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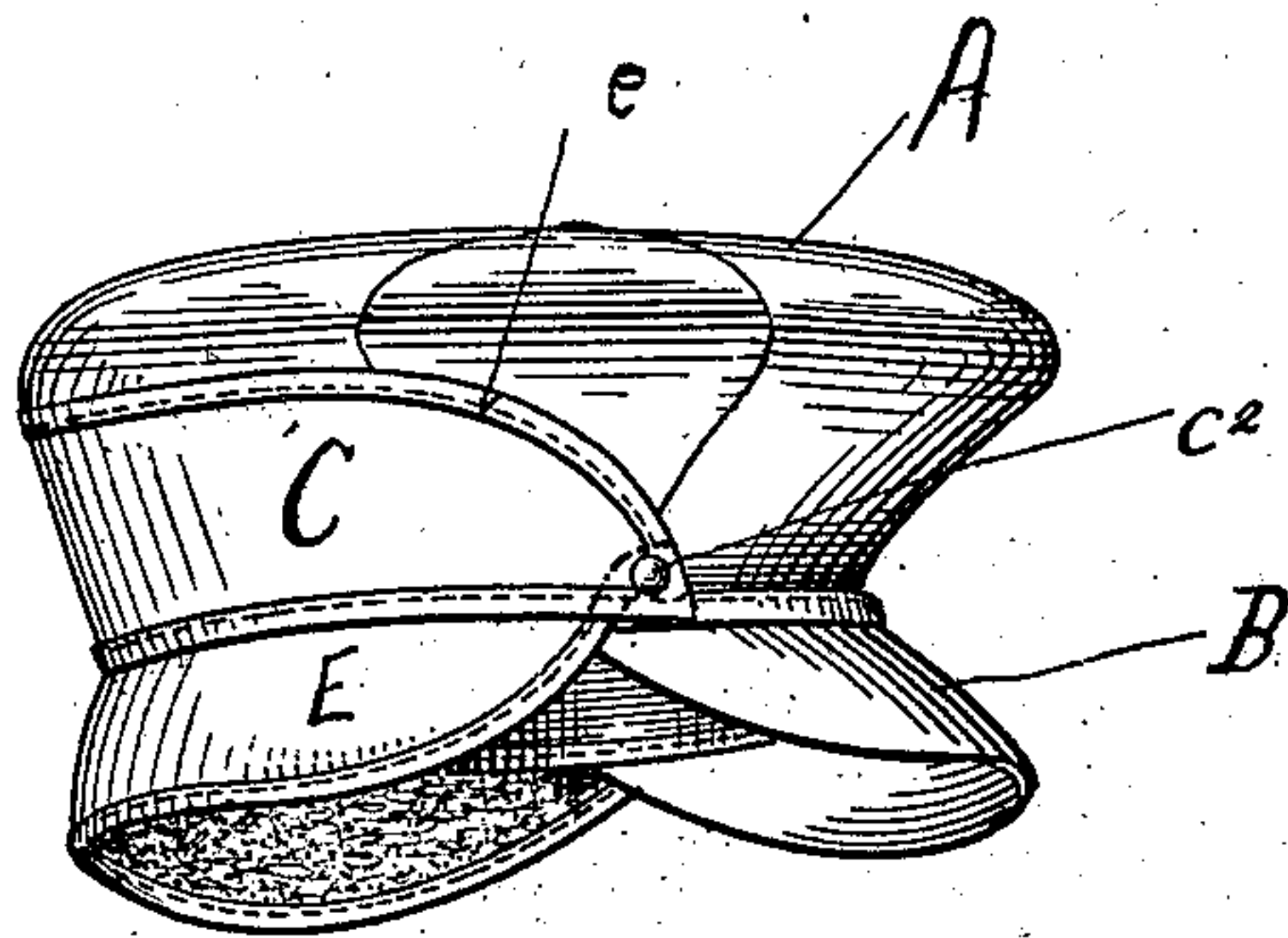


