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Fig. 1.

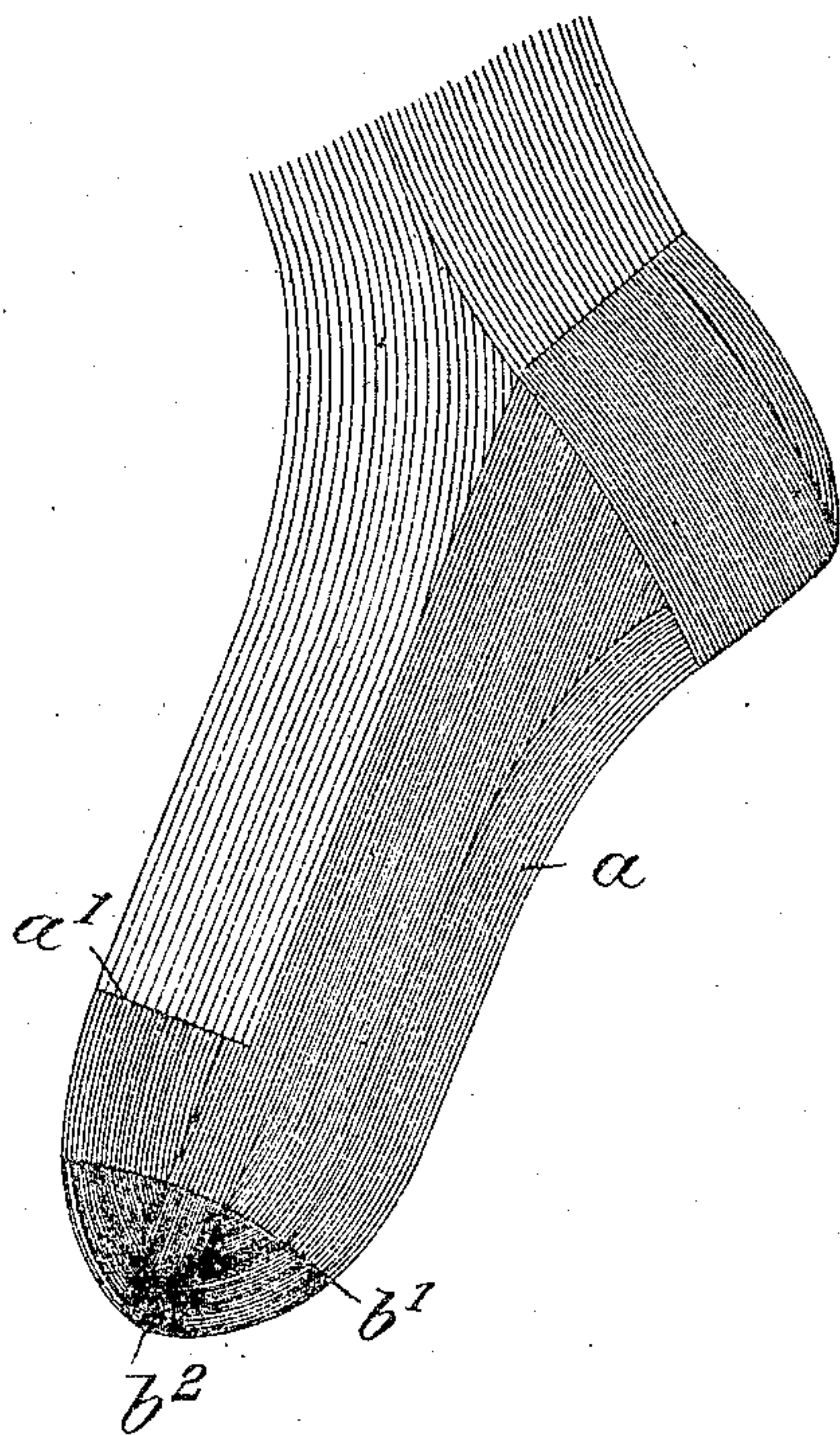


Fig. 3.

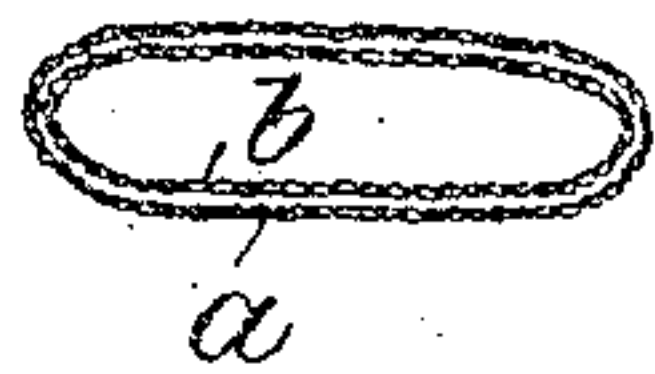


Fig. 2.

