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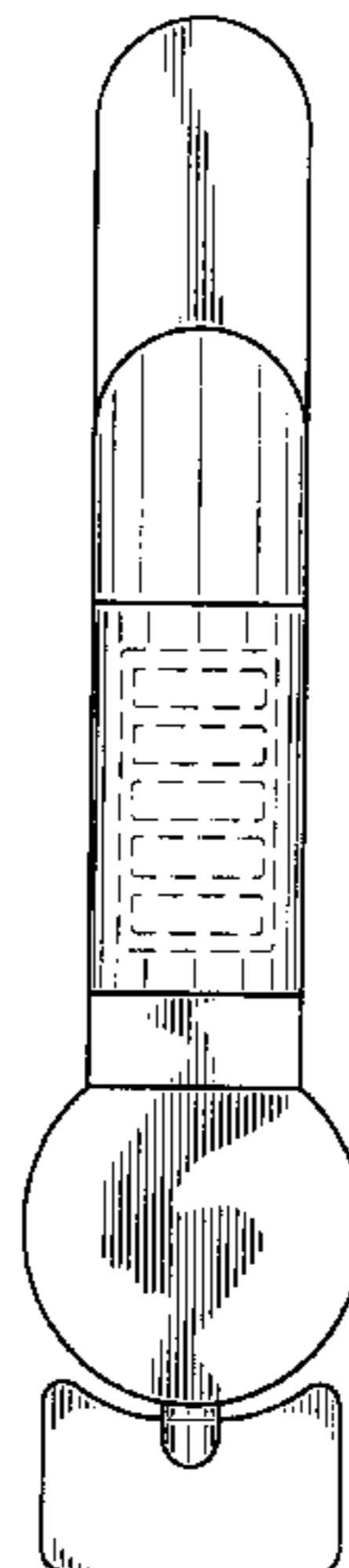
(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a dispensing container, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 illustrates a top view of an embodiment of the present dispensing container;
FIG. 2 shows a side view thereof;
FIG. 3 shows an end view thereof;
FIG. 4 shows a perspective view thereof; and,
FIG. 5 shows a perspective view showing the dispensing container after breaking the seal and removing the tab.

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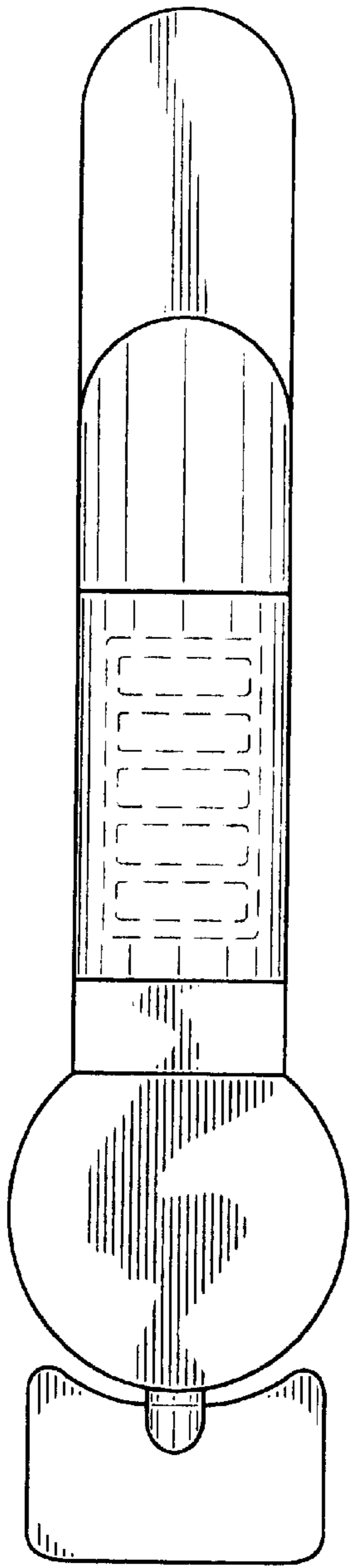


