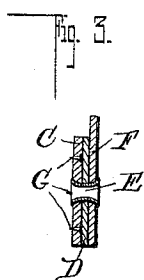
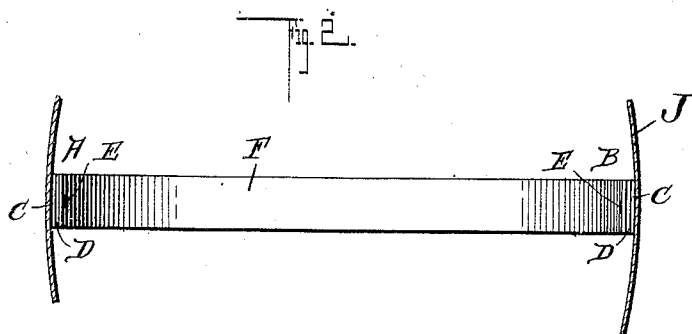
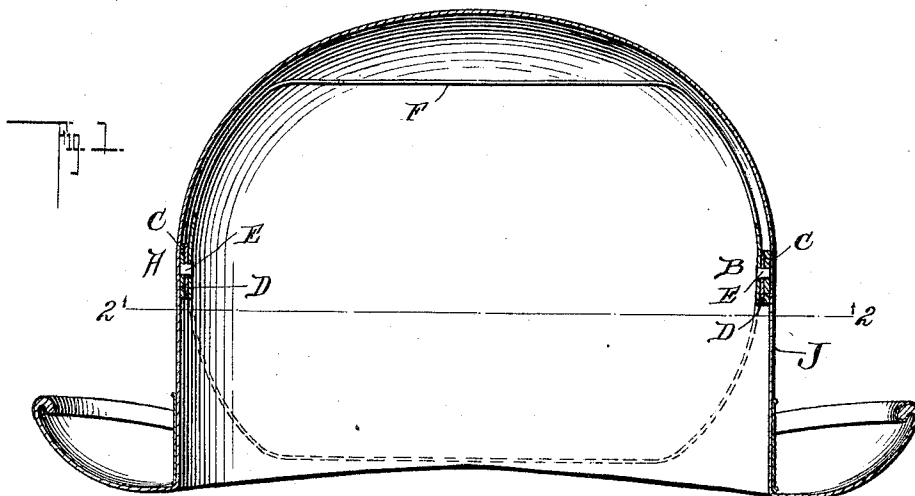


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY C. WALKER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newton, in the county of Norfolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented new and useful Improvements in Hat-Markers, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to the manufacture of hats and its object is to provide means for marking men's hats so that they may be easily identified by the owners and to provide an indicator to prevent their being accidentally taken and worn by strangers. In restaurants and other places patronized by large numbers of people, it is quite common to have groups of hooks or holders for the customers' hats, and it frequently happens that a person in leaving the place will accidentally take another's hat, there being so little difference in the appearance and size of men's hats, especially derbies, that unless a person stops to carefully examine them for some identifying mark, a mistake is easily made.

Another object of my invention is to provide novel means for securing the device within the hat, whereby the same can be readily attached or detached therefrom.

With these objects in view, my invention consists in the novel features of construction, hereinafter fully described and pointed out in the claims.

In the drawing forming a part of this specification: Figure 1 is a sectional elevation of a derby hat with the marker in position, showing in dotted lines the position of the marker when the hat is not being worn. Fig. 2 is a section taken on line 2—2 of Fig. 1, the derby being partly broken away. Fig. 3 is an enlarged section through the fastener.

In carrying out my invention, I employ a duplicate pair of fastening members A, B, attached to the ends of the marker member F and adapted to secure the marker within the hat. In the form shown in Figs. 1, 2 and 3, the fastening member consists of a disk of felt or other suitable substance C D and a rivet E which connects this disk to the marker F. The disk C D is preferably made up as shown, in two parts C and D and points G are embedded therein as shown in Fig. 3. The outer surface of C may be coated with an adhesive and the fastener pressed

against the inner surface of the hat at the point where it is desired to attach the end of the marker F. The marker F, it will be observed, is free to turn upon the rivet E to throw it into upper or lower position as indicated in Fig. 1. The marker F is preferably formed of elastic and resilient material, such, for example, as celluloid.

The marker is adapted to be designated with the owner's name, or any suitable advertising can be placed thereon, and by this manner of mounting the guard, it will be held up within the hat, out of the way of the head of the user, or in the position shown in dotted lines in Fig. 1 to enable the same to be readily placed over a hook for supporting the hat, and it will be seen that if a person should take up a hat that did not belong to him, when he tried to place the same upon his head, the guard would notify him that he had taken the wrong hat.

The outer faces of the disks C are gummed and extending through the disks are points G, the heads of which bear against the disks D, so as to hold the same in their proper positions, and it will be seen that when the gummed surfaces of the respective disks are forced up against the inner face of the hat, the spurs will embed themselves in the material of the hat, so as to hold the members in their proper positions while the gum is hardening.

From the foregoing description, it will be seen that I have provided a guard which is exceedingly simple and cheap in construction, and one which is so connected to the hat, that it can be readily detached when desired.

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

In a device of the kind described, the combination with a hat of an elastic bowed marker carrying pivots at either end, cushioning disks mounted upon said pivots and means to connect the disks with the inner surface of the hat.

Signed by me at Boston, Mass., this 12th day of October, 1909.

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