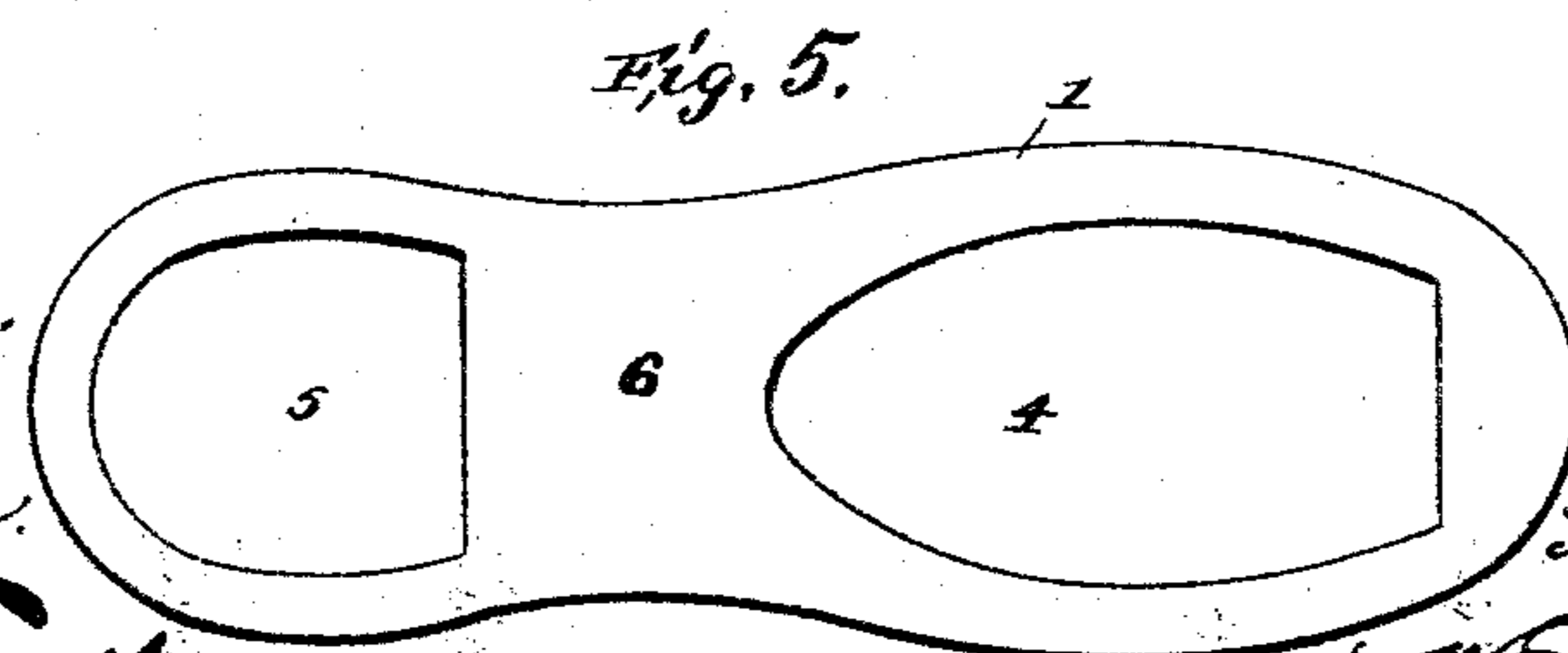
