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## WALL DECORATION.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Theodore F. Odell, a citizen of the United States, residing at Nyack, in the county of Rockland and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Wall Decorations; 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 improvements in wall decoration; and its object is to provide an inexpensive and decorative wall-covering which will be waterproof and which will not fade.

The above and other objects are accomplished by pasting fabric having the desired colored design upon a backing of paper or paper-board. Any ornamented woven fabric may be employed, but I preferably use organdies or other light goods having ornamental designs printed thereon in colors. After this fabric is pasted smoothly upon the paper backing it is treated with a bleached or refined linseed-oil and refined paraffin in combination with the oil, so that when it is dry

the colors of the fabric will be permanently fixed and the material will be waterproof. This treatment may be done by immerging or in any other suitable manner.

It will be seen that this covering material may be easily and cheaply manufactured and that it may be as readily applied as the ordinary wall-paper. Since it is waterproof, all dampness will be prevented from spotting or 35 otherwise injuring it.

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

The method herein described of making a 40 wall-covering which consists in pasting a facing of fabric and a backing of paper together and then treating the same with linseed-oil and paraffin.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set 45 my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

## THEODORE F ODELL.

Witnesses:

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