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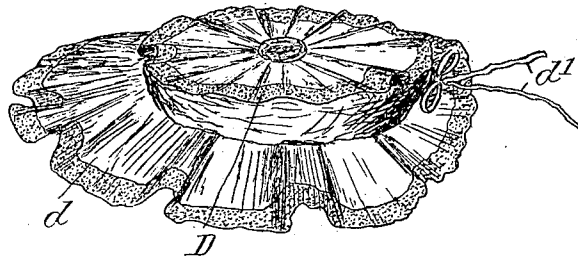


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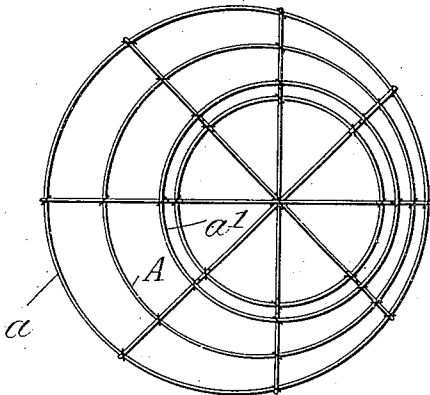


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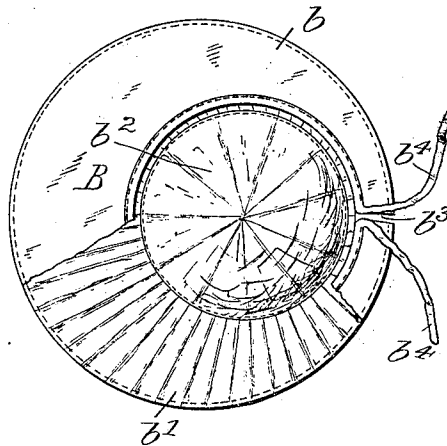
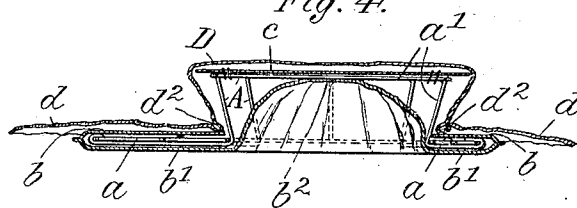


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ADOLPH MAYER, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York city, Manhattan, county and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Hats, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a hat for ladies and children, which is composed of a skeleton frame, a removable covering that surrounds the rim of the frame, and a second removable covering that surrounds the crown of the frame. These coverings are made of washable material and may be laundered, so that the entire exposed portions of the hat may be cleaned or replaced.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved hat. Fig. 2 is a plan of the skeleton frame; Fig. 3, a plan, partly broken away, of the rim-covering; and Fig. 4 a vertical central section through the hat with the string omitted.

The hat is composed, essentially, of three separable parts—viz., a skeleton frame A, a lower or rim covering B, and an upper or crown covering D.

The skeleton frame A is made entirely of wire and is composed of a rigid rim-section a and an integral rigid crown-section a' , the parts being shaped to accord to the prevailing fashion. The lower or rim cover B is of annular form to encompass the rim a and is closed at the outer edge, but open at the inner edge to form a pocket. The upper flap b of this pocket, which covers the top of rim a , embraces with its inner edge the bottom of crown a' . The lower flap b' of the pocket extends under the bottom of rim a and is connected at its inner edge to a concave lining b'' , that enters crown a' . To permit the cover to be removably secured to the rim, it is slitted transversely, as at b^3 , and provided with tie-strings b^4 at opposite sides of the slit.

The upper or crown covering D is made of a form to cover the skeleton crown a' and is provided with an annular flap or rim d , adapt-

ed to project over and rest upon the rim-covering B. The covering D is removably attached to the frame A by a gathering-string d' , inclosed within a hem d^2 of the covering that encircles the bottom of crown a' .

If desired, a stiffening-plate c may be attached to the top of crown a' below covering D, which extends laterally beyond the crown, and thus increases the visible top of the hat. This plate also prevents the skeleton frame from being visible through the crown-covering.

The coverings B and D are made of washable material and of suitable design and ornamentation. When attached, they completely cover the skeleton frame, so that a hat of handsome appearance is produced. When the coverings are removed, they may be separately laundered, the skeleton frame alone being unwashable.

What I claim is—

1. A hat composed of a skeleton frame having a rigid crown and rim, an annular transversely-slitted pocket surrounding the rim, and a crown-covering having a flap that rests upon the pocket, substantially as specified.

2. A hat composed of a skeleton frame having a rigid crown and rim, a pocket which is open at its inner edge and surrounds the rim, a lining secured to the pocket and projecting into the crown, and means for removably securing the pocket to the frame, substantially as specified.

3. A hat composed of a skeleton frame having a rigid crown and rim, a removable pocket which is open at its inner edge and surrounds the rim, a removable covering adapted to surround the crown, and a stiffening-plate between crown and covering, substantially as specified.

Signed by me at New York city, Manhattan, New York, this 16th day of June, 1905.

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