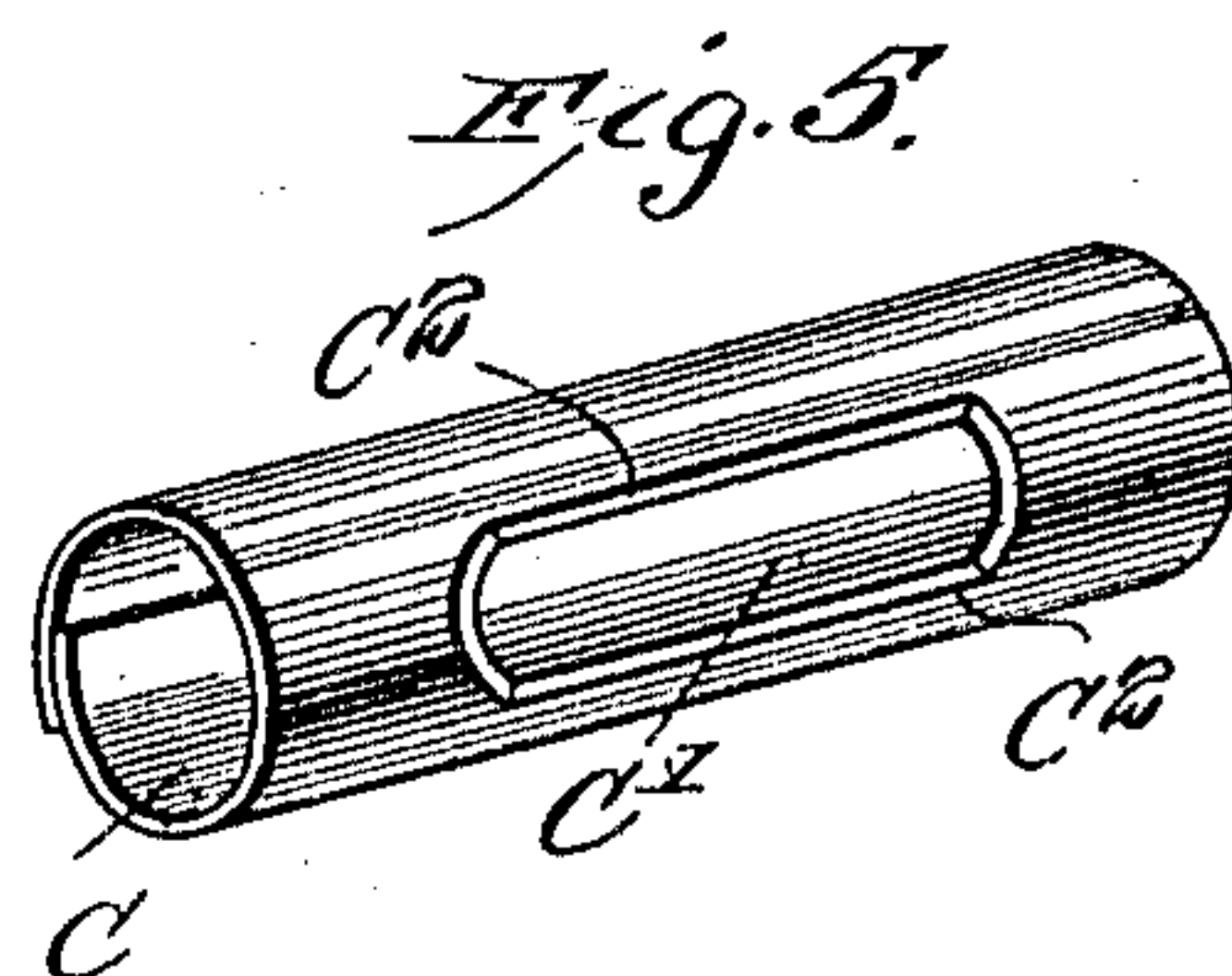
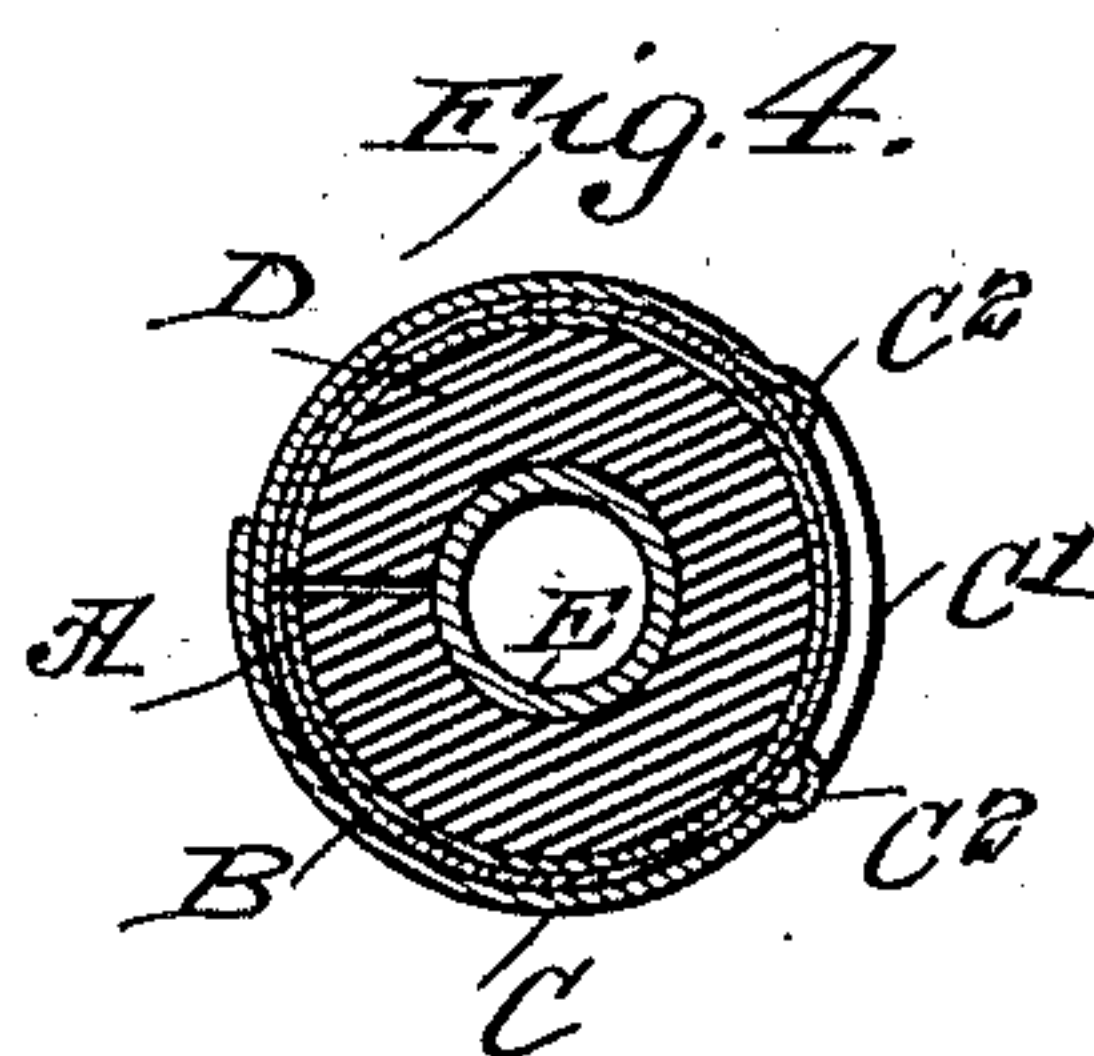
