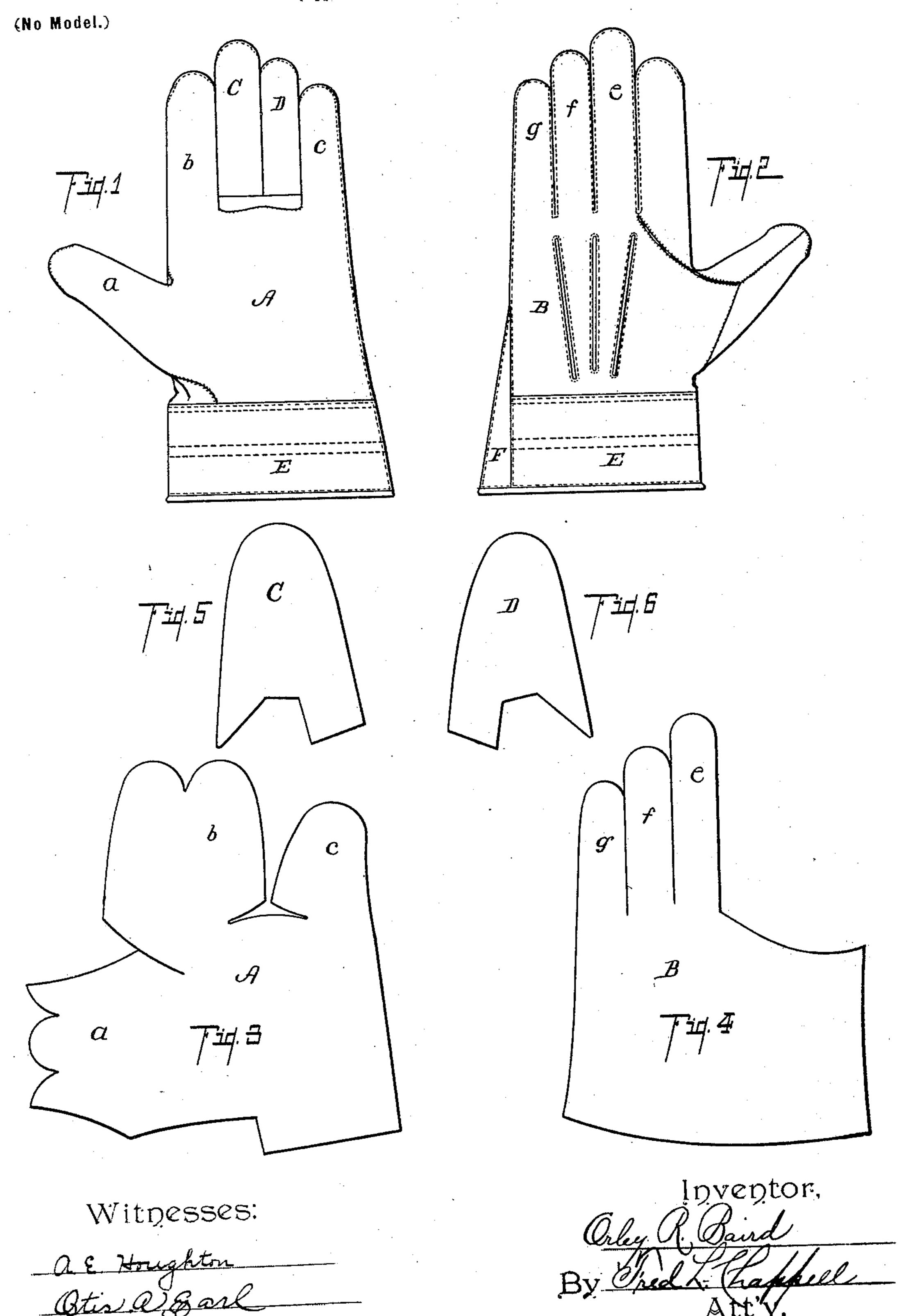
## O. R. BAIRD. GLOVE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ORLEY R. BAIRD, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city of Mendon, in the county of St. Joseph 5 and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Gloves, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in

gloves.

The objects of the invention are, first, to provide a glove in which all objectionable seams are entirely eliminated from the palm and insides of the fingers, there being only a concealed seam across the front of the base of 15 the second and third fingers, which does not cause a ridge, and, second, to provide an improved glove in which the number of seams is reduced to the minimum, thereby facilitating the manufacture of the same and reducing the 20 expense.

Further objects will definitely appear in the

detailed description to follow.

I accomplish these objects of my invention by the devices and means described in this 25 specification.

The invention is clearly defined and pointed

out in the claims.

A glove and the blanks from which it is formed are fully illustrated in the accompa-30 nying drawings, forming a part of this speci-

fication, in which—

Figure 1 is a view of my improved glove from the palm side. Fig. 2 is a view of the back side of the same. Fig. 3 is a view of 35 the palm-blank of the same, in connection | with which are formed the blanks for the forefinger, the thumb, and front portion of the little finger. Fig. 4 is a view of the blank for the back of the glove, which has formed | 40 in connection therewith the backs for the second, third, and little finger. Figs. 5 and 6 show the blanks for the second and third fingers, respectively.

