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Fig. 1.

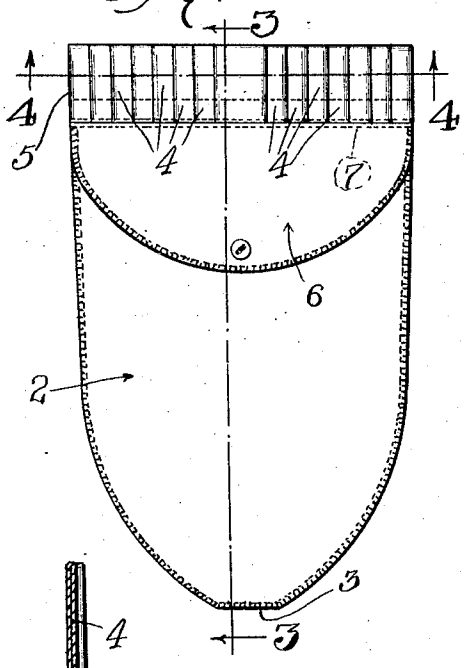


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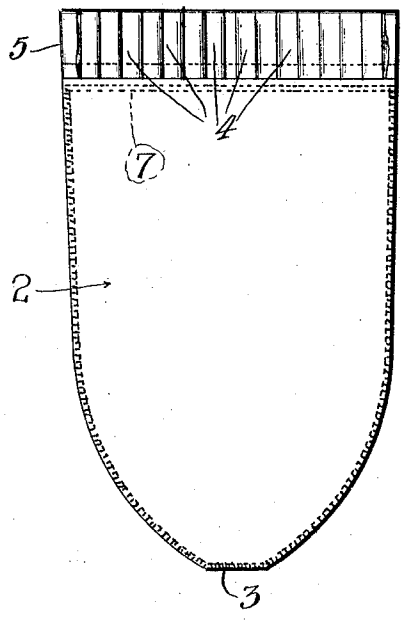


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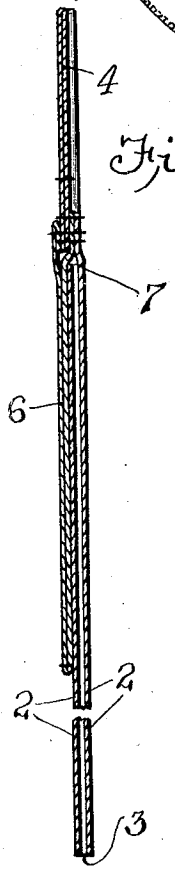
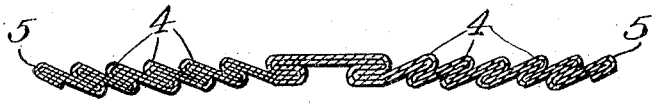


Fig. 4.



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My invention relates to improvements in dusters, and relates more particularly to dusters adapted to be attached to brooms and whisks, and the object of my invention is to so construct this duster that the same may be effectively used in dusting operations, and in the following specification and drawings forming part thereof, I shall illustrate and describe my invention, and what I claim as new will be set forth in the claims forming part of this specification.

Fig. 1 is an elevation of the front side of my duster, showing the same mounted on a whisk. Fig. 2 is an elevation of the rear side of the duster unmounted. Fig. 3 is a vertical cross-sectional view taken on line 3—3 of Fig. 1, and Fig. 4 is a cross sectional view taken on line 4—4 of Fig. 1, illustrating the end of the frill of the duster and showing one manner of pleating the same.

In the drawings, like characters of reference refer to the same parts.

The duster embraces a bag-like portion 2 having an opening 3 through which the handle of the broom or whisk passes. Projecting beyond said bag-like portion is a frill 4, which is suitably pleated and is of course suitably secured at its inner end to said bag-like portion 2. This pleating, or its equivalent, provides the frill with a certain amount of stiffness so that as the whisk or broom is lifted, the frill will project therebeyond and be in a position to be brought into contact with the surface to be dusted. The pleating does not interfere with the flexibility of the frill, and when the pleats are positioned as shown particularly in Fig. 3, the points 5 thereof will readily enter the depressed parts in beading on mouldings, and remove the dust.

Associated with the article is a flap 6, which closes the mouth 7 of the bag-like portion 2. The said flap is suitably buttoned or otherwise secured at its free end to said bag-like portion.

While the bag-like portion 2 is preferably used, a suitable construction of support to associate the frill with the broom or whisk may be used, and yet be within the term of my invention.

What I claim as my invention is:

1. As an article of manufacture, a duster cover made of fabric in bag form to enclose the head of a broom or brush, and a pleated fabric strip having one edge secured to the lower end of the cover whereby to project beyond said end, the pleats of said strip being arranged to produce a triple thickness of the fabric of the strip substantially throughout its extent.

2. As an article of maufacture, a duster cover made of fabric in bag form to enclose the head of a broom or brush, and a pleated fabric strip having one edge secured to the lower end of the cover whereby to project beyond said end, the pleats of said strip being arranged to produce a triple thickness of the fabric of the strip substantially throughout its extent, the central pleat being a box pleat and the pleats at each side of the box pleat being knife pleats with the pleats on one side directed opposite to the pleats on the other side.

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