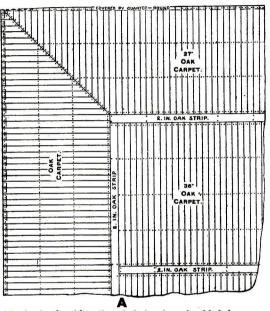


These floors are not a fad, they have been in use in Europe for centuries. With a little care they will last a lifetime. Carpets are more expensive, require more labor to keep clean and are very unhealthy. A servant of average intelligence can keep parquetry floors as if they were newly laid with but little effort. A hardwood floor is absolutely "Hygienic"; ask your physician about it. New homes are rarely built without parquetry floors, and they are rapidly replacing carpets in the older buildings. They are 5-16 inches thick, less than the ordinary threshold, so they can be laid in one room over the old floor and not interfere with the other rooms or doorways. Anyone familiar with the use of a saw, hammer and varnish brush can lay and finish them. Send us a plan of your rooms with exact measurements, as on page 329, and select your design. We can then make you exact estimate of cost and a working plan will be sent with the invoice for the goods showing just where each piece is to be laid. See directions for laying and finishing, pages 326 and 327.

DIRECTIONS FOR LAYING.

LAYING WOOD CARPET. Start at the wall, removing the quarter round, then measure out into the room from the wall the width of the first breadth of carpet, and tack down the strips marked "A" in the following cut. Measure your space thus framed for the center, to make certain it will contain other breadths, as planned, be sure that the corners turned by this strip are square, lay and brad the breadths in center of room, then put down the outside breadth, bringing it up to the strip first laid. The quarter round should cover the rows of brads next the wall.

NAILING WOOD CARPET. Drive the brads in rows about 9 inches apart, placing a brad at each edge of each slat, as shown in this cut:

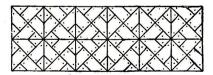


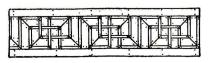
Use a 1¼-inch No. 15 wire brad. After the whole has been bradded down, go over and with a punch not larger than the head of the brad, sink each brad 1-16-inch below the surface of the wood.

SMOOTHING OFF. After the brads are all driven and countersunk, go over the floor carefully, and wherever any of the joints are found uneven, make smooth with a steel scraper in the hands as shown. Any hammer marks indenting the wood should be scraped out, as they will show when the polish is on.



LAYING PARQUETRY. The pattern fields are usually laid beginning at the center of the room. First find the border line, and tacking down a strip to frame in the center or field, start in center of the room and work out to the sides and ends until the border line is met, when the strip can be taken up and the border laid in its place, filling out to the wall as planned.





NAILING PARQUETRY. Brads are driven to suit the pattern. Each piece of wood in the pattern, unless very small, should be securely nailed down and countersunk for scraping.

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PARQUETRY FLOORS.

DIRECTIONS FOR FINISHING.

SANDING. After the floor is scraped, go over the entire surface with No. 1½ sandpaper, first with the grain and then across the grain. It will be found easy to do this by placing a half dozen sheets of the sandpaper under the weighted brush, which are held in place by being tacked at the sides of the brush block.

FILLING. Clean off the floor carefully to remove all dust and grit from sanding, apply our Paste Wood Filler to the surface of the wood with a brush, going over no more surface at a time than will admit being cleaned off before hardening. After the filler has set, rub off with excelsior or cloth, rubbing across the grain when practicable. Allow the filler twelve hours, at least, to dry.

PUTTYING. Go over the entire floor and putty up each nail hole to match the wood, then sand again lightly to clean the surface of filler and putty marks.

VARNISH FINISH. Wipe the floor off thoroughly and apply a coat of Floor Varnish with a brush; allow it twelve hours or more to dry, second or third coat, according to the finish desired.

WAX FINISH. After one coat of Floor Varnish sand the surface, wipe off and apply a coat of the Wax with a rag, spreading it out thin in all directions. Allow it about half an hour to dry, then take a stiff brush (one of our weighted ones preferred, see page 325), and rub the floor across first, and with the grain afterward. A piece of dry cloth, felt or carpet placed under the brush, will give the finishing gloss.

CAUTION. Never use soap or water in cleaning hardwood floors. Take up ordinary dust and dirt with a soft cloth wrapped around a broom. Where badly soiled, clean with a soft cloth dipped in turpentine—touch up with wax or varnish.

