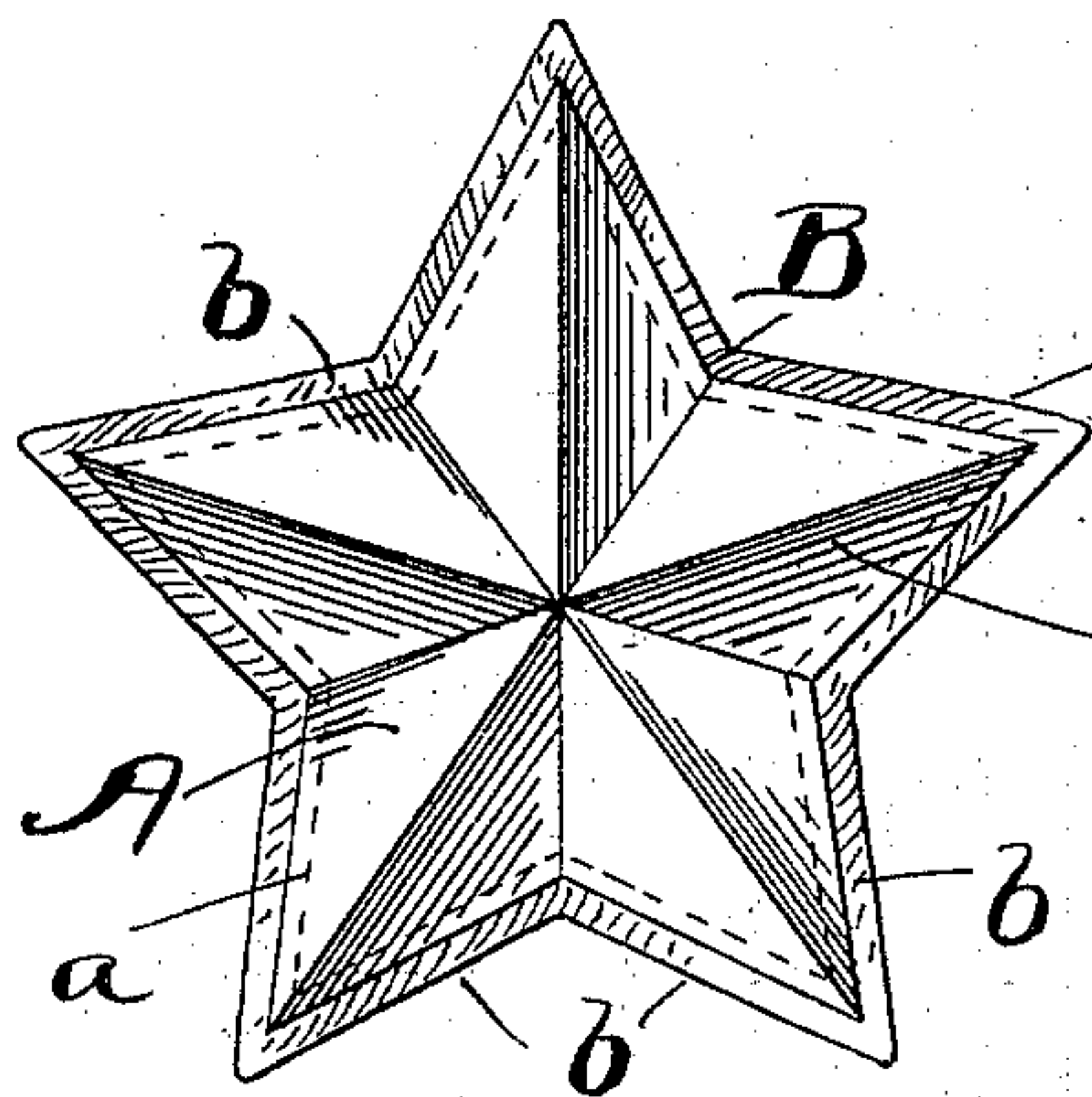


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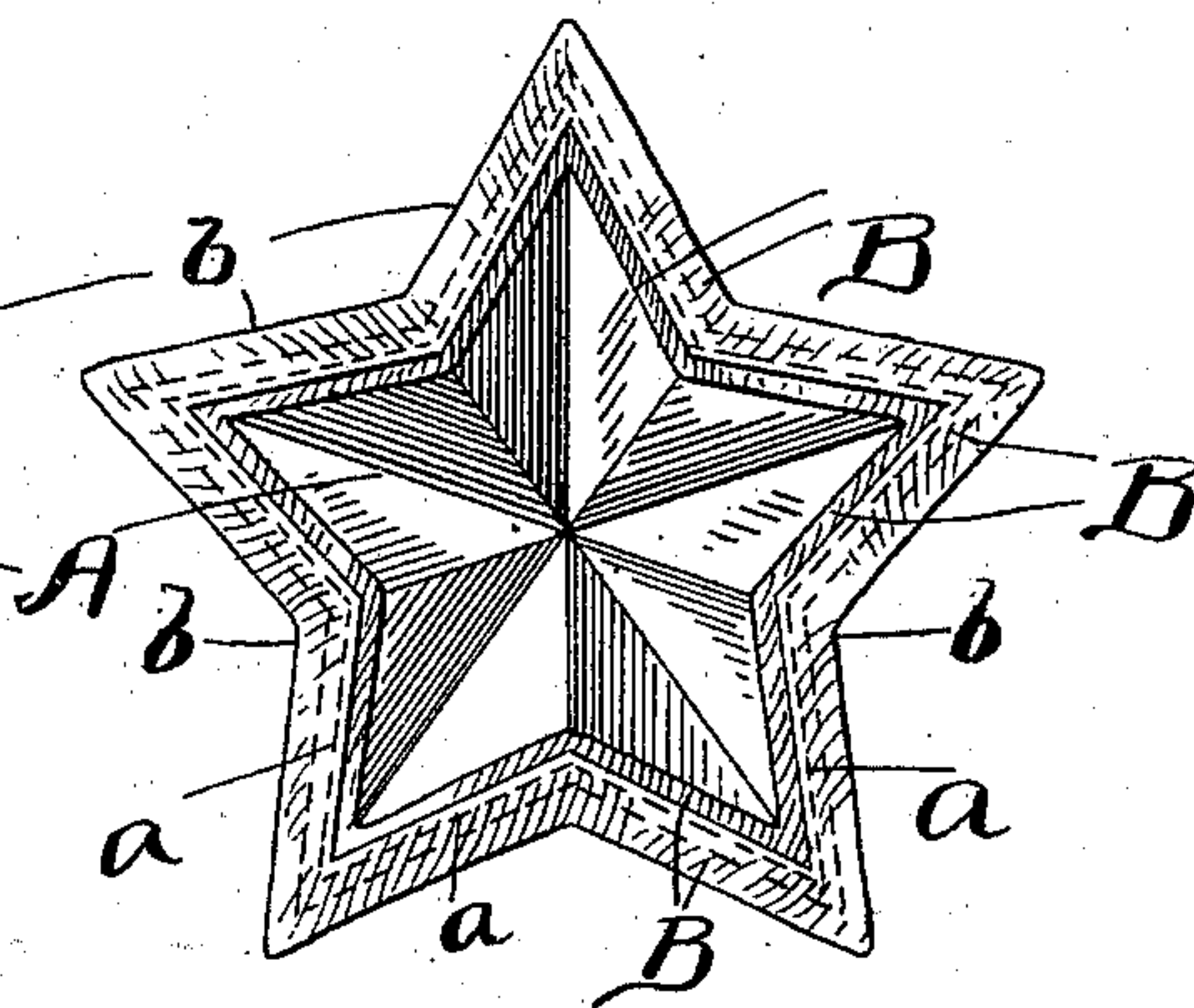
