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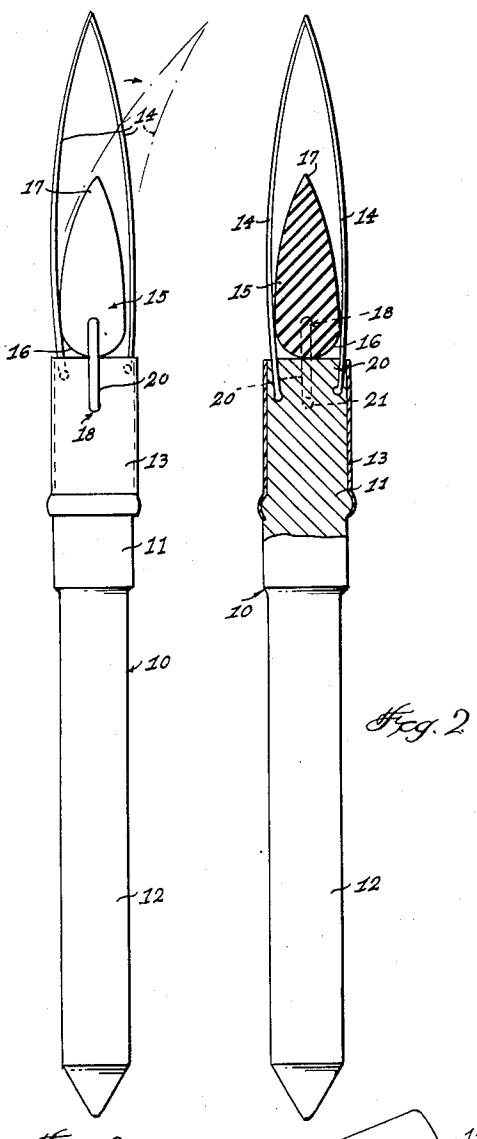


Fig. 3

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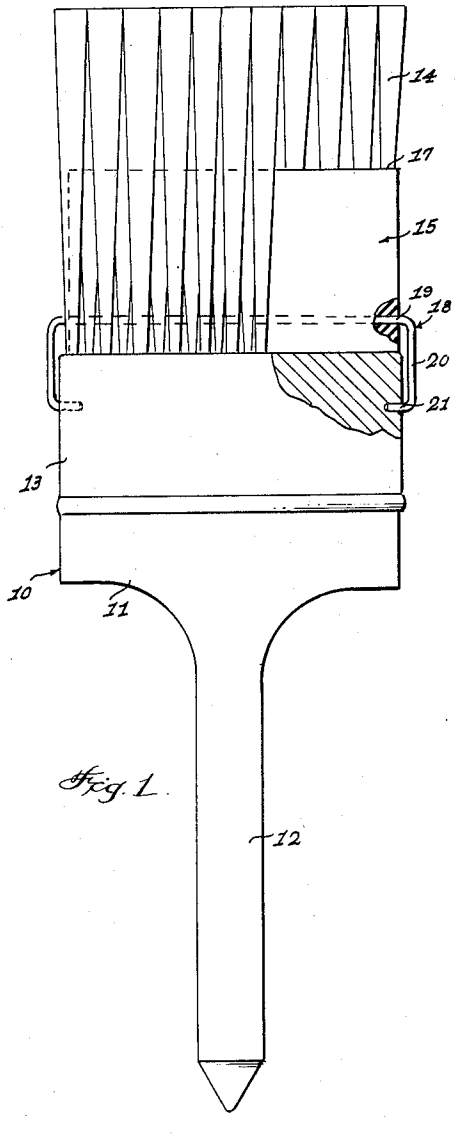


Fig. 1

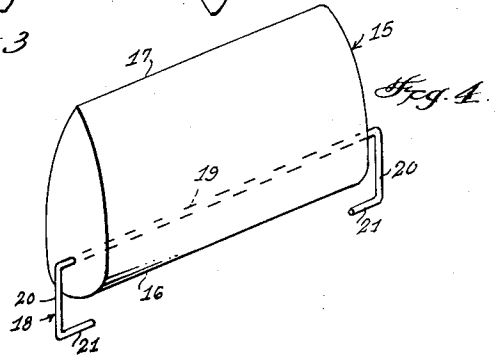


Fig. 4

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This invention relates to a paint brush.

The object of the invention is to provide a paint brush which includes a novel attachment so that dripping of paint will be minimized or eliminated.

