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IMPROVEMENT IN MEDICAL COMPOUNDS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES M. ADAMSON, of Prairie City, in the county of Jasper and State of Iowa, have invented a Medicinal Compound, of which the following is a specification:

The object of my invention is to furnish a safe and simple remedy for liver complaints, ague, and similar diseases.

It consists in compounding prickly-ash, rhubarb, wahoo, poplar-bark, and whisky, as hereinafter fully set forth.

The most simple and convenient manner of preparing my compound is to take a six-ounce (6 oz.) vial and fill it by putting in a half-ounce ($\frac{1}{2}$ oz.) of extract of prickly-ash, (*Xanthoxylum*;) a half-ounce ($\frac{1}{2}$ oz.) of extract of rhubarb; a half-ounce ($\frac{1}{2}$ oz.) of extract of wahoo, (Indian arrow-root;) a half-ounce ($\frac{1}{2}$ oz.) of extract of poplar-bark, (waving ash;) and four (4 oz.) ounces of good pure whisky.

A table-spoonful of this mixture taken by an

adult half an hour before meals will act as an alterative tonic to restore health to the patient suffering from irregular and torpid action and disease of the liver, and is therefore a specific remedy for ague and similar complaints resulting from the unhealthy tone and action of the liver.

I am aware that all of the component parts of my compound have been used as remedial medicines; but I claim that my compound is new, and advantageous in preventing and curing liver diseases.

I claim as my invention—

A medical compound consisting of prickly-ash; rhubarb, wahoo, poplar-bark, and whisky, substantially as described.

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