

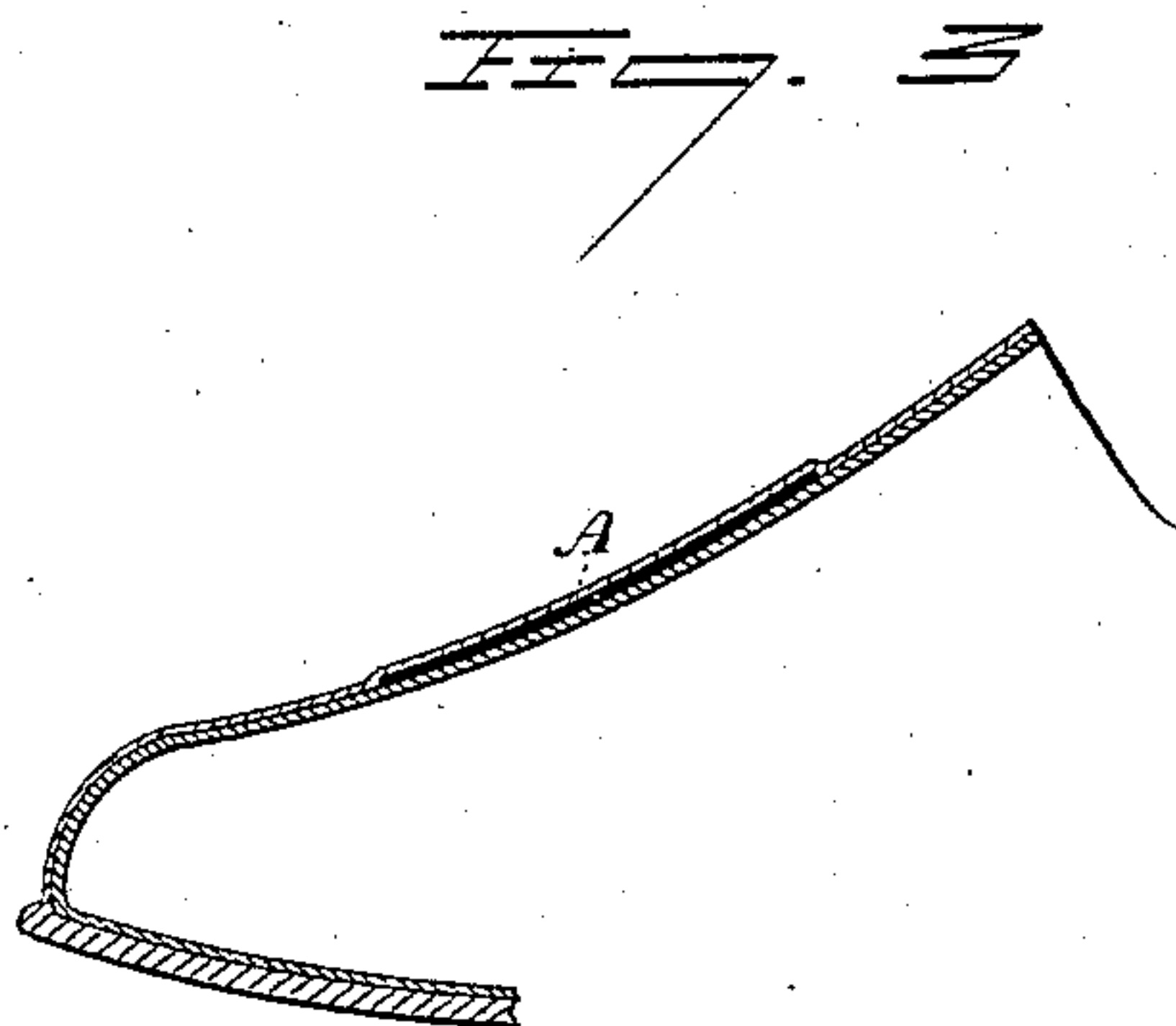
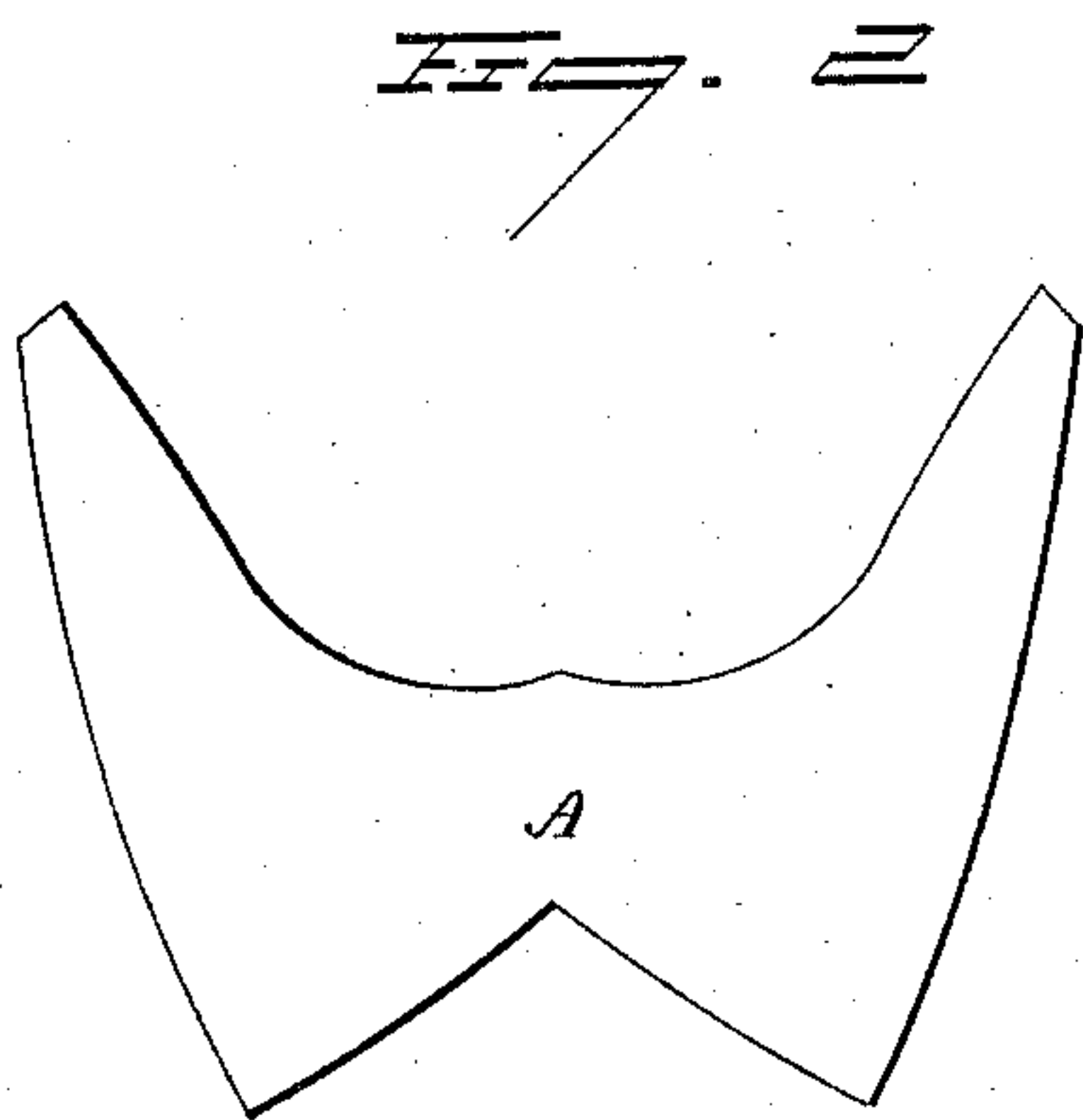
