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Diaper

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Fig: 1.

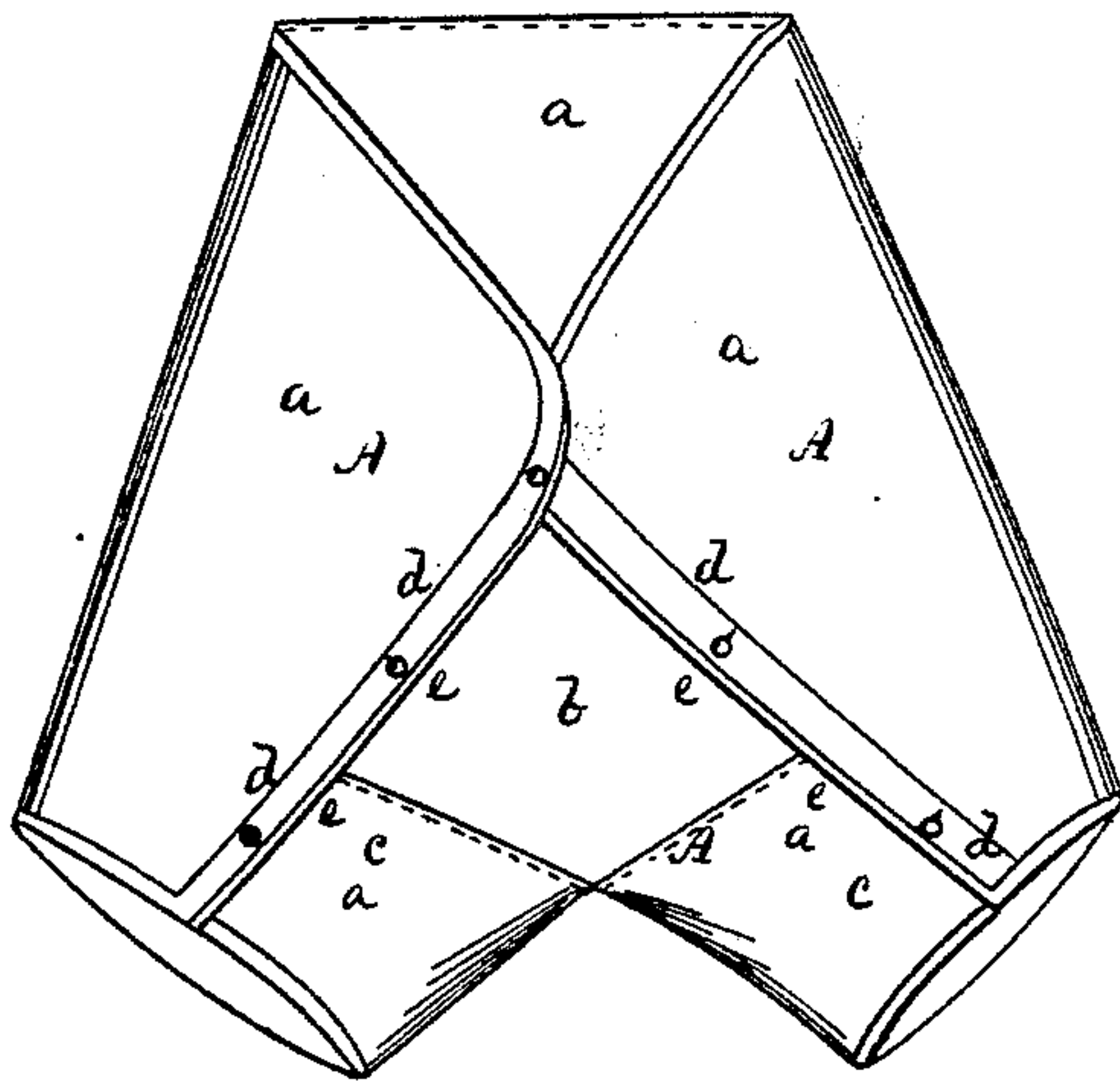
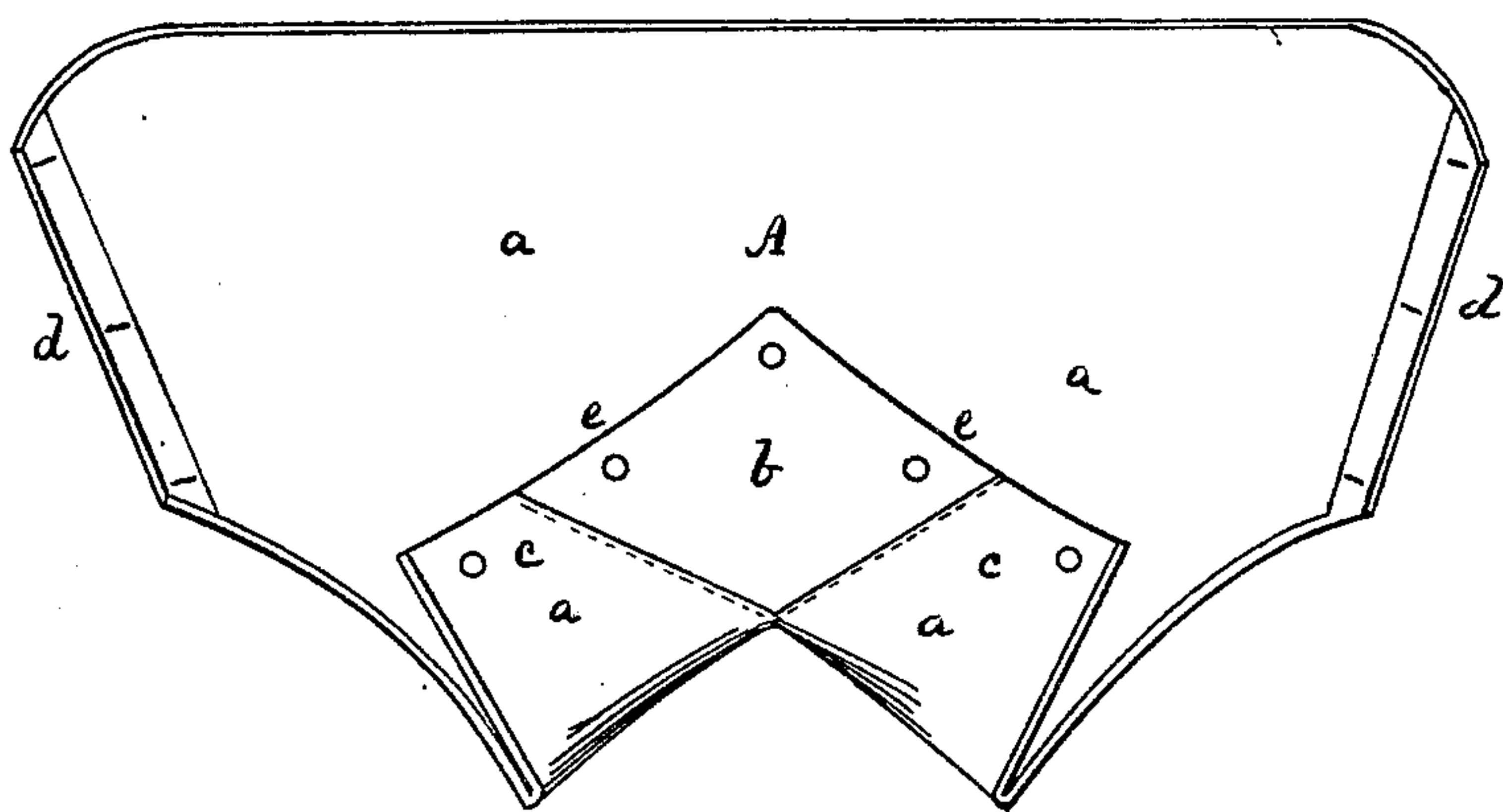


