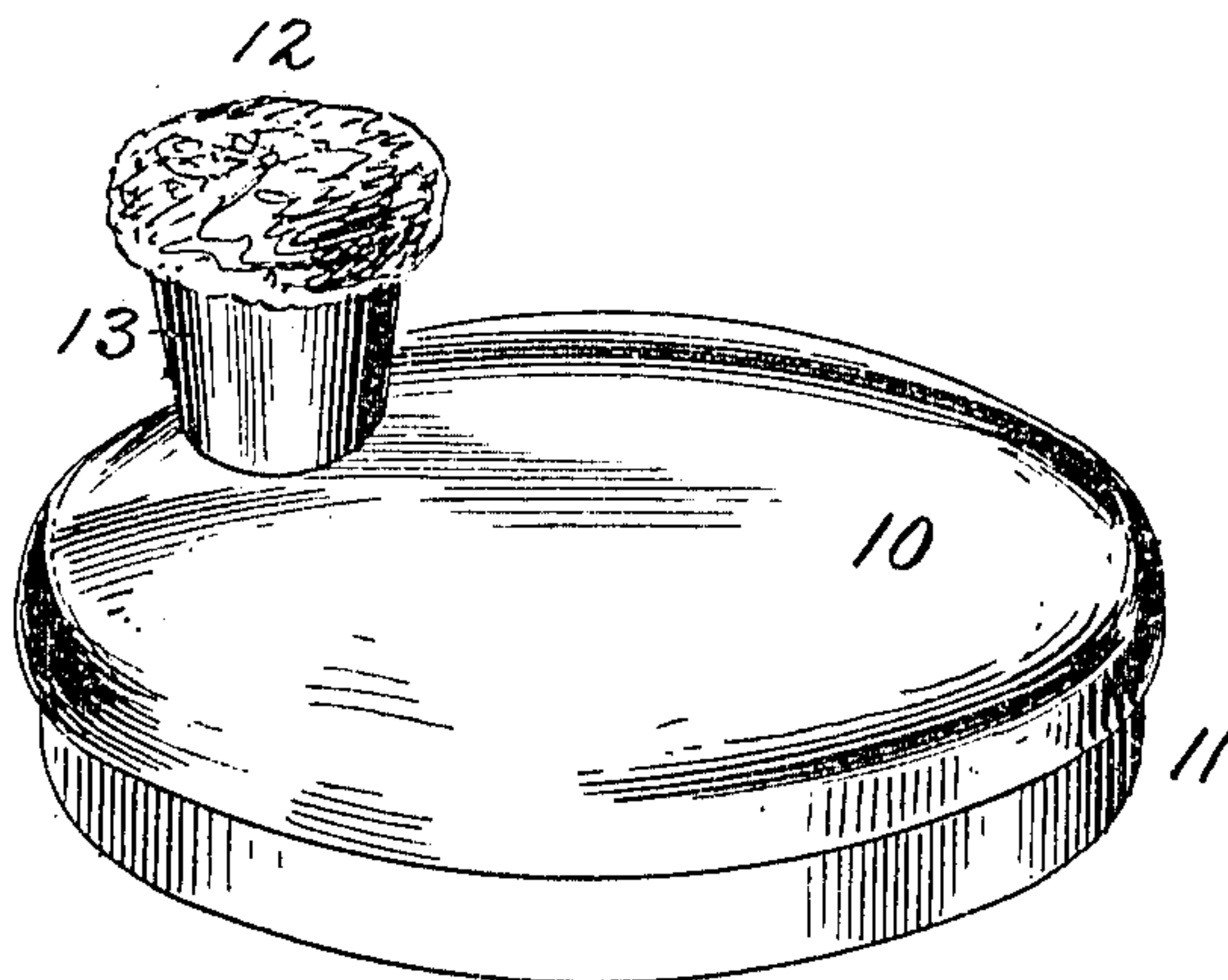


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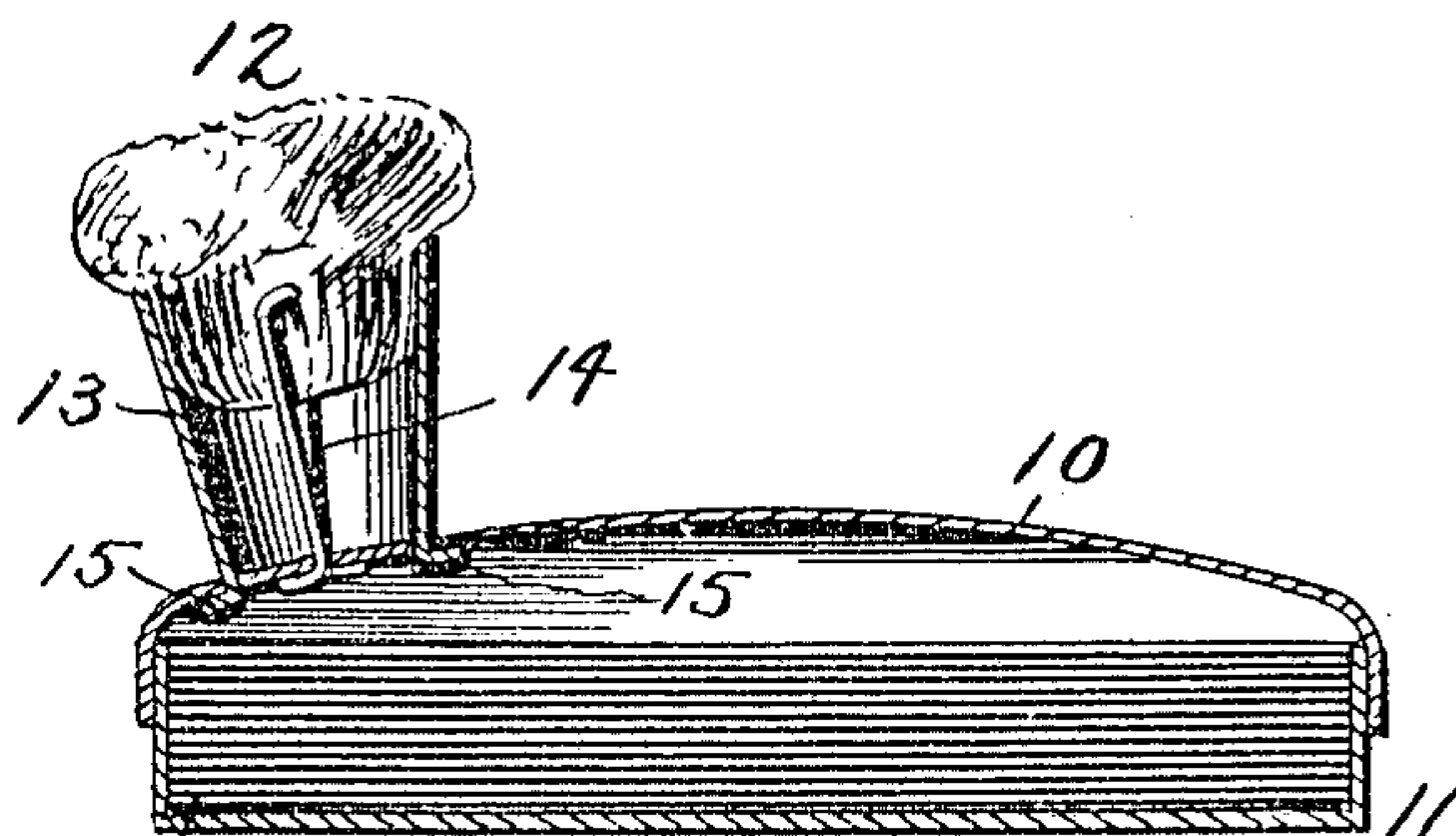
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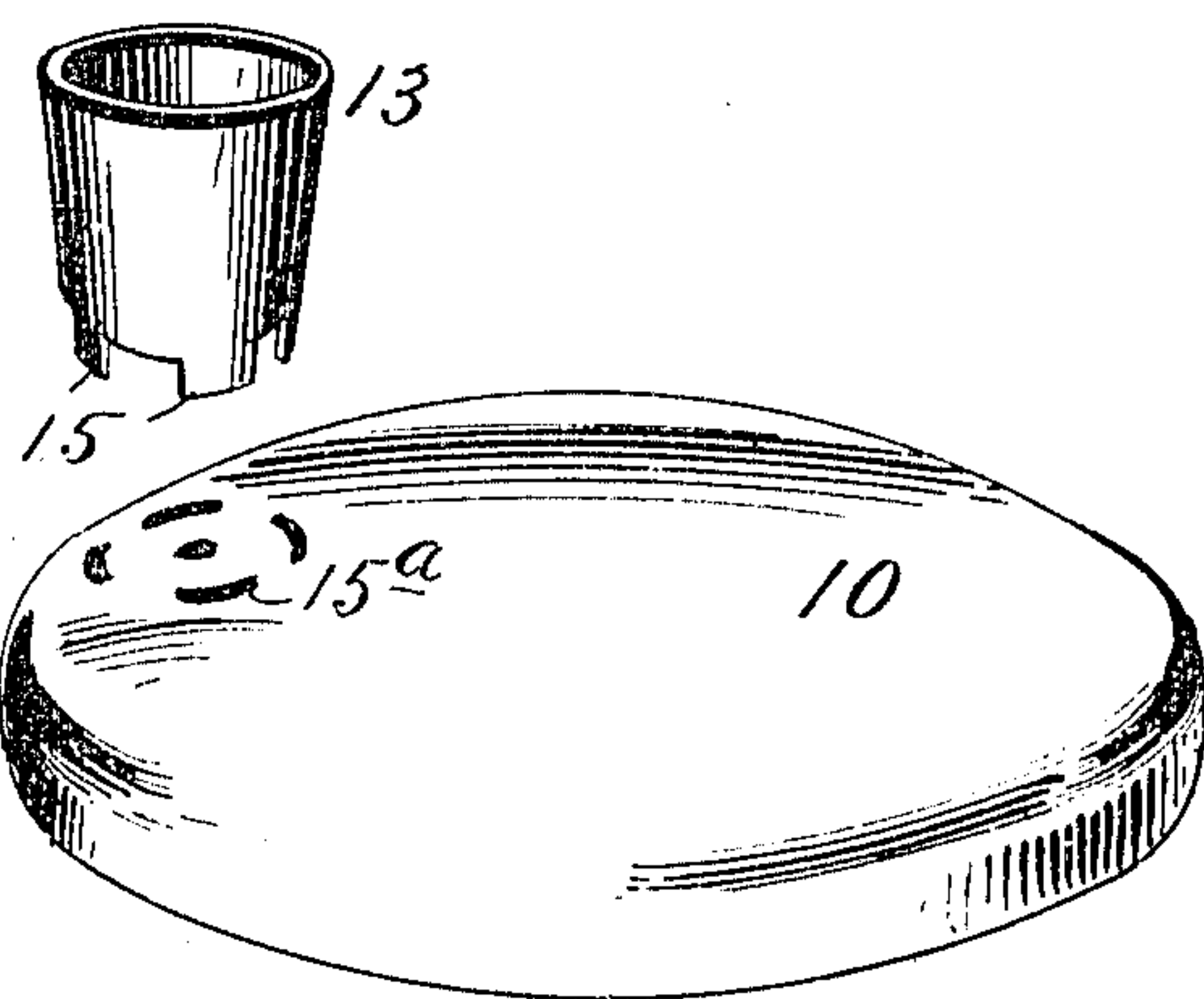
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JAMES W. DAVIS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Lids or Covers for Shoe-Polish Boxes, and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, and to the figures of reference marked thereon.