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FINISHING MATERIALS.

Specially Prepared for Our Floors.

FILLER, Wax and	Varnish complete for each	100 square feet of surface	\$2.25
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ITEMIZED PRICE LIST OF FINISHING MATERIALS.

HARD WAX FINISH,	, in self-sealing cans, 1,2,4 and 8 lbs., per lb	C
PASTE WOOD FILL	ER, in cans, 2, 5 and 10 lbs., per lb 20)c
FLOOR VARNISH.	Quarts	0
	All under coat for wax, or a missi in fisch complete.	

PARQUETRY STRIPS,

5-16 INCH THICK,

Are used in connection with wood carpet, priced below, or the fields or borders of any designs on the following pages.

Woods Used.	Width, Inches.	Price, Cts. per ft.	Width, Inches.	Price, Cts. per ft.
Oak	1½	1¼	2	1½
Mahogany	1½	4	2	7
Cherry	1½	2	2	3
Dark Oak	1½	1¾	2	2
Walnut	1½	2	2	3
Maple	1½	1¾	2	2

WOOD CARPET.

5-16 INCH THICK.

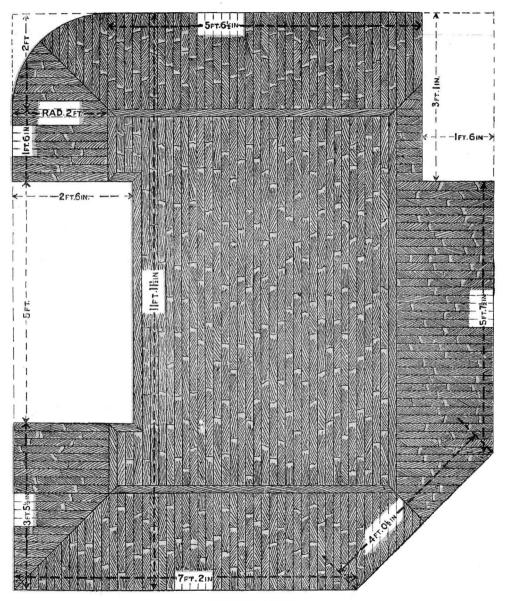


This flooring material is made of hardwood strips, $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, glued to heavy cotton cloth. It is made in widths of 27 inches and 36 inches and in sections containing 4 yards. Any quantity can be taken by simply slitting the cloth between the slats. The widths can be ripped to 6, 9, 12 or 18 inches, to be used as borders or margins next the walls, at a slight additional cost for cutting.

Price per lineal yard.	Width.	Price.	Width.	Price.
All oak, quartered white	27 inches. 27 '' 27 '' 24 ''	\$1.00 1.20 1.80 1.90	36 inches. 36 " 36 " 36 "	\$1.20 1.45 2.15

PRICE LIST OF WOOD CARPET.

HARDWOOD FLOORS. 3-8 INCH THICK.



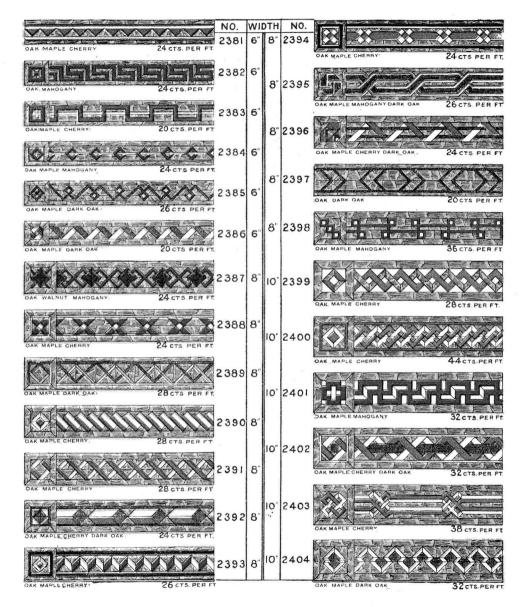
DESIGN R 2380

Adapted to room of any shape { Plain Oak, per square foot, 10c. 2007 12c.

This design is made of $3-8 \ge 2$ inch face, tongued, grooved and end matched clear red or white oak flooring, with a square-edged 2 inch strip to divide border from field. This is the cheapest form of ornamental floor. Always send exact measurements and plan as shown above, also location and width of all door openings.

