

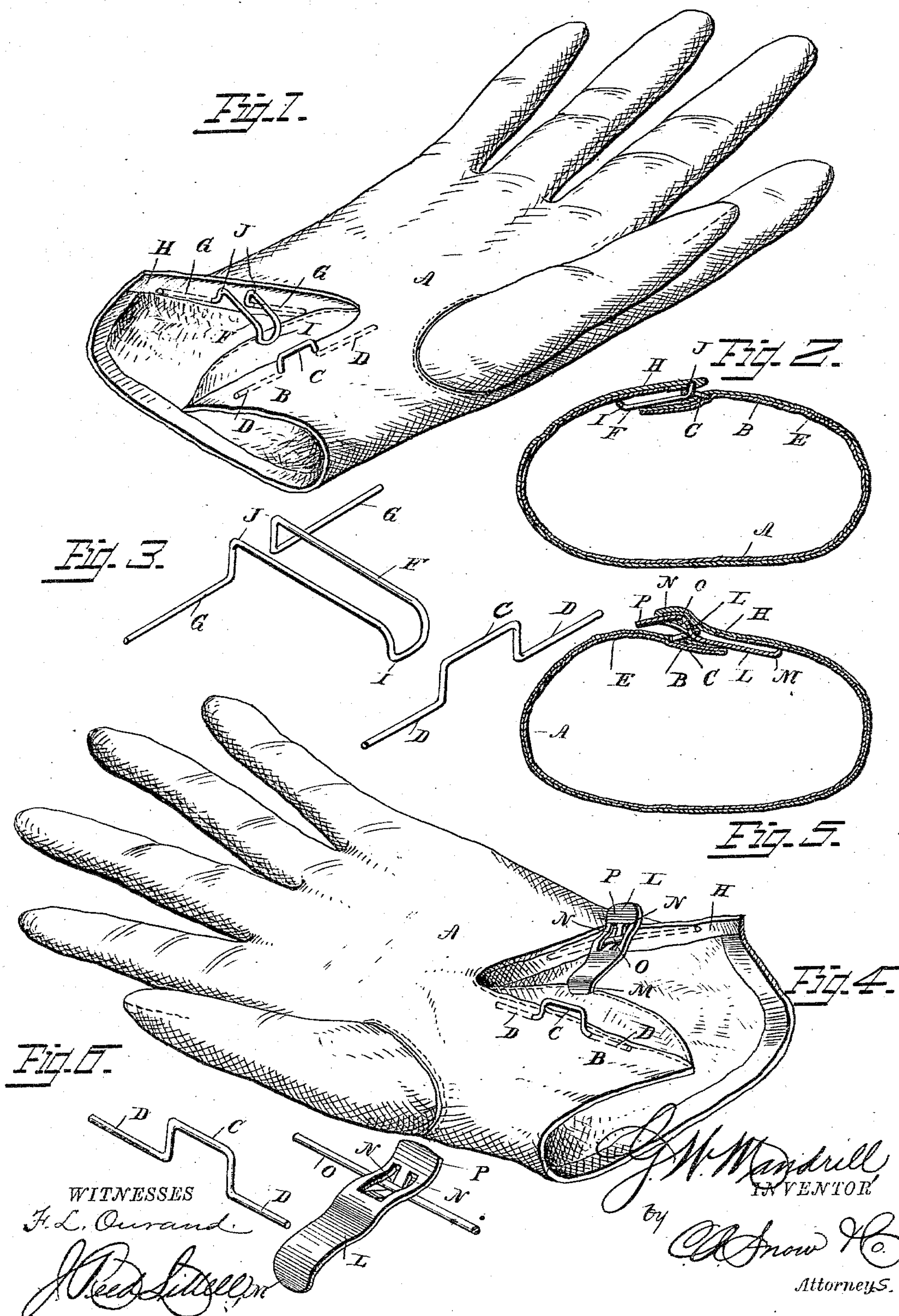
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GEORGE W. MANDRILL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Gloversville, in the county of Fulton and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Glove-Fastener, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to glove-fasteners; and it has for its object to provide simple and durable fasteners, which shall be convenient, inexpensive, and easily manipulated to fasten or unfasten the glove, and which shall also present a neat appearance, all as will be hereinafter more fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings hereto annexed, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a glove equipped with my improved fasteners. Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view of the same when fastened. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the parts of the fastener detached. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a glove equipped with a modified form of my improved fasteners. Fig. 5 is a transverse sectional view of the same when fastened; and Fig. 6 is a view showing in perspective the parts forming the modified form of the fastener detached.

