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Fig. 1.

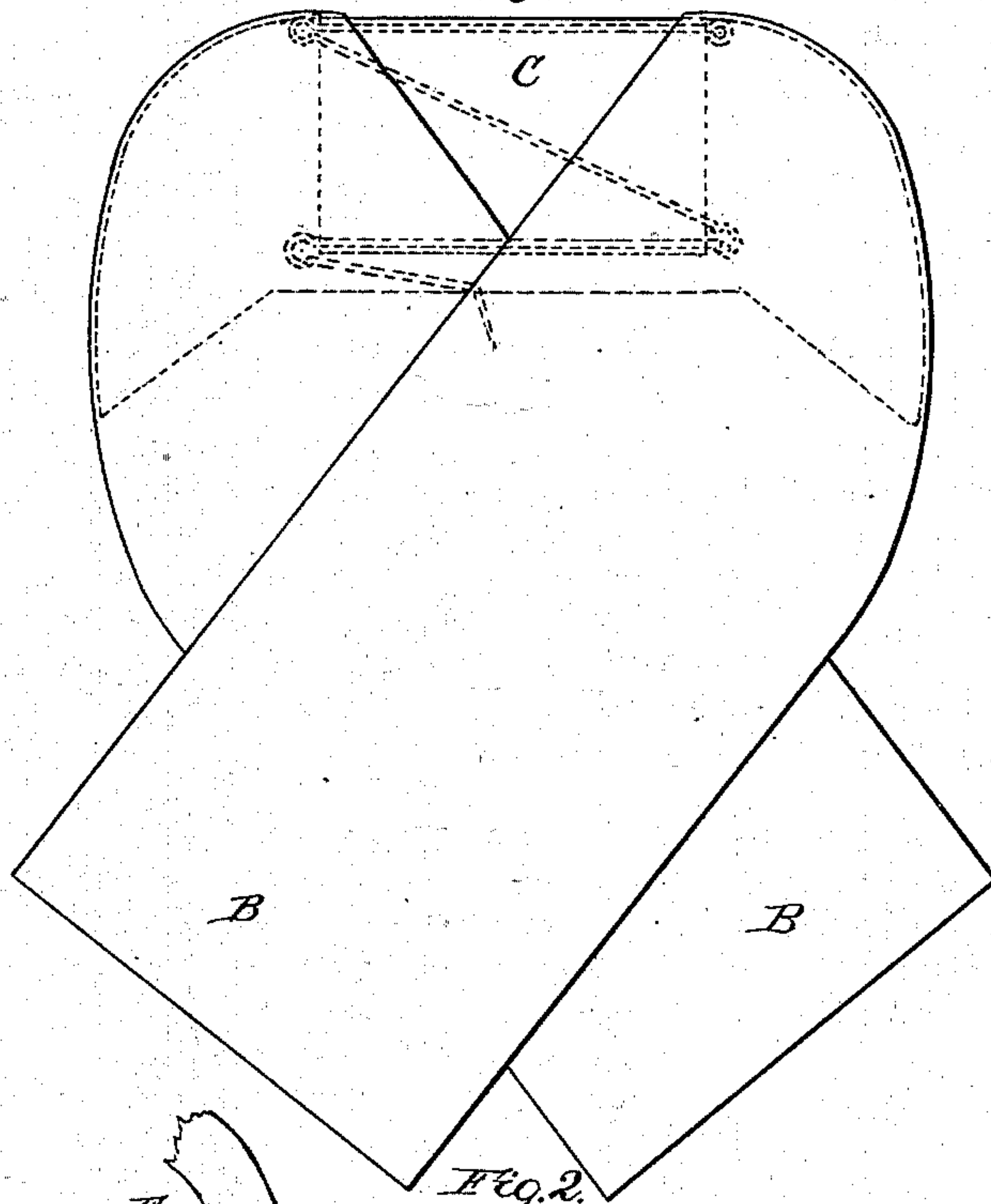
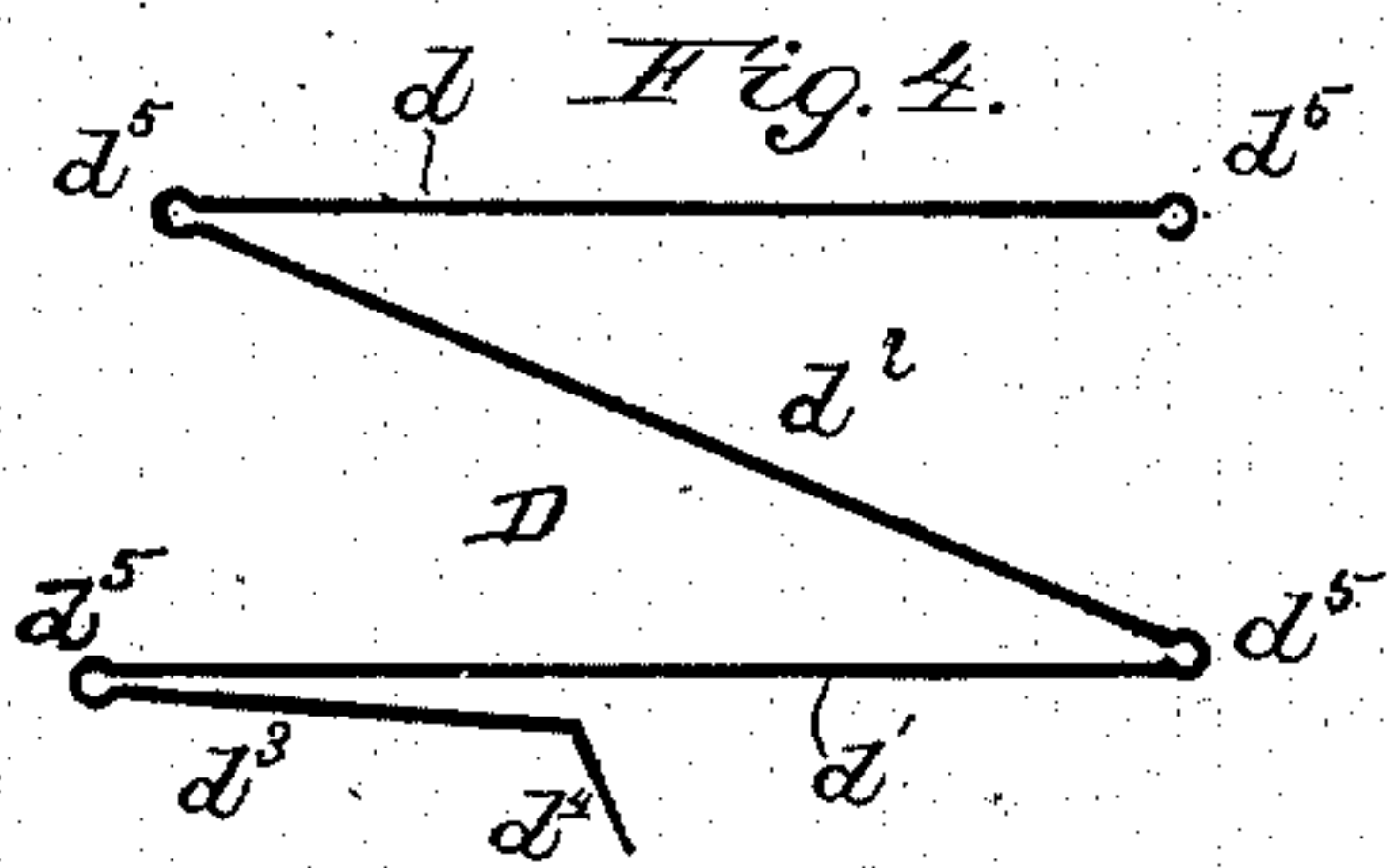
