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(54) Headgear

(57) A turban hat comprises an elongate strip of material having two arms (6,7), extending from a mid-point (8) between the ends of the strip. At least one of said arms is looped around the other, the loop being arranged so that one arm can be pulled through the other arm to alter the "hat size" of the headgear. The ends of the arms (6,7) may be stitched together at (13) Fig. 6.

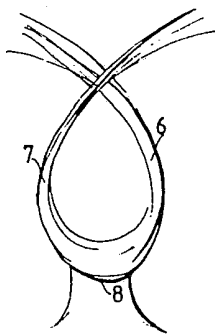


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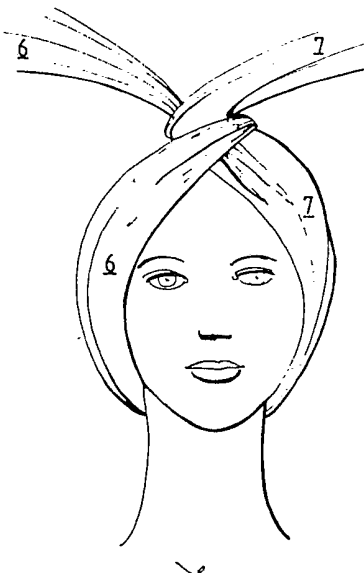


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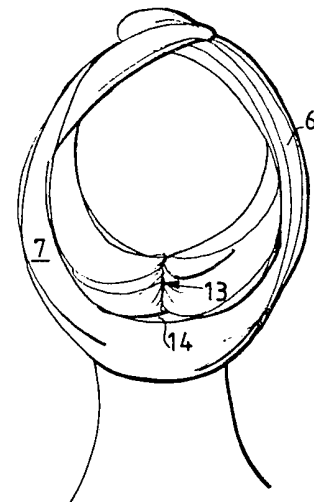


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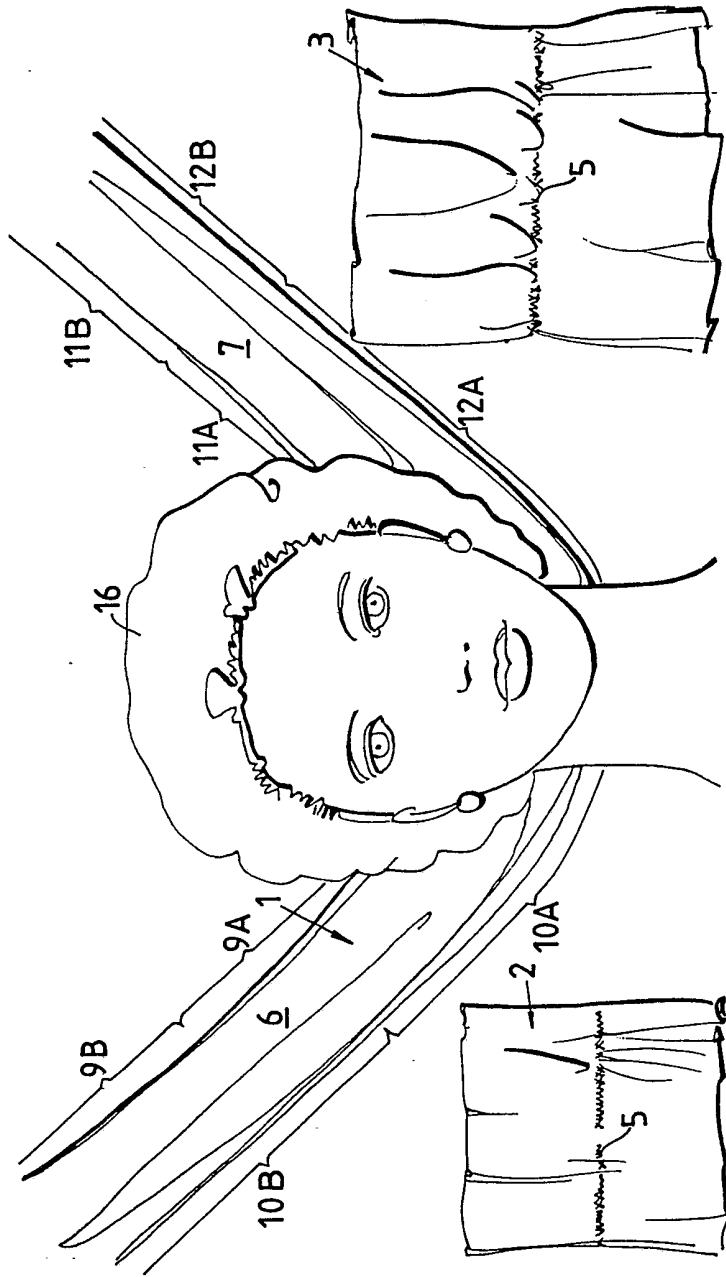


