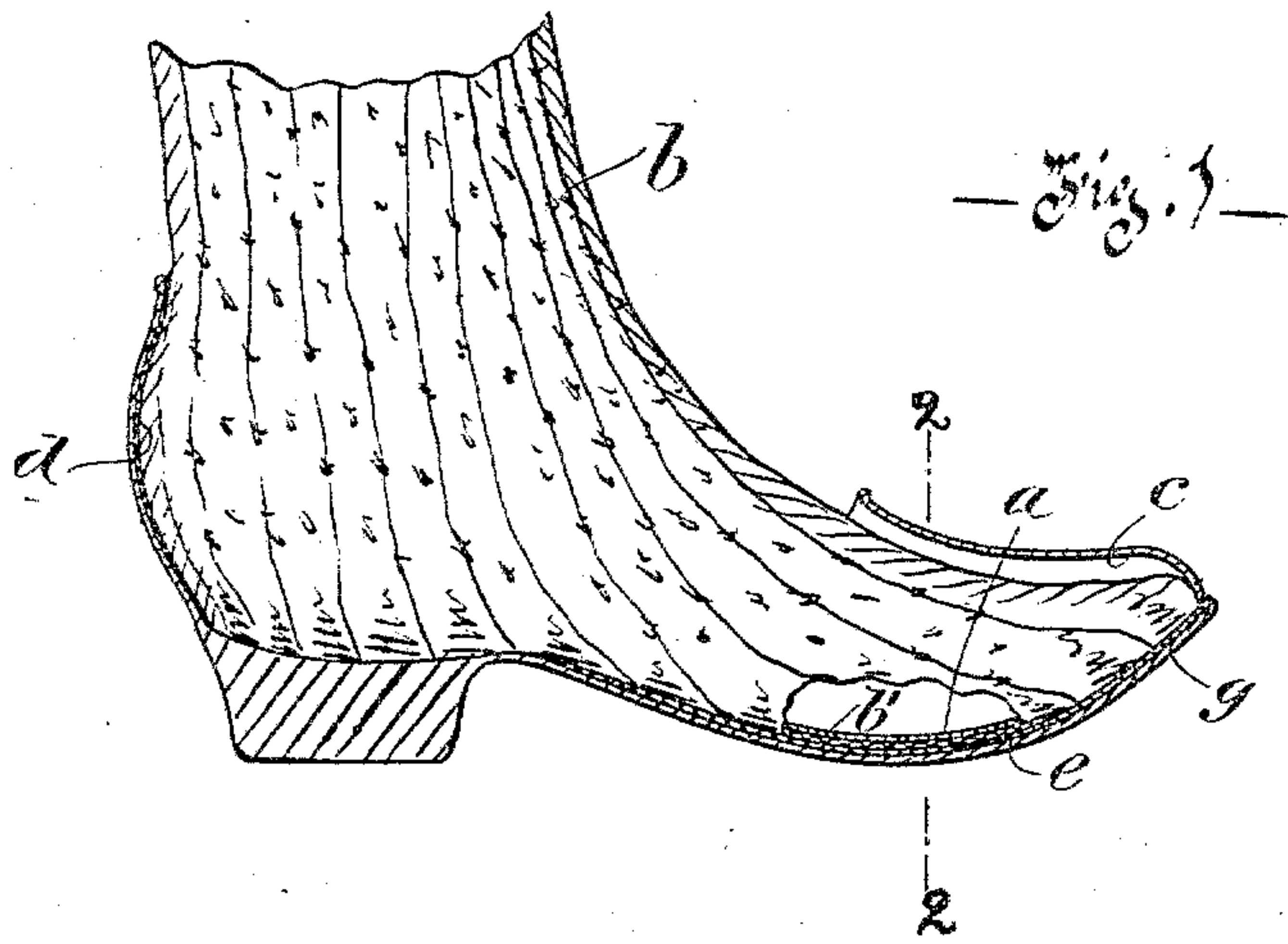


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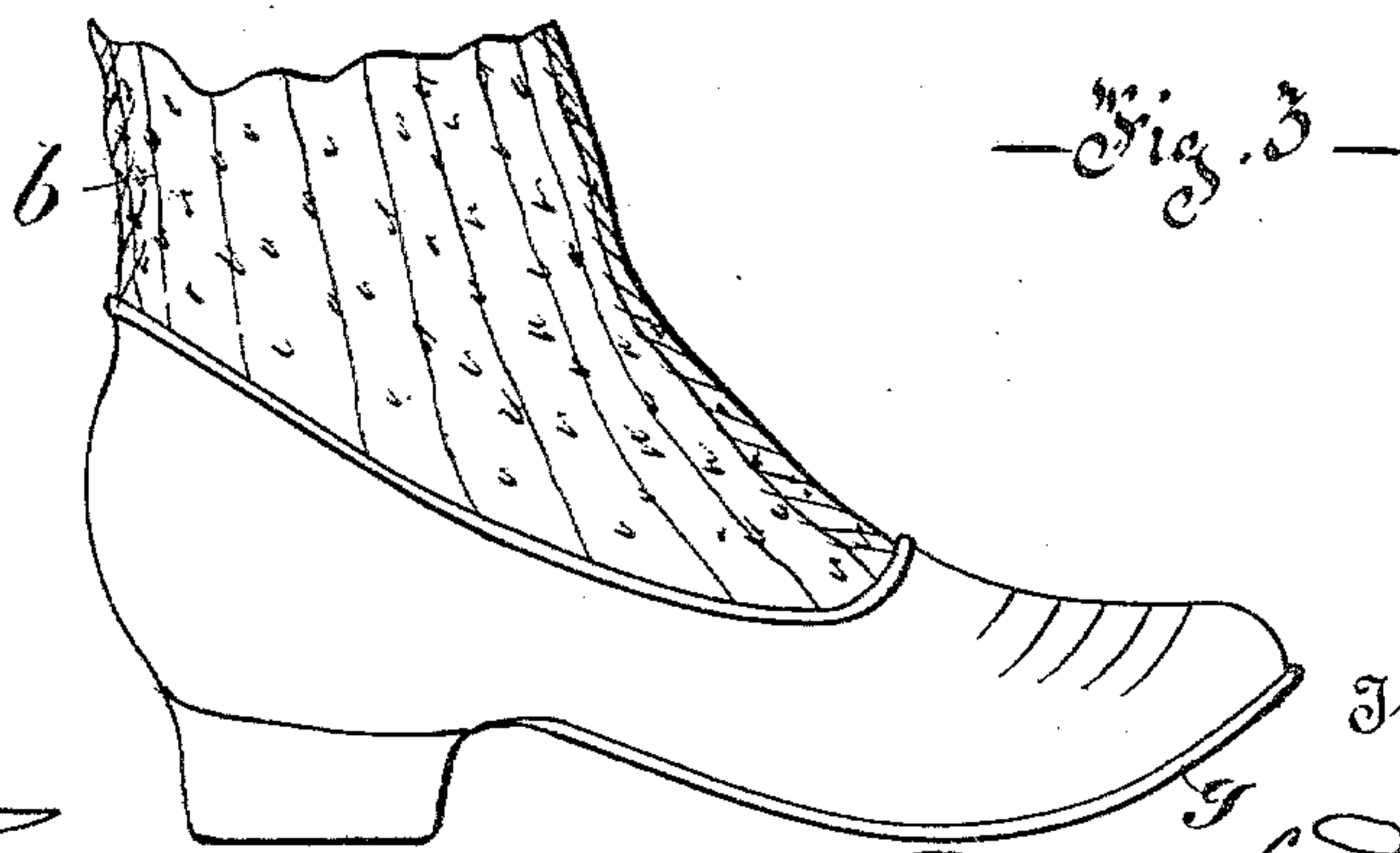
