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SWEAT PAD FOR HATS.

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Fig: 1

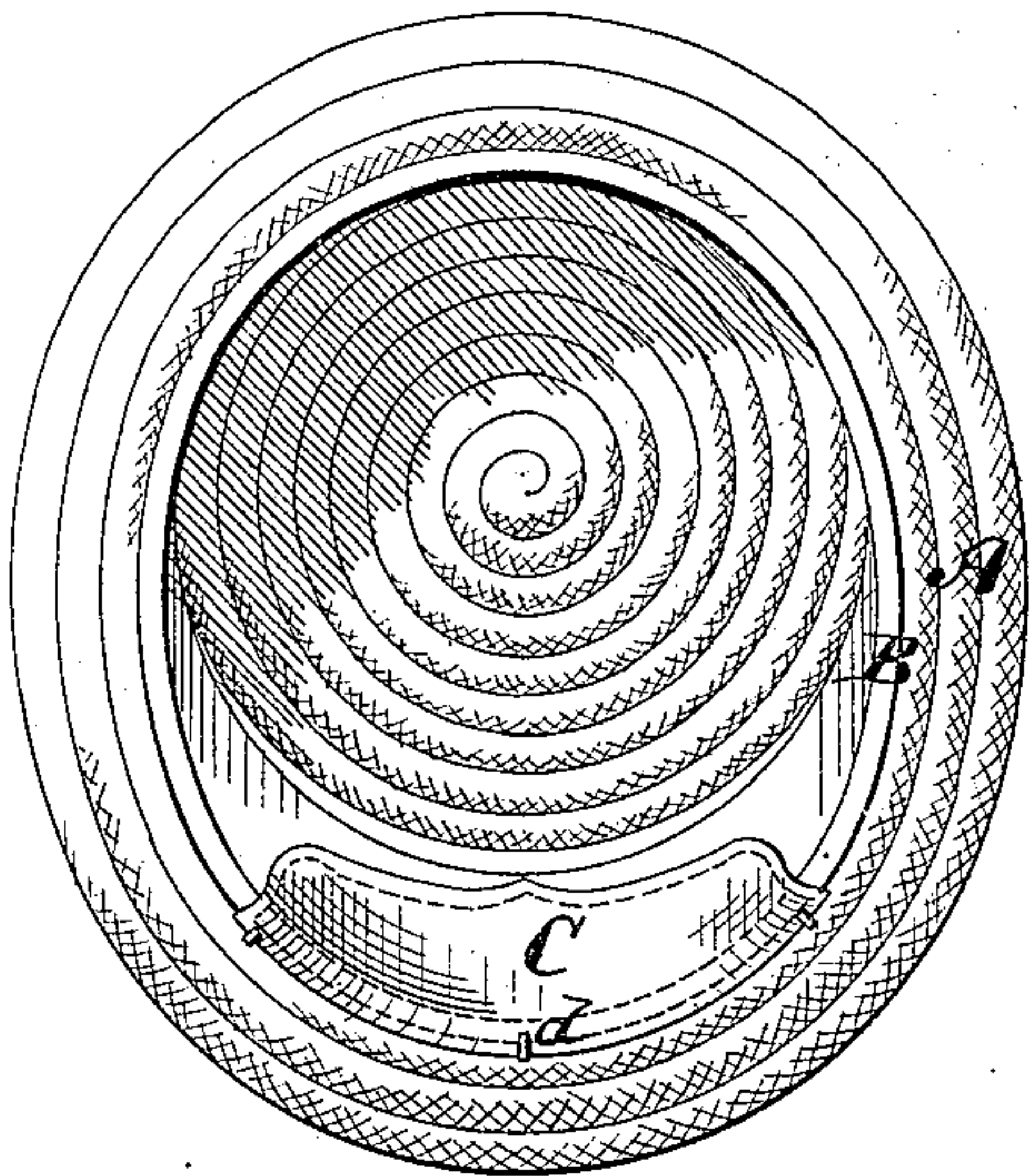


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