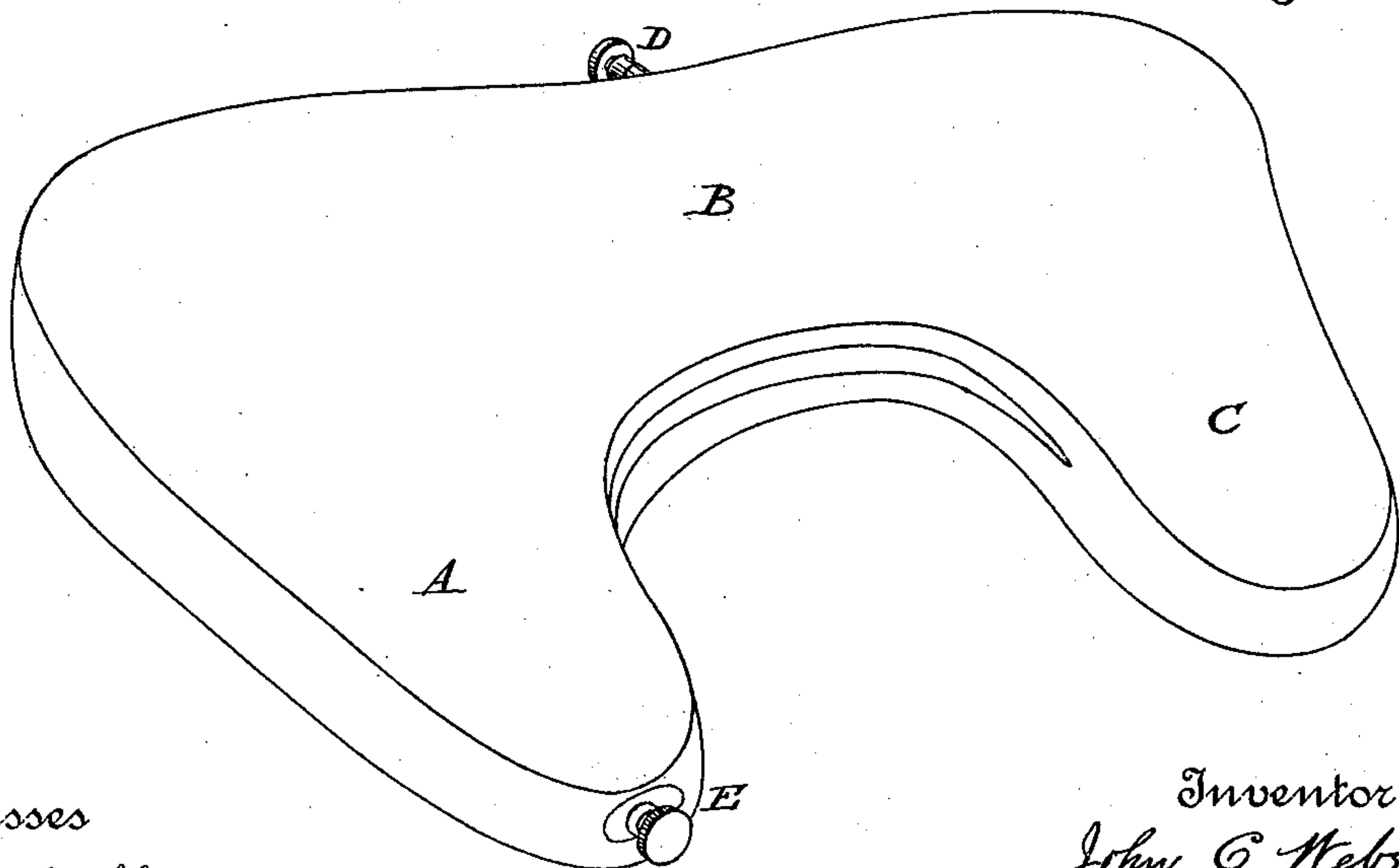
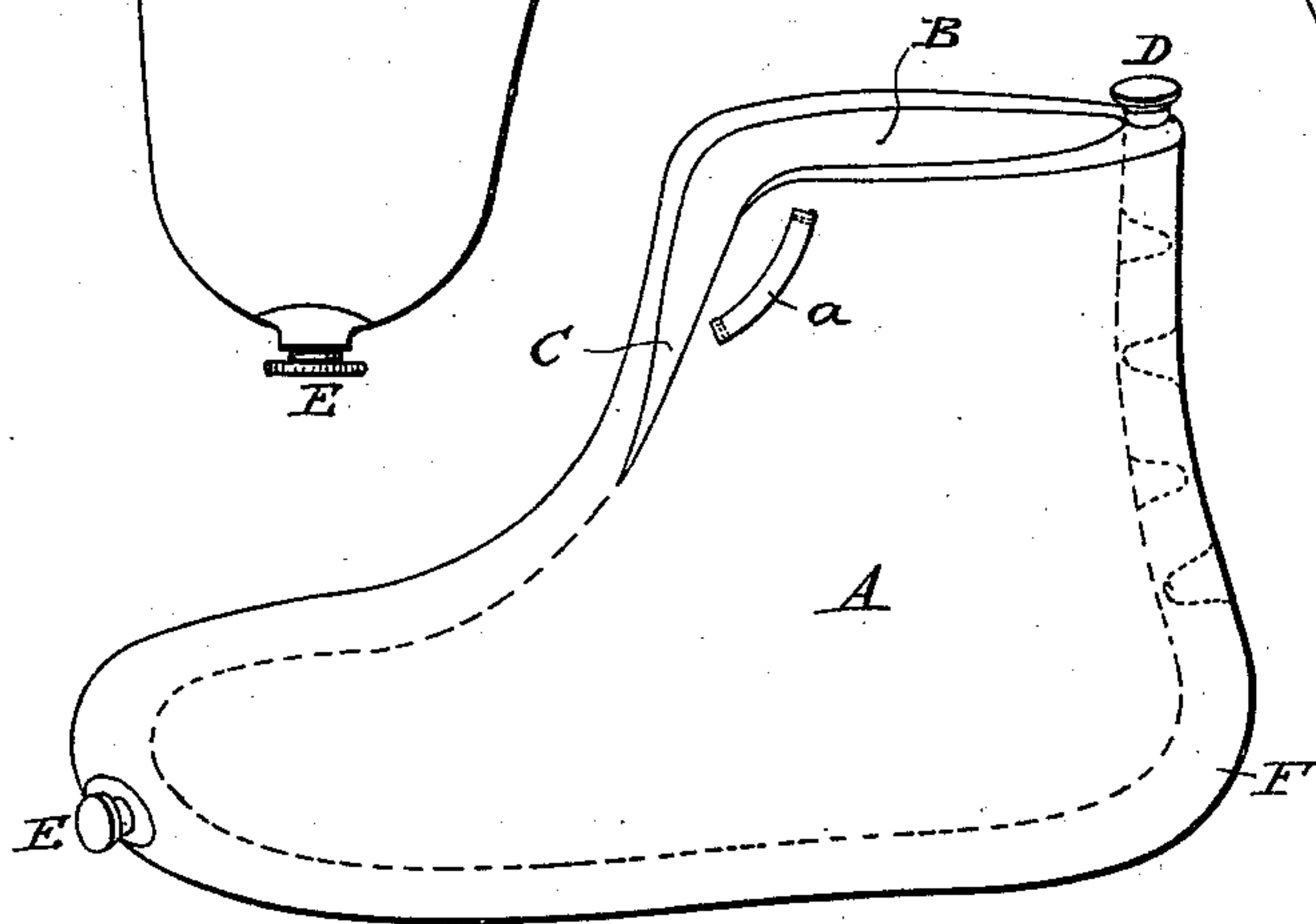
