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Fig. 1

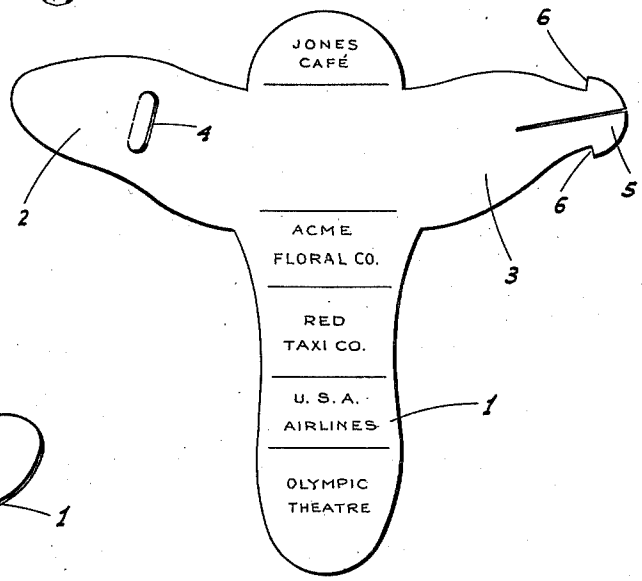


Fig. 3

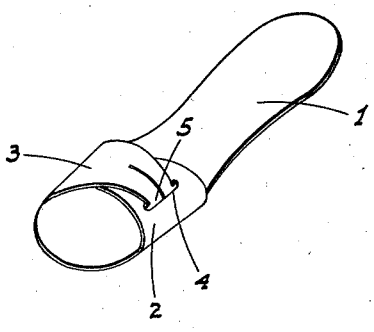
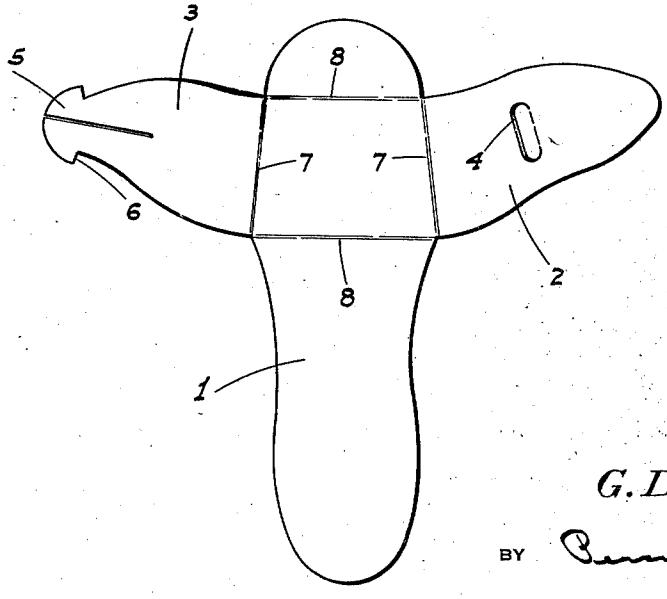


Fig. 2



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1 Claim. (Cl. 36—11.5)

This invention relates generally to a bedroom slipper and its construction; the invention being directed in particular to, and it is my principal object to provide, a slipper which, due to its simplicity and inexpensive construction, may be employed as a novelty and presented for the use of guests in hotels or the like.

Another object of my invention is to provide a slipper which is so designed that it is admirably suited for the reception of printed matter, such as advertisements, thereon, so that they may not only be supplied to hotels, etc., without cost to the management thereof, but will profit those who supply the slippers and maintain the service.

A further object of my invention is to provide a slipper which comprises a one piece blank stamped from a sheet of relatively heavy but flexible material such as cardboard.

These objects I accomplish by means of such structure and relative arrangement of parts as will fully appear by a perusal of the following specification and claim.

In the drawing similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several views;

Figure 1 is a top plan of the one piece blank before folding so as to form a slipper.

Figure 2 is a bottom plan of the one piece blank.

Figure 3 is a perspective view of a slipper ready for use.

Referring now more particularly to the characters of reference on the drawing, the slipper is made in the following manner.

A one piece blank, as shown in plan in Figs. 1 and 2, is stamped from a sheet of cardboard or other similar material; the blank comprising a sole 1, of usual configuration, and wings 2 and 3 projecting from the side edges of the sole adjacent the forward end thereof. These wings extend from the sole at substantially the point where the ball of a person's foot would rest on the sole of the slipper.

The wing 2 is formed with a slit 4 for the reception of a longitudinally slit tongue 5 formed from the outer end of wing 3. The tongue 5 is rounded at its end and notches 6 are cut in the side edges thereof for the purpose hereinafter described.

As shown in Fig. 3 the blank is stamped on the bottom side with scores 7 at the junction of the wings with the sole, and with scores 8 extending transversely across the sole in substantial alinement with the front and rear edges of the wings 2 and 3.

To prepare the slipper for use, wing 2 is bent upward at the adjacent crease 7 and is then curved over the upper adjacent portion of the sole. Wing 3 is then bent upward in a like manner and is folded over wing 2; the portions of the slit tongue 5 being lapped slightly and the rounded head thereof inserted through slit 4 in wing 2. Notches 6 engage the under side of wing 2 and prevent the tongue 5 from escaping. The notches of tongue 5 are spaced apart substantially the width of slit 4 and therefore when the portions of tongue 5 are released from a lapped position after insertion through slit 4, the notches engage the under surface of wing 2 and the tongue is positively locked against escape. The interlocked wings form, in effect, a foot-engaging strap.

Due to the inexpensive structure and ease of manufacture, my novelty slipper may be used in hotels, a pair of slippers being provided in each room for each guest. The slippers are very sanitary as each guest receives a new pair and their use prevents the spread of diseases such as athlete's foot.

As the slipper is initially stamped from cardboard as a flat blank, printed matter, such as advertising, may be readily printed on the upper portion of the sole in the manner shown.

The scores 8 are provided in order to assure a proper amount of flexibility of the sole and especially the front or toe portion thereof. If desired, the slipper may be made from cardboard which has been impregnated with paraffine, the paraffine making the slipper waterproof as well as preventing the stamped edges from being rough and unfinished in appearance.

From the foregoing description it will be readily seen that I have produced such an article of manufacture as substantially fulfills the objects of the invention as set forth herein.

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

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

A one piece slipper forming blank of flexible material comprising a sole, a wing projecting from each side of the sole intermediate the ends thereof, the outer end of one wing being formed as a projecting locking tongue, said tongue being split longitudinally and formed with opposed notches in the side edges thereof; the other wing having a transverse tongue receiving slot cut therein intermediate the ends of said wing, the slot being shorter than the maximum width of the tongue.

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