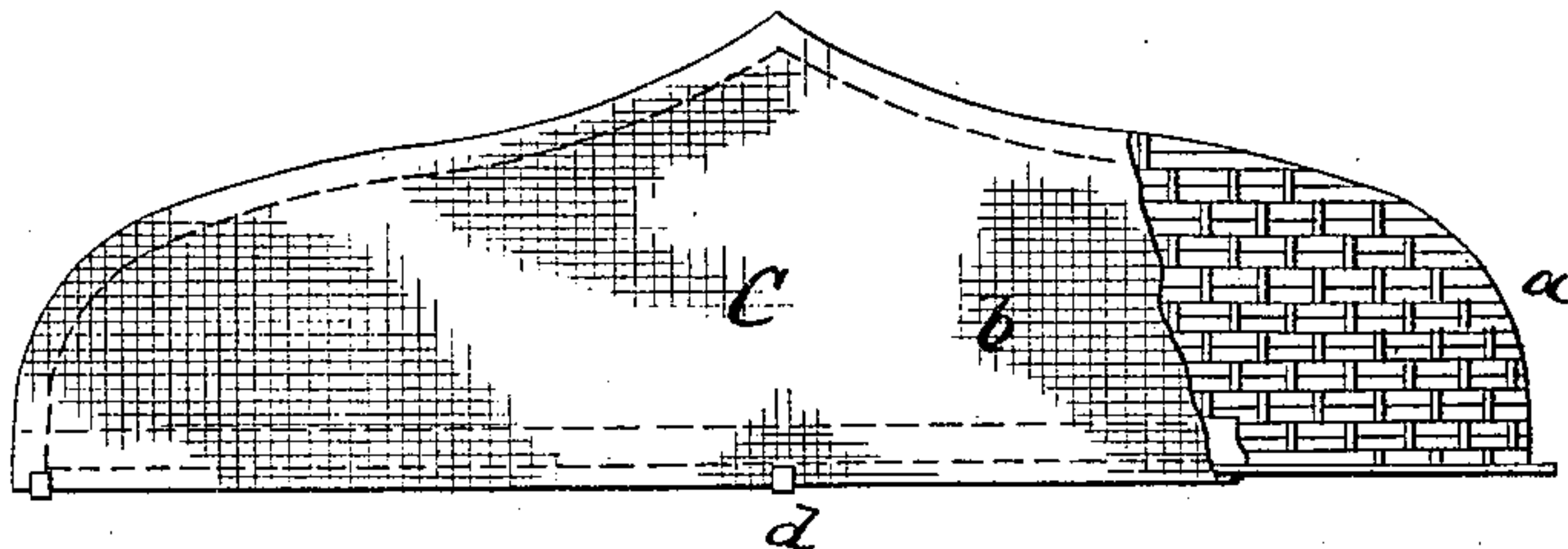


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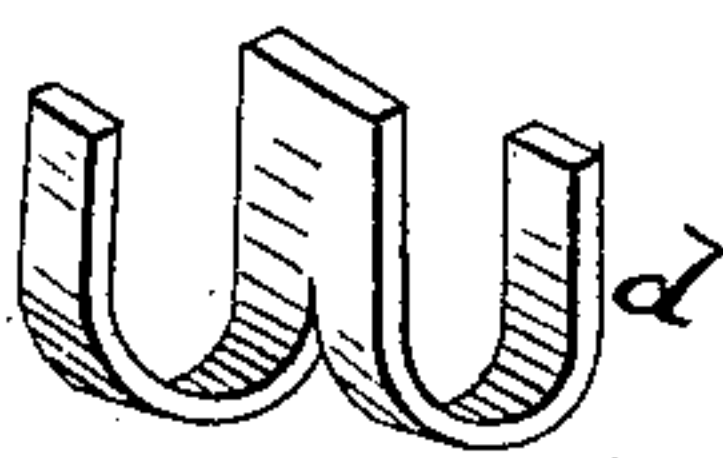


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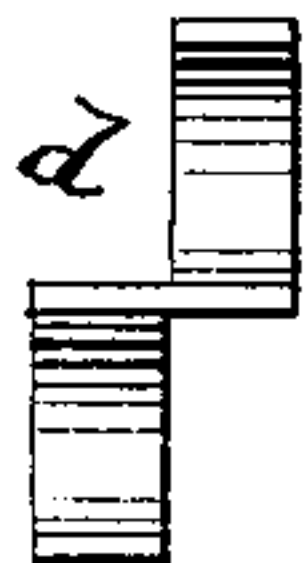


