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MATS.

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Fig. 1

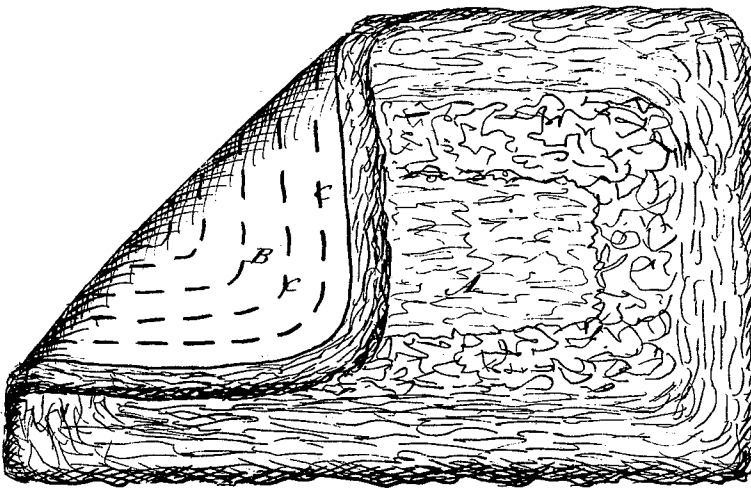


Fig. 2



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IMPROVEMENT IN MATS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ARTHUR THOMPSON, of Warner, Merrimack county, New Hampshire, have invented a new and Improved Mat, of which the following is a specification:

My invention is a new article of manufacture, consisting of a mat of "excelsior," mounted on and attached to a backing of paper, card-board, cloth or sacking, the object being to provide a simple and efficient and cheap mat for omnibuses, street-cars, and the like.

The excelsior is spread out in a layer on the backing or foundation, more or less thick, and sewed, tacked, or otherwise fastened to it.

Figure 1 is a plan of my improved mat, with one corner turned up to show the foundation, and Fig. 2 is a section showing how the excelsior may be sewed to the foundation.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A is the foundation of paper; B, the mat of excelsior, and C the twine, by which the top and the foundation are secured together. Other means of fastening may be employed—for instance, they may be tacked or riveted, the tacks and rivets being clinched on the under side, and having good broad heads on the upper side, and, if necessary, washers of leather or other substance may be used.

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

A mat, faced on the upper side with the wood stock known as excelsior, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

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