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Fig. 1.

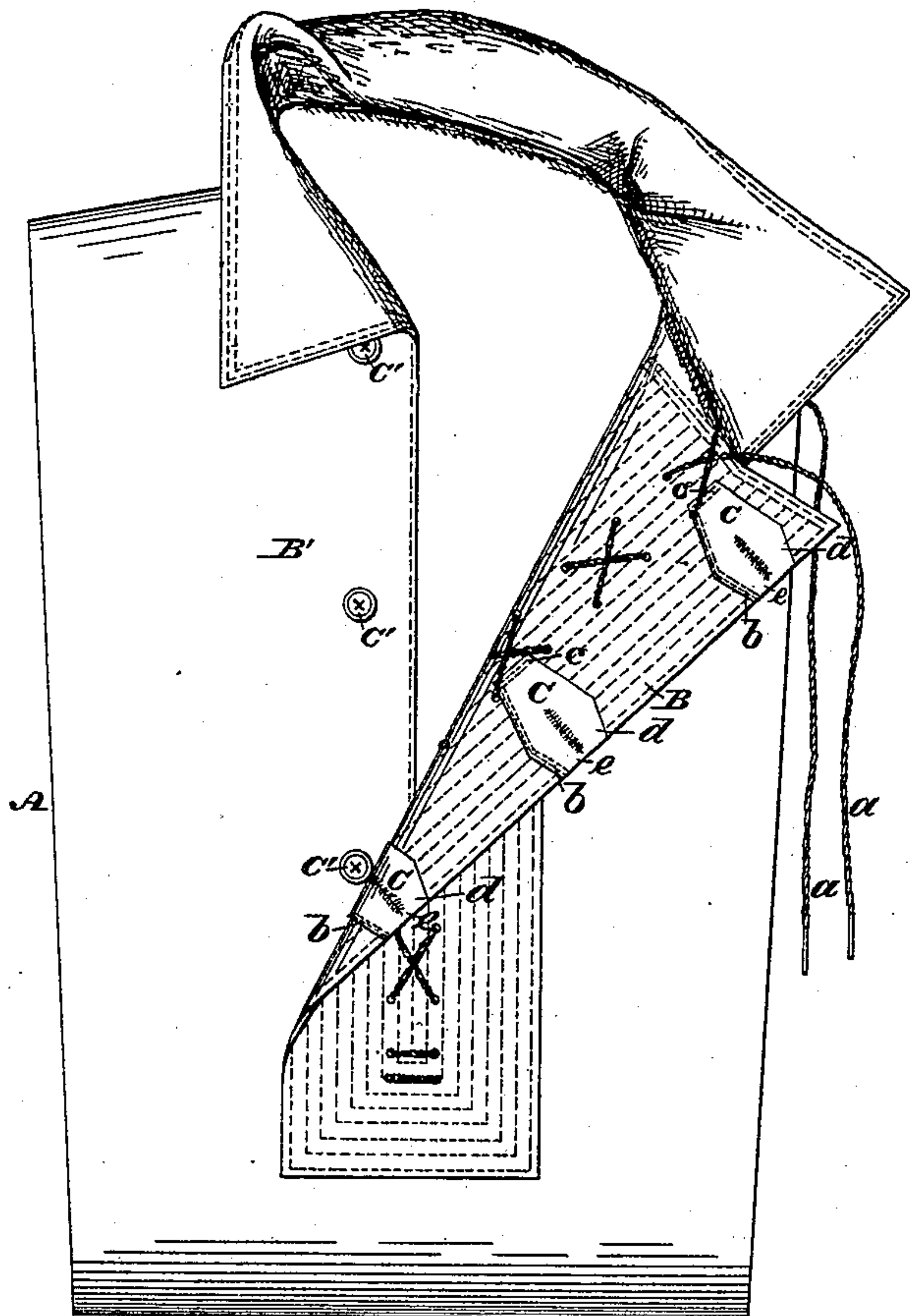


Fig. 2.

