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Mustache Guard.

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Fig: 1

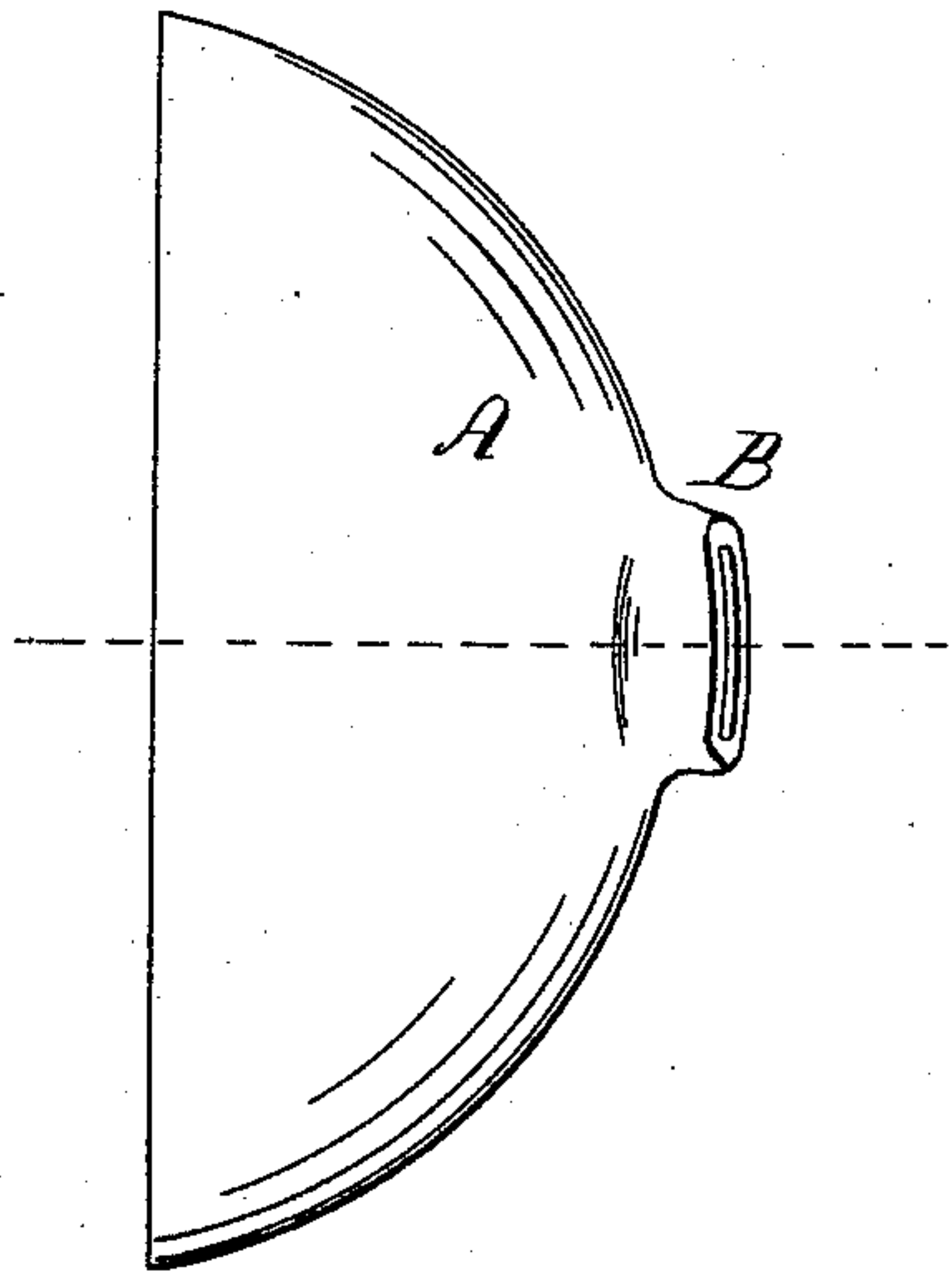


Fig: 2.

