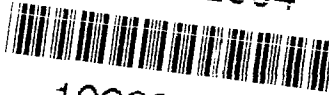


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for which I have prepared an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America;

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