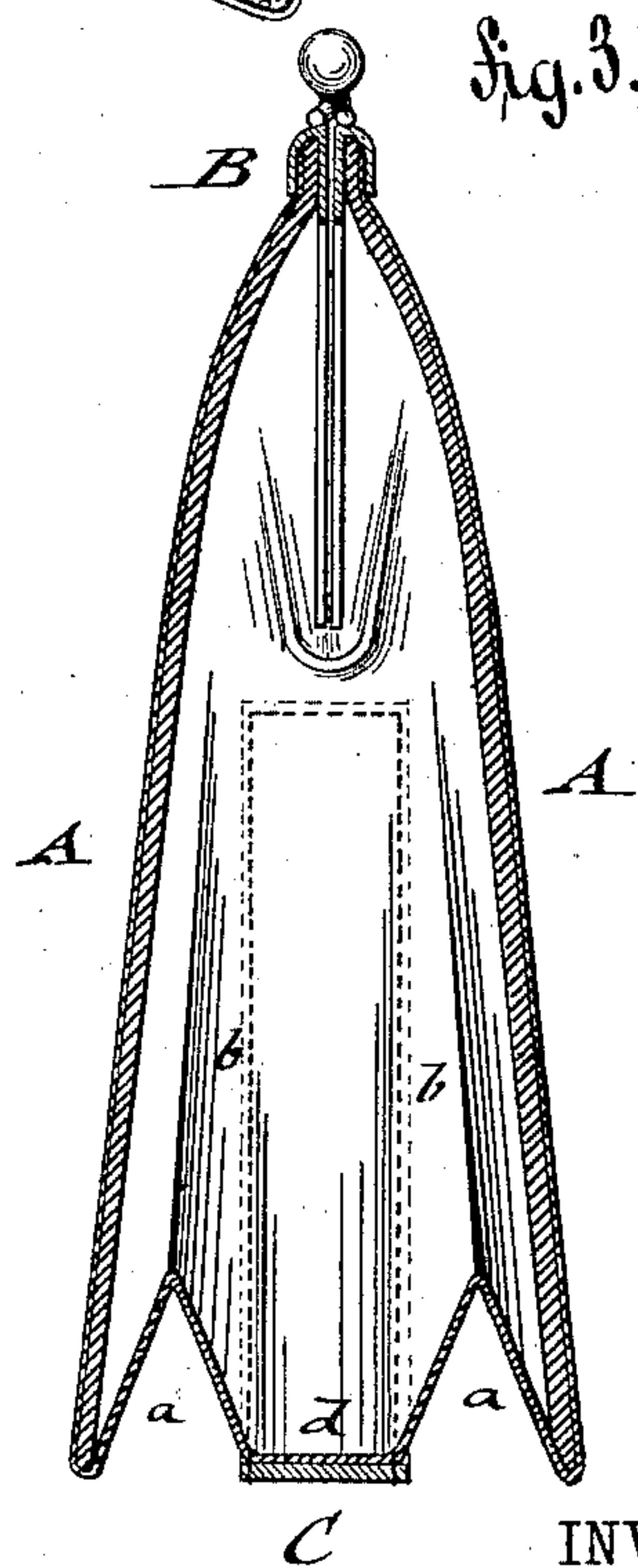
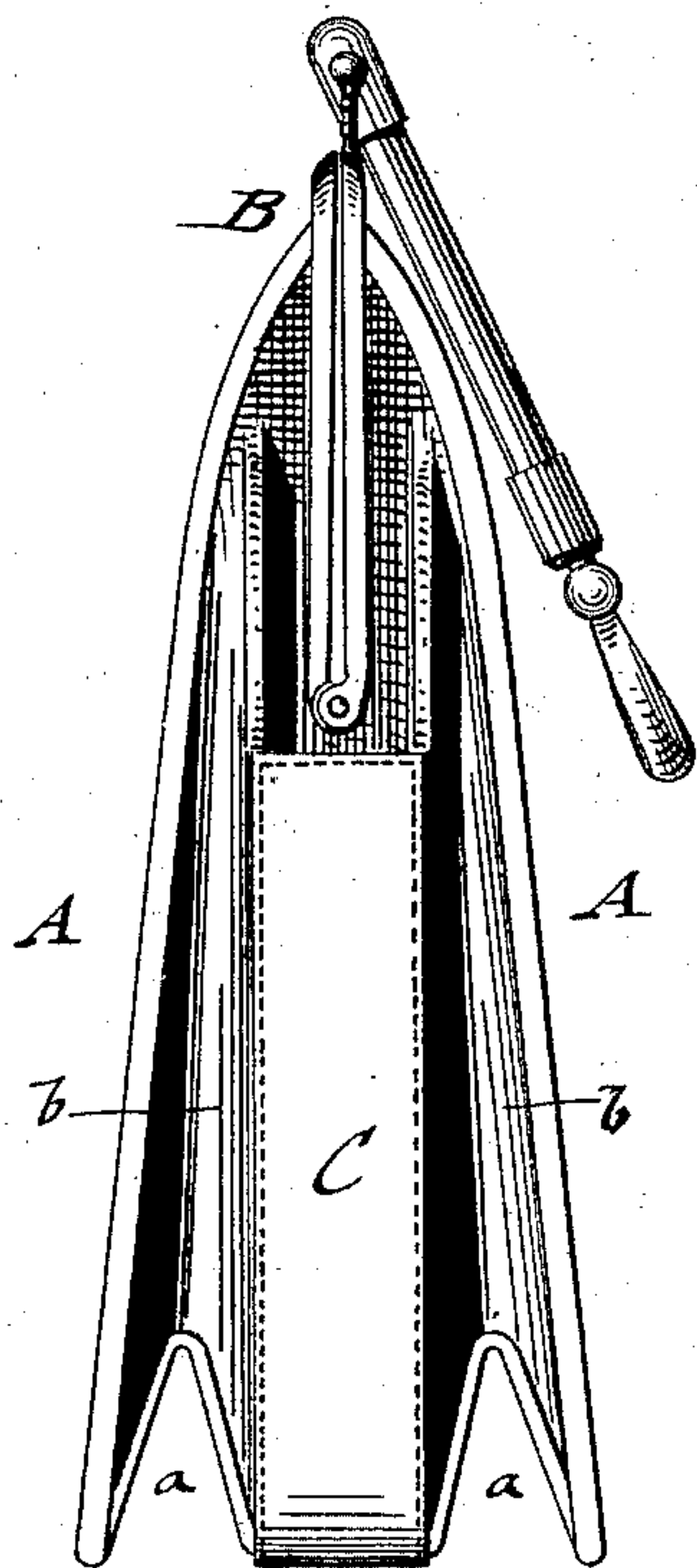
