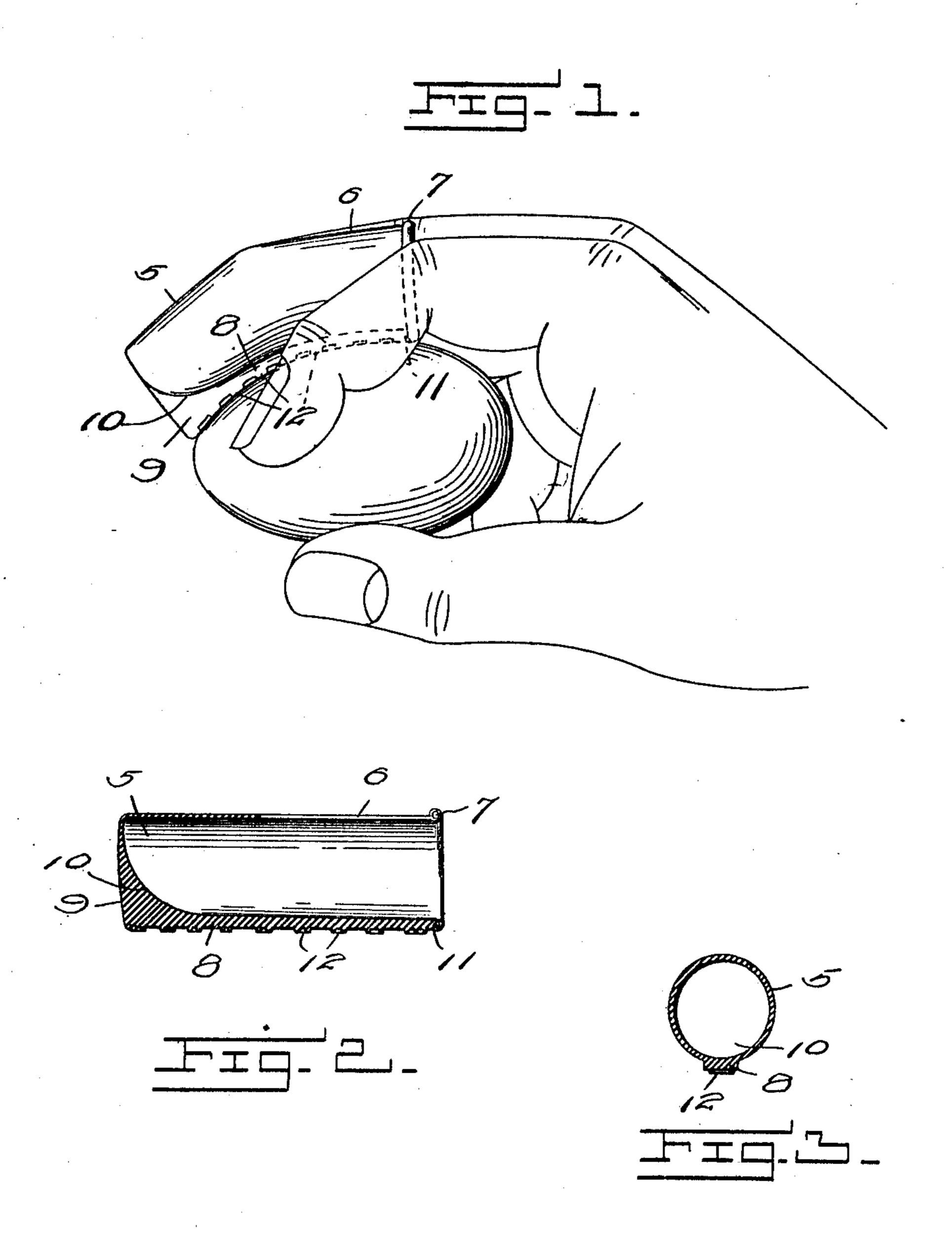
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Daniel Ortiz, a citizen of the United States, residing at Port Townsend, in the county of Jefferson and 5 State of Washington, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Egg-Stamps, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to stamps and more 10 particularly to egg stamps and has for its object to provide a stamp which will be so constructed and arranged that it may be engaged with the finger of the user, and will leave its impression upon an egg when the 15 latter is grasped in the hand bearing the stamp.

Another object is to provide a structure which will be such that the stamping surface will be brought into conformity with 20 the curvature of the egg by the bending of the finger of the user.

Another object is to provide a stamp so constructed that a sharp bend in the stamp-

ing surface will be prevented.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent from the following description, and will be understood that changes in the specific structure shown and described may be made within the scope of the claim without 30 departing from the spirit of the invention.

In the drawings forming a portion of this application and in which like numerals of reference indicate similar parts of the several views,—Figure 1 is a view showing an 35 egg and the use of the present device in placing a stamp thereon. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section through the device. Fig. 3 is a transverse section.

Referring now to the drawings, the pres-40 ent device comprises a finger stall 5, split longitudinally from its open end for a short distance as shown at 6, and provided at its open end with a split spring ring 7, the ends of which lie at the sides of the split 45 6, as shown.

Formed longitudinally upon the finger stall at a point diametrically opposite from the split 6, and extending from end to end of the stall, there is a rib 8, which, at the

closed end of the stall is considerably thick- 50 ened as shown at 9, to form a triangular projection having a concave inner face 10 conforming to the curvature of the ball of the finger. The rib 8, at its rearward end, extends to and rests against the ring 7, as 55 shown at 11, so that the position of the rib

upon the finger is constant.

It will of course be understood that, in use, the middle finger is inserted within the finger stall 5, and the ball of the finger rests 60 against the surface 10 of the portion 9 of the rib 8. On its outer face, the rib is provided with the printing characters 12, and when it is desired to impress these characters upon an egg, it is only necessary for 65 the user to take the egg in his hand, and to press his middle finger against the egg, bending the finger to bring the rib into conformity with the curvature of the egg. By reason of the fact that the rib rests against 70 the ring 7, and also by reason of its relative thickness, its proper conformity to the surface of the egg is assured, and a sharp bend at any point of the rib is prevented.

It will be seen that the provision of the 75 triangular portion 9 gives the rib a common longitudinal plane surface so that its pressure against the egg is uniform

throughout its length.

What is claimed is: An egg stamp comprising a finger stall, a longitudinal thickened rib carried by the finger stall, and having printing characters upon its outer surface, said rib having a triangular portion at its forward end, said 85 triangular portion having its inner face formed to conform to the shape of the ball of the human finger, and a spring ring carried by the open end of the finger stall, said rib at its rearward end resting against the 90 spring ring.

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

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