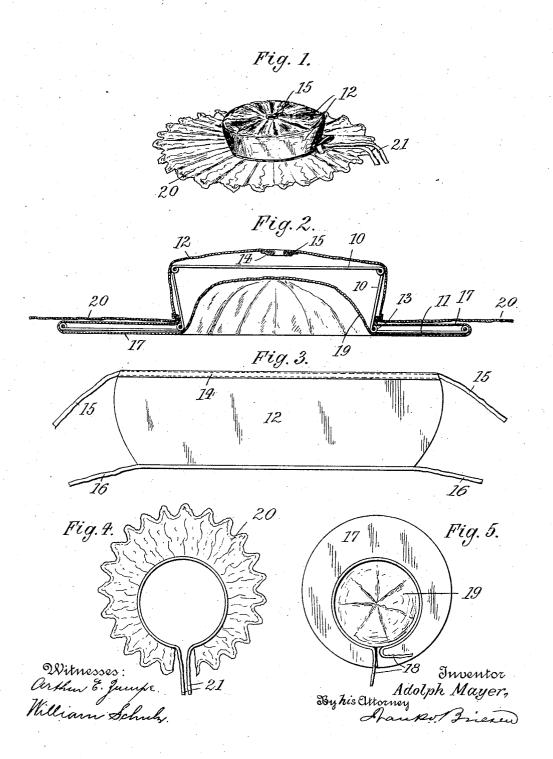
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ADOLPH MAYER, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York city, Manhattan, county and State of 5 New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Hats, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a lady's or child's hat of the kind which is composed of a rigid 10 frame and of a removable washable covering.

The invention comprises an improved construction of the covering, with a view of producing a superior artistic effect and facilitating laundering.

In the accompanying drawing: Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved hat; Fig. 2 a longitudinal central section thereof; Fig. 3 a detail of the crown-covering before being gathered Fig. 4 a detail of the ruffle, and Fig.

20 5 a detail of the rim-covering.

The rigid hat frame is composed of a crown-section 10, and an integral rim-section 11, both preferably made of wire. The crowncovering is composed of a long and narrow 25 textile strip 12, of a length to surround the crown, and of a height equal to about the radial distance from the center of the crown to the periphery thereof, such periphery being represented by the apex of the angle 13 30 formed between crown and rim. At its upper edge, strip 12 is provided with a hem 14, containing a draw-string 15. The lower edge of the strip is provided with a string 16 or equivalent means for securing the strip 35 around the bottom of the crown. The right and left ends of the strip, converge preferably from top to bottom, because more material is required for encircling the top of the crown than for encircling the bottom thereof, 40 the crown being usually made of the tapering form shown.

In use, strip 12 is laid around the crown and secured thereto at its bottom by string At the top the strip is drawn together by means of string 15, which, on being tied, so gathers the strip that it will form a number of folds radiating on top of the crown from the apex thereof toward the periphery, thus producing a rich and pleasing effect.

The rim-covering consists of a radially slitted annular pocket 17 secured in position by strings 18. The pocket is also made of washable material and is integral with the crown-lining 19. Upon the rim and on top ; of pocket 17, is supported an ornamental

crown and may be secured in position by a string 21. This ruffle may obviously be attached either to the crown-covering 12, or to the pocket 17.

When the washable parts are secured in position, the hat frame will be covered completely in a simple and attractive manner. When they are removed, they may be readily laundered, the strip 12 being first straight 65 ened out so as to draw out the folds. I claim:

1. A hat composed of a frame having a crown and a rim, an elongated strip covering the crown, the strip having its ends converg- 70 ing from one edge to the other edge, the longer edge of the strip having a hem, a drawstring disposed within the hem to gather the strip on the top of the crown, the longer edge of the strip and the draw-string cooperating 75 with the former when the former is gathered by the latter to form a series of radially extending folds on top of the crown and also to hold the strip upon the latter, and means for detachably securing the shorter edge of the 80 strip to the frame.

2. A hat composed of a frame having a crown and a rim, an elongated strip covering the crown, the strip having its ends converging from one edge to the other edge, the 85 longer edge of the strip having a hem, a drawstring disposed within the hem to gather the strip on the top of the crown, the longer edge of the strip and the draw-string coöperating when the former is gathered by the latter to 90 form a series of radially extending folds on top of the crown and also to hold the strip upon the latter, means for detachably securing the shorter edge of the strip to the frame, and material detachably secured upon the 95 rim independently of said strip.

3. A hat composed of a frame having a crown and a rim, a strip covering the crown, means whereby the strip may be gathered along one edge and held upon the crown, 100 means for removably securing the other edge of the strip to the frame at the inner edge of the rim, a rim covering embracing the rim and having a portion forming the crown lining, finishing material secured over the upper outer 105 face of the rim covering, and means for removably securing the finishing material upon the frame independently of said strip or said rim covering.

4. A hat composed of a frame having a 110 ruffle 20 that encircles the bottom of the the crown, the strip having a hem along one

longitudinal edge, a draw-string disposed within the hem to gather the strip on the top of the crown and to form a series of radially extending folds on top of the crown, means for detachably securing the opposite longitudinal edge of the strip to the frame, and a finishing material detachably secured over the rim independently of said strip whereby the

strip or finishing material may be removed from the frame independently of each other. 10 Signed by me at New York city, (Manhattan,) N. Y., this 18th day of January, 1907. ADOLPH MAYER.

Witnesses: Wm. R. Schulz, Frank v. Briesen.