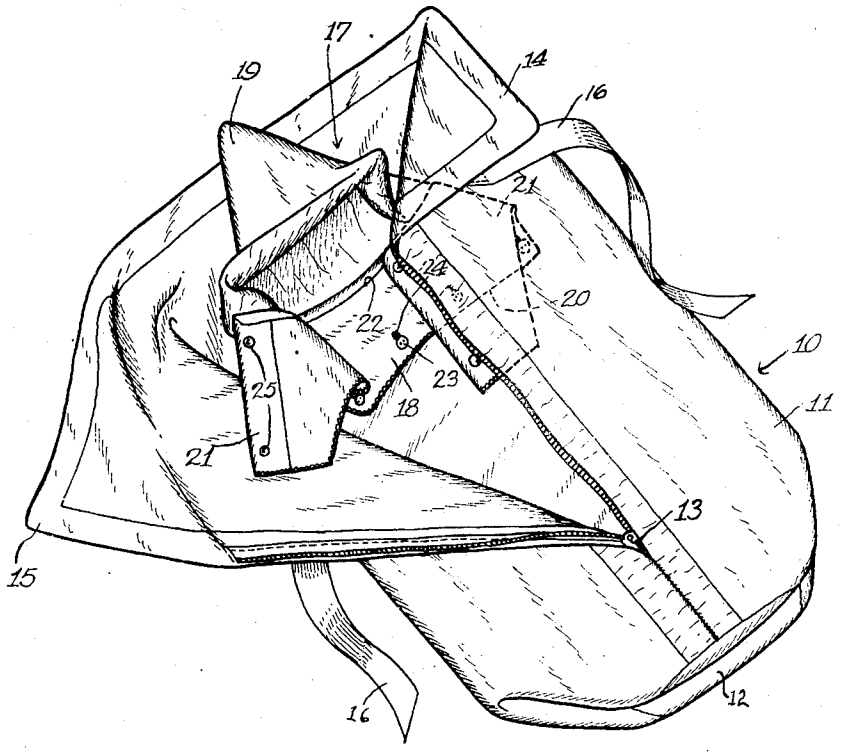
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My present invention relates to sleeping bags and the like and more particularly to sleeping garments or blankets for infants.

The main object of my present invention is to provide in combination with a main outside robe or bag, an additional inside means, simple and economical to manufacture, for covering and protecting the upper portion of the infant's body while in the sleeping bag, said means being detachably attached to the bag itself, to hold the inner and outer parts in assembled relation.

Other objects and advantages of the device of the present invention will in part be referred to herein and will in part be obvious to one skilled in the art to which the present invention relates.

The drawing accompanying the present specification is a plan view, partially diagrammatic, of a sleeping garment embodying features of my invention.

Referring more in detail to the drawing, the numeral 10 generally designates an infant's sleeping bag, preferably of some soft and yielding material, such as wool, this being the outer portion of the complete garment.

The sleeping bag 10 is made of a rectangular piece 11 folded over to form a sheath to which an oval bottom 12 is sewed. Fastening means 13, preferably of the separable or slide fastener type, are used to hold the ends of the sheath together, from the bottom to a point about one-quarter of the distance from the top, so that in a closed position the rectangular portion 11 will form a bag of wool. The corners 14 and 15 may be folded back when desired, exposing the interior of the robe or bag 10.

Two ribbons 16 may be sewed to the robe 10 near the upper portions thereof, one on each side of the slide fastener, to aid in keeping the robe closed.

I also provide an inner portion 17 which is detachably secured to the inside of the outer robe or bag 10, and located well down inside of the bag, as is evident from the drawing. This inner portion 17 provides important protection for the upper part of the body of the baby additional to the protection afforded by the robe or bag 10. It preferably comprises not only a cap or hood 19 but also a shoulder or/and chest protecting part 18, which, for brevity, may be called a vest. The vest portion 17 may be used to obtain the advantage of close wrapping of the shoulders or/and the chest, while the outer robe 10 retains the advantage of ample room for movement of the arms and legs, the outer robe being much wider and roomier than the inner portion. The inner portion 17 helps retain the robe 10 from slipping down from the baby, and the robe helps keep the hood on the baby, because of the attachment therebetween. The corners 14 and 15 of the robe may be folded lightly over the face, when extra protection is desired, but cannot be tightly fastened in that position because the slide fastener 13 terminates a substantial distance from the top of the robe, preferably about at the neck of the baby.

Both the vest portion 18 and the hood portion 19 of the inner member 17 may be made of the same material as the bag 10. The vast portion 18 has a substantially straight lower or back portion 20, and additional wing or front portions 21.

The vest or cage 18, if spread out flat, has a pattern generally resembling a U, the bottom of the U being defined between the lines 20 and 22, and the arms of the U being formed by the wings 21. When the wings are folded downwardly the desired cape effect is obtained, and by enlarging the wings as shown, the chest as well as the shoulders may be protected, and it is for this reason that I refer to the part 18 as a vest.

The hood 19 is sewed to the upper edge 22 of the back portion of the vest, the opening of the hood facing downwardly. While the hood may be and preferably is made of wool material like the rest of the robe, it may be lined with a soft material such as silk.

