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Fig. 1.

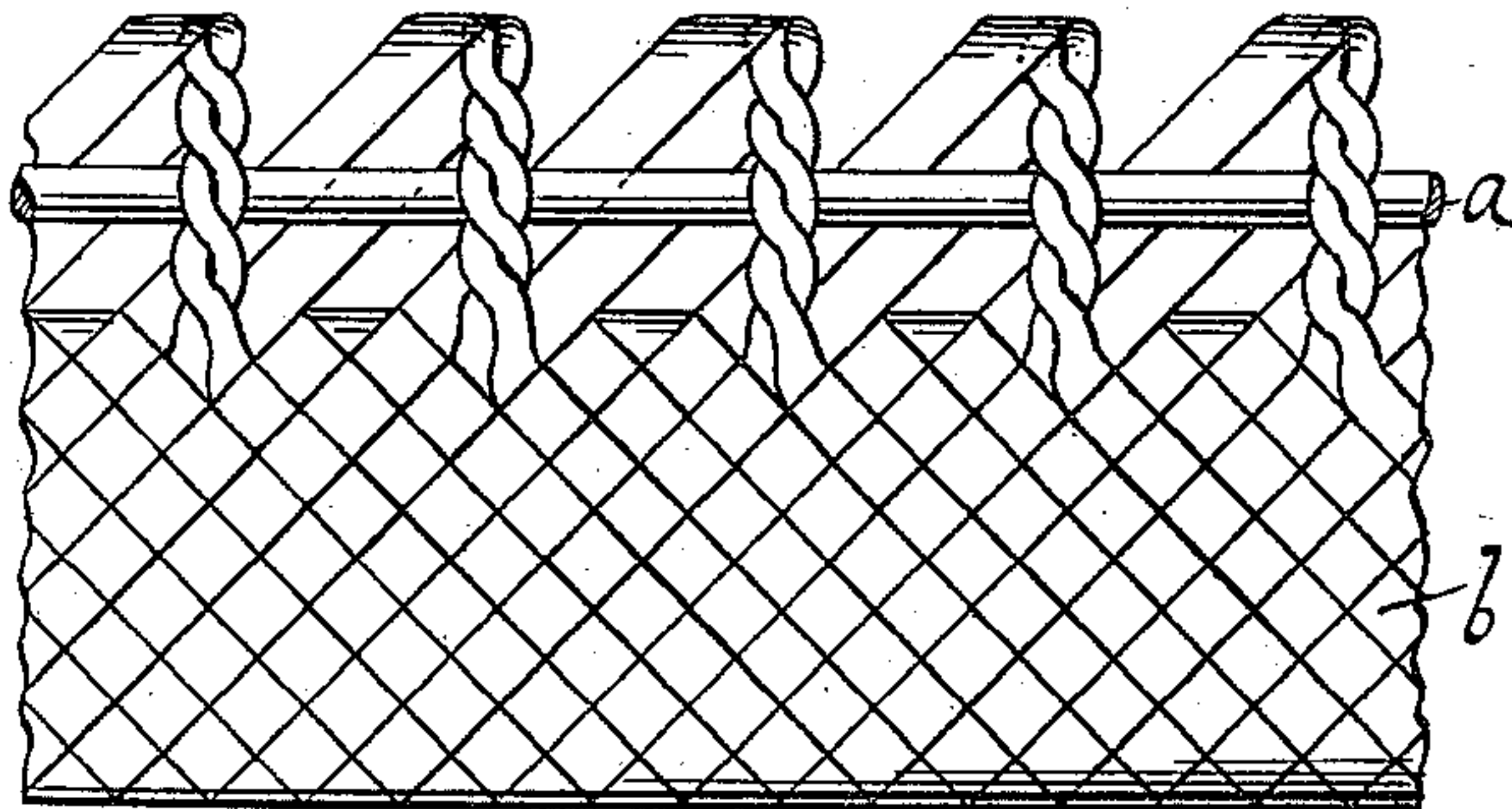
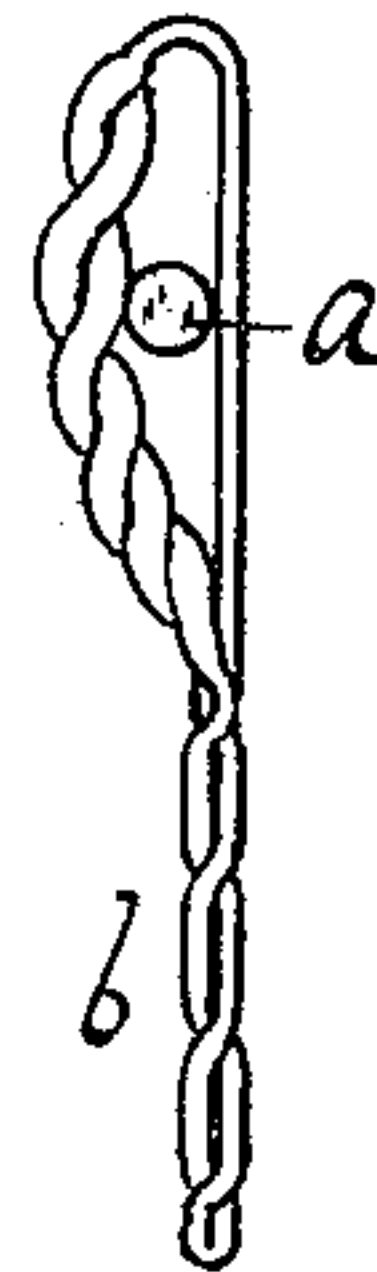


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JULIUS HEIMANN, a citizen of the United States, residing in Manhattan borough, New York city, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Reeded Trimming or Braid, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to trimming or braid, such as adapted for use in millinery and the like; and the invention resides in having reed or ratan embodied in or surrounded by the trimming, the braided straw, chip, or fiber forming the braid being plaited with the reed or ratan.

This invention is set forth in the following specification and claims and illustrated in the annexed drawings, in which—

Figure 1 shows straw plaited with reed or ratan. Fig. 2 is an edge view of Fig. 1.

The various substances—such as straw, chip, and fiber—can be included in the generic term “straw” or “straw-like” material. The chips, as known in the trade, are made by splitting or slicing wood, and the fiber comprises such material as certain grasses or products growing in or compressible or reducible to flat form with more or less width.

The braid consists of a body portion formed of interwoven straws, each pair of straws twisted together a portion of their length and projecting away from the body portion to form a series of loops, and through the loops is adapted to be extended a stiffener.

The reference character *a* denotes the reed or ratan stiffener, which extends through the

loops, and the reference character *b* denotes the body portion, which is made up, as before stated, of interwoven straws.

The reed or ratan when in position not only serves as a stiffening or reinforcing means for the braid, but also gives a finished or ornamental appearance thereto.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A braid comprising a body portion of interwoven straws and loops formed by each pair of straws at one side of the body portion near the edge thereof.

2. A braid comprising a body portion of interwoven straws and loops formed by each pair of straws at one side of the body portion near one edge thereof, and a reed-stiffener extending through said loops.

3. A braid comprising a body portion of interwoven straws, each pair of said straws twisted together a portion of their length and projecting away from the body portion to form a series of loops.

4. A braid comprising a body portion of interwoven straws, each pair of said straws twisted together a portion of their length and projecting away from the body portion to form a series of loops, and a reed-stiffener extending through said loops.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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