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## LIQUID TOILET PREPARATION.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. BICKSLER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Big Spring, in the county of Howard and State of Texas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Liquid Toilet Preparations; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention has relation to preparations for toilet use; and it consists in the following ingredients, compounded in the proportions and in the manner substantially as hereinafter set forth.

Take of pure cocoanut-oil, saponified in the usual manner, twenty-four pounds, and cut or grind it up. Add thereto four gallons of alcohol of eighty-eight per cent. strength. Boil the mixture for one hour, or until the oil is thoroughly cut in the alcohol. Then reduce the mixture by adding twenty-four gallons of clear rain-water. Add to this two quarts of the Mexican dager or soap plant. After boiling the entire mixture for one hour it is drawn off and allowed to settle for ten days. It is

then filtered through paper eight or ten times, and, becoming transparent, is colored and perfumed according to taste.

This compound is an excellent article for washing the hair or skin, as it contains nothing which can injure. It is designed to remove dandruff, and to prevent the hair from falling out. It has great cleansing properties, and will be found excellent for washing fine jewelry, nursing-bottles, and in fact all articles upon which the action of free acids or alkalies is not desirable.

Having described this invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The compound of saponified cocoanut-oil, alcohol, rain-water, and the Mexican soap-plant, in the proportions and manner substantially as hereinbefore set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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