

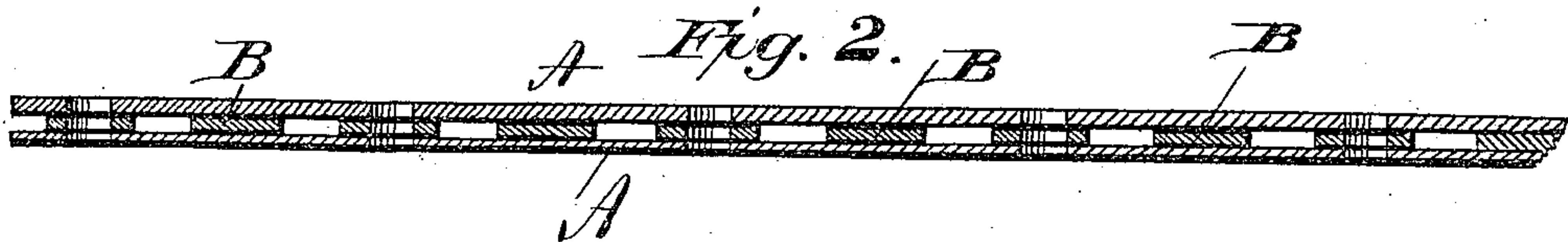
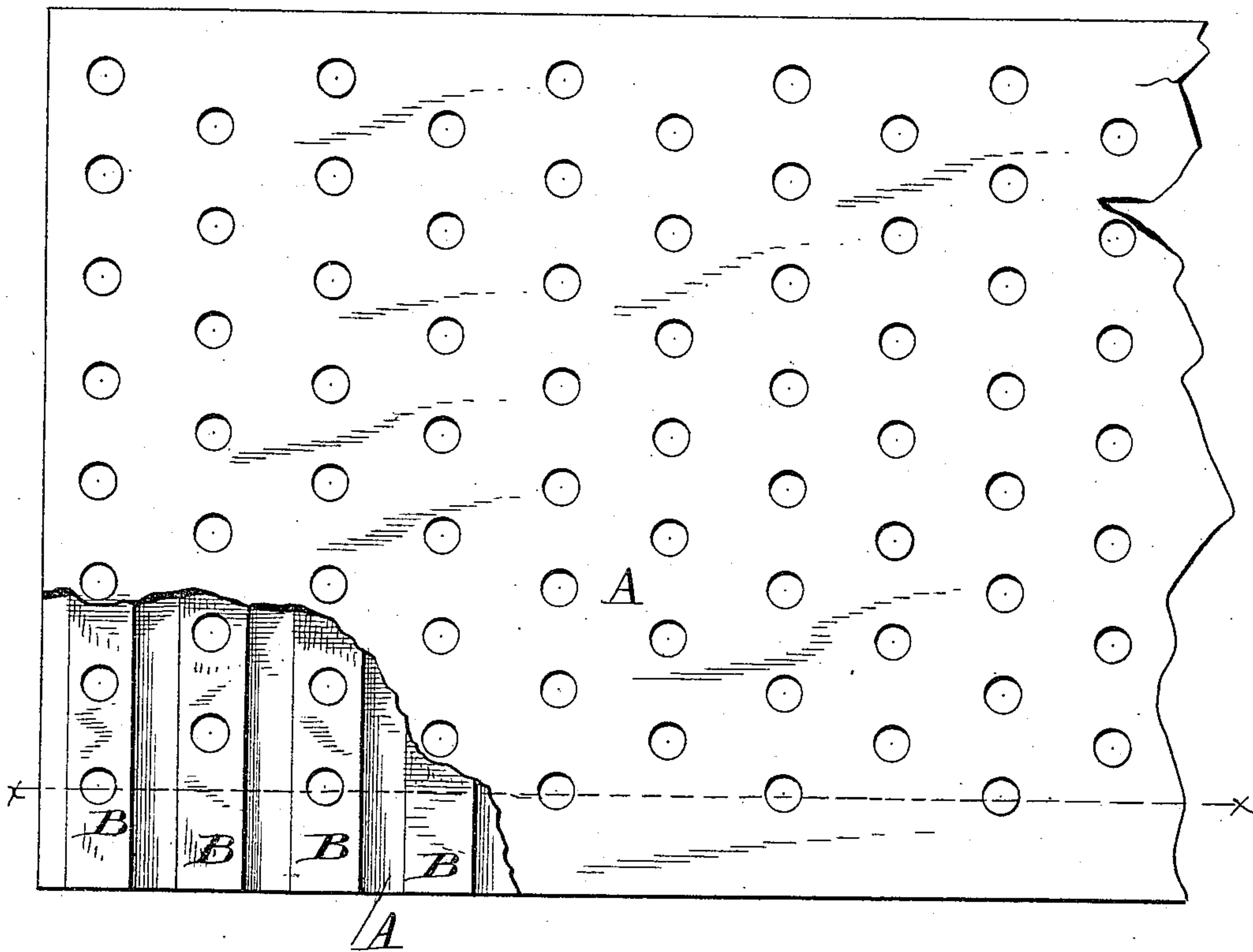
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Fig. 1.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALFRED H. MEECH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chatham, in the county of Columbia and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Carpet-Linings; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of said invention, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to felt or paper fabrics for carpet-lining; and my invention consists in constructing such felt or paper fabric of two layers with intervening strips with spaces between them, which, while presenting a smooth surface or like sides, will have great elasticity to make a soft tread and also protect the carpet from wear.

It further consists in perforating the fabric at points through the strips, which, while forming receptacles for dust, shall more readily permit the escape of or the impregnating of the carpet with the odors, all as hereinafter described.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a plan or face view of a section of the lining; and Fig. 2 is a section of the same on the line *x x*, Fig. 1.

In constructing the lining the sheets A, either or both, may be composed of a felt paper, or one side may be composed of a straw paper or "bogus manila," as shall be found most desirable, between which are arranged the strips B, preferably made of felt paper, with a suitable space between the edges thereof, the said strips being secured to the sheets by a suitable cement containing an admix-

ture or having incorporated therein a disinfectant or a vermin-destroying agent, either or both, consisting, preferably, of tar, gum-resin, naphthaline, and asphaltum, and adding thereto when in a plastic or melted state flour paste or other glutinous material, and which composition is usually applied while in a heated state; but any other disinfectant or vermin-destroying compound may be used, as shall be found most desirable. The sheets and strips are perforated to form receptacles for the dust, and also to provide for the escape of the odors and allow them to more thoroughly impregnate the carpet and permeate the room.

The importance of such lining will be readily apparent, as, while making the apartment comfortable, it protects the same from vermin of all kinds, and also serves to keep the carpet dry on damp floors.

Having now described my invention, what I claim is—

1. A paper fabric for carpet-linings, consisting of two outer layers with intervening strips secured thereto, with spaces between the strips, substantially as described.

2. A paper fabric for carpet-linings, consisting of two outer layers with intervening strips secured thereto, with spaces between the strips and perforated through and through the strips and fabric, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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