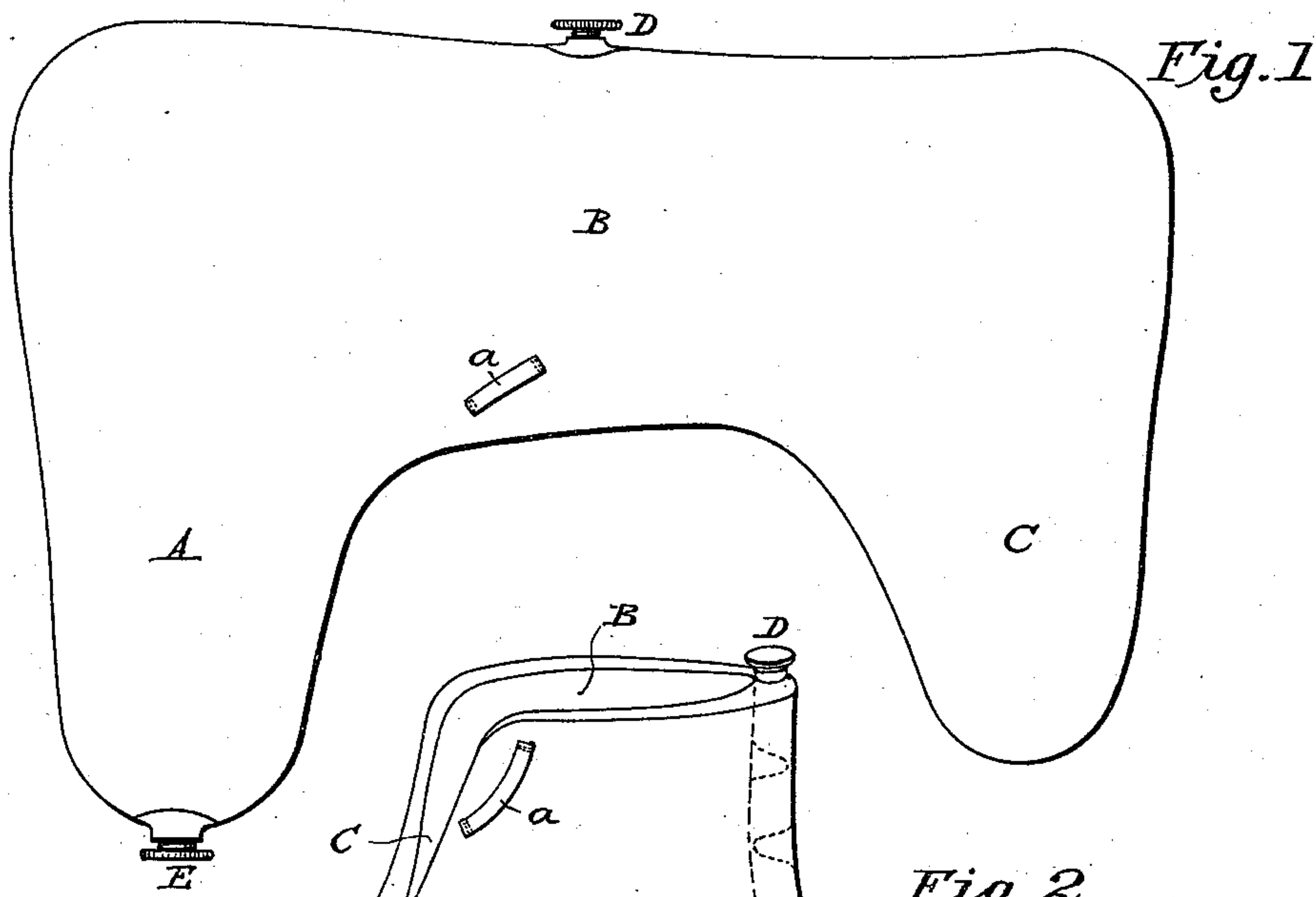


