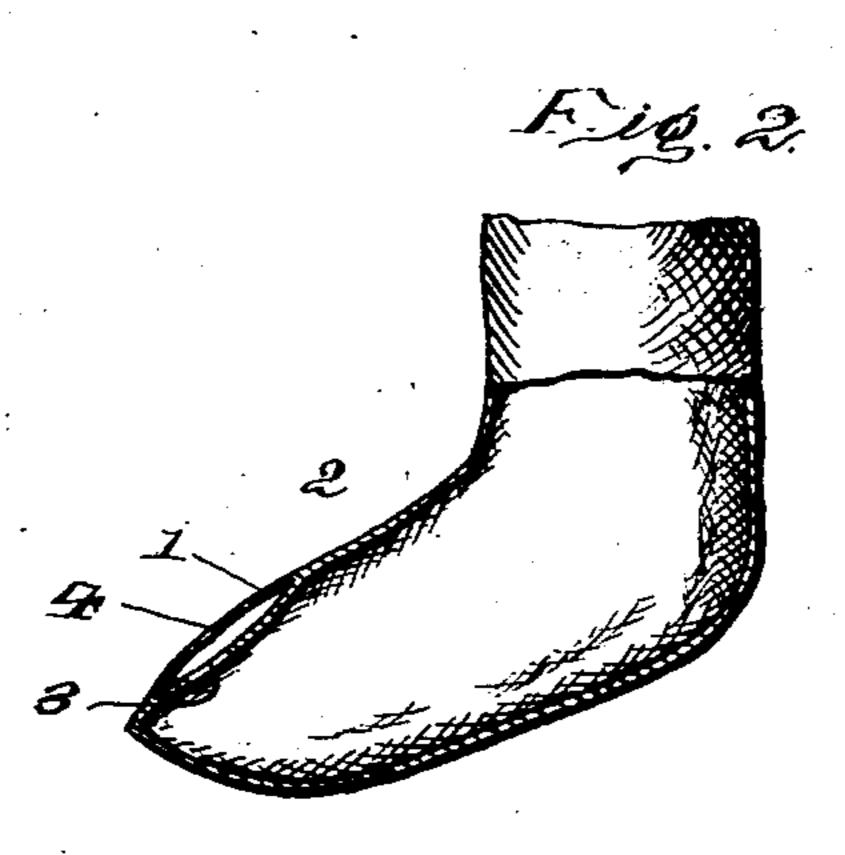
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JACOB H. JESSEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at San Francisco, in the county of San Francisco and State 5 of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Stockings; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which 10 it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in stockings, the object of the same being to provide a stocking especially adapted for use by people with tender 15 feet, a further object of the same being to relieve the pressure of the shoe from the toes and thereby prevent the formation of corns

and other excrescences.

The invention consists of a stocking having 20 a double thickness of material at the upper side of the toe portion thereof, the inner ply being provided with a series of openings or perforations and the outer layer having an enlarged opening into which the hand may 25 be passed for the purpose of inserting pieces of raw cotton for protecting the toes from abrasion.

The invention is clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my device, and Fig. 2 a longitudinal section

through the same.

My improved stocking may be knit, woven, or otherwise constructed, with the upper sur-35 face of the toe portion thereof formed of two layers of material, 1 and 2, with the inner layer 2 having a series of perforations or openings 3 3 therein, the same being so located that when the stocking is in place upon 40 the foot of the wearer they will lie directly above the toes of the foot. The outer layer 1 has an enlarged opening 4 in it, just in the rear of the opening 3, large enough to permit the passage of the hand therethrough for the 45 purpose of inserting pieces of raw cotton or

other similar material to protect the toes from abrasion. These two layers are formed during the process of knitting or weaving the

fabric of the stocking.

From the foregoing description it will be 50 seen that the entire foot, including the toes, will be completely covered by my stocking, and that by reason of the fact that the reinforcing inner layer 2 is formed with a series of openings 3.3 therein, into which the toes 55 of the wearer fit, the said toes will be protected from the pressure of the shoe by reason of the fact that said pressure would be exerted along the sides of the toes. Should one of the toes of the wearer become abraded 60 or sore from any cause, the same may be protected by inserting a piece of raw cotton through the opening 4 upon the top of the said toe, the said raw cotton lying between the two layers 1 and 2.

Having now described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters

Patent, is—

1. A stocking, having a double thickness of material at the upper side of the toe portion 70 thereof, the inner ply being provided with a series of openings or perforations in which the toes of the wearer are adapted to fit, as and for the purpose set forth.

2. A stocking, having a double thickness of 75 material at the upper side of the toe portion thereof, the inner ply being provided with a series of openings or perforations in which the toes of the wearer are adapted to fit, and the outer ply having an enlarged opening 80 therein into which the hand may be passed, as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscrib-

ing witnesses.

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