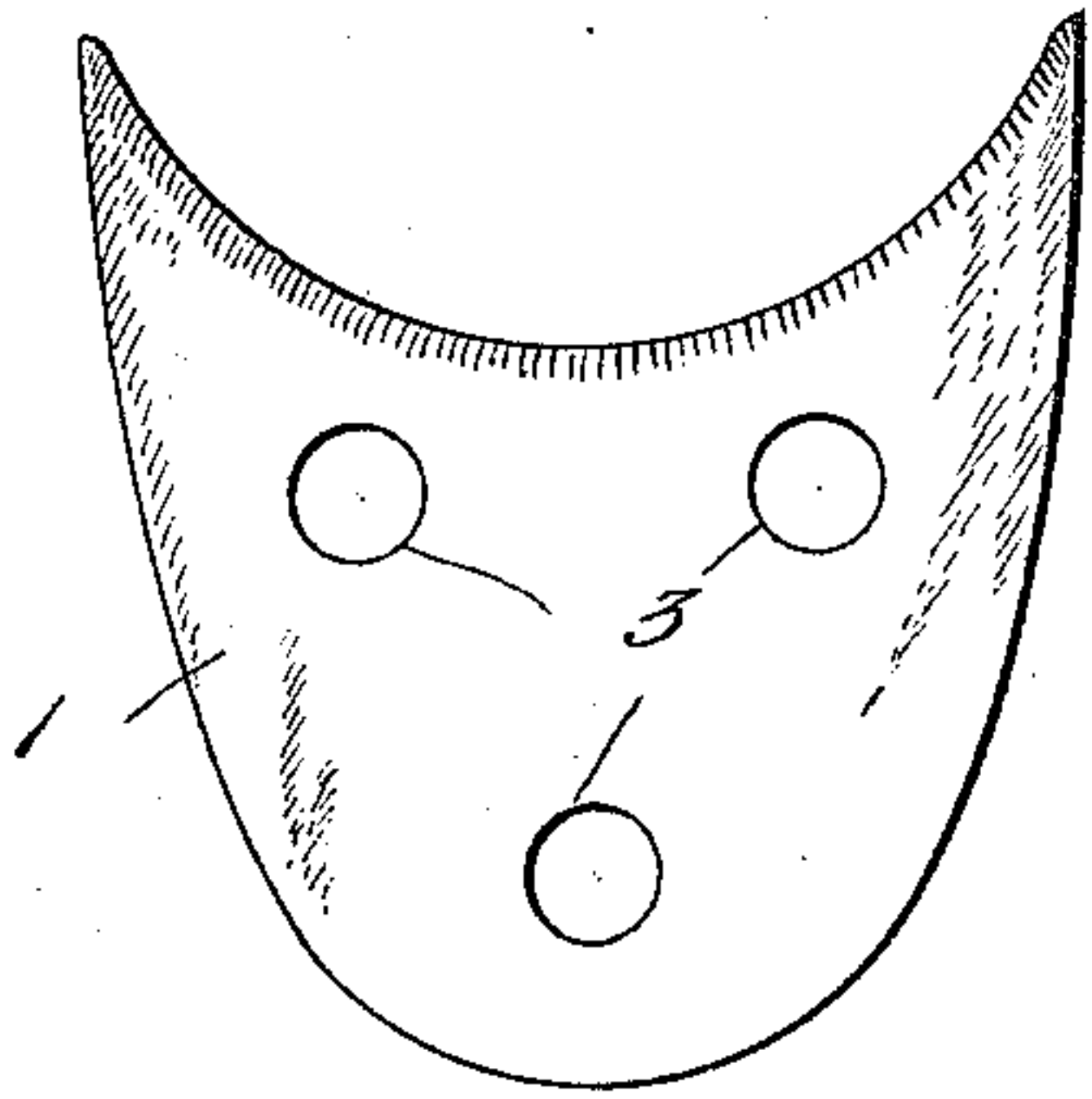


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