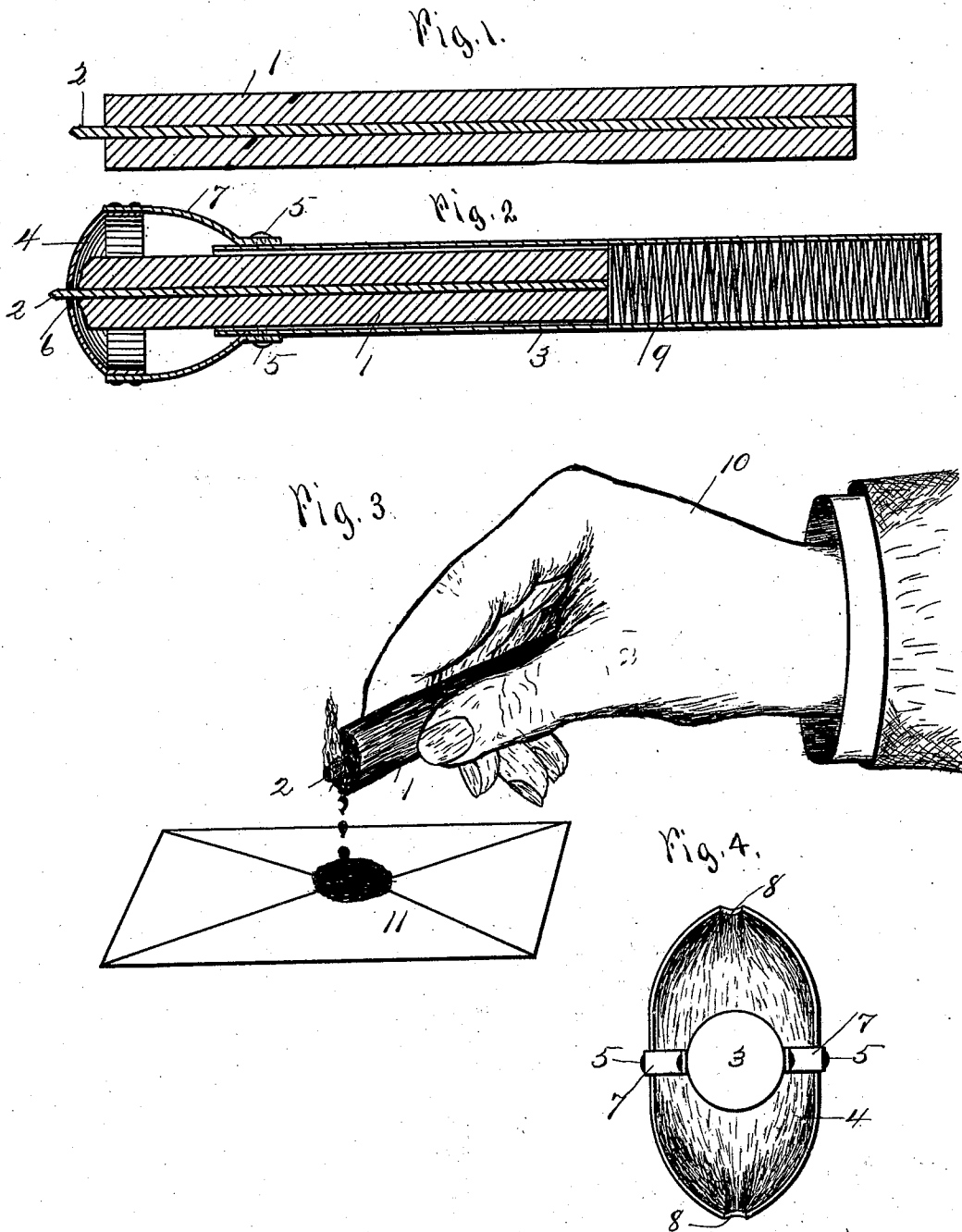


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES M. GARRISON, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Wichita, in the county of Sedgwick and State of Kansas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sealing-Wax, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings and the figures of reference thereon, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a sectional view of my improved sealing-wax, showing a wick in connection therewith. Fig. 2 is a sectional view of the same and a handle for holding the said wax. Fig. 3 is a view of a hand holding said wax, lit, and showing the manner of using the same. Fig. 4 is a bottom plan of the wax-holder.

This invention relates to certain improvements in holders for sealing-wax, which is provided with a wick adapted to be lit for melting wax such as is used for sealing letters and packages; also, stick wax, such as is commonly used for sealing fruit cans and jars.

Referring to the drawings, 1 represents a stick of wax with a wick 2 placed in the center, running lengthwise of said wax stick. 3 represents a handle or case for holding said wax stick.

4 is a cup adapted to catch the wax when melted. Said cup is journaled to said handle 1 at 5, through the medium of the arms 7, so said cup 4 can be swung around sidewise to admit of the wax stick being placed into said holder. 6 represents a small hole in said cup to allow the end of the wick 2 to pass through.

8 represents the cup bent up at either end to form a spout out of which to pour the wax when melted.

9 represents a spiral spring placed in the bottom of said handle 3, adapted to press said wax stick up against the bottom of the cup 4, so the wick 2 will at all times pass through the hole 6.

10 represents a hand holding the wax stick 1 with the wick 2 lit, melting the said wax and sealing the envelop 11.

The wax which is used in sealing cans is used

in the same manner as is shown in Fig. 3, or it can be used with the handle 3 in the following manner: Swing the cup 4 to one side, place said wax stick in said handle, compressing the spring 9 sufficient to allow the cup 4 to swing over the end of said stick of wax, placing the wick 2 in the said hole 6. Light said wick 2, holding the handle so the lighted end of said wick will be at the bottom. The blaze of the wick will heat the cup, thus melting the wax, when it can be poured on the can or package to be sealed. As the wax melts and the wax stick becomes shorter the spring 9 will press said wax stick farther up, always keeping the end against the cup 4. If said wax stick is used without the handle, the wick is lighted and the fire, coming in direct contact with the wax, will melt the same, when it can be held over the package or can to be sealed and the wax will drop on the desired place.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and useful is as follows:

1. In combination with a stick of sealing-wax provided with a wick adapted to be lighted for melting said wax, a handle for holding said wax having the cup for covering the end of said stick of wax having a hole in the center of said cup for the wick to pass through and a spring in said handle for keeping the stick of wax against said cup.

2. In combination with a stick of sealing-wax provided with a wick adapted to be lighted for melting said wax, a handle for holding said wax having the cup for covering the end of said stick of wax, having a hole in the center of said cup for the wick to pass through.

3. In combination with a stick of sealing-wax provided with a wick adapted to be lighted for melting said wax, a handle provided with a cup for catching said wax as melted and a spring in said handle for keeping the stick of wax against said cup.

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