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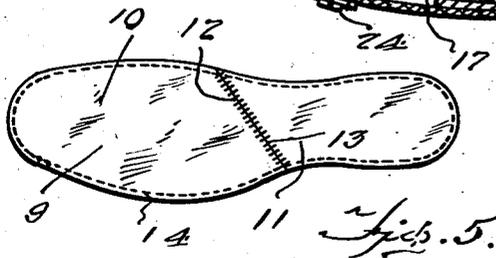
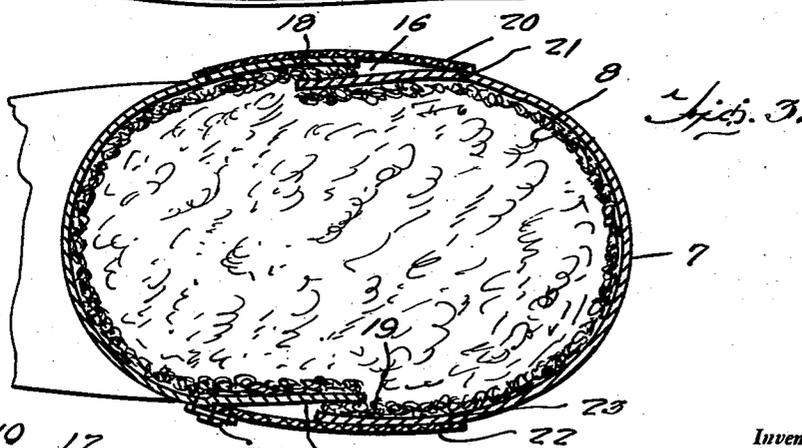
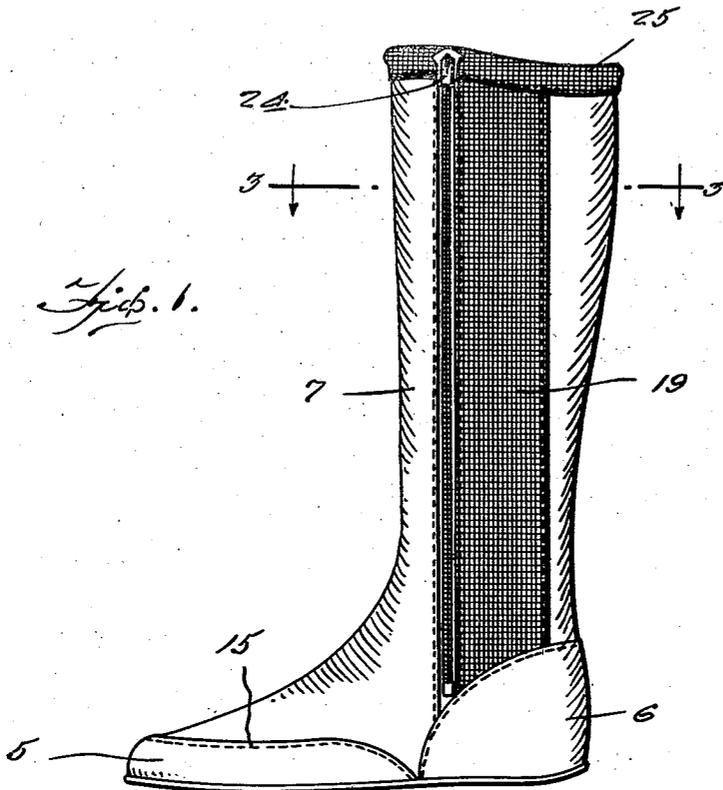
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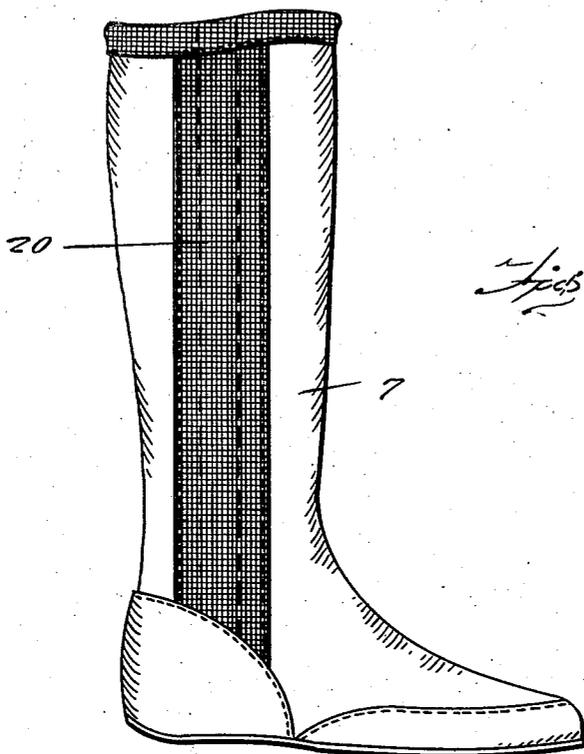
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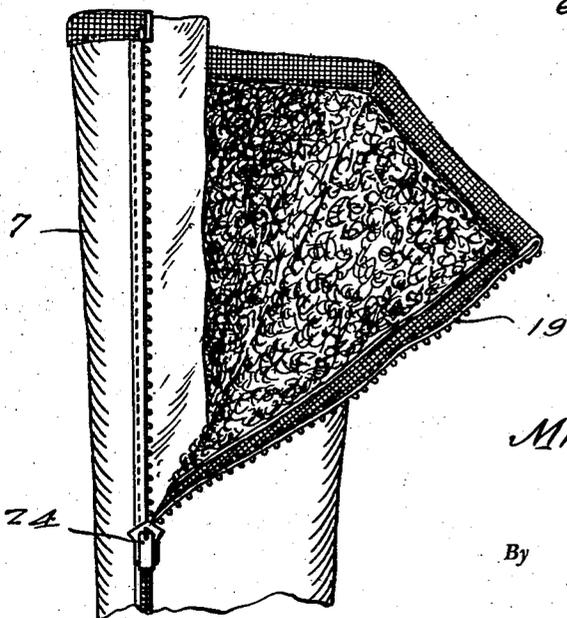
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*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 4.*

