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CROCHET FORM.

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NO MODEL.

Fig. 1.

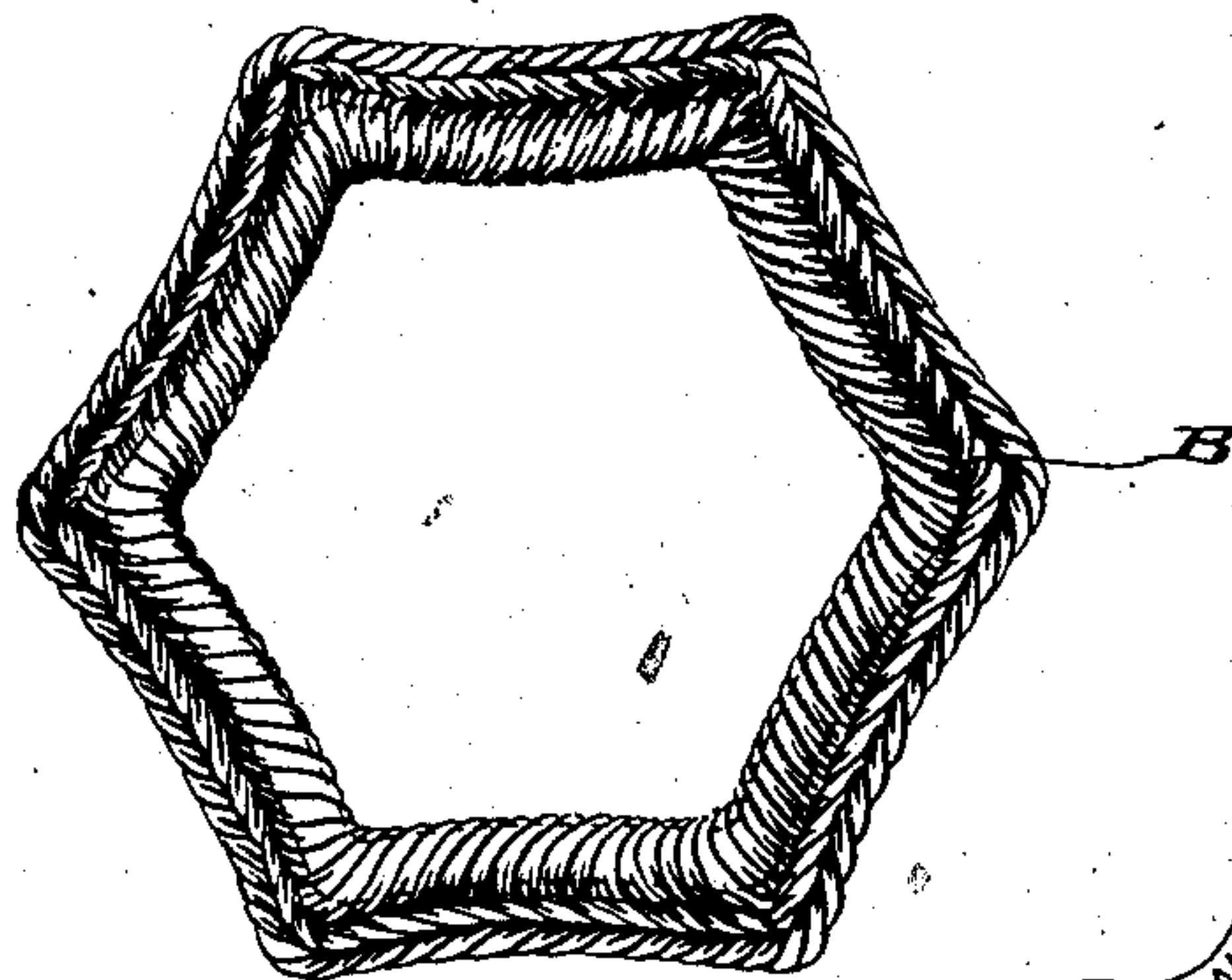


Fig. 6.

