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IMPROVED CHILD'S DIAPER.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARY A. MOORE, of Lisbon, in the county of Kendall, in the State of Illinois, have invented an Improved Diaper; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a representation of my invention, as applied to the person of a child.

Figure 2 shows the pattern for cutting the diaper, preparatory to its being sewed together.

The nature of my invention consists in the application of a peculiarly-arranged diaper, and in supporting the same with shoulder-straps, by means of which the lumbar region and hips are relieved from a continuous pressure, caused by fastening the common diaper so tightly around the person of a child as is necessary to hold it on.

To enable others to fully comprehend the construction of my invention, I have marked corresponding parts with similar letters, and will now give a detailed description.

A represents the diaper, which can be made of rubber, cloth, or any similar material which is impervious to water, or made of common linen cloth, and lined with oil-silk or rubber goods, as most convenient and desirable, the object being to use such material as will require but little washing to be kept clean.

Fig. 2 represents the peculiar method of cutting the diaper, preparatory to being sewed together.

E F G are gores cut from the diaper A, which are to

be closed by sewing in the usual manner of needle-work, and so as to be as nearly water-tight as possible, especially when rubber goods, or other similar materials, are used.

The diaper will then have a suitable form for fitting a child nicely, providing care has been taken to make it the proper size; and elastic straps, B, can be sewed to the back of the diaper, at m m, and buttoned to the front, at n n, and hip-straps, D, (also elastic,) fastened to the front, and buckled to the back part at P P, which will provide means for supporting the diaper by the shoulders of the child, and also adjusting it to its size.

In order to keep the shoulder-straps B in place, an elastic band, C, is fastened to them, and made to pass around the body of the child, as shown at fig. 1.

It will be seen from this description that the device has a simple construction, and can be made by persons having ordinary skill in the manufacture of similar articles, and that the diaper thus made and adjusted is much more safe and convenient than any other now in use.

Having thus described my invention,

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

The combination of the diaper A with the elastic straps B C D, constructed and arranged substantially as set forth.

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