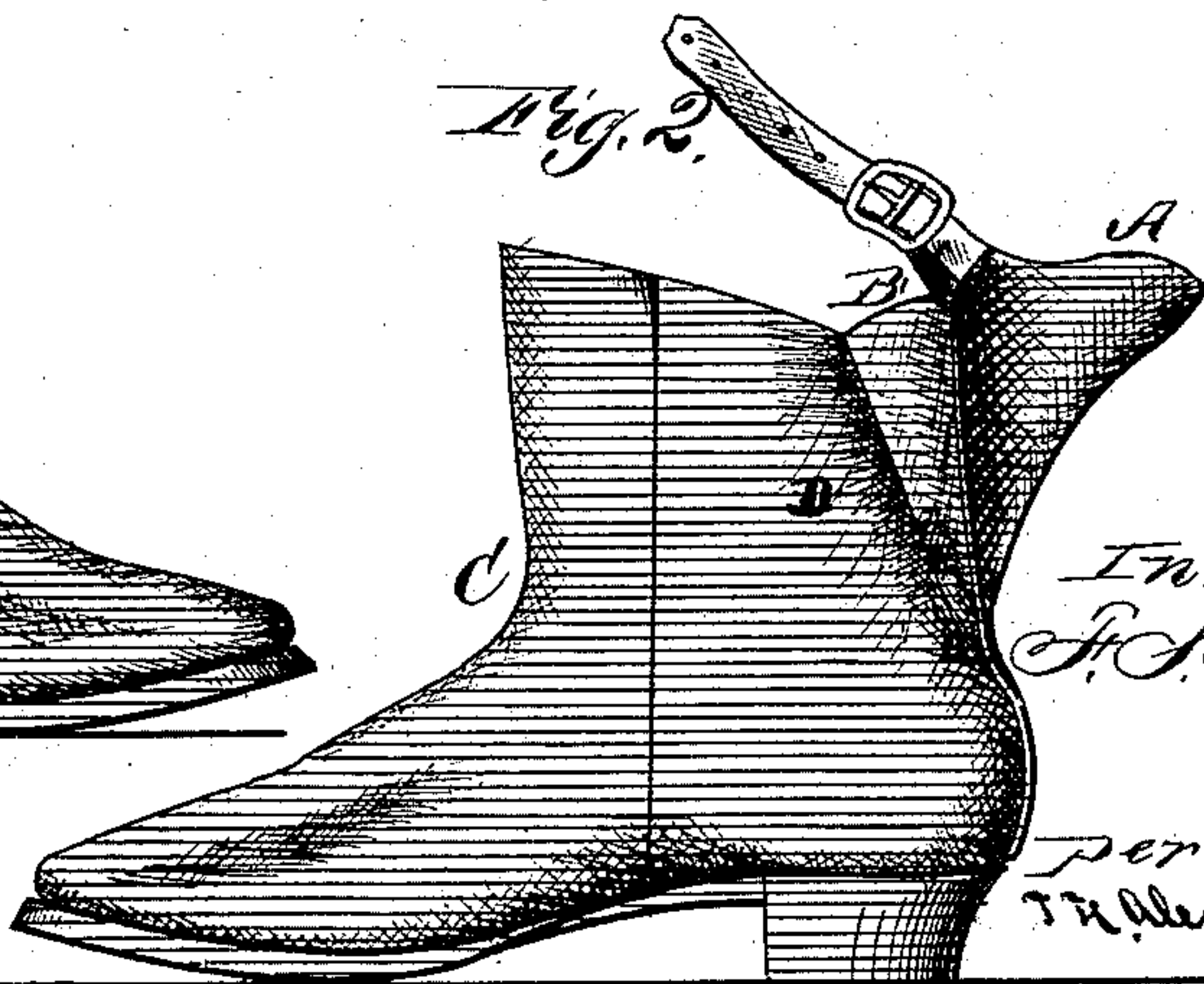
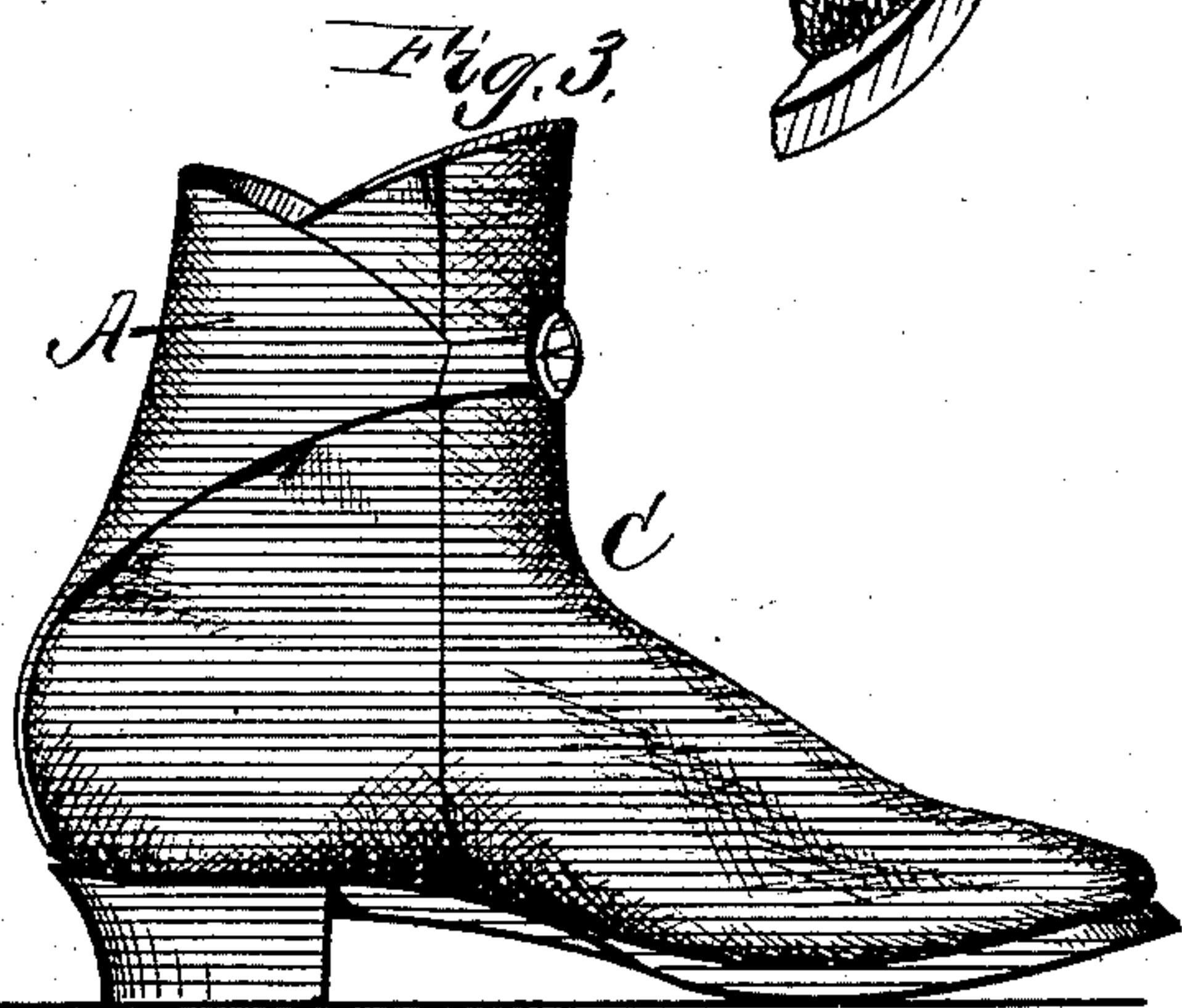