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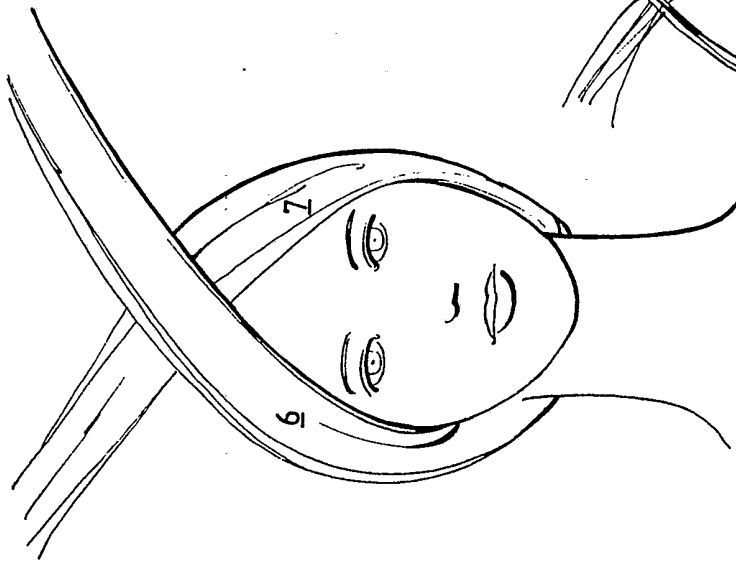


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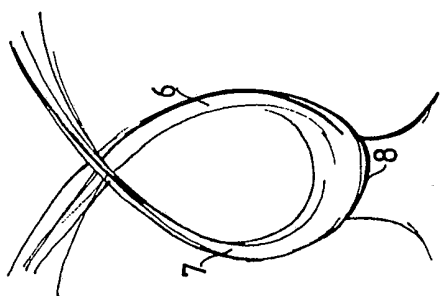


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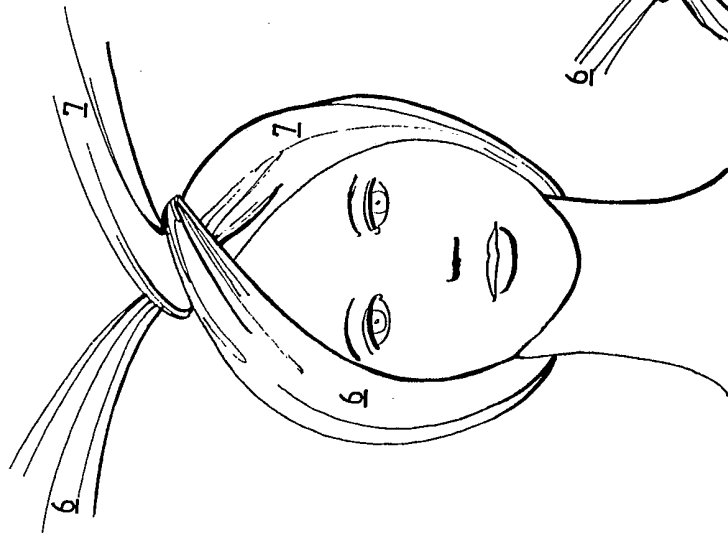


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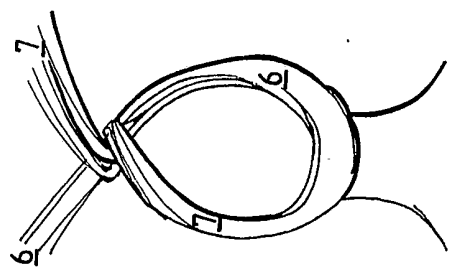


