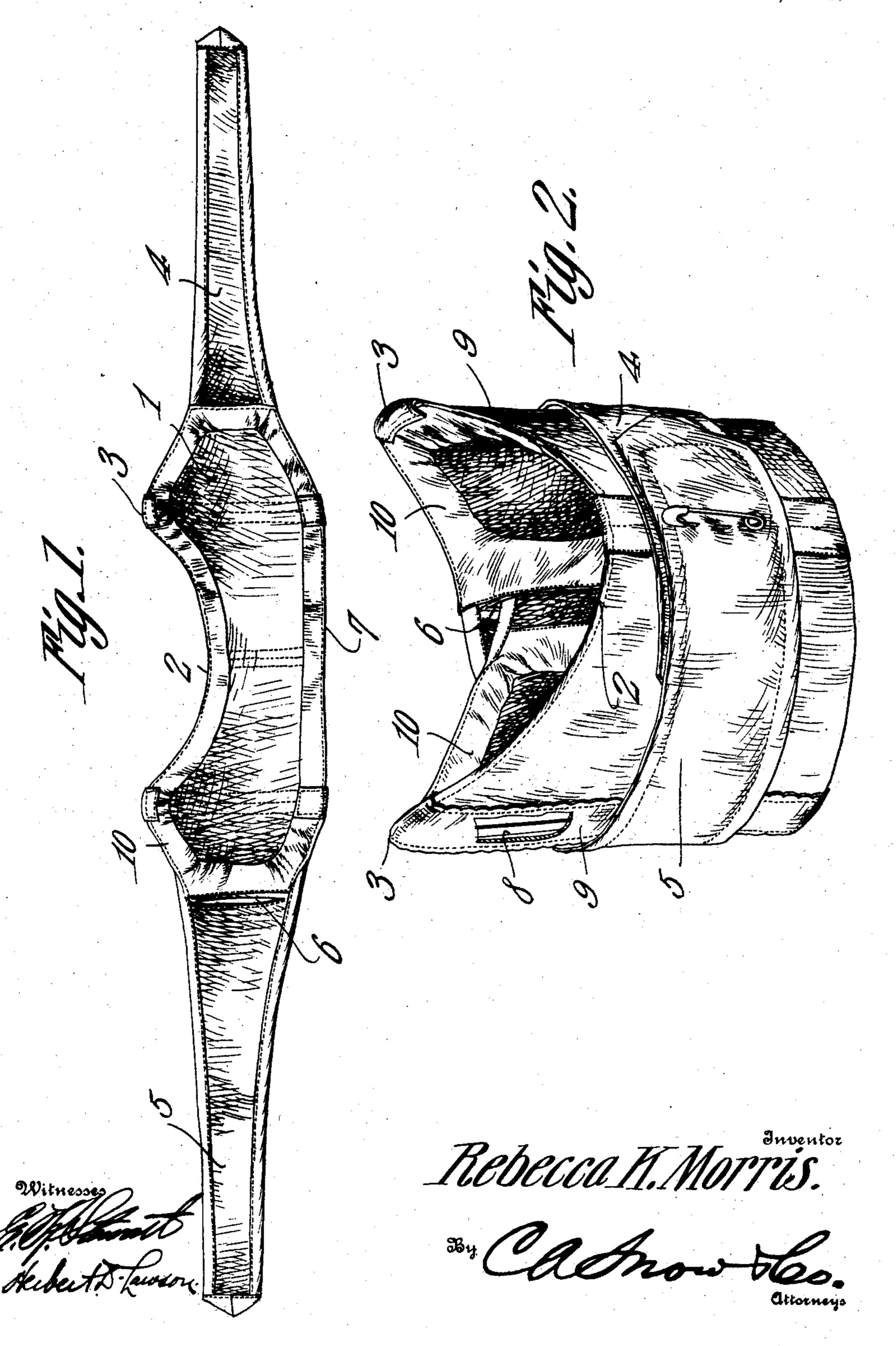
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Rebecca K. Morris, a citizen of the United States, residing at Fresno, in the county of Fresno and State of California, have invented a new and useful Bandage, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to bandages for use in the treatment of sore throat and other inflammation of the glands and membranes of the throat and neck and its object is to provide a light device of this character which can be comfortably worn and which is so shaped as to be capable of holding poultices or other applications firmly upon the neck and behind the ears so that all of the glands ordinarily subject to inflammation can be covered thereby.

A further object is to provide a bandage which can be adjusted to necks of different sizes and secured in position in a simple and efficient manner, the structure of the band being such that it will not fold or roll after being placed in position but will instead be properly supported throughout its width.

A further object is to so construct the bandage that the poultice or other application used will not run over the edges thereof.

With these and other objects in view the invention consists of certain novel features of construction and combinations of parts which will be hereinafter more fully described and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings is shown the preferred form of the invention.

In said drawings: Figure 1 is a plan view of the bandage extended and showing the inner surface thereof. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the bandage as it appears when secured

Referring to the figures by characters of reference, 1 designates the body of the bandage the upper edge thereof being concaved as indicated at 2 and merging into rounded peaks or projections 3, those portions of the upper edge of the body which are located beyond the peaks 3 being extended downward along diverging lines and merging into the upper edges of tongues 4 and 5 which may be of any desired length, the tongue 5 being provided with a transverse slot 6 at its inner end.

This slot is designed, when the bandage is folded, to receive the tongue 4. The lower edge of the body 1 may be slightly curved inwardly from end to end as indicated at 7 55 and extending transversely of the body from this edge 7 to the peaks 3 are flexible ribs 8 of bone or other suitable material, said ribs being disposed within casings 9 preferably formed of chamois strips sewed or otherwise 60 secured to the bandage. These ribs serve to hold the body 1 properly extended transversely so that when the bandage is applied the same will not fold or roll from its upper to its lower edges but will fit snugly about 65 the neck under all conditions. A retaining strip 10 of any suitable flexible material is secured to the edges of the body and extends inwardly therefrom, said strip forming a marginal pocket into which the poultice or 70 other application is designed to fit and thus be pre-ented from overrunning the edges of the body.

When it is desired to use the bandage herein described the same is opened out as shown 75 in Fig. 1 and the material to be applied, which for example might be antiphlogistin, is placed upon the body so as to be surrounded by the strip 10. The bandage is then placed about the neck with the peaks 3 ex- 80 tending back of the ears of the patient and the concaved edge 2 extending under the chin and jaws. The tongue 4 is then inserted through the slot 6 and the two tongues 4 and 5 drawn across the front of the bandage until 85 said bandage has been pulled sufficiently tight after which the two tongues can be secured together by means of a safety pin or any other suitable fastening device. It will be seen that any spreading of the poultice 90 produced by the compression thereof will cause the same to enter into the marginal pocket produced by strip 10 and therefore none of the poultice will overrun the edge of the bandage and come into contact with the 95 clothing.

What is claimed is:

A bandage comprising a body having peaks extending beyond one edge thereof, flexible reinforcing devices secured trans- 100 versely upon the body and extending from the peaks, an imperforate tongue extending

from one end of the body, a tongue extending from the other end of said body and having an opening therein for the reception of the first mentioned tongue, and a marginal retaining strip upon the body and forming a pocket, said tongues projecting beyond the pocket.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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