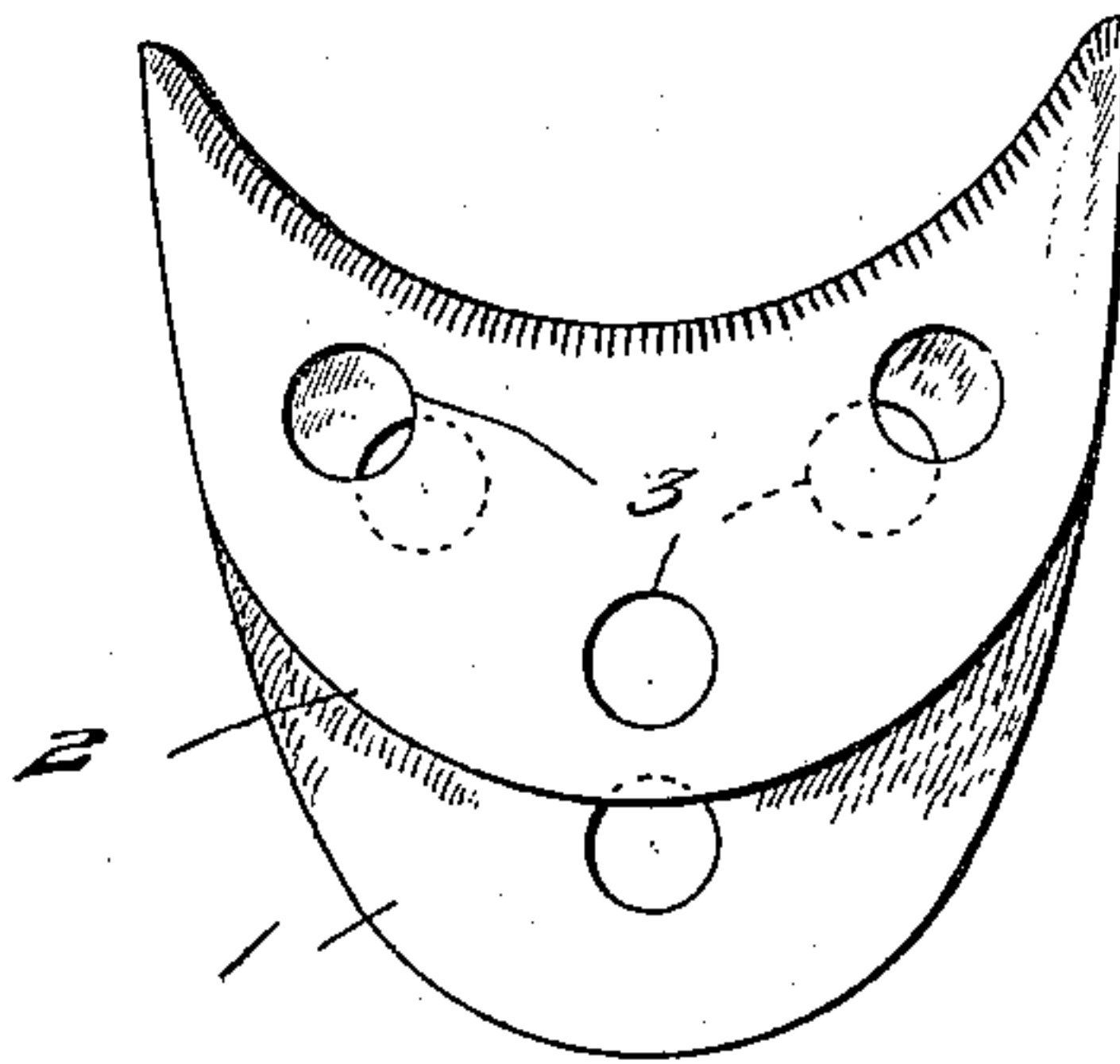
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