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IMPROVEMENT IN MEDICAL COMPOUNDS OR RHEUMATIC OINTMENTS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH GECMEN, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Rheumatic Ointment, of which the following is a specification:

The object of this invention is to provide a remedy for rheumatism and kindred diseases; and it consists in a compound composed of the ingredients hereinafter named.

In carrying out my discovery I make use of the following substances, in about the proportions specified, viz.: I take of prunes, one pound; oil of cedar, half an ounce; chloride of sodium, two ounces; sal niter, one ounce; juniper berries, one ounce. These substances are thoroughly mixed together by adding a suitable quantity of cold water, and crushing or grinding them in a mill, or by other means combining them so that the salts named will permeate the whole mass.

Having been a great sufferer myself from

rheumatism I tried many compositions, popular remedies, with a view of obtaining relief, but without effect. I then experimented in my own way, and finally discovered this remedy, which I found a specific.

It is applied on the surface or skin of the joints or other parts affected, and has a magical effect in removing pain.

It may also be used with the best effect in cases of neuralgia and similar affections of the nerves and muscles.

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

The ointment for the cure of rheumatism and similar diseases, substantially as above described.

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Witnesses:

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