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Fig. 1.

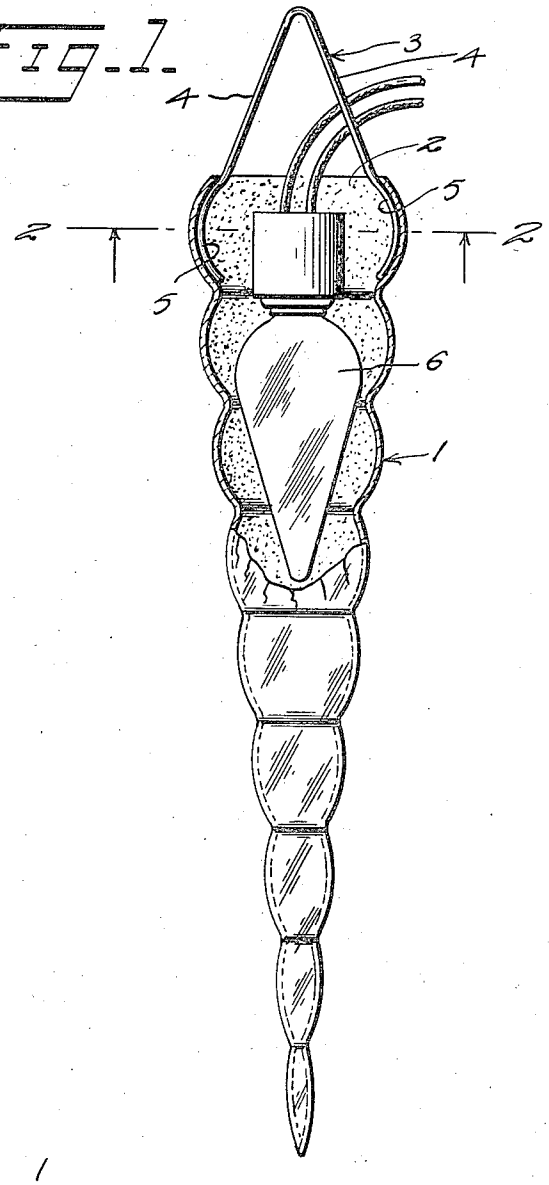
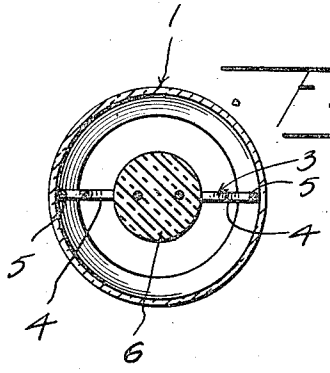


Fig. 2.



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This invention relates to improvements in hanging ornaments and pertains particularly to an ornamental design for application to Christmas trees or similar structures.

The primary object of the present invention is to provide a novel ornament in the form of an icicle which is designed to have an illuminating element disposed therein.

A further object of the invention is to provide an ornamental novelty in the form of an icicle having novel means for suspending the same from a tree or other support.

The invention will be best understood from a consideration of the following detailed description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing forming part of this specification, with the understanding, however, that the invention is not confined to any strict conformity with the showing of the drawing but may be changed or modified so long as such changes or modifications mark no material departure from the salient features of the invention as expressed in the appended claims.

In the drawing:—

Figure 1 is a view partly in elevation and partly in longitudinal section of a device embodying the present invention.

Figure 2 is a sectional view taken on the line 2—2 of Figure 1.

Referring now more particularly to the drawing, the numeral 1 indicates the ornament embodying the present invention, which is designed to simulate an icicle. As shown, the article is relatively long and tapers from one relatively wide end to a point at the opposite end and the wide end is open, as indicated at 2.

The article is preferably formed of glass and the interior surface thereof is treated in a suitable manner to give a frosted appearance to the wall. In the open end of the article is fixed a hanging element which is indicated generally by the numeral 3 and which preferably comprises a length of wire which is bent intermediate its ends to form the two leg portions, each of which is indicated by the numeral 4, which adjacent their free ends are bowed outwardly, as indicated at 5. These outwardly bowed end portions 5 of the hanger are inserted into the enlarged end of the body 1, after forcing the legs together so that upon releasing them, the bowed ends will separate and engage the interior surface of the article in the manner illustrated and support the same through their engagement in the outwardly curved part of the device illustrated.

By forming the artificial icicle in the manner illustrated with the large end open, the insertion of one of the usual ornamental tree lights thereinto in the manner illustrated and indicated by the numeral 6, is readily accomplished so that as the article hangs from a tree or other support, it will be illuminated from the interior and will take on the appearance of an icicle which it is intended to simulate.

What is claimed is:—

1. A Christmas tree ornament, comprising an elongated hollow body of translucent material which is relatively wide at one end and tapered to a point at the other end, said body being open at the wider end, the said body being formed to simulate a plurality of annular concentrically arranged members, the outer surfaces of which are convex, and means at the said larger end of the body for suspending the same.

2. A Christmas tree ornament comprising an elongated hollow body of translucent material open at one end and tapering to a closed point at the other end, the said body having circular constructions throughout its length, and means for suspending the body comprising an inverted V-shaped wire having a portion of each side at the free end thereof bowed outwardly for frictional engagement with the inner surface of the body through the open end.

3. As a Christmas tree ornament, a hollow cornucopia-like-body of translucent material which is closed at its apex and open at its opposite end and which has throughout its length circumferential constrictions.

4. As a Christmas tree ornament, a cornucopia-like-body of translucent material and of constantly increasing taper from its apex to its larger end and having spaced circumferential constrictions through out its length, the areas between the constrictions being outwardly bowed, and the body being open at the said larger end.

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