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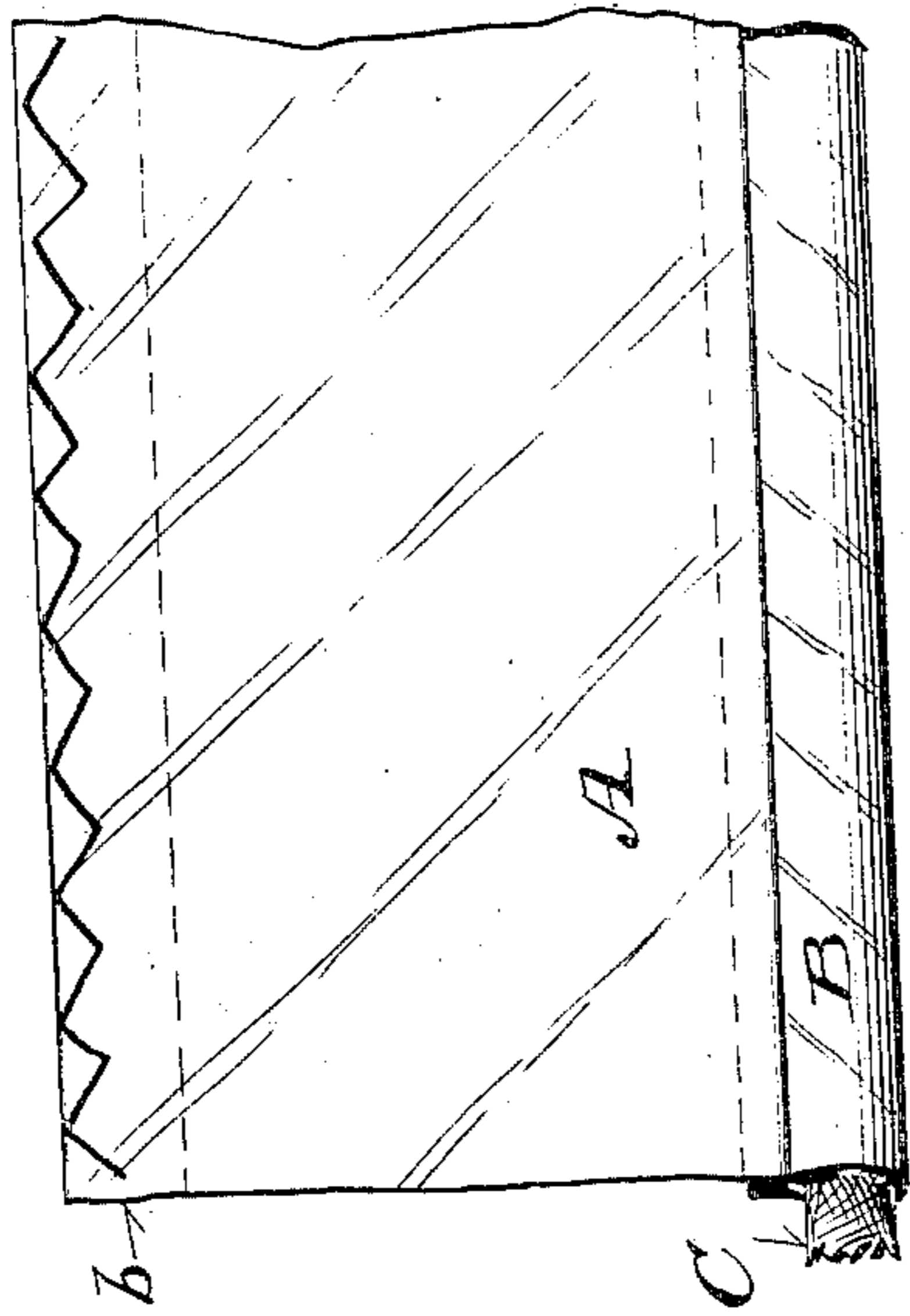


