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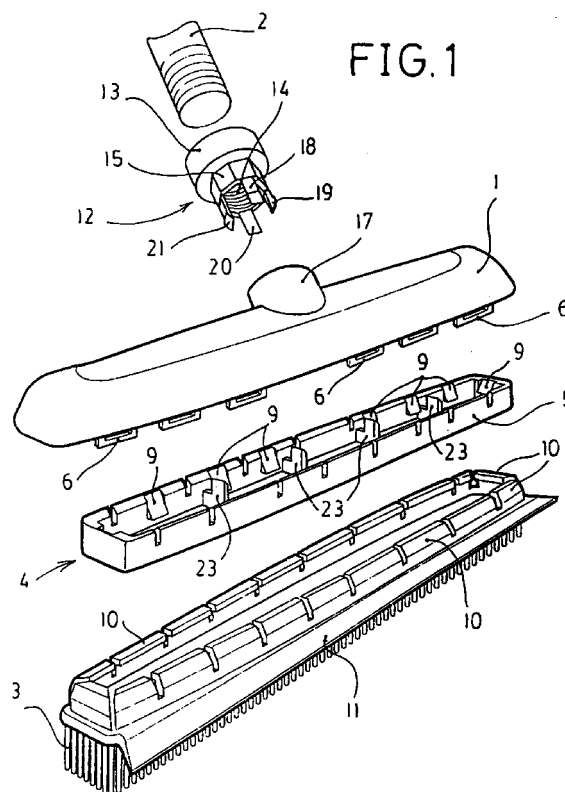
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(54) **Cleaning device**

(57) It comprises a base (1) of rigid material which can be coupled to a handle (2) and which incorporates a brush (3) or similar cleaning element of flexible material which is independent of the base and which includes coupling means (4) between the base and the brush, and is characterized in that the coupling means are constituted by a coupling element (5) which is independent of the base (1) and of the brush (3) respectively.

The assembly and cleaning of the device are simple, and its manufacturing cost is low.



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