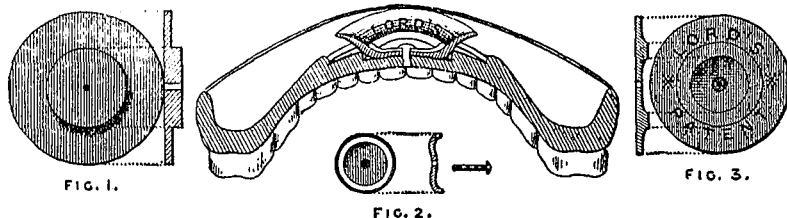


obsolete, and it was quite time that improvements should be introduced. These discs used merely to be punched from the plain sheet rubber in one thickness throughout, and were therefore very primitive. Mr. S. Lord, dentist, of 3, Richmond Terrace, Blackburn, has changed all

that position the lift can be fixed during all necessary arrangements, which are much facilitated by the novel and ingenious arrangement of the straps which support the invalid. One not to be over estimated advantage is that the "standards," by a certain modification not shown

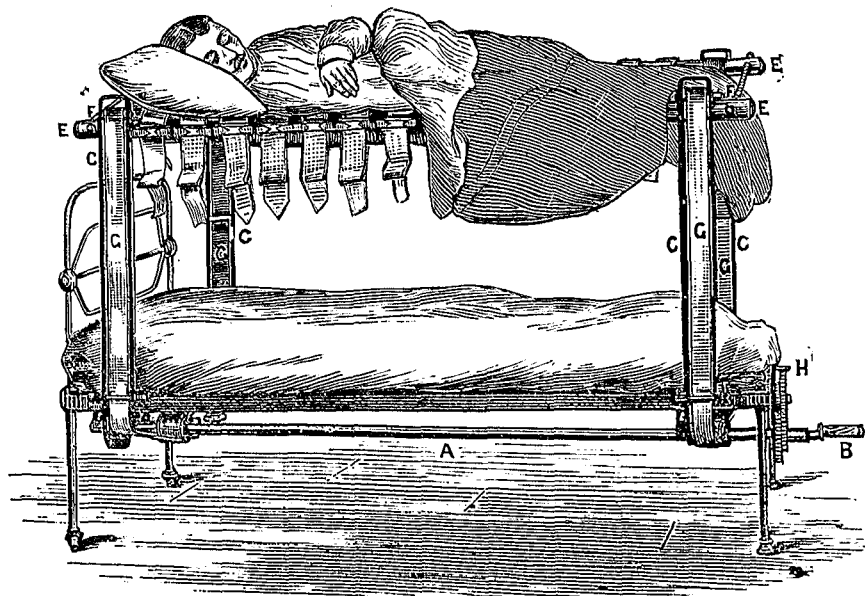


this. The new discs which are made under his patent are made thinner on the edge, thus giving greater flexibility at the edge and greater strength to the body. Anyone using rubber will know the great difficulty there is in getting it of a uniform quality. Mr. Lord, having experienced this, decided to manufacture his own from the best Para gum, and has spared neither time or money in producing a disc which we have no doubt will give every satisfaction to all who give them a fair trial. Each disc is made in separate metallic moulds, and nothing but the best vulcanising compounds, of red, black, and grey colours, are used; and being simple and cheap, we have no doubt but that Mr. Lord will meet with an ever-increasing demand.

in the illustration here given, can now be adjusted to any description of iron bedstead, whether the frame is tubular or the ordinary angle iron, and the clamps are so simplified, that the "lift" can be put up with the greatest ease. At the same time an improvement has been made,

by which, humanly speaking, absolute security is obtained, and it is not too much to say, that by the use of these "lifts" the whole science of Nursing may be simplified, and the great problem of how to lift heavy and helpless patients—hitherto a source of distress, and frequently of danger to both Nurses and invalids—be entirely overcome; and we are glad to learn that the "lift" is already in use at Westminster, Charing Cross, and Colchester Hospitals, and has been highly recommended, both by the *Lancet* and *Invention*, and we are given to understand that it can be hired as well as purchased. When we consider the suddenness with which emergencies occur in daily life, condemning an active frame to months of irksome idleness, we should recommend that all Doctors and Nurses make themselves acquainted with this new invention. The lift is exhibited daily at

HELP FOR THE HELPLESS.—Mrs. Monkhouse has patented an invention that promises to be of great service to Nurses, and a comfort to invalids and helpless people. The great problem in adult Nursing is how to lift a heavy and helpless patient, with comfort to himself and moderate exertion to the Nurse. Those accustomed to the sick room can picture the patient, struggling with feeble power to help himself, and the Nurse quite incompetent for the task, perhaps injuring herself in making the effort. This "Lift," which can be adapted to any iron bedstead, even whilst the patient is lying in bed, is noiseless, and can be worked by one person. It raises the patient steadily in the horizontal position, and in



the Offices of the B.N.A., 8, Oxford Circus Avenue, Oxford Street, W., and the inventor attends on Thursday afternoons to explain all details.

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