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EGG-PRESERVING COMPOUND.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES M. BROOKS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Clifton, Bosque county, State of Texas, have invented a new and useful Composition of Matter to be Used for Preserving Eggs, of which the following is a specification.

My composition consists of the following ingredients, combined in the proportions stated, viz: hog's lard, (practically pure,) seven ounces; formaldehyde, (forty-per-cent. solution,) two hundred and ten minims; oil citronella, five minims; petroleum jelly, (amber,) six ounces; paraffin, one ounce; beeswax, (yellow,) two ounces.

The formaldehyde and oil of citronella are to be thoroughly incorporated with the lard warmed to about the melting-point, then the wax, paraffin, and petroleum jelly melted together by means of a water-bath and incor-

porated with the lard mixture and poured into suitable-size boxes for market and labeled with directions for using the compound printed on paper and applied to the lid or body of the box.

This composition will preserve eggs for many months, so that when used they will be practically fresh.

What I claim is—

An egg-preserving composition formed of hogs' lard, formaldehyde, petroleum jelly, paraffin, and beeswax, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

JAMES M. BROOKS.

Witnesses:

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