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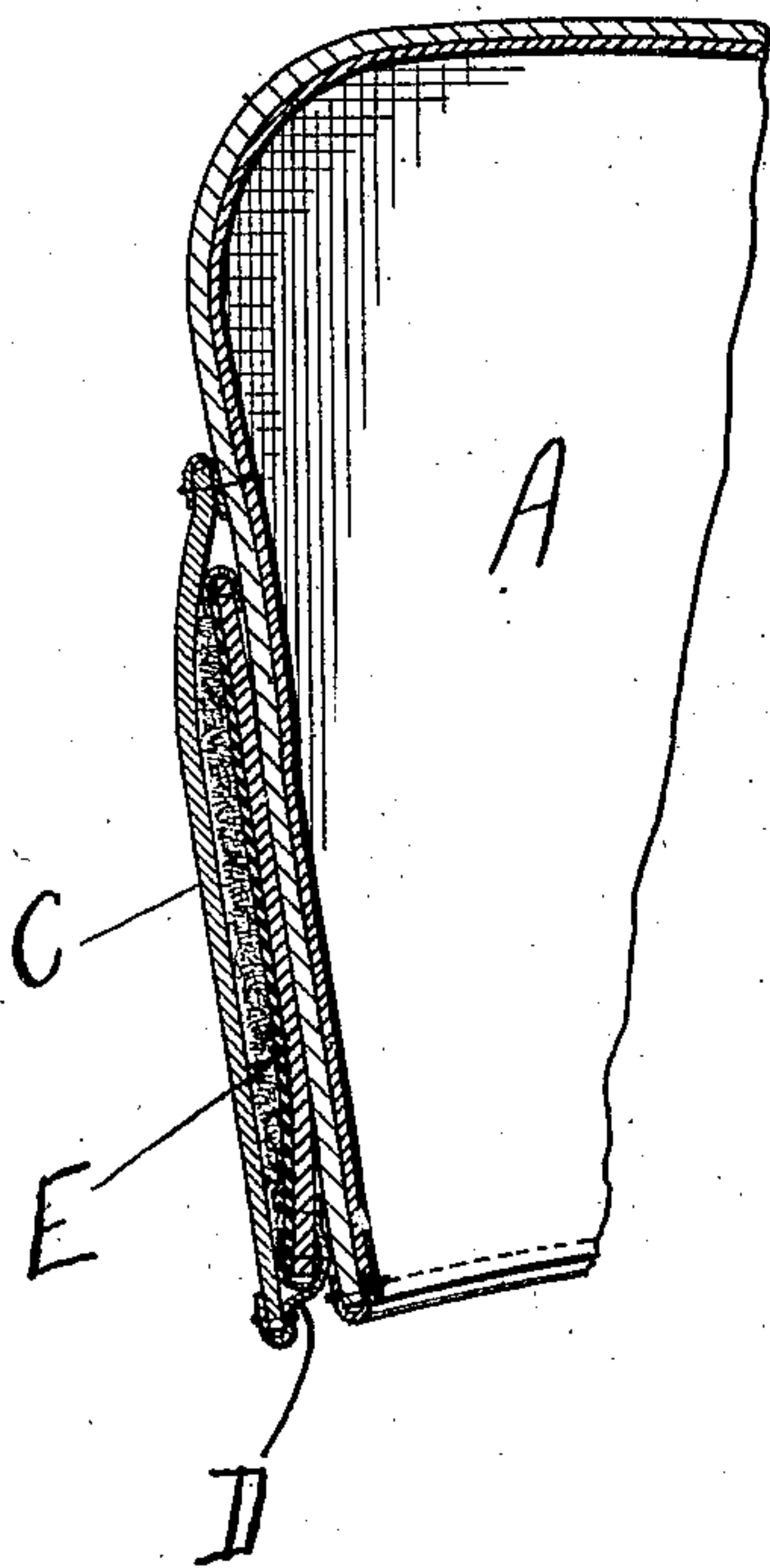


