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Fig. 1.

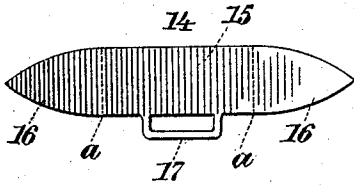


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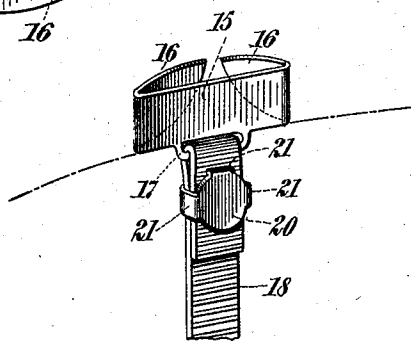


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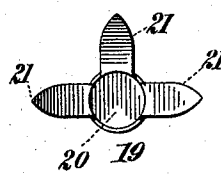


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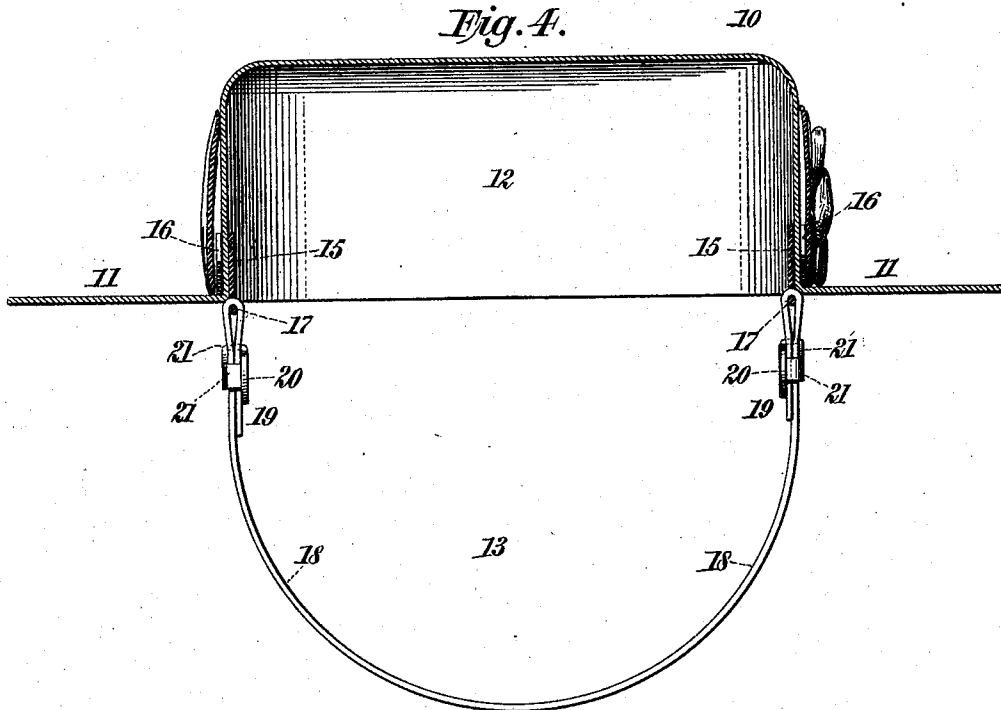
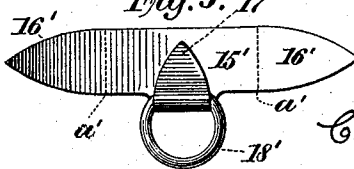


Fig. 5.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SARA F. EGAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hat-Fastenings, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact specification.

My invention relates to improvements in means for fastening hats; and the same has for its object more particularly to provide a simple, inexpensive, and reliable fastening device for women's and children's hats, which device may be easily attached to or removed from a hat without injuring the same.

Further, said invention has for its object to provide a fastening device which will be inconspicuous when attached to a hat and which may be readily adjusted to suit different styles of hats or to compensate for the stretching of the flexible portion of the fastening.

To the attainment of the foregoing objects and ends the invention consists in the novel details of construction and in the combination, connection, and arrangement of parts hereinafter more fully described and then pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, wherein like numerals of reference indicate like parts, Figure 1 is a face or side view of an attaching member forming a part of a fastening made according to and embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the same, showing the ends or prongs thereof bent over and one end of a flexible or elastic section secured thereto. Fig. 3 is a detail face view of one of the securing devices for securing the ends of a flexible or elastic section to said attaching members. Fig. 4 is a central transverse section of a hat with a fastening embodying my invention applied thereto, and Fig. 5 is a face or side view illustrating a modified form of attaching member.

In the said drawings, 10 designates a hat of usual construction comprising a crown 11 and brim 12. 13 denotes my fastening, comprising a plurality of attaching members 14, each consisting of a flat strip or plate of metal 15, terminating at its opposite ends in prongs 16 16, adapted to be bent over on the lines *a a*. From the lower edge of said strip 15 depends a longitudinal projection having a slot therein and forming a loop 17, which is

made integral with said strip or plate 15. 18 denotes an adjustable band, made of elastic or other suitable flexible material, having its ends passed through the loops 17 17 of the fastener 14 and the turned-over ends of said band 18 secured to the main portion thereof by means of securing devices 19, consisting of a circular head 20, having a plurality of prongs 21 extending outwardly therefrom. By preference I pass the upper or vertical prong 21 through both the band 18 and its folded end and then bend over the horizontal or side prongs to embrace the opposite edges of said band and its folded end.

In the modification illustrated the attaching member consists of a metal strip or plate 15', terminating at its opposite ends in prongs 16' 16', adapted to be bent over on the dotted lines *a' a'* and having a prong 17' depending from its lower edge, at the center thereof, which prong 17' is bent upward and confines the flattened portion of a ring 18'.

The operation of the device is obvious. It is to be particularly noted that in my improved construction the main portion of the fastener—viz., the attaching member consisting of the strip or plate 15 and its securing-prongs 16 16—is wholly concealed within the hat and has only the loop portions 17 17 projecting below the lower edge of the crown and brim.

Without limiting myself to the precise details of construction, which may be varied within the scope of the invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A hat-fastening comprising a plurality of attaching members each consisting of a metal plate having attaching-prongs extending from its opposite ends, and an oblong eye arranged longitudinally of and adjacent to one of its edges, and a flexible connection or band having its ends secured in the oblong eyes of said attaching members, substantially as specified.

2. A hat-fastening comprising a plurality of attaching members each consisting of a metal plate having attaching-prongs extending from its opposite ends, and a longitudinal projection extending outwardly from one of its horizontal edges provided with a slot parallel to the longitudinal axis of said metal plate, and a flexible connection or band having its ends secured to said slotted longitudinal projection, substantially as specified.

3. A hat-fastening comprising a plurality
of attaching members each consisting of a
metal plate having foldable attaching-prongs
at the opposite ends thereof formed integral
5 with said plate, and a longitudinal projecting
portion depending from the lower edge of
said plate provided with a longitudinal slot
arranged parallel to the longitudinal axis of
said plate, and an adjustable flexible connec-
10 tion or band having its ends secured to said

slotted projecting portion depending from
the plate aforesaid, substantially as specified.

Signed at the city of New York, in the
county and State of New York, this 7th day
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