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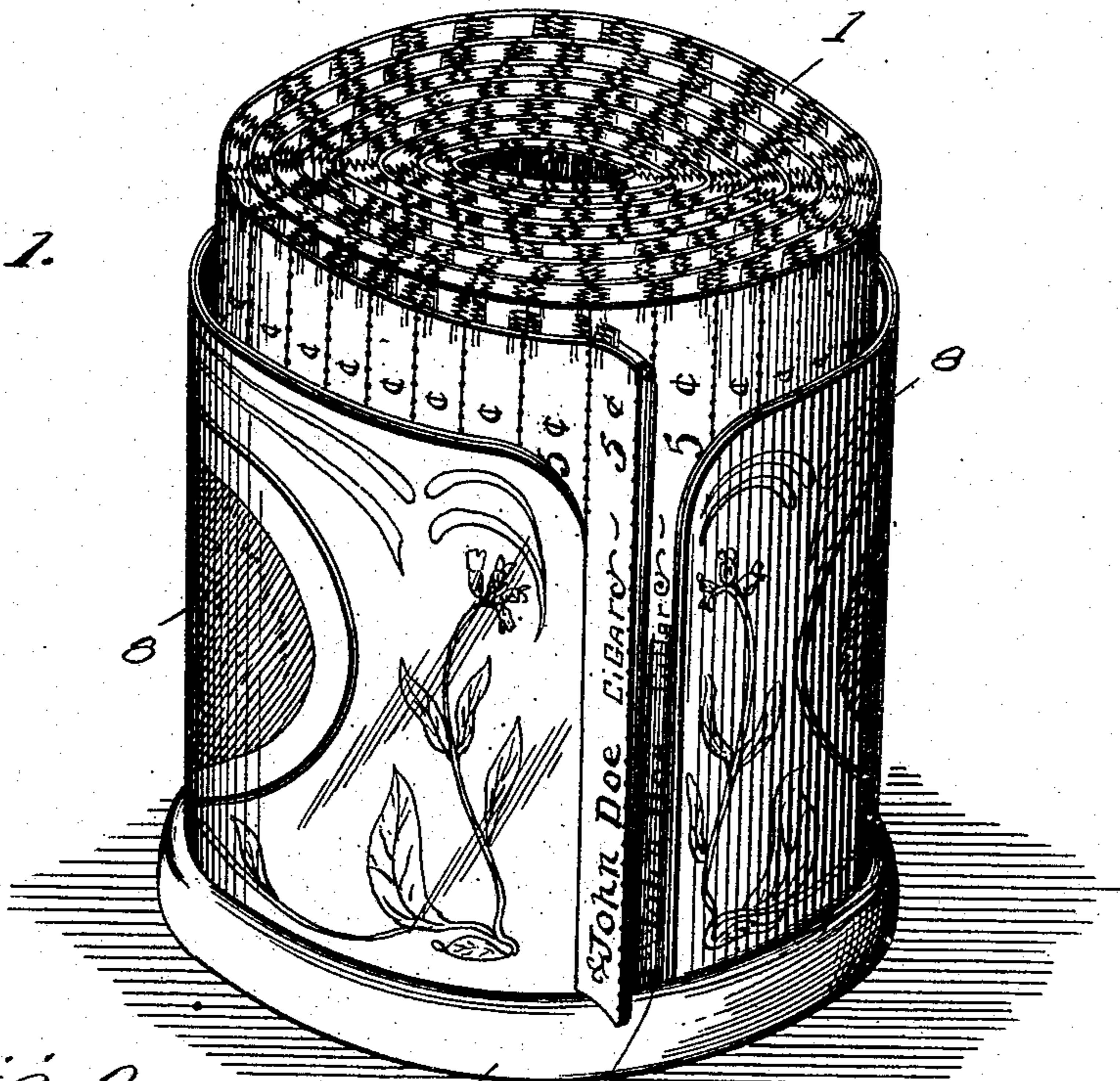
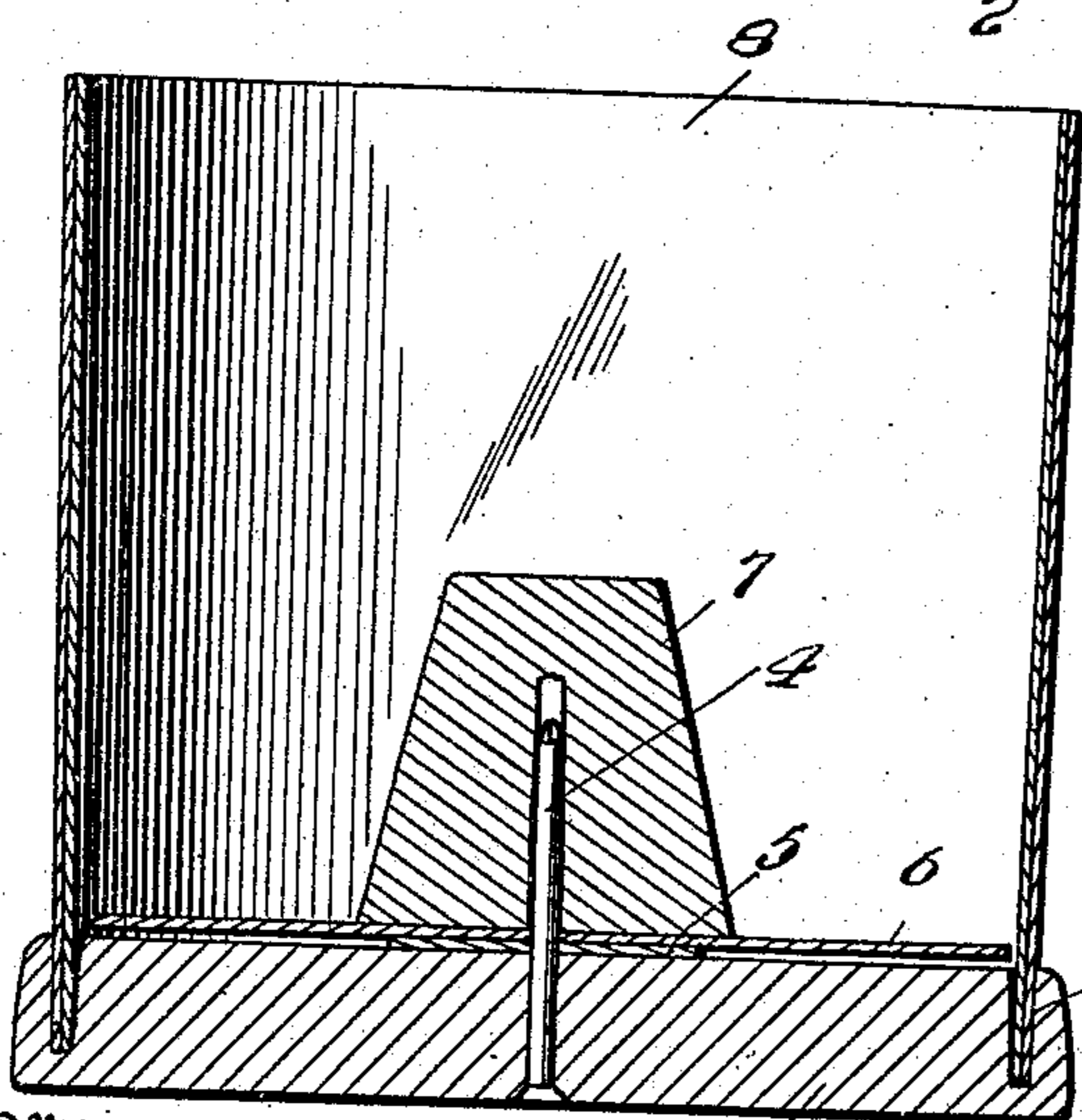


