

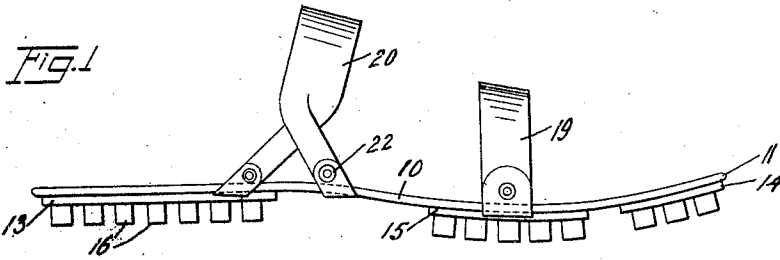
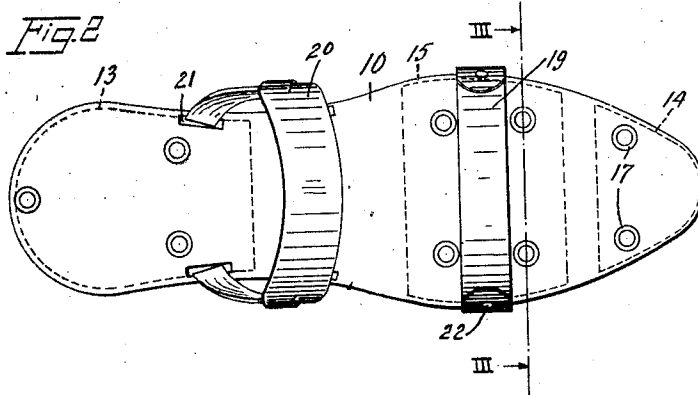
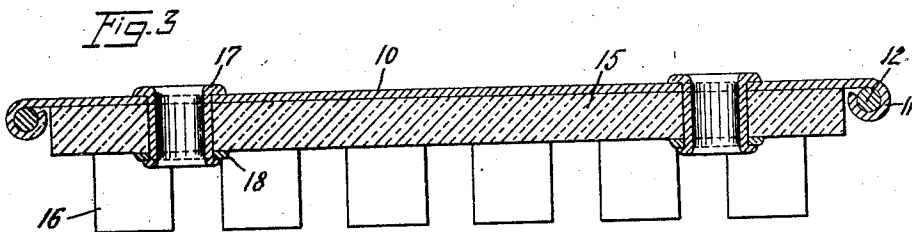
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The present invention relates to improvements in sandals, that is to say, to a shoe consisting of a sole only, which is held to the foot by means of straps. The invention pertains more particularly to a sandal that is particularly adapted for use in Turkish or Russian baths.

The main object of the invention is to provide a sandal which withstands the action of water and vapor, and which is provided with antislipping devices to prevent slipping of the wearer on the usually wet or water-covered floor of the vapor chamber and other rooms of Turkish and Russian baths.

With these and other objects in view, which will more fully appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists in the combination, arrangement and construction of parts hereinafter described, pointed out in the appended claim and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, it being understood that many changes may be made in the size and proportion of the several parts and details of construction within the scope of the appended claim, without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention.

One of the many possible embodiments of the invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a sandal constructed in accordance with the present invention; Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the same; and Fig. 3 is a section taken on line 3—3 of Fig. 2, on a larger scale.

In the drawings, the numeral 10 indicates a solid metallic sole plate, provided all around its edge with a bead 11, which is disposed upon the underface of the sole plate and encloses a strengthening wire 12, running all around the edge of the said sole plate. To the underface of the sole plate are attached, in a manner hereinafter to be described, rubber blocks, one of the same, denoted by the numeral 13, being secured to the heel portion of the sole plate, another one, indicated at 14, to the toe portion thereof, and a third one, denoted by the numeral 15, to the ball section of the same. Each of these blocks is provided with a tread surface, in the form of protuberances 16, which are made integral with the said block. These protuberances are in the form of small cylindrical bodies, presenting a comparatively large tread surface and forming antislipping

devices. Each block is attached to the sole plate by a plurality of hollow rivets or eyelets 17, which extend through the sole plate and the said blocks, as clearly shown in Fig. 3 of the drawings. These eyelets are each beaded over the sole plate and over washers 18, which bear against the underfaces of the rubber blocks. These washers prevent tearing of the rubber blocks and thus preclude detachment thereof from the sole plate.

The sandal is held upon the foot of the wearer by two straps, one of the same, denoted by the numeral 19, being secured to the sole plate at the ball portion of the latter, and the other one, indicated at 20, being fastened to the plate so as to engage the instep portion of the foot of the wearer. The ends of the straps may be extended through slots 21 in the marginal portion of the sole plate and secured to the body portion of the said straps by eyelets 22, or otherwise.

The sole plate is, preferably, made of non-corroding metal, for instance aluminum, and the straps are made of leather or like material.

The sandal herein described is particularly adapted for use in vapor baths or the like, the whole of the foot of the wearer being exposed to the action of the vapors, the latter finding their way to the sole portion of the foot through the rubber block attaching eyelets.

What I claim is:—

A sandal comprising a metallic sole plate provided all around its edge with a bead, said bead being disposed on the underface of said plate, a strengthening wire disposed within said bead extending all around the edge of the sole plate, a rubber block secured to the underface of the heel portion of said sole plate, a rubber block fastened to the underface of the toe portion of said sole plate, a rubber block attached to the underface of the ball portion of said sole plate, all of said rubber blocks being provided with protuberances on their underfaces to provide anti-slipping devices, and straps secured to said sole plate for holding the sandal to the foot of the wearer.

Signed at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, this 14th day of April, A. D. 1927.

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