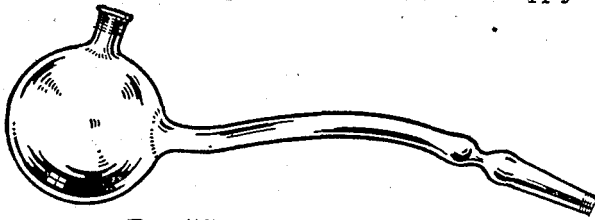


Practical Points.

The Pipe of Peace.

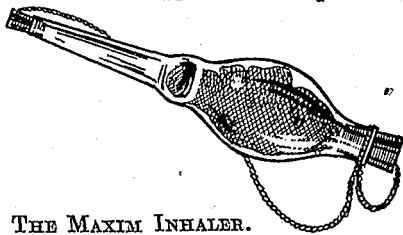
It is to the fact that Sir Hiram Maxim suffers from bronchitis, for which, after a severe attack, he sought relief at various Continental resorts, and found that the only treatment that relieved him was the inhalation treatment at Nice, that we owe the "Pipe of Peace" and the "Maxim Inhaler," for he turned his inventive genius to the study of the problem of designing an inhaler which would apply



THE "PIPE OF PEACE."

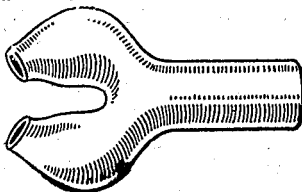
the remedy directly to the affected spot instead of medicating the inside of the mouth, and of discovering a way of treating pine essence which would have a soothing instead of an irritating effect on the throat. The defect of the ordinary inhaler is that the pine vapour which is drawn through the mouth and nostrils has a tendency to be absorbed by the first mucous surface which it reaches, and that a long course of inhalations is necessary before a sufficient quantity of vapour reaches the bronchial tubes. If the pine vapour can be made to reach the throat more directly better results can be looked for.

The "Pipe of Peace" solves the difficulty at the root of existing defects in apparatus for pine inhalation by the simple expedient of an indentation in the mouth-piece, so placed as to engage the teeth at the distance from



THE MAXIM INHALER.

the end which would convey the vapours direct to the throat. One of the recognised drawbacks to pine inhalation is the liability of the essence at the beginning of an inhalation to set up tickling of the throat and coughing. Sir Hiram Maxim has found by experimenting with the essences of two plants, indigenous to his native State of Maine—



NASAL ATTACHMENT.

in conjunction with the "Pipe of Peace" where throat and lung disorders exist, and is used for men-

i.e., Wintergreen and Sweet Birch—that the initial tickling is entirely obviated and the pine essence inhaled with a far greater degree of comfort. The "Maxim Inhaler" is intended for use in

thol inhalations. A nasal attachment is also supplied for use in cases of nasal and post-nasal catarrh. The whole apparatus, with the necessary supplies, costs 15s. 6d., obtainable from John Morgan Richards and Sons, Ltd., 46, Holborn Viaduct, London, E.C.

An International Calamity.

THE DEATH OF MRS. ROBB.

It is only a few short weeks since English nurses were bereft, by the death of Miss Isla Stewart, of a true friend and a great leader, and now, with appalling suddenness, a crushing blow has fallen on the American Nursing World. A brief message flashed across the Atlantic has brought us the grievous news of the death on Friday, April 15th, of Mrs. Hampton Robb as the result of an accident.

It is impossible to express the sorrow which will be felt not only in the United States, but throughout the whole nursing world. In America Mrs. Robb was recognised leader, counsellor, and friend, in all that concerns nursing and nurses. A Canadian by birth, Miss Isabel Hampton, like so many of her countrywomen, owed her professional training to the great Bellevue Hospital in New York, and the United States gave her scope for the exercise of her genius. There is no finer position in the nursing world than that of Superintendent of the Nurse Training School at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, and she discharged the duties of this office with a distinction which brought honour both upon the School and upon herself. Her marriage with Dr. Hunter Robb, which took place in London, the lovely flowers which she carried on that occasion, being the gift of Miss Florence Nightingale, in no way lessened her interest in nursing. "Once a nurse always a nurse," was her motto, and she devoted herself to the furtherance of nursing organisation and of the interests of the American Society of Superintendents of Training Schools, and the Nurses' Associated Alumnae—which owed their foundation to her wise foresight—and to other public work. Destiny decreed that she should play a great part in the evolution of nursing, and, as often happens, dowered her with the qualities necessary to a leader with lavish hand. Splendidly strong, physically and mentally, capable, forceful, and magnetic, with a personality which not only charmed but commanded respect, she was