

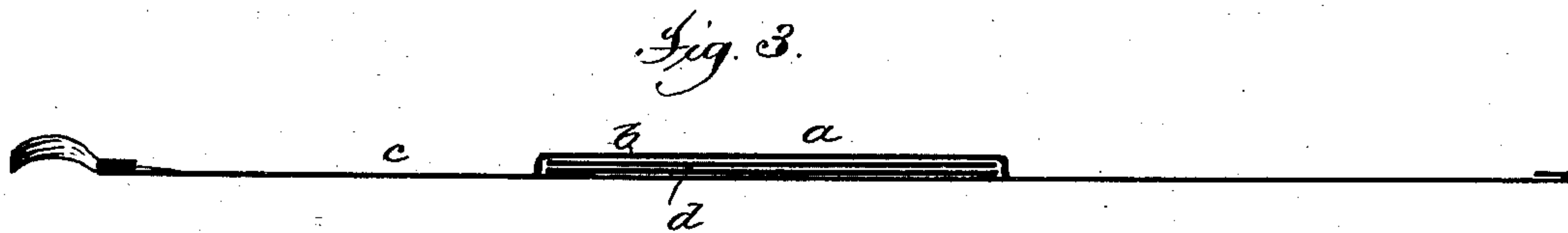
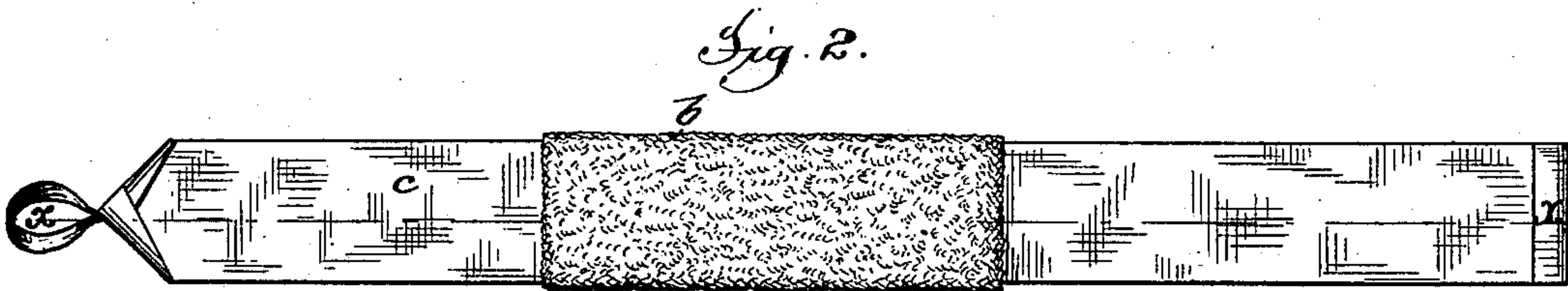
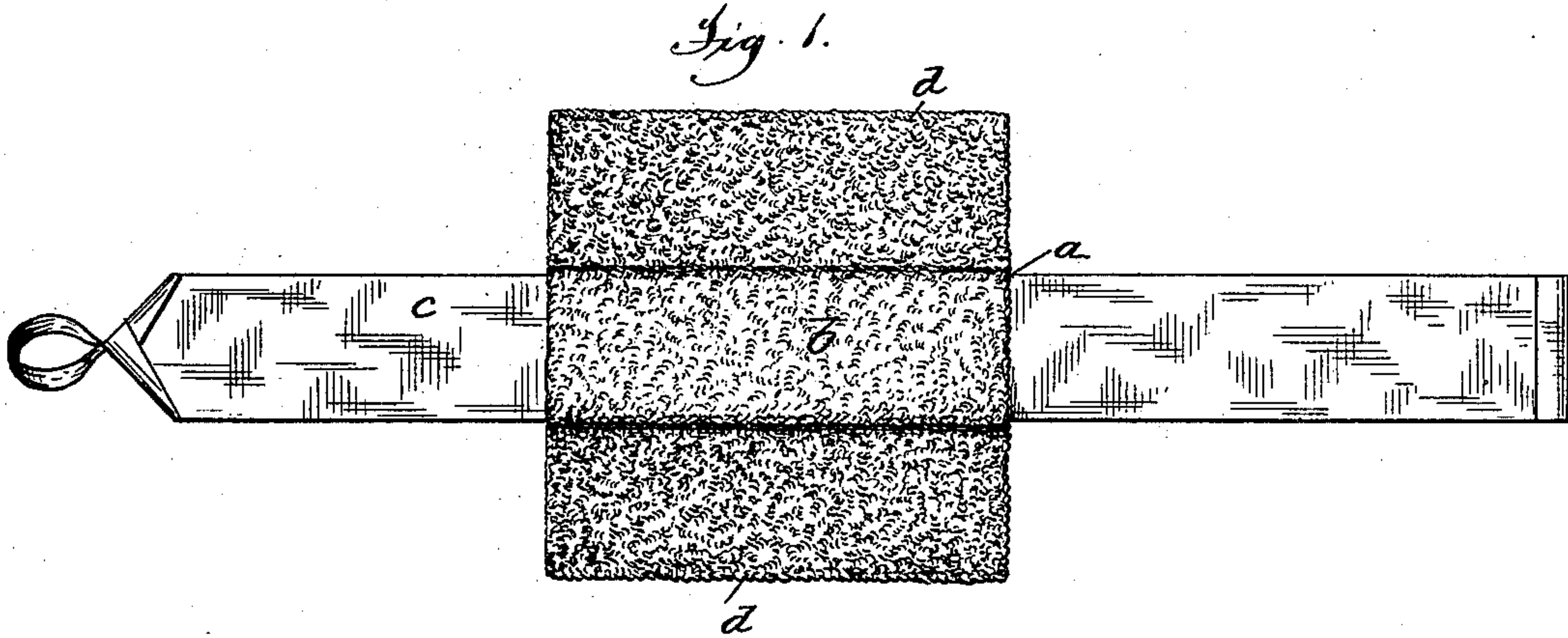
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN HOTHERSALL, a subject of the Queen of Great Britain, residing at Manchester, in the county of Lancaster, Great Britain, have invented a certain new, useful, and Improved Lady's Towel, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention is a new article of manufacture, designed for use in the peculiar sickness of women. I shall designate it for the purpose of this specification as a "lady's towel."