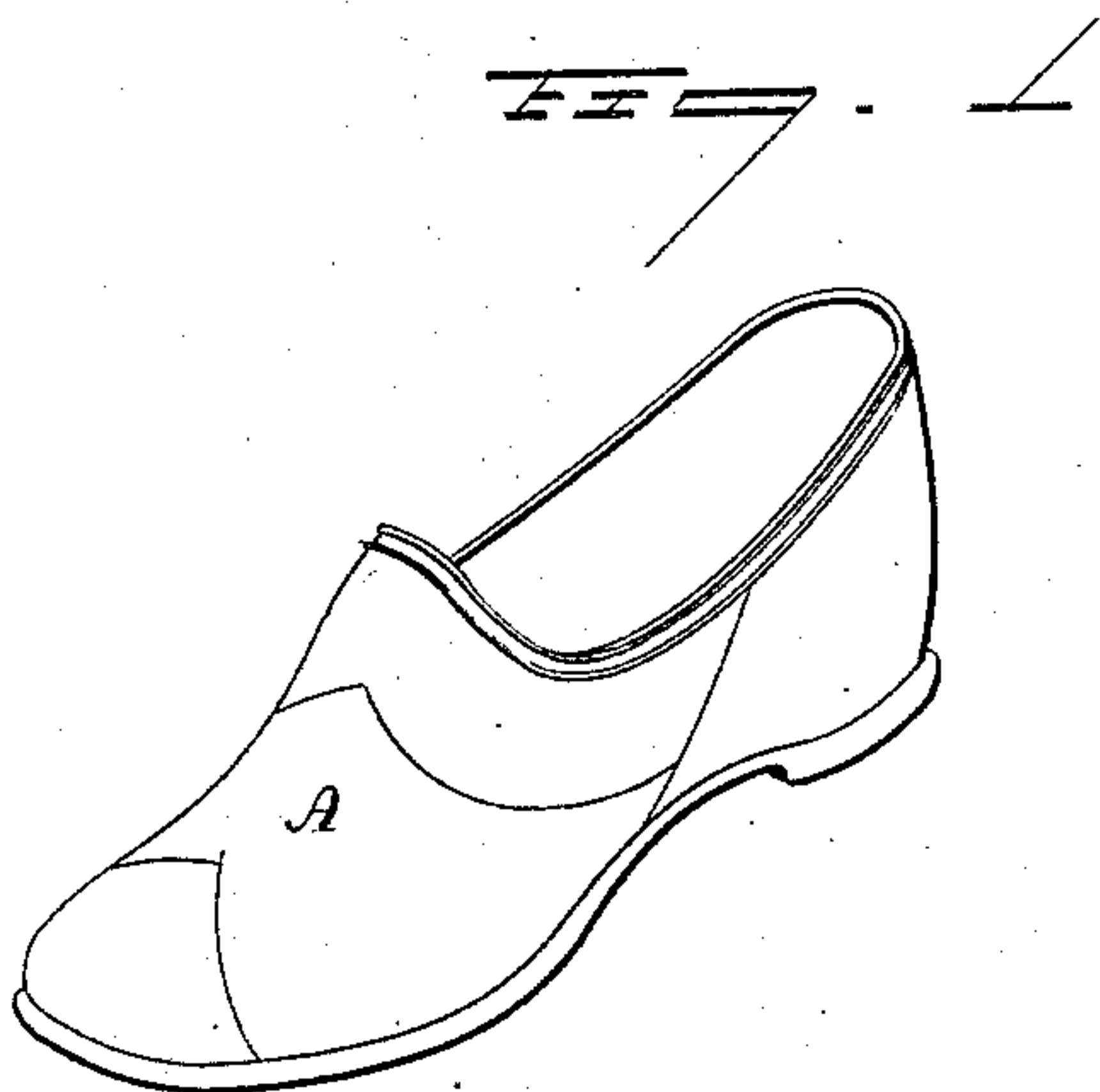
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OVERSHOE.

