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Buckles.

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FIG. 1.

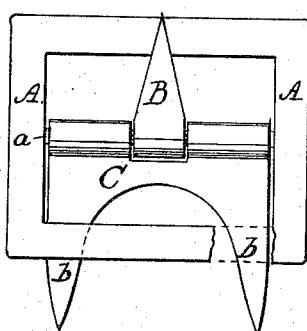
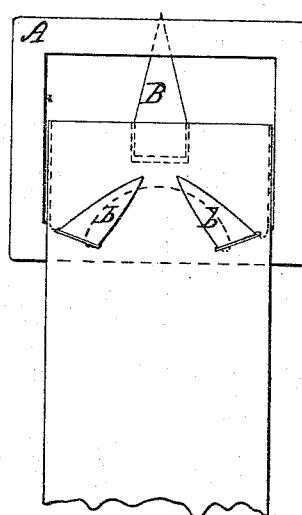


FIG. 2



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## IMPROVEMENT IN BUCKLES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CALVIN HERSCOME, of Wakefield, in the county of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, have invented an Improved Boot and Shoe Buckle, of which the following is a specification:

This invention pertains to the fastening of the buckle to the boot or shoe; and it consists in the combination with and application to a buckle of ordinary construction, of a two-pronged plate, which is hung on the cross-bar of the buckle that carries the buckle-prong, and has its prongs shaped for easy insertion in the leather strap, and for then being bent toward each other, all as will hereinafter fully appear.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a face view of my improved buckle, and Fig. 2 a back view of my improved buckle attached to a strap.

In the drawings, A represents a buckle-frame, and B the buckle-prong hung to the cross-bar *a* of the buckle-frame; C, a plate hung to cross-bar *a*. This plate C is made with two prongs, *b b*. (See Fig. 1.) The

prongs *b b* are for fastening the buckle to the strap, and they are shaped as shown in Fig. 1, and, when inserted in the strap, are bent toward each other, (see Fig. 2,) and laid closely against the leather strap, anchoring and fastening the buckle in position, and securing it against any possibility of detachment.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The buckle-frame A, having the central cross-bar *a*, and the buckle-prong B, pivoted to said cross-bar, in combination with the plate C, hinged to said cross-bar *a*, and having the two prongs *b b*, as and for the object specified.

The above specification of my invention signed by me this 11th day of June, A. D. 1874.

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