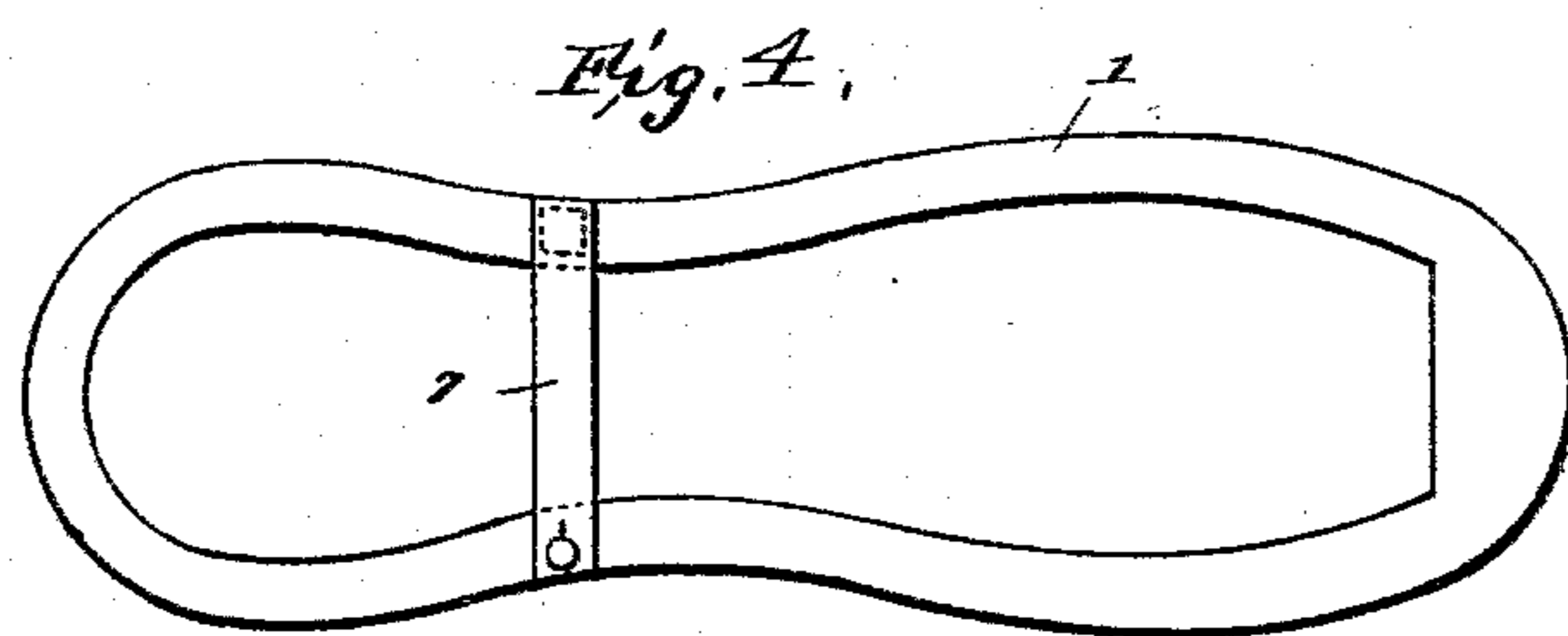
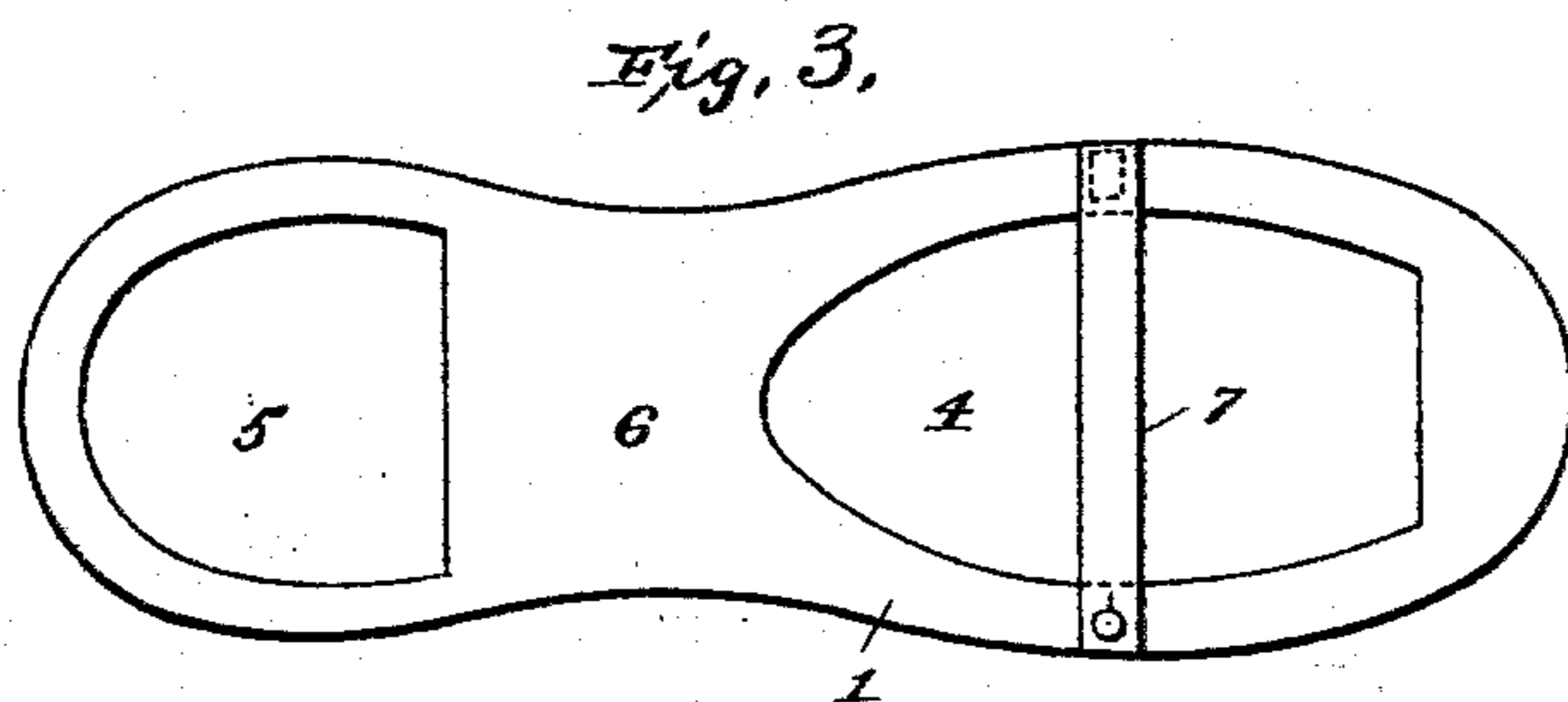
