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(54) **Auto-cleaning device for slicing onions and the like vegetables.**

(57) The device comprises cooperating first and second levers (2,3), articulated to one another, and, on the first lever (2) an open seat (6), having a bottom substantially defined by knife members (7).

On the second lever (3) a punch (9) is provided at such a position that it may be inserted into the open seat (6), the punch having a substantially mating shape with respect to the shape of the open seat (6).

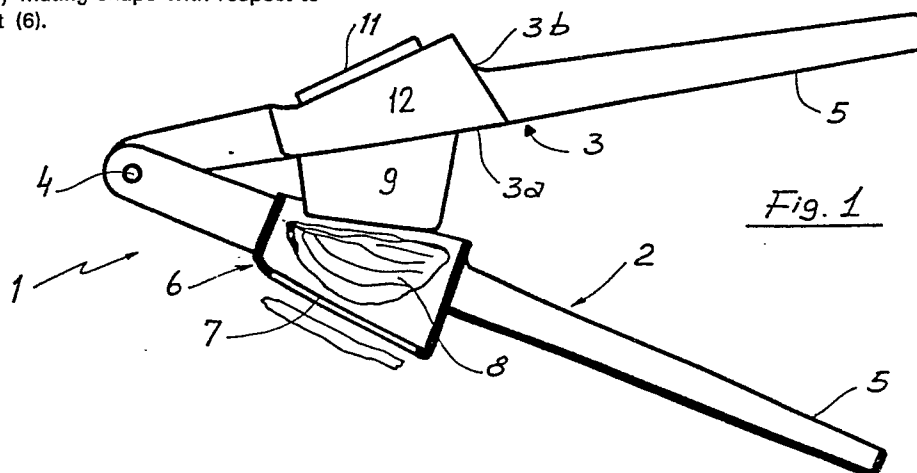


Fig. 1



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