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STROP DRESSING.

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My invention relates to a new and useful improvement in a composition adapted for use as a razor strop dressing, and has for its object the provision of a strop dressing which, when placed upon a razor strop, will add considerably to the efficiency of the razor strop as a sharpening agent, and permit the use of the razor strop for placing an edge on a razor or other blade to be sharpened when considerable grinding or honing of the razor is necessary, the razor strop when treated with the compound being thus brought to a condition where it will effect the result ordinarily effected by a stone hone.

The composition is one which is economical of manufacture and adapted for use in various climates.

The invention comprises the following ingredients in substantially the proportions set out:

	Parts.
Paraffin wax.....	10
Crocus of Mars (pulverized).....	2½
Beeswax.....	1
Bicarbonate of magnesia (pulverized)	20

These ingredients in substantially the proportions set out are first thoroughly mixed together and then placed in a suitable receptacle and heated over a fire until the mixture has been reduced to a liquid form and brought to the boiling temperature. The mixture is then maintained at a boiling temperature for about one and one-half hours, where the paraffin wax used amounts to ten pounds. Where a larger mixture is compounded at one time, of course the boiling would have to continue for a proportionately greater length of time. The mixture is stirred continuously while being boiled. After the mixture has been boiled for the approximate length of time set out, so that the various ingredients are thoroughly mixed and held in solution by the beeswax and the paraffin wax, the mixture is then set aside to cool. As soon as the

mixture is cool enough to permit handling, a mass is then kneaded, this kneading continuing until the mass has assumed a consistency permitting it to be rolled out in thin rolls. The kneading permits the aeration of the mass and increases the tensile strength of the rolled mass after it is cooled. The product, after being rolled into thin rolls, is then cut into desired sizes and after being completely cooled it is rubbed upon the razor strop when needed. The product is sufficiently soft to permit the application of it to the razor strop in this manner, a few rubs of one of the ends of the rolls over the strop being sufficient to leave a fine coat of the composition on the strop.

If the device is to be used in particularly hot climates, the amount of the beeswax would be lessened and the amount of the paraffin wax increased, and the reverse would be the case where it is intended to use the article in extremely cold climates.

While I have illustrated and described the proposed mixture and proportions of the ingredients set out, I do not wish to limit myself to the exact amounts, as slight variations in the various proportions may be made without diminishing to any great extent the effective purpose of the mixture.

What I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:

1. A strop dressing of the class described, comprising paraffin wax, crocus of Mars, beeswax and bicarbonate of magnesia, mixed substantially as set forth.

2. A strop dressing of the class described, comprising

	Parts.
Paraffin wax, substantially.....	10
Crocus of Mars, substantially.....	2½
Beeswax, substantially.....	1
Bicarbonate of magnesia, substantially	20

mixed substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed the foregoing specification.

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