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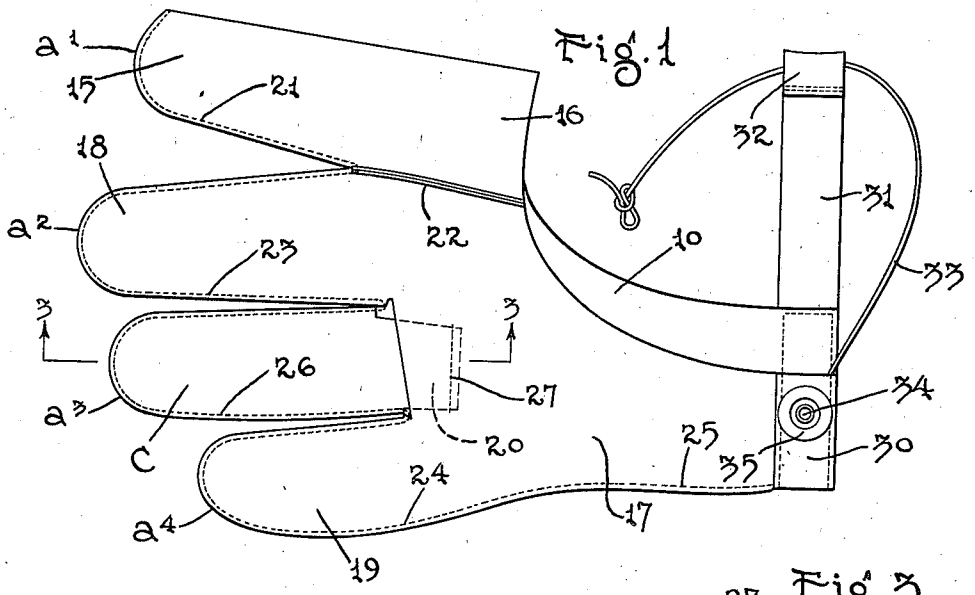


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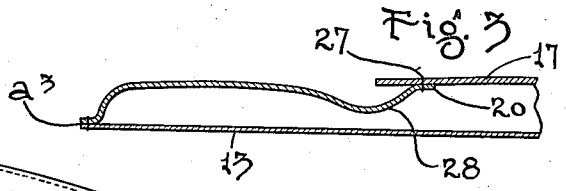


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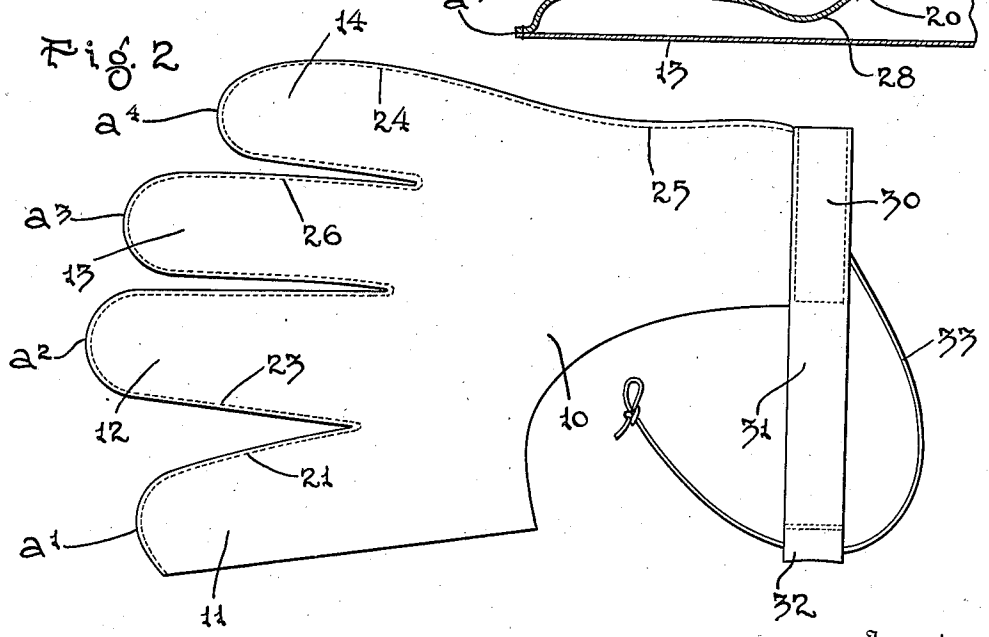


