

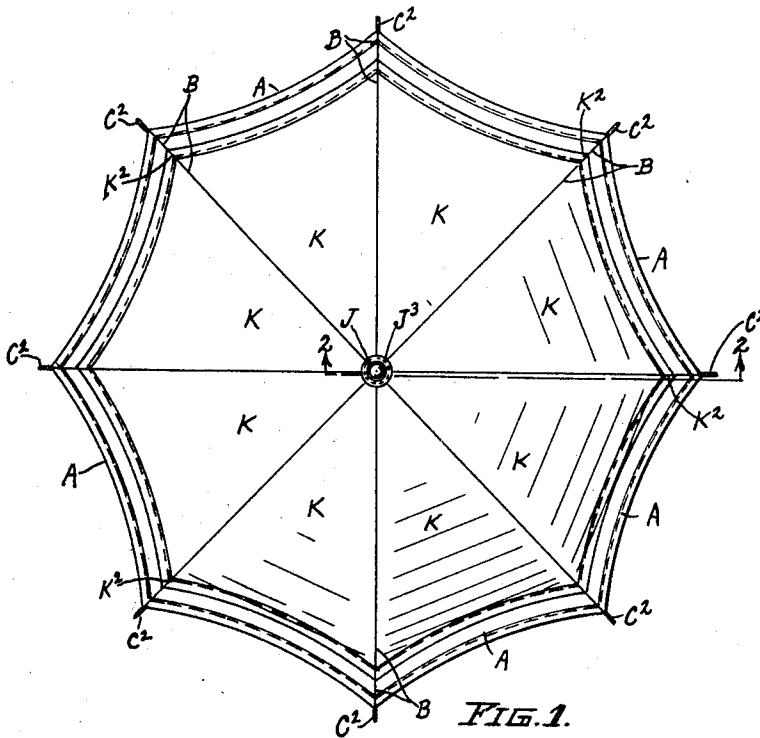
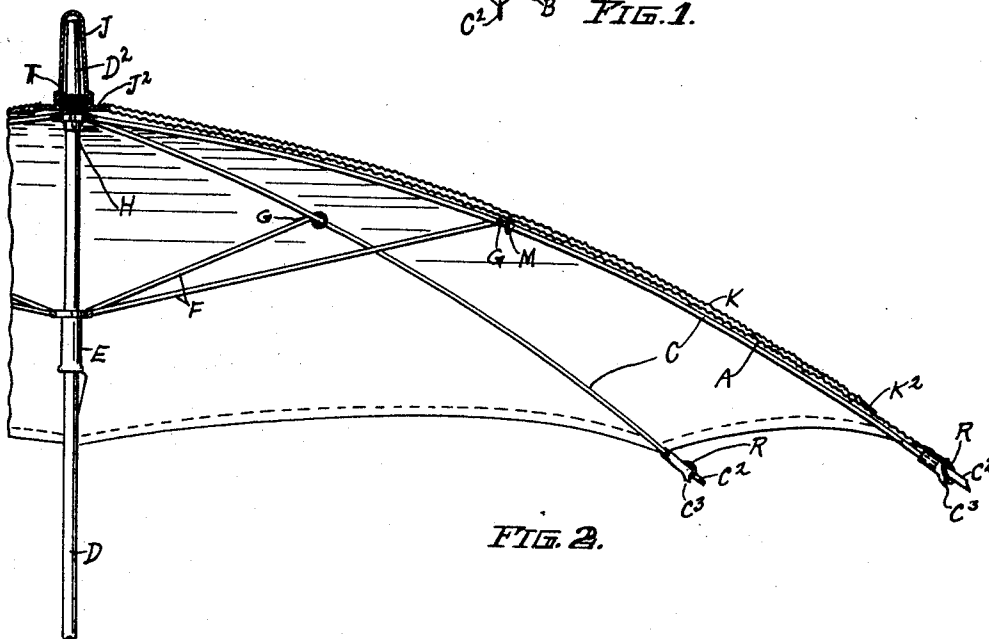
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This invention relates to improvements in umbrellas and parasols and the main object is to provide a simple, detachable and highly attractive as well as useful auxiliary cover as hereinafter fully described and illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which:—

Fig. 1 is a top view of an opened umbrella with my improved cover means in position.

