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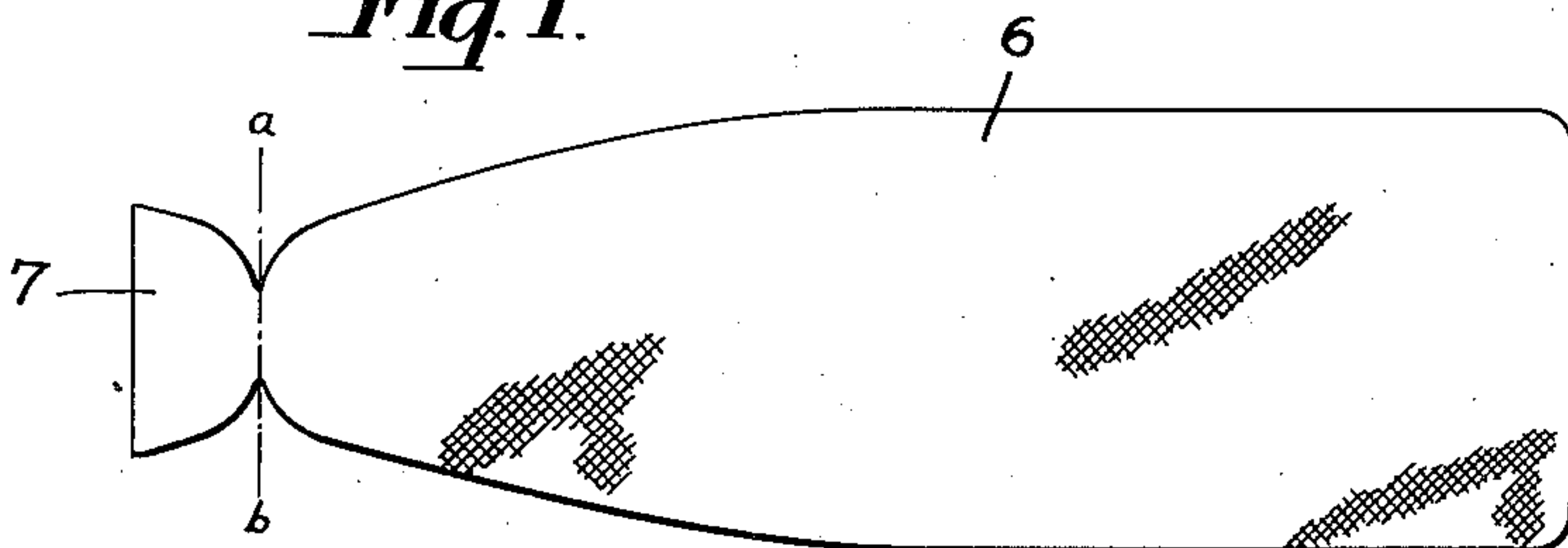
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