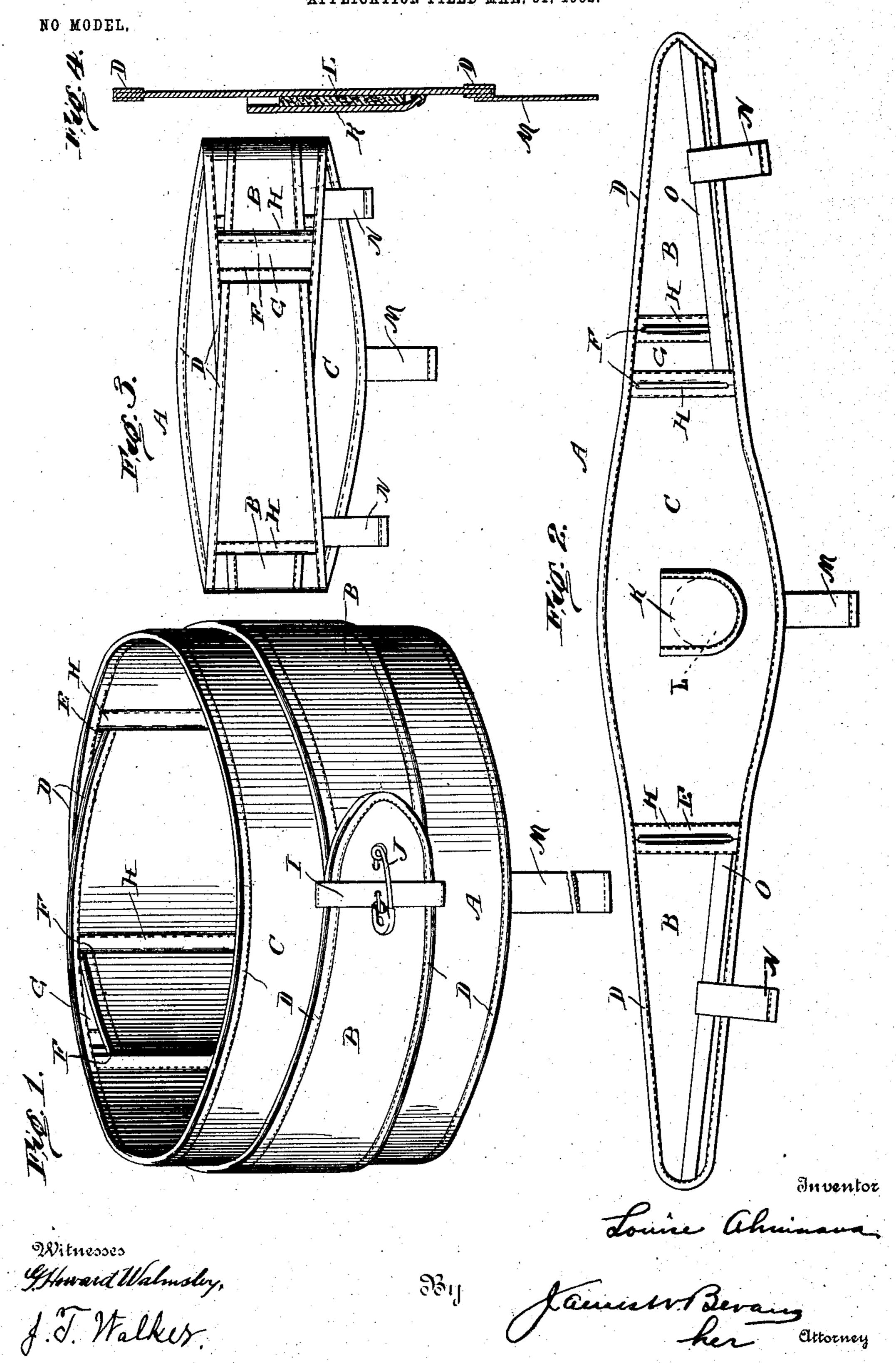
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## BABY-BAND.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Louise Alminana, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Orleans, in the parish of Orleans and State of 5 Louisiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Baby Bands or Bandages; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the 10 art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to improvements in baby bands or bandages; and the object is to provide a band of this character which may 15 be readily adjusted to the body of the infant and conveniently secured in its adjustment.

The invention also consists in providing the band with means for attaching the napkin thereto and in making said means adjustable

20 relatively to the band.

A further object is to provide a removable pressure-disk for the band designed to exert a pressure against the abdomen when necessary.

With the above objects in view the invention consists in the novel features of construction hereinafter fully described, particularly pointed out in the claim, and clearly illustrated by the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a band embodying my invention and illustrated as adjusted to the body; Fig. 2, a plan view of the band, the inner side of the same being shown; Fig. 3, a rear elevation of the band 35 adjusted as in Fig. 1, and Fig. 4 a transverse sectional view taken on the line 4 4 of Fig. 2.

Referring now more particularly to the drawings, A designates the bandage, which is tapered toward its ends, forming an enlarged front portion C, designed to extend over and cover the abdomen, and strap portions of sufficient length to extend around the body and to be brought to the front thereof and overlapped. The edges of the bandage 45 are bound with a suitable binding D, as illustrated in the several views.

At substantially the inner end of one of the straps B a transverse slit E is formed, while at the inner end of the other strap B two parallel 5° transversely-extending slits F are provided,

forming a loop G. The edges of all of these slits are bound with a suitable binding H. The function of these slits will be fully set forth hereinafter.

At the center of the front portion C of the 55 band and upon the outer side thereof a transversely - extending tape or strap is secured,

forming a loop I.

In use the band is placed with the portion C covering the abdomen, and the straps or 60 side portions B are carried to the rear and crossed and then brought to the front, one strap being drawn through slit E and the other through loop G, formed by slits F. By drawing upon the ends of the straps the band 65 is adjusted to snugly fit the body of the infant, after which the ends of the straps are drawn through the loop I at the front portion of the band and secured by inserting a safety-pin J or other suitable securing device through their 70 overlapping portions.

As illustrated in Figs. 2 and 4, a pocket K is formed upon the inner side of the front portion C, at the center thereof, to receive a disk L, of cork or other suitable material. 75 This disk is designed to press against the navel of the abdomen when such pressure is necessary, and when not necessary it may be removed from the pocket and the band used

without the same.

As a convenient means for the attachment of the napkin to the band an elastic tab or strap M is secured to the lower edge of the front portion C of the band, at the center thereof, while adjustable elastic tabs or straps 85 N are provided for the rear portion of the band when the latter is adjusted to the body of the infant. These tabs N are slidable on tapes O, carried by the portions B of the band, the tapes being secured at their respec- 90 tive ends to the respective ends of the strap portions B and upon the inner side thereof, while the tabs are looped to slide thereon. By making these tabs slidable they may be adjusted as necessary to hold the napkin securely 95 in place when attached thereto. The napkin may be attached to the tabs by safety-pins or in any convenient manner.

The band may be constructed of any preferred material and its construction varied 100 from that hereinbefore described without departing from the spirit and scope of my invention.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

A baby-band comprising a front portion formed on one side of its center with a transversely-extending slit and on the other side thereof with two parallel transversely-extending slits, strap portions of sufficient length to extend around the side and rear portions of the body and to be overlapped, the end of one strap adapted to be inserted through said slit and the end of the other adapted to be in-

serted through the two parallel slits, a tab carried by the front portion of the band, longitudinally-extending tapes secured at their respective ends to the strap portions, tabs slidable on said tapes, and a loop on the front 20 side of the body portion of the band through which said strap portions are adapted to be passed after being inserted through the slits.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two wit- 25

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