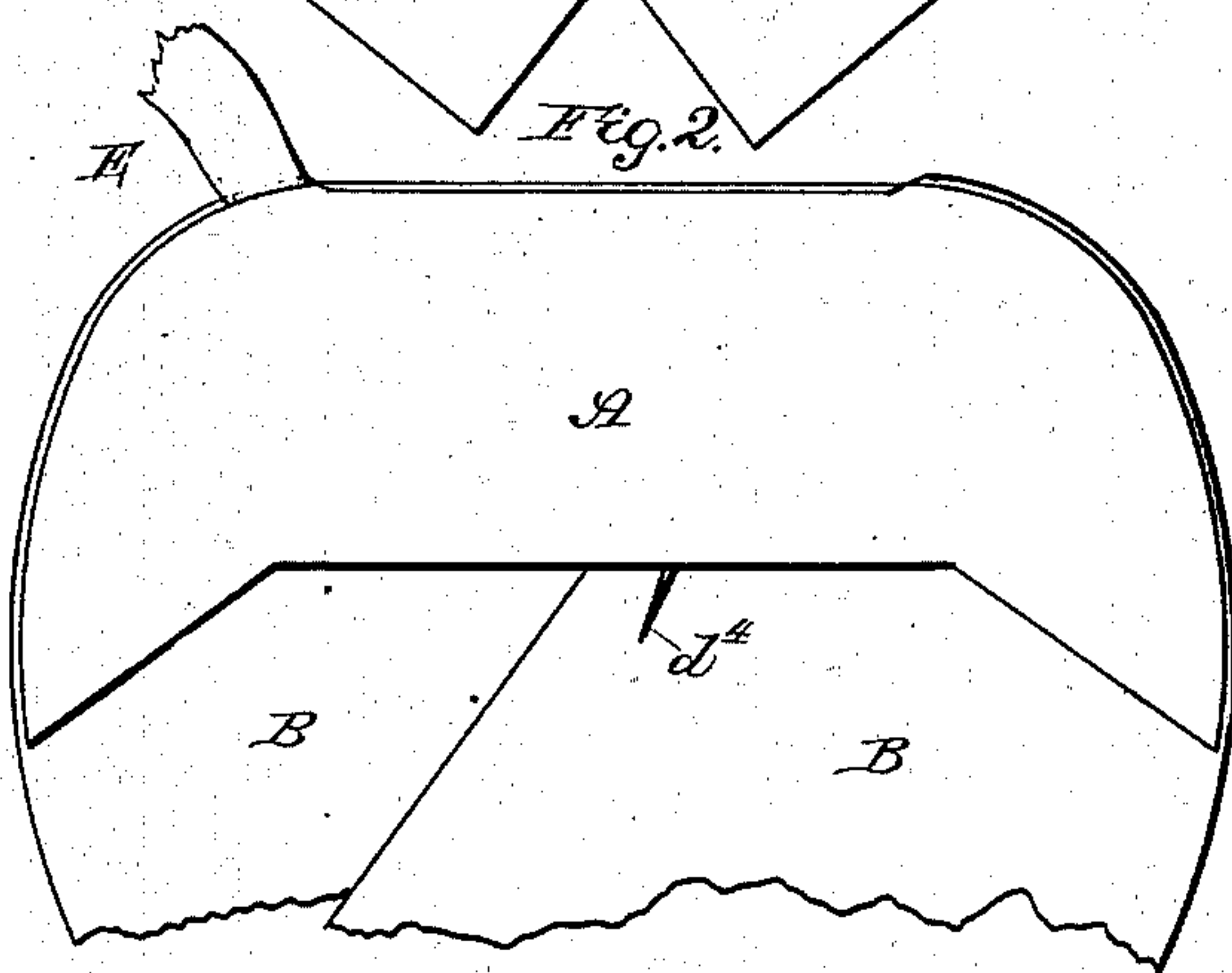


