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Fig. 1.

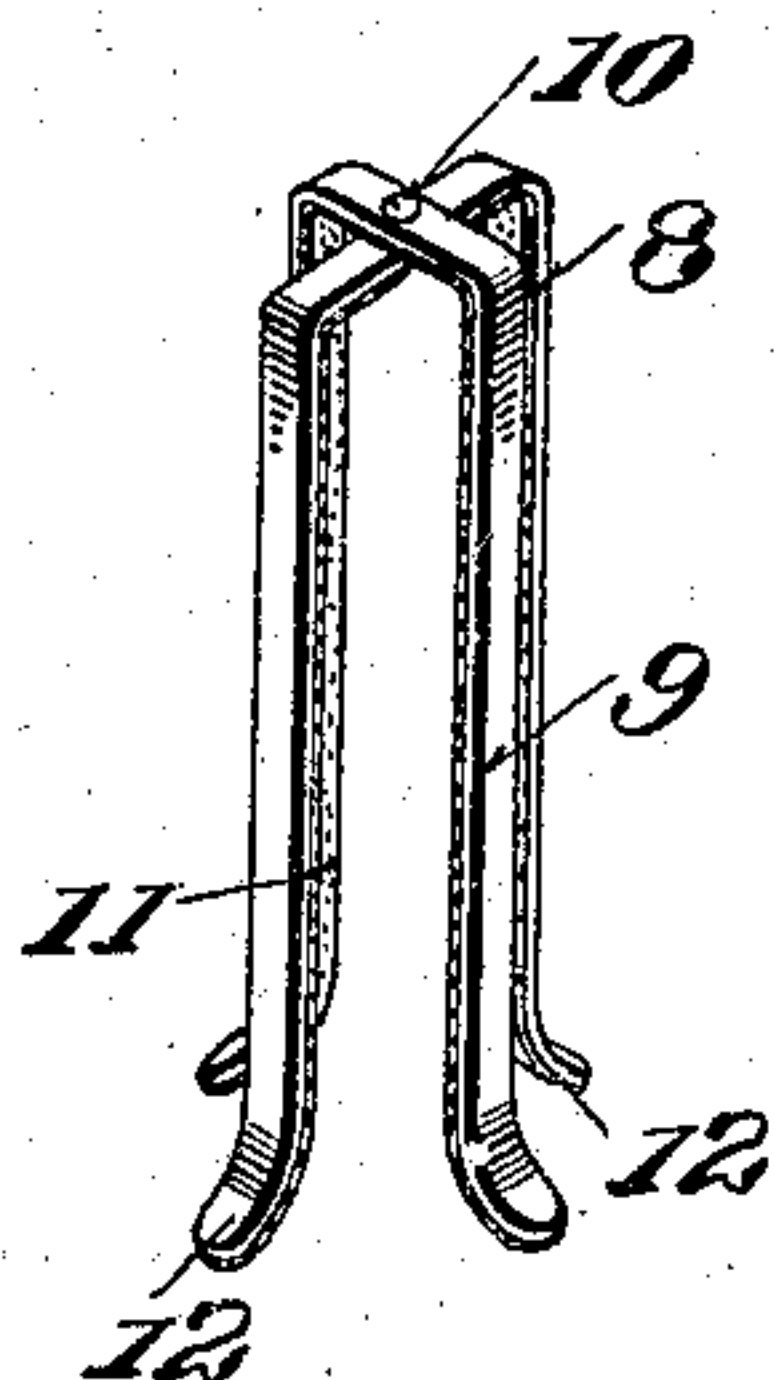


