

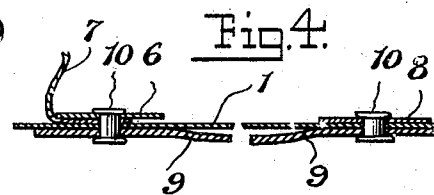
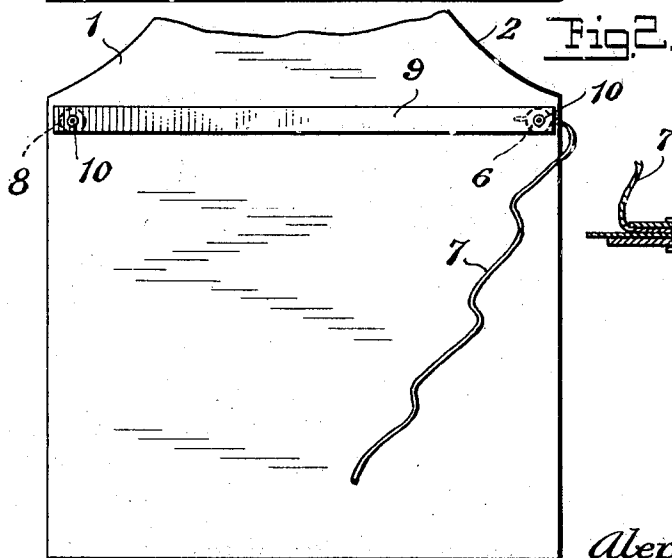
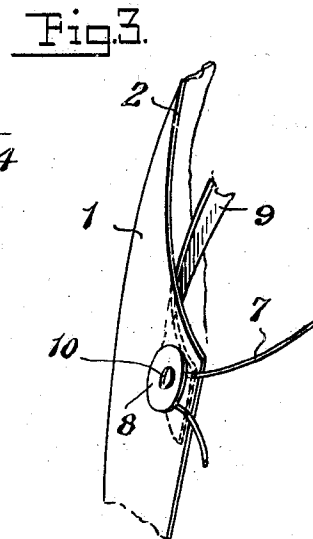
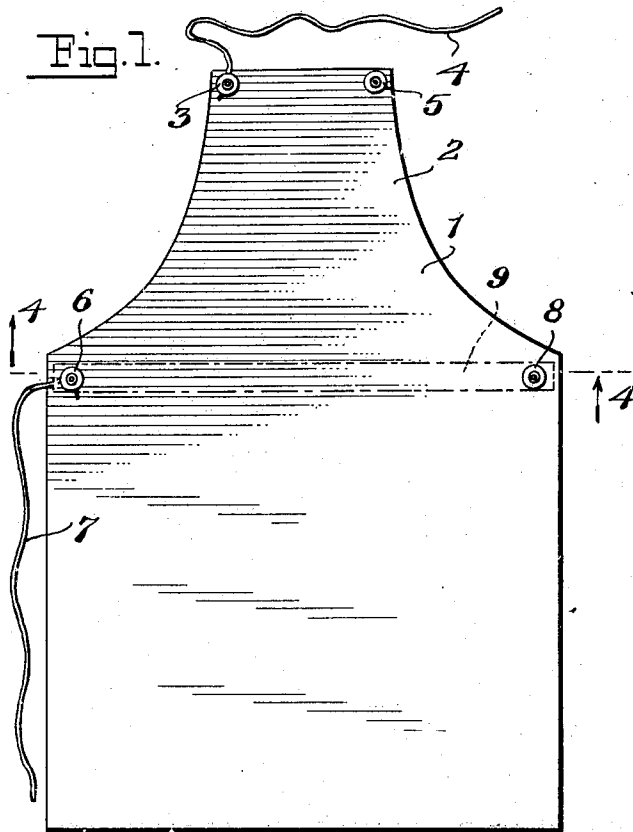
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APRON

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This invention relates to an improvement in household aprons and has for its object to provide an article of this character which shall be made of paper.

5 A further object of this invention is to provide an improved and simple means of securing the same in position about the wearer permitting the apron to be very easily adjusted to fit persons of different sizes or build.

10 A still further object of the invention is to provide an improved means for reinforcing those parts of the paper body of the apron whereon strain is likely to be imposed, thus preventing the apron from becoming readily
15 torn when in use.

A still further object of the invention is to provide a paper apron which can be so cheaply and economically made as to permit the same to be used a few times and then
20 discarded.

