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Fig. 1.

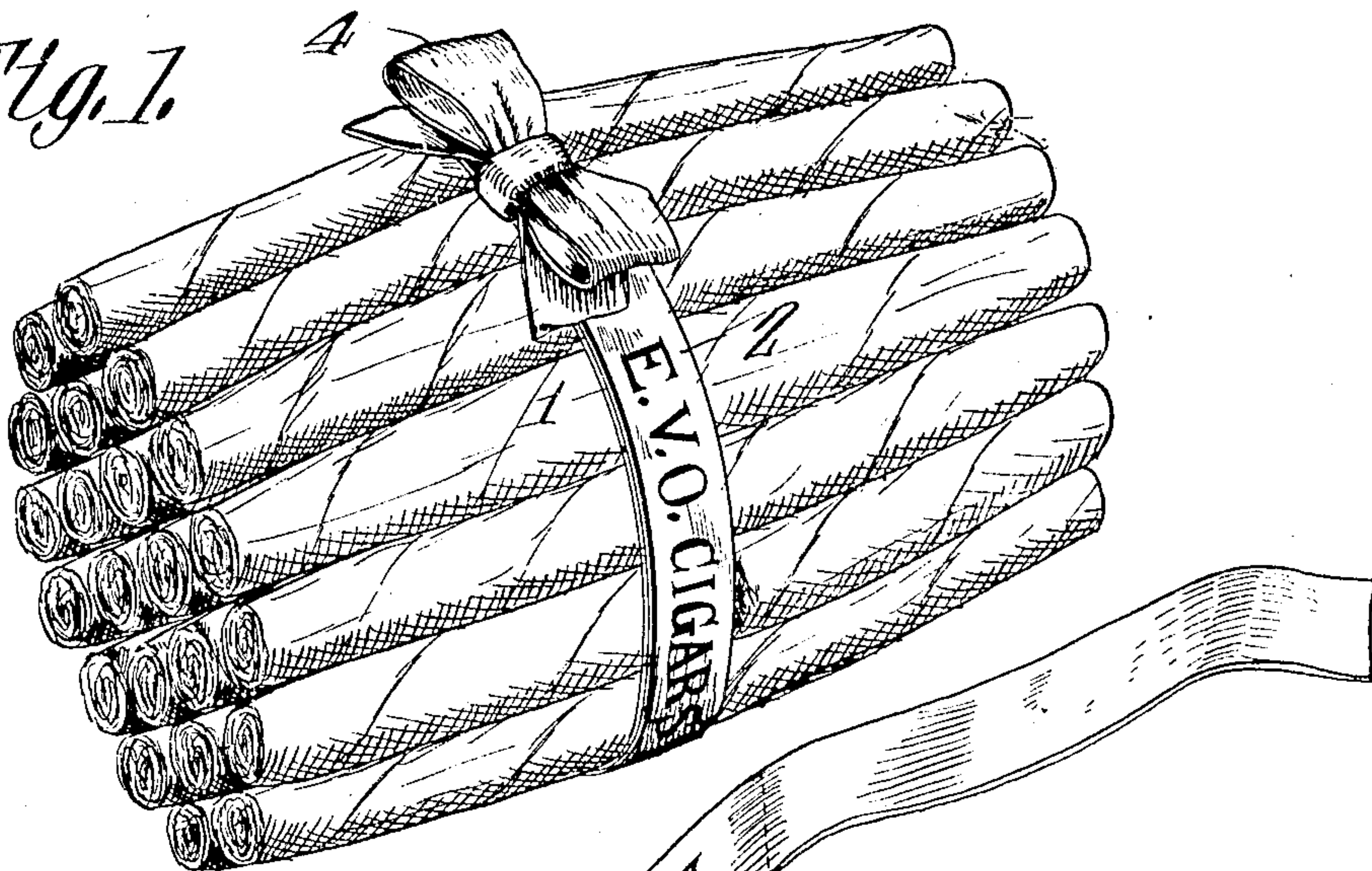


Fig. 2.

