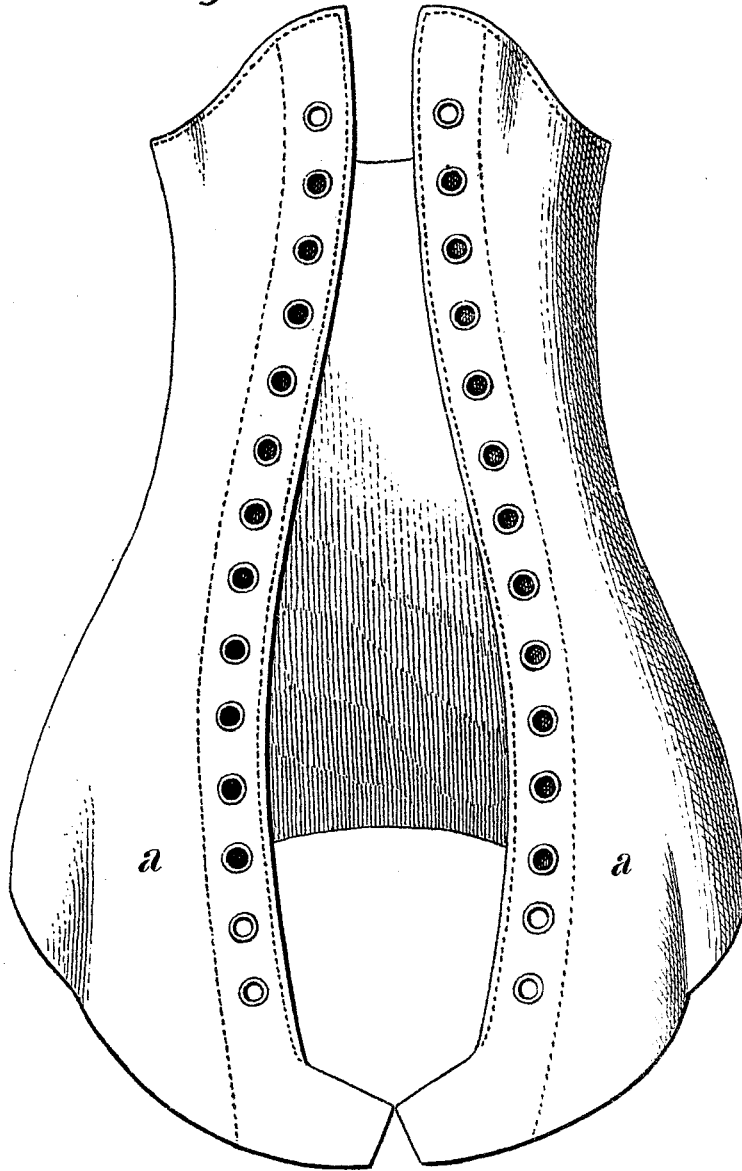


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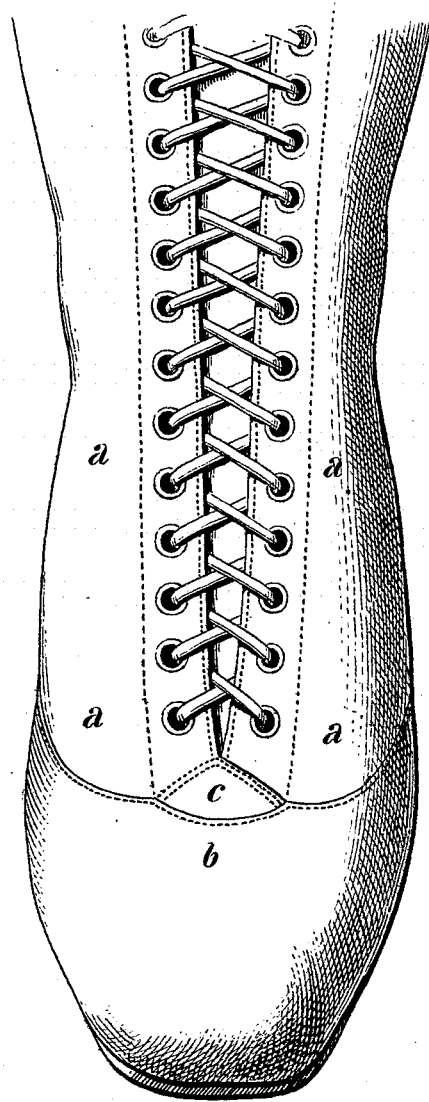
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Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN SHOES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHEANG HUE, of the city and county of San Francisco, in the State of California, have invented an additional application, support, or stay to the top of the vamp of shoes, boots, and gaiters, which are laced in front; and I do hereby declare that the following is an exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and the letters and figures marked thereon.

The nature of my invention consists in providing two additional thicknesses of cloth or leather across the bottom of the opening of the shoe in front, (of the substance of which the quarter of the shoe may be made,) the same being curved elongations of the front bottom parts of the quarters of the shoe where they come together at the top of the vamp, and lapping the two elongations one over the other under the vamp, and stitching them together both just above and through the vamp, thus making the top of the vamp, which frequently becomes broken away and torn down for lack of strength, much stronger than it is as at present made.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will further describe the plan and operation, and show by compari-

son the difference between my invention and the ordinary construction of the shoe.

By Figure 1 is shown the quarters of the shoe, embracing my invention, before the same is put together. By Fig. 2 is shown the top of a shoe, embracing my invention, with the quarter and vamp connected.

The drawings with the letters thereon are explained as follows: *a* represents the quarter, *b* the vamp, and *c* where the quarter is drawn together and the elongated points fastened one over the other, the same being shown by the dotted lines. The vamp is brought up at this point and stitched over the elongated ends of the quarter, and a second row of stitches is run above the vamp and through the said lapping ends, as shown by the dotted lines.

I claim—

A laced shoe, the upper of which consists of quarters *a a*, having their lower ends extended and adapted to overlap each other at the instep, in combination with a separate vamp-piece, *b*, all constructed and united in the manner and for the purpose specified.

CHEANG HUE.

In presence of—

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