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Fig. 1.

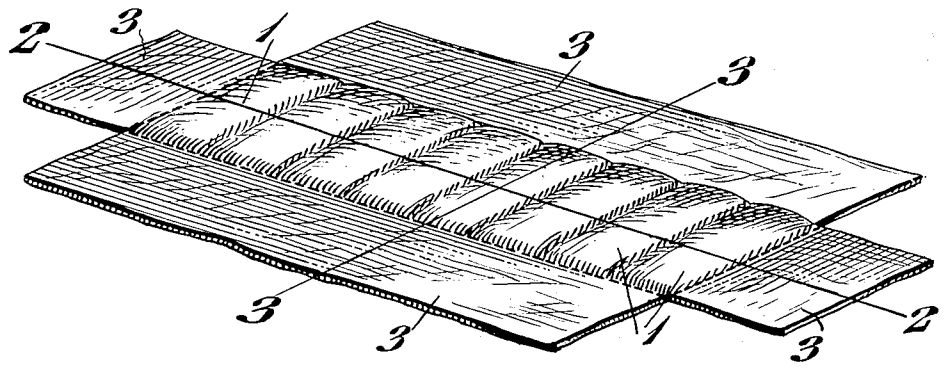


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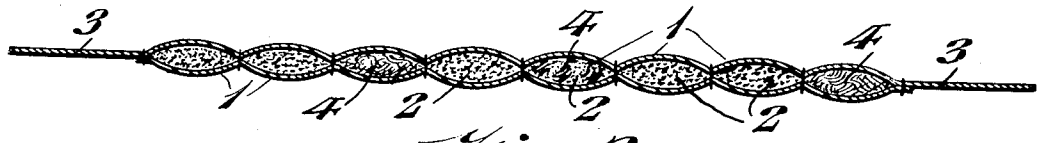
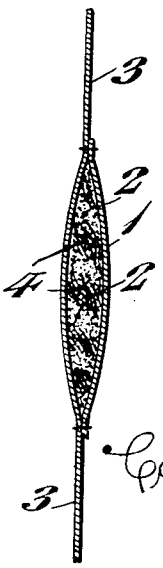


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CORA IRENE SHAW WILSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Albuquerque, in the county of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico, have invented a new and useful Soap-Bag and Washrag, of which the following is a specification.

My invention consists of a combined soap bag and wash rag which is composed of a bag of textile material, and soap contained therein, and a wash rag attachment, the same being formed of wings of material suitable as a wash rag which may be folded thereon to limit the amount of the lather of the soap oozing out from the bag and to be opened out to provide a wash rag of enlarged size for various purposes requiring the same.

The invention is satisfactorily illustrated in the accompanying drawing, but the important instrumentalities thereof may be varied, and so it is to be understood that the invention is not limited to the specific details shown and described, as long as they are within the spirit or scope of the claim.

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of a combined soap bag and wash rag embodying my invention.

Fig. 2 represents a longitudinal section on line 2—2 Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 represents a transverse section on line 3—3 Fig. 1.

Similar numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in the figures.

Referring to the drawings.

1 designates a soap bag which is composed of a bag and pieces or masses 2 of soap therein, the said bag being formed of pieces or sheets of porous material closed in bag form on all of its sides, so as to retain the soap therein while the soap when the bag is wet and in use will form lather and allow it to ooze through the fabric and so be applied to the place to be washed, the soap thus being prevented from loss, waste and extravagant use while being amply supplied from the bag for washing purposes.

The bag when so desired is quilted or stitched through at intervals forming pockets which prevent the soap from shifting from one pocket to another, and the matting or packing of the soap throughout the bag, thus preserving the general flat condition of the bag and causing the use of the soap to be uniform throughout the same.

One of the aforesaid pieces or sheets is of greater area than the other piece or sheet, the latter being stitched to the former within the borders of said sheet of greater area forming the wings or flaps 3 as wash rags which when opened out as in Fig. 1 form a wash rag of large area for washing purposes requiring the same, said wings thus being serviceable with the fabric of the bag as additional wash rags, thus producing together an enlarged wash rag. In the manufacture of the bag one wall thereof is longer and wider than that of the other wall thereof, and so the former extends out from the sides of the bag in the form of wings or sections 3 comprising wash rags supplementary to the wash rag formed by the bag and surrounding the borders of the latter.

The corners of the device are cut away so that the flaps or wings are disconnected at said corners and so each flap or wing may be folded on the bag independently of the others.

In some cases the quantity of lather of the soap that oozes from or works out of the bag is too great or liberal so the wings may be folded on the line of stitches on either face of the bag as formed, thus thickening the walls of the latter and retarding the oozing or working out of the lather of the soap and thereby decreasing the extent of the soap that is served in washing. The flaps 3 may be folded on the body of the bag on the stitched lines that unite the terminals of the walls of said bag to cover and thicken the latter and to be extended out from said terminals to enlarge the capacity of the wash rag formed in part by the walls of said bag.

When desired pieces 4 of sponge are placed with the soap in the bag so as to absorb water and provide increased moisture in the bag for the soap, and said pieces may be contained in a pocket intermixed with the soap or placed in pockets separate from the soap so as to alternate with the pockets of the latter.

The soap may be granular, powdered or flake, or in cake form as desired.

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

In a two part wash-rag device of the character stated, a bag, and soap therein, said bag consisting of two sheets of porous wash-

rag material of different areas, the edges of the smaller sheet being united to the face of the larger sheet by stitches within the border portions of the latter, the corners of said border portions being removed forming separate wings of said border portions which are adapted to be folded independently of each other along the line of said stitches flat on either face of the soap-containing bag as above formed.

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