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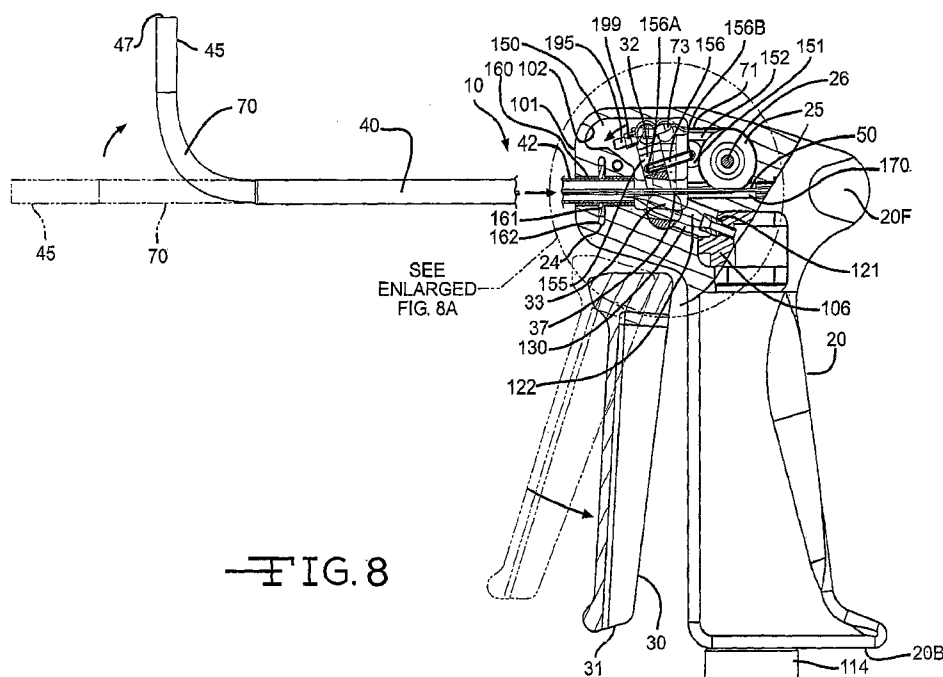


FIG. 8

(57) Abstract: An - endotracheal intubation device having a curvable portion and internal optics or a viewing device which facilitate the insertion of an endotracheal tube into a patient. The curvable portion comprises a portion of the tubular element having one or more sets of slits to provide flexibility. The curvable portion curves in a controlled manner from a fully straight configuration.

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