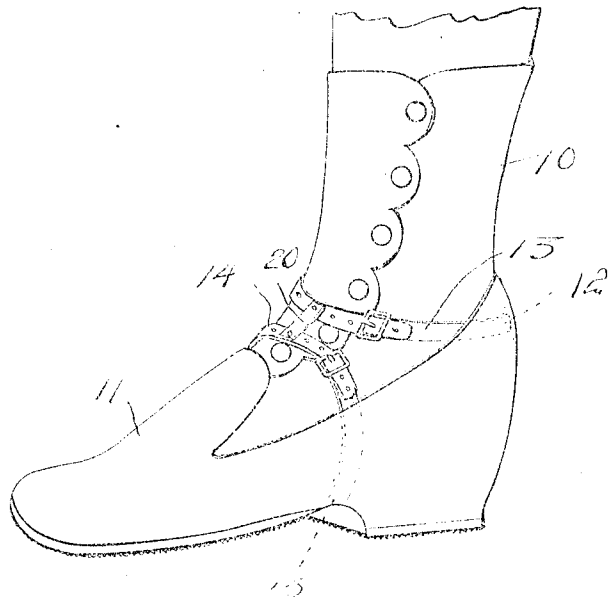
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FLORA C. REED, a citizen of the United States, residing at Paonia, in the county of Delta, State of Colorado, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Rubber-Holders; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

It is the object of this invention to provide "rubbers" or overshoes with means that will hold or keep them on the outer shoes when walking in mud and at other times where and when the overshoes are likely to be pulled off, particularly when they are not fitted on tightly, which is not desirable for reasons well known to the wearers of rubber overshoes.

The invention may be carried out by providing two straps and connecting one with the upper inside margin of the shoe at the back above the heel and adapting it to be secured in front above the high portion of the instep, and fastening the other strap to the sole of the shoe, either inside or outside, and bringing the ends up over the shoe adjacent to where the first-mentioned strap is fastened and securing said ends together and to the first-mentioned strap, so that they will not slide down out of place.

The invention is clearly shown in the annexed drawing, forming a part of this specification, in view of which it will first be described in detail with respect to its construction and mode of operation and then be particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

The drawing is a perspective view of the invention showing it as in place on an overshoe that is on an ordinary shoe on the foot of the wearer.

In the drawing, 10 designates an ordinary outer shoe, over which there is drawn a "rubber" or overshoe 11 of usual form.

To the inside margin of the upper edge of the overshoe above the heel, as at 12, there is secured a strap 13, the ends of which are brought around the ankle of the wearer and secured by buckling or otherwise above the instep.

14 designates another strap that is secured to the sole 15 of the overshoe 11, on its inner side near the heel, and the ends of said strap are brought up over the instep and secured together at a point adjacent to the point at which the ends of the strap 13 are fastened, and the two straps may be secured together at this point to keep them from slipping out of place by a short connecting strap 21.

With this construction and arrangement of parts, neither the sole or heel of the overshoe is liable to be pulled away from the ordinary shoe.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is:

1. An overshoe provided with a strap secured to the inner margin above the heel and having the ends provided with fastening means adapted to be brought together from opposite sides above the instep, and a second strap secured to the inner sole on the inside of the overshoe and having its ends provided with fastening means that are adapted to be brought together above the high point of the instep adjacent to the fastenings of the first-mentioned strap and a short strap connecting the latter with the first-mentioned strap.

2. An overshoe provided with a strap secured to the inner surface of the margin above the heel and having the ends provided with fastening means adapted to be brought together from opposite sides above the instep, and a second strap secured to the inner sole of the overshoe and having its ends provided with fastening means, said ends being brought up above the high point of the instep and connected with the first-mentioned strap.

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

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