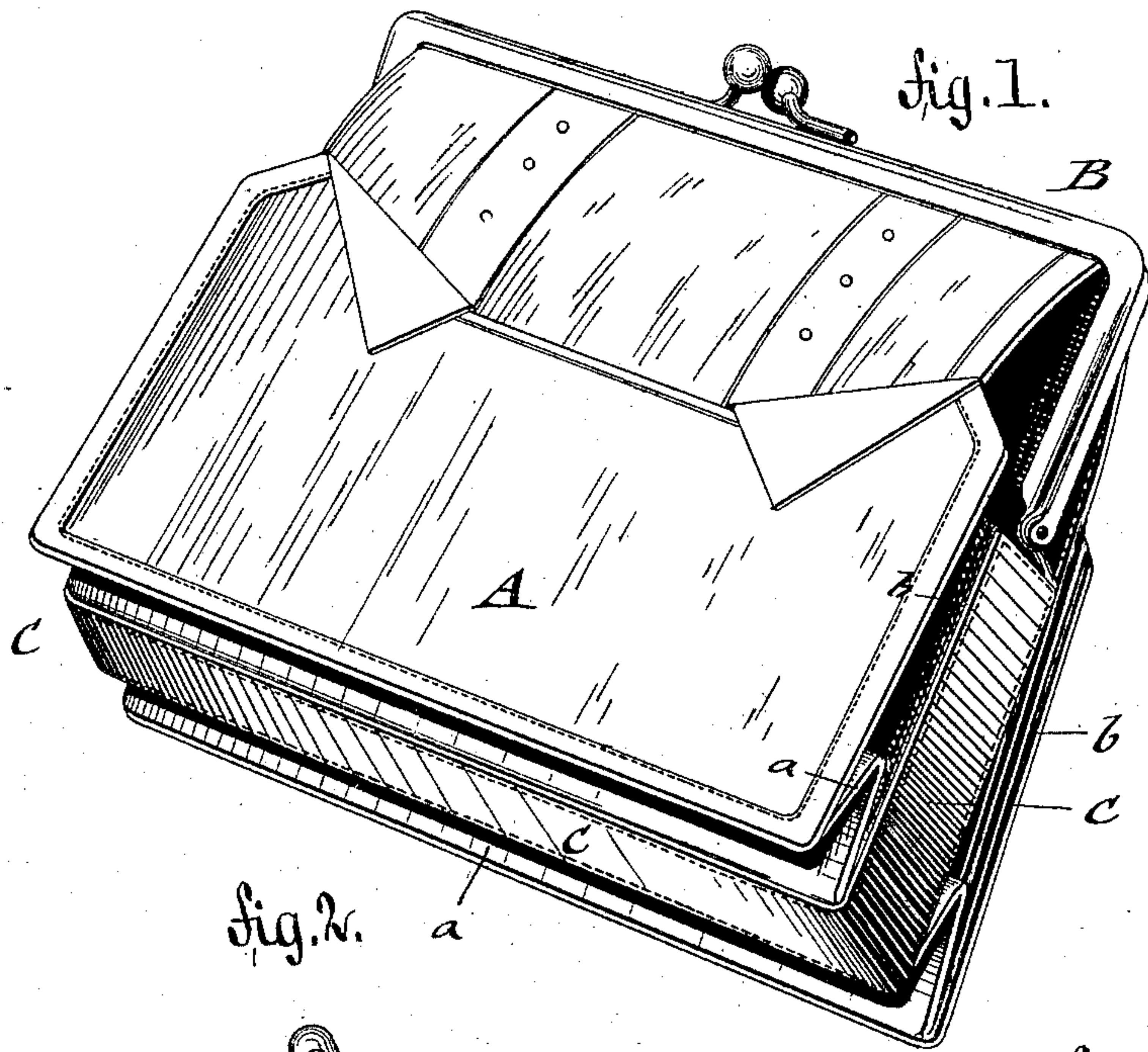