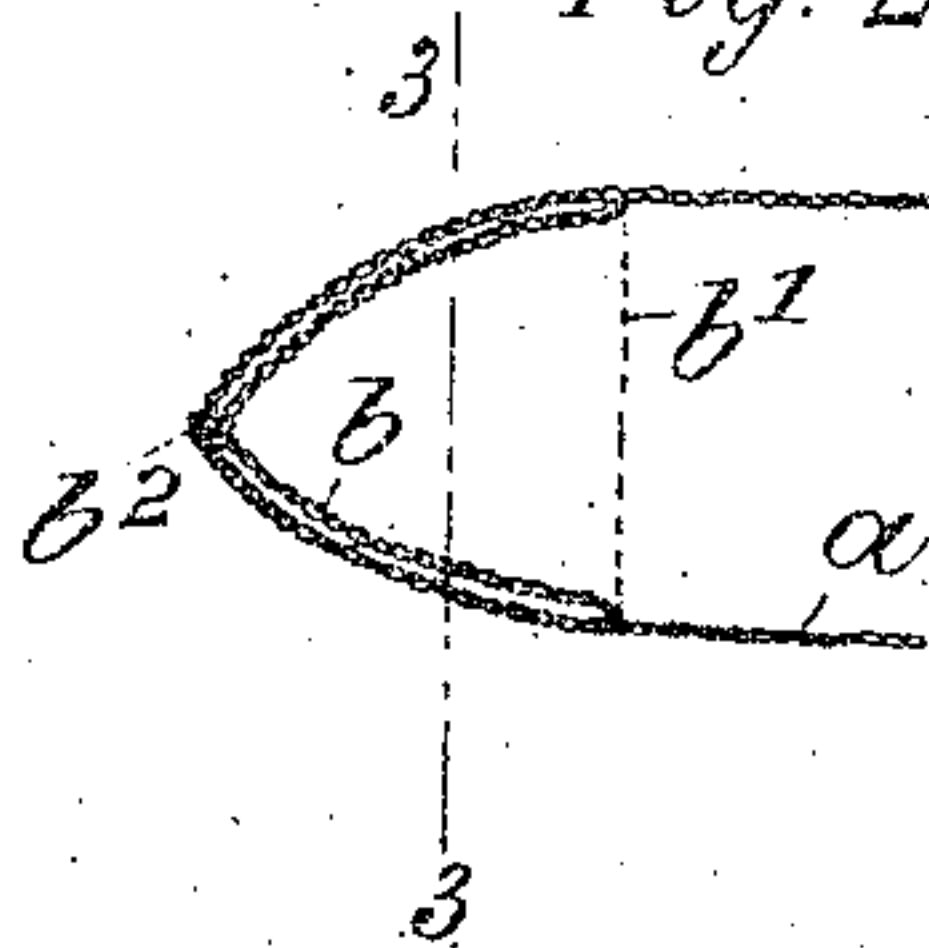
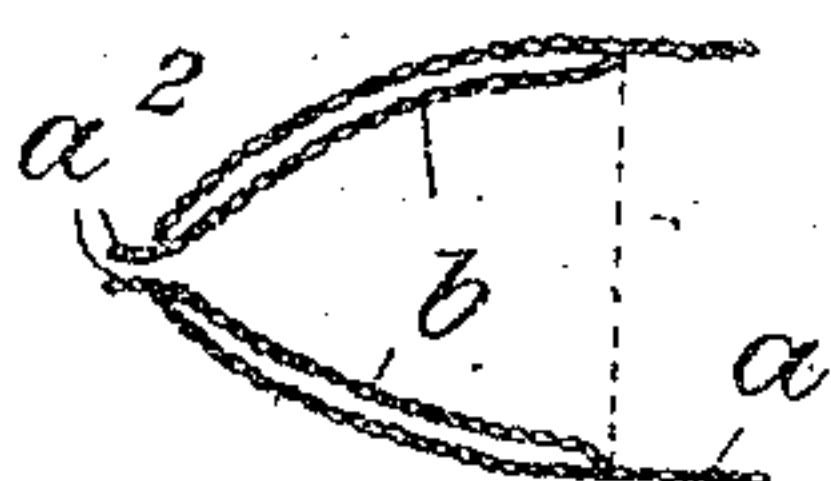


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANDREW POETZL, a citizen of the German Empire, residing at New York city, Brooklyn, county of Kings, and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Socks or Stockings, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a sock or stocking provided with a reinforcing toe cap which greatly prolongs the life of the fabric.

10 In the accompanying drawing: Figure 1 is a side view of the foot of a sock or stocking embodying my invention; Fig. 2 a longitudinal section through the toe portion thereof; Fig. 3 a cross section on line 3—3, Fig. 2, and Fig. 4 a section similar to Fig. 2, showing
15 the toe unlooped.

The letter *a*, represents the foot of a sock or stocking, the sole, heel and toe of which are reinforced in the usual manner, the reinforcement of the toe extending to the line *a'*. Within the tip of the stocking
20 is inclosed a knitted cap *b*, which is shorter than the reinforced section of the toe, extending to the line *b'*. The cap *b*, is preferably of the same thickness as the reinforced section of the stocking. It is connected

thereto by interlooping at its apex *b*², and also at its base *b'*, but it is disconnected therefrom between apex 25 and base. During manufacture, the apex of the cap *b*, is slightly set back from the tip of the toe, (Fig. 4), so that a strip of meshes *a*², of the latter project beyond the meshes of the former. These projecting meshes *a*², are interlooped to close the stocking, (Fig. 2), the 30 construction described preventing undue thickness at the tip of the finished article.

It will be seen that by my invention the toe is effectively reinforced, and that the foot must wear through two separate and distinct knitted layers before 35 the stocking is worn through.

What I claim is:

The combination with the toe of a stocking, of a cap within the toe formed of a separate thickness of material and secured to the toe at its base and apex, said cap being 40 loose or disconnected from the toe between its base and apex.

Signed by me at New York city, (Manhattan,) N. Y., this 16th day of November, 1904.

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