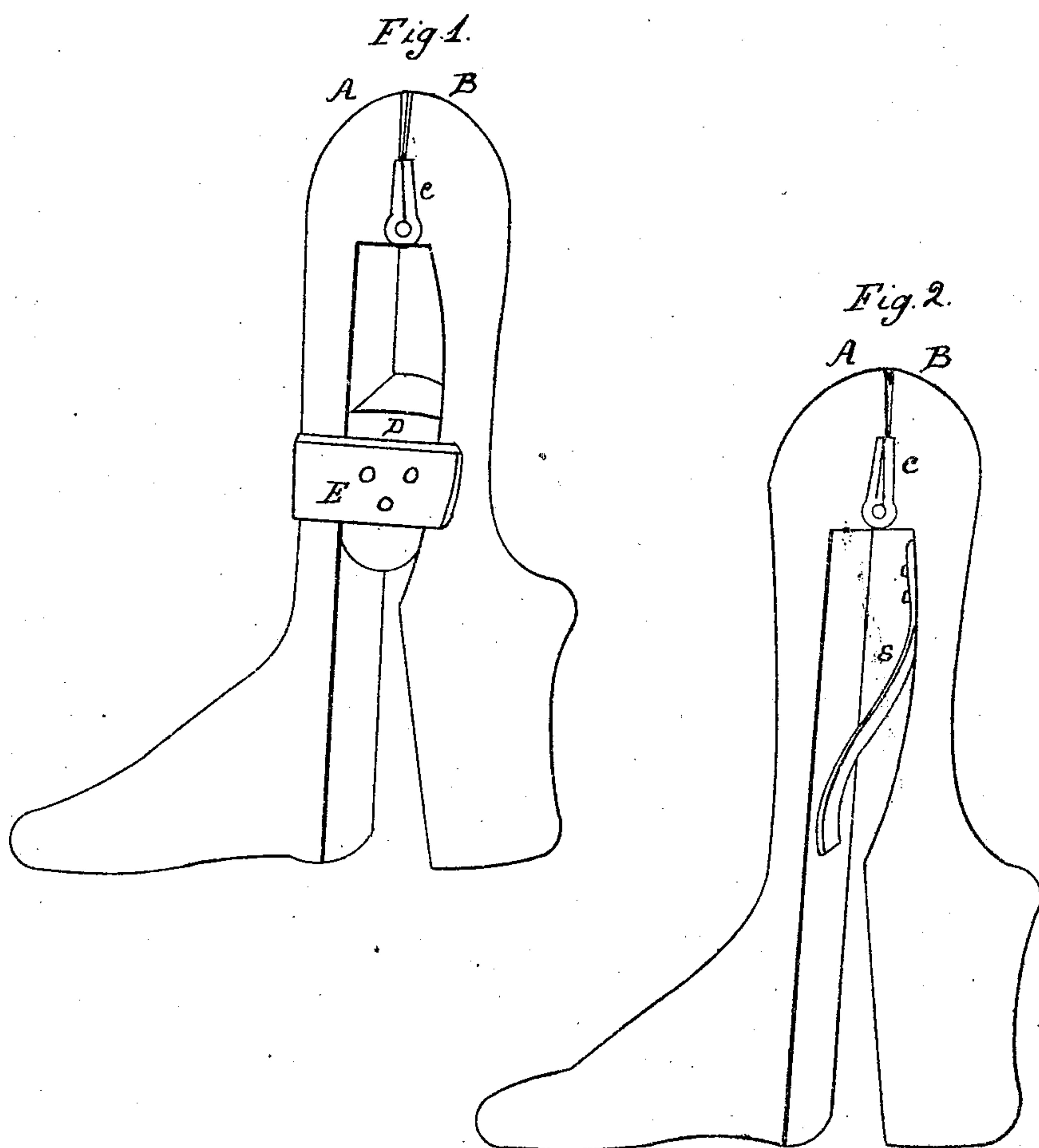


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IMPROVED SHOE-HOLDER.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, ABRAHAM N. BRENEMAN, of Lancaster, in the State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement on Shoe-Holders; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a view of my holder, with its band and wedge-key, or follower.

Figure 2, the same, showing the application of a spring.

The nature of my invention consists in the shaping and hinging together the toe and heel-pieces, in such a manner as to be readily applied and adapted to different-sized shoes, so as to fill out the parts, and afford a convenient handle for dressing and repairing shoes, boots, &c., with ease and dispatch.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I need only refer to the drawing, and state that, like my former holder, I unite the shanks A and B, by a hinge, C, near the top; the hinge being let into the wood flush, (each respective piece,) and then united by the pin. These pieces A B have their inner face so shaped as to allow them to spread apart below. The shin or toe-piece A has a portion cut away, leaving a projecting shoulder above for the hinge, and the balance carried down straight. The heel-piece B, with a like shoulder above, has a circular curve carried down to a level of the instep, from whence it is bevelled off, as shown. The wedge D is curved on the one side, with a radius like that cut out of the piece B, so as to touch at all points. A metallic slide-band, E, is screwed against the outside of the wedge D, on each side, joined around the front piece A, in the manner shown. By pressing down this wedge, the pieces A B are spread apart, forcing the toe forward and the heel back, so as to pack the shoe tightly, and fill it out effectually for finishing or repairing the same. I also show the same pieces A B hinged together in like manner, with a spring, s, instead of the wedge D, with the same object in view, which I consider substantially the same, but prefer the wedge.

I am aware that various shoe-holders are in use, and one recently patented, No. 65,815, consisting of standards, provided with hooks, stirrup, and clasp, and the like. Such I do not claim. The novelty consists mainly in connecting the two parts at top with a hinge, similar to the connection of the shoe-holder for which application was filed, and is considered an improvement on said shoe-holder, allowed April 12, 1867, wherein the hinge is applied centrally, without the wedge or spring, for which latter combination I make this application as No. 2.

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

The arrangement of the toe and heel-pieces A B, when connected by a hinge, C, in combination with the sliding wedge, and band D E, or its equivalent, for separating the parts below, substantially in the manner and for the purpose specified.

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