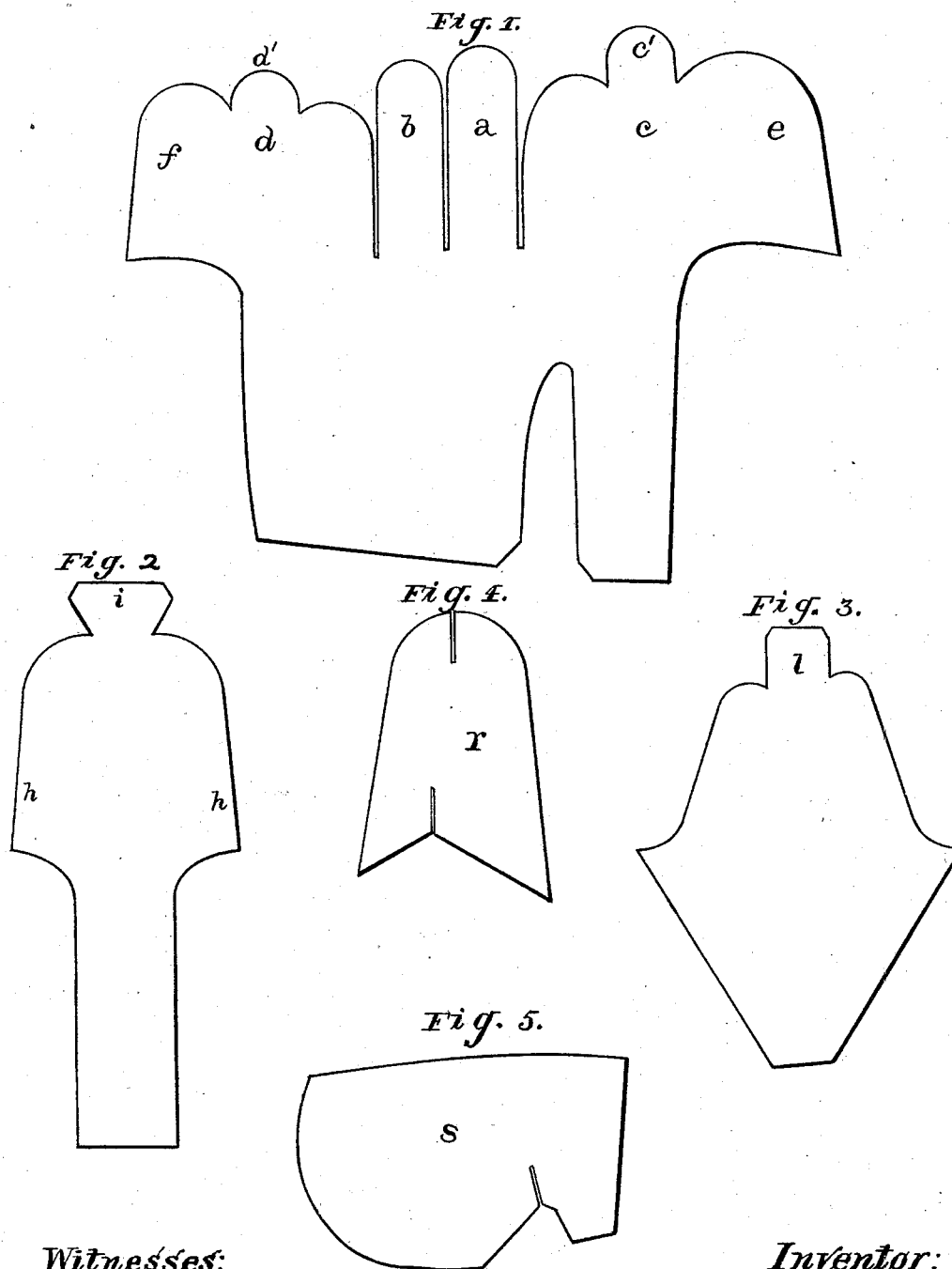


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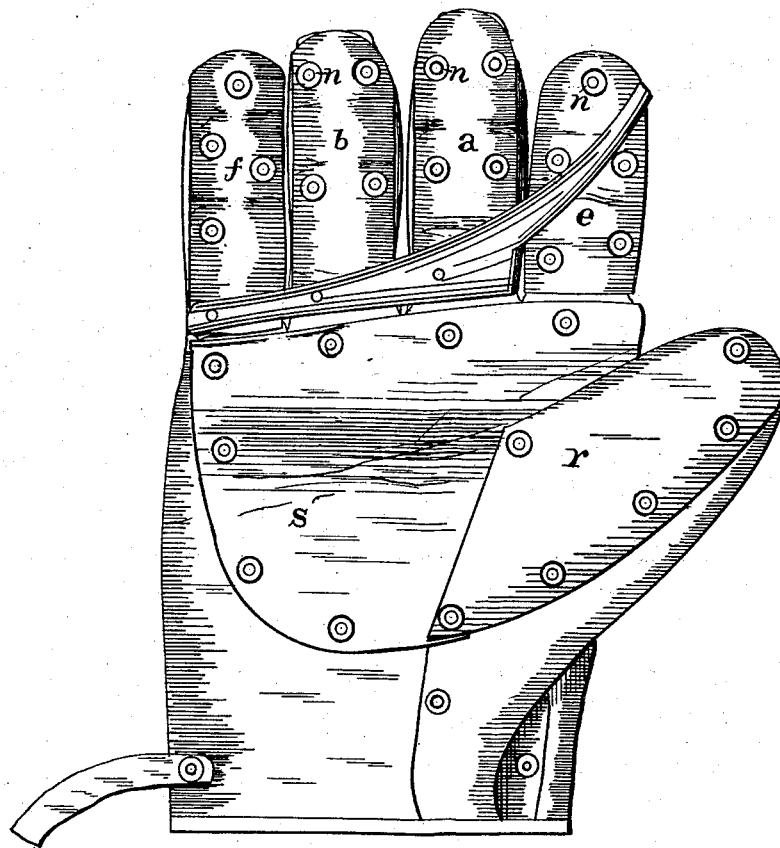


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IMPROVEMENT IN CORN-HUSKING GLOVES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD F. RATE, of Tipton, in the county of Cedar and State of Iowa, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Corn-Husking Gloves, of which the following is a specification.

Figure 1 is a pattern of the front of glove. Fig. 2 is a pattern for both second and third fingers. Fig. 3 is a pattern for the thumb. Fig. 4 is a pattern for the thumb re-enforce. Fig. 5 is a pattern for the palm re-enforce. Fig. 6 is a view of the glove.

The object of this invention is to provide an improved corn-husking glove capable of greater resistance to the very destructive wear to which such gloves are subjected than those heretofore used.

The subject-matter hereinafter claimed will now be described.

Fig. 1 shows the pattern which constitutes the front or inside part of the glove, the two parts *a b* forming the re-enforce for the second and third fingers, and the parts *c* and *d* the backs, respectively, of index and little fingers, the said parts having extended ends *c'* and *d'*, which fold over and close the finger ends, and the extension parts *e f* forming the re-enforce for the same, which, by folding or wrapping entirely around the first and last finger, come on the front or inside.

The second and third fingers are made from the pattern shown in Fig. 2, the extension *h* on each side folding from the back around, and the edges, which meet in front, being covered by the re-enforces *a b*. Thus, it will be seen, all the fingers are re-enforced or double on the front side. The extension-piece *i* on the back part of the middle fingers folds over toward the front and closes the finger ends.

