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Fig. 1.

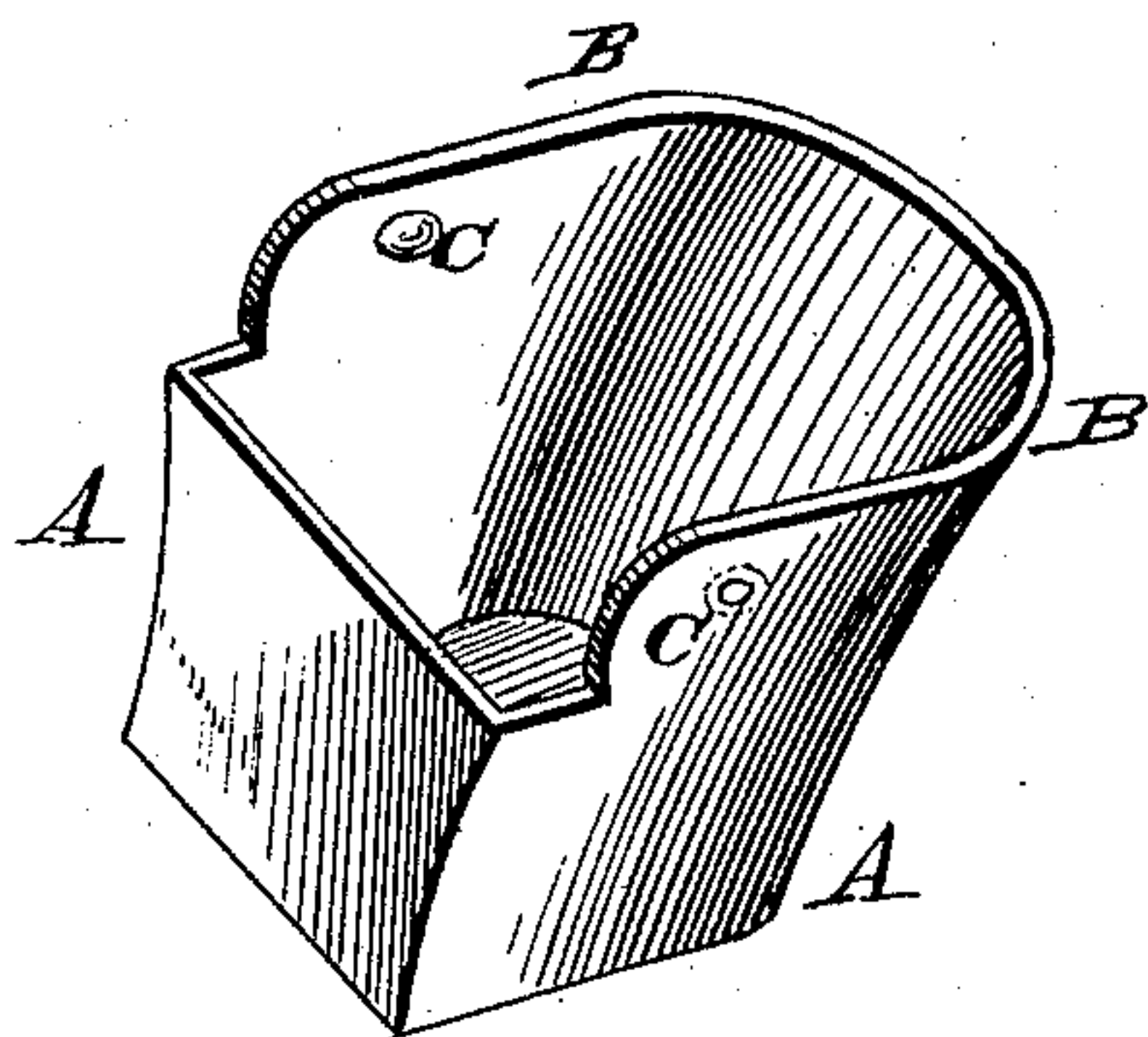


Fig. 2.