Fig. 1

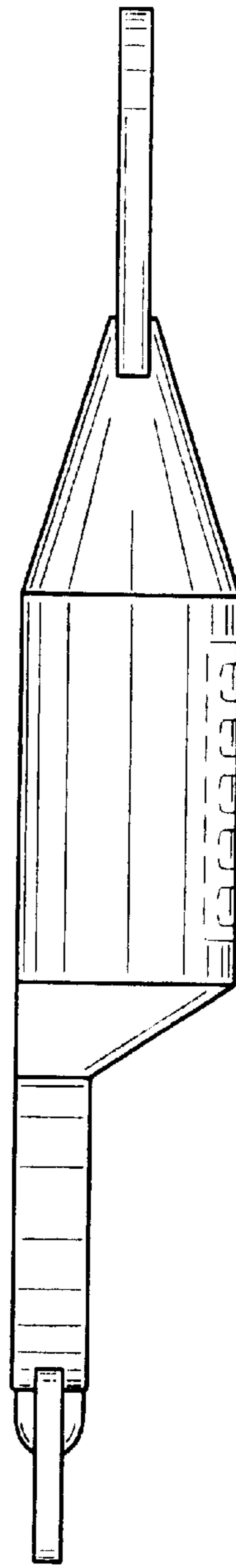


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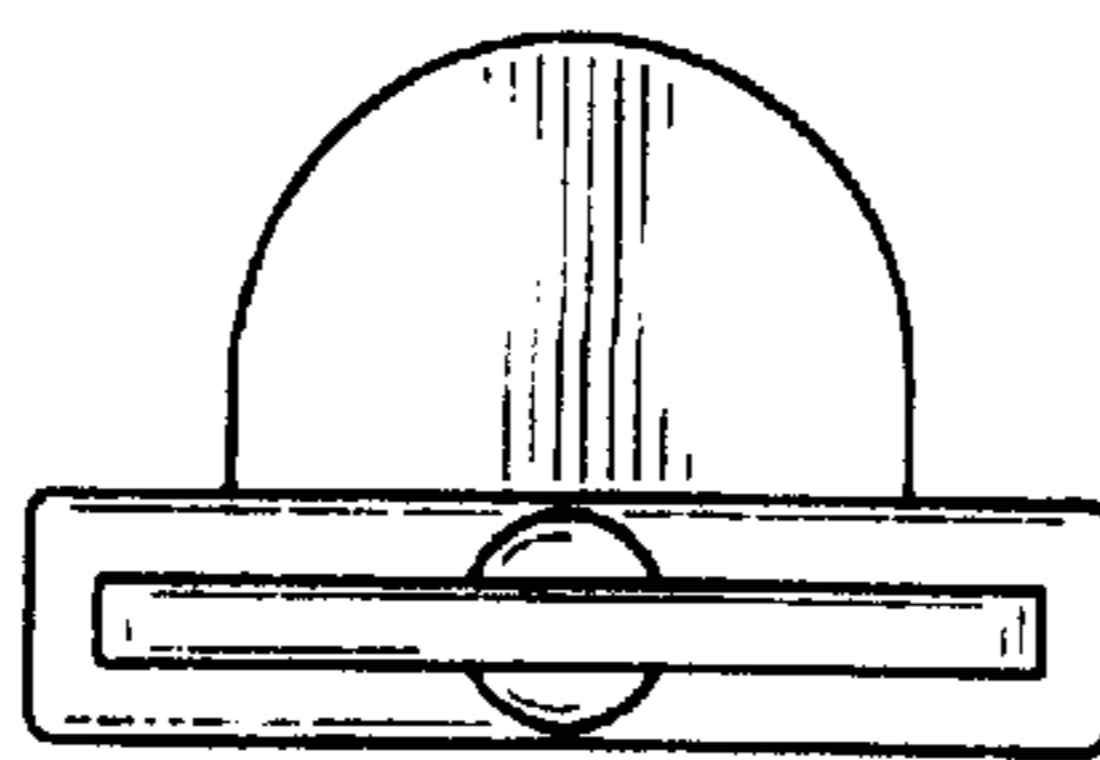


