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Fig. 1.

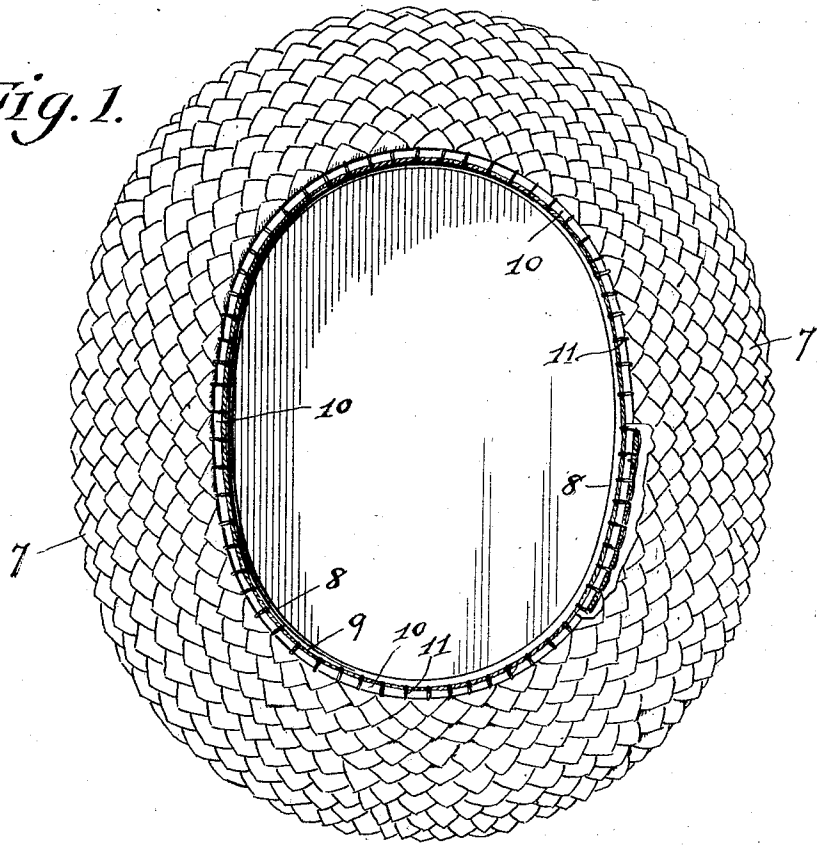
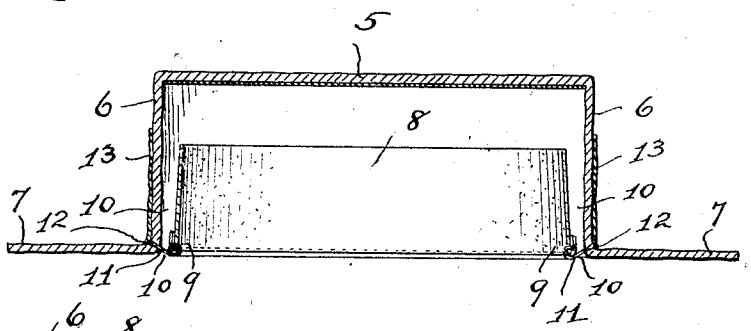


Fig. 2.



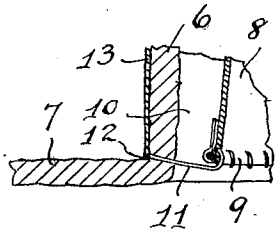


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that HERBERT L. MOSES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, has invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hats, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has reference to improvements in hats and is particularly directed to an improved attachment for connecting the sweat-band to the hat.

The object of the invention is to directly connect the sweat-band itself to the hat by stitching in such manner that the stitching will sustain the sweat-band in a floating condition and spaced from the interior wall of the hat-crown whereby the hat will readily conform to any irregularities of the head and at the same time provide ventilating passages between the crown and sweat-band without the expense of a separate ventilating element and the cost of effecting its attachment.

I am aware that it has heretofore been proposed to provide a conformator attachment for hats which conformator is interposed between the sweat-band and the crown wall of the hat. Such a structure is illustrated in U. S. Patent 1,362,343 granted to me.

My present invention however differs from that of my patented device in that I have devised a way to attach the sweat-band through the aid of machine stitching that enables me to omit the interposed conformator of my prior patent and to sustain the sweat-band itself in a floating condition by suspending it by the stitching.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing, wherein,—

Fig. 1. shows the bottom or under side of a hat with the sweat-band attached in accordance with my present invention,—a portion of the hat-brim being broken away at one side to show the continuous character of the suspension stitches.

Fig. 2 illustrates the hat in cross-section, and

Fig. 3. shows an enlarged sectional detail through a portion of the crown and brim and the spaced sweat-band together with the suspension stitching.

Referring to the drawing, the numeral 5, designates the top of the hat crown; 6 the curved side wall of the same and 7 designates the brim of the hat.

In this instance the hat shown is presumed to be a straw hat and the brim extends at right angles from the base of the crown-wall. It is to be understood however that the invention may readily be applied to hats of materials other than straw in which sweat-bands are employed.

The sweat-band 8, which is usually of leather may have its lower edge 9, finished off in any desired manner to present a neat and pleasing appearance but this has nothing to do with the present invention.

In carrying out my invention I form the sweat-band so that it will extend all the way around the interior of the hat crown but of a sufficiently smaller diameter to provide an annular space 10, all the way around the lower edge 9 of the sweat-band and between said edge and the interior side of the crown-wall. The lower edge 9 therefore of the sweat-band has no contact whatever with the crown-wall.

Having produced the sweat-band of the desired size for the hat, I make use of a special sewing-machine, and I proceed to stitch the sweat-band directly to the crown. These stitches 11, are taken through the base of the crown at the bend 12 on the exterior of the hat between the crown-wall 6 and the brim 7 and said sewing-machine stitches cross the space 10 and pass through the lower edge 9 of the sweat-band itself as clearly shown in Figs. 2 and 3 of the drawing. The stitches are uniformly spaced all the way around the crown and thus provide ventilation openings up through the annular space 10 between the sweat-band and the crown-wall.

It will thus be understood that the sweat-band is supported in an upright position within the crown-wall by the series of sewing-machine stitches 11 taken through the lower edge of said band and the latter is therefore held in a floating condition within the crown directly by said stitches.

The usual ornamental ribbon band 13 is provided on the exterior of the crown-wall and this latter band serves to conceal the stitches in the bend 12.

Having described my invention, I claim,—

A hat having a crown and a brim extending laterally from the crown and forming an

exterior bend around the hat at the junction of the brim with the crown, a sweat-band in the crown and of a size to provide an annular space between itself and the crown and sewing stitches passing directly through the lower edge of the sweat-band itself and extending across the said space between said sweat-band's lower edge and the crown-wall said sewing stitches also passing through the bend between the crown-wall and brim and holding the said sweat-band by its lower edge in a floating condition within the hat-crown.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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