PARQUETRY BORDERS.

5-16 INCH THICK.

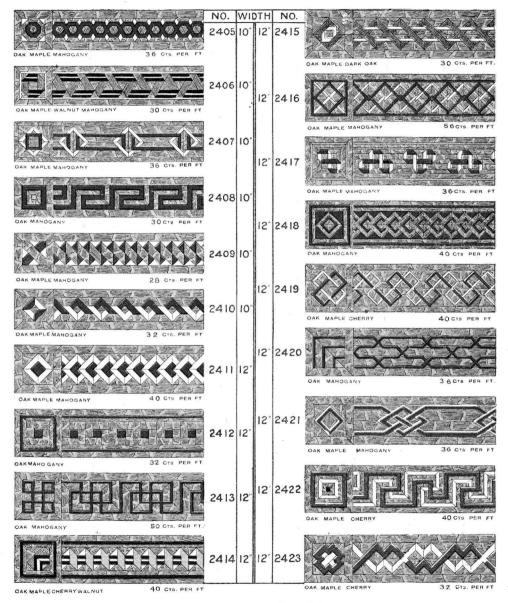


Above prices are per lineal foot.

Can be used with 3-8 inch tongued and grooved flooring, as on pages 332 and 333, or with any parquetry design on following pages.

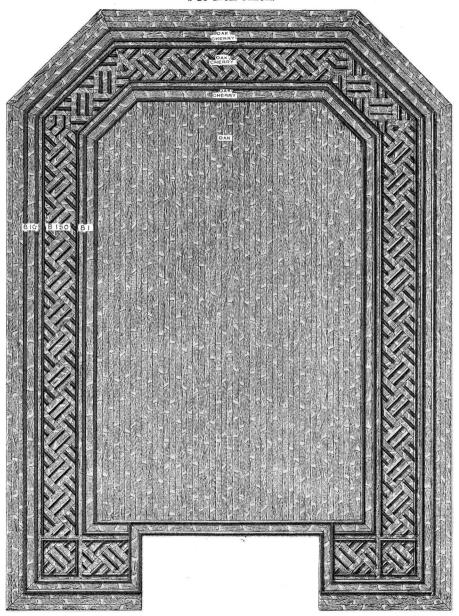
PARQUETRY BORDERS.

5-16 INCH THICK.



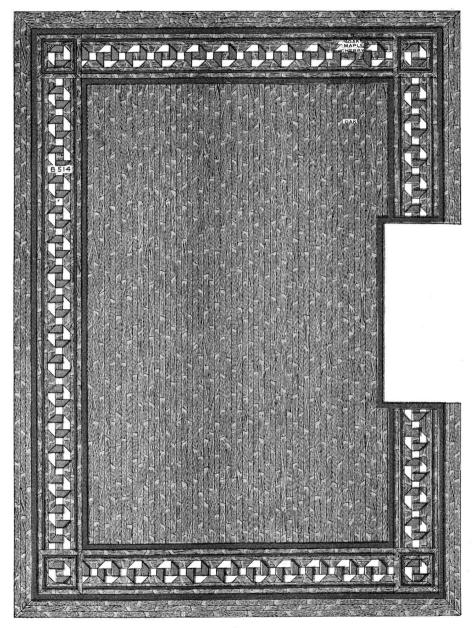
Above prices are per lineal foot.

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DESIGN R 2424

Adapted to room of any shape. Per square foot, 18c. Above price is for room containing not less than 200 square feet. On smaller rooms will make net estimate. The center or field is made of tongued and grooved 3-8 inch flooring. Always send exact measurements and plan as shown on page 329. Allow 10 per cent, for waste in figuring square feet in a floor.



