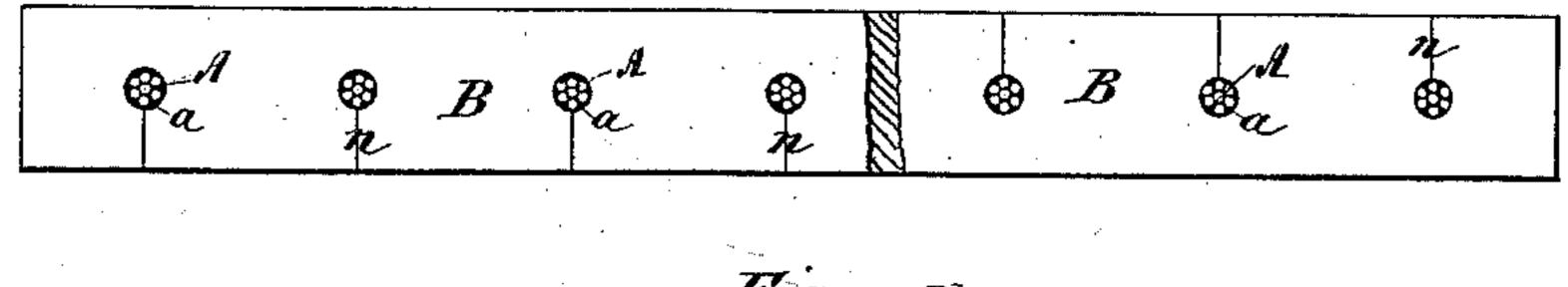
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Fig. II



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## IMPROVEMENT IN MACHINE-BELTING.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Ludwig Starck, of the city of Mayence, in the Empire of Germany, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Belts for Machinery, of which the following is a specification:

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The nature of my invention

The nature of my invention consists of a series of either single wires or a number of wires twisted in the shape of a rope, running parallel to each other, and incased in leather or other suitable material, cut in strips and placed close to each other, to form a smooth surface-bearing upon the pulley.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure I represents a front view of a belt, and Fig. II a cross-section of the same, embodying my

invention.

A A represent a series of wire ropes twisted together; or single wires of the required strength may be employed. These wires or wire ropes are incased in strips of leather, india-rubber, gutta-percha, or any other suitable material, B. These strips B are all made of the same width, and have holes a punched or otherwise made through them, to receive and fit around the wires A. Cuts n are made

from these holes a to one of the surfaces of these strips, whereby, on account of the flexibility of the material, the wires or wire ropes can easily be passed into the holes a. These cuts n may be cemented together again after the wires are in their places, and the adjoining surfaces of the strips may likewise be cemented together.

The strips B are placed upon the wires A, so that the sides containing the cuts n will alternate with each other. These strips incasing the wires give a smooth surface to the belt, and the desired adhesion upon the surface of the pulley, while the wire ropes give the de-

sired strength to the belt.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to

secure by Letters Patent, is—

A machine-belt consisting of strips B, made of leather or other suitable material, inclosing a series of wires or twisted-wire ropes, A, and provided with cuts n, in the manner and for the purpose substantially as described.

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