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SHOE PROTECTOR.

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Fig. 1.

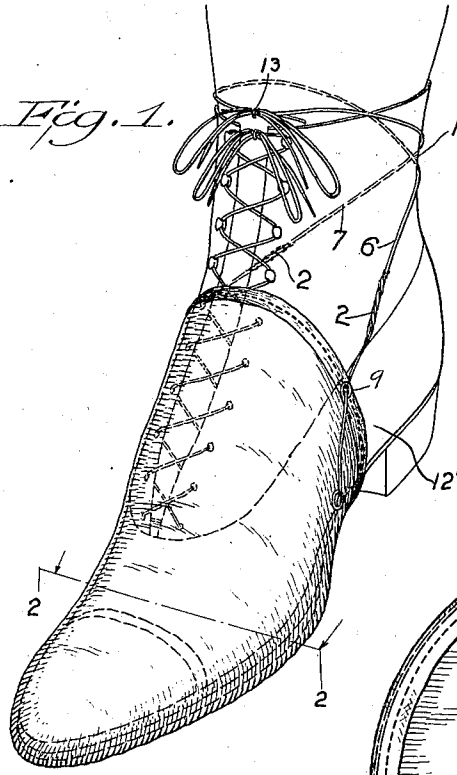


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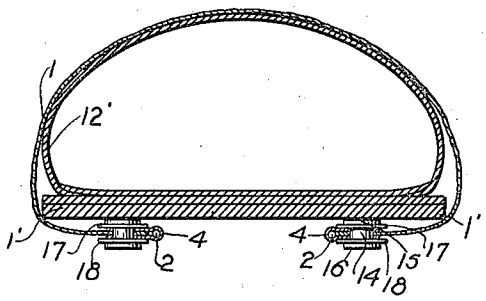


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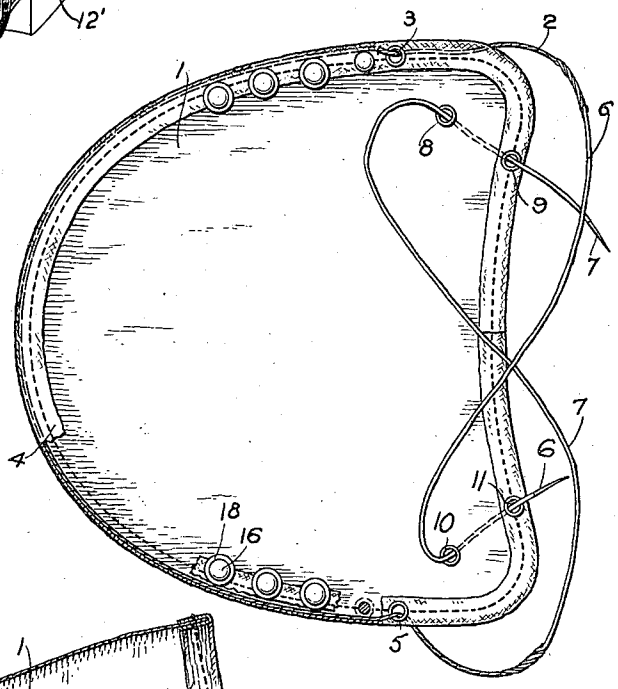
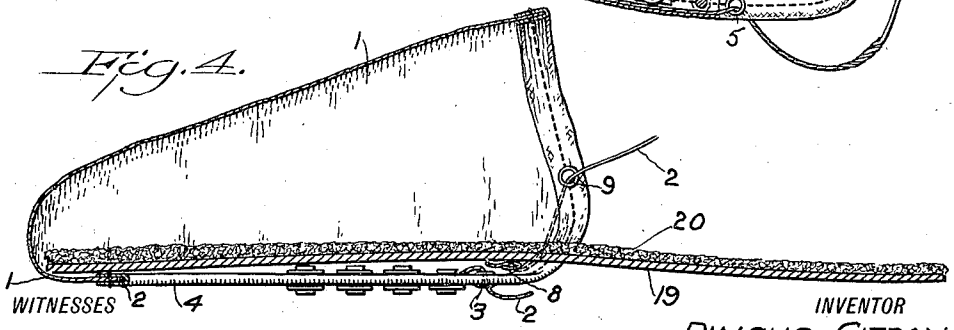


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PINCUS CITRON, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented a new and improved Shoe-Protector, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to an improved foot covering and shoe protector.

One of the objects is to provide an article which is inexpensive to make, simple in construction and which may be conveniently and quickly applied as a protecting covering for the shoe. This may be made of a suitable material to cover the foot to keep it warm in cold weather.

A further object is to provide a combined shoe protector and anti-slip device. For this means there is provided a series of projections around the edge of the portion extending under the sole.

A further object is to provide a covering for the foot which may be used in combination with a separable sole portion as a slipper.