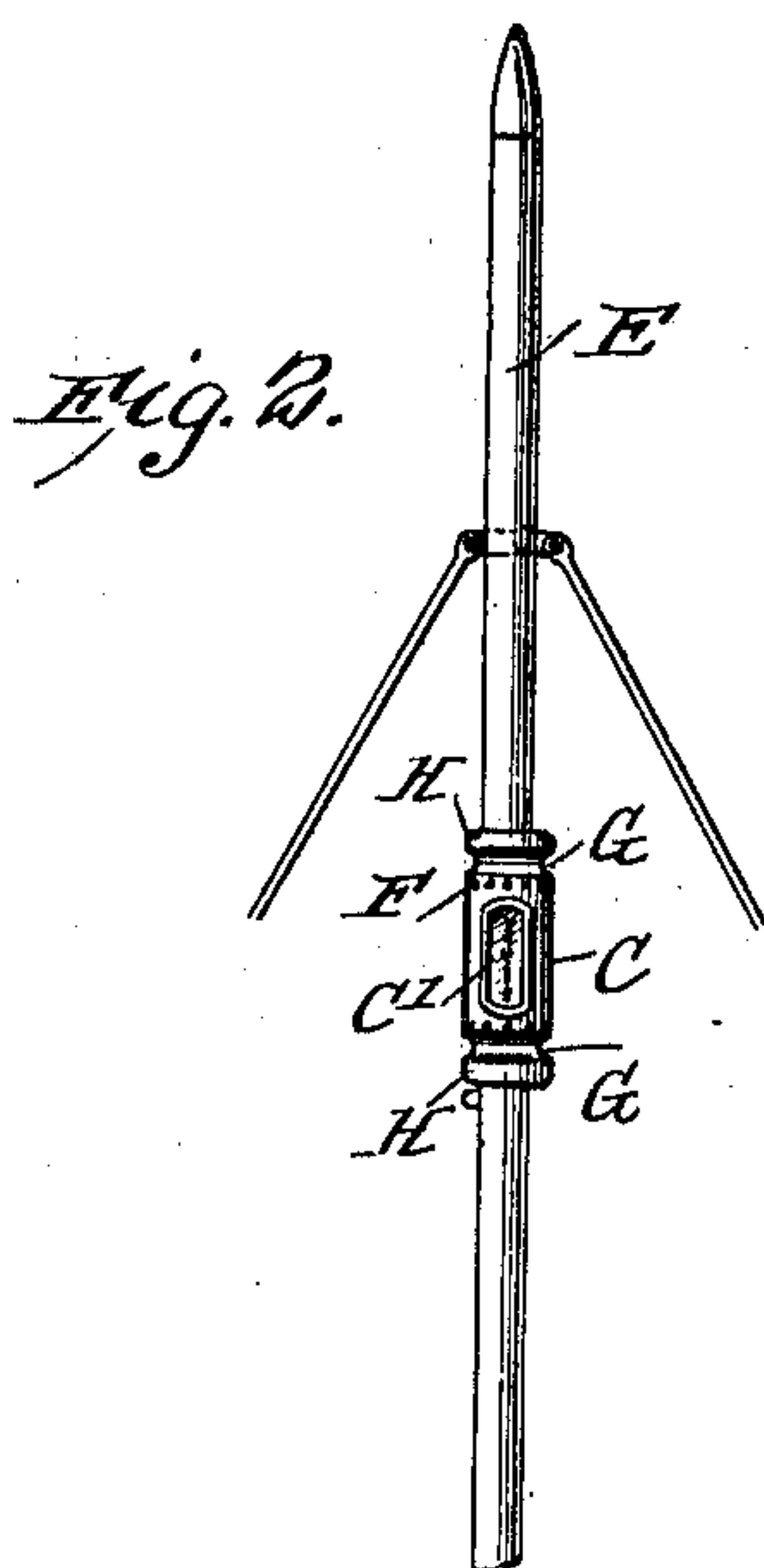