It consists, essentially, of a section of soft cloth or pad and attaching-strips, by which the same can be applied to the person, as will hereinafter be more fully described.

The form and construction of the device are illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of my invention; Fig. 2, a similar view thereof with the flaps of the pad folded under the central longitudinal strip; and Fig. 3, a section taken on the line *x x*, Fig. 2.

The section of soft cloth, which I will refer to as the "pad," consists of a piece of soft fabric, *a*, of rectangular shape, on one surface of which is centrally arranged a longitudinal strip, *b*, of the same material, as indicated in the drawings, which is centrally attached to the pad at its ends in any suitable manner, so that it will rest loosely upon the surface of the pad. This longitudinal strip is of substantially one-third the breadth of the pad, so that when the projecting edges *d d* of the latter are folded in under the strip *b* a comparatively thick pad may be formed of convenient shape and uniform dimensions and provided with soft edges. The attaching-strips *c c* are of convenient size and any suitable thin material which will interfere as little as possible with the comfort of the wearer. These strips are attached to the edges of the pad in any suitable way, so as to extend along the line of the longitudinal strip *b*. The pad *a* and the strip *b* may be made of

any soft pliable material suitable for the purpose; but I prefer to employ a peculiarly soft Turkish toweling, whose advantages are well understood, and which is frequently employed for this purpose in a less convenient form.

In use the pad is applied to the part in the usual manner, and is held in place by means of the attaching-strips *c c*, which are passed up the front and back of the wearer, and are conveniently connected to a belt or other support. The pad may be used with two thicknesses applied to the part, as shown in Fig. 1; but the preferable way of using the article is to fold the projecting flaps *d d* of the pad under the longitudinal strip *b*, as shown in Fig. 2, thereby forming a comparatively thick pad, consisting of four thicknesses of material of convenient shape, and provided with soft edges, due to the folding in of the fabric.

The advantages of my invention will be readily understood from the foregoing description, from which it appears that the article is composed of a comparatively thick pad to be applied where required and comparatively thin attaching-strips which will interfere as little as possible with the comfort of the wearer.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

As an improved article of manufacture, a lady's towel consisting of the pad *a*, of soft fabric—such as Turkish toweling—having the extensions *d d*, of the same material, and the superposed strip *b*, of like material, under which the said extensions are folded for use, and attaching-strips *c c*, connected with the pad, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of December, A. D. 1887.

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