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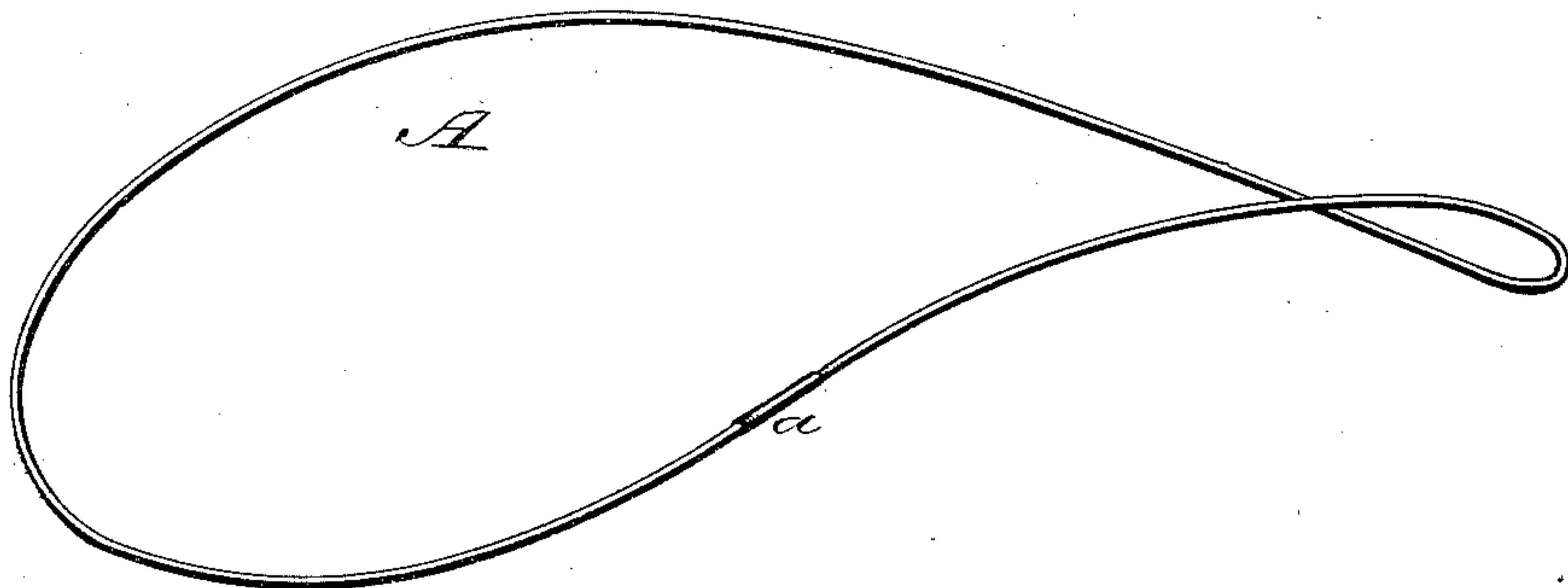
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Fig. 1.



