DISPLAY AND PACKAGING ARTICLE FOR GLOVES, OR THE LIKE

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The present invention relates to display and/or packaging articles or containers for flexible articles, such as gloves, and the invention is particularly designed to provide a novel and improved display and carrier means for receiving a pair of gloves or the like therein and in which the gloves are firmly positioned and are visible through part of the carrier means.

There have been many different types of packages provided for receiving articles such as gloves. One of such carriers have comprised boxes in which the gloves are received, or the gloves may have been stored or displayed in transparent plastic bags. In many instances, the gloves may have been placed out for sale loosely upon a counter. In all events, the prior types of packaging have either permitted the gloves to become dirty or soiled, or a pair of gloves to become separated, or the packaging articles have been quite costly. Prior types of packaging structures may have been bulky, or they may have been objectionable for other reasons.

The general object of the present invention is to provide a novel and improved type of inexpensive packaging and display unit for flexible articles, such as gloves, characterized by the attachment of the gloves to a carrier board by a retaining strip provided therein.

Another object of the invention is to use a one-piece board or fiber board frame means in articles of the type described and wherein a front portion is folded up from the bottom of the back section and folds part of a pair of gloves over a retainer strip provided in the back section. A further object of the invention is to neatly and tightly package small flexible articles, such as gloves, on a display board in such a manner that the articles can be easily removed from the form and be used, when desired.

As another object, the invention aims to provide an attractive display and carrier means for gloves and wherein an enclosure is provided for the carrier frame and with parts of the carrier frame and enclosure being secured together by integral closure means in the structure. The foregoing and other objects and advantages of the invention will be made more apparent as the specification proceeds.

Attention now is particularly directed to the accompanying drawings, wherein:

FIG. 1 is an elevation of a complete packaging and display unit or article of the invention and embodying the principles thereof;

FIG. 2 is an elevation of the article of FIG. 1 with the outer enclosure thereon removed and with the front flap or portion of the carrier frame being folded downwardly or open; and

FIG. 3 is an enlarged fragmentary vertical section taken on line 3—3 of FIG. 1.

When referring to corresponding members shown in the drawings and references to the specification, corresponding numerals are used to facilitate comparison therebetween.

Generally speaking, this invention relates to a packaging and display article comprising a frame having integral front and back portions connected by a bottom fold section, the lower part of said back portion having a pair of parallel laterally directed slits therein extending less than the width and spaced from the edges of said back portion to provide a strip in said back portion, said frame receiv-
hold the front portion 3 in its folded position, and the gloves 8 in their folded positions, by a tight enclosure bag 10. Or, tabs on the upper end of the front portion 4 may be threaded into anchor slots provided on the frame 2 to hold the front portion in a folded position.

It will be seen that the frame 2 can be made from any suitable paper based material and may have any desired finish thereon. The frame and associated means in the article 1 can have an upper support construction provided thereon as disclosed in U.S. Letters Patent No. 2,788,121 issued April 9, 1957, to Weldon R. Ayres.

The display and packaging article of the invention provides a neat, attractive and inexpensive unit for the packaging and sale of articles, such as gloves. The gloves are effectively bonded to the frame 2 but are readily removable therefrom when the article is sold. Thus it is thought that the objects of the invention have been achieved.

While one complete embodiment of the invention has been disclosed herein, it will be appreciated that modification of this particular embodiment of the invention may be resorted to without departing from the scope of the invention as defined in the appended claims.

What I claim is:

1. A display and packaging article comprising a cardboard frame having integral front and back portions connected by a bottom fold section, said front portion being of less than about one-half the height of said back portion, the lower part of said back portion having a pair of parallel laterally directed slits therein extending less than the width of and spaced from the edges of said back portion to provide a strip in said back portion, said strip receiving and positioning a pair of flexible gloves between its back surface and adjacent upper and lower front parts of said back portion, means securing said back and front portions together below said strip, said gloves being folded back up over said strip on the front surface thereof and having their lowest portions above said securing means, and an enclosure in which said frame and gloves are snugly received to retain said gloves folded back over said strip to extend upwardly of the package.

2. A packaging and display article comprising a frame having integral front and back portions connected by an integral bottom fold section, said front portion being of less than about one-half the height of said back portion, the lower part of said back portion below the upper edge of said front portion having a pair of parallel laterally directed slits therein extending less than the width of and spaced from the edges of said back portion to provide a strip in said back portion, said frame receiving a pair of flexible gloves between said strip and adjacent upper and lower front parts of said back portion, a transparent enclosure in which said frame and gloves are received, and means securing said front and back portions together below said strip and also securing said enclosure to said frame, said gloves being folded back over said strip on the front surface thereof and having their lowest portions above said securing means, said enclosure and said front frame portion retaining said gloves in their folded positions, said means including staples extending through said enclosure and the front and back portion of said frame.

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