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Fig. 1.

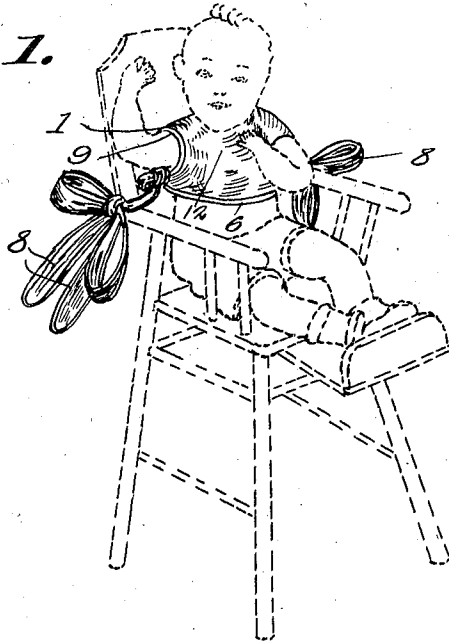
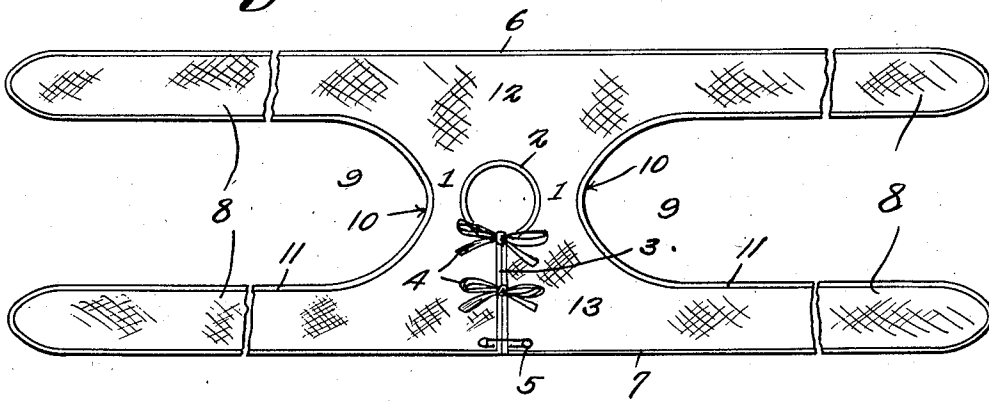


Fig. 2.



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1 Claim. (Cl. 227-49)

This invention relates to a safety device designed primarily for use in tying infants in chairs, cribs, baby carriages, or wherever it is desired to leave the child unattended but without danger of injury by falling.

Another object is to provide a safety device which can be worn comfortably, can easily be placed on or removed from the child, and can be laundered readily when desired.

A still further object is to provide a device of this character which can be made in larger sizes for use by adults while patients in hospitals or other institutions, while traveling in airplanes, and under any other conditions where it might be found desirable to fasten the body to a support.

With the foregoing and other objects in view, which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in certain novel features of construction and combinations of parts which will be hereinafter more fully described and pointed out in the claim, it being understood that changes may be made in the construction and arrangement of the parts without departing from the spirit of the invention as claimed.

In the accompanying drawing the preferred form of the invention has been shown.

In said drawing:

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the device in use.

Figure 2 is a plan view of the device, portions being broken away.

The present invention consists of an elongated strip of fabric having deep recesses cut into the respective ends thereof thereby to provide a body portion between the recesses and broad elongated tongues integral with the body portion and constituting the sides of the recesses. In the drawing 1 designates the central or body portion of the device provided at its center with a neck-receiving opening 2. The body is slit from one edge to the opening, as shown at 3, and the slit can be held closed by tie tapes 4 and/or one or more fasteners, such as a safety pin 5.

Extended from the sides of the body portion 1 at the front and back edges 6 and 7 thereof, are the elongated tongues 8 heretofore referred to and which are made integral with the body, and these tongues provide the end recesses or arm-receiving spaces between them as shown at 9. The side edges of the body are curved as shown at 10 and merge into the inner side edges of the tongues 8. Thus these side edges will fit snugly

over the shoulders of the wearer when the device is properly applied.

It is to be understood that this device can be made of one or more thicknesses of like or different materials and is preferably bound along the edges as at 11 to give a neat appearance and provide added strength.

In practice the fastening devices 4 and/or 5 are released to allow the slit 3 to be opened. The neck of the wearer is then positioned in the opening 2 with the front portion 12 of the body extending across the front of and down to a point close to or below the waist while the back portion 13, which had been tied together at the slit 3 following the application of the device, extends across the back of the wearer's body. The front and back tongues 8 are then tied together under the arms of the wearer, double knots being preferably used to insure correct fastening. Thus the side portions of the body 1 will be held down on the shoulders of the wearer while the arms will be extended through the openings formed between these shoulder portions and the tied tongues.

Following the application of the device, as explained the free ends of the tongues can be tied to the structure to which the person is to be fastened. For example if the device is secured on a small child, the free ends of the tongues can be inserted through a chair back at the sides, as shown at B. Other uses will be obvious.

What is claimed is:

A safety device comprising an elongated strip of fabric having elongated recesses extending toward each other from its respective ends thereby to provide an intermediate body portion and oppositely extending pairs of tongues extending from the body portion, the tongues of each pair being substantially parallel, there being a neck-receiving opening in the body portion and a slit leading from said opening to one edge of the body portion, and means carried by the body portion for holding the slit closed, said body portion being proportioned to fold and to straddle the shoulders of a person to whose neck it is fitted and to engage the chest and back of said person, the recesses between the tongues providing shoulder and arm-receiving spaces when the body portion is folded and said tongues being proportioned for use as ties for attaching the folded body portion to the back of a chair at the respective sides thereof.

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