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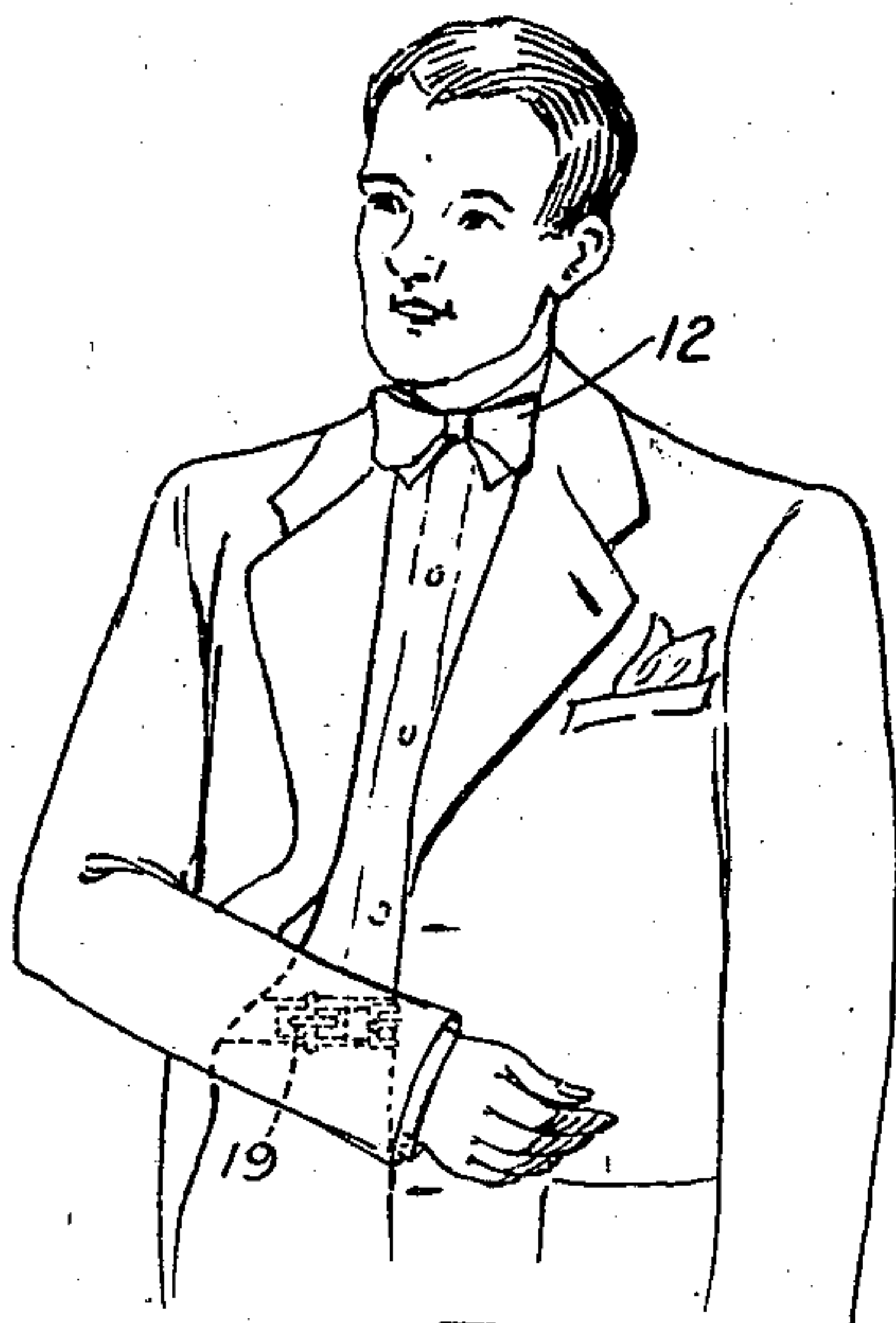


Fig. 1.