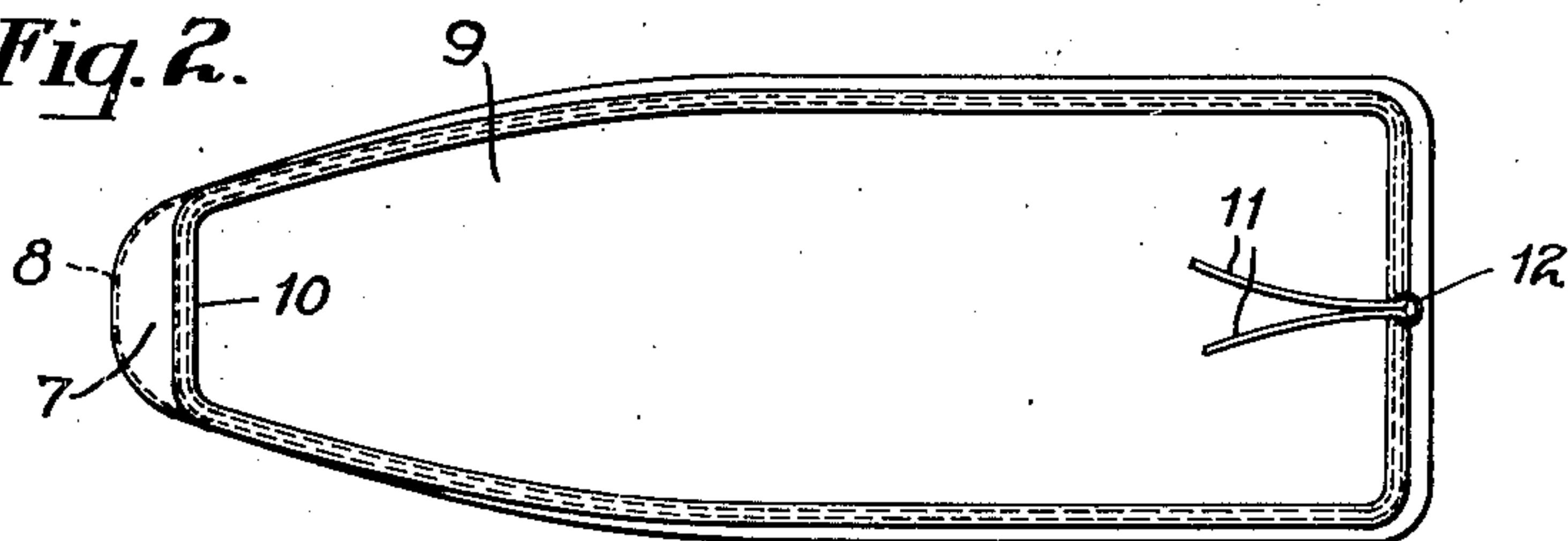
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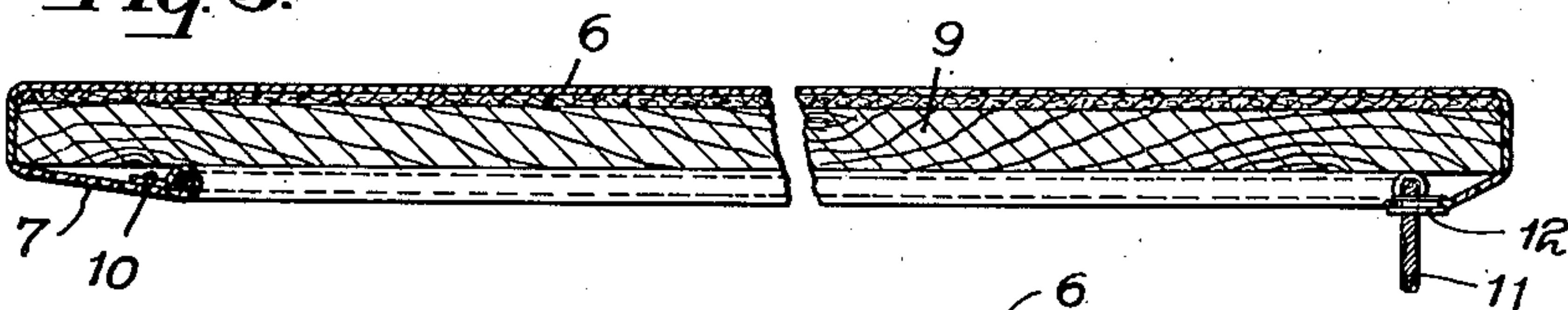
*Fig. 1.*



