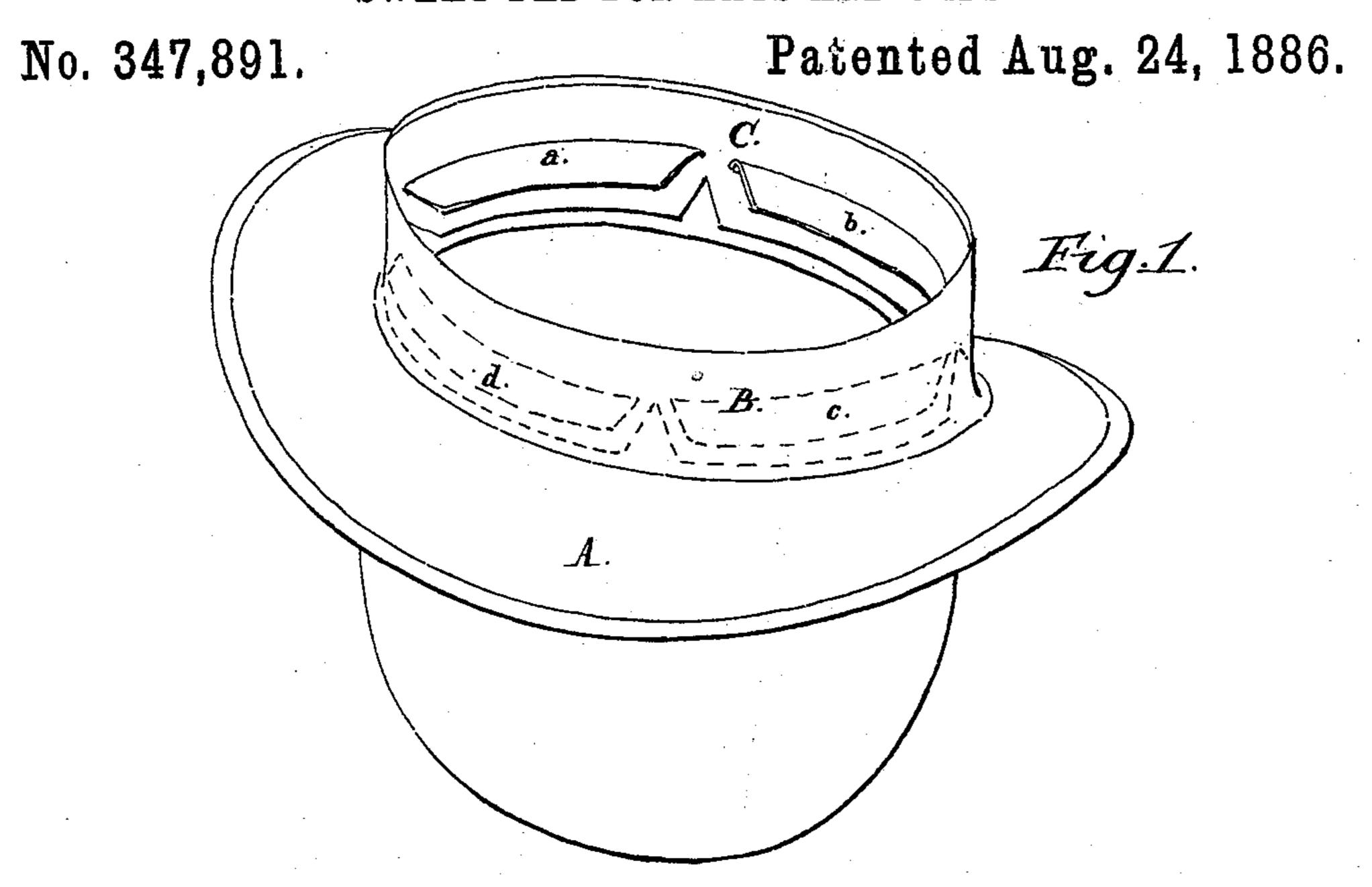
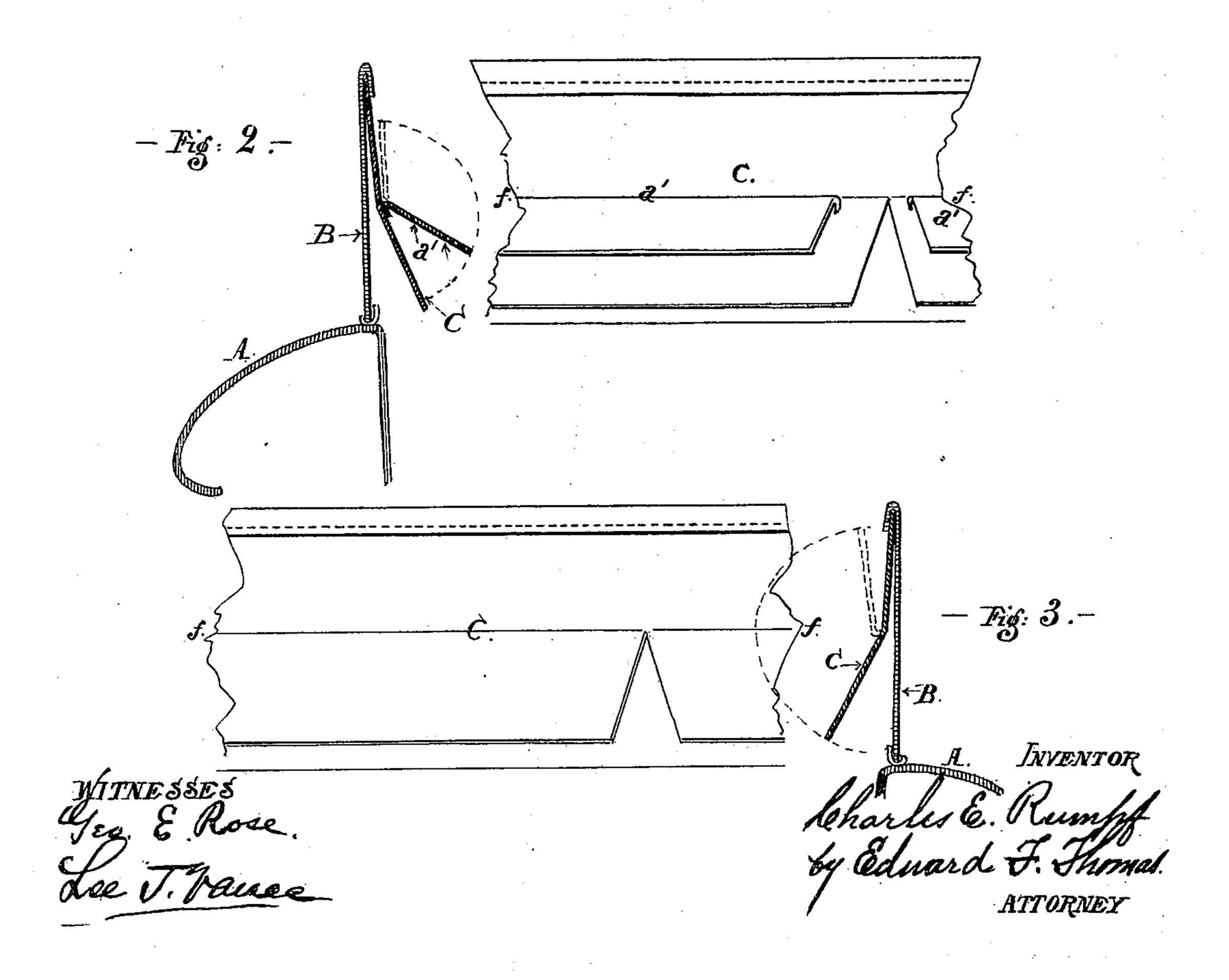
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES E. RUMPF, of the city of Youngstown, in the county of Mahoning and State of Ohio, have invented 5 certain new and useful Improvements in Sweat-Pads for Hats and Caps; and I do 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.

