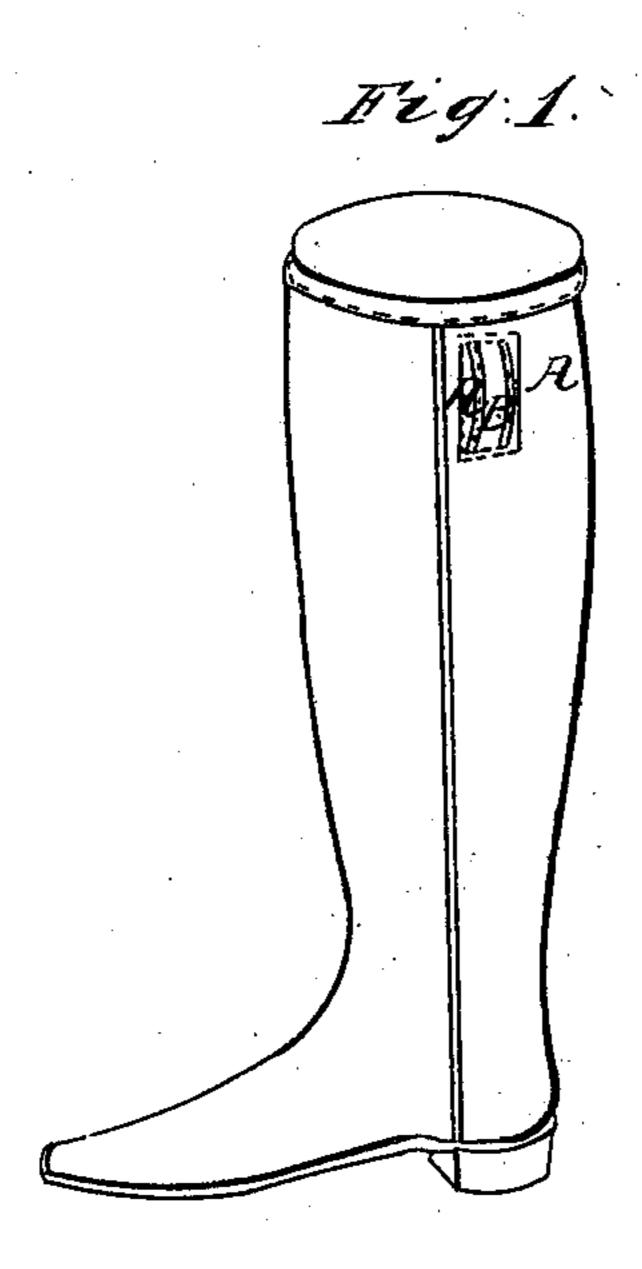
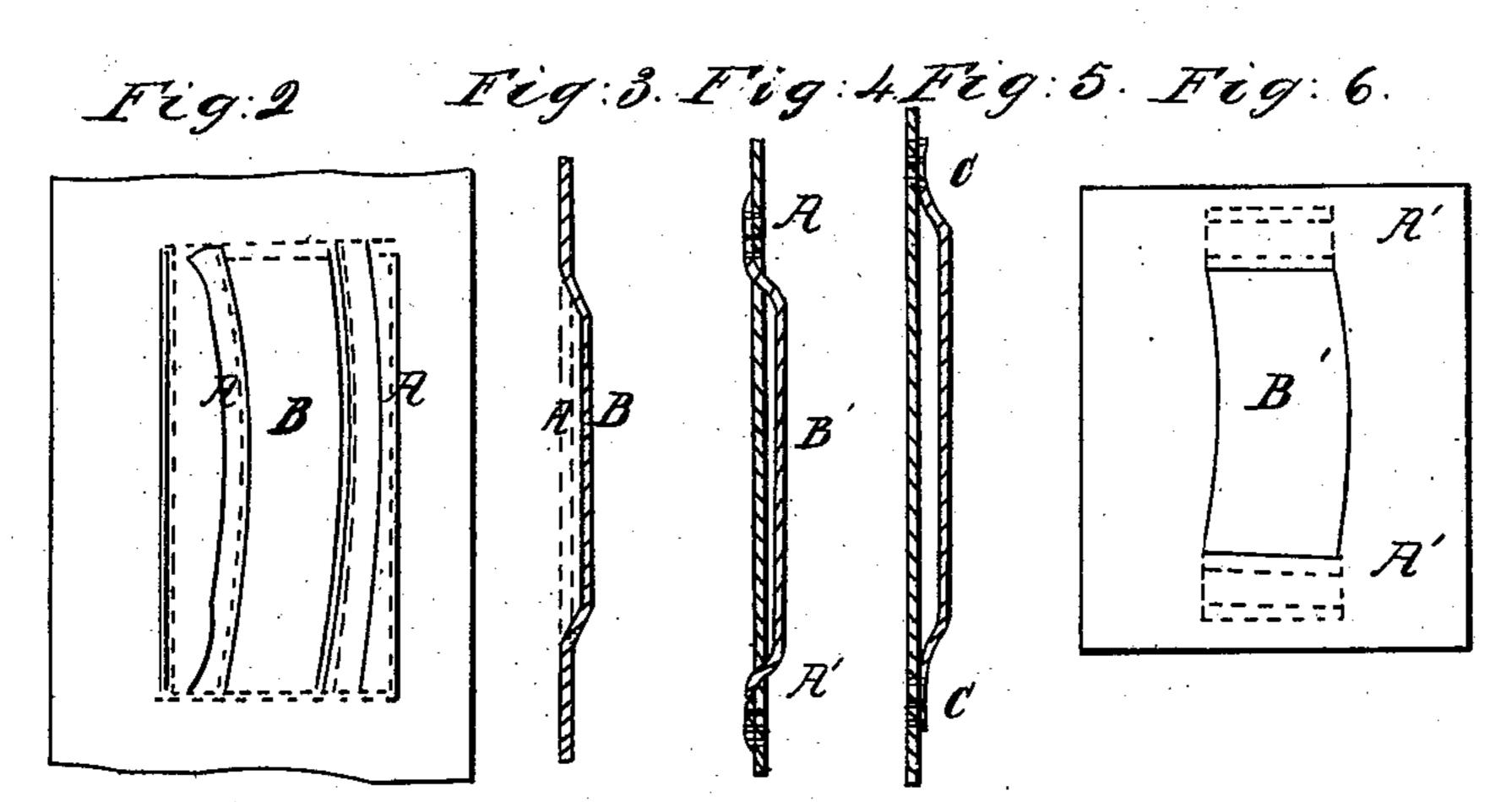
M.J. Turner, Boot or Shoe Strap, Patented May 21, 1867.