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## BOOT SOCK

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### 2-Claims. (Cl. 36—10)

The present invention relates to new and useful improvements in socks adapted to be worn inside of boots to add to the warmth and comfort of the wearer and the invention has for its primary object to provide an article of this character constructed of lamb skin and including a foot portion and leg portion adapted to cover the calf of the leg of the wearer and in which the leg portion is provided with an elastic insert at each side thereof adapted for adjusting the article to the leg of the wearer and in which one of the inserts is provided with a slide fastener adapted to facilitate the placing of the article on the foot and removing the same therefrom.

A further object is to provide an article of this character of simple and practical construction, which is neat and attractive in appearance, relatively inexpensive to manufacture, and otherwise well adapted for the purposes for which the same is intended.

Other objects and advantages reside in the details of construction and operation as more fully hereinafter described and claimed, reference being had to the accompanying drawings forming part hereof, wherein like numerals refer to like parts throughout and in which:

Figure 1 is a side elevational view showing the outside of the article.

Figure 2 is a similar view showing the inside of the article.

Figure 3 is a transverse sectional view taken substantially on a line 3—3 of Figure 1.

Figure 4 is a fragmentary perspective view showing the slide fastener in partially open position, and

Figure 5 is a bottom plan view of the sole of the sock.

Referring now to the drawings in detail, wherein for the purpose of illustration I have disclosed a preferred embodiment of the invention, the numeral 5 designates the toe portion of the sock while the numeral 6 designates the heel portion thereof, and the numeral 7 designates the leg portion.

The portions 5, 6 and 7 are constructed of lamb skin with the smooth skin portion outermost and the nap portion designated at 8 on the inside of the boot next to the foot of the wearer.

The toe and heel portions 5 and 6 are secured on the sole 9 which likewise has the smooth skin side of the material outermost and the sole portion is constructed in toe and heel sections 10 and 11 connected along the line 12 by stitching 13 and the toe and heel sections 10 and 11 are connected to the toe and heel portions 5 and 6

by stitching 14. Likewise the upper edges of the toe and heel portions 5 and 6 are connected at their upper edges to the leg portion 7 by stitching 15.

The leg portion 7, at the outer and inner sides thereof, is split vertically as shown at 16 and 17, the rear edge of the split section 16 extending forwardly in overlapping relation with respect to the front edge thereof as shown at 18 and the front edge of the split section 17 extends in overlapping relation inwardly as shown at 19 with respect to the rear edge of the split section 16 as shown to advantage in Figure 3 of the drawings. Accordingly, the leg section is free to expand in accordance with the size of the leg of the wearer.

The split section 16 is covered by an elastic strip 20 which may be constructed of a composition of knitted cotton and rubber, or other suitable material, sewed to the outer surface of the leg portion 7 by stitching 21. A similar elastic strip 22 is secured over the split section 17, one edge of the strip 22 being secured by stitching 23 and the other edge of the strip 22 being secured in a closed position by a conventional form of slide or "zipper" fastener 24.

A binding of elastic material 25 is also secured around the upper edge of the leg portion 7.

The elastic strips 20 and 22 provide proper ventilation, eliminating perspiration which produces cold feet, and at the same time provides for the necessary expansion of the leg portion to facilitate placing the sock on the foot and when removing the sock therefrom.

It will be understood the sock constructed according to my invention may be worn as a foot covering without a boot, and may also be constructed without the slide fastener, if desired, and further may be provided with a sole and heel portion for conformably fitting in an overshoe of the arctic type.

It is believed the details of construction and manner of use of the device will be readily understood from the foregoing without further detailed explanation.

Having thus described the invention what I claim is:

1. A boot sock comprising a foot portion and a leg portion, the latter being adapted to cover the calf portion of the leg of a wearer, said foot and leg portions being formed of inelastic material, said leg portion being split vertically at opposite sides, one edge of the split overlapping the other edge and both of said edges being free of each other, and elastic strips extending the

full length of the slits, each vertical edge of the elastic strips being secured to the outer surface of the leg portion at points in substantially spaced parallelism to the vertical edges of the split and covering the latter.

2. A boot sock comprising a foot portion and a leg portion, the latter being adapted to cover the calf portion of the leg of a wearer, said foot and leg portions being formed of inelastic material, said leg portion being split vertically at 10 opposite sides, one edge of the split overlapping the other edge and both of said edges being free

of each other, elastic strips extending the full length of the slits, each vertical edge of the elastic strips being secured to the outer surface of the leg portion at points in substantially spaced parallelism to the vertical edges of the split and 5 covering the latter, one edge of one of the elastic strips being connected to the overlapping edge of its corresponding split inwardly of the free edge of the latter, and a detachable fastener 10 connecting the outer edge of said elastic strip to the boot inwardly of the free edge of the split.

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