

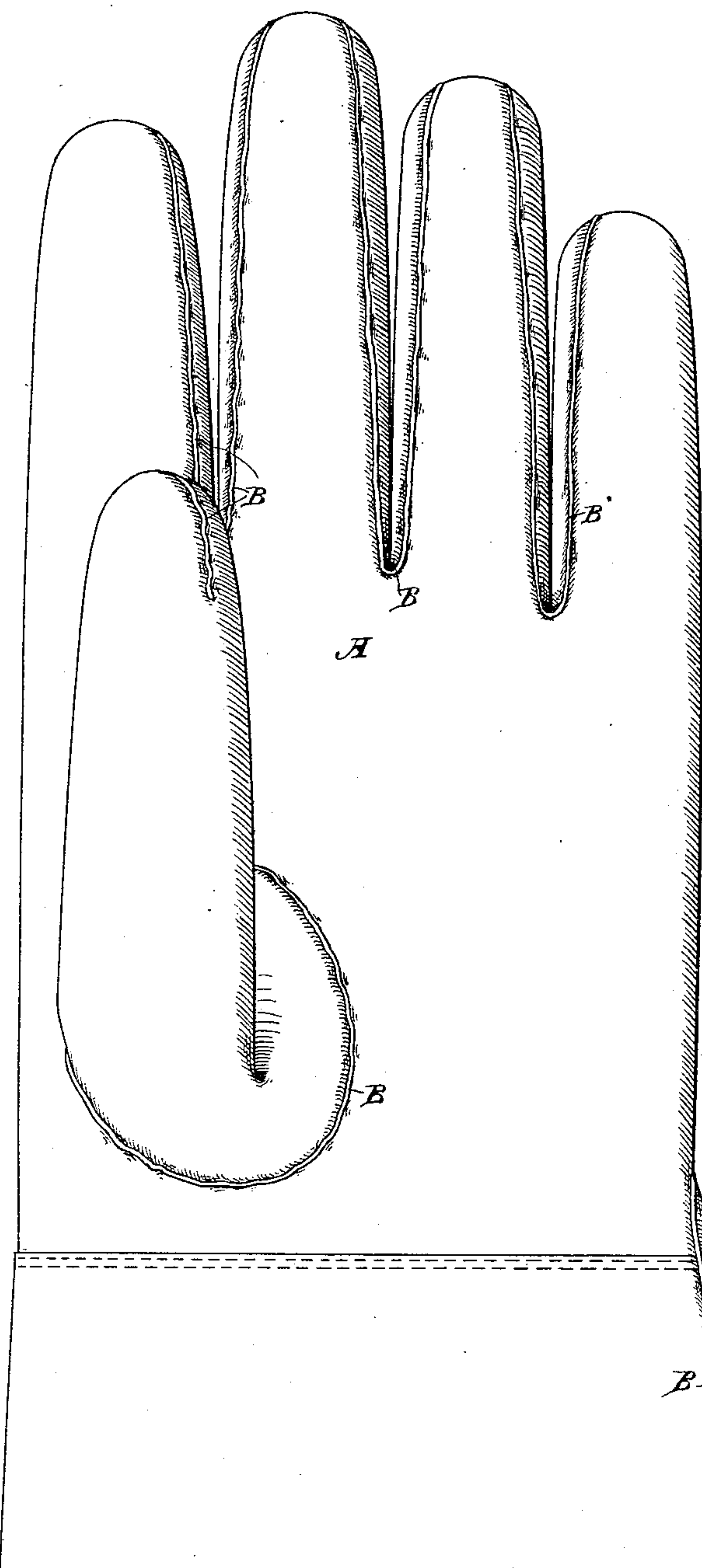
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRED H. BUSBY, of the city and county of San Francisco, and State of California, have invented an Improvement in
5 Gloves; and I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

My invention relates to the manufacture of gloves; and my invention consists in making the welt for the glove seams of felt, as I shall
10 hereinafter fully describe.

The object of my invention is to provide a glove-welt which shall possess all the necessary qualifications of cheapness, availability, appearance, durability, convenience, &c.

15 Referring to the accompanying drawing, the figure is a view of a glove, showing the welts.

A is the glove, and B represents the welts in the various portions of said glove. A welt is a strip of material which is let in between the
20 edges of seams and sewed in with said edges. It is the practice to make these welts of leather—such as sheep-skin, &c.—and in my patent, No. 235,125, dated December 7, 1880, I describe a peculiar double welt, the advantage
25 of which is to avoid a dissimilarity of color between the welt and the glove itself.

I have found by long experience that there are many disadvantages in using a welt made from skin, as is usually done. In the first
30 place, the length of the strip or welt is necessarily limited to the size of the skin out of which it is cut, and it therefore becomes necessary to piece or join the welt in the glove, and, no matter how neatly this may be done,
35 it can always be seen. Again, the cut edge of the welt shows white, and this, in a yellow glove, is not at all desirable.

I propose to remedy all the difficulties and disadvantages attendant upon the use of a skin welt; and, further, to provide for other advantages by the use of a welt made of felt. This
40 felt can be prepared in a continuous length, and is available for being wound upon spools, so that, as a first great advantage, a spool of the welt material may be kept alongside of the
45 glove-maker and used by him with facility. In the next place, it being made continuous avoids the necessity for joints in the glove. Again, the felt is absorbent, and in a measure takes up the deleterious acids of the tanned
50 leather of the glove, and thereby preserves the stitching better than where a leather or skin welt is used. The felt welt may also be made in any color to suit the glove in which
55 it is to be used.

Leather or skin welts lose in a short time their flexibility and become stiff and hard; but the felt welt is elastic, and remains always flexible and soft, and holds the stitches of the
60 seam well, and affords a better cushion for said seam than the ordinary welt.

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

As an article of manufacture, a leather glove
65 having incorporated between the edges of its seams a welt composed of felt, substantially as herein described.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand.

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