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Fig. 2.

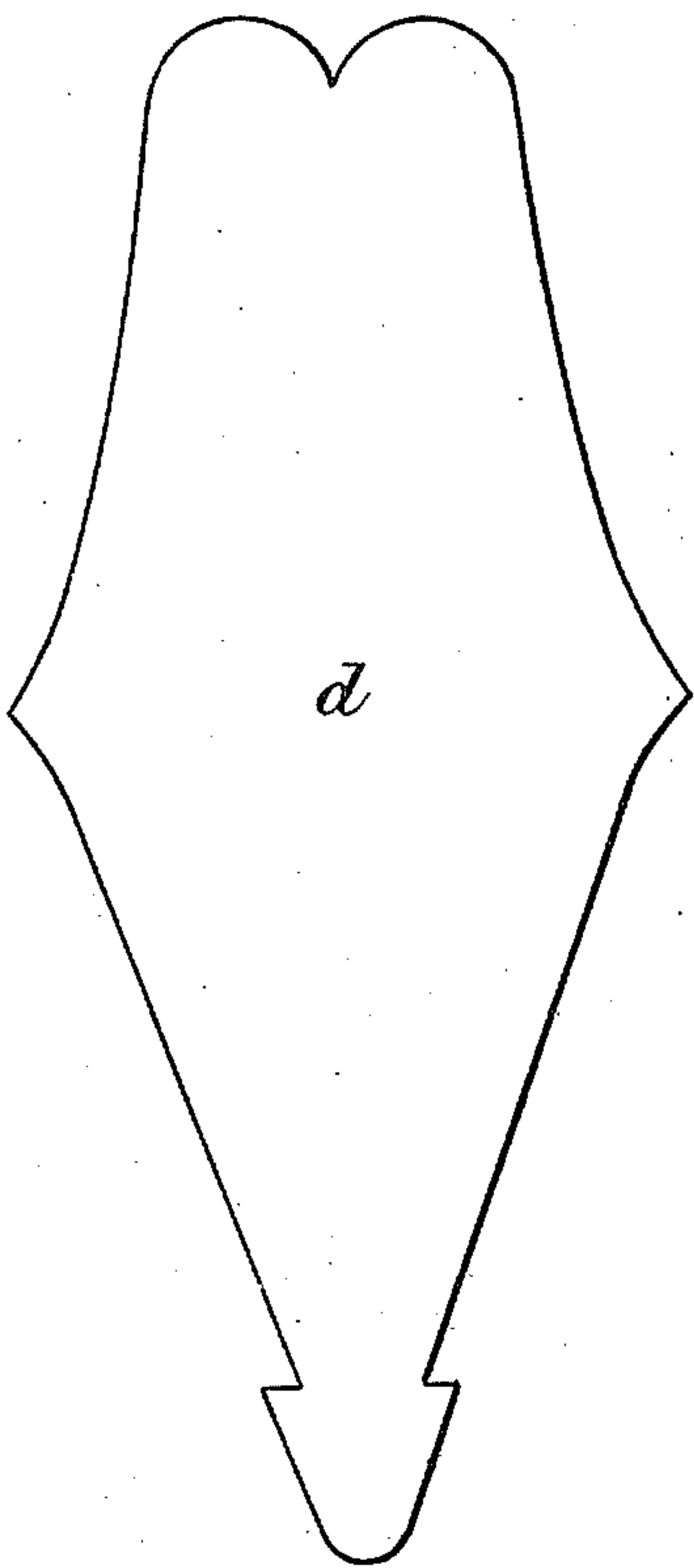
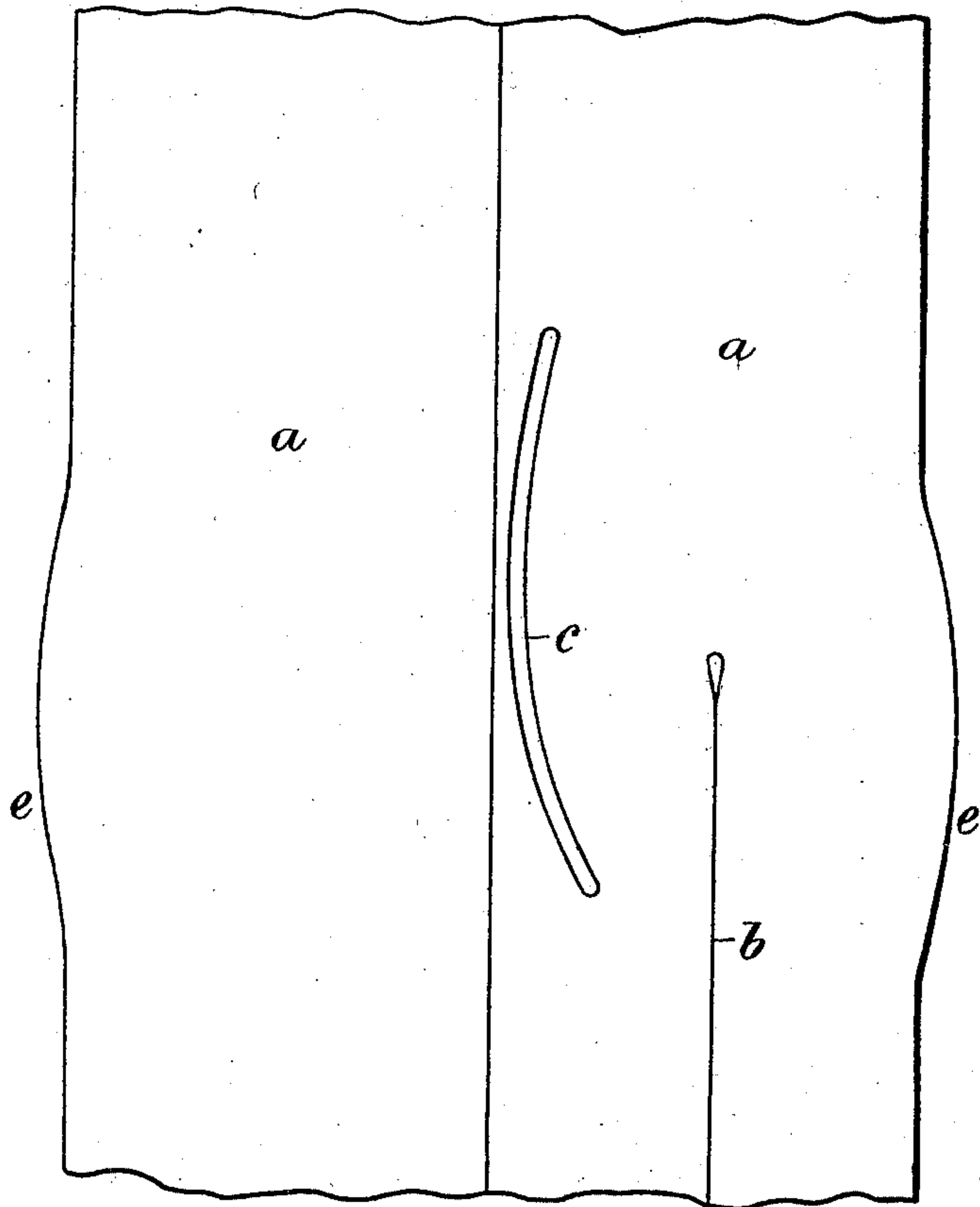


