

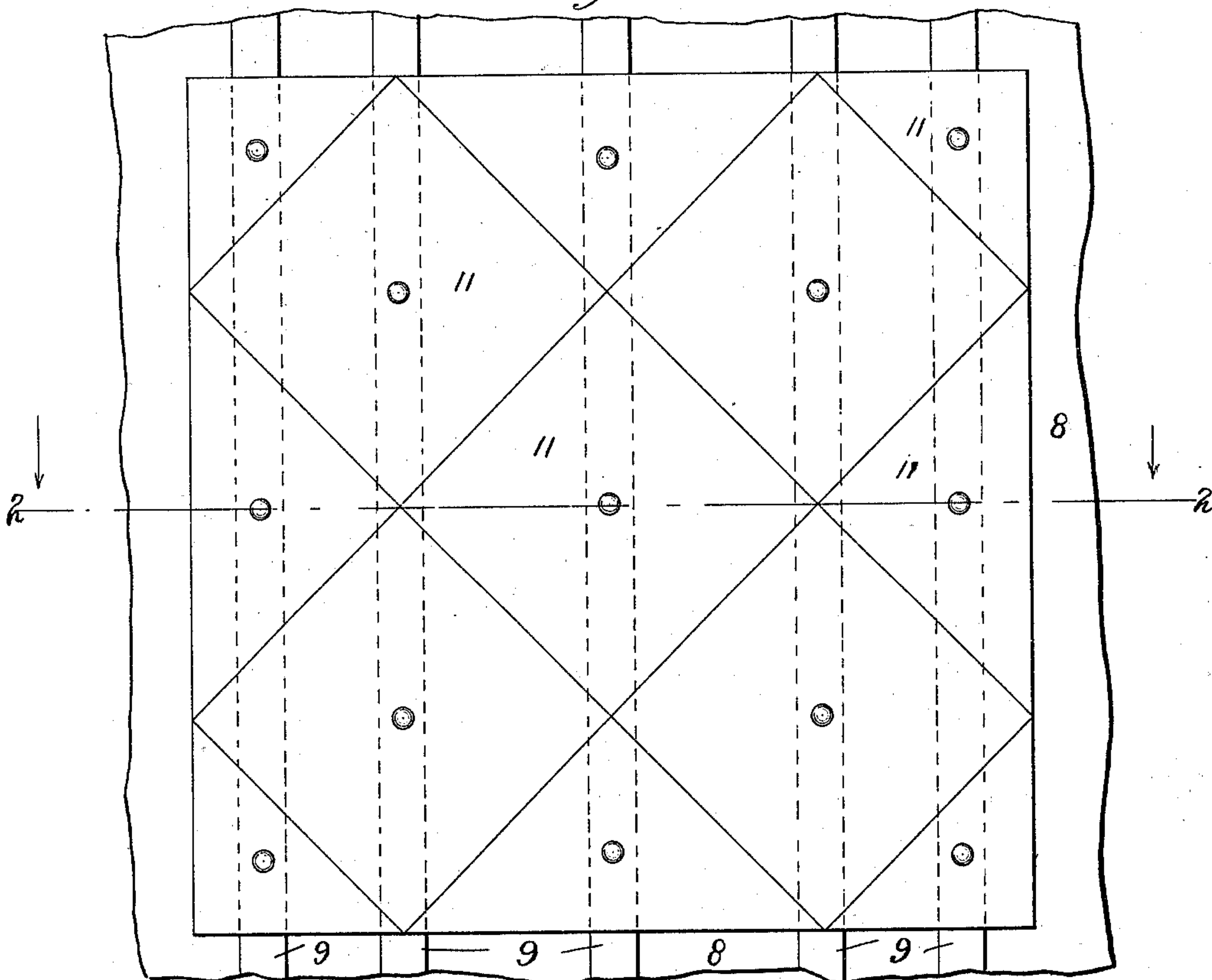
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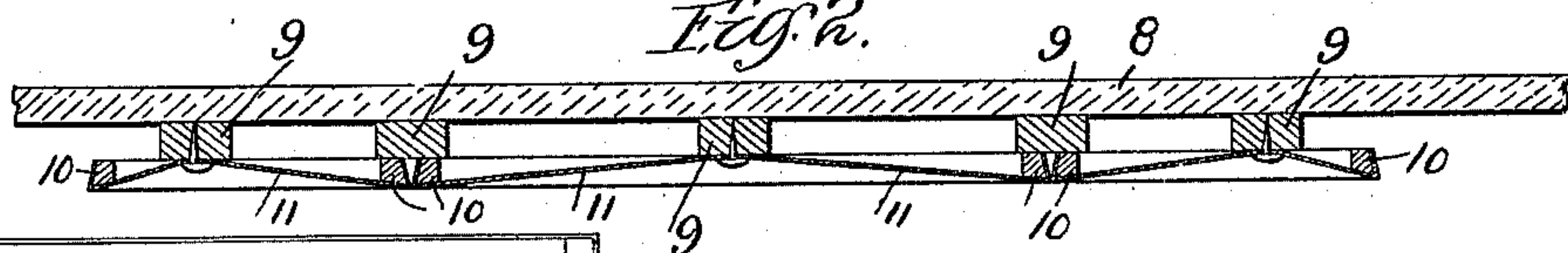
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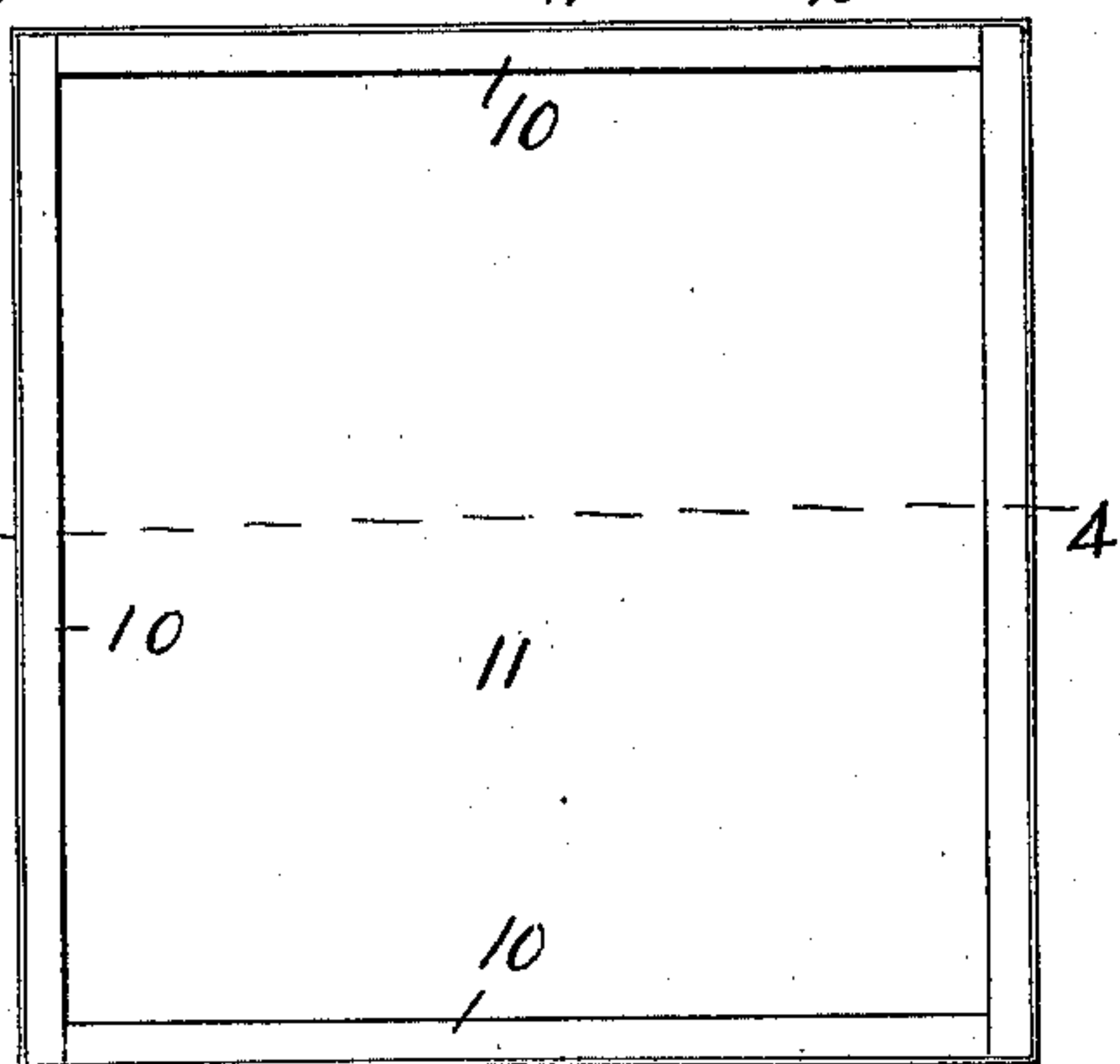
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