With these objects and such other objects as may hereinafter appear, in view, I have devised the particular arrangement of parts hereinafter set forth and more particularly
25 pointed out in the claims appended hereto.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawing forming a part hereof in which

Figure 1 is a front elevation of my improved apron;

30 Figure 2 is a view of the rear face of the same, the upper part of the apron being broken away;

Figure 3 is a perspective view taken at one edge of the apron showing the engagement of the fastening means and a portion of the
35 reinforcing strip; and

Figure 4 is a sectional view on the line 4—4 of Figure 1, looking in the direction of the
40 arrows.

Throughout the various views of the drawing, similar reference characters designate similar parts.

In the embodiment of my invention disclosed in the accompanying drawing, 1 indicates the body of the apron. The same is preferably made of a single sheet of paper. The type of paper employed for the purpose is naturally dependent upon the uses to which the apron is intended to be put. In some
45 cases, a waterproof or water-repellent paper

may be used; in others a thin flexible Japanese paper may be employed. In each case however, it is desirable to use a strong, flexible paper which will permit the apron to gracefully conform to the body of the wearer
55 and which will resist tearing caused by the imposition of strains during movements of the wearer's body.

The body 1 of the apron is preferably shaped near its upper end in the conventional way to form the narrowed portion 2 which
60 extends over and covers the wearer's chest. At 4 is indicated a suspension string which passes behind the neck of the wearer and supports the apron therefrom. One end of this string or flexible member 4 is fixedly
65 secured to the apron by being held by a button 3 which is secured down by a tubular rivet 10.

The button 3 is preferably located at one of the side edges of the apron, close to the
70 top of the body 1. A similar button 5 is located at the opposite side edge of the apron adjacent to the top of the body 1 so that when the string 4 is passed behind the neck of the wearer, its free end may then be engaged with
75 the button 5 and wrapped around the rivet 10 beneath the button to secure the string 4 in position.

At 6 is shown a paper button similar to that shown at 3 which, through its rivet 10, holds one end of a tying string 7. The button 6 is located adjacent to one of the side edges of the body 1 at a point located approximately at the waist of the wearer so that the string 7 may be passed around the waist and detachably engage with a button 8 provided
85 at the opposite edge of the body 1. Since considerable strain is placed upon the body of the apron 1 by drawing the fastening string 7 about the wearer, I provide a reinforcing means for the body in the form of an elongated reinforcing strip 9. This strip
90 9 extends across the back face of the body 1 as clearly shown in Figure 2, and it attaches to the body 1 at spaced points by means of the rivets 10 which hold down the buttons 6 and 8. Thus, when the string 7 is passed
95 about the body of the wearer and wrapped around the rivet 10, which holds the button 8 in place, as disclosed in Figure 3, all strain
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caused by movements of the wearer's body on the string 7 is received upon the strip 9 rather than upon the comparatively thin and flexible body 1 of the apron.

5 The strip 9 may be made of any suitable material such as paper or textile material. I prefer to use a paper strip of considerably greater thickness and strength than that possessed by the body 2 of the apron.

10 From the foregoing, the manner in which my improved apron is worn will be readily understood. The same is worn in the manner that most aprons of the same general contour are used. The string 4 is passed
15 about the back of the neck and its free end wrapped beneath the button 5. Through this type of fastening, a large degree of adjustability is had since the string may be wrapped to any degree desired beneath the button 5 so that the apron may be held close
20 up under the chin or suspended at a considerable distance below the same. Thus, by the utilization of the particular form of supporting means employed, the apron may be
25 adjusted to fit persons of various sizes. The same is true with regard to the fastening string 7 which can be drawn about and adjusted to fit persons of various sizes. The apron, being wholly made of paper, is very
30 economical in construction and can be worn several times and then discarded.

Having described one embodiment of my invention, it is obvious that the same is not to be restricted thereto, but is broad enough to
35 cover all structures coming within the scope of the annexed claims.

Having described my invention, what I claim is:

1. An apron having a body composed of
40 a paper sheet, means for retaining the same about the body comprising a string secured adjacent to one edge of the garment, a button secured adjacent to the opposite edge and about which said string is adapted to be
45 wrapped, and a reinforcing strip extending across one face of the body and connected thereto solely at the points of securement of the string and button.

2. A garment of the character described
50 comprising a protective apron having a body made wholly of paper, means for holding the same about the wearer comprising a string secured adjacent to the upper edge of the body near one of the side edges of the same,
55 a button on the outer face of the body located adjacent to the upper edge thereof and at the side opposite to that on which the string is located, another string located at one of the side edges of the garment at approximately the waist line thereof, a button at the
60 opposite side edge of the garment on the front face thereof to receive the last mentioned string, and a paper strip extending across the rear face of the garment and solely
65 connected thereto by the means which secures

the last mentioned button and string to the body of the garment.

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