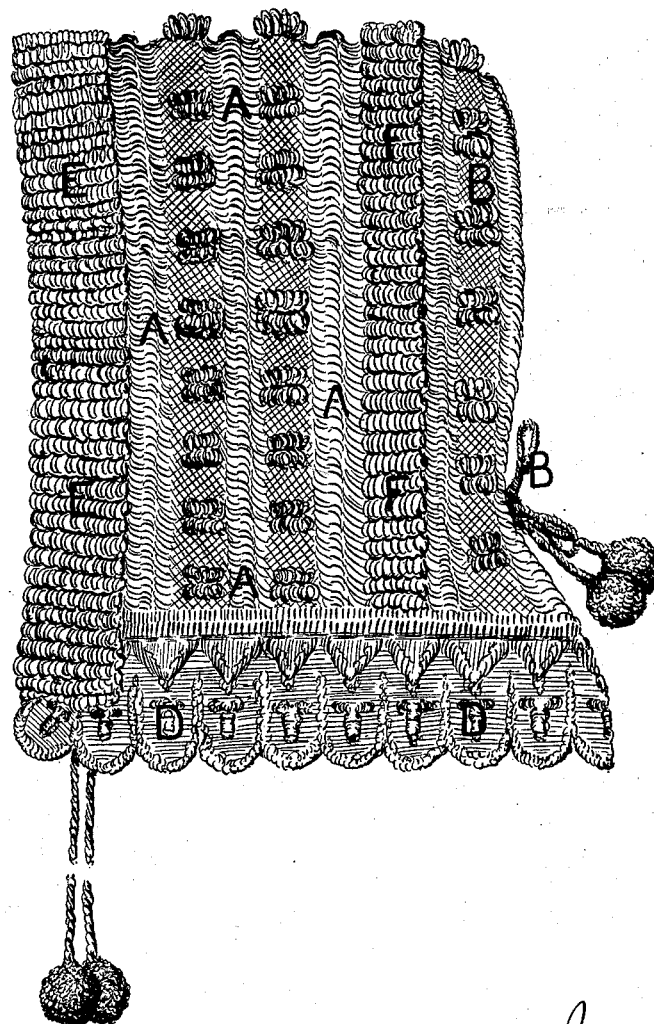


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IMPROVEMENT IN KNITTED HOODS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANCIS W. HENSON, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Knitted Hoods, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to cheapen the manufacture and improve the quality of knitted hoods, an object which I attain in the manner hereinafter set forth, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, representing a side view of a knitted hood of the character to which my invention relates.

Knitted hoods such as shown in the drawing comprise the body A, crown B, cape D, face-ruching E, and ruching F between the body and crown.

In the ordinary method of making such hoods each of the parts is separate from the others, the parts being united by sewing. Thus the body A and crown B are first sewed together, and the joint covered by sewing the ruching F over the same. The face-ruching E is sewed onto the front of the body A, and the cape D onto the bottom of the same and the crown B. These sewing operations add to the expense of the hood, and the latter, when finished, is not as strong as desirable.

In order to overcome these objections I knit the ruchings E and F and the body A of the hood in one piece, the machine being so arranged as to form the ruching E on one edge, and the ruching F on the other edge, of the strip which forms the body of the hood. By this means the sewing operations necessary to complete the hood are reduced at least one-half, and the finished hood is much stronger and more durable than one in which the ruchings are merely attached by sewing.

I claim as my invention—

1. A knitted hood in which the face-ruching E is in one piece with the body A of the hood, all substantially as set forth.

2. A knitted hood in which the ruchings E and F are in one piece with the body A of the hood, all substantially as specified.

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

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