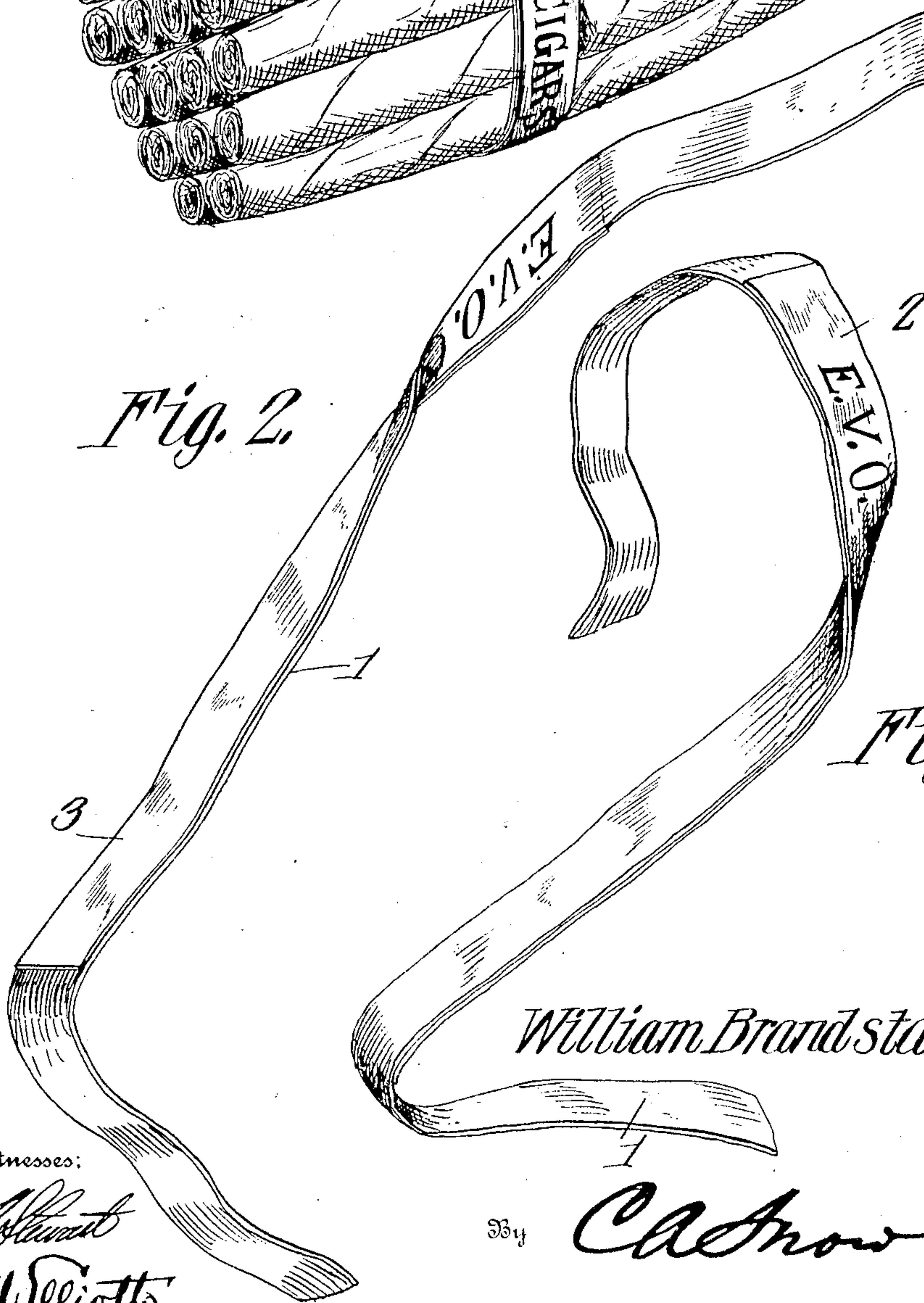


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM BRANDSTAEDTER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Hanover, in the county of York and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Bundling-Ribbon for Cigars, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to ribbons, such as are employed for holding bundles of cigars assembled.

Heretofore, it has been customary, for the above purpose, to employ a narrow band or strip of silk, of any preferred color, generally yellow, and upon which is printed the brand name of the cigars, the trademark, or other matter. The objection to the use of a silk ribbon, aside from its cost, is that, owing to its sleazy character, great care has to be exercised in positioning it around the bundle of cigars to prevent it from wrinkling, as this would not only prove unsightly and would also materially detract from the advertising feature of the ribbon, but would be liable to injure the wrappers of the cigars by cutting or creasing them.