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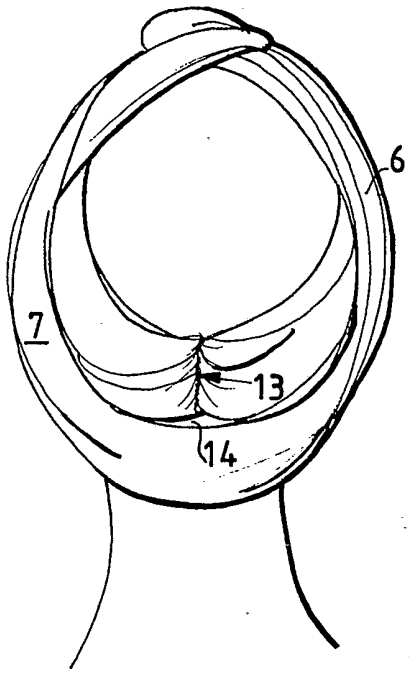


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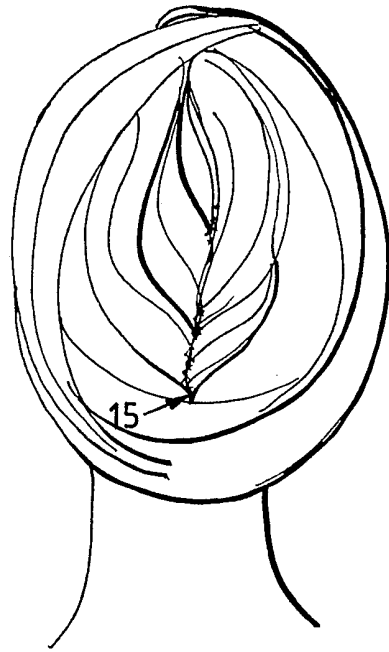


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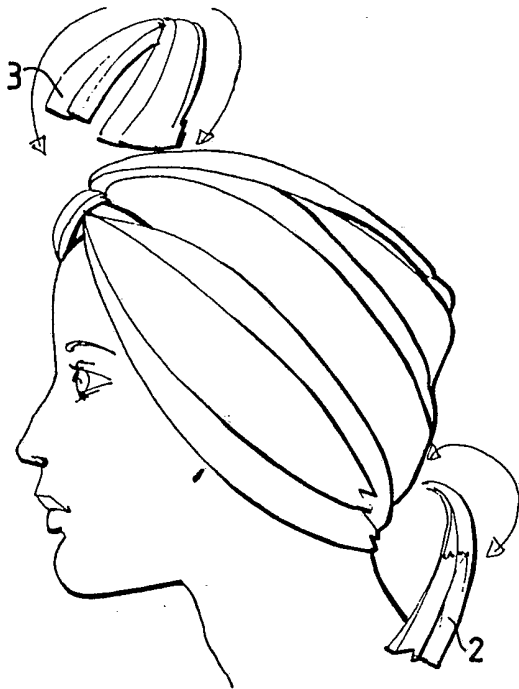


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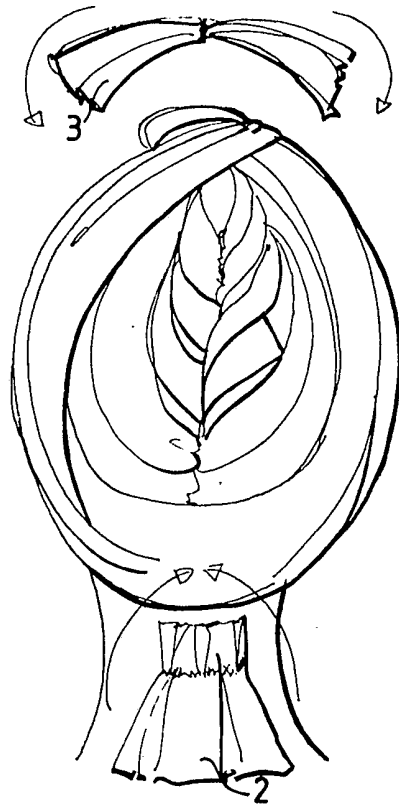


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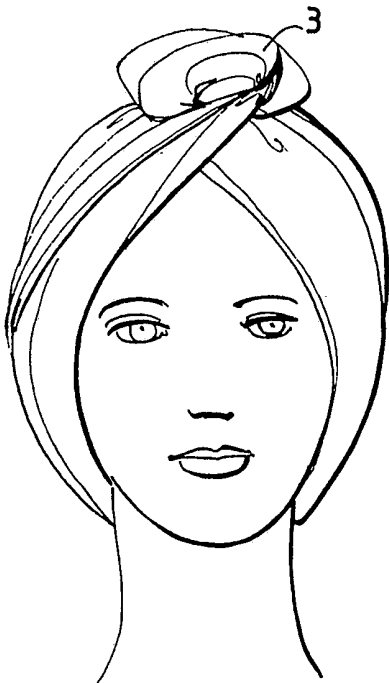


