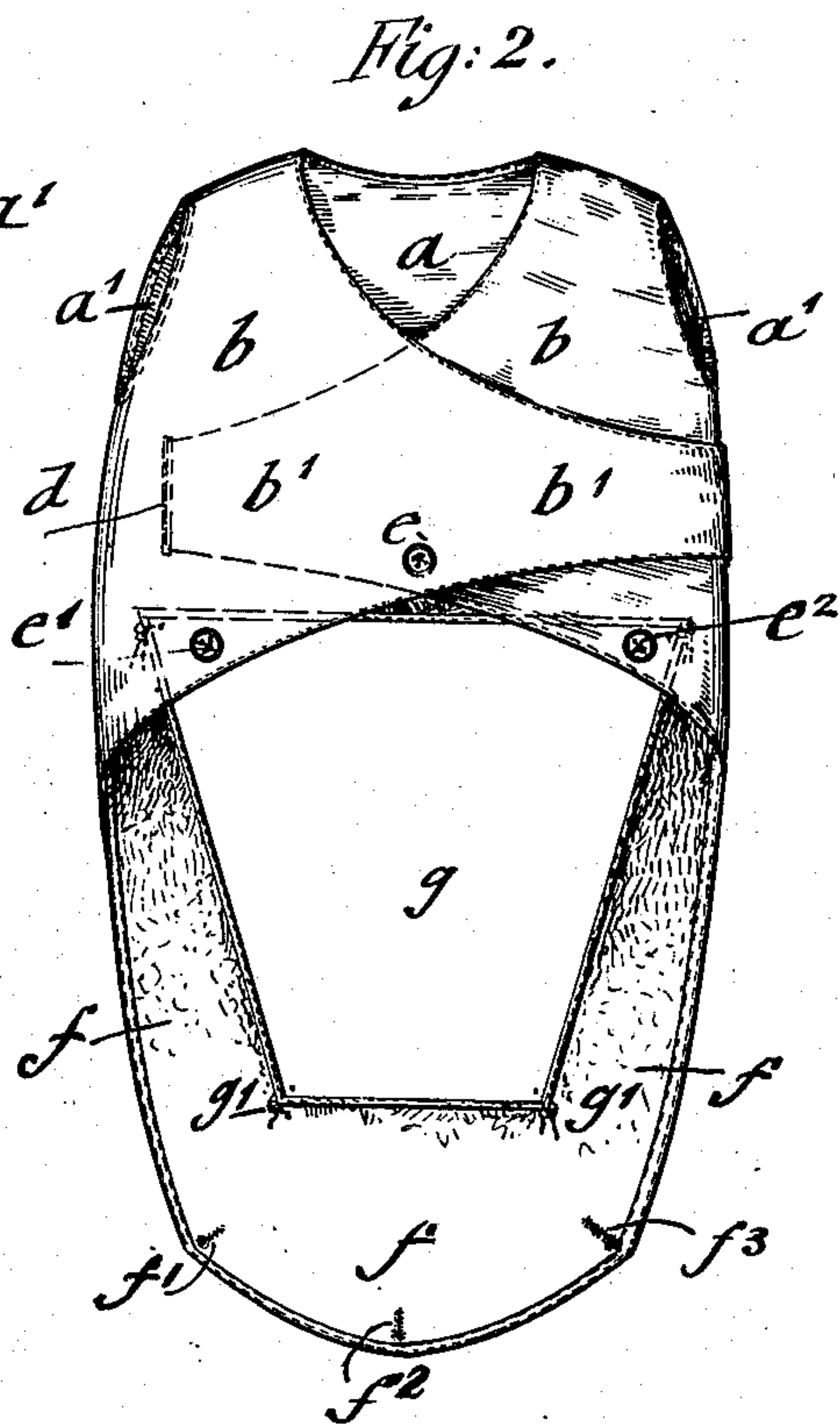
