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GLOVE.

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FIG. 1.

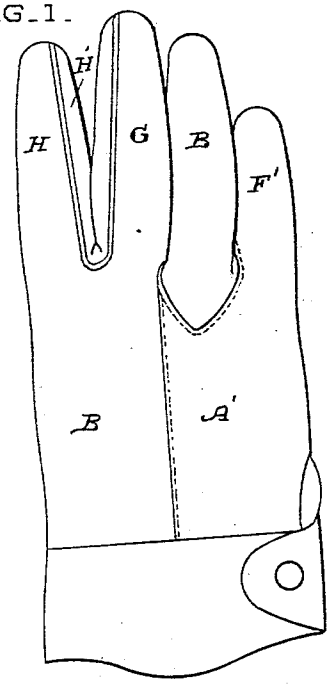


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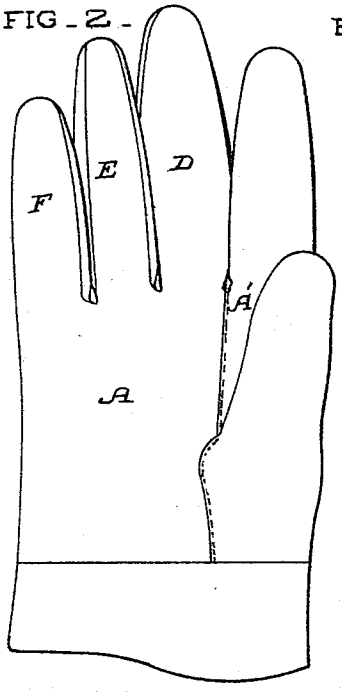


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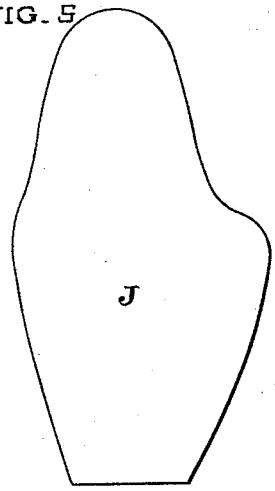


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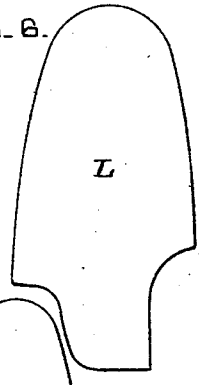


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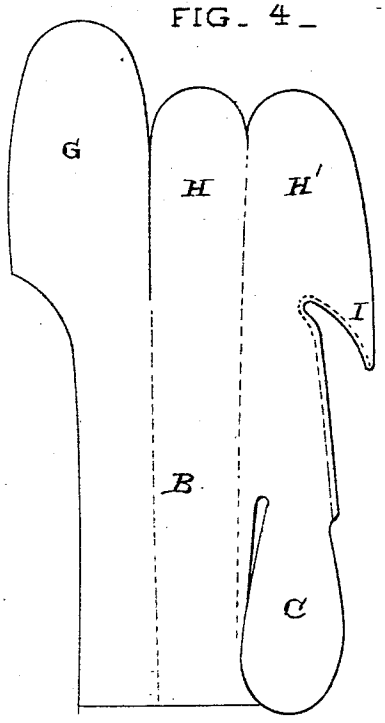
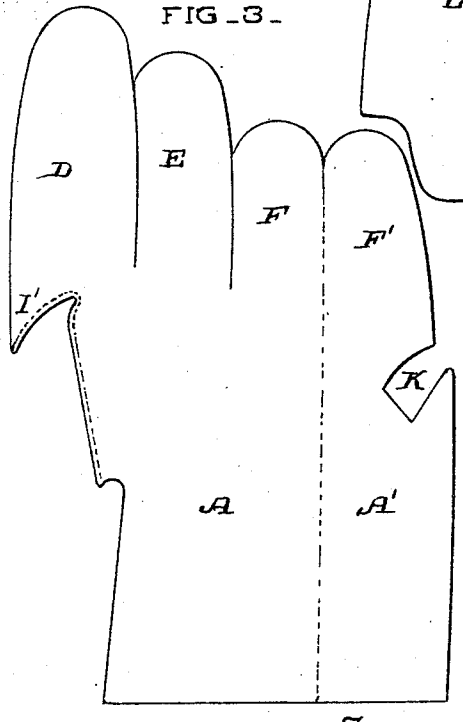


FIG. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HEBER L. HEATH, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of San Francisco, State of California, have invented an Improvement in Gloves; and I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

My invention relates to certain improvements in gloves; and the object is to provide a glove which is especially useful for teamsters, stage and other drivers by taking all seams out of the front of the fore and middle fingers at the point where the reins pass and between these fingers. It also provides an economy in the manufacture and saving in stock.

