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FIG. 1.

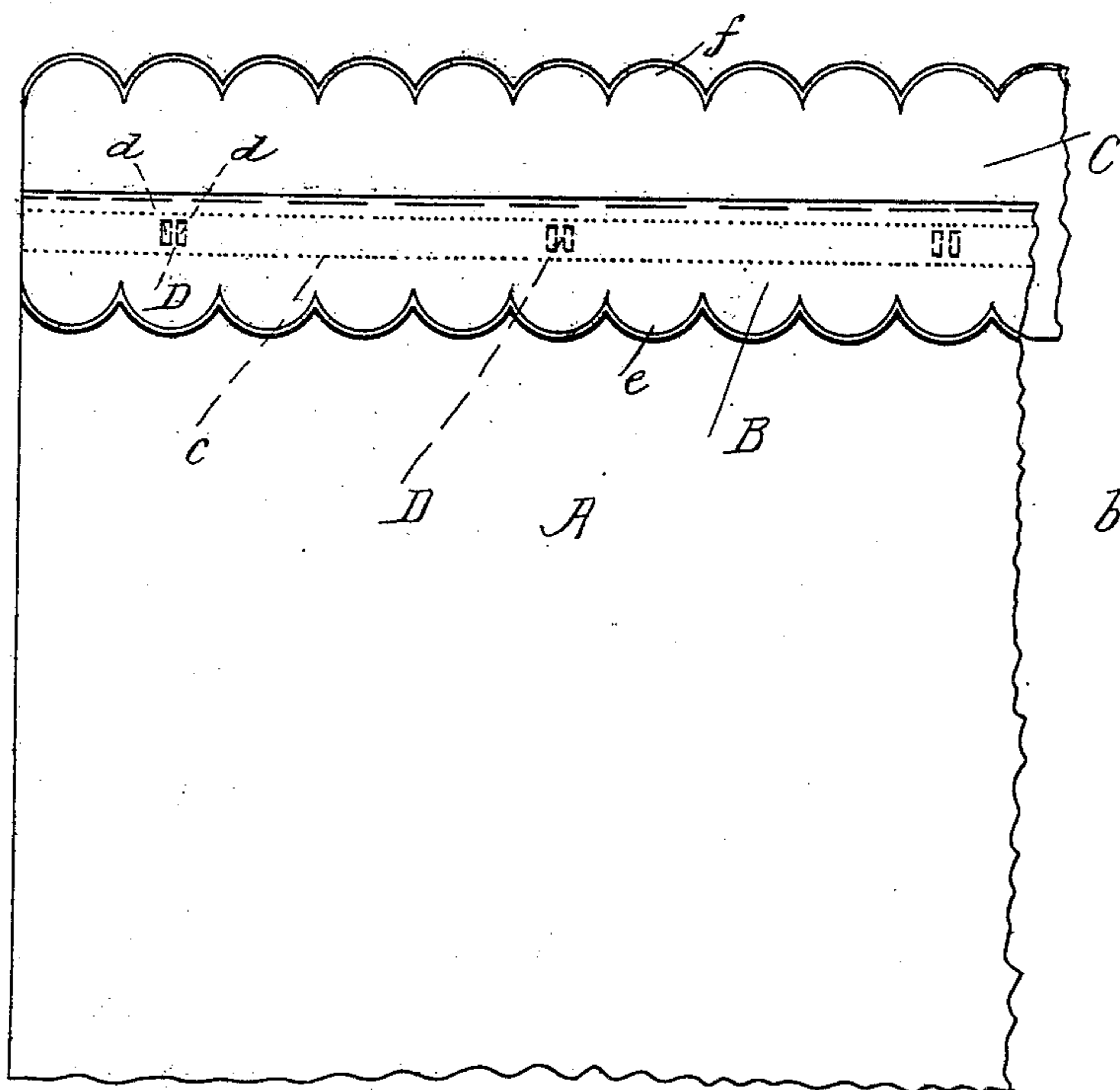


FIG. 2.

