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Fig. 1.

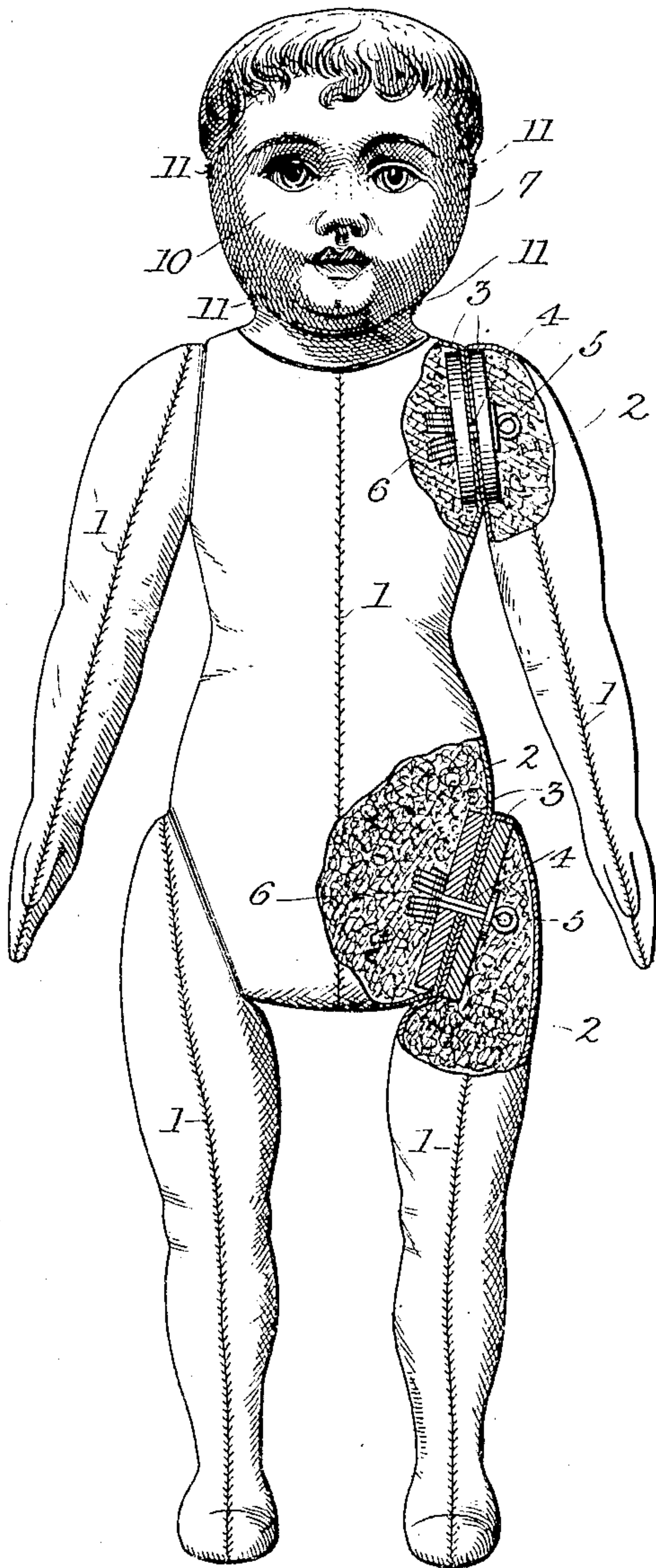
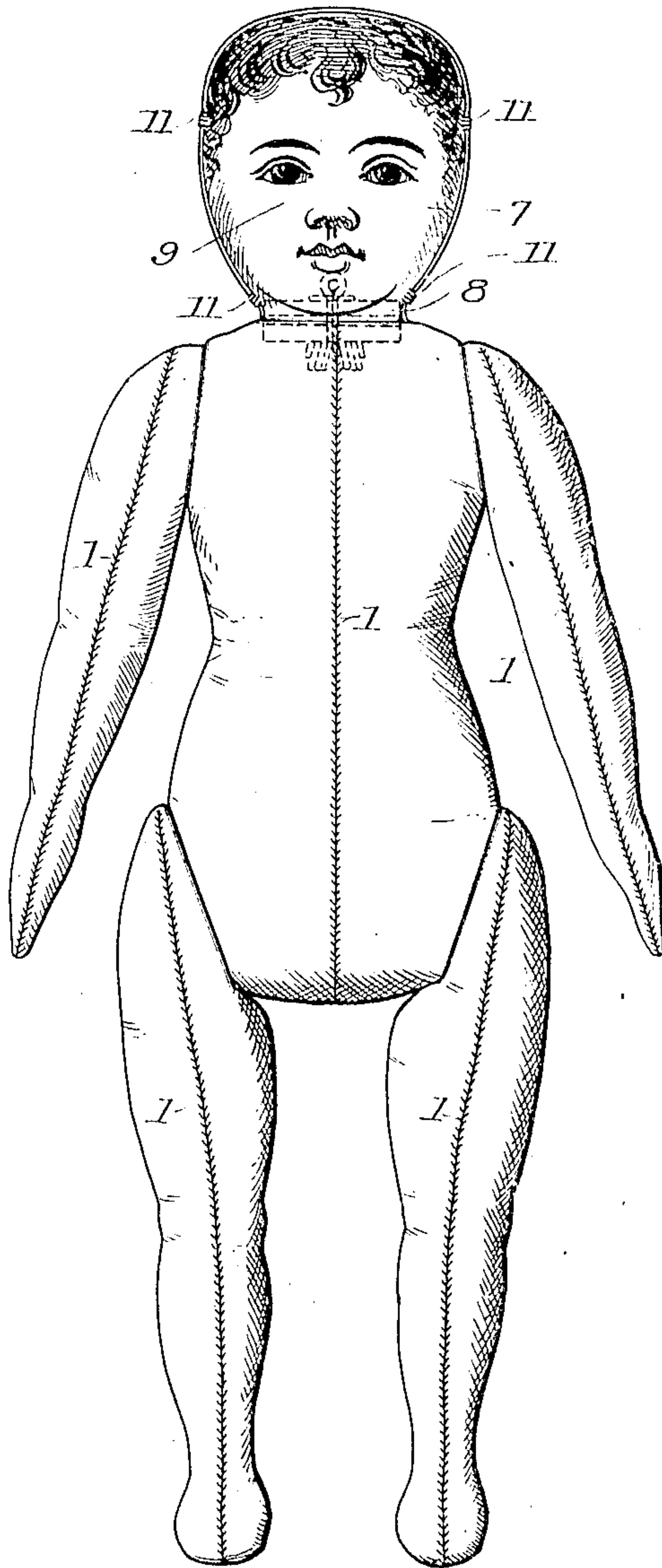


