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POLISHING COMPOSITION FOR FURNITURE AND PIANOS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARRY S. THORPE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Norfolk, in the county of Madison and State of Nebraska, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Polishing Compositions for Furniture and Pianos; and I do hereby 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 furniture and piano polishing compositions and in particular to the furniture and piano polishing compositions that will give a maximum degree of polish with the use of a minimum quantity of the preparation and a minimum amount of exertion in applying the same.

With these and other objects in view the composition consists of the following ingredients, viz: vinegar, paraffin oil, kerosene oil, alcohol, glycerin, butter of antimony and oil of mirbane.

The function performed by the various ingredients is as follows:—The vinegar and kerosene oil thoroughly cleanse the surface to be polished, the paraffin oil, butter of antimony and glycerin fill up the pores of the varnished surface and by their action on the resin or shellac, which forms the body of most varnishes, restore its brilliancy when friction is applied. The wood alcohol prevents the mixture from becoming gummy and the oil of mirbane is used to neutralize the odors of the other ingredients.

The ingredients are mixed together in the following proportions: vinegar, one gallon; paraffin oil, one half gallon; kerosene oil,

one half gallon; alcohol, one half gallon; glycerin, eight fluid ounces; butter of antimony, eight fluid ounces; oil of mirbane, eight fluid ounces.

The composition is applied to the furniture, or piano in any suitable or desired manner such as is customary at the present, the customary way being to dampen a cloth, preferably cheese cloth, with my composition and apply same to the furniture or piano to be polished, then polishing lightly with a soft dry cloth until brought to a high polish.

Having now described my ingredients which go to make up my polishing composition and the ratio of proportions thereto, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:—

1. A polishing composition consisting of vinegar, paraffin oil, kerosene oil, alcohol, glycerin, butter of antimony and oil of mirbane, substantially as described and for the purposes set forth.

2. A polishing composition comprising the admixture in proportions of the ratio of one gallon of vinegar to one half gallon of paraffin oil to one half gallon of kerosene oil to one half gallon of alcohol to eight fluid ounces of glycerin to eight fluid ounces of butter of antimony to eight fluid ounces of oil of mirbane, substantially as described and for the purposes set forth.

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

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