*Fig. 4.*



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, RICHARD W. OWEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ceilings, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of part of the ceiling. Fig. 2 is a cross-section on line 2 2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a detail, being a view of one of the frames of which the ceiling is composed. Fig. 4 is a section on line 4 4 of Fig. 3.

My invention relates to ceilings, and has for its object to provide an improved ceiling of leather or other suitable material, such as artificial leather, canvas, &c.

I accomplish the object of my invention as hereinafter specified and as illustrated in the drawings.

That which I regard as new will be set forth in the claims.

My invention consists in an improved ceiling composed of a series of frames, such frames or blocks having their lower or exposed surfaces faced with leather or other suitable material.

In the drawings, 8 indicates the rough ceiling of a room, to which are secured a number of strips 9, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, such strips being preferably parallel.

10 indicates frames which are adapted to be secured to the strips 9 in any suitable manner, preferably by nails or screws. A leather covering 11 is stretched over each frame 10, the edges of such covering being turned over the edges of the frame and secured thereto, preferably by glue or other adhesive material, and in order to secure a more perfect angle at the corners where the leather is turned the edges of the frames are inclined or inwardly beveled, as shown in Figs. 2 and 4.

The frames 10 may be of any desired shape, so that the ceiling may be made of any pattern.

When the leather covering is secured upon the frames 10, such covering may be indented, as illustrated in Fig. 2, whereby a highly-ornamental effect is produced.

By my improved construction a highly-ornamental ceiling may be produced at small cost, as small pieces of leather may be used, and the arranging of the frames in juxtaposition to each other produces various striking effects.

Although my improvement is designed primarily for ceilings, it may also be used for walls, and the word "ceiling," as herein used, should be construed as covering either walls or ceilings.

That which I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A ceiling composed of a series of frames, said frames having their exposed faces covered with leather or equivalent material and having their edges beveled inwardly, the edges of the leather or other covering being secured to the inwardly beveled edges of the frames, substantially as described and for the purpose specified.

2. A ceiling composed of a series of frames having their exposed faces covered with leather or equivalent material indented between the sides of the frames and secured in place, said frames having their edges beveled inwardly, the edges of the leather or other covering being folded over the inwardly beveled edges of and secured to the frames, substantially as described and for the purpose specified.

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