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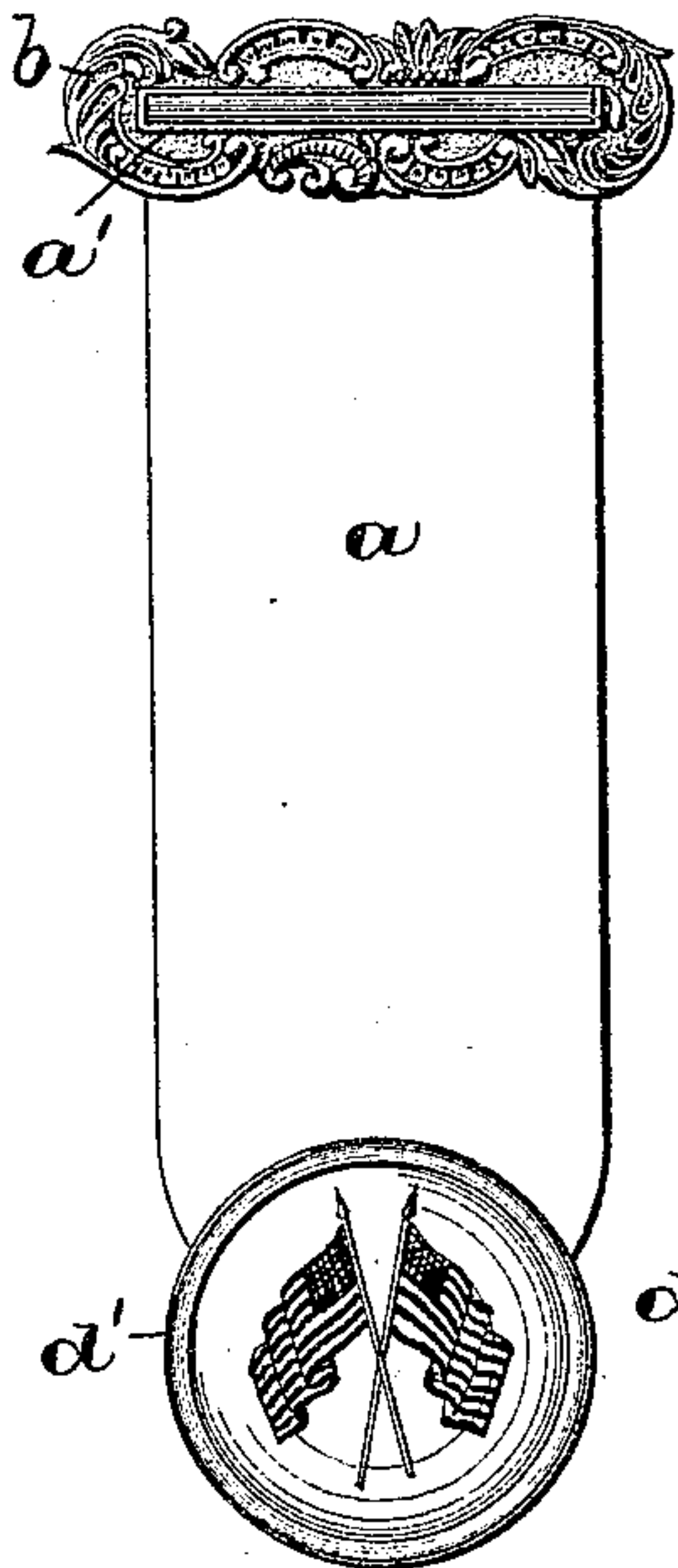


