

Formulary.

FLUID EXTRACT OF COFFEE.

Coffee, freshly roasted and ground $\frac{3}{4}$ x x x ii.
Glycerin Oi.
Water, q. s. ad. Oiv.

Dilute the glycerin with three pints of water, and pour the solution upon the coffee contained in a wide-mouthed bottle. Macerate for several days; then transfer to a percolator, add water, and displace three pints. Continue the percolation until the coffee is exhausted, then evaporate the product to one pint to be mixed with the three pints of the first percolate.

POUDRE DE RIZ.

The *Seifen-fabrikant* recommends the following formula:

Wheat starch 2,500 parts.
Talc 1,500 "
Magnesium carbonate..... 500 "
Oris root 500 "
Oil of lemon peel 25 "
Attar of roses 5 "

Powder each of the solids separately, mix and triturate with the oils.—*National Druggist*.

ZINC GLYCEROLE FOR CHILBLAINS, ETC.

Zinci oxyd. *precip.* 3 ounces.
Glycerini, *opt.* 12 "
Acid tannic 2 "
Ol. eucalypt. glob. $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Mix the oxide of zinc to a perfectly smooth paste with some of the glycerine in a Wedgwood mortar; perform a similar operation with the tannic acid, adding in the oil of eucalyptus to this latter mixture; work the whole together with remainder of glycerine, until of perfectly homogeneous consistence throughout. Store in suitable jars, or wide-mouthed bottles, for use.

This preparation is to be applied by painting on the affected part. It is also valuable for inflamed surfaces.

HARNESSE COMPOSITION.

Beeswax (best yellow)..... 90 parts.
Spirits of turpentine..... 900 "
Animal charcoal (ivory black) 50 "
Indigo 5 "
Prussian blue 10 "

Melt the wax in a suitable vessel, reduce the other ingredients to the finest possible powder, intimately mix them in the dry state, and stir into the hot solution of wax in spirits of turpentine. Cool gradually with constant stirring, and pack into boxes for sale.

RESTORING GERMAN GILT.

The following varnish is useful for restoring tarnished German-gilt picture frame moulding:

Gamboge 30 grs.
Dragon's blood 240 grs.
Powder the above and then add:
Turmeric 30 grs.
Shellac $\frac{2}{3}$ oz.
Sandarac $\frac{2}{3}$ oz.

Place the whole of the above in a bottle, and add 2 ounces dry oil of turpentine; shake often, keeping in a warm place for fourteen days; filter, and add 4 ounces clear mastic varnish as above.

A SEPIA DENTRIFICE.

A very good dentrifice is that which has come to our knowledge from private sources, and which bears the above not too appropriate title. The oss. sepia is the prominent ingredient.

Oss. sepia, pulverized 4 oz.
Creta *precip.* $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.
Rad. irid. *florent.*, pulv. $\frac{2}{3}$ oz.
Ol. rhodii 25 m.
" limonis 10 m.
Tinct. carmine q. s.

Mix the first three ingredients, and color to a pale rose tint with the carmine solution; then add the essential oils; rub the whole together in a large mortar, sift, and put up in small ornamental boxes.—*Magazine of Pharmacy*.

PURGATIVE COFFEE.

Infusion of coffee, 60 grammes; simple syrup, 35 grammes; scammony, .80 centigramme; citrate of soda, 25 grammes; gum arabic, in powder, 8 grammes. Triturate the scammony with the gum, dissolve the citrate in the infusion, add the syrup, and mix altogether. To be taken frequently.—*Boletim do Centro Pharmaceutico Portuguez*.

NEW LIQUID CEMENT.

In 125 parts of acetic acid dissolve 100 parts of Russian isinglass. In another vessel dissolve 20 parts gelatin in 125 parts of water, by the aid of heat. Mix the solutions little by little, with constant agitation, and finally add 20 parts of a strong alcoholic solution of shellac.

MEDICATED BOUGIES—ALUM AND TANNIN.

The *Nederlandische Tijdschrift der Pharmacie* gives the following (*National Druggist*):

Alum Bougies.

Macerate for fifteen minutes 5 parts of gelatin in 35 parts of water, then add 10 parts of glycerin and heat until the gelatin is dissolved. Evaporate down to 40 parts, taking care not to let the liquid come to ebullition, as otherwise the gelatin loses its power of solidifying. This may be effected by interposing a wire net work at a distance between the lamp and the capsule. Add to the hot mass 8 parts of alum dissolved in 25 parts of water. This will cause a coagulation of the gelatin, but on continuing the heat it will again dissolve. Evaporate down to 64 parts, pour into moulds and let cool. Each bougie contains $12\frac{1}{2}$ per cent of alum.

Tannin Bougies.

Macerate 5 parts of gelatin in 20 parts of water for fifteen minutes. Add 25 parts of glycerin and heat until solution is complete. When this is effected add 2 parts

of tannin dissolved in 10 parts of hot anhydrous glycerin. As in the case of alum, a coagulation will take place, and disappear on continuation of the heat. Continue the heat until the water is driven off, then pour into moulds and put the latter at once in the ice box. By following this method, the resultant bougies are entirely transparent. The point of elimination of the water may be determined either by weighing or by letting a drop fall on some cold object. If it remains transparent, evaporation has proceeded far enough.

CURRY POWDERS.

1. (said to be true Indian curry).

Coriander seed 360 grains
Turmeric 100 grains
Fresh ginger 260 grains
Cumin seed 18 grains
Black pepper 54 grains
Poppy seed 94 grains
Cinnamon 20 grains
Cardamom 40 grains
Cloves 20 grains
One-half cocoanut, grated.

All but the cocoanut to be ground together.

In order to obtain good results the material should be selected with great care.

2. (Said to be Dr. Kitchener's.)

Coriander seed 3 ounces
Turmeric 3 ounces
Black pepper 1 ounce
Mustard 1 ounce
Ginger 1 ounce
Allspice 4 drachms
Cardamom 4 drachms
Cumin seed 2 drachms

Reduce to a fine powder, mix thoroughly, and preserve in well stoppered bottles.

3. (Also given out as true East Indian curry.)

Coriander seed, powdered.. 8 ounces
Allspice, powdered.... 2 drachms
Mace, powdered.... 2 drachms
Caraway, powdered.... 2 drachms
Fennel, powdered.... 2 drachms
Celery seed, powdered.... 2 drachms
Turmeric, powdered.... 8 ounces
Black pepper, powdered.... 1 ounce
Capsicum, powdered.... 4 drachms
Mustard, powdered.... 2 ounces
Ginger, powdered.... 1 ounce

—*Bulletin of Pharmacy*.

AMERICAN METAL POLISHING PASTE

Bohemian Tripoli powder... 1 lb.
Spanish whiting.... 1 lb.
Commercial red oxide of iron.. $\frac{1}{2}$ lb.
Common petrolin—burning oil 1 ounce
Glycerine.... q. s.
Water..... q. s.
Oil of citronella..... $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce

Thoroughly mix the powders, then add the petrolin, etc.—*Mag. Pharmacy*.

CRYSTALLIZED GLYCERINE.

At a recent meeting of the Society of Public Analysts, E. J. Bevan exhibited some specimens of crystallized glycerine. He said that some time ago some glycerine had been submitted to him which