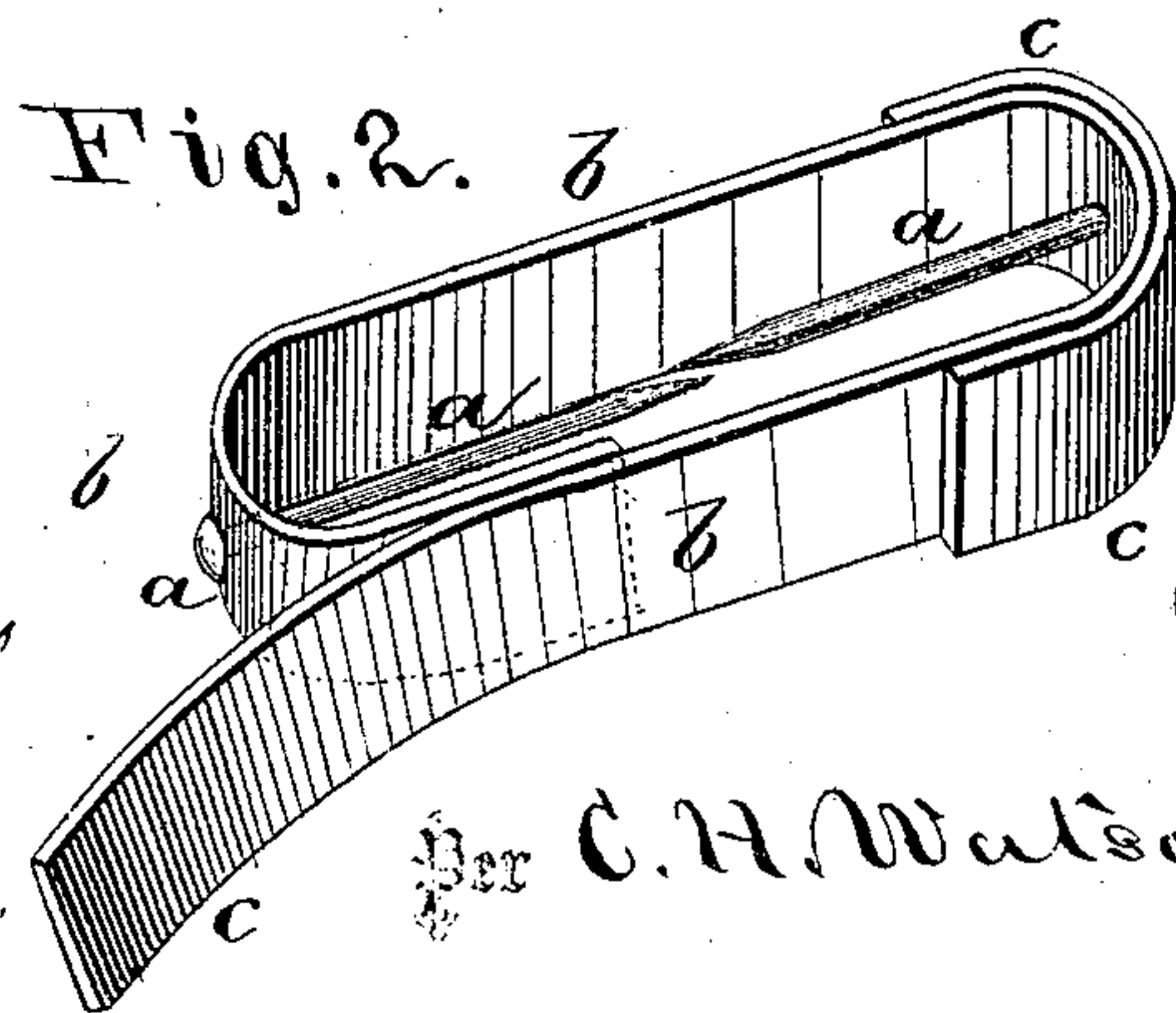
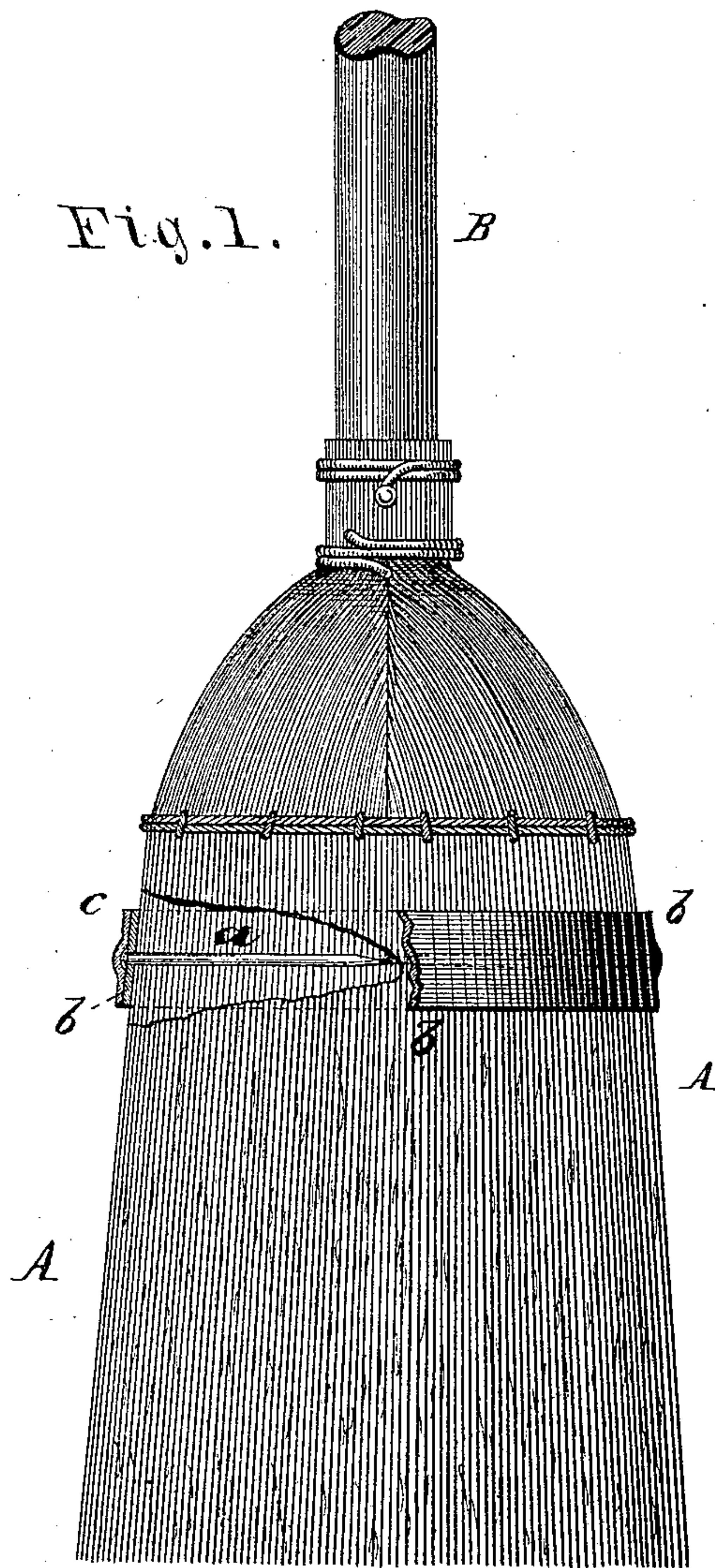


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MYRON L. BAXTER, of Aurora, in the county of Kane and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Brooms; 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 which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to an improvement in brooms, having for its object to render the same more serviceable in use; and it consists in the combination and arrangement parts, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In the annexed drawing, Figure 1 is a side elevation of a broom, with my improvement attached. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the band.

A represents the broom, fastened in the ordinary manner to the handle B. Between the lower end of the broom and the strings, at the most advantageous point, is attached a band of strong paper or other suitable substance, *b*, being designed to prevent the spreading of

the broom-corn to an undue extent while in use.

The band *b* is held in place at any point desired by pins *a*, as shown, and these pins are held in position by pieces of paper *c*, or the overlapping end of the band being pasted over their heads, or by soldering if the band be made of metal.

The pins used are the ordinary three-inch blanket-pin.

When a broom with the band attached shall have become worn the band may be quickly and easily detached, and the broom will again become serviceable.

Having thus fully described the invention, what is claimed as new, and desired to be secured by Letters Patent, is—

The pins *a*, when used for the purpose specified, and held in place in the manner described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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