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SHOE LACE GUARD.
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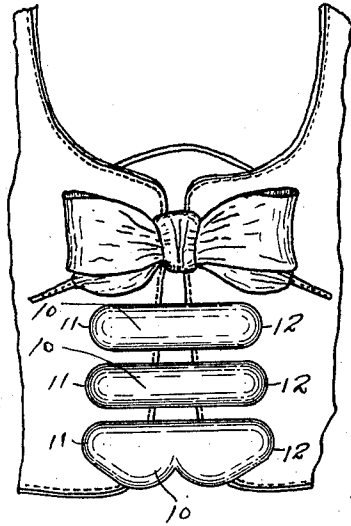


Fig. 1.

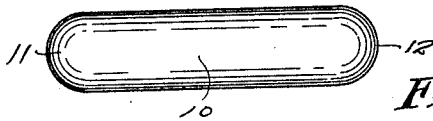


Fig. 5

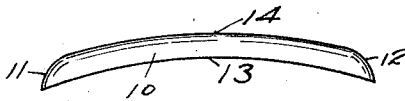


Fig. 4

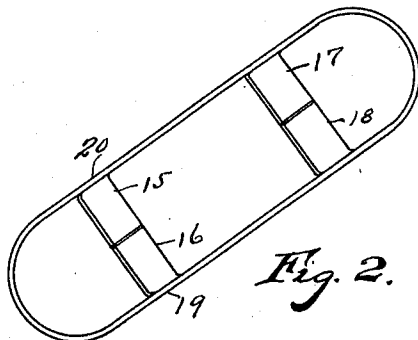


Fig. 2.

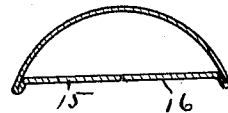


Fig. 3

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK COLT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Wallace, in the county of Shoshone and State of Idaho, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shoe-Lace Guards; 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.

This invention relates to shoe lace guards and the object is to provide an ornamental device which may be secured over the lacing of a shoe in order to cover the said lacing and the eyelets.

In the accompanying drawings forming a part of this application:—Figure 1 is a view of a portion of a shoe with several of the guards applied thereto. Fig. 2 is a bottom plan view of one of the guards. Fig. 3 is a section through the device as shown in Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a side view. Fig. 5 is a top plan view.

The guard shown in the drawings and indicated by 10 consists of an elongated plate having curved and rounded ends 11 and 12 and is formed with a concave portion 13 on its lower side and a convex portion 14 on its upper side.

Connected with the sides of the member 10 and preferably formed integrally there-

with are ears 15, 16, 17 and 18 which project inwardly and meet at their ends, forming substantially continuous cross bars. It is obvious that if desired I may make these cross bars in a single piece and secure them at their ends to the lower side edges 19 and 20 of the member 10.

The device is arranged transversely of the lacing opening and covers the lacing, as shown in Fig. 1, and also the eyelets, the lacing being passed through the device, that is to say, between the body portion thereof and the ears above referred to.

It is intended that the guard shall be made in any desired ornamental form and may if desired be studded with gems. In the upper portion of Fig. 1, one form of ornamental guard is illustrated.

What I claim is:—

A shoe lace guard comprising a substantially semi-circular curved body portion open upon its under concave side, and lace-engaging fingers extending from each side toward the opposite side and into engagement and contained wholly within the hollow of the body portion.

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

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