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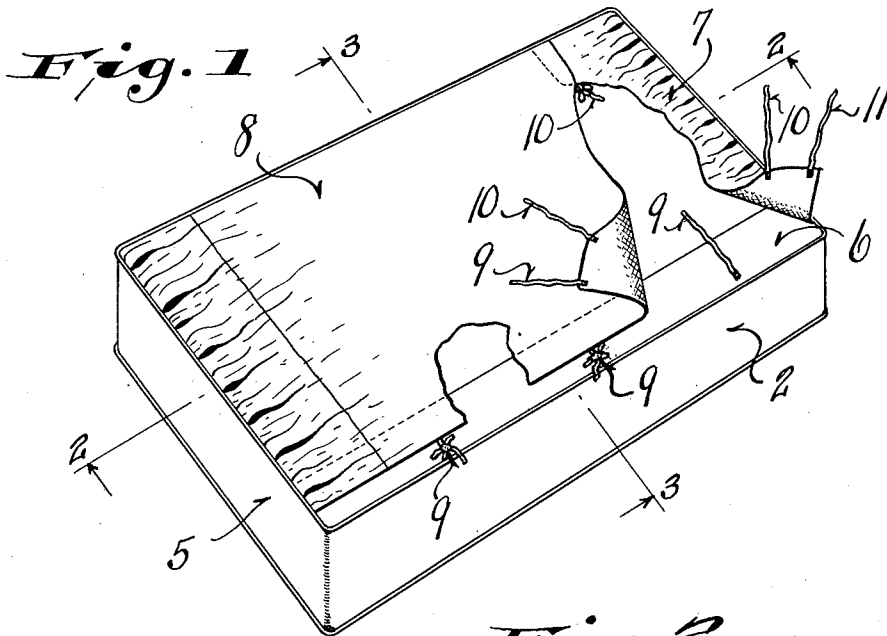


Fig. 1

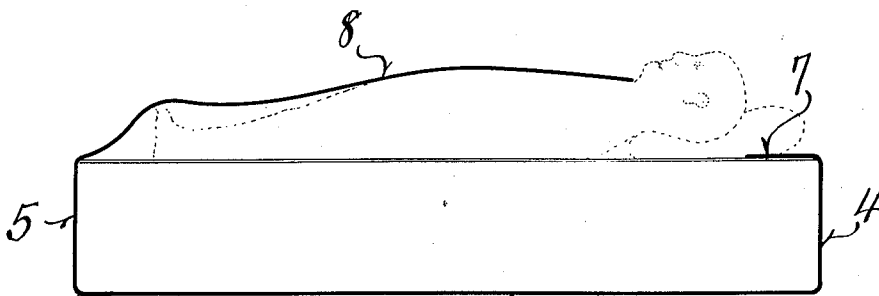


Fig. 2

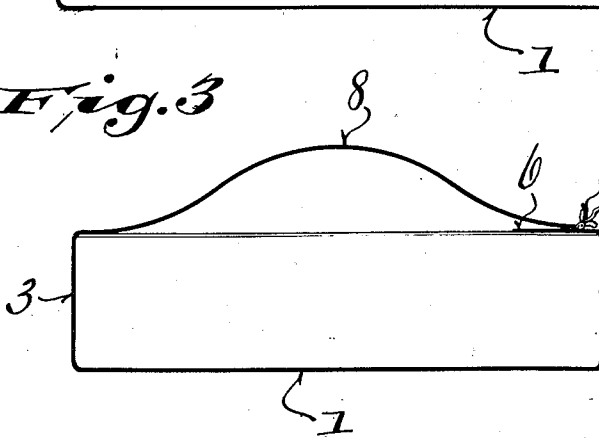


Fig. 3

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## BABY-MATRESS ENVELOPE.

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This invention relates to a baby mattress envelope.