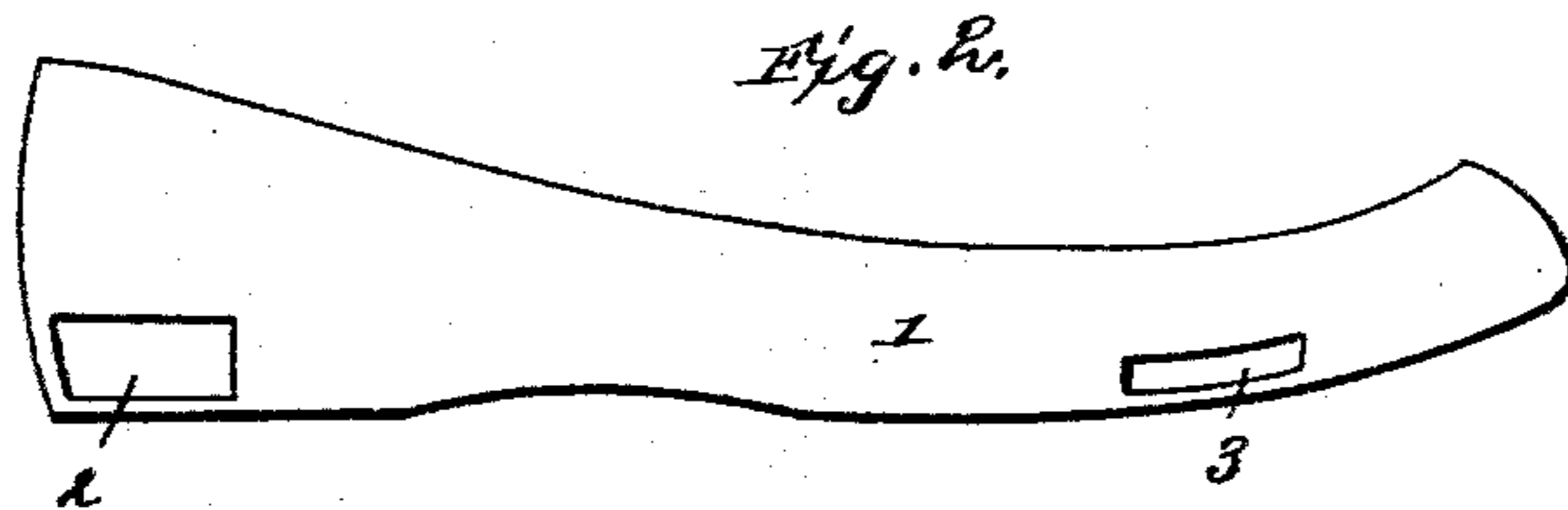