Still a further object of this device is to provide a covering made of a suitable flexible material which is readily adjustable and quickly and conveniently applied to a relatively wide range of sizes.

The above objects are accomplished by providing a covering which may be applied to the foot covering the front portion of the foot and having an edge which extends around the edge of the foot and under the sole thereof, there being slidably held around the edge of the covering, which extends under the sole, a flexible cord, preferably cord wire, having attached to each end thereof a lace or other suitable means which may readily be handled to form a knot or bow in order that the cord wire may be drawn tight to cause the cover to fit snugly over the foot. To serve as an anti-slip means and to better protect from wear the flexible adjusting cord around the edge of the cover there is provided adjacent to the edge of the cover a series of studs, rivets or other suitable devices.

Other objects and advantages will appear from the following description and the accompanying drawings in which similar characters of reference designate corresponding parts in the several views.

Figure 1 is a view showing the protector applied to a shoe and secured in position.

Fig. 2 is a section taken on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a view of the shoe protector stretched out flat showing the anti-wear and anti-slip means and the flexible cord extending around the edge of the cover.

Fig. 4 is a sectional view showing the use of the foot covering as a slipper with a sole inserted therein.

A very desirable feature of the shoe cover is that the main body portion may be made of one piece of the actual material used depending upon the particular use to be made of the covering.

In the preferred form shown the covering or protector comprises a main body portion 1 made of suitable strong fabric material and is cut to form a covering for the foot from the vamp forward to the toe and on each side of the foot to the sole portion 1′, there being a portion which turns under the sole and projects in from the edge thereof a certain distance depending upon the particular size of the foot to which the covering is applied. There is provided a flexible cord 2 preferably a wire cord which extends through an eyelet 3 at one of the edges under the sole near the rear part of the protector and from this point is slidably carried in a tape 4 stitched around the edge of the protector under the sole and through another eyelet 5 located at the other edge in a position corresponding to the first eyelet 3. To each end of the wire cord is secured a length of a more flexible cord 6 and 7, which may be readily handled and tied around the foot, such as a shoe cord. The ends of the cord wire as they come from the eyelets 3 and 5 are outside of the protector and from this point they extend through two other eyelets 8, 9 and 10, 11 respectively carried at opposite sides of the protector thus forming crossed wires which when the shoe cords 6 and 7 are drawn tightly around the back of the foot as at 12 and are tied as at 13, the protector is drawn snugly in position to cover the front part of the shoe 12′. This

is done by tightening the cord wire 2 carried in a seam or binding edge as at 4 under the sole 1' around the edge of the protector.

As a means of protecting the covering tape 4 for the wire 2 from excessive wear and as a means to guard against slipping, there is provided a series of projecting portions adjacent the cord wire 2, herein shown as comprising a body portion 14 extending through the protector at the points mentioned and connecting head portions 15 and 16, there being further provided washers 17 and 18 on each side of the protector placed underneath the head portions.

If it is desired to use the shoe protector as a slipper, a suitable detachable sole 19 having a soft covering 20 thereon is inserted within the covering, as shown in Fig. 4, and the wire is drawn tight in the usual manner to position the covering snugly over the foot.

It is to be noted that after the cord wire extends through the eyelets 3 and 5 respectively, they are crossed and are taken to the opposite side of the protector and are inserted from the under side through the eyelets 8, 9 and 10, 11 respectively so that when the ends of the cord wire are pulled, the protector is drawn snugly and tightly over the foot thus holding it in position. The eyelets 9 and 11 should be placed a sufficient distance from the respective side edges of the covering so that when the flexible fabric end cords 6 and 7 are drawn tightly, the rear edge of the shoe covering will be drawn tightly and snugly over the fore part of the foot.

While but one preferred form of this invention is herein shown certain changes and modifications thereof may be made without departing from the spirit and scope of this invention.

I claim:

1. A shoe protector comprising a main body portion to cover the front of the foot, said body portion having an edge which extends around the edge and under the sole of the shoe and a cord wire slidably extending around the edge of said shoe protector to draw the covering snugly over the foot and to adjust the covering for different sizes.

2. A combination shoe protector and anti-slip device comprising a main body portion to cover the forward part of the foot, said body portion having edges extending around the side of and under the sole, a flexible wire cord slidably extending around the edges of said main body, said wire cord having free ends projecting rearward of the foot adapted to be tightened to snugly position the covering on the foot and anti-slip projections carried by the edges of the main body portion under the sole adjacent to the wire.

3. A shoe protector comprising a main body portion to cover the forward part of the foot, said body portion having an edge extending underneath and around the sole, a flexible wire cord slidably carried in said edge and having free ends projecting rearwardly of the foot, a pair of eyelets carried on each side and rearward of the body, the ends of said wire cord being crossed and carried through the above-named respective pair of eyelets, and a fabric cord attached to each end of the flexible cord wire whereby when said cord is pulled and the ends are tied, the protector may be readily positioned on feet of varying sizes.

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