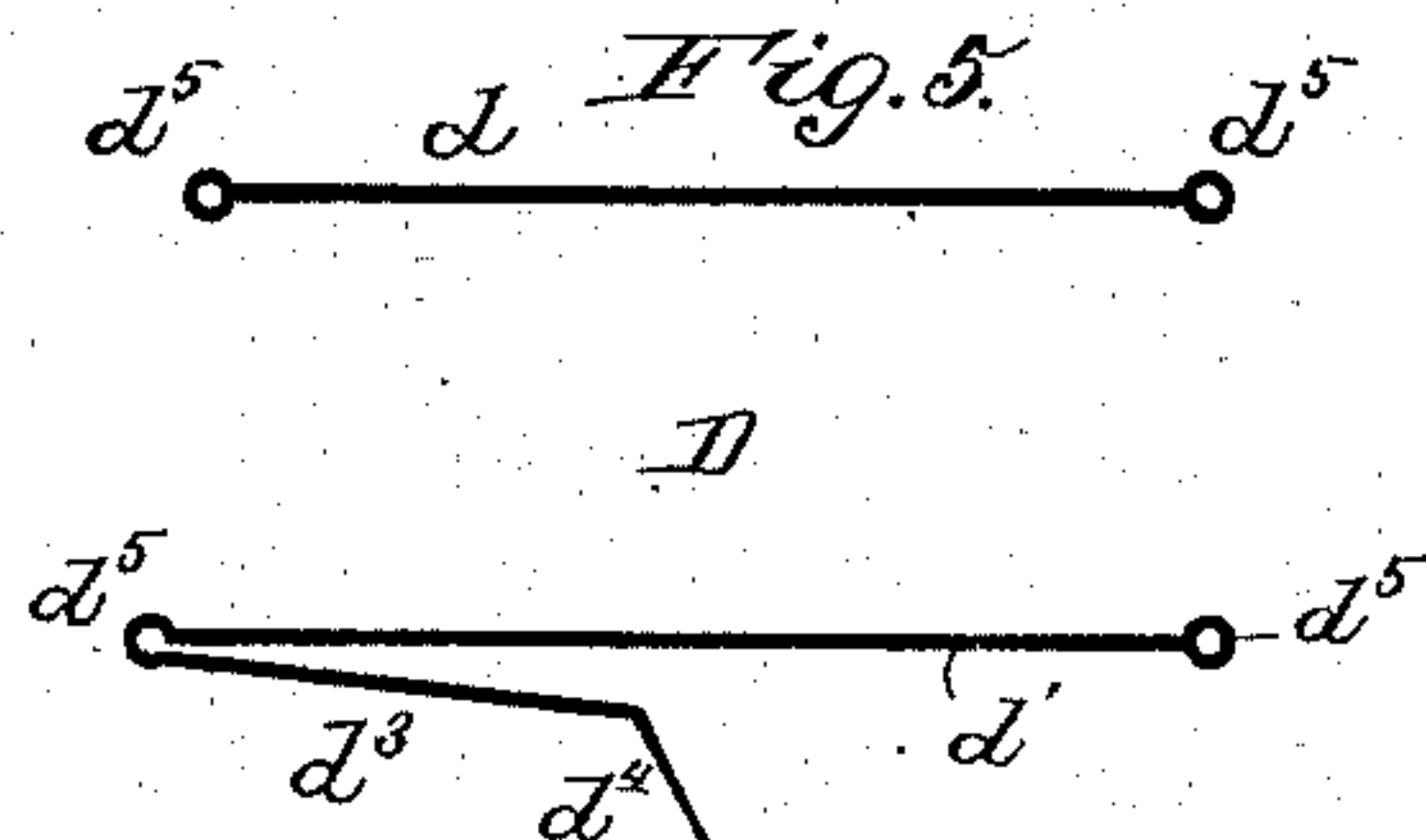
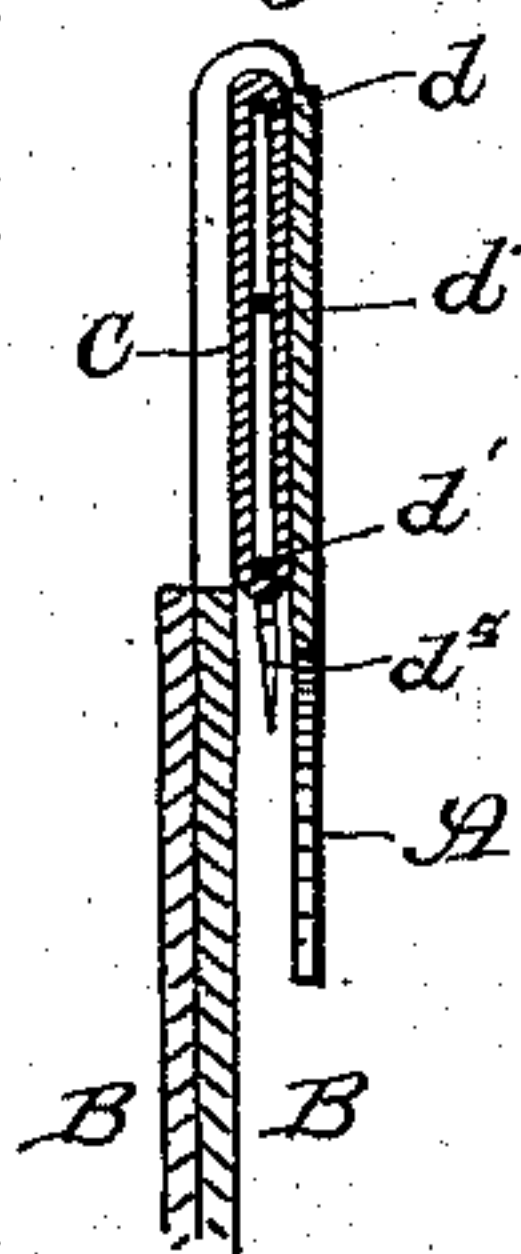
Fig. 2.



