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Fig. 1.

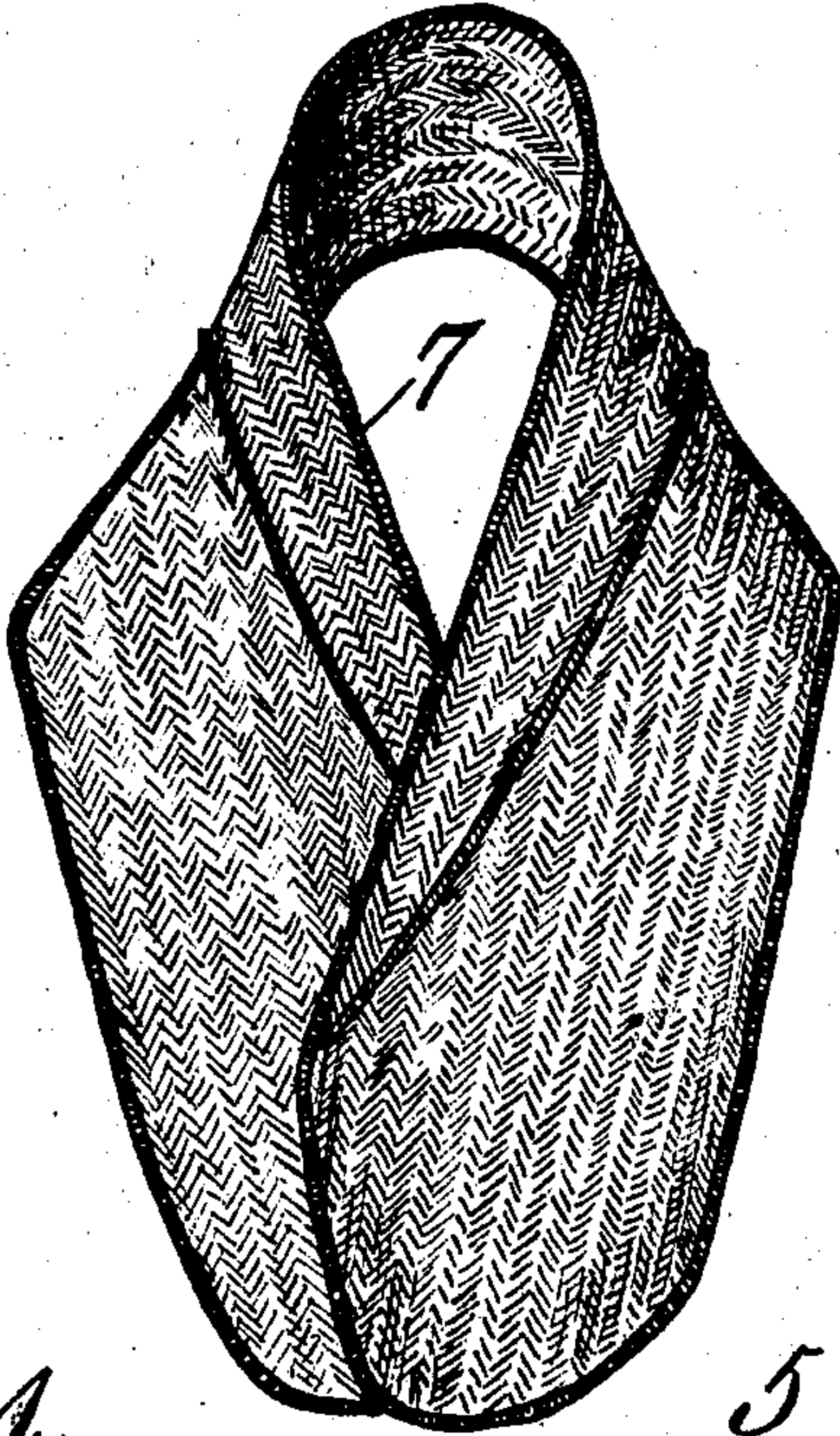


Fig. 2.

