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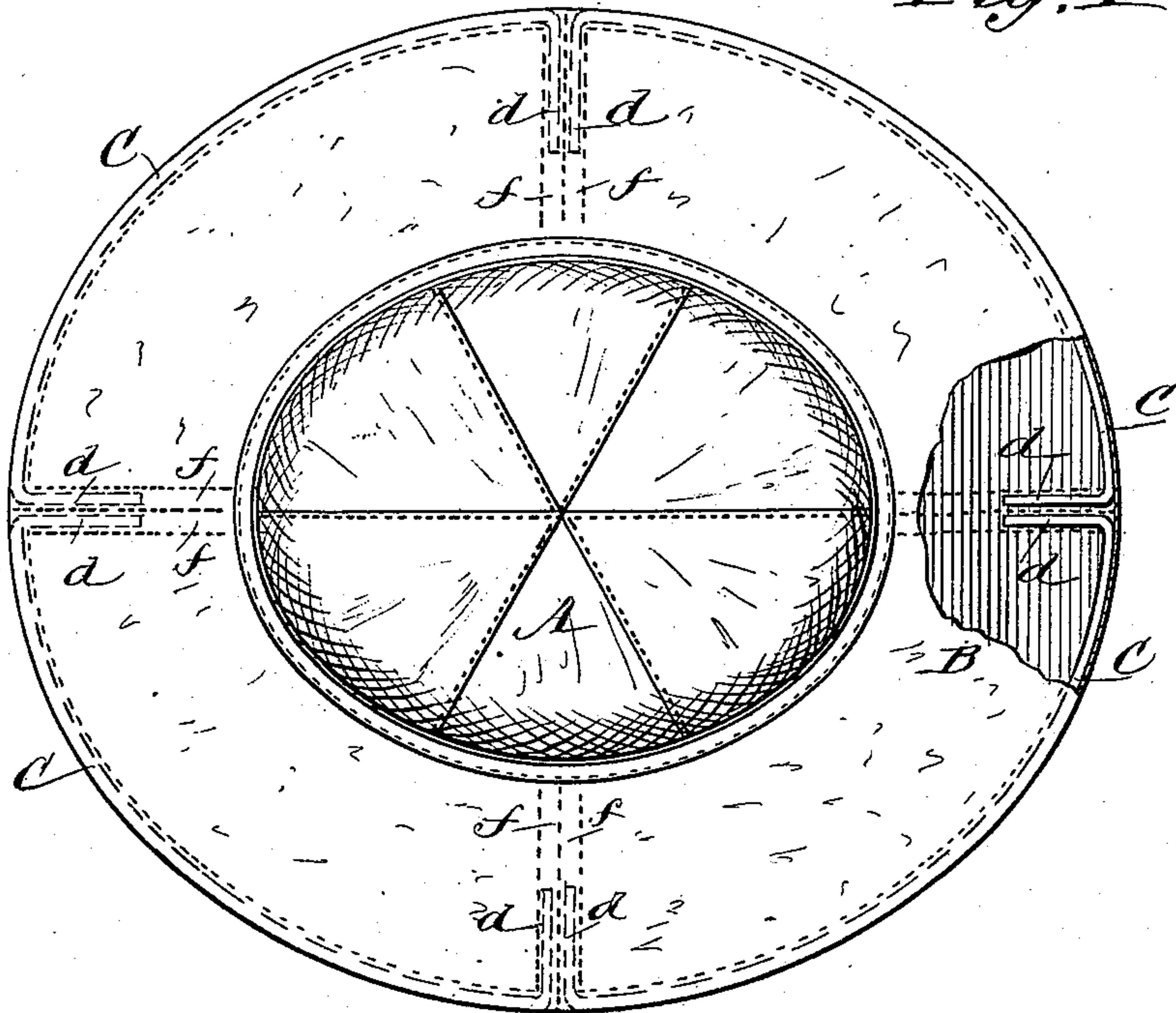
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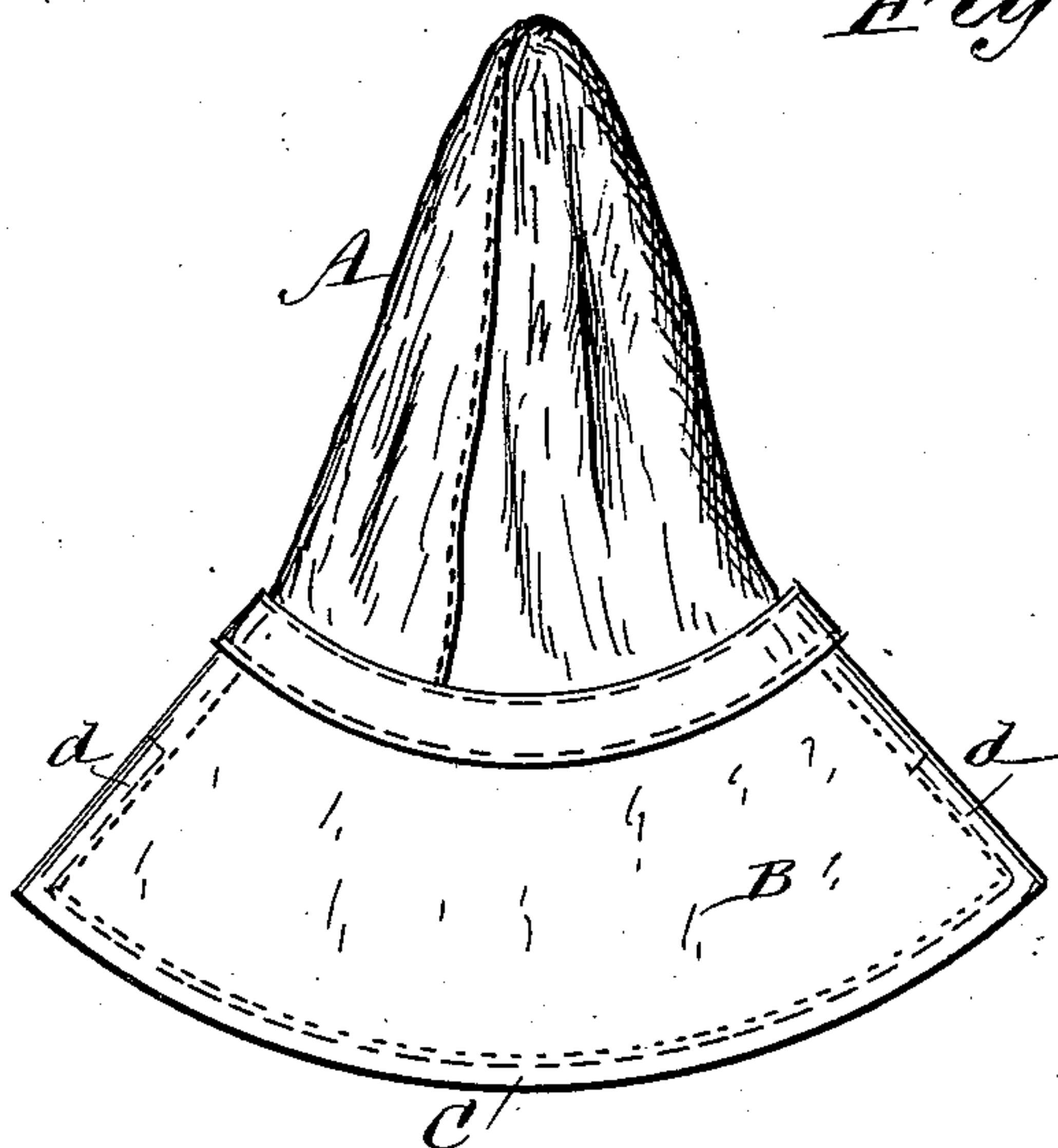
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*Fig. 1*



*Fig. 2*



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ROBERT PLATO, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Hat, of which  
5 the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of my invention is to provide a cheap and practical folding hat; and the invention consists, principally, in forming the  
10 brim-wire in curved sections, with inwardly-projecting radial arms at the ends of each section, which arms are held by radial seams in the brim.

The invention also consists of the special  
15 construction of the hat, all as hereinafter 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  
20 corresponding parts in both figures.

Figure 1 is a broken plan view of the hat open, and Fig. 2 is a plan view of the hat as it appears when folded.

The crown A and brim B of the hat are made

of canvas or other suitable flexible material. 25

The brim B is, by preference, made of two thicknesses of material, and at the outer edge of the brim is placed the four stiffening-wires C. These wires are curved and formed at their ends with the arms *d d*, which project  
30 toward the crown A, as shown clearly in Fig. 1. The brim is stitched radially to form seams

*f f*, which retain the arms *d* in position, and at the same time permit the hat to be folded  
35 at the seams, so that the hat may be folded flat, and to assume the shape shown in Fig. 2.

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

The hat provided with the brim B, having  
40 radial seams *f*, in combination with the wires C, formed with the arms *d*, projecting into the seams *f*, substantially as described.

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