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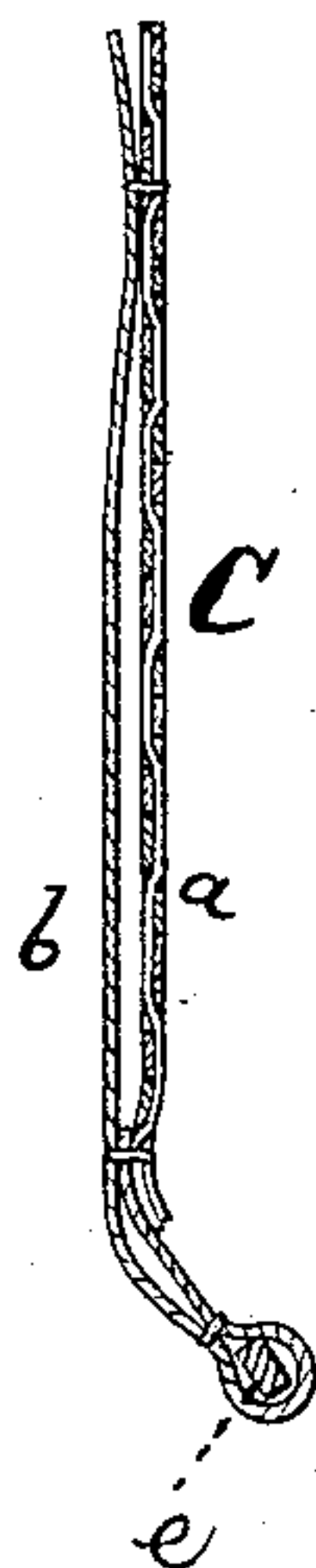
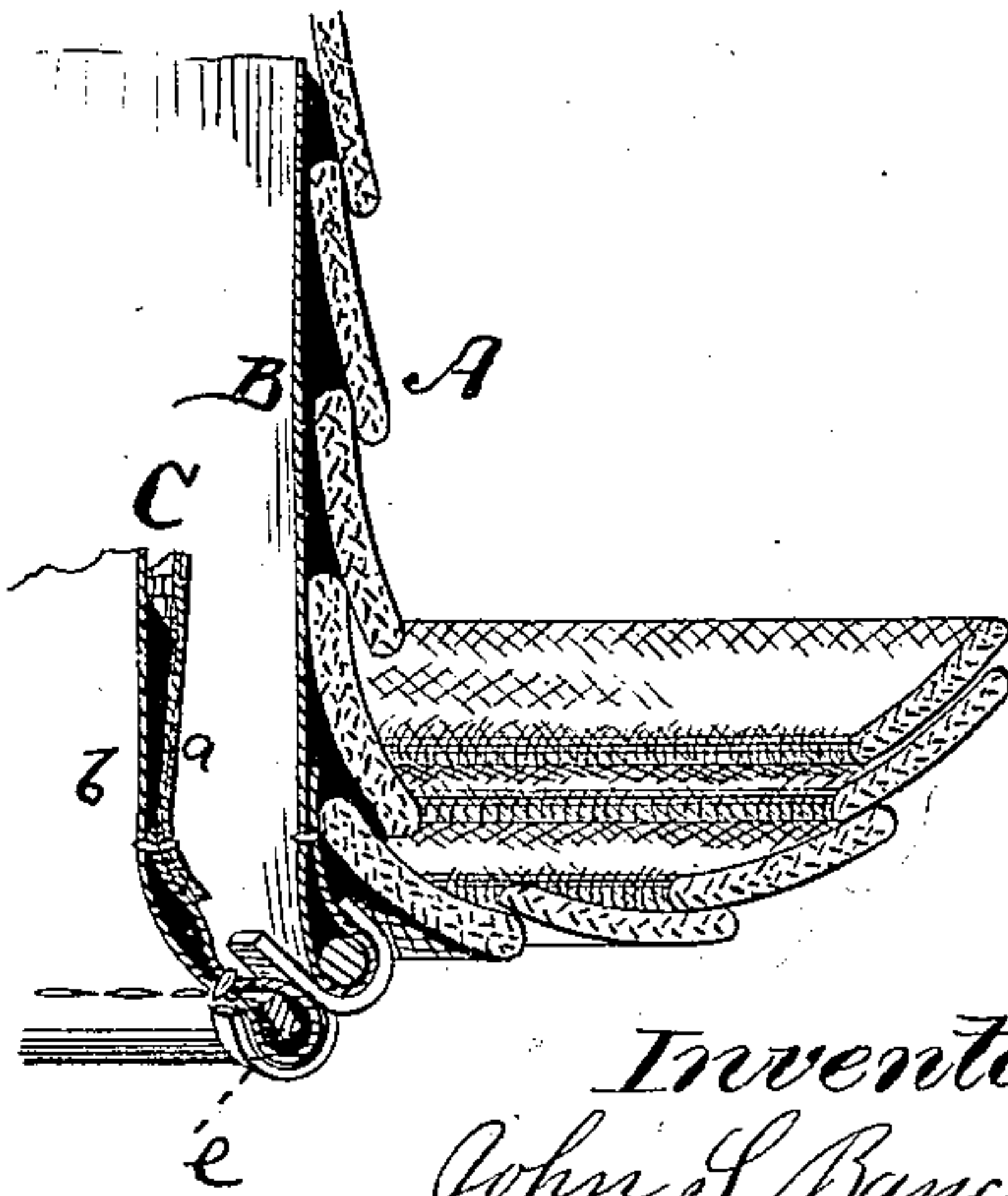


