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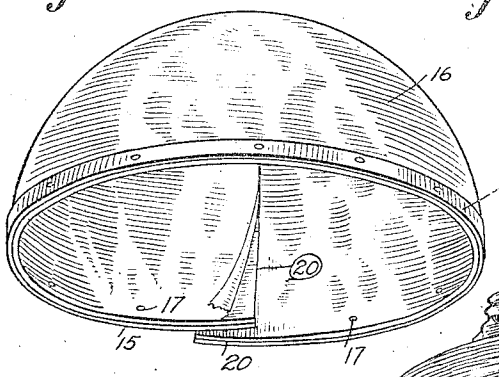


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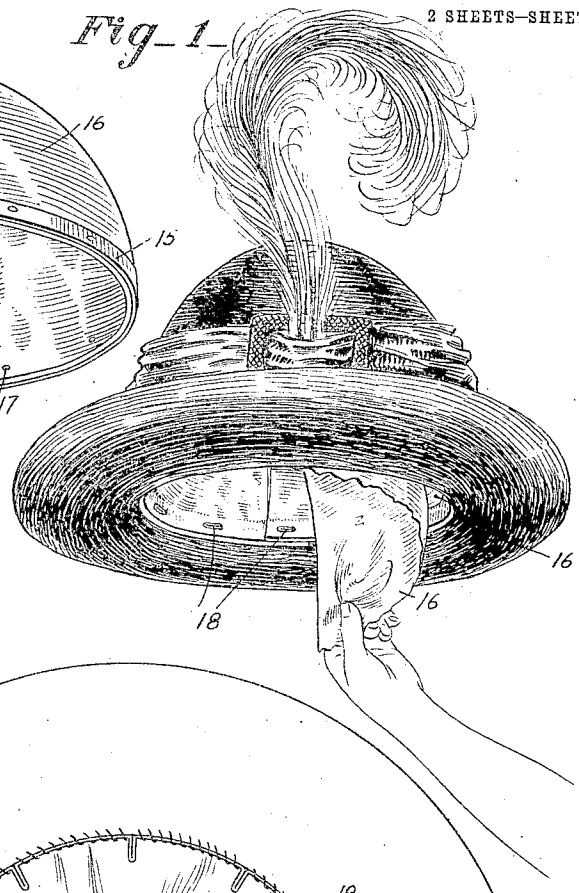
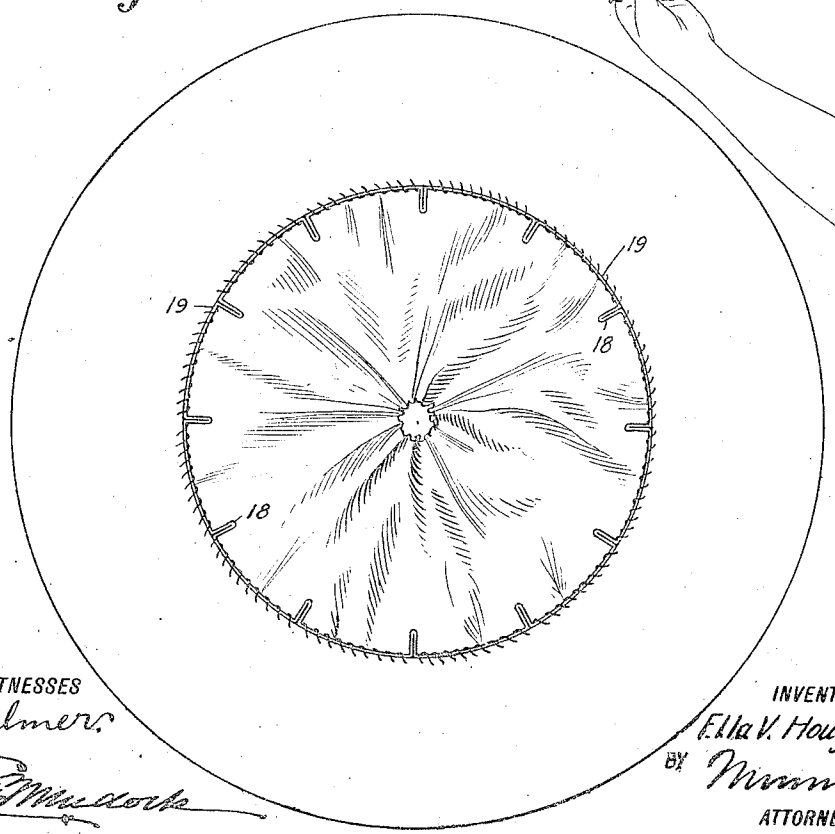


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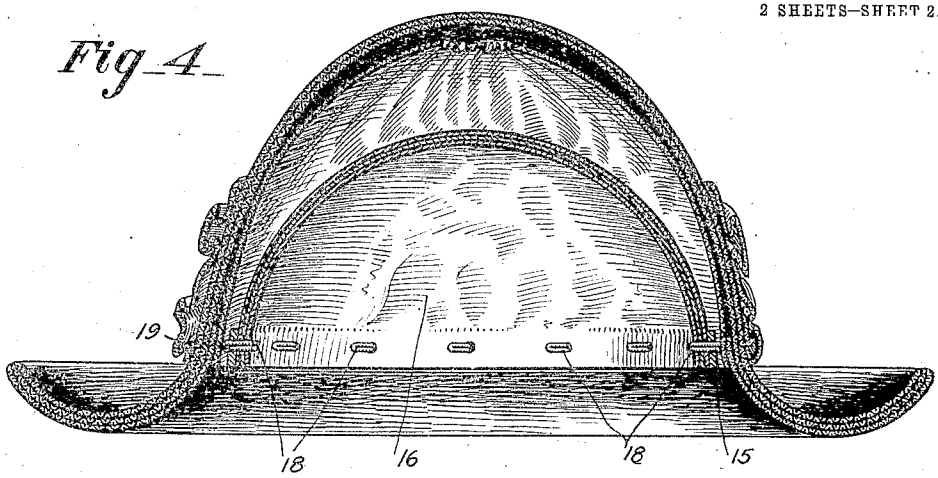


