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HARRIET E. TAYLOR, OF SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK, EXECUTRIX  
OF THE ESTATE OF THEODORE H. TAYLOR, DECEASED.

*Letters Patent No. 71,549, dated November 26, 1867.*

## IMPROVED MEDICINE.

*The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.*

### TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that THEODORE H. TAYLOR, late of Saratoga Springs, in the county of Saratoga, and State of New York, but now deceased, invented a new and improved Medicinal Pill; and I, HARRIET E. TAYLOR, of the same place, executrix of the last will and testament of the aforesaid THEODORE H. TAYLOR, do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the said invention.

The object of this invention is to provide a medicine which will not only be extremely efficacious in liver complaints, but the use of which will also purify the blood, and also regulate the bowels of the patient, without the sickening or griping pains frequently attendant upon the employment of the ordinary cathartic remedies, or the constipation which often results from their action.

To enable others to fully understand the nature of my invention, I will proceed to describe its composition and mode of preparation.

In making the pills I take, by weight, of powdered podophylin, ten (10) parts; of Socotrine aloes, twenty-four (24) parts; of powdered colocynth, twelve (12) parts; Jamaica ginger, six (6) parts; cayenne pepper, one part; powdered gum-gamboge, six (6) parts. These materials having been moistened sufficiently, should be rubbed or manipulated in a mortar, or other appropriate apparatus, until the mass assumes the pasty condition required in dividing and moulding it into pills. After being brought into this condition, the mass is divided into parts weighing about two grains each, which are then formed into the requisite spherical shape, and, if desired, coated with sugar, by any suitable means or appliances. It is designed that a dose, in disorders of any ordinary character, shall consist of from two to four pills, which may, however, be varied according to the age of the patient, or other attendant circumstances.

What I claim as the invention of the late THEODORE H. TAYLOR, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—  
The pills composed of the ingredients herein set forth, in about the proportions specified.

HARRIET E. TAYLOR,  
*Executrix of Theodore H. Taylor.*

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