

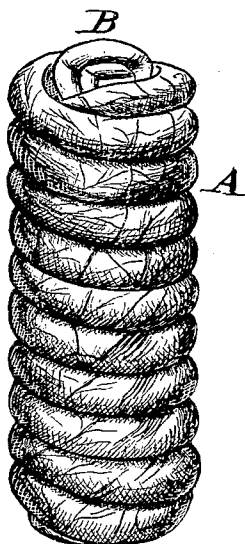
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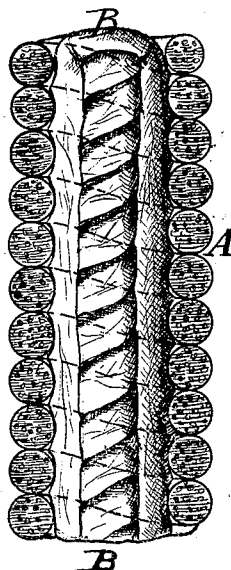
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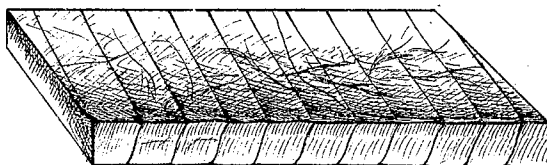
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN MANUFACTURED TOBACCO.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 130,405, dated August 13, 1872.

### *To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ROBERT N. BLACKWOOD, of the county of Lewis, and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Manufactured Tobacco, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawing.

### *Nature and Objects of the Invention.*

The invention relates to a new article of manufactured tobacco, which consists of a strand or rope of tobacco coiled spirally about a "filler" or core, and then pressed flat or into any other desired form. The object of the invention is to provide a plug tobacco in such shape and of such arrangement, that the portion of it desired for use can be severed from it without uncoiling the balance of the plug.

### *Description of the Accompanying Drawing.*

Figure 1 is a side view of the bunch. Fig. 2 is a vertical section of the same, showing the core or "filler" B. Fig. 3 is a side view of the bunch when reduced by pressure.

### *General Description.*

Fig. 1 in the accompanying drawing is a bunch or roll of tobacco, consisting of the outside coil A and core B, Fig. 2. The coil A is a strand of twisted tobacco, composed of a "filler" inclosed in a "wrapper." The core B may be composed of a piece of similarly-prepared tobacco, or may be only "filler," or any other desired style or variety of leaf. The coil A is wound spirally around the core B, the end at which the coiling is begun is lapped upon or secured between the end of the core, so as to secure the coil thereto. When the coil is wound about the core its other end is

"tucked" in between the sides of the last circle of the coil, or otherwise secured at this end of the bunch, so as to prevent the coil becoming easily unwound, thus forming with the core B the bunch, Fig. 1. As the tobacco is in a moist or pliable condition when being manipulated, as aforesaid, the operation is performed with ease and facility. The bunch, Fig. 1, is next placed in a mold of appropriate dimensions, and reduced by hydraulic or other pressure to the shape of plug, shown at Fig. 3. After this operation a number of the plugs are placed in a tobacco-caddy and pressed in the ordinary manner, the process of filling and pressing being repeated until the caddy is properly filled. It is obvious that a portion of the coil A can be severed from the core thereof, that the bunch, Fig. 3, may be made of any desired dimensions.

### *Claims.*

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The bunch of manufactured tobacco, Fig. 1, substantially as shown and described.

2. As a new article of manufacture, the plug of tobacco, as shown at Fig. 3, prepared in the manner substantially as specified and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing improvements in manufactured tobacco, as above described, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 24th day of July, 1872.

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