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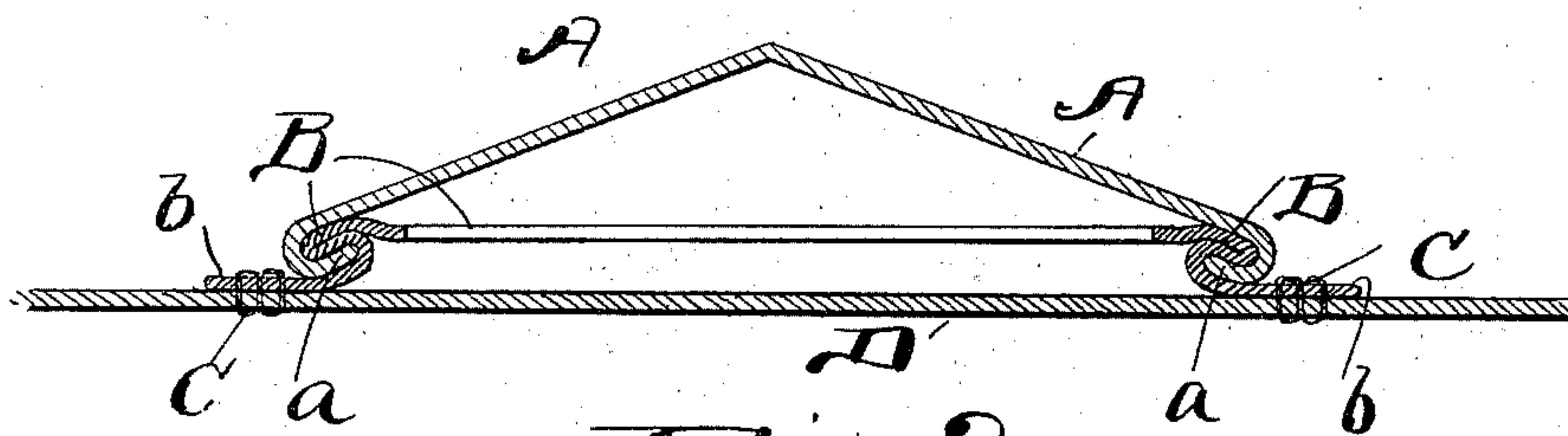
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*