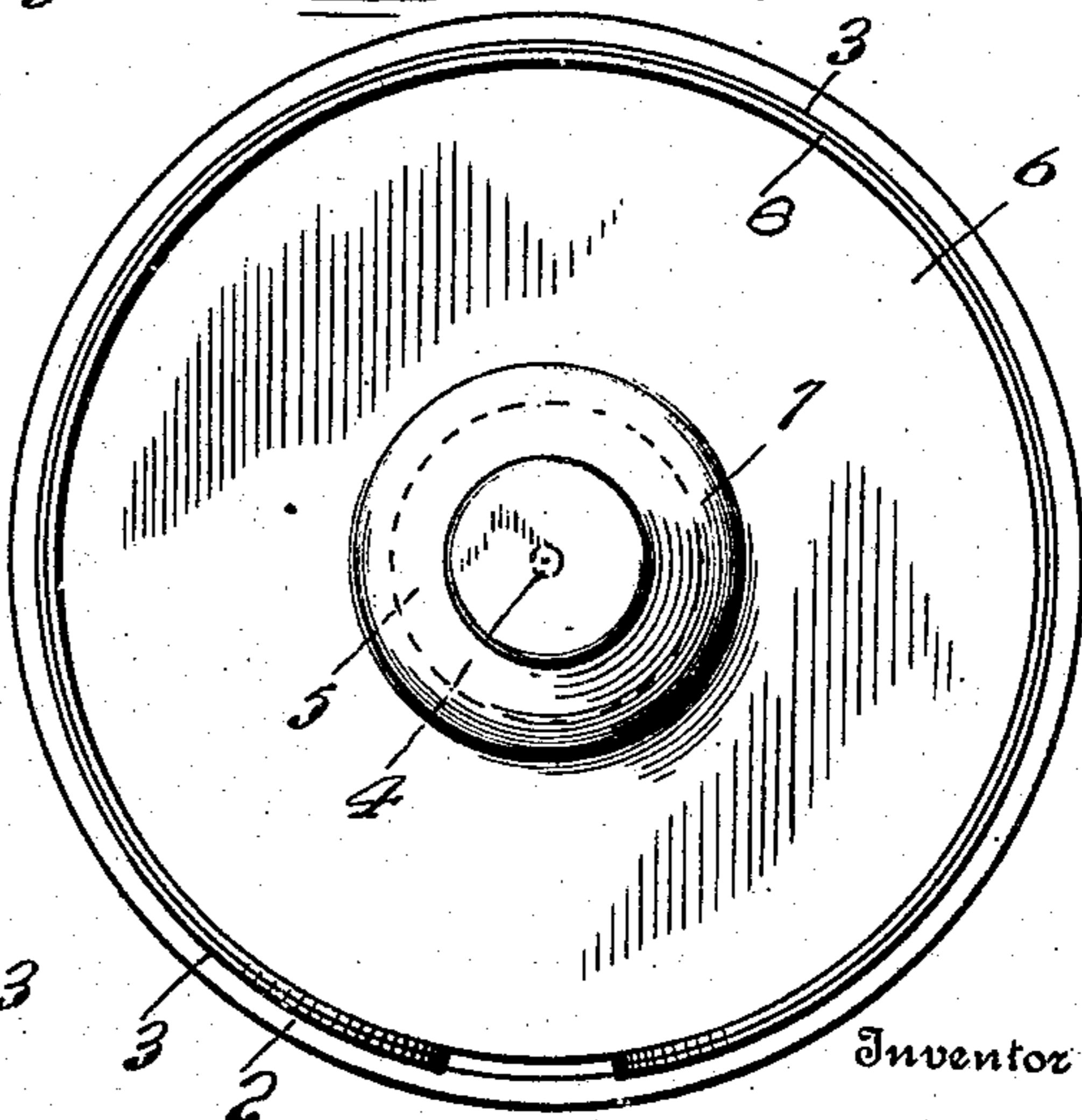
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Fig. 4.