In covering children, difficulty is experienced in keeping the covers in place, and various attempts have been made to maintain the covers positioned. These attempts have not been wholly satisfactory, for on the one hand, the covering is so securely tied that it prevents the free movement of the infant, and on the other hand, the covering, if not securely tied, is kicked or pushed off.

This invention is designed to overcome the defects noted above and to provide an envelope which is so made that it will readily receive the entire mattress, covered with usual sheet and rubber sheet, if desired, and which also receives the infant and permits the ready tucking of the successive layers of cover in place over the envelope, so that there is no binding produced on the one hand, and also that the infant can not kick or push the super-imposed covers out of place, on the other hand.

Further objects of this invention are to provide a mattress envelope for infants which is so constructed that a box-like bag is produced, accurately conforming to the mattress, and in which a side upper flap and a top flap over-lap the corresponding portions of the mattress; and in which a top cover is shirred and secured to the bottom portion of the envelope and to one side portion, so that the free insertion and removal of the infant is permitted, and so that the envelope may also be freely positioned about the mattress.

An embodiment of the invention is shown in the accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the envelope with a part broken away.

Figure 2 is a sectional view on the line 2-2 of Figure 1, showing the mattress in place.

Figure 3 is a transverse, sectional view on the line 3-3 of Figure 1.

Referring to the drawings, it will be seen that the envelope comprises a bottom portion 1, side portions 2 and 3, and end portions 4 and 5.

The side portion 2 has secured thereto an upper inwardly projecting flap 6, preferably the upper and lower ends of the flap 6 are also attached to the portions 4 and 5; an upper end flap 7 is secured to the portion 4 and to the portion 3—it is preferably shirred, as shown in Figure 1, and over-

laps the flap 6; a top cover 8 is secured to the side 3 and to the bottom 5—it is preferably shirred, at its lower edge where it is attached to the portion 5, to provide the requisite fullness, as is apparent from Figure 2.

The top cover 8 and the side flap 6 are provided with fasteners, such as tapes 9, which may be tied to hold the parts together after the insertion of the infant.

The upper end flap 7 and the top cover 8 are also provided with fasteners, such as tapes 10, which may be secured together. In addition to this, the free end of the upper end flap 7 is provided with a fastener 11, which may be tied to the uppermost fasteners, or tapes 9 of the top cover 8 and side flap 6.

It will be seen that the mattress, covered with a rubber sheeting and the usual sheet, may be positioned within the envelope, or bag, and due to the boxed construction of the bag, as shown in Figure 1, the mattress and bag will be securely held together.

Further, the mattress is over-lapped by the flaps 6 and 7. Thereafter, the cover 8 is turned back and the infant placed in position, as shown in dotted lines in Figure 2, with a pillow preferably placed over the upper end flap 7. Subsequently, the fasteners are tied and additional covers, such as blankets, etc., are positioned above the entire structure and tucked in place.

It will be seen that freedom is afforded for the movements of the infant without any material or harmful restrictions thereof, while at the same time the infant is prevented from kicking off the super-imposed covers, as the infant is contained within the envelope for the mattress.

It is preferable to form the envelope of some fabric which is relatively strong and which may be freely washed, as desired.

It will be seen that a very simple, serviceable and relatively cheap envelope for a baby's mattress has been provided, which has the desirable characteristics enumerated above.

Although the invention has been described in considerable detail, such description is intended as illustrative rather than limiting, as the invention may be variously embodied and as the scope of such invention is to be determined as claimed.

I claim:

A baby mattress envelope comprising a

bag boxed to fit the mattress and having a bottom, sides, and end portions, said bag having an upper side flap secured to a side portion and having an upper end flap secured to an end portion, said flaps forming inwardly extending portions adapted to over-lap the corresponding portions of the mattress, a top cover secured to the other end portion and shirred adjacent such end portion and secured to the other side portion of the bag and freely over-lapping the side flap and a portion of the upper flap, and tapes secured to said flaps and to said top cover, for detachably joining said flaps and said top cover.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand at Venice, in the county of Los Angeles and State of California.

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