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Fig. 1.

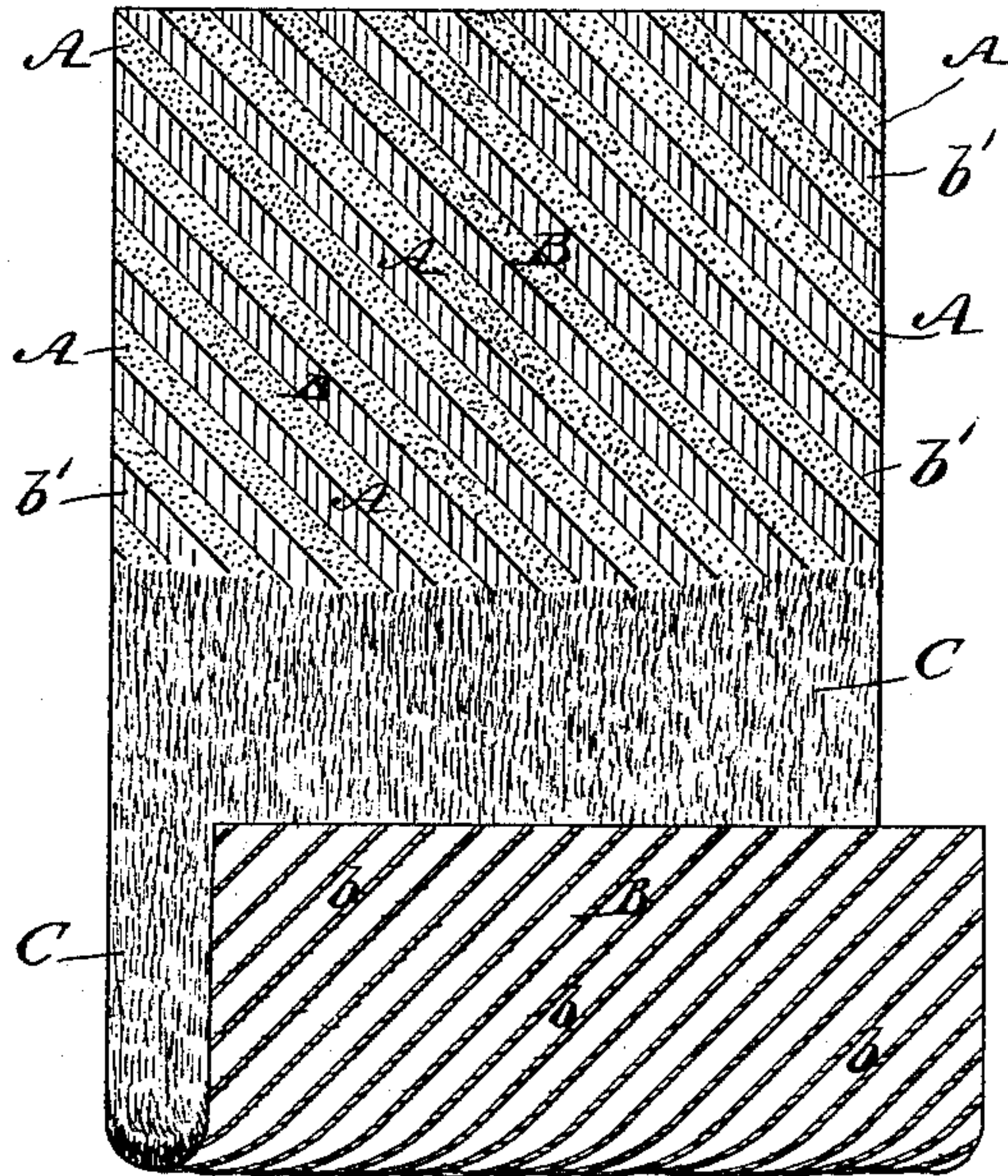


Fig. 2.

