This invention relates to baby bath towels and methods of making the same. It is particularly directed to a baby bath towel in which the baby may be placed after his bath for drying him and keeping him warm.

An object of this invention is to provide a baby bath towel which may be made of regular toweling (terry cloth), diaper cloth, knit cloth, or any other textile, said towel being made from a single blank, of either white or colored textiles.

Another object of this invention is to provide a baby bath towel formed with a hood in one corner to receive the baby's head, and with means to constrict the hood beneath the baby's chin, to prevent towel from slipping off his head.

A further object of this invention is to provide an improved method of making a baby bath towel consisting in cutting off a corner of a square or rectangular piece of cloth to form an edge, and then folding said edge in half and stitching together to form a hood at one corner of said piece of cloth.

Yet another object of this invention is to provide a baby towel comprising a plurality of superimposed rectangular pieces of cloth bound or stitched together at their edges and formed with a hood at one corner, two bands or ribbons either white or colored being attached to opposite sides of the hood so that they can be tied together under the baby's chin. A button and loop, snap fasteners or hook and eye may be substituted for the bands or ribbons.

A still further object of this invention is to provide a highly improved and economical method of making a baby bath towel of the character described.

Still another object of this invention is to provide a durable hooded baby bath towel of the character described which shall be relatively inexpensive to manufacture, easy to manipulate, comfortable in use, attractive in appearance, and yet practical and efficient to a high degree.

Other objects of this invention will in part be obvious and in part hereinafter pointed out.

The invention accordingly consists in the features of construction, combinations of elements, and arrangement of parts which will be exemplified in the construction hereinafter described, and of which the scope of application will be indicated in the following claims.

In the accompanying drawing, in which is shown various possible illustrative embodiments of this invention,

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a baby bath towel embodying the invention showing the same in use;

Fig. 2 is a top plan view of a pair of superimposed square sheets with the corners cut, and illustrating a step in the manufacture of the baby's bath towel embodying the invention;

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the baby bath towel embodying the invention opened up;

Fig. 4 is a partial side elevational view thereof;

Fig. 5 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 5—5 of Fig. 2;

Fig. 6 is a top plan view of the blank from which the baby bath towel shown in Fig. 6 is made and illustrating a step in the manufacture thereof, and

Fig. 7 is a top plan view of a baby bath towel embodying the invention and illustrating a modified construction.

Referring now in detail to the drawing, the designates a baby bath towel embodying the invention shown in Fig. 1 when worn by a baby.

The bath towel 10 is also shown in Fig. 3. It is made from a single blank 11 shown in Fig. 2. The blank 11 may comprise one or more layers of sheets 12. The sheets 12 may comprise a rectangle or square with one corner cut to form a cut edge 13 at an angle to the adjacent side edges 14 of the blank. The edge 13 may be at an angle of 45° to the edges 14, as shown in Fig. 2 of the drawing. The side edges 14 are inclined outwardly, and extending therefrom are inwardly inclined edges 15. The edges 14 and 15 of the various layers 12 may be bound together by a binding stitch 16 or by binding tape.

In making the baby bath towel 10, the edge 13 is folded over in half so that the corners 17 at the junction of edges 13 and 14 are brought together. The folded over edge 13 is then stitched together by a line of stitching 18 thereby forming a hood 20 at the upper corner of the towel.

It can now be readily understood that I have provided a suitable sheet of fabric having at least, two boundary lines substantially at right angles to each other, said lines being connected by a diagonal line making obtuse angles with said boundary lines. The fabric or sheet portion defined and bounded by said biased line being folded together upon itself, face to face about the bisector of said diagonal line and stitched together to form a hood on one portion of said sheet of fabric to receive a baby's head. One portion of said sheet is folded up over the baby's feet and legs and two other portions are foldable over the baby's body and over each other, and over the first named portion, which is folded over the baby's feet and legs.

The baby may be placed on the towel after a bath, with the head of the baby fitting into the
hood 22. The side corners or edges 21 of the towel may then be folded or lapped over the baby, and the bottom corner or apex 22 may be folded upwardly over the baby's legs.

Attached to the edges 14 of the towel at points thereon spaced from the line of stitching 18 are a pair of tapes, ribbons or straps 25. These may be tied together under the baby's chin. A button and loop, snap fasteners, or hooks and eyes may be substituted for the tapes 25. The borders 14 and 15 may be straight, scalloped, embroidered, or finished with any other fancy stitching.

In Figs. 6 and 7 there is shown a baby bath towel 10a likewise made from a square or rectangular blank 40. The blank 40 does not have its corner cut off. Instead a corner 41 is folded down about folded edge 44. Folded back corner 41 is stitched to the body of the towel about lines of stitching 46 and 47. The folded edge 44 is then folded in half and stitched together by a line of stitching 43 to form a hood 56. It will be noted that the cut line 41 extends down to the folded edge 44. In this way hood 56 is formed at one corner of the blank, and the hood is reinforced by the triangular flap which is stitched down instead of being cut off.

It will thus be seen that there is provided a device in which the desirable invention are achieved, and which is well adapted to meet the conditions of practical use.

As various possible embodiments might be made of the above invention, and as various changes might be made in the embodiments above set forth, it is to be understood that all matter herein set forth or shown in the accompanying drawing is to be interpreted as illustrative and not in a limiting sense.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent:

1. A baby's bath towel comprising a rectangular sheet of towelling material, a corner of said sheet being folded along a line diagonal to the edges of said sheet at said corner, the said edge portions of the sheet being folded towards each other thereby bringing portions of said diagonal edge, into abutting relationship and means securing said abutting portions.

2. A baby's bath towel comprising a sheet of suitable towelling material having a pair of boundary lines substantially at right angles to each other, said boundary lines being united by a diagonal line forming obtuse angles with said boundary lines, the sheet portion being folded together upon itself face to face about the bisector of the diagonal line, the folded edges of the diagonal line being secured together to form a hood on one portion of said sheet.

3. A baby's hooded bath towel comprising a suitable sheet of textile material, said sheet having at least, two edges defined by boundary lines substantially at right angles to each other, said sheet also having a diagonal boundary line connecting the first named boundary lines and forming obtuse angles therewith, the sheet portion being folded together upon itself about the bisector of said diagonal line, the folded edges of the diagonal line being secured together to form a hood on a portion of said sheet, so that the baby may be placed on the towel with its head in the hood and said towel presenting a portion opposite to said hood that may be folded up over the baby's feet and legs, and a pair of other portions that may be folded over each other and the baby's body.

4. A baby's hooded bath towel comprising a sheet of suitable textile material, said sheet having a pair of boundary lines substantially at right angles to each other, said sheet also having a diagonal boundary line connecting the pair of boundary lines and making obtuse angles respectively therewith, the sheet portion being folded together about the bisector of said diagonal line and secured together to form a hood on one portion of said sheet, said sheet having portions remote from said hood foldable over the major portion of the body of a baby.

5. A baby's hooded bath towel comprising a sheet of towelling textile cloth, said sheet having a pair of edges defined by a pair of boundary lines at substantially right angles to each other, a portion of said sheet being cut off on a diagonal boundary line connecting said pair of boundary lines at obtuse angles respectively, said sheet portion being folded upon itself about the perpendicular bisector of said diagonal line and secured together to form a hood on a portion of said sheet to receive the baby's head, said sheet having portions remote from said hood adapted to be folded over the major portion of the baby's body, including the feet and legs.

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