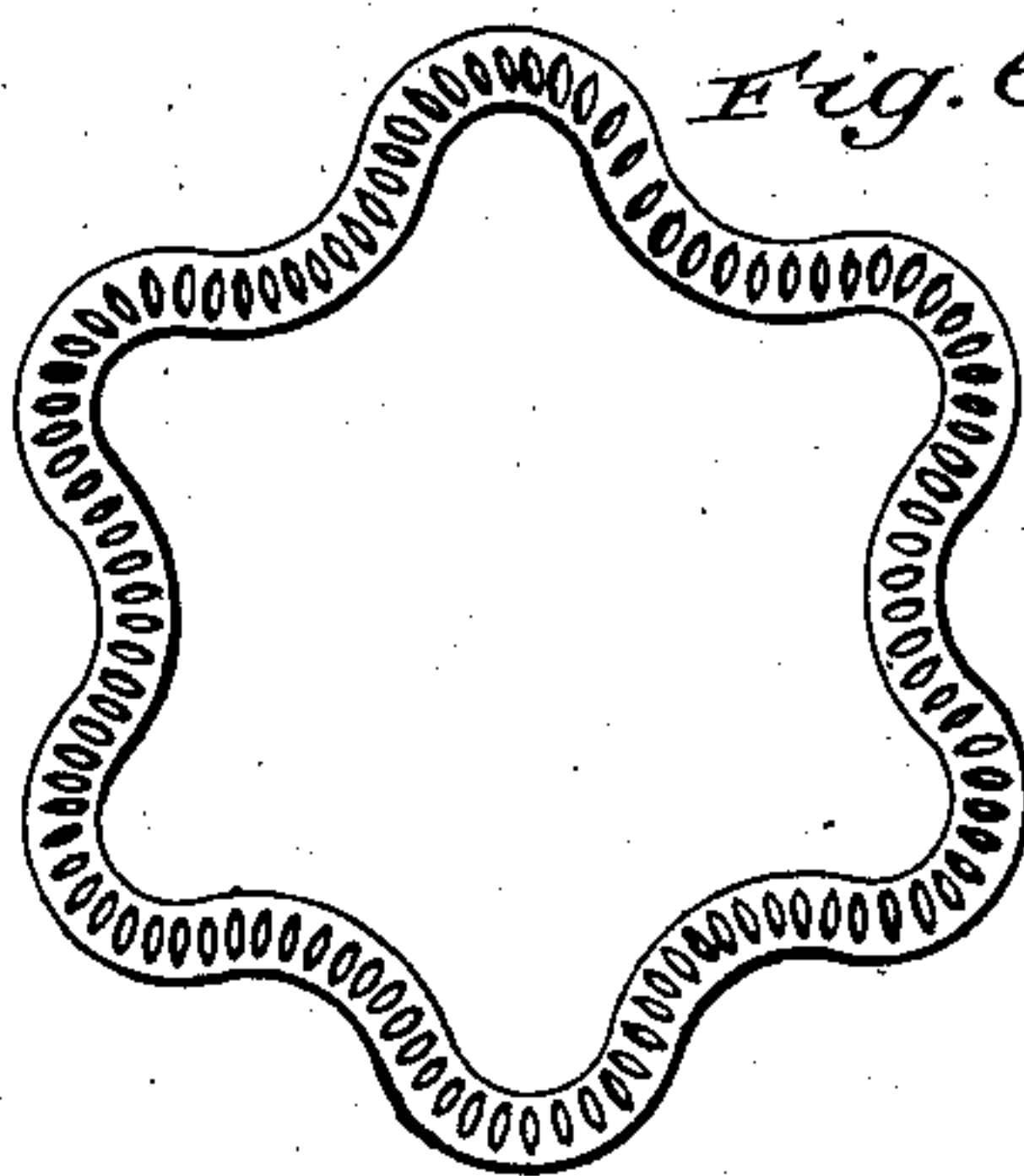


Fig. 2.

