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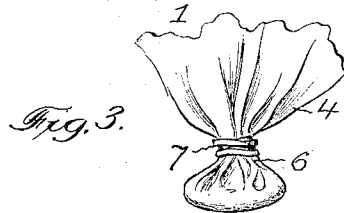
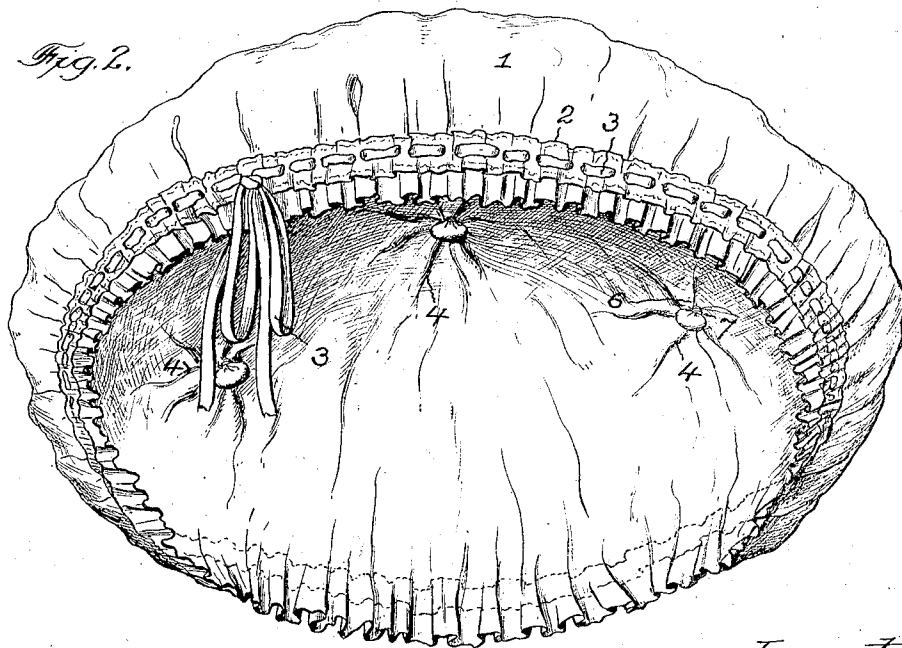
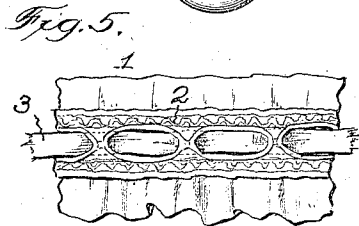
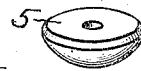


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANNA HANZL, a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of Chicago, in the county of Cook, State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hat-Protectors, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a pliable waterproof protector or covering for ladies' head wear and like uses, and has for its object to provide a simple and efficient structural formation of the protector or covering adapting it to be easily and conveniently adjusted to fit different sizes of head wear with an entire avoidance of any punctures in the material of the protector and the consequent liability to leakage of rain and damage to the head wear, and which is capable of easy application, and of being folded into a compact shape for carriage when not required for use, all as will hereinafter more fully appear.

In the accompanying drawings: Figure 1, is a perspective view of the present waterproof protector or covering in place upon the hat or other headwear of the user. Fig. 2, is an under perspective view of the same, detached, and partly expanded for application to the hat or other article of headwear. Fig. 3, is an enlarged detail elevation of the means employed for effecting a local gathering in the body of the protector, in effecting an adjustment in the size of the same. Fig. 4, is a detail perspective view of the button or core forming part of said gathering means. Fig. 5, is a detail elevation of the gathering means or drawstring at the border or margin of the protector or covering.

Similar reference numerals indicate like parts in the several views.

Referring to the drawings, 1 represents the main body of the present protector or covering, formed from a single approximately circular sheet of light waterproof fabric, preferably rubberized silk.

2 is a narrow band or strip extending around the main body portion 1 adjacent to the margin or border of the same, and secured thereto at its edges in any usual manner to form a pocket for the drawstring or tape hereinafter described. Said band or strip 2, will be arranged on the outer or exposed surface of the main body 1, and is preferably formed of an ornamental fabric as shown.

3 is a drawstring or tape disposed in the

pocket just described and issuing therefrom at one or more points to afford means for shirring or gathering the marginal portion of the main body 1, beneath the rim or lower border of the article of headwear to which it is applied.

A material part of the present invention, in connection with the above described arrangement of parts, comprises means whereby one or a plurality of local gatherings are made in the protector body 1, without any puncturing of the same, and by which gatherings 4 of any desired extent can be produced in accordance with the required reduction in size of the protector, and in this:—5 is a loose button or core around which a local portion of the fabric of the body 1, is pushed to form a neck 6, around which a preferably endless elastic band or cord 7 is wound, to complete the required gathering, and it is quite evident that the extent of such winding and the consequent length of neck produced, will afford a local gathering of any extent ordinarily required. In practical use one of the gatherings 4 will be formed in the center or crown of the protector body 1, and a cluster of said gatherings arranged symmetrically around the above described central gathering; so that with the necks 6 disposed in the interior of the protector a neat and ornamental effect is imparted to the exterior of the same, and such effect may be increased, if so desired, by the use of further ornamentation disposed at the aforesaid series of gatherings, 4.

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

1. In a protector for ladies' headwear and the like, a body portion formed of an approximately circular sheet of light waterproof fabric and provided with a drawstring around its margin, and means for effecting a local gathering in the inner part of said body portion, the same comprising a button or core around which the fabric is pushed, and a cord wound around a neck formed in said fabric beyond said button or core, substantially as set forth.

2. In a protector for ladies' headwear and the like, a body portion formed of an approximately circular sheet of light waterproof fabric and provided with a drawstring around its margin, and means for effecting local gatherings in the inner part

of said body portion, the same comprising a central loose core disposed in a central part of the body portion and a cluster of loose cores disposed around said central core a distance removed from the same, the material of the body portion being pushed around said cores, and cords wound around necks formed in said body material beyond said cores, substantially as set forth.

10 3. A means for forming gatherings in the pliable body portions of protectors for ladies' headwear, the same comprising a

button or core around which a portion of said body portion is pushed and an endless elastic cord wound upon the neck formed in said body portion beyond the button or core, substantially as set forth. 15

Signed at Chicago, Illinois, this 9th day of August, 1912.

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