

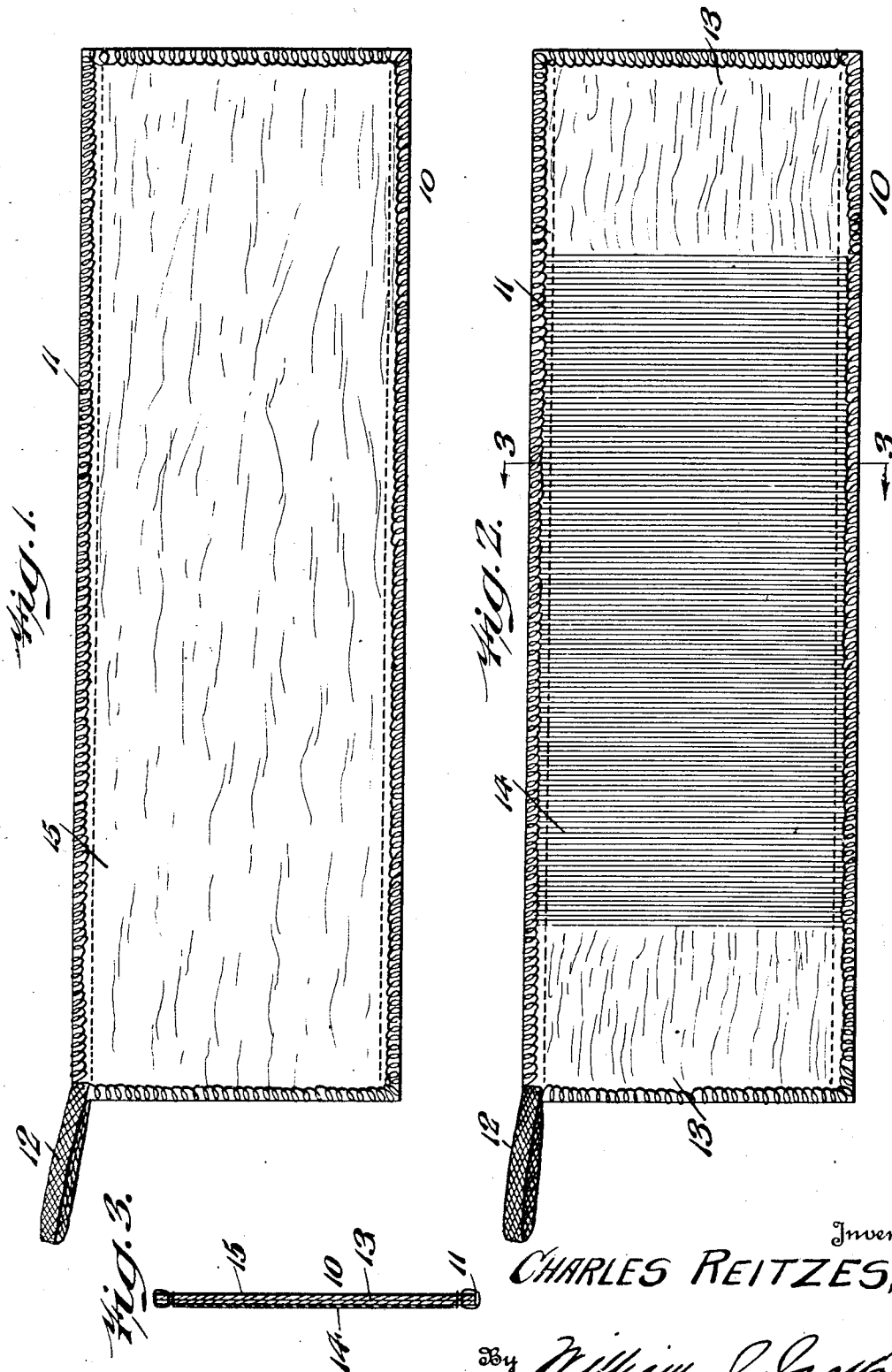
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SHOE POLISHING CLOTH

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This invention, generally stated, relates to shoe polishing devices and has more especial relation to shoe polishing cloths.

The leading object of the present invention is to provide a shoe cloth of elongated form adapted to be held at each end by the person using the same in frictional contact with a shoe, one face of said cloth having applied thereto a preparation or dressing calculated to leave upon the shoe surface the equivalent of conventional shoe paste and the opposite face of which cloth is of soft, pliable characteristics for polishing purposes.

A further object is to provide an arrangement, construction and connection of parts for attaining the results sought by said leading object.

The invention consists of the novel construction hereinafter described and finally claimed.

The nature, characteristic features and scope of the invention will be more fully understood from the following description taken in connection with the accompanying drawings forming part hereof, and in which:

Fig. 1 is a face view of my novel shoe polishing cloth.

Fig. 2 is a view of the opposite side thereof, and

Fig. 3 is a view thereof in cross-section taken upon the line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

For the purpose of illustrating my invention I have shown in the accompanying drawings one form thereof which is at present preferred by me since the same has been found in practice to give satisfactory and reliable results, although it is to be understood that the various instrumentalities of which my invention consists can be variously arranged and organized and that my invention is not limited to the precise arrangement and organization of the instrumentalities as herein shown and described.

Referring to the drawings in detail, there is disclosed a shoe cloth preferably of elongated form adapted to be grasped at each end by the user when employed in frictional

contact with a shoe. The cloth may comprise one or more plies and is preferably made of high grade flannel although obviously other material may be employed. When more than one ply is used the same may be stitched together and even in the case of a single ply the edges are overseamed in order to prevent fraying of the material. For illustrative purposes I have shown in the drawings a shoe cloth designated 10 and comprised of two plies. The edges are overseamed at 11 and a loop 12 as tape is provided in order to suspend the cloth when not in use. One face of the cloth is impregnated with a suitable shoe dressing or with conventional shoe paste in a suitable relatively moist condition and permitted to dry at room temperature, or in other words, without the application of heat. It is preferable to leave at each end of the cloth an uncoated portion 13 so as not to soil the hands of the user and the central or coated portion is designated 14. This central, coated portion when frictionally applied over the surface of a shoe functions to leave sufficient dressing or paste upon the shoe for polishing purposes. The opposite face 15 of the cloth is soft and pliable and is used to produce the desired polish. Obviously the material applied to the cloth, for shoe dressing purposes may be black, brown, tan, or other shades, as are well known in the shoe findings trade. While the shape of cloth disclosed is my preferred form, obviously other shaped cloths may be employed.

What I claim is:

In a device of the character described, a shoe polishing cloth comprising a textile strip having one face thereof thinly coated with a dry shoe dressing material substantially throughout its length but having the end portions of said strip free of said dressing material to provide a hand grip, the edges of said strip being secured against fraying.

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