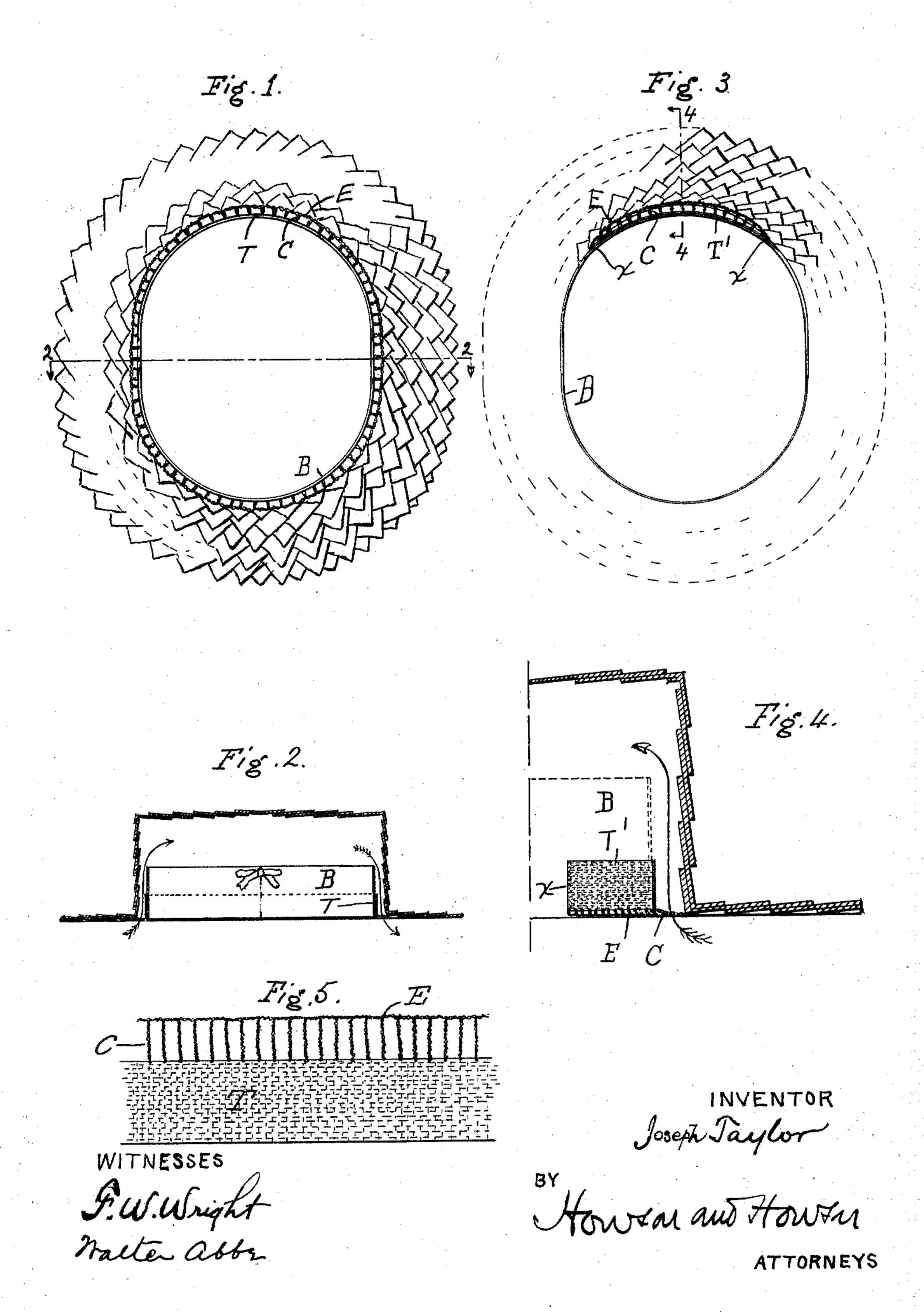
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## HAT.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Joseph Taylor, a subject of the King of Great Britain and Ireland, residing at 62 Adswood Lane, E., Stockport, Eng-5 land, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hats, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a combined ventilator and head-grip for hats; and the object of 10 the invention is to provide a hat with an improved device for ventilating and at the same time comfortably fitting and adapting itself to

the head of the wearer.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is 15 an under side view of a hat supplied with my improved device entirely around its inner edge. Fig. 2 is a sectional view on the line 2 2, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a view similar to Fig. 1, but of a modification with the device attached 20 to but a portion of the inner edge of the hat. Fig. 4 is an enlarged sectional view on line 4 4, Fig. 3, and Fig. 5 is an enlarged detail view showing the special fabric tape which I use in carrying out this invention.

As shown in Figs. 1 and 2, one edge of a long strip of tape T is provided with laterallyprojecting cords C, preferably joined together at their outer ends by a common uniting-cord E, parallel with the tape, as shown in Fig. 5. 30 I attach this cord E, as by stitching, to the inner lower edge of the crown, preferably entirely around the hat. I sew the two ends of the tape T together where they join, so as to cause the endless tape thus formed to have a 35 lesser perimeter than the interior of the crown of the hat. By this means the tape is caused to stand out a short distance from the crown in a tensioned condition, as shown in Fig. 1, leaving a space for the passage of air 40 and producing a more or less elastic band, to which the hat sweat-band B may be attached. As this tape is slightly elastic, the hat sweatband will give to a slight degree when a hat supplied with the device is placed on one's 45 head, and the band will adapt itself to and

will grip the head with a firm but perfectly

comfortable hold.

I have shown this device as applied to straw hats, where it will be of great service; but it is equally applicable to other hats.

In Figs. 3 and 4 I have shown the tape T' as inserted for a short distance in the front of the crown only. In this modification the ends of the tape are drawn tight and sewed to the hat at x x, so that the length of tape between 55 x will be less than the length of inner rim of the crown between those two points, thus effectually keeping the tape and cords C tensioned with the tape at a slight distance away from the crown of the hat. In Fig. 4 I have 60 shown the sweat-band in dotted lines, that the method of applying the tape to the hat may be more easily followed.

I claim as my invention—

1. A hat having a combined ventilator and 65 head-grip, comprising a tape having a corded edge secured thereto at intervals, the cord being secured to the hat and the tape held a slight distance away from the hat, substantially as described.

2. A hat having a combined ventilator and head-grip comprising a tape having a corded edge secured thereto at intervals, the cord being secured to the hat and the tape being joined together at its ends and of less perim- 75 eter than the inner edge of the crown, substantially as described.

3. A hat with a sweat-band, a tape secured to the inner side of the sweat-band, a cord secured to the hat and connecting-cords between 80 the aforesaid cord and tape, said tape being tensioned, whereby tape and sweat-band are held a distance from the hat, substantially as described.

4. A hat having a ventilator and head-grip, 85 comprising a sweat-band of less perimeter than the inner crown of the hat, a tape secured to said sweat-band and a number of cords on said tape attached to said crown at intervals, whereby ventilating-space is pro- 9° vided between the hat and sweat-band, substantially as described.

5. A hat having a ventilator and head-grip, comprising a sweat-band of less perimeter than the inner crown of the hat, a tape secured to said band and having a series of cords on its edge secured at their other ends to the hat, whereby a ventilating-space is produced between the band and hat, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name

to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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