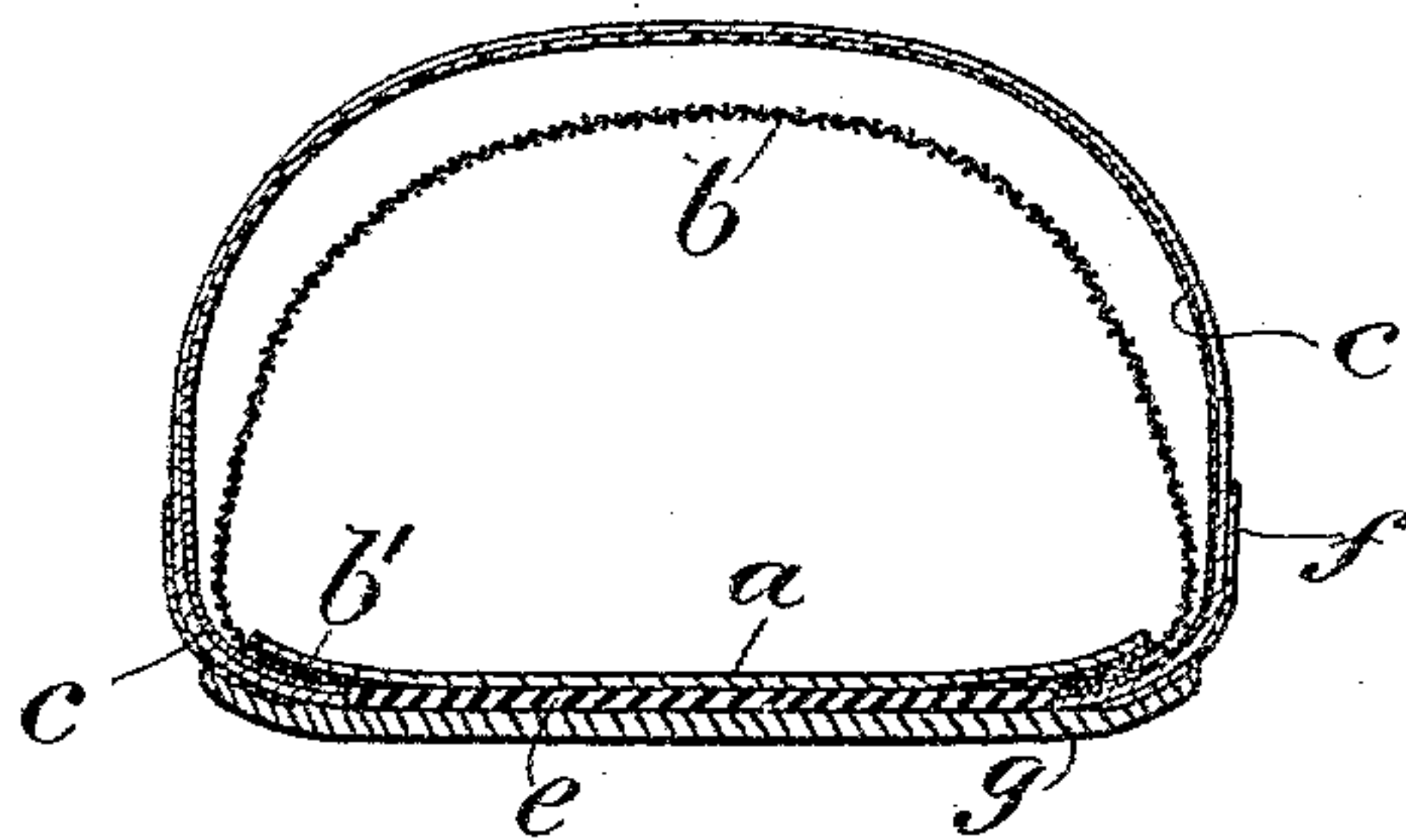
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— Fig. 1 —

