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Neck-Scarf.

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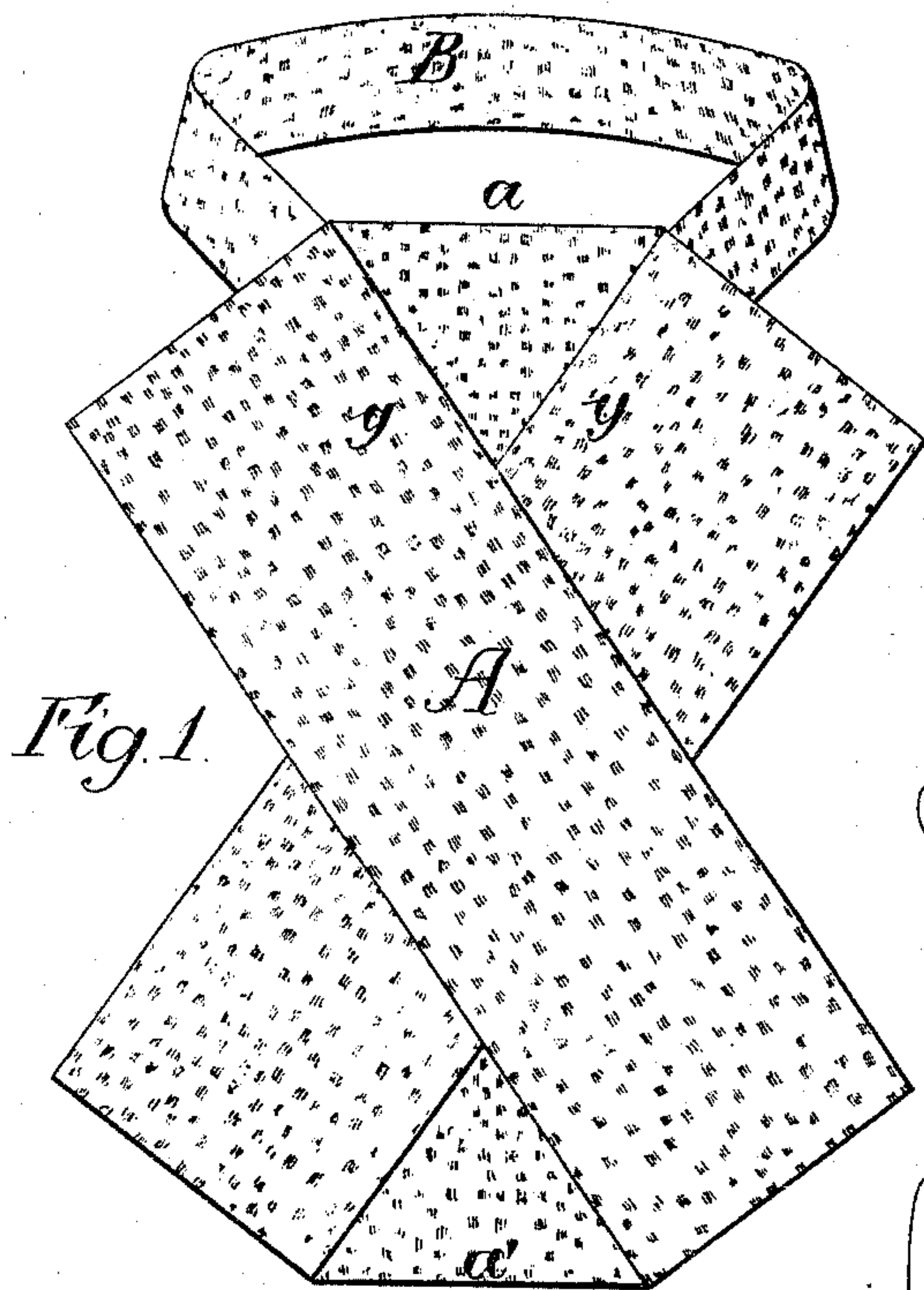


Fig. 1.

