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Fig. 1.

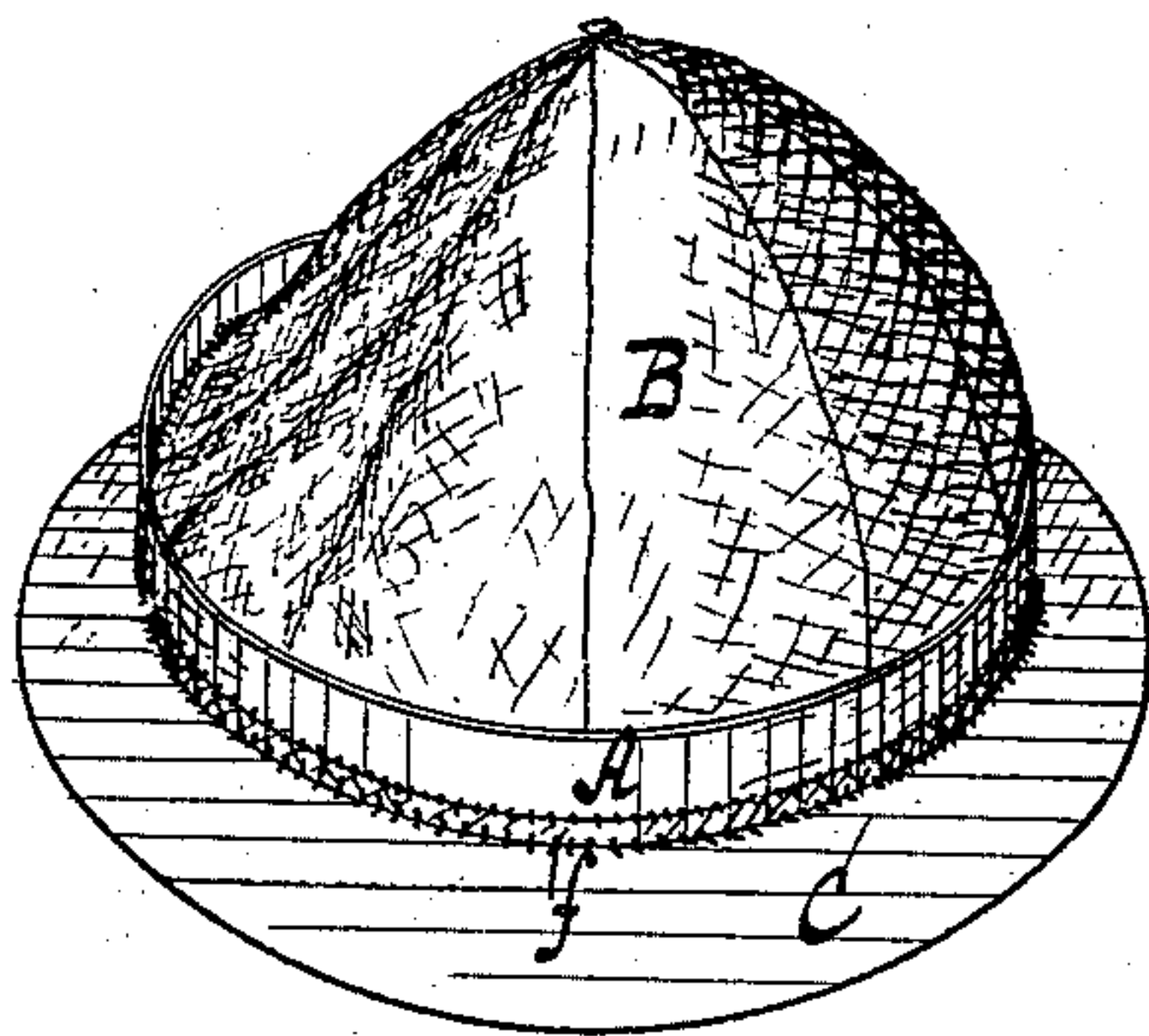
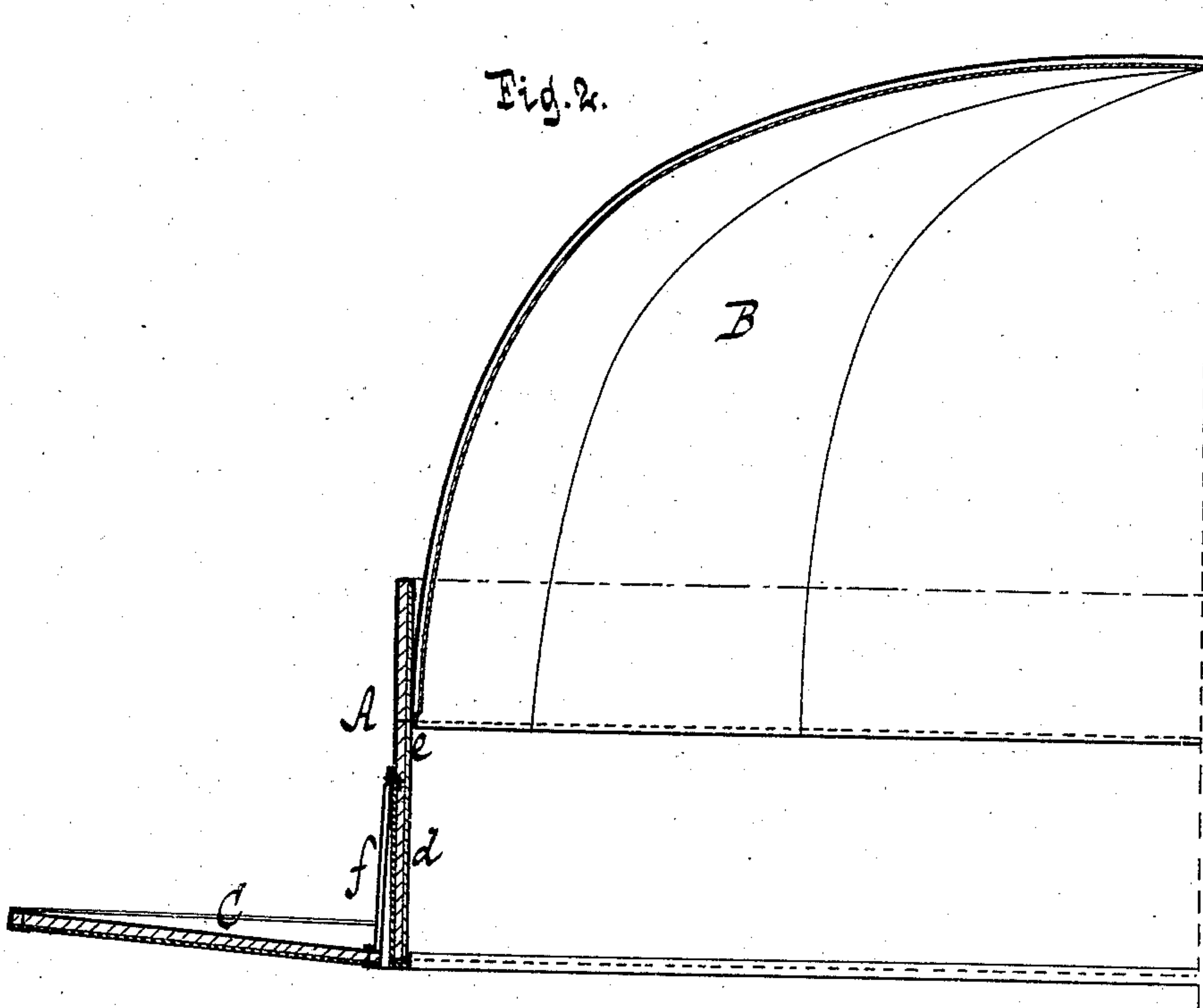


