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Fig. 1.

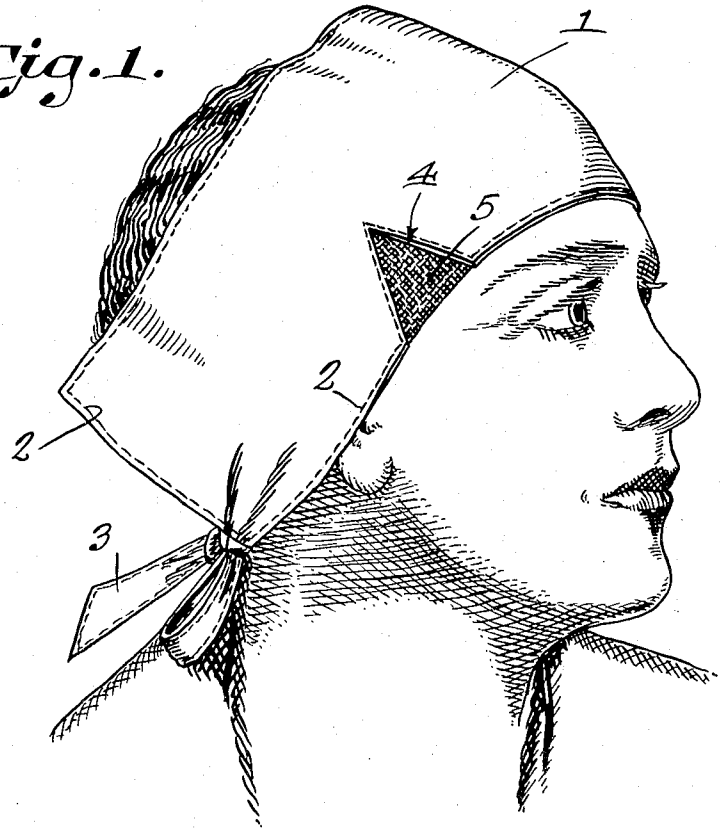
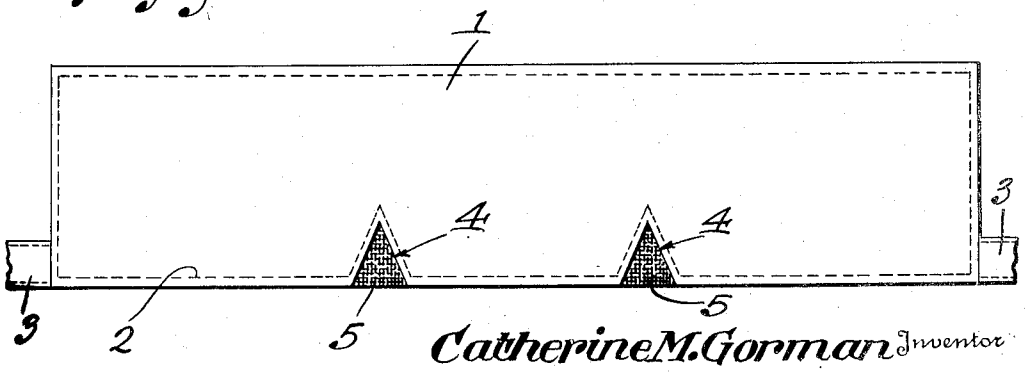


Fig. 2.



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This invention relates to a head band designed primarily to be worn as a protection for the hair while the face of the user is receiving treatments. Heretofore it has been difficult, while giving facials or other treatments of a like nature, to prevent the creams and other preparations from getting into the hair. The present invention has for an object to fully protect the hair during such treatments, leaving it undisturbed, the structure of the band being such that it can be held firmly about the head and will adapt itself freely to the configuration thereof.

With the foregoing and other objects in view which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the combination and arrangement of parts and in the details of construction hereinafter described and claimed, it being understood that changes in the precise embodiment of the invention herein disclosed may be made within the scope of what is claimed without departing from the spirit of the invention.

In the accompanying drawing the preferred form of the invention has been shown:

In said drawing:

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the head band in use.

Figure 2 is a plan view of the band, portions of the ties being broken away.

Referring to the figures by characters of reference, 1 designates an elongated band of suitable soft material such as muslin and of any desired configuration although it has been found in practice that an oblong band is most practical. This band can be made of one or more thicknesses stiffened along the edges by hemming, as indicated at 2, and extending from the ends of the band are ties 3 which can be in the form of tapes, the lower edges of which aline normally with the corresponding edge of the band. At intermediate points along the lower edge of the band there are provided V-shaped incisions 4 which extend toward the longitudinal center of the band and secured to the band so as to extend across these incisions, are gussets 5 formed preferably of elastic fabric. These gussets are normally relieved from tension.

In practice the band is drawn tightly about the forehead so as to cover the hair adjacent to the face and by tying the tapes 3 the band will be held taut. The application of the band will cause the gussets to stretch so that the lower portion of the band can thus adjust itself automatically to the configuration of the engaged portions of the head and insure a snug fit at all points. Thus while the face is being treated with creams or the like the hair will be fully protected. Furthermore, the hair will not be disturbed.

While the band is especially useful when employed for the purpose stated it can also be used advantageously for holding the hair after it has been waved or otherwise dressed, the band serving to keep the hair in place while the user is sleeping or otherwise engaged.

As only a very small portion of the band is formed of elastic fabric the band will lie more comfortably upon the face than would be the case should it be made entirely of a coarse elastic fabric. Furthermore, the non-elastic portion will not deteriorate as a result of frequent washings and the band can thus be used for a longer period than would otherwise be possible.

What is claimed is:

A head band for use in facial treatments including a non-elastic strip of flexible fabric reinforced along its edges to prevent stretching, there being an angular incision extending into the band from its front edge, an elastic insert secured across the incision, and non-elastic tapes extending from the end of said edge of the band and adapted, when drawn taut, to stretch the elastic insert and bind the front edge portion of the band to the surface of the head the remaining portions of the band remaining freely flexible, thereby to lie upon the hair without pressing it and to flatten upon the head when subjected to the smoothing action of a hand rubbing the exposed portion of the face.

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

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