The twelve squares of lacis, or darned netting, once formed part of an altar cloth or vestment. The net ground was made as are garden or Lace fishing nets of the present day, and the pattern darned upon this résil or rezeuil, from which the modern word réseau, for needle-point or bobbin-made net-ground, is derived. According to an old pattern-book the square mesh net-ground, of which our illustration is a specimen, was made by commencing with a single thread and
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