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NORTON'S SPECIFICATION.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, I, JOHN NORTON, of the Parish of St. James, Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, Surgeon, send greeting.

WHEREAS I, the said John Norton, did, by my Petition, humbly represent
5 unto His present most Excellent Majesty King George the Third, that I had, by long study, application, and at great expence, found out and brought to perfection "A NEW-INVENTED MEDICINE, WHICH I HAD STILED MAREDANT'S DROPS, BEING AN ANTISCORBUTIC, AND OPERATING INSENSIBLY ON THE PATIENT, EXCEEDING ALL
10 OTHER MEDICINES YET FOUND OUT FOR THE CURE OF THE SCURVY, LEPROSY, EVIL, OR STRUMA, FISTULAS, PILES, ULCERS, AND ALL OTHER DISORDERS ARISING FROM A FOULNESS IN THE BLOOD, AS MANY HUNDREDS OF HIS SAID MAJESTY'S SUBJECTS HAD THEN ALREADY EXPERIENCED;" that in regard I was the first and sole Inventor thereof, and that the medicine was new, and had not hitherto been prepared in His said Majesty's Kingdom of Great Britain by any person or
15 persons whatsoever save by myself only, I therefore humbly prayed His said Majesty to grant me, my executors, administrators, and assigns, His Royal Letters Patent, under His Great Seal of Great Britain, for the sole use and benefit of my said Invention within that part of His said Majesty's Kingdom of Great Britain called England, His Dominion of Wales, and
20 Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, for and during the term of fourteen years, according to the Statute in that case made and provided; His said Majesty, being willing to give encouragement to all arts and inventions which might

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be for the publick good, was graciously pleased to condescend to my request, and therefore, by His Royal Letters Patent, bearing date at Westminster, the Thirtieth day of November, in the fifth year of His reign, of His especial grace, certain knowledge, and meer motion, for Him, His heirs and successors, did give and grant unto me, the said John Norton, my executors, adminis- 5 trators, and assigns, His especial licence, full power, sole priviledge and authority, that I, the said John Norton, my executors, administrators, and assigns, and every of us, by myself and ourselves, or by mine and our deputy or deputies, servants or agents, or such others as I, the said John Norton, my executors, administrators, or assigns, should at any time agree with, and 10 no others, from time to time and at all times thereafter during the term of years therein expressed, should and lawfully might make, use, exercise, and vend my said Invention within that part of His said Majesty's Kingdom of Great Britain called England, His Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, in such manner as to me, the said John Norton, my executors, 15 administrators, and assigns, or any of us, should in our discretions seem meet, and that I, the said John Norton, my executors, administrators, and assigns, should and lawfully might have and enjoy the whole profit, benefit, commodity, and advantage from time to time coming, growing, accrewing, and arising, by reason of the said Invention, for and during the term of years 20 therein and herein-after mentioned, to have, hold, exercise, and enjoy the said licence, powers, priviledges, and advantages therein-before granted or mentioned to be granted unto me, the said John Norton, my executors, administrators, and assigns, for and during and unto the full end and term of fourteen years from the date of the said Letters Patent next and immediately 25 ensuing, and fully to be compleat and ended, according to the Statute in such case made and provided; in which said Letters Patent is contained a proviso that if I, the said John Norton, should not particularly describe and ascertain the nature of my said Invention, and the manner in which the same is to be performed, by an instrument in writing under my hand and seal, and 30 cause the same to be inrolled in His said Majesty's High Court of Chancery within four calendar months next and immediately after the date of the said Letters Patent, that then the said Letters Patent, and all liberties and advantages whatsoever thereby granted, should utterly cease, determine, and become void, anything therein-before contained to the contrary thereof in 35 anywise notwithstanding, as in and by the said Letters Patent (relation being thereunto had) may more fully and at large appear.

NOW KNOW YE, that in compliance with the said proviso, I, the said John Norton, do hereby describe and ascertain the nature of my said Inven-

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tion, and the manner in which the same is to be performed, to be as follows (that is to say):—

The said Invention consists and is made of the following articles or ingredients, viz:—Merc. sublimat., rad., gentian., zinziber, cort., aurant., cochineal.

5 In witness whereof, I, the said John Norton, have hereunto set my hand and seal, the Ninth day of February, in the fifth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third, by the grace of God of Great Britain, France, and Ireland King, Defender of the Faith, and so forth, and in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred
10 and sixty-five.

JN^o NORTON. (L.S.)

Signed and sealed by the said John
Norton (being first duly stamped), in
the presence of us,

15 MILES CROSBY.
J. HALL.

AND BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the said Ninth day of February, in the fifth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, the aforesaid John Norton came before our said Lord the King in His Chancery,
20 and acknowledged the Writing aforesaid, and every thing therein contained in form above said. And the said Writing was stamped according to the Statute made in the sixth year of the reign of the late King William and Queen Mary, and so forth.

HOLFORD.

Inrolled the said Ninth day of February, in the fifth year of the reign
25 of His Majesty King George the Third, 1765.

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tion, and the manner in which the same is to be performed, to be as follows (that is to say):—

The said invention consists and is made of the following articles or ingredients, viz:—*Alum, sulphur, red, potassium, chlorine, salt, arsenic, resinous.*

In witness whereof, I, the said John Norton, have hereunto set my hand and seal, the Ninth day of February, in the fifth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third, by the grace of God of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, and so forth, and in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and sixty-five.

J. NORTON. (L.S.)

Signed and sealed by the said John Norton (being first stamped) in

the presence of us

THOMAS GOSSETT,

J. HALL.

AND BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the said Ninth day of February, in the fifth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, the said John Norton came before our said Lord the King in His Chancery, and acknowledged the Writing aforesaid, and every thing therein contained in form above said. And the said Writing was stamped according to the Statute made in the sixth year of the reign of the late King William and Queen Mary, and so forth.

Witnessed the said Ninth day of February, in the fifth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, 1764.

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