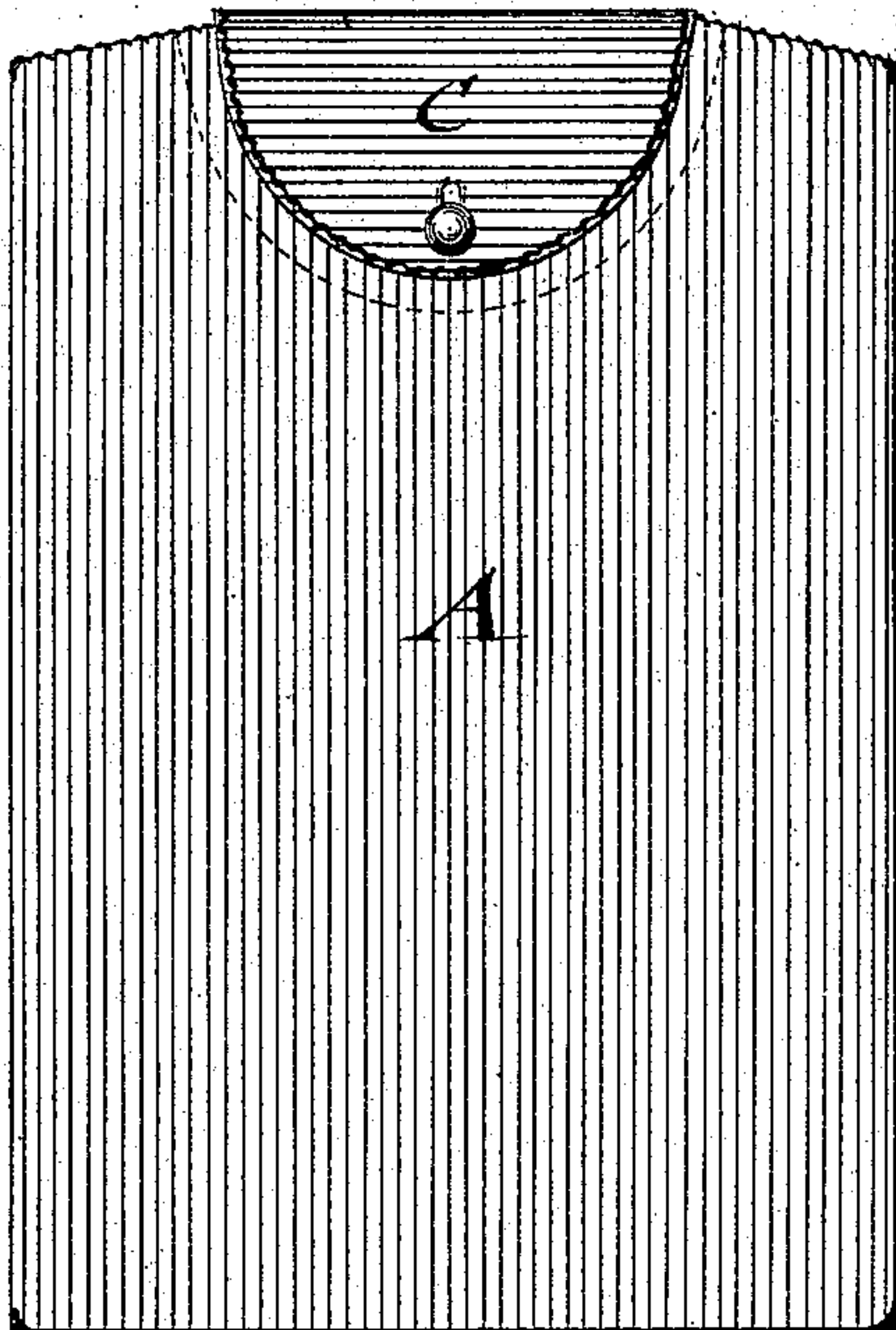


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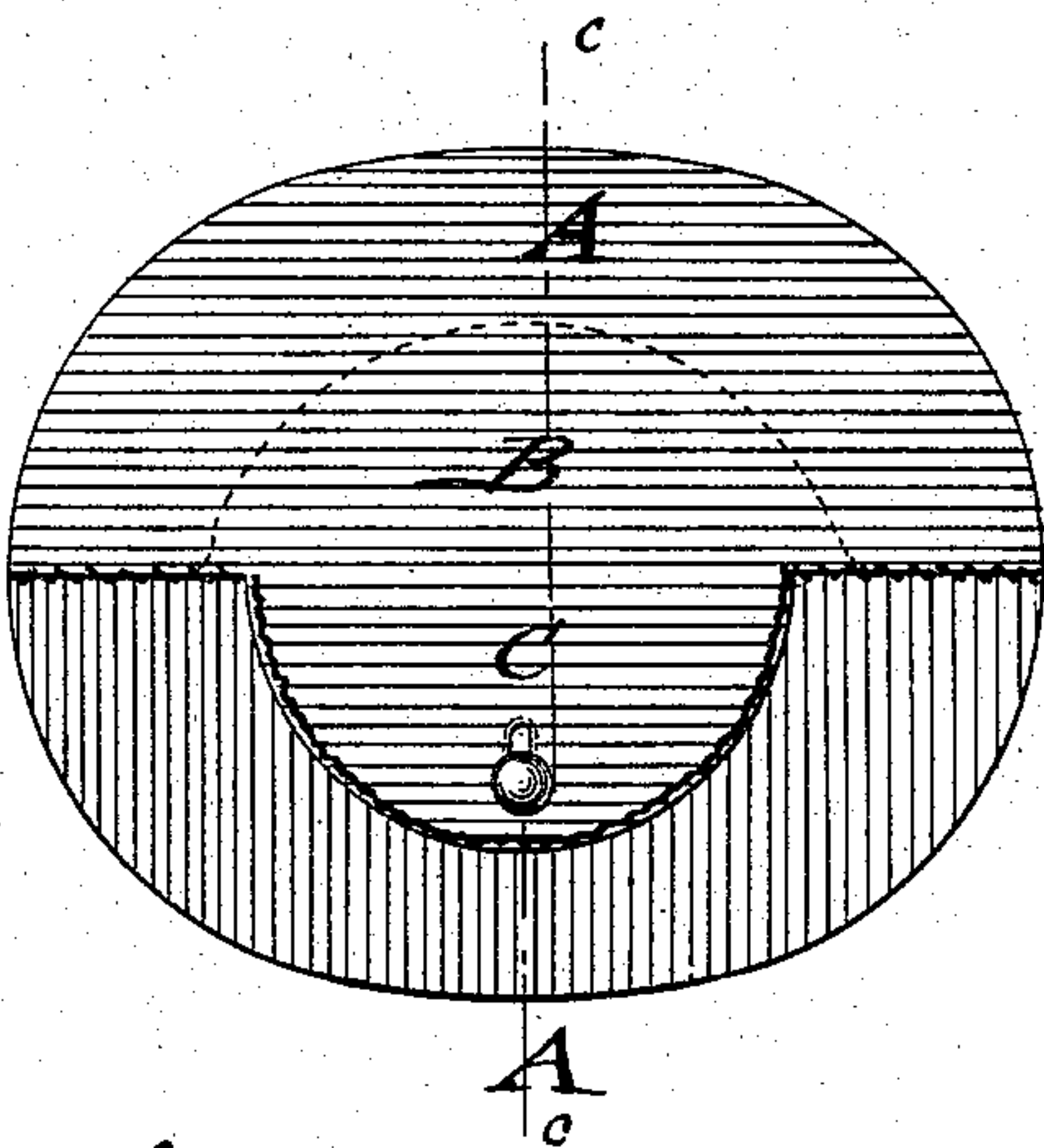