— Fig. 2 —



— Fig. 3 —

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES HENRY McKECHNIE, of Granby, in the county of Shefford and Province of Quebec, Canada, have invented
5 certain new and useful Improvements in Footwear; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

This invention relates to footwear of the
10 class known to the trade as "cardigan overshoes," and has for its object to provide an easily and cheaply constructed article, and one that will allow that part of the leg portion located inside the top of the rubber foot
15 portion to be quickly dried should it become dampened.

It consists in the method of connecting the rubber foot portion to the leg portion, so that
20 such leg portion will be entirely free from the sides or top of such rubber foot portion or connected only at certain points thereto, as hereinafter described, and more particularly pointed out in the claims.

For full comprehension, however, of the invention, reference must be had to the annexed
25 drawings, in which like symbols indicate the same parts, and wherein—

Figure 1 is a longitudinal vertical section, partly broken away, of a cardigan overshoe
30 constructed according to my invention; Fig. 2, an enlarged transverse vertical section of same, taken on line 2 2, Fig. 1; and Fig. 3, a side elevation thereof.

To carry out my invention I first place the
35 usual insole *a* upon the last, then the edges *b'* of the leg portion *b* are lasted to the insole, overlapping same sufficiently to be secured firmly between such insole and the lower edges of the usual lining *c* of the rubber top, which
40 is now cemented to the insole and attached to the leg portion, preferably at the heel portion only, although it can be connected also

at other points, if desired. The remainder of the rubber foot portion, consisting of filling
45 *e*, outer covering *f*, and outsole *g*, is then set and cemented in place in the usual manner. This method of connecting the leg portion, which is preferably made from knitted stock, to the sole and back of heel or counter portion only of the rubber foot portion allows
50 such leg portion to be adjusted or straightened out by simply drawing upon it if it happens to become stretched and folded between the rubber foot portion and the boot of the wearer when it is being put on. The leg portion being free from the sides of the top and
55 within the toe also allows it, if wet, to dry after it has been removed in a very short time, thereby lessening the chances of its becoming rotted, as well as the likelihood of rot-
60 ting the lining of the rubber foot portion.

What I claim is as follows:

1. In the manufacture of foot wear of the class described,—first placing the insole upon the last, lasting the edges of the leg portion
65 thereto, attaching the edges of the lining of the rubber top to such insole and to the edges of the leg portion and then securing such rubber top to said lining and the rubber sole to such top.
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2. In the manufacture of foot wear of the class described,—first placing the insole upon the last, lasting the edges of the leg portion thereto, attaching the edges of the lining of the rubber top to such insole, attaching the
75 back of the heel or counter of the leg portion to the lining and then securing such rubber top to said lining and the rubber sole to such top.

Montreal, Quebec, March 13, 1895.

JAMES H. McKECHNIE.

In presence of—

WILL P. McFEAT,
FRED. J. SEARS.