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Fig. 1.

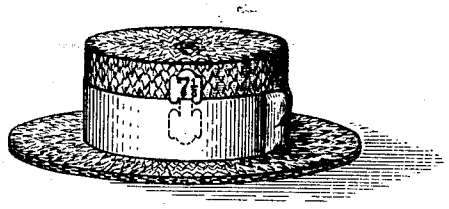


Fig. 2.

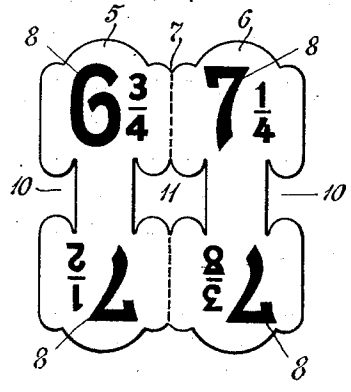
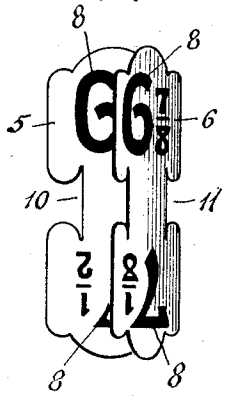


Fig. 3.



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The present invention relates to hat markers of the type used in retail stores for temporarily marking the sizes on men's hats displayed for sale, and has for an object to provide an improved marker of this character.

Hat markers as most commonly used are made in sets including separate markers for the several different sizes. There is a greater demand for hats of certain sizes and the dealer, who, apparently, has a large stock of markers on hand will find frequently that his supply of markers for some sizes has been exhausted. Furthermore, the practice of supplying separate markers for different sizes is unsatisfactory from the point of view of the manufacturer for the reason that it results in small orders for markers of assorted sizes.

The present invention provides markers of such design that each marker can be used for any of the several different sizes. The invention results, therefore, in establishing a system such that the hat dealers will order a relatively large number of standard markers instead of ordering assorted markers in small lots.

The nature and objects of the invention will be better understood from a description of a particular illustrative embodiment thereof for the purpose of which description reference should be had to the accompanying drawing forming a part hereof and in which;—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a hat showing, applied thereto, a marker constructed in accordance with the invention.

Figure 2 is a view of the marker unfolded showing a suitable arrangement of size marks on one side thereof.

Figure 3 is a perspective view of the marker partly folded.

The marker to be more particularly described for the purpose of illustrating the invention is designed to be used for marking hats of all sizes within a predetermined range. It consists of a blank on which the several size marks are so arranged that any desired mark can be left exposed to view when the marker is applied to a hat as by inserting it between the hatband and the body of the hat. The blank conveniently may comprise a plurality of sections foldable together to conceal a part of the marks, the marks not concealed by folding being so arranged that all but one may be concealed by the hatband or by their position against the body of the hat. The number of sections will depend upon the number of size marks that it is desired to apply to each marker. The size marker particularly shown in the drawing consists of two parallel sections 5 and 6 foldable in either direction on the line 7, the marker being suitably scored or perforated along this line to facilitate folding. Each section bears at each end of each side a size mark as indicated at 8, the marks being so positioned as to be readable in upright position when the body of the marker is inserted between the hatband with one size mark only projecting thereabove. This arrangement provides a marker having eight size marks which is sufficient to cover the range usually required in practice.

It is also a feature of the marker shown that it is so formed that it is not easily pushed down behind the hatband to conceal the desired mark, nor is it otherwise easily displaced. As shown in the drawing the sides and center of the blank are cut away as indicated at 10 and 11 to form, in the folded marker, a relatively narrow shank and relatively wide mark bearing portions. Preferably short longitudinally extending projections 12 are formed for engagement with the hatband to determine the position of the marker and to prevent displacement thereof as best indicated in Fig. 1.

The foregoing description of a particular embodiment of the invention is illustrative merely and is not intended as defining the limits of the invention.

I claim:

1. A hat marker of the character described comprising a blank having parallel sections each having a size mark at each end of each side thereof, said sections being foldable alternatively to expose the marks on either side of either section.

2. A hat marker of the character described comprising in combination a blank arranged to be folded alternatively to expose selected size marks, said marker when folded comprising a relatively narrow shank and a relatively wide mark bearing portion having projections on either side of said

shank engageable with a hatband to determine the position of said marker when applied to a hat.

3. A hat marker of the character described comprising a blank having parallel sections, each section having a size mark at each end, said sections being foldable alternatively to expose any mark, said marker having projections extending laterally thereof to limit the position of the marker when inserted between the hatband and the body of the hat.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification this 10th day of May, 1926.

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