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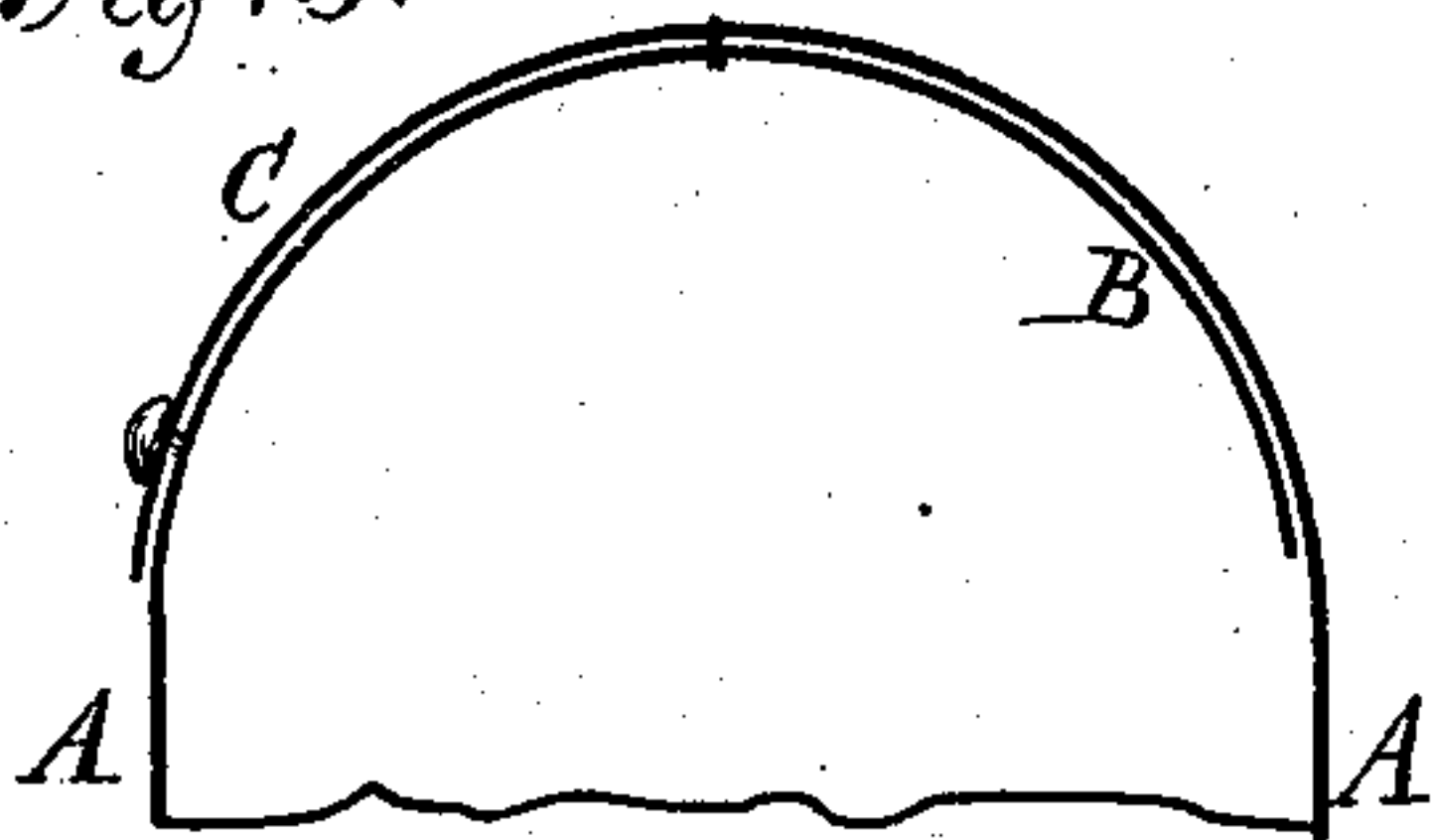
*Fig: 1.*



