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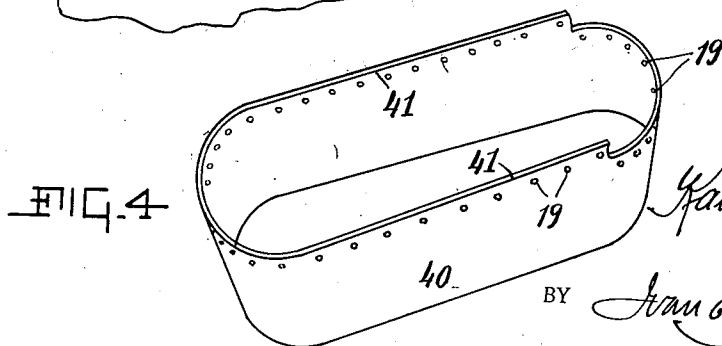
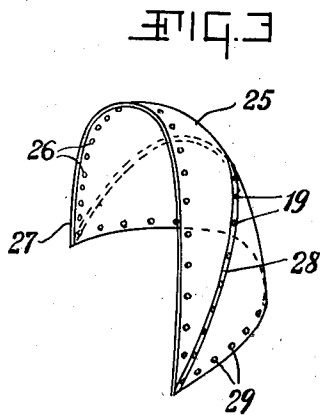
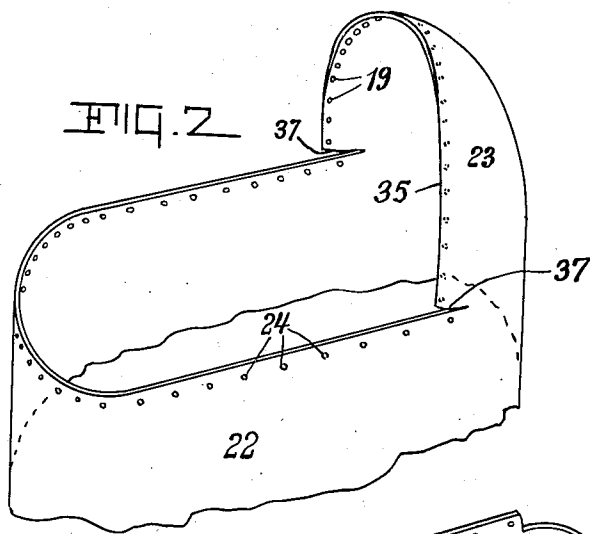
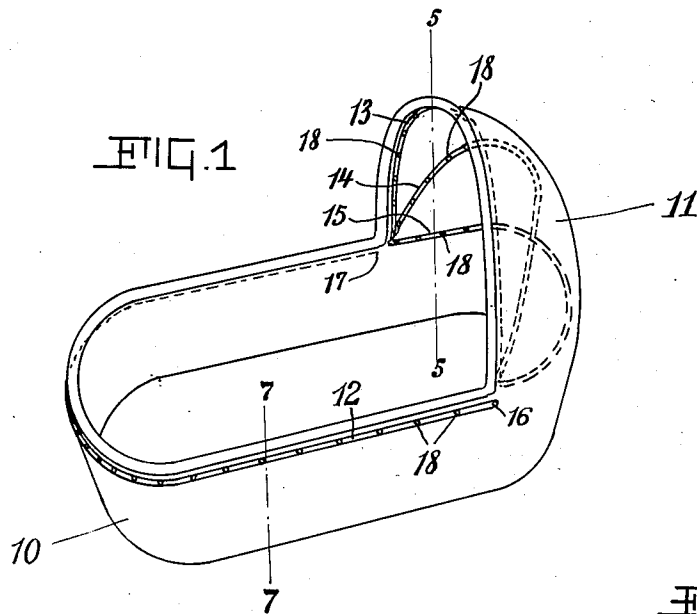
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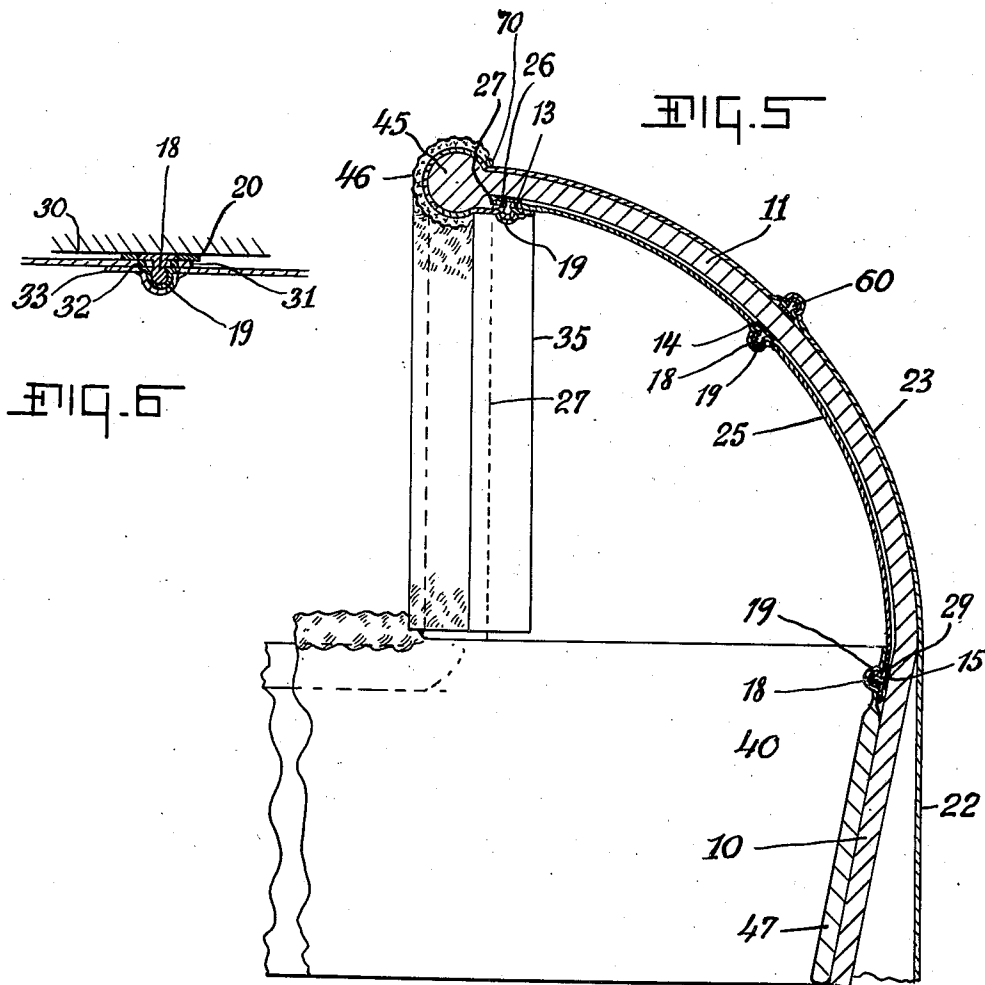


