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A.D. 1870, 5th April. N° 1000.

## Dry Earth Closets.

LETTERS PATENT to John Parker, of Woodstock, Oxfordshire, Builder and Cabinet Maker, for the Invention of "IMPROVEMENTS IN DRY EARTH CLOSETS."

Sealed the 31st May 1870, and dated the 5th April 1870.

PROVISIONAL SPECIFICATION left by the said John Parker at the Office of the Commissioners of Patents, with his Petition, on the 6th April 1870.

I, JOHN PARKER, of Woodstock, Oxfordshire, Builger and Cabinet Maker, do hereby declare the nature of the said Invention for "IMPROVEMENTS IN DRY EARTH CLOSETS," to be as follows:—

The object of my Invention is to arrange the valve or valves of dry earth closets in such a maimer that an automatic supply of earth shall fall down a shoot to cover the soil after each use thereof, and this I accomplish in the following manner:- I make the case or box in which the pan is placed of a shape corresponding to some article of furniture, such as a cheffonier, or wardrobe, or some other such article, and I use the upper part of it, either the back or the side or sides, for holding a supply of earth, which is closed by a lid or door in any convenient way.

15 The lower parts of these arc contracted and lead into a spout in which