Fig. 1

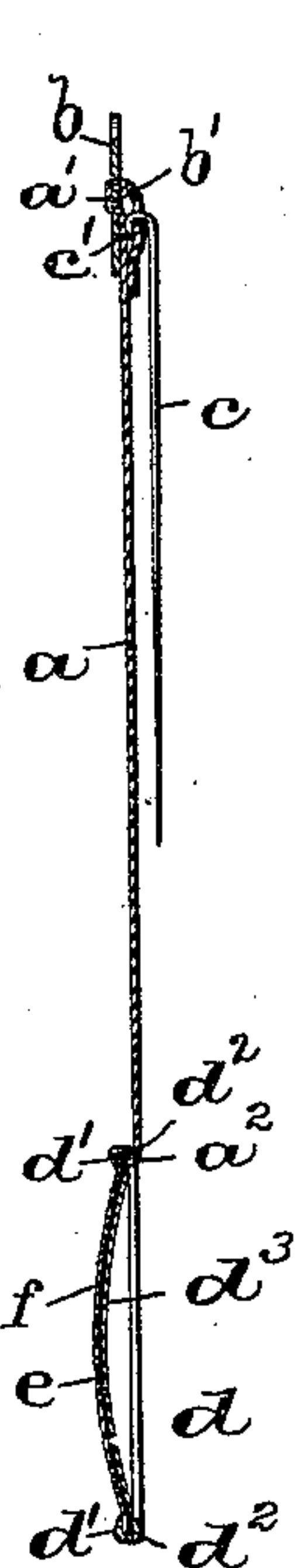


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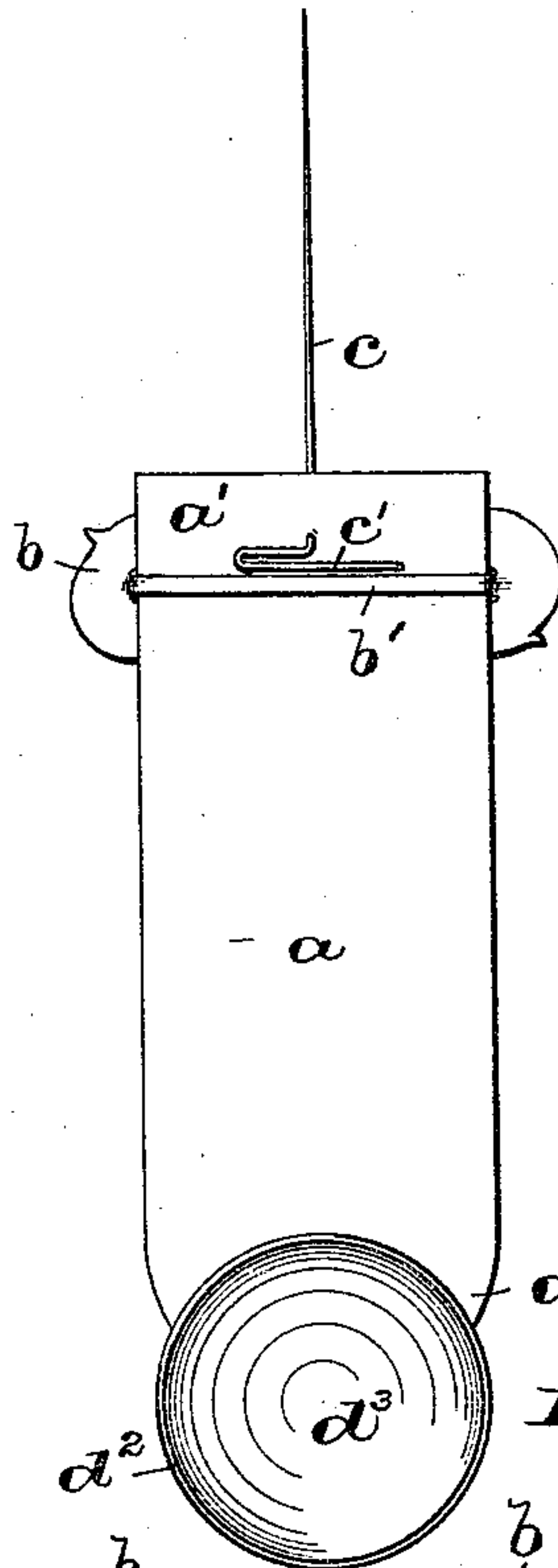


