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Fig. 1.

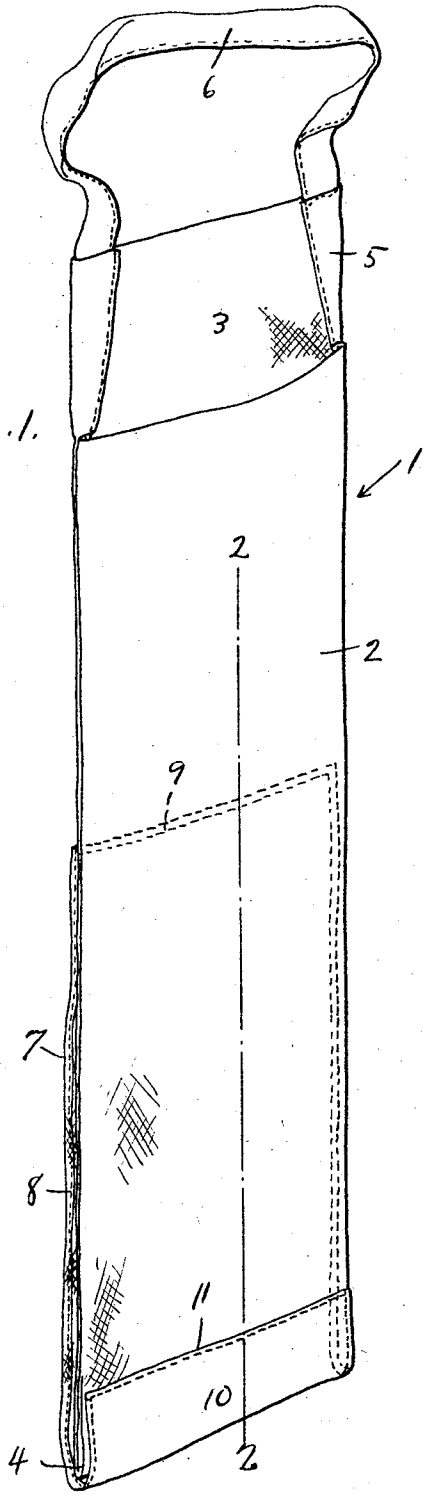
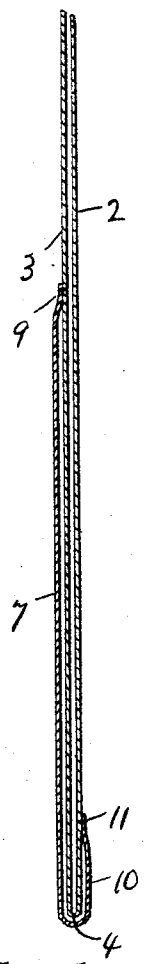


Fig. 2.



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The present invention relates to improvements in cotton pickers' sacks and has for its principal object to provide means for reinforcing the bottom portion of the sack which normally drags along the ground.

At the present time, cotton pickers employ relatively elongated sacks in which the cotton is placed after being picked, and due to the length of these sacks, the closed lower end portion thereof usually drags along the ground, while the open upper end is suspended over the shoulder of the cotton picker. These sacks are usually constructed of fabric material and are therefore subjected to considerable wear and as a result, the bottom will soon become worn and the sack is thereby rendered useless.

It is therefore a salient object of the present invention to provide a means for preventing undue wear being sustained by the bottom lower end portion of the sack and to this end I provide a reinforcing flap, which is secured on the bottom of the sack at the lower end portion thereof to extend for substantially the full width of the sack and to have a portion of the flap extending over the closed lower end and secured to the top portion of the sack at the lower end thereof.

A further object is to provide a cotton picker's sack of the above mentioned character, which will be strong and durable, as well as simple in construction and inexpensive in its manufacture.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will be apparent during the course of the following detailed description.

In the accompanying drawing, forming a part of this application and in which like reference characters designate like parts throughout the views:

Figure 1 is a detail perspective view of the cotton picker's sack embodying my invention, and

Figure 2 is a vertical sectional view taken approximately on the line 2—2 of Figure 1.

In the drawing, wherein for the purpose of illustration is shown the preferred embodiment of my invention, the numeral 1 designates generally a cotton picker's sack wherein the same comprises the top and bottom plies 2 and 3 respectively, the same being stitched together along their side edges in the conventional manner. The sack is preferably formed of a single length of fabric which is folded, intermediate its ends as at 4, and the front or top side 2 is a shorter length than the bottom or back side 3 and this is clearly illustrated in Figure 1.

The side edge portions of the back or bottom 3 above the upper edge of the front or top side 2 are folded inwardly and are stitched to the upper edge portion of the bottom side 3 to provide reinforcing portions 5 to which are secured the free ends of a shoulder strap 6. In this manner the upper end of the sack is open while the lower end is closed and the sack being of relatively great length, the lower end portion thereof will drag along the ground, when the bag is in use and the strap 6 is disposed over the shoulder of the cotton picker.

My improved protecting means for that portion of the sack which drags along the ground comprises an elongated flap 7 also formed of fabric of substantially the same material, used in the construction of the sack 1 and this flap has its longitudinal edges folded back upon the body portion of the flap and stitched thereto to provide reinforced side edges 8. This flap 7 is of substantially the same width as the width of the sack 1 and the upper edge portion of the reinforcing flap is stitched to the intermediate portion of the bottom or back side 3 of the sack 1 as indicated at 9 with reference more particularly to Figure 2. This flap covers the lower portion of the back or bottom side 3 of the sack 1 and the lower end of this flap extends beyond the closed end 4 of the sack and is folded back over the closed end as shown at 10 and the free edge of this folded back portion 10 is stitched to the top side 2 of the sack adjacent the closed lower end thereof as illustrated at 11 with reference also to Figure 2 of the drawing.

The side edges of the reinforcing flap 7 are not stitched to the side edges of the sack and as is clearly shown in the drawing, this reinforcing flap completely covers the lower portion of the back side or bottom of the sack, as well as the closed lower end thereof so that when the sack is dragged over the ground, the bottom 3 of the sack will not come in contact with the ground. This reinforcing flap will be the only portion of the sack which is subjected to wear while being dragged over the ground and should this reinforcing flap become worn or otherwise rendered impractical for further use, the same can be readily removed and a new flap attached to the sack.

The provision of a reinforcing flap of this

character will save considerable expense. This reinforcing flap will further prolong the life or durability of the cotton picker's sack and will not, in any way interfere with the use of the sack in the gathering of the cotton and will furthermore add little or no weight to the bag.

While I have shown the preferred embodiment of my invention, it is to be understood that various changes in the size, shape and arrangement of parts may be resorted to, without departing from the spirit of the invention or the scope of the appended claim.

What I claim is:

The combination with a cotton picker's sack; of a reinforcing flap of substantially the same width as the sack, the side edges of the flap being folded back upon the body portion of the flap and being stitched thereto, the upper edge of the flap being stitched to the intermediate portion of the bottom side of the sack, said flap extending downwardly beyond the closed lower end of the sack to completely cover the bottom side of the sack at the lower end portion thereof, the depending portion of the flap being folded back upon the front side of the sack and stitched at the free end portion thereof to the top side of the sack at a point adjacent the closed lower end thereof.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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