

the disadvantages of the latter, namely hindrance of movement of the user's fingers.

In one form of construction the cover 5 is secured to the back of the glove from the wrist up the sides of the glove to a position substantially in line with the knuckles, whilst the rest of the cover remains free with the exception of a connection 10 between the opposite end of the cover and one of the fingers substantially in the region of the tip thereof.

The connection is preferably to the tip of the middle finger of the glove and is detachable. For this purpose a tab on 15 the finger or cover has a press stud connection with the finger or cover respectively. It will thus be seen that when the cover is in position perfect freedom of 20 movement of the fingers laterally within the cover and forwardly therefrom is possible whilst complete freedom of movement of the thumb is also possible as in the usual form of glove.

The invention is more particularly described with reference to the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a front view of a right hand glove according to the present invention.

Figure 2 is a corresponding front view 30 of a left hand glove.

Figure 3 is a rear view of the right hand glove of Figure 1 with the cover bent back.

Figure 4 is a rear view of the left hand glove of Figure 2, but with the cover in its operative position.

In the construction according to the drawings a glove 10 of leather or other 40 suitable material has a middle finger portion 11 and beyond the wrist end 12 has a gauntlet extension 13 which preferably is of waterproof material such as rubberised fabric, both in rear and in 45 front. A cover 14, the outer surface of which is of waterproof material, is secured to the back of the glove by lines of stitching 15, 16, 17, the lines of stitching 16 and 17 extending longitudinally of 50 the glove to a position substantially in line with the knuckles. The remaining portion 18 of the cover is free from connection with the glove except at the tip of the middle finger 11 where a detachable 55 connection is provided, this detachable connection consisting of a socket 19 passing through the cover to receive on its inner face a press stud 20 mounted on a flap 21 which is secured to the tip of

the middle finger 11, such as, for 60 example, by stitching.

The inner face of the portion 18 of the cover down to the line 22 may be covered with lamb's wool or other suitable 65 material.

It will be seen that during wet weather the cover may be detachably secured to the tip of the middle finger to remain in the position shown in Figure 4, in which 70 event suitable freedom is permitted of the fingers, whilst in fine weather the cover may be detached from connection with the fingers and thus permit the glove to be used in a manner exactly similar to 75 that of an ordinary glove.

If desired, the width of the cover may be slightly in excess of the effective width of the fingers when in their closed position.

Having now particularly described and 80 ascertained the nature of our said invention and in what manner the same is to be performed, we declare that what we claim is:—

1. A glove of the type described in 85 which the area of the back portion of the glove, including the fingers, is shrouded by a cover which is permanently connected at one end to the glove and is secured at its other end to the tip of one 90 of the fingers thereby allowing freedom of lateral and forward displacement of the remaining fingers relatively to the cover.

2. A glove of the type described in 95 which a backing or cover is provided which is secured adjacent one end and over a portion of the length of its sides to the back of the hand portion of the glove, and at its opposite end to the tip 100 of one of the fingers of the glove.

3. A glove, as claimed in Claims 1 or 2, in which the outer face of the backing or cover is of waterproof material.

4. A glove, as claimed in Claims 2 or 105 3, in which the connection between one end of the cover and the tip of one of the fingers is by way of a press stud or the like detachable means.

5. A glove constructed as particularly 110 described with reference to the accompanying drawings.

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