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Boot-Jacks.

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Fig. 1.

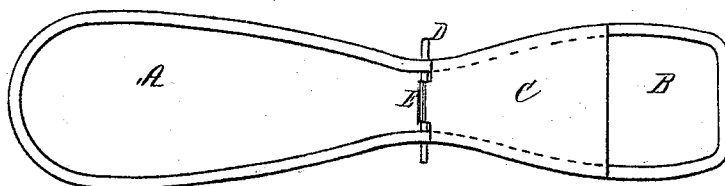
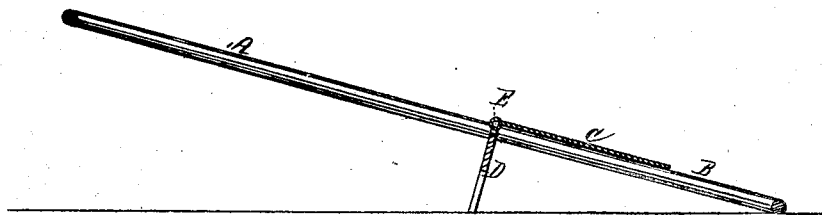


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN BOOT-JACKS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, HORACE W. SAWYER, of Chelsea, in the county of Suffolk, State of Massachusetts, and RUSSELL F. SANBORN, of Charlestown, in the county of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Boot-Jacks, of which the following is a description sufficiently full, clear, and exact to enable any person skilled in the art or science to which our invention appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan of our improved boot-jack. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section of the same.

Like letters refer to like parts in the different figures of the drawing.

Our invention relates to that class of boot-jacks which are provided with two "pulls" or places for inserting the boot; and consists in a hinged platform, arranged and operating as hereinafter more fully set forth, the object being to enable the person using the jack to hold the same with greater ease and firmness while the foot is being withdrawn.

The extreme simplicity of our invention renders an elaborate description unnecessary.

The body of the boot-jack is composed of a stout continuous metallic wire, bent to form the large bow A and smaller bow B. The platform C is constructed of thin sheet metal, and is hinged at E to the cross-pin D, being so formed as to project slightly over the part B when in the

position shown in Fig. 1. D is a support or fulcrum, on which the jack rests when in use.

From the foregoing description, the operation of our invention will be readily understood by all conversant with such matters. The jack being placed on the floor in the position shown in Fig. 2, the boot to be drawn from the foot is inserted in the aperture of the bow A, Fig. 1, in the usual manner, the platform C being turned over upon the bow B, as shown. One foot is then placed upon the platform, keeping the jack firmly in position on the floor, while the other foot is withdrawn from the boot in the bow A. When it is desired to use the smaller bow, B, the bow A is caused to rest upon the floor, and the platform C is turned over upon it, in the manner described for the bow B.

The object of the platform is to prevent the bows from injuring or hurting the foot, and to enable the jack to be held in position with greater security and firmness.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim as new is—

The boot-jack described, consisting of the bows A B, support D, and hinged platform C, constructed to operate substantially as and for the purpose described.

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