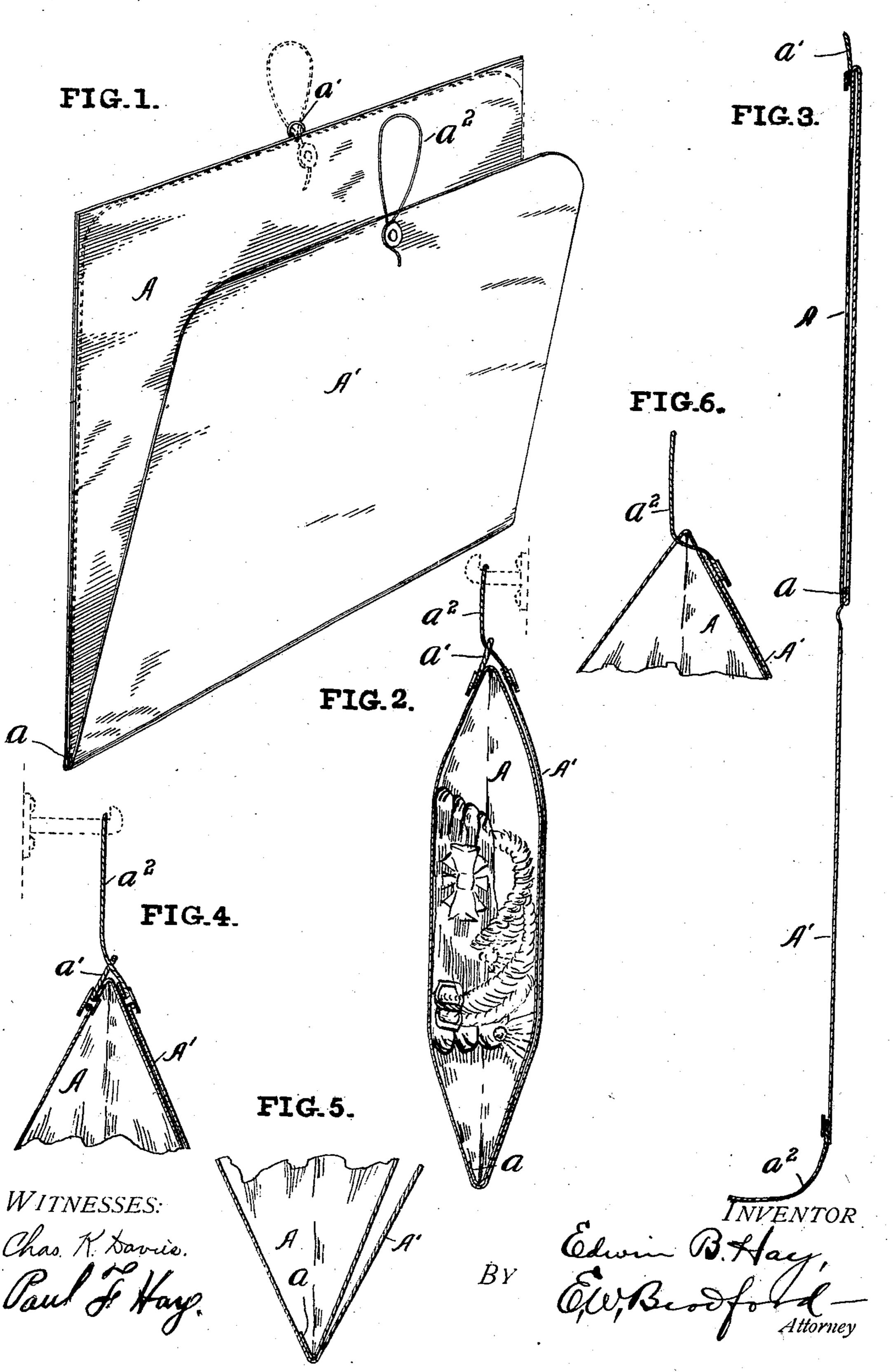
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWIN B. HAY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Washington, in the District of Columbia, have in-5 vented certain new and useful Improvements in Paper Receptacles, of which the following is a specification.

As is well known, one of the great annoyances of traveling is the accumulation of dust 10 upon hats, especially ladies' hats, and articles of clothing of a character which are materially injured either by the dust itself or the

process of removing it therefrom.

My said invention consists, therefore, in an 15 inexpensive but dust-proof receptacle into which such articles may be placed and thoroughly protected from the dust and saved from the resulting injury, all as will be hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, which are made a part hereof and on which similar reference - letters indicate similar parts, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a receptacle of the character mentioned; Fig. 2, 25 a cross-section through the same as when closed and containing a hat or similar article; Fig. 3, a cross-section of the receptacle open and ready for use; Figs. 4 and 5, detail views illustrating features of construction, 30 and Fig. 6 a detail view showing a modifica-

tion.

Said receptacle is composed of some thin flexible material of sufficient strength, preferably a tough quality of thin or tissue paper. 35 It consists of a bag-like receptacle A, sealed upon three sides and having a fold A' extending from its rear side to substantially double the width of the receptacle. The short side of the receptacle is provided at the mouth 40 thereof with an inturned fold a, gummed upon its inner face, which upon being dampened will adhere to the opposite side, and thus practically seal said mouth of the receptacle. A loop a' is attached to the outside of the re-45 ceptacle, so that it will project beyond its lower edge, and a longer loop  $a^2$  is similarly attached to the flap A' near its edge and adapted to pass through said loop a', and thus firmly support the flap A' against the mouth 50 of the receptacle to keep it tightly closed and at the same time afford the required strength to support the weight of the receptacle and its contents.

In use it is intended that these cheap paper I

receptacles shall be furnished by the news- 55 boy or some member of the train-crew, either supplied by the transportation company free of charge or sold for a small sum. The user places the hat or article desired to be protected into the receptacle through the mouth 60 thereof, which is then sealed by dampening the flap  $\alpha$  and pressing it against the opposite side of the receptacle. The long flap A' is then doubled around the mouth and against the side of the receptacle, the loop  $a^2$  65 passed through the loop a', and the entire package may then be hung by said loop  $a^2$ upon a hook provided for the purpose. By this means the receptacle is hung closed edge up and its contents thus securely protected 70 from the dust, and at the end of the journey the hat or other article is fresh and clean for the wearer to don before leaving the train.

In Fig. 6 the loop a<sup>2</sup> is shown passed through an eyelet or aperture near the edge of the re- 75 ceptacle, loop a' being omitted. Other such modifications may be adopted without departing from the spirit of the invention, as will be readily understood.

Having thus fully described my said in- 80 vention, what I claim as new, and desire to

secure by Letters Patent, is-

1. A receptacle for protecting hats, &c., from dust, &c., comprising the main pocket of thin material with a gummed flap for clos- 85 ing the mouth thereof and a long flap doubled around said mouth and having a loop adapted to engage with the opposite edge of said pocket and serve as a hanger for the device, substantially as set forth.

2. A dust-proof hat-receptacle consisting of a paper pocket closed upon three sides and formed with one part extended into a long flap adapted to double around and over the open side and provided with a loop adapted 95 to engage with a device on the closed edge of the pocket opposite the open side or mouth to hold said pocket closed and serve as a hanger therefor, whereby it may be supported mouth down, substantially as set forth.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, at Washington, District of Columbia, this 10th day of August, A. D. 1902.

EDWIN B. HAY. [L. s.]

Witnesses:

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