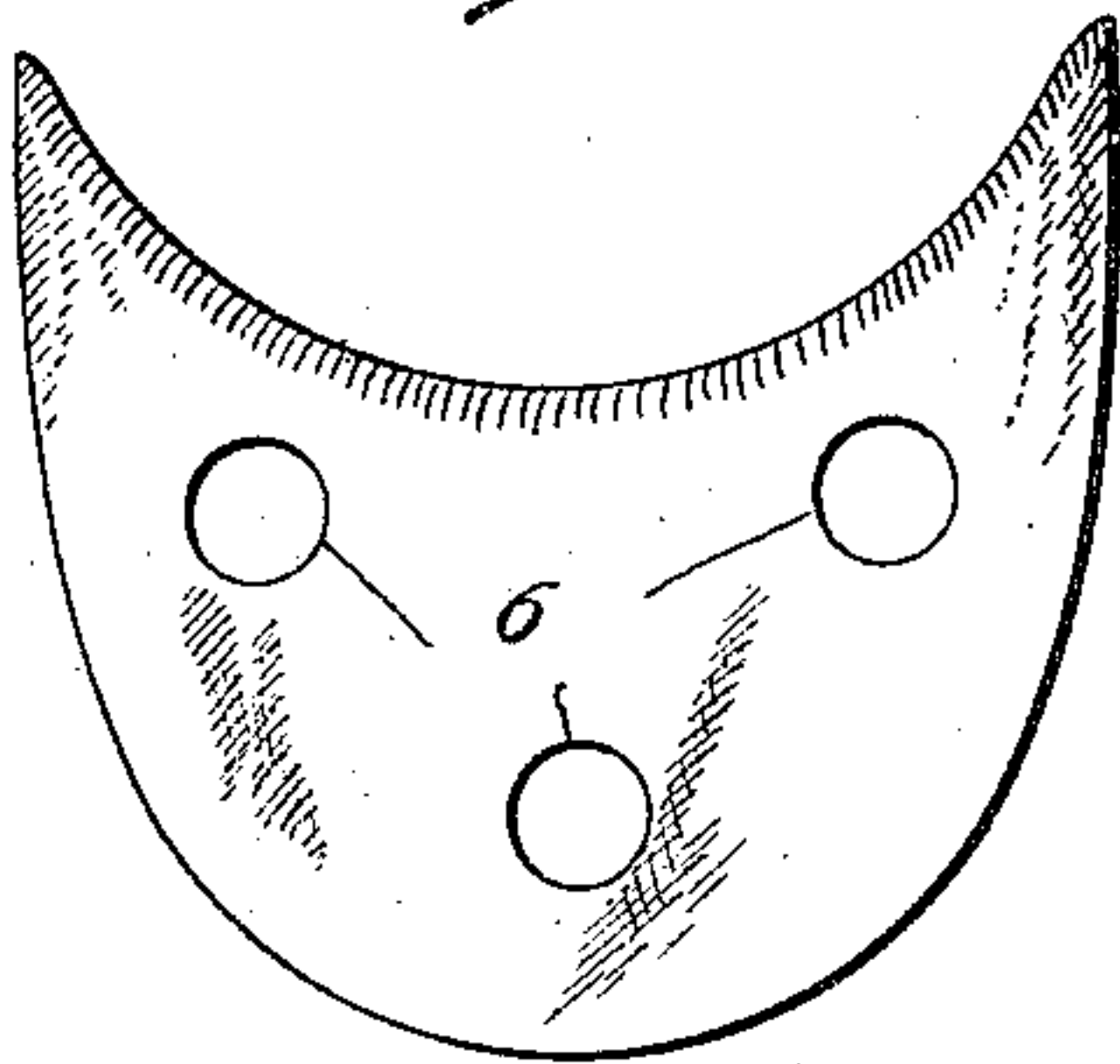
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