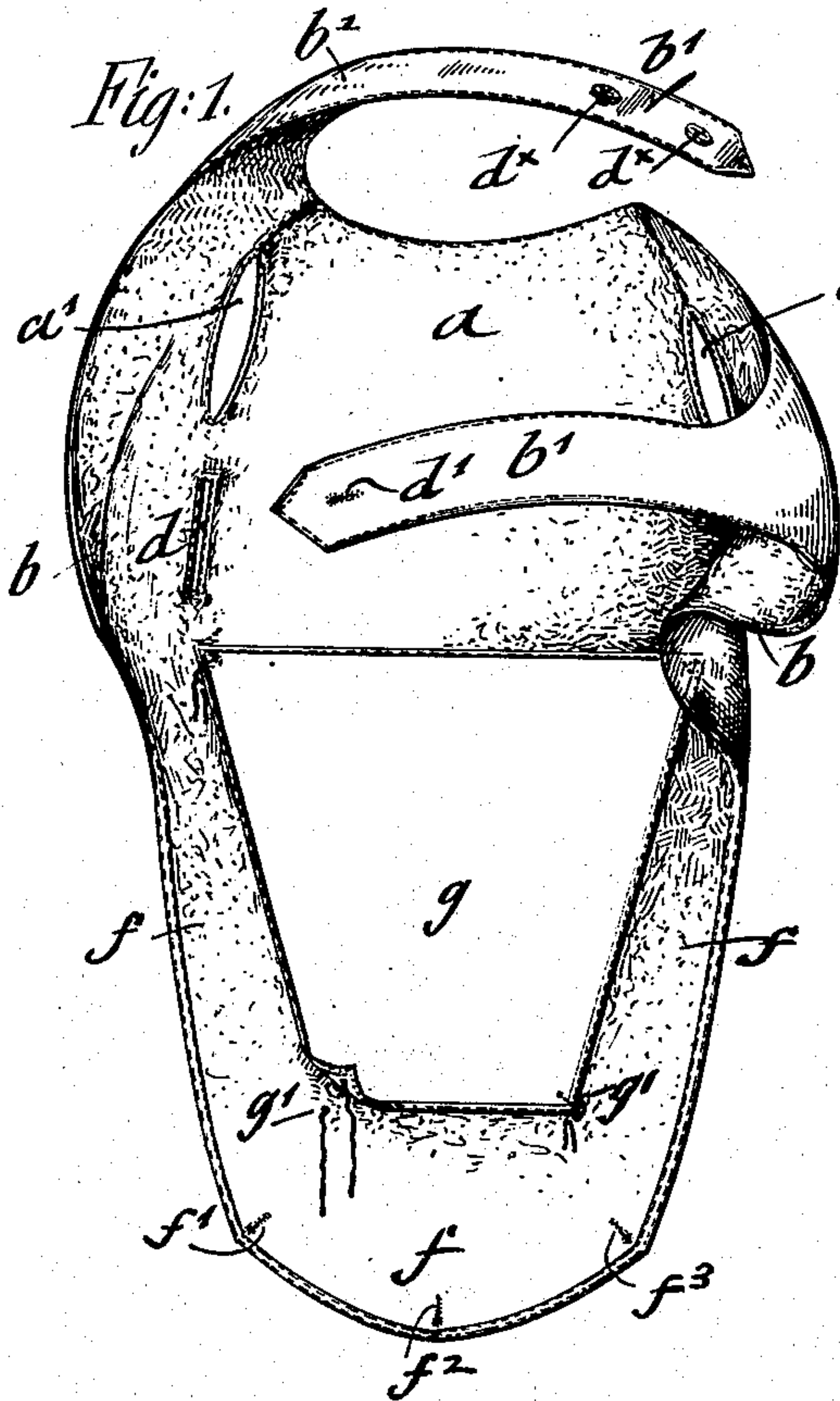