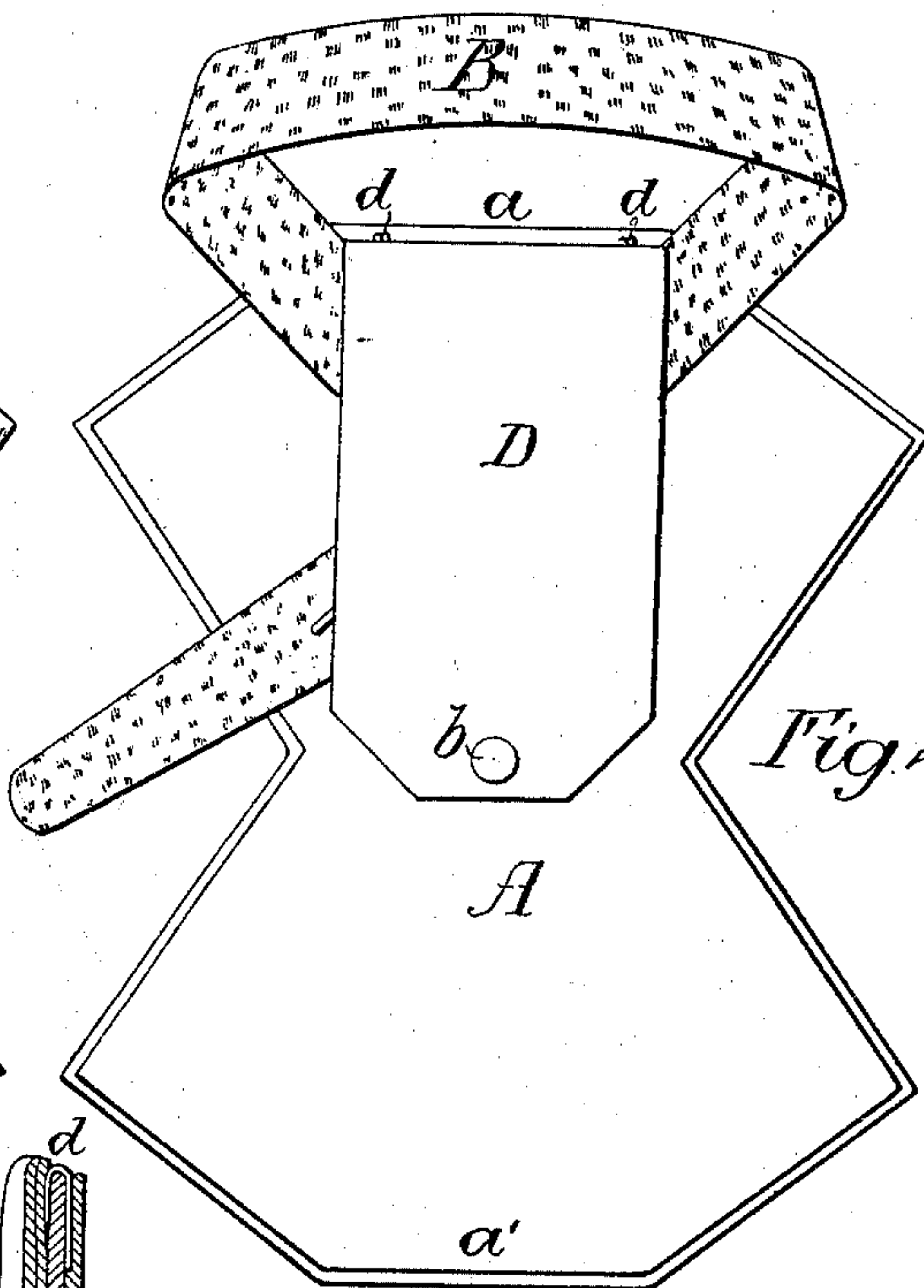


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