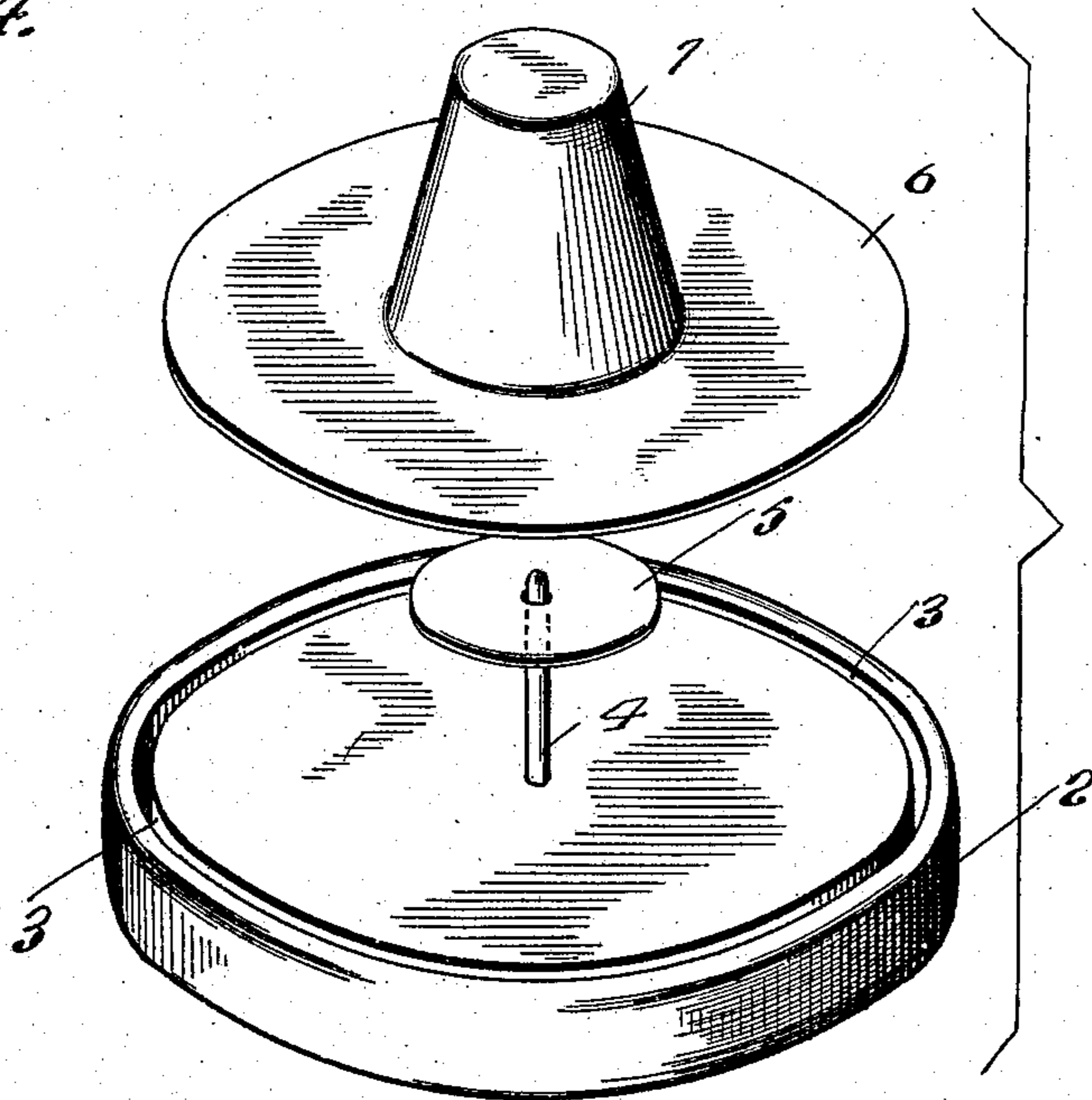
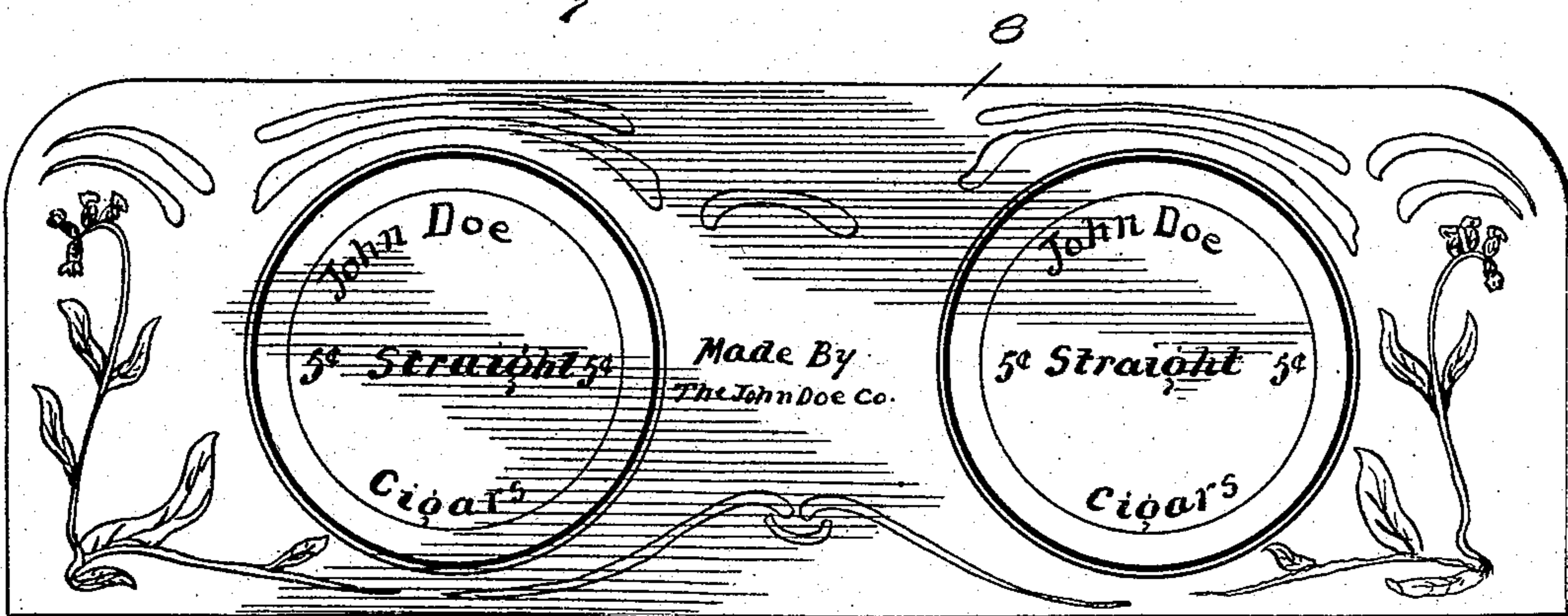