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LILLIAN A. SACKMAN, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Dolls, of which the following is such a full, clear, and exact description as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates particularly to rag dolls and consists in certain novel features hereinafter described and claimed.

In the annexed drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of a doll embodying the invention, part being broken away, and Fig. 2 is a rear view of the same.

The covering of the doll is composed of a textile fabric cut in sections so that when sewed together at the seams indicated by the reference numeral 1 and stuffed with rags or cotton or some similar packing, 2, it will approximate in shape a human body. The arms and legs are formed separate from the body and are likewise formed of a textile envelop of a shape approximating the shape of the human limbs. The arms and legs are joined to the body by a coupling which will permit movement of the limbs and which consists of a disk, 3, inside the covering or envelop at each corner of the body and the upper end of each limb and a pin, 4, inserted centrally through the said disks. Within the limb, the pin is provided with a head, 5, to hold the disks together and within the body, the end of the pin is divided and the members thus formed coiled into springs, 6, which bear against the disk to hold the two disks yielding together. The limb may thus be readily turned to any angle desired while the frictional contact between the disks will be sufficient to hold it in the position to which it may be turned. The disks and the coupling pin, it will be readily understood, are concealed by the covering and a close joint is effected. The head, 7, is formed of a textile covering or envelop filled with cotton or similar packing and having its edge or mouth drawn over and closed around a stiff disk, 8, similar in all

respects to the disks 3 and coupled to a like disk within the upper end of the body by a coupling pin which is a duplicate of the pin 4. On one side of the head is painted or otherwise marked a representation of a face, as shown at 9, while to the other side or half of the head a formed face, 10, is attached by stitches, 11. The head may be turned so as to present either face to the front of the body and the rear face may be hidden by a hood or a wig placed on the head in the dressing of the doll. A third face may be marked on the head under the formed face so that by disconnecting the stitches or other fastenings, 11, the formed face may be removed and the previously hidden face exposed.

Rag dolls have been popular because of the cheapness of their manufacture and the fact that they were not breakable but they were objectionable, heretofore, because the head and limbs were not movable. By my invention, however, the legs, arms and head are made movable so that the doll may be made to assume different positions and the parts will retain the position given them. Furthermore, the face may be varied to suit the whims of the child playing with the doll.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters-Patent is:—

A rag doll having movable limbs separate from the body, stiff disks one fitted within the covering of the body and one fitted within the covering of the limbs at the junction of each limb with the body, and coupling pins inserted through the said disks, the said pins being provided at one end with a head to bear against one disk and having its other end divided and the members of said divided end coiled into springs to bear against the other disk.

In testimony whereof, I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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