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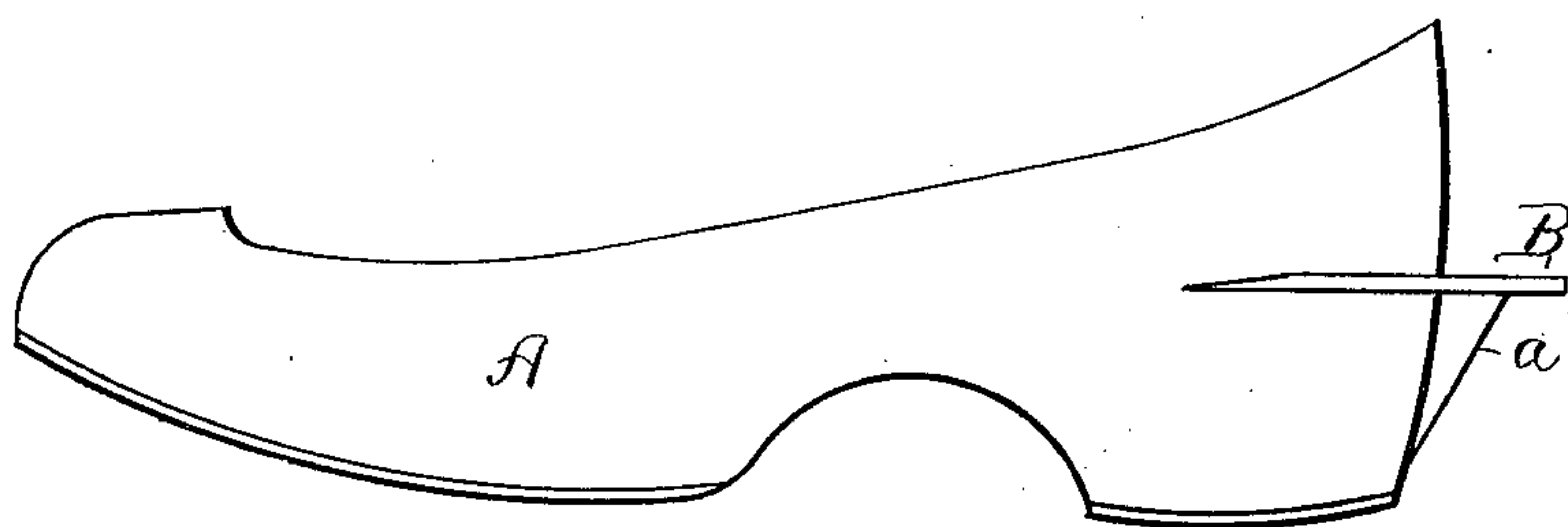
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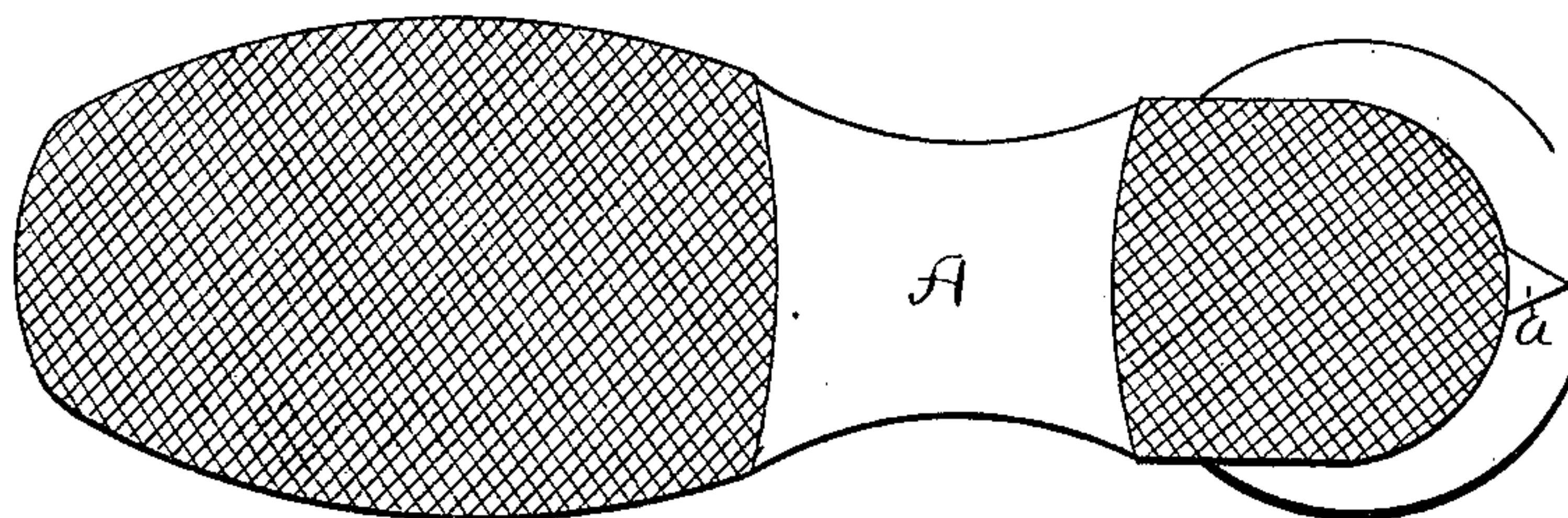
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## OVERSHOE.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 273,803, dated March 13, 1883.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, PHILO DURFEE BEARD, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Buffalo, in the county of Erie and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Overshoe and Pantaloon and Skirt Protector, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention consists in combining with the back of an overshoe (preferably of india-rubber) a semicircular rim, which is made with the overshoe or afterward formed thereon, as may be most convenient, at or near the heel, and supported by a projection on the back of said overshoe or shoe, the object being to prevent the upward throwing by the wearer in walking of particles of mud, wet dirt, &c., onto the pantaloons behind, or, if a lady, onto skirts or hose, the rim catching all this, and the upper side forming a rest for the bottom of the trousers, keeping them from getting under the heel, as is usual, in wet weather.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of an overshoe, and Fig. 2 a bottom plan with my improvements attached.

A represents an ordinary rubber overshoe. B is an outwardly-projecting semicircular rim formed on the back of the overshoe, usually just above the part wherein the boot-heel sets,

or the most suitable position on the back, for the purpose of catching the upward throw of mud, wet, &c., as before stated. Under this is the usual spur, *a*, formed on rubber shoes, (to take them off.) This supports the rim or flange B. The bottom of said rim B will rest thereon, so that the overshoe can be taken off by a downward pressure on the rim, the same as on the spur, separate. This protecting-rim follows the shape of the back of the overshoe. It is quite narrow, but made wide enough to do the work. It will usually be made of the same material as the overshoe; but this is not important. It will add but a trifle to the cost, but will be very useful for the purpose described.

I claim—

An overshoe provided at the heel with a projection, *a*, and having a semicircular pantaloons and skirt protector shield, B, secured upon the heel of the shoe in a horizontal position, and supported upon the projection *a*, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses, this 22d day of December, 1882.

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