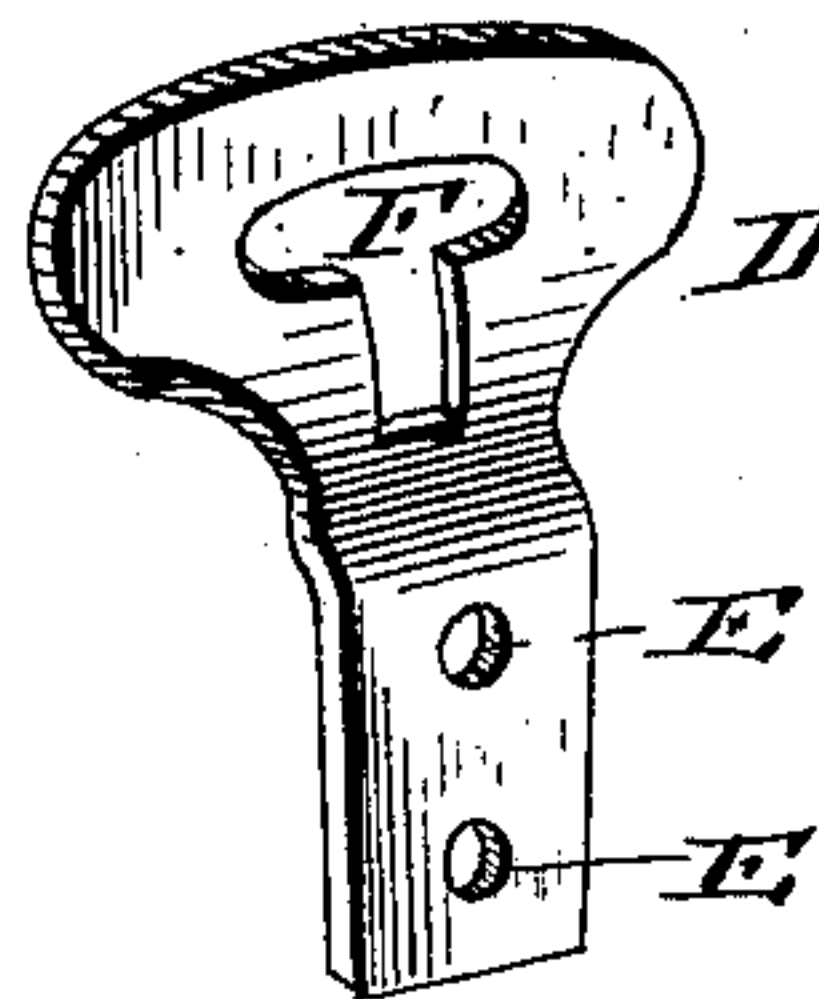
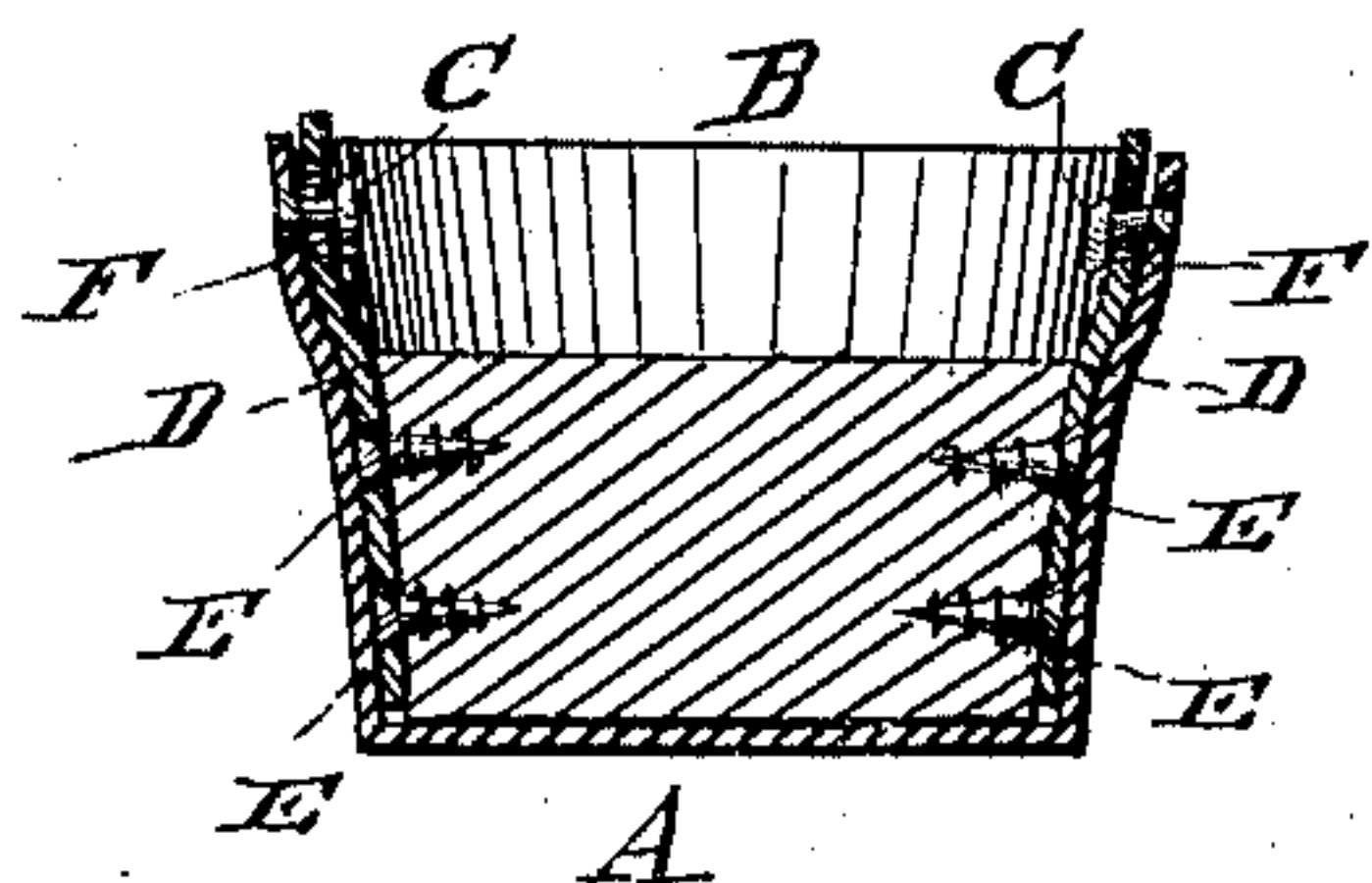