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ORVILLE L. PARMENTER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Racine, Racine county, State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Dispensing-Containers; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to certain improvements in dispensing containers for paper cigar pocket rolls and the like, and the objects and nature of my invention will be readily understood by those skilled in the art in the light of the following explanation of the example shown in the accompanying drawings for explanatory purposes, from among other possible constructions within the spirit and scope of my invention.

An object of the invention is to provide certain improvements in details, elements and arrangements of parts, whereby an advantageous, efficient and economical container will be produced.

The invention consists in certain novel features in construction, or in combinations or arrangements of parts as more fully and particularly set forth hereinafter.

Referring to the accompanying drawings;—Figure 1, is a perspective view of the container showing a roll of paper cigar pockets therein. Fig. 2 is a central vertical section of the container. Fig. 3, is a top plan view thereof. Fig. 4, is a detail perspective view of the container base, rotary platform, carrier or table, and interposed washer, separated and shown one above the other. Fig. 5, is a plan of the container wall showing the same in its original flat form before being bent into approximately cylindrical form for application to the base.

In the drawings, the reference numeral 1, indicates a roll of paper cigar pockets. Each pocket usually consists of an elongated collapsible paper tube having an open upper end, and the pockets are detachably connected together in sheet like form. Usually the roll is formed by a number of sheets of such pockets connected together in series and then wound together into roll form so that by unwinding the roll, any number of pockets can be detached from the roll. The container is designed to receive and hold the roll of pock-

ets, and permit unwinding thereof to serve or dispense the pockets as desired or required. The container is designed to constitute an attractive and effective advertising medium. The containers are adapted to be displayed on the cigar retailer's counter, or wherever it may be convenient to locate and display the same and the roll of pockets therein. As the cigars are retailed the merchant, can draw out the desired number of pockets from the container, the roll freely rotating to unwind the pockets, and place the cigars therein and then detach the pockets and hand the incased cigars to the customer. It is often desirable to vary the advertising matter on the container. For instance, the pockets bear advertising matter and it is often desirable that the container should advertise the same brand as the pockets therein.

In the specific example illustrated, the container comprises a flat base or disk support 2, a freely rotatable roll carrier or table, and a removable cardboard or paper fabric wall. The particular form of base 2, shown consists of a round flat wooden disk having its edge polished or otherwise finished. Just within its edge, this disk is formed with a comparatively deep vertical annular groove or socket 3, opening through the top face of the disk and usually having concentric, parallel, vertical walls. 4, is a vertical pivot or axis projecting upwardly from the disk and arranged centrally within said groove or socket. This pivot can be formed in any suitable manner, as by a pin or nail inserted in or passed through the disk. 5, is a spacing washer resting on the top face of the disk and about centered on said pivot. This washer can be formed of any suitable material, for instance, I usually employ a disk of card board or the like.