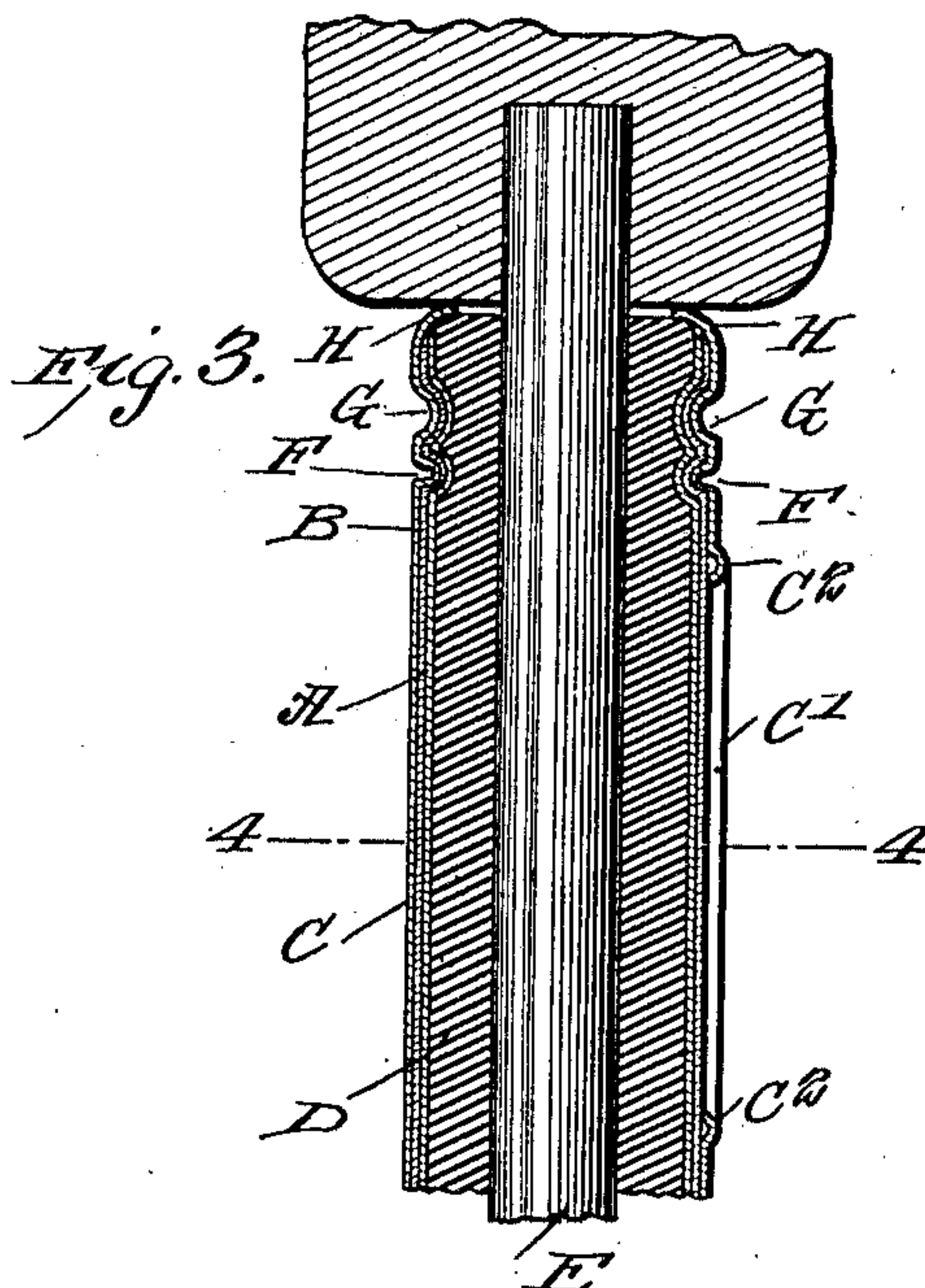
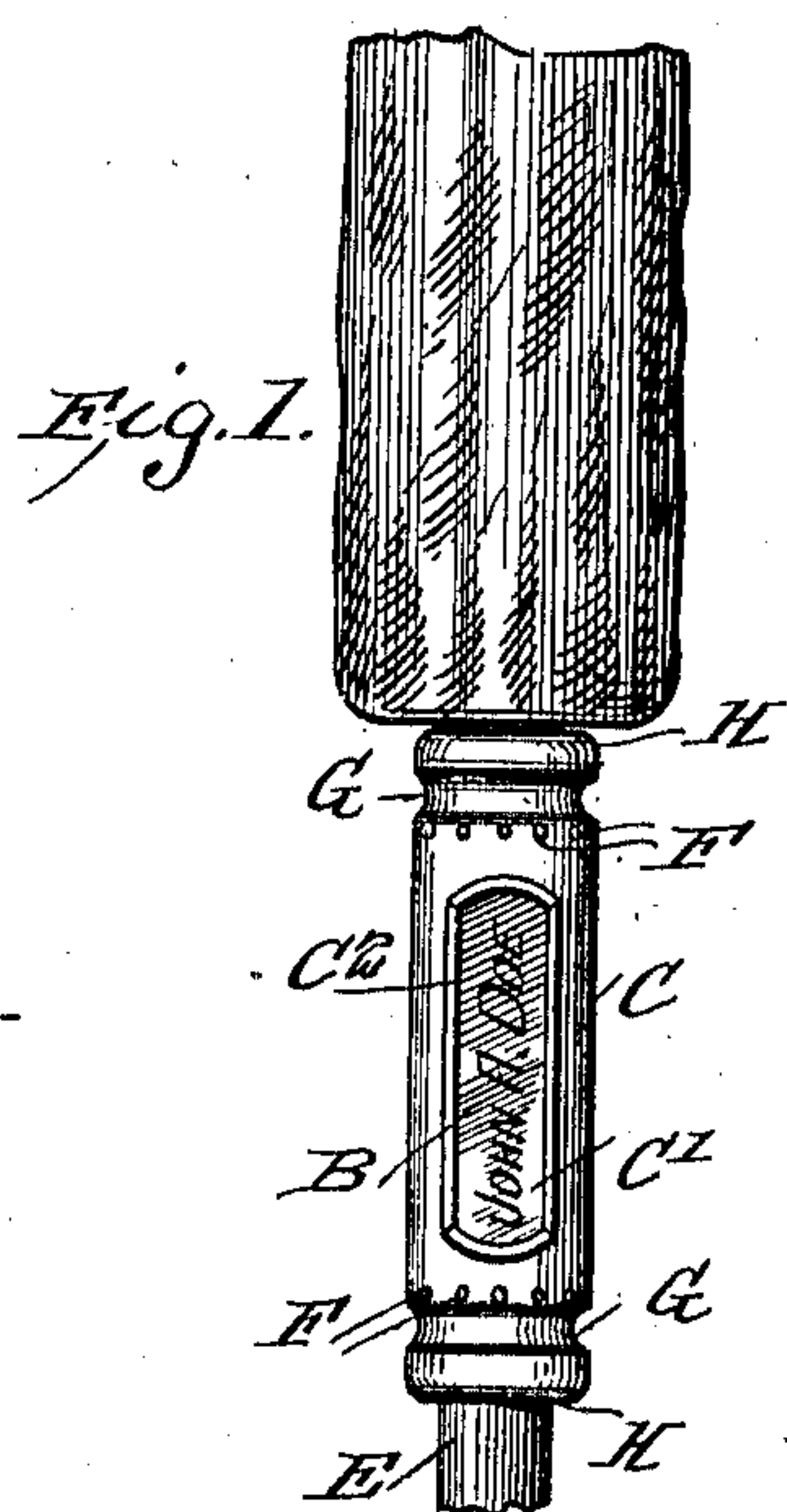


