

No. 887,857.

PATENTED MAY 19, 1908.

S. W. SIMS.
SHOE POLISHING DEVICE.
APPLICATION FILED AUG. 3, 1906.

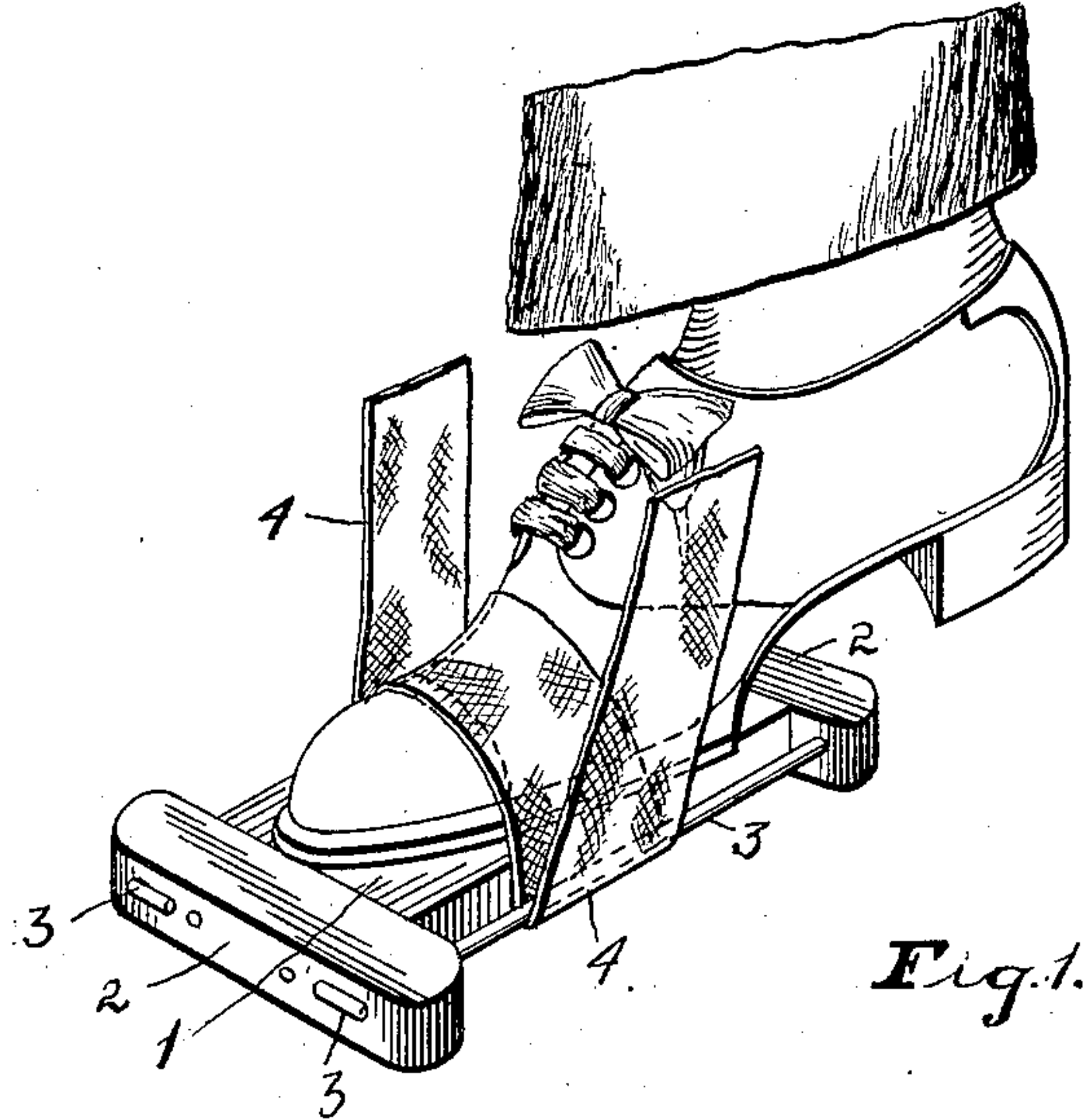


Fig. 1.