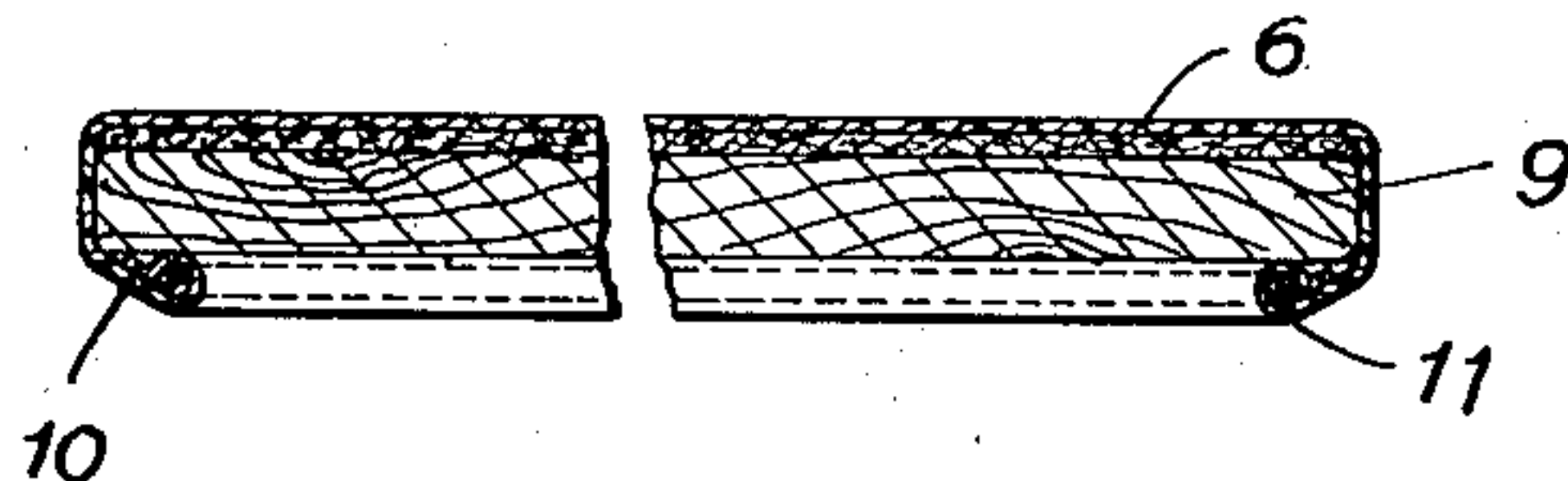
*Fig. 2.*



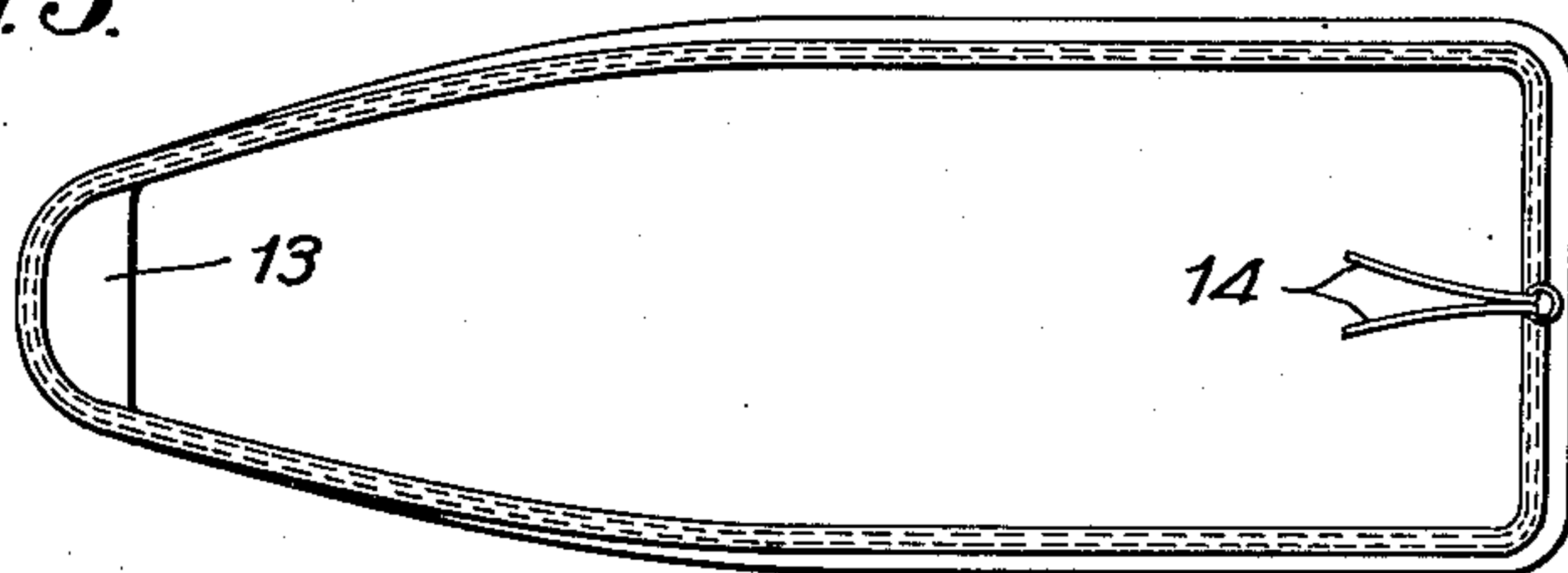
*Fig. 3.*



*Fig. 4.*



*Fig. 5.*



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## IRONING BOARD COVER

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My invention relates to cloth covers for use on ironing boards, and for use as pressing cloths on pressing machines, such as those used by tailors.

