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Fig. 1.

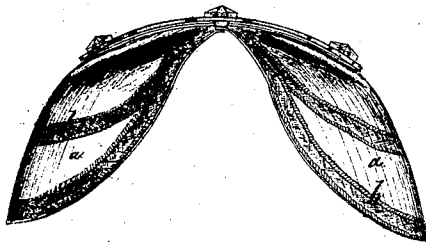
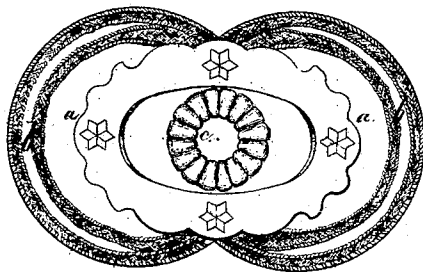


Fig. 2.



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## IMPROVED SHOE-TRIMMING.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM P. DEMAREST, of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented and made an Improvement in Shoe-Trimming; and the following is declared to be a correct description of the same.

Bows and trimmings for shoes have heretofore been made of satin, silk, and ribbon, cut out to shape and sewed together, and kid has also been embroidered by hand with chains of stitching, and other shapes of fancy needle-work.

The braiding or embroidering is costly, especially when made with sufficient care to be uniform, and the bows of satin and similar material, being comparatively soft, are quickly crumpled, frayed out, and lose their stiffness, and become a useless disfiguration instead of an ornament, especially from the contact of the lower edge of a lady's skirt with such trimmings.

The object of my invention is to cheapen the bows and shoe-trimmings, and render them more durable, without detracting from their ornamental appearance.

I make use of leather or an imitation thereof, or other material with a surface of the desired color and polish or finish in imitation of satin, silk, or other material, and cut out, by means of dies, the blanks of the shape required for the bow or shoe-trimming, and I emboss the surface of such material by dies, in imitation of rows of stitching, braiding, or other needle-work ornamentation, and the separate pieces forming

the bow or shoe-trimming are sewed together ready to be attached to the shoe.

The bow or trimming made in this manner is a new article of manufacture that is much stronger and more durable than the bows heretofore made, and the appearance, especially at the distance from which the shoe-bow is usually observed, is but little inferior, if not equal, to the more costly bows and shoe-trimmings made up and embroidered with needle-work.

In the drawings—

Figure 1 is a side view, and

Figure 2 is a plan of a bow illustrating my improvement.

The wings *a* of the bow are embossed with the imitation lines of needle-work embroidery at *b*, and a rosette, *c*, of embossed leather is introduced inside the ornamental buckle.

The style of embossing is to be in accordance with the embroidery, braiding, or other needle-work to be imitated, and the shape of the bow or ornamental shoe-trimming is to be such as desired.

What I claim as my invention is—

The bow or shoe-trimming, made and embossed in the manner specified, as a new article of manufacture.

Signed by me this 9th day of February, A. D. 1870.

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