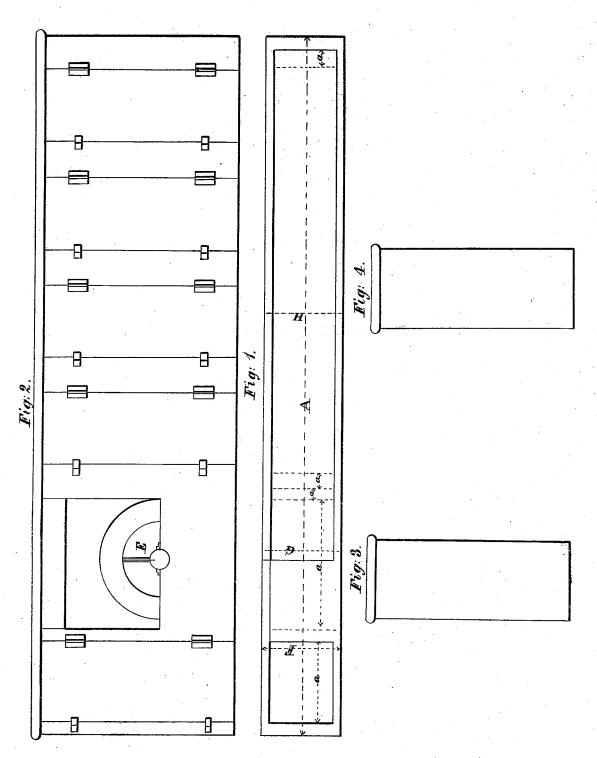
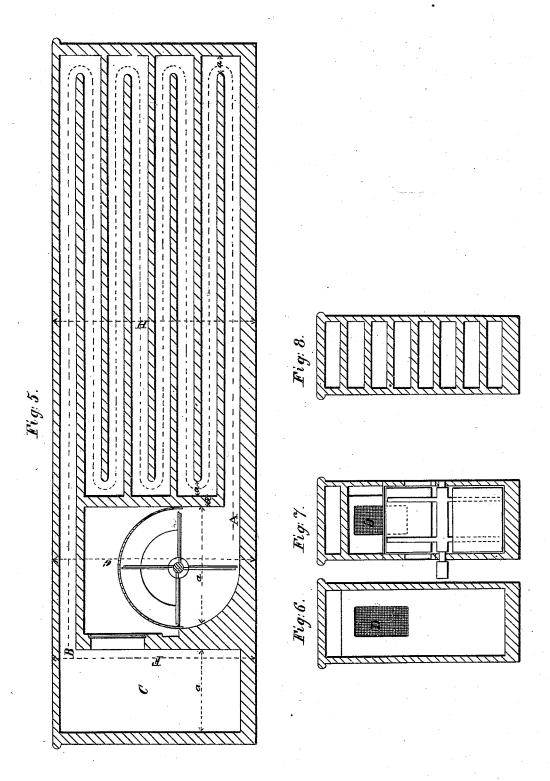
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MACHINE AND PROCESS FOR BLOWING OR CLEANING FURS.

Specification of Letters Patent No. 2,842, dated November 4, 1842.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, John W. Cochran, of New York, N. Y., have invented an Improvement in Machines and Processes for Blowing or Cleaning Furs, of which the

following is a specification.

In the drawings hereto annexed which are to be taken as a part of this specification, Figure 1, is the top of the machine, 10 Fig. 2, an outside view of the front of the machine with the doors closed. Figs. 3 and 4, the ends, Fig. 5, an inside view of the front of the machine with the doors taken off, Fig. 6, the inner section or side of the receiver, showing an opening covered with wire cloth. Fig. 7, a view of the wheelhouse and the space between the receiver and the flue apartment, Fig. 8, an inside view of the flue apartment.

The machine is divided as follows: C, an apartment called the receiver; G, the space between the receiver and the flue apartment containing the wheelhouse and the blower, and H, the apartment containing the flues, 25 which are placed one above the other, and are connected with each other by leaving a space open at the alternate end of each division, as shown in Fig. 5; E, are openings, one at each end of the blower, through 30 which the fur is drawn in by the action of the blower and carried by the current of air formed by it to and fro through the flues, entering at A Fig. 5, and issuing out and falling into the receiver at B and there re-35 tained while the air escapes through an opening, D, Fig. 7, in the inner side of the receiver, which is covered with wire cloth. The bottom of each flue is coated with

tar or any glutinous or adhesive substance
40 and kept wet with water, and the flues are
then prepared for operation by passing
through them a quantity of pure hair, which
by adhering to the bottom forms the coating necessary to catch and retain the hair
45 and thus separate it from the fur which

passes through into the receiver. Water

alone is sufficient for this purpose and is only objectionable because of its drying too soon. By this improvement it can be applied at all times in a few moments by opening the doors or removing the front of the flue apartment and a sufficient degree of

moisture kept up continually.

The flues are six inches deep and twenty inches wide, but their dimensions may be 55 varied as may be found advisable, and the length of the passage way or fur-duct through them may be from three hundred to five hundred feet and upward according to the size and power of the blower, which 60 ordinarily may be about thirty two inches in diameter and sixteen inches in width, but these dimensions may be varied to meet the convenience of the operator.

The invention or improvement claimed 65

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1. The obtaining on this plan a passage way or fur-duct of sufficient length to perfect the separation of the hair from the fur in one operation and the extension of it to 70 any required length in an ordinary sized room by increasing the number and length of the flues.

2. The process of coating the flues by the use of water as well as any adhesive sub- 75 stance to catch and retain the hair as herein before described, instead of the cloth covering now generally used for that purpose, the value of this part of the improvement being the facility with which the coating is ob- 80 tained and the saving of time and labor.

3. And lastly, that by the draft or suction caused by the blower the fur can be drawn through the openings at E Fig. 2 (or some other convenient place) direct from the 85 breaker or cutting machine into the wheel house by means of a flue or conductor.

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