FULLER, a workman employed in the manufactories, to full, mill, or scour cloths, rutosus, forgys, and other woollen stuffs, by means of a mill, to render them thicker, and more compact and durable.

The word is formed of the Latin fulva, which signifies the same thing.

The fullers amongst the Romans washed, scoured, and fitted up cloaths; and their office was judged of that importance, that there were formal laws prescribed them for the manner of performing it. Such was the Lex Metalla de Fullomber. See also Pliny, lib. vii. cap. 56. Ulpian, leg. 12. l. de Partis, lib. xiii. § 6. Locati, lib. xii. § 6 ff. &c. See Fulling.