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## FLAG OR BANNER ATTACHMENT.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MAXMILIAN ERNST, of Cleveland, Cuyahoga county, Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Flag or Banner Attachments; 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 pertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to a flag or banner attachment, and more especially to the improved means for securing the concavo-convex plate of the attachment to the fabric of the banner or flag.

The object is to provide simple and inexpensive means for securing the concavo-convex plate to the fabric and at the same time prevent said fabric from being cut or mutilated by the edges of the plate.

With this object in view my invention consists in certain features of construction and combinations of parts hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a forward side elevation of the concavo-convex plate provided with means not only instrumental in attaching it to the fabric of the flag or banner, but also for preventing the edges of the plate from mutilating said fabric. Fig. 2 is a rear side elevation of the same. Fig. 3 is an enlarged sectional view showing the attachment sewed to the fabric of the banner or flag. I would here remark that Fig. 3 exhibits the thickness of the different parts much exaggerated to more clearly show the construction.

Referring to the drawings, A designates the concavo-convex plate. Plate A near its edges is bent or folded inwardly, as at *a*, in order to clamp or firmly secure any suitable number of strips B of cloth or other suitable flexible material between said inwardly-bent portion or portions of the plate and the adjacent portions of the remainder of the body portion of the plate, as shown very clearly in Fig. 3. Strip or strips B are preferably laid upon the back side of plate A before the bending of

said plate at *a*, so that members *a* will fold strips B between them and the rear side of the adjacent portions of the plate. Strip or strips B are wide enough to extend over the edges and outer surfaces of members *a* and beyond the plate, as at *b*, and portions *b* are sewed or stitched, as at C, Fig. 3, to fabric D of the flag or banner.

My improved attachment therefore consists of the concavo-convex plate bent inwardly near its edges and the strip or strips of flexible material secured to the plate by said inwardly-bent members of the plate, and it will be observed that the plate attached to the fabric of the flag or banner by my improved means cannot in any manner mutilate or injure said fabric.

What I claim is—

1. An attachment for a flag or banner, consisting of a concavo-convex plate bent inwardly at or near its edges and at its concave side substantially as indicated, and strips of flexible material secured between the inwardly-bent portions and the adjacent or body portion of the plate, and adapted to extend over the edges and outer surface of said inwardly-bent portions of the plate and beyond the latter, substantially as shown, for the purpose specified.

2. The combination with the fabric of a flag or banner, of a concavo-convex plate arranged with its concave side next to the banner or flag, and bent inwardly, at its concave side and at or near its edges, of any suitable number of flexible strips clamped against the inner or concave surface of the plate by said inwardly-bent portions of the plate, and suitably secured to the flag or banner, substantially as shown, for the purpose specified.

In testimony whereof I sign this specification, in the presence of two witnesses, this 14th day of January, 1896.

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