The object of my invention is to provide in a single article a shoe polish box cover or top and a dauber in a simple and inexpensive way, and to the end of rendering more convenient the use of a shoe polishing outfit, and for the attainment of this object, my invention consists in the box lid or top provided with a dauber substantially as hereinafter specified and claimed.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a shoe polish box having a lid or top constructed in accordance with my invention; Fig. 2 a cross section of the same; and Fig. 3 a perspective view of the dauber holding and attaching parts and the lid separated from each other.

The lid 10 of the polish-holding box 11 is of the usual inverted cup shape or dish form, and circular in shape, and attached to the top thereof, preferably near the edge or in an eccentric location, is the dauber that consists of a body 12 of pieces of cloth or fabric and of a metal tube-form holder 13 secured firmly or rigidly at one end to the lid with the body portion 12 of the dauber projecting from the outer end and extending partially through said holder and securely held therein, as by means of a piece of bent wire 14, whose ends are carried through holes in the box lid and clenched or otherwise fastened. A simple and efficient means of attaching the tubular holder to the box lid is by means of several lugs or projections 15 on the end of the dauber that extend through slots or slits cut in a circular series in the box lid, and clenched or bent over on

the inner side of the lid. The body holding wire 15, besides holding the body, adds to the stiffness of the attachment of the tubular holder 13. Preferably, the dauber holder is inclined at a slight angle outward and upward from the lid.

By applying the dauber directly to the lid, there is but little increase in the bulk of the box as an entirety; the lid makes an excellent handle for applying the dauber, and the annoyance or bother of a dauber in a separate appliance is completely done away with, the dauber being instantly at hand when it is removed from the box, and at once disposed of ready for subsequent use when the lid is returned to the box.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

1. As an article of manufacture, a shoe polish box having a lid which on one side covers or closes the box, and said lid having a dauber attached directly to and extending upward from the same ready for use, said dauber being on the outside of the lid and smaller than the lid, whereby the box lid itself constitutes a handle.

2. As an article of manufacture, a shoe polish box having a lid which on one side covers or closes the box, and said lid, having a dauber attached directly to and extending upward from the same ready for use, the dauber having a holder consisting of a tubular part fastened at one end to the lid on the outside thereof and of less size than the lid, whereby the lid itself serves as a handle.

3. As an article of manufacture, a shoe polish box having a lid which on one side covers or closes the box, and said lid, having a tubular member fastened to the top of the lid in an eccentric position on the outside thereof, and a dauber secured in said member.

4. As an article of manufacture, a shoe polish box having a lid which on one side covers or closes the box, and said lid, having a tubular member fastened to the top of the lid in an eccentric position on the outside thereof, a dauber, and a wire extending from the dauber and attached to the lid.



5. As an article of manufacture, a shoe  
polish box lid having slots, having a tubular  
member with lugs or projections at one end  
extending through the slots in the lid, and  
5 bent into engagement with the latter, a  
dauber extending partially within and par-  
tially without said member, and a wire ex-  
tending from the dauber and having its ends

passed through openings and fastened to the 10  
lid.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature  
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