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IMPROVEMENT IN PAPER CARPETS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, T. SEYMOUR SCOTT, of the city and county of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful article of manufacture, to wit; a Noiseless Paper Carpet, of which I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and precise description, and sufficient to enable others skilled in the art to which my improvement appertains to comprehend and manufacture it.

This invention relates to a commodity known as paper carpet, but sometimes as paper floor oil-cloth, consisting of a fabric of paper imprinted with color in suitable characters.

The disadvantages in the goods as now made are that they are noisy under foot, not warm, and of too little substance not to show any irregular configuration of the flooring upon which they may be laid.

My improvement aims to obviate these disadvantages, and to such end consists in a composite fabric, a double floor oil-cloth, or carpet, consisting of two parts united together, the upper an ordinary paper cloth of tough and durable texture, the lower a soft and elastic paper or other compressible and

sound-deadening substance, preferably felting. The union of the two may be effected by any suitable glutinous substance, or they may be compacted under pressure in the manufacture of both or either, the method of union not going to the substance of the invention, which lies in the union itself, the double composition of the fabric.

Such being the construction of the composite fabric, it is from that very construction obvious that it will be noiseless when walked upon and much warmer than the single fabrics now in use.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

As a new article of manufacture, a noiseless paper carpet or oil-cloth, consisting of a surface layer of tough paper cloth figured at will, and a bottom layer of soft paper, felt, or other equivalent fabric, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name.

T. SEYMOUR SCOTT.

In presence of—

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