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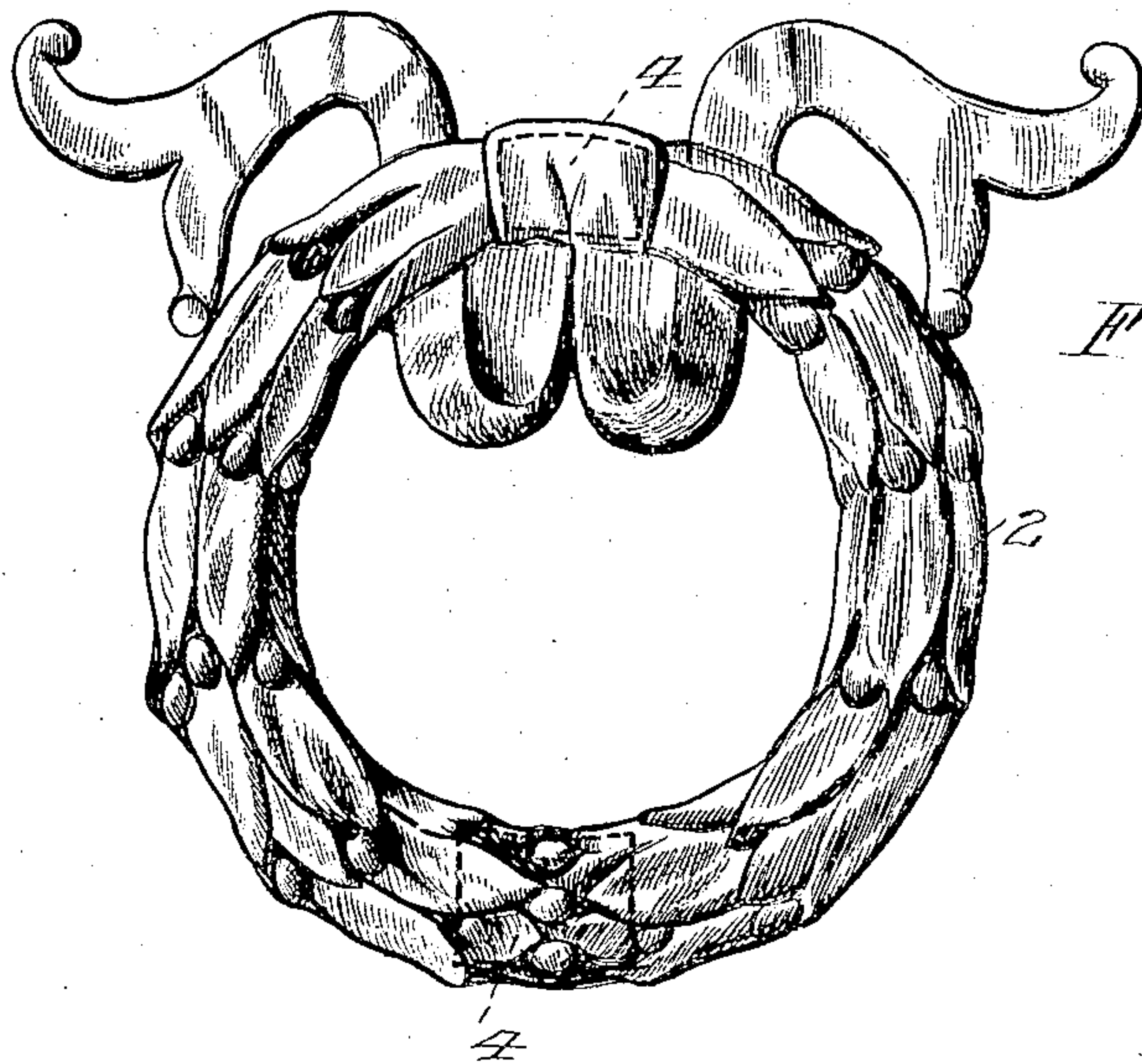


Fig. 1.

