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Fig. 1.

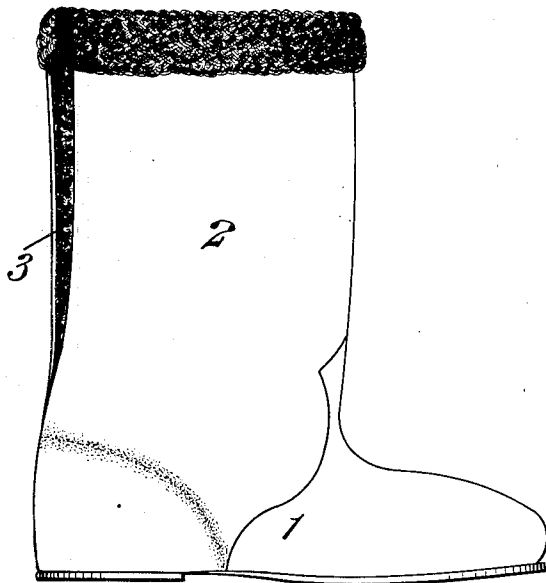


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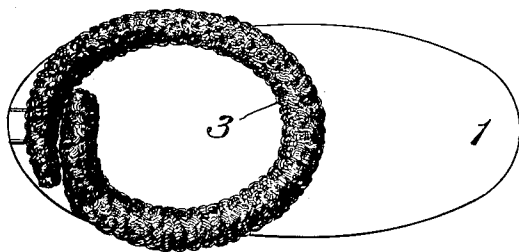


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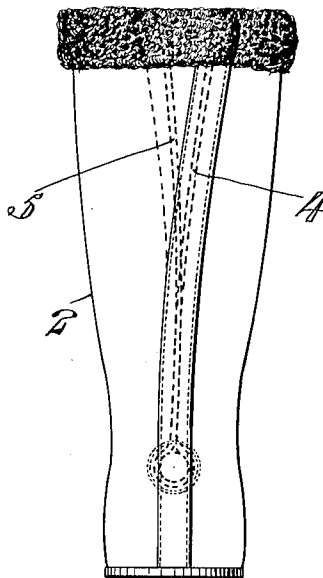
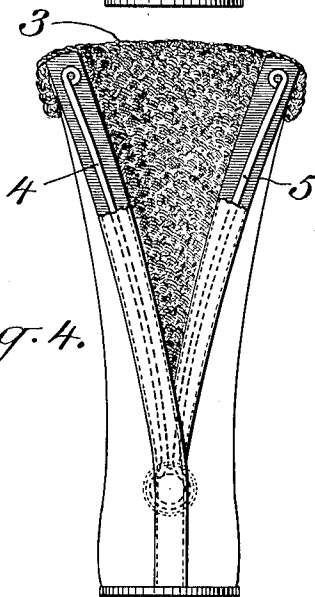


Fig. 4.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT FOX, a citizen of the United States, and resident of New Rochelle, in the county of Westchester and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Boots, of which the following is a specification.

My invention consists in certain improvements in boots and is particularly well adapted for use in connection with automobile boots where the boot is put on over the shoe of the wearer and where it is desirable that the foot of the wearer may be readily inserted and withdrawn from the boot.

With this object in view my invention provides for separating the leg portion of the boot from its top to a point adjacent to the foot portion along the back of the boot and providing the separated leg portions with a spring, the branches of which are extended along the edges of the separated leg portions so as to cause them to overlap each other to permit the leg portion of the boot to snugly embrace the leg of the wearer.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents the boot in side elevation, Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the same, Fig. 3 is a back view of the boot with the separated portions in their normal overlapped position, and Fig. 4 is a similar view showing the separated portions spread apart for facilitating the insertion and withdrawal of the foot of the wearer, the upper parts of the separated leg portions being broken away to show the branches of the spring which normally holds the separated leg portions closed.

The foot portion of the boot is denoted by 1 and its leg portion by 2. The boot herein represented is particularly well adapted as

an automobile boot and is shown as being provided with a fleece lining 3. The boot is separated along the back of its leg portion from the top to a point adjacent to the foot portion for facilitating the insertion and withdrawal of the foot of the wearer.

A spring is secured in the back of the boot with its branches 4 and 5 extending along the edges of the separated leg portions, the spring being of such shape that its branches will tend to normally cause the separated leg portions to overlap each other for permitting the leg portion to snugly embrace the leg of the wearer. The boot will thus be well adapted for use as a protection against the elements and, at the same time, may be readily put on and taken off and will, at all times, present a neat and attractive appearance when in use. Furthermore, the use of elastic webbing or gores is entirely obviated.

What I claim is:—

A boot separated along the back of its leg portion from the top to a point adjacent to the foot portion for facilitating the insertion and withdrawal of the shoe of the wearer, and provided with a spring vertically disposed in the edges of the separated leg portions, the said separated leg portions being normally held in overlapping engagement, for snugly embracing the leg of the wearer, solely by means of said spring.

In testimony, that I claim the foregoing as my invention, I have signed my name in presence of two witnesses, this 30th day of March 1906.

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