

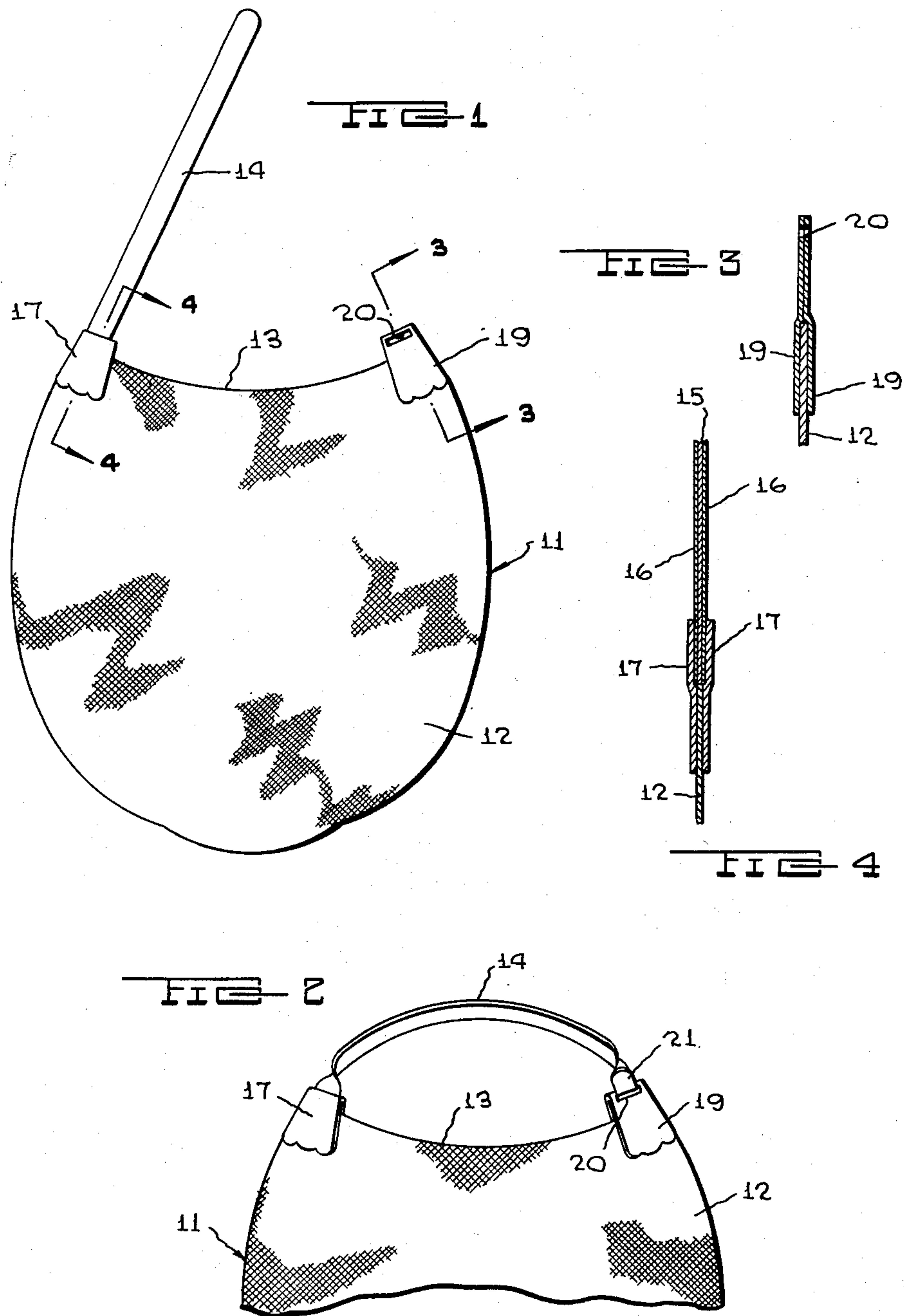
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This invention relates to infants' bibs, and more particularly to an infant's bib of the disposable type.

