

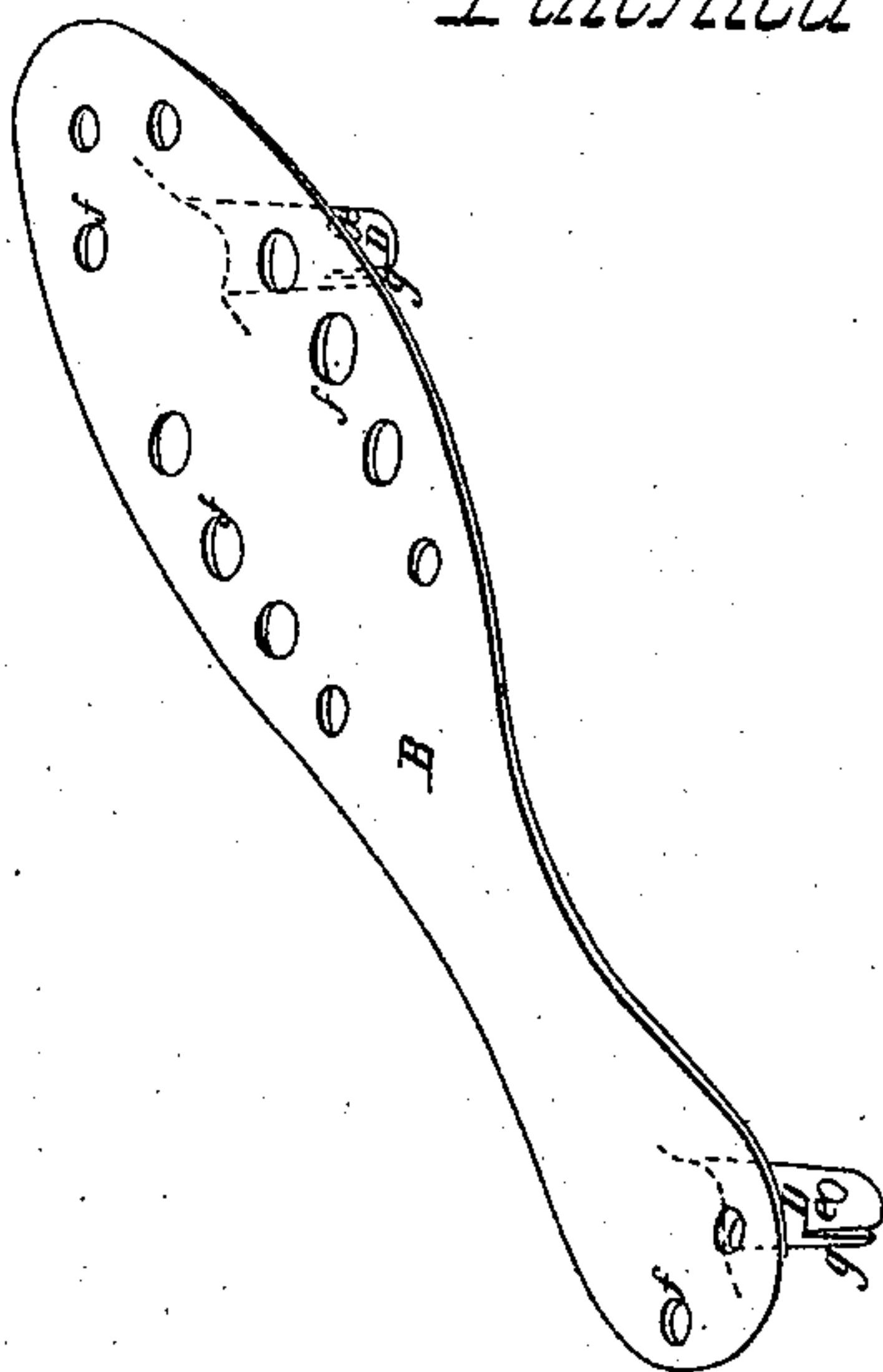
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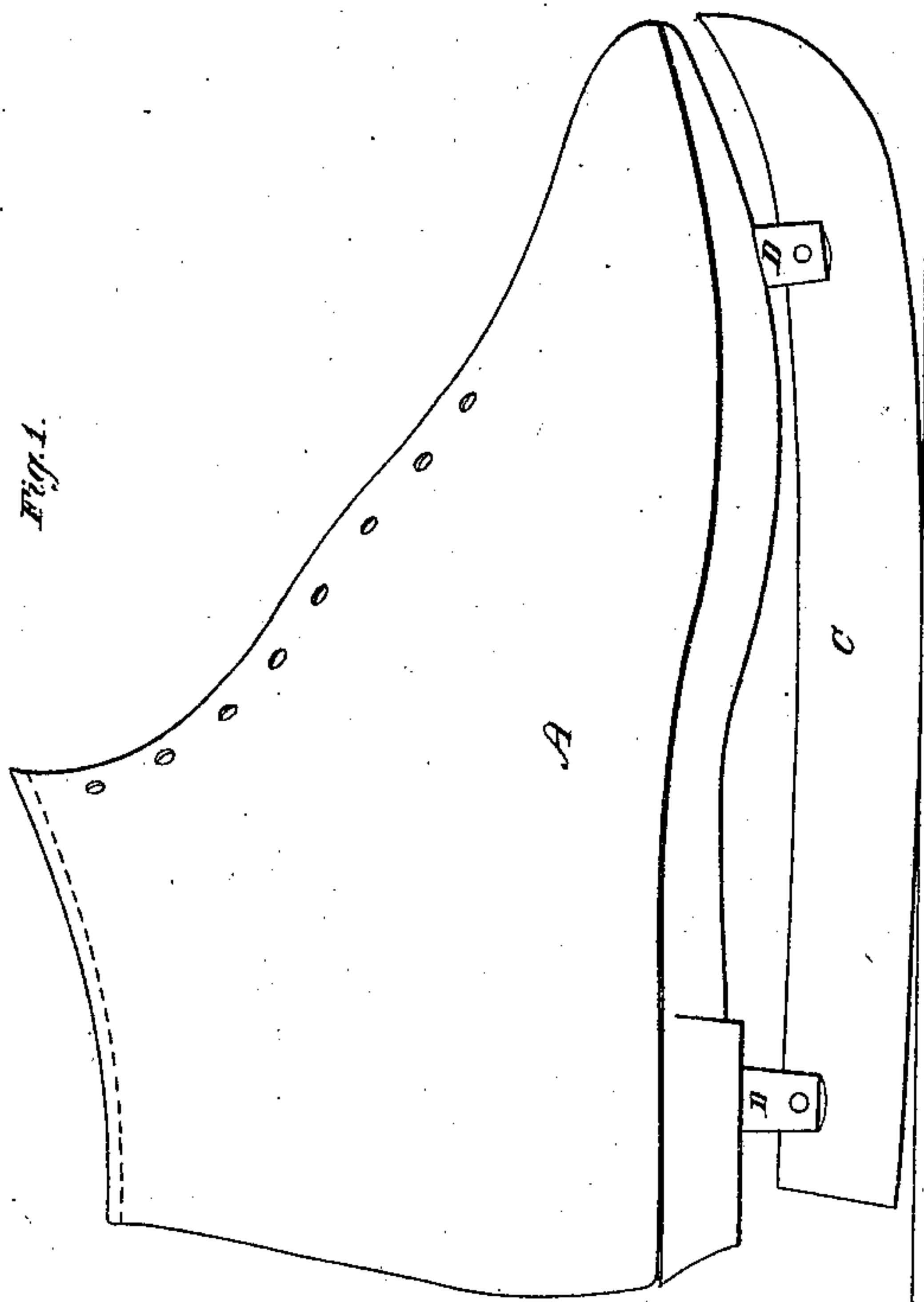
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*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 1.*



