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IMPROVEMENT IN RAZOR STRAPS.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, FRIEDRICH EICHNER, of the city of Chicago, in the county of Cook, and State of Illinois, have invented new and useful Improvements in Razor Straps; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying specimens of three different straps and of substances.

The object of my invention is to prepare a composition of certain substances, which being mixed in different proportions are applied to and form the different straps to be used for edging, smoothing, and sharpening razors, such as barbers use.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe the preparation.

I use four substances for making razor straps, oxide of iron, crocus martus, hone dust, and fine emery flour. In order to prepare a razor strap No. 1, used for the purpose of keeping the edge of a razor, I take a canvas strap, make stiff lather of shaving soap and put into it so much of oxide of iron as to make it slightly reddish, and rub it into the strap by means of a bottle till the substance adhered becomes dry; then I take two (2) ounces of crocus martus and half ($\frac{1}{2}$) an ounce of emery flour, mix both with lather, forming a thin paste, and rub it into the strap and over the first coat of substances until dry. For making the edge of a razor smooth, I prepare a strap No. 2, consisting of hard leather covered with calf-skin and mounted in the usual way. I take first a little of oxide of iron and rub it into the calf-skin, then I take some hone dust and rub it in over the first one, and the strap is ready. For sharpening razors, I make strap No. 3. For this purpose I use again a canvas strap, and prepare it in the same way as I do the strap No. 1, only I take one (1) ounce of crocus to five (5) ounces of emery flour. The strap No. 1 keeps the edge of a razor, the strap No. 2 smooths or whets it, and strap No. 3 sharpens the razor.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The use of the four substances herein enumerated, in three different proportions, as herein set forth, for the purpose of making three different kinds of razor straps, in the manner substantially as herein described and specified, for concave razors as the barbers use.

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