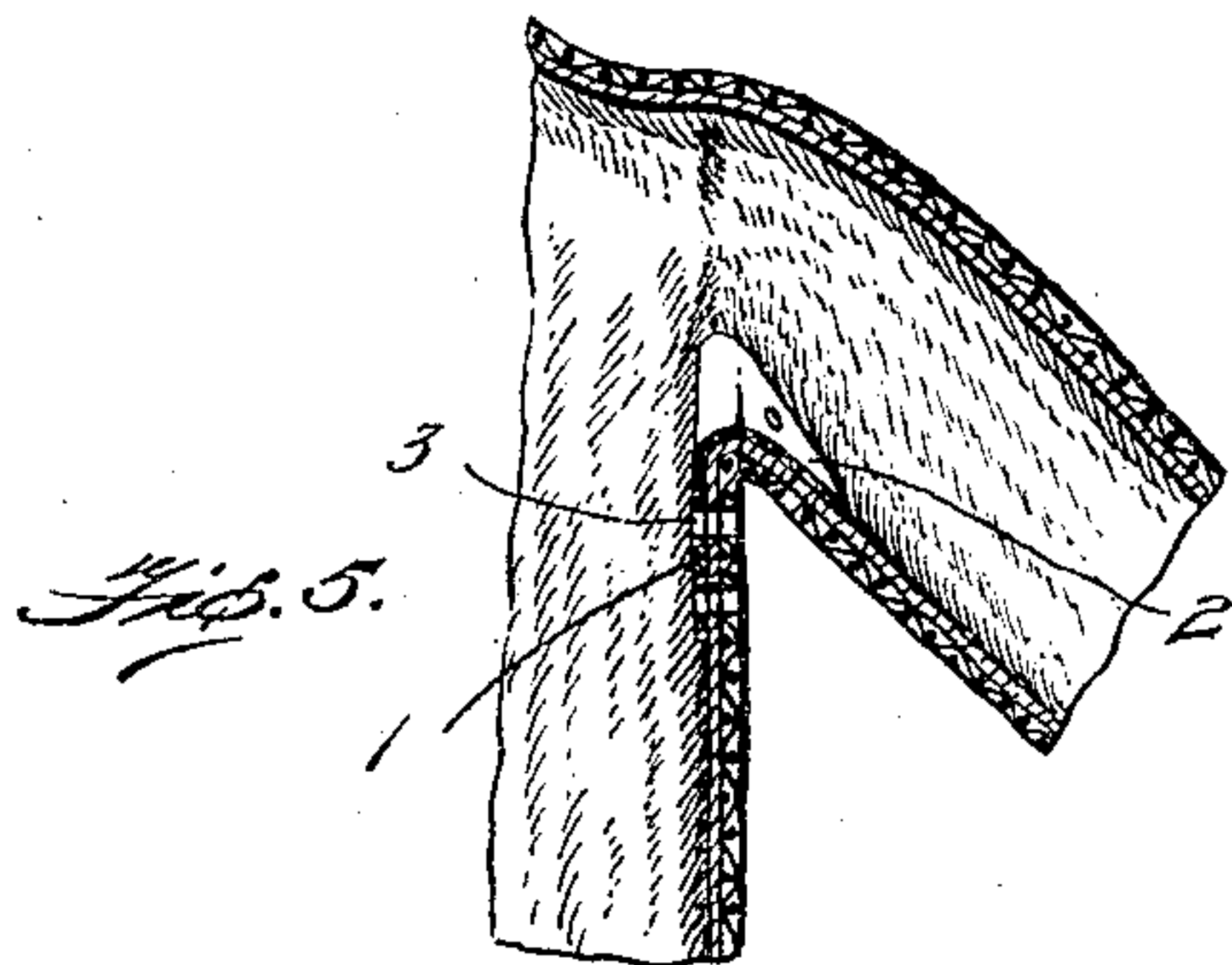
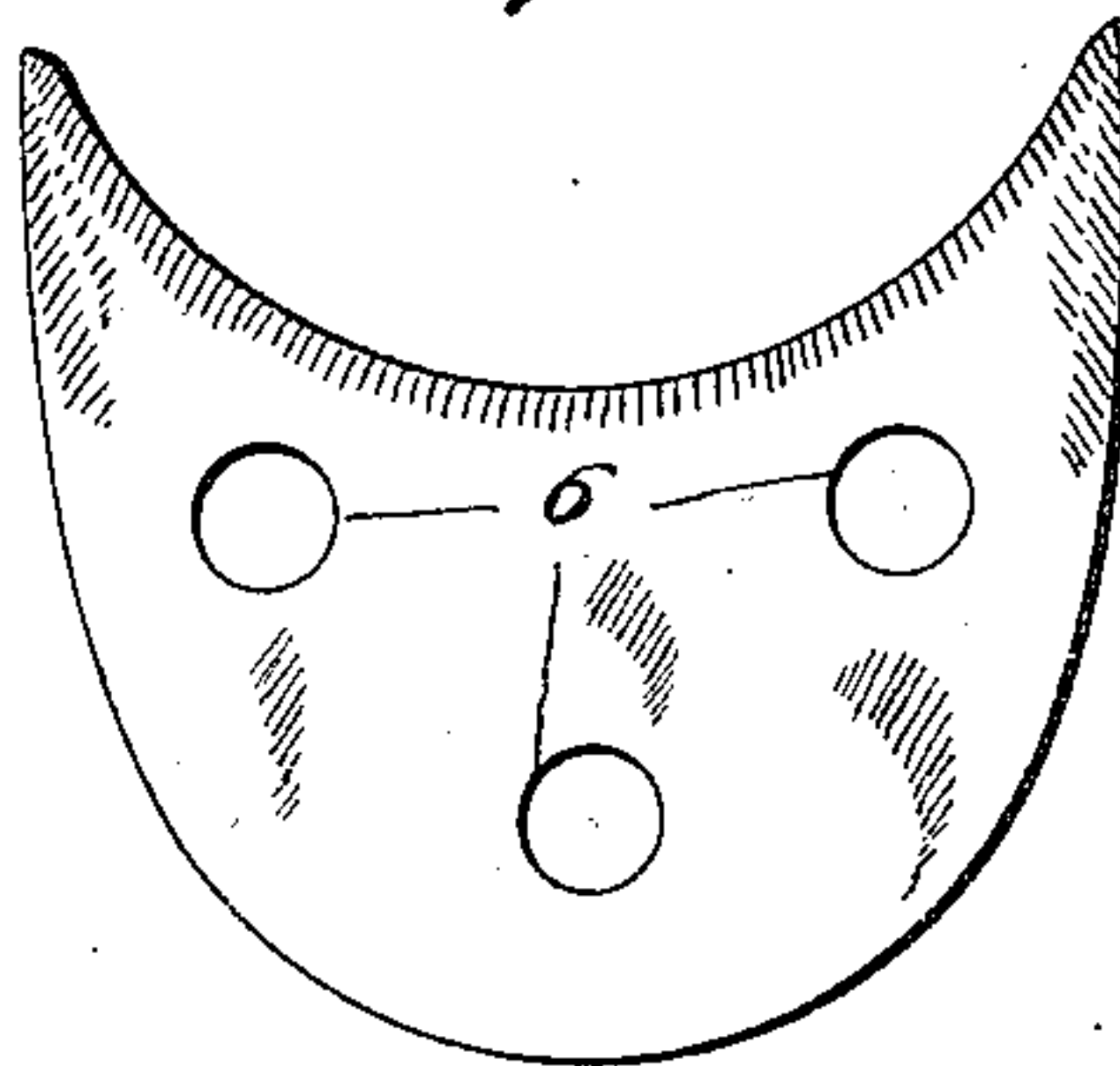