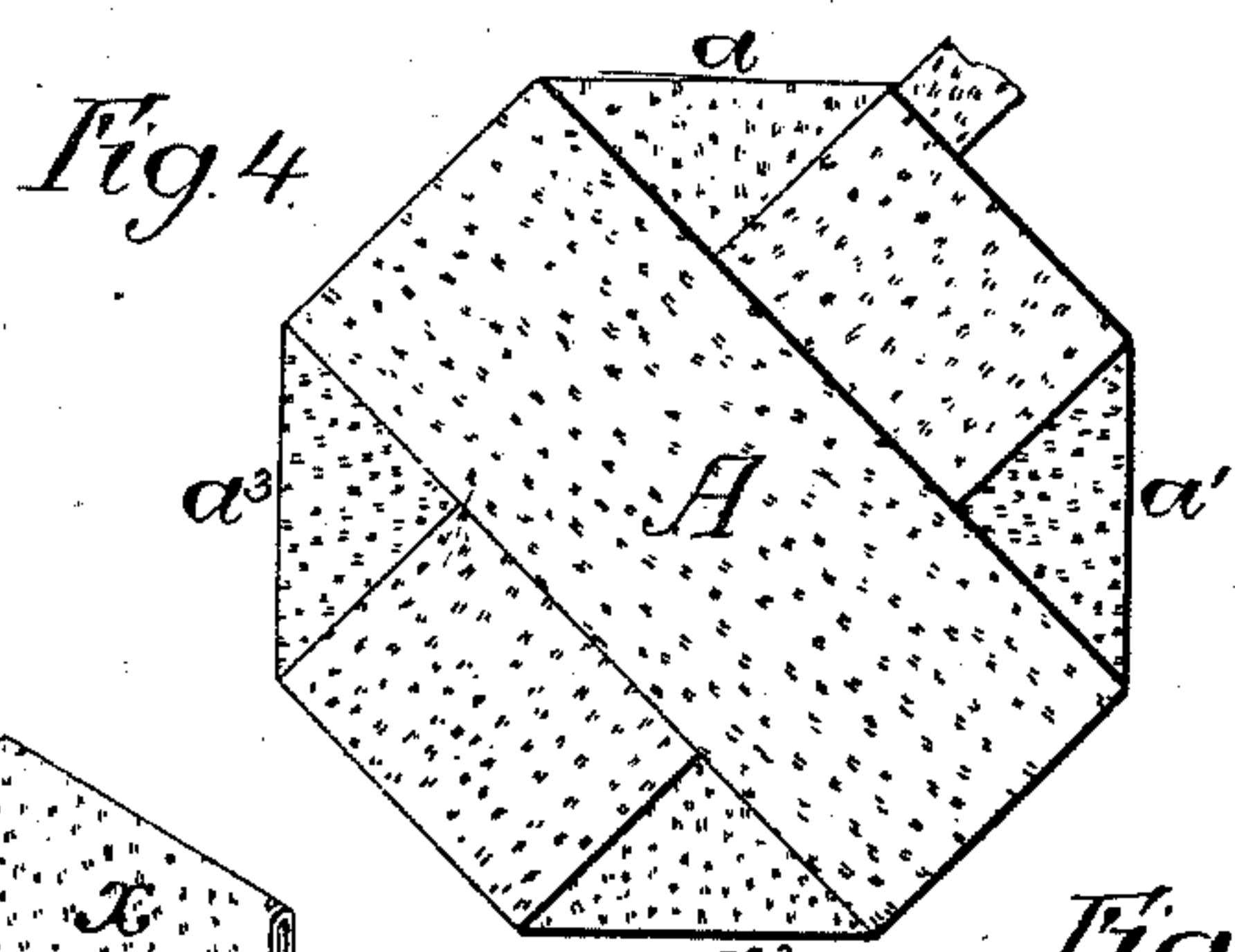