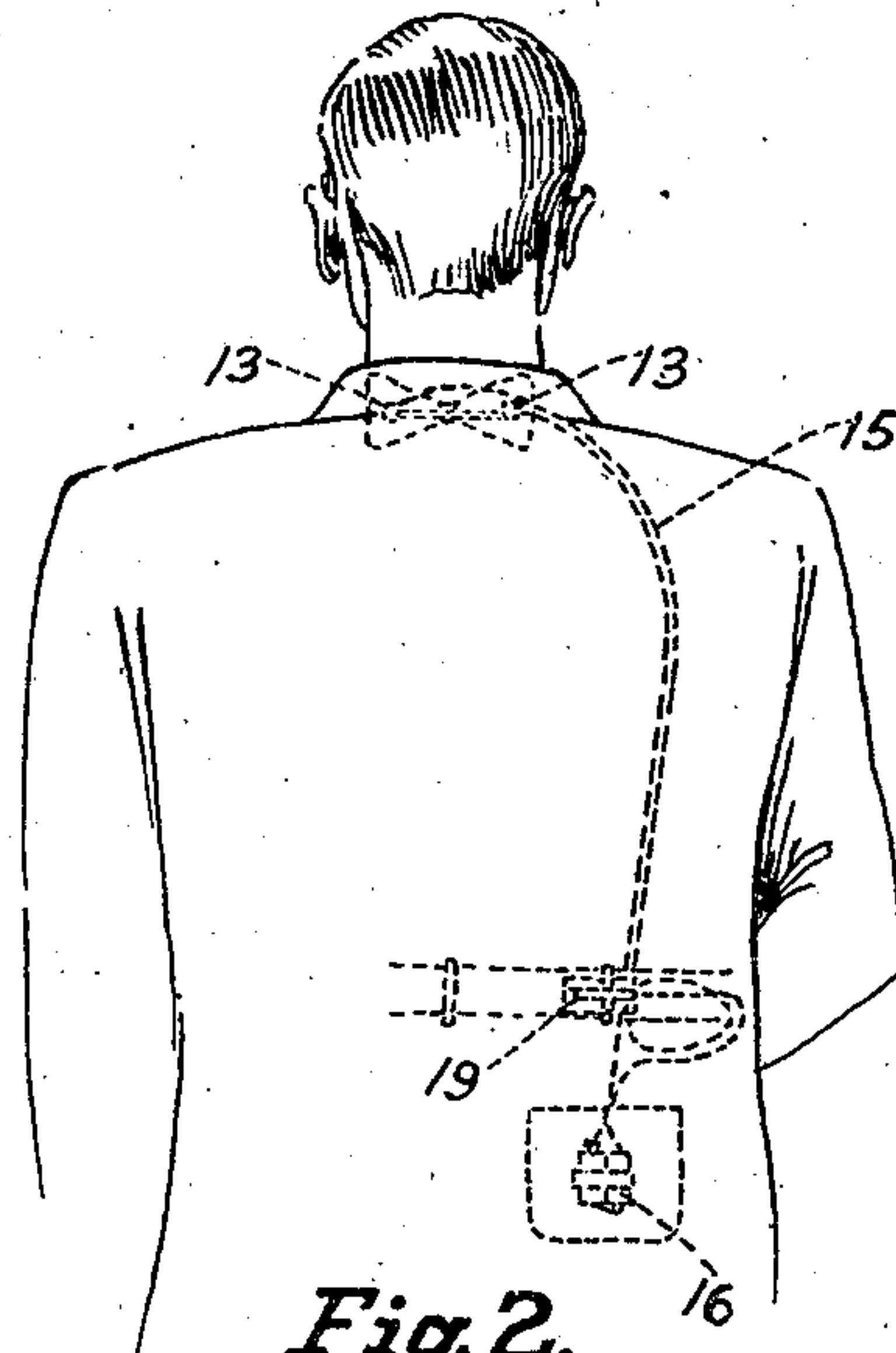


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