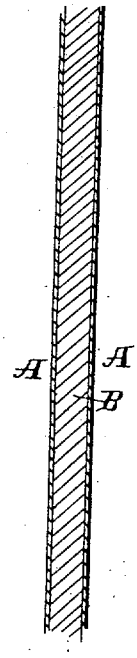
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The schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same containing a description in the words of the said John Scott himself of his improvement in the use and application of Asbestos to protect fire proof chests, boxes and closets from the action and influence of fire and of excessive heat.

To all to whom these Presents shall come Be it known that I John Scott of the City of Philadelphia in the County of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania have invented a new and usefull improvement in the use and application of Asbestos to protect fire proof Chests boxes and Closets from the action and influence of fire and of excessive heat and the following is a full and exact description of the construction and operation of the said improvement. Asbestos has been heretofore used to guard against the action of fire, The more flexible qualities of it have been employed in the manufacture of incombustible cloth. My improvement consists in the application and use of the same Material in combination with substances and articles which have heretofore been exposed to the influence of fire without it. but will now derive greatly increased security & protection from its use. These articles are fire proof chests boxes, closets, doors and their different parts, The asbestos formed into sheathing, or in any other convenient form is used to cover the material of which the above mentioned or other similar articles are composed, and thus employed it gives additional protection to their contents by preventing the warping or cracking to which they are of themselves more or less liable when exposed to the influence of excessive heat. This use of Asbestos I do not claim as an improvement of my own. John Scott

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