

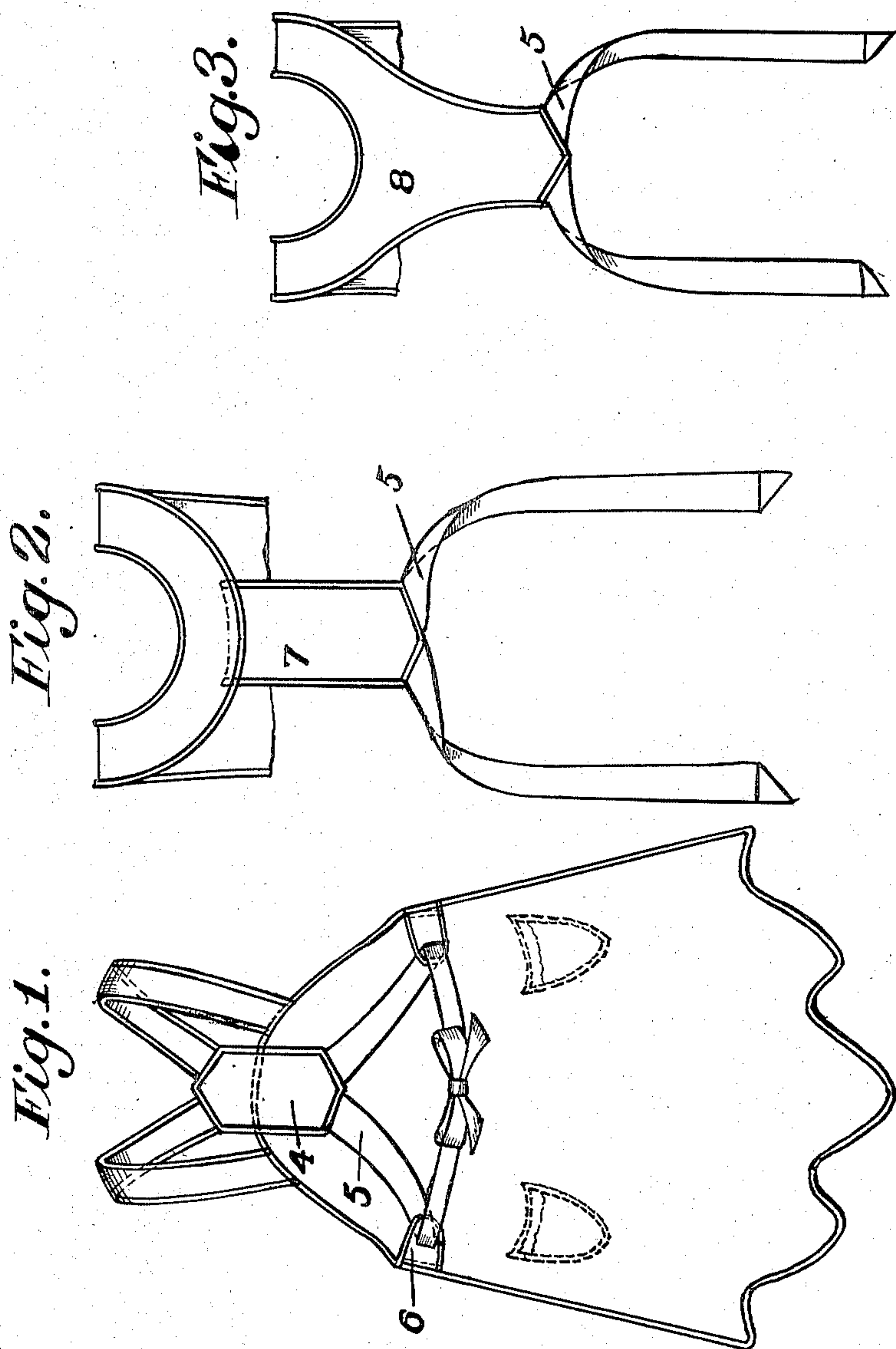
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My invention relates to improvements in aprons for personal wear, and of the sleeveless type, employing ties or strings at the back for securing the garment about the hips and waist.

5 The apron of my invention is designed to provide a garment that is comparatively inexpensive in the cost of production; economical in the material used, which may be put on and removed with facility, and which is effective in use, and presents a neat and attractive appearance.

