

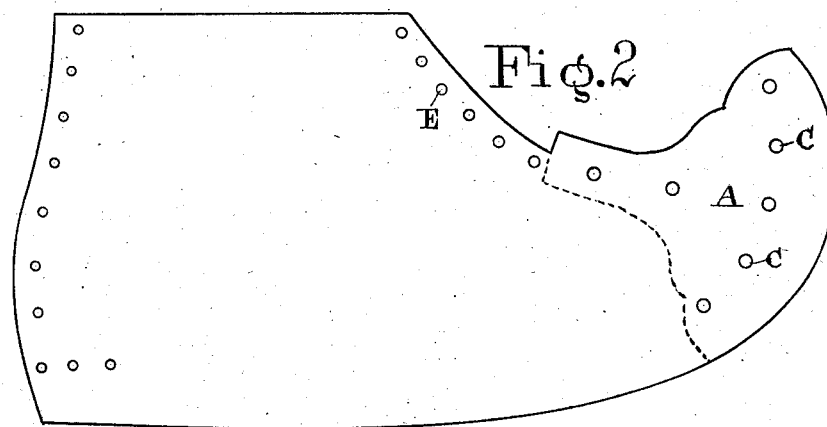
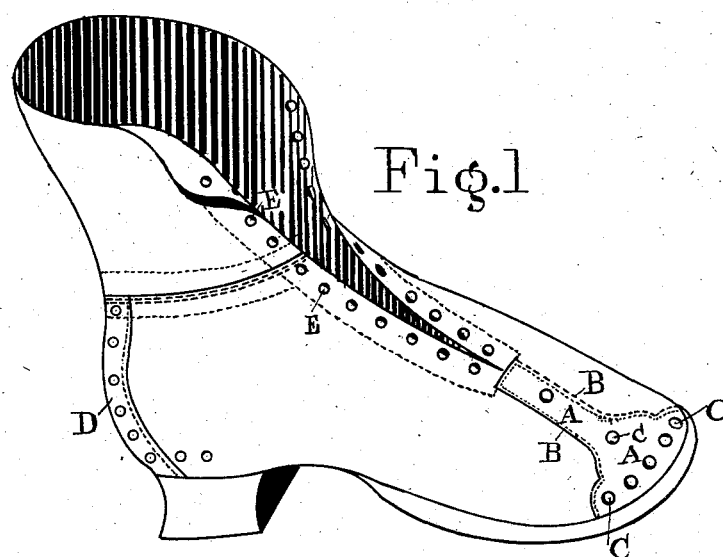
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY C. HOLBROOK, of San Francisco, California, have invented an Improvement in Boots and Shoes, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates generally to all boots and shoes worn by men, women, and children, but it is more particularly useful related to children's shoes.

It consists in placing a row of rivets about the toe, the heads of which rivets form a shield for the protection of the material of the uppers at that point.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a child's shoe with overlapping toe-seam and rivet-fastening applied thereto. Fig. 2 is a plan of the pattern of one-half of the "upper," one half to be cut right and the other left handed. In this last figure the shape of the half-blank is as it is cut from the material before it is crimped or pressed into shape to fit the foot.

A within the dotted lines is the portion of the half-blank overlapping the half-blank with which it combines.

B is a dotted line, indicating the stitches fastening down the edges of the two halves when combined.

C C are the holes for the rivets, which rivets, when in place, serve to fasten together the two halves of the upper independent of the stitches. The horizontal row of rivets around the toe, however, have the additional function of shielding the material of the uppers from

coming in contact with any hard surfaces against which the toe of the shoe might be impinged by the wearer, thus protecting the material of the uppers from wear and tear as effectively as the old-style copper tips. The back seam, D, at the heel, will be either sewed or riveted, or both sewed and riveted, as preferred, and may, in like manner with the toe, have a protecting row of rivets running horizontally.

E E are the eyelet holes to pass the lacings through.

In Fig. 2 the pattern does not extend to include the ankle-piece, which, being usually of a different material from the foot-piece, is cut from a separate pattern.

Although I have shown a shoe of peculiar cut, I do not claim said cut as part of my invention. The rivets are, however, more particularly adapted to a shoe of this cut, for they serve the double purpose of joining the seam at the toe and protecting the leather.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is as follows:

A boot or shoe having a horizontal row of rivets around the point of the toe where abrasion mostly occurs, as a means of protecting the same and giving it increased durability, substantially as described.

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