Referring to the accompanying drawings for a more complete explanation of my invention, Figure 1 is a back view of my glove complete. Fig. 2 is a front view. Figs. 3 and 4 are views of the front and back patterns spread out. Fig. 5 is a view of the outside of the thumb. Fig. 6 is the fourchette for the back of the third finger.

In the manufacture of heavy gloves and those which are to be used by drivers it is especially desirable to make the space between the fingers through which the reins pass as clear as possible of seams; and with this object in view I have made a pattern in which by a seam passing between the first and second fingers and points on each side of this seam the longitudinal seams between these fingers are thrown entirely behind the fingers. I use only one fourchette, and altogether but four pieces in the formation of the glove.

In Fig. 3, A is that portion of the pattern which forms the palm of the hand, and A′ the part which turns over the outside of the hand and forms part of the back; and in Fig. 4, B is the corresponding portion of the back, made continuous with the back of the second and index finger, the front of the latter, and the inside of the thumb C, these two parts being united in front by stitching the adjacent edges to form the palm-seam, and also by a seam in the middle of the back, as shown in Fig. 1. D is the front of the second finger, E the front of the third, and F the front of the fourth finger, these being cut in the same piece with A. A′ is that portion of the pattern which turns over the outside edge of the hand and forms a portion of the back, this being cut in the same pattern with A, and F′ is the part of the same pattern which forms the back of the fourth finger.

In Fig. 4, G is the portion which forms the back of the second finger, and B the portion which turns over upon the back of the hand and unites with the part A′, forming a seam down the middle of the back of the hand between the second and third fingers, as previously stated. H H′ is that part of the pattern which forms the complete back and front of the index-finger. The part H′, which forms the front of the index-finger, is cut with the projecting point I and the corresponding front D of the second finger, which is cut with the part A, has a similar projecting point I′, so that where these two come together these points extend over upon the back of the hand, and the seam which unites the first and second fingers is thus carried entirely out of the space between these fingers and upon the back of the hand. As in driving the reins are passed between the first and second fingers, when the glove is made with supplemental pieces between the fingers and seams in the usual manner these seams very soon wear out and rip; but by my construction the seam is carried entirely to the back of the fingers and out of the way of the reins, and the glove will wear much longer. In order to finish the third finger, of which the front is cut with the palm A, I have shown the fourchette L, Fig. 6. A notch K is cut into the edge adjacent to the back seam and at the inner edge of the base of the fourth finger, and this fourchette is fitted to be stitched into the angle which is thus made when the material is folded over to unite the edges and form the back seam, as is plainly shown in Fig. 1. The back of the thumb J, Fig. 5, is the only other supplemental part, and when the inside C is turned up this back is stitched on and along the inner and outer edges in the usual manner. By this construction I make but one fourchette, one thumb, and two hand pieces, and thus save a considerable amount of material in cutting and making a glove which is much more durable than when formed with more pieces and seams.

Having thus described my invention, what I

claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A glove consisting of the main portion A A′, forming a palm and part of the back of the hand, having the front of the second and third fingers and the whole of the fourth finger cut with it, the portion B, having the inside of the thumb, the back of the second finger, and the back and front of the index-finger cut therewith, said parts being united by a seam down the center of the back between the second and third fingers and by the seam extending from the thumb between the first and second fingers, the piece J, adapted to be stitched to the inner and outer edges of the inside thumb-piece, and the fourchette forming the back of the third finger, substantially as herein described.

2. A glove having the main portion forming the palm and part of the back, with the front of the second, third, and fourth fingers and back of the fourth finger, a second portion forming the inside of the thumb, the remaining portion of the back, the back of the second finger and the front and back of the index-finger, and having the projecting portions I I′, whereby the seams of the first and second fingers are thrown to the back of the fingers, the piece J, stitched to the inner and outer edges of the inside thumb-piece, and the fourchette forming the back of the third finger, substantially as herein described.

3. A glove comprising the two portions A A′ and B, joined together by a seam which extends from the thumb up to and between the first and second fingers, and the points I and I′ on the portions A and B, with which said seam terminates at the back of the hand and from which the seams uniting the first and second fingers extend up the backs of the fingers, substantially as herein described.

4. A glove consisting of the portion A A′ and the portion B, united by a seam inside the thumb and a seam down the center of the back, the angular extensions I and I′ on the portions A A′ and B between the first and second fingers, whereby the uniting-seam is thrown to the back of the glove, the notch K on the portion A′, and the fourchette L, forming the back of the third finger and the independent back of the thumb, substantially as herein described.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand.

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