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Fig. 1.

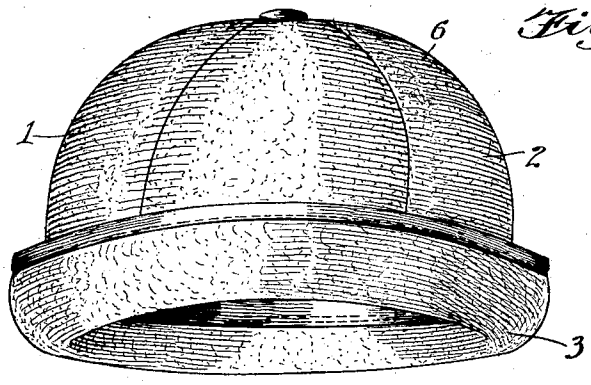
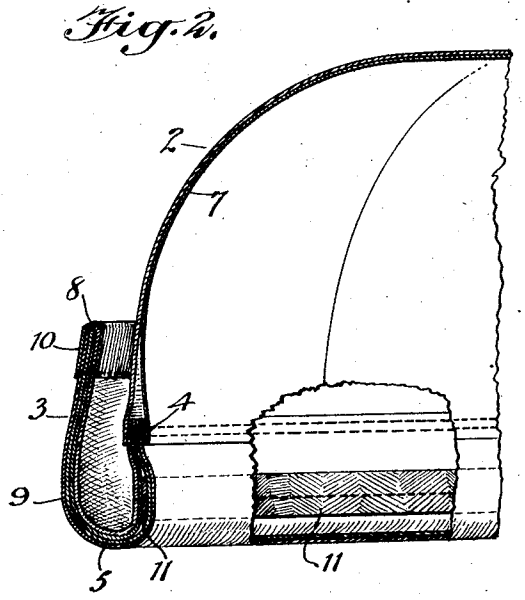


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL AVIN, a citizen of Russia, and a resident of Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, United States of America, have invented a new and Improved Hat, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to hats for children, and has for an object to produce a hat with greater flexibility in the portion thereof fitting about the head of the wearer, whereby the hat will conform more readily to the shape of the head and will prevent binding.

Another object in view is to form the portion of the hat which fits about the head of the wearer, as an integral part of the brim, and thus remove from the foldable line of the brim the comparatively inflexible seam joining the brim to the crown.

Still another object in view is to provide a resilient band defining the foldable line of the brim and imparting fullness and flexibility thereto and providing means whereby the lower portion of the hat is expansible within limits embracing several sizes of the ordinary type of hat.

The invention is shown in the drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a view in elevation of a hat embodying the present invention; and

Figure 2 is a vertical sectional view of a portion of the hat.

Referring to the drawings illustrating the invention, 1 indicates a child's hat comprising a crown 2 and a brim 3 united by a seam 4 removed from the foldable line 5 of the brim. The upper portion of the crown 2 may be formed of segmental sections 6 and provided with a lining 7. The portion of the crown however, which fits about the head of the wearer, between the seam 4 and the foldable line 5 of the brim, instead of being formed as an integral part of the crown 2, is formed as a continuation of and as an integral part of the brim 3, thus eliminating the comparatively inflexible seam joining the crown to the brim at the foldable line, 5.

The brim 3 may be formed of one piece foldable on itself at 8, and if desired, may have a lining 9, likewise foldable on itself at 8, secured by the binding 10. The free edges of the brim 3 and the lining 9 are secured by the seam 4 to the crown 2. Between the folds of the lining 9, and secured to the outer fold thereof and of the brim 3 is a resilient band 11 positioned adjacent to and defining the foldable line 5 of the brim. This band is stretched slightly while being stitched between the said folds so that upon contracting it imparts a fullness to the foldable line and contracts the portion of the brim between the seam 4 and the foldable line, whereby the hat is caused to conform more readily to the shape of the head of the wearer and is expansible between certain limits whereby it embraces several sizes of the usual type of hat.

It will be understood that by constructing a hat in this manner the foldable edge 5 is without a seam and is therefore more resilient and flexible and will not bind the head as one which has an inflexible seam at the foldable line. The band 11 furthermore renders the lower portion of the hat expansible.

Having thus described my invention, I now claim:

1. A seamed hat comprising a crown and a brim, the said crown comprising a dome-shaped portion and an annular portion fitting about the head of the wearer, the said portions being united by an annular seam above that part of the hat which contacts with the head of the wearer, the said annular portion being formed integral with the said brim, and being provided with means operating to contract itself and to provide a fullness in the portion of the brim adjacent the crown.

2. A seamed hat comprising a crown and a brim, the said crown comprising a dome-shaped portion and an annular portion fitting about the head of the wearer, the said portions being united by an annular seam, the said annular portion being formed integral with said brim, and being provided with an elastic band substantially below the seam operating to contract itself and to provide a fullness in the portion of the brim adjacent the crown.

3. A hat comprising a crown and a rim, the latter having inner and outer portions upturned from a lower fold and the inner

portion being stitched at its upper edge to the lower edge of the crown and said inner portion of the rim extending substantially below the stitching and an elastic in the inner portion of the rim between the lower fold and the stitching and operating to slightly constrict the inner portion of the rim whereby the hat will adapt itself within certain ranges to different sizes of heads, the outer portion of the rim projecting upwardly to a point above the stitching, substantially as set forth.

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