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Fig. 1.

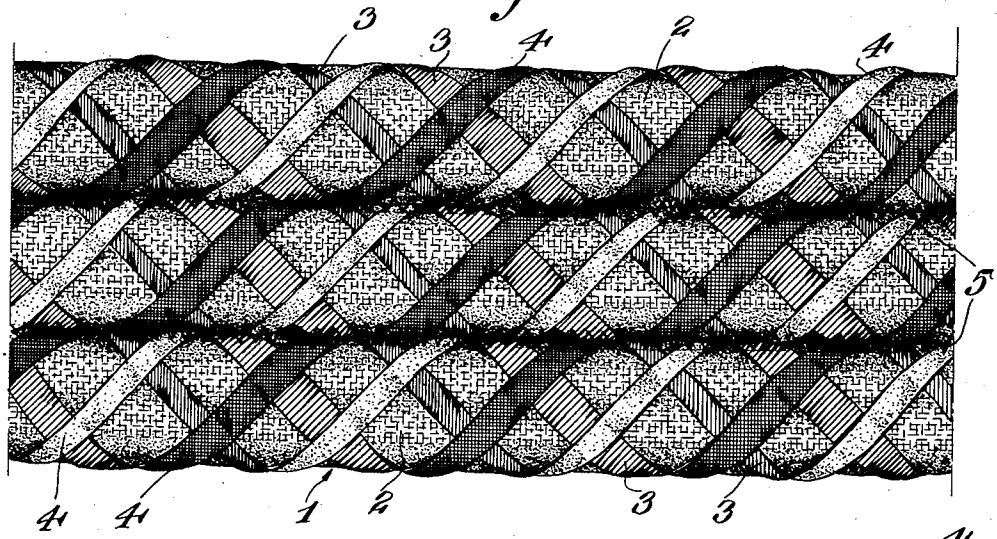


Fig. 2.

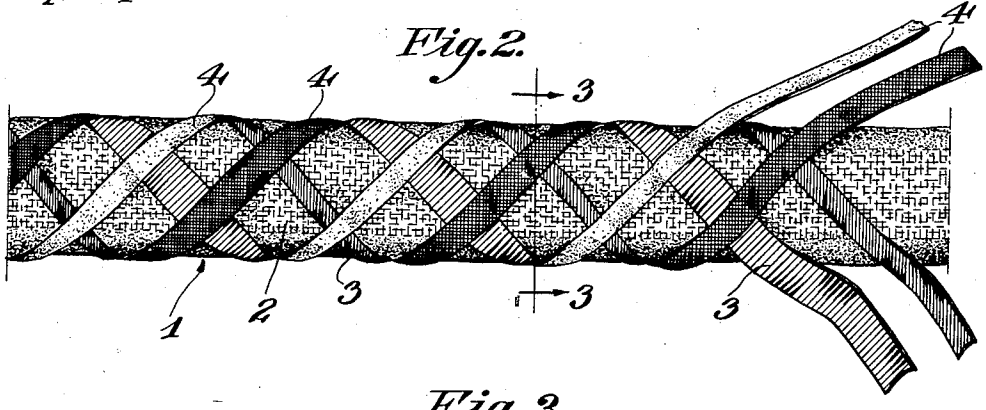


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES J. VARELL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Rug Strands, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to rug strands which are particularly adapted for use in making rugs. The objects are to provide a strand which may be easily and cheaply made from waste materials and which will give an effect similar to the expensive plaited rug strand used in making rag-rugs.

These objects, and other advantageous ends which will be described hereinafter, I attain in the following manner, reference being had to the accompanying drawings in which—

Figure 1 is a fragmentary view of rows of strands sewed together to form a rug,

Figure 2 a view of the strand showing how it is constructed, and

Figure 3 a section on line 3—3 of Figure 2.

My improved strand may be used in making rugs in various ways such as by sewing or weaving them together. In the present instance, I have shown the strand laid in rows and sewed together to produce an effect similar to that of rag-rugs.

In the drawings, 1 indicates my improved strand which is composed of a filler 2 of cloth, hemp, jute or other similar material and colored in various shades for different strands. A set of colored strips 3 of cloth or any suitable material and different in width is wound spirally around filler 2 in one direction. The strips are spaced as they are wound to partly expose the filler. Another set of colored strips 4 is wound around the filler in the opposite direction over the strips 3, as shown in Figure 2, and spaced to partly expose the filler and the strips 3. The strand is then laid in rows either in parallel or spiral form and sewed together by stitching 5 to make a rug.

Strips of different colors wound in this manner over a colored filler, when made up in a rug, produce a strand having a very pleasing effect which is similar to that produced by the expensive plaited strands now used in making rag-rugs.

A strand constructed as above described may be quickly and cheaply made because the filler may be of any low grade waste material and the strips of a better grade and stronger than the filler. The strips being easily wound around the filler, the strands are manufactured much more rapidly than the usual plaited strand. Any number of strips may be wound around the filler in this manner and colored in various shades.

While I have described my invention as taking a particular form, it will be understood that the various parts may be changed without departing from the spirit thereof, and hence I do not limit myself to the precise construction set forth, but consider that I am at liberty to make such changes and alterations as fairly come within the scope of the appended claims.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:—

1. A strand for making rugs comprising a filler, and flat strips of different widths wound spirally and in spaced relation about said filler in opposite directions to partly expose said filler.

2. A strand for making rugs comprising a rounded filler or jute, and flat strips of different widths and colors wound spirally in opposite directions and in spaced relation around said filler to partly expose said filler.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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