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FIG. I.

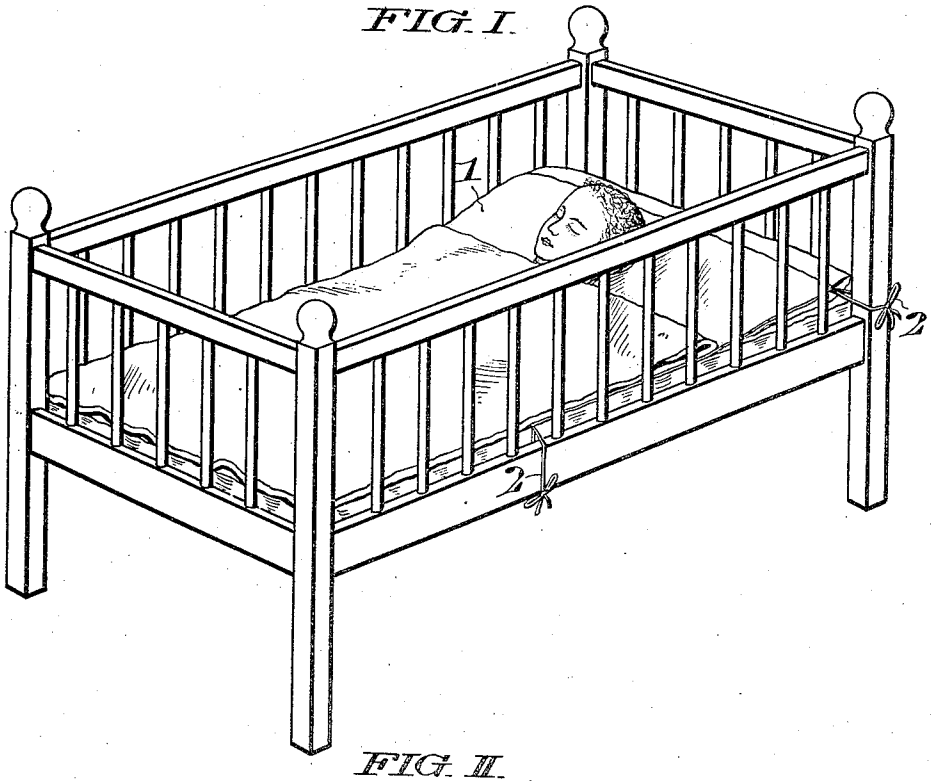
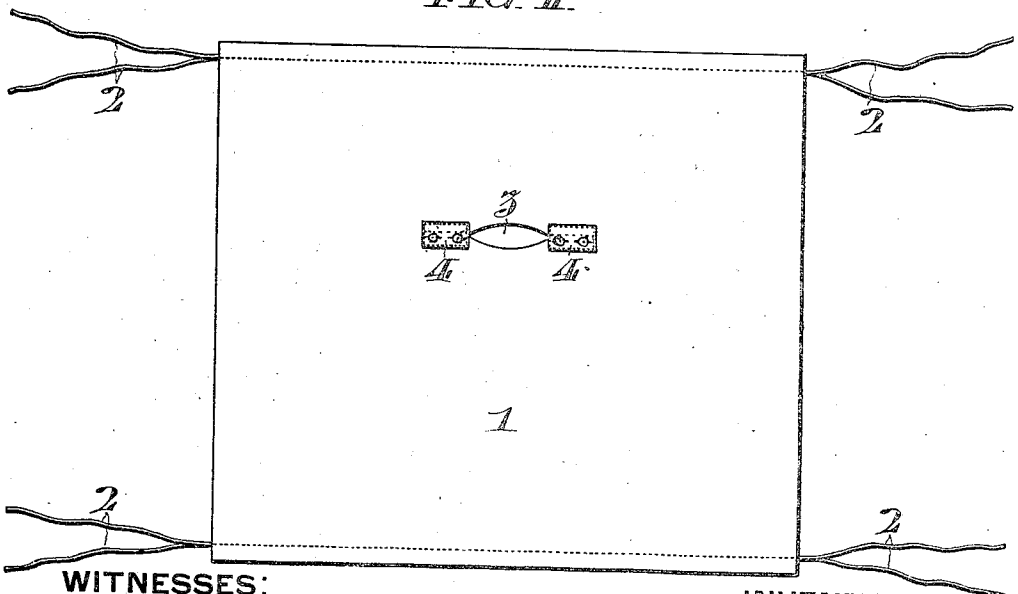


FIG. II.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELIZABETH T. McGOWAN, residing at West Quincy, in the county of Norfolk, State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Crib-Covers, whereof the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

My invention consists in a crib cover which effectually prevents an infant from disarranging its covers or from uncovering its hands and arms. The cover is easily attached to and removed from the crib, and is both economical and washable.

In the accompanying drawings Figure I, represents an infant's crib with the crib cover in place. Fig. II, is an illustration of the crib cover showing its construction.

The crib cover 1, is made of soft muslin or other suitable textile material. It is rectangular in shape having a width corresponding more or less to the width of the crib, in connection with which it is to be used. Its depth may vary according to the size of the infant. At the four corners of the cover are affixed tying strings 2, 2, 2, 2. Near the center of the cover the aperture 3, is provided, which is large enough to receive the neck of the infant, and capable of being enlarged by unfastening the complementary flaps 4, 4, so that the infant's head may be passed through the aperture. The flaps are shown as secured by buttons, but other means, as for instance a tying string may be employed.

To use the cover it is adjusted upon the infant's neck by fastening the flaps, so that it is impossible for the infant to withdraw its head from the cover. The cover is then tied in place by fastening the tying strings to the frame of the crib as shown in Fig. I. Under these circumstances the infant's head rests upon the upper half of the cover, which may lie over a pillow, while the lower part of the cover protects the entire body including the arms of the child. The coverings are placed over this part of the crib cover, and as a result it is impossible for the movements of the child to dis-arrange the covering. At the same time all the parts are readily removable and adjustable.

As the entire article may be made of muslin or tape or similar materials, the crib covering is easily washed, and may also be made at very small expense. As it has no straps or metal parts capable of injuring the infant, it is to be preferred to other and more complicated contrivances which have heretofore been devised in the effort to accomplish the same end.

Having thus described my invention, I claim:—

An infant's crib covering, comprising a rectangular sheet having an aperture therein extending transversely of said sheet and arranged at a distance from the end of the sheet, so as to provide a space for the head to rest on, flaps secured to said sheet at each end of said aperture, means for securing the flaps across the ends of said aperture, whereby said aperture is closed about the neck of the infant and means attached substantially at the corners of said sheet, whereby said covering may be secured to the crib.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, this sixth day of November 1908.

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