The rotary carrier or table for the roll in the particular example shown, consists of a flat round disk 6, in diameter less than the diameter of said annular groove or socket, and a central upwardly projecting usually tapered core or centering spindle 7, fixed to the spindle and rotating therewith. The core can be formed of a wooden block and the disk 6, of a stiff disk or cardboard or the like secured to the lower end of the core, although I do not wish to so limit my invention. The rotary carrier centers and revolves on said pivot or axis which extends

loosely into a vertical central hole or bore in the disk and core. The center of the disk rests and rotates on the thin flat washer 5 which holds the flat face of the disk up from the surface of the base, although I do not wish to limit my invention to the employment of said washer.

The vertical wall of the container is formed by an approximately oblong somewhat elastic flexible strip or sheet 8, of cardboard, comparatively stiff paper, paper fabric or the like which can be cut out in flat form and printed, embossed, lithographed or otherwise supplied with advertising matter on a face thereof, and which can be easily bent or curled by hand into approximately cylindrical form and slipped into the comparatively deep annular socket of the base. The length of the sheet 8 is less than the length or circle of said annular socket so that the ends of the sheet 8, when said sheet is seated in the base, will be spaced or separated to afford a vertical opening through which the pockets are unwound from the roll and dispensed or served. The width and depth of said socket are such as to snugly and if so desired removably receive the lower end of the wall (lower edge portion of the sheet) and maintain the wall properly held to and mounted in the base by friction and by reason of the elasticity of the sheet. The sheet 8 should possess sufficient body or stiffness to maintain its vertical position and yet should be sufficiently elastic or flexible to permit production thereof in flat form and curling or bending thereof into about cylindrical form to enter the base. These sheets 8 can be shipped in flattened out condition and can be kept in stock to have advertising matter applied thereto as ordered or required. In fact, the containers can be packed and shipped knocked down, if so desired.

The lower end of the roll of pockets rests on and is carried by the rotary carrier and is centered and held thereon by the core or spindle extending up into the open center or core of the roll. By thus mounting the roll on a freely rotatable carrier, the roll easily rotates and quickly responds to a slight pull on the projecting free end of the sheet of pockets, avoiding the necessity of rotating the roll by one hand while the other hand manipulates the free end of the sheet of pockets, and also increasing the stability of the container and avoiding the necessity of weighting the same by a heavy base or by forming the entire container of considerable weight of metal.

I do not wish to limit all features of my invention to the feature of having the sheet 8, freely removable from the base socket.

What I claim is:—

1. A dispensing counter stand consisting of a base having a comparatively deep vertical annular groove or seat arranged within the edge boundary of the base and opening through the top face of the base, a vertical advertising wall rising from the base and comprising a bent sheet of paper material in length less than the diameter of said annular seat, said sheet having its lower longitudinal edge portion inserted a substantial distance into said groove to maintain the sheet in upright about cylindrical position and affixed to said base with its ends spaced to form a vertical slot throughout the length of the wall, and a rotating table arranged on the base within said wall to carry and sustain a roll of paper cigar pockets with the lower end of the roll maintained above the top surface of the base, substantially as described.

2. A container comprising a disk-like base having a deep annular socket, and an approximately cylindrical vertical removable wall having separated ends, and removably inserted and fitted in said socket and composed of a stiff yet flexible sheet.

3. A container comprising a flat base having a vertical annular socket opening through its top face, and a vertical approximately cylindrical wall rising from said base and composed of a sheet of elastic yet stiff paper bent or curled into the about cylindrical form and inserted and held in said socket.

4. A dispensing counter stand consisting of a base having a comparatively deep vertical annular groove or seat arranged within the edge boundary of the base and opening through the top face of the base, and a vertical advertising wall rising from the base and comprising a bent sheet in length less than the diameter of said annular seat, said sheet having its lower longitudinal edge portion inserted a substantial distance into said groove to maintain the sheet in upright about cylindrical position and affixed to said base with its ends spaced to form a vertical slot throughout the length of the wall.

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

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