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IMPROVEMENT IN COMPOSITION FOR WATER-PROOFING WALL-PAPER.

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To all whom it may concern :

Be it known that I, CORNELIUS VAN HERWERDEN, of Williamsburg, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Composition for Water-Proofing Wall-Paper, of which the following is a specification:

My invention has for its object to furnish wall-paper which shall be so prepared that when applied to the wall in the ordinary manner the papered wall may be washed, and which will leave the colors upon the paper wholly unaffected.

The invention consists in the composition formed of the ingredients in the proportions and manner hereinafter fully set forth and described.

In preparing this composition I take two and two-thirds ounces of white soap and dissolve it in one and a half pint of warm water. When fully dissolved I add eight ounces of white wax and one-eighth of an ounce of isinglass, and stir the mixture continuously until

it boils. The mixture is then removed from the fire and set to cool. When fully cold it is ready for use.

To apply the mixture, the paper is spread upon a smooth table, and the mixture is applied with a soft brush, care being taken to cover the paper evenly by rubbing it well with the brush. The paper is then rubbed with a dry brush to give it a gloss. The paper should then be hung up for a few hours to become thoroughly dry, and may then be rolled up, and is ready for use or market.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The composition formed of the ingredients in the proportions and manner substantially as herein set forth and described.

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