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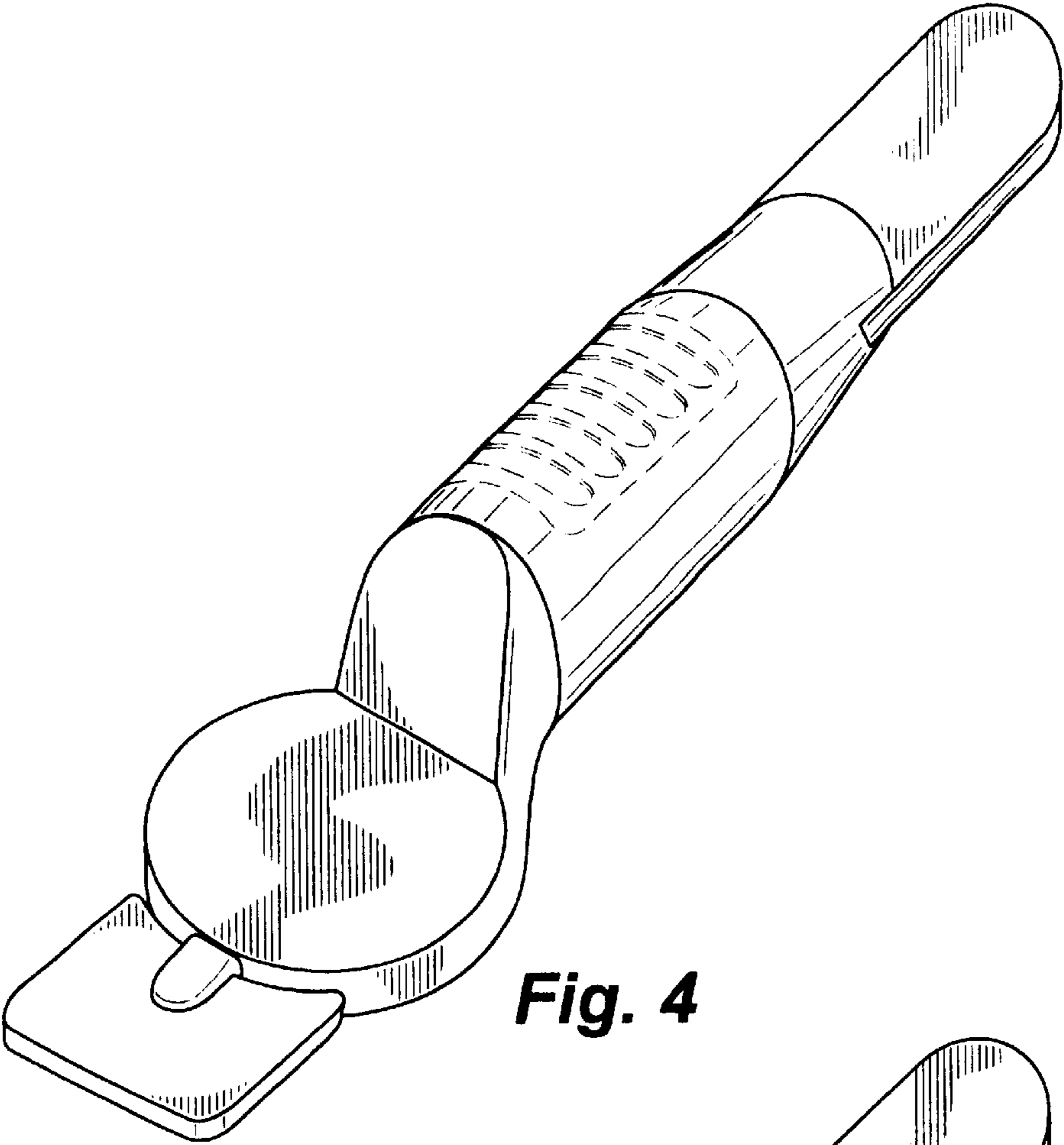