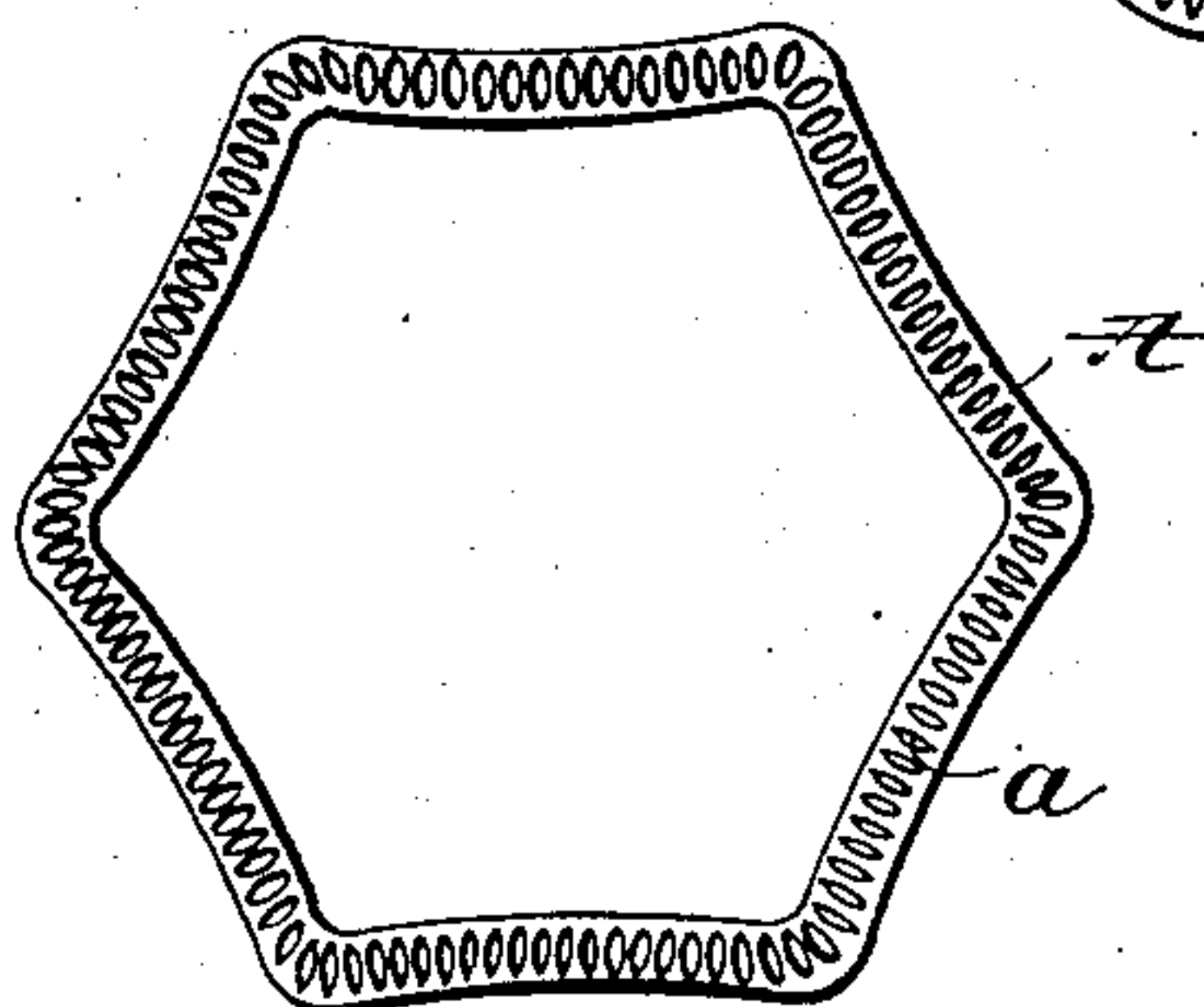


Fig. 3.

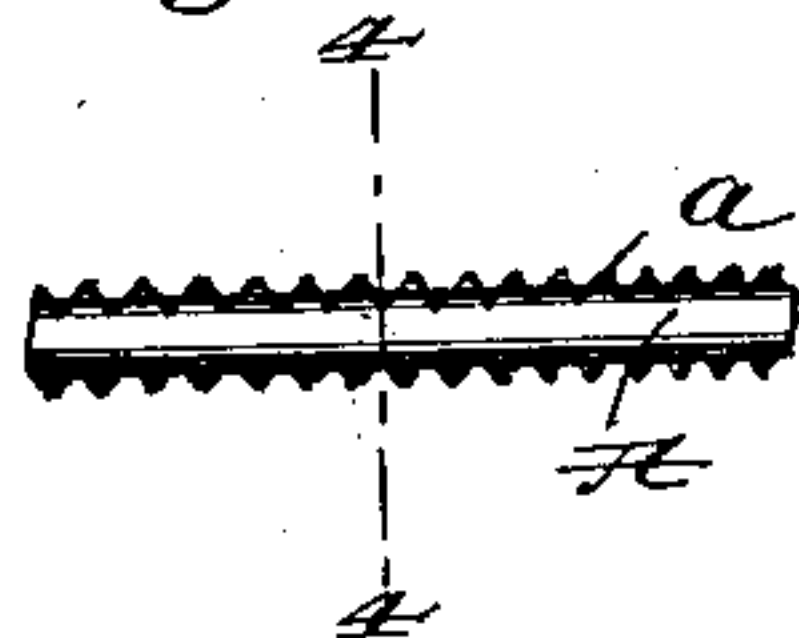
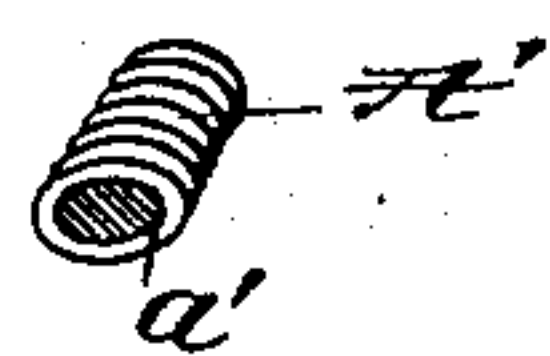