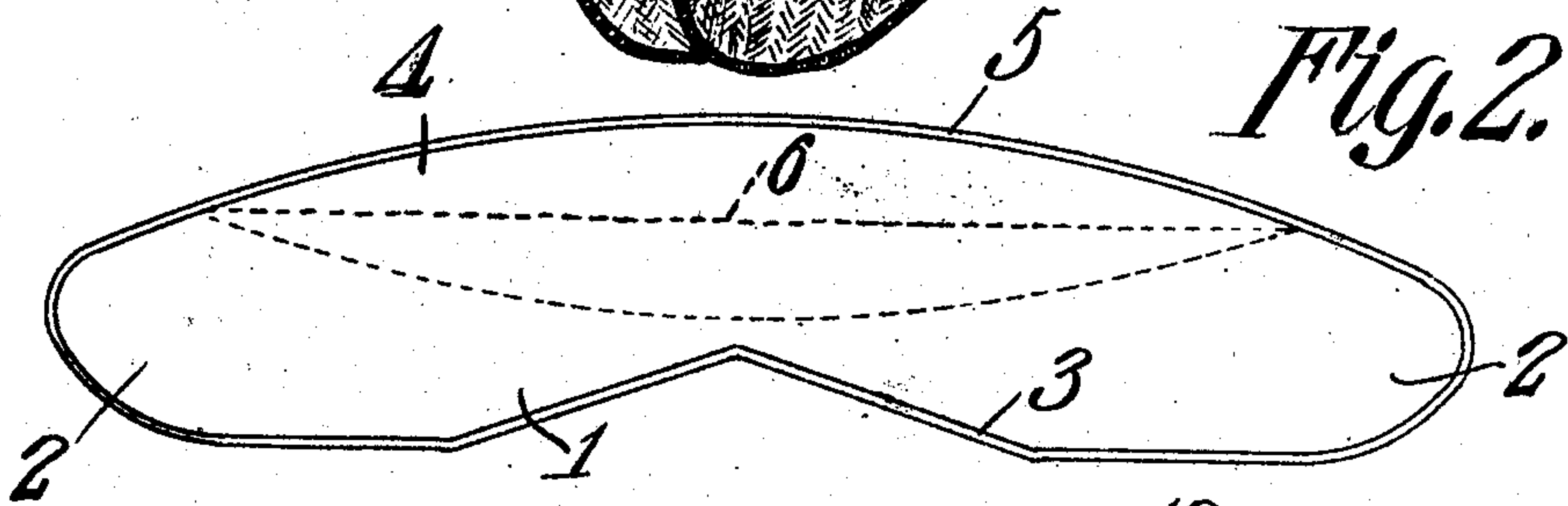


Fig. 3.

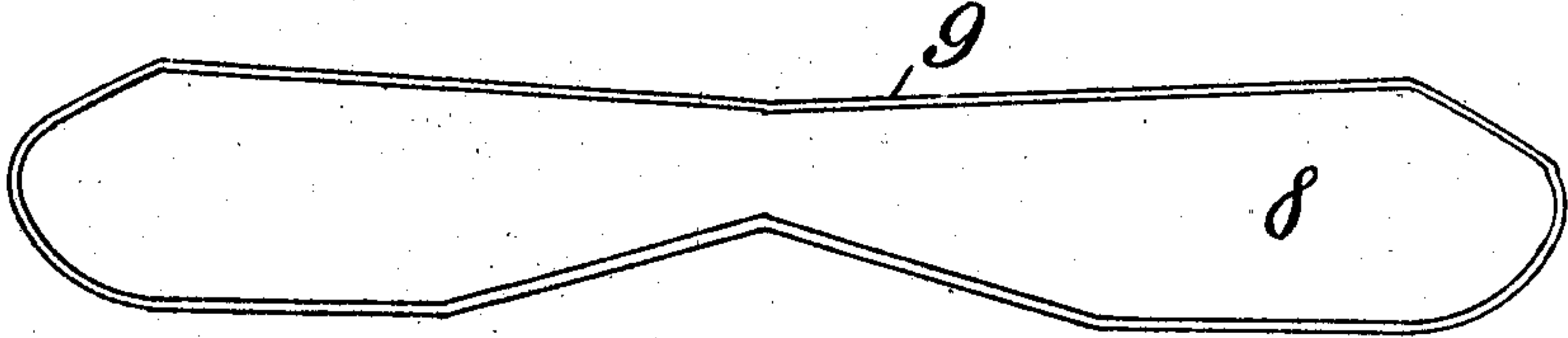
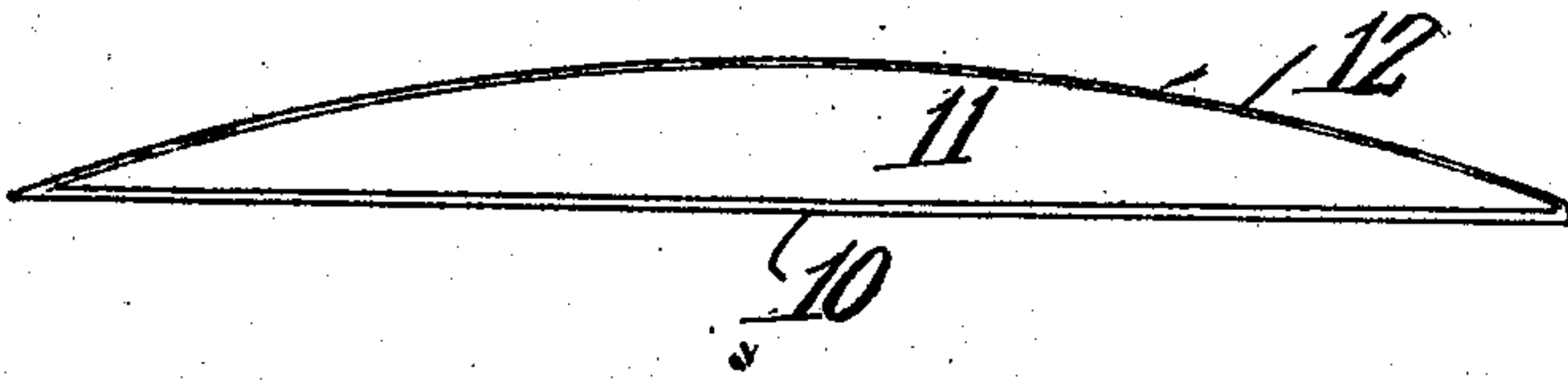