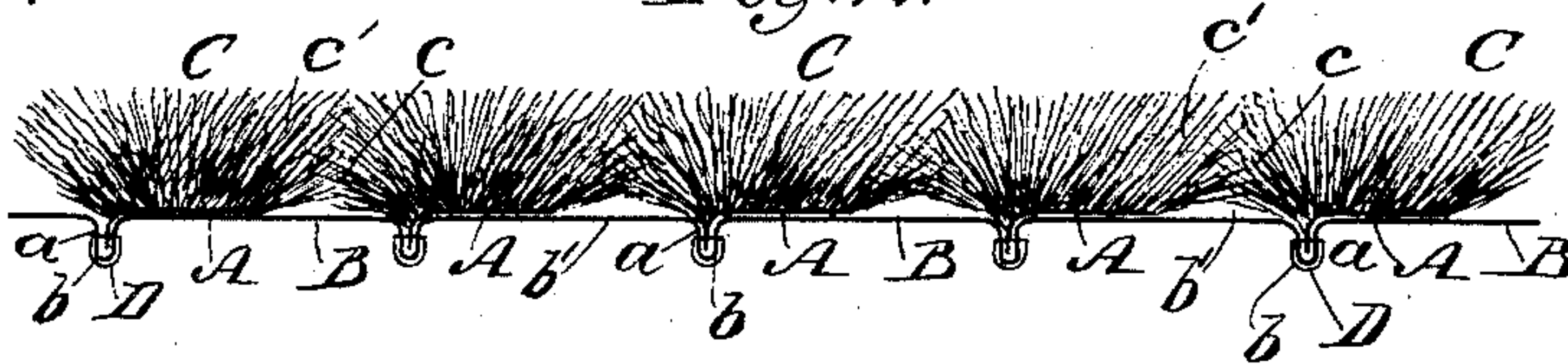
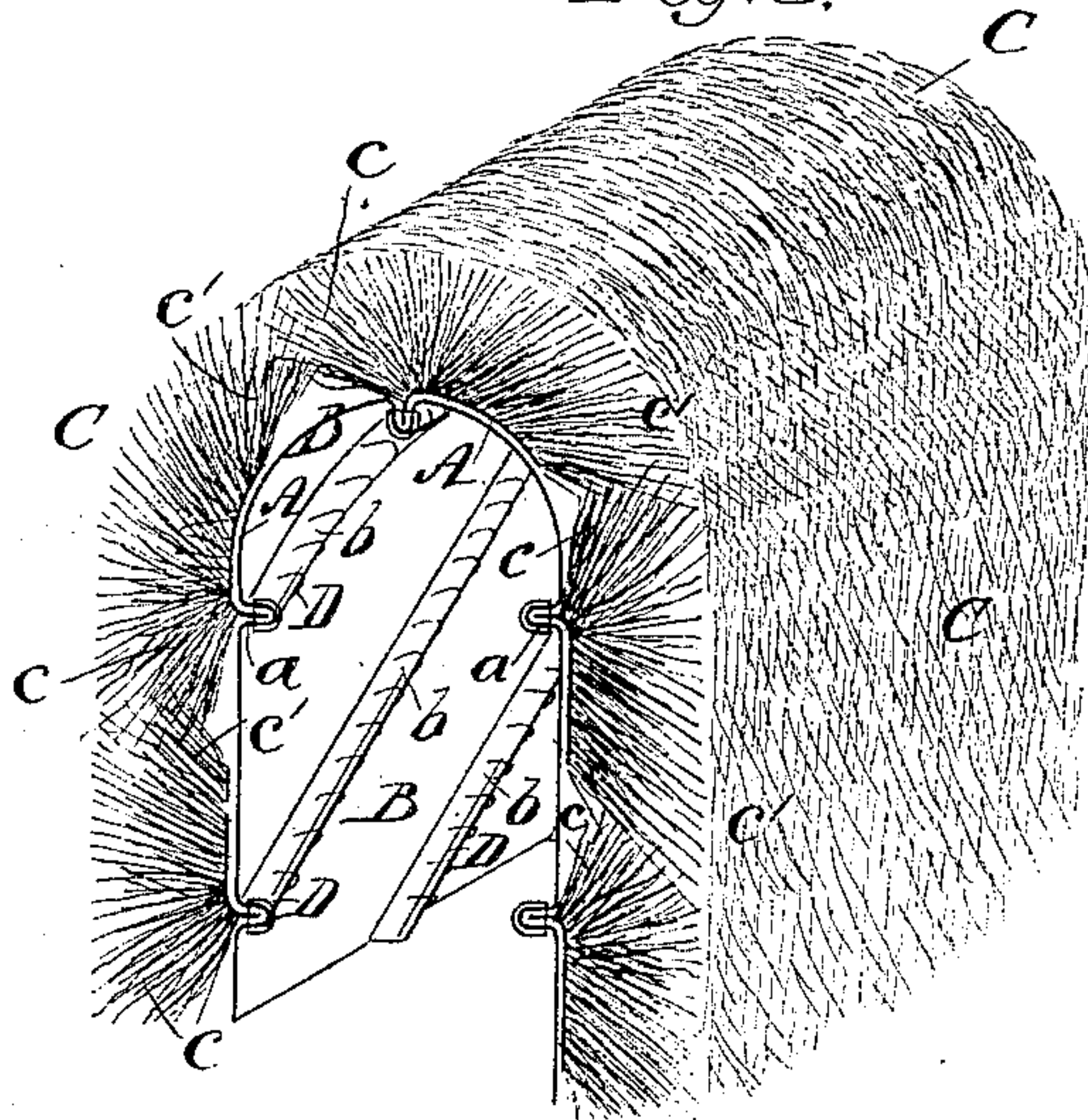


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES THEINERT, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Taping Furs, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to the art of taping furs, and has for its object to provide an improved taped fur fabric in which the continuity of the hairs of the fur will be practically unbroken, however the fur may be bent fur side out when in use.