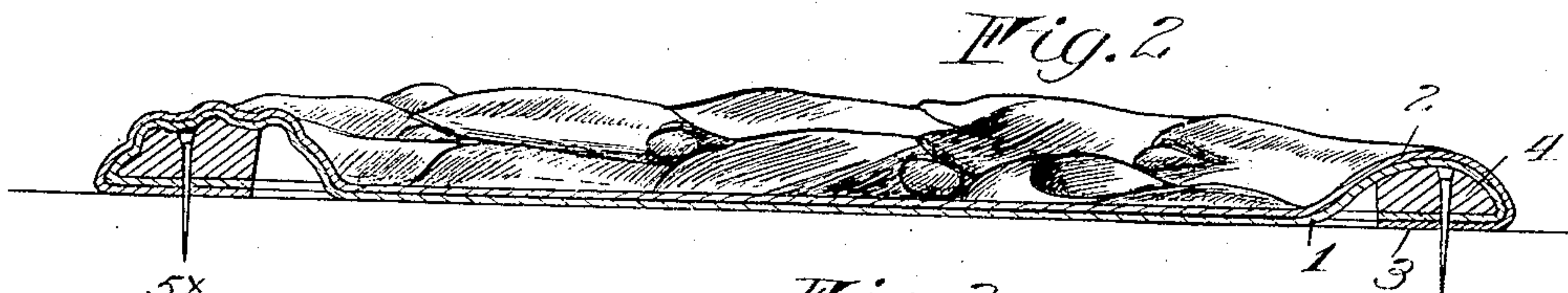


Fig. 2.

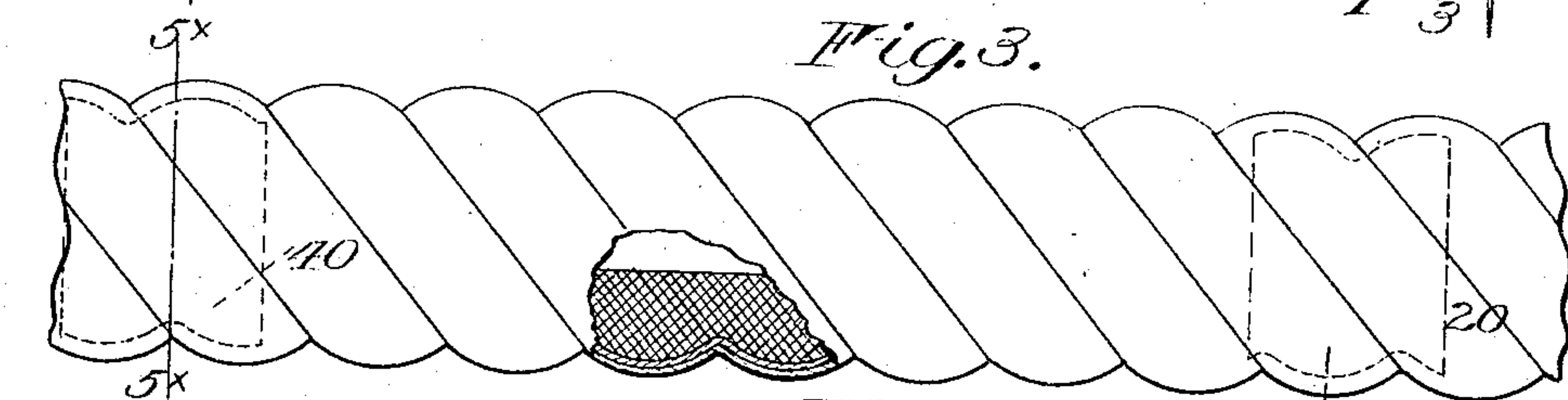


Fig. 3.



Fig. 4.