Fig. 4.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES C. SCOTT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Portsmouth in the county of Scioto and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Muffler, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to wearing apparel and more particularly to mufflers and its object is to provide a knit device having a long roll collar or lapel whereby the muffler can be caused to fit snugly about the neck of the wearer giving the appearance of a sweater vest or a muffler, whichever effect is most desired by the wearer.

With these and other objects in view the invention consists of certain novel features of construction and combinations of parts which will be hereinafter more fully described and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings is shown the preferred form of the invention.

In said drawings: Figure 1 is a perspective view of the muffler showing the position in which it is placed when it is desired to have the same present the appearance of a sweater vest. Fig. 2 is a detail view of one form of muffler in which the collar or lapel of the body is formed in a single piece. Fig. 3 is a detail view of a lapel designed to be used in forming a muffler of two pieces. Fig. 4 is a detail view of the body of the muffler designed to be used with the lapel shown in Fig. 3.

Referring to the figures by characters of reference, 1 designates the body of the muffler, the same having enlarged end portions or wings 2 suitably rounded, there being a recess 3 formed in the middle portion of one longitudinal edge of the body while arranged along the opposite edge of the body is a lapel 4 the outer edge of which is rounded as at 5 and, when the lapel is formed in one piece with the body its curved or rounded edge merges into the end portions of the body as clearly shown in Fig. 2. When the muffler is formed in a single piece as shown in Fig. 2 the lapel portion is folded onto the body along the dotted line 6 and held in this position by overedging the fold as indicated at 7 in Fig.

1. In using the muffler the same is placed around the neck of the wearer with the lapel outward and will fit snugly upon the wearer. There will be no difficulty in holding the

muffler in proper place particularly if the same is formed of a double-faced woolen knitted fabric because of the clinging nature of this material.

It has been found that the muffler can be caused to fit more snugly about the neck of the wearer by forming the muffler in two pieces as shown in Figs. 3 and 4. In this construction the body 8 has one longitudinal edge cut inward along either straight or curved lines as indicated at 9 and to this edge is secured the straight longitudinal edge of a lapel 11. The curved edge 12 of this lapel is so shaped that when the two parts are fastened together it will merge into the curved face of the body 8. By securing the straight edge 10 to the inwardly extended edge 9 a bulged or rolled effect is produced along the meeting edges of the two parts 8 and 11 thus insuring a snug fit by the muffler about the neck of the wearer and without producing any objectionable bulging or stretching while the muffler is folded as shown in Fig. 1.

Although the muffler is preferably formed of a knitted fabric it is to be understood that it may be made of any other desired material. When the muffler is placed about the neck of the wearer and the wings 2 concealed beneath the coat of the wearer the device will present the appearance of a sweater vest, as indicated in Fig. 1. By wrapping the muffler around the neck without extending the wings downward in front of the wearer, the device will have the appearance of the usual muffler.

Importance is attached to the fact that the long roll muffler or lapel permits the garment to stay in place at any angle at which it may be crossed. This is due to the bulge or roll produced by connecting the lapel and body together in the manner described or by overedging the fold of the garment when formed in a single piece. It is of course to be understood that the garment will also be overedged when formed of two pieces.

What is claimed is:

1. A muffler consisting of an elongated piece of fabric, having enlarged and rounded end portions or wings, a recess in the middle of its lower edge, and a rounded and tapering upper edge merging into the edge of the end portions, the upper rounded edge being folded to form a long roll collar and lapels, the

edge of said fold being secured to cause the ends of the muffler to remain in any crossed position in which they are placed.

2. A muffler consisting of an elongated
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the end portions, the upper rounded and ta-
10 pering edge being folded to form a long roll
collar, and lapels, the edge of said fold being

secured by overedging to hold the ends or wings of the muffler in any crossed position in which they are placed.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as 15
my own, I have hereto affixed my signature
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