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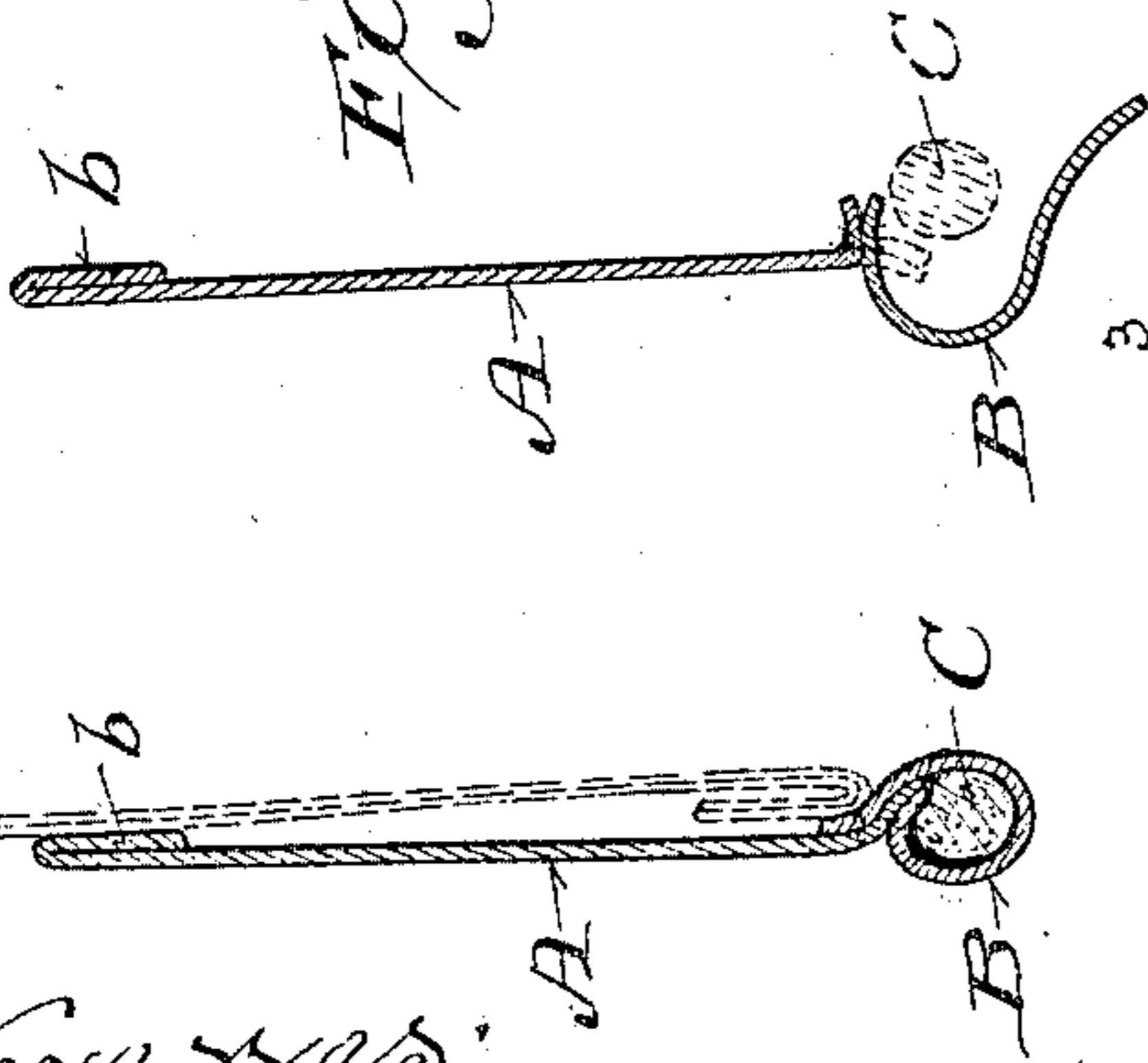
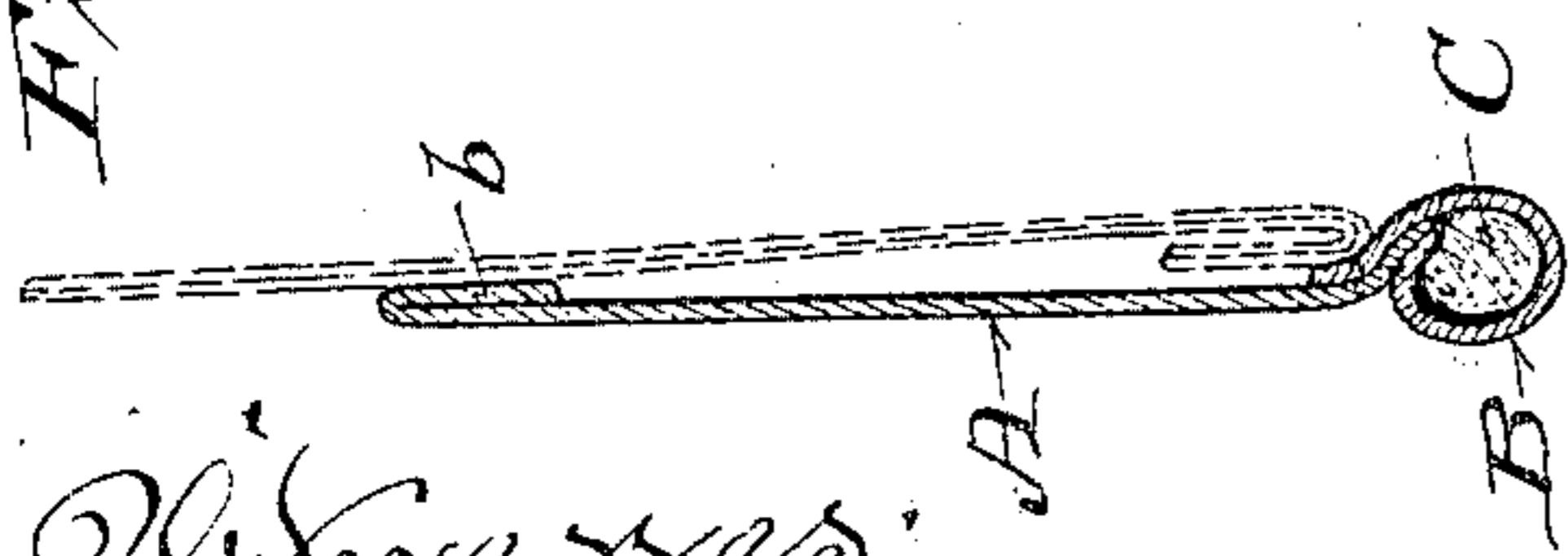


