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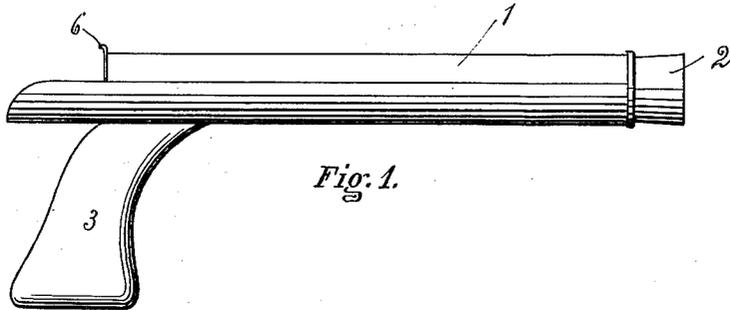


Fig. 1.

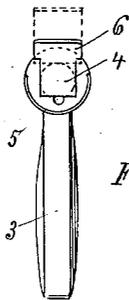


Fig. 3.

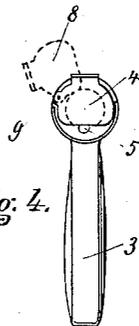


Fig. 4.

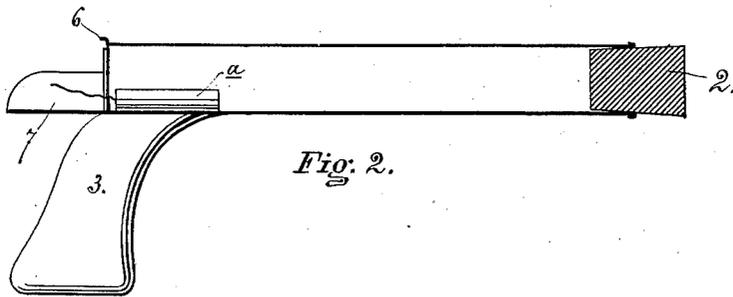


Fig. 2.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, THOMAS C. MURRAY, of Herkimer, in the county of Herkimer and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Toy Fire-Cracker Pistols; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to a toy, and more particularly to a gun or pistol for shooting fire-crackers.

In the drawings which accompany and form a part of this specification, and in which similar letters and figures of reference refer to like parts in the several figures, Figure 1 shows a side elevation of my toy. Fig. 2 shows a longitudinal vertical section of the barrel of the same. Fig. 3 is a rear end or breech view; and Fig. 4 is the same as Fig. 3, showing a modified form of construction.

Referring more specifically to the reference-numerals marked on the drawings, 1 indicates the barrel of the gun, which is preferably of much larger diameter than the fire-crackers to be used in it, and is provided with a cork or stopper 2 for closing the muzzle end of the gun.

3 is the handle. The breech of the gun is provided with an opening 4, (shown in the dotted lines in Figs. 3 and 4), and preferably smaller in diameter than the barrel of the gun and having cut in its lower side a U-shaped opening 5. For closing the opening 4 is provided, as shown in Fig. 3, a slide 6,

which slides behind suitable flanges or lugs, 40 to retain it in place. At the rear of the gun is provided a scoop-shaped shelf 7.

In the modified form of construction shown in Fig. 4 I provide in lieu of slide 6 (shown in Fig. 3) a pivoted plate 8, pivoted at 9, and adapted to swing from the position shown in full lines in Fig. 4, in which it closes opening 4, to that shown in dotted lines in the same figure. The swinging end of this plate may swing behind flange or lug in its closed position, to make it substantial to resist the explosions.

The device is used as follows: A fire-cracker *a* is inserted through the breech of the gun into the position shown in Fig. 2, and the slide or plate for closing the breech is closed. The fuse of the fire-cracker extends out through opening 5 onto the scoop-shaped projection 7, and the cork 2 being in the muzzle of the gun, the fuse of the fire-cracker can be lighted, and when the explosion takes place the cork is thrown and a loud report is made.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The herein-described toy pistol, having a handle and a barrel with a breech-opening and a fuse-opening at the bottom of the breech-opening, a slide or plate for closing the breech-opening, and a scoop-shaped shelf for the fuse at the breech, substantially as set forth.

In witness whereof I have affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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