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Shoes.

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Fig. 1.

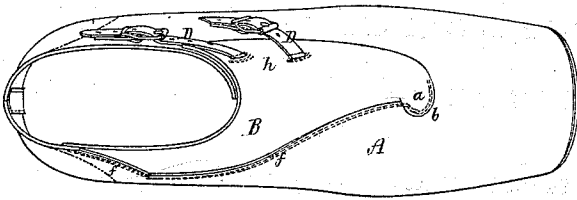


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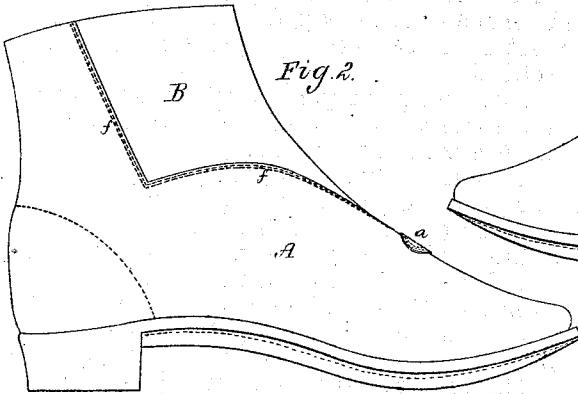


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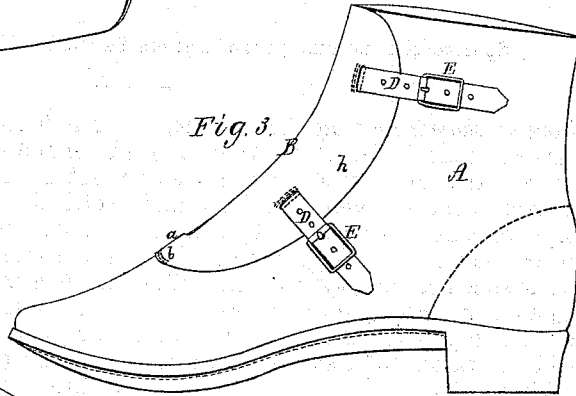


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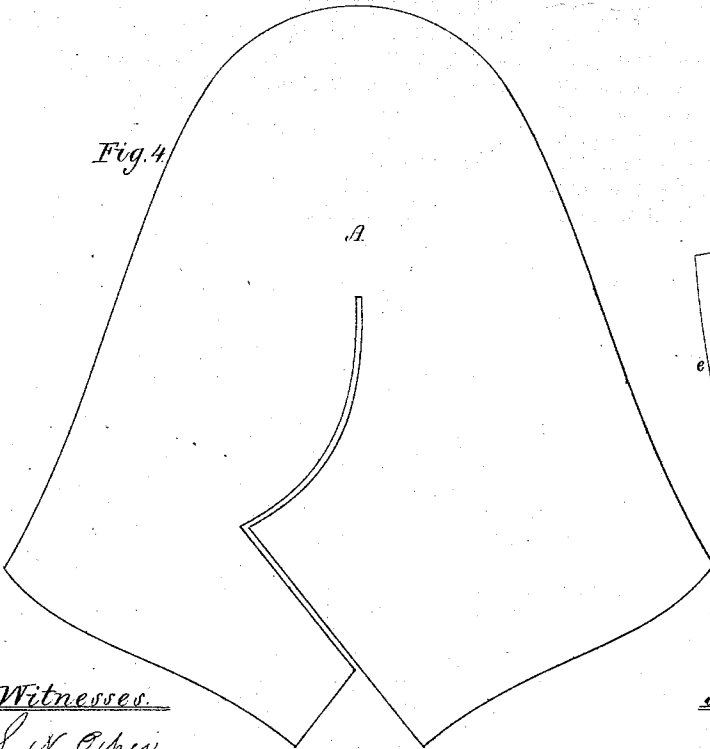
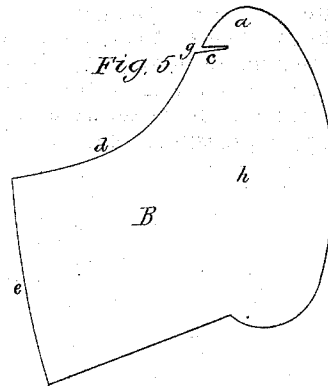


Fig. 5.



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IMPROVEMENT IN SHOES.

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To all persons to whom these presents may come:

Be it known that I, JOHN H. HURD, of Dover, of the county of Strafford and State of New Hampshire, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Shoes; and do hereby declare the same to be fully described in the following specification and represented in the accompanying drawing, of which—

Figure 1 is a top view. Figs. 2 and 3 are opposite side elevations of a shoe made in my improved manner.

The upper of this shoe is in two pieces of leather, A B, these forms being represented in Figs. 4 and 5. The part B, sewed to the part A in manner as shown, constitutes a fly for the instep-opening of the shoe, and is provided with straps D D, arranged as represented, to engage with buckles E E, fastened to the next adjacent part of the upper. The auxiliary portion B at the lower part of the instep-opening is extended over and upon the outer surface of the portion A, as shown at *a*, and is secured to such part, as seen at *b*.

The remainder of the part B, where sewed at A, is extended against the inner side thereof, the same being as shown at *c d e*, the sewing being represented at *f*. The part B is slit

or notched, as shown at *g* in Fig. 5, in order to enable it to be lapped over and under the part A, in manner as represented and described.

By lapping the part B under the part A there will be no projection of the leather to impede the drawing of the shoe upon the foot of a person. By lapping the part B over the part A at the lower portion of the instep-opening, and connecting the parts A B by sewing *b*, arranged as shown, the fly portion *h* of the part B becomes throughout its length lapped over the upper, and serves to exclude dust and other matters from the said step-opening.

The sole, counter, and other parts of the shoe are like those of other shoes.

I claim—

The shoe upper, composed of the parts A B, formed as represented, and having the part B lapped over and under the part A in manner and sewed thereto as set forth.

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