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Block for Forming Hat-Brim.

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Fig. 1.

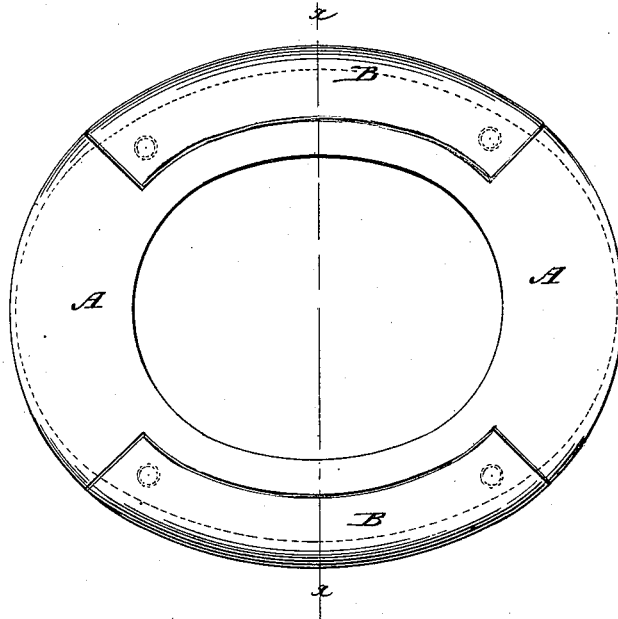


Fig. 2.

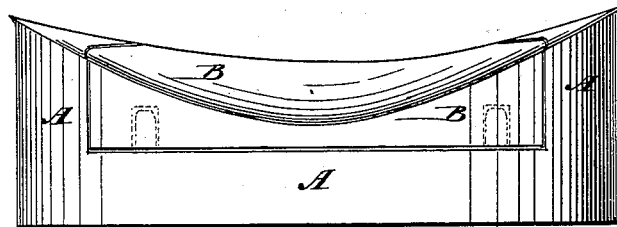
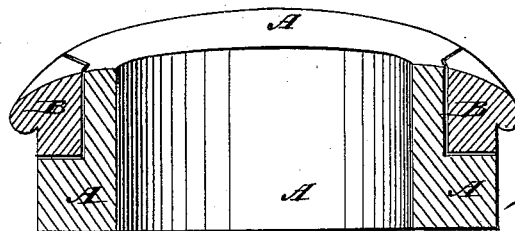


Fig. 3.



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IMPROVEMENT IN BLOCKS FOR FORMING HAT-BRIMS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. WHITE, of Danbury, in the county of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Sectional-Flange Hat-Brim Forms, of which the following is a specification:

Figure 1 is a top view of my improved hat-brim form. Fig. 2 is a side view of the same. Fig. 3 is a vertical cross-section of the same, taken through the line *x x*, Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The object of this invention is to furnish an improved form for use in giving shape to the brims of hats when the side parts of the said brims are turned or rolled, to enable the hats to be removed from the form without bending or warping their brims or changing their shape, so that the hats will set or stiffen with their brims in the exact shape given them by the form, and which at the same time shall be simple in construction and convenient in use.

The invention consists in a hat-brim form or flange made with a sectional detachable flange-section, as hereinafter fully described.

A represents the body of the form, which is made of such a shape and size as to give the required shape to the hat-brim. The flange-

section B of the form A upon each side is made in one or more parts or sections, which are detachable, and are guided into and secured in place by dowel-pins, tongues, and grooves, or other suitable means.

With this construction, when the proper shape has been given to the hat-brim, the hat is lifted off the form, taking the flange-sections B with it, which flange-sections drop out when they have been raised from the form A, leaving the brim of the hat in the exact shape given to it by the form. The sectional flange B enables a hat to be removed from the form without having its brim bent or changed in the least from the shape given to it by the said form.

The flange or form may be constructed of wood, metal, hard rubber, or other suitable material.

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

A hat-brim form, A, made with a sectional detachable flange, B, substantially as herein shown and described.

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