same effect and discharging the marble so that the gun is always ready to be operated.

It will be seen that I have provided a perfectly harmless toy and one which can be used by children without in any wise endangering or injuring others when the same is discharged. Again it is an article which can be manufactured at a small cost and which consists of few parts.

It is evident that slight changes might be made in the form and arrangement of the several parts described without departing from the spirit and scope of my invention, and hence I do not wish to limit myself to the exact construction herein set forth, but:—

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

1. A gun comprising a pocket and handle, a spring connected to the handle and extending in the rear of the pocket, said spring having an elongated slot therein, a trigger having arms pivotally mounted in a slot formed in the handle and passing through the slot in the spring one of the arms being operated causing another arm to bear against the spring for operating it to discharge the marble from the pocket.

2. A gun comprising a pocket and handle,

a spring connected to the handle extending down in the rear of the pocket, said spring having an elongated slot therein, a trigger having arms pivotally mounted in the slot
5 formed in the handle and the arms of the trigger passing through the slot in the spring, one of the arms of the trigger being operated causing another arm to bear against the

spring for operating it to discharge the marble from the pocket. 10

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

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