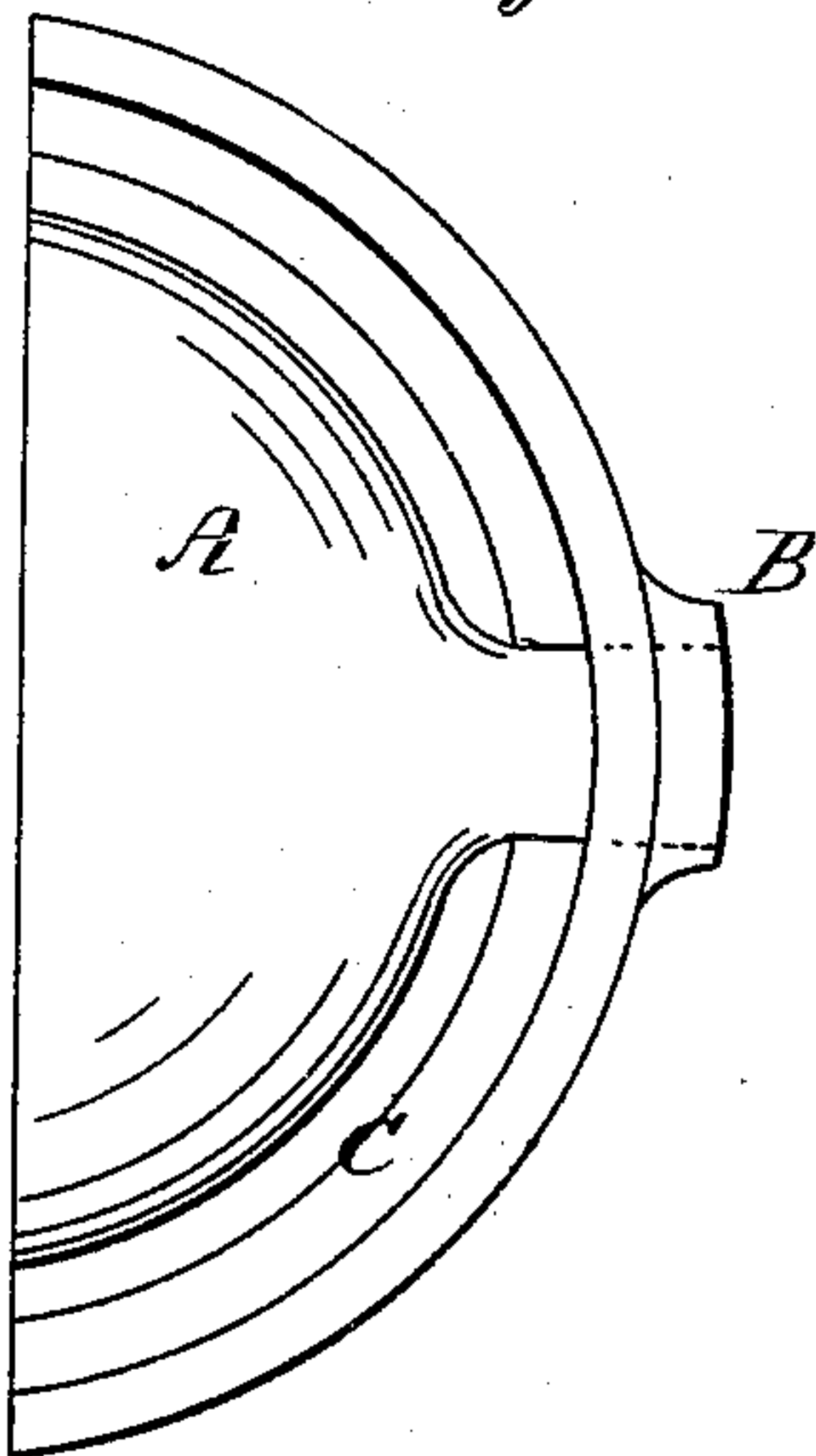
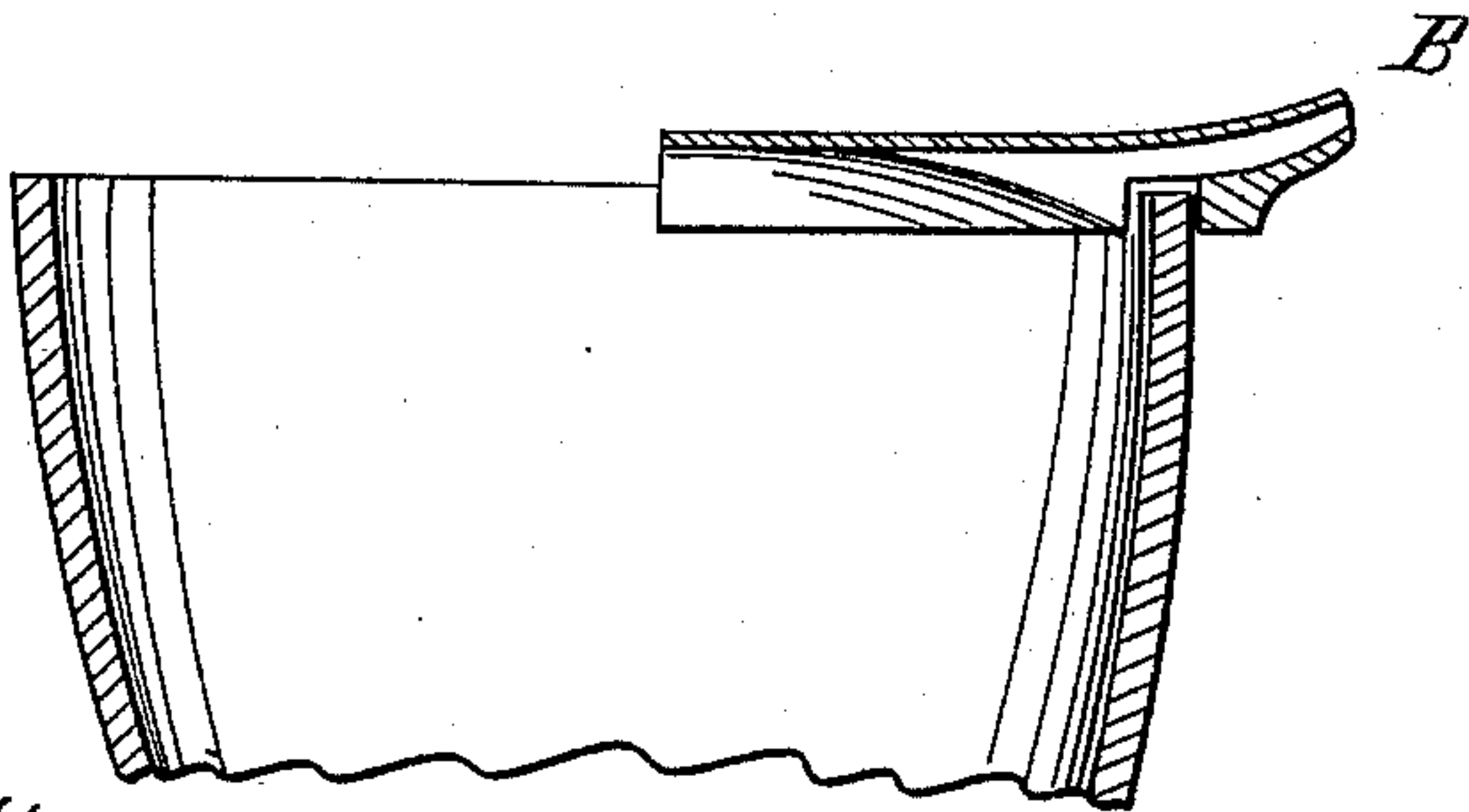