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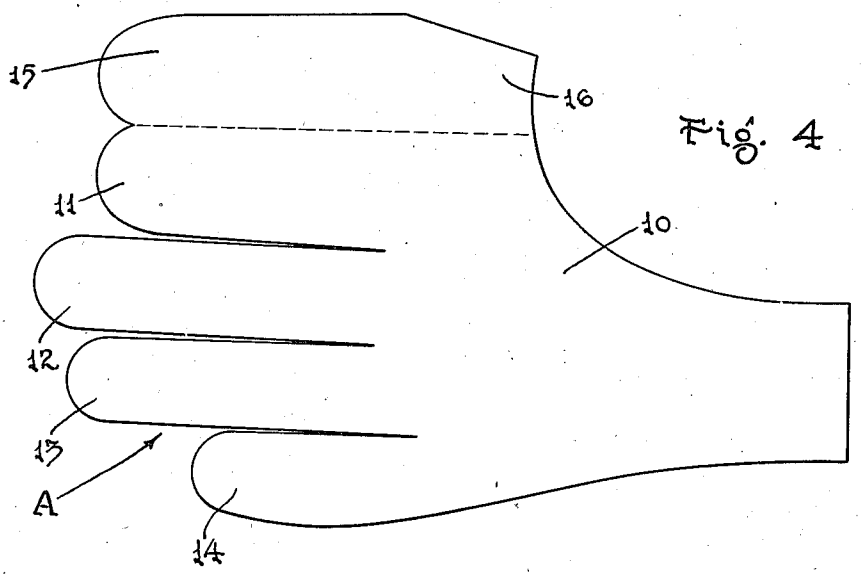


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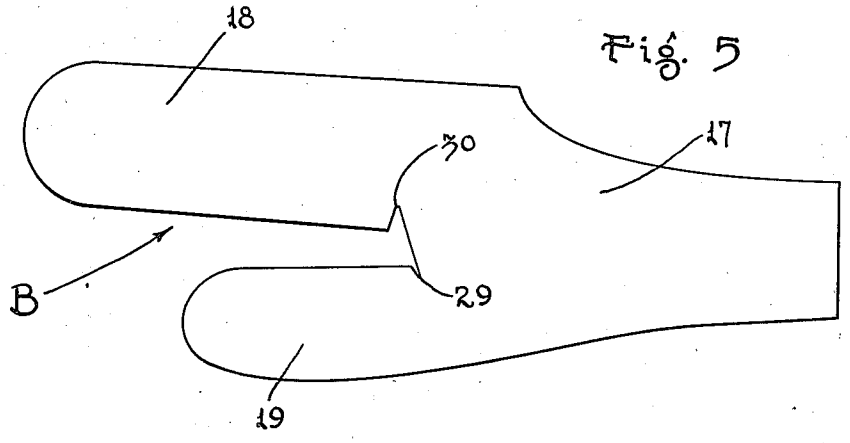


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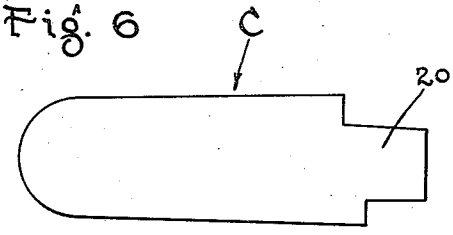


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## GOLF GLOVE

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My invention relates to improvements in gloves and particularly gloves for golfers, the invention having for an object thereof to provide a golf glove of exceedingly simple, durable and inexpensive construction and one which may be comfortably and advantageously worn by the user.

Another object of the invention is to provide a full-fingered golf glove of few pieces adapted to be cut economically and to be readily stitched together to produce a uniformly smooth, though non-restricting fit.

More specifically, it is an object of my invention to provide a full-fingered, thumbless glove of three pieces, one alone forming the entire front of the glove and the finger-back of the first finger, a second piece forming the back portion proper of the glove and also the finger-backs of the second and fourth fingers, and a third or independent finger-piece forming the finger-back of the third finger.

A further object of the invention is to supply a smooth fitting full-fingered golf glove, as above, in which elongating freedom for the especially important third finger is afforded, without impairment to the sightliness of the glove and without impediment to its application to the hand, by providing said independent finger-back with an extension tab and stitching it to the back portion of the glove in a manner producing slack in said tab.

Other objects of the invention reside in the novel combination and arrangement of parts and in the details of construction hereinafter illustrated and/or described.

