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SHOE HORN.

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Fig. 1.

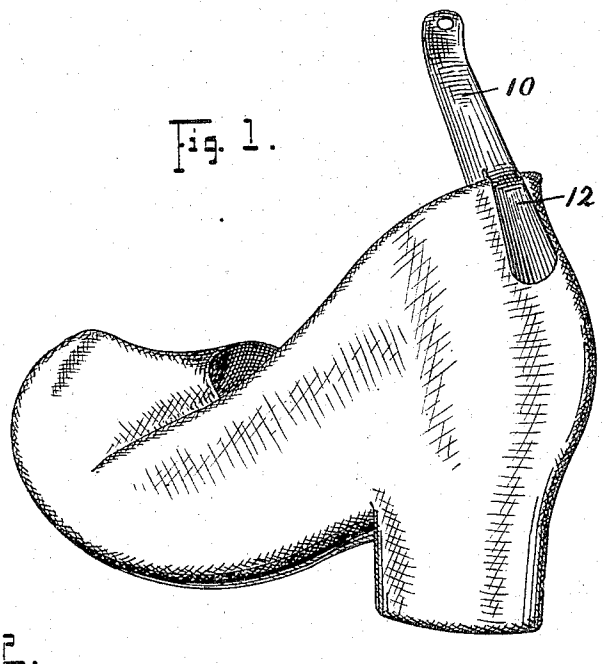


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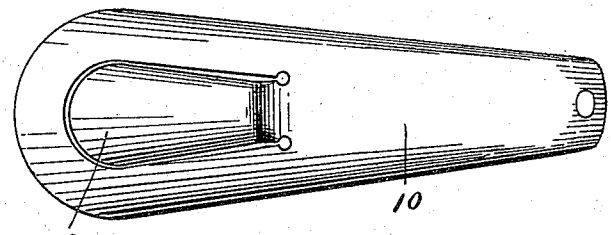
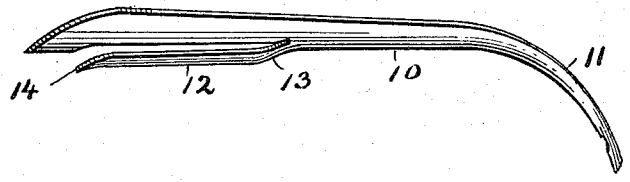


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES B. FOX, a citizen of the United States, residing at Providence, in the county of Providence and State of Rhode Island, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shoe-Horns, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in shoe horns, and more particularly to that type of shoe horn which is employed for facilitating the application of the slipper or rubber over shoe to the foot or shoe respectively.

One object of the invention is to provide a shoe horn in which the same is bodily supported by its application to the rubber shoe or slipper.

Another object of the invention is to provide a shoe horn which grips the upper edge of the shoe so as to prevent wrinkling of the same in applying the rubber shoe or slipper into position.

Still another object of the invention is to provide a shoe horn in which the upper edge of the heel portion is firmly gripped by the said horn so that the shoe is readily applied, thereby obviating the necessity of using two hands in applying the shoe or over shoe.

In the drawings illustrating the invention Figure 1 is a perspective view of the device applied to an over shoe. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the device, and Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the device showing the clamping tongue.

Appertaining more definitely to the drawings in which the same reference numerals apply to similar parts, I will describe my invention as follows: The shoe horn consists of a concaved blank 10 which readily conforms to the shape of the heel. The outer end of this blank is rearwardly bent as at 11, near the opposite end of the blank and located centrally thereof is a resilient tongue 12, which is cut from the concaved blank and pressed rearwardly therefrom. The tongue is connected to the concaved blank by the web 13, which acts as a stop or gage in the application of the shoe horn to the shoe or slipper. The free end of this tongue is provided with a lip portion 14, which facilitates the application of the horn into position.

In applying my invention to a rubber shoe or slipper which is to be applied to the foot, the horn is affixed to the upper edge of the heel portion by having the tongue to the outside of the shoe, while the concaved portion of the body blank is to the inside. It will readily be seen that the resiliency between the tongue and the body blank will securely support the horn upon the shoe. This feature as before mentioned asserts a gripping action to the desired part of the heel portion of the shoe or slipper that is to be applied into position and also prevents the wrinkling of the upper edge thereof.

What I claim is:—

1. A shoe horn consisting of a blank, an integral tongue stamped from and extending rearwardly of said blank constituting a gripping means.

2. A shoe horn consisting of a concaved blank, an integral resilient tongue stamped from and extending rearwardly of said blank constituting a gripping means.

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

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