The object of my invention is to produce a sweat-pad which can be used not only to absorb moisture, but also to adapt the hat to the size or shape of the head of the wearer, and to 15 this end I propose to attach the pad to the hat or sweat-band by a single line of stitches only, so that it may, if desired, be folded so as to increase or diminish the size of the opening which receives the head; to divide the pad 20 into divisions, of a size to be conveniently folded, by slits or notches cut into the body of the pad, and to attach flaps (one or more) to the body of the pad, which will enable, when properly used, a still greater variation to be 25 made in the size of the hat, where the latter touches the head.

In the drawings annexed, Figure 1 shows in perspective a hat and sweat-band with my improved sweat-pad attached. Figs. 2 and 3 show, on a larger scale and in cross-section, portions of the sweat band and pad.

To the sweat-band B of the hat A is attached the pad C, made of cloth, paper, felt, or other desired material, and divided by notches cut into the pad from its upper edge, which is left

free, into divisions a b c d, of a length which may be conveniently folded. When it is desired to diminish the effective size of the hat, one or more of these divisions are folded over. If all are folded, the size only of the opening 40 will be affected; if but a part, both size and shape will be changed.

The function of the notches is obvious, since without them it would be difficult to fold the pad, and change of shape would be impossible. 45 To provide for further adjustment in size and shape, one or more flaps, a', of any desired length, are attached to the body of the pad, and may be folded down or up, like the divisions already described, to vary the size or 50 shape of the opening of the hat.

A pad made as described serves the usual purpose of a pad, and also furnishes a convenient means of fitting the hat to heads of different sizes and contours.

I have shown the pad attached to the sweatband; but it is of course immaterial to what part of the hat it is secured.

I claim—

A hat-sweat provided on its rear face with 60 a continuous pad or band, attached at one of its edges to some portion of the sweat and free therefrom at its other edge, and provided at its said free edge with several notches or slits, substantially as and for the purposes set forth. 65

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