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Fig. 1.

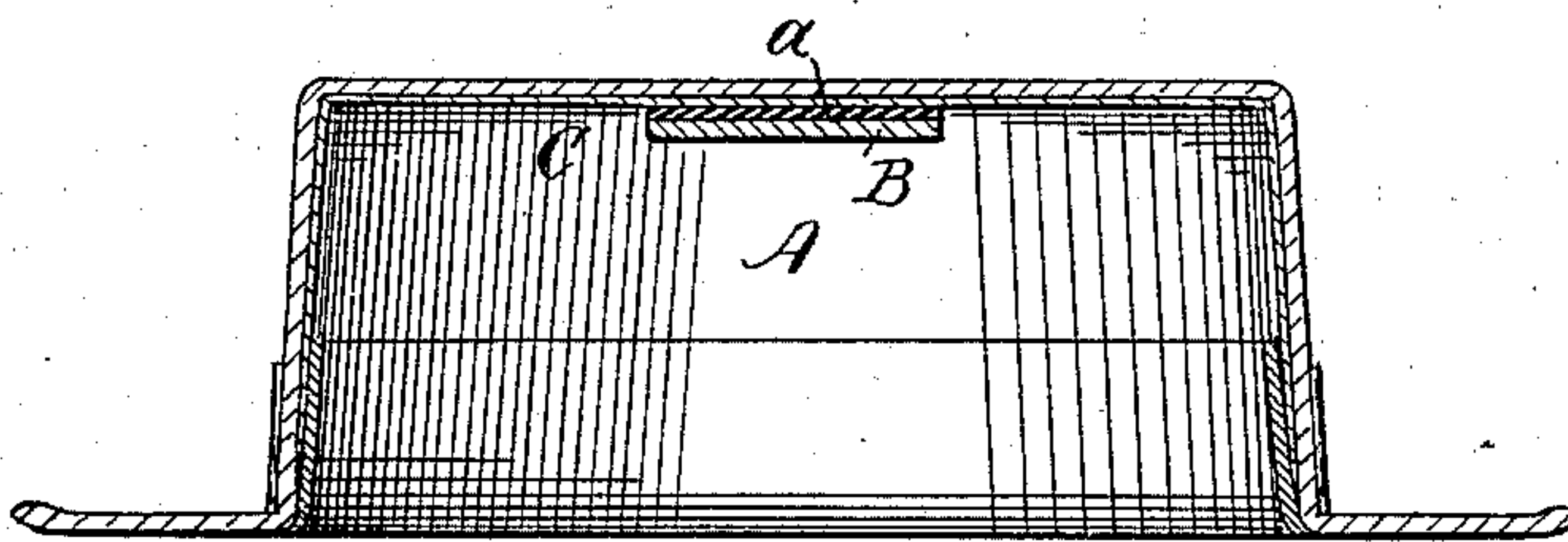
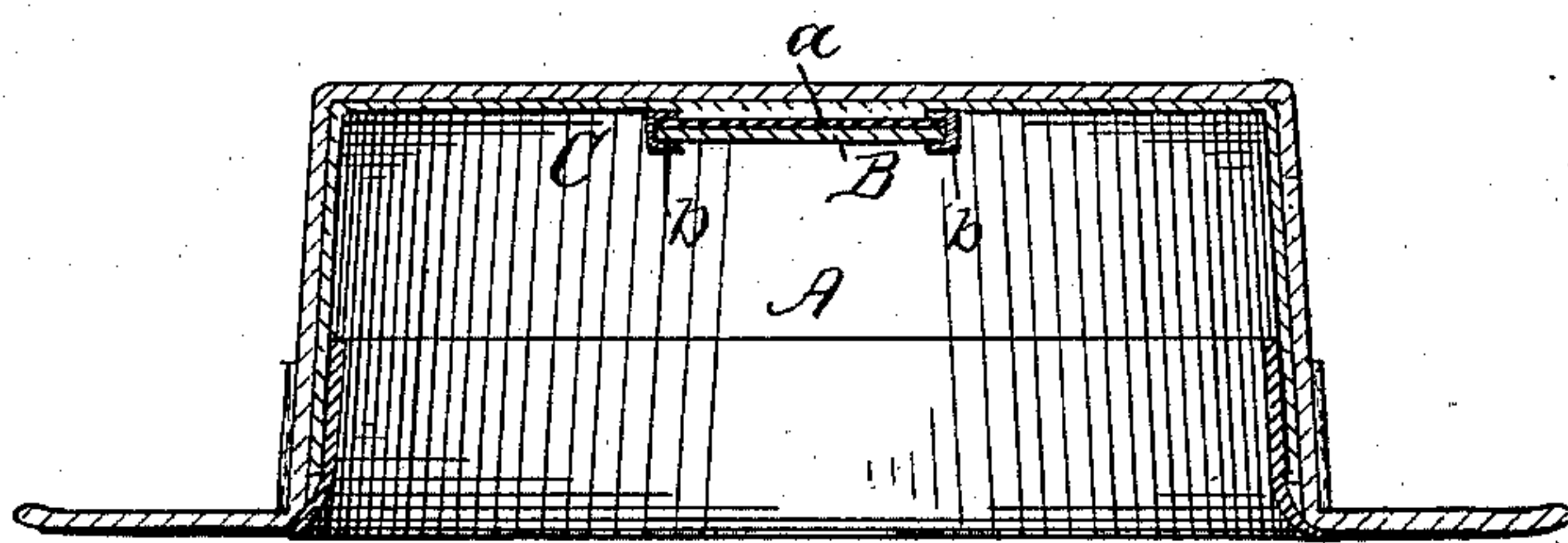


Fig. 2.



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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.

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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 consists of a hat or cap having arranged within and attached to the crown
10 thereof a sheet of mica properly prepared, by silvering or otherwise, to serve as a mirror, all substantially as described, reference being had to accompanying plate of drawings, in which—

15 Figures 1 and 2 are cross-sections of a hat having a mirror of mica in accordance with this invention.

In the drawings, A represents a hat made in any of the usual manners and of any of the
20 usual or desired styles and shapes, and otherwise, except as to this invention, as ordinary.

B is a sheet of mica, attached to the inside of the crown C of the hat by cement or any suitable adhesive material, or by stitches or otherwise. This sheet of mica is silvered upon
25 its back or inner side, as at *a*, the same as glass is silvered, and thus made to serve the purposes of a mirror, possessing, as is well
30 known, the advantageous qualities, as compared with glass mirrors, of being flexible so that it can be freely bent, and, besides, being most neat and tasty in appearance and not easily broken. The mica may be rendered re-

flecting in other ways than by silvering the 35 same.

In Fig. 2 is shown the mica prepared, as above described, as being bound on its edges with metal *b*, or cloth or other suitable material, which will protect and give a finished
40 appearance to its edges, and also by which the mica can be secured in the hat in any suitable manner.

Mica rendered reflecting can be used for a variety of purposes other than in combination
45 with a hat, as is obvious.

I am aware that it is not new to secure upon the inside of the crown of a hat or cap a mirror, and such I do not claim, broadly.

Having thus described my invention, what 50 I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A hat, cap, or other head-covering having a sheet of mica which has been rendered reflecting attached to the inside of the crown, 55 substantially as described.

2. A hat, cap, or other head-covering having a sheet of mica which has been rendered reflecting, and its edges bound with any suitable material, attached to the inside of the
60 crown, substantially as described.

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

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