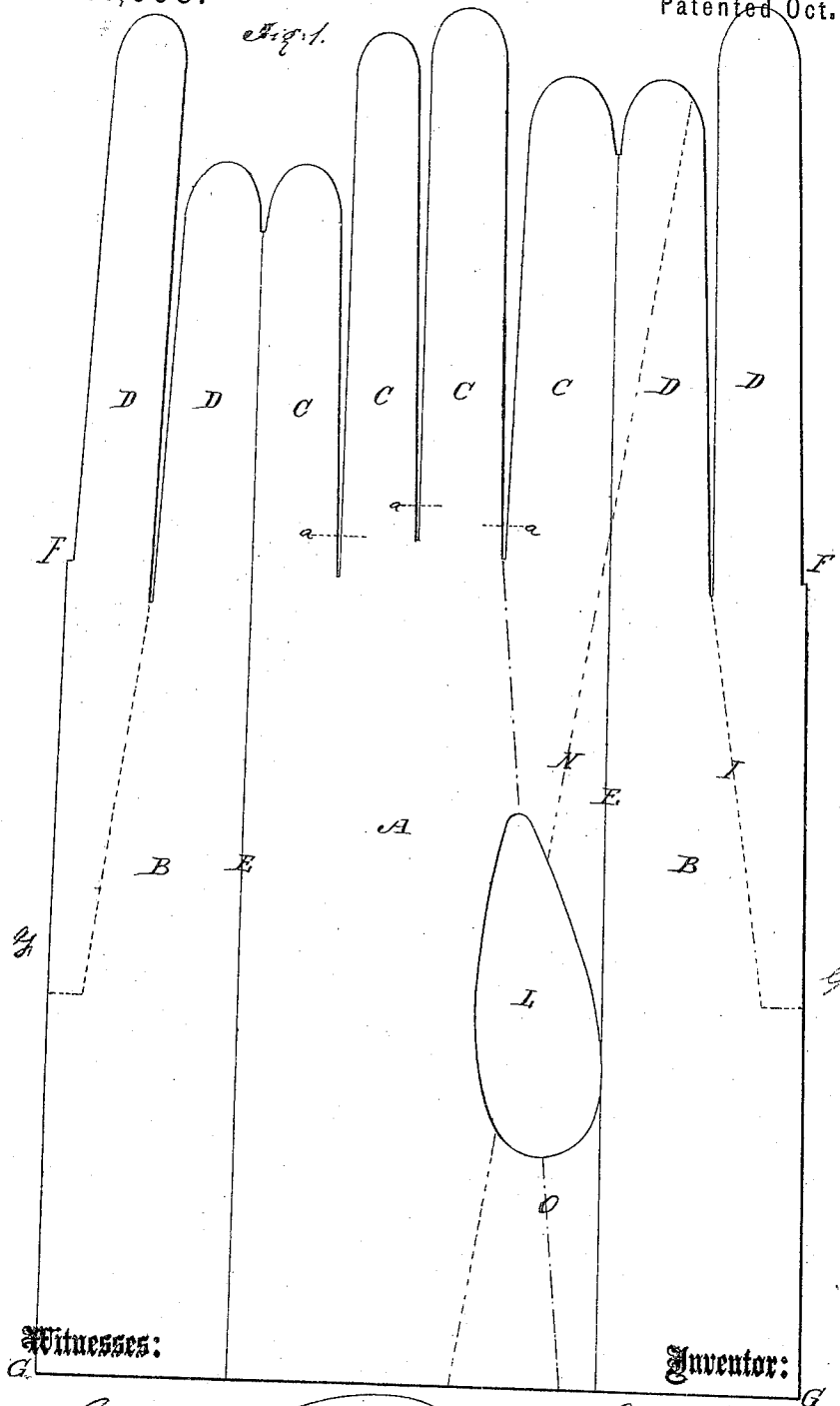


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE CHANT, of Port Jervis, in the county of Orange and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Gloves, of which the following is a specification:

My invention consists in the form of the pattern or shape for the thumb piece, whereby a smooth fit in the angle between the hand and thumb is produced, and the seam is removed from the part most subject to wear; and second, it consists of a flap attachment to one of the parts at the opening in the wrist, adapted to wrap around and button at the front of the wrist, all as more particularly described hereafter.

Figure 1 is a diagram of the shape for the wrist, hand, and fronts and backs of the fingers; also of the opening for the thumb; Fig. 2 is a back view of a finished glove constructed with my improvements; Fig. 3 is the diagram of the shape for the thumb; Figure 4 is a diagram of the shape for the flap; and Fig. 5 and 6 are diagrams of the fourchets.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

In the diagram, Fig. 1, A represents the part for the palm of the hand; B, the two parts for the back; C, the parts for the fronts of the fingers; and D, the parts for the backs; all being cut in one piece, as clearly shown, which is to be folded on the lines E, which come along the edges of the hand and the two outer fingers. The notches F are made to indicate the point where the seam is to begin for joining the edges F G along the center of the back, which seam it will be observed by inspection of Fig. 2 will pass through the middle fancy seam H; but the shape may be cut on the line of one of the other fancy seams, as indicated by the dotted lines I. The edges F G will only be sewed together to the end of the fancy seam, or thereabout, near the wrist, in order to leave the necessary opening for introducing the hand, and for the attachment of the flap K, which I propose to have wrap around the wrist to the center of the front, or thereabout, and button thereat, as shown clearly in Fig. 2.

Hitherto it has always been the practice to so arrange the opening L for the thumb, relatively to the hand part or shape A, that the major axis of said openings ranged parallel with the dotted line N, which I have discov-

ered does not so nearly correspond with the true relation of the base of the thumb with the hand as the line O does; and I find in practice that gloves in which the said opening is relatively arranged with the other part to correspond with the said line O, as here shown, fit much better than the gloves as heretofore made, and I therefore propose to make them so; and in connection therewith I make the shape for the thumb, Fig. 3, with a very wide part, P, between the gore-shaped notch Q and the edge R with a narrow part, T, on the other side of the notch, and adapt the said piece or shape to the other portion of the glove, so that the said narrow piece T comes on the inside of the opening L, and the wide piece on the outside, whereby I obtain a very smooth fit in the angle between the thumb and hand, and the seam between the edges R and S is brought so far around toward the back of the thumb on the inside as to be removed from the place subject to the most wear.

Instead of making the inner ends of the fourchets in the forms represented in Figs. 5 and 6 by the dotted lines which represent the forms in which they had been heretofore made, I propose to extend the corners U for the inside of the hand and V for the outside, beyond said dotted lines, as shown, and I slit the fronts and backs of the fingers as much deeper than they have heretofore been cut, as necessary to receive the said extensions—say as indicated by the dotted lines *a*—and by sewing said extensions in said slits, I have gloves which fit in these parts very much better than the gloves heretofore made do, as will very clearly appear.

I do not claim broadly a fourchet having a V-shaped notch; but,

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. The pattern for the thumb of a glove, made substantially as represented in Fig. 3, and applicable to the hand portion, as herein described.

2. The combination, with a glove having the slit for the wrist in the back, of the flap K, wrapping around and fastening at the front, substantially as specified.

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