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Miss Mary Minckler,
780 Ivanhoe St.
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Miss Minckler:-

It is now a little over a year since my shoes arrived. I have been meaning to write to you for the past month to tell you what has happened regarding them. When they first came, I put them on and in a matter of some twenty minutes my feet were in agony. I tried just sitting in them for a short time each day and finally wore them for a very short time moving about the house. Then the first thing I knew I was down with another accute attack of gout. It took some weeks for my feet, or rather my right foot, to resume its norman size.

I showed themshoes to Dr. Bobb. She wanted me to try them again, but again with little success. Last April having other trouble with my back, the doctors put me in the hospital for ~~two~~² weeks off my feet, but at the same time they wanted me to get up to walk up and down the hospital isle in the shoes. This I did for one week and I seemed to be getting somewhat accostomed to them, then again a bad attack of gout lasting for quite some time. Both of the doctors thought the shoos much too rigid and inflexible.

Recently I have seen a foot man here who has told me the same thing. It is as though I were walking in plaster casts.

Is there anything that can be done about this? I have been hoping to be able to get up to Denver, but I do not seem to be able to get away.

Do let me hear from you soon, as I must be getting something new that I can wear, though I have become quite lame since I saw you. This is partly due to some arthritis in my hip, but I do feel that my feet have a lot to do with it.