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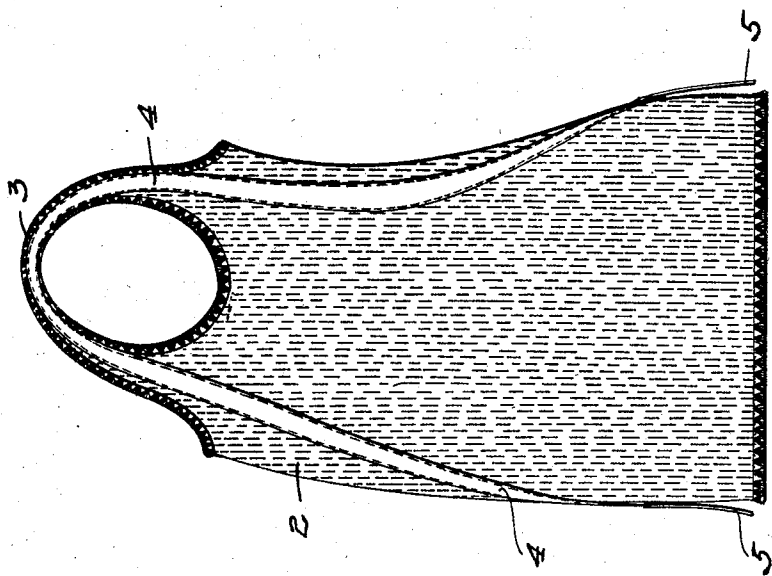


FIG. 2.

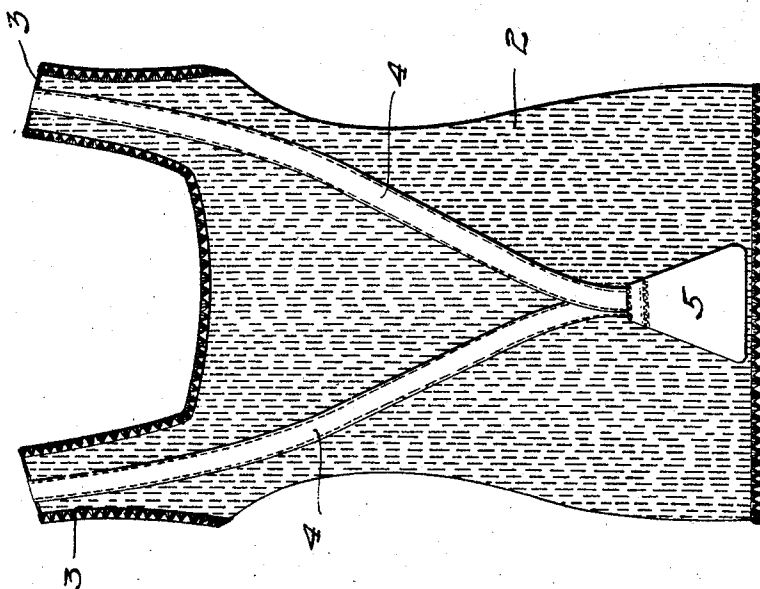


FIG. 1.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES E. OVENSHERE, of Minneapolis, in the county of Hennepin, State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Infants' Bands or Shirts, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in infants' bands or shirts.

10 The object of the invention is to provide an elastic tubular band or garment having means for securing a napkin thereto.

15 The invention consists generally in a band or shirt having a tubular body of elastic knitted fabric with inelastic tapes or strips extending over the shoulder-pieces thereof and extending diagonally downward on the front and back to central points near the bottom of the garment and with inelastic tabs secured to the 20 lower ends of said tapes.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, Figure 1 is a front elevation of a band or shirt embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the 25 same.

In the drawings, 2 represents the body of the band or shirt, which is of substantially tubular form—that is to say, it is made without any vertical opening in the front or back. 30 It is provided with the usual neck and arm openings and with the shoulder straps or pieces 3. The body of the band or shirt is formed of an elastic knitted fabric.

4 4 represent strips or tapes of inelastic material which extend over the shoulder-pieces and downward, preferably in diagonal lines, to a central point near the bottom of the garment, both at the front and at the rear. These strips or tapes are preferably sewed to the body of the garment. Secured to the 40 lower ends of these strips or tapes are the inelastic tabs or holding-strips 5. These are preferably secured only at their upper ends, the lower portions thereof being free from the body of the garment; but, if preferred, they may be sewed or secured to the garment at the lower ends of said strips or tapes 4 in any suitable manner. These tabs 5 provide means to which to pin the napkin both at the front 50 and rear of the garment. The tabs being

formed of inelastic material, there is no injury to the fabric forming the body of the garment, and said tabs being secured to the lower ends of the tapes 4 at the front and rear the strain coming thereon is carried over the 55 shoulders of the wearer instead of drawing downward upon the fabric of the garment.

The tabs may, if preferred, be arranged upon the inside of the tubular body instead of upon the outside, in which case it will be 60 connected to the body at the lower ends of the strips or tapes, preferably by sewing through the body of the garment and through the lower ends of the tapes, so that the strain will be brought upon the tapes in the same 65 manner as if the tabs were upon the outside. Whether the tabs are placed upon the inside or the outside will make no difference in the use of the garment. In either instance it is preferable to bring the napkin inside of the 70 band or shirt and secure it by pinning through the tab.

While I have described the invention as applied to an infant's band or shirt, it may of course be applied to a shirt designed for use 75 of adults.

I claim as my invention—

1. A band or shirt comprising a body of elastic fabric provided with shoulder pieces or straps, and inelastic strips or tapes extending over said shoulder-pieces and diagonally downward over the front and rear of the body to central points near the bottom thereof, and suitable tabs secured at the lower ends of said 85 tapes.

2. A band or shirt comprising a tubular body of elastic knitted fabric provided with shoulder pieces or straps 3 and inelastic strips or tapes 4 extending over said shoulder-pieces and diagonally downward over the front and 90 rear of the body to central points near the bottom thereof, and suitable tabs secured at the lower ends of said tapes.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 18th day of January, 1905.

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