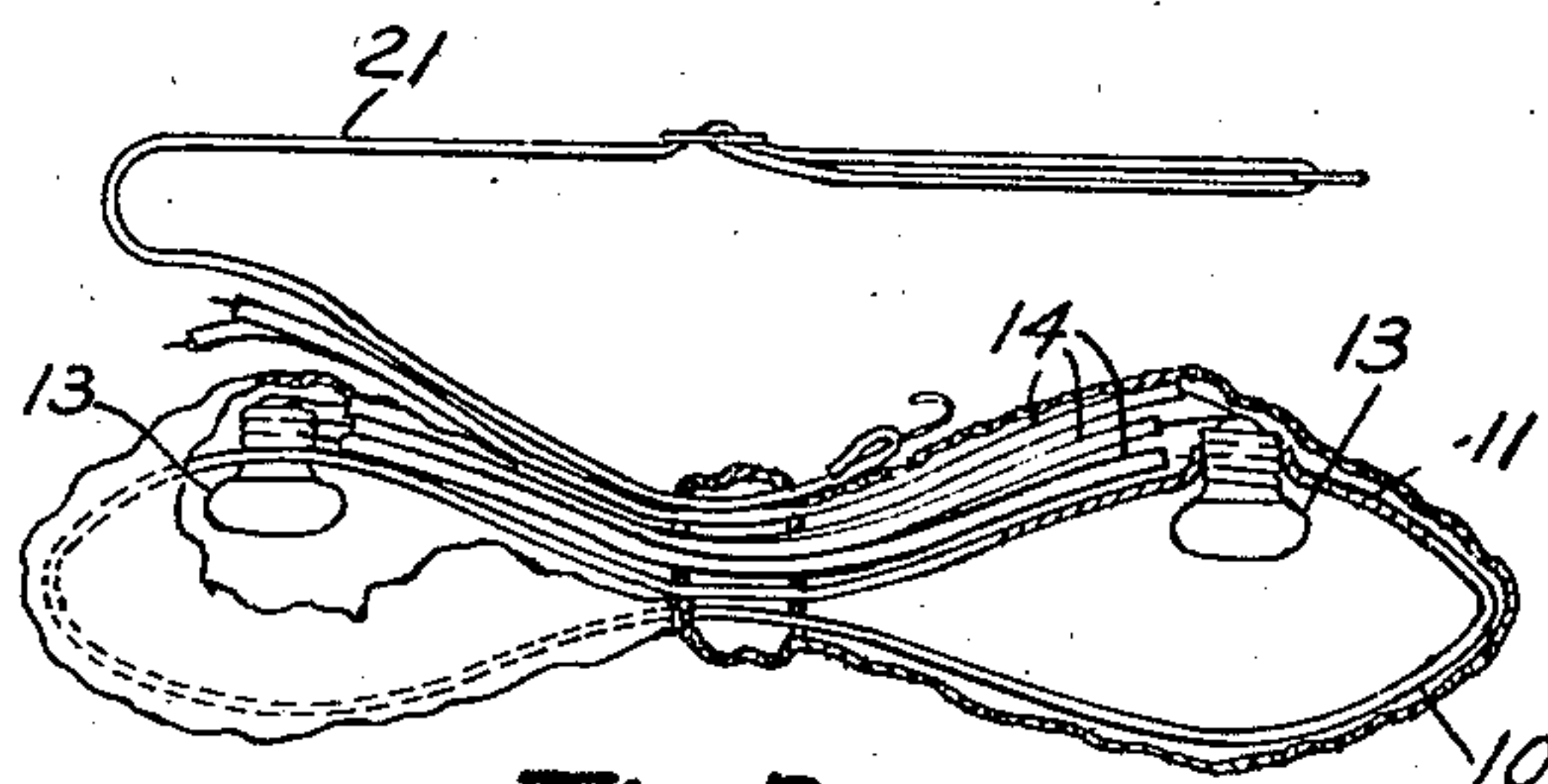


Fig. 3.