The thumb is constructed from a pattern of ordinary form. It is provided with an extension, *l*, to close the end, and is re-enforced by the piece *r*. (Shown in Fig. 4.) The palm is also re-enforced or made double by the piece shown in Fig. 5, (indicated by the letter *s*), and all parts are secured together by rivets, except the three back seams, which, not having to withstand great wear, may be sewed.

The extensions, heretofore described, which

close the ends of the fingers are secured by the rivets *n*, and the re-enforce *r* for the thumb covers the seam or edges, and its lower portion overlaps or underlies the palm re-enforce and is riveted.

In point of durability this glove possesses very decided advantages over ordinary gloves, which, from rough usage, are soon ripped and rendered useless.

An incidental advantage of my method of riveting to secure the parts, which are so arranged as to require the placing of the rivets on the front or inside, is that those parts being most exposed to wear are in a measure protected, and if the rivets used are long enough the projecting ends will serve to prevent the husk from slipping out of the hand.

My glove is designed to be employed with a husking-pin, which may be riveted securely to the glove.

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

1. A corn-husking glove having the lap of the seams or the edges of the parts composing the fingers arranged to come on the front or inside, and secured by rivets, as set forth.

2. A corn-husking glove having its front or inside part provided with the extensions *e* and *f*, which constitute a re-enforce on the front side for the index and little fingers, and secured by rivets, as set forth.

3. A corn-husking glove having its second and third finger each formed of a single piece extending down the back, and provided on either side with the extension *h*, the edges of which meet in front, and are covered and re-enforced by the pieces *s r*, and secured by rivets, as shown and described.

4. A corn-husking glove whereof the fingers, thumb, and palm are all re-enforced or covered, so as to protect and hide the seams and make the front or inner side double, and secured by rivets, as set forth.

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