A main object of the invention is to provide a novel and improved disposable infant's bib which is simple in construction, which is easy to use, and which is inexpensive to manufacture.

A further object of the invention is to provide an improved infant's disposable bib which is sturdy in construction, which is easy to place on an infant or child and to secure thereon and which is especially suitable for use in restaurants, dining cars and similar locations.

Further objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent from the following description and claims, and from the accompanying drawings, wherein:

Figure 1 is a front elevational view of an improved disposable bib constructed in accordance with the present invention, the neckband of the bib being shown in its normal position;

Figure 2 is a fragmentary front elevational view of the upper portion of the bib of Figure 1, showing the neckband attached to the bib in position for use;

Figure 3 is an enlarged cross-sectional detail view taken on line 3-3 of Figure 1;

Figure 4 is an enlarged cross-sectional detail view taken on line 4-4 of Figure 1.

Referring to the drawings, the bib is designated generally at 11 and comprises a main body 12 of suitable disposable material, such as soft, white four-ply napkin paper or similar absorbent paper. The body 12 is generally oval in shape and is formed at its top end with the concave, arcuate top edge 13 adapted to be engaged around the child's neck when the bib is secured to the child. Designated at 14 is the neckband which comprises an inner lamination of malleable material, designated at 15, such as a strip of metal foil, said strip being covered by a paper sheath 16 completely surrounding the malleable, bendable strip 15. The end of the neckband 14 is secured to one of the top corners of the body 12 by means of relatively heavy reinforcing tabs 17, 17 of gummed paper in the manner shown in Figure 4. Secured to the opposite top corner of the body 12 are the abutting, relatively heavy paper reinforcing tabs 19, 19, arranged as shown in Figure 3, said tabs being sections of gummed paper fastened together and formed adjacent their top ends with the registering slots 20, 20 defining an opening to receive the free end of the neckband 14.

In using the bib, the bib is secured to the infant's neck in the usual manner, the neckband 14 being engaged around the infant's neck and the end portion of the band being engaged through the slots 20 and bent rearwardly, as shown at 21 in Figure 2, to define a fastening hook. Since the neckband is malleable by virtue of the inner foil lamination 15 thereof, the

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book portion 21 will retain its shape after it has been bent to the hooked configuration of Figure 2, and the bib will thus be secured on the infant or child without requiring any further fastening means. When the bib is no longer required, it may be readily removed by straightening the free end portion of the neckband 14 and disengaging said neckband from the reinforcements 19, whereby the bib may be removed for disposal.

The body portion 12 of the bib may be decorated in any suitable manner, as by pictures of animals or other objects in suitable attractive colors.

While a specific embodiment of an improved disposable bib has been disclosed in the foregoing description, it will be understood that various modifications within the spirit of the invention may occur to those skilled in the art. Therefore, it is intended that no limitations be placed on the invention except as defined by the scope of the appended claims.

What is claimed is:

1. A disposable bib comprising a relatively wide main paper body having a concave arcuate top edge and top corner portions, a strap member comprising a strip of thin malleable metal and a non-metallic cover on said strip, a first relatively heavy paper reinforcing tab immovably secured to one top corner portion of said main body, means immovably securing said strap member to said tab, and a second relatively heavy paper tab immovably secured to the other top corner portion, said second tab being formed with a slot adapted to receive the end portion of said strap member and said end portion being bendable to hook-shape to secure the strap member to the second tab.

2. A disposable bib comprising a relatively wide, generally oval paper body having a concave arcuate top edge and top corner portions at opposite ends of said top edge, a strap member comprising a strip of metal foil and a paper sheath around said strip, a first relatively heavy paper reinforcing tab immovably secured to one top corner portion, means immovably securing said strap member to said tab, and a second relatively heavy paper tab immovably secured to the other top corner portion, said second tab being formed with a slot adapted to receive the end portion of the strap member and said end portion being bendable to hook-shape to secure the strap member to said second tab.

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