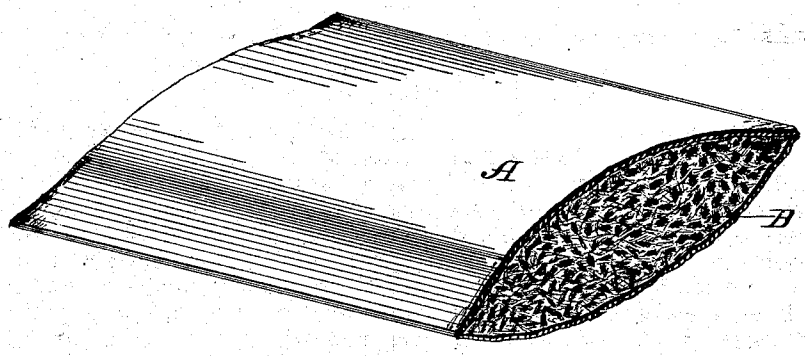
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, AUGUST WEIGELL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee and State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pillows, Bolsters, Mattresses, &c.; 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, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, and to letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which forms a part of this specification.

The figure represents a perspective view of my invention.

A represents a pillow-case.

B represents a mixture of feathers and other fibrous substances with which the case is filled.

The object of my invention is to utilize the poorer class of feathers, which, when used alone in the ordinary manner, will pack together and become unfit for use. To prevent the feathers from thus packing together, I mingle with them about an equal quantity, bulk for bulk, of wool, hair, sea-moss, or other elastic fibrous substances, which, when thoroughly mixed with the feathers, prevent them being packed together, while the elasticity of the wool or other equivalent substances causes the pillow, when relieved from pressure, to expand into its normal shape. It is obvious that when feathers are mixed with such fibrous substances they render the pillow soft and agreeable to the touch, and prevent that harshness which would otherwise exist were such fibrous substances used alone; also, that the two substances thus mixed co-operate to form a pillow which is soft and pleasant to be used, and is more elastic and durable than a pillow could be made from either feathers or such fibrous substances used separately. It is also obvious that a cheaper pillow may be thus formed than could be made from feathers used alone; also, that the air may have a freer circulation through my pillow than through pillows made of feathers only, whereby the feathers are less liable to become damp and moldy.

In constructing the pillow the wool or fibrous substances should be thoroughly picked apart and intermixed with the feathers, so that the feathers will be prevented from packing together.

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

1. As a new article of manufacture, the pillow, bolster, or mattress herein described, the interior or filling of which is formed of feathers intermixed with wool, sea-moss, or other elastic fibrous substances, substantially as set forth.

2. The combination, in a pillow, bolster, or mattress, of feathers and wool as intermixed together in the proportions substantially as and for the purpose specified.

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

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