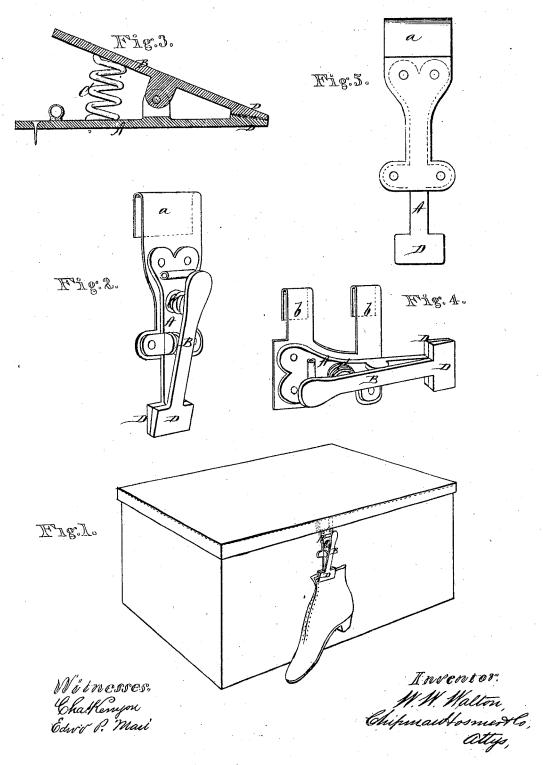
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IMPROVEMENT IN SHOE-FASTENINGS FOR SHOE-BOXES.

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· To all whom it may concern:
Be it known that I, WILLIAM W. WALTON, of Roanoke, in the county of Huntington and State of Indiana, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Shoe-Fastenings for Shoe-Boxes; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification. and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a representation of a shoe-box with my shoe-fastening attached. Figs. 2, 3, 4, and 5 are views of the shoe-fastening in various positions.

The nature of my invention consists in a device for holding sample shoes, boots, &c., to the boxes in which that particular kind is kept.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation.

A and B represent two bars or levers pivoted together at a convenient point by means of a pin passing through ears projecting from the adjoining surfaces of said bars. On one side of this pivot-point, and between the two bars A B, is secured a spiral spring, C, which throws these ends of the bars apart and the other ends close together. On these ends of the bars A B are formed jaws D D, which are corrugated on their inner surface, thus forming a strong and secure clamp for holding a shoe, boot, or slipper between said jaws.

The shoe-fastening thus constructed may be attached to a shoe-box in various ways, either

permanently or temporarily.

The upper end of the bar A is enlarged, and has two holes through it, so that it may be attached, by means of screws through the box, into the wooden frame, always found at the upper edge of shoe-boxes made for shop use; or it may be attached temporarily by having a metal plate riveted to the outer side of the bar A, said plate forming a hook, a, at the upper end of this bar, as shown in Fig. 2. The hook a is then suspended on the edge of the box; or this metal plate may form two hooks, b, on the side of the fastener, as shown in Fig. 4, to be suspended in the same manner. Thus the fastener may be hung either perpendicularly or horizontally, as may be most advantageous for a proper display of the samples.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by

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In combination with the fastener A B'D, a metallic plate forming the hooks a or b b, or both, substantially as and for the purposes herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

WILLIAM W. WALTON.

Witnesses:

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