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Fig: 1.

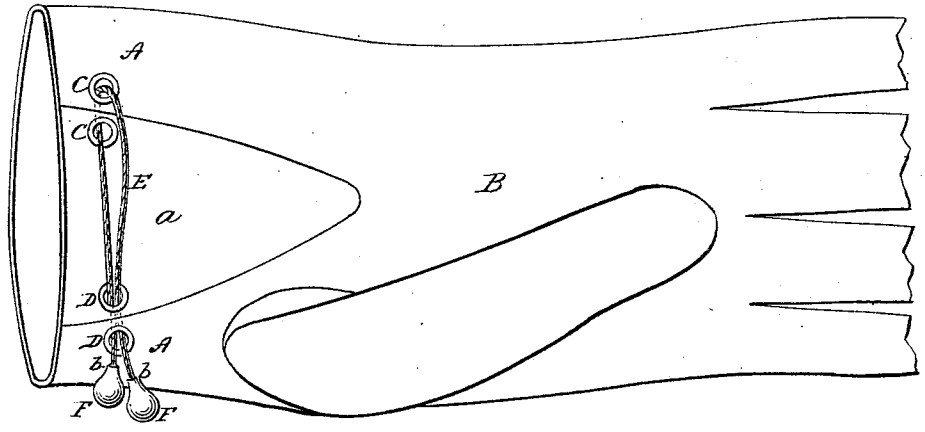
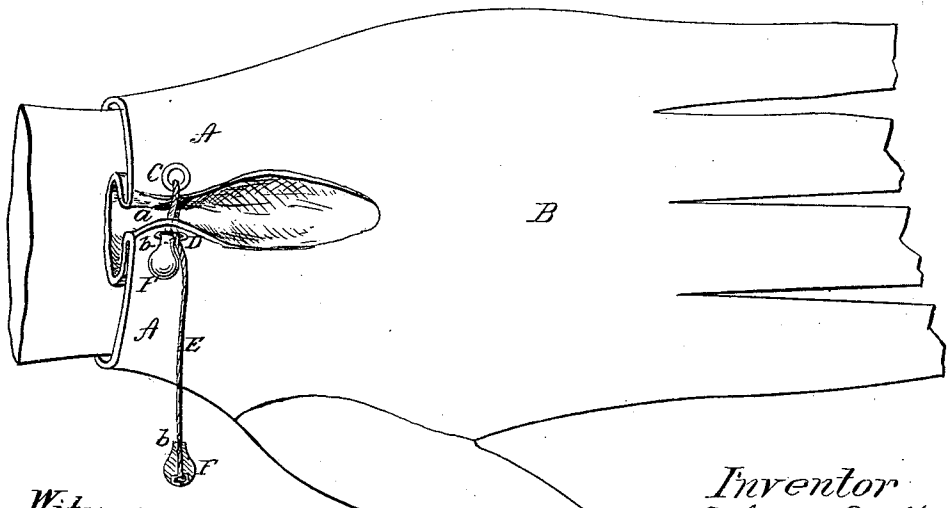


Fig: 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHAN P. MÖLLER, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Glove-Fastening; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making part of this specification.

This invention is in the nature of an improvement in glove-fastenings; and the invention consists in a fastening device for the wrists of gloves, composed of a cord passed through four or more eyelets affixed to the wrist of the glove, the ends of the cord being provided with knobs or balls having shoulders on the ends next adjacent the eyelets, whereby the wrist may be drawn together and held in the closed position by the knobs, the shoulders of which jam the cord in one of the eyelets and prevent the cord from "rendering."

In the accompanying sheet of drawings, Figure 1 represents a plan or top view of glove with my fastening and with wrist unclosed, and Fig. 2 the same view with wrist drawn together by my fastening.

Similar letters of reference indicate like parts in the two figures.

The purpose of this invention is to afford a ready means of closing the wrist part of gloves about the wrist of the wearer in a convenient and positive way. Buttons that are ordinarily employed for this purpose frequently break loose from the threads which confine them to the glove, and the inconvenience in buttoning the glove, together with the liability of the button-holes tearing out, renders this method of attachment objectionable; and metal springs have been employed for the purpose of keeping the openings of gloves together, but their weight and tendency to cut through the glove make them undesirable, and the elastics, which are sometimes used, soon yield to wear and become useless.

To produce a fastening that shall be better and more certain in its working than any of those above enumerated and now known, and which shall be simple in its construction and positive in its action, I insert in the wrist A of a glove, B, on one side of the gore or opening *a*, two eyelets, C, placed closely together and horizontally in line with each other, and on the opposite side of the opening or gore *a* are inserted two other eyelets, D, in like manner. Through the eyelets C is then passed a cord, E, so that the fold or "bight" shall be in one of these eyelets, the cord extending to and its ends passing through the eyelets D, as shown in Fig. 1. To these ends of the cord are fixed, in any desirable manner, knobs F, with a square edge, *b*, formed thereon; or, if preferred, instead of knobs balls or irregular forms of metal with roughened surfaces may be employed.

Now, my fastening device, constructed substantially as above described, is operated by simply drawing upon one of the knobs F, which will cause the cord E to freely render through the eyelets C and D until the opening or gore *a* of the wrist is drawn together and closed about the wrist of the wearer, and when so drawn together the other of the knobs F will be in close contact with one of the eyelets, D, and, with its square edge *b*, it will jam the cord E tightly within the eyelet D, and, by the increased friction in this way produced, stop it from rendering within the eyelet, and thereby prevent the unclosing of the wrist-opening and hold it firmly in the closed position until it is wished to again open it for the purpose of removing the glove, to do which it is only necessary to draw upon the knob F, which has jammed the cord, as before stated, when the cord will freely render through the eyelets.

The cord E should preferably be made with a somewhat roughened surface, to facilitate its binding or jamming by the knobs F in the eyelets D.

Gloves provided with this fastening device may be either lined or unlined, as may desired; but the device is particularly applicable to winter or lined gloves.

Either of the knobs F may be used indifferently to draw the wrist-opening together. When one is used for the pull the other jams the cord.

Gloves have heretofore been secured at the wrist by a knotted cord jammed in eyelets, through which it is passed, one eyelet being arranged on each side of the wrist portion.

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

1. The herein-described means for closing the

wrists of gloves, consisting of a plurality of eyelets fixed on each side of the gore or opening of the wrist, combined with the cord E, passed through the eyelets, as shown, and having the balls or knobs F made with shoulders *b* and fastened to the ends of the cord, whereby, by the jamming of the cord in one of the eyelets by means of the shoulder on the ball, the wrist-opening is closed at the desired width, as specified.

2. As an improved article of manufacture, the herein-described glove, having the wrist portion provided with a gore-piece, *a*, eyelets C C D D on opposite sides thereof, and the cord E, extended through said eyelets and provided with shouldered balls F F, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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