

DUGOT'S COMBINED DOUCHE AND BED-PAN.

The management of the bed-pan is always regarded as one of the most difficult points in the Nurse's duties, and anything that will tend to make the manipulation of that very necessary article less trying will be warmly welcomed. Dugot's Combined Douche and Bed-Pan is the invention of a lady in the United States, and it offers many advantages over the ordinary bed-pan at present in use in this country. It claims to meet the requirements of a combined article, able to do all kinds of work with cleanliness and dispatch, saving time and strength of both nurse and patient, as the instrument can be emptied and cleaned if need be, without moving the patient in the least. The slope of the bed-pan is such as to enable it to bridge over any depression in the bed, and there is no settling down of the body into an uncomfortable position. There is an outlet on either side, to which a tube can be attached and all matter may thus be carried away over the side of the bed. The value of this arrangement can well be appreciated when we consider what is necessary in the treatment of various diseases of the bowels by irrigation and liquid distension. When not in use for this purpose the outlets are closed by screw plugs. The shape and construction of the pan will enable enemata to be given after the pan is placed in

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