Fig. 2.



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REVERSIBLE HAT AND OTHER HEAD-COVERING.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LEONHARD GIRBARDT, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Head-Coverings, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 shows a hat in perspective view embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical cross-section of a portion thereof on a larger scale than in the previous figure.

Similar letters indicate corresponding parts.

My invention applies to hats or caps either of cloth or other material; and it consists in the combination of a band adapted to the head and a flexible crown attached to the inner surface of such band between its upper and lower edges, so that the crown is reversible, while the article is practically adapted to be worn in either position of the crown by means of the head-band. With the head-band and reversible crown is combined a hat-brim, which is attached to the outer surface of the head-band, between its edges, by means of a skirt, so that the brim may be moved to either edge of the head-band, and thus takes the proper position relatively to the crown.

In the drawings, the letter A designates the band, B the crown, and C the brim.

The band A is made to fit the head of the wearer, and it embodies a sweat-leather, *d*, which extends from the upper to the lower edge thereof.

The crown B is directly attached to the inner surface of the head-band A, between its upper and lower edges, by stitching or other suitable means, as at *e*, and it is finished on both sides.

I usually make the crown B of two pieces of cloth having different colors; but it may be made of a single piece of material, or different kinds of material may be combined—as, for example, a glazed material and cloth, or

fur and cloth—the materials used being, however, in every case of such a nature as to render the crown soft or flexible.

The brim C is fitted on the head-band A, and is attached to the outer surface thereof by means of a skirt, *f*, which is of a height equal to one-half the distance between the upper and lower edges of the head-band, and whose connection with the band is midway, or nearly so, between its edges.

I prefer to cover the brim C with a material or materials corresponding to the crown.

By the peculiar attachment of the crown B to the band A the crown is adapted to be reversed at will, while a portion of the band is always left free below the crown to take its place upon the head. The skirt *f* allows the hat-brim C to be moved or shifted to either edge of the head-band A, to accord with the position of the crown B and give the whole the form or character of a hat.

If it is desired to obtain a cap, the hat-brim C is omitted or a visor is substituted therefor.

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

1. The combination of a band adapted to the head and a crown attached to the inner surface of such band between its upper and lower edges, substantially as and for the purpose described.

2. The combination of a band adapted to the head, a reversible crown attached to the inner surface of such band between its edges, and a hat-brim attached to the outer surface of the band by means of a skirt, allowing the same to be moved to either edge of the band, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 23d day of January, 1880.

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