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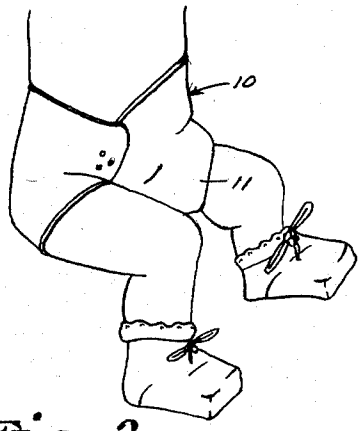


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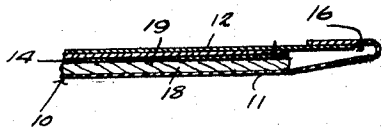


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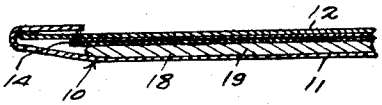


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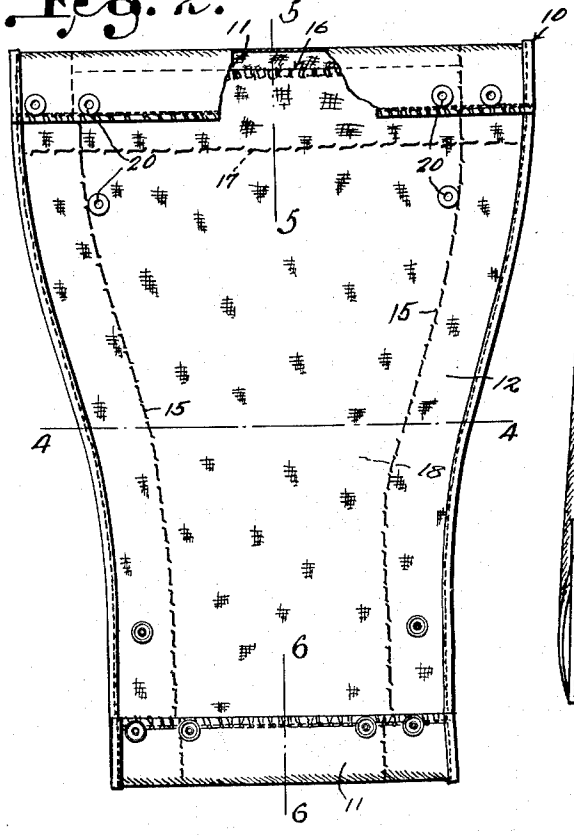


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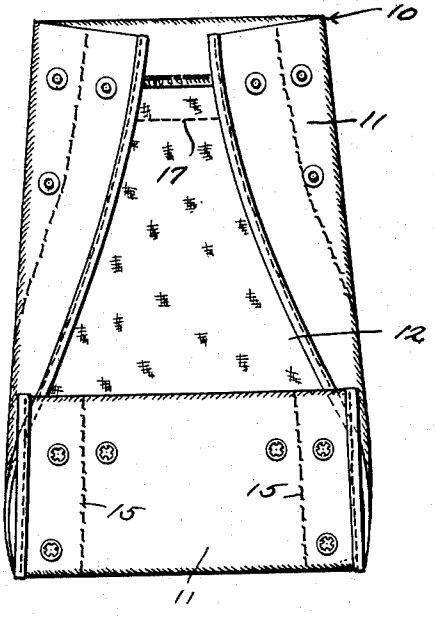
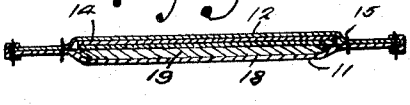


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This invention relates to a diaper and more particularly to an improved diaper embodying an envelope for containing an absorbent diaper for use of an infant, the diaper using snap fasteners to secure the diaper about the body of the infant in place of the use of pins engaged through the diaper, and having both ends open for fast drying.

