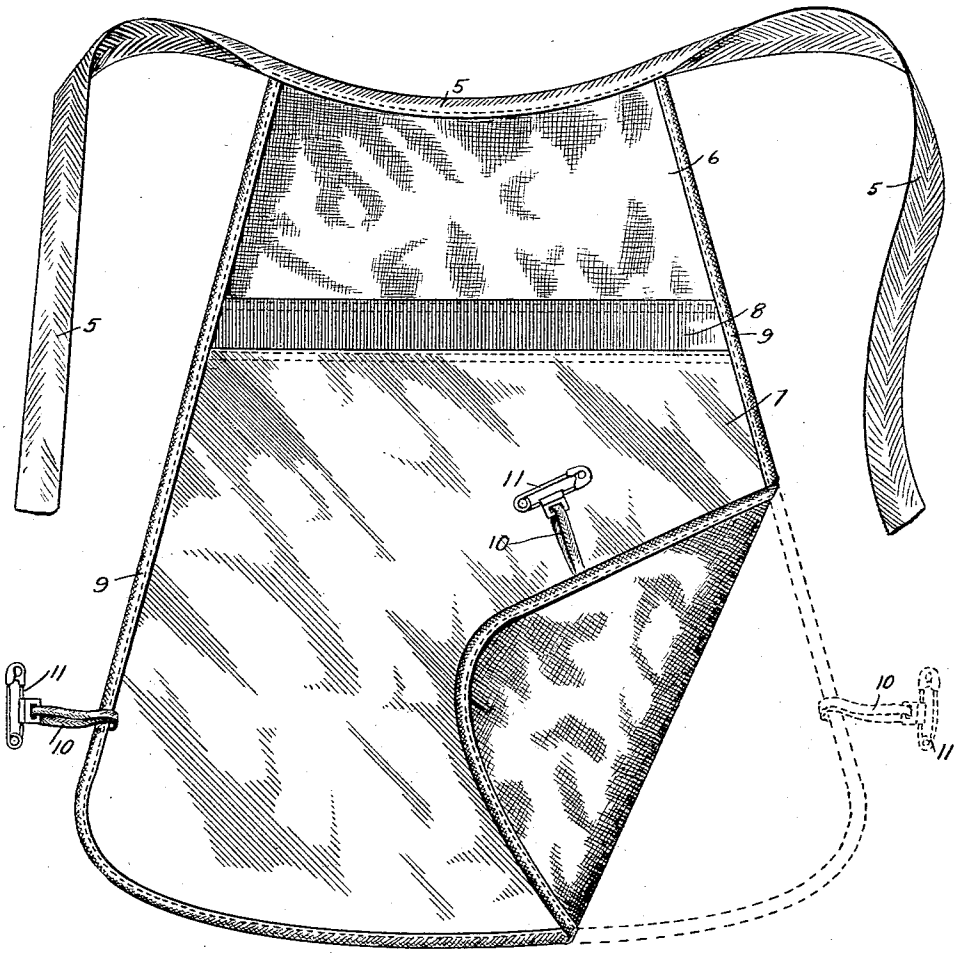
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY P. RINDSKOPF, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Protective Apron, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

Among the principal objects which the present invention has in view are: to provide means for protecting women's outer garments from damage during certain periods of illness; to allow a garment of the character named to yield, and so avoid wearing or tearing strains or stresses; and to minimize the weight of the garment.

The drawing is a side view of an apron constructed and arranged in accordance with the present invention.

For the purposes above enumerated in view, the garment is provided with strings 5, to be used for supporting the garment upon the body of the wearer, and to be tied about the waist and at the front thereof, the apron itself being intended to be worn at the rear.

The apron proper is composed primarily of three sections, an uncoated fabric upper section 6, a rubber-coated fabric lower section 7, and an intermediate pure rubber yielding section 8. These sections are suitably united, and when shaped are bound as a unit by braid or edging 9, said edging passing over the rubber of the section 8 to prevent the spread of the material.

The apron is provided adjacent the lower edge thereof with retaining loops 10, at the ends of which are secured suitable fasteners, such as safety pins 11. When the garment is adjusted, the safety pins 11 are fastened to the underskirt or other garment, the fabric side of the section 7 being preferably turned to the body of the person. By attaching the safety pins 11 to the underskirt or petticoat, and at the front thereof, the apron can be thereby held close to the body of the wearer.

When thus installed, the protection which the apron insures for the garments of the wearer is obvious.

The rubber yielding section 8 operates to shape the garment to the person when in sitting position, though the apron may be so attached to the petticoat as to be held snugly to the person. In this condition, the strain exerted by the bending to the body of the person would be mostly applied to the longitudinal center of the apron, where the stretch of the rubber of the section 8 would freely accommodate the pull or stress on the material. On the sides, however, whereon the braid 9 is bound, the yield or extension of the material would be little, if any. The result of the extension of the material at the center and the non-extension at the sides, would be to bulge or mold the garment in conformity to the body of the wearer.

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

1. An apron, comprising a non-resilient, non-coated fabric section; supporting strings directly connected with said section and adapted for supporting the apron from the waist of a wearer; a lower rubber-coated non-resilient section; means mounted on said lower section adjacent the lower edge thereof for holding the apron in outspread position; a resilient rubber section intermediate said first-mentioned sections and structurally united thereto; and a non-resilient edge binding for the entire apron, said binding crossing the ends of the rubber section to prevent the extension thereof.

2. An apron, comprising a non-resilient, non-coated fabric section; supporting strings directly connected with said section and adapted for supporting the apron from the waist of a wearer; a lower rubber-coated non-resilient section; a plurality of retaining loops mounted upon and extending from the edge of the rubber-coated section, adjacent the lower edge thereof, to hold the apron in outspread position; a resilient rubber section intermediate said first-mentioned sections and structurally united thereto; and a non-resilient edge binding for the entire apron, said binding crossing the ends of the resilient section to prevent the extension at the ends thereof.

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

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