

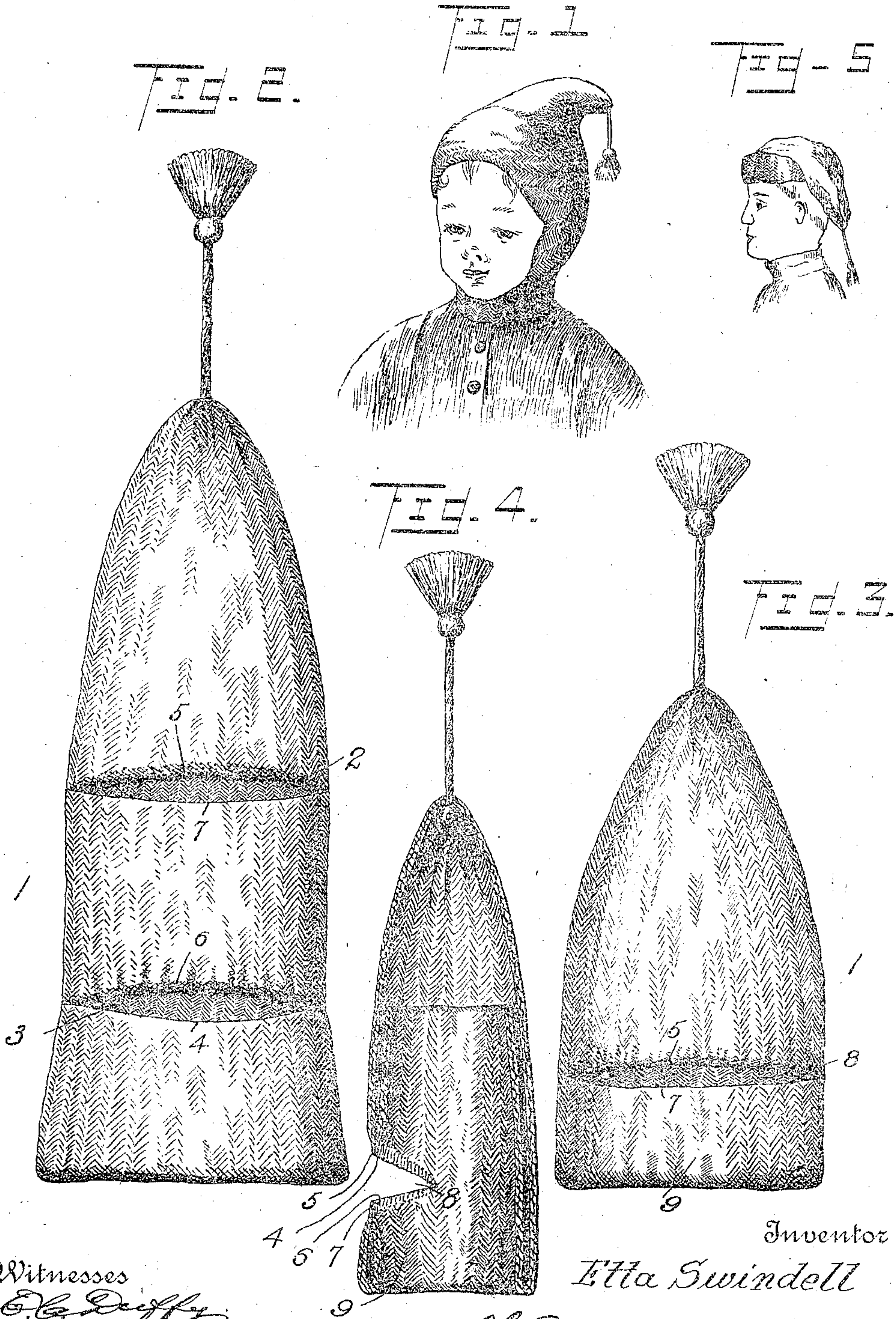
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ETTA SWINDELL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Nashville, in the county of Davidson and State of Tennessee, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Stocking-Caps; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to improvements in stocking caps.

The primary object of this invention is to provide a cap of this class with a throat and mouth guard which will serve to protect the throat and mouth and at the same time will assist in holding the cap in position.

With the foregoing and other objects in view, the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, combination and arrangement of parts, as will be more fully described and particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view illustrating the application of the cap; Fig. 2 is a plan view of the tube of woolen or other material from which the cap is formed, showing more particularly how the material is slit transversely at two different points to enable the material to be suitably folded to form the throat and mouth protector; Fig. 3 is a similar view of the material after having been folded and stitched to form the cap; Fig. 4 is a longitudinal section of Fig. 3; Fig. 5 is a view, illustrating how the cap appears when the throat protector is turned up.

Referring to the drawings for a more particular description of the invention, the cap is constructed of a single knit fabric tube 1, which is shown in Fig. 2, as slit in one of its side portions at two different points, as at 2 and 3, to enable the material to be properly folded to form the throat and mouth protector and to increase the warmth of the cap.

In folding the cap for use, the lower portion thereof is folded on a line between the two slit portions 2 and 3 into the upper

portion of the tube bringing the edge 4 opposite the edge 5 and the edge 6 of the slit 3 opposite the edge 7 of the slit 2. These edges are then knit or stitched together, as shown in Fig. 4, which leaves the opening 8 therebetween and results in the formation of the throat and mouth protector 9. This protector also assists in holding the cap in position.

In Fig. 1 of the drawings is illustrated the manner in which the cap looks with the throat protector turned down, or arranged in throat engaging position and Fig. 5 shows how the cap appears when the throat protector is turned up and the cap worn in the usual manner.

If desired, the cap may be formed from a single knit tube, like a stocking, in which case, it is only necessary to slit the material at one place, about two inches from the bottom.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, the construction and operation of the invention will be readily understood without requiring a more extended explanation.

Various changes in the form, proportion and the minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the principle or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention, as defined in the appended claim.

What is claimed as new is:

A stocking cap of the character described comprising a resilient knit fabric tube closed at one end and having a pair of spaced parallel slits cut therein, at a distance from the closed end, the open end of the tube being folded inwardly intermediate the two slits to bring the edges of said slits into alinement, and means for securing the edges of said slits together whereby a single reinforced opening is formed.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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