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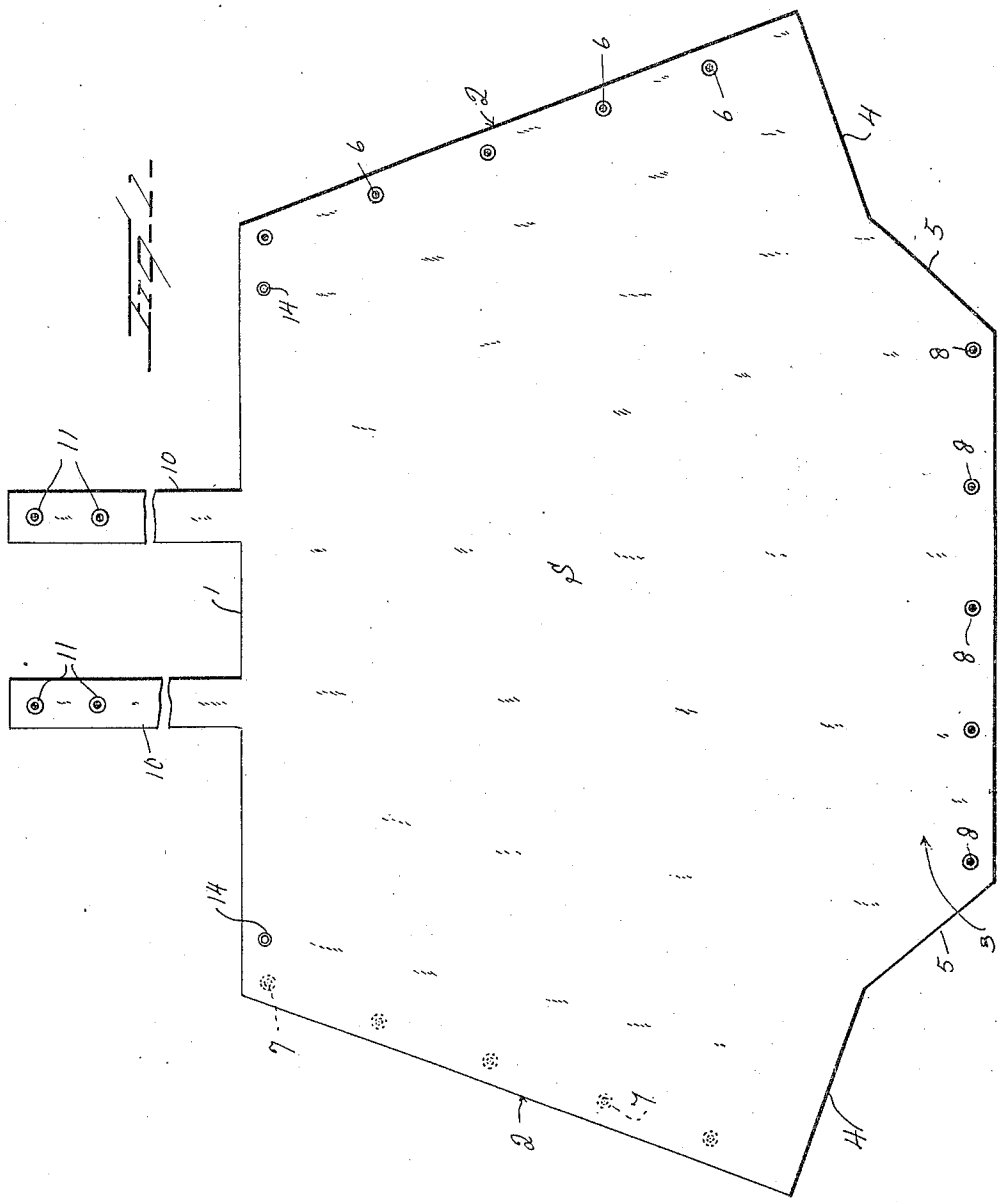
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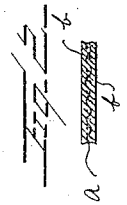
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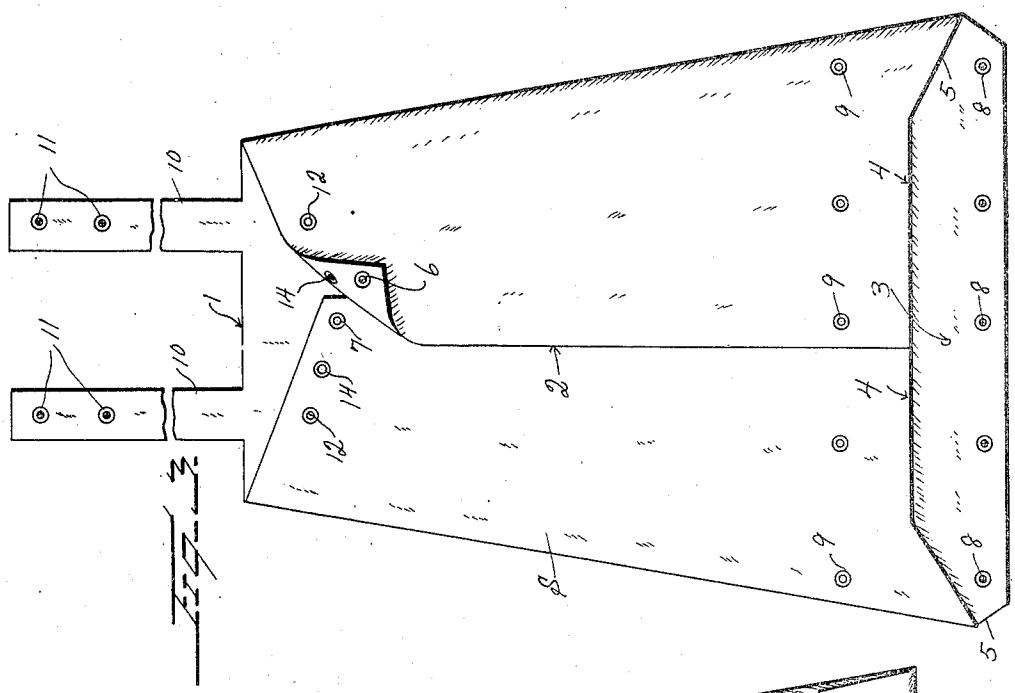


