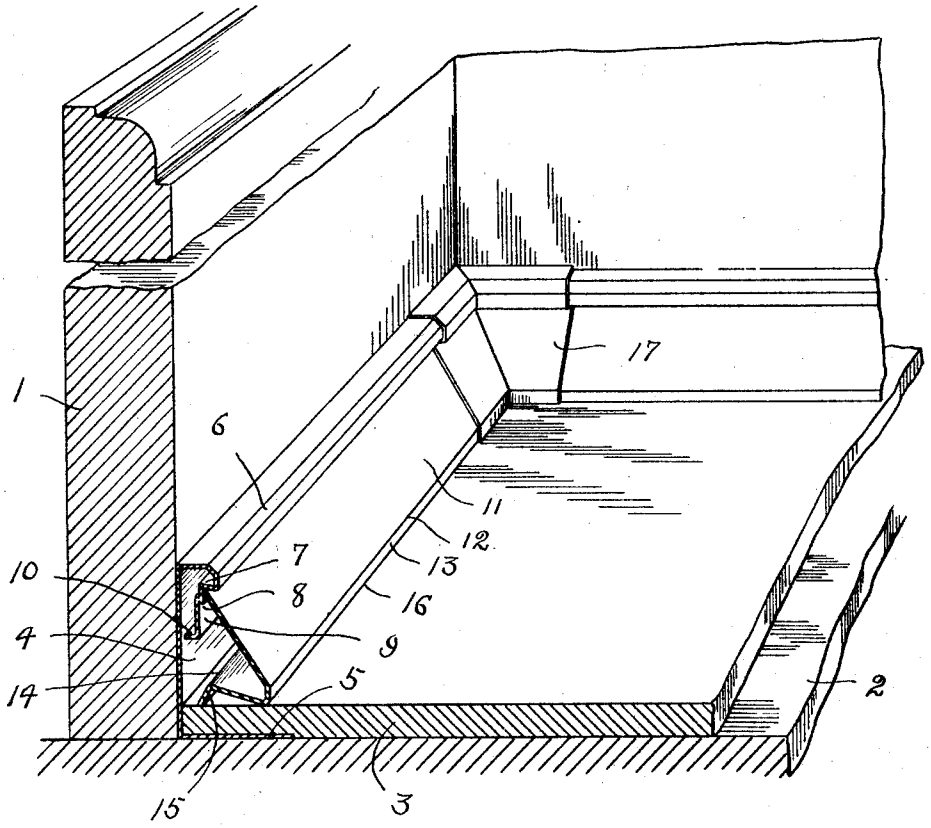
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This invention relates to linoleum molding, the principal object being to provide a waterproof molding or keeper about the marginal edges of the linoleum covering on a floor.

Another object is to produce such an anchoring molding or seal requiring no nails, tacks, or fastening means whatsoever, permitting of expansion and contraction of the linoleum without in any manner jeopardizing the joint around the edges thereof.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will appear in the following description thereof.

Referring now to the accompanying drawing, forming part of this application, and wherein like reference characters indicate like parts:

The illustration is a fragmental perspective view adjacent one corner of a floor covered with linoleum, and to which one embodiment of my invention is applied.

In the drawing, 1 represents the base or mop board of a room and 2 the floor thereof, while 3 represents the linoleum on the floor. The novel border molding comprises the major angularly shaped member of non-corrosive sheet metal such as spring brass or the like, the upright wall of which is illustrated at 4, the base at 5, and crown or head portion at 6; this latter projecting at right angles to the wall 4 and bent downwardly either in the form of multiple angles or arcuately as preferred, thence upwardly and inwardly as at 7 forming a V-shaped notch longitudinally thereof, and preferably again shaped to form a second notch as at 8, spaced beneath the notch 7. From here the member is shaped parallel with the back and extends downwardly some distance as at 9, thence inwardly at right angles as at 10 forming a stop member normally slightly spaced from the back 4 to provide yieldability of the crown or head member 6.

The cooperative or minor member of the molding comprises an angularly shaped strip of like metal having the flat angularly disposed wall 11 bent as at 12 forming the vertical face 13, thence inwardly towards the wall portion 11 but at a lesser angle, thence downwardly as at 14 forming the lip 15 for engagement with the upper surface of the linoleum in conjunction with the angle 16 at the lower edge of the vertical face 13.

As it is well known that linoleum is to be had in different thicknesses, I have provided the double notch for the reception of the upper edge of the removable minor portion of the molding to accommodate same.

In the application of the device the major molding is first placed about the corners of the floor with its back against the base board 1, when the linoleum is laid in the usual manner and secured either by cementing or otherwise as preferred, when all that is necessary to make a positively waterproof joint about the edges thereof is to spring into place the minor molding as previously described; it having sufficient resiliency together with that of the head portion of the major member to remain securely in place with the double angles previously described impinging the surface of the linoleum adjacent the marginal edges thereof, thus insuring against water getting down behind the linoleum and causing deterioration of same, well known to those versed in the art.

The depending portion 9 of the major member being spaced from the wall of said member permits of resiliency in the event of shock or bumping against the molding when in place without damage.

As a suitable corner member for such molding I have provided the one indicated at 17 already shaped to overlap the combined members of the molding, abut directly upon the upper surface of the linoleum, and spring into position about the head portion of the major member, thus requiring no nails or fastening means of any kind, and resulting in a neat, secure, and pleasing appearance of such a corner; permitting also of the cutting of both major and minor members of the molding at right angles instead of mitering as otherwise would be necessary.

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

1. A moisture sealing linoleum molding

comprising a pair of resilient cooperative members, one being formed with a flange underlapping an edge of the linoleum and another flange over the linoleum having a series of notches therein, and the other member adapted to forcibly impinge the upper surface of the linoleum and to be adjustably received in either of the notches of the other member.

2. A linoleum molding comprising a substantially L-shaped major member the normally horizontal portion of which is slidably engageable beneath the edge of the linoleum and having a groove horizontally of the upper edge of the vertical portion, and a cooperative resilient minor member one edge of which is engageable within said groove and the opposite edge slidably engageable upon the upper surface of the linoleum.

3. A floor covering seal comprising in combination a major receiving member a portion of which underlaps the covering, a removable spring like sealing member, having spaced longitudinally disposed edges for engagement with the upper surface of said covering.

4. A floor covering seal comprising in combination a major receiving member, a removable spring like sealing member, said sealing member having spaced terminal edge for frictional contact with the upper edge of the covering, and means whereby the covering is yieldably held intermediate of two adjacent edges of the members.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature.

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