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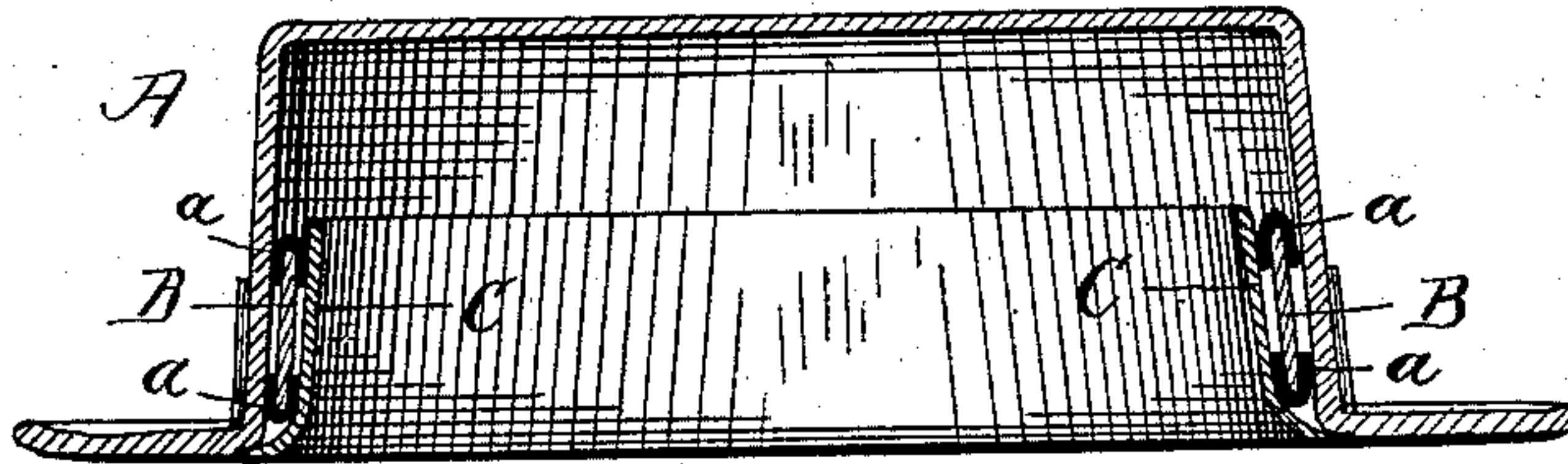
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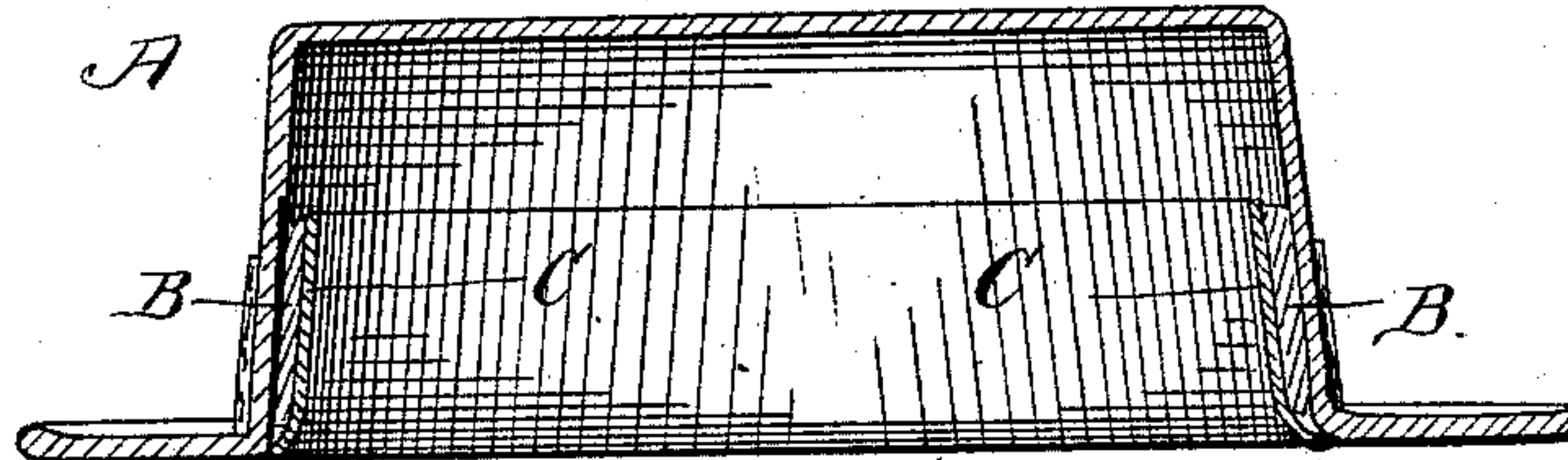
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*Fig. 1*



*Fig. 2.*



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ALBERT C. COUCH, OF BOSTON, MASS., ASSIGNOR, BY MESNE ASSIGNMENTS,  
TO THE MICA TIP AND LINING COMPANY, OF SAME PLACE.

## HAT OR CAP.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 282,442, dated July 31, 1883.

Application filed April 6, 1883. (Model.)

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ALBERT C. COUCH, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and  
5 useful Improvements in Hats and Caps, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to the sweat-linings of hats and caps; and it consists of a lining  
10 made of a strip of mica, either alone or covered by the ordinary sweat-lining of leather or other material, and secured in place in any suitable manner, all substantially as herein-  
after described, reference being had to the ac-  
15 companying plate of drawings, in which—

Figures 1 and 2 are central vertical sections of a hat having my improved sweat-lining.

In the drawings, A represents a hat made in any of the usual manners, and of any of  
20 the usual or desired styles and shapes.

B is the sweat-lining, made of a strip of mica, preferably covered, and thus held in place by the usual sweat-lining, C, of leather or other  
suitable material, secured in position in the or-  
25 dinary manner. The leather lining C may be dispensed with, and, whether dispensed with or not, the mica lining B may be secured in position by paste or other suitable adhesive material, or stitches, and the mica lining may

be bound on its edges with cloth *a*, or other  
30 suitable material, and by such binding stitched or secured in position in the hat, &c.; or the mica lining may be attached to the leather lining. A sweat-lining made of mica abso-  
lutely prevents the passage of perspiration  
35 from the head, or oil or water through the hat to the outside thereof.

I am aware of the Letters Patent granted to R. Lanstrom, dated October 26, 1880, and  
40 claim nothing shown or described therein.

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

1. A hat, cap, or other head-covering hav-  
ing a sweat-lining of a strip of mica, in com-  
45 bination with a covering of leather, substan-  
tially as described.

2. A hat, cap, or other head-covering hav-  
ing a sweat-lining of a strip of mica bound  
on its edges with cloth or other suitable ma-  
50 terial, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing wit-  
nesses.

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