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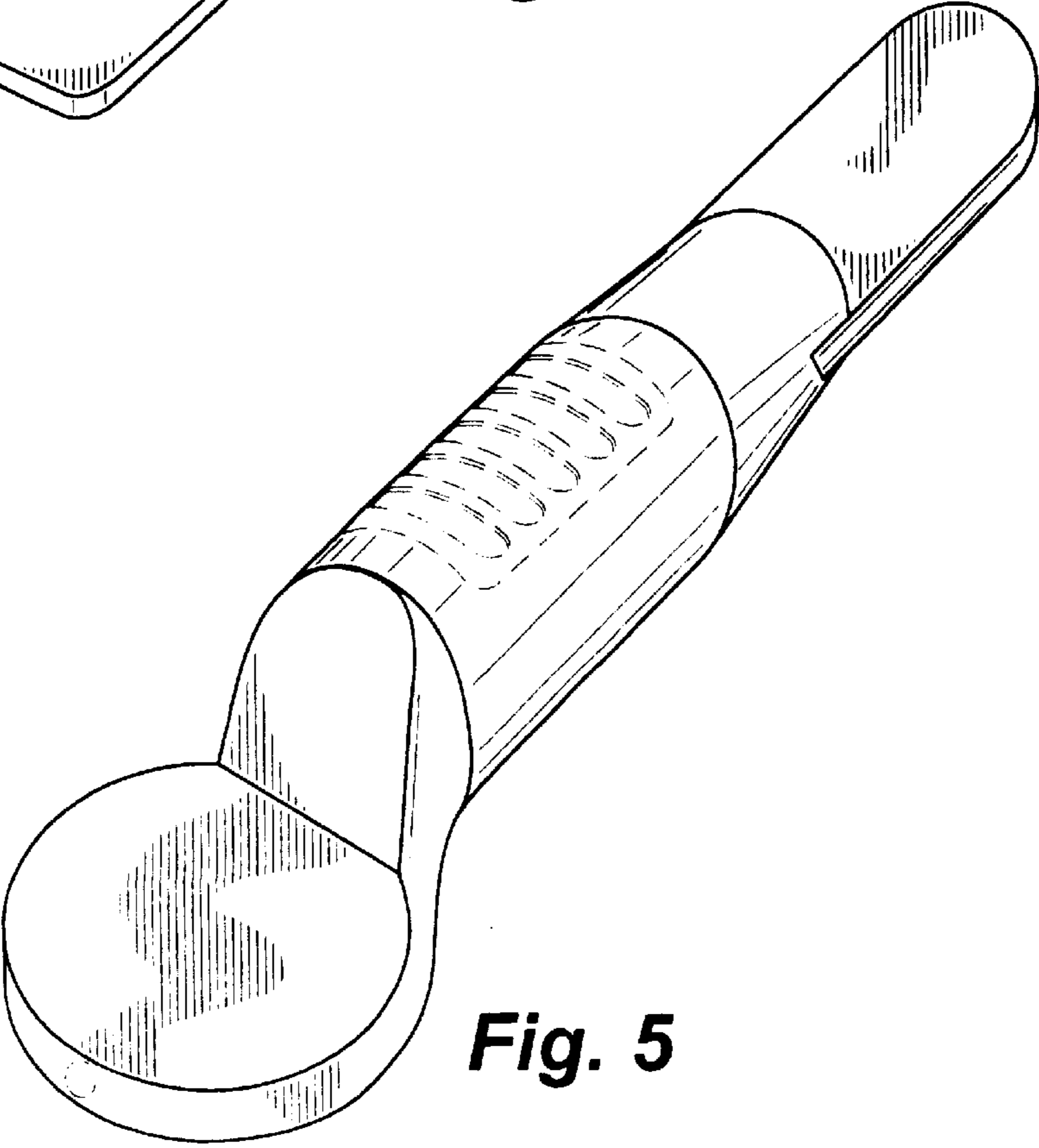


Fig. 5

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On the title page, item [56]
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