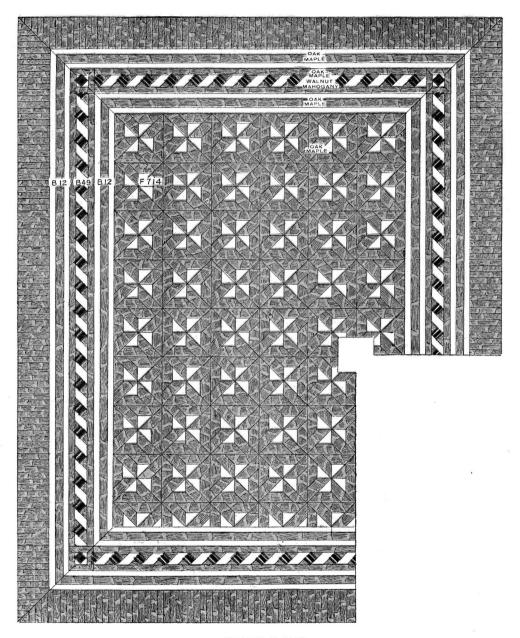
DESIGN R 2425

Adapted to rooms of any shape. Per square foot, **18**c. Above price is for rooms containing not less than **200** square feet. On smaller rooms will make net estimate. The center or field is made of tongued and grooved **3-8** inch flooring. Always send exact measurements and plan as shown on page **329**. Allow **10** per cent. for waste in figuring square feet in a floor.

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PARQUETRY FLOORS.

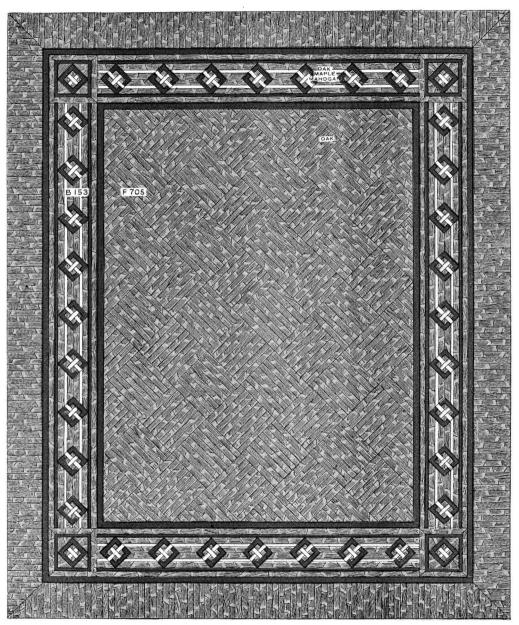
5-16 INCH THICK.



DESIGN R 2426

Adapted to room of any shape. Per square foot, 28c. Above price is for room containing not less than 200 square feet. On smaller rooms will make net estimate. Always send exact measurements and plan as shown on page 329. Allow 10 per cent. waste in figuring square feet in a floor. ABOVE PRICES SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

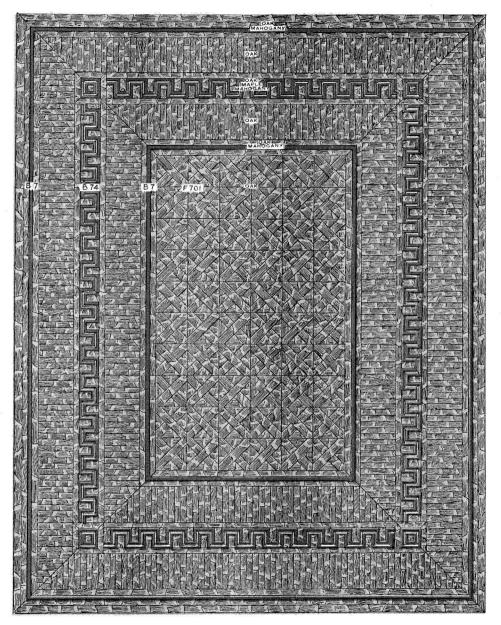
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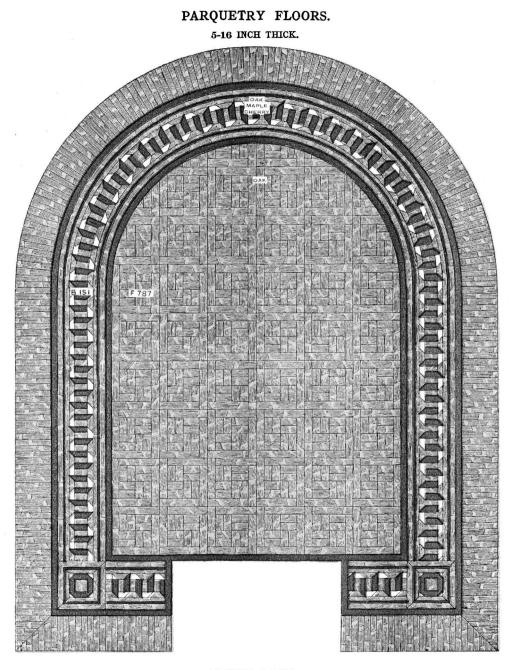
Adapted to room of any shape. Per square foot, 23c. Above price is for room containing not less than 200 square feet. On smaller rooms will make net estimate. Always send exact measurements and plan as shown on page 329. Allow 10 per cent. for waste in figuring square feet in a floor. ABOVE PRICES SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

5-16 INCH THICK.