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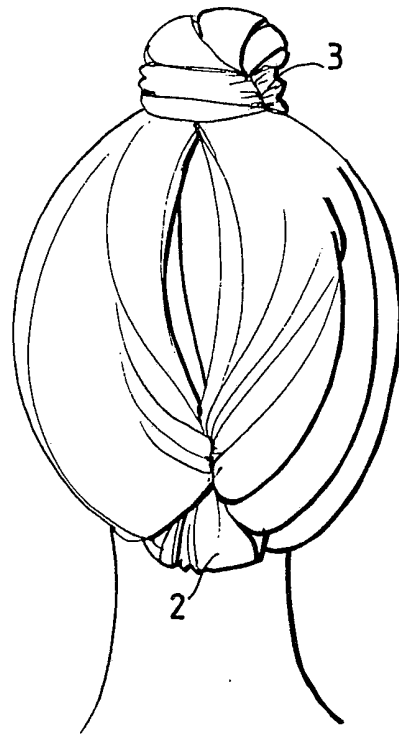


Fig.11

## SPECIFICATION

### Headgear

5 The present invention relates to headgear and more particularly, but not solely, to a hat or item of headgear for women to prevent their hair becoming wet or disturbed.

10 According to the present invention there is provided an item of headgear comprising an elongate strip of material having two arms, respective arms extending from a mid-point between the ends of the strip to a respective distal one of said ends and each arm having  
15 first and second edges, at least one of said arms being looped around the other, each arm having at least a portion of either of its edges adjacent its distal end attached to at least a portion of an edge of an arm adjacent the  
20 mid-point and at least a portion of either of its edges adjacent its distal end attached to at least a portion of an edge of the other arm adjacent the distal end, the loop being arranged so that one arm can be pulled through  
25 the other arm to alter the "hat size" of the headgear.

A constructional embodiment of the present invention will now be described, by way of example, with reference to the accompanying  
30 drawings, wherein:

FIGURE 1 shows a first stage in making an item of headgear in accordance with the present invention;

35 FIGURES 2 and 3 show front and rear views, respectively, of a second stage;

FIGURES 4 and 5 show front and rear views, respectively, of a third stage;

FIGURES 6 and 7 show rear views of a fourth stage;

40 FIGURES 8 and 9 show side and rear views, respectively, of a fifth stage; and

FIGURES 10 and 11 show front and rear views, respectively, of the completed item of headgear.

45 As shown in Figure 1 there are provided three pieces of material 1, 2 and 3. The piece 1 measures about 117cm x 20.25cm, the piece 2 about 15.25cm x 12.75cm and the piece 3 about 20.25cm x 20.25cm. The  
50 pieces 2 and 3 are gathered or ruffled by stitching approximately along their centre lines 5. The piece 1 is in the form of a strip having arms 6 and 7 extending from a mid-point 8 (Fig. 3) between the ends of the strip to a  
55 respective distal one of said ends. The arm 6 has first and second edges, the first edge comprising a part 9A adjacent the mid-point 8 and a part 9B adjacent its distal end and the second edge comprising a part 10A adjacent  
60 mid-point 8 and a part 10B adjacent its distal end. Likewise the arm 7 has first and second edges comprising parts 11A, 11B, 12A and 12B.

65 As shown in Figures 2 and 3 the arms 6 and 7 cross over each other and as shown in

Figures 4 and 5 at least one of the arms is looped around the other. The arms may be looped as shown in Figure 4 with each being looped around the other so that each folds  
70 back on itself in a U-shape or one arm may be looped completely around the other as shown in Figure 5. As the arms 6 and 7 are looped around each other they may be turned over to show a different side of the material.

75 The sides of the material can be of different colour or texture.

Then as shown in Figure 6 the distal ends are stitched together at 13. Thereafter, also as shown in Figure 6 edge parts 9A to 12B  
80 are sewn together and this can be in one of the following ways, viz:

1. With the arms looped as shown in Figure 4 and the material not turned over, edge part 9B is stitched to part 9A and part 11a is  
85 stitched to part 11A.

2. With the arms looped as shown in Figure 5 and the material not turned over, part 12B is stitched to part 9A and part 10B is stitched to part 11A.

90 3. With the arms looped as shown in Figure 4 and the material turned over, edge part 12B is stitched to part 11A and part 10B to part 9A.

95 4. With the arms looped as shown in Figure 5 and the material turned over, edge part 11B is stitched to part 9A and part 9B to 11A.