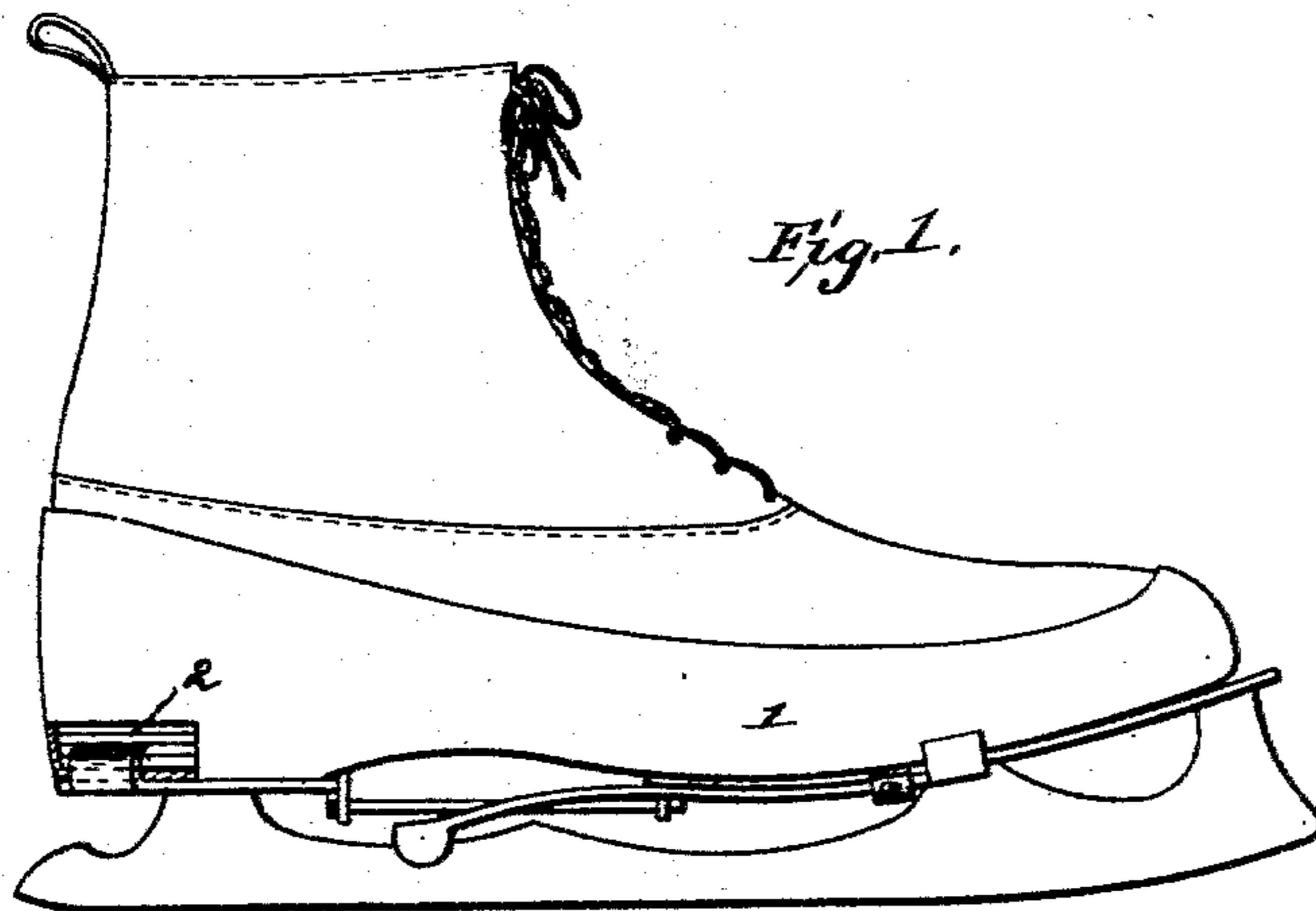