In the drawings similar letters of refer-45 ence refer to similar parts throughout the sev-

eral views.

Referring to the lettered parts of the drawings, A is the hand portion of the glove, the blank for which appears in Fig. 3. Above and 50 to one side of the blank A is an extended portion c, which forms the front and sides of the little finger. The part b is the blank for the

forefinger and extends from the upper opposite corner from the blank c, the parts being formed so that it folds entirely around the 55 forefinger, which is completed by a seam over the end of the same and down the back inner side of the finger, the entire forefinger thus being formed in a single piece. The extension a is the blank for the thumb, which 60 is separated by a gash from the forefinger, as appears in Fig. 3. The tip of the blank is formed by a central scallop and half-scallops at each side. When the thumb-blank is folded and its edges stitched together, a sin- 65 gle row of stitches down the back of the thumb completes the same. The thumb thus sewed together is folded upwardly and forwardly into proper position in the glove. The finger-blanks for the second and third fin- 70 gers are inserted between the forefinger b and the blank c. The back B, with the finger extensions efg, is then put in place and stitched. An angular portion extending out across the back of the forefinger into the angle at the base 75 of the thumb forms, in connection with the palm-blank, a straight seam from the base of the thumb to the wrist, the wrist E being preferably made of a separate band of leather. A gore or gusset F is usually inserted to give 80 the necessary size to the wrist, although this could be formed on one or the other of the blanks A B, and the wrist E might be formed in connection with one or the other of the blanks A B, though I prefer to make it of a 85 separate piece.

A glove formed in this way, it will be observed, has no seam in the palm or on the front portions of the fingers at all where they are liable to wear or by forming ridges to irri- 90 tate the hand of the wearer. As the stitches of the seams are not exposed to wear, the gloves do not rip, and hence are very durable. Thus the comfort and durability of the glove are greatly enhanced by this peculiar 95 construction. With this peculiar construction also it will be observed that there is but a single seam on the forefinger of the glove, thus reducing the amount of stitching required to the minimum, and, as before re- 106 marked, the stitching is not exposed to wear. There is also only a single row of stitching on the back of the thumb, and owing to the peculiar form of the blank the row of stitching

between the palm and the back of the glove where the thumb is joined is in a straight line and just back of and out of the way of any wear on the palm. These advantages are ob-5 vious to any one familiar with the ordinary construction of gloves.

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

Patent, is—

10 1. A glove made up of a hand-blank A having a thumb portion a, cut with an integral front portion with extensions at each side for seam at the back, a front-finger portion b and a little-finger portion c formed integral there-15 with, there being a gash between the thumb portion and the forefinger and a space for the second and third fingers between the portions c, b; the portions C, D, for the second and third fingers secured to the hand-blank A; 20 a back portion B with backs e, f, and g, for the second, third and fourth fingers and a portion to extend across the back of the hand with an extension fitted into the base of the thumbat the back whereby seams on the palm 25 and the front of the thumb are avoided; a wrist portion E; and a gusset F as described. 2. A glove made up of a hand-blank A having a thumb portion a, cut with an integral front portion with extensions at each side for 30 seam at the back, a front-finger portion b and a little-finger portion c formed integral therewith, there being a gash between the thumb portion and the forefinger and a space for the second and third fingers between the portions 35 c, b; the portions C, D, for the second and third fingers secured to the hand-blank A; a back portion B with backs e, f, and g, for the

second, third and fourth fingers and a por-

tion to extend across the back of the hand

with an extension fitted into the base of the 40 thumb at the back whereby seams on the palm and the front of the thumb are avoided; a wrist portion E as described.

3. A glove made up of a hand-blank A having a thumb portion a, cut with an integral 45 front portion with extensions at each side for seam at the back, a front-finger portion b, and a little-finger portion c formed integral therewith, there being a gash between the thumb portion and the forefinger, and a space for 50 the second and third fingers between the portions c, b; the portions C, D, for the second and third fingers secured to the hand-blank A; and a back portion B, with backs e, f, and g, for the second, third, and fourth fingers, and a 55 portion to extend across the back of the hand with an extension fitted into the base of the thumb at the back whereby seams on the palm and the front of the thumb are avoided, as described.

4. A glove made up of a hand-blank portion A having a thumb portion a, cut with an integral front portion with extensions at each side for seam at the back, a forefinger portion b, and a little-finger portion c, formed inte- 65gral therewith; a gash extending between the portions a and b; blanks for the fingers; and the back having a portion to extend across the base of the forefinger and form the base of the thumb at the back whereby seams on 7° the palm and the front of the thumb are

avoided, as specified.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in the presence of two witnesses. ORLEY R. BAIRD. [L. s.]

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