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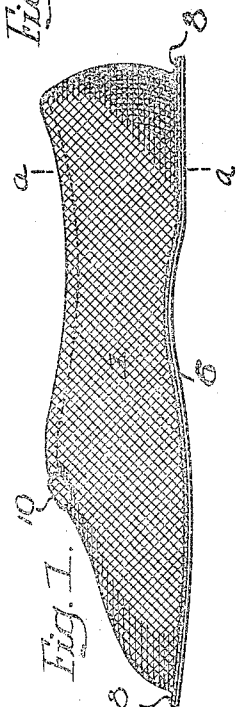
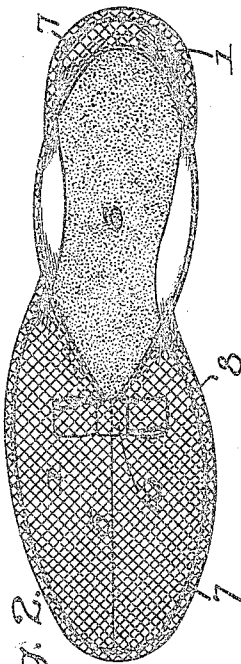


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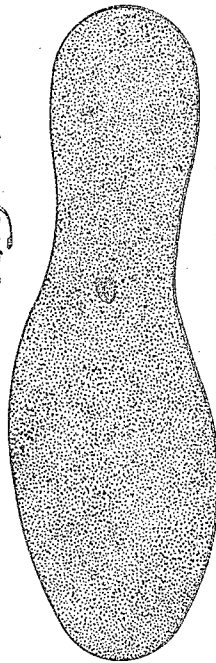


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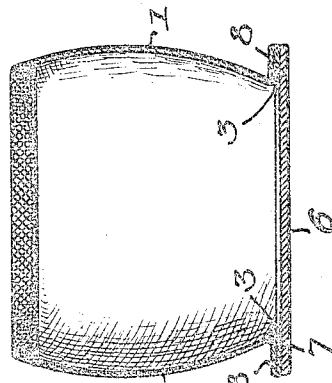
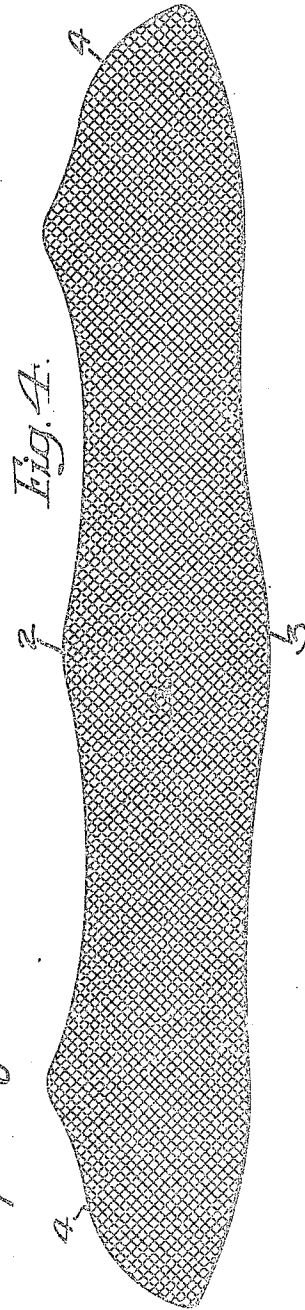


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HORACE W. SHINN, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Paducah, McCracken county, Kentucky, have invented certain Improvements in Slippers, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to foot coverings, and the object of my invention is to provide a form of slipper made of few parts, simple in design and method of assembly, and cheaply constructed.

My improved slipper structure comprises a sole of leather and a one-piece upper secured to said sole at the edge of the same; the securing stitches being located some distance inwardly so that a wide welt or flange is provided adjacent the upper, insuring against danger of bottom wear of the upper when crowded sidewise by the foot.

These and other features of my invention are more fully described hereinafter, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1, is a side elevation of a slipper structure made in accordance with my invention; Fig. 2, is a plan view of the same; Fig. 3, is a cross sectional view on the line *a-a*, Fig. 1; Fig. 4, is a plan view of the upper blank, and Fig. 5, is a plan view of the sole blank.

The upper 1, prepared from the blank shown in Fig. 4, has both edges turned over and sewn down. The edge 2, which will form the top edge of the upper of the finished slipper, has the raw edge portion of the fabric or other material of which the upper may be composed turned in and sewn down so as to make a neat top edge to the slipper, while the opposite edge 3 is merely turned over and sewn down; the raw edge of the fabric or other material of the upper disposed adjacent the sole in the finished structure not being objectionable. The two ends 4 of the blank are then sewn together, forming the front seam 5, and the upper is complete.

The sole is indicated at 6, and may be a piece of ordinary split hide or skin of any description, but preferably supple or flexible. This is secured to the upper by a row of stitching 7 passing entirely through the

sole and the turned over lower edge 3 of the upper; this row of stitching being adjacent the row of stitching of the turned lower edge of said upper and being disposed some distance inwardly, as clearly indicated in the drawing, so as to provide wide side welts 8 and give a full and ample width to the structure and avoid the danger of the foot pressing the upper sidewise to such an extent as to cause it to lay over said welt and engage the floor.

While I prefer to make the slipper with an upper of canton flannel and a pliable leather sole, it will be understood that other suitable and equivalent materials may be substituted for both upper and sole if desired. An essential point, however, is that the upper shall be in one piece, and the sole in one piece, so that the whole structure shall retain its simplicity of construction and ease of manufacture.

If desired, the front of the slipper may be embellished with a small bow, indicated at 10, although this is not essential.

I claim:

1. As a new article of manufacture, a slipper consisting of two pieces of material comprising an upper and a sole, said sole being made of a piece of relatively thin flexible leather, and said upper being formed of a single piece of textile fabric which is curved at its central portion to form a counter or heel portion and has its ends brought together and stitched to form a seam which extends down the front of the upper from the foot opening to the sole, said upper having its lower edge folded and turned outwardly over the sole, such folded edge being secured to the sole by a line of stitching adjacent the wall of the upper whereby a wide welt is provided.

2. As a new article of manufacture, a slipper consisting of two pieces of material comprising an upper and a sole, said sole being made of thin flexible leather and said upper being formed of a single piece of textile fabric with a fleeced inner surface, which fabric is curved at its central portion to form a counter or heel portion and has its ends brought together and stitched to form a seam which extends down the front of the upper from the foot opening to the

sole, said upper having its lower edge folded and turned outwardly over the sole, such folded edge being secured to the sole in line with the margin of the latter by a row of  
5 stitches adjacent the wall of the upper whereby a wide welt is provided.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my

name to this specification, in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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