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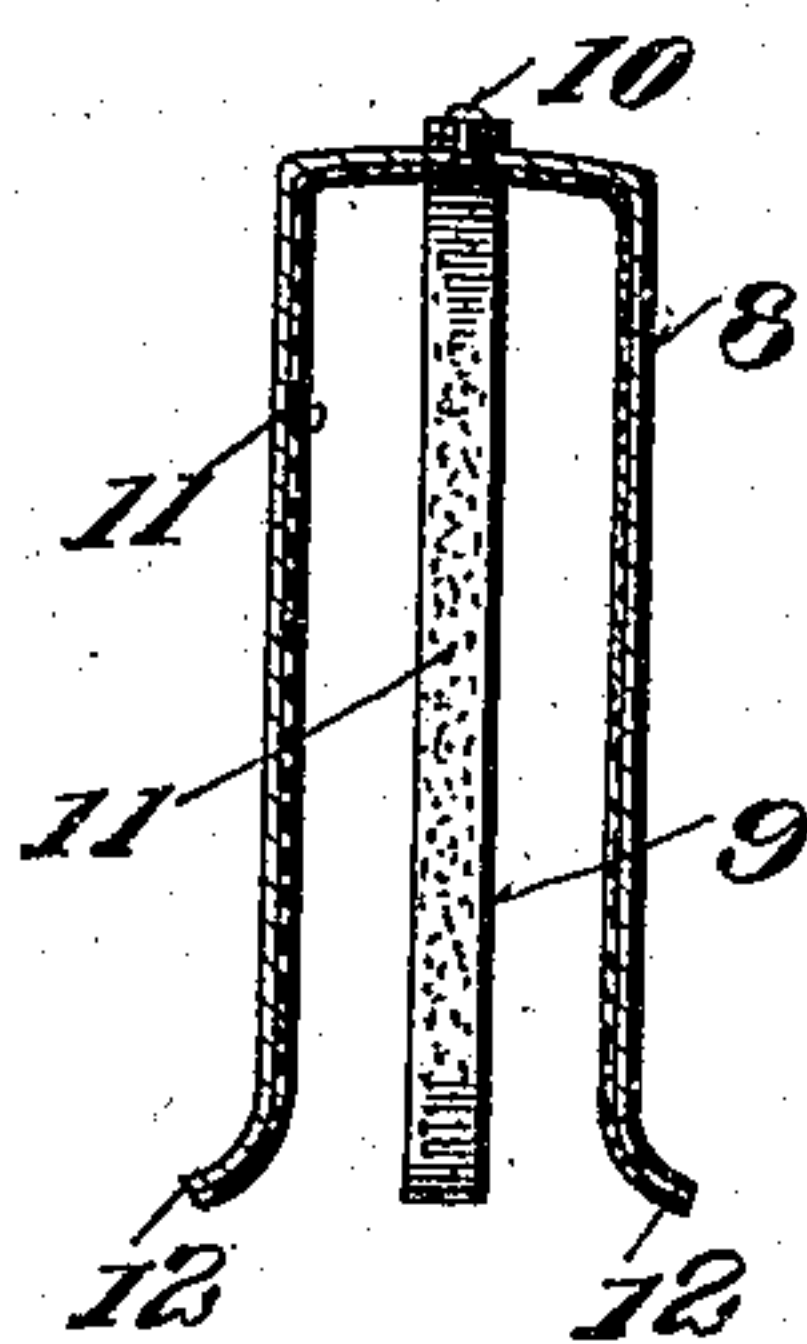


