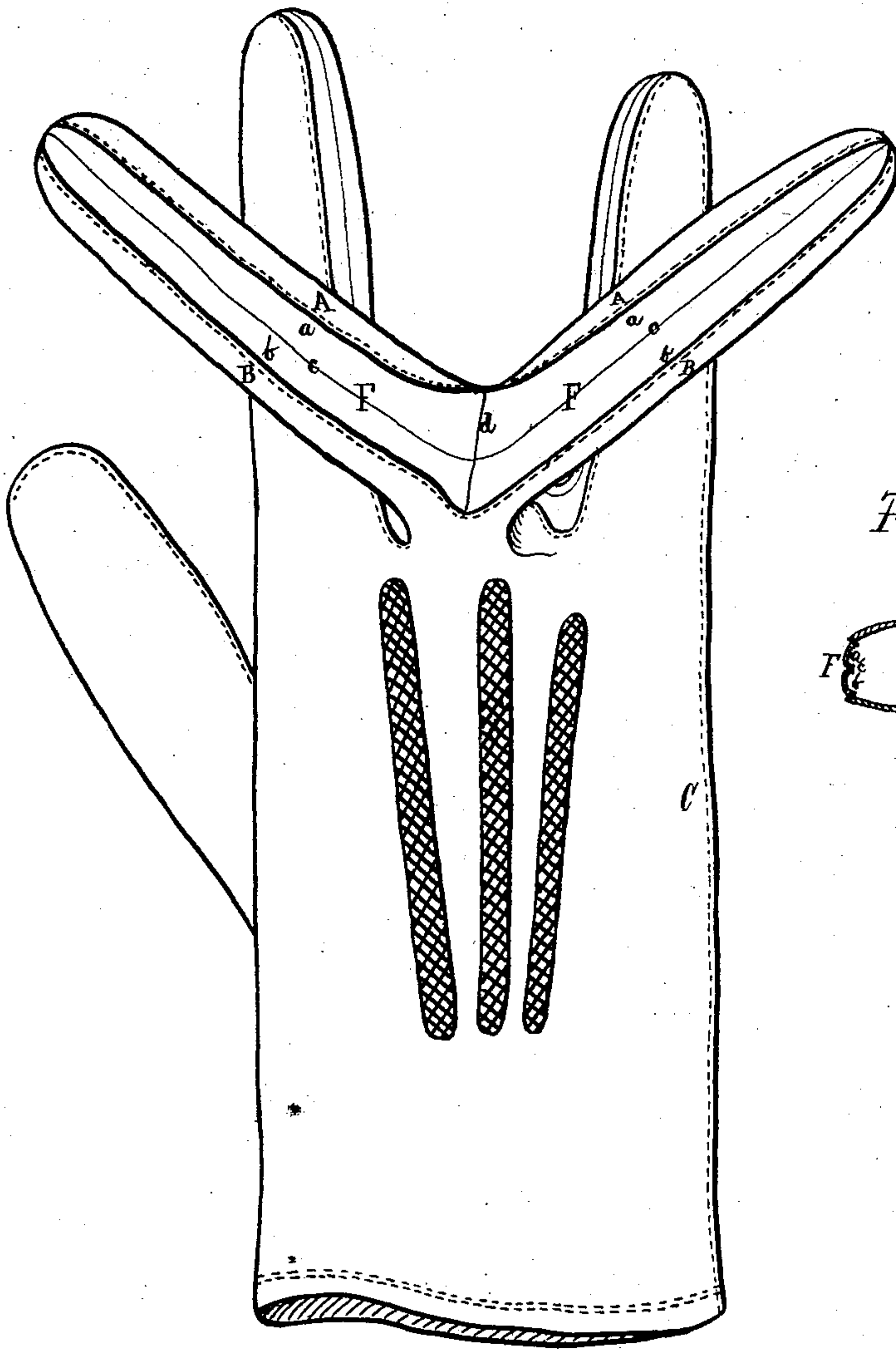


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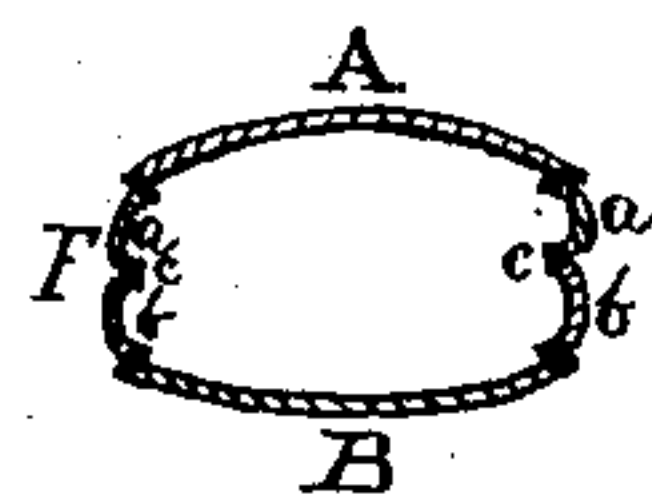
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN THE MANUFACTURE OF GLOVES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GEORGE S. HEWITT, of Johnstown, county of Fulton and State of New York, have invented an Improved Process of Making Gloves, reference being had to the accompanying drawings forming part hereof.

My invention relates to the process or order of proceeding in the manufacture of gloves, hereinafter particularly described, and consists in slitting or cutting the fourchette, which is the part that joins the front and back pieces of the fingers of a glove, its entire length from end to end, and lapping the edges of the fronts and backs of the fingers upon the outer edges of the pieces of the fourchette, respectively, and stitching them together, and then closing the slits in the fourchettes by inseams, whereby all the seams which join the fourchettes to the fronts and backs of the fingers will be lapped seams stitched through; a glove being fabricated and the seams sewed up much more conveniently and readily than by any process hitherto known or practiced, and especially affording the opportunity of using the sewing-machine for the purpose.

Figure 1 is a view of the back of a glove made by my process. Fig. 2 is a cross-section of one of the fingers of the same.

In carrying out my invention, after the pieces of which the glove is to be formed have been cut or stamped out in the usual manner, I slit or cut the fourchette F its entire length from end to end, thus making it into the two pieces *a* and *b*. Then, while the glove is yet unclosed, I lap the edges of the front piece A of the finger upon the outer edges of the pieces *a* of the fourchette, and stitch them together; and I lap the edges of the back pieces B of the finger upon the outer edges of the pieces *b* of the fourchette, and stitch them together, as shown in Fig. 2. The glove is then closed at

the seam C, and the slits in the fourchette are closed by inseams *c*, and the fourchettes are sewed together at their lower ends by inseams *d*.

It is desirable to form a glove in which all the seams which join the fourchettes to the fronts and backs of the fingers shall be lapped seams—that is, seams in which the edges of the fronts and backs of the fingers shall be lapped over the edges of the fourchettes and stitched through; and when the method and order of proceedings I have specified are practiced, and fourchettes which are divided into two parts are employed, each part being sewed to the fronts and backs of the fingers of a glove by a lapped seam while the glove is unclosed, and before the two parts of the fourchette are united together, opportunity is afforded to form such lapped seams conveniently and without difficulty, such difficulty always existing when the fourchette is in a single piece, even when the seams are closed by hand, while by this method all the seams may be conveniently closed, even by the sewing-machine.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The process of fabricating a glove by slitting the fourchette its entire length, from end to end, into two pieces and lapping the edges of the fronts and backs of the fingers upon the outer edges of the pieces of the fourchette, and stitching them together before the glove is closed, and then closing the glove and closing the slits in the fourchettes by inseams, and sewing the lower ends of the fourchettes together by inseams, as described.

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