Another object of the invention is to provide a paint brush which includes an attachment that is especially suitable for use in preventing paint from dripping as for example when overhead surfaces or members are being painted, and wherein the attachment of the present invention will prevent paint from collecting at the base of the bristles so that dripping will be eliminated.

A further object of the invention is to provide a paint brush which is extremely simple and inexpensive to manufacture.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent during the course of the following description.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this application, and in which like numerals are used to designate like parts throughout the same.

Figure 1 is an elevational view illustrating the present invention, and with parts broken away and in section.

Figure 2 is a view taken at right angles to the view shown in Figure 1 and with parts broken away and in section.

Figure 3 is an end elevational view illustrating the present invention.

Figure 4 is a perspective view illustrating the body member and bracket which make up the attachment of the present invention.

Referring in detail to the drawings, the numeral **10** indicates a paint brush which includes a handle **11**, and the handle **11** includes a hand gripping portion **12**, there being a retaining collar **13** arranged in engagement with the handle **11**.

There is further provided a plurality of bristles **14**, and the numeral **15** indicates a body member which is of substantially elongated rectangular formation and is positioned within the bristles **14**. The body member **15** is adapted to be made of a suitable material such as rubber or plastic, and one end of the body member **15** is rounded as at **16**, the rounded end **16** being arranged contiguous to the handle **11**. The other end portion of the body member **15** is tapered and terminates in a substantially sharp outer edge as indicated by the numeral **17**.

There is further provided a bracket or clamp **18** which is adapted to be used for maintaining the body member **15** connected to the handle **11**, and the clamp **18** includes a first portion **19** which extends longitudinally through the body member **15**. The clamp **18** further includes second portions **20** which are arranged at right angles with respect to the first portion **19**, and the second portions **20** terminate in right angularly arranged third portions **21** which are connected to the handle **11**, as for example as shown in Figure 1.

From the foregoing, it is apparent that there has been provided a paint brush which includes an attachment or

member **15** that is adapted to be arranged contiguous to the handle **11** and positioned within the bristles **14** as shown in the drawings. Due to the provision of the member **15** which is held in place by the clamp **18**, paint will be kept from accumulating at the base of the bristles since the member **15** will occupy space that might otherwise receive or accumulate paint therein, so that dripping of the paint will be prevented, especially when painting overhead surfaces, objects or the like.

The parts can be made of any suitable material and in different shapes or sizes.

As stated previously the member **15** may be made of a suitable rubber-like substance which has the desired amount of flexibility and the member **18** may also be made of slightly flexible material, as for example the member **18** may be made of wire. The member **15** is rounded slightly on the bottom as indicated by the numeral **16** so as to retain the flexibility of the bristles by preventing accumulation of paint in the base of the bristles, which upon drying will tend to stiffen the bristles. Further the rounded end will tend to roll as the paint brush is used and thus the bristles will not be restricted in their movement as shown in dotted lines in Fig. 3, and the member **15** tapers to a substantially sharp outer edge as indicated by the numeral **17**. The member **18** may be formed in the member **15** at the time of molding or fabricating the parts. The purpose of the device **15** is to prevent paint from dripping as for example when overhead objects are being painted since the paint will be prevented from collecting at the base of the bristles. The member **15** may be made in different sizes to fit different sizes of brushes.

Minor changes in shape, size and rearrangement of details coming within the field of invention claimed may be resorted to in actual practice, if desired.

I claim:

1. In a paint brush, a handle, a plurality of bristles extending from said handle, and a body member positioned within said bristles and arranged contiguous to said handle, said body member including a rounded end portion which is arranged contiguous to the handle, the other end portion of the body member being tapered to a substantially sharp outer edge and a clamp for maintaining the body member pivotally connected to the handle.

2. In a paint brush, a handle, a plurality of bristles extending from said handle, a body member of flexible material positioned within said bristles and arranged contiguous to said handle, said body member being of substantially elongated rectangular formation and including a rounded end portion which is arranged contiguous to the handle so that the bristles can retain their flexibility, the other end portion of the body member being tapered to a substantially sharp outer edge, a clamp for maintaining the body member connected to the handle, said clamp including a first portion extending longitudinally through the body member, second portions arranged at right angles with respect to said first portion, and third portions arranged at right angles to said second portions and connected to said handle for pivotally connecting said body member to said handle.

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