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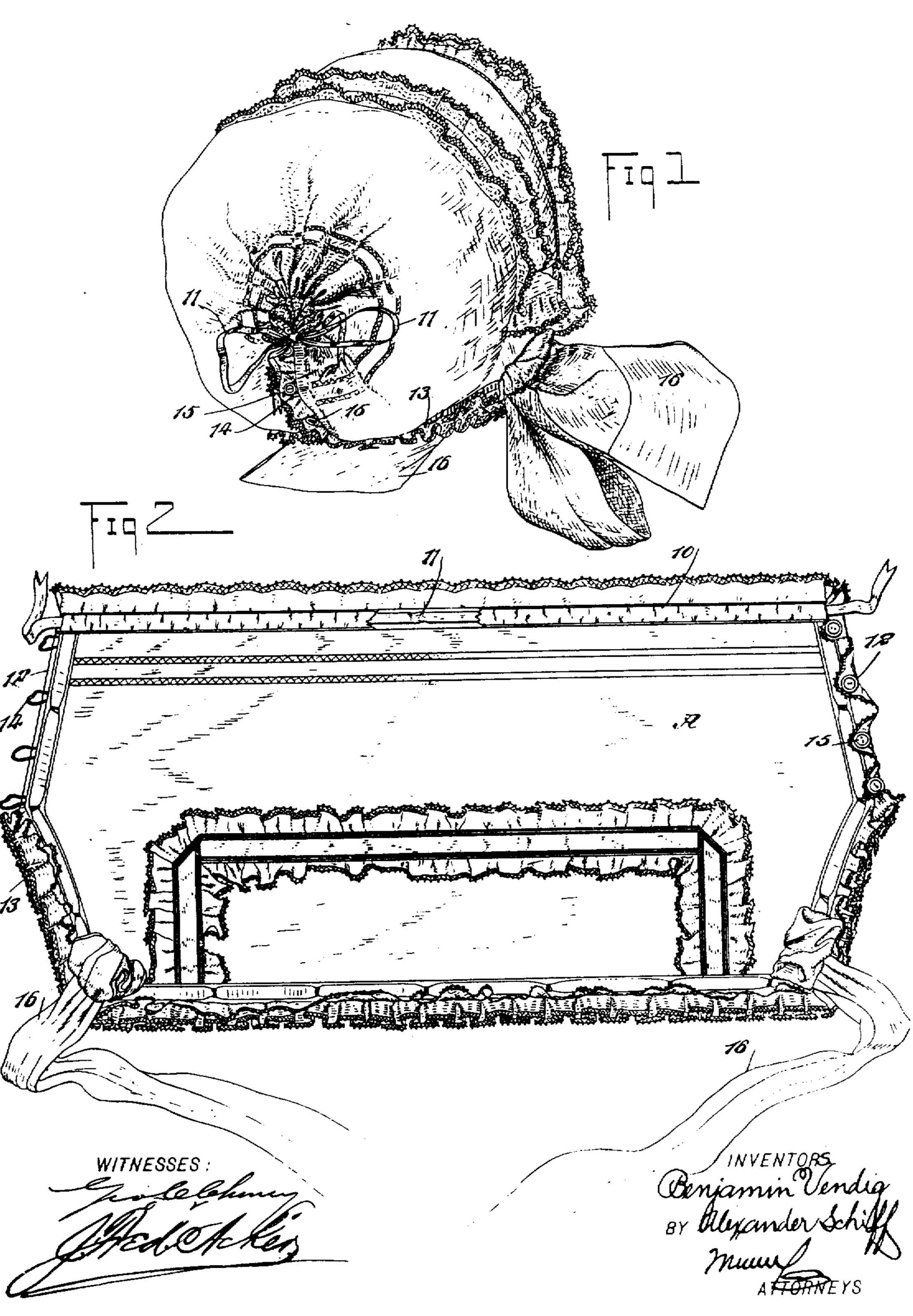
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## APPAREL-CAP.

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To all whom it may concern:

Beitknown that we, BENJAMIN VENDIG and ALEXANDER SCHIFF, citizens of the United States, residing at the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented and produced a new and useful Improvement in Caps and Bonnets, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

cap or bonnet especially adapted for infants' or children's wear and to so construct the cap or bonnet that it may be laid flat, washed and treated, and quickly restored to proper shape for wear upon the head.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of the several parts, as will be hereinafter fully set forth, and pointed out in the claim.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both the figures.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a bonnet or cap constructed in accordance with our invention, and Fig. 2 is a plan view of the bonnet or cap when flattened out for the laundry or for other treatment.

The bonnet or cap consists of a piece of fabic A of any desired character, which fabric
at or near one longitudinal side is provided
with a hem 10, in which a draw-string 11 is located, and the ends of the fabric are inclined
from the center in opposite directions toward
opposing sides, forming thereby two inclined
edges 12 and 13 at each end. The edges 12,
which incline in direction of the side of the
material containing the draw-string 11, are

provided at one end of the fabric with loops or eyes 14 and at the other end of the fabric with buttons 15 or their equivalents, adapted to be received by the loops 14. The fabric may be decorated in any suitable or approved manner, and strings 16 are secured to the fabric where the inclined edges 13 connect with

the adjacent side edge of the fabric.
When the cap or bonnet is to be shaped to

fit the head, the ends of the draw-string 11 are pulled outward together, thus gathering the edge of the fabric in which the draw-string is 50 located, and when the edge of the fabric in which the draw-string is placed has been closely gathered, as shown in Fig. 1, the gathered portion of the fabric will constitute the central rear portion of the crown of the bon- 55 net or cap and the inclined edges 12 will then be brought together, and the loops 14 upon being carried over the buttons 15 will cause the said edges to be united, thus completing the construction of the lower portion of the 60 cap-crown, while the inclined edges 13 will form the neck margin of the cap and the adjacent side edge will form the front margin of the cap or bonnet.

If desired, instead of buttons and loops eye- 65 lets and lacings or their equivalents may be employed to unite the inclined edges 12 of the fabric.

Having thus described our invention, we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters 70 Patent—

As a new article of manufacture, the herein-described flat piece of fabric having parallel side edges, one of which is adapted to
form the front edge of a cap and the other of
which is provided with a drawing-string
whereby it may be gathered together to form
the central rear portion of the cap, and the
said fabric being further provided with end
edges which are inclined from their middle 80
inwardly toward each side edge, those inclined portions which extend toward the side
edge containing the drawing-string being provided with devices whereby they may be fastened together to form the rear lower portion
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of the cap, as set forth.

In testimony whereof we have signed our names to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

BENJAMIN VENDIG. ALEXANDER SCHIFF.

Witnesses:

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