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IMPROVEMENT IN THE PREPARATION OF COURT-PLASTER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LYMAN C. GALE, of Chicago, in the county of Cook, State of Illinois, have invented a new Assortment of Court-Plaster; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof.

The object of my invention is to cut in small sizes and in different shapes the common court-plaster, put the same in boxes or packages convenient for use.

It is well known that it is often necessary to use court-plaster for various wounds and bruises when the means of cutting the plaster are not at hand; besides it is often desirable to carry the plaster already cut for use, that it may be applied at once in case of necessity.

To enable others skilled in the art to cut and use my new assortment of court-plaster, the method of cutting and applying the same.

No. 1 in the accompanying box of specimens is cut in the ordinary manner, about four times as long as it is wide, and the ends made semicircular. No. 2 is cut in the form of an ellipse. No. 3 is cut in a rectangular form, the corners being rounded. Nos. 4 and 7 are

cut in a circular form, having different diameters. No. 5 is cut about twice as long as it is wide, the ends being semicircular. No. 6 is cut about one and a half times as long as it is wide. No. 8 is cut in a triangular shape, the ends being rounded.

I cut various sizes of each of the above numbers and put them up in different-sized boxes or packages to meet the public demand. Any other kind of plaster may be cut and put up in the same manner. The cloth or paper may be cut, as above described, in the various forms either before or after the plaster is spread on it.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

The assortment of the various forms of plaster above described and put up in boxes or packages, as set forth.

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