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN C. WEBER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Akron, in the county of Summit and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Invalid Warming Appliances to be used for the purpose of securing additional heat to restore and maintain the natural required temperature to the human body in case of sickness or lack of vitality, and it is a matter of general experience that during the extraordinary and prolonged cold weather the general effect has been to exhaust or debilitate the natural vigor of many among all classes and professions, and it is very important and necessary to health and comfort that the natural degree of warmth may be effectually and immediately restored after cold exposure to counteract the effect of chills and its accompanying evils, of which the following is a specification.

The object of the invention is to provide an economical device that may be effectively applied and without delay in several forms suitable for use in bed or otherwise.

The device is composed of soft flexible durable material that is not liable to get out of order, and is always ready for immediate use in any of the forms required, and for the purpose for which it is designed it has been found to be very desirable and useful. It is made by preference of india-rubber or any light waterproof material and formed in one piece, and hollow as a bag. Its interior may be provided with raised lugs or ribs to maintain a cavity under pressure. It is constructed with two angular wings, one of which is made smaller than the other. I provide screw valve-plugs to admit and discharge hot air or liquid.

When opened and used as a pillow or bag its shape conforms to the body and can be applied anywhere, and when one part is folded within the other it thus forms a perfect stocking or shoe for the reception of the foot. The device is made of large size, and when not used it is collapsed and folded up, requiring but little space.

In the drawings, Figure 1 represents my invention in its open collapsed form. Fig. 2 represents the same in the form of a shoe or stocking. Fig. 3 shows the inflated warming-bag.

Like letters represent like parts.

In Fig. 1, A and C represent the projecting sides; B, the connecting part which may be of any desired length; D and E, the screw valve-plugs. F is the water or hot-air compartment. a is a holding strap or loop.

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

1. A warming appliance constructed hollow of a flexible water-tight material and forming in one piece a bag or pillow with two angular wings, one larger than the other, and when open as a pillow conforming to the body and when folded within itself serving as a foot receptacle.

2. A collapsible warming shoe or stocking made of flexible water-tight material constructed as shown and described in combination with the closures D and E substantially as shown and described.

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