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM A. PEAY, of Calhoun, in the county of McLean and State of Kentucky, have invented certain new and
5 useful Improvements in Caps or Coverings for the Heels of Boots or Shoes; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which
10 it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved heel-cap. Fig. 2 is a perspective view
15 of the fastener used in connection with the same. Fig. 3 is a sectional view, showing the cap and fastener in position upon the heel of a boot.

Corresponding parts in the several figures
20 are denoted by like letters of reference.

This invention relates to an improved cap or covering for the heels of boots and shoes, to be made of india-rubber, and provided with
25 suitable means for securing it detachably in position; and it consists in the construction of the same and the means of attaching it, which will be hereinafter fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

In the drawings hereto annexed, A represents my improved heel-cap, which is made, as
30 stated, of india-rubber, or of rubber and cloth combined, or of any other suitable material, and of suitable size and shape to fit the heel upon which it is to be worn. It is also provided with an upward-projecting collar, B, fitting around the back of the boot or shoe and
35 extending a short distance above the heel. Upon the inside of the collar B are secured suitably-constructed buttons C C.

40 D is a metallic plate, constructed mainly like the ordinary well-known "heel-stiffeners," and secured in like manner to the sides of the heel,

one on each side, by means of screws E or other suitable fastenings. The upper ends of the plates D, which, as shown, extend above
45 the heels, are made slightly outwardly bulging and provided with T-shaped slots F. When the cap A has been placed in position upon the heel, over which it should be made to fit tightly, the buttons C are adjusted in the
50 slots F of the plates D, thus securing the "cap" firmly in position.

The advantages of my invention will be readily understood. When the cap is detached the plates D save the heels from being worn
55 unevenly or "run down." With the cap in position for indoor wear injury to floors and carpets by the heel-plates is prevented, as well as to the legs of the pantaloons and other garments. Another important advantage is that
60 it will deaden the noise of the heels upon uncovered floors, thus preventing much annoyance, especially in school-rooms and other places where many people are gathered. This
65 last object is attained without keeping the feet heated to an unhealthy degree, as is the case when overshoes are worn.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters
70 Patent of the United States, is—

The plates D, suitably secured upon the sides of the heel of a boot or shoe, and having T-shaped slots F, in combination with the herein-described heel cap or covering A, having
75 collar B, provided with buttons C, substantially as and for the purpose herein shown and specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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