It is desirable that ironing board covers and pressing cloths be of such form that they can be conveniently applied and removed. According to the usual practice, a cover will be formed of such length and width that when symmetrically applied to an ironing board, the edges of the cover will lie beneath the board near the marginal edges of the board, a draw string, elastic, or lacing being connected to the edge of the cover for holding it snugly against the board.

With the type of covers heretofore employed, difficulty is usually experienced in properly initially positioning the cover on the board so that when the lacing or draw strings are tightened, the ironing surface will be smooth and free of wrinkles, and the draw string or other retaining element symmetrically disposed adjacent to the lower marginal corner of the board.

My invention has for its object the provision of a cover of such form that the cover can be readily applied to the board in proper alignment with respect to the board, and with assurance that the retaining element will readily assume its proper position at the underside of the board during fastening of the cover in place.

Some of the forms which my invention may take are shown in the accompanying drawing wherein Figure 1 is a plan view of the blank or pattern from which the cover is formed; Fig. 2 is an inverted plan view of a board with the cover applied; Fig. 3 is a longitudinal sectional view thereof; Fig. 4 is a cross-sectional view thereof, and Fig. 5 is an inverted plan view of a modified form of a cover placed upon a board.

Referring first to Figs. 1 to 4, I show a piece of cloth cut to a desired pattern for forming the cover. The material may be of suitable cloth and comprises a body portion 6 and a cuff portion 7. The outline of the body portion 6 is, of course, somewhat larger than the corresponding contours of the board to which the cover is to be applied.

The cuff 7 will be folded on the line *a—b*, so as to overlie the body 6, whereupon the cuff is stitched to the body portion along curved lines as indicated at 8. As a matter of convenience, the stitching is continuous along the fold line, but it will be understood that two short lines of stitching would be sufficient, each line terminating at the fold.

The cuff 7 therefore forms a pocket that can be fitted over the narrow or tapered end of a

board 9. The edge of the body portion and the back-turned end of the cuff 7 are hemmed as indicated at 10, in order to form a slideway for a draw string 11.

A metal grommet or eyelet 12 is secured in the cloth and the ends of the draw string 11 extend through such grommet, so that there will be less danger of tearing the cloth when the draw string is being tightened and tied. It will be understood that the cuff 7 could be made of a separate piece of material and secured to the body portion 6 by the stitching 8.

In placing the cover on the board, the pocket portion of the cover is slipped over the narrow end of the board, and the edges of the cover are drawn down past the edges of the board, whereupon the draw string 11 is tautened and tied. The pocket insures proper alignment of the cover with the board, thus insuring that the marginal edge of the cover is properly positioned at the underside of the board, and that the cover will lie smoothly and without wrinkles upon the upper surface of the board.

As shown in Fig. 5, the cover may be of substantially the pattern shown in Fig. 1, but in this modification, the inner edge 13 of the cuff is not hemmed to enclose the draw string. The edges of the body portion of the cover are hemmed to enclose the string as in Fig. 2, but the narrow end of the cover along its line of juncture with the cuff is so stitched as to provide a tubular passageway for the draw string 14, it being understood that the string extends continuously along the longitudinal edges of the body portion of the cover and around the end of the pocket. The narrow end of the cover, when tightening the drawing string, will be drawn slightly below the narrow edge of the board.

I claim as my invention:—

1. An ironing board cover comprising a body portion of reduced width at one end, a cuff portion secured to the marginal edges of the body portion at said end and forming a pocket at the underside of the body portion, a draw string, and means for slidably connecting the draw string to the marginal edges of the body portion throughout the entire extent of said edges.

2. An ironing board cover comprising a body portion of convex form at one end, a cuff portion secured to the marginal edges of the body portion at said end and forming a pocket at the underside of the body portion, a draw string, and means for slidably connecting the draw string to the marginal edges of the body portion throughout the entire extent of said edges.

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