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JUNJI MASKO, a subject of the Emperor of Japan, and a resident of Indianapolis, in the county of Marion and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Name-Tags for Umbrellas, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is an improvement in name or inscription holders for use on umbrellas, canes and the like; and the invention has for an object to provide a novel construction of such holder and consists in certain novel constructions and combinations of parts as will be hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawing Figure 1 is a side view, partly broken away, of an umbrella showing my invention applied to the staff near the handle end thereof. Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the invention applied to the umbrella staff near the opposite end thereof. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal sectional view of the invention as applied, the section being drawn through the side opening in the ferrule. Fig. 4 is a cross section of the invention as applied. Fig. 5 is a detail view of the ferrule plate bent into cylindrical form.

As shown the invention is designed for application to the staff of an umbrella and comprises what, for convenience of reference, I term a name plate A, a cover plate B, a ferrule C and a yielding lining D. The name plate A may be a strip of card-board or other suitable flexible material on which the name may be inscribed by pen, pencil, printing or otherwise and the inscription is usually applied to this name plate by writing in water-proof ink. The name plate is adapted to be bent into circular form in applying the same. The cover plate B is transparent and preferably water-proof and may be a thin sheet of celluloid, mica or other flexible transparent material. The purpose of this cover plate is to protect the name plate without excluding from view the inscription thereon. The ferrule C may be of any suitable thin metal artistically colored or plated or lacquered or otherwise finished or ornamented as may be desired. This ferrule is fashioned into the form shown in Fig. 5 and has a sight opening C' to expose the inscription on the plate A and the walls of the opening C' may be beaded at C² as shown in Figs. 3 and 4 of

