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Cards for Holding and Exhibiting Braid.

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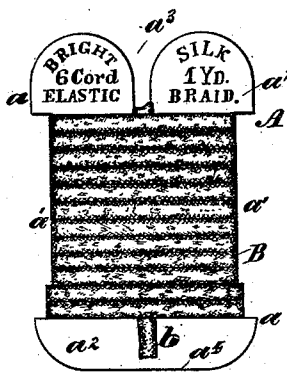


Fig. 1

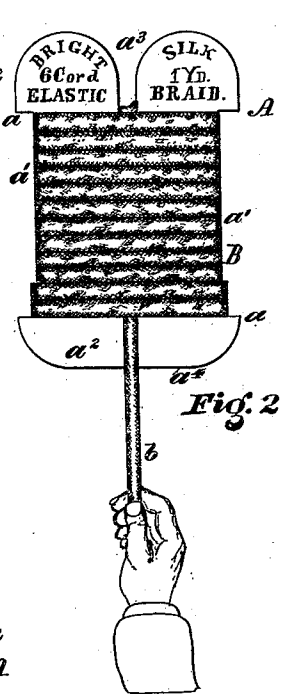


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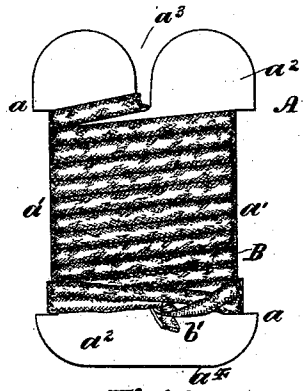


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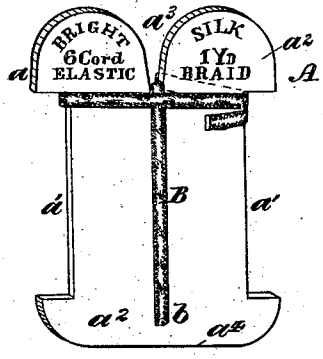


Fig. 4



Fig. 5

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IMPROVEMENT IN CARDS FOR HOLDING AND EXHIBITING BRAID.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, RICHARD TAYLOR, of Leicester, in the county of Leicestershire, England, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cards for Holding Elastic Cord or Braid; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a face view of my invention. Fig. 2 is a similar view, illustrating how the elastic cord or braid may be tested without unwinding the same from the card. Fig. 3 is a rear view of my invention. Fig. 4 is a perspective view, illustrating the method of placing the braid or cord on the card; and Fig. 5 is a perspective of a modification of my invention.

My invention has for its object to provide means whereby elastic cord or braid may be conveniently and economically put up for sale in single pieces of short length—for example, one yard—said means affording the purchaser the opportunity of testing the quality or strength of the material without undoing the package.

My invention consists in a novel construction of a card on which the braid or cord is wound, and in the arrangement of the cord or braid wound or wrapped in a peculiar manner on such card.

The card is constructed with a central notch or slit at one end, through which an end of the braid is passed, the braid being then wrapped or wound transversely around the card and over the end of the braid, as hereinafter set forth.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, A designates a card of any appropriate shape or dimensions. It is preferably formed with two sides, *a a*, which are cut away at a^1 a^1, so as to form shoulders a^2 a^2, which will prevent the braid wound upon it from slipping off endwise. One end of the card is formed with a slit or notch, a^3, which is, by preference, located centrally, so as to give the article a symmetrical appearance.

To wind the braid B upon the card, one of its ends, *b*, is brought flush with the end a^4 of said card. The braid is then carried centrally over the face of said card and through the notch or slit a^3, thence across to one side of the card, and then wrapped around the latter, its final end being tucked in, as shown at *b'*, beneath the wrapped portion. The braid is thus securely held upon the card, but in such manner that its quality or elasticity can be tested without undoing the package or pulling on the wrapped part. This is done by simply taking hold of the end *b* and pulling downward or away from the slit a^3. The part of the braid which lies between said end a^4 and the slit a^3 is thus tested without undoing the package or disturbing the wrapped portion.

In lieu of, or as a substitute for, the slit a^3, an opening or hole, a^5, as shown in Fig. 5, may be formed in the card, the braid B being passed therethrough and wound or wrapped, as already described.

What I claim as my invention is—

As a new article of manufacture, the filled card or package consisting of the card A, having a notch or slit, a^3, or opening a^5, and a length of elastic braid or cord applied to said card in the manner described—viz., beginning at one end of said card, extending lengthwise over the face of the latter through the slit or opening, then wrapped and tucked, as set forth, so as to leave a free projecting end, *b*, which can be pulled or tested without undoing or disturbing the wrapped portion.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 19th day of October, 1878.

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