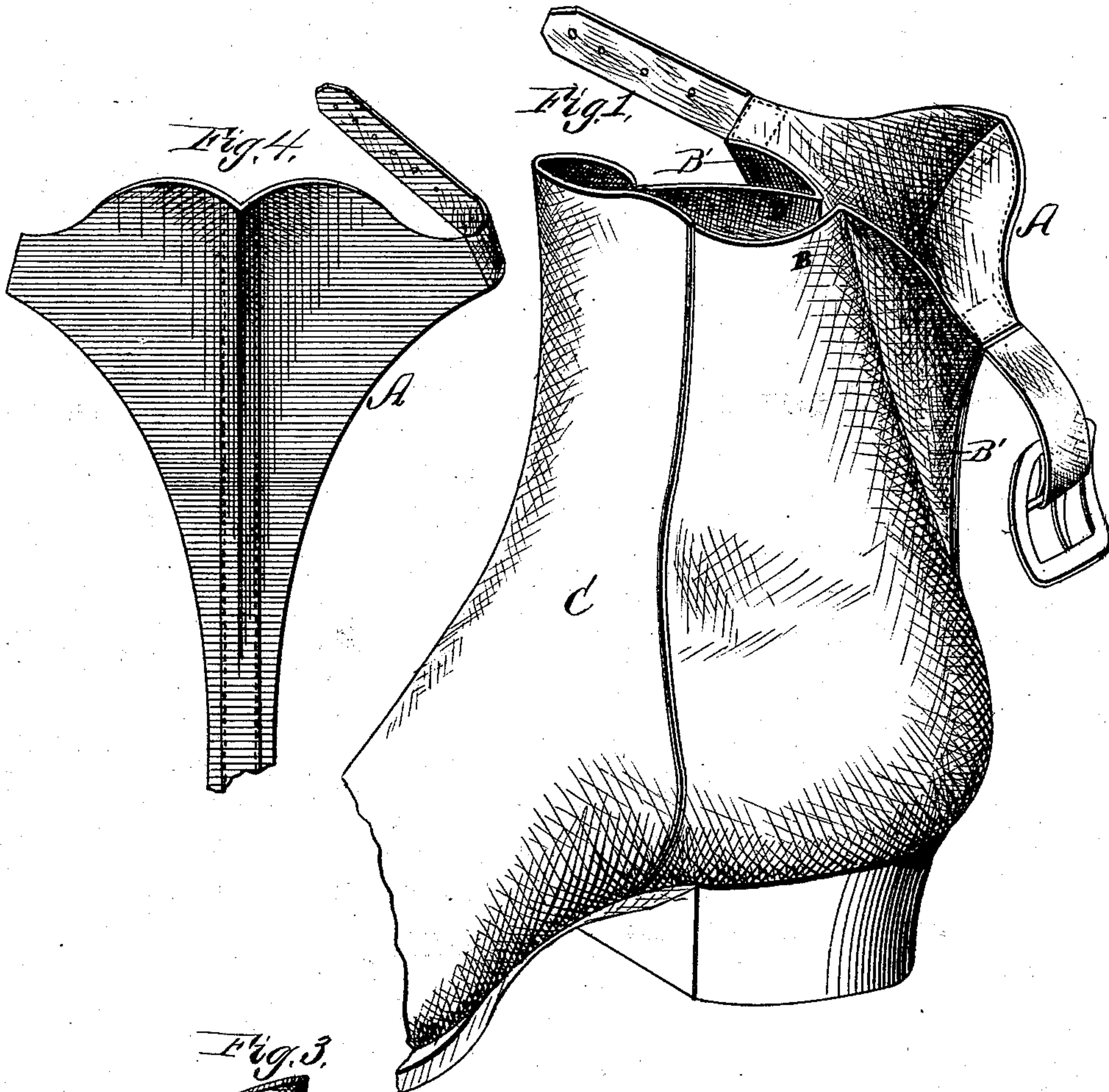