the drawing. This ferrule when ready for use is in cylindrical form and incloses the other parts, as will be more fully described hereinafter. The lining D is preferably a short length of rubber tube and the tubes D may be provided in different thicknesses with the same outer circumference to meet the slight differences in the diameter of the umbrella staffs. This tube D is split longitudinally so it may be slipped on the staff E and the purpose of the lining is to prevent the attachment from sliding on the staff and also to hold the different parts of the device more firmly in position when applied, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2. The reverse side of the name plate A may be gummed to facilitate the pasting of same upon the yielding lining or it may be pasted in any other manner in applying the device for use.

In applying the improvement to the umbrella staff, the yielding lining D is slipped around the staff and the name plate is pasted on the said lining, the celluloid cover plate placed upon the name plate and the ferrule opened and snapped over the said parts and around the staff, said ferrule being usually of sufficient diameter to slightly overlap at its free edges. Then the ends of the ferrule are subjected to the action of specially constructed pliers which will indent the ferrule at F forming inwardly projecting sharp pointed spurs which will press the celluloid cover plate and the name plate inwardly into the yielding lining and will prevent any displacement of the said name plate and cover plate. At the same time, the pliers will press the ferrule inwardly forming an annular groove at G between the spurs F, and the ends of the ferrule will be beaded inwardly at H in such manner as to prevent water from passing into the ferrule should it happen to run down the staff. This ingress of water, it will be understood, will be prevented by the annular grooving or beading of the ferrule into the yielding rubber lining, such construction forming an effectual water seal.