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*To all whom it may concern :*

Be it known that I, CHARLES VEHRING, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bags and Satchels, of which the following is a specification.

Bags and satchels for ladies' use have heretofore been made with folding bellows-shaped bottom and side gussets, which were liable to sag at the bottom and side by the pressure of the articles in the same, so as to present an unsightly appearance.

This invention is intended to overcome this objection; and it consists of a bag or satchel provided with folding bellows-shaped bottom and side gussets, the central portion of which is made flat and re-enforced by a stiff continuous band that extends centrally along the bottom and side gussets up to the frame of the bag or satchel.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a side view, Fig. 2 an end view, and Fig. 3 a vertical transverse section, of my improved bag or satchel.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A represents a bag or satchel of that class in which a folding or bellows-shaped bottom, *a*, and side gussets, *b b*, are used to connect

the side walls, which are applied to a hinged frame, B. In place of making the bottom and side gussets of folds throughout, the middle fold or folds of the bottom and gussets are dispensed with, and a straight portion, *d*, substituted therefor, which is re-enforced by a stiff exterior band of leather, C, or other suitable fabric, that extends along the bottom and the side gussets to near the pivots of the frame B. By the use of this re-enforcing band the sagging of the bottom or side gussets is entirely prevented and a neater and more finished appearance imparted to the bag or satchel.

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

A bag or satchel consisting of a body expansible at the sides and bottom and a metallic frame at the upper part, said body being provided with an exterior re-enforcing strip that extends from points below the pivots of the frame centrally along the ends and bottom of the body, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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