Fig. 2 is an approximately radial cross section of Fig. 1 in enlarged scale, about as on line 2—2 in said latter figure.

Referring to the drawing by reference letters, I have illustrated particularly in Fig. 1 an umbrella, parasol or the like of the type having a cover of six cloth panels A sewed together on the radial lines B, each said seam being normally over one of the umbrella ribs C. There are of course in this instance eight such ribs C but my improvements are not limited to an umbrella of this number of panels only, being equally adaptable to umbrellas of variable designs. D is the usual umbrella stick on which is the regular flanged collar E slidable longitudinally on the stick and pivotally connected to rib-braces F which in turn are also pivoted to the ribs C as at G, thus to open or close the cover frame as the collar E is manipulated. H is the usual fixed upper collar on stick D and in which are pivotally fixed the inner ends of the ribs C, the stick extending beyond said latter collar to provide the usual tip D2 exteriorly of the umbrella cover.

In my improved umbrella means the tip D2 is provided preferably with threads T at its base to receive a correspondingly threaded tip-cap J which is provided with a circular flange J2 at its base part, said flange provided with suitable apertures for sewing or stitching the central part of the cover A thereto as at J3 in Fig. 1.

In my improved umbrella the tips of ribs C are provided each with an elongated preferably ornamental rib-tip C2 suitably retained on the rib end and each tip having a downwardly and outwardly directed shoulder C3. This shoulder is frictionally engaged by a small ring R (Fig. 2) which is attached to the rim of cover A one at each

seam end B. As above described it will now be readily seen that the main cover A is retained centrally on the central cap flange J2 and its perimetral parts are engaged with the rib tips C2 by means of the rings R. Said main cover is thus removable by simply slipping the rings R outwardly and off of the tip members, then unscrewing the cap J and the entire cover is readily slipped off and may be replaced by another cover. The cover A is preferably but not necessarily rain-proof and may be of any suitable color or design, in fact a set of covers of variable colors, or combinations of colors and designs may be available for any umbrella frame of a given size.

K is an auxiliary, preferably ornamental top cover corresponding to the main cover as to general dimensions and construction except that its perimeter is smaller and thus of course spaced inwardly of the main cover edging (see Fig. 1) and furthermore it is preferably secured by light stitches to the main cover preferably at the radial seams B, as at K2.

The central aperture of this cover is also stitched at J3 to the threaded tip J. Just outwardly of each brace joint G, a ring M may be fixed to the inner side of cover A, one such ring provided to engage each rib C. These rings are of the type which may be spread or sprung open to be disengaged from the rib.

It will now be clearly understood that my detachable cover embodies a number of attractive and useful features. The cover A alone may be the only one used for ornamental effect of any suitable material and may be used auxiliary to the usual rain cover of an umbrella (not shown). The auxiliary cover K is optional in combination with cover A, or it may be omitted. A deep colored cover A and a differently colored auxiliary cover K provides for a combination of color and design effects as the user of the umbrella may choose. Pattern material may also be used with striking effect not only attractive to the eye but to match or correspond with colors and patterns of other articles of clothing worn by the user. Thus the adaptability

of my improved umbrella means besides its practical construction and use is apparent.

I claim:

In a detachable umbrella cover for umbrellas having a main stick with radially expandible ribs hinged near its top end and a removable flanged stick-cap for securing said cover at its center and means for removably securing said cover at its perimeter to the free ends of said ribs; said cover means comprising a main cover attachable as described and an auxiliary cover over the main cover and securable to said flange means at its center, the perimeter of said auxiliary cover being inwardly of the perimeter of the main cover and fixed at predetermined points to said main cover, to expose a corresponding area of the main cover outwardly of the perimeter of the auxiliary cover.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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