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OVERSHOE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES S. BALDWIN, of Naugatuck, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented a new
5 Improvement in Overshoes; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with accompanying drawings and the letters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, and
10 which said drawings constitute part of specification, and represent, in—

Figure 1, a perspective view; Fig. 2, the stay detached; Fig. 3, a longitudinal section.

This invention relates to an improvement in
15 the manufacture of india-rubber overshoes. The great wearing-strain on the uppers of overshoes comes across the ball portion. This is caused by the constant bending of the shoe on that line as the foot is bent in walking.

20 The object of my invention is to prevent the cracking of the upper across the ball; and it consists in a stay of suitable material introduced between the outer and lining, extending from the sole on one side over the ball to the sole on the
25 opposite side, and as more fully hereinafter described.

The general cut of the shoe may be of any desirable style. In making up the shoe I ap-

ply the lining to the last in the usual manner, and then place over the ball portion of the shoe 30 a stay, A. This stay is best made from a strong fabric, but may be of any suitable material. It extends from the bottom of the shoe at one side over the ball to the bottom on the opposite side, and is cut so as to extend back on 35 each side toward the hollow of the foot, as shown detached in Fig. 2. Then over this the outer is placed in the usual manner. The rubber outer is worked down upon the stay and upon the lining, the stay appearing as a raised 40 surface on the upper, so that the extra staying of the shoe is apparent. By employing a strong flexible material for this stay the shoe is strengthened over the part where it bends in walking, and the shoe cracking on that line is 45 avoided.

I claim—

In an india-rubber overshoe, the stay A, introduced between the lining and the outer, extending from the sole at one side over the 50 ball to the sole on the opposite side, substantially as described.

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