Fig. 4.



Fig. 5.



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.CROCHET-FORM.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALLAN J. BARBER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Woonsocket, in the county of Providence and State of Rhode Island, have invented new and useful Improvements in Crochet-Forms, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to forms of wire, sheet metal, or other material designed to be covered with crochet-work; and it has for its object to provide an irregular or fancy shaped form having a milled or otherwise suitably-roughened surface, this to prevent the material crocheted on the form from slipping or working off of and exposing the curves or points of the form.

With the foregoing in mind the invention will be fully understood from the following description and claims when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is an enlarged elevation of one of my improved forms covered with crochet-work; Fig. 2, a similar view of an uncovered form; Fig. 3, an enlarged edge elevation of a portion of the form; Fig. 4, a transverse section taken in the plane indicated by the broken line 4 4 of Fig. 3; Fig. 5, a sectional perspective view of a portion of a modified form which differs from that shown in Figs. 2 to 4 in that its serrations extend entirely around it, and Fig. 6 a view of an uncovered form different in shape from that shown in Fig. 2.

Referring by letter to the said drawings, and more particularly to Figs. 1 to 4 thereof, A is my improved form, which may be made of wire, sheet metal, or other material, and B is crochet-work of silk or other material on the form. The form is peculiar in that it is roughened or provided with serrations, as indicated by *a*, Fig. 2 and 4. This milling or roughening of the form adapts the surface thereof to engage and hold the silk or other material of the crochet-work, and hence precludes slipping or working of such work off the curves or points of the form. From this it follows that the form may be made in various irregular or fancy shapes without liability of the crochet-work used to cover it working or slipping off and exposing any portion thereof.

I have deemed it necessary to illustrate but

two forms of irregular or fancy shape, Figs. 2 and 6; but I desire it distinctly understood that the forms may be of any irregular or fancy shape without involving a departure from the scope of my invention.

In Fig. 5 I have shown a form A' having serrations *a'* extending entirely around it, and in this connection I desire it understood that the surfaces of the forms may be roughened in any manner suitable to the purpose of my invention.

I am well aware that it is old to construct a girth-ring with teeth or shoulders to keep the strands of the rope or girth apart and prevent the usefulness of the outer strands being destroyed by overstraining. Such teeth or shoulders, however, are not adapted to the purposes of my invention, since the silk used in crochet-work would go completely into the interdental spaces, thus leaving the points of the teeth exposed and defeating the object of my invention, which is to keep the form entirely covered.

I am also aware that it is old to make a corset-stiffener of two blades overlapped at the ends and having notches in the edges of the overlapped portions for the engagement of a thread. The thread in this construction is merely a connection and is in no sense a covering of the lapped portions of the blades.

Having described my invention, what I claim is—

1. As an improved article of manufacture, an open, irregular-shaped crochet-form, having a suitably-roughened surface for preventing slipping of crochet-work on the form, and thereby assuring all of the parts of the form remaining covered.

2. An article of fancy work comprising an open, irregular-shaped crochet-form having a suitably-roughened surface, and crochet-work arranged on and covering the form; the roughened surface of the form being calculated to prevent slipping of the crochet-work and uncovering of any part of the form.

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

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