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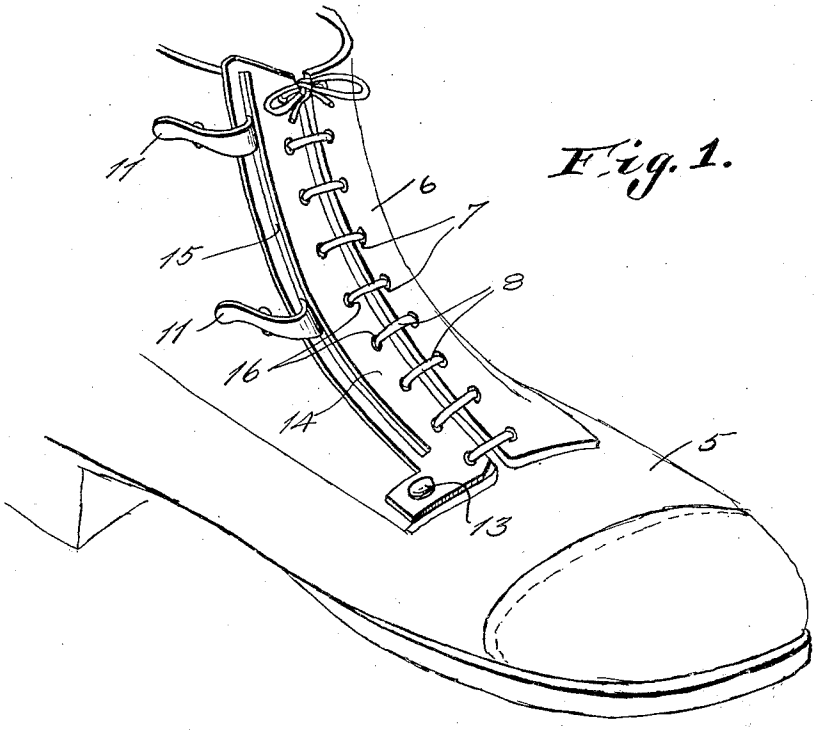
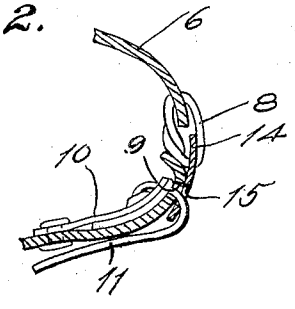


Fig. 1.

Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PHILIP HAAG, a citizen of the United States, residing at Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Attachments for Shoes, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in shoe attachments and is designed to provide a device to permit of the ready application and securing of a shoe to the foot.

Another object of the invention resides in the provision of a means for adjusting the shoe across the instep and about the ankle of a wearer and to permit the shoe to be removed and replaced on the foot without changing the adjustment.

With the above and other objects in view, the invention consists in the novel construction, combination and arrangements of parts which will be fully set forth in the following specification, claimed and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a portion of a shoe showing this device applied thereto, and

Fig. 2 is a horizontal sectional view through a portion of the shoe, illustrating in detail the fastening means.

Referring to the drawings by characters of reference the numeral 5 designates a shoe of the ordinary construction provided with the usual upper 6. This upper is provided at one of its forward edges with a longitudinal series of openings 7 for the reception of the shoe lace 8. Formed in the opposite edge of the upper is a plurality of slots 9 through which the fastening means extends. The fastener is designated by the numeral 10 and is of the ordinary type of fastener used on arctics which are ordinarily provided with the securing tongues 12.

Riveted or otherwise secured to the edge of the upper in which the slots 9 are formed and adjacent the lower end of said edge as at 13 is a plate 14 formed with a longitudinal slot 15 adjacent its outer edge. As illustrated in Fig. 1, this slot 15 extends throughout the entire length of the plate 14 and said plate is provided with a longitudinal series of apertures 16 adjacent its inner edge for coöperation with the apertures 7 in receiving the lace 8.

In use, the shoe is applied to the foot with the fastening tongues 11 extending through the slot 15 of the plate 14 whereupon the shoe is laced in the ordinary manner and the laces adjusted about the instep and ankle of the wearer. When it is desired to remove the shoe the fastening tongues 11 are swung to releasing position and the same may then be withdrawn from the slot 15 in the plate 14 thereby permitting the removal of the shoe without changing the adjustment of the lace. Owing to the fact that the slot 15 extends practically throughout the entire length of the plate 14 it will be obvious that freedom of the ankle will not in any way be interfered with.

While in the foregoing there has been shown and described the preferred embodiment of this invention, it is to be understood that certain minor changes in the details of construction, combination and arrangement of parts may be resorted to without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed.

What is claimed as new is:—

1. The combination with a shoe, of a plurality of fastenings near one edge of the upper of said shoe, a plate adapted to be connected with the upper by said fasteners, said plate being provided with a plurality of apertures arranged in a longitudinal row near one edge, the opposite edge of the upper being provided with a similar series of apertures and a lace for insertion in the apertures for adjusting the upper about the foot and ankle of the wearer.

2. The combination with a shoe having an upper open at its forward side to provide a pair of parallel edges, of a plate secured at its lower end to one edge of the upper, said plate being provided with a longitudinal slot adjacent its outer edge and a longitudinal row of apertures adjacent its inner edge, fasteners secured to the shoe upper adjacent the edge to which the plate is attached, the fasteners adapted to extend through the slot to removably secure the plate in place and allow free longitudinal movement of said plate relatively to the shoe, the opposite edge of the upper being provided with a longitudinal row of apertures and a lace adapted to be passed through the apertures.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature.

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