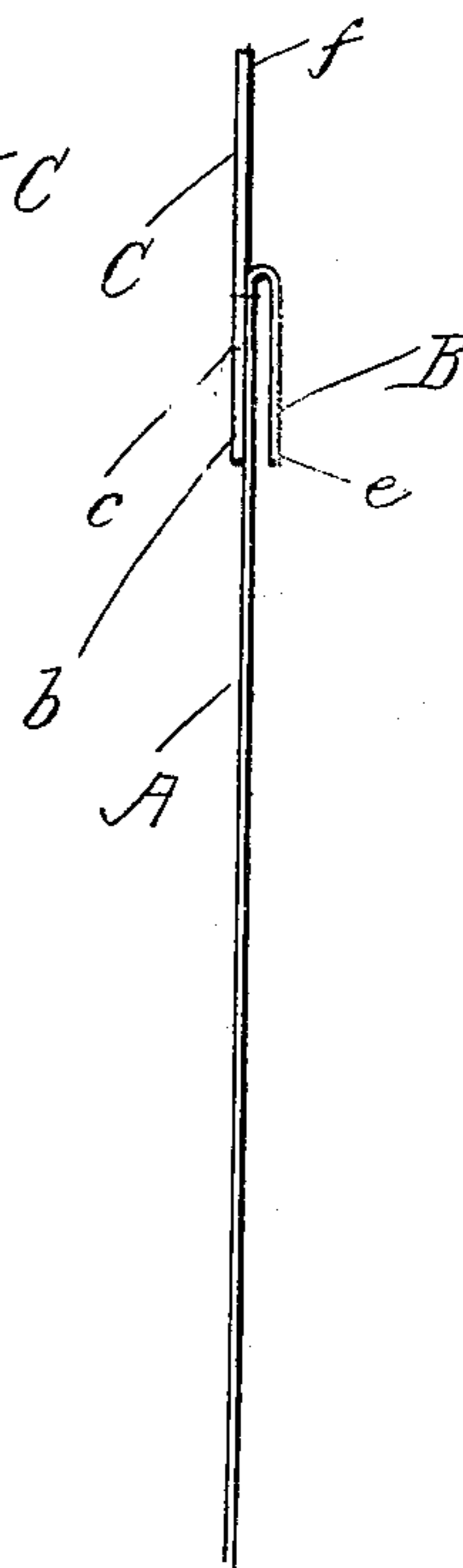
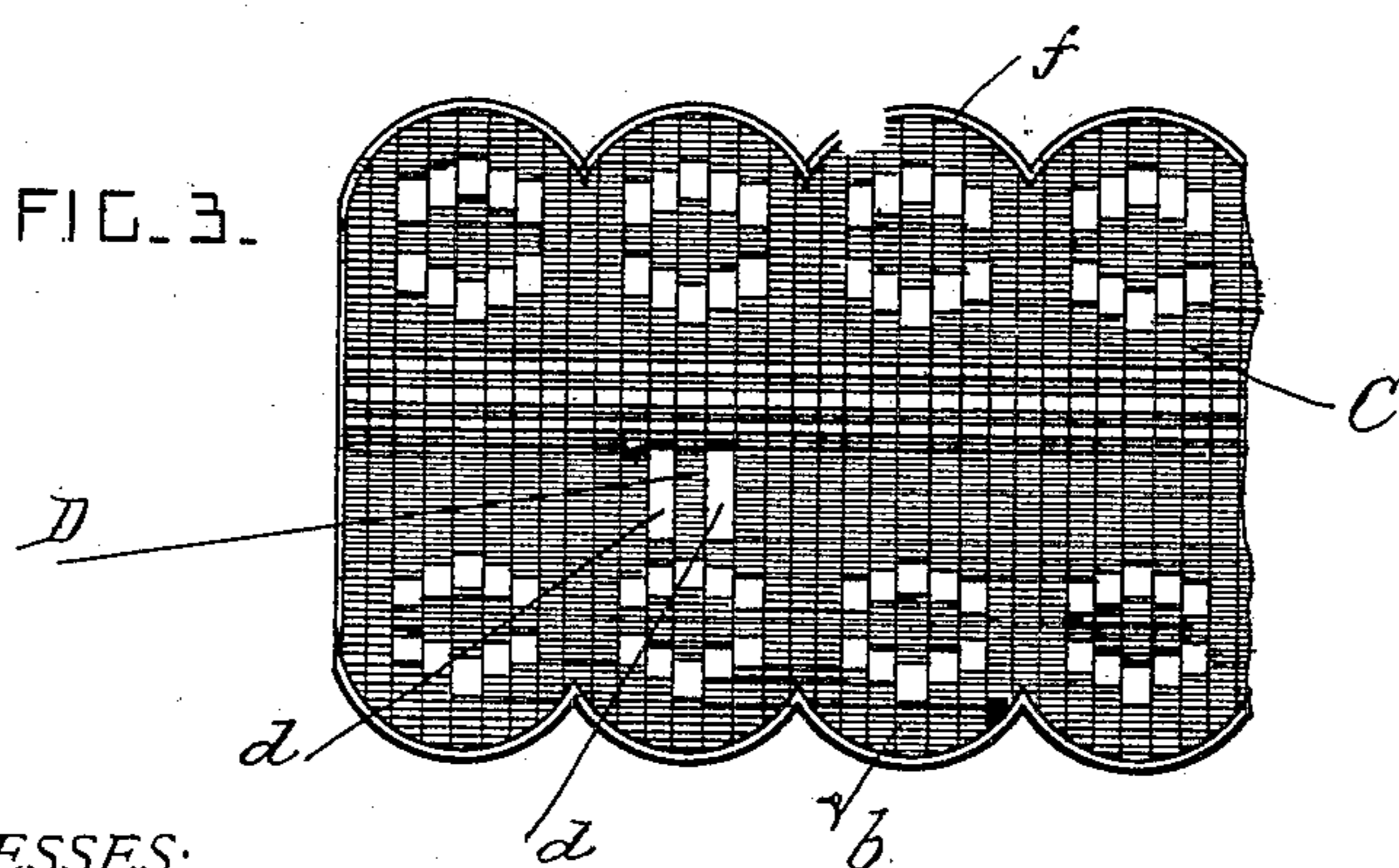


