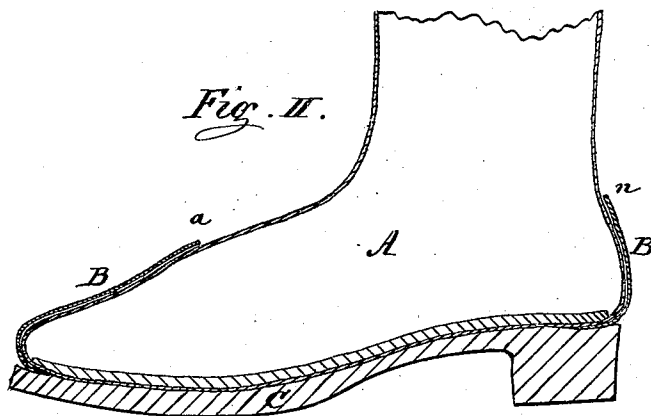
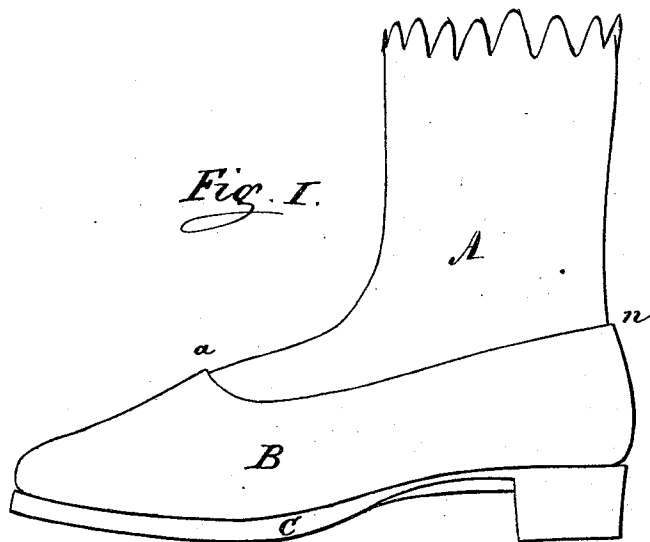


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HERMAN SAMSON, of Ames, in the State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Boots and Shoes, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure I is an outside view of a boot with my improvement attached. Fig. II is a longitudinal section of the same.

The object of my invention is to furnish an overshoe to boots and shoes which can be readily repaired, and which will form a part of the boot or shoe, capable of being removed when worn out, or in spring-time.

In the drawing, A represents a boot as usually made, to the foot part of which a second cover, B, of leather is fitted, lying close and tight upon the "uppers," and fastened together with the upper-leather to the sole C, in the usual manner. This second cover B may, if desirable, be fastened with one or more stitches at the instep *a*, and at the heel *n*, and at the sides to the part A; also, woolen or oil cloth may be attached to the interior sur-

face of the cover B. This arrangement produces a good overshoe to the boot or shoe superior to an india-rubber shoe, as the same can easily be mended when required or torn, and does away with all objections to the continued wearing of india-rubber overshoes.

In spring-time, or whenever it is no more required to wear overshoes, this second cover B can easily be cut away close to the sole with a suitable instrument, without disfiguring but rather improving the appearance, thereby creating a broader edge, leaving then a regular boot or shoe for future wear.

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

A boot or shoe provided with a foxing extending entirely around the same, and united at the sole-seam only, all substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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