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## SKATING-BOOT.

Specification of Letters Patent No. 31,057, dated January 1, 1861.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, JOS. W. PEARSON  
and H. O. PEABODY, both of Winchester,  
in the county of Middlesex and State of  
5 Massachusetts, have invented an Improved  
Skating-Boot, of which the following is a  
full, clear, and exact description, reference  
being had to the accompanying drawings,  
making part of this specification, in which—

10 Figure 1 is a side view of a boot and  
skate combined; Fig. 2, detail view to be  
referred to hereafter.

Our invention consists in a skating boot  
and skate combined, the skate being per-  
15 manently attached to the boot (by means  
of a plate or plates embraced within the  
sole) at the time the boot is made, or when  
the sole is put on; so that the skate may  
always be ready for use, by simply drawing  
20 on the boot, without the necessity of attach-  
ing the skate to the boot by straps or other  
fastenings, as has heretofore been requisite,  
when the skate was to be used.

In Fig. 1, A, is a boot of india rubber  
25 the top of which is made in the ordinary  
way. Within the sole is secured a metallic  
plate (B, Fig. 2) from which project two  
slotted posts D, one at the heel the other  
near the toe or beneath the ball of the foot.  
30 The plate B, is placed in the mold in which  
the sole is to be vulcanized and the prepared  
compound is forced around it. It is per-  
forated with numerous holes *f*, through  
35 which the india rubber above and beneath  
it are united together and the strength and

rigidity of the sole is increased. The skate  
iron or runner C, is inserted in the slots *g*  
of the posts D, and is secured in place by  
pins which pass through the holes *e*, in the  
posts. The skate is thus firmly secured to 40  
and made a part of the shoe or boot and  
does not require to be otherwise secured to  
the foot, by straps or other fastenings.

We do not limit ourselves to the form of  
boot shown as any form of boot or shoe to 45  
which the skate may be attached and which  
may be laced to the foot will answer the pur-  
pose and it is obvious that the body of the  
boot in lieu of being made of india rubber  
may be of leather, the sole being of india 50  
rubber and consequently attached thereto by  
cement or nails or by a combination of the  
two. It is also evident that the skate may be  
attached to a boot with a leather sole, the  
plate B, or support for the runner being 55  
secured between the upper and under leather  
sole, holes being cut in the latter through  
which the posts D pass, and the two being  
secured together by sewing around the out-  
side edge of the plate. 60

What we claim as our invention and de-  
sire to secure by Letters Patent is—

The combined boot and skate herein de-  
scribed, the support for the runner being  
confined within the sole as set forth.

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