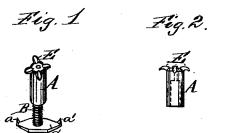
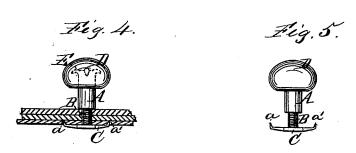
## G. H. W. CURTIS. Boot and Shoe Button.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN BOOT AND SHOE BUTTONS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Beit known that I, GEORGE H. W. CURTIS, of Brooklyn, county of Kings, State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improved Boot and Shoe Button, which is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings, in which—

drawings, in which—
Figure 1 is a perspective view of the shank and screw combined; Fig. 2, a view of the shank; Fig. 3, a view of the screw; Fig. 4, the button complete and fastened in leather ready for use; Fig. 5, a side view of the button without the leather.

This invention relates to papier-maché buttons for boots, shoes, and other purposes, capable of ready attachment in a neat and very secure manner by means of a shank, so formed that it can be permanently embedded in the papier-maché.

A represents the shank; B, the screw; C, the elongated head; a a', the points thereof; D, the button, and E E the books.

Shank A is inserted in the papier-maché button D while the latter is in a soft state, so as to adhere closely about the hooks E E, becoming a permanent attachment thereto when it has hardened.

The projecting part of shank A is provided with a female screw, into which the male screw of the leather-confined portion of the shank fits.

The part B, on which is the male screw, is inserted in the leather or material to be buttoned, and points a a' are pressed into it.

When the papier-maché button D with its its embedded shank is screwed upon its counterpart it will draw the little points a a' on the elongated head C firmly into the material, preventing its turning therein, and thereby constituting a light, strong, durable, and convenient button, anchored, so to speak, immovably in the article, and very difficult to break or wear out.

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

A button for boots and shoes composed of three parts, to wit, head D, of suitable material, metal shank A, provided with hooks, and head C, provided with attaching-points, adapted to operate together, as described.

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