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SHOE CAP.

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Fig. 1.

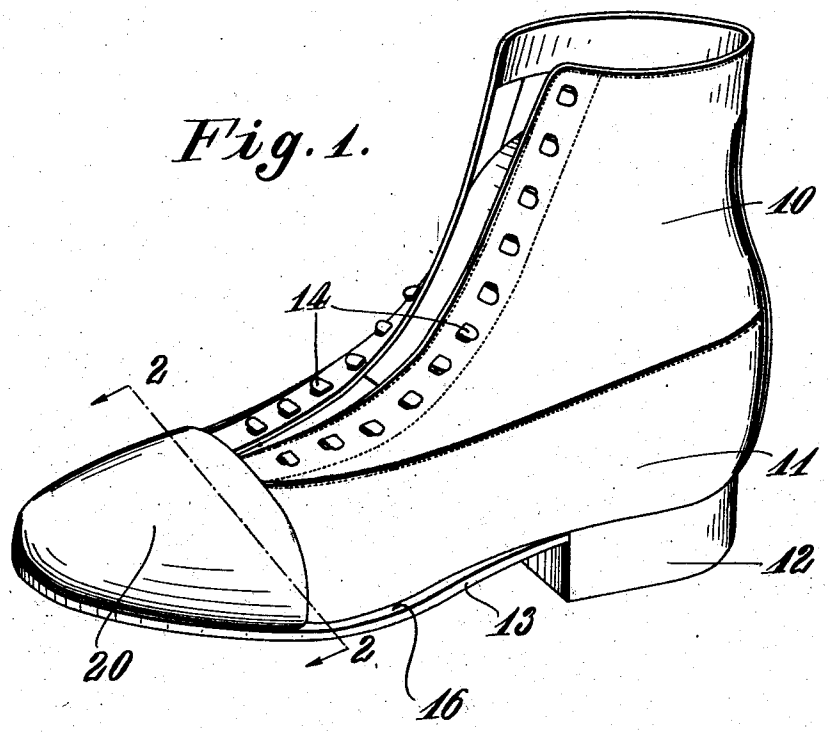


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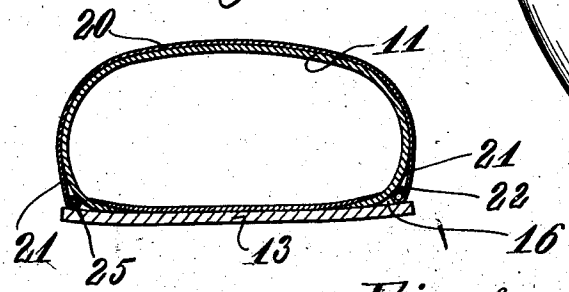


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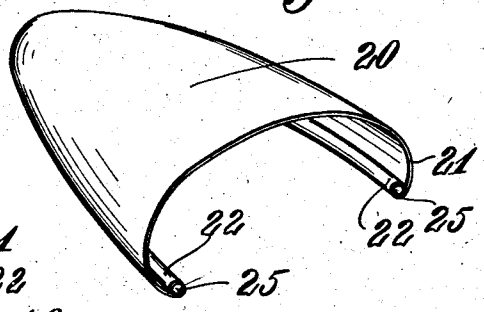


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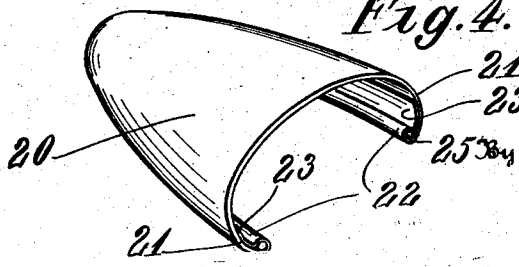
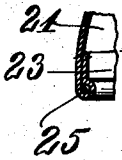


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WENDELIN PASS, a citizen of the United States, resident of Export, county of Westmoreland, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shoe-Caps, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in the construction of shoe caps, and has as its principal object the provision of a removable cap, whereby the front part of a shoe may be protected from abrasions, scratches and like disfigurements.

A further object is to provide the protecting devices in forms which may be readily applied or removed without the use of any tools or appliances whatever.

These and other like objects are attained by the novel construction and combination of parts hereafter described and shown in the accompanying drawing, forming a material part of this specification, and in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a shoe indicating the application of the invention.

Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view taken on line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the cap in detail.

Fig. 4 is a similar perspective view showing a modified form of construction, and

Fig. 5 is a fragmental view showing a section of the same.

Fig. 1 shows a conventional form of shoe consisting of uppers 10, vamp 11, heel 12, and sole 13, the uppers being provided with common place fastenings 14.

The improvements consist in a cap 20, made of any suitable material, and which is shaped so that it can be passed over the toe of the shoe, the extreme lower surrounding edges of the cap being formed into a rolled beading 22 adapted to enter the narrow annular opening 15, formed between the sole 13 and uppers 11, whereby the cap is held in engagement.

In the form shown in Fig. 4, the material of the cap, in addition to the beading 22, is turned reëntrantly upon itself and doubled upward along the side walls 21, the flanges 23 being secured tightly to the cap sides 21 as best shown in Fig. 4.

An additional stiffening or resilient element 26 is inserted in the beading 22 causing it to adhere firmly to the crevice between the uppers and sole of the shoe. Thus the toe cap is resiliently held in position and effectively guards the front upper portion of the shoe.

The operation of placing it in position will be obvious from the illustration, which merely consists of grasping the toe cap and pressing it toward the heel of the shoe, whereupon the beaded element 22 will become engaged with sufficient tenacity for ordinary wear, but obviously, can be removed when desired.

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

1. A shoe cap comprising an integral arcuate resilient guard member disposable over the upper front part of a shoe, and means formed with the lower edges of said cap adapted to resiliently engage between the shoe upper and sole.

2. In a shoe cap, the combination of an arcuate resilient member adapted to be disposed over the upper front part of a shoe, a beading formed with the lower edges of said cap, said beading being adapted to resiliently engage between the shoe uppers and sole thereof, and a reinforcing integral lining extending from said beading whereby said member is materially strengthened along its lower edges.

3. In a removable shoe cap, the combination of a resilient flexible arcuate member adapted to be disposed over the upper front portion of a shoe, a beaded roll formed with the lower edges of said cap adapted to frictionally engage between the sole and uppers of the shoe, a resilient wire inserted in said beaded roll whereby the lateral edges of said cap are held to the shoe, and a reentrantly turned integral flange extending upward interiorly of said cap beyond said beaded roll.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature.

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