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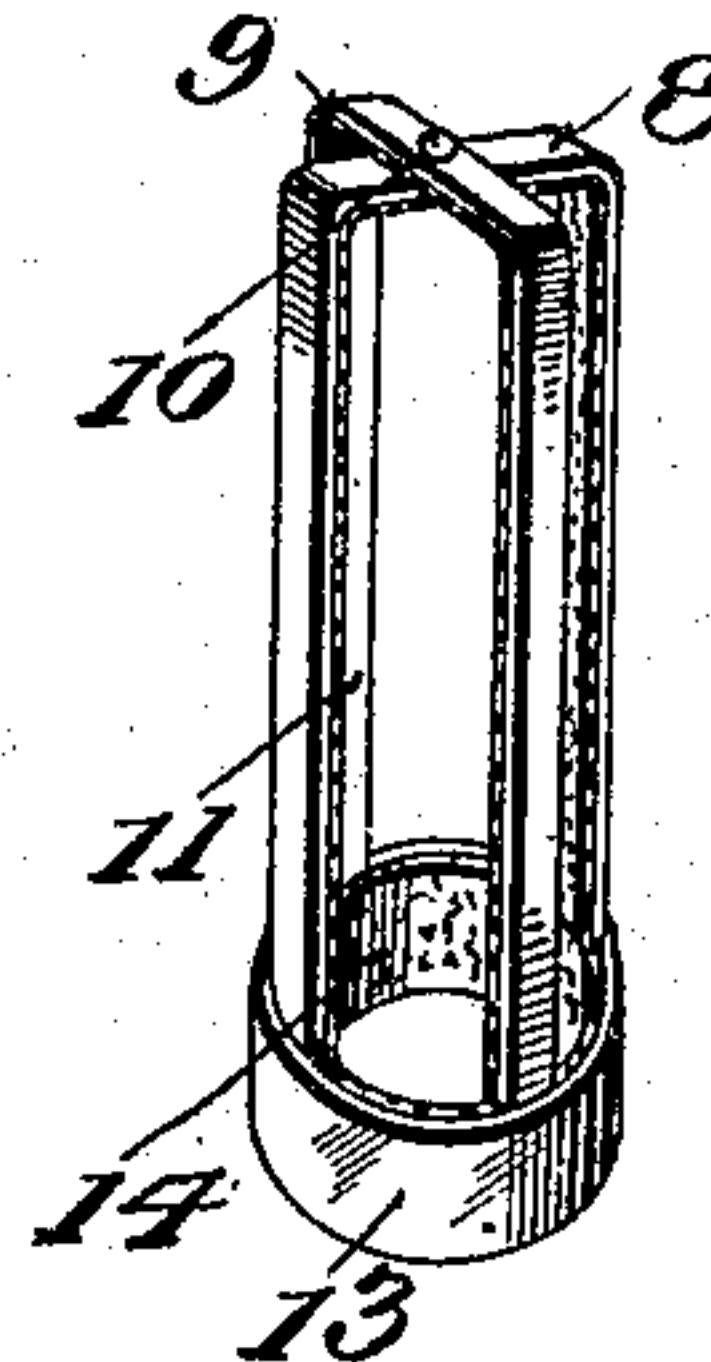