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, WILLIS L. SEDGWICK and HARRY M. ERWIN, citizens of the United States, and residents of Sioux City, in the county of Woodbury and State of Iowa, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Overshoes, of which the following is a description.

This invention relates to an improvement in overshoes, and more particularly to that class adapted to protect the feet of persons while skating.

One object of the invention is to provide an overshoe of the above description having cut away portions by which to permit of the clamps on the skates taking hold on the heel and on the sole, whereby the skate may be as firmly attached to the shoe as if the overshoe were not employed.

A further object is to provide an overshoe having openings to permit of the skate clamps taking direct hold upon the sole and heel, and means whereby the said overshoe may be securely fastened upon the shoe.

With these objects in view the invention consists in the novel construction of an overshoe as will be hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, and in which like numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts, Figure 1, is a side elevation of an overshoe constructed in accordance with the invention, showing the same provided with openings at the heel-portion to permit the heel clamps of the skate taking direct hold upon the shoe heel. Fig. 2, is a like view showing the overshoe provided with openings both at the heel and at the side of the sole. Fig. 3, is a bottom view showing portions of the heel and the sole cut away so as to permit the ball of the shoe sole and the heel to rest upon the skate, and showing also a strap for binding the overshoe securely in place. Fig. 4, is a similar view showing a change of location of the strap, and also a slight difference in the manner of cutting away the sole of the overshoe. Fig. 5, is also a bottom view showing a modified form of sole.

Referring to the drawings, 1, designates the overshoe which may be of any preferred form—that is, of the form of the ordinary

overshoe, or having an extension top for protecting the ankles. At a point near the rear portion of the heel and on each side thereof is an opening 2, through which the heel clamp of the skate projects to contact with the heel of the shoe. As shown in Fig. 1, these openings are arranged near the heel portion, as stated, but if desired openings 3 may be provided near the toe so as to permit the front clamps of the skate taking hold upon the sole of the shoe. In order to permit the heel and the sole to bear upon the skate, so as to cause a firm union between the shoe and the skate, the sole and heel portions of the overshoe are cut away, as shown at 4 and 5, respectively, a portion of the instep 6 being left uncut as shown in Figs. 3 and 5. In order to bind the overshoe firmly upon the shoe proper, a strap 7 is employed which is secured at one end to the overshoe, and is designed at its other end to engage with a button, buckle, or clamp secured to the opposite side of the overshoe. As shown in Fig. 3, this strap extends across the ball of the foot, but if desired the entire sole portion of the overshoe may be cut away, as shown in Fig. 4, in which instance the strap is arranged at the instep, and thus serves to hold the overshoe in place.

In some instances it may be desired to dispense entirely with the use of the strap. The form of the overshoe in this case is not altered, the instep portion 6 between the heel and the sole portion, as shown in Fig. 5, serving to hold the overshoe in position.

When the overshoe is in use, it is drawn over the shoe and the skate placed in position with the clamps projecting through the openings 2 and 3.

The foregoing description has been confined to the employment of all-clamp skates, but it is to be understood that the overshoe may be employed equally well with the ordinary strap skate, or with the skate employing a heel-plate to hold the heel in place and having clamps at its front end. In the latter instance the opening 2 in the heel will allow the button on the skate to engage with the heel-plate, and the opening 3 will permit the clamps to engage with the sole.

Having thus fully described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. An overshoe for skaters' use having openings at its sides and heel portions, to permit the skate-clamps to contact directly with the shoe, and having the wearing portion of the sole and of the heel cut away to permit the skate.
2. An overshoe for skaters' use having openings at its sides and heel portions, to permit the skate-clamps to contact directly with the shoe, and having the wearing portion of the sole and of the heel cut away to permit the

sole and the heel to contact directly with the skate, and a strap arranged on the under surface of the overshoe for securing it in place within the shoe.

In testimony whereof we hereunto affix our signatures in the presence of two witnesses.

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