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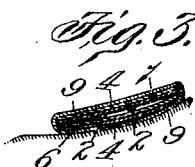
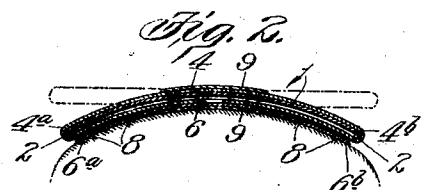
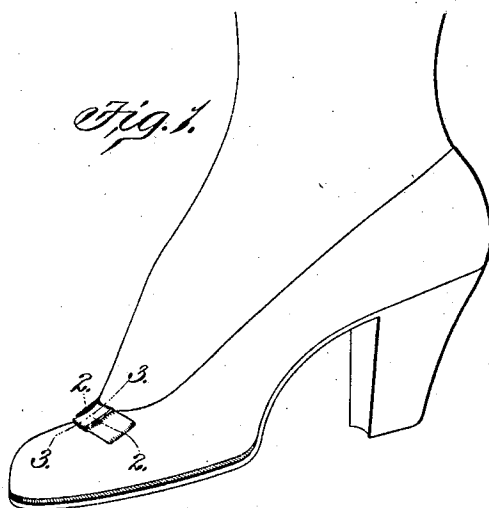
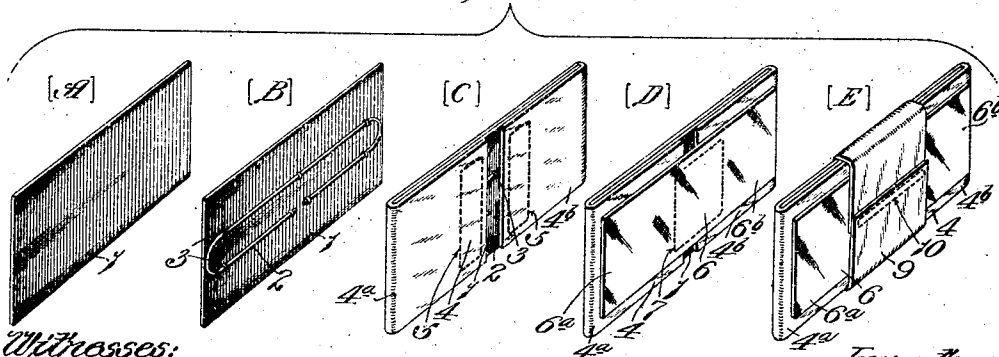


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ABRAHAM MANHEIMER, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city of St. Louis, State of Missouri, have invented a certain new and useful Bow for Ladies' Low-Cut Shoes, Slippers, and the Like, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part hereof, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my new bow in position on a lady's low-cut shoe or slipper; Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view through the bow on the line 2—2, Fig. 1; Fig. 3 is a transverse sectional view through the bow on the line 3—3, Fig. 1; and Fig. 4 is a group view showing my new bow in the several stages of formation thereof.

This invention relates to a certain new and useful bow particularly adapted for use on ladies' low-cut shoes, slippers, and the like, the object of my invention being to provide an ornamental bow for the articles stated which may be readily attached and secured in proper position on the shoe or slipper, which may be easily and economically manufactured, which is adapted when in use to be bent or curved to conform to and fit the contour of, and lie smoothly and flatwise upon, the front upper part of the shoe or slipper, and which will preserve or retain its original shape and present practically at all times a neat and attractive appearance.

With this object in view, my invention resides in the novel arrangement and combination of the several parts of my new bow, all as will hereinafter be described and afterward pointed out in the claims.

As shown in the accompanying drawings, wherein like reference characters refer to like parts throughout the several views, my new bow is made up or constructed substantially and preferably as shown in the several views of Fig. 4 and comprises preferably the following parts: 1 indicates a preferably elongated rectangular piece of any suitable comparatively stiff and somewhat flexible material, such as heavy buckram, this small sheet or piece of buckram being of any

proper size as desired and shown particularly in view A of Fig. 4. 2 indicates a preferably single piece of any suitable comparatively light flexible metallic material, such as light wire, which may be easily bent and which will, after being so bent, retain its bent shape. This wire 2 is preferably first bent upon itself to provide two slightly separated strands and is then secured, as by means of thread-stitches or the like 3, substantially centrally and longitudinally across one, which I will call the rear, side of said buckram or stiffening piece 1 with its ends closely adjacent each other, all as shown particularly in view B of Fig. 4. 4 indicates what might be called the body-portion of my bow. This body-portion 4 is preferably an elongated strip or ribbon of any suitable material, such as silk, velvet, or the like, and has a width substantially equal to, or slightly greater than, the width of stiffening-piece 1 and a length approximately equal to twice the length of said stiffening-piece 1, so as to completely cover one, the front, side of said buckram or stiffening-piece 1 and also substantially the other, or rear, side thereof, body-portion 4 being adapted to be folded or wrapped longitudinally around said buckram-piece 1 and wire 2 with its ends closely adjacent and in substantially the middle of the rear side of buckram-piece 1 and to be suitably secured thereto, as by means of thread-stitches or the like 5, all as shown particularly in view C of Fig. 4. Said body-portion 4 is thus adapted to form or provide the side loops 4^a and 4^b of the finished bow, which loops, while open laterally and of soft, pliable material, will be maintained distended or in a smooth, flatwise condition by said buckram or stiffening-piece 1. 6 indicates a preferably elongated rectangular strip of any suitable comparatively strong, heavy, flexible or pliable material, such as leather, having a length approximately equal to the length of said buckram or stiffening-piece 1 and a width somewhat less than the width of said buckram-piece 1. This leather-strip 6 is first laid lengthwise longitudinally across the rear side of said buckram or stiff-

