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A NEW BED-PAN AND EXCRETA STERILIZER.

The bed-pan sterilizer illustrated here was exhibited and demonstrated by the manufacturers, the Wilmot Castle Company, of Rochester, N.Y., during the meeting of the American Hospital Association at St. Paul recently, and is here reproduced from *The Modern Hospital*.

This new sterilizer is distinct in design, and intended only for handling bed-pans and their contents. It avoids the disagreeable task of emptying pans by hand into an open sink or hopper. The pan is placed in the sterilizer right side up, it is then automatically inverted and



Fig. 1.-PAN PLACED IN STERILIZER.

emptied as the cover is closed. It is thoroughly washed inside and out by water sprays. The pan and fecal matter are positively sterilized by steam, but no odour or steam escapes into the room. The trap and cover are operated by foot pedals.

The sides and cover of the sterilizing chamber are made of heavy planished copper. The base is a smooth bronze casting, so shaped that it drains quickly. The steam chamber for heating is cast in the base, eliminating all steam pipes from the interior of the sterilizer. A 3-inch opening is provided in the back of the sterilizer for connection to a bent pipe. The entire interior is heavily coared with pure tin to prevent corrosion, and the exterior is handsomely nickelplated. A deep lip in the cover fits into a water seal in the body of the sterilizer, preventing the escape of steam and odours into the room. The size of the sterilizer is 15 by 18 by 17 inches. The use of \mathbf{s} ich an apparatus is now considered essential, especially in contagious wards, and would be invaluable in war nursing.

LYSOL PETROLEUM JELLY.

The value of Lysol as an antiseptic deodorant and disinfectant is well known to nurses and midwives, and they will be interested to learn that the manufacturers, Messrs. Chas. Zimmermann & Co., Ltd., of 9 and 10, St. Mary-at-Hill,



Fig. 2.-BED-PAN AS INVERTED IN STERILIZER.

London, E.C., are placing a new speciality—Lysol Petroleum Jelly—upon the market.

This is made from the finest and purest white petroleum jelly, and is incorporated with I per cent. Lysol. It should thus be an ideal lubricant for those engaged in midwifery, besides being a very useful emollient, and is likely to be a favourite with midwives who are already well acquainted with the virtues of Lysol. Lysol Petroleum Jelly is put up in 6d. and Is. pots, and may be obtained through all chemists.

Although Lysol Petroleum Jelly has only been placed on the market quite a short time, the proprietors have received many appreciations of its efficacy.



