

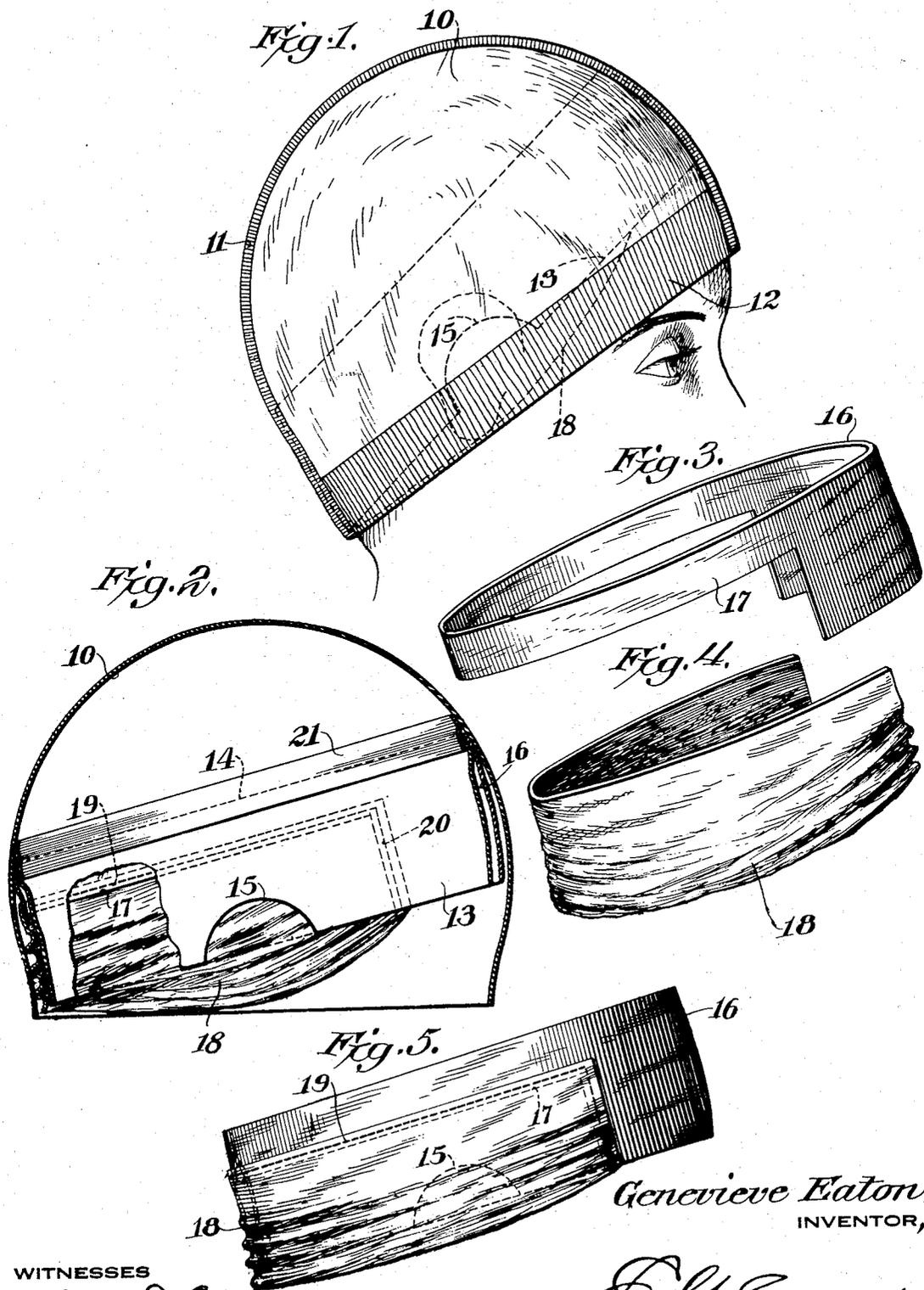
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GENEVIEVE EATON, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Bathing Cap, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to bathing caps, and its object is to provide a device of this kind which will completely protect the hair, and more effectively prevent any moisture from reaching the same than is possible with the caps heretofore used.

