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(54) **HANDLE**

Undated Harden catalog ad showing a lever handle.

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The ornamental design for a handle, as shown and described.

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DESCRIPTION

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FIG. 1 is a left, top, front perspective view of a handle embodying my new design;

FIG. 2 is a left side elevational view thereof, the right elevational view being a mirror image of the left side shown;

FIG. 3 is a front elevational view thereof;

FIG. 4 is a rear elevational view thereof;

FIG. 5 is a top plan view thereof; and,

FIG. 6 is a fragmentary bottom plan view thereof.

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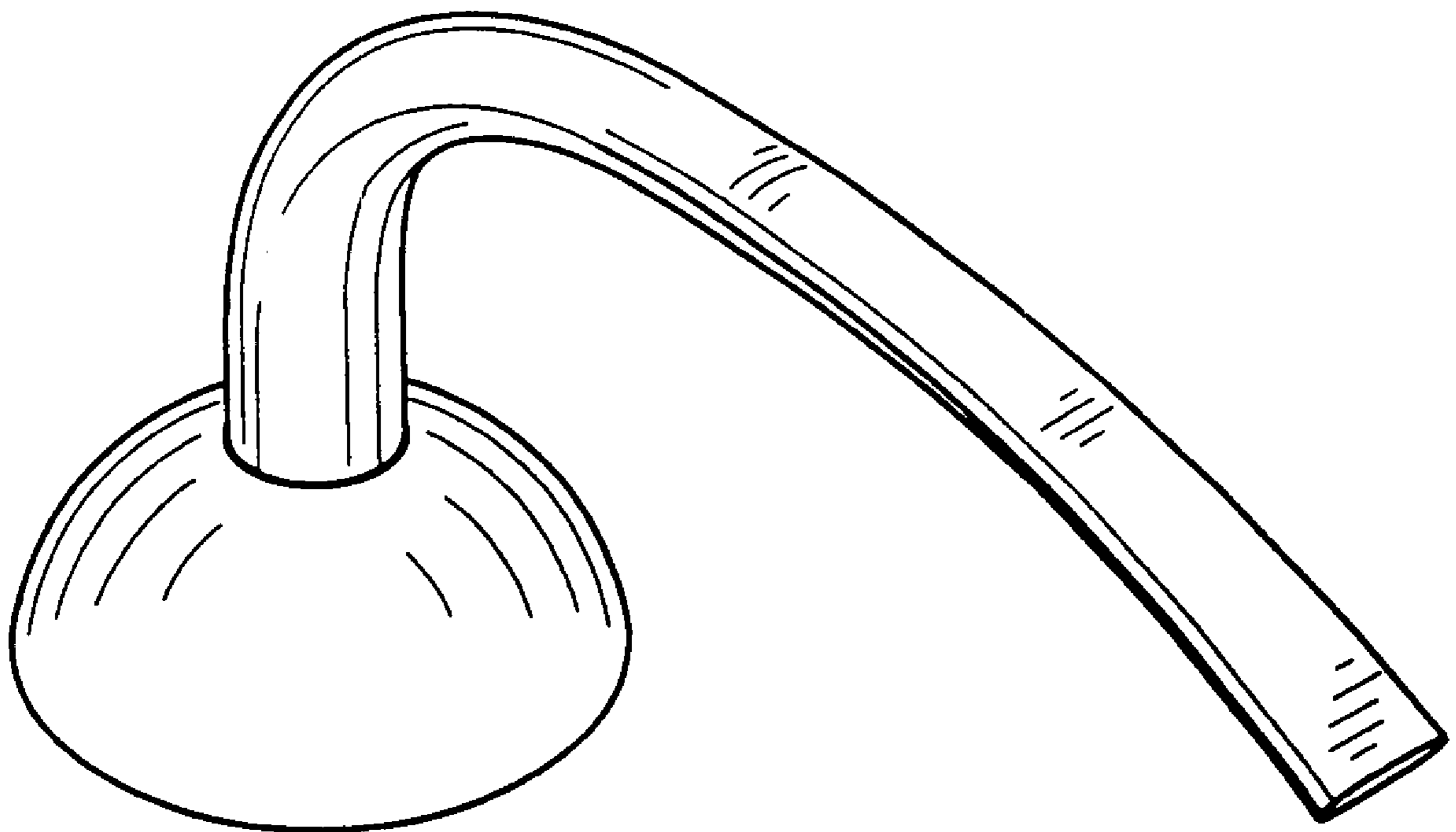
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In a preferred embodiment, the nature of this product is as a handle for controlling a valve assembly for directing water to a spout.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

