

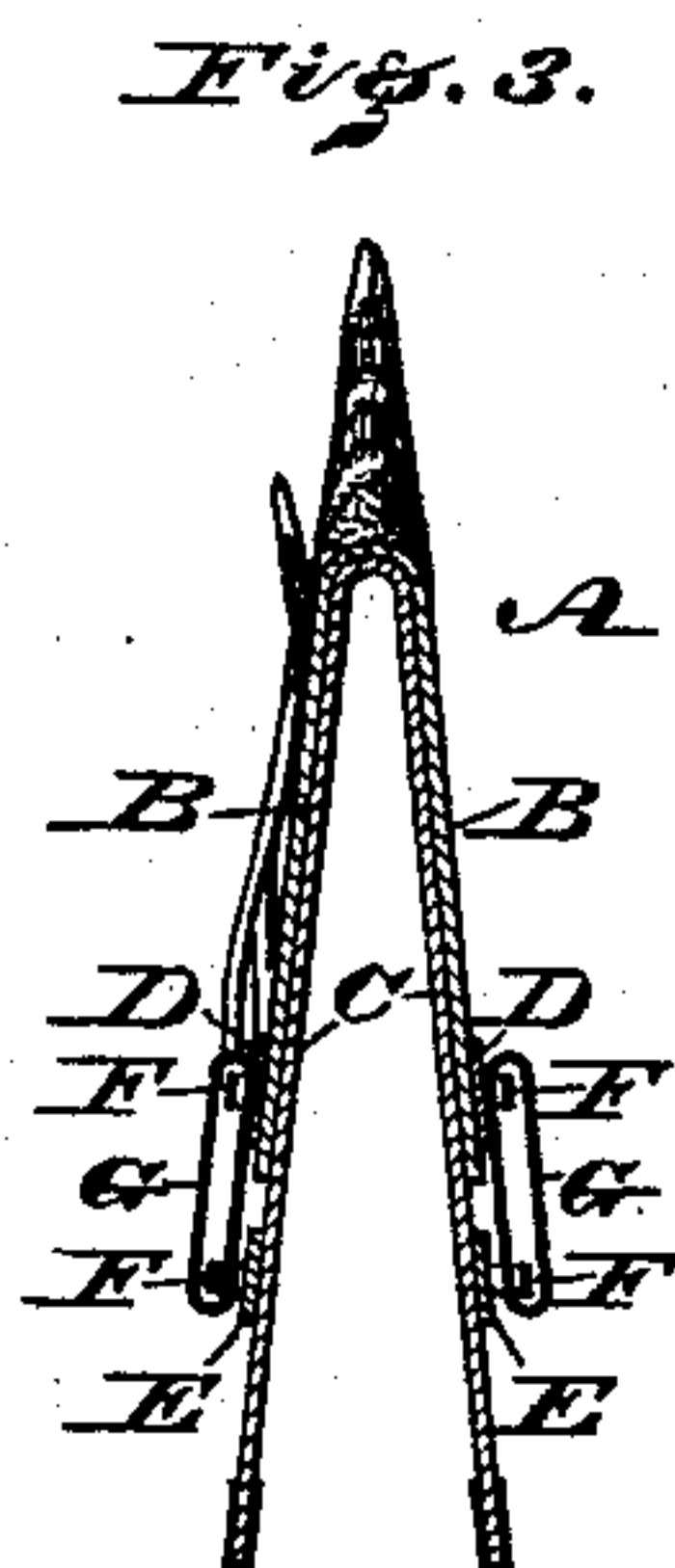
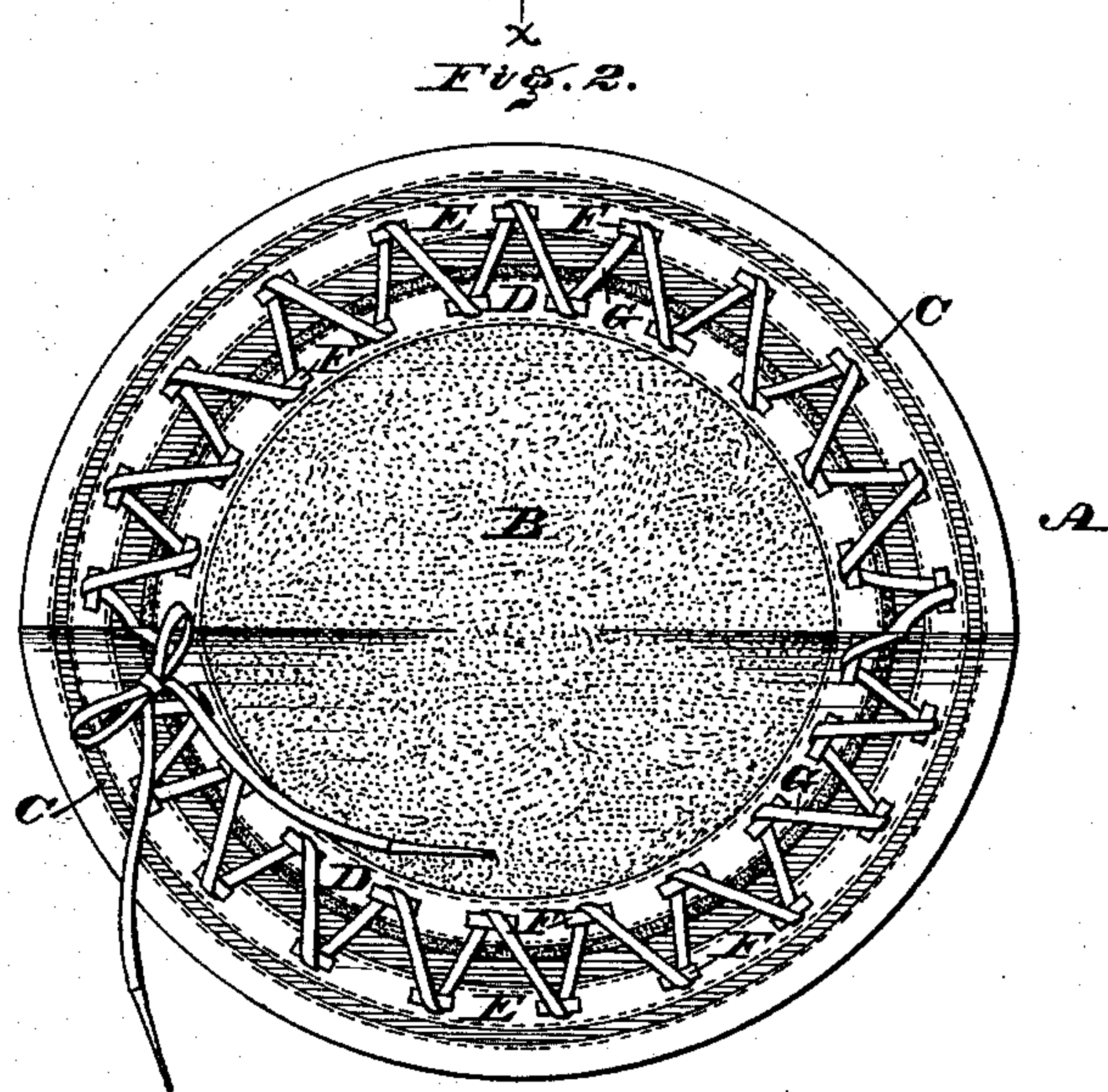
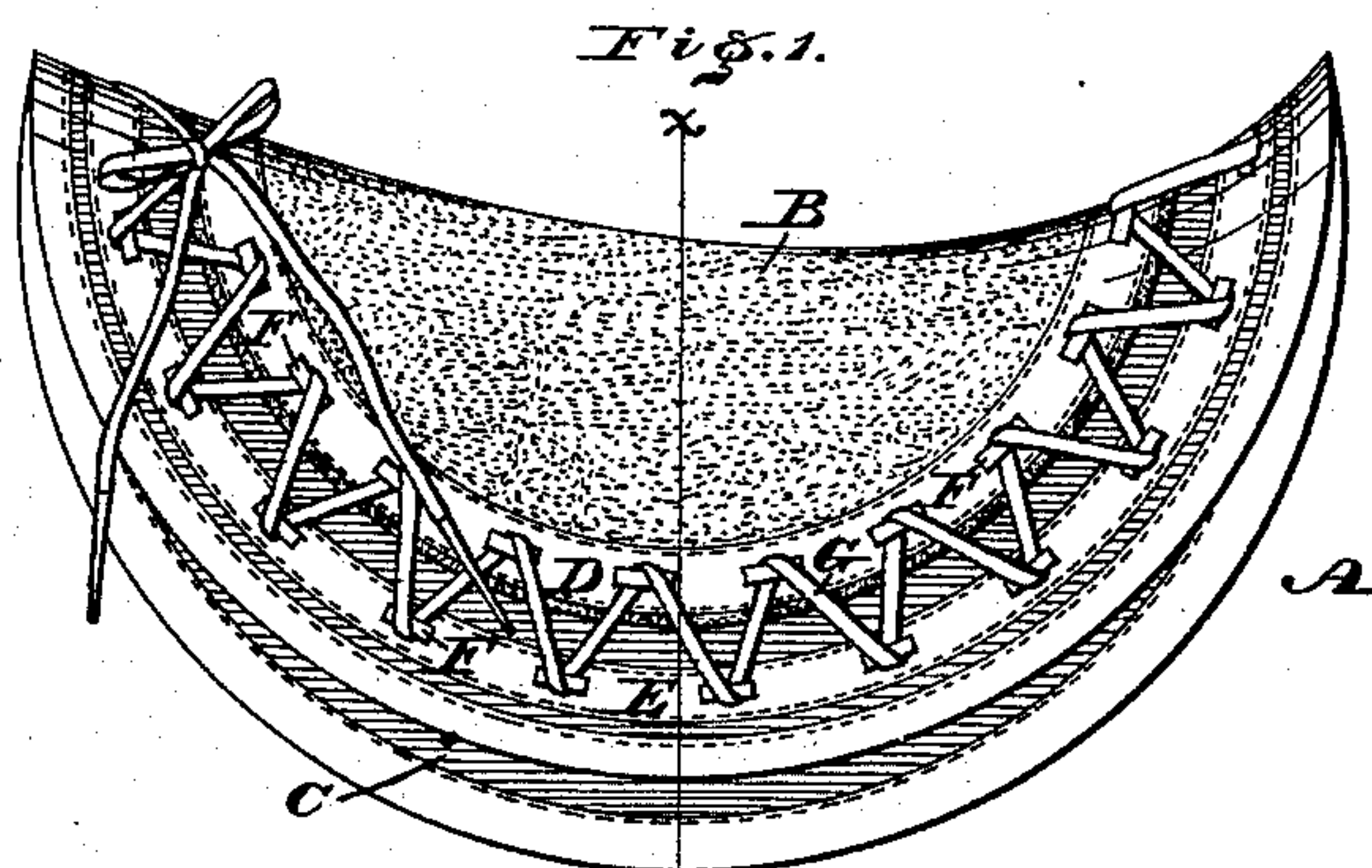
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRIETTE EINSTEIN, 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 Dress-Shields, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a side elevation of a garment shield and fastening embodying my invention. Fig. 2 represents a top or plan view thereof. Fig. 3 represents a section thereof in line *x x*, Fig. 1.