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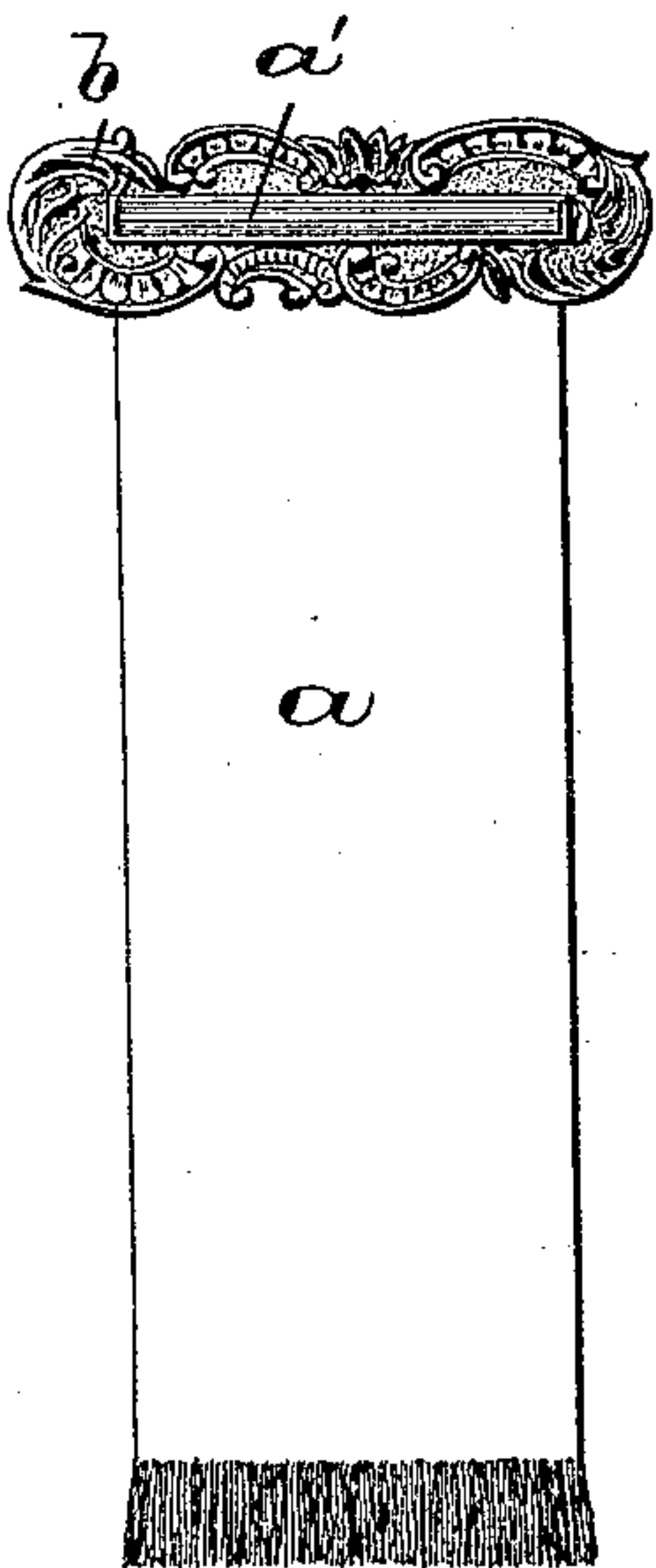


