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## 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 I, EMIL FRESE, of the city and county of San Francisco, State of California, have invented an Improved Cathartic Tea; and I do hereby declare that the ingredients in making said tea, and the process of mixing or compounding them to make it, are described in the following specifications.

It is intended that each package of my cathartic tea shall weigh two ounces, which is composed of the following ingredients, to wit:

Alexandria senna, which should be free from stems, and cut fine, eight (8) drachms.

Manna, also cut fine, three (3) drachms.

Coriander-seed, which should be split in two, two (2) drachms.

Lavender-flowers, two (2) drachms.

Tartaric acid, powdered, one (1) drachm.

The whole is to be well incorporated, and may be put into packages, as above.

This medicine is recommended as a most certain, efficacious remedy for such diseases as severe colds, coughs, fever and ague, asthma, phthisis, headache, bowel, kidney, and liver complaints, piles, congestion, &c., caused by an impure state or superfluity of blood. Its use removes scrofula, cutaneous eruptions, pimples on the face, blotches, boils, rheumatic pains, and pains in the bowels and joints. It is a preventive against contagion, and destroys inhaled miasmatic and contagious vapors. It purifies the blood, cleanses the stomach and bowels, and gives to the entire system a healthy, easy tone. It opens the bowels in a very mild and certain way. It works on the system generally, causing little or no discomfort. It will prevent almost any disease, if used at least once a month, and is a certain restorative for lost appetite.

The following directions should be observed for its use: Take one table-spoonful of tea, pour on two or three cupfuls of boiling water, cover the vessel, and put it in a warm place to draw, for about two or three hours, then pour it through a sieve or piece of linen, and give to a full-grown person a cupful, each in the morning and evening; children less in proportion. Should this dose not prove sufficient to produce an opening of the bowels two or more times, augment the dose according to circumstances, and repeat every two hours, until it has the desired effect.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The above-described composition for cathartic tea, made of the ingredients enumerated, mixed and compounded in about the proportions specified.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal.

EMIL FRESE. [L. s.]

Witnesses:

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