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

My invention consists of a shield formed of absorbent and repellent materials, whereby perspiration is prevented from reaching the garment, and the parts may be readily separated for washing or cleansing purposes.

It further consists of a novel fastening.

Referring to the drawings, A represents a shield formed of an upper piece or pad, B, of fabric or material of an absorbent nature, and an under piece or pad, C, of fabric or material of a non-absorbent or repellent nature fastened to said pad B. The shield is shaped to conform with the armpit, and it will be seen that when it is worn the perspiration is absorbed by the pad B, and prevented from reaching the pad C. It will also be seen that the pads are formed of independent pieces of material, whereby they may be separated and washed, as desired, and the shield kept clean, as is evident.

Connected with the piece B is a tape, D, and with the piece C is a tape, E, said tapes being properly sewed or otherwise fastened to the respective pieces near the edges thereof. Loops F of fabric are formed with or secured to the tapes at intervals, and through the same is

reeved a lacing, G, whereby the two pieces are connected without the employment of clips, eyelets, or other metallic fastenings, and provision is made for adjusting the edges of the pieces relatively to each other, or the connection of said pieces simply by taking up or slackening the lacing, it being noticed that the loops are alternate in the different pieces so that the lacing extends zigzag; but to this I do not limit my invention. When the adjustment is completed, the ends of the lacing are tied or knotted, preventing separation of the parts.

When it is desired to disconnect the pieces or separate the edges thereof, the lacing is withdrawn from the loops, or properly loosened therein, according to the requirements.

In lieu of tapes, I may employ the bindings of the pieces as holders of the loops, or fasten the loops directly to the pieces.

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

1. A garment-shield formed of absorbent and non-absorbent pads which are connected by a detachable fastening consisting of loops and lacing, substantially as described.

2. A garment-shield having an upper absorbent pad and an under non-absorbent pad, the pads being connected by a lacing passing through loops on both pads, substantially as described.

3. A garment shield having an upper absorbent pad and an under non-absorbent pad, the absorbent pad being of less diameter or size than the other, and connected to the same by a lacing passing through loops on the surface of both pads, substantially as described.

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