The invention consists in the method of taping the furs, and in the taped fur-fabric as an improved article of manufacture, all as herein-after fully described and claimed.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a view of a piece of fur fabric taped in accordance with my invention, and with the hairs partly removed and one end of the fabric turned over to expose its back surface. Fig. 2 is a sectional view taken across the fur strips and their backing; and Fig. 3 is a perspective view of a piece of the fur, and illustrates how the continuity of the fur remains practically unbroken when bent or doubled over, fur side out.

In taping the fur I cut it into narrow strips A, and cement these strips to a suitable fabric or leather backing, B, keeping the strips a short distance apart edgewise, and with the hairs C of the fur leaning one way.

Instead of sewing the edge or edges of the fur strips A to the backing B while the strips remain flat upon the backing, I bend the backing next the edge *a* of the strips A from which the hairs naturally slant, so as to make a loop, as at *b*, parallel with the edge *a* of each fur strip, and I bend the edge *a* of the strip backward, so it enters or is inclosed in the loop *b* of the backing, and then I sew the two sides of the loop firmly together by stitches D, preferably using firm linen thread or silk and making a close or tight overcast or overhand stitch or seam, as clearly shown in the drawings. By thus securing the inbent edge *a* of the fur strip within the loop *b* of the backing, that portion, *c*, of the hairs of the fur strip next the edge *a* thereof and the loop *b* will be thrown over, so

as to project straight from the pelt or skin of the fur and at an angle the reverse of the natural incline or lay of the hairs *c'* of the main portion of the fur strip, and the hairs *c* of one fur strip A will intermingle with the hairs *c'* of the next adjacent fur strip over the part *b'* of the backing fabric which lies between the edges of the strips; consequently the parts *b'* of the fur fabric will be very completely covered when the taped fur lies flat, as will be understood from Fig. 2 of the drawings, and also when the fur is bent around or double with the fur side out, as will be seen in Fig. 3 of the drawings. Hence, whatever position the taped fur assumes, the continuity of the hairs is not broken and the backing fabric is not exposed to view; hence furs taped in this way are most desirable for neck-mufflers or dress-trimmings.

The fur strips A may be secured to the backing B, as above described, at right angles with the length of the finished taped fur-fabric; but I prefer to attach the strip to the backing obliquely, or at an angle with the length of the fabric, or on the bias, as clearly shown in Figs. 1 and 3 of the drawings, as there then is less liability of the exposure of the backing should the fur strips be spaced apart considerably when the finished fur is bent over at right angles to its length, as in Fig. 3.

Although the combined backing-loop *b*, with the contained edge *a* of the fur strip, produces a ridge at the back of the taped fur, I find that the finished fur has the requisite flexibility in use.

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

1. As an improvement in the art of taping furs, securing the fur strips flatwise to a backing, then bending inward or backward the edge of the strip from which the hairs naturally slant, and fastening the inbent edge of the strips to an outwardly-bent portion of the backing, substantially as described, for the purposes set forth.

2. As an improvement in the art of taping furs, securing the fur strips flatwise to a backing obliquely or on the bias, then bending inward or backward the edge of the strip from which the hairs naturally slant and fastening this inbent edge of the fur strips to an out-

wardly-bent portion of the backing, substantially as described, for the purposes set forth.

3. As an improvement in the art of taping furs, securing the fur strips flatwise to a backing and inclosing an inbent edge of the fur strips from which the hairs naturally slant between outbent parts of the backing, or in a loop formed in the backing, and then fastening this inbent edge of the fur strips between the outbent parts of the backing, preferably by sewing, substantially as described, for the purposes set forth.

4. As an improvement in the art of taping furs, securing the fur strips flatwise and obliquely or on the bias to a backing and inclosing an inbent edge of the fur strips from which the hairs naturally slant between outbent parts of the backing, or in a loop formed in the backing, and then fastening this inbent edge of the fur strips between the outbent parts of the backing, preferably by sewing, substantially as described, for the purposes set forth.

5. As an improved article of manufacture, a taped fur fabric comprising fur strips A, a backing to which the strips are cemented or fastened flatwise, and one edge, *a*, of the strips bent inward or backward and inclosed between outbent parts or a loop *b* of the backing B, and secured to the backing by sewing, as at D, or otherwise, substantially as shown and described.

6. As an improved article of manufacture, a taped fur fabric comprising fur strips A, a backing, B, to which the strips are fastened flatwise and obliquely or on the bias, and one edge, *a*, of the strips bent inward or backward and inclosed between outbent parts or a loop, *b*, of the backing B, and secured to the backing by sewing, as at D, or otherwise, substantially as shown and described.

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