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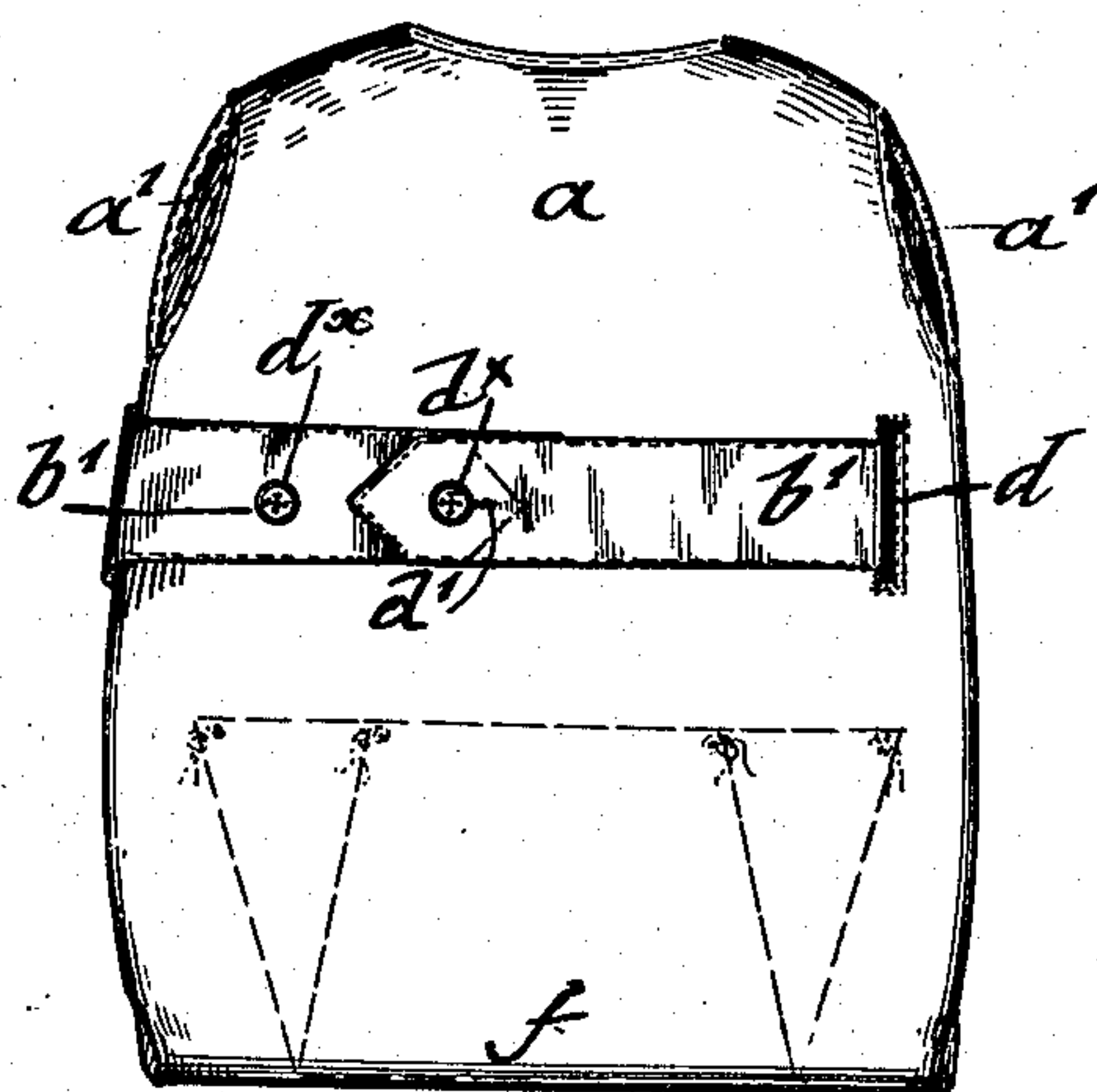