ening-piece 1 and over the ends of said body-portion 4, and is then approximately midway between its ends suitably secured thereto, as by means of thread-stitches or the like 7, all as shown particularly in view D of Fig. 4, the free ends 6^a and 6^b of said strip 6 forming or providing tabs or the like which are adapted, as shown particularly in Fig. 2, to be suitably secured, as by means of thread-stitches or the like 8, to the upper front part of the shoe or slipper and thereby hold the finished bow in proper position. 9 indicates what might be called the facing-strip or portion of the bow. This portion 9 is preferably a rectangular piece of any suitable material preferably like or similar to the material of body-portion 4 and has any suitable width as desired and a length approximately somewhat greater than twice the width of said buckram or stiffening-piece 1, this strip 9 being adapted to be folded or wrapped transversely around, and substantially midway between the ends of, said buckram or stiffening-piece 1 and over body-portion 4 and leather-strip 6, and to have its ends then suitably secured together, as by means of thread-stitches or the like 10, on the rear side of said buckram or stiffening-piece 1 and leather-strip 6, all as shown particularly in view E of Fig. 4. This said strip 9 is thus adapted to form or provide the central or vertical loop of the bow, which loop will likewise be maintained distended or in a smooth flatwise condition by said buckram or stiffening-piece 1. The bow is now in its finished stage or form, ready to be attached or fastened, as by means of said tabs 6^a and 6^b and thread-stitches 8, in proper position on the shoe or slipper, as shown particularly in Fig. 1. After being so secured in position, the bow may now be bent or curved longitudinally, as shown particularly in Fig. 2, to conform to the arched contour of, and to lie flatwise upon, the upper front part of the shoe or slipper, said wire 2 being adapted, after the bow is so bent, to maintain or hold the bow in such longitudinally curved or arched form. It will also be noted by referring particularly to Fig. 3 that, said wire 2 extending lengthwise substantially centrally and longitudinally within the bow, the bow may also be transversely convexedly curved to fit the usual convexedly hollow portion of said upper front part of the shoe or slipper. It will thus be seen that my new bow is adapted both longitudinally and transversely to conform to the contour of, and to in all respects lie smoothly and flatwise upon, the upper front part of the shoe or slipper to which the same may be attached or secured and that the same, due particularly to said buckram or stiffening-piece 1 and wire 2,

will practically at all times present a neat and attractive appearance. It will also be seen that my new bow is simple in construction and may be easily and cheaply manufactured.

I am aware that minor changes in the arrangement and combination of the several parts of my new bow may be made and substituted for those herein shown and described without departing from the nature and principle of my invention.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. An ornamental bow for low-cut shoes, slippers, and the like comprising an elongated substantially rectangular non-metallic stiffener, a flexible metallic strip secured lengthwise longitudinally and substantially centrally across and having a width less than the width of said stiffener, a body-portion adapted to form the side loops of the bow folded longitudinally around and over said stiffener and metallic strip and secured to said stiffener, and having a width substantially the same as the width of said stiffener, a pliable strip adapted to provide attaching-tabs for the bow extending longitudinally across said stiffener and secured substantially midway its ends to said stiffener, and a facing-strip adapted to form the central loop of the bow folded transversely around said body-portion, stiffener, metallic strip, and pliable strip and having its ends secured together on the rear side thereof, said metallic strip being adapted to be bent longitudinally and to maintain the bow in a longitudinally curved or arched form and said stiffener being adapted to maintain said side and central loops distended; substantially as described.

2. An ornamental bow for low-cut shoes, slippers, and the like comprising an elongated substantially rectangular piece of buckram, a single piece of wire bent into two separated strands secured lengthwise longitudinally and substantially centrally across said buckram, a body-portion adapted to form the side loops of the bow folded longitudinally around said buckram and over said wire and secured at its ends to said buckram substantially midway the ends of said buckram, a pliable leather strip adapted to provide attaching-tabs for the bow extending longitudinally across one side of said buckram and secured substantially midway its ends to said buckram, and a facing-strip adapted to form the central loop of the bow folded transversely and centrally around said body-portion, buckram, wire, and leather strip and having its ends secured together on the rear side thereof, said wire being adapted to be bent longi-

tudinally and to maintain the bow in a longitudinally curved or arched form and said buckram being adapted to maintain said side and central loops distended and to
5 be transversely curved on opposite sides of said wire; substantially as and for the purposes described.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification, in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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