

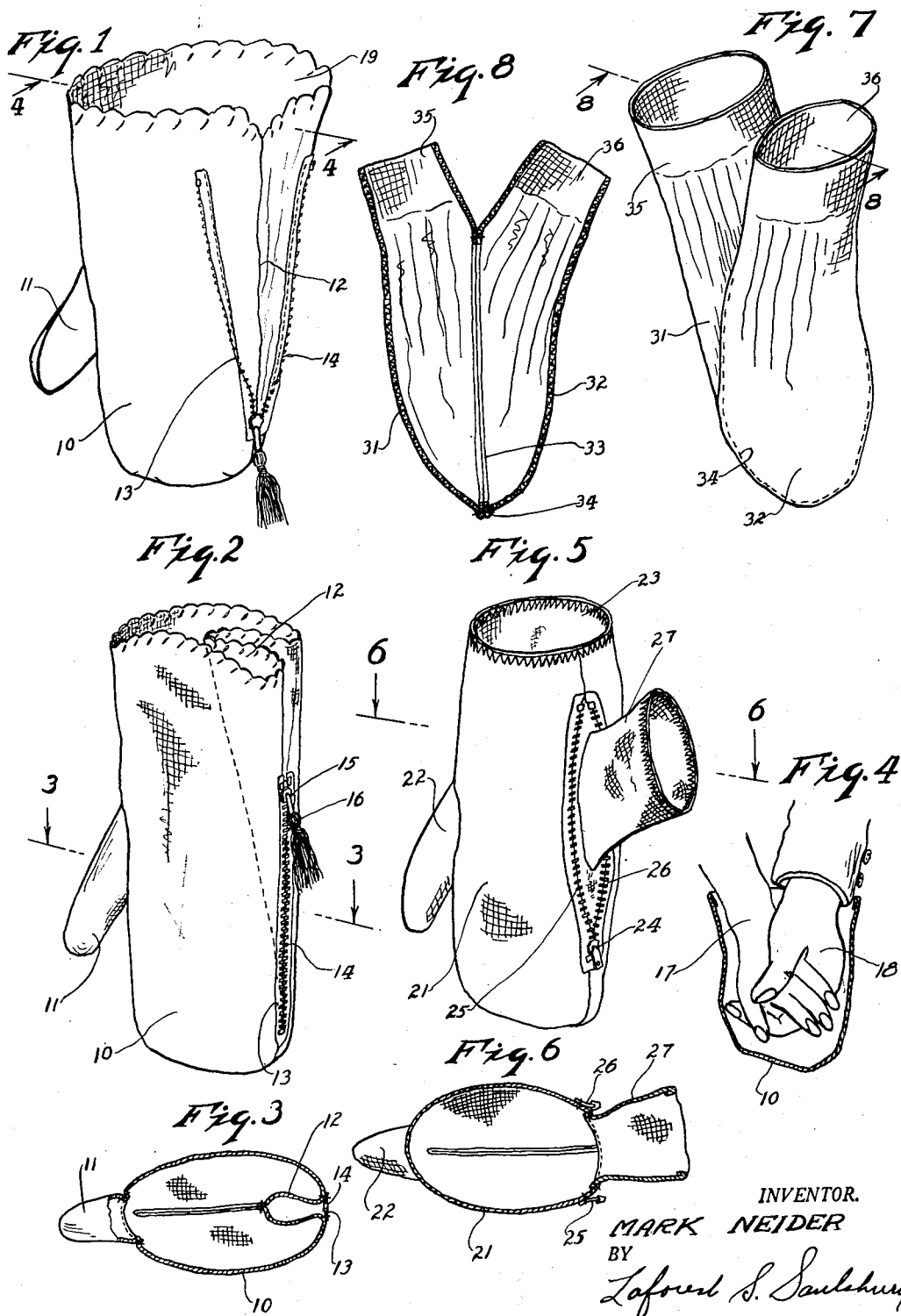
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This invention relates to a love glove or mitten.

It is an object of the present invention to provide a love glove or mitten wherein the different sexes can hold hands within the glove or mitten so that the hands can be maintained covered and kept warm within the single mitten while the boy and girl have hand-to-hand engagement with one another.

It is another object of the present invention to provide a love glove or mitten which, when unextended, is suitable for but one hand, but which upon a simple pull of a slide fastener element, can be extended and made readily adapted for two hands in locked engagement with one another and wherein the one glove, when folded, can be made one of a pair of gloves and have the same usefulness as the other glove being worn on the hand of the one having the love glove.

Other objects of the present invention are to provide a love glove or mitten which is of simple construction, easy to adjust, inexpensive to manufacture, appealing to the young people, provides adequate warmth to joined hands, convenient to use and efficient in operation.

For other objects and for a better understanding of the invention, reference may be had to the following detailed description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, in which

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of one form of the invention with the portions released to permit the mitten to receive the two hands.

Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the mitten shown in Fig. 1 with the portions connected together and with the mitten adapted for use on but one hand.

Fig. 3 is a transverse sectional view taken generally on line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

Fig. 4 is an illustrative sectional view taken generally on line 4—4 of Fig. 1 and showing the manner in which hands are joined within the mitten.

Fig. 5 is a perspective view of a modified form of the invention wherein there is provided a separate wrist portion for the mitten which is accessible upon separating slide fastener portions.