Fig: 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN DIAPERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, J. C. HEMPEL, of Baltimore, in the county of Baltimore and State of Maryland, have invented a new and Improved Children's Diaper; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 represents a side view of my improved children's diaper. Fig. 2 is a face view of the same folded apart.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

This invention relates to a new water-proof diaper or short pantaloon for babies and small children, and has for its object to prevent water from passing to the clothes or bed-clothes of the child.

The invention consists in making water-proof diapers in such form that they can be fitted around the body of the child like pantaloons. They will thereby be more readily attached, less liable to become deranged, and more convenient to the child than the ordinary plain diaper now in use.

A in the drawing represents my improved diaper. It is made of suitable fabric coated with rubber or otherwise made water-tight, and is cut in the form shown in Fig. 2. It is made of two pieces, *a* and *b*. The main piece

or sheet, *a*, has its upper part of a width sufficient to envelop the body of the child. Its lower part, however, is forked, to form two narrow strips, *c c*, between which the wedge-shaped piece *b* is secured. The edges *d*, on the upper part of the sides of the sheet *a*, can then be secured by means of buttons, or otherwise, with the lower edges, *e e*, of the wedge *b* and strip *c*, as is clearly shown in Fig. 1. Thereby two legs are formed below the upper body-piece.

The diaper or pantaloon thus formed will be easily attached, and will fit well on the body by folding the upper part of the sheet *a* over the legs of the child.

Instead of the buttons, buckles or other fastening devices may be used.

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

As a new article of manufacture, the diaper formed of the main piece *a* and gore *b*, the latter being sewed to the flaps *c c*, whereby edges *e e* are formed, to which the inclosing-flaps *d d* are adapted to be buttoned, substantially as described, and for the purposes specified.

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