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Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK O. McCLEARY, of Washington, in the District of Columbia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Scarfs; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to neckscarfs.

An objection to scarfs of the class to which my invention pertains is found in the fact that the upper edge of the center-piece, or that portion which comes in contact with the collar, is liable to wear and fray out, thus disfiguring the scarf and rendering it unfit for use, while the crossed aprons and remaining parts of the scarf are unworn. Various improvements have been heretofore devised with a view of obviating this difficulty. Scarfs have been provided with pivoted center-pieces, and "double-ended" scarfs and those of octagonal shape having four different presentable ends have been used; but all of these varieties of scarfs involve an expense considerably above that of the well-known ordinary scarf, and, moreover, many of the patented improvements in this line have been found to be impracticable and fail in the important points of neatness and tastefulness of appearance.

The object of my invention is to provide scarfs with a center-piece adapted to be longitudinally adjusted to conceal the worn edge and to renew the latter without involving any considerable expense, and without detracting at all from the appearance of the scarf.

With this end in view, the invention consists in providing a scarf with an endless center-piece capable of adjustment upon a frame adapted to be secured to the scarf.

The invention further consists in the combinations of parts and the improved devices hereinafter fully set forth, and pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 represents a front view of a scarf embodying my invention, portions being shown by dotted lines. Fig. 2 is a rear view thereof. Fig. 3 illustrates a central vertical section of the same. Fig. 4 shows a metallic frame of peculiar construction, adapted to support the endless center-piece, and pro-

vided with a sharpened end or pin to engage the neckband of the scarf. Fig. 5 is a modification of the frame shown in Fig. 4.

A represents a shield of covered pasteboard or other suitable material, to the side edges of which are secured the upper ends of the usual crossed aprons, B B. Said aprons are also secured together in any desired manner, and are preferably secured all around the side edges of the shield.

C represents my improved center-piece, consisting of an endless strip or band, as shown in Fig. 3.