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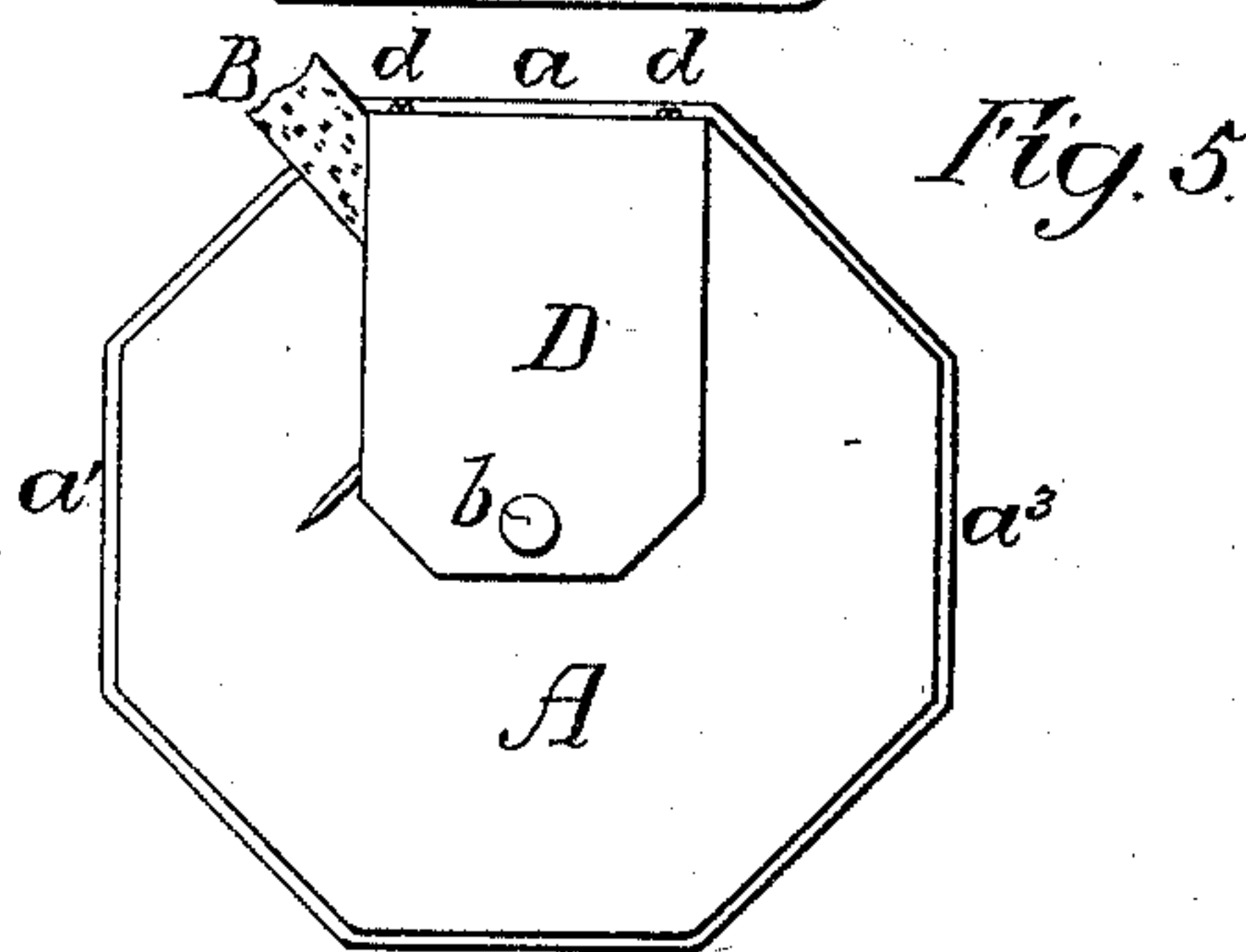