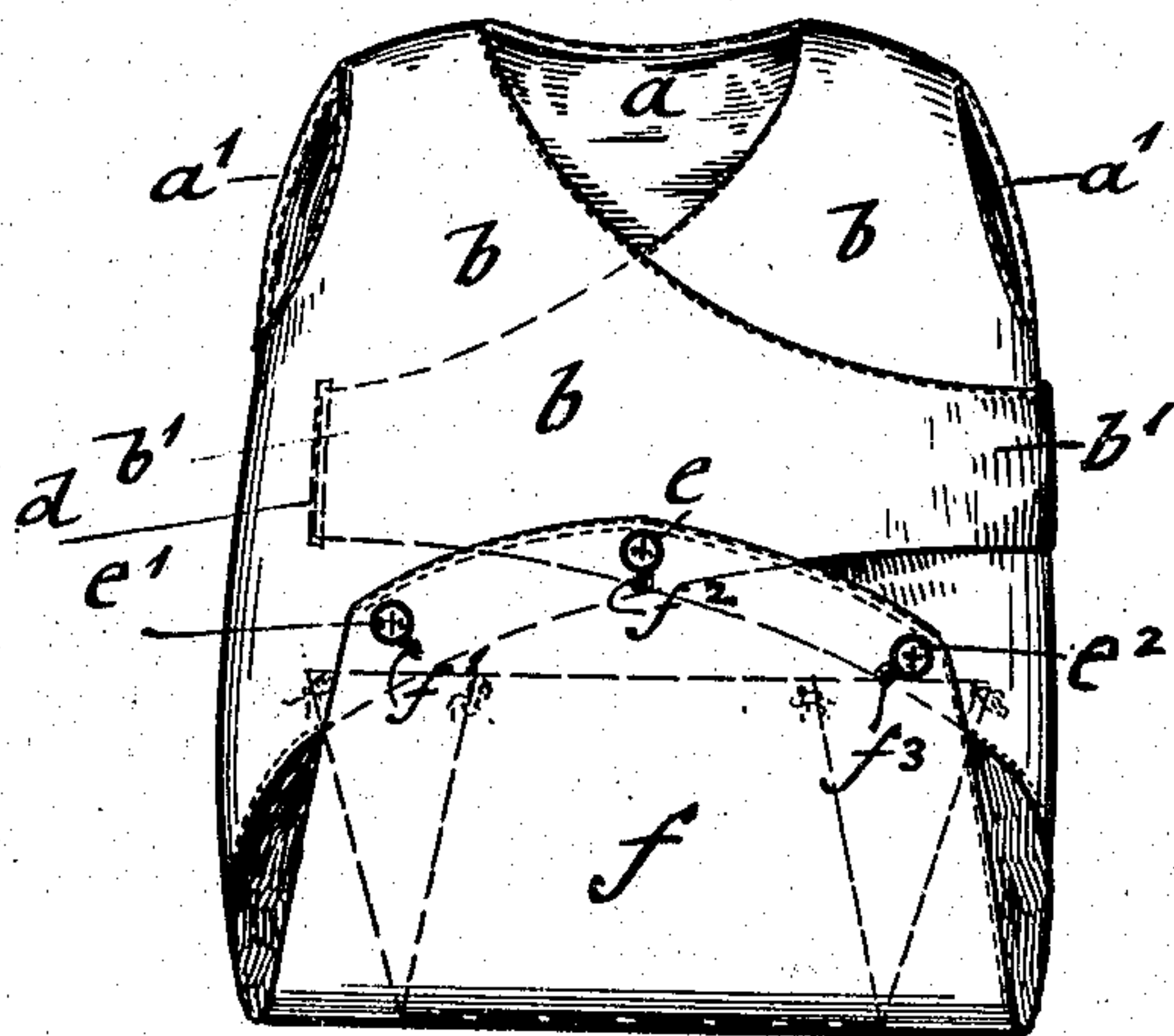
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*Fig. 3.*

