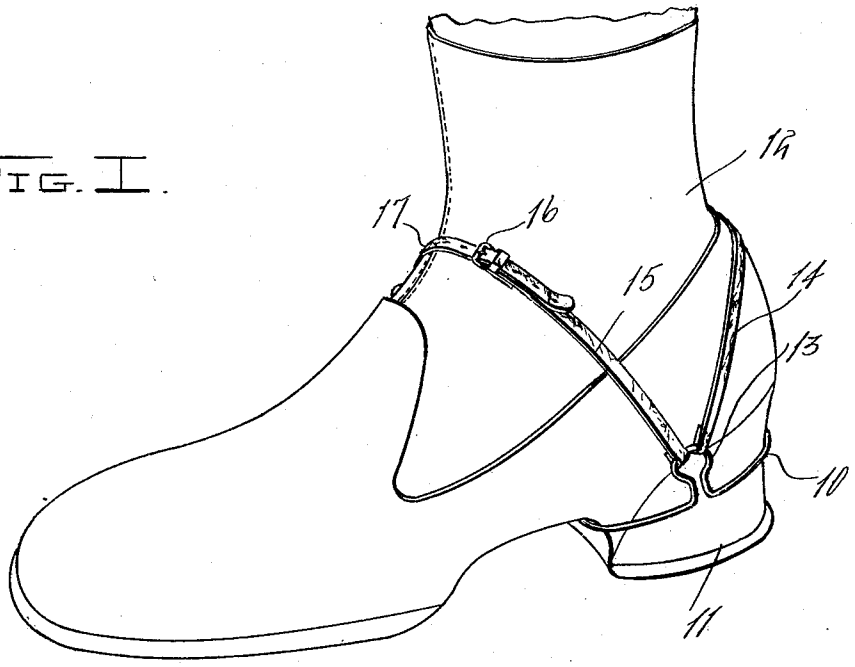
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FIG. 1.



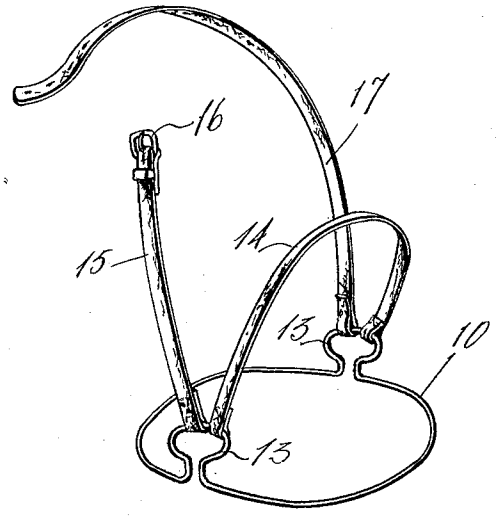


FIG. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN R. WHITAKER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Kimball, in the county of Kimball, State of Nebraska, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Overshoe-Retainers; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to improvements in overshoe retainers.

The principal object of the invention is to provide a simple and efficient device which is adapted to be strapped around the ankle and foot of the wearer to prevent the heel of the overshoe from being accidentally withdrawn from the heel of the shoe.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent from the following description, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings.

In the drawings: Figure 1 is a perspective view of the device in applied position. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the device removed.

Referring particularly to the accompanying drawings, 10 represents a wire ring which is arranged to be passed horizontally around the heel of the shoe 11 when the same is on the shoe 12. The ring 10 has upwardly extending integrally formed loops 13 disposed on opposite sides of the heel, and connected to these loops is a strap 14 which passes around the rear of the shoe 12 above the heel. Also connected to one of the loops 13 is a strap 15 which carries a buckle 16 on its other end, while also connected to the other loop 13 is a strap 17 provided with openings at its opposite end for engagement with the buckle 16. The ends of the straps 15 and 17 are passed up over the instep of the shoe 12 and the end of one strap engaged with the buckle of the other strap.

It will thus be seen that when the straps 15 and 17 are drawn tightly over the instep and fastened by means of the buckle 16, upward and forward pressure will be exerted on the ring 10 to tightly force the heel of the overshoe onto the heel of the shoe. The strap 14 limits this forward and upward movement and prevents movement of the heel of the overshoe toward disengagement from the shoe.

What is claimed is:—

An overshoe retainer comprising a ring adapted to fit closely about that portion of the heel of an overshoe including the heel breast, the opposite sides of said ring adapted to engage the opposite sides of the heel portion of said overshoe having formed integral therewith upstanding loops, a strap connected at its opposite ends to said loops and adapted to extend upwardly therefrom and closely about the rear end portion of said heel portion of said overshoe, and adjustably connected straps secured to said loops and adapted to extend over the instep of the shoe of the wearer.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature, in the presence of two witnesses.

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