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IMPROVED BOOT AND GAITER-STRAP.

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Be it known that I, WILLIAM J. TURNER, of Utica, in the county of Oneida, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful improvement in Boot and Gaiter-Straps; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description of the said improvement, reference being had to the annexed drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, in which—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of the improvement.

Figure 2 a like perspective view, enlarged.

Figure 3 a sectional view thereof.

Figures 4, 5, and 6, views of different forms of said invention.

The nature of my invention consists in forming the strap by which the boot or gaiter is drawn on to the foot out of a part of the leg of the boot or gaiter itself, instead of attaching a piece of web or leather to the leg, as is usually done. At the top of the back part of the leg, and near the side seams, are cut two vertical parallel slits A A, say each pair an inch apart, and from one and a half to two inches in length. The part between each pair of cuts or slits forms the strap B. Under this strap B should be inserted and neatly stitched a piece of soft leather, thus covering the hole made by B, while the edges of B should be bound; and so, also, the inside of the strap B may be lined. This may be done with the same piece which binds the edges. It is obvious, however, that the strap B will perform its uses without binding or lining. Instead of making the strap of a part of the leg, as described, the same form of strap may be made by cutting transverse slits A' A', figs. 4 and 6, and inserting therein a piece of leather or web B', and stitching it at the ends. So the strap may be sewed on the outside without any slots, fig. 5, C C, but in such case the work will not be so neat. These latter methods, however, may be used to advantage where the leather of the leg is poor. The mode of use will be obvious.

The advantages of this improvement are its cheapness, its neatness, and its requiring no care when the boot or gaiter is on.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is— The boot or gaiter-strap constructed and operating substantially as described.

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