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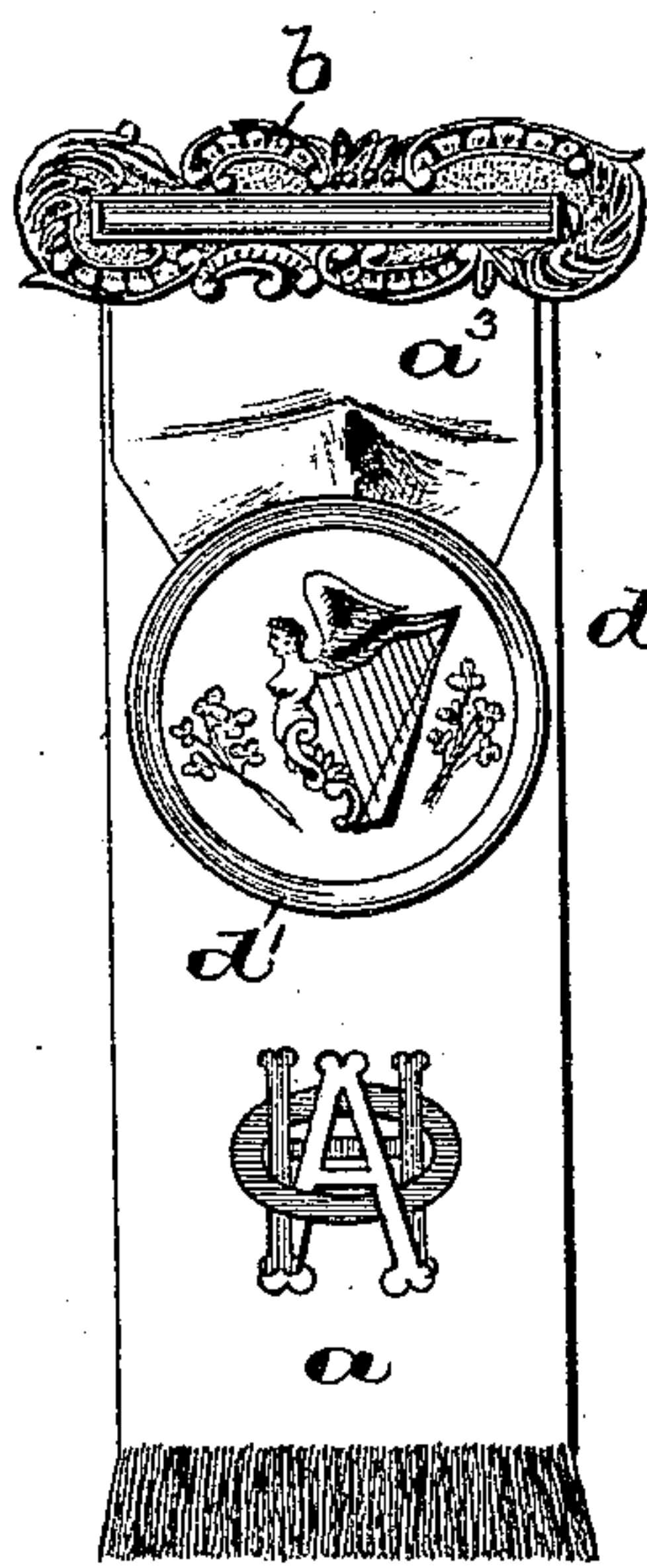


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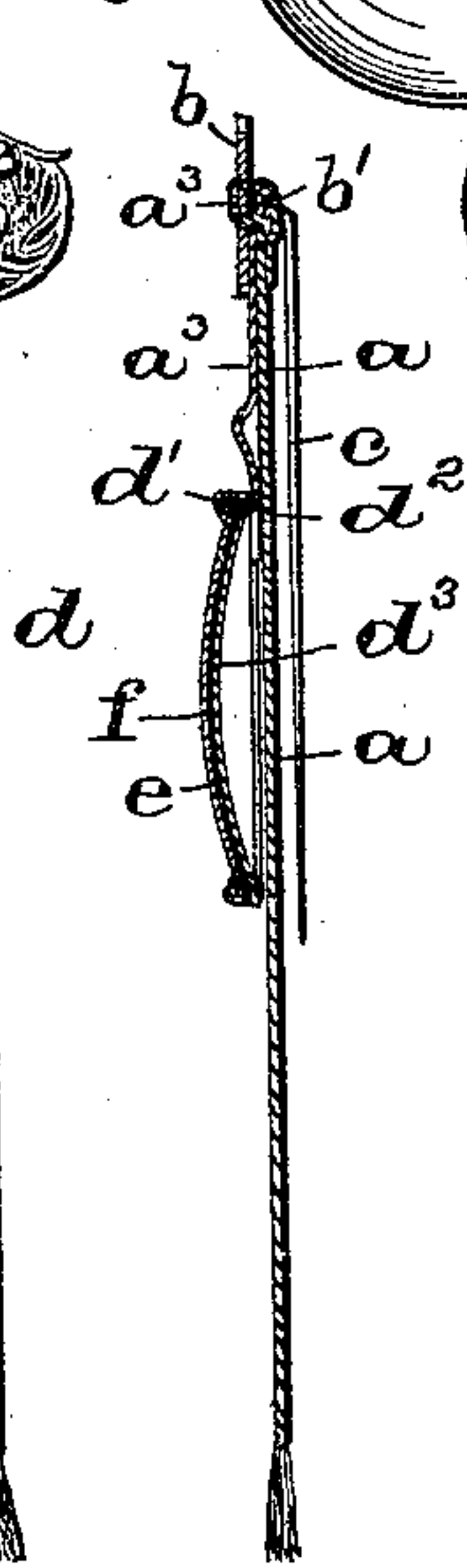


