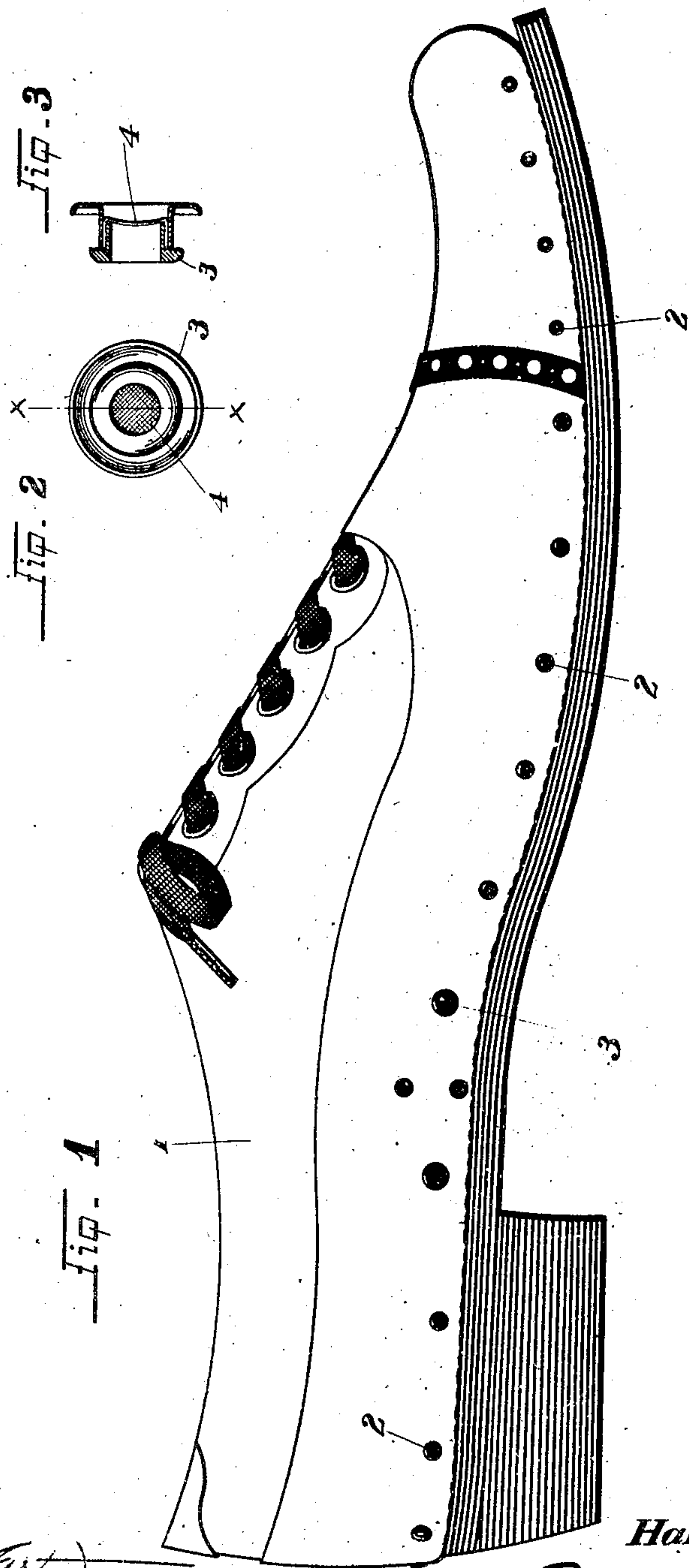


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARRY A. HUBERT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Sacramento, in the county of Sacramento and State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ventilated Shoes; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the characters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this application.

This invention relates to improvements in foot wear and particularly to shoes and boots of all kinds, the object being to produce a shoe having a means of ventilation whereby air will be admitted continuously to the feet thereby preventing perspiration and consequent feverish and sore and odorous feet; also to produce a simple, inexpensive and effective means for the purpose. This object I accomplish by means of a series of eyelets set into and along the sides of the shoe in such manner and relative arrangement as will appear by a perusal of the following specification and claim.

In the drawings similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts throughout.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a side view of a half shoe showing my ventilating means installed therein. Fig. 2 is a front elevation of a ventilating eye. Fig. 3 is a sectional view taken on a line *x x* of Fig. 2.

Referring more particularly to the characters of reference on the drawings 1 designates the shoe provided along the entire length of its sides with a plurality of eyelets 2 opening from the outside to the inside of the shoe thereby admitting a free ventilation of air to the feet.

At the instep of the shoe where the suction caused by the action of the feet is greatest is provided a substantial diamond shaped arrangement of the vents, the two end ones 3 being larger than the others to admit more air. In practice the eyes 2 and 3 may be formed of two members one telescoped within the other as shown in Fig. 3, a thin wire gauze 4 being between the telescopes and covering the openings of the eyes to exclude cinders, pieces of hot iron or other matter from entering the shoes of working men or others who work where such might occur.

From the foregoing brief description it will be readily seen that the vents 2 and 3 provide at all times a ventilation of air to the feet thereby preventing them from getting heated and perspiring which causes fever and sore feet and other afflictions.

While this specification sets forth in detail the present and preferred construction and relative arrangement of parts of the invention, still in practice such deviations from such detail may be resorted to as do not form a departure from the spirit of the invention.

Having thus described my invention what I claim as new and useful and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:—

A shoe, a plurality of ventilating eyelets in said shoe, such eyelets comprising two members telescoped one within the other, a wire gauze disposed over the face of the inner member and being impinged between the inner surfaces of said telescopic members, as described.

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

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