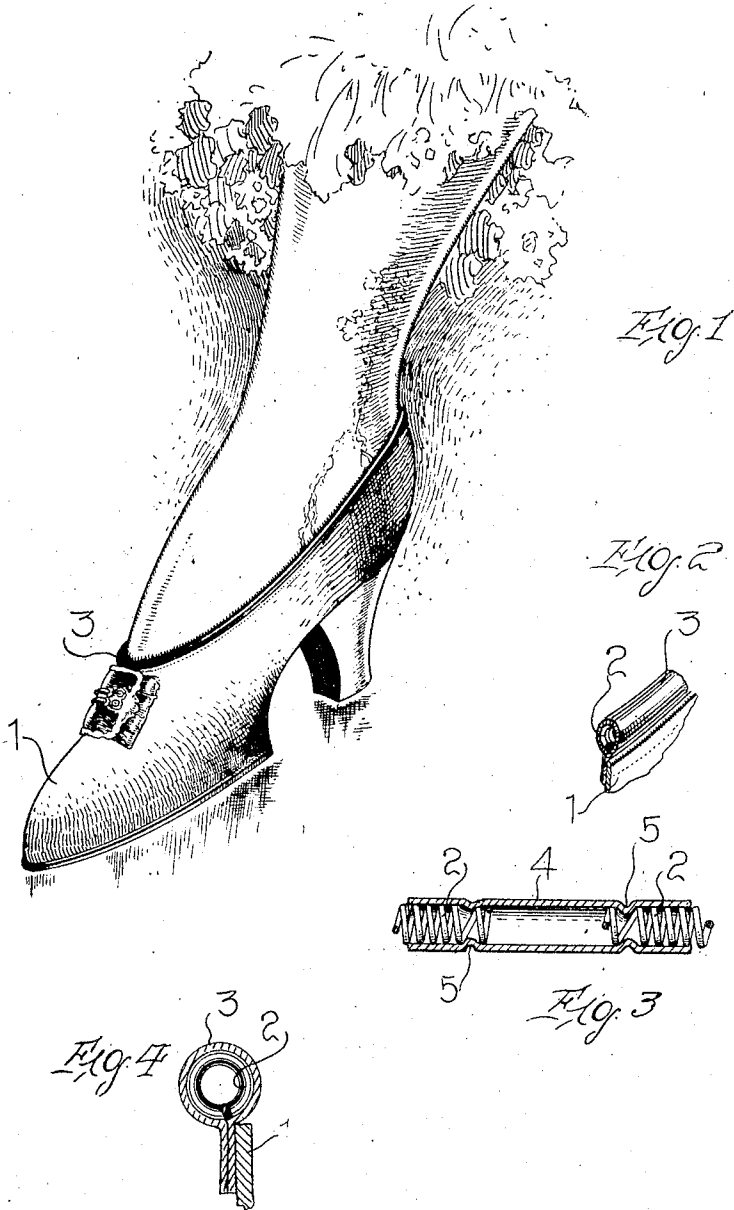


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, RICHARD H. FULLERTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Beverly, in the county of Essex and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Attachments for Slippers, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to new and useful improvements in attachments for shoes and more particularly to an attachment for slippers and pumps and the primary object of the invention is to provide an attachment which will prevent the stretching of the mouth of the slipper or pump after use thereof.

A further object of the invention resides in providing a yielding member in the edge of the slipper or pump forming the mouth thereof, whereby to snugly fit about the foot at all times and a still further object resides in providing an attachment which is simple in construction, inexpensive to manufacture and one which will be very efficient in use.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists in the novel features of construction, combination and arrangement of parts as will be hereinafter referred to and more particularly pointed out in the specification and claim.

In the accompanying drawing forming a part of this application, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a slipper showing an attachment constructed in accordance with my invention applied to use thereon. Fig. 2 is a fragmentary perspective view of the attachment with the coil spring therein, parts being disclosed in section. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal section through the connecting means for the ends of the coil spring; and Fig. 4 is a transverse section through the shoe at the mouth edge, showing the attachment applied thereto.

In describing my invention, I shall refer to the drawing in which similar reference characters designate corresponding parts throughout the several views and in which 1 indicates a slipper or pump of the usual or any preferred type and my invention contemplates the provision of a means in connection with the upper edge or mouth thereof to prevent the same from slipping

from the foot and also to prevent the same from stretching after some use thereof. To this end, I provide a coil spring 2 which is entirely inclosed or incased in a tubular shield or strip 3, the latter being stitched or otherwise similarly secured to the upper edge or mouth of the slipper. This coil spring 2 has the ends thereof secured together by means of a substantially tubular section 4, the same being indented or grooved, as shown at 5 for securely engaging the spring. Through this medium the ends of the coil spring are held securely together and properly positioned within the casing or covering 3 for said spring.

When the tubular casing 3 with the coil spring therein is properly applied to the upper edge or mouth of the shoe, it will be seen that the spring will have yielding engagement with the foot of the wearer and obviously retain the shoe in place on the foot. Furthermore, it will be seen that this coil spring, will fit snugly about the foot and thus prevent the stretching of the mouth of the shoe which is ordinarily true in slippers and pumps after short use thereof. This attachment will prevent the slipper or pump from stretching and will insure a snugness throughout the use of the shoe.

From the foregoing it will be seen that I have provided a simple, inexpensive and efficient means for carrying out the objects of the invention and while I have particularly described the elements best adapted to perform the functions set forth, it is obvious that various changes in form, proportion and in the minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the principles of the invention.

Having thus described this invention, what I claim is:—

The combination with a slipper; of a tubular covering extending and secured to said slipper about the foot receiving opening thereof, and a coil spring within said covering, said spring having its ends connected.

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

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