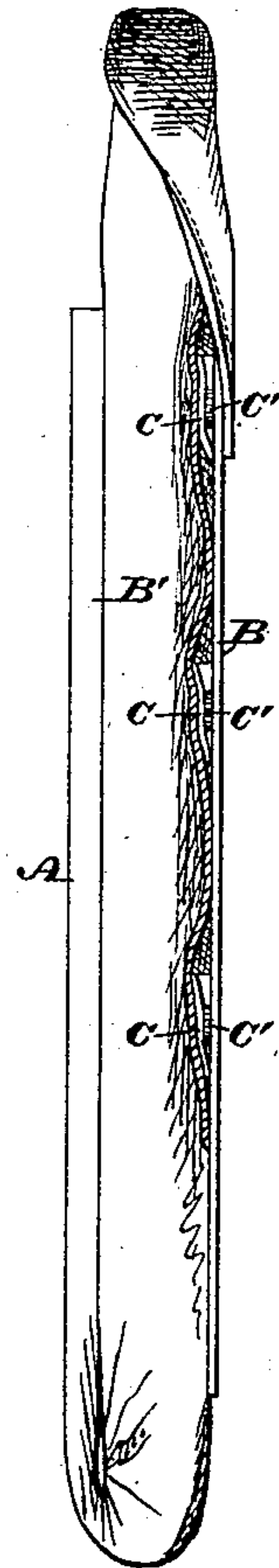
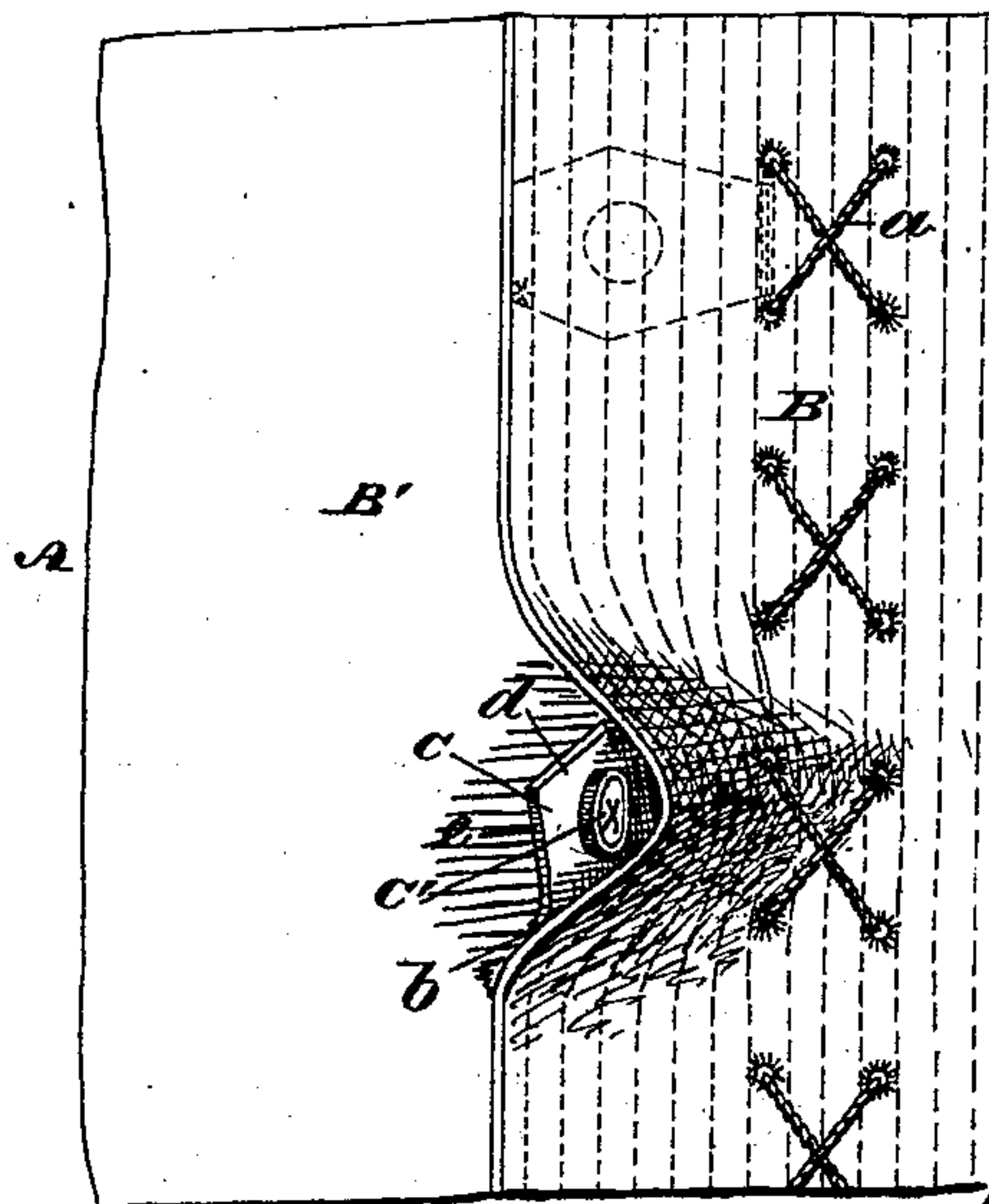


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WALTER M. STEPPACHER, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Shirts, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of a shirt embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a side elevation thereof. Fig. 3 is a front view of a detached portion.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

My invention consists in providing a bicycle or other shirt with a series of independent buttoning-tabs, whereby the weight of the shirt is reduced, there is saving in material, and the buttoning is easily accomplished.

Referring to the drawings; A represents a bicycle club or other shirt, which is open in front, and provided with lacings *a*, which may, however, be omitted. On the inner side of the front closing-flap B are buttoning-tabs C, and on the outer face of the portion B' are the buttons C' therefor. The tabs C are disconnected from or independent of each other, and each tab is stitched to the flap B at the bottom, as at *b*, and inner end, as at *c*, thus leaving the top *d* and outer end, *e*, disconnected. The tabs may, however, be stitched at the top, thus leaving the bottom free. It will be seen

that the tab is securely attached to the flap, and provision is made for inserting the finger between the tab and flap at the outer corner of the tab, and conveniently performing the buttoning and unbuttoning operations. Furthermore, the tabs, being formed of separate pieces, effect a saving over a single tab having button-holes for the several buttons, thus decreasing the weight and expense of the shirt, and obviating bagging of the front flap and gathering of the same between the buttons, the construction of said tabs being hereinafter fully set forth.

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

1. A shirt having a closing-flap provided with a series of buttoning-tabs independent of each other, each of said tabs being secured to the flap along two of its sides, leaving the outer corner disconnected, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. A shirt having a closing-flap provided with a series of buttoning-tabs independent of each other, each tab being secured to the flap in such manner that its outer corner is left disconnected from the flap, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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