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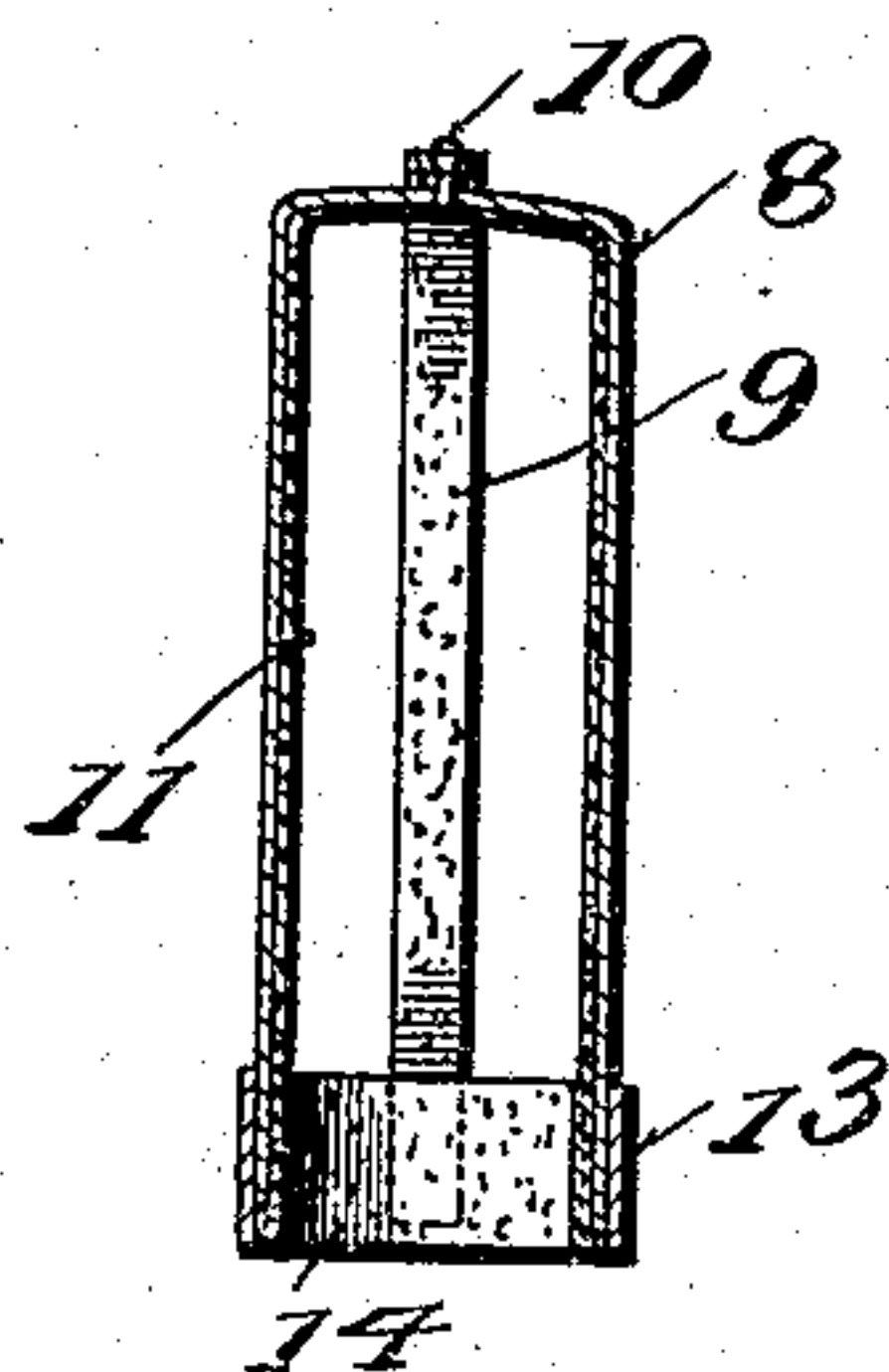


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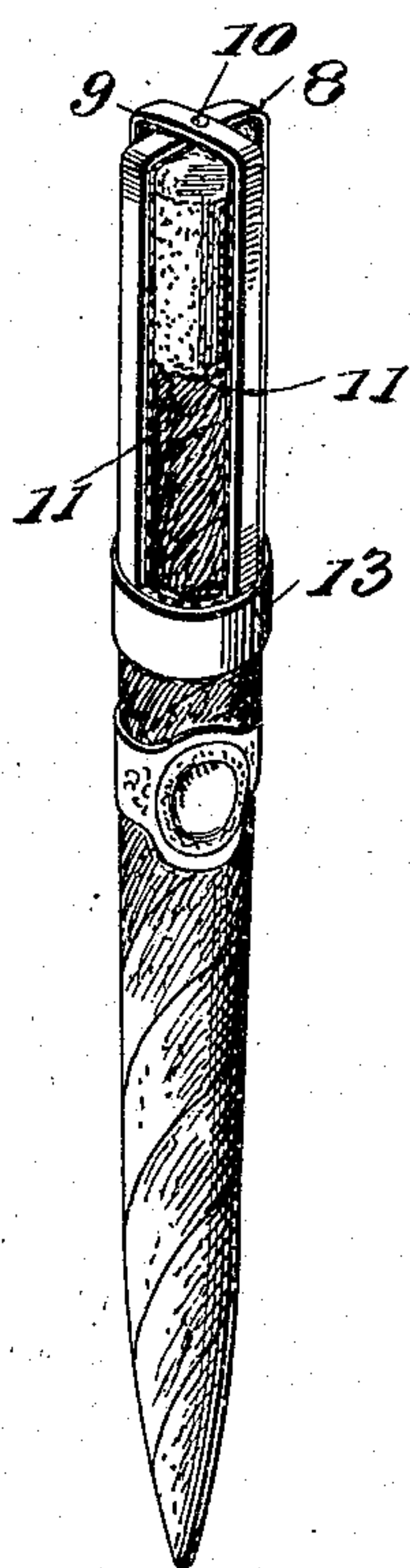