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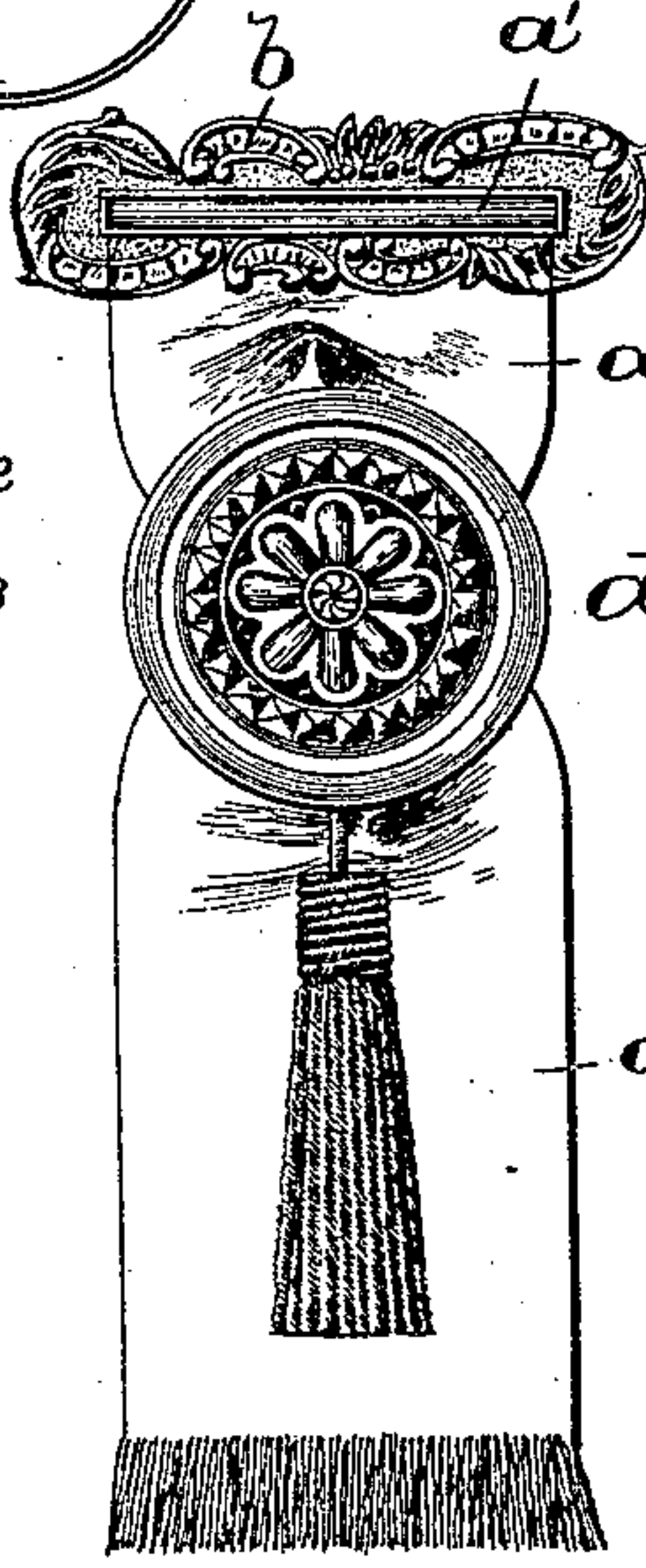


