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end of said hollow tube and said end cap by appropriate manipulation of said actuation means to cause said end cap and hollow tube to assume said second position.

4. An apparatus according to claim 3, wherein:

said end cap has a substantially frustroconical interior surface.

5. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:

said hollow tube is a flexible coil having an outer surface covered with a thin flexible covering.

6. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:

said control member is a flexible member covered with a braided covering to inhibit axial stretching.