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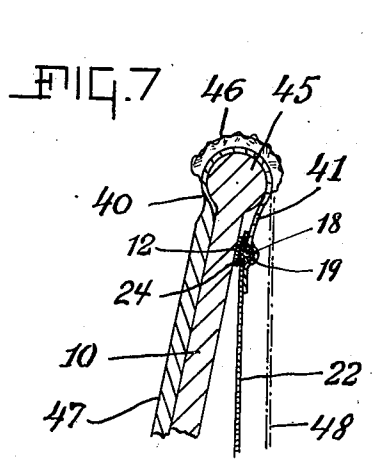


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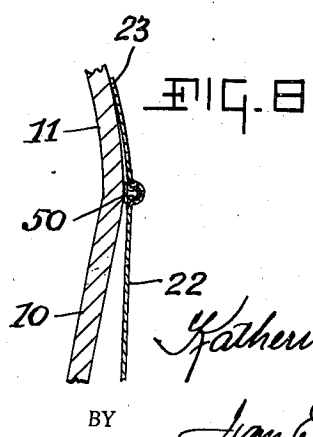


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This invention relates to improvements in bassinets or cribs for the use of babies. The object of the invention is to provide a bassinet with removable coverings so that these may be cleaned and again attached to the bassinet.

A bassinet for the use of a baby or infant is an article of furniture in the nature of a small bed provided with a permanently affixed hood at the head end. It is customary to line the bassinet and hood. It is also customary to cover the bassinet and hood with an outside covering which usually includes a skirt portion and a hood portion. These latter portions are made in the form of draperies and may consist of a single fabric or a foundation fabric which in turn is covered by lace.

