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BLANKET COVERING RETAINER DEVICE FOR BABY CRIBS

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Fig. 1

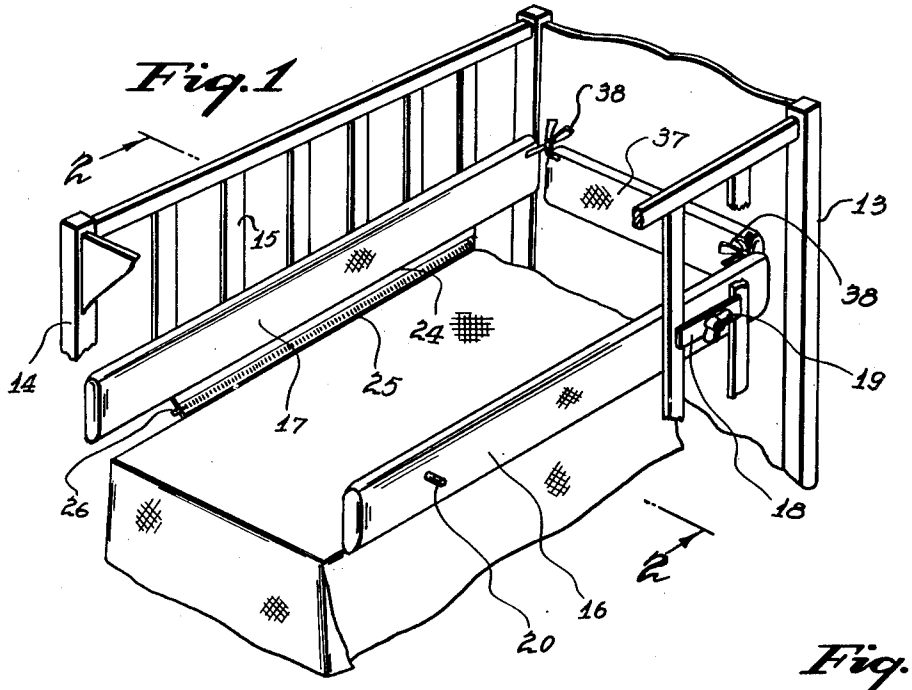


Fig. 3

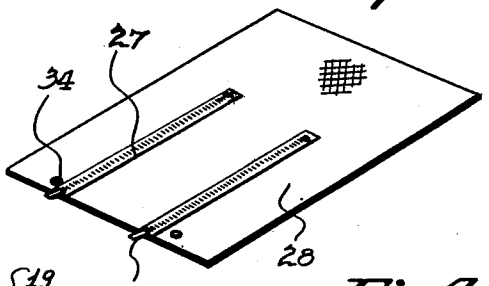


Fig. 2

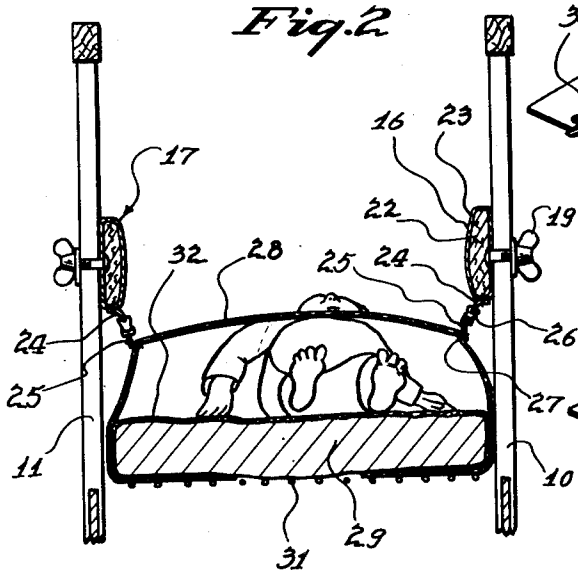
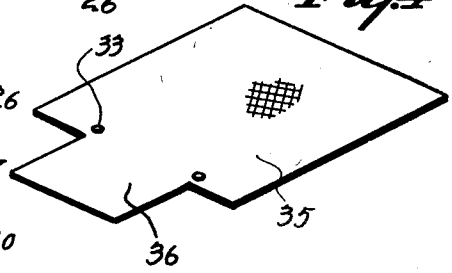


Fig. 4



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This invention relates to a blanket covering retainer device for baby cribs.

It is an object of the present invention to provide a retaining device for a blanket adapted to be extended over a baby lying within a crib whereby the blanket cannot be shifted from one side to the other, but will be retained firmly over the infant and will prevent the infant from becoming uncovered so as to be exposed to the cold and will accordingly permit the mother to have more sleep and less worry of the possibility of the child becoming uncovered at night.

Other objects of the present invention are to provide a blanket covering retainer device for baby cribs which is easy to install upon the baby crib, simple in construction, inexpensive to manufacture, sturdy, provides for padded side boards and to which the blanket is releasably secured by slide fasteners, and efficient in operation.

