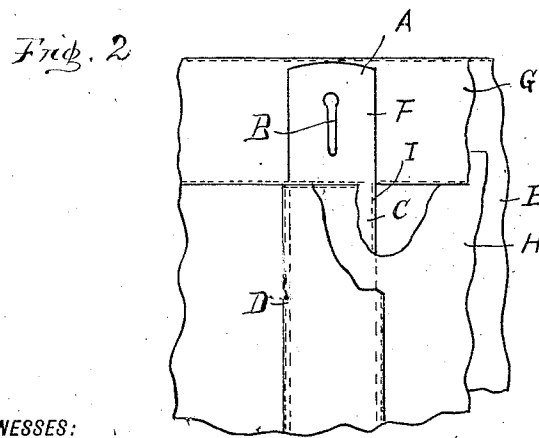
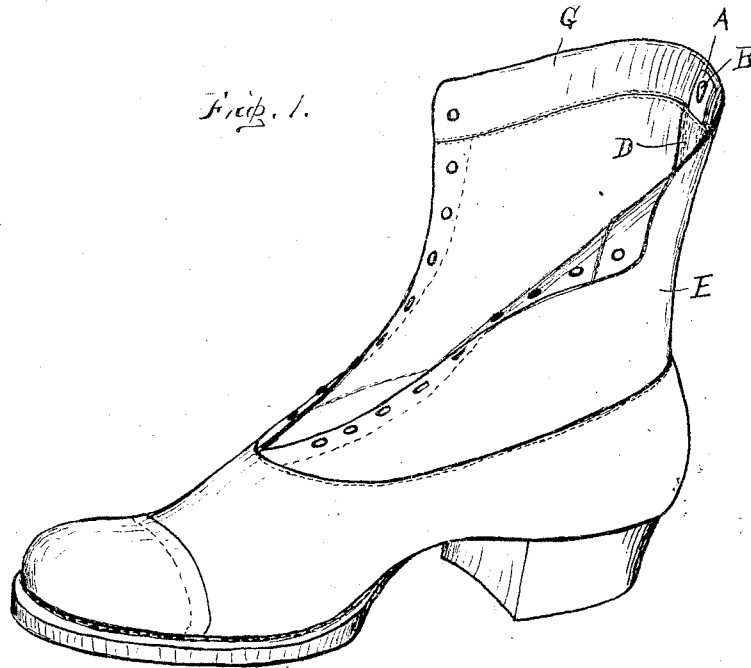


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM STEWART PARRY, a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of Fort Wayne, in the county of Allen and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pull-Straps for Shoes, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in pull straps for shoes and the object thereof is to provide means for drawing a shoe upon the foot, which means will become invisible when the shoe is in place.

The object of the improvement is accomplished by the construction illustrated in the accompanying drawings in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a shoe provided with this invention; and Fig. 2 is a detail view showing the inner face of the rear portion of the upper.

Similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both views, and referring now to the same:—

A is the pull-strap and consists of leather or other suitable material formed in a straight single strip and provided with an opening B in its upper end that extends through its face. This strip is secured to the shoe with its lower portion C extending downwardly between the inside back stay D and the outer thickness E of the upper, and its upper free end F extending in front of the facing G to a point approximately at the top of the upper. The lining H of the upper may extend back of or in front of the pull strap as desired.

The strap is secured in place by stitches I which are made sufficiently numerous as to

insure a secure holding, and the upper portion F is left free of stitches so that it may be pressed away from contact with the facing G to admit of the insertion in the opening B, of an instrument (not shown), such for example as a common button hook.

In putting on a shoe provided with this invention, it is the intention that an instrument of the character mentioned shall be connected with the upper end of the strap through its opening B so that the shoe may be forced upon the foot by pulling with the instrument instead of grasping the pull-strap in the ordinary way with the fingers. When the shoe is in place upon the foot, the instrument is then disconnected, leaving the strap concealed between the upper and the leg of the wearer.

What I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:—

A shoe having a pull strap comprising a single strip having in its upper end an opening extending through its face for the insertion of an instrument, the lower portion of the strap being secured to the upper below the facing, and the upper portion of the strap extending in front of the facing to a point approximately at the top of the upper and being free to be pressed from contact therewith to facilitate the insertion of the instrument.

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

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