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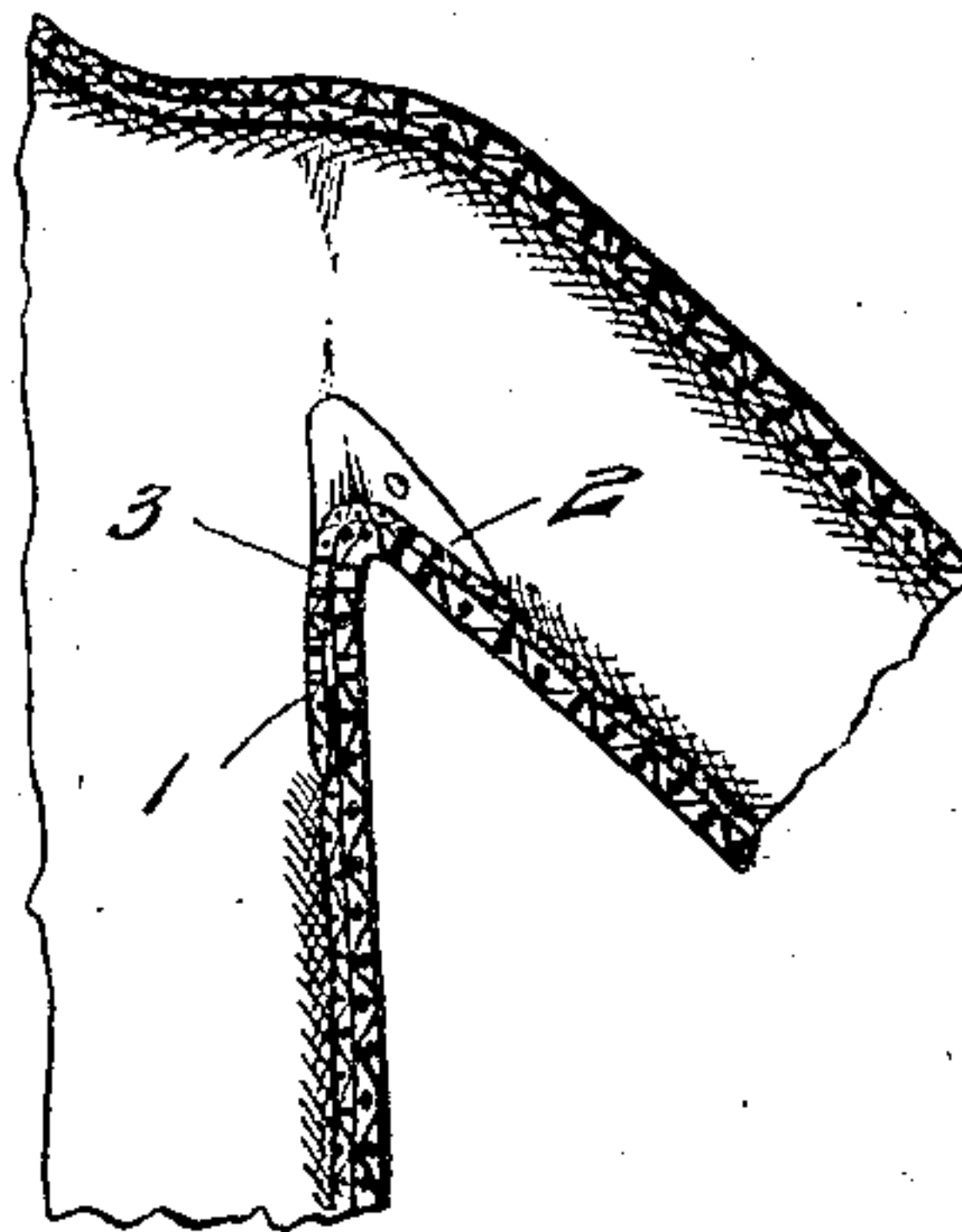
*Fig. 3.*



