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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 Roswell Pitkin himself of his method of manufacturing Hats Cloths &c by matting them from a fleece or sheet taken from a carding Engine without sewing.

The materials to be wrought into Hats, Spreads &c are prepared on a carding machine as in common use in cotton Factories and the fleece or sheet formed on the drum cylinder is to be used & applied in the manner following. viz.

When the fleece is taken from the cylinder it is to be spread out, and upon the fleece and upon the fleece or sheet thus spread patterns of various forms, such as circular, triangular conical &c &c according to the fashion and size of the Hat or other article to be made are placed and pieces of various sizes, shapes and dimensions, are to be taken out of the fleece or sheet suitable to form the Hat, or other article intended to be made together with pieces for bands stiffenings &c which pieces or shapes are to be wrought together by placing them in cloths with suitable attention to the grain and pressing rolling and moving them upon a plate or plates, heated and sprinkled, by which operation or process they are united to each other into the proper shapes or bodies for the purposes aforesaid and are then to be reduced to sufficient fineness by basoning planking &c according to art.

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