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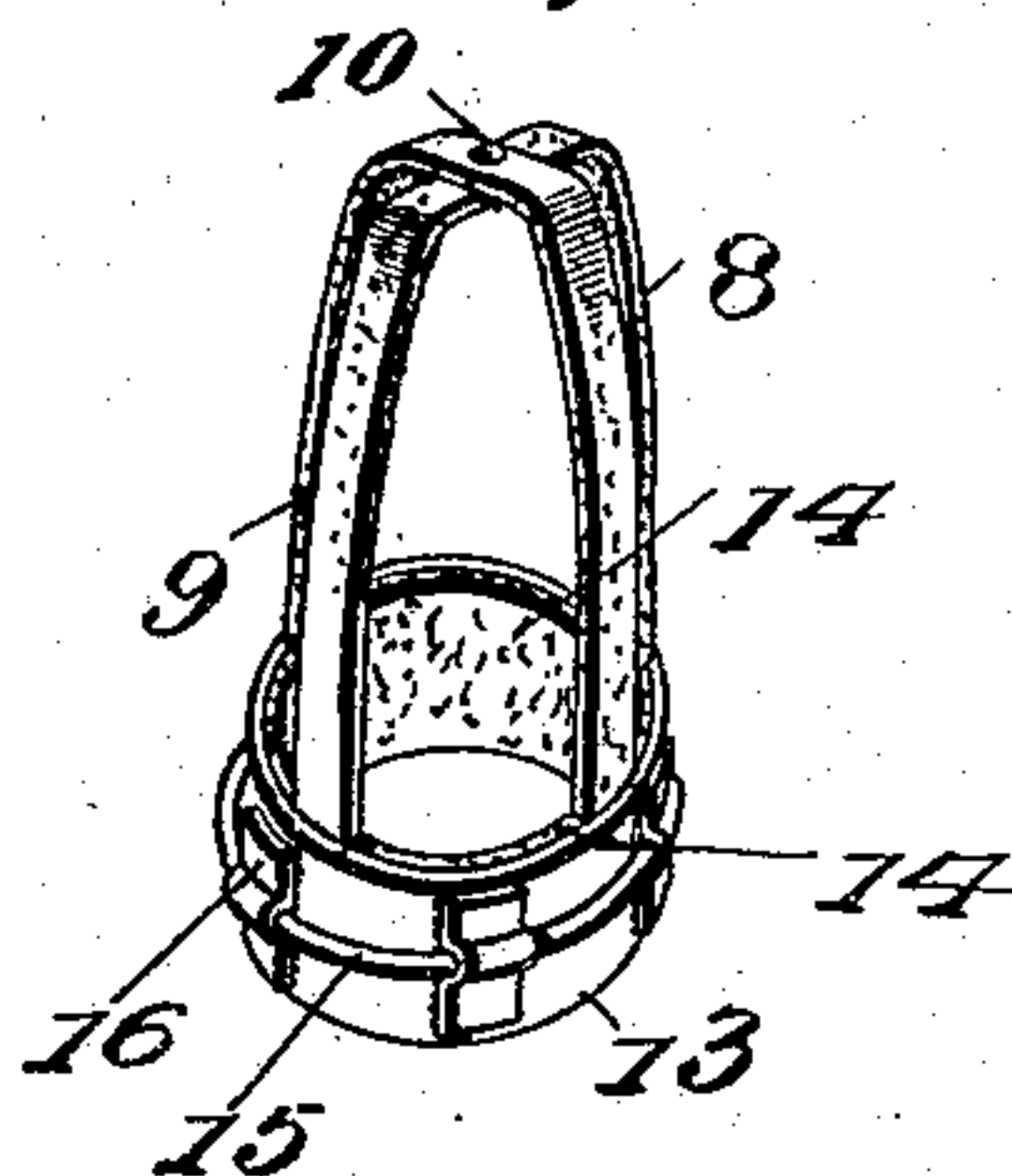
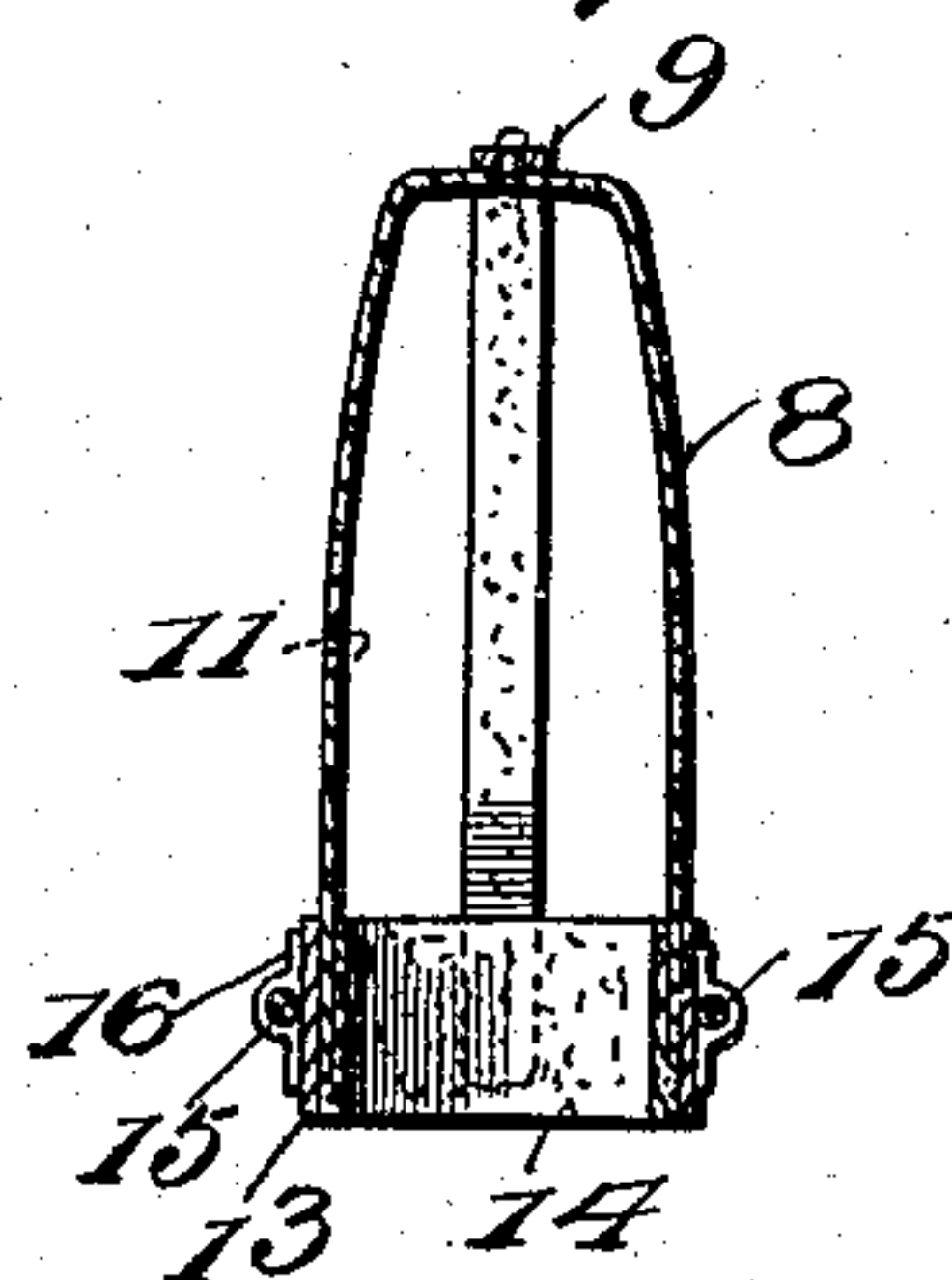


