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Fig. 1.

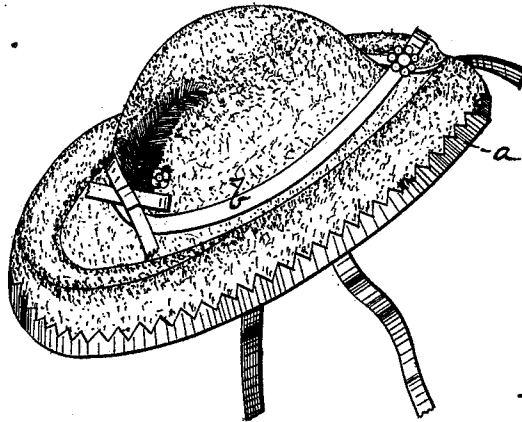


Fig. 3.

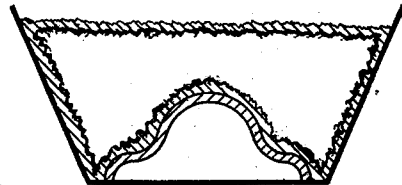
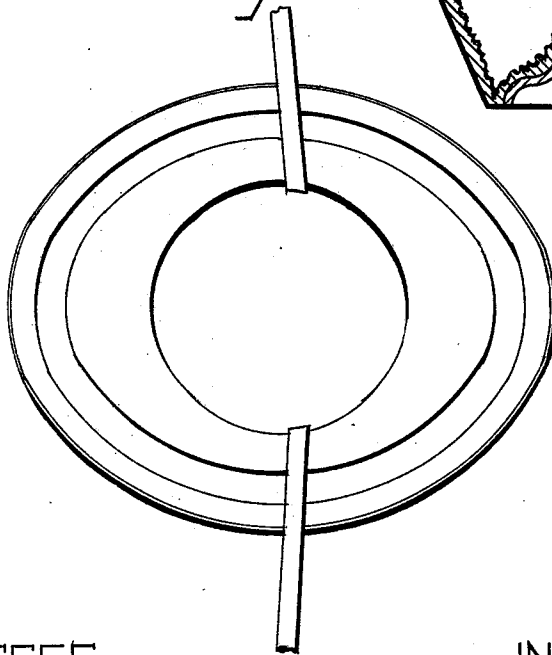


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN CANDY TOYS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT H. MOSES, of New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Candy Toys; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved toy. Fig. 2 is a view of the same in an inverted position; and Fig. 3 is a vertical sectional view, illustrating the mold and the process of forming the hat therein.

The object of the invention is to produce, as a new article of manufacture, a toy hat made from sugar, in such manner that it shall resemble, as nearly as possible, a hat made from some of the materials or fabrics which are usually employed by milliners or hat-makers for that purpose; and to that end it consists in a hat made or constructed of sugar, with its inner or under surface comparatively smooth, and an exterior surface composed of many-sided crystals, which present their sharp angles to the view, thus producing a rough irregular surface, resembling in general appearance plush or some flocculent material, which looks as though it were of different material from the inside of the hat, the hat then being trimmed with, by preference, a binding upon its edge and a band at the base of the crown, with other suitable ornaments, as taste or the desired expense shall indicate.

I manufacture the invention substantially as follows: I prepare in starch or other suitable material a mold consisting of a base, the upper surface of which corresponds in outline to the inside of the hat, and a flange a little higher—say half an inch—than the crown of the hat. This mold is then filled with sugar,

boiled to a blow, and which is permitted to stand until a portion has been formed into a shell, covering the inside of the mold and extending across its top. The thickness of this shell may be governed by circumstances; but in practice I prefer that it shall be about one-eighth of an inch, the center being sugar in the condition of sirup. The article is then removed from the mold, and the surplus sirup drawn off through a hole made in the side of the shell for that purpose. Next, the shell is cut open and trimmed off to the outer edge of the rim of the hat, and it will be found that the sugar has been deposited in the form of crystals upon the entire interior of the shell, and, of course, upon the outside or upper surface of the hat. The hat is next dried, either by artificial heat in a kiln or drying-room or otherwise, and may be trimmed by being bound upon the edge of the rim, as is indicated at *a*, and by the addition of an ornamental band at the base of the crown, as is indicated at *b*, or by the use of any other approved or usual trimming or decoration which may be found desirable.

From the above description it will be seen that I produce a hat one side of which—that is, the inner or under side—is smooth, from being made upon a mold, and the other or outer side being made of irregularly-projecting angles or corners of crystals.

What I claim is—

As a new article of manufacture, the herein-described toy hat, made of sugar, having its upper or outer surface formed of irregularly-projecting angles or corners of crystals, and its inner or lower surface smooth, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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