Fig. 1.



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, EDOUARD LEBLANC, a citizen of the French Republic, residing at Grenoble, France, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Gloves, of which the following is a specification.

The objects of this invention are to prevent the opening or gaping at the top of the button-slit, to reduce the quantity of material employed, and to improve the fit of the glove.

Heretofore the thumb-opening of a glove has been formed by cutting away an oval piece of the material of considerable width. The objects of the present invention are attained by making the thumb-opening in the body of the glove in the form of a slit, substantially no material being cut away. In this case the passage of the thumb through the thumb-opening is permitted by expansion of the walls of the slit. The thumb-piece is so cut as to give sufficient fullness across the top of the button-slit to prevent gaping.

Figure 1 shows part of the body-piece of the glove, and Fig. 2 shows a thumb-piece.

*a* is the body-piece, *b* the button-slit, and *c* the thumb slit or opening.

*d* is the thumb-piece.

*e e* are swellings on each side of the body-piece to give additional fullness.

As shown, the thumb-slit is a simple curve, the concave side of which, and consequently the concave side of both edges thereof, is turned toward the palm of the hand. The thumb-slit *c* extends beyond the bottom of or overlaps the wrist-slit *b*.

Experience has demonstrated that the particular construction delineated is a practical and satisfactory way of carrying out the invention.

The base edge of the thumb-piece is sewed to the edges of the slit *c*. With this construction the usual enlarged opening at the top of the button-slit is avoided, the fit of the glove is improved, and the quantity of material necessary reduced.

I claim as my invention—

1. A glove comprising a body-piece having in it a slit, substantially none of the material being cut away, whose edges form the entire thumb-opening and lie in the plane of the body-piece, and a thumb-piece the base edge of which is sewed to the edges of the slit.

2. A glove comprising a body-piece having in it a curved slit, substantially none of the material being cut away, whose edges form the entire separately-made completely-formed thumb-opening, and a thumb-piece the base edge of which is sewed to the edges of the slit.

3. A glove in which the thumb-opening in the body-piece is a slit, substantially none of the material being cut away, and in which there is a swelling at each side of the body-piece opposite the top of the button-slit.

4. A glove in which the thumb-opening in the body-piece is a curved slit whose edges form the entire thumb-opening and both the inside and outside edges of which are curved toward the palm of the hand.

5. A glove in which the thumb-opening in the body-piece is a curved slit both the inside and the outside edges of which are concave toward the palm of the hand and in which there is a swelling at each side of the body-piece opposite the top of the button-slit.

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