For other objects and for a better understanding of the invention, reference may be had to the following detailed description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, in which

Fig. 1 is a fragmentary perspective view of a crib with the side boards serving to retain the blanket covering clamped to the sides of the crib and with the blanket releasably secured to side boards by the slide fastener arrangements.

Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view taken through the crib, the blanket retaining devices and the blanket and as viewed on line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the blanket with slide fastener elements thereon for engagement with respective cooperating fastener elements on the side boards clamped to the respective sides of the crib.

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a sheet adapted to be secured to the blanket covering.

Referring now to the figures, 10 and 11 represent the sides of a crib. These sides are connected to end posts 13 and 14 forming respectively a part of the head and foot ends of the crib. The sides have vertically extending and longitudinally spaced slats 15 to which side boards 16 and 17 are clamped by clamping plates 18 and wing nuts 19 fixed upon screw projections 20 extending laterally outwardly from the opposite ends of the boards. These side boards are padded so that the baby will not be injured. The padding is indicated at 22 and this padding is covered with a covering 23, Fig. 2. Stitched to the covering 23 is a flexible strip 24 which

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has a slide fastener strip thereon adapted to be connected to a slide fastener strip 25 upon the slide 26 being worked thereacross. This slide fastener strip 25 is stitched as indicated at 27 to a blanket 28. There are two of these strips 25 secured to the blanket as shown in Fig. 3. The blanket can be made free of the crib by simply opening the slide fastener arrangement. To fix the blanket over the infant in the manner as illustrated in Fig. 2, the slides are extended to secure the slide fastener strips of the blanket and of the side boards together. By adjusting the side boards to different heights on the crib sides, the blanket covering can be held at different elevations over the child as shown in Fig. 2. The blanket covering is sufficiently wide so that it can be tucked under a mattress 29 and extended over the supporting spring 31. A bottom sheet 32 can be fitted about the mattress 29 in the usual manner.

If it is desired to have a top sheet over the infant, such top sheet as shown in Fig. 4 can be secured to the under face of the blanket by the extension of buttons 33 into button holes 34 of the blanket cover 28. The sheet is shown in Fig. 4 and may be indicated by the numeral 35. The sheet 35 has a flap 36 which can be folded back over the top of the blanket cover 28.

A top board 37 may be secured to the side boards by ribbons 38.

It should be apparent that a blanket will be held securely at all times over the infant and that the infant can turn as much as it wants without the blanket being lifted from him. By disconnecting the slide fasteners, the blanket can be removed for the purpose of being cleaned or to permit the child to stand up in the crib and be supported on the mattress free of the blanket covering.

It should be further apparent that there has been provided an adjustable blanket covering retainer device whereby the blanket can be held over the child at any height and at the same time wherein the child will be protected from injury from the slats of the sides of the crib during its waking hours, the side boards being fully padded for this purpose.

While various changes may be made in the detail construction, it shall be understood that such changes shall be within the spirit and scope of the present invention as defined by the appended claims.

I claim:

1. A blanket covering retaining device for baby

cribs comprising side boards adapted to be attached to the sides of a crib, each of said side boards having a slide fastener strip running longitudinally thereof, a blanket covering adapted to be extended over the crib mattress and downwardly over the sides thereof, cooperating slide fastener strips secured to the top surface of the blanket covering and spaced respectively inwardly from the respective sides of the blanket covering, said fastener strips respectively adapted to lie adjacent the fastener strips of the side boards, and slides adapted to cooperate with the respective cooperating fastener strips for operating same.

2. A blanket covering retaining device for baby cribs comprising side boards adapted to be attached to the sides of a crib, each of said side boards having a slide fastener strip running longitudinally thereof, a blanket covering adapted to be extended over the crib mattress and downwardly over the sides thereof, cooperating slide fastener strips secured to the top surface of the blanket covering and spaced respectively inwardly from the respective sides thereof, said fastener strips adapted to lie adjacent the slide fastener strips of the side boards, slides adapted to cooperate with the respective cooperating fastener strips for operating the same, said side boards respectively being adapted to be adjustably connected to the respective sides of the crib whereby the blanket can be retained at different heights and means on the side boards adapted to cooperate with the crib sides for retaining the same in their adjusted positions.

3. In combination, blanket covering retaining device for baby cribs comprising side boards adapted to be attached to the sides of a crib, each of said side boards having a slide fastener strip, a blanket covering adapted to be extended over the crib mattress and downwardly over the sides thereof, cooperating slide fastener strips secured to the top surface of the blanket covering said fastener strips adapted to lie adjacent the respective sheet fastener strips of the side boards, a slide engaging with the bottom surface of the blanket covering and releasably secured to the upper end of the blanket covering, and said sheet having a flap portion adapted to be extended downwardly over the top surface of the blanket covering.

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