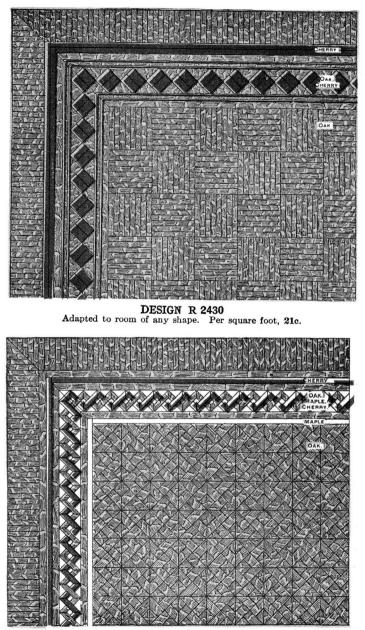
DESIGN R 2428

Adapted to room of any shape. Per square foot, 28c. Above price is for room containing not less than 200 square feet. On smaller rooms will make net estimate. Always send exact measurements and plan as shown on page 329. Allow 10 per cent. for waste in figuring square feet in a floor.



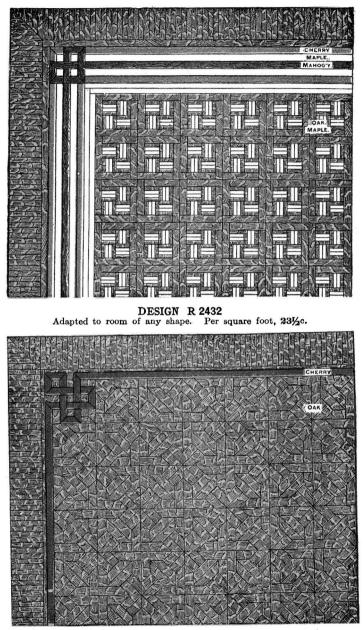
DESIGN R 2429

Adapted to room of any shape. Per square foot, 40c. Above price is for room containing not less than 200 square feet. On smaller rooms will make net estimate. Always send exact measurements and plan as shown on page 329. Allow 10 per cent. for waste in figuring square feet in a floor.



DESIGN R 2431

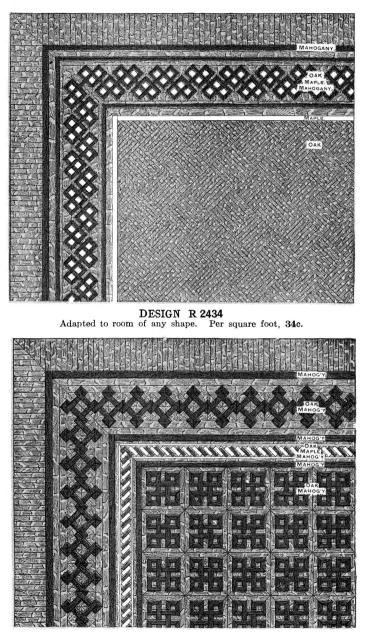
Adapted to room of any shape. Per square foot, 2634c. Above prices for rooms containing not less than 200 square feet. On smaller rooms will make net estimate. Always send exact measurements and plan as shown on page 329. Allow 10 per cent. for waste in figuring square feet in a floor. ABOVE PRICES SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.



DESIGN R 2433

Adapted to room of any shape. Per square foot, 26c. Above prices for room containing not less than 200 square feet. On smaller rooms will make net estimate. Always send exact measurements and plan as shown on page 329. Allow 10 per cent. for waste in figuring square feet in a floor. ABOVE PRICES SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

5-16 INCH THICK.



DESIGN R 2435

Adapted to room of any shape. Per square foot, 40c. Above prices for rooms containing not less than 200 square feet. On smaller rooms will make net estimate. Always send exact measurements and plan as shown on page 329. Allow 10 per cent. for waste in figuring square feet in a floor. ABOVE PRICES SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.