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Cape, Muff, &c.

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Fig. 1.

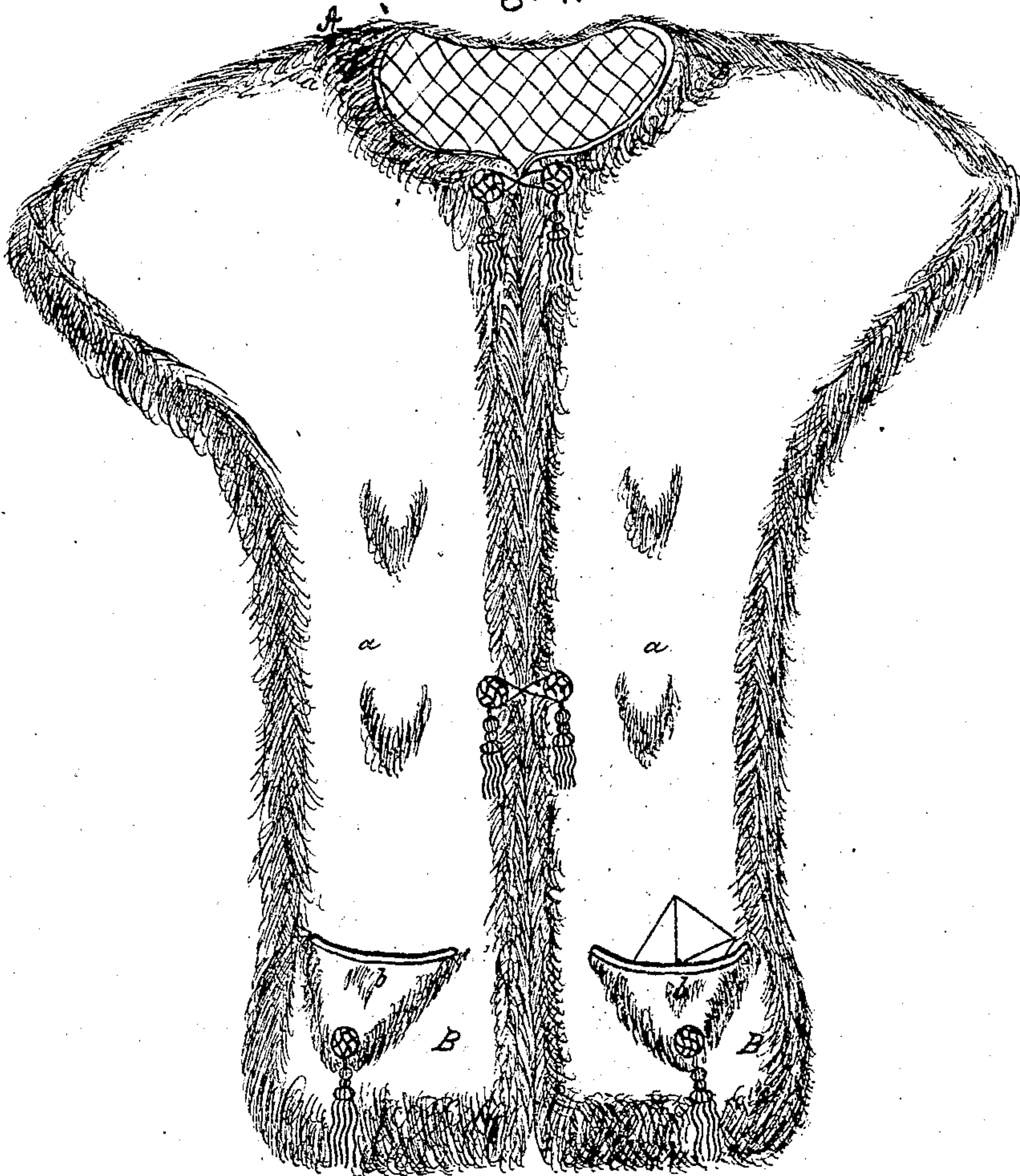
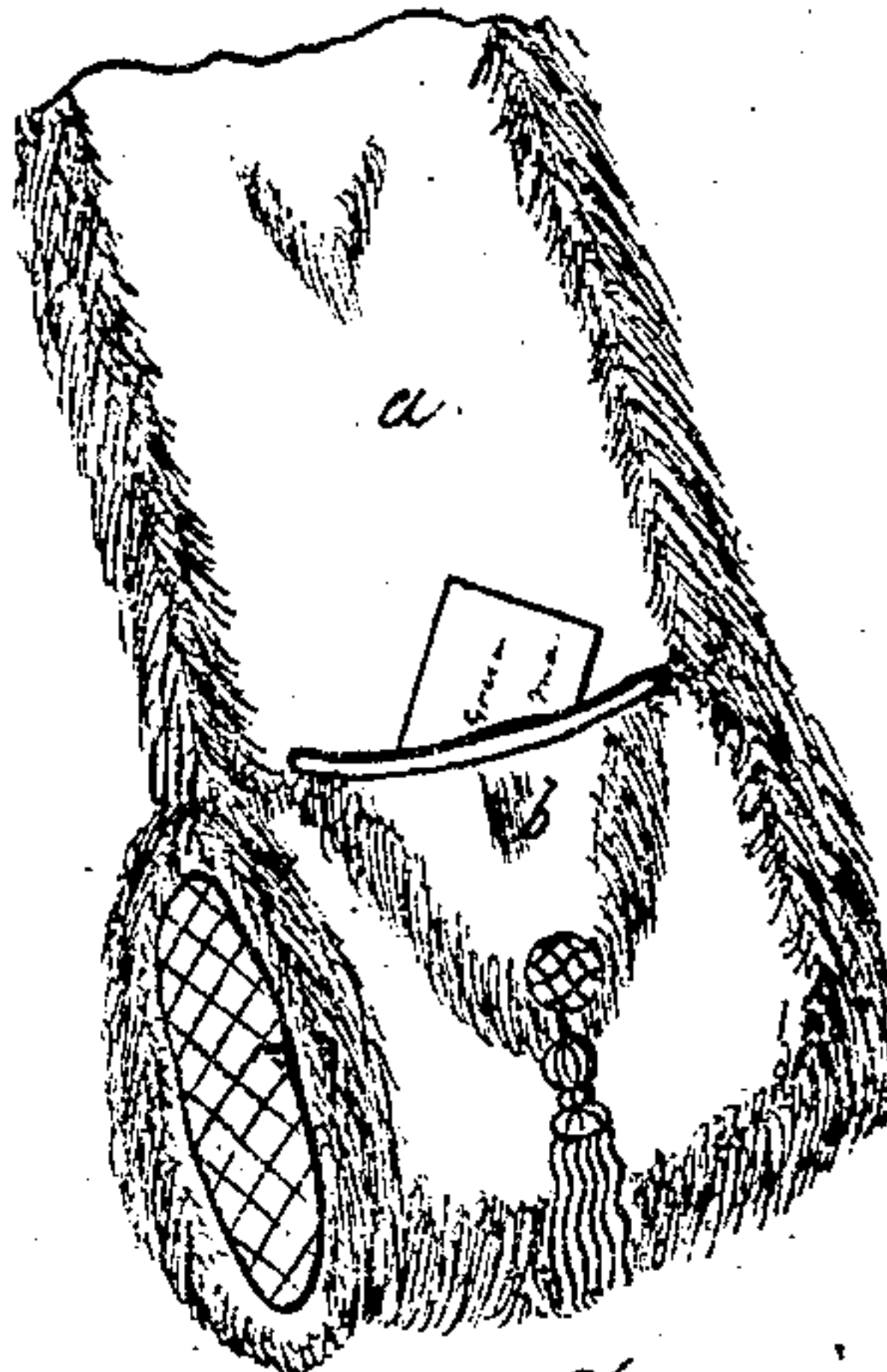
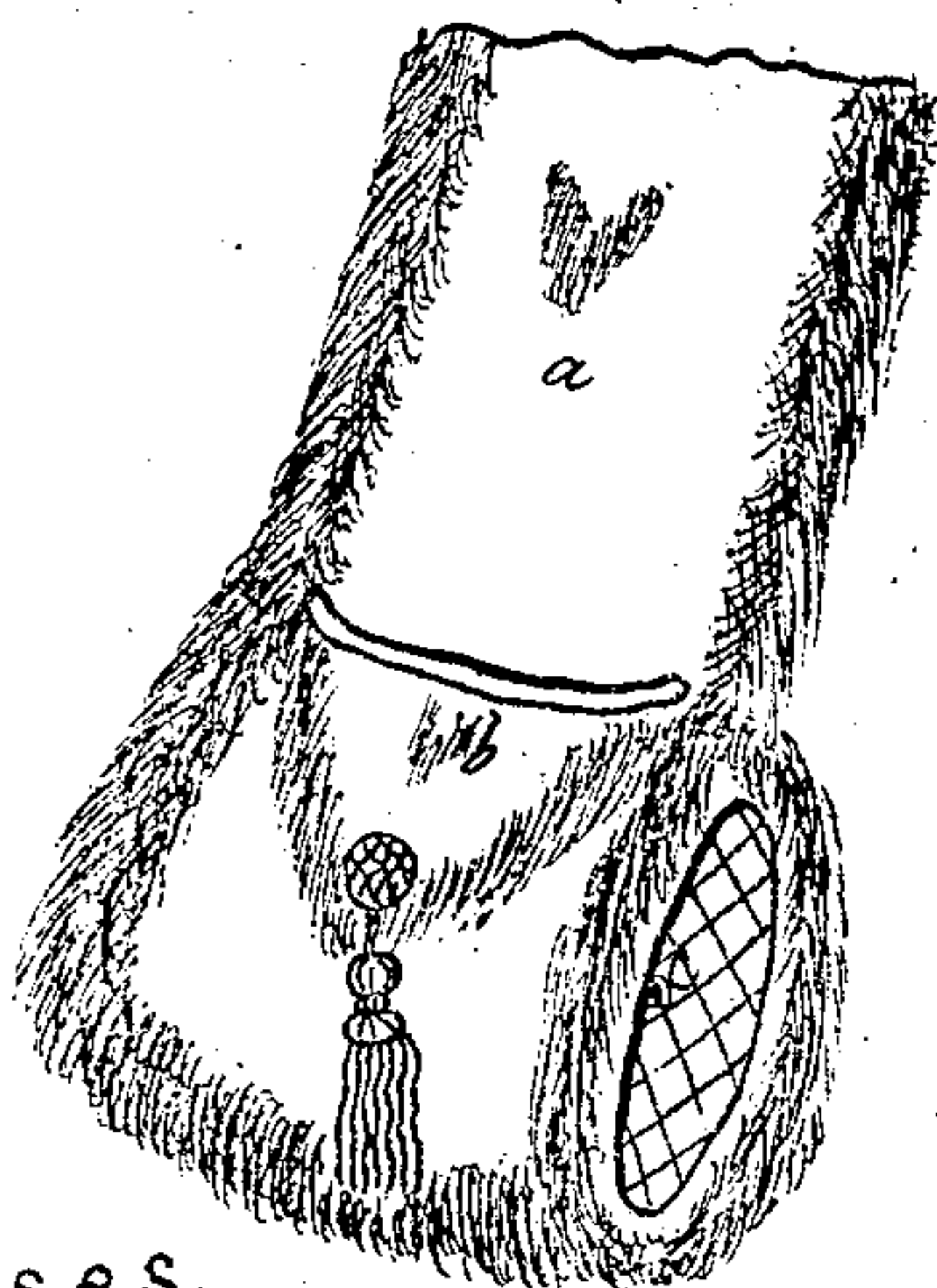