The object of the present invention is in a ready, simple and thoroughly practical manner, to obviate the above objections by providing a ribbon having its intermediate portion relatively stiff and non-wrinkleable, and its terminals relatively sleazy. By this arrangement, the smooth assemblage of the ribbon with the bundle of cigars will be assured, and, further, the presentation of printed matter will be materially facilitated, inasmuch as it is easier to print upon a relatively stiff surface than on one that is yielding and flexible in character.

With the above and other objects in view, as will appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists, generally stated, in a bundling ribbon for cigars comprising a strip or band of fabric of any character and of any color, and to which is attached, either upon that side which will be the inner one in use or that which will be the outer one, a strip of paper of less length than the fabric and commensurate in width therewith, and which serves, not only to reinforce and stiffen the intermediate portion of the article, but also, where applied to its exterior, to provide a surface peculiarly adapted to receive the imprint from types.

An advantage accruing from the arrangement above defined is that cheap fabrics, such as paper cambric, may be employed,

which will be cut in strips of the desired length and width, and to which the paper reinforce will be pasted, the adhesive employed operating to prevent the raw edges of the fabric from raveling at its intermediate portion, so that the finished product will have the appearance of an ordinary ribbon such as is in common use.

A further advantage attending the employment of the ribbon of this invention is that the manufacturer will be enabled to employ any colored ribbon he might desire, or any tint or shade, merely by supplying himself with cambric or other material and with paper of shades and colors corresponding therewith. From a standpoint of economy, it will generally be preferred to cut the ribbons from stock goods, but it will be obvious that strips or bands of cheap fabric woven in the desired widths may be employed.

The invention consists further in the novel construction of the bundling ribbon for cigars, as will be hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings forming a part of the specification, and in which like characters of reference indicate corresponding parts, Figure 1 is a view in perspective exhibiting a bundle of cigars tied with one of the ribbons constituting the present invention. Fig. 2 is a perspective detail view of a modified form of ribbon. Fig. 3 is a similar view, displaying the form of ribbon shown in Fig. 1.

Referring to the drawings, and to Figs. 1 and 3 thereof, 1 designates the ribbon proper, which may be constructed of any suitable material, preferably of a thin sleazy fabric of the kind known as paper cambric, and 2 the reinforce, which latter is constructed of paper of a color preferably corresponding to that of the ribbon and having sufficient body or stock to be practically non-wrinkleable, and to receive the imprint, in a clear and bold manner, from the type used for exhibiting the name of the brand of cigars, the trademark, or other data. As shown in the figures above referred to, the reinforce 2 is disposed on that side of the ribbon which will be the exterior one in use, while in the form of the invention shown in Fig. 2, the reinforce 3 is disposed on that side of the ribbon which will be the interior one in use, and under these conditions the imprint will be directly upon the ribbon.

The reinforce will be of less length than the ribbon or fabric in order that the terminals of the latter may constitute tying members, which, when the ribbon is tied around
5 a bundle of cigars, will be knotted together in the usual manner, as shown at 4.

In both forms of the invention, the reinforce will be pasted to the ribbon, and, where the latter is cut in strips from stock fabric,
10 the adhesive will prevent the strip from raveling along the length of the reinforce, so as to cause the article to present the appearance of an ordinary ribbon of the kind generally in use.

By the employment of a cheap grade of fabric for the ribbon, and the employment of the reinforce, the cost of production of the ribbon will be considerably less than the form in common use, and, further, as above
15 20 stated, the manufacturer will be enabled at a small cost to have any number of different colored ribbons that he may elect.

The improvements herein defined are simple in character, but will result in the pro-

duction of a thoroughly effective and novel article of manufacture. 25

I claim:—

1. A ribbon of the character described comprising a strip of textile fabric, and a strip of paper commensurate in width with
30 the fabric and pasted to one side thereof and being of less length than the fabric to provide tying members.

2. A ribbon of the character described comprising a strip of raw edged textile fabric, and a strip of paper, commensurate in width with the fabric and pasted to one side thereof and operating to prevent raveling of
35 the fabric, the latter being of greater length than the paper to provide tying members. 40

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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