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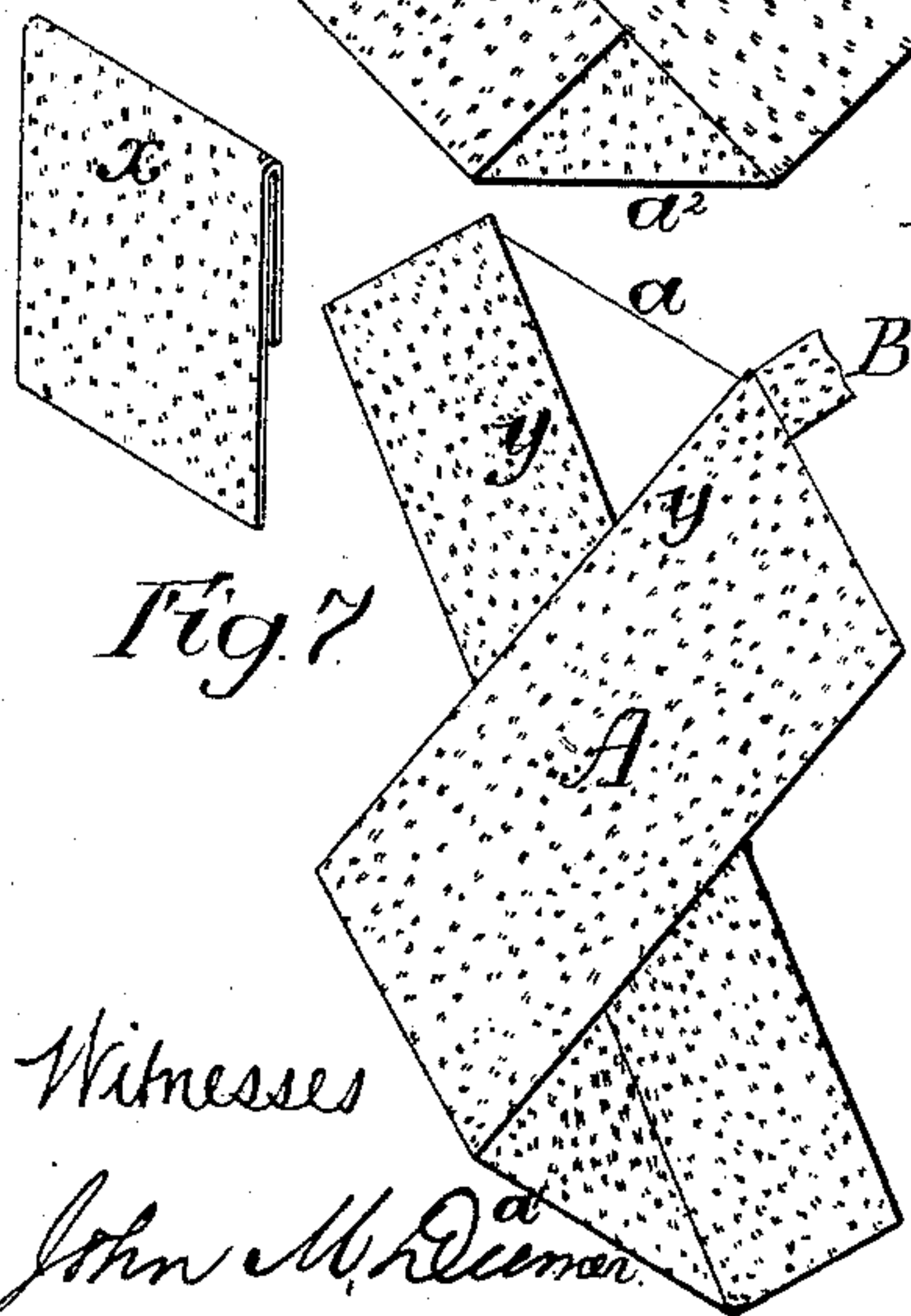


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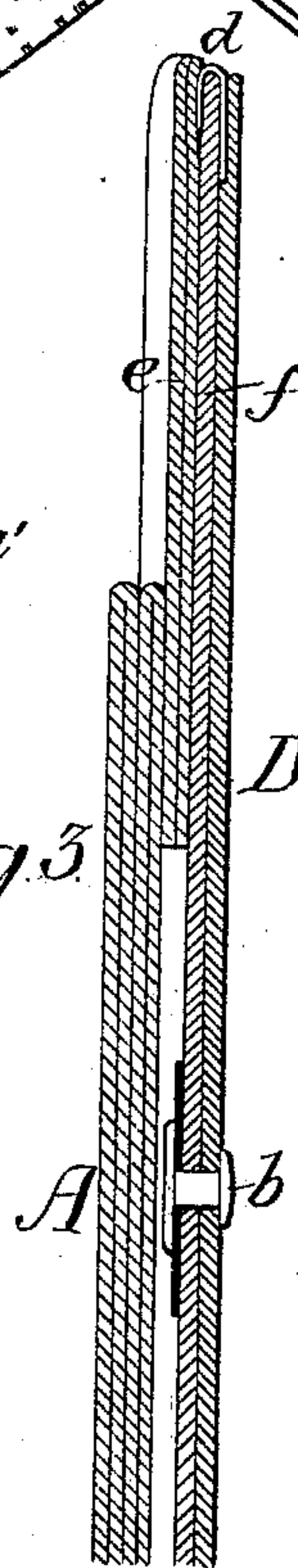


