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(54) **PAPER, LEATHER**

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The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same, containing a description in the words of the said Ephraim F. and Thomas Blanchard, themselves, of their improvement in the manufacture of a composition, which they denominate a Patent Leather Paper.

This new and valuable invention accurately consists of the art of making a paper from the fine shavings or shavings of leather, which is peculiarly and durably fitted for sheathing Vessels; and which is believed to be superior to the sheathing paper or leather, both of which are now in general use for that purpose. It may also (after suitable preparation) be used for most of the purposes to which leather is applied: as the manufacture of Patent leather caps, Pocket Books and for all kinds of Book Binding. The mode of forming the Patent Leather Paper is similar to that for the manufacture of paper from Rags. The shavings being first ground or beaten to a proper consistence, are put into a suitable mould; from whence they are taken to the press.

The colour of this paper may be varied according to the quality of the shavings used or by a chemical process. It may be brought to such a degree of fineness, as to be equal to the finest writing paper.

The subscribers claim the sole privilege of using their Patent Leather Paper on the manufacture of any article to which Leather or paper is applied

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