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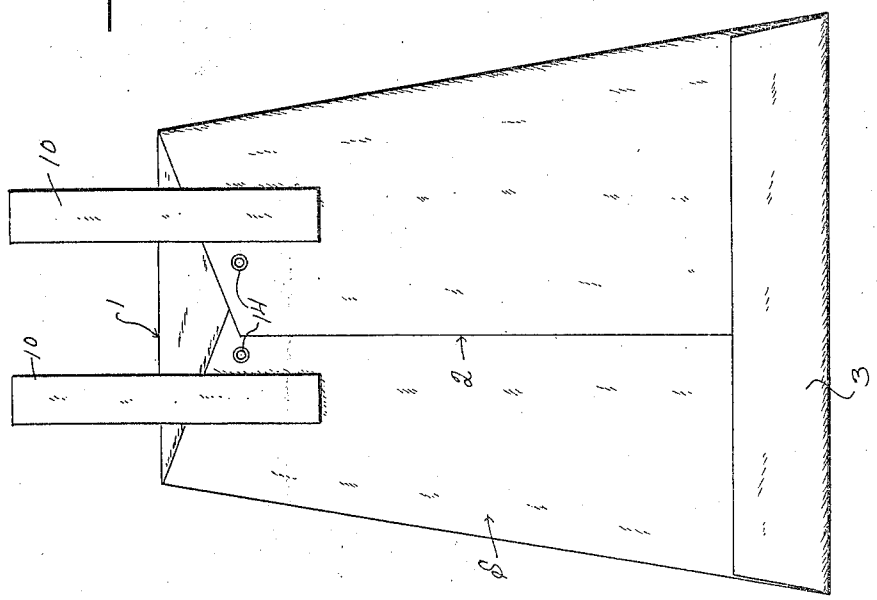


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOTTIE MOORE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Portland, in the county of Multnomah and State of Oregon, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Robes, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to certain improvements in robes and has relation more particularly to an article of this general character especially designed and adapted for use in connection with infants, and it is an object of the invention to provide a novel and improved article of this general character which may be applied to the infant with convenience and facility and effectively held against displacement.

It is also an object of the invention to provide a novel and improved article of this general character which, when applied to the infant, restricts the movements of the limbs so that the possibility of the infant being uncovered by the movements of the limbs is substantially entirely eliminated.

Another object of the invention is to provide a novel and improved article of this general character which, when applied, serves effectually to protect a person handling the infant and to prevent soiling of bedclothes or other articles.

The invention consists in the details of construction and in the combination and arrangement of the several parts of my improved robe whereby certain important advantages are attained and the article rendered simpler, less expensive and otherwise more convenient and advantageous for use, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

The novel features of my invention will hereinafter be definitely claimed.

In order that my invention may be the better understood, I will now proceed to describe the same with reference to the accompanying drawings, wherein:

Figure 1 is a view in plan of a robe constructed in accordance with an embodiment of my invention and in extended condition.