Of course it is possible to turn over only one of the arms 6 and 7 as they are looped around each other.

100 An aperture 14 is formed by leaving a small area unstitched and then as shown in Figure 7 the remaining edge part of arm 6 adjacent its distal end is stitched to the remaining edge part of arm 7 adjacent its distal end along a  
105 seam 15.

As shown in Figures 8 and 9 the piece of material 3 is passed through the loop of the arms 6 and 7 and around both arms. The ends of the piece of material 3 are then  
110 stitched to each other. The piece of material 2 is passed through the aperture 14 and around the mid-point 8. The ends of the piece of material 2 are then stitched to each other.

The completed item of headgear shown in  
115 Figures 10 and 11 has the appearance of a turban or a towel wrapped around a head after the hair has been washed, but it is firm and does not become undone. Nevertheless the "hat size", that is the size required to wrap neatly and firmly around a head, is ad-  
120 justable because one of the arms 6 and 7 can be pulled through the other by virtue of the looping arrangement. The piece of material 3 is suitably adjusted to maintain the neat appearance.

The headgear is preferably made of 80% cotton/20% nylon towelling. It may be made of cotton jersey or silk polyester.

130 As shown in Figure 1 there may be provided an insert 16 made of waterproof ma-

terial such as plastics material. The insert 16 is preferably attached by means of a couple or a few stitches at the top at or adjacent the loop of the arms 6 and 7 and at the bottom at or adjacent the mid-point 8. The insert is easily removable by severing the stitches. The item of headgear with insert provides an attractive hat particularly for use by women to protect their hair when they are putting on make-up, in the bath, sun-bathing or in a swimming pool. It is not designed to be a swimming hat but will be adequate protection for women who paddle, relax or play in the sea or a swimming pool but do not swim or who swim with their heads substantially out of the water.

#### CLAIMS

1. An item of headgear comprising an elongate strip of material having two arms, respective arms extending from a mid-point between the ends of the strip to a respective distal one of said ends and each arm having first and second edges, at least one of said arms being looped around the other, each arm having at least a portion of either of its edges adjacent its distal end attached to at least a portion of an edge of an arm adjacent the mid-point and at least a portion of either of its edges adjacent its distal end attached to at least a portion of an edge of the other arm adjacent the distal end, the loop being arranged so that one arm can be pulled through the other arm to alter the "hat size" of the headgear.

2. An item of headgear as claimed in Claim 1, wherein a first portion (9b) of a first edge of one arm (6) adjacent the distal end of said arm (6) is attached to a second portion (9a) of said edge of said arm (6) adjacent said mid-point and a first portion (11b) of a first edge of the other arm (7) adjacent the distal end of said arm (7) is attached to a second portion (11a) of said edge of said arm (7) adjacent said mid-point.

3. An item of headgear as claimed in Claim 1, wherein a first portion (12b) of a second edge of one arm (7) adjacent the distal end of said arm (7) is attached to a second portion (9a) of a first edge of the other arm (6) adjacent said mid-point and a first portion (10b) of the second edge of the other arm (6) adjacent the distal end of the other arm (6) is attached to a second portion (11a) of the first edge of said one arm (7) adjacent said mid-point.

4. An item of headgear as claimed in Claim 1, wherein a first portion (12b) of a second edge of one arm (7) adjacent the distal end of said one arm (7) is attached to a second portion (11a) of the first edge of said one arm (7) adjacent the mid-point and a first portion (10b) of a second edge of the other arm (6) adjacent the distal end of said other arm (6) is attached to a second portion (9a) of the first edge of said other arm (6) adjacent said mid-

point.

5. An item of headgear as claimed in Claim 1, wherein a first portion (11b) of a first edge of one arm (7) adjacent the distal end of said one arm (7) is attached to a second portion (9a) of a first edge of the other arm (6) adjacent the mid-point and a first portion (9b) of the first edge of said other arm (6) adjacent the distal end of said other arm (6) is attached to a second portion (11a) of the first edge of said one arm (7) adjacent said mid-point.

6. An item of headgear as claimed in any one of Claims 1 to 5, wherein a piece of material (3) is passed through the loop of the arms (6,7) and the ends of the piece of material are stitched together.

7. An item of headgear as claimed in any one of Claims 1 to 6 provided with a waterproof insert of plastics material.

8. An item of headgear substantially as hereinbefore described in any one of the examples described with reference to and as illustrated in the accompanying drawings.

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