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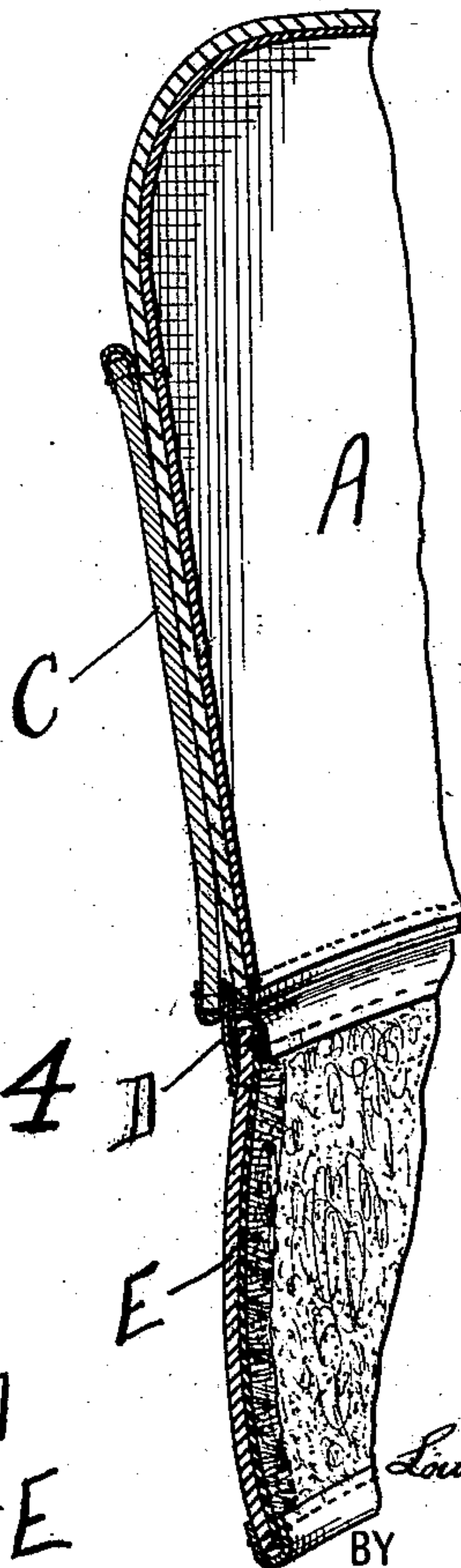
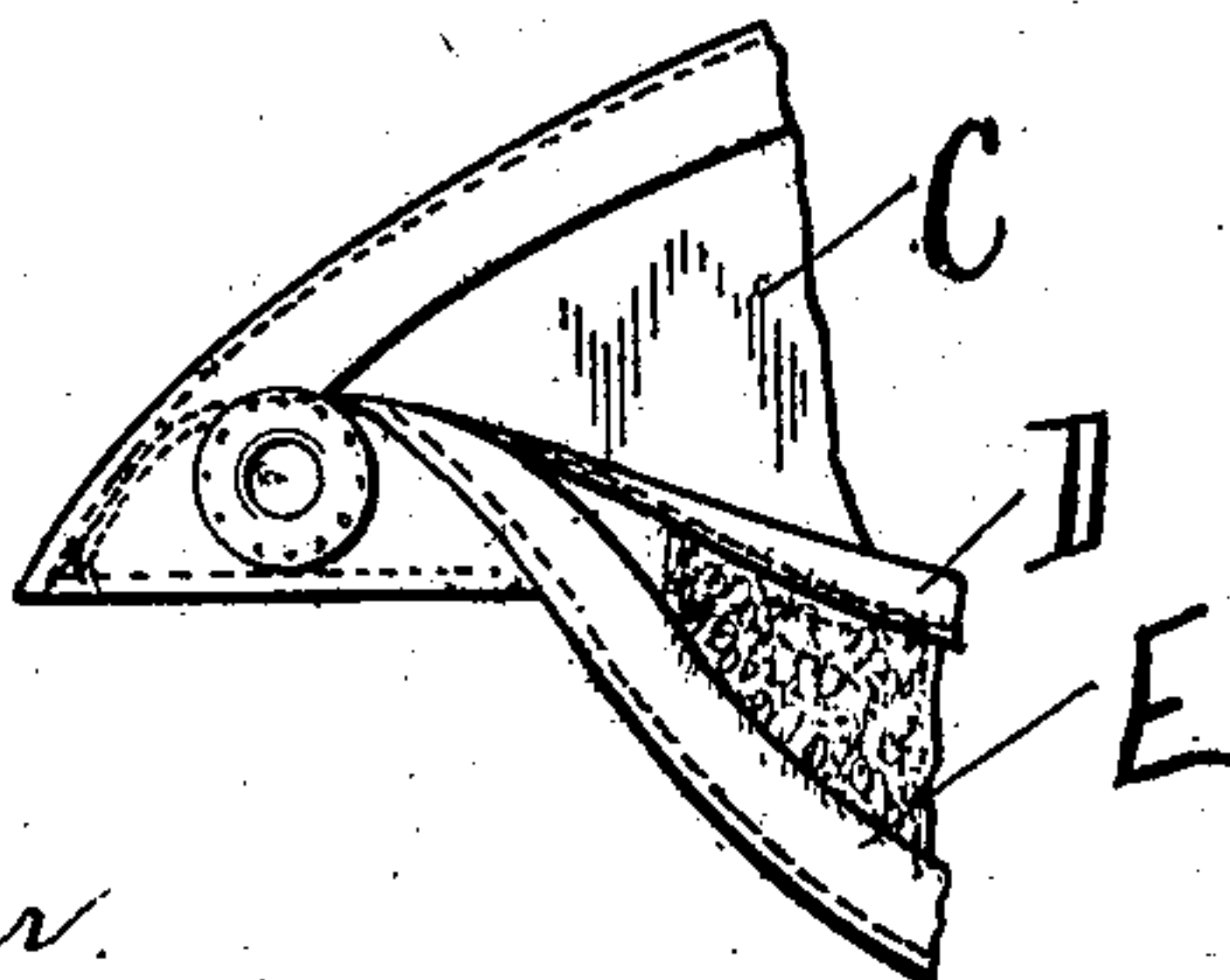


