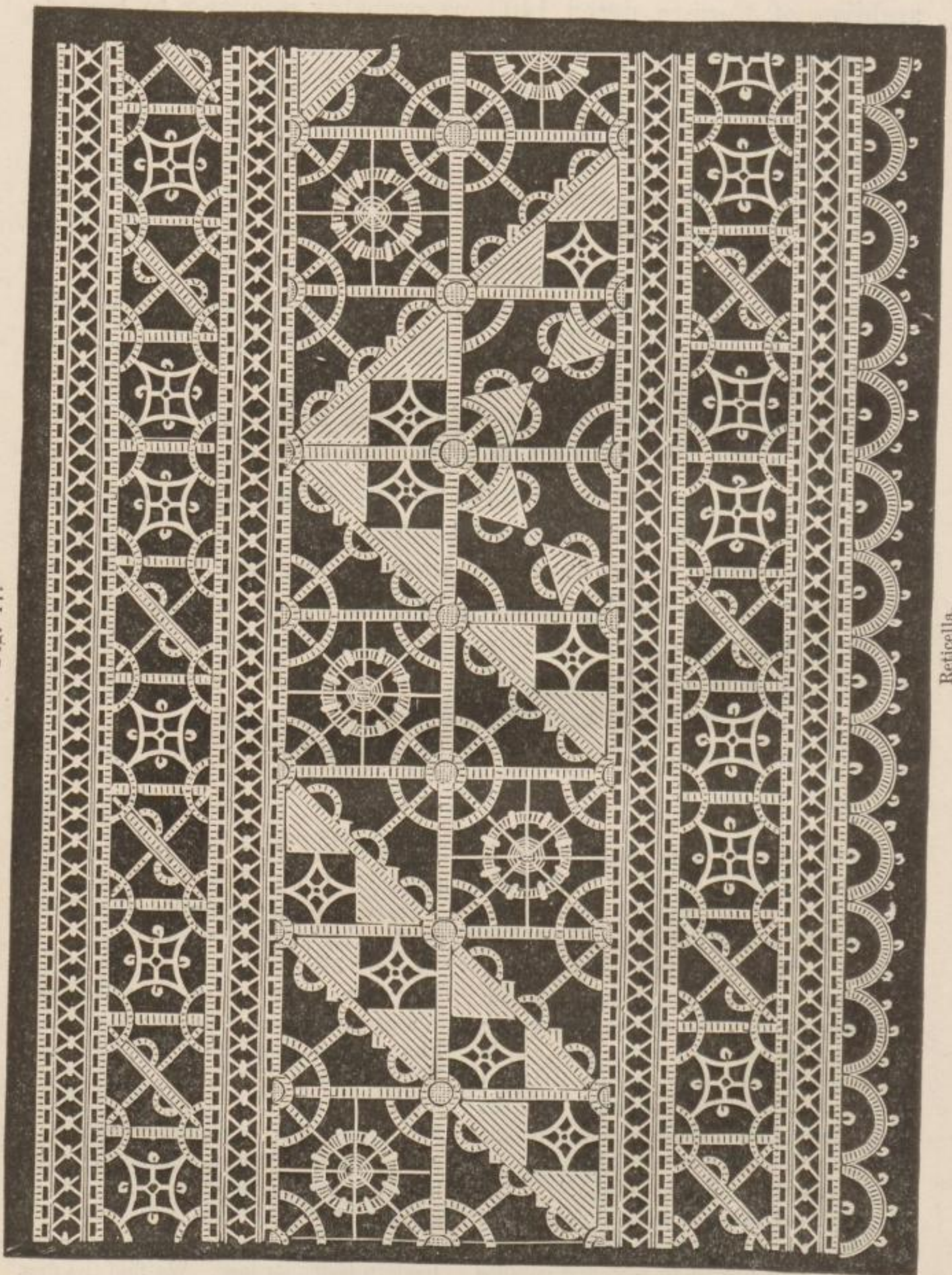


pressly for the service of the church.<sup>8</sup> Venice was celebrated for her point, and Genoa for her pillow lace. The Italian laces best

Fig. 17.



Reticella.

known in the commercial world, in the earlier periods, were those of Venice, Milan, and Genoa.

<sup>8</sup> At present, if you show an Italian a piece of old lace, he will exclaim: "Opera di monache; roba di chiesa."