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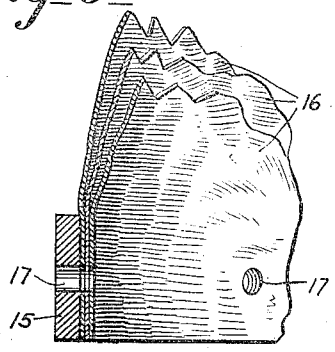
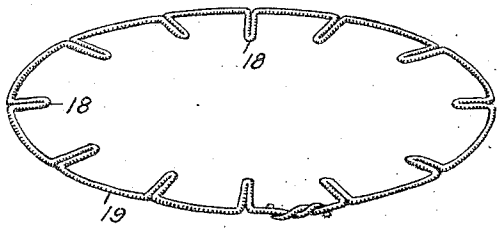


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELLA V. HOUGHTON, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and Improved Removable Sanitary Hat-Lining, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

Among the principal objects which the present invention has in view are: to provide a lining pack of the character designated, economically constructed and readily detachable; to provide a single-service lining which may be removed from the hat by each prospective customer, prior to, or subsequent to, trying on a hat; to prevent the transference of vermin, possible as an incident of the common practice of the trying on of hats in stores; to provide an economical and efficient means for mounting a number of linings of the character herein described and for applying and adapting said mounting and attached linings to hats of various shapes and sizes.

One embodiment of the present invention is shown in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a pictorial view of a hat having a removable sanitary lining constructed and arranged in accordance with the present invention; Fig. 2 is a bottom plan view of a hat equipped with a mounting device constructed and arranged in accordance with the present invention; Fig. 3 is a detail view in perspective, showing a lining pack constructed and arranged in accordance with the present invention; Fig. 4 is a detail view, on an enlarged scale, showing in vertical section a hat of conventional construction having a lining pack constructed and arranged in accordance with the present invention; Fig. 5 is a detail view, on an enlarged scale, showing a fragment of a lining pack, the laminations or layers being separated to show the manner of assemblage; Fig. 6 is a detail view in perspective, showing the preferred form of the attaching ring for the packs.

As seen in the accompanying drawings, a pack is formed by mounting upon a ring or band 15 a series of independent sheets or paper layers 16. The layers 16 are preferably given a dome-like shape, such as shown in Figs. 3 and 7, this shape conforming most agreeably to the coiffure of ladies.

The combined band 15 and assembled lower edges of the sheets 16 are perforated to form orifices 17, through which are usually passed retainers 18 of a hoop 19. The hoop 19 is primarily mounted, as shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings, within a hat crown and adjacent the lower edge thereof. Any suitable means of fastening the hoop may be employed. A long running or basting thread may be used for stitching the hoop in position.

In making the pack, as many sheets of layers of lining as are deemed necessary may be employed. The material from which these linings are usually constructed is paper tissue, therefore a number of such layers may be disposed one upon the other without increasing the thickness of the pack unduly. As a rule, I prefer that the packs shall have sufficient thickness to somewhat solidify the structure, to maintain the dome-like form shown in Fig. 3 of the drawings.

When transporting or storing packs constructed as herein described, it will be understood that they nest snugly one within the other, thereby saving in the necessary storage space.

The packs are preferably split to form lapping sections 20. The innermost of the sections 20 presents the raw or cut edge of each layer of the pack, to permit the attendant or person about to try on the hat to catch the edge and tear out or remove from the hat the outermost layer or sheet 16 of the removable lining or pack.

When the packs are constructed as shown and described, and a hat is equipped with a hoop, such as 19, the pack is introduced into the crown of the hat by inserting the retainers 18 through the orifices 17. The retainers 18, being constructed of soft wire, may be bent over the edge of the pack, as seen in Fig. 1 of the drawings, to thereafter hold the same securely within the crown of the hat.

When the pack has been completely exhausted, the band 15 is removed by straightening the retainers 18 to the position shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings, when, as may be readily seen, the band 15 may be quickly and readily removed.

While I have herein described the employment of a movable lining constructed and arranged in accordance with the present invention, in its application to ladies' hats, it will be understood that the same is equally available for employment in con-

nection with gentlemen's hats and caps or children's hoods. In fact, the linings herein described may be used wherever it is deemed wise or expedient to protect the public from infection or transference of disease, vermin or filth, due to the indiscriminate and repeated adjustments of head coverings to prospective customers.

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

1. A removable, sanitary hat lining, comprising a plurality of superposed layers of tissue paper, said layers being superposed and connected at their lower edges; and a band or binding for said layers, adapted for mounting upon a hat structure, in combination with a hoop adapted for attachment to the crown of a hat and having a plurality of retainers to engage said band.

2. In combination, a retaining hoop having a plurality of radially-disposed internally-extended retainers; a band having a series of perforations to register with said retainers, to be held thereby in service position; and a plurality of independent, superposed linings secured in service position upon said band.

3. In combination, a retaining hoop having a plurality of radially-disposed internally-extended retainers; a band having a series of perforations to register with said retainers, to be held thereby in service position; and a plurality of independent, superposed linings secured in service position upon said band, said linings being each split to provide for engaging the same for removal from service position.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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