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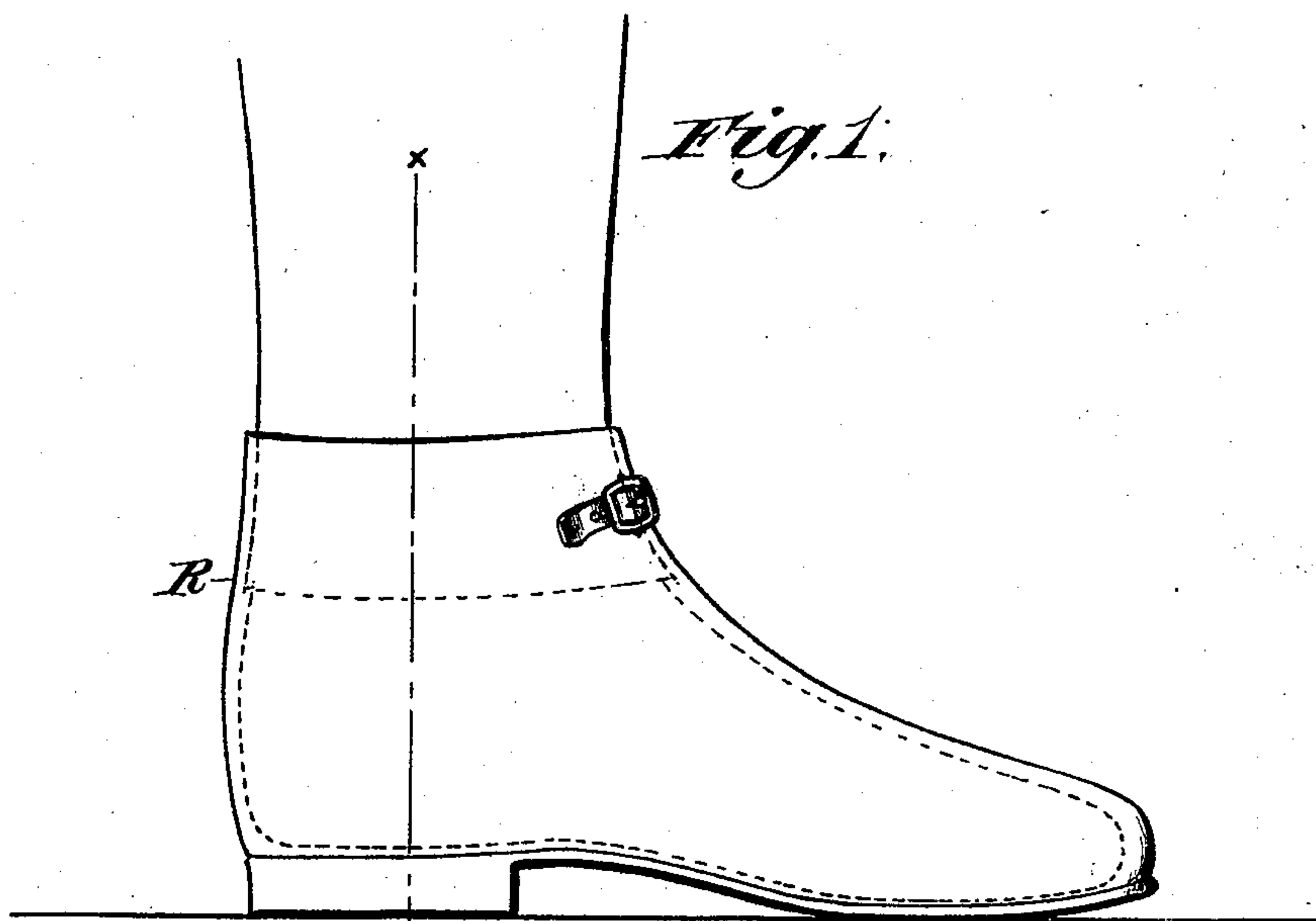
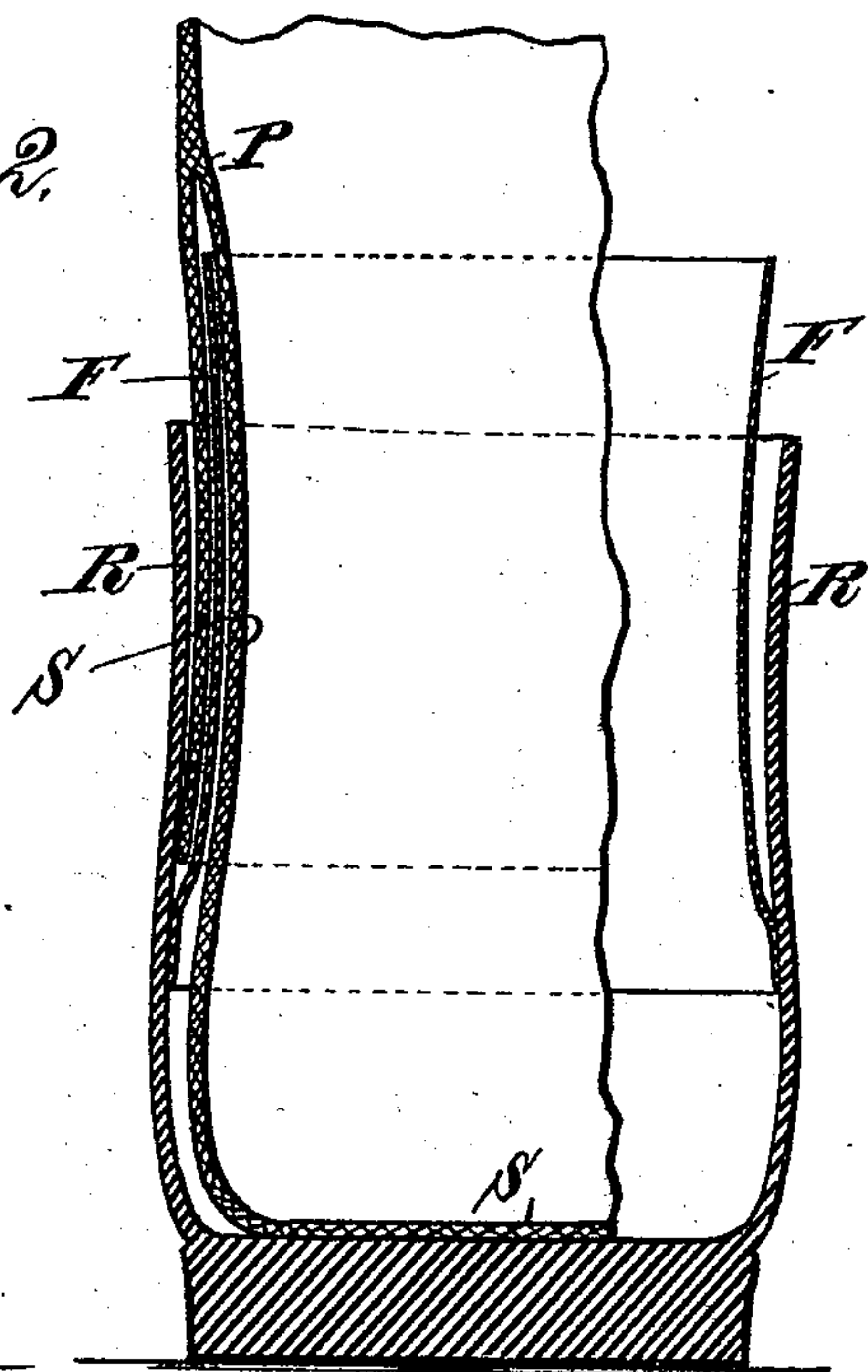