D represents a frame for supporting the endless center-piece. Said frame consists of an upper rod, d , and a lower parallel rod, d' , preferably connected by a diagonal rod, d^2 , and an extension, d^3 , terminating in a pin, d^4 , to engage the band. At each corner of the frame—that is, at each end of each of the two parallel rods d and d' —is formed a loop or eye, d^5 . By means of these eyes the frame is adapted to be secured to the aprons or shield of the scarf, so as to support the endless center-piece in proper position, as shown in Figs. 1 and 3. I prefer to secure the frame to the aprons, although, as above stated, if desired, it may be secured to the shield. My preferred manner of securing the frame is by stitches or threads passing through the loops or eyes d^5 ; but other securing means may be devised and used without departing from my invention.

It will be observed that by the employment of the pin-extension d^3 the objections incident to the use of the ordinary neckband-pin are avoided. The ordinary short pin is secured to the shield by inserting it into the latter and pasting a piece of stiff paper or other material over its inner end to prevent its removal. It is well known, however, that the pin, when thus formed and secured, is liable to loosen and work up into the shield or drop out of the latter, in either case causing annoyance and inconvenience.

By my improved construction of pin all liability of inconvenience is avoided, as the pin cannot become displaced or removed.

The wire employed in the construction of the frame is of the usual cylindrical form, thus presenting round edges for facilitating the turning of the endless center-piece.

It will be noted that the shield A completely covers the inner side of the endless center-piece, thus protecting the latter from contact with the shirt-bosom of the wearer.

5 As illustrated in Fig. 5, the diagonal connecting-rod d^2 may be omitted, if desired, and the frame formed of two separate pieces.

Other modifications and slight alterations in the details of construction of my improvement
10 may be devised and resorted to without departing from the scope of my invention. Hence I do not limit myself to the precise construction herein described, and illustrated in the drawings, but reserve to myself the right
15 to make all such alterations as may properly fall within the scope of my invention.

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

20 1. The combination, with a scarf provided with an endless center-piece, of a frame for supporting the latter, said frame being provided with round edges, substantially as described.

25 2. The combination, with a scarf consisting of crossed aprons and an endless center-piece, of a frame of wire or other suitable material adapted to be secured to the aprons to receive the center-piece, and a shield secured over the
30 latter from contact with the shirt-bosom of the wearer, substantially as set forth.

35 3. The combination, with a scarf, of a frame of wire provided with bent eyes or loops for its attachment to the scarf, and an endless center-piece adapted to be revolved upon said frame, substantially as set forth.

40 4. The combination, with a scarf, of a frame provided with bends or loops for its attachment to the scarf, and a pin-extension for engaging the neckband of the scarf, substantially as set forth.

5. The combination, with the crossed aprons and a shield, of a wire frame provided with

bends or loops for its attachment to the scarf, and adapted to support an endless center-piece 45 between said aprons and shield, substantially as set forth.

6. The combination, with the crossed aprons and endless center-piece, of a wire frame consisting of parallel rods provided with eyes or 50 loops, and a pin-extension, substantially as set forth.

7. The combination, with the crossed aprons, of a wire frame consisting of two parallel rods connected by a diagonal rod, the lower rod be- 55 ing provided integrally with a pin-extension, and an endless center-piece, substantially as set forth.

8. The combination, with the crossed aprons and endless center-piece, of a frame of wire or 60 other suitable material adapted to receive the latter and to be secured to the aprons, and provided integrally with a pin-extension, and a shield and neckband, substantially as set forth.

9. The combination, with crossed aprons and 65 an endless center-piece, of a frame of wire or equivalent material provided integrally with eyes or loops for securing said frame to the scarf, and adapted to receive the center-piece, as described, and a shield, substantially as set 70 forth.

10. A frame for use with scarfs, said frame consisting of an upper and a lower rod, a diagonal connecting-piece, and pin-extension, all 75 formed of a single piece of wire or other suitable material, and so bent as to form at each corner of the frame an eye or loop for the attachment of the latter to a scarf, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed this 80 specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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