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 Childrens' Hats.

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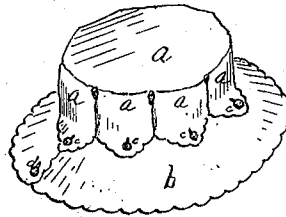


Fig 1

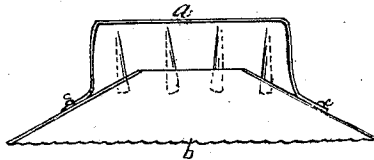


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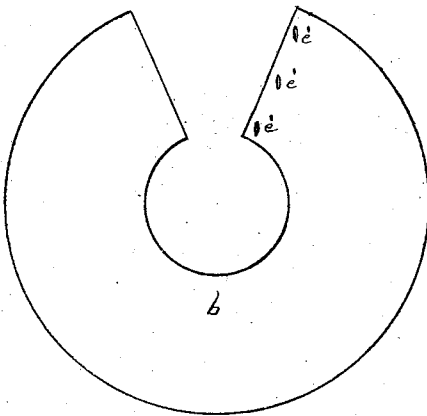


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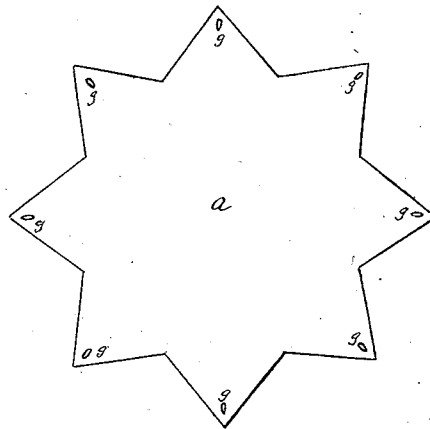


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IMPROVEMENT IN CHILDREN'S HATS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SERENO BRAINARD PRATT, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain Improvements in Children's Hats, of which the following is a specification:

My invention relates to a child's hat the crown of which is detachable from the rim, and the rim itself of which is not sewed or permanently fastened, so that both the crown and rim may be easily washed and put together again without injury to the hat.

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 is a sketch of an untrimmed hat when ready for use. Fig. 2 is a sectional view of the same. Fig. 3 is a view of the rim when spread out and detached from the crown. Fig. 4 is a similar view of the crown.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

a is the crown. *b* is the rim. *c c* are the buttons, and *g* the button-holes attaching the rim and crown. *c'* are button-holes in the rim. *d* is a button in the rim.

In practical operation, when the hat becomes soiled remove the crown, rip out any stitches there may be in it, and it is ready to be washed like any article of clothing. To wash the rim all that is needed is to unbutton it and it is ready. Any trimming there is upon the hat may be removed while it is being cleansed.

The hat may be made of almost any material (some kind of stiff or firm material being preferable) which is an article of convenience and economy.

It is not unhealthy, the openings between the rim and crown affording good ventilation.

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

The combination and arrangement of the crown *a* and rim *b*, constructed, united, and detachable from each other, substantially as and for the purposes hereinbefore set forth.

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