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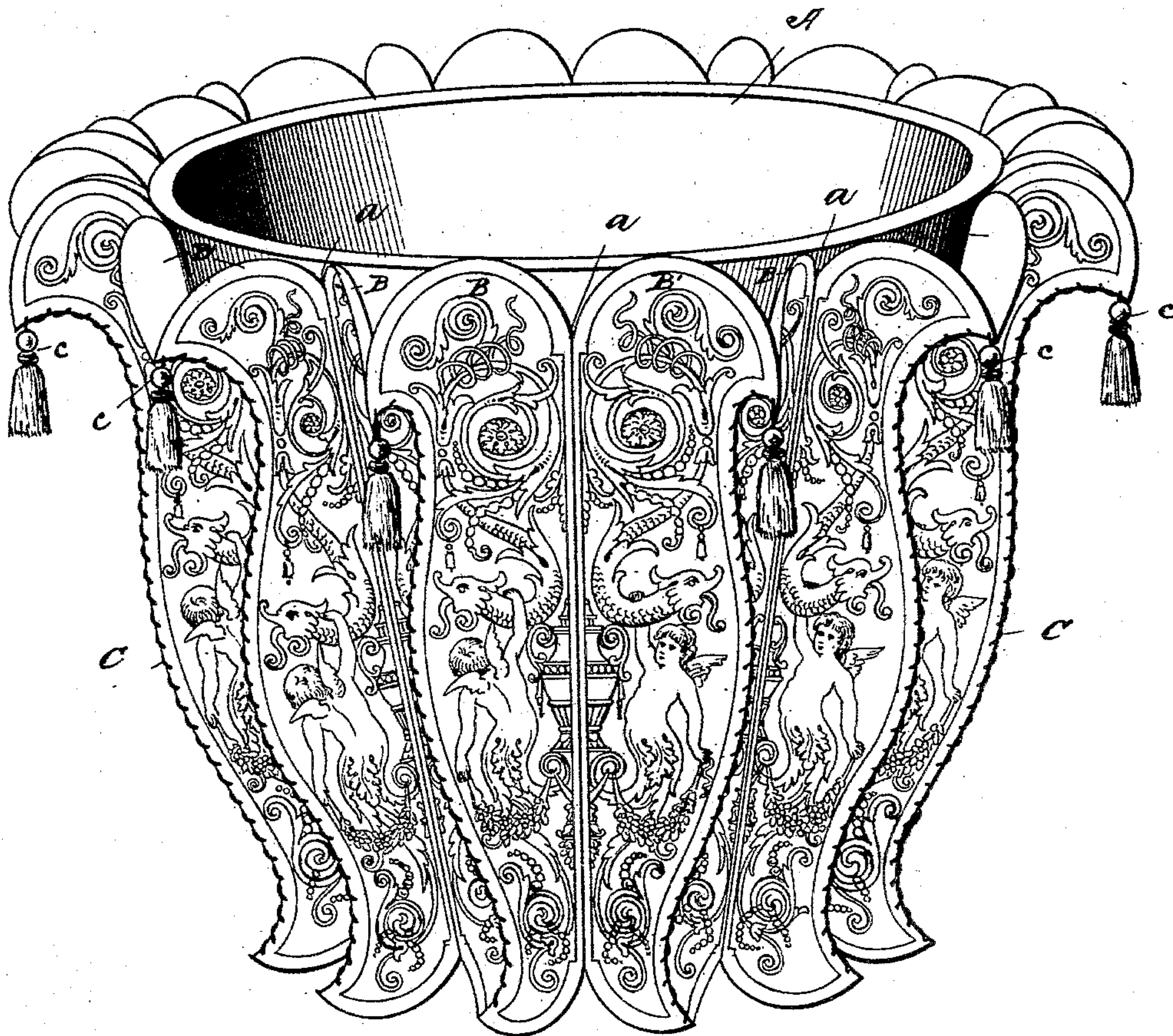
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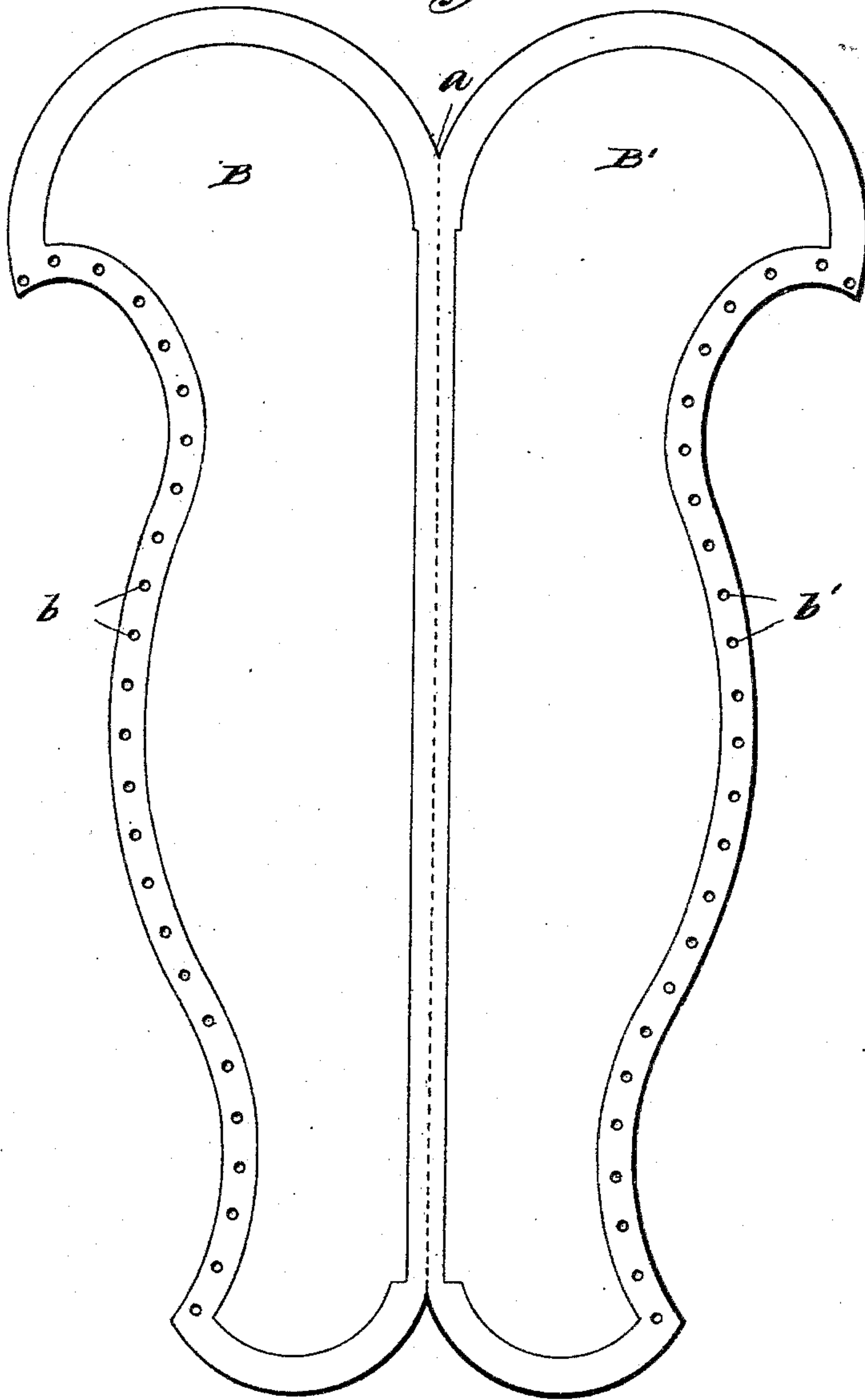
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GUSTAV OSBURG, a subject of the Emperor of Germany, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Coverings for Vases, &c., of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide an inexpensive but highly-ornamental cover for vases, flower-pots, and the like; and my invention consists in such covering as is hereinafter described, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In carrying out my invention I construct a collapsible covering from card-board or similar light material cut into sections of any desired pattern and united to form a covering which is adapted to be slipped over the vase or similar article, and which may be in the form of an open-ended cylinder, the frustum of a conical shell, or of any other desired shape or configuration. The sections may be united in vertical or longitudinal lines by means of lacing-cords or other suitable means, and each section has a longitudinal fold or crease dividing it into two lobes or panels.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view showing a vase—say to contain flowers—to which my covering is applied; and Fig. 2 is a plan view of the covering folded up, and showing the shape of one of the sections thereof.