Due to the novel construction and arrangement of parts of the apron, the garment may be conveniently washed, and ironed flat, thus insuring facility in folding the laundered garment and also facility in storing the garment until ready for use.

My invention involves particularly the back of the apron and the arrangement and use of strings in combination with the apron back for securing the apron in place and against lateral displacement.

One of the essential features of the apron involves its construction whereby the same apron may be adjusted to fit persons of varying heights and sizes, thus providing in one size of apron a garment that may be used in lieu of three different sized aprons, with consequent economy in time and material in the manufacture of the aprons.

The patterns, shape and style of the aprons may be changed as desired, and the novel back structure, which forms the essence of my invention, may be varied, as indicated in my drawing.

In the accompanying drawing I have shown three variations in the back of the apron wherein the back panel is connected to the neck line of the apron. This drawing illustrates the embodiment of my invention according to models I have so far devised for the mechanical application of the principles of my invention.

Figure 1 is a back view of an apron embodying my invention, wherein the back panel is attached to the neck line by means of shoulder straps.

Figure 2 is a back view showing the back panel (7) attached directly at the back of the neck yoke.

Figure 3 is a back view showing the back panel (8) as an extension of the neck yoke.

It will be understood that the drawing illustrates the apron and its parts in conventional manner only, and that, of course, the aprons are made up in work aprons and fancy aprons, in

various shapes, colors and styles, from various materials and goods, and with or without ornamental features and finish.

In Figure 1, the back panel (4) is sewed at the top to the shoulder straps. To the triangular bottom of the back panel the strings (5) are sewed. These strings are so attached that they extend diagonally across the back of the wearer and pass through loops on extension (6) to the body of the apron. The loops are formed by catching a piece of cloth at the top and bottom of the extension. The extension may be formed as an integral part of the body of the apron or may be a bound piece of cloth caught in the binding of the apron body. In place of loops, slits cut in the extensions to body of the apron and bound may be used. With the loops as with the slits, the strings pass through them and tie at the middle of the back. These strings are of sufficient length as to permit adjustment of the apron to wearers of various sizes, thus adapting a single apron for use by one or a number of persons, and preserving at the same time the neat appearance of the apron. The apron is thus especially adapted for use in factories, hotels, hospitals, and other places where aprons are used in large quantities and a neat and attractive appearance is necessary, and these large quantities of aprons are capable of being laundered smoothly and at low cost.

In Figures 2 and 3 the use of the panel, strings and slits (or loops) is the same, the only variation being in the attaching of the panel to the neck line.

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

1. In an apron, the combination of a permanent back panel attached only at the neck portion of the apron, the lower extremity of said panel being cut on lines inclined in opposite directions with respect to the horizontal, diagonally disposed strings attached to the lower extremity of the panel extending in divergent directions toward the rear side edges of the apron, and side extensions secured to the rear side edges of the apron and carrying loop members through which said strings may be inserted and secured, whereby the apron may be adjusted as to length and girth.

2. In an apron, the combination of a back panel having a free lower extremity cut on lines inclined in opposite directions with respect to the horizontal, strings attached to the inclined edge portions of said panel and extending diag-

onally in divergent directions toward the rear side edges of the apron, and means at the rear side edges of the apron for detachably and adjustably securing said strings to said rear side edges, whereby the apron may be adjusted as to length and girth.

3. In an apron, the combination of a back panel having a free lower extremity cut on lines inclined in opposite directions with respect to the horizontal, tie strings attached to the inclined edge portions of said panel and extending diagonally in divergent directions toward the rear side edges of the apron, and means forming string receiving openings adjacent the waistline but spaced rearwardly from the rear side edges of the apron through which said tie strings may be led and doubled back toward one an-

other for securing together, whereby the apron may be adjusted and fitted to the bodies of wearers of various sizes.

4. In an apron, the combination of a back panel permanently attached to the remainder of the apron only at its upper extremity adjacent the neckline, the lower extremity of said panel being free, tie strings attached to and extending diagonally from said lower extremity of the panel toward the rear side edges of the apron, and means forming string receiving openings spaced rearwardly from the side edges of the apron through which said tie strings may be led and doubled back toward one another for securing together, whereby the apron may be adjusted and fitted to the body of the wearer.

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