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## IMPROVEMENT IN MEDICAL COMPOUNDS FOR CURE OF CONSUMPTION.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 119,620, dated October 3, 1871.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JAMES E. LARKIN, of Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Medical Compounds; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing forming part of this specification.

This invention and discovery relates to a medical composition designed for the prevention and cure of consumption; and it consists in a liquid compound composed of the ingredients and about the proportions hereinafter named, viz.: I take of blood-root, three-fourths of an ounce; liquorice root, half an ounce; good vinegar, three pints.

These ingredients are slowly boiled in a suitable vessel for the space of two hours; when the blood-root and liquorice root, or what remains of them, is removed by straining or otherwise. To the liquid I now add one and a half pound good strained honey and boil two hours more, and skim or strain the liquid. Then add sixty

drops of laudanum, forty drops of anise-seed oil, and twenty drops of extract of hoarhound, when the compound is ready for bottling and use.

The medicine thus prepared is administered in doses of a tablespoonful one hour previous to each meal and just before going to bed at night. Its effects upon those who are in the incipient stages of consumption, as well as upon those who apparently have the disease seated, is most salutary. The medicine seems to act directly upon the lungs and bronchial tubes, and in many instances has rescued those who had been given up by physicians to the fell destroyer, consumption.

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

The above medical compound, substantially as described, for the purpose set forth.

The above specification of my invention signed by me this 30th day of August, 1871.

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