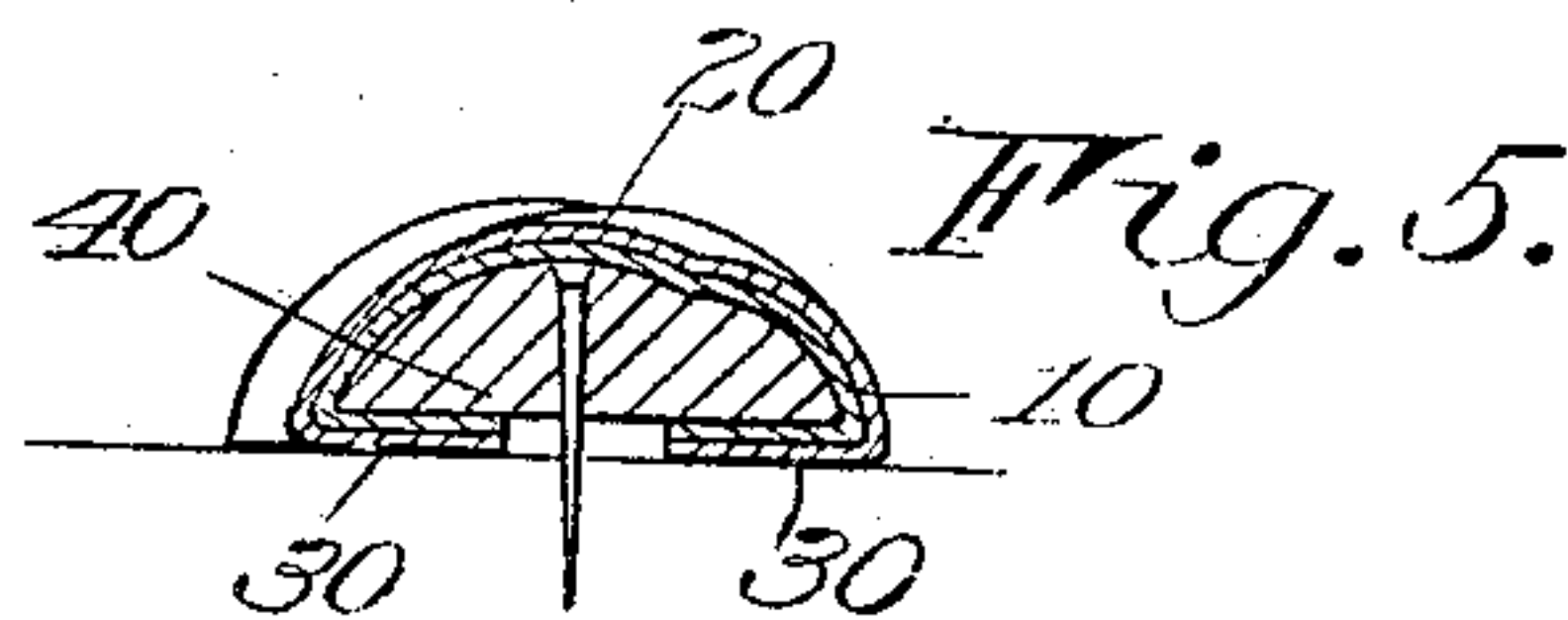


Fig. 5.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES P. SCHLEGEL, of Rochester, in the county of Monroe and State of New York, have invented certain
5 new and useful Improvements in Ornamental Trimmings; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part
10 of the specification, and to the reference-numerals marked thereon.

My present invention relates to trimmings primarily adapted for ornamenting burial-caskets; and it has for its object to provide
15 an article that may be manufactured cheaply, possesses the advantage of being light in weight, and may be easily and quickly applied.

To these and other ends the invention consists in certain improvements and combinations of parts, all as will be hereinafter more fully described, the novel features being pointed out in the claims at the end of the specification.

25 In the drawings, Figure 1 is a plan view of an ornamental figure constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical cross-sectional view thereof. Fig. 3 is a view similar to Fig. 1, showing the invention applied in the construction of an ornamental-
30 figure molding of a different design. Fig. 4 is a longitudinal sectional view thereof, and Fig. 5 is a cross-sectional view taken on the line 5×5× of Fig. 3.