Because of the very natural and human interest which surrounds a baby or tender infant, people go to great expense and trouble in making bassinets as attractive as possible. However, as heretofore made, the draperies and fabrics, both inside and outside the bassinet itself, have been permanently affixed thereto as by sewing by hand. In the very nature of things such fabrics become soiled and because of the expense and trouble in removing them for cleaning purposes, they were not removed and the intended effect of daintiness and elegance was destroyed. This was such a serious objection to the use of bassinets, especially those prepared at great expense and with great artistic skill, that I am informed and believe that the manufacture and sale of bassinets has almost ceased, the objection being that sanitary and artistic considerations require periodic removal of the fabrics and this was impossible under the existing state of the art.

The main object of this invention is therefore to provide a bassinet with suitable fastening means whereby the lining, skirt and hood portions may be securely detachably affixed or fastened and whereby at the same time the fixings may be simple or ornate as fancy may dictate. The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings in which

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a bassinet provided with fastening means for the purposes of this invention, certain parts being omitted.

Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the combined skirt and outer hood portion of the bassinet covering.

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the inner hood lining.

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the bassinet body lining.

Fig. 5 is an enlarged sectional view of the bassinet

hood and part of the body, showing the same covered with fabric. Parts are omitted or broken away. The section is taken substantially on line 5—5 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 6 is a detail sectional view of the fastening means used.

Fig. 7 is a sectional view showing how the inside lining and outside skirt are secured to the bassinet body, parts are broken away and the section is taken substantially on the line 7—7 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 8 is a sectional view showing a modification in the attachment of the skirt and outer hood portion.

Referring to Fig. 1 the bassinet comprises a basket 10 and a permanently affixed hood 11. The basket is usually supported on wheels so as to be readily movable, but such wheels or other supporting means are not shown. The fabrics are detachably secured to the bassinet by means of snap fasteners, the male parts of which are secured to the bassinet while the female parts are secured to the fabrics. In order to facilitate the work the male parts of the snap fasteners are first secured to the bassinet in appropriate places. In Figure 1 the bassinet is therefore provided with a tape 12 which extends around the basket on the outside thereof forwardly of the hood from the point 16 to the point 17. A second tape 13 is secured inside the hood around the opening thereof. A third tape 14 is secured inside the hood diagonally across as shown. A fourth tape 15 is secured inside the hood in line with the upper edge of the basket.

As seen in Fig. 6 the snap fastener consists of a male part 18 and a female part 19. 20 denotes the tape to which the part 18 is secured.

Fig. 2 shows the outer fabric covering which consists of an outer bed covering or skirt 22 designed to reach from the edge to the basket to the floor as will be understood. An outer hood portion 23 may be in one piece with the skirt as shown or it may be a separate piece as hereinafter explained. The skirt 22 is provided with eyelets 24 along the upper edge. The hood portion is provided with female snap fasteners 19 along its opening edge as shown.

Fig. 3 shows the hood lining 25 which is provided with eyelets 26 along its opening edge 27 and other eyelets 29 along its bottom edge together with a diagonal row of female fasteners 19 which may be secured to a tape 28 before being attached to the hood 25.

Fig. 4 shows the basket lining 40 formed with

a foldable edge 41 and provided with female snap fasteners parts 19 along the upper edges.

The parts of the snap fasteners which are secured to the fabrics may be sewn on individually 5 by hand or they may be first secured to a tape which then is sewed upon the fabric. The male parts of the snap fasteners which are secured to the bassinet are first sewed upon a tape because 10 it would be obviously impracticable to attempt to secure individual fastener parts to the bassinet itself which is usually made of wicker work.

The attached fabrics have overlapping edges, hence some of the fabric edges are provided with eyelets which are simply pushed in over the male 15 parts of the fasteners and then secured by the female part which is attached to the overlapping edge of the adjacent fabric. This arrangement is illustrated in Fig. 6 in which 30 denotes the wicker work to which a tape 20 is secured with the male fastener part 18. The underlying edge of the first fabric is shown at 31 with an eyelet 32 which is passed in over the part 18. The overlapping 20 edge of the second fabric is shown at 33 and the female part 19 is secured directly to the second fabric or to a tape, not shown, which in turn is secured to the second fabric. Fig. 6 therefore 25 illustrates the securing of overlapping fabric edges wherever they occur.