Fig: 6



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SWEAT-PAD FOR HATS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN S. BANCROFT, of New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved
5 Sweat-Pad for Hats, of which the following is a specification.

Figure 1 is a lower end view of a hat having my improved sweat-pad. Fig. 2 is a face view of the sweat-pad. Figs. 3 and 4 are perspective
10 and face views, on an enlarged scale, of the fastening for the same. Fig. 5 is an enlarged vertical section of the sweat-pad; Fig. 6, an enlarged section through part of the hat and pad.

15 This invention relates to a new removable sweat-pad for hats.

The forehead is usually the principal part requiring ventilation in a hat and protection against moisture in hot weather. Hence, a
20 continuous sweat-band is in part superfluous. The sweat-band, moreover, is sewed into the hat and cannot be conveniently removed and replaced.

My invention consists in the application to
25 the front part of the hat of an inner removable sweat-pad, which has suitable fastenings, that hold it in place. When soiled or worn this sweat-pad can be readily removed and cleaned or replaced by another.

30 In the drawings, the letter A represents a suitable hat, cap, helmet, or the like. B is its ordinary or suitable sweat-band; but this sweat-band may be entirely omitted.

C is my improved sweat-pad. It is a strip
35 of single or double flexible material, preferably porous, made of braided substance *a*, and of canvas *b*, or of any other suitable material. It should be about seven or eight inches long for an adult and about two inches high. Its lower

edge should have one or more fastening-clasps, 40
d, whereby it can be secured to the lower edge of the hat. The clasp shown in Figs. 3 and 4 is best for the purpose, having one prong wherewith to clamp the pad and another for clamping the lower edge of the sweat-band or 45
other part of the hat.

A wire, *e*, or other stiffener may be drawn through the lower part of the sweat-pad, as indicated, to give it the requisite curved form.

The wearer of the hat may easily remove and 50
replace the pad C and have the same cleaned whenever necessary.

If the sweat-pad is entirely of porous material, the sweat-band B should be of oil-silk or other water-proof material, to prevent the 55
moisture from striking through and injuring the hat and the hat-band. Hence, it is desirable that there should be a piece of oil-silk or its equivalent either in the back of the sweat-pad or in the sweat-band. 60

I claim—

1. As a new article of manufacture, the sweat-pad C, provided with fastening device *d* for attachment to a hat, substantially as herein shown and described. 65

2. The combination of the hat A with the inner removable sweat-pad, C, which is adapted to protect the forehead of the wearer, substantially as herein shown and described.

3. The combination of the hat A and its 70
sweat-band B with the inner removable sweat-pad, C, substantially as herein shown and described.

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