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OF

FERDINAND SMYTH STUART.

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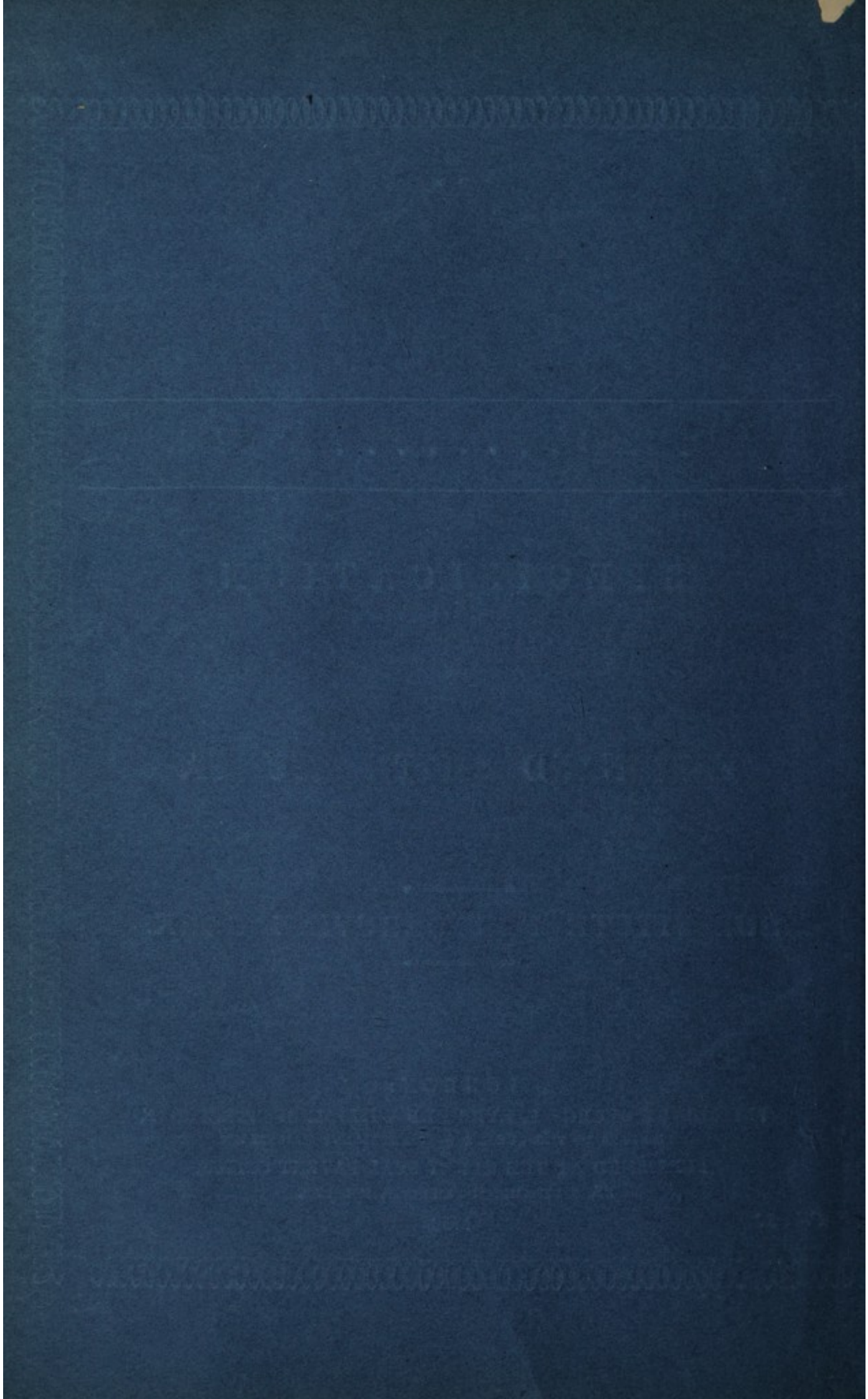
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STUART'S SPECIFICATION.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, I, FERDINAND SMYTH STUART, of Billericay, in the County of Essex, Esquire, late of Bloomsbury Square, London, Doctor of Physic, do send greeting.

WHEREAS His most Excellent Majesty King George the Third, by His
5 Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Great Britain, bearing date at Westminster, the Fourth day of August, in the forty-ninth year of His reign, did give and grant unto me, the said Ferdinand Smyth Stuart, my executors, administrators, and assigns, His special license, full power, sole privilege and authority, that I, the said Ferdinand Smyth Stuart, my executors, administrators, and assigns, during the term of years therein expressed, should
10 and lawfully might make, use, exercise, and vend, within England, Wales, and the Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, my discovery or Invention of "A SUBSTITUTE, THE PRODUCE OF THIS COUNTRY, FOR PERUVIAN BARK;" in which Letters Patent there is contained a proviso, obliging me, the said Ferdinand Smyth
15 Stuart, under my hand and seal, to cause a particular description or explanation or communication of the said discovery or Invention, and in what manner the same is to be used, to be inrolled in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery within one calendar month next and immediately after the date of the said recited Letters Patent, as in and by the same, relation being thereunto had,
20 may more fully and at large appear.

NOW KNOW YE, that in compliance with the said proviso, I, the said Ferdinand Smyth Stuart, do hereby declare that the said discovery or Invention may be comprehended, explained, and expressed under the six following head, viz^t:—

Stuart's Substitute for Peruvian Bark.

1st, the leaves of the oak tree dried in the shade ; 2nd, the bark of the lesser branches of the oak tree dried in the shade ; and 3d, the inner bark of the oak tree in general reduced to a fine powder, and to be administered exactly in the manner and proportions as peruvian bark has been given ; 4th, as a more powerful substitute, a decoction of the green leaves of the oak or of the leaves dried, as above mentioned in No. 1, may be given alone ; and to add too and promote its powers and efficacy, the powder of the said bark, especially that of the lesser branches, as expressed in No. 2, may be administered in the same as peruvian bark has been usually given in port wine, only in double the quantity of the decoction ; 5th, an extract or decoction of the bark, as mentioned in No. 2 and in No. 3, may also be administered with the same salutary effects when required in these forms in every case wherein peruvian bark has been successfully applied ; and 6th, with the very superior advantage over peruvian bark, that the said decoction is a certain remedy and cure for the scurvy in almost every stage of that disease. 15

In witness whereof, I, the said Ferdinand Smyth Stuart, have hereunto set my hand and seal, this Thirty-first day of August, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and nine.

FERDINAND SMYTH STUART. (L.S.)

CHA^s. THOMSON.

AND BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the same Thirty-first day of August, in the year above mentioned, the aforesaid Ferdinand Smyth Stuart came before our Lord the King in His Chancery, and acknowledged the Specification aforesaid, and all and every thing therein contained, in form above written. And also the Specification aforesaid was stamped according to the tenor of the Statute in that case made and provided. 25

Inrolled the same Thirty-first day of August, in the year above written.

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