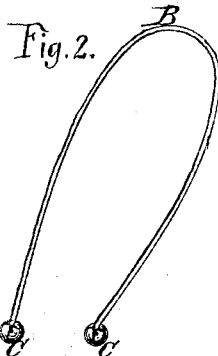
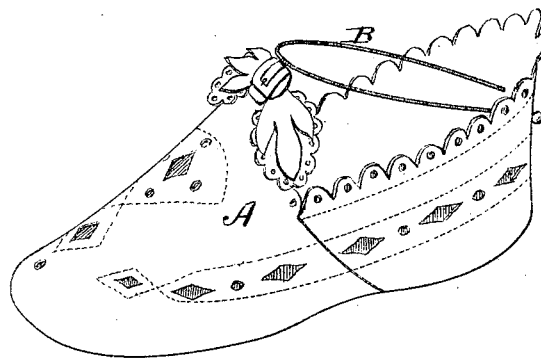


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Fig. 1.



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The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

I, WILLARD M. CARPENTER, of Rowley, in the county of Essex and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain Improvements in Infants' Shoes, of which the following is a specification.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a shoe embodying my invention, and

Figure 2 a view of the same detached.

The object of this invention is to produce a secure yet easy and convenient fastening for an infant's shoe; and

It consists of a loop of elastic cord or tape running from the heel to the front of the instep, through orifices in the counter, said cord passing loosely through said orifices, being held in place by suitable balls or enlargements on the ends of said cord, as will herein-after more fully appear.

In the drawing—

A represents the shoe, which is the subject of an application for a design patent of even date with this.

B represents an elastic cord, which is formed into a

loop, its ends passing through orifices in the counter of the shoe, being provided with knobs or balls C, which prevent the cord from being removed from the shoe.

The loop B passes over the instep of the foot, and may be of any desired length, forming an easy and desirable fastening, which can be readily attached to any shoe or slipper.

Having thus fully described my invention,

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The method of attaching elastic cord B by means of balls C, as applied to infants' shoes, substantially as described.

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

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