FIG. 3.



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOSEPH C. ATKIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Wilkes-Barre, in the county of Luzerne and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Curtains; 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.

This invention relates to curtains for windows and other places; and it consists in the novel construction and combination of the parts hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a front view of a portion of a curtain constructed according to this invention. Fig. 2 is an end view of the same. Fig. 3 is a detail front view of a portion of the band which is attached to the top part of the curtain.

A is the top portion of a curtain such as usually used to drape windows, and preferably what is known as a "lace curtain." In carrying out this invention the top edge of the curtain is folded over so as to form a valance B. This valance may be plain; but it is preferably ornamental. C is a band of textile material which is attached to the upper part of the curtain behind its said valance. This band is preferably formed of lace and is ornamented to correspond in design or to harmonize with the valance, and it is secured to the curtain by rows of stitches *c* or in any other approved manner. The valance B has an ornamental border *e* at its lower edge, and the band or shield C has an ornamental border *f* at its top, and the said ornamental borders are displayed one above the other at the front of the curtain. The band C is preferably formed of stiffer material than the body of the curtain, so that it will remain vertical and will not droop over. The band may, however, be stiffened with

starch or in any other approved manner to prevent it from drooping over. This independent band C may also be provided with a valance or ornamental border *b* at its lower edge below the rows of stitches, and the valance at the rear of the curtain may be draped to correspond with the valance B at the front of the curtain, so that the curtain makes a good appearance on both sides.

The band C is preferably provided at its lower part with openings *d*, arranged in pairs and having bars D, of textile material, between them. These bars D are formed integral with the band, and they furnish loops for engaging with the ordinary supporting-hooks. The upper part of the band C constitutes an ornamental shield which hides the ordinary curtain-pole and the rings which slide on it and to which the said fastening-hooks are attached. A pole, rod, wire, or other supporting device may, however, be inserted through the loops, if desired.

What I claim is—

1. A curtain provided with a valance at its upper edge, and having a band secured to its body portion behind the said valance and projecting above it and provided with integrally-formed supporting-loops at its lower part.

2. The combination, with a curtain having a valance at its upper edge, of a band provided with loops for the curtain-hooks at its lower part, and means for securing the lower part of the said band to the body of the curtain behind the said valance so that its upper part projects above the said valance and constitutes a shield for the curtain-pole.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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