1988 Kohler catalog ad showing various lever handles.
Undated Kohler catalog ad, p. 2.40, showing “Cabriole” faucet.

1 Claim, 2 Drawing Sheets



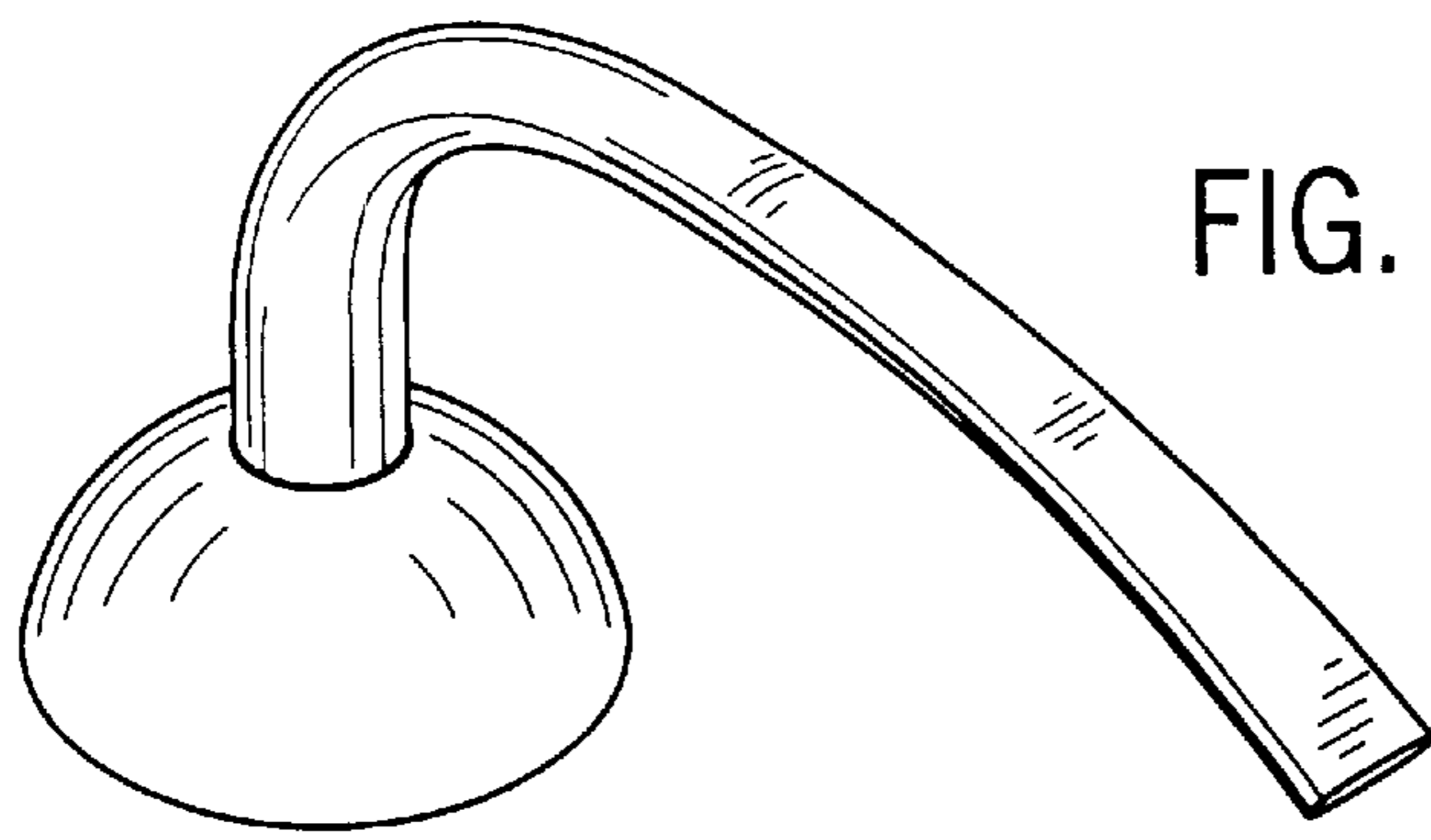


FIG. 1

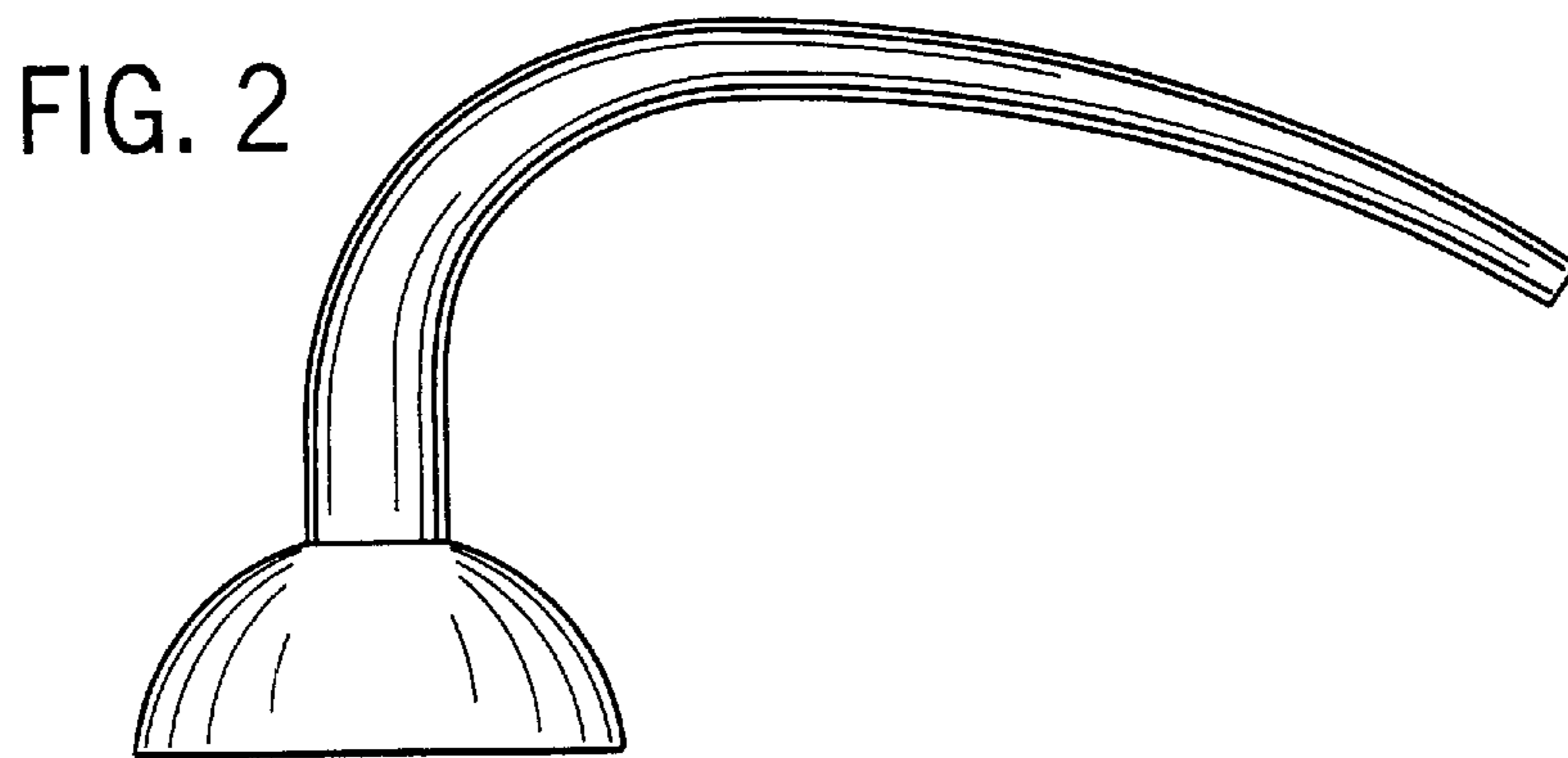