In the drawings, Fig. 1 is a back view of a golf glove constructed in accordance with my invention; Fig. 2 is a front view of the glove shown in Fig. 1; Fig. 3 is a sectional view, in detail, taken longitudinally of the third finger of the glove and as on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1; Figs. 4, 5 and 6 are plan views, respectively, of the main section, the auxiliary section and the independent finger-back, which comprise the three chief pieces in a glove of the construction shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

Referring to the drawings, it will be seen that the main section A (Fig. 4), cut from a single piece of material, provides a palm portion 10, and full finger fronts 11, 12, 13 and 14 for the first, second, third and fourth fingers $a^1$, $a^2$, $a^3$ and $a^4$ of the glove. Said main section A also provides a finger-back 15 and a knuckle portion 16 for said first finger $a^1$. An auxiliary section B (Fig. 5), cut from a single piece of material, provides a back portion 17 for the glove and finger-backs 18 and 19 for the second and fourth fingers $a^2$, $a^4$. An independent finger-back C (Fig. 6) for the third finger $a^3$ comprises the third piece of the glove proper, said finger-back C having a reduced extension at the butt thereof in the form of a tab 20.

The tips and inside edges of the finger-back 15 and finger-front 11 of the first finger $a^1$ are stitched together by a seam 21 and in continuation of said seam, the knuckle portion 16 of said first finger $a^1$ is stitched to the back portion 17 of the auxiliary glove section B by a seam indicated at 22. The tips and edges of the finger-fronts 12, 14 and of the finger-backs 18, 19 of the second and fourth fingers $a^2$, $a^4$ are stitched together by seams 23, 24 and in continuation of said seam 24, the palm portion 10 and the back portion 17 of the main and auxiliary sections A, B are stitched together at the heel of the glove by a seam 25. The tip and edges of the finger-front 13 on said main section A are stitched to the tip and edges of the independent finger-back C by means of a seam 26. The tab 20 on said finger-back C underlies the back portion 17 and, at its extremity, is stitched or tacked to said back portion by a seam 27. In sewing this seam 27, slack is provided in said tab 20, as shown at 28 in Fig. 3, whereby the important third finger $a^3$ of the glove can be crooked about the handle of a golf club without restriction at the back of the glove. This slack in said tab 20 is covered by the back portion 17 and said tab, being tacked to said back portion, guides the tip of the third finger of the user's hand along the back 17 of the glove into the corresponding finger $a^3$ of said glove.

From the foregoing, it will be understood that ample girth for the first finger $a^1$ is provided in the finger-front 11 and the finger-back 15 of the main section A. While the widths of the finger-fronts 12, 13 and 14 of said main section A are necessarily limited in the single piece of material, it will be seen that compensation therefor is readily provided in forming the finger-backs 18, 19 for the second and fourth fingers $a^2$, $a^4$ on the auxiliary section B, and in furnishing the independent finger-back C for the third finger $a^3$.

At the butts of the finger-backs 18 and 19, the adjacent edges thereof are notched, as at 29, 30 (Fig. 5) to free their adjacent marginal portions and to accommodate the tab 20 on the finger-back C of the third finger $a^3$, permitting said tab 20 to be tucked flatly under the back portion 17 of the glove.

Any suitable wrist-tie may be employed. The

construction shown includes a wrist-strap portion 30 binding the extremities of the main and auxiliary sections A, B and providing a tab 31 having a loop 32 at its free end. To complete the encirclement of the wrist for closing the glove about the same, a cord 33 is used. This cord, fastened at one end to the back portion 17 of the auxiliary section B, is threaded through the loop 32 of the wrist-tab 31, the free end of said cord 33 being adapted to be releasably wound on a stem 34 and caught beneath a head of a fastening button 35 secured to said back portion 17 of the glove. Obviously, the wrist-tab 31 and cord 33 may be readily adjusted for any tightness desired about a wrist of any size.

The few sections of my full-fingered golf glove are cut with relatively little waste and are united with relatively little stitching. Yet, I provide a comfortable and smooth fitting glove of ample finger-girth, with the third finger of the glove freely permitting the crooking of the corresponding finger of the user's hand, which is of particular importance in properly gripping the handle of a golf club.

Changes in the specific form of my invention, as herein disclosed, may be made within the scope of what is claimed without departing from the spirit of my invention.

Having described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to protect by Letters Patent is:

A thumbless, full-fingered golf glove adapted to be closed about the wrist and including a main section cut to form a palm portion, finger-fronts for the four fingers, a finger-back and a knuckle portion for the first finger, the tips and inside edges of said finger-front and finger back for said first finger being stitched together, an auxiliary section cut to form a back portion and also finger-backs for the second and fourth fingers, the edges of said last mentioned finger-backs and the corresponding finger-fronts being stitched together at their tips and sides, said back portion being stitched to said knuckle and palm portions, and an individual finger-back stitched at its tip and sides to the finger-front for the third finger, said individual finger-back having a relatively long tab at the butt thereof underlying the back portion of said auxiliary section said tab being stitched at its extremity to said back portion with a substantial amount of slack therein for freely accommodating the elongation of the third finger upon the closing thereof, each of said finger-backs being relatively wide to provide non-restricting girth in its respective finger of the glove.

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