The invention consists in providing a cap having an elastic outer covering similar to those now in use, and having a supplemental elastic band secured inside its lower portion at an oblique angle to the lower edge thereof and vulcanized thereto. In its preferred form, the invention also includes an elastic strip secured between the outer covering and the supplemental band, and having a strip of chamois secured thereto in a position to cover the ears and lower part of the hair, and held between the marginal edges of the outer covering and supplemental band, so as to absorb whatever moisture may tend to penetrate therebetween, so that the inner band and the hair and ears of the wearer are kept perfectly dry.

The invention will be more specifically described in connection with the accompanying drawing, which illustrates the invention in its preferred form.

In the drawing:

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a bathing cap, constructed according to my invention.

Figure 2 is a vertical longitudinal section thereof, showing the several thicknesses separated for the sake of clearness.

Figure 3 is a perspective view of the intermediate band detached.

Figure 4 is a perspective view of the chamois detached.

Figure 5 is a perspective view of the chamois and intermediate strip assembled, with the inner band shown in dotted lines.

Referring more specifically to the drawing, the outer layer or covering 10 is composed of elastic rubber adapted to be stretched over the head, and having a central longitudinal reinforcing binding 11, and a marginal reinforcing banding 12, also of rubber. The inner band 13 is also of elastic rubber, and secured at an oblique angle to the outer covering along the dotted line

14, and provided with cut out portions 15 adapted to fit behind the ears. Another elastic strip 16 is secured between the outer covering 10 and the inner band 13, with its upper edge adjacent the edge 14 of the inner band. The strip 16 has its front portion of about the same width as the inner band, but throughout the greater portion of its circumference it consists of a narrow strip 17. A comparatively broad rectangular strip of chamois 18 is joined at its upper edge to the strip 17 by stitching 19 and is gathered at its ends, and there stitched to the end portions of the broad front part of the band 16, as shown at 20.

The supplemental inner band 13 and the elastic strip 16 are secured to the outer covering 10 along the line 14, preferably by vulcanizing, and are bound by a strip of fabric 21. The tape is, however, non-essential.

In using the cap, the supplemental band 13 is stretched around the head with the cut out portions 15 fitting behind the ears, while the front portion of the outer covering 10, which projects beyond the lower edge of the band 13, extends downwardly over the forehead, and the chamois is drawn tightly around the back portion of the head and completely covers the hair and ears. The outer covering, as well as the strips 13 and 16, are stretched around the head, and whatever water passes underneath the rear part of the outer covering will be absorbed by the chamois, and the inner band 13, as well as the hair, will be kept perfectly dry.

While I have shown the specific arrangement of the elastic strips and chamois with respect to the outer covering, it is to be understood that this is merely illustrative, and that modifications may be made therein as well as in the size, shape and proportion of the various parts without sacrificing any of the salient features of the invention as expressed in the claims.

What is claimed is:

1. A bathing cap having its lower portion formed with two strips of elastic material, the outer strip normally extending below the lower edge of the inner strip, and a strip of chamois secured between the two elastic strips and normally extending below the free edge of the inner one but terminating short of the free edge of the outer one.
2. A bathing cap having an outer elastic rubber covering, a supplemental inner band

of elastic rubber vulcanized at its upper edge to the covering and having a free lower edge, and a strip of chamois secured between the inner band and outer covering and
5 normally extending below the free edge of the band but terminating short of the lower edge of the covering.

3. A bathing cap having an outer elastic rubber covering, a supplemental inner band
10 of elastic rubber extending obliquely with reference to the lower edge of the outer covering and vulcanized at its upper edge to the covering, and a strip of chamois secured between the band and outer covering
15 and normally extending below the free edge of the band but terminating short of the marginal edge of the covering.

4. A bathing cap having an outer elastic covering, a supplemental inner band and an
20 intermediate band, both of elastic rubber

and vulcanized at their upper edges to the outer covering, said intermediate band having a broad front portion to extend over the forehead, and a strip of chamois stitched to
its rear portion.

5. A bathing cap having an outer covering of elastic rubber, a supplemental inner band and an intermediate band, both of elastic rubber and vulcanized at their upper
edges to the outer covering along a line
30 which extends obliquely upwardly from back to front, said intermediate band having a broad front portion to extend over the forehead, and a narrow rear portion and
a strip of chamois secured at its upper edge
35 to said narrow portion.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature.

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