Fig. 6 is a transverse sectional view taken on line 6—6 of Fig. 5.

Fig. 7 is a perspective view of a further form of the invention wherein there are two wrist portions available from the upper part of the mitten.

Fig. 8 is a vertical sectional view taken generally on line 8—8 of Fig. 7.

Referring now particularly to Figs. 1, 2 and 3,

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10 represents the main portion of a mitten wherein there is provided a thumb 11 and foldable portion 12 having slide fasteners 13 and 14 which, when joined together, will secure the foldable portion 12 within the main portion 10 in the manner as shown in Fig. 2. A slide 15 is operable over the fastener portions 13 and 14 and by simply pulling a tassel 16, the fastener elements can be separated in the manner as shown in Fig. 1 to render the mitten suitable for the extension thereof of two hands in locked engagement with one another and in the manner as shown in Fig. 4. The hands can be that of the different sexes and in this manner they will be kept warm while the two are walking along the street in hand-to-hand relationship. The hand of the weaker sex is indicated at 17 while that of the male is indicated at 18, Fig. 4, and upon the extension of the foldable portion 12, adequate provision is made at the upper part of the main portion and through a wrist opening, as indicated at 19, for the two hands. The thumb 11 need not be used at this time. The thumb will have use when the mitten or glove is being treated for use on one hand of the owner. The glove on the other hand of the owner can be a simple glove or mitten matching the mitten described, but without the foldable portion or slide fastening elements. Accordingly, the mitten can be used in an ordinary manner when one is not joining hands with another.

Referring now particularly to Figs. 5 and 6, there is shown a modified form of the invention. A main hand portion 21 has a thumb 22 and the upper end includes a tubular wrist enveloping sleeve portion open at the wrist when worn. This wrist enveloping sleeve at the upper end of the portion 21 is indicated at 23 and when the mitten is being worn, the wrist portion will adequately cover the wrist of the wearer. When it is desired to lock hands with another, a slide fastener 24 is pulled over slide fastener elements 25 and 26 to permit the extension of a second open ended wrist enveloping sleeve 27. When this wrist enveloping sleeve portion has been extended, the hand of another person can be passed into the main portion 21 of the mitten and the mitten used in the manner shown in Fig. 4 and as above explained. A cold hand can be entered through the sleeve 27 and soon warmed from the body heat of the warm hand of another which has already been warmed by the mitten. The wrist enveloping sleeve portion 27 can be pushed inwardly or folded up and the fastener elements 25 and 26 closed thereover. The wrist portion

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on being pushed inwardly will be turned inside out and extended along the interior of the mitten. The slide fastener may be used or not used as may be desired.

Referring now to Figs. 7 and 8, there is shown a still further form of the invention. With this form, the mitten is provided with two half portions 31 and 32 which are joined together, as indicated at 33, and by a stitching 34. Each half portion has a wrist opening part and, as indicated respectively for the two portions at 35 and 36. Through the wrist parts 35 and 36 the respective hands of the different sexes can be extended and joined, in the manner as shown in Fig. 4. The material used in this mitten, and in the others if desired, is of knitted texture so as to stretch to permit the hands to have adequate room for locking with one another within the mitten. The mitten or glove, as shown in Figs. 1 to 3, need not be of stretchable material as adequate provision has been made in the foldable portion 12 to permit the easy joining of the hands and to effect a definite enlargement of the mitten when this foldable portion 12 is released in the manner as shown in Fig. 1. Whether the wrist opening be extended, as in the form of the invention shown in Figs. 1 and 2, or whether there be two separate wrist portions provided, does not matter as long as adequate space is provided for the passing of the two hands into the glove or mitten.

While the mitten in Figs. 8 and 9 is shown made in two halves, it will be understood that it can be fully knitted and of one piece.

It shall be understood that all forms of the gloves or mittens can be made of any kind of material, either stretchable or non-stretchable, such as suede, nylon, leather, knitted material, woolen goods, fabrics and the like materials suitable for gloves or mittens.

While various changes may be made in the detail construction, it shall be understood that such changes shall be within the spirit and scope of the present invention as defined by the appended claims.

What is claimed is:

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1. A glove or mitten comprising a hand portion suitable to receive two hands, a wrist-enveloping sleeve portion open at one end and connected to the upper end of the hand portion for access of one hand to the hand portion, a second wrist-enveloping sleeve portion open at its outer end and extending outwardly from one side of the hand portion to permit the access of another hand into the hand portion, said second wrist-enveloping sleeve portion being foldable inwardly into said hand portion when not in use, and fastener means extendable over the second wrist-enveloping sleeve portion when in its foldable position, whereby to hold said second wrist-enveloping sleeve portion within the hand portion but when released to permit the extension thereof from the hand portion.

2. A glove or mitten comprising a hand portion suitable to receive two hands and generally conforming to the shape of one hand, a first wrist-enveloping sleeve portion connected to the hand portion for the access of one hand thereto and a second wrist-enveloping sleeve portion connected to the hand portion immediately adjacent the first wrist-enveloping sleeve portion to permit the extension thereto of another hand, said second wrist-enveloping sleeve portion adapted to be folded inwardly either into said hand portion or into said first wrist-enveloping sleeve portion when not needed for the other hand.

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