In attaching the fabrics I proceed as follows. 30 First the hood lining 25 is attached by securing the fastener parts 19 in the tape 28 to the fastener parts 18 in the diagonal tape 14 to secure the middle portion of the hood lining 25. Next the lower edge of this lining is temporarily secured 35 by pushing the eyelets 29 in over the male fastener parts 18 in the tape 15 in Fig. 1. Thereafter the opening edge 27 of the hood lining 25 is similarly secured by pushing the eyelets 26 in over the fasteners in the tape 13. By proceeding 40 in this manner the hood lining 25 may be neatly smoothed and stretched towards the edges.

Next the skirt 22 and hood 23 may be attached. The eyelets 24 of the skirt are pushed in over 45 the fastener parts 18 in the tape 12 on the basket. The hood 23 is attached by folding the edge thereof inwardly into the hood 11 and securing the parts 19 to the parts 18 as shown in Fig. 5 and so that the edge 35 of the outer hood fabric overlaps 50 the front edge 27 of the hood lining. As seen in Fig. 2 the edge 35 of the hood portion 23 is foldable with respect to the skirt by reason of cuts made at 37, 37.

Finally the basket lining is attached by folding 55 the edge 41 outwardly over the edge of the basket and securing the fasteners 19 to the fasteners 18 in the tape 12, see Fig. 7. Also by securing the remaining fasteners 19 to the fasteners 18 in the tape 15 inside the hood, see Fig. 5.

In this manner the hood lining 25 is held along 60 its edges and diagonally across the hood with the edges underneath the adjacent pieces of fabric. The skirt is attached by hanging down from the fasteners which secure the basket lining as in 65 Fig. 7 and the outer hood 23 is attached along its opening edge which overlaps the front edge of the hood lining. The basket lining is secured by its foldable edge which overlies the basket edge

and by having its hood portion secured to the tape 15 and overlapping the lower edge of the hood lining.

In the drawings the walls of the bassinet are shown solid for the sake of clearness and to avoid 5 complicated sectional showing of wicker work. The usual ornamental edges of wicker work are indicated in Figs. 5 and 7 by rounded portions 45. In actual practice these edges are usually covered 10 with lacing formed into a ruffle as indicated at 46 which is another reason for the folding of the fabric edges at 35 and 41. The portions 47 in Figs. 5 and 7 indicate the usually padded part of 15 the basket lining. In addition an outer lace skirt 48 is indicated in Fig. 7.

Fig. 8 shows fasteners at 50 for more securely 15 attaching the lower portion of the outer hood piece 23. Or if the latter is more separate from the skirt the fasteners at 50 will serve to secure 20 the lower edge of the hood piece 23 and the upper edge of the skirt 22 which passes around the hood. This is an obvious modification and is not specifically illustrated.

Additional fasteners as shown at 60 in Fig. 5 25 may be employed for the more secure fastening of the outer hood 23. This also enables the operator to stretch the hood more firmly toward the front edge thereof. An elastic band 70 may be 30 stretched between the points 37 of the outer hood for the purpose of shaping the ruffle 46 to conform to the outline of the wicker work.

According to this invention the bassinet is 35 completely covered and lined by means of three or more pieces of covering secured by snap fasteners which locks the overlapping edges of some 40 of the fabric pieces to the fasteners on the bassinet. The covering is completely removable and as indicated admits of the use of ornamental lace, edgings and the like as may be desired.

I claim:

The combination of a bassinet and fabric pieces 45 for covering the bassinet inside and outside, said bassinet including a basket and a hood, said covering pieces including a bassinet hood lining, an 50 outer skirt and hood covering, and a basket lining, a plurality of rows of fasteners secured to the bassinet hood within the same, and a row of 55 fasteners secured on the outside of the bassinet basket at the upper edge thereof, a row of fasteners on said bassinet hood lining adapted to engage one of the rows of fasteners within the 60 hood, eyelets on said hood lining for engaging the other of said rows of hood fasteners, eyelets on the upper edge of said skirt for engagement with the said fasteners on the basket, fasteners on 65 the said hood covering adapted to engage one of the said rows of fasteners within the hood in overlapping relation to the hood lining, a row of fasteners on the said basket lining adapted to engage the fasteners on the basket and one of the said row of fasteners within the hood with the edge of said basket lining in overlapping relation to the edges of the skirt and the hood lining, all of said fasteners comprising two separate parts 70 whereby all of said covering pieces are detachably secured as aforesaid.

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