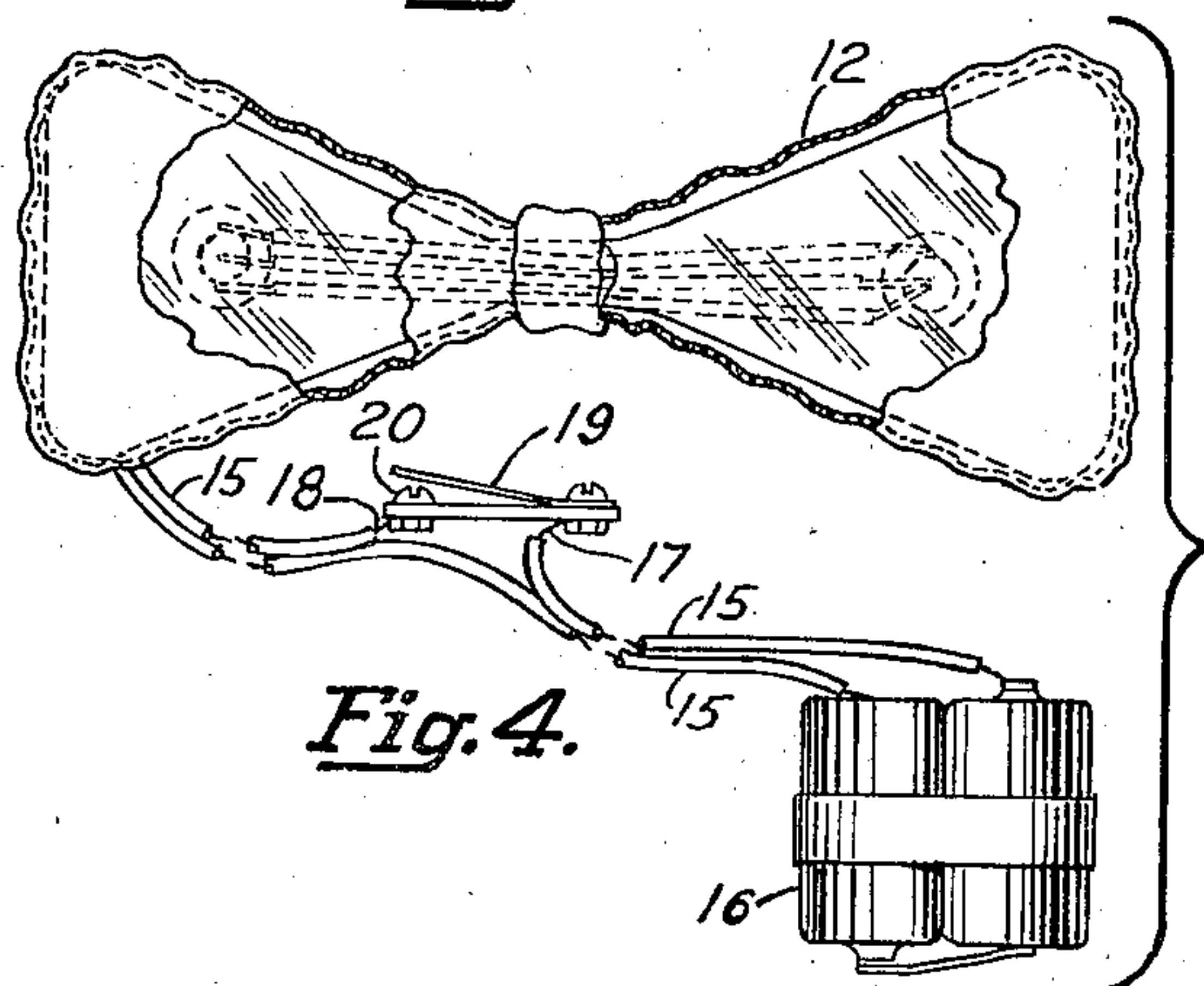


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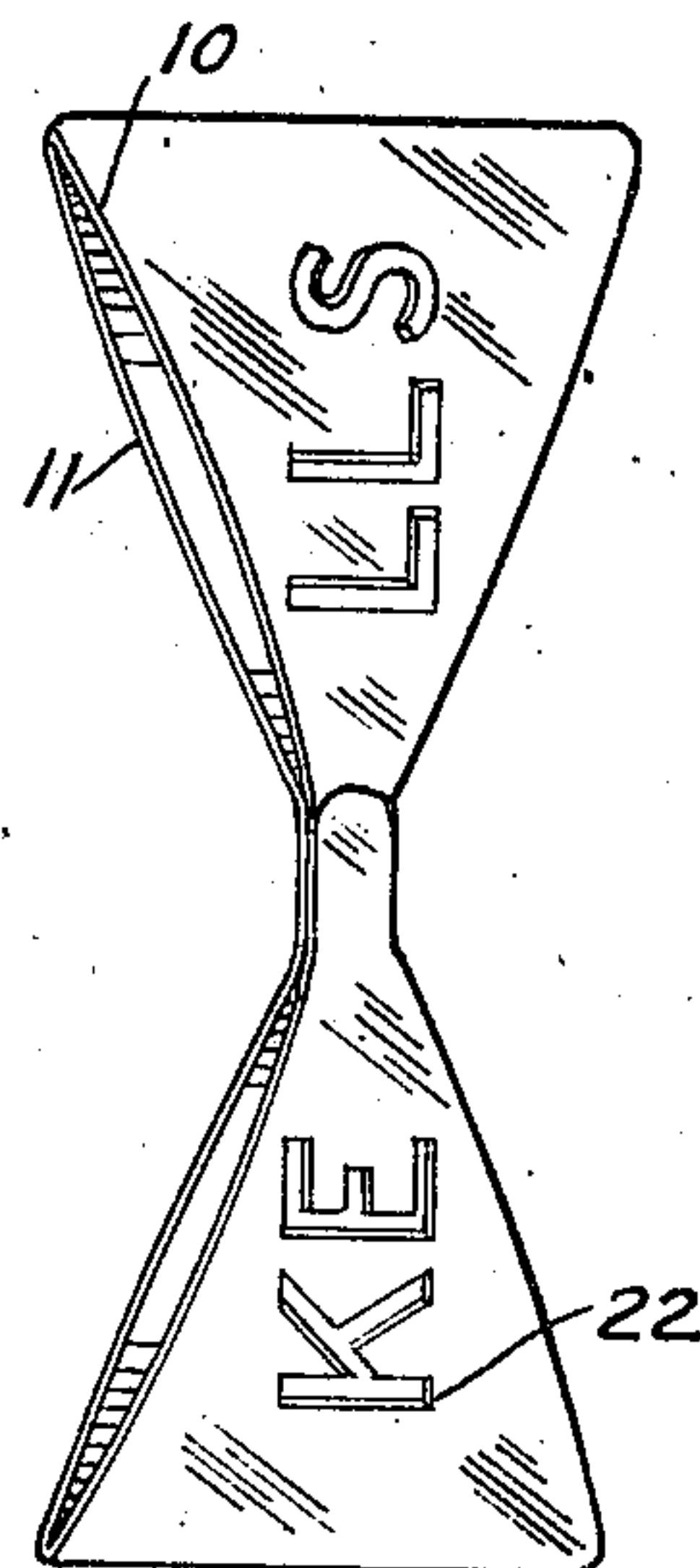


