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OPIUM OINTMENT.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS M. CADENHEAD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Georgetown, in the county of Quitman and State of Georgia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Opium Ointments, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is an improved composition of matter and method of making the same, the composition being a salve for use in the treatment of piles.

My improved pile salve or composition consists of ingredients having healing and curative properties combined with the ashes of the cones of long needle pine trees.

In making the composition I gather the cones as soon as they are dry and then place them in a pan or other receptacle which holds them while they are burned to ashes by a suitable fire. The ashes, when cold, are then pulverized and sifted, preferably, by placing them in a bag of cheesecloth, then pounding them and finally dusting them out of the bag or piece of cloth into a suitable receptacle. These fine ashes are then weighed and mixed with the following ingredients, substantially in the proportion stated:

Pine cone ashes	10 grains.
Powdered opium	5 "
Petroleum or white vaseline	1 oz.

These ingredients are thoroughly mixed,

preferably, by placing them on a plate and using a knife.

In using the salve or ointment, it is applied in the usual manner.

Having thus described the invention what is claimed is:

1. A composition of matter for the treatment of piles consisting of finely divided pine cone ashes, powdered opium and petroleum.

2. The hereindescribed opium ointment for the treatment of piles consisting of finely divided pine cone ashes, 10 grains; powdered opium, 5 grains; and petroleum, 1 ounce, substantially as specified.

3. The hereindescribed process of making a salve or ointment for the treatment of piles, consisting in placing the cones of long needle pine trees in a receptacle over a fire and burning them to ashes, then placing the ashes in a fabric bag or holder and beating the same to reduce the ashes to a finely divided state, then dusting the ashes out of the bag or holder into a receptacle, and mixing the ashes with powdered opium and with petroleum.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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