35 Similar reference-numerals in the several figures indicate similar parts.

In applying ornaments to caskets it has been customary heretofore to form the figures or ornaments of carvings in wood or to
40 mold them of plastic material, and when completed those which were desired were applied to the body or box of the casket, being covered with cloth and secured thereon by glue or paste. This method of construction
45 necessitates the manufacturer carrying in stock caskets of various designs ready for immediate use. A disadvantage is experienced from this requirement, because orders are frequently received for caskets ornament-
50 ed differently from those the manufacturer may have on hand. As the orders for these goods are imperative, shipment must be made immediately, and sufficient time to apply the specified ornamental figures in the
55 usual way is not allowed. To overcome this disadvantage and to simplify the manufac-

ture and cost of construction, I have devised means whereby the ornamental figures adapted for such use may be completed and quantities of them carried in stock, so that the
60 particular ornaments required may be applied to a casket body or box after the latter has been otherwise completed.

Ornamental trimmings embodying my invention are preferably embossed by means of
65 suitable dies in which are impressed in intimate engagement a backing 1 and a suitable covering 2 thereon. In practice the backing is preferably constructed of a relatively
70 coarse fabric capable of stretching to conform to the irregularities of the pattern or design, which is sized or otherwise treated to give the fabric sufficient stiffness to retain its
75 embossed shape. The backing may be cut into sheets of the desired length and breadth, provided on their outer surface with adhesive
80 material, the latter being applied either in a moist form or previously applied to the sheet and then moistened before the embossing operation. Previous to this operation the cov-
85 ering 2, preferably a fabric such as crape, broadcloth, satin, or the like, is laid upon the backing, so that both parts may be stretched or fulled independently of each other in the
operation of the dies, and when removed
therefrom they will be secured in intimate
relation at all points.

In order to obviate rough edges on the ornamental figure and also to prevent the edges of the fabric from becoming frayed, I
90 turn the edges of the backing and covering inwardly, as illustrated in Figs. 2 and 5, thus providing an inwardly-extending flange or base, which stiffens the trimming and may be employed for attaching it to its support.
95 To enable the ornament to be readily attached, I provide at various points beneath the flange or inwardly-extending edge 3 tacking blocks or pieces 4, as shown in Fig. 2 and in dotted lines in Fig. 1. These blocks
100 may be made of cork or other material, through which a tack or brad may be inserted without the liability of splitting them and which will allow the head of the brad to be driven through the covering 2, its position
105 thereby becoming indistinguishable.

The modified design of the ornamental figure shown in Fig. 3 is constructed as heretofore described, and the backing being indicated by 10 and the covering thereon in-
110 dicated by 20, and as it is narrow the edges of the underturned portions 30 at each side

are in proximity, so that the tacking-pieces 40 may extend over both of them.

My invention may be applied in the manufacture of trimmings of various designs, 5 which may be employed wherever appliqué-work in relief may be desired. By making the trimmings in the manner described they can be manufactured cheaply. Further, the turned edges of the ornament strengthen 10 it, prevent it from warping, and obviate the necessity of cutting the material at a point which is exposed to view and also provide means for securing it in desired position upon the surface to be ornamented.

15 I claim as my invention—

1. An article of manufacture consisting of a hollow ornamental figure formed of an embossed backing of sized fabric and a covering intimately engaging the backing, the edges 20 of said backing and covering being turned inwardly at the rear side of the figure.

2. An article of manufacture consisting of

a hollow ornamental figure formed with a backing of stiff loosely-woven fabric and a covering of pliable fabric pasted thereon, 25 both the backing and covering being embossed in intimate contact while the paste is in a moist condition and their edges turned inwardly.

3. An article of manufacture consisting of 30 a hollow ornamental figure formed with a backing of stiff loosely-woven fabric and a covering of pliable fabric, both the backing and covering being embossed and secured in intimate contact by moist adhesive material 35 and having their edges turned inwardly and tacking-pieces secured to the inner side of the embossed figure within the inwardly-turned edges.

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