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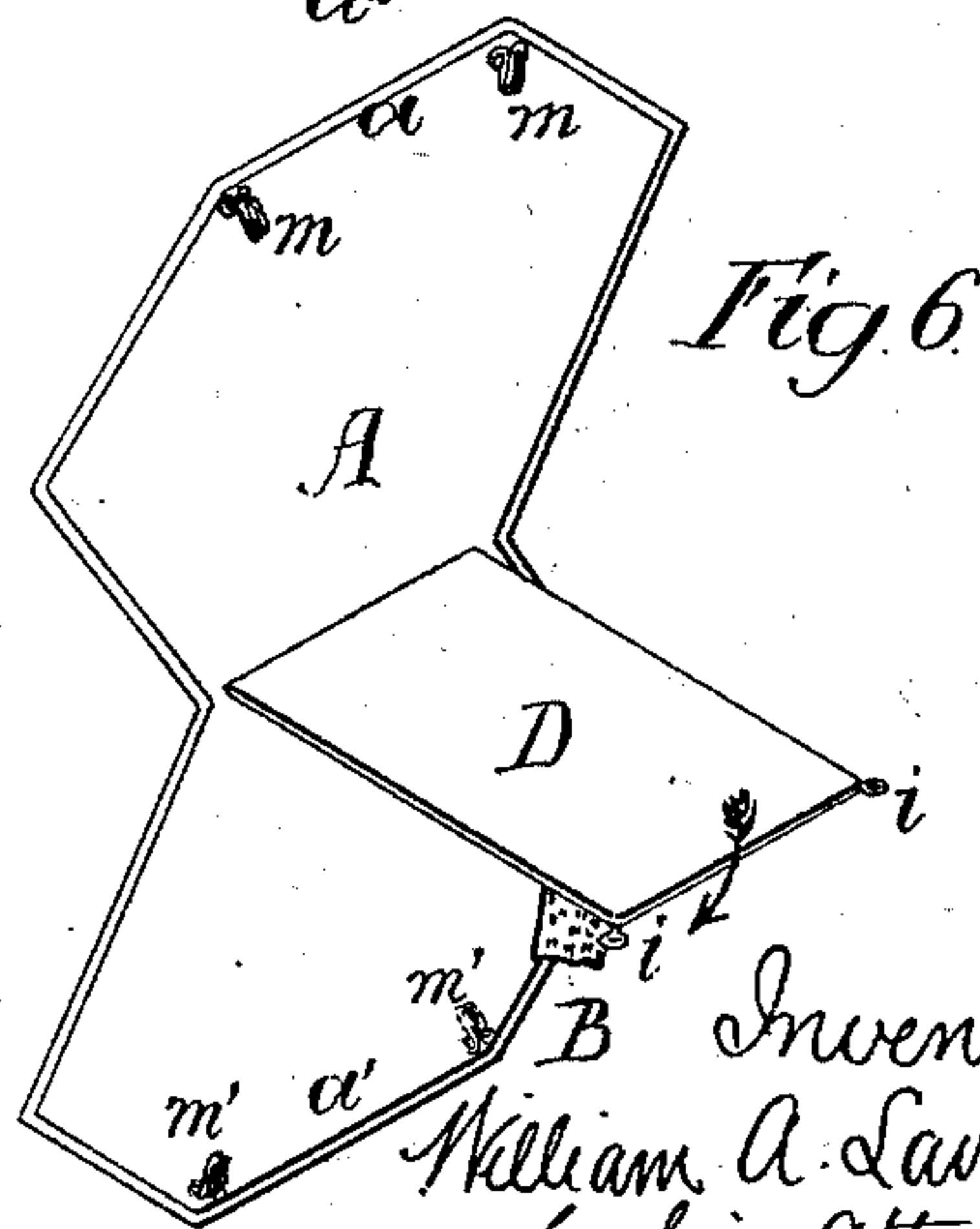


Fig. 6.

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IMPROVEMENT IN NECK-SCARFS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM A. LAVERTY, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Neck-Scarfs, of which the following is a specification.

The main object of my invention is to so construct a neck-scarf that more than one portion of the face is available for exposure, a further object being to provide for more extended wear than usual of the neck portion of the scarf.

These objects I attain in the manner which I will now proceed to describe, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a view of the front of a scarf made according to my invention; Fig. 2, a view of the rear of the same; Fig. 3, a vertical section of part of the scarf, drawn to an enlarged scale; Fig. 4, a front view of another form of scarf embodying the invention; Fig. 5, a rear view of the same; Fig. 6, a perspective view, illustrating a modification; and Fig. 7, a perspective view, showing one of the features of the invention.

Ordinary neck-scarfs have but one neck portion, and have the shield and neck-band secured in proper relation to said neck portion, so that when the exposed portion becomes worn the scarf must be discarded.