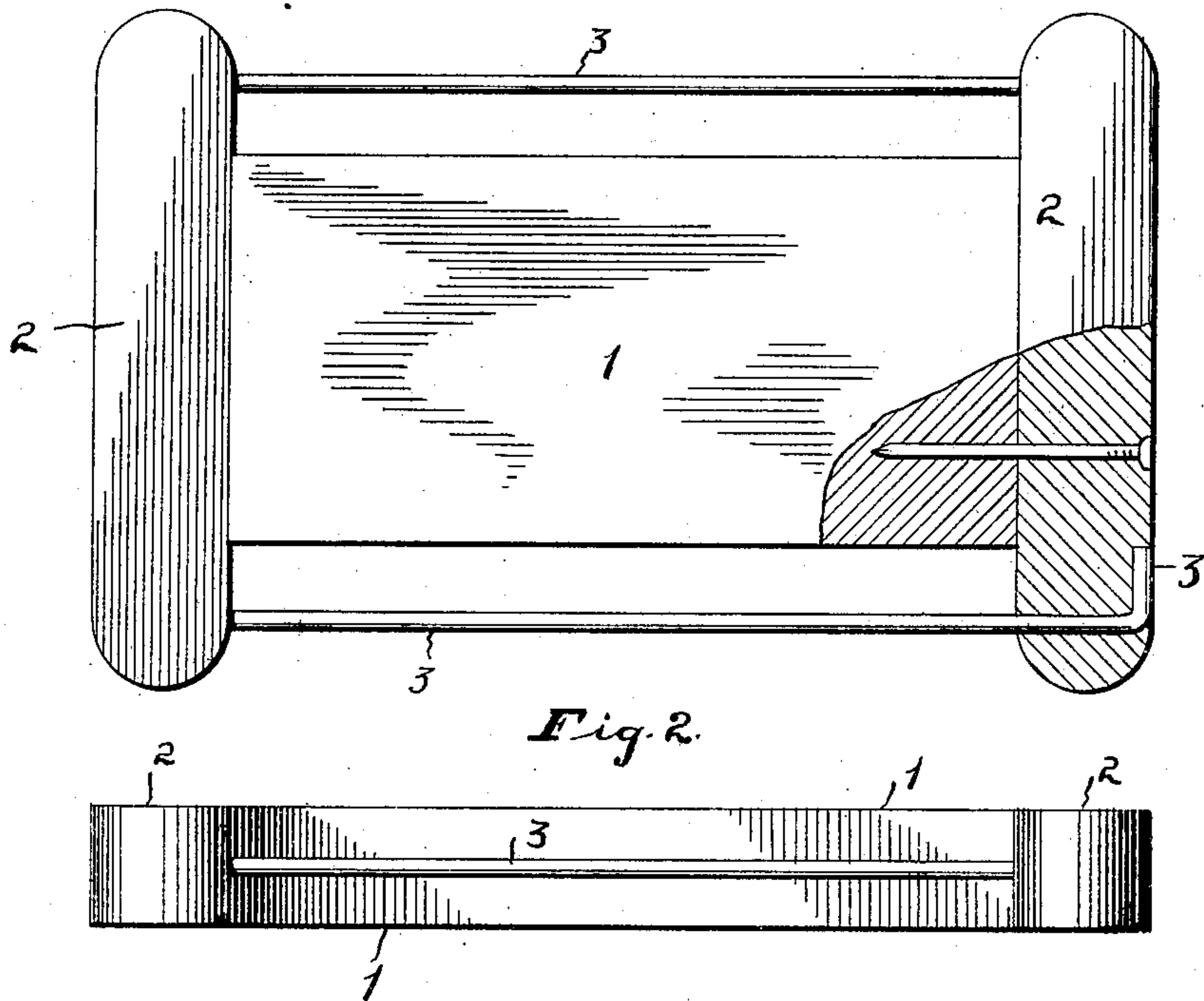


Fig. 2.