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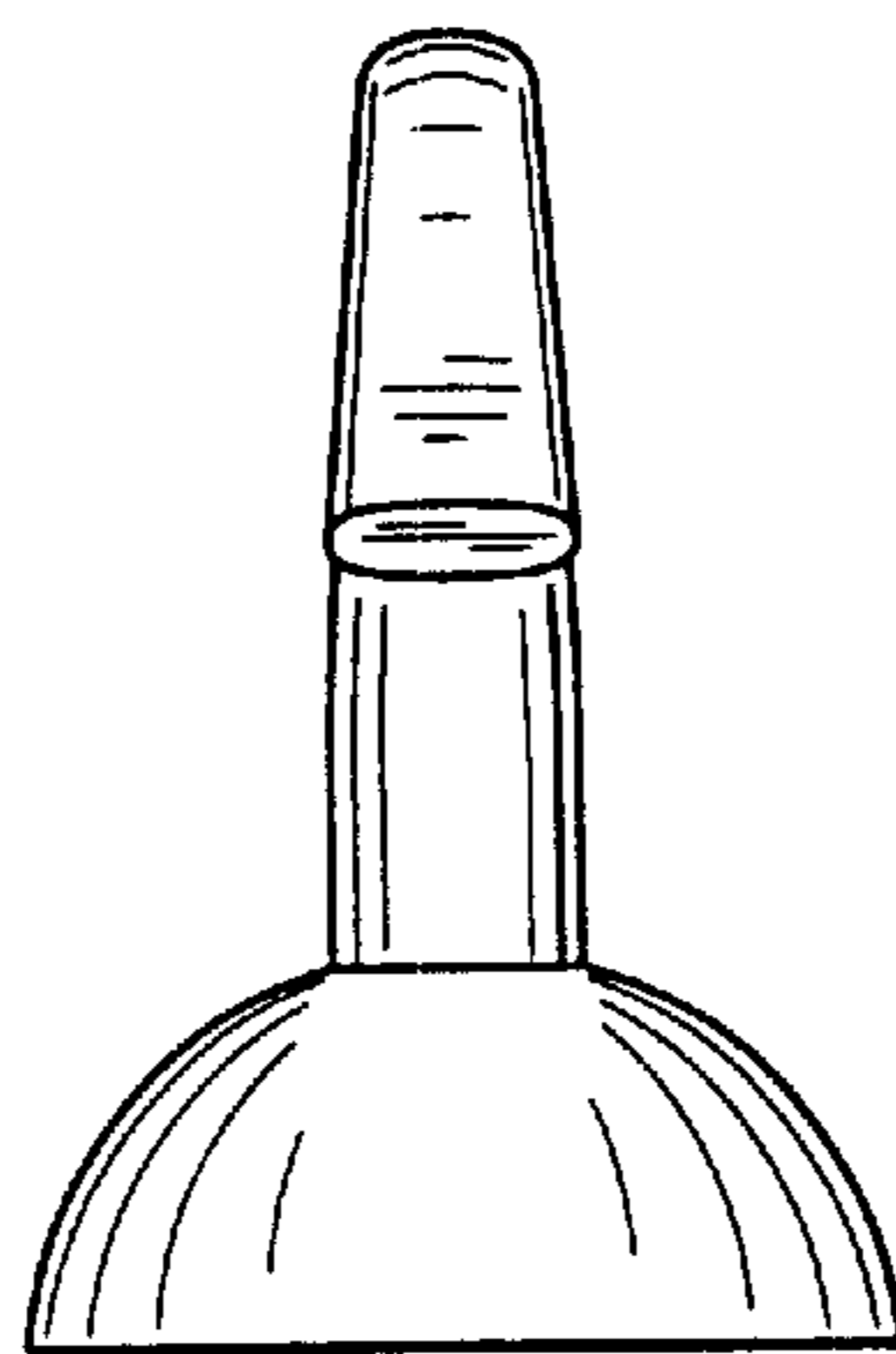