Fig: 3.



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IMPROVED MOUSTACHE-GUARD.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, M. C. HEPTINSTALL, of Enfield, in the county of Halifax, and State of North Carolina, have invented a new and improved Moustache-Guard; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, forming part of this specification.

The object of this invention is to provide moustache-guards for drinking-cups, capable of removal and attachment to any cup within certain ranges as to size, to which the said guards may be adapted.

Figure 1 represents a plan view of my improved guard.

Figure 2 represents a plan of the bottom.

Figure 3 represents a transverse section, taken on the line $x x$ of fig. 1, and showing the application to a cup.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

I make a guard, A, of glass, stone, clay, or any other suitable substance, in the flat and curved form represented in figs. 1 and 2, having a hollow mouth-piece,

B, projecting from the curved side, the passage thereof opening into a hollow space in the under side of the guard.

Near the edge of the curved side, and in the lower surface, I make a curved groove, C, adapted for the reception of the top edges of the cups.

These grooves may be slightly broader than the thickness of the shells of the cups, so that one guard may fit cups of various sizes; but for cups varying materially in size, I propose to make guards and grooves of corresponding curvature.

These guards may be readily applied to the cup, and held thereon, while drinking, by the fingers of the hand holding the cup.

Having thus described my invention,

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A detachable moustache-guard, A, for drinking-cups, provided with a mouth-piece, B, and groove, C, substantially as herein described, for the purpose specified.

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