It is a primary object of this invention to provide an improved diaper of the kind to be more particularly described hereinafter which is in the form of a sort of envelope having both ends for the insertion therein of a dry diaper plus fast drying in order that the diaper of the infant may be easily and readily quickly changed by a person attending to the care of the child.

It is another object of the invention to provide an improved diaper of this kind which does not require pins or other sharp fastening devices so that the diaper fastening element will not be mislaid but will always be available for the use on the diaper.

Other and further objects and advantages of the invention will be hereinafter described and the novel features thereof defined in the appended claims.

In the drawings:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of my improved diaper as applied on an infant.

Fig. 2 is a top view of the diaper spread open prior to positioning on an infant.

Fig. 3 is a view of the diaper in a partially folded condition.

Fig. 4 is a transverse section taken on the line 4—4 of Fig. 2.

Fig. 5 is a section taken on the line 5—5 of Fig. 2.

Fig. 6 is a sectional view taken on line 6—6 of Fig. 2.

Referring now more particularly to the drawings the numeral **10** designates generally a diaper constructed and arranged according to an embodiment of my invention. The diaper **10** is formed of an outer plastic or impervious sheet **11** and an overlying inner absorbent sheet **12** secured together about the outer edges thereof as clearly defined in the drawings.

The diaper **10** is particularly designed for use with an infant whereby an absorbent pad or auxiliary diaper may be placed in a pocket formed in the diaper **10** when and as desired by the person caring for the infant.

There is provided an absorbent lining sheet **14** secured about its edges to the outer edges of the absorbent inner sheet **12** so that the connection between the absorbent lining sheet **14** and absorbent inner sheet **12** is spaced

inwardly from the stitched connection between the two sheets together on the three sides thereof.

The stitching **15** between the inner and outer sheets **11** and **12** is omitted along one side of the diaper thus providing an opening **16** therethrough and the stitching **17** between the inner sheet and the lining will secure the lining and the inner sheet together to define an open sided envelope **18** within which an absorbent pad **19** may be placed as through the open end **16** of said envelope when the diaper **10** is to be used on an infant. As shown the outer sheet **11** is slightly longer than the inner sheet **12** and is folded over the end of the inner sheet **12** closing the opening **16** to retain the absorbent pad in position.

Snap fasteners **20** are secured on the outer plastic sheet **11** near the outer corners thereof holding the folded end of the outer sheet in place so that when the diaper **10** is folded about its narrow width adjacent the center a comfortable diaper will be furnished for the infant and the opening **16** will be covered by such folded end. With this sort of diaper the legs of the infant may be freely passed from the diaper which is secured about the infant's waist in the manner shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings. The plurality of snap fasteners **20** will be such as to accommodate the size of the diaper to the infant without changing the size of the inner and outer sheets.

As better shown by Figure 2 of the drawing, the side edges of the diaper taper inwardly from an end of the diaper toward the other end thereof, so that when in use the narrow portion of the diaper will provide the front of the diaper, insuring ample leg room between the side edges of the folded diaper.

While the specific details of one embodiment of this invention have been herein shown and described, the invention is not confined thereto as changes and alterations may be made without departing from the spirit and scope thereof as defined in the appended claims.

I claim:

1. An improved diaper of the kind described comprising a substantially rectangular envelope open at one side edge thereof, said envelope including an impervious outer sheet of flexible material, an absorbent inner sheet of flexible material overlying said outer sheet, stitches securing said sheets together on the edges thereof save for the open end of said envelope, an absorbent lining sheet secured to said inner sheet, said absorbent lining being secured to said inner sheet spaced from the outer edges thereof and snap fastenings on said outer sheet for securing the edges thereof together including a folded portion of the cloth of the diaper.

2. An improved diaper as defined in claim 1 wherein said unfolded diaper receives and encloses an absorbent pad in the envelope through said open edge thereof.

3. The subject matter as claimed in claim 2, and a portion of said outer sheet being secured over said open side of said envelope normally closing said open side.

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