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## IMPROVEMENT IN LUBRICATORS FOR PHOTOGRAPHS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, EMILE R. WESTON, of Bangor, in the county of Penobscot and State of Maine, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Lubricators for Photographs; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, that will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention is intended as a lubricator for photographs, &c., for use with burnishing-machines, in which a polish is given to the card by the friction of a burnishing-tool. It is applied to the surface of the card by a sponge or tuft of cotton, and the picture is allowed to dry before being passed through the machine. The use of my lubricator facilitates its passage across the burnishing-tool, and tends to keep it from being scratched by imperfections in or foreign matter upon said tool.

My lubricator is composed of a combination

of castile-soap and alcohol, consisting of one grain of castile-soap to one ounce of alcohol. This formula may, of course, be varied somewhat without departing from the spirit of my invention; but I consider these to be the standard proportions.

The admixture of the soap and alcohol may be hastened by heating the compound slightly, though this is not absolutely necessary.

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

The within-described lubricator for photographs, consisting of a mixture of castile-soap and alcohol, in about the proportions herein specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 10th day of April, 1875.

E. R. WESTON.

Witnesses:

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