This invention relates to fabric hand coverings. This invention has utility when incorporated in hand coverings, whether knitted or canvas, and having facing of leather or other material.

Referring to the drawings:

Fig. 1 is a front view of a glove, parts being broken away, showing an embodiment of the invention; Fig. 2 is a view of the back of glove in Fig. 1; Fig. 3 is a palm lining blank for the glove; Fig. 4 shows a grouping of intermediate finger back blanks for the glove having a diamond shaped cutaway therebetween; Fig. 5 is a group of little finger back blanks for the glove also with a diamond shaped cutaway therebetween; Fig. 6 is a view of the thumb back blank for the glove; Fig. 7 shows a grouping of blanks including palm, little finger and say intermediate or third finger blanks with a diamond shaped cutaway therebetween; and Fig. 8 is a grouping of the palm with third and little finger back blanks with a somewhat narrower diamond shaped cutaway therebetween than those in Fig. 7.

Blank 1 is shown as having thumb inside 2 with index finger front portion 3 and back portion 4, middle finger 5, third finger 6 and little finger 7. The index finger back 4 is shown as having major width portion 8 adjacent the base of the fingers, thereby in glove sewing up giving a fullness at the knuckles. This size at the joints of the glove not only contributes to the comfort of the wearer in that the joints may move freely, but is a feature in eliminating draw in the gloves, thus contributing to the life thereof in use. From this region 8 there is abrupt taper 9 to the hand back region with gradually tapering portions or portions of less taper 10 along such region to minimum width 11 for the blank. These taper portions 9, 10, distribute the fullness for a distance wristward from the knuckles while, as merging toward the region 11, maintaining a factor of economy in cutting, amounting in practice from 5% to upward of 7%. This economy with digit back fullness is shown in intermediate finger back blanks 12 at maximum width portion 13 with the tapers 9, 10, therefrom. Likewise as to little finger back 14 there is its maximum width portion 15 with tapered regions 9, 10, therefrom. These leave diamond shape cut-out portions 16 which may vary in form as the tapered portions or diamond sides 9, 10, set up different contours.

As shown in Fig. 7 taper portions 9 take up the full interfitting extent for the adjacent blank staggered assembly while in Figs. 4, 5, 6, 8, the fullness at the knuckles is distributed to some little extent from the knuckle along the hand back with still the economy for cutting as determined by the minimum width in the region of the thumb base. In the event there is desired a flare or fullness wristward this may be compensated by including region 17 (Fig. 5) on the various digit portions toward the wrist, and in an ultimate assembly there may be wrist 18, gauntlet or other attachment. The palm 1 may be provided with leather facing 19. It is thus seen for the completed glove, the fabric of yardage stock strip material 20 may have economy for cutting from the stock in a plurality of plies by the action of die grouping of the blank elements herein disclosed. The article of hand wear therefore is completed with the index finger back 4, middle finger back 21, third finger back 12 and little finger back 14. These finger back blanks as assembled in the glove form, by intermediate stitching 22, the glove back into which glove thumb back blank 23 is also assembled.

The maximum width or wide portion of a digit may extend to have notch or encroach 24 into a palm or hand back region. This does not detract from hand size for it is at a stitching region, and thus the digit base width fullness is obtained for cutting economy in availing thereof. The finger backs 12, 14, 21, are susceptible of association in various groupings involving the feature of
diamond shaped intermediate cutoff portions 16.
What is claimed and it is desired to secure by United States Letters Patent is:
1. A glove blank grouping comprising a series of adjacent blanks oppositely disposed to provide wristward extension portions of one blank spacing the finger portions of the adjacent blank in said series, the fingers of the blanks terminating in abruptly narrowing portions merging in tapering wristward extensions, the abruptly narrowing portions of one blank being spaced from the abruptly narrowing portion of the oppositely disposed adjacent blank transversely of the extent of said series.

2. A glove blank grouping comprising a series of adjacent blanks oppositely disposed to provide wristward extension portions of one blank spacing the finger portions of the adjacent blank in said series, the fingers of the blanks having wide portions terminating in abruptly narrowing portions merging in tapering wristward extensions, the abruptly narrowing portions of one blank being spaced from the abruptly narrowing portion of the oppositely disposed adjacent blank transversely of the extent of said series, said blanks from the abruptly narrowing portions having gradually tapering portions notched to receive the wide portion.

In witness whereof I affix my signature.

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