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## STOVE-POLISH.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, LEVI BULLARD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Elizabethtown, in the county of Essex and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Stove-Polishes; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to a novel composition of matter to be used as a stove-polish; and it consists of the following ingredients, combined in the manner and proportions hereinafter stated, to wit: water, ten quarts; soap, (preferably Babbitt's,) five bars, (about five pounds;) sweet-oil, one pint; vinegar, (preferably cider,) one quart; kerosene-oil, one pint; glue, (preferably the kind known as "Royal,") one ounce; liquid coffee, one gill; plumbago or black-lead, sufficient to make a paste.

The soap is first dissolved in the water heated to boiling-point. After the soap is thoroughly dissolved the other ingredients, except the plumbago, are added, the whole mass being well stirred to insure thorough intermingling. Sufficient plumbago in a finely-divided state is then added by stirring to make quite a thick paste. After the mixture has been reduced to a uniform consistency it may be placed in boxes or cans, in which condition it is placed on the market.

This polish may be applied to the stove or other metal-work with a brush or cloth dampened with water, after which the desired polish is given with a dry brush.

This compound gives a lasting polish of a deep-black hue, without the grayish or silvery luster so common to stove-polishes, and which is objectionable. It is to a large extent free from disagreeable odor when the stove becomes heated; but to prevent this entirely I add about one ounce of oil of peppermint to the compound during the process of making the same.

While the above compound, as stated, makes a valuable stove-polish, a little black ink may be added thereto, which is found to somewhat improve the black hue of the polish.

What I claim is--

The herein-described compound for a stove-polish, consisting of water, soap, sweet-oil, vinegar, kerosene-oil, glue, liquid coffee, and plumbago, in the proportions and compounded substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

LEVI BULLARD.

Witnesses:

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