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HEINRICH WIMMEL, a citizen of the United States, residing in Frankfort-on-the-Main, in the Empire of Germany, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Diaper-Covers, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improved diaper-cover which, when placed in position on the body of the infant, cannot be detached therefrom by the legs of the infant, but is held firmly thereon, and by which the clothes of the infant as well as the cradle are protected against being soiled without preventing the free motion of, and the free access of air to, the body of the infant.

The invention consists of a diaper-cover provided at its upper part with openings or holes for the arms of the infant, and with two tapering over- and underlapping body-portions that are connected at the rear of the body, by extension straps or belts, one of them passing through a slit in the shirt-portion, said body-portions being provided at their lower front-edges with buttons, and a lower abdominal portion made integral with the shirt-portion and provided at its lower edge with buttonholes for attaching it to the underlapping body-portions.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my improved diaper-cover, showing the parts in position before applying it to the body of an infant, Fig. 2 is a front-view showing the upper body or shirt-part of the diaper-cover as applied to the body, Fig. 3 is a front-view of the diaper-cover showing the lower abdominal portion also closed up, and Fig. 4 is a rear-elevation of Fig. 3.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

Referring to the drawings, *a* represents the upper or shirt-portion of my improved diaper-cover. The shirt-portion *a* is provided with holes or openings *a*<sup>1</sup> through which the arms of the infant are passed when placing the diaper-cover on the body of the infant. From the shoulders or armholes of the shirt-portion *a* extend two tapering body-portions *b* which terminate in straps or belts *b*<sup>1</sup>. The body-portions *b* overlap each other in front of the body of the infant, the underlapping portion being passed through a slit *d* in the side of the upper- or shirt-portion of the diaper-cover below the armhole to the rear-

part of the shirt-portion, where the tapering body-portions are connected by their straps or belts *b*<sup>1</sup> which are provided respectively with buttons *d*<sup>x</sup> and buttonholes *d*<sup>1</sup> at the rear of the shirt-portion. Several buttons may be arranged on the strap or belt *b*<sup>1</sup> of the overlapping body-portion *b* so as to permit the use of the diaper-cover for infants of larger or smaller size.

The overlapping body-portion *b* is provided at its lower front-edge with two buttons *e* *e*<sup>1</sup> and the underlapping body-portion *b* at its lower front-edge with a third button *e*<sup>2</sup>, to which the lower or abdominal portion *f* of the diaper-cover is applied by means of buttonholes *f*<sup>1</sup>, *f*<sup>2</sup>, *f*<sup>3</sup> which are arranged at the lower edge of the abdominal portion *f*, after the latter is passed through between the legs of the infant, as shown in Fig. 3. The abdominal portion *f* is made in one piece with the upper or shirt-portion *a*, the holes *f*<sup>1</sup>, *f*<sup>2</sup>, *f*<sup>3</sup> being arranged at the same relative position on the abdominal portion as the buttons *e*<sup>1</sup>, *e* and *e*<sup>2</sup> on the body-portions. To the lower or abdominal portion *f* of the diaper-cover is detachably applied a layer *g* of waterproof material, such as rubber cloth, which is attached by means of tie-loops or other means *g*<sup>1</sup> to the inner surface of the portion *f*, so that the same can be removed therefrom when the diaper-cover itself is to be cleaned by washing. The waterproof layer *g* covers only that part of the diaper-cover which extends over the hind-part of the body, while the remaining parts of the diaper-cover remain uncovered so as to provide for the free passage of air to the body of the infant at the remaining portions of the diaper-cover.

The advantages of my improved diaper-cover are, first, that the same is applied to the body like a shirt by passing the arms through the armholes of the upper or shirt-portion of the diaper-cover, whereby the diaper-cover is prevented from being moved away from the body by the motion of the legs, remaining always in position on the body of the infant; secondly, that the diaper-cover is quickly applied with a diaper to the body of the infant by first connecting the terminal straps or belts of the cover and underlapping body-portions at the rear and then applying the abdominal portion to the lower front-edges of the body-portions at the front of the body of the infant; and, lastly, that the diaper-cover can be manufactured



at a comparatively low price as the shirt and abdominal portions are made in one piece and connected with the tapering body-portions at the shoulders and sides of the shirt-  
5 portion.

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

10 A diaper-cover comprising an upper or shirt-portion having armholes, tapering body-portions extending from the shirt-portion and having straps or belts at their ends, the belt of the underlapping body-portion passing through a slit in one side of the shirt-  
15 portion, means for connecting the straps or

belts of the body-portions at the rear of the shirt-portion, buttons at the lower front-edges of the over and underlapping body-portions, and an abdominal portion at the lower part of the shirt-portion, provided 20 with buttonholes for attaching the latter to the buttons on the lower edges of the body-portions.

In testimony, that I claim the foregoing as my invention, I have signed my name in 25 presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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