*Fig. 4.*



*Fig. 6.*



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JEREMIAH A. SULLIVAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newton Highlands, in the county of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Wearing-Apparel, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

My present invention relates to improvements in wearing apparel, the main object being the reduction of the thickness at the arm-pit of a coat or vest by the provision of a shield which is so constructed as to be readily attached to coat or vest, in which a sheep skin blanket or fur lining is employed, the same being so constructed that it saves the lining, allows ventilation and freedom of motion of the arm in the arm hole, the said shield preventing binding, being made of a material so as to resist wear, and at the same time permitting a much smaller sleeve being worn in a heavy lined coat, as coats are generally made, thus insuring a neat fit and at the same time comfort.

To more fully illustrate my invention, reference should be had to the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the coat sleeve shield. Fig. 2 is a similar view taken from the opposite side. Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the vest shield. Fig. 4 is a similar view taken from the opposite side. Fig. 5 is a sectional view, showing the shield as Fig. 1 applied to a fur lined coat. Fig. 6 is a similar view as applied to a blanket lined coat.

The shield as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, consists of the long flap 1, which is adapted to be placed toward the body of the wearer and the short flap 2, which projects into the sleeve of the coat of the wearer, both of the flaps being provided with ventilating openings or apertures 3. As shown in Figs. 3 and 4, the flaps 4 and 5 are of equal length and are provided with ventilating apertures 6.

My improved shield is made of canvas or leather, or in fact any wear resisting material, the same being made waterproof at the same time.

In attaching my improved shield to a coat,

I cut away the lining in the same where the blanket or sheep-skin is used, or shave off the fur where a fur lining is used, the shield being inserted as clearly shown in Figs. 5, and 6. I would also have it understood that my improved construction of shield may be attached to the coat or vest, by cutting away a proper amount of material at the lower part of the arm hole of the coat or vest, and attaching the shield in place thereto, thus my improved shield and method of attaching dispenses with the bulk at the arm-pit in heavy lined coats, such as blanket, sheep-skin and fur-lined coats, thus permitting the wearer to secure a coat nearer his proper size, as my improved shield will allow the coat to fit snugly under the arm without the unnecessary bulk and binding as at present.

It is a known fact that a coat made in the old way is very uncomfortable to wear, owing to the thickness of the fur or wadding under the arms, and it has therefore been my intention to provide a shield which will dispense with the fur or wadding and reduce the thickness directly under the arm, and at the same time provide a neat fitting garment.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:—

1. In combination with a heavy lined garment having lined sleeves, the lining at the arm-pit being reduced in thickness, and a shield attached at such point where the lining is reduced, said garment and shield having alined ventilating perforations.

2. In combination with a fur-lined coat having the fur shaved from the body and arm pit thereof, of a shield attached at such point.

3. In combination with a fur-lined coat having the fur shaved from the body and arm pit thereof, of a shield attached at such point, said garment and shield having alined ventilating perforations therethrough.

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

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