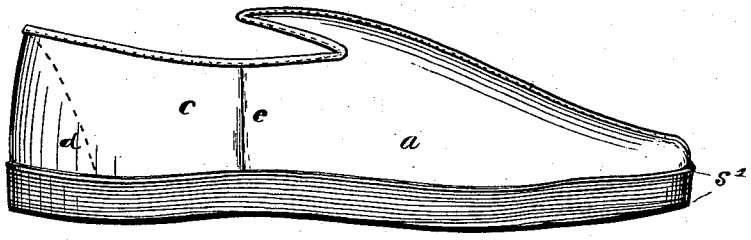
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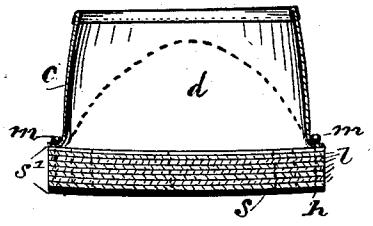


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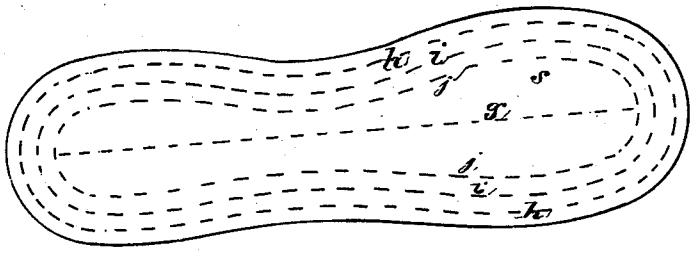
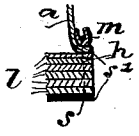


Fig. 4.



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HOUSE SHOE OR SLIPPER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GUSTAVE HABERMANN, of the city of Indianapolis, county of Marion and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in House Slippers or Shoes, of which the following is a correct specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a light, durable, elastic, and comfortable house-slipper composed of fragments of cloth stitched together, as hereinafter described, and combined with leather, in the manner and for the purpose set forth in the following specifications.

Similar letters of reference relate to similar parts of my invention in the drawings filed herewith and made a part hereof.

Figure 1 in the drawings filed herewith and made a part hereof, represents a shoe illustrating my invention. Figs. 2, 3, and 4 are detail drawings, showing parts of the shoe to which my invention particularly relates.

In Fig. 1, *a* is a vamp consisting of one piece of cloth cut in the desired shape to fit the foot. *c* is the quarter or heel part of the shoe cut in one piece and supplied with the counter *d* made of two pieces of cloth glued together in order to produce the required stiffness, and cut in the usual shape. *e* is the seam which connects the vamp *a*, with the quarter or heel part *c*, and *s'* is the sole composed of various thicknesses or layers of cloth, *l*, stitched onto a layer of leather, *s*, which forms the treading-surface of the shoe-sole *s'*.

In Fig. 2, *h* represents the seam uniting the upper *a* to the sole *s'*, an enlarged view of which is shown in Fig. 4, wherein *m* represents a strip of cloth laid over the seam *h*, to form a neat finish and at the same time to prevent the stitches from cutting through the upper. By providing this means of protection the value of the shoe is greatly increased and the appearance of the shoe improved.

In Figs. 3, S represents the bottom of the shoe when completed. The row of stitching *g*, extending longitudinally across the shoe, and the two inner rows of stitching, *i j*, are made before the sole is fastened upon the last, and are designed to hold the layers of cloth *t* and the outer layer of leather, *s*, firmly together, to form a soft cushion for the foot to rest on. The outer row of stitching or seam, *h*, is made when the upper is sewed to the sole.

The advantages derived from forming a shoe as above described are, first, I can utilize material in this form of a shoe that would otherwise remain comparatively worthless; second, by adopting the particular method of stitching above described to fasten together the parts of the sole of my shoe, I produce a firm and compact substance, the separate parts of which will be held firmly together even after the outer stitches are worn off; third, the application of the strip of cloth *m* over the seam *l*, which connects the upper *a c* with the sole *s'*, protects the cloth which forms the upper from being cut by the stitches, and at the same time affords a neat and desirable finish which serves to conceal the stitching from view.

Having thus described my invention so that any person skilled in the art can make the shoe, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

An improved house shoe or slipper the upper of which is composed of cloth and the sole of a series of thicknesses of cloth with an outer leather surface, the upper and sole united by a seam protected with the strip *m*, all substantially as set forth.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 4th day of January, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, (1884.)

GUSTAVE HABERMANN. [L. S.]

In presence of—

JACOB W. LOEPER,
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