By my invention this objection is overcome, the scarf having two or more neck portions, and having a shield and neck-band which are adjustable, so that they may be made to coincide with either of said neck portions.

Thus, in Figs. 1, 2, and 3, A represents the body of the scarf, which is of duplex form, having a neck portion, *a*, at the top and a similar neck portion, *a'*, at the bottom. The neck-band B is secured at one end to the shield D, and the latter is pivoted at its lower end, by means of a button, *b*, or by a rivet or other like device, to the rear of the body A of the scarf at about the center of the latter.

The upper edge of the shield has two hooks, *d*, which, on being inserted between the back *e* and the front *f* of the body of the scarf, as shown in Fig. 3, serve to confine the said upper edge of the shield securely to the body in proper relation to the neck portion *a*. When

said neck portion *a* and the exposed portion of the scarf adjacent thereto become worn out the upper edge of the shield D may be unhooked, and the shield then turned on its pivot until it coincides with the neck portion *a'*, when it may be again secured in the same manner as before, the scarf then being reversed, so that the fresh and unworn neck portion *a'* and the portion of the scarf adjacent thereto occupy the upper or exposed position.

In Figs. 4 and 5 I have shown my invention applied to a scarf of octagonal form having four neck portions, *a*, *a'*, *a''*, and *a'''*, with either of which the shield D and band B may be made to coincide, as above set forth.

Scarfs of the character to which my invention relates always wear more rapidly at and near the edge of the neck portion than at any other point, so that an unsightly appearance is presented long before the scarf is worn out.

With the view of overcoming this difficulty, I do not secure the strip *x* of silk or other fabric which covers this portion of the scarf, but merely retain it in place by folding it over the edge of the neck portion, the inner fold of the strip being retained between the face and back of the scarf, and the lower edges of the outer or exposed fold being tucked beneath the folds *y* on the face of the scarf. When the edge becomes worn the strip is elevated or entirely withdrawn, folded anew, and replaced, so as to present a fresh unworn edge; and this is repeated as often as desired. (See Fig. 7.)

It is not necessary in carrying out my invention that the shield should be pivoted to the body A by a button, *b*. For instance, in a scarf of the character shown in Fig. 6 the shield may be stitched along the lower edge to the back of the body A, so that it can be turned over in the direction of the arrow when it is desired to adjust it to the neck portion *a'* of the scarf. The shield in this case is the same on both faces, and has at its upper corners eyes *i*, which are adapted to either of the two sets of hooks *m m'* on the back of the scarf.

Hooks or hooks and eyes, however, are not necessary for attaching the upper edge of the shield to the body of the scarf, as the upper corners of the shield may be simply held by

pins, or may be lightly tacked with thread, so as to permit the ready detaching of the upper edge of the shield from the body of the scarf.

I am aware that scarfs have been made with a central neck-piece pivoted to the body, so that it can be turned on its pivot in order to expose a new face when one face becomes worn, and also that the neck portion of the scarf has been provided with two or more coverings, which could be removed one after the other as they become worn; but the renewal in these cases only extends to the neck portion, the same portion of the body of the tie and of the flaps *y* always remaining uppermost and exposed to wear, whereas in my case an entirely new surface, both as to neck portion and flaps, is presented on each new adjustment of the shield *D*.

Scarfs have also been made with two or more neck portions in the manner shown in Fig. 4 of the drawings for instance; but in such cases there has always been an independent shield for each neck portion—an expensive and inconvenient arrangement, which I effectually overcome by the use of the adjustable shield.

Without claiming, broadly, therefore either a scarf with a number of neck portions or a

scarf the neck portion of which has a removable or pivoted covering,

I claim as my invention—

1. The combination of a scarf, *A*, having two or more neck portions, *a a'*, with a shield, *D*, adjustably secured to the scarf, so that it can be made to coincide with either of said neck portions, all substantially as set forth.

2. The combination of the scarf *A*, having two or more neck portions, *a a'*, with a shield, *D*, adjustably secured to the scarf and carrying the neck-band *B*, as specified.

3. The combination of the scarf *A*, having two or more neck portions, *a a'*, with a shield, *D*, pivoted to the body at its lower edge and having at its upper edge means, substantially as described, whereby it is detachably secured to the body *A*, as set forth.

4. The combination of the scarf *A*, the pivoted shield *D*, and the hooks *d*, as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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