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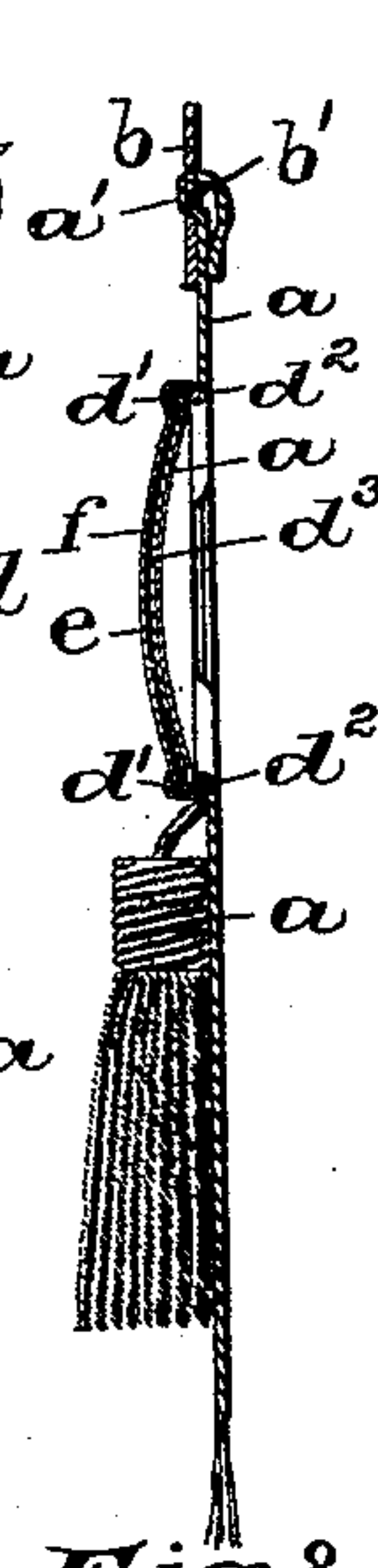


Fig. 8

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BENJAMIN S. WHITEHEAD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Badges; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention has reference to improvements in badges, and consists essentially of a means of attaching the one end of a ribbon badge to a head-piece or bar, with a view of securing a better, quicker and cheaper means of attaching the end of said head piece and at the same time enhancing the general beauty of the complete badge.

The invention furthermore consists of the arrangement and combination of the ribbon with a pendant or medallion, which medallion is secured to said ribbon in the manner to be hereinafter more specifically stated.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying sheet of drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of my improved form of badge, provided with my novel form of head-piece or bar and the pendant or medallion at the end of the ribbon. Fig. 2 is a vertical section of the badge, clearly illustrating the manner of securing the one end of the ribbon to a holding portion formed on said head-piece, and also illustrating the manner of arranging and securing the lower end of the ribbon between the several parts comprising the medallion or pendant; and Fig. 3 is a back view of the several parts of the badge employed in the construction shown in said Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a front view of a badge provided with the head piece illustrated in said Fig. 1, but the medallion or pendant being dispensed with. Fig. 5 is a front view of a badge of a slightly modified form of construction, and Fig. 6 is a vertical section of the same. Fig. 7 is still another modified form of badge, embodying the principles of my present invention, and Fig. 8 is a vertical section of the same.

Similar letters of reference are employed in each of the above described views to indicate corresponding parts.

In said drawings, *a* indicates the ribbon of silk, or other suitable material, which may be left plain, as in Figs. 1 and 4, or may be provided with any suitable design, inscription or emblem.

My novel form of head-piece or bar *b*, which is clearly shown in the several figures of the drawings, is composed of a metallic plate of any suitable outline and configuration on its face. Said piece is struck up by means of suitable dies and is formed with a cross-bar *b'*, which, as will be seen from Fig. 3, is integral at its ends, with the body-portion of said metallic plate *b*. During the operation of forming said bar *b'* in the dies, said bar is bent slightly backward, which enables the insertion of the end *a'* of the ribbon *a* back of the rear side of said plate *b* and in front of said cross-bar *b'*, as seen in Fig. 3. The bar *b* is then pressed back into its former position in the opening formed in the plate *b* whereby the ribbon is firmly grasped and held between the edges formed by said bar and the opening in said head-piece. Any suitable pin *c* provided with any suitable holding portion *c'* is then stuck through said end *a'* of the ribbon and the end *a'* may then be secured or attached down upon the main back part of the ribbon. By this means I have devised a cheaply constructed as well as an ornamental head-piece or bar for a badge provided with means for attaching the badge to a garment.

