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OF

JOSEPH FRAUNCES.

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FRAUNCES' SPECIFICATION.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, I, JOSEPH
FRAUNCES, of Daventry, in the County of Northampton, Apothecary, send
greeting.

WHEREAS I, the said Joseph Fraunces, did, by my Petition, humbly
5 represent unto His most Excellent Majesty King George the Second, that, by
long study, great application, and at a considerable expence, I had invented,
completed,^s and brought to perfection "A NEW CHIMICAL PREPARATION WHICH
I CALLED BY THE NAME OF THE FEMALE STRENGTHENING ELIXIR, WHICH IS EXTRACTED
FROM THE MOST POWERFULL PARTS OF THE MATERIA MEDICA, AND IS A MOST EXCEL-
10 LENT AND ALMOST INFALLIBLE REMEDY FOR THE FLUOR ALBUS IN WOMEN, AND IN
MEN AN EXCELLENT RESTORATIVE AND A MOST EFFICACIOUS REMEDY IN ALL SEMINAL
WEAKNESSES AND DEBILITY OF THE GENITAL PARTS, FROM WHATSOEVER CAUSES
ARISING; THAT, IN CONSTITUTIONS WORN DOWN WITH LONG AND TEDIOUS ILLNESS, IT
WILL AFFORD GREAT RELIEF, BY RESTORING THE LOST SPRING OF THE SOLIDS, AND
15 THAT IT RAISES THE SPIRITS, REMOVES HYSTERICAL COMPLAINTS, AND GIVES NEW LIFE
AND VIGOUR TO HIS WHOLE BODY;" that, in regard to my great industry and
expence in inventing and bringing to perfection the said medicine, and the
advantage that will accrue from it to the publick, His said Majesty, of His
especial grace, certain knowledge, and meer motion, did, by His Letters Patent
20 under the Great Seal of Great Britain, bearing date at Westminster, the
Twenty-seventh day of March, in the twenty-fourth year of His reign, give
and grant unto me, the said Joseph Fraunces, my executors, administrators,
and assignes, His especial lycence, full power, sole priviledge and authority,
that I, the said Joseph Frances, my executors, administrators, and assignes, by
25 myself and themselves, or by our deputy or deputies, servants or agents, o
such others as I, the said Joseph Fraunces, my executors, administrators,
or assignes, should at any time agree with, and no others, from time to time

Fraunces' Chemical Preparation or Medicine.

and at all times hereafter during the term of years therein expressed, should and lawfully might make, use, exercise, and vend my said Invention within England, Wales, and Berwick-upon-Tweed, in such manner as to me, my executors, administrators, and assignes, should seem meet, to have, hold, exercise, and enjoy the said lycence, powers, priviledges, and advantages unto me, 5 the said Joseph Fraunces, my eñors, administrators, and assignes, from the date of the said Letters Patent, for and during and unto the full end and term of fourteen years, subject to a proviso that if I, the said Joseph Fraunces, did not describe and ascertain the nature of my said Invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed, by an instrument in writing under my hand 10 and seal, and cause the same to be inrolled in the High Court of Chancery within three kalendar months next after the date of the said Letters Patent, that then the same Letters Patent, and everything therein contained, should utterly cease, determine, and become void, as in and by the said Letters Patent (relation being thereunto had) may more at large appear. 15

NOW KNOW YEE, that I, the said Joseph Fraunces, in pursuance of the said proviso, do hereby describe the nature of my said Invention, and the manner in which the same is to be performed, as follows (to wit):—

Take of the lapis smaragd, topaz hyacinth, sardin, sapphir, of each half a pound; calcine them, and put them into a gallon of spirit of wine, with six 20 ounces of calx of antimony, and nine ounces of crocus martis astringens; set them in a dunghill for the space of two months; strain and filter; then add balsam capivy, tolu, male, franckincense, of each four ounces; balm of Gilead, three ounces; isinglass, one pound; shavings of hartshorne and of ivory, of each two pounds; white nettle flowers, seven handfull; roots of bistort and 25 tormentil, of each one pound; the best rhubarb, highly torrified, four ounces. Distill and cohobate six times. Then add salt of vipers, half an ounce; camphire, well purified by dissolving in spirit of wine, and distilling in a glass cucurbit, three ounces. Digest these in a sand heat a week, filter, and it is done. 30

In witness whereof, I, the said Joseph Fraunces, have hereunto set my hand and seal, the Twenty-fourth day of June, in the twenty-fifth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Second, and in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and fifty-one.

JOS. FRAUNCES. (L.S.) 35

Sealed and delivered (being first duly stampd, in the presence of

FRAN. BEYNON.

JOHN MOORE.

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AND BE IT REMEMBRED, that on the aforesaid Twenty-fourth day of June, the said Joseph Fraunces came before our Lord the King in His Chancery, and acknowledged the Writing aforesaid, and every thing therein contained and specified, in form above said. And also the said Writing
5 was stamped according to the form of the Statute made in the sixth year of the reign of the late King William and Queen Mary, and so forth.

ALLEN.

Inrolled the Twenty-fourth day of June, in the twenty-fourth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Second.

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AND HE IS REMEMBERED, that on the eighth day of June the said Joseph Yanney came before our Lord the King in His Chancery, and acknowledged the Writing aforesaid, and every thing therein contained and specified, in form above said. And also the said Writing was stamped according to the form of the Statute made in the sixth year of the reign of the late King William and Queen Mary, and so forth.

In witness whereof the said King, in the twenty-fourth year of His Majesty King George the Second.

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