Fig. 4



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Fig. 5

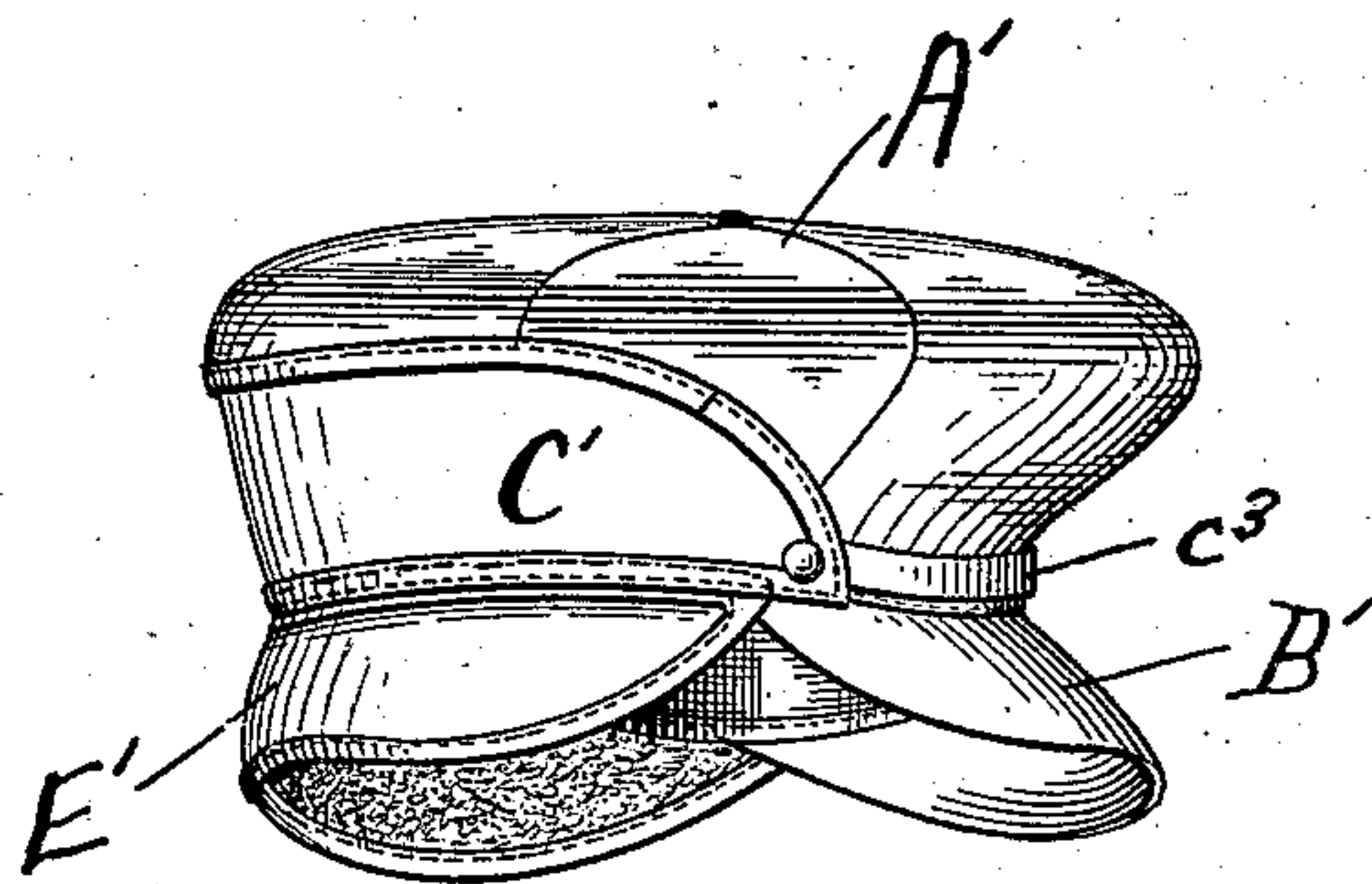


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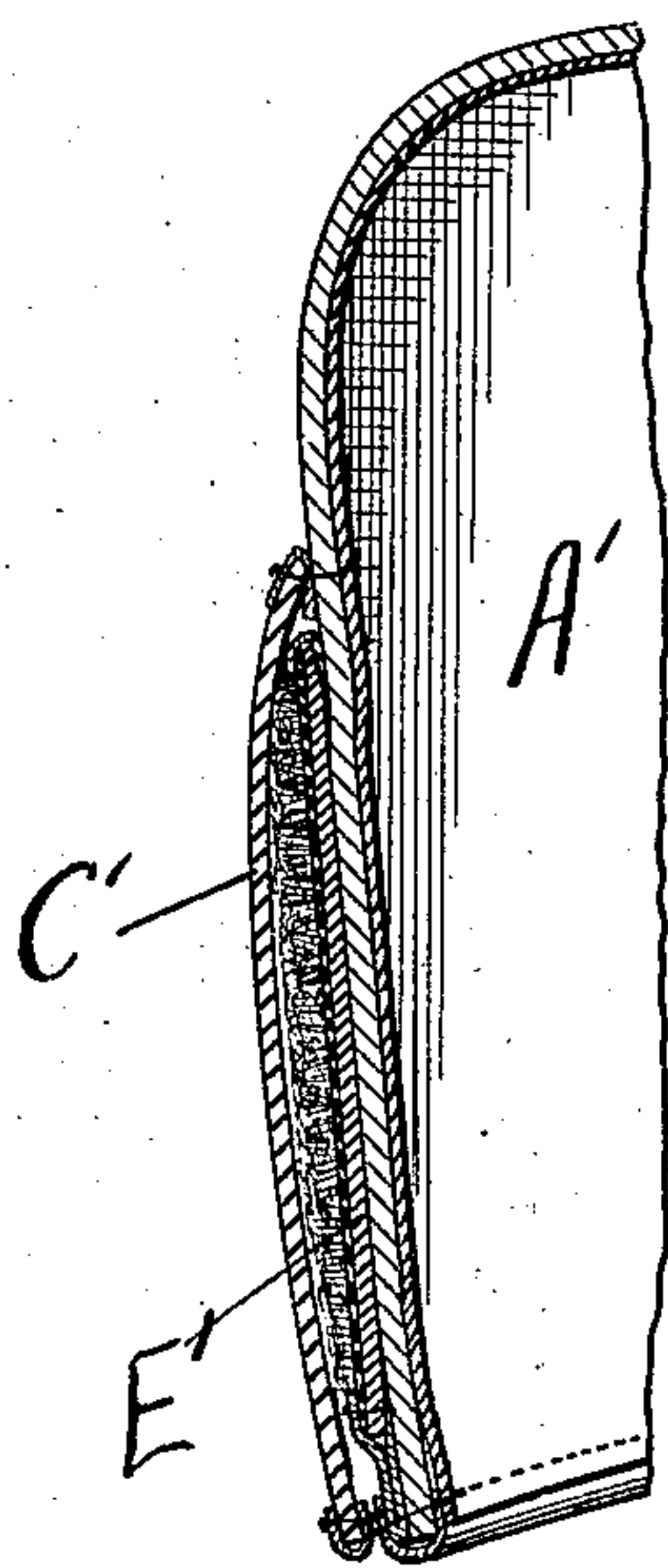
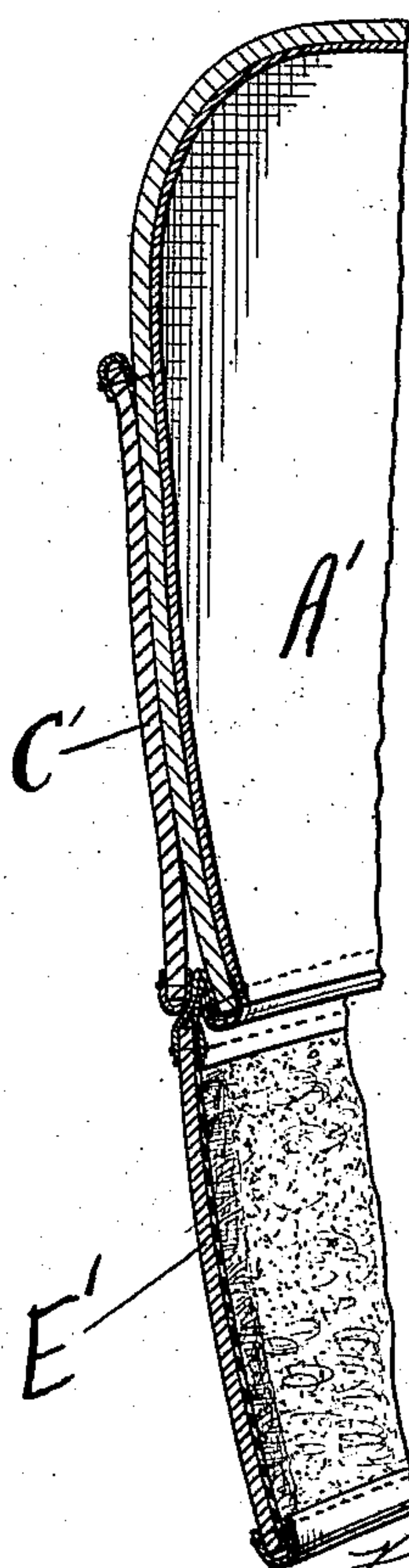


Fig. 7



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOUIS ROSENBAUM, a citizen of the United States, residing at Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hats or Caps; 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.

