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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Joseph Popper, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, Bensonhurst, borough of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Millinery Device, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The invention relates to a device by which one may determine the effect of any particular style of hat without having the actual hat at hand.

It is the practice of wholesale dealers and manufacturers of womens' hats to send out samples to the trade in order that an opportunity may be had to try them on and select such as they deem appropriate. The sending out of these samples entails considerable expense not only by reason of the actual value of the hats but also on account of the packing and shipping, the hats necessarily being of considerable bulk and requiring much care in making ready for transit.

It is the purpose of this invention to overcome these disadvantages, which I do by providing a relatively large card or screen having a display opening for the head, and a pictorial representation of a hat about the opening, a portion of which is adjustable to and from the screen in order that the effect of the hat may be obtained.

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 all

the views.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a millinery device constructed in accordance with my invention; Fig. 2 is a vertical section of the same substantially on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1; and Fig. 3 is a top edge view of the device.

More specifically described, the invention embodies in its construction a relatively large card or screen 5, of pasteboard or other suitable material, having at or near the center a display opening 6 for the head, and preferably also the representation of a body portion of a female figure extending from the lower portion of the opening. Around the upper portion of the display opening 6 is the representation of the particular hat which is to be displayed, a portion 8 of which (which in the embodiment of the invention shown is the rear portion) is printed or

otherwise pictorially represented on the screen at the opposite sides of the display--opening, and the other portion (which is shown to be the front of the hat) is supported on the screen above the display open- 60 ing by one or more flexible strips 10, two being shown, each bent upon itself in zig-zag form, with one end attached to the front of the screen and the other end to the inner face of the portion 9 of the hat, thus admitting 65 of this portion of the hat to be adjusted back and forth from the screen or tilted forwardly or rearwardly or inclined to one side in determining the effect of the hat on the particular face displayed in the opening. The 70 portion 9 is preferably cut out on the outline of this part of the hat, whereby the screen will form the background therefor and thus render the effect of the device all the more like the actual hat, when the said 75 portion 9 is moved outwardly over the top of the head.

In practice, the different shapes and types of hats will be represented on these devices with appropriate bust figures, and the cards 80 or screens will be sent out to the trade instead of the actual hat, a large number of these cards being easily packed within a small space without danger of being damaged, since the adjustable portion 9 of each 85 device is movable inwardly flat against the card to which it is attached.

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

1. The combination of a screen having a head display opening, and a representation of headwear adjacent to the opening, adjustable to and from the screen.

2. The combination of a screen having a 95 head display opening, and a representation of a hat about the opening having a portion adjustable to and from the screen.

3. The combination of a screen having a head display opening, and a representation 100 of a hat about the opening having a portion fixed to the screen and a portion adjustable to and from the screen.

4. The combination of a screen having a head display opening, and a representation 105 of a hat about the opening having the rear portion thereof fixed to the screen and the front portion adjustable to and from the screen above the display opening.

5. The combination of a screen having a 110

head display opening, a member having the representation of a hat thereon and arranged over said opening, and means supporting the member from the screen, adapting said member to be moved to and from the screen or moved at an angle thereto.

6. The combination of a screen having a head display opening, and a member having the representation of a hat thereon arranged.

10 over said opening and a flexible strip re-

versely bent upon itself and secured to the screen and to said member.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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