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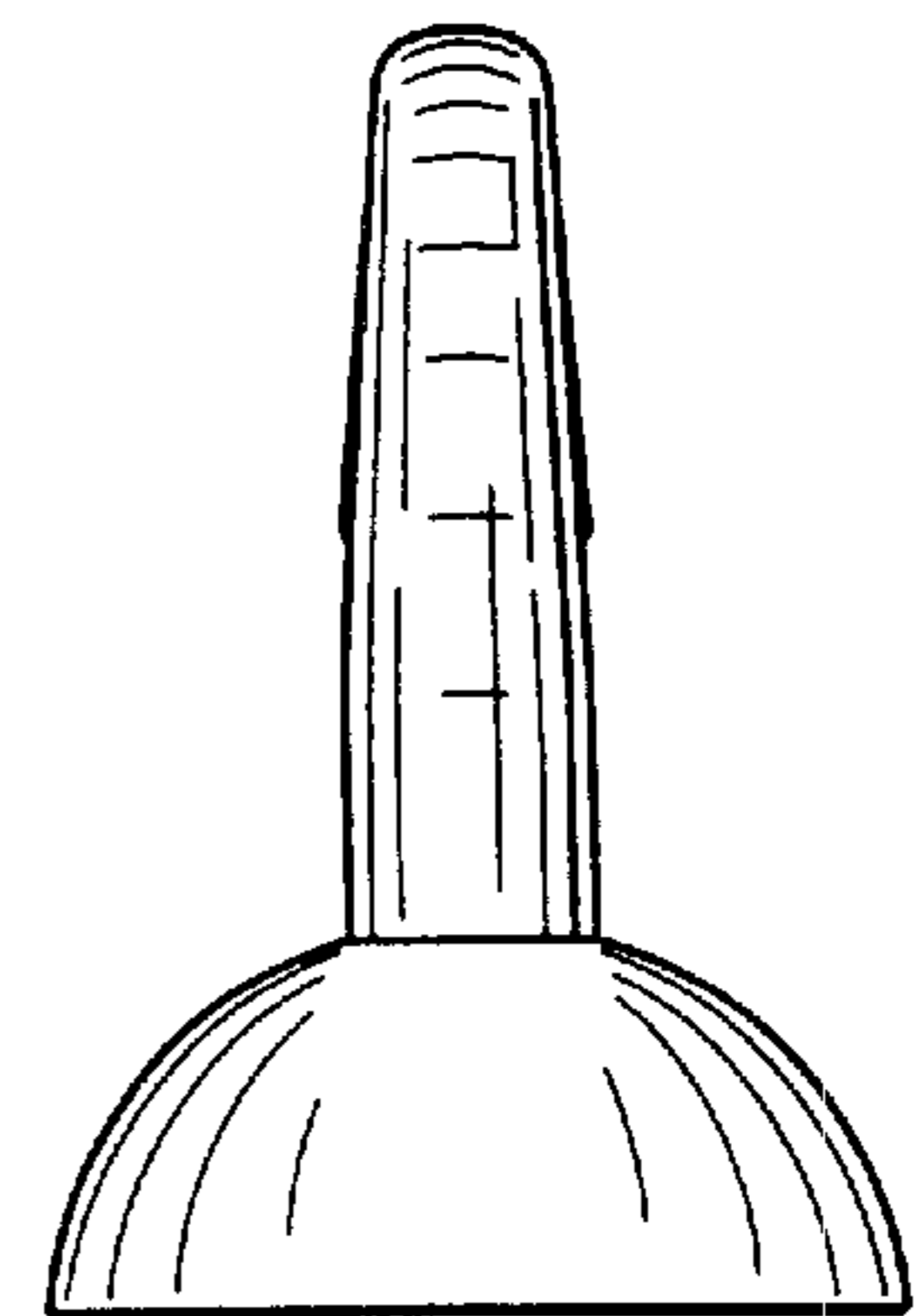