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## ASH-GUARD FOR CIGARS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, TONY A. TUBBS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Treadwell, Alaska, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ash-Guards for Cigars, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in ash-guards for cigars, and has for its object to provide a guard of such construction that it will effectually serve to prevent the ashes from accidentally dropping from the cigar and will also permit the ashes to be readily removed from the cigar when desired by the smoker, and these results effected without in any way interfering with the lighting or smoking of the cigar.

A further object of my invention is to produce a device of this character which is simple and cheap in construction, durable and efficient.

With these and other objects in view my invention consists in certain constructions, combinations and arrangements of parts, the preferred form of which will be first described in connection with the accompanying drawings and then the invention particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

Referring to the drawing wherein the same part is designated by the same reference numeral wherever it occurs Figure 1 is a perspective view of one embodiment of my invention; Fig. 2 is a central longitudinal section of Fig. 1; Fig. 3 is a perspective view of another form; Fig. 4 is a central longitudinal section of Fig. 3; Fig. 5 is a perspective view of another embodiment of my invention; Fig. 6 is a central longitudinal section of Fig. 5 and Fig. 7 is a perspective view of the form shown in Fig. 3 and applied to a cigar.

In each of the forms of my invention shown the same consists of two strips 8 and 9 which are arranged at right angles to each other and centrally across each other, being united together at their central portions by any suitable means, as the pin or rivet 10. The strips 8 and 9 are bent opposite to their superposed portions to form prongs which are bent to a size to approximately fit the cigar for which the guard is designed. In the form of my invention shown in Figs. 1, 2, 3 and 4 the strips 8 and 9 are formed of metal and provided with an asbestos lining 11, in order that the heat of the lighted end

may not be transferred back on the wrapper which would burn the same. In the form of my invention shown in Figs. 5 and 6 the strips 8 and 9 are made entirely of asbestos.

Referring particularly to the form shown in Figs. 1 and 2, in which the strips are made of any suitable material, preferably having some resiliency, the strips being lined with the asbestos protection 11, the free ends of the strips are preferably bent outwardly as shown at 12, in order to prevent the ends of the strips from mutilating the cigar wrapper when the same is placed on the cigar.

In the form of my invention shown in Figs. 3 and 4 the ends of the strips are secured to a metal split ring 13 which is made of a suitable size to encircle the cigar, and this ring is preferably lined with asbestos, as shown at 14. In the form shown in Figs. 5 and 6 the strips 8 and 9 are made entirely of asbestos, and their ends are connected to an asbestos ring 14 of a size to surround the cigar, the ring 14 being preferably encircled by a metallic split ring 15 to give the same the desired stiffness and prevent ready tearing of the same. The ring 15 is shown as being secured in position by means of the asbestos strips 16 which pass over the metallic ring and are secured to the ring 14 by pasting or other suitable means.

In Fig. 7 I have shown one form of my invention applied to a cigar, and from this latter view it will be seen that the cage-like construction formed by the strips 8 and 9 entirely surrounds the ash which forms on the end of the cigar and effectually prevents the same from dropping, unless the structure of the ash be crushed sufficiently to permit it to pass through the openings between the strips. The spaces between the strips are sufficient to permit the ready lighting of the cigar and also permit the free access of air to the end while the cigar is being smoked. When it is desired to remove the ash it is only necessary to force the guard onto the cigar which will operate to crush the ash and permit the same to pass out through the openings between the strips. The asbestos acts as a non-conductor to prevent the body of the cigar behind the point at which it is lighted from becoming charred.

I realize that considerable variation is possible in the details of construction and arrangement of parts without departing from the spirit of my invention, and I there-



fore do not intend to limit myself to the specific form shown and described.

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

1. An ash-guard for cigars, comprising a pair of strips arranged at right angles to each other and secured together centrally of their ends, the ends being bent to form a cage adapted to surround the end of the cigar.

2. An ash-guard for cigars, comprising a pair of strips arranged at right angles to each other and secured together centrally of their ends, the ends being bent to form a

cage adapted to surround the end of the cigar, and an asbestos lining for said strips.

3. An ash-guard for cigars, comprising a pair of strips arranged at right angles to each other and secured together centrally of their ends, the ends being bent to form a cage adapted to surround the end of the cigar, and a ring to which the ends of said strips are connected.

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

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