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Fig. 1.

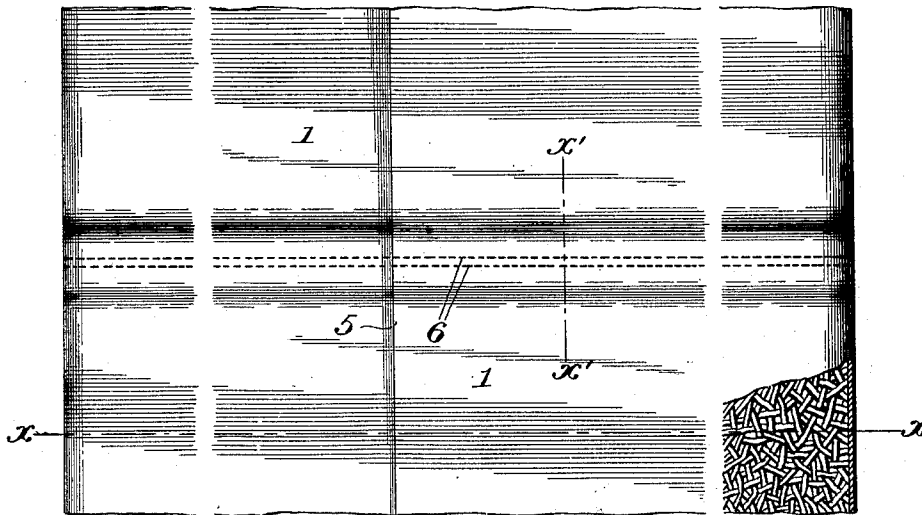


Fig. 2.

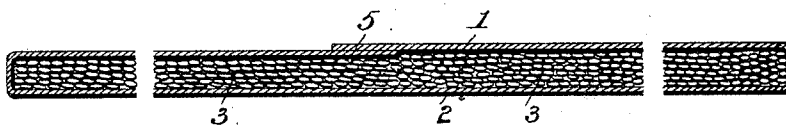
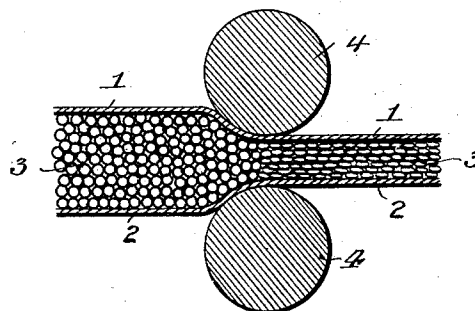


Fig. 3.



Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANDREW J. BUNNELL, a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Wrappers for Furniture or the Like, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention relates to a padded or cushioned wrapper or envelop for incasing furniture and other like merchandise to protect the same from accidental injury from repeated handlings, &c., during shipment, and has for its object to provide a simple, durable, and efficient wrapper or envelop for such uses and which is capable of manufacture at a very low cost, all as will hereinafter more fully appear and be more particularly pointed out in the claims. I attain such objects by the arrangement and formation of parts illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a fragmentary plan view with parts broken away of a padded wrapper or envelop embodying the present invention; Fig. 2, a transverse section of the same at line $x x$, Fig. 1; Fig. 3, a detail longitudinal section of the same at line $x' x'$, Fig. 1; Fig. 4, a diagrammatic view illustrating the process of completing the manufacture of the present padded wrapper or envelop.

Similar numerals of reference indicate like parts in the several views.

As represented in the drawings, the present padded or cushioned wrapper or envelop consists of an outer or inclosing casing formed by two separated webs or sheets 1 and 2, of ordinary wrapping-paper or other analogous material, between which is arranged an elastic filling 3, of straw, or other like vegetable stems; the novelty of the present invention in this connection consisting in flattening the otherwise cylindrical form of straw or other like stem into a flattened or oval form, which is best done by passing the wrapper or envelop after an assemblage of the parts in place through a set of flattening-rolls 4, as illustrated in Fig. 4.

In the preferred form of the present invention as illustrated in the accompanying drawings the upper and under webs 1 and 2, which inclose the filling 3, will be formed of a single sheet or web of paper folded to en-

tirely inclose the filling 3 in a transverse direction, as shown in Fig. 2, with the meeting edges of such covering sheet or web overlapped to form the pasting or securing flap 5, by which such meeting edges are permanently secured together.

The present improved cushioned or padded wrapper can be cheaply and readily manufactured of any desired length in that it is adapted to be severed transversely into smaller lengths of the size required for any particular use, and with a view to prevent any creeping tendency on the part of the inclosing webs or sheets 1 and 2 when in the described extended lengths the wrapper or envelop will be stitched through at suitable intervals with transverse rows of stitches 6. A further purpose of the described transverse stitching of the padded wrapper is to form at such points transverse flattened or sunken portions, as shown in Fig. 3, which are adapted to afford a convenient fold to such wrapper at such points in the operation of folding and baling such wrapper for shipment.

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

1. A padded wrapper for shipping purposes, comprising in combination, inclosing webs or sheets and an intermediate filling of straw or other like stems, said straw or stems being flattened, substantially as set forth.

2. A padded wrapper for shipping purposes, comprising in combination, inclosing webs or sheets and an intermediate filling of straw or other like stems in flattened condition, the inclosing webs being formed from a single sheet of material folded together and having the meeting edges thereof secured together by an attaching-flap, substantially as set forth.

3. A padded wrapper for shipping purposes, comprising in combination, inclosing webs or sheets and an intermediate filling of straw or other like stems in flattened condition, and stitched together at intervals by transverse rows of stitches, substantially as set forth.

Signed at Chicago, Illinois, this 26th day of November, 1901.

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