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OVERSHOE.
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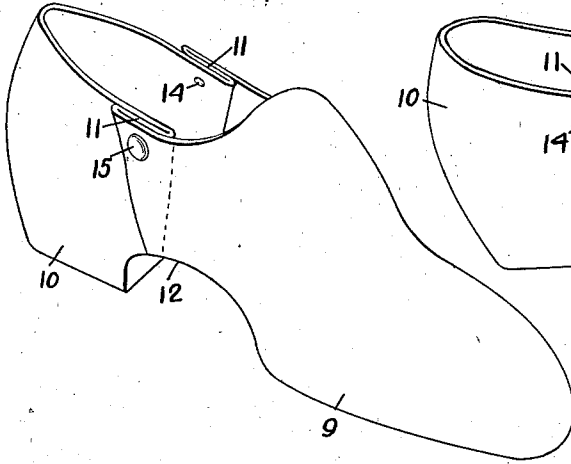


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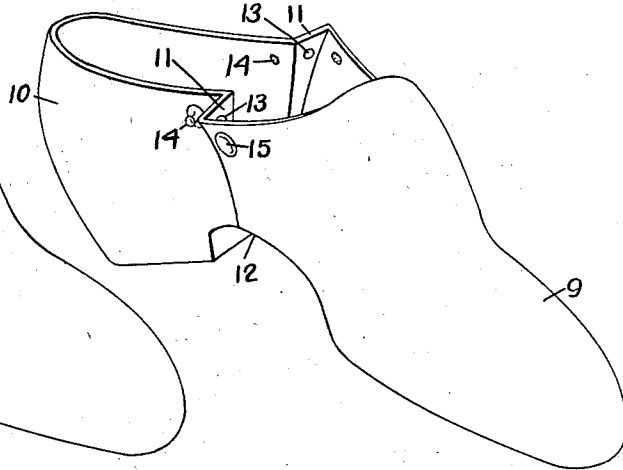


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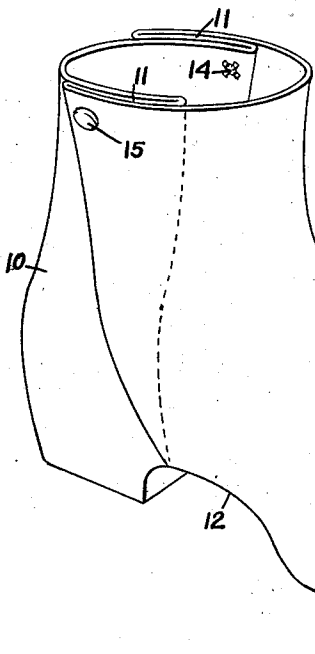
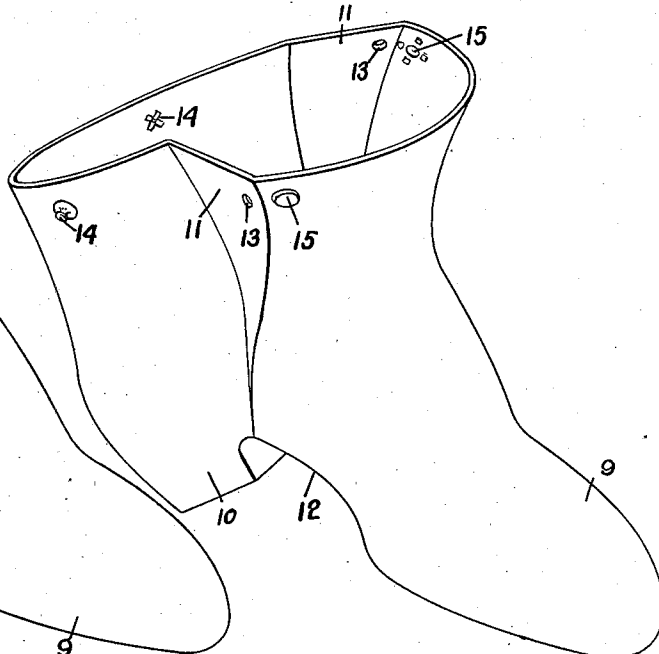


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MORRIS H. SIEGEL, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of the Bronx, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Overshoe, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

Among the principal objects which the present invention has in view are: to provide an overshoe which may be folded for transportation or storage; to construct an overshoe from non-elastic material and in such manner as to be adapted for the insertion of the foot of the wearer; and to provide an overshoe for temporary use.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of an overshoe constructed and arranged in accordance with the present invention, the parts thereof being shown as disposed for service; Fig. 2 is a view of the shoe, the parts being shown as arranged for slipping over the foot of the wearer; Fig. 3 is a perspective view of an overshoe constructed in accordance with the present invention, and having a high upper or leg portion, the parts being shown as arranged for service; Fig. 4 is a similar view, the parts being disposed as when not in service.

The material from which the present invention is constructed is preferably a waterproof paper. The paper is molded to form a shoe toe portion 9 and a shoe heel portion 10. The two portions are formed from a number of separate pieces suitably joined, or from one piece, at the option of the manufacturer. Intermediate the toe portion and the heel portion, the sides are in part formed by connecting folds or gores 11. The gores 11 are flared from the arch 12 of the shoe, upward, and are provided adjacent the upper edge thereof with perforations 13. The perforations 13 are placed to register with buttons 14 and snap caps 15. The buttons 14 and caps 15 are mounted, as seen in

the drawings, upon the material of the heel portion 10 and the toe portion 9 adjacent said gores 11. When adjusting an overshoe thus constructed, to the foot, the heel portion and toe portion are bent away from each other to furnish a clear passageway for the shoe of the wearer into the toe portion of the overshoe, thereby avoiding the need for stretching or otherwise accommodating the size of the opening in the overshoe to the size of the foot or shoe of the wearer. When the toe portion 9 has been properly adjusted to the foot, the heel portion is lifted into position, and the gores 11 are folded over the adjacent portions of the heel portion, the buttons 14 passing through the openings of the perforations 13, to be engaged by the snap caps 15 when pressed thereon. By this arrangement, the upper edge forming the opening of the overshoe, when in service position, is held contracted on the foot of the wearer.

When the invention is applied to overshoes resembling the arctic shoe of conventional shape, having the leg portions 16, as seen best in Fig. 3 of the drawings, the length of the fold and the width of the gore portions 11 resting within the fold are increased, so that when adjusting the shoe thus made, to the foot of the wearer, the heel portion of the shoe may be bent down to avoid interfering with the introduction of the foot of the wearer into the toe portion 9 of the overshoe.

I prefer to use, in the manufacture of overshoes of the character disclosed, a suitable paper treated to render it impervious to water, and as far as possible, to withstand the abrasion or scuffing to which it may be subjected in use.

It will be understood that overshoes thus constructed are intended for transitory use, and not as a permanent article of wear. Many kinds of paper are made which have tensile strength sufficient to withstand the usual wear to which shoes are subjected.

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

A shoe having a sole, side, toe and heel

pieces integrally constructed from paper of the same thickness and character throughout, said side pieces being folded to provide a gore section on each side of the shoe to contract the opening of said shoe; and means for fastening the gore sections in position to contract said opening.

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

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