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INFANT'S SLEEPING GARMENT

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1. This invention has to do with articles of clothing particularly adapted for infant's use and has as its primary aim the provision of an infant's sleeping garment designed to completely enclose the body of the infant and to permit easy accessibility for placing the infant thereto and removal from the garment.

The most important object of this invention is the provision of an infant's sleeping garment having a shirt section and a bag section, the latter of which is provided with an open top and formed to completely encircle the legs and a portion of the body of the infant when placed in use.

Another important object of this invention is to provide an infant's sleeping garment having a shirt section and a bag section, said shirt section being formed from a single strip of material reentrant upon itself and having one side thereof extended in length to form a portion of the bag section.

Further object of this invention is the provision of an infant's sleeping garment having a shirt section and an open top bag section, the lowermost end of the shirt section extending into the bag section at the open top thereof and the bag section having a pair of overlapping flaps superimposed upon said end of the shirt section.

Other objects of this invention include the way in which the shirt and bag sections cooperate to present a garment which will satisfactorily confine the infant; prevent all possibility of opening and exposure of the child and a garment which may be easily and quickly placed in use upon the infant.

Many additional objects will be made clear and become apparent during the course of the following specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, wherein:

Fig. 1 is a front elevational view of an infant's sleeping garment made in accordance with my present invention, parts being broken away for clearness.

Fig. 2 is a back elevational view thereof; and

Fig. 3 is a detailed fragmentary cross-sectional view taken on line III—III of Fig. 1.

The infant's garment about to be described constitutes a pair of main sections, namely, a shirt section, broadly designated by the numeral 10, and a bag section 12. The shirt section 10 is formed from a single strip of suitable material reentrant upon itself as at 14 to present the shoulders of the garment. This strip of material is cut away to present a neck 16 and is pre-formed to create a pair of sleeves 18. One side of the aforementioned single sheet of material is slit longitudinally as at 20 from the lowermost end 22 thereof to the neck opening 16. The proximal edges thus presented by the slit 20 are overlapped and interconnected through the medium of a plurality of buttons 24. Thus it is seen that the normally front side of the shirt section 10 constitutes a pair of segments 36 and 38.

The normally back side of the shirt section 10 is extended beyond the lowermost end 22 as at 30 of the segments 26 and 28 to present a portion of the bag section 12. The remainder of this bag section 12 is formed by a pair of overlapping flaps 32 and 34 and a bottom 36. One longitudinal edge of each of the flaps 32 and 34 is stitched to the proximal longitudinal edge of that portion 30 of the back of the shirt section 10 by lines of stitching 38 and 40 respectively. The bottom 36 is oval and has a portion thereof secured to the lowermost edge of the portion 30 by a line of stitching 42. The normally bottom edge of each of the flaps 32 and 34 is stitched as at 44 to the bottom 36 in opposed relation to the line of stitching 42.

As clearly illustrated in Fig. 1 of the drawing, these flaps 32 and 34 are held in overlapping relationship at the lowermost ends thereof by the line of stitching 44. These flaps 32 and 34 and the stitching 38 and 40, extend upwardly along the portion 30 to a point immediately below the arms 18 of the shirt section 10. The normally uppermost ends of these flaps 32 and 34 are overlapped and held together through the medium of buttons 45 and buttonholes 46 in flaps 34 and 32 respectively. Thus, it is seen that the bag section 12 when closed by overlapping the flaps 32 and 34 and buttoning the buttons 45, presents an open top and the segments 26 and 28 of the shirt section 10 extend into the open top of bag section 12.

The bag section 12 is preferably formed as illustrated to present a large amount of fullness and to this end, gatherings 50 are formed in the portion 30 as well as in the flaps 32 and 34 prior to stitching the same to the oval bottom 36. This fullness of the bag section 12 permits freedom of movement for the infant confined thereby and also presents a garment that is easily placed upon the infant and removed as desired. It is notable that as the flaps sections 32 and 34 are unbuttoned and the shirt section 10 is opened by unbuttoning the buttons 24, the infant can be easily removed without the necessity of cumbersome strings, fasteners and other conventional means of maintaining such garment upon children. When the flaps 32 and 34 are opened, as shown in Fig. 1,
the line of stitching 44 maintains the same in partial overlapping condition to the end that when the infant is replaced in the garment, these flaps 32 and 34 are maintained in a position where the same may be easily overlapped about the infant. It is also notable that positioning of the portion of the shirt section 10 within the open top of the bag section 12 obviates all possibility of the wearer becoming exposed or the garment otherwise becoming unfastened.

The infant's sleeping garment forming the subject matter of this invention is extremely simple to make and obviously, since the same embodies a relatively small number of separate strips, the cost of manufacture will be extremely small.

It is manifest that many changes and modifications may be made in the sleeping garment above described without departing from the spirit of this invention or scope of the appended claim.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new and desired to be secured by Letters Patent is:

An infant's sleeping garment comprising a shirt section; and a bag section, there being a single panel forming a back wall for the shirt section and for the bag section respectively, a pair of overlapping flaps forming a front wall for said bag section, and a bottom wall, said panel being rebent upon itself intermediate the ends thereof, presenting a front wall for said shirt section, a portion of each flap respectively overlapping a portion of said front wall of the shirt section, said bottom being joined to the proximal edges of the single panel and the flaps subjacent to said short section.

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