

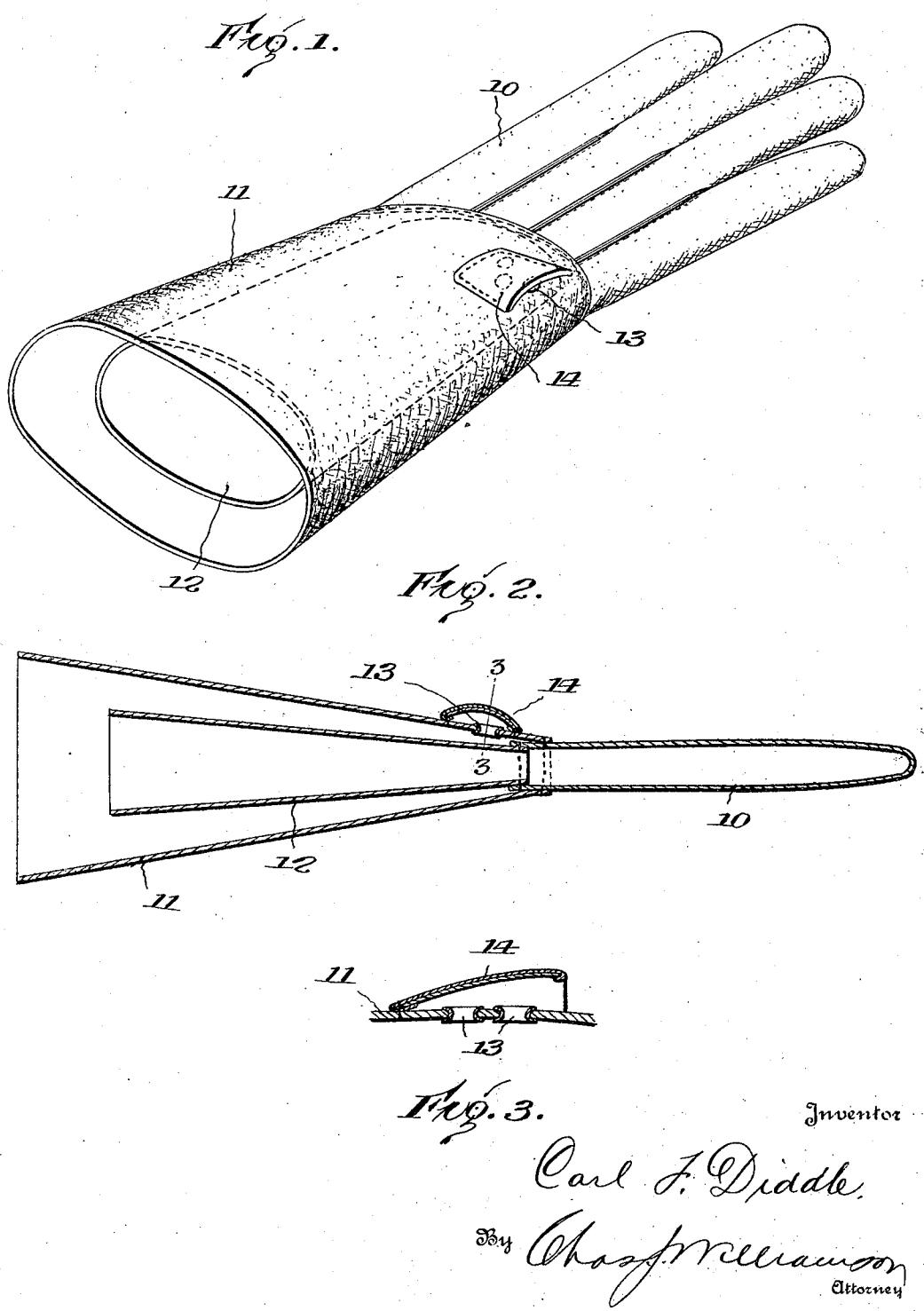
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CARL F. DIDDLE, a citizen of the United States, and resident of Huntington, in the county of Cabell, and in the State of West Virginia, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Gloves, and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

10 My invention relates to gloves of the gauntlet type, and my object is to provide a glove of this type which will not be open to the objection that water entering the cuff will find its way into the hand-covering portion of the glove, and with this object in view my invention consists in the glove having the construction substantially as herein-after specified and claimed.

15 In the accompanying drawings—

20 Figure 1 is a perspective view of a glove embodying my invention;

Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section thereof;

Fig. 3 is a transverse section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

25 Referring to the drawings, 10 designates the glove proper, that is to say the part which covers the hand and fingers, and 11 the gauntlet, which as usual extends from the glove proper in a flaring form so that it 30 extends over the wrist and a substantial portion of the forearm. When worn by firemen in fighting fires and under other conditions where there is exposure to water, water finds its way into the gauntlet by reason of the 35 unavoidable free, or loose fit of the gauntlet upon the arm, and with the ordinary construction of gauntlet it, of course, enters into and collects in the hand-covering portion of the glove. To meet this situation I 40 place within the gauntlet a cuff 12, which at its inner end, and preferably at the point where the gauntlet and glove proper are joined together, is attached in a tight manner to the glove, and thus cuff and gauntlet 45 are connected together. The cuff 12 is sufficiently smaller in diameter than the interior of the gauntlet as to provide a clear space between them and so that the cuff fits the arm of the wearer fairly snug. It will thus

be seen that water finding its way into the 50 gauntlet will be prevented by the cuff from entering the glove proper, and by raising the arm to a more or less vertical position any water finding its way into the gauntlet may be readily poured out therefrom. Preferably, however, I provide means for discharging from the gauntlet and the cuff any water entering the gauntlet, which means may take the form of one or more eyelet holes 13 55 perforating the gauntlet at, or adjacent the bottom of the water-receiving chamber, which is formed between the gauntlet and the cuff; and preferably to guard the discharge opening on the outside I place over the same a lip 14 sufficiently spaced therefrom to serve the purpose of a guard while at the same time allowing a free outflow of water.

60 Preferably water-proof material will be used in making my glove, for example heavy duck suitably water-proofed, and if desired having a lining of wool, or other warm material. However, I do not limit myself to the use of water proof material, nor in fact to any particular material; and when I use the term glove it is to be understood that I 65 use it in a generic sense as including any form of hand covering.

65 The lip 14 may be made of any desired material. Preferably it will be made sufficiently stiff so as to resist crushing pressure, and preferably, it will be of thin steel and covered with leather.

Having thus described my invention what I claim is—

85 A glove having a gauntlet, and a cuff within the gauntlet connected at its inner end to the latter and spaced therefrom, a 90 passage through the gauntlet at the inner end thereof establishing communication between such space and the outside of the gauntlet, and a guard in the form of a lip on the exterior of the gauntlet reaching over the outer end of said passage.

95 In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand.

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