*Fig: 2.*



*Fig: 3.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN GRAIN-BAGS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ARTHUR McKENNA, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Grain-Bag, of which the following is a specification:

Figure 1 represents a front view of my improved grain-bag, being shown in empty state. Fig. 2 is a top view of the same in filled condition; and Fig. 3 a vertical transverse section of the bag.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The object of my invention is to furnish a grain-bag that may be readily filled and securely closed without sewing up the mouth; and it consists of a grain-bag with stitched corners or shoulders and an interior mouth-closing flap, and an exterior overlapping flap that is retained by a suitable fastening device.

In the drawings, A represents my improved grain-bag, which is stitched at both sides of the mouth to form closed corners or shoulders.

The front section of the bag is cut with an extension-flap, while the rear section has a forward-extending overlapping flap, C, of which the former serves to be pushed back

over the grain to close the mouth of the bag, while the latter is drawn over the top of the mouth-closing flap and fastened to the bag by a button, buckle, or other device. The pushing back of the interior flap, which is held in position by the pressure of the grain and the attaching of the overlapping flap, is accomplished with great facility, and produces the perfect and reliable closing of the bag. It dispenses with the difficult, time-consuming sewing up of the grain-bags, and allows their instant opening for taking out samples, and their convenient shipment and repeated use.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

A grain-bag, made with closed shoulders, and with backward-extending lower flap, and an overlapping top flap that is retained by a suitable fastening device, substantially as specified.

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