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AUXILIARY HEEL Lining.
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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, Thurman S. Rogers, a citizen of the United States, residing in Jackson, in the county of Jackson and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Auxiliary Heel Linings, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide an auxiliary lining adapted to be placed in the heel portion of a shoe to insure a good fit and to prevent the foot of the wearer from moving up and down so as to produce a rubbing action at the heel resulting in discomfort and perhaps blistering or otherwise injuring the foot.

In carrying out my invention I provide a lining consisting of a front portion or facing made of material which will tend to cling to the stocking to prevent slipping and this front portion is backed by some material which will add weight or give body to the lining and hold it in proper position. Preferably the lining is faced with velvet and the backing is preferably made of canvas, duck or light leather. These materials are secured together in any suitable way and the backing is spread on its rear face with glue or other suitable adhesive by which it may be attached to the shoe.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of an auxiliary heel lining made in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the lining bent into suitable shape to be inserted in the shoe. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the heel portion of a shoe with the lining in place.

The lining is preferably of the shape shown, having a straight lower edge a and a curved upper edge b which joins the opposite ends of the straight lower edge of the lining, such shape being suitable to conform to the heel portion of the shoe. The front portion A of the lining is made of some material which will tend to adhere or cling to the stocking. A material having a nap or rough surface is preferred, velvet being considered most suitable.

The back part B may be made of canvas, duck or other suitable material which will add weight and give stiffness to the lining and this is secured to the front part A by means of glue, cement, or by any other suitable means. A suitable adhesive for this purpose would be a waterproof glue which in addition to firmly connecting the two parts of the lining would prevent moisture from the foot penetrating the lining and softening the adhesive which is applied to the rear face of the lining. The adhesive on the rear face of the lining is normally hard and dry, but when moistened or softened the lining may be made to adhere to the heel part or counter C, as indicated in Fig. 3, and will be permanently held in such position as moisture from the foot cannot pass through the waterproof glue interposed between the two parts of the lining.

Preferably the front part of the lining is formed with horizontal grooves and ribs, giving a corrugated effect which increases the anti-slipping properties of the lining. This effect may be obtained by the use of corduroy velvet.

The lining is especially intended for use in Oxford shoes and pumps and may be made in various sizes. It is a separate article of manufacture and is not intended for use until the shoe is sold and it is for the purpose of providing a good fit of the shoe on the foot and to prevent slipping of the heel of the foot relatively to the heel portion of the shoe. It may be applied to new shoes and also to old ones for the same purpose, and when applied to old shoes it may also serve to repair or cover broken or worn portions of the heel lining.

I claim as my invention:

1. As a new article of manufacture, an auxiliary heel lining for shoes, comprising a front part made of anti-slipping material, and a backing secured thereto to give body to the lining and which is provided with an adhesive on its rear face.

2. As a new article of manufacture, an auxiliary heel lining for shoes comprising a front part made of anti-slipping material and a back part secured thereto by waterproof adhesive and which is provided with an adhesive on its rear face.

3. As a new article of manufacture, an auxiliary heel lining for shoes, having a straight lower edge and a curved upper edge.
joining the opposite ends of the lower edge and which comprises a front part made of anti-slipping material and a back part secured thereto and having an adhesive on its rear face.

4. As a new article of manufacture, an auxiliary heel lining for shoes, comprising a front part made of anti-slipping material and provided with horizontal grooves and corrugations and a back part secured thereto to give body to the lining. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name.

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