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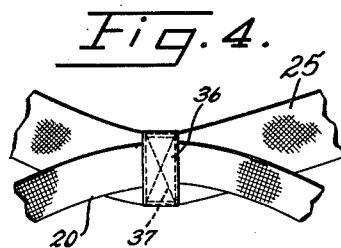
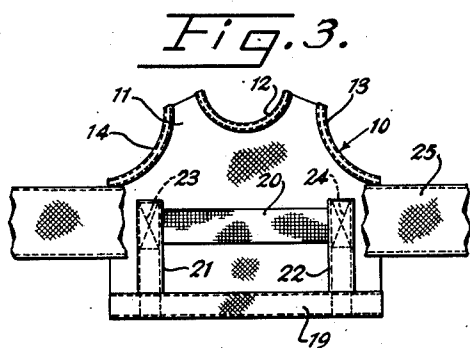
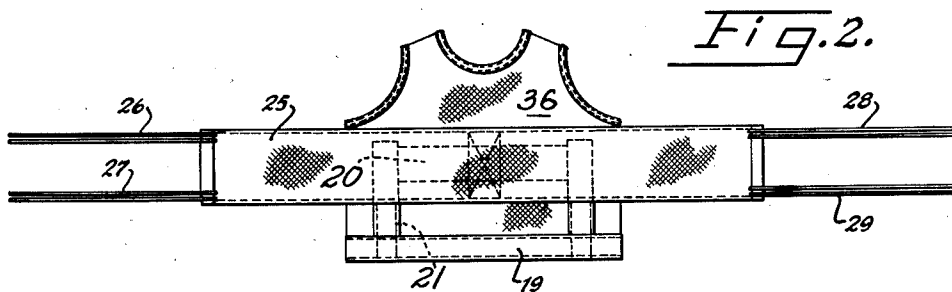
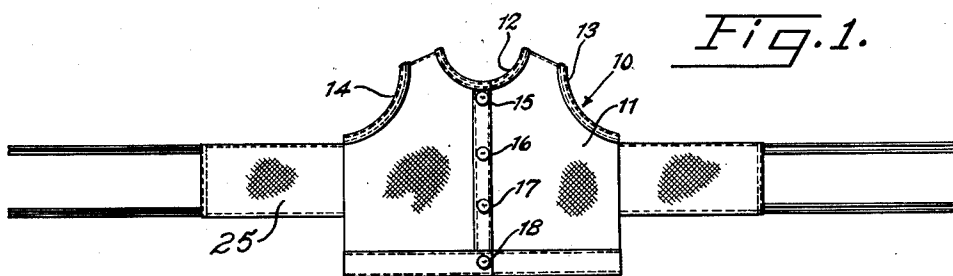
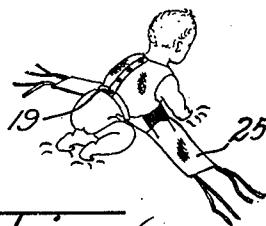
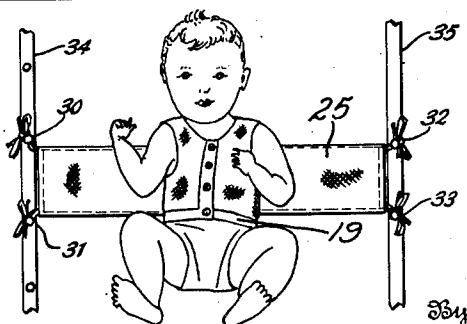


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The present invention relates to a garment for babies.

A primary object of the present invention is to provide a combination sleeping and exercising garment for babies adapted to hold the baby securely in bed without uncomfortably hampering rolling movements during the sleeping period.

Another object is to provide a reversible garment for babies which is so constructed and designed so that the baby may be held in position either on its back or abdomen.

A further object is to provide a child's sleeping garment provided with elastic means to comfortably hold the child in a reclining position.

The present invention embraces the concept of providing a combination sleeping and exercising garment for babies including a body portion provided with a neck receiving opening and arm receiving openings, a tie band provided with tie cords at the opposite ends thereof, and an elastic strip secured to said tie band with said elastic strip having its opposite ends secured to the body portion of the garment.

Other and further objects and advantages of the present invention will be apparent from the following description thereof and from the claims appended thereto.

In the drawing wherein like numerals refer to like or corresponding parts throughout the several views;

Figure 1 is a front view of the garment and embraces the features of the present invention;

Figure 2 is a rear view of the garment shown in Figure 1;

Figure 3 is a rear view of the garment shown in Figure 1 with the tie band broken away to show the position of the elastic strip across the back of the garment;

Figure 4 is a detail showing the means for attaching the elastic strip to the tie band;

Figure 5 is a perspective view showing the baby's garment in use, wherein the baby is reclining on its back; and

Figure 6 is a perspective view showing the garment in use, wherein the said garment is reversed and the baby is disposed on its abdomen.

Referring now to the drawing, the numeral 10 generally represents the garment which embodies the features of the preferred form of the present invention. Garment 10 is preferably composed of an integral piece of material which forms a body portion 11, which may be made of cotton, fabric, or preferably any washable cloth. The body portion 11 is provided with a neck receiving opening 12 and oppositely disposed arm

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receiving openings 13 and 14, respectively. Extending downwardly from the neck receiving opening 12, the body portion 11 is provided with a cutaway portion to form two free edge portions which are fastened together in any conventional manner as by means of buttons 15, 16, 17 and 18, which fit through suitable buttonholes. It is to be understood that such other fastening means as zippers may be employed in the place of buttons and buttonholes as the fastening means.