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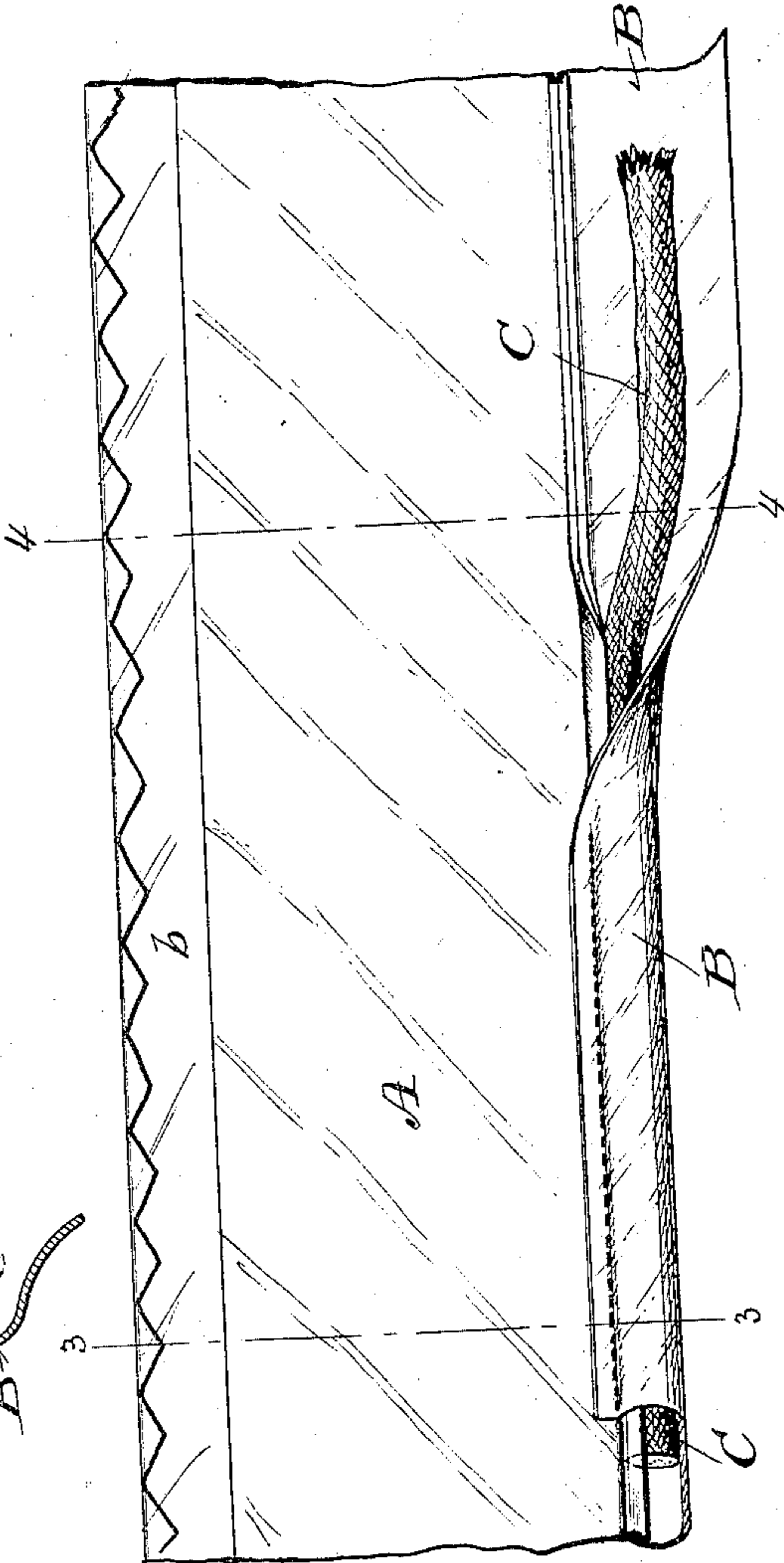


