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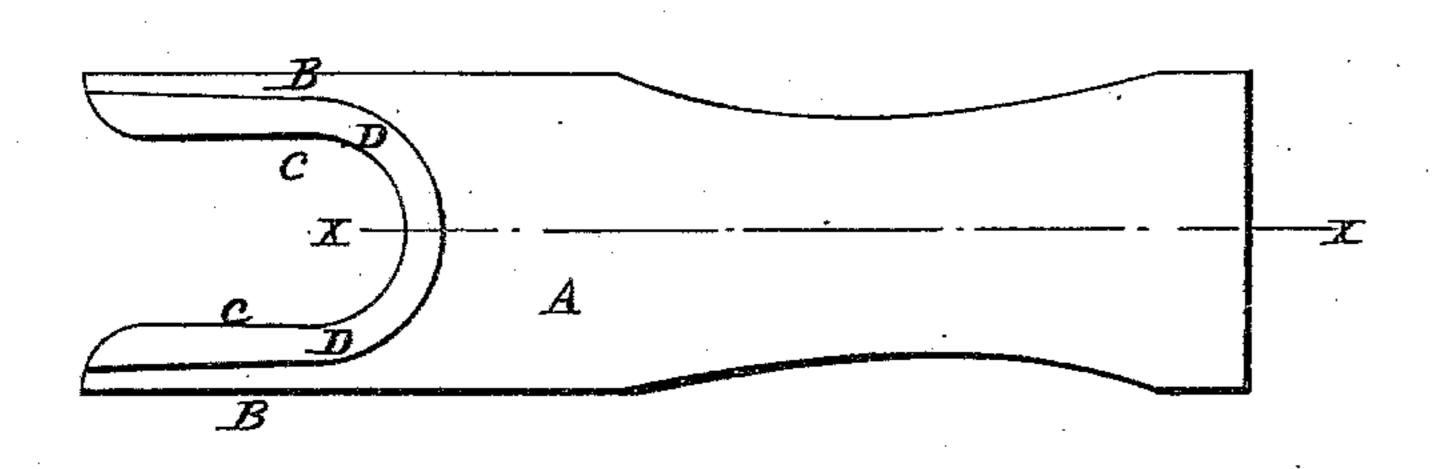


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IMPROVED BOOT-JACK.

The Schedule referred to in these Xetters Patent und making part of the same.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Be it known that I, Henry D. Boss, of Williamsburg, Kings county, New York, have invented a new and useful improvement in "Boot-Jacks;" and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification.

The present invention consists in inserting within and around the inside of the jaws to a boot-jack, wherein the heel of the boot is placed to be drawn off, a strip of India rubber or similar material, to form the bearing surface of the said jaws for the boot heel, whereby its slipping is entirely prevented, and a most perfect and reliable hold secured forthe jack to the boot as it is being drawn off of the foot thereby. In the accompanying plate of drawings, my improvement in "boot-jacks" is illustrated—

Figure 1 being a top view of a boot-jack having it applied thereto; and

Figure 2 a central section taken in the plane of the line x x, fig. 1, and in the direction of the length of the jack.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A, in the drawings, represents a boot-jack, which, except so far as the present invention extends, may be of any of the forms or shapes and construction now in common use. B. the jaws to the jack, around and in which, forming its inside edge C, is secured in any proper manner, a strip, D, of Iudia rubber or other similar material, to constitute the bearing surface or surfaces of the said jaws upon the boot heel. By the rubber strip within, and constituting the bearing surfaces of the boot-jack to the heel of the boot when inserted therein for being pulled off, all slipping of the boot is prevented, and a most firm and reliable hold secured therefor.

I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent-

A boot-jack having the inside of its jaws provided with an India-rubber bearing surface for the boot heel inserted therein, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

The above specification of my invention signed by me this 11th day of February, 1867.

HENRY D. BOSS.

Witnesses:

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