The badge may be made as illustrated in Fig. 4, but in some cases I may arrange on the lower end of the ribbon *a*, a pendant or medallion *d*, as shown in said Figs. 1, 2 and 3. Said medallion may be button-shaped, or may be of any other suitable outline or configuration, and consists essentially of an open frame *d'* having a bead-like grasping edge *d²*, which embraces a suitable back-plate *d³*, made of metal or other suitable material. Firmly clasped and held between said frame *d'* and the said back-plate is a piece of celluloid, silk, satin, paper or other suitable material, as *e*, bearing an inscription, design or emblem, while the lower end *a²* of the ribbon *a* is also securely clamped between said frame *d'* and

the back-plate d^3 . When these several parts are placed together and a suitable die brought down upon them, said bead d^2 is closed down upon the circumferential edge of said back-plate d^3 and a beautiful medallion is the result, which may be concavo-convex in cross section, substantially as illustrated in Figs. 2 and 6. As the central portion of the material c is thus caused to project beyond the upper surface of, and through the surrounding frame d' , and may thereby become soiled readily, in order to avoid such soiling of the material, I can secure a flexible and transparent medium f , such as celluloid, between said frame d' and the back-plate d^3 , as will be understood. This will at the same time beautify the badge and will at all times present a fine and smooth appearance.

In some cases, I can secure a second piece of ribbon a^3 to the head-piece or bar b , as will be seen from Figs. 5 and 6, to the end of which ribbon may be attached the medallion or pendant d , in the manner as has just been described.

In other cases, as will be clearly seen from Figs. 7 and 8, the medallion can be secured directly at or near the middle of the ribbon a , by arranging the ribbon directly between the frame d' and the back-plate d^3 of the medallion d , while at the same time, the cord of a tassel or other pendant can be secured between said parts of the medallion, when so desired.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

1. A badge, comprising therein, a ribbon of silk, satin or other like material, bearing an inscription, design or emblem, and a pendant or medallion on the one end of said ribbon, said pendant or medallion comprising therein a suitable back-plate and an open frame, the end of said ribbon being secured between the back-plate and open frame, a piece of silk, satin, paper, or other like material bearing an inscription, design or emblem arranged between said back-plate and open frame, substantially as set forth.

2. A badge, comprising therein a ribbon of silk, satin or other like material, bearing an inscription, design or emblem, and a pendant or medallion on the one end of said ribbon, said pendant or medallion comprising therein

a suitable back-plate and an open frame, the end of said ribbon being secured between said back-plate and open frame, a piece, of silk, satin, paper, or other like material bearing an inscription, design or emblem, and a piece of transparent material arranged to cover said silk, satin, paper, all arranged and secured between said back-plate and open frame, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

3. In a badge, the combination with a ribbon thereof, of a head-piece provided with a clamping bar between which and the main portion of said head-piece, the one end of said ribbon is clamped, and a pin provided with a cross-bar secured in the projecting end of said ribbon, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

4. A badge, comprising therein, a ribbon a , a ribbon a^3 , shorter than said ribbon a , a head-piece to which the ends of said ribbons are attached, and a pendant or medallion secured to the end of said ribbon a^3 , said pendant or medallion comprising therein a suitable back-plate and an open frame, the end of said ribbon a^3 being secured between said back-plate and open frame, a piece of silk, satin, paper or other like material bearing an inscription, design or emblem arranged between said back-plate and open frame, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

5. A badge comprising therein, a ribbon a , a ribbon a^3 , shorter than said ribbon a , a head-piece to which the ends of said ribbons are attached, a pendant or medallion secured to the end of said ribbon a^3 , said pendant or medallion comprising therein a suitable back-plate and an open frame, the end of said ribbon a^3 being secured between said back-plate and open frame, a piece of silk, satin, paper or other like material bearing an inscription, design or emblem arranged between said back-plate and open frame, and a piece of transparent material arranged to cover said silk, satin or paper, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony that I claim the invention set forth above I have hereunto set my hand this 27th day of November, 1893.

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