Fig. 2 is a fragmentary sectional view taken through the robe as disclosed in Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a view in plan showing the robe partly folded, and

Fig. 4 is a view in plan opposite to that shown in Fig. 3 and showing the robe completely folded.

My improved robe as herein disclosed comprises a sheet S, preferably consisting of a central lamination or core *a* of textile material, preferably silk, and which central lamination or core has applied to its opposite faces the lamination or coatings *b* of rubber, preferably of a high grade, so that the sheet S is pliable yet impervious to moisture. It is preferred that the outer laminations or coatings *b* be of rubber of the grade used in the manufacture of gloves for surgeons.

The upper portion 1 of the sheet S is substantially straight with the side marginal edges 2 straight but diverging toward the lower end of the sheet S, whereby the sheet S gradually increases in width from the top thereof toward the bottom. The central portion of the bottom of the sheet S is provided with an extended apron or flap 3 with the margins 4 of the bottom of the sheet at the opposite sides of the flap or apron 3 disposed upwardly on corresponding inclines. The ends 5 of the apron or flap 3 are also arranged in divergence toward the ends of the sheet proper.

Longitudinally spaced along a side marginal portion 2 of the sheet S and secured to the inner face thereof are the fastening members 6 of any desired type but preferably resilient heads and which are adapted to coact with the fastening member 7, preferably sockets, spaced along the second side marginal portion 2 of the sheet S, but secured to the outer face thereof. The outer longitudinal marginal portion of the flap or apron 3 has secured to its inner face and spaced therealong the fastening members 8, preferably resilient heads, which are adapted to engage the fastening members 9, preferably sockets, carried by the outer face of the sheet S inwardly of its bottom and substantially at opposite sides of the flap or apron 3.

By this arrangement, it will be obvious that the robe may be readily wrapped around an infant and secured in such position with the flap or apron 3 serving to completely house or inclose the lower limbs of the infant so that the possibility of the child catching cold by exposure is substantially entirely eliminated.

It is to be understood that my improved robe is adapted to be applied over the clothing of the infant and in addition to serving as a bag to protect the child, the robe also

serves, owing to the impervious character of the sheet S, to protect the clothing of the person handling the infant, together with the bedclothes or the like upon which the child may be positioned.

The upper marginal portion 1 of the sheet S at the central portion thereof is provided with a pair of spaced shoulder straps 10 of a length to be disposed over the shoulders of the child and the outer or free end portions of said straps 10 are provided with longitudinally spaced fastening members 11, preferably resilient heads, and secured to the inner faces of said straps, whereby said straps may be adjustably connected with the fastening members 12, preferably sockets, secured to the outer face of the upper marginal portion 1 of the sheet S but in close proximity to the side margins 2.

The upper marginal portion 1 of the sheet S adjacent the opposite ends thereof is provided with the eyelets 14 to afford means whereby the robe may be readily suspended from a suitable support when not in use.

It has also been found of advantage to apply my improved robe over the underclothing or night-dress of the infant, folding the night-dress in such manner as to prevent the feet touching the rubber. The robe is also designed to be applied over the underclothing but under the outer clothing for day use, such as baby carts, trips on the railroad cars and street cars, thereby protecting the outside clothes of the child as well as the nurse. The robe, when applied in this manner, is covered by the outer clothing so that the same is concealed.

From the foregoing description, it is thought to be obvious that a robe constructed in accordance with my invention is particularly well adapted for use by reason of the convenience and facility with which it may be assembled and operated, and it will also be obvious that my invention is susceptible of some change and modification without departing from the principles and spirit thereof and for this reason I do not wish to be understood as limiting myself to the precise arrangement and formation of the several parts herein shown in carrying out my invention in practice except as hereinafter claimed.

I claim:

1. A robe of the character described comprising a pliable sheet of material having its upper edge substantially straight and its side edges diverging toward the bottom edge of the sheet, the central portion of the bottom edge being provided with an apron, the diverging side edges being arranged to over-lap in vertical relation to each other and the center of the sheet, means for securing said over-lapping edges to each other, and means carried by the lower edge of the apron for connecting to said sides.

2. A robe of the character described comprising a pliable sheet of material having its upper edge substantially straight and its side edges diverging toward the bottom edges of the sheet and converging toward the top edges of said sheet, the central portion of the bottom edges of the sheet including an apron having sides diverging toward the side edges of the sheet, the sides of the sheet being foldable upon the body thereof and each other, the folds diverging toward the bottom of the sheet, the apron being foldable upon the sides and means for securing said sides to each other and to the apron.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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