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## IMPROVEMENT IN COMPOUNDS FOR DESTROYING BED-BUGS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ELIZABETH HOOPER, of Diamond Springs, county of El Dorado, State of California, have invented a Bed-Bug Exterminator; and I do hereby declare the following description and accompanying drawing are sufficient to enable any person skilled in the art or science to which it most nearly appertains to make and use my said invention without further invention or experiment.

The object of my invention is to provide an improved compound for the extermination of bed-bugs and other vermin; and it consists in the employment of the following mixture in about the proportions specified: Hogs' lard, seven parts; common lime, one part; alcohol, one part; tincture of logwood, one part. These

ingredients are intimately mixed and applied wherever the bed-bugs exist, with the effect to instantly kill them.

Other kinds of grease or oil might be employed in the place of lard with good effect.

Having thus described my invention, what I desire to secure by Letters Patent is—

The compound, consisting of the ingredients herein mentioned, in about the proportions substantially described and set forth.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal.

ELIZABETH HOOPER. [L. S.]

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