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN COMBINED VICTORINE, CAPE, AND CUFF.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, DAVID ISAACSOHN and ADOLPH COHN, both of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Victorines or Capes, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 represents a victorine or cape constructed according to our improvement, viewed from the front and when closed; Fig. 2, a like view of the lower front portion when open.

Like letters indicate corresponding parts in both figures.

The object of the present invention is to combine in one article of ladies' or children's wear a "fur," which, while it may be used at pleasure as a collar or cape, with pendent lappets in front, protecting the chest, may be also used as a muff and supporter thereto, or be readily converted so as to be used as a "victorine," collar, or cape, with cuffs for the hands, combined.

It is in such a convertible combination that our invention consists.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, A represents the collar or cape portion of a victorine, and *a a* its front lappets, which are extended downward to a suitable distance, varying (as, of course, will the size generally) to suit different heights or sizes of persons, and bent or formed into cuffs B B at their lower ends for insertion of the hands of the lady or child wearing the article.

Externally this article is made of fur, which may be suitably lined and padded internally. It may be ornamented with tassels and buttons in front, some of which will serve to secure it when closed.

The cuffs B B should be formed externally out of one piece of fur with the lappets *a a*, or otherwise be permanently attached to the same. They may be fitted with pockets *b b* to hold a handkerchief and other articles. These

cuffs are provided at their inner ends with hooks and eyes *c c*, or spring or other clasps or fastenings, for uniting the two cuffs at pleasure to form a muff. By unfastening them, however, and opening (more or less) the article in front, then the cuffs are in a measure independent, giving to each hand a facility of action or play which—in skating, for instance—will be found very serviceable.

Thus constructed, this our improvement may not only be used as a general article of ladies' or children's outdoor wear in the winter season, the cuffs when not used lying flat, but it may be readily used to serve as a victorine or cape and muff combined by uniting the two cuffs, as described, or by disconnecting the cuffs and more or less opening the article in front, as a victorine and cuffs combined, with every desired facility for separately working the arms and hands, thus giving a universality of action or use never before combined in any one article, with this double or treble advantage, that the misplacement which so often attends the use of a variety of articles is here avoided, as where the cape is there must be the muff and cuffs; next, that in use both muff and cuffs are supported by the neck and shoulders; and, lastly, and which is peculiarly applicable to children, such a combination prevents the dropping or losing of either muff or cuffs.

What we claim herein as new and useful, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A victorine, collar, or cape made up of a collar or cape, A, proper, front lappets, *a a*, having combined at the extremities of the latter, so as to form one with the same, cuffs B B, capable of being made convertible at pleasure into a muff, substantially as specified.

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