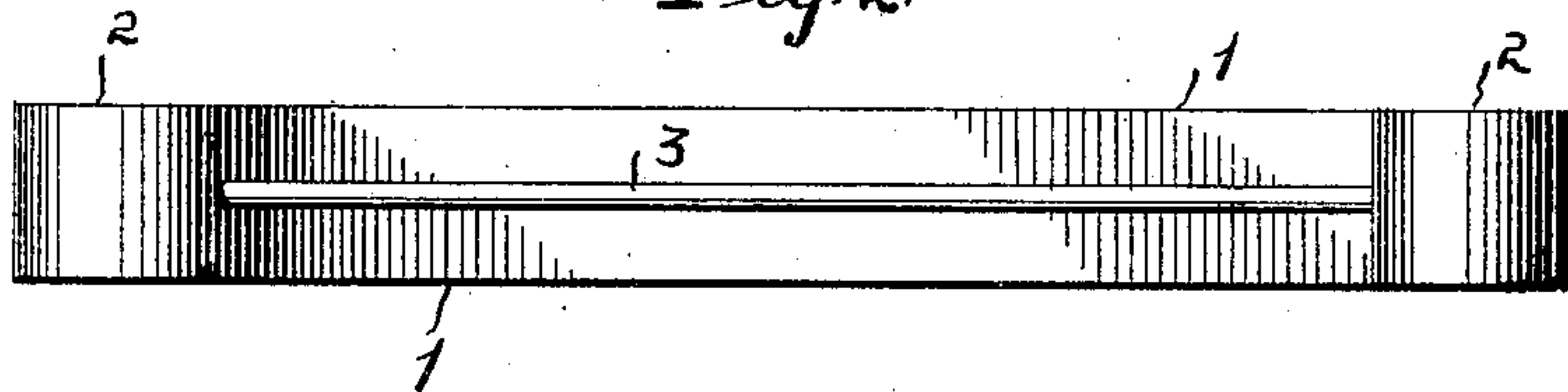


Fig. 3. Simeon Walter Sims.

Witnesses
Carl Stoughton
F. G. Campbell.

By

Shepherd & Parker
Attorneys

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE.

SIMEON WALTER SIMS, OF COLUMBUS, OHIO.

SHOE-POLISHING DEVICE.

No. 887,857.

Specification of Letters Patent.

Patented May 19, 1908.

Application filed August 3, 1906. Serial No. 328,982.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SIMEON WALTER SIMS, citizen of the United States, residing at Columbus, in the county of Franklin and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shoe-Polishing Devices, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to the improvement of shoe polishing devices and the object of my invention is to provide a simple, inexpensive form of shoe polishing device which can be readily and conveniently utilized. This object I accomplish in the manner illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which:

Figure 1 is a view in perspective showing my improved shoe polishing device and showing a shoe supported thereon in position for polishing the toe or forward portion of the shoe, Fig. 2 is a plan view of the device with a portion of the same broken away for the sake of clearness in illustration, and, Fig. 3 is a side elevation.

Similar numerals refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

In carrying out my invention, I employ a foot rest which comprises an oblong body portion 1, with the ends of which are connected or formed laterally projecting transverse heads 2, the latter having rounded ends, as shown. On each side of the body 1 and about midway of the height of the latter, I provide a longitudinal rod 3, which runs parallel with the length of said body 1 and which has its end portions entering and secured within the lateral extensions of the head bars 2.

In utilizing my invention, I employ a polishing strip of flannel or other suitable fabric, such as is indicated at 4. This strip has its central portion passing transversely over the upper side of the foot rest 1 and has its end portions passing downward between the rods 3 and the sides of the foot rest.

In utilizing my invention for polishing the forward portion of a shoe, the toe portion of the shoe is inserted beneath the central por-

tion of the polishing strip, after which the ends of said strip are drawn upward, one in each hand of the operator and the polishing accomplished by drawing upward first on one end and then on the other of said strip, resulting in a polishing action of the strip against the surface of the shoe.

It is obvious that by moving the foot further forward on the rest, the sides of the shoe may be similarly polished and that by pulling the ends of the polishing strip rearward and around the heel of the shoe, the heel portion of the shoe may likewise be polished.

Owing to the rounded formation of the extensions of the heads 2 of the foot rest, it will be seen that the rearward and upward movements of the polishing strip employed in polishing the heel portion of the shoe will not be interfered with by engagement with sharp corners of the foot rest.

It will be observed that my improved polishing device is exceedingly simple and inexpensive of construction and that by its use a shoe may be readily and effectively polished.

What I claim, is:

In a shoe polishing device, the combination with a flat oblong body portion 1, of transverse end pieces 2 secured to the flat oblong body portion at each end thereof, the ends of the pieces 2 projecting transversely beyond the sides of the body portion 1, rods 3 extending between the extensions of the end pieces on opposite sides of the body portion, said rods passing through said extensions and being bent over at their ends to bind them into engagement with said extensions and to bind said extensions together, the bent over portions of said rods lying in recesses formed in said extensions, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

SIMEON WALTER SIMS.

Witnesses:

FRANK G. CAMPBELL,
A. L. PHELPS.