In the drawings, A represents the vase. The covering in this instance is formed by a series of sections composed of card-board or similar material, about twice as long as wide, and each having a central longitudinal fold or crease *a*, whereby it is divided into two lobes or panels B B'. The margins of these lobes, as shown in the drawings, are curved, and their longer edges are adapted to be joined to similar sections by means of the perforations *b b'* and the lacing-cords C, which may have the tassels *c*. In the illustration given in Fig. 1 twelve of these sections are united to form the cover, and it will be observed that

one end of each section is wider than the other, whereby the completed covering is slightly conical in its general form, thus adapting it to encircle closely a flower-pot in the form of a frustum of an inverted cone; but it is apparent that if both ends of the section be made of the same width and the central portion of greater width a globular body will be produced, and that many other forms may be worked out by giving to the sections variations in shape.

I prefer to work upon each of the panels of the sections appropriate designs, which may be varied indefinitely, that shown in Fig. 1 being merely illustrative.

The feature of constructing the covering in separate sections and attaching said sections together along their meeting edges by means of a flexible connection—such as a lacing-cord—permits the article to be compacted for storage or shipment, and it may be readily expanded and applied, and the central fold or crease imparts to the body of the covering sufficient rigidity.

It is evident that the covering shown in Fig. 1, if inverted, would be adapted to the decoration of a lamp-shade.

I claim—

1. An ornamental covering for vases, &c., comprising sections of card-board or similar material having a longitudinal fold, whereby each section is formed into two integral parts, in combination with means for flexibly connecting the adjacent edges of the sections, substantially as and for the purposes described.

2. An ornamental covering for vases, &c., constructed in separable sections, each section having a longitudinal central fold or crease and the side margins thereof having perforations, and lacing-cords whereby to secure the sections together, substantially as described.

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