The improvement may be applied to the staff close to the handle, as shown in Fig. 1, or may be otherwise placed as will be understood from Fig. 2, in which it is shown attached to the staff inside the umbrella frame and above the stop peg. Manifestly the invention may be quickly attached and cannot

be easily removed without the aid of some suitable appliances.

It will be noticed that my improvement can be applied to any part of the staff of the umbrella or cane, not requiring any special construction of said parts to permit its application, and in practice it is proposed to supply the improved devices to the dealers in umbrellas with a pair of special pliers for their application and the devices can be applied by the dealers, it not being necessary for the purchasers or users of the umbrellas to be supplied with the special pliers.

In use the improvement will render the identification of umbrellas easy and certain, will make it easy to trace an umbrella in case it is lost or mislaid, will prevent any useless discussion as to the ownership of an umbrella wrongfully taken, and will avoid the unsightly marking of umbrellas by the cutting of initials and otherwise as is now sometimes practiced.

The yielding lining is the important feature of the invention and contributes largely toward providing a superior device readily

applied and efficient and durable when in place.

I claim:

1. A device of the class described, comprising a yielding lining in cylindrical form, a name plate adhesively secured thereto, a transparent cover plate over the name plate and bent therewith into cylindrical form and a ferrule bent over the name and cover plates and the lining and having a sight opening exposing portions of the name and cover plate and having between said sight opening and its ends, indented portions, substantially as set forth.

2. In a device of the character described, a tag, a yielding lining and a ferrule encircling the same and provided with an opening exposing the tag and having near each of its end an annular indented portion pressing into the yielding lining whereby to operate as a water seal, substantially as set forth.

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