The same letters refer to the same parts in all the figures.

My improved glove-fastener consists, essentially, of two parts—viz., a loop attached to one flap of the glove, and a lever having a hook at its end, and so constructed and attached to the other flap of the glove that by adjusting its hooked end over the loop and moving its fulcrum the said lever may be slid under the loop, thus fastening the glove securely.

In the accompanying drawings, A designates a glove, to the flap of which, B, is secured the loop part of the fastener, which, as in the drawings, may be formed of a piece of wire by bending the central portion of said wire so as to form a loop or bail, C, from the ends of which the arms D D project in opposite directions, as shown. Said arms D are, in the process of manufacture, inserted under the outer skin of the glove, between that and the lining E, (in unlined gloves a special lining-

strip may be provided at this point,) leaving only the loop C projecting, as clearly shown in Figs. 1 and 4 of the drawings.

The lever part of the fastener has in Figs. 1, 2, and 3 of the drawings been shown as constructed from a single piece of wire by bending the same so as to form a central loop, which constitutes the lever F. Arms G G project in opposite directions from the ends of the loop forming the lever, and serve for attaching the same to the other flap, H, of the glove, in the same manner as the loop C is attached. The outer end of the loop or lever F is bent so as to form a downturned hook, I. The inner end of the loop or lever F is also bent at J, so as to raise the said loop or lever slightly above the arms G, thus affording a more convenient and secure hold.

In the modification illustrated in Figs. 4, 5, and 6 of the drawings the loop or bail C is retained without change; but for the wire lever F, I have substituted one stamped or otherwise formed from sheet metal, and designated in the drawings by the letter L. Said lever is bent at its outer end, so as to form a hook, M, and near its inner end it is provided with two slots, N N, to admit a wire, O, by which it is secured to the flap H of the glove, and which forms the fulcrum upon which the said lever may turn. The extreme inner end of the lever L forms a handle, P, by means of which the said lever may be conveniently manipulated. Although with this form of fastening I have retained the wire loop C, as being the most simple and convenient, I would have it understood that with this, or, in fact, with either form of fastening, a loop stamped or formed from sheet metal, or otherwise constructed, and secured to the flap B of the glove in any suitable manner, may be substituted without departing from the spirit of my invention. Likewise do I reserve the privilege of constructing the lever in other ways than those mentioned, provided, of course, that its leading characteristics are retained.

The operation of my invention is exceedingly simple, and will be readily understood from the foregoing description, taken in connection with the drawings hereto annexed. It is only necessary to adjust the downturned



hook at the outer end of the lever in the loop C. Then raise the inner or fulcrum end of the lever until the latter slides through the loop and rests against the inside of the flap H of the glove. The latter will then be securely fastened. To unfasten it the operation is simply reversed. By this device considerable leverage is had, and a firm hold is had upon the lever, thus making the manipulation thereof easy and convenient. No springs or other devices are necessary to hold the lever in place when adjusted, thus avoiding the bulkiness, which is an objectionable feature of other lever-fastenings, and enabling me to produce a neater and less expensive article. It will also be worthy of notice that when in use the fastening device is nearly or entirely concealed under the flap of the glove, so that it will not be liable to catch in the clothes of the wearer, or in other objects.

This device is applicable to shoe fasteners, and I therefore do not wish to be understood as confining it to gloves alone.

I am aware that in a shoe-fastening a sliding rod has been connected to one flap and adapted to slide through an eyelet or loop attached to the other flap and under the flap to which it is connected. This I disclaim.

I claim as my invention and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

1. In a glove-fastening, the combination, with a loop attached to one flap of a glove, of a lever pivoted permanently to the under side of the other flap, and having a downturned hook at its outer end, whereby it may be passed through the loop from the outer side of the latter and turned under the flap of the glove to which it (the said lever) is attached, substantially as set forth.

2. In a glove-fastening, the combination, with a loop attached to one flap of a glove, of the herein-described lever, pivoted to the other flap, and consisting of a loop bent from wire, and having arms at its inner end extending in opposite directions, the said lever being bent near its inner end, so as to raise it above the said arms, and at its outer end, so as to form a downturned hook, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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