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MOSES D. GIRARD, a citizen of the United States, residing at the village of Pentwater, in the county of Oceana and State of Michigan, have invented a certain new and useful Lumberman's Rubber and Stocking, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a new and useful lumberman's rubber and stocking, said rubber and stocking used in combination forming a foot wear for persons exposed to outdoor work in the winter and in wet and rainy weather, and the invention consists, in a lumberman's rubber provided with an inner flap, attached at a point below the top of the rubber proper, composed of impervious, or substantially impervious material, and extending upward beyond the rubber, leaving a space between the rubber top and the interior flap; and a leggin and stocking-foot combined, the leggin extending below the top of the stocking-foot and adapted to fit between the inner flap of the rubber and the outer wall of the rubber, so that when the rubber is fastened to the foot by buckles, lacing or otherwise, the lower end of the leggin is securely fastened to the rubber, thereby preventing snow or water from reaching the foot of the wearer.

The objects of my invention are, first, to construct a cheap and durable foot-wear which may be used during winter or in wet weather; and, second, to combine the stocking and rubber in such a manner as to exclude water and snow and preserve the feet of the wearer warm and dry. These objects I accomplish by means of the construction illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure (1) shows a side elevation of the combined stocking and rubber constructed in accordance with my invention; the dotted lines below the top of the shoe proper which extend along near the outer surface of the shoe, representing the position of the stocking-foot. Fig. (2) shows a sectional view on line $x-x$ of Fig. 1—the part shown being somewhat enlarged in order to show the position of the stocking-foot, the internal flap and the outer wall of the shoe; the stocking only showing on the left-hand side of the fig-

ure, the right-hand side showing merely the internal flap and wall of the shoe.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

R represents the wall of the rubber-shoe.

F represents the internal flap attached to the inside wall of the shoe at a point below its upper edge, leaving a space between the wall of the shoe and the flap for the insertion of the lower end of the stocking-leg.

S represents the foot of the stocking which extends upward to the point P where it is attached to the leg of the stocking.

The leg of the stocking extends downward as shown in Fig. 2 between the outer wall of the rubber shoe and the flap.

The leg and stocking foot may be made in one piece, or may be made and attached together at the point P.

The leg or foot may be constructed of any suitable material.

It will be observed that the flap forms a space which receives the entire lower end of the leg, and when the shoe proper is laced, buckled or otherwise fastened, the lower end of the leg is securely held between the outer wall of the rubber-shoe and the flap, and any snow or moisture which might by any possibility find its way within the walls of the rubber-shoe, will be prevented from reaching the foot by means of the impervious flap F, and when the shoe is buckled or laced it presents the ordinary appearance of a rubber shoe with a stocking extending into the same; the flap being entirely concealed from view.

The flap F should be made, preferably, of a thin flexible material, so as in no way to interfere with the free use of the foot, and so that it will not present a cumbersome appearance.

Where great warmth is required the stocking-foot may be tufted or fulled or thickened in any well-known manner.

A foot-gear constructed as above described, allows for entire freedom of the foot and ankle, and absolutely prevents any snow or moisture from reaching the foot of the wearer. It can be quickly and easily applied and contains no parts which are liable to get out of order or misplaced.

Having thus described my invention, what

I claim to have invented, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

In a lumberman's rubber, the combination with a foot portion or shoe R having an internal flap F, the lower edge of which is attached to the interior of said shoe at a point below the upper edge of the latter, its unattached portion lying close to the inner surface of the shoe and extending some distance above the top thereof, of a combined leggin and stocking foot, the stocking foot being secured to the interior of the leggin at a point

above the bottom of the latter and the lower edge of the leggin lying between the top of the shoe and the flap F, and a fastening for drawing the shoe top about the leggin, substantially as described. 15

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in the presence of two witnesses.

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