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## SKIRT-PROTECTOR MATERIAL.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM F. WYMAN, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Oshkosh, in the county of Winnebago and State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Skirt-Protector Material; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

My invention has for its object to provide a simple economical dress-skirt-protector material having certain advantages due to its structural peculiarities, hereinafter particularly set forth with reference to the accompanying drawings and subsequently claimed.

Figure 1 of the drawings represents an inner side view of one form of my improved dress-skirt-protector material partly finished; Fig. 2, an outer side view of the material, and Figs. 3 and 4 sectional views of said material indicated by lines 33 and 44 in the first figure.

Referring by letter to the drawings, A represents a dress-skirt facing-strip, and B a binding-strip in union with the former strip. Both strips are cut on the bias from suitable fabrics, these fabrics being preferably waterproof. Fabric commonly known as "mackintosh" may be utilized for the facing-strip, and waterproof velveteen of common knowledge may serve for the binding-strip, the latter being always of less width than the facing-strip.

In the manufacture of the improved dress-skirt-protector material the facing and binding strips being laid together face to face with longitudinal edges of both parallel they are united by a stitching operation, and the binding-strip is turned to form a fold concealing the seam. The aforesaid strips being now back to back they are again stitched together to secure said fold. A cord C may be laid in the fold of the binding-strip to stiffen the same, and in practice this cord will be tucked under the seam concealed in said fold.

It is preferable that the facing-strip have

an upper rear fold *b* and that this fold be made permanent by overcast stitching, as herein illustrated.

The dress-protector material herein specified is devoid of fullness above the binding-strip, and consequently there is no ridge to take the wear that should properly come upon said binding-strip. It also follows that the said material will fit close to the dress-skirt upon which it may be employed and that there will be but slight increase of thickness at the bottom of the garment, although there is sufficient stiffness to insure of said garment hanging in graceful folds, and the binding-strip has free yield to inequalities of surface upon which it may touch.

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

1. A skirt-protector material comprising a facing-strip, and a binding-strip of less width than the facing-strip, this binding-strip being stitched to one side of said facing-strip, turned back away from the seam and stitched to the other side of the aforesaid facing-strip, the original seam being concealed inside the fold formed by said binding-strip.

2. A skirt-protector material comprising a facing-strip, a binding-strip of less width than the facing-strip and a stiffening-cord, the binding-strip being stitched to one side of the facing-strip turned back away from the seam over the cord and stitched to the other side of said facing-strip, the original seam being concealed with the cord inside the fold formed by said binding-strip.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand, at Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee and State of Wisconsin, in the presence of two witnesses.

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