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Fig. 1.

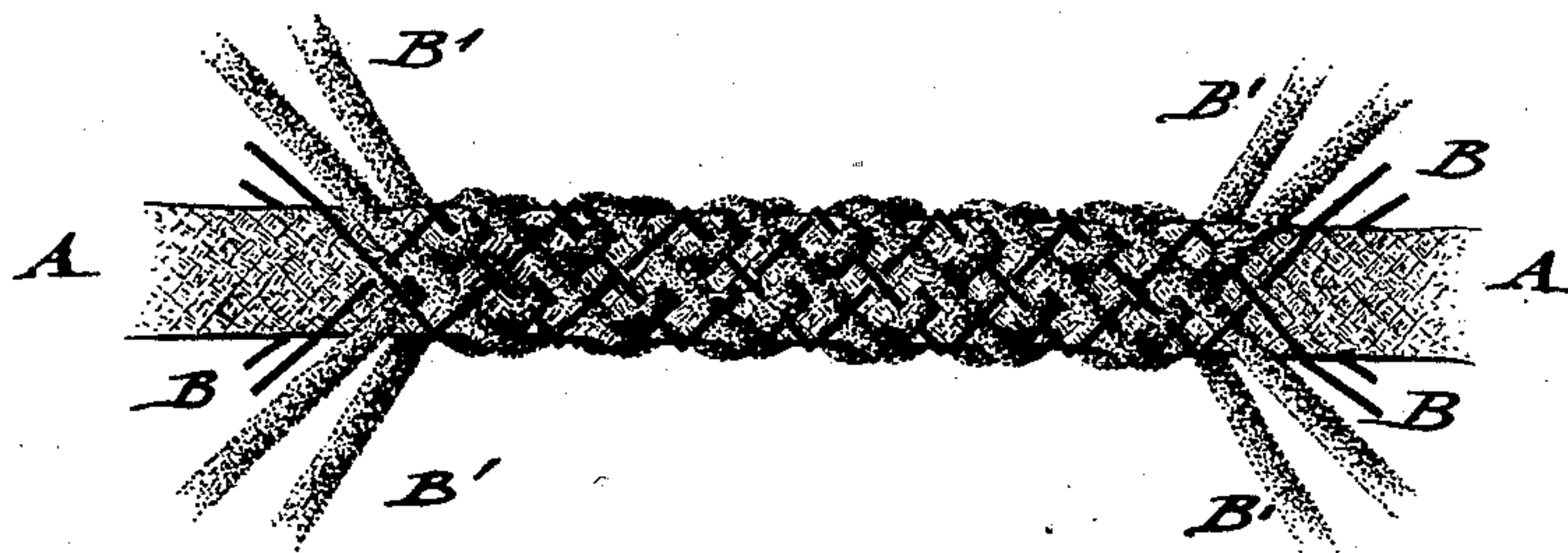


Fig. 2.

