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SOAP COMPOUND.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FREDRICK C. BAUER, of Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and Improved Soap Compound, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My improved soap compound is designed for the use of mechanics, laborers, and others requiring a soap that will quickly and thoroughly remove grease and dirt from the hands and face.

My invention consists in combining with finely-granulated porous material—such as sawdust—a quantity of soap of any approved manufacture.

In carrying out my invention I take granulated porous material, preferably sawdust, and screen it to secure uniformity of fineness, and I take hard soap of any desired quality and dissolve it in water, in about the proportion of a quarter of a pound of soap to a pint of water, and I boil the same until the solu-

tion is complete. I thoroughly mix the sawdust with the soap solution, and afterward 25 spread it out to dry, and when dried it is ready for use.

My improved soap compound is used by moistening it with water and rubbing it thoroughly upon the skin.

I am aware that cakes or bars of soap have contained sawdust as one of their constituents, and I do not claim the same as of my invention; but I am not aware that a soap in granular form has been composed of sawdust 35 or equivalent vehicle charged with soap.

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

A granular soap compound consisting of a 40 porous vehicle—such as sawdust—charged with soap, substantially as set forth.

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Witnesses:

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