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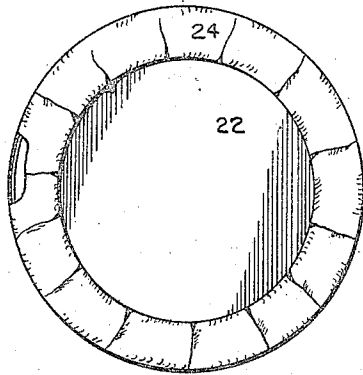


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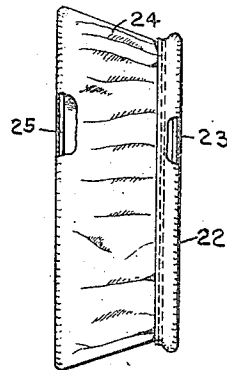


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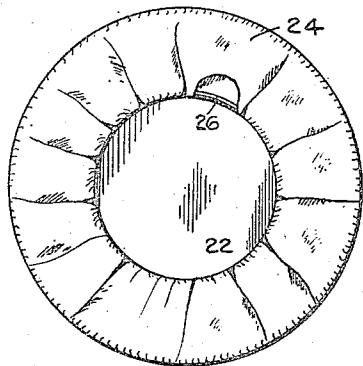


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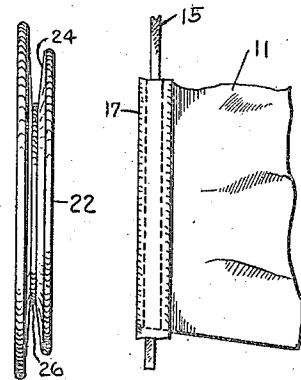


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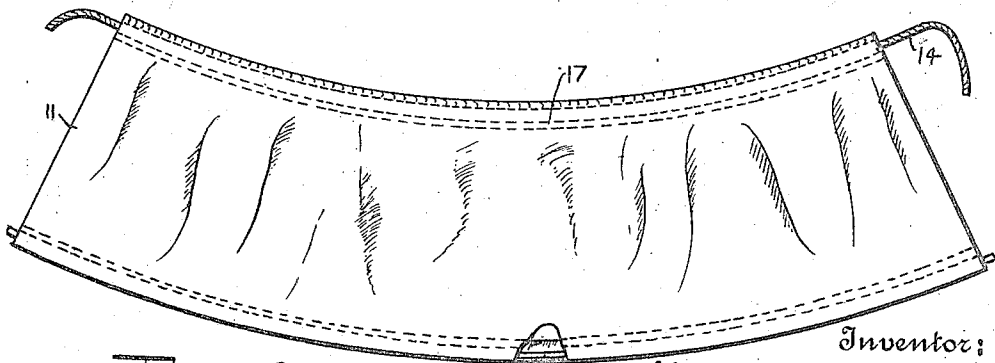


Fig. 6

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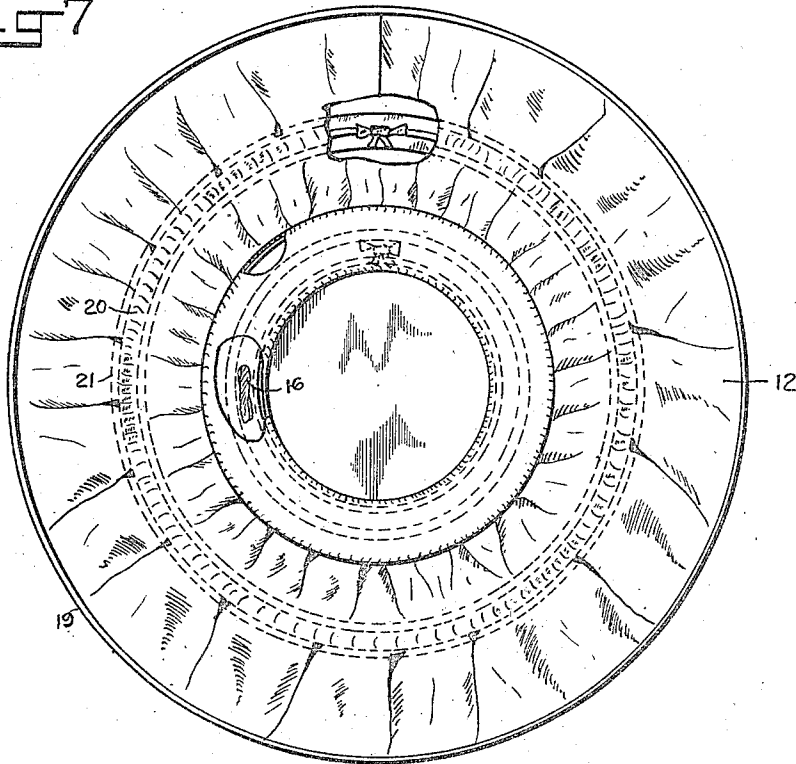