The bag or robe 10 is provided with a row of buttons 23 extending horizontally along the back of the bag. This row of buttons is located a substantial distance from the top of the bag, say a third of the way downwardly, so that the inner member 17 is located well inside of the outer robe. The inner member is detachably attached to these buttons by a series of buttonholes 24 spaced to mate with the buttons 23. The wing portions 21 are preferably spread outwardly when buttoning the vest to the robe, but are thereafter readily folded downwardly about the baby. The meeting edges of the vest are secured together in any desired manner, as by fastener elements 25. The closing of the vest directly about the body of the child provides good protection for the shoulders and chest, despite the ample dimension and open top of the outer robe 10.

It is believed that the mode of constructing my improved sleeping robe, as well as the many advantages thereof, will be apparent from the foregoing description thereof. The robe is easy and economical to manufacture and assemble. The assembly is convenient in use because the baby is safely confined within the garment. The bag

proper may be separated from the vest and hood when laundering the garment, and the robe may be used without the vest and hood during warm weather. The baby is completely protected by the assembly, and yet possesses ample freedom of movement, due to the combination of the relatively close fitting inner portion with the free fitting outer robe.

It will be understood that the description given herein is for the purpose of illustration only, and is not to be construed as a limitation of the invention, except as defined in the appended claims. The various portions of the present robe may of course be made with various types of material, in varying thicknesses or layers, with various embellishments, and can readily be enlarged to form an outdoor sleeping bag for grown-ups.

In wrapping an infant in the present sleeping bag, assuming that the portion 17 is buttoned to the bag 10, it is only necessary to open the bag by means of the fastener element 13, place its head within the hood 19, close the portion 18 over its chest and close the fastener element 13. As has already been referred to herein, the portion 17 can be removed in hot weather or to clean the same.

Other objects and advantages of the sleeping bag of the present invention will readily occur to one skilled in the art to which the present invention relates.

What I claim as my invention is:

1. A baby's sleeping garment comprising an outer bag portion and an inner portion attached to said bag portion, said outer bag being of ample width and length and having a closed lower end and an open upper end, the front of said bag being openable and provided with fastening means for closing the same, said inner portion including a combined cape and hood forming a single unit to relatively closely surround and protect the head and shoulders of the baby, said inner portion being secured to the inside of the back of the bag at a point a substantial distance from the top of the bag, the inner portion being located well inside of the bag and affording protection for the baby additional to that provided by the bag.

2. A baby's sleeping garment comprising an outer bag portion and an inner portion detachably attachable to said bag portion, said outer bag being of ample width and length and having a closed lower end and an open upper end, the front of said bag portion being openable and provided with fastening means for closing the same, said inner portion including a combined cape and hood forming a single unit to enclose and protect the head and shoulders of the baby, said outer and inner portions being detachably secured together by mating fastener means on the inner portion and on the inside of the back of the bag at a point a substantial distance from the top of the bag, the inner portion being located well inside of the bag and affording protection for the baby additional to that provided by the bag.

3. A baby's sleeping garment comprising an outer bag portion and an inner portion detachably attachable to said bag portion, said outer bag being of ample width and length and having a closed lower end and an open upper end, the front of said bag portion being openable and provided with a slide fastener for closing the same, said slide fastener terminating a substantial distance below the top of the bag, said inner portion including means to protect the head and shoulders of the baby, said inner and outer portions being detachably secured together by fastener elements on the inside of the back of the bag, the inner portion being located well inside of the bag and affording protection for the baby additional to that provided by the bag.

4. A baby's sleeping garment comprising an outer bag portion and an inner portion detachably attachable to said bag portion, said bag portion being of ample width and length and having a closed lower end and an open upper end, the front of said bag being openable and provided with fastening means for closing the same, said inner portion including a cape and a hood secured together to form a single unit, said cape being generally U-shaped in pattern, the arms of the U being foldable downwardly and provided with fastener elements to close the same, said inner and outer portions being detachably secured together by fastener elements on the inside of the back of the bag at a point a substantial distance from the top of the bag, the inner portion being located well inside of the bag and affording protection for the baby additional to that provided by the bag.

5. A baby's sleeping garment comprising an outer bag portion and an inner portion attached to said bag portion, said bag portion being of ample width and length and having a closed lower end and an open upper end, the front of said bag portion being openable and provided with a slide fastener for closing the same, said slide fastener terminating a substantial distance below the top of the bag, said inner portion comprising a vest and a hood secured together to form a single unit, said vest being generally U-shaped in pattern, the arms of the U being foldable downwardly to form the front part of the same and being provided with fastener elements to close the same, said inner and outer portions being secured together at the inside of the back of the bag, the inner portion being located well inside of the bag and affording protection to the baby additional to that provided by the bag.

6. A baby's sleeping garment comprising an outer bag portion and an inner portion detachably attachable to said bag portion, said bag portion being of ample width and length and having a closed lower end and an open upper end, the front of said bag portion being openable and provided with a slide fastener for closing the same, said slide fastener terminating a substantial distance below the top of the bag, said inner portion comprising cape and a hood secured together at the rear parts thereof, said cape being generally U-shaped in pattern, the arms of the U being foldable downwardly and provided with fastener elements to close the same, said inner and outer portions being detachably secured together by fastener elements on the inside of the back of the bag at a point a substantial distance from the top of the bag, the inner portion being located well inside of the bag and affording protection for the baby additional to that provided by the bag.

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