The body portion 11 is provided at the bottom thereof with a turned up hem 19, which is stitched to provide a finished bottom portion.

On the rear side of the body portion 11, opposite from the buttoned side, there is provided an elastic band 20, which extends widthwise of the body 11 and substantially across the back portion thereof, with said elastic band or strip 20 being secured to the back portion of the body 11 by means of tabs 21 and 22, which extend upwardly from the bottom hem 19, and are secured to the back of the body 11 by crisscross stitching 23 and 24, which likewise secure the end portions of the elastic strip 20 to the tabs 21 and 22 and to spaced apart portions of the back of body 11, as more clearly shown in Figure 3 of the drawing.

A tie band 25 extends widthwise across and substantially beyond the back of body portion 11, and is provided at the opposite ends thereof with tie cords 26, 27, 28 and 29, which are adapted to be secured to suitable knobs 30, 31, 32 and 33, disposed in the side boards 34 and 35 of a bed. The tie cords 26, 27, 28 and 29 may also be secured to any other suitable anchoring source. The tie band 25 is provided intermediate the ends thereof with a loop portion 36, through which the elastic strip 20 passes, with said elastic strip 20 being secured to said loop 36 and the tie band 25 by means of crisscross stitching 37. As pointed out, the ends of elastic strip 20 are secured to the back of body portion 11. While it is preferred to have elastic strip 20 in one piece, two or more sections may be employed if desired.

In operation, as best shown in Figures 5 and 6 of the drawing, when it is desired to place the baby in sleeping position, the garment 10 is put on the child as shown in Figure 5, and the tie cords are securely fastened to anchor the garment in place. The baby is then comfortably positioned to sleep on its back, and may roll from side to side against the resiliency of the elastic band 20 which will tend to bring the child back to its normal sleeping position on its back.

When it is desired to have the child sleep on

its abdomen, or to position the child in the garment for exercise, the garment is disposed on the child in a manner shown in Figure 6 of the drawing and the tie cords are anchored. It is to be noted that when the garment is being employed to permit the child to sleep on its abdomen, or to exercise against the resiliency of the band 20, the buttons 15, 16, 17 and 18 are disposed up to the back of the child rather than down the front as is the case when the child is positioned on its back.

When exercising, the baby is normally placed on its hands and knees and upward movement against the elastic band 20 will provide the child with needed exercise.

It will be appreciated that the improved baby garment is of relatively simple construction, and may be easily and economically manufactured. As the garment can be laid out flat, it is very easy to launder and iron. Also, as only the upper portion of the child's body is covered with the garment, the child is free to move its arms and legs without being uncomfortably hampered and yet with assurance that the baby will not roll out of bed. If desired, the child can be covered with a blanket during colder weather without materially detracting from the utility of the device.

It is to be understood that various modifications of the present invention may occur to persons skilled in the art without departing from the spirit of the present invention, and it is therefore desired to be limited only by the scope of the appended claims.

What I claim is:

1. A sleeping and exercising garment for babies, comprising a body portion provided with a neck receiving opening and arm receiving openings, said body portion being cut downwardly from the neck receiving opening and extending throughout the length of the front of said body portion to form two free edge portions, means to removably fasten said free edge portions together, a tie band extending substantially at right angles to said free edge portions along the back of and beyond said body portion, said band being provided with a loop intermediate the ends thereof and tie cords at the opposite ends thereof, and an elastic strip disposed through said loop and attached thereto and to said band and extending substantially across the back of said body portion, and said elastic strip having its opposite ends secured to the back of said body portion.

2. A sleeping and exercising garment for babies, comprising a body portion provided with a neck receiving opening and arm receiving openings, a tie band provided with a loop intermediate the ends thereof and tie cords at the opposite ends thereof, and an elastic strip disposed through said

loop and attached thereto and to said band, said elastic strip having its opposite ends secured to the back of said body portion.

3. A sleeping and exercising garment for babies, comprising a body portion, a tie band provided with a loop portion, and an elastic strip disposed through said loop and attached thereto and to said band, said elastic strip having its opposite ends secured to the back of said body portion, said tie band having means thereon for attaching it to a crib or the like, whereby the rolling of the baby from side to side will be resiliently resisted by the elastic strip and said elastic strip will tend to return the baby to its initial position.

4. A sleeping and exercising garment for babies, comprising a body portion provided with a neck receiving opening and arm receiving openings, said body portion being cut downwardly from the neck receiving opening and extending throughout the length of the front of said body portion to form two free edge portions, means to removably fasten said free edge portions together, a tie band extending substantially at right angles to said free edge portions along the back of and beyond said body portion, said band being provided with a loop intermediate the ends thereof and tie cords at the opposite ends thereof, and an elastic strip disposed through said loop and attached thereto and to said band and extending substantially across the back of said body portion, said elastic strip being unsecured except at its ends to the back of said body portion.

5. A sleeping and exercising garment for babies, comprising a body portion provided with a neck receiving opening and arm receiving openings, a tie band provided with a loop intermediate the ends thereof and tie cords at the opposite ends thereof, and an elastic strip disposed through said loop and attached thereto and to said band, said elastic strip having its opposite ends secured to the back of said body portion and its intermediate portion free of said body portion.

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