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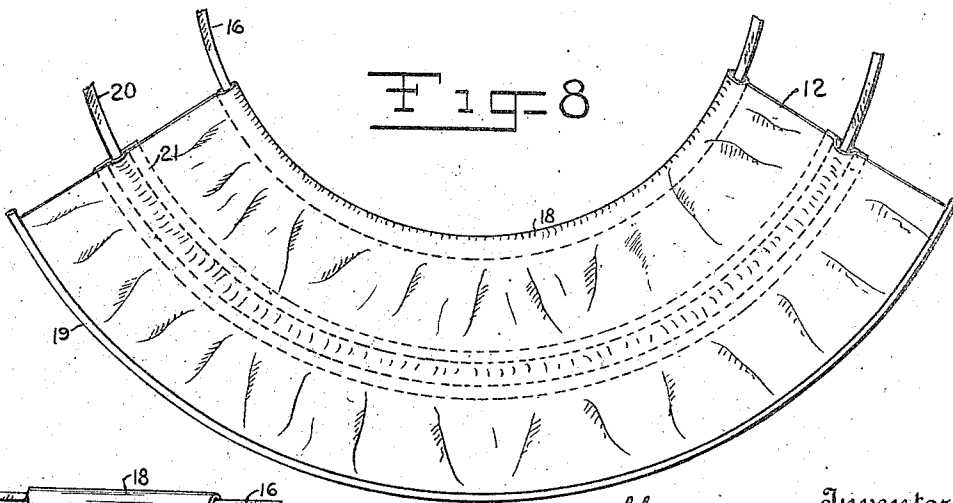
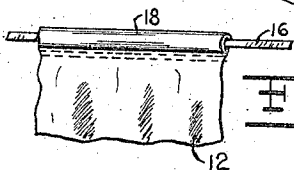


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, KATHERINE KURTZ, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the borough of Brooklyn, in the city and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hat-Linings, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to hat linings, and has for some of its principal objects to provide a lining which it is unnecessary to remove in order to gain access to the inside of the hat for retrimming or any other purpose; and which may, if desired, when used with a large hat, be adjusted to support the same at any desired height on the head of the wearer.

The invention consists in the novel construction, arrangement and combination of various devices, elements and parts, as shown in the accompanying drawings and hereinafter described.

In the said drawings, Figure 1 is a bottom view of what is known as a tip, ready for insertion into a hat; Fig. 2 is a side view of the same, the rubber band which normally holds the tip in place being removed; Fig. 3 is a view similar to Fig. 1, but showing a slight modification; Fig. 4 is a side view of Fig. 3 analogous to Fig. 2, but showing the rubber band in place; Fig. 5 is a view of a portion of the side crown or main portion of the lining which engages with the tip; Fig. 6 is a view of the side crown entire, as it appears before being secured in a hat; Fig. 7 is a view of my lining as it appears when in place, looking upward into a hat, showing a modified form of crown; Fig. 8 shows the said modified form of crown before being secured in a hat; and Fig. 9 is a view similar to Fig. 5, but showing a slight modification.

In carrying my invention into effect in the embodiments thereof which I have selected for illustration in the accompanying drawings and description in this specification, I provide a side crown or main lining portion such as that designated 11 in Figs. 5 and 6 or 12 in Figs. 7, 8, and 9; which side crown may if desired be provided with a wire, as shown at 13 in Fig. 6, or 19 in Figs. 7 and 8, running the length of the lower side thereof.

The upper portion of the side crown 11 or 12 is provided with a drawstring, such as shown at 14 in Fig. 6, or with a tape such as

shown at 15 in Fig. 5 or 16 in Figs. 7, 8, and 9. The cord or tape may be held in position by means of a tape 17 (see Figs. 5 and 6) secured to the lining by a line of stitches on each side of the draw string or tape, or by merely turning over the upper side of the side crown, and stitching it to itself, as shown at 18 in Figs. 8 and 9. A drawstring or tape 20 may be provided if desired, running longitudinally and centrally of the side crown, as shown in Figs. 7 and 8, which cord or tape may be held in position by a second tape 21, secured to the side crown by a row of stitches on each side of the cord or tape 20.