The object of the invention is to provide a hat or cap with a flap which may be turned down to protect the back of the wearer's neck and his ears, and which, when it is not in use, may be turned up into a position where it is hidden from view without altering in any way the size of the cap or making an unsightly appearance, and it has been my endeavor to accomplish this result in a manner which will be at once attractive and inexpensive.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a view of the cap in its preferred form; Fig. 2 is a detail sectional view of the rear part of the cap showing the flap turned up, and Fig. 3 is a view of the same parts showing the flap turned down; Fig. 4 is a detail view of one of the front ends of the flap where it passes up under and is secured to the outside band; Fig. 5 is a view of a modified form; Fig. 6 is a detail sectional view of the rear portion of the same, showing the flap turned up, and Fig. 7 is a similar view showing the flap turned down.

Referring to the form of cap illustrated in Figs. 1 to 4 inclusive, the body portion A, which may be of any appropriate form, is provided with a vizor B. Extending around the back portion of the cap and slightly beyond the edge of the vizor on each side is an outside band C which is made preferably of the same material as the body of the cap and is at its upper edge sewed to the cap body up to the point *e* on each side, being from about that point curved down as shown, and provided at its end with a clasp *c*². This clasp may coact with a button on the cap itself, as indicated in Fig. 1, or may coact with a button on a strap extending around to the similar clasp on the other side, as indicated in Fig. 5. The protecting flap E is secured by a flexible binding strip D to the lower edge of the band C and is adapted to fold up between the band C and the hat body, as shown in

Fig. 2, in which position it is hidden from sight, and the flexible binding on the lower edge of the band C draws in the lower edge in such a manner as to hold it close to the lower edge of the body portion, so that the presence of the protecting flap is in no wise noticeable. When the protecting flap is in use it is turned down as indicated in Figs. 1 and 3, from which it will be observed that the inner side of the protecting flap is lined with fur, this being a choice of material which I have preferred. From Figs. 1 and 4, it will be observed that the front end of the protecting flap runs up beneath the front end of the band C so that the clasp *c*² binds the end of the flap within the front end of the band.

The manner of using the cap will be readily understood, it being explained that by unfastening the clasp *c*² it is possible to loosen the front ends of the band so that the flap may be easily turned up or down and that when the flap is turned down and the clasps made to engage their buttons, the construction by which the front end of the flap is run up under the end of the band serves to draw the flap closely about the ears of the wearer.

In the form shown in Figs. 5, 6 and 7, the cap body A' and the band C' are similar to the same parts in Figs. 1 to 4, except that the strap *c*³ is used instead of the two clasps *c*². In this case, however, the protecting flap E' is secured to the lower edge of the cap body, rather than to the lower edge of the band. It will be observed that in this form the protecting flap is likewise conveniently handled and is completely hidden from sight by the outside band when it is turned up.

It will be obvious that further or other modifications may be made in the caps without departing from the spirit of my invention. Indeed, so far as I am aware, I am the first to construct a cap with a protecting flap and an outside band so constructed and arranged that the flap may be turned up beneath the band and outside of the cap body, so that the presence of the protecting flap does not change the size of the cap, and I desire that the claims appended hereto should have a correspondingly broad interpretation.

What I claim is:—

1. A hat or cap comprising a main body portion, an outside band secured to said body portion and extending around the back thereof, and a protecting flap adapted, when it is turned down, to protect the back of the neck

of the wearer and when it is turned up to lie between the body portion of the cap and the outside band, substantially as described.

2. In a hat or cap, a main body portion, an
5 outside band secured thereto and extending around the back thereof, a flexible binding secured to the lower edge of said band, and a protecting flap adapted to protect the neck
10 of the wearer secured to said flexible binding, whereby the protecting flap may be turned up between the band and the body portion without affecting the size of the cap, substantially as described.

3. In a hat or cap, a main body portion, an
15 outside band secured thereto and extending around the back thereof, a flexible binding

secured to the lower edge of said band, and a protecting flap secured to said binding, the front ends of said flap running up beneath the band, whereby the flap, when it is turned
20 down, is drawn close to the neck and ears of the wearer and when it is turned up, is adapted to lie between the band and the body portion without affecting the size of the cap, substantially as described.

25 In testimony whereof I affix my signature, in presence of two witnesses.

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