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WASHING COMPOUND.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANNIE E. RHOADS, of Baraboo, in the county of Sauk and State of Wisconsin, have invented a new and Improved Washing Compound, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of my invention is to provide a new and improved compound for washing clothes and removing the dirt and spots from floors, ceilings, wood-work, carpets, &c.

The compound consists of the following ingredients combined in the following proportions: sal-soda, thirteen ounces; saltpeter, two ounces; gum-camphor, one ounce. Each of the above-mentioned ingredients is crushed separately and then thoroughly mixed.

The clothes are soaked in warm water. An eight-gallon wash-boiler is filled about two-thirds full of water, and one table-spoonful of the washing compound and one-quarter of a pound of hard soap or a cupful of soft soap is

mixed with the water. When the water in the boiler becomes too hot to hold the hand in, the clothes are placed in the water, which is brought to boil very quickly. The clothes are drained thoroughly, wrung dry, and put in blue water. Colored garments should not be boiled.

This compound can also be used for cleaning ceilings and floors and removing grease-spots from clothing, carpets, &c.

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

The herein-described washing compound and dirt-extractor, consisting of sal-soda, saltpeter, and gum-camphor combined about in the proportions given.

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