The tip used in combination with this side crown comprises a central approximately circular piece of fabric 22, held in shape by a wire 23 encircling the same (see Fig. 2). Sewed to the periphery of the piece 22 are both sides of an endless strip of fabric 24, which forms an annular dependent portion secured around the periphery of the piece of fabric 22 (see Fig. 2). This tube contains, as shown in Fig. 2, a ring of wire 25 which helps to hold the parts in position. A rubber band 26 (see Figs. 3 and 4) is slipped around the outside of the tube formed by the fabric 24, causing the tip to assume the form shown in Figs. 1, 3, and 4. The tip shown in Fig. 3 differs from that shown in Fig. 1, by being provided with a wider strip 24. In use, my side crown is secured by its lower edge to the lower part of the inside of a hat crown; and even though it be permanently stitched in place, the inside of the hat is still readily accessible for retrimming or any other purpose. When it is desired to complete the lining, the free edge of the side crown is brought into the groove formed in the fabric ring 24 by the rubber band 26, and the drawstring or tape tightened to any desired extent. In the case of a large hat, the set upon the head may be regulated by drawing the cord tighter or looser as desired, and the adjustment may be changed from time to time, to fit different modes of wearing the hair, or for any other reason. For such a large hat, the tip shown in Fig. 3 is preferable, on account of the greater latitude of adjustment permitted by the wider strip 24.

The drawstring 20 is also used to reduce the size of the lining, and alter the set of the hat on the head, in a manner which will be obvious. If desired, a small mirror may

be placed in the tip, by removing the rubber band 26, placing the mirror face outward on the fabric 22, and replacing the rubber band 26 over the mirror. In this position the mirror is held merely by its edges, and not by stitches or other means across the face thereof, as is believed to have always been the case hitherto in mirrors sewed into hats. If a mirror is used, the wire 23 may be dispensed with if desired.

The advantages of my invention will be obvious from what has been above set forth concerning its construction and mode of use. I do not limit myself to the exact form described, as it will be evident that various modifications, such as will suggest themselves to those skilled in the art to which this invention appertains, as, for instance, the substitution of elastic means for any of the drawstrings or tapes described, might be made without departing from the spirit and scope thereof.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is as follows:

1. In a hat lining, the combination with a side crown provided with securing means adjacent one edge, and second securing means running centrally and longitudinally of said side crown; of a tip comprising a central portion, and an annular lateral portion adapted to be engaged by the portion of said side crown adjacent said first named securing means.

2. In a hat lining, the combination with a side crown provided with a securing means, said securing means being secured on said side crown by means of a strip of fabric stitched to said side crown on each side of said securing means; of a tip comprising a central portion, and an annular lateral portion adapted to be engaged by the portion of said side crown adjacent said securing means.

3. In a hat lining, the combination with a side crown provided with securing means; of a tip comprising a central portion, reinforcing means surrounding said central portion, and an annular lateral portion adapted to be engaged by the portion of said side crown adjacent said securing means.

4. In a hat lining, the combination with a side crown provided with securing means; of a tip comprising a central portion, a mirror adapted to rest on said central portion, and an annular lateral portion adapted to

be engaged by the portion of said side crown adjacent said securing means.

5. In a hat lining, the combination with a side crown provided with securing means; of a tip comprising a central portion, and an annular lateral portion adapted to be engaged by the portion of said side crown adjacent said securing means; said lateral member comprising a strip of fabric secured by both edges to said central member so as to form an annular tube, reinforcing means located within said annular tube, and an elastic member adapted to surround said annular tube centrally and longitudinally.

6. In a hat lining, the combination with a side crown provided with securing means; of a tip comprising a central portion, and an annular lateral portion adapted to be engaged by the portion of said side crown adjacent said securing means; said lateral member comprising a strip of fabric secured by both edges to said central member, so as to form an annular tube, and reinforcing means located within said annular tube.

7. In a hat lining, the combination with a side crown provided with securing means; of a tip comprising a central portion, reinforcing means surrounding said central portion, a strip of fabric secured by both edges to said central portion adjacent said reinforcing means so as to form an annular tube, reinforcing means located within said annular tube, and an elastic member surrounding said annular tube centrally and longitudinally between said two reinforcing means.

8. In a hat lining, the combination with a side crown provided with securing means; of a tip comprising a central portion, and an annular lateral portion adapted to be engaged by the portion of said side crown adjacent said securing means; said lateral member comprising a strip of fabric secured by both edges to said central member so as to form an annular tube, reinforcing means located within said annular tube, and a securing member adapted to surround said annular tube centrally and longitudinally.

9. A tip for hat linings comprising a central portion, an annular lateral portion adapted to be engaged by a drawstring or the like, and reinforcing means secured to said annular lateral portion.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name this 23rd day of April, 1917.

KATHERINE KURTZ.