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REMEDY FOR DIPHTHERIA.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN G. L. MYERS, of Osceola Mills, in the county of Clearfield and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain
5 new and useful Improvements in Medical Compounds; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and
10 use the same.

This compound or mixture, which is for the treatment of diphtheria and throat complaints of a similar nature, is prepared by thoroughly mixing the following ingredients in the proportions set forth, viz: chlorate of potash, two
15 drams; tincture guaiaci, two drams; spirits of niter, four drams; sirup of balsam of tolu, one ounce.

By the peculiar action of the undissolved
20 chlorate of potash the false membrane found in the throat in all cases of diphtheria is speedily absorbed or dislodged, and by the healing agency of the guaiac and tolu the throat is healed, while with the aid of the therapeutical
25 agency of the niter a perfect cure is effected.

I have found this mixture to be a stimulant, antiseptic, and solvent, neutralizing the diphtherial germ. I have also found it greatly beneficial in cases of ordinary sore throat and in all affections of the respiratory organs. The
30 dose for an adult is half a tea-spoonful every hour, followed by abstinence from all drinks for twenty minutes.

I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

A medical compound for the treatment of
35 diphtheria, composed of chlorate of potash, tincture of guaiac, spirits of niter, and sirup of balsam of tolu, mixed in the proportions set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as
40 my own I have hereunto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

JOHN G. L. MYERS.

Witnesses:

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