Fig. 5.

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The present invention relates to an electric lighting novelty of the character suitable for use as an article of wearing apparel, and operable by a switch or press button concealed under the clothing so that the lights may be turned on and off as desired.

It is an object of this invention to provide an article of this class comprising a bow tie structure adapted to be worn in a conventional manner and provided with concealed lighting means which serve to illuminate the wings of the tie.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will hereinafter appear.

The accompanying drawings illustrate certain embodiments of the invention which will now be described, it being understood that the embodiments illustrated are susceptible of changes in respect of certain structural details thereof without departing from the scope of the claims hereto appended.

In the drawings:

Figs. 1 and 2 are each pictorial views illustrating a person attired in a manner to utilize the present invention.

Fig. 3 is an enlarged top view of the device forming the subject of this invention, with parts in section to illustrate details of assembly and construction.

Fig. 4 is an enlarged front view thereof with parts broken away.

Fig. 5 is an enlarged detail view of the body member provided with a front panel of modified design.

As illustrated in the drawing the present device includes a hollow body of Celluloid or other suitable light transmitting material having a front panel 10 and a rear panel 11. These panels are formed in such a manner as to flare in width from the center portion thereof toward the opposite ends conforming to the plan and contour of the knot and wings or loops of a conventional bow tie. Any suitable covering of fabric 12 or the like is closely fitted over the panels 10 and 11 so as to conceal the same.

Reference number 13 designates an electric lamp or bulb such as commonly used in flashlight or portable lanterns. As shown in Fig. 3, lamps 13 are preferably mounted in the rear panel 11 at two locations equally spaced from the center, with the filament portion of each lamp occupying the space between said panels 10 and 11 and the terminal portion of each lamp projecting from the rear surface of the rear panel. Insulated electrical conductors in the form of wires 14 connecting the terminal

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portions of said lamps 13, and wires 15 of sufficient length to reach around the body of a wearer provide means for furnishing current to said lamps from a suitable source, such as a portable battery 16. In order to open and close the electrical circuit to the lamps 13, as desired, one of the wires 15 is severed to provide spaced ends 17 and 18 which are attached to a switch provided with a spring contact 19 which is movable toward and away from a stationary contact 20.

An adjustable neck-band 21 of elastic material is fastened in any suitable manner to the center of the rear panel 11 or the overlying portion of the fabric covering, so that the device of this invention may be worn around the collar in the manner of the usual bow tie.

If desired, the front panel 10 may be cut away to form letters 22 or other suitable indicia which add to the display qualities of the illuminated article.

What is claimed is:

1. An electric light novelty comprising a hollow body of light transmitting quality said body having front and rear panels of uniform size which flare from the center towards opposite ends in conformity with the plan and contour of the knot and wings of a bow tie, a fabric covering fitted over said body, a lamp mounted on the rear panel and positioned in the space between said front and rear panels, a portable battery, current conducting means connecting said battery and said lamp, and collar attaching means secured to said hollow body.

2. In an electric light novelty as defined in claim 1, characters formed on the front panel adapted to provide an image for projection through said fabric covering when the lamp is in circuit-closed relation to said battery.

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