FIG. 4

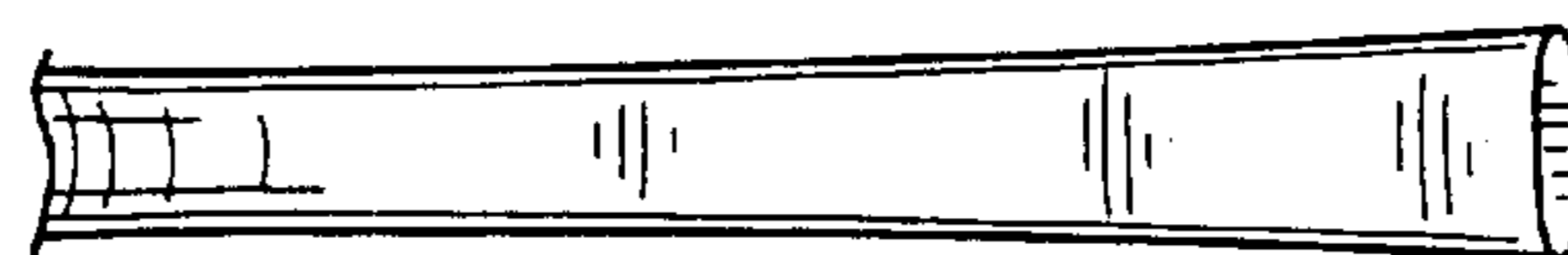


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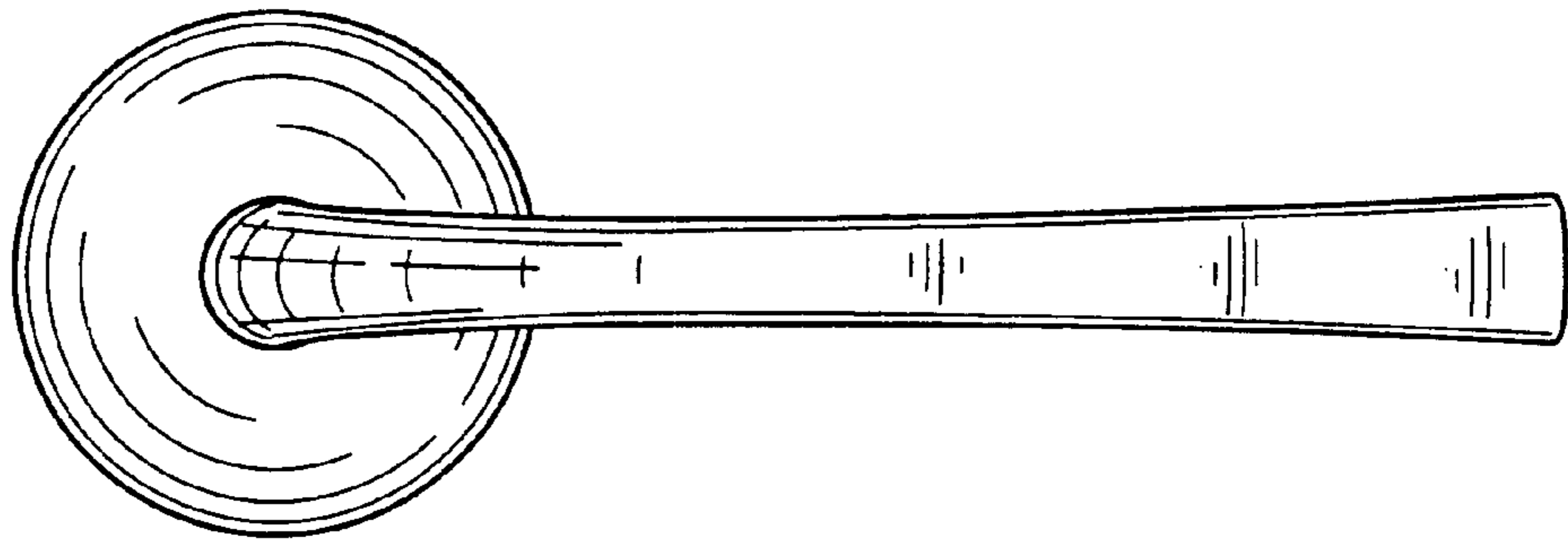


FIG. 5