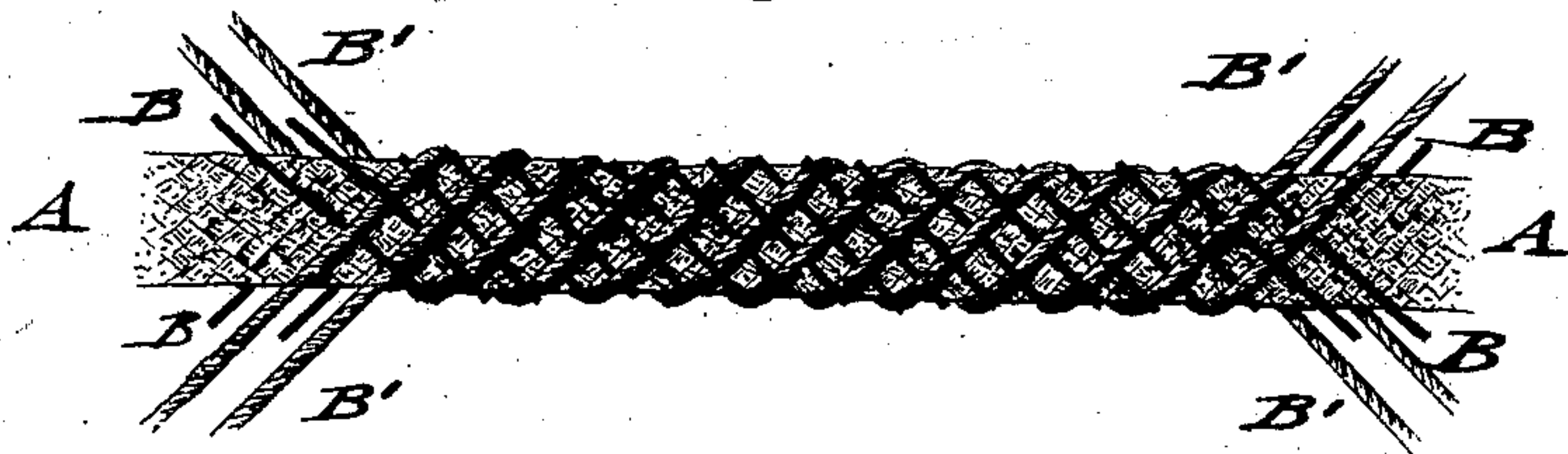
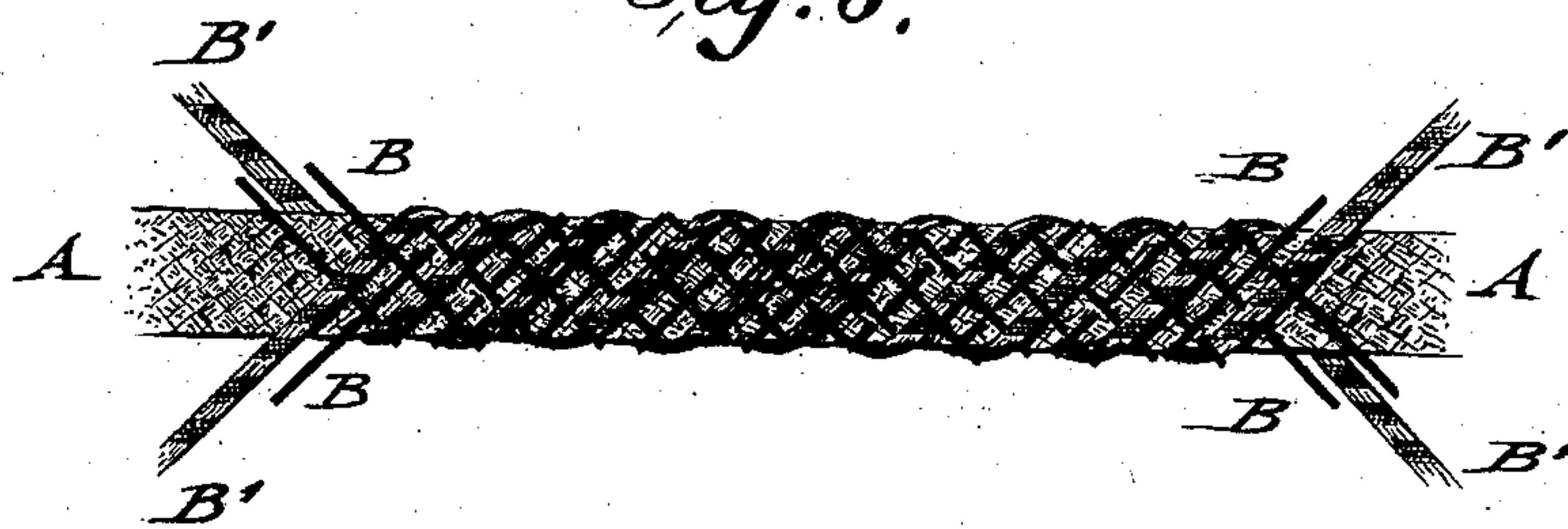


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HERRMAN FRIEND, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Straw Braid, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has reference to an improved ornamental straw braid for ladies' hats, waist-belts, hat-bands, and other articles; and the invention consists of a straw braid which is covered by an open braiding of plain or ornamental threads.

In the accompanying drawings, Figures 1, 2, and 3 represent side views of my improved straw braid braided in different designs.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A in the drawings represents a straw braid of flat or other shape and of any desired width. This straw braid is covered on a braiding-machine of any approved construction with six, eight, or more threads, B B', which intermesh in such a manner as to form an open ornamental braiding over the straw braid A.

By using chenille, silk, or other ornamental cords B' in braiding, and plain binding-off threads B, of silk or other material, a very or-

namental appearance is imparted to the straw braid. A variety of designs may be produced thereby, which render the straw, when so covered by braided threads, applicable to a number of fancy articles for summer use.

The straw employed for the straw braid or body A is preferably of the usual yellow color, as the different colors of the threads braided over the same appear thereon to better advantage.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. As a new article of manufacture, a straw braid provided with an open-meshed braiding of suitable threads, substantially as set forth.

2. As a new article of manufacture, a straw braid provided with an open-meshed braiding of plain and ornamental threads or cords, substantially as specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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