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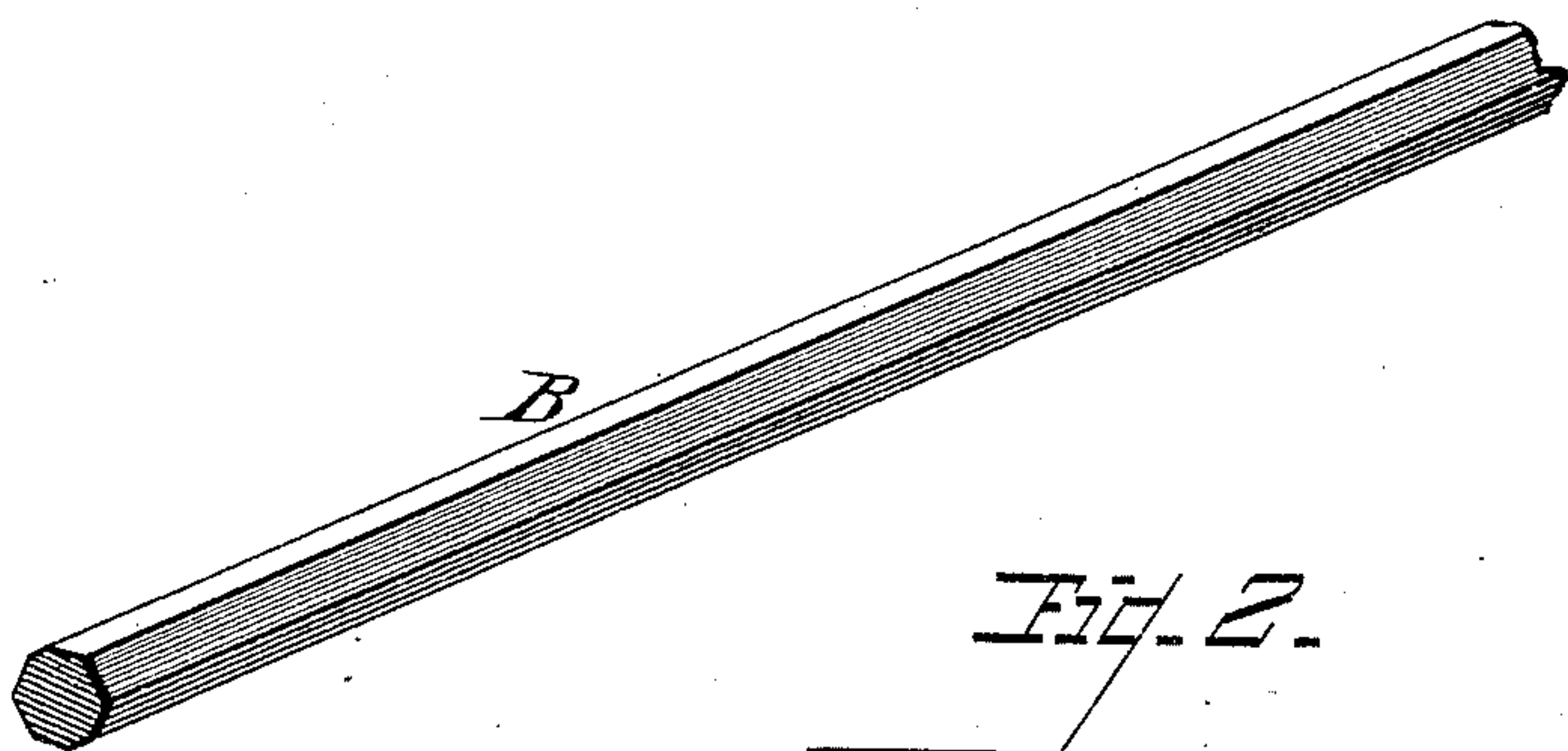


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LYMAN B. SOMERS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Danbury, in the county of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Wire Frames for Hat-Brims; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a perspective view of my improved wire frame for hat-brims; and Fig. 2 a detail view, on a large scale, of a section of the wire from which the frame is constructed.

The present invention has relation to certain new and useful improvements in wire frames for the brims of hats; and it consists in constructing the frame from a wire which is polygonal in cross-section, as will be hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, A represents the frame of the hat-brim, formed of a polygonal-shaped tempered cast-steel wire, B,

(shown in Fig. 2,) the ends of the wire being held together by a suitable fastening, *a*, the frame conforming to the hat-brim to hold the same in shape.

The employment of a polygonal-shaped wire in place of the ordinary flat or round wire enables a much smaller wire to be used, thereby reducing the weight of the hat, and at the same time making the hat more flexible, the several sides and corners of the wire forming a spring which cannot readily get out of shape, and its decrease in size renders the spring more flexible and light.

Having now fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A frame for hat-brims, composed of a polygonal-shaped wire, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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