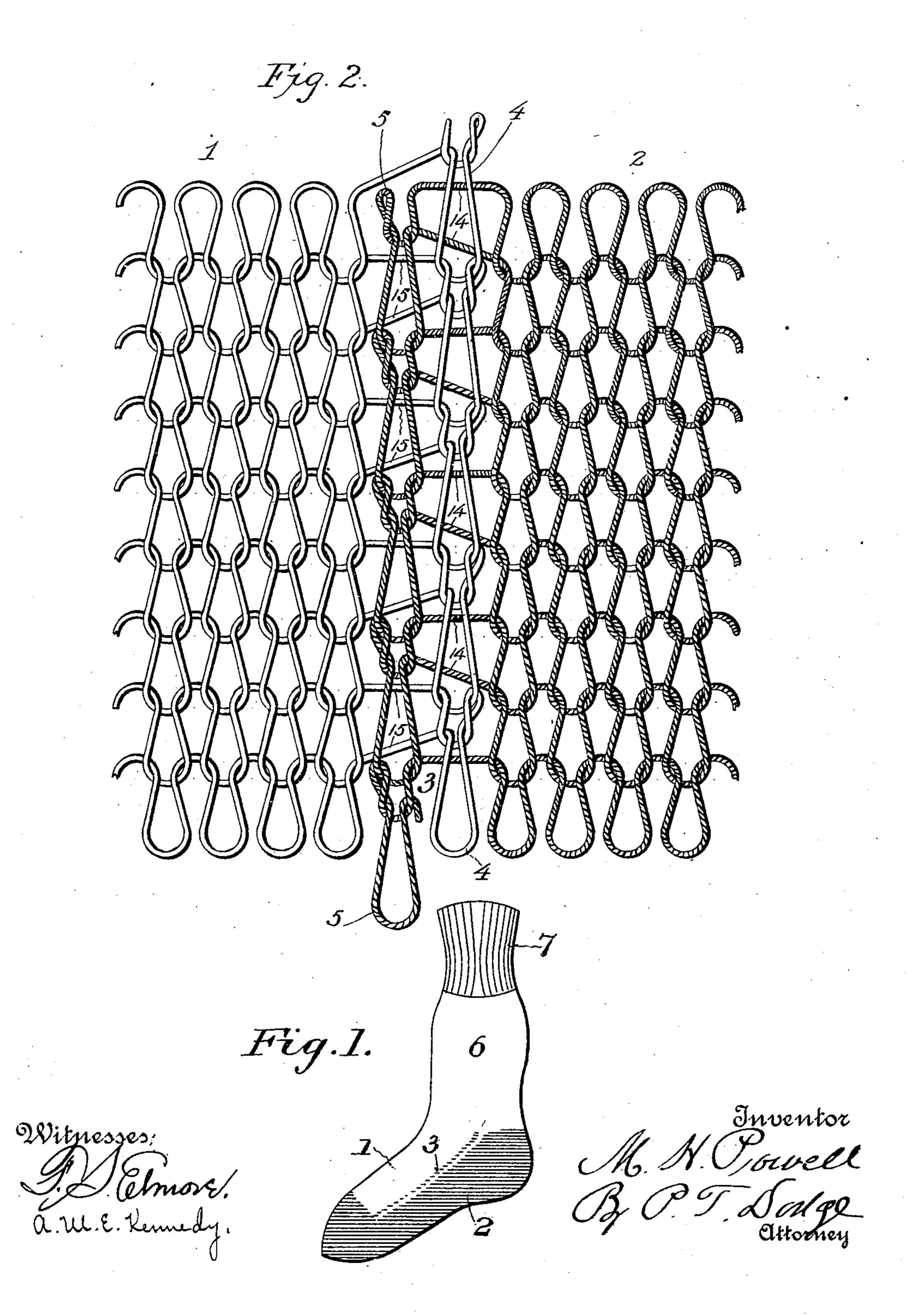
M. H. POWELL STOCKING.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MYRON H. POWELL, of Muskegon, county of Muskegon, and State of Michigan, have invented a new and useful 5 Improvement in Stockings, of which the fol-

lowing is a specification.

This invention has reference to knit fabrics; and it consists of a stocking in which the foot portion is composed of two independent knit 10 webs joined in a peculiar manner and in which the leg is a tubular seamless continuation of both webs of the foot.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of a stocking embodying my 15 invention. Fig. 2 represents a development of the courses of stitches of the webs of the foot portion, showing how they are joined to

each other. Referring to the drawings, my improved 20 stocking embodies in its structure two distinct knit fabrics or webs 1 and 2, composed of independent yarns, which webs are joined together, as at 3. The web 1 forms the upper portion or top of the foot, while the web 2, 25 which is preferably of a heavier yarn and may be of a contrasting color, forms the bottom of the foot, the toe, and heel. The junction of the contiguous edges of the webs at the sides of the foot at the lines 3 is made 30 by interlocking rows of selvage-loops 4 and 5, formed on the edges of the webs, the interlocking being such that the selvage-loops of one web will be disposed wholly in the field of the other web and the selvage-loops of the 35 latter will be wholly in the field of the adjoining web. The interlocking of the loops, it will be seen on reference to Fig. 2, is due

to the dispositions of the portions of the yarns connecting the selvage-loops with the 40 main body of the webs, those of one yarn, as 14, passing beneath the loops 4 and those of this latter yarn, as 15, passing beneath the

loops 5 of the adjoining yarn. As a result of this peculiar formation there is a firm and uniform connection between the two webs 45 with no distinct seam, such as would be produced by stitching or sewing the edges of the webs together.

The leg 6 of the stocking is continuous with both webs of the foot, but has its loops in a 50 single tubular web, while the top 7 of the stocking is preferably, but not necessarily, a tubular ribbed seamless continuation of the leg, the entire stocking being thus free from seams and embodying in its foot structure 55 two distinct and independent webs.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

1. As a new manufacture a stocking whose foot portion comprises two independently- 60 knit webs having on their proximate edges rows of selvage-loops interlocked with each other, and whose leg portion is continuous with said webs but has its loops in a single tubular web.

2. The seamless stocking consisting of a tubular seamless knit leg with its front portion continued and forming the top of the foot and provided on its respective edges with a row of selvage-loops, a bottom section for 70 the foot forming a continuation of the back of the leg composed of a fabric knit from an independent distinct yarn having on its respective edges a row of selvage-loops, the said row of loops of said sections being inter- 75 locked, with the rows of one section disposed in the field of the other section and vice versa.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand, this 24th day of May, 1900, in the presence of two attesting witnesses.

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