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## IMPROVEMENT IN SHOES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FRANKLIN S. STARK, of Fostoria, in the county of Seneca and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shoes; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view; Fig. 2, a side elevation showing the shoe unfastened; Fig. 3, a side elevation showing the shoe fastened, as when on the foot; and Fig. 4 is a view of the back piece, A.

The nature of my invention consists in forming the upper rear part of the quarter with extensions or flaps, which, when stitched to the rear or heel piece, will fold back and fit the leg smoothly, and thus leave no opening at the sides, rear, or front for the admission of water or cold air.

To enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction.

C represents a shoe with my improvements attached. B B are the quarters, so cut at their upper ends as to fold back and form extensions or flaps B' B', as clearly seen in Fig. 1. A represents the rear piece, cut in the form shown in Fig. 4. This piece is stitched to the side edges of the quarter, as seen in

Fig. 1, and extends down the center of the counter under the heel, as illustrated in the drawings. The piece A is provided with buckle and strap, which connect in front.

It will thus be seen that the upper part of my shoe is formed something of a bellows shape, which folds in closely to the leg, leaving no opening for the admission of water or cold air.

By extending the piece A down and securing it under the heel, I get more strength and a better and neater finish than is usually obtained in high-quartered shoes.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The quarter B B, formed with integral extensions B' B', in combination with rear piece, A, said piece being adapted to buckle, all constructed substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The rear piece, A, extending down beneath the heel, and suitably stitched to the counter, in combination with flaps or extensions B' B', all as and for the purpose described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses:

FRANKLIN S. STARK.

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