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Fig. 1

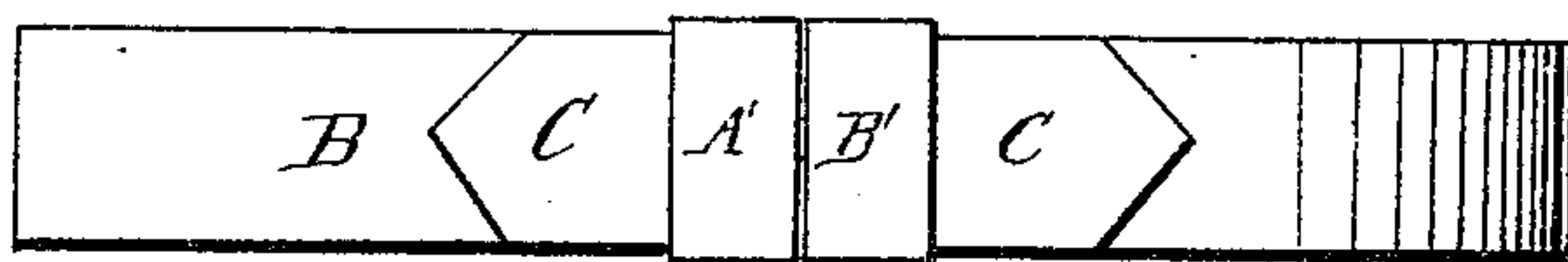
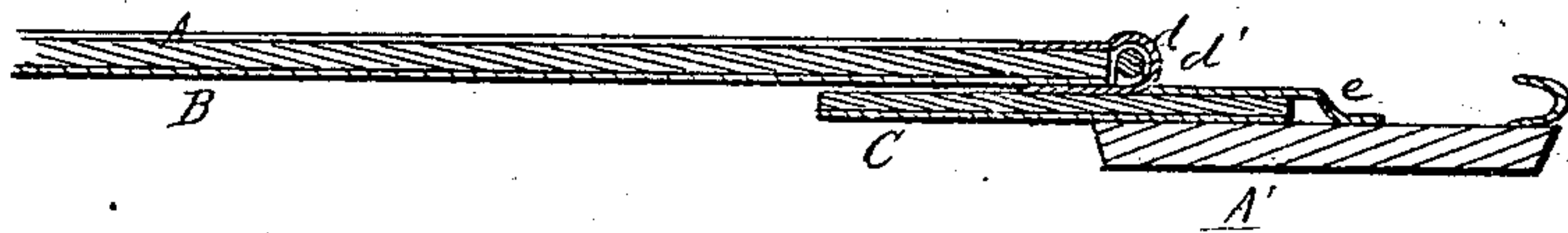


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN LADIES' WAIST-BELTS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES M. FLAGG, of Providence, in the county of Providence and State of Rhode Island, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Ladies' Waist-Belts; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawing making a part of this specification, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawing is a representation of the belt as worn. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section of part of the same.

This invention has relation to belts for ladies' wear; and the novelty consists in making a belt of card-board or stiff paper and covering the same on the outside with grained or pebbled muslin to imitate morocco or other kinds of leather.

In the manufacture of this belt I cut a strip of card-board or stiff paper, A, of the required length and width, and on the outer side I paste a narrow strip of grained or pebbled muslin, B, designed in imitation of morocco or other kinds of leather. I cut the muslin a little wider than the card-board, and turn its edges over against the inner side of the card-board. I then paste over the inner side a strip of paper or cloth to cover said edges, and render the inner side of the belt, smooth and neat.

To the ends of the belt I attach the hook and loop-plates of a buckle, marked A' and B', respectively, and provide the belt with the flaps *c* to give it the necessary finish to render it similar in appearance to a real leather belt. I secure the buckle-plates to the ends of the belt by means of the cloth loops *d*, the ends of which are pasted to the sides of the belt and the loop part passed over the metallic loops *d'*, projecting from the backs of the buckle-plates. The flaps *c* I attach to the ends of the belt, and secure them to the buckle-plates by strips of cloth *e*. These flaps are made of card-board and pebbled cloth, in the same manner as the belts.

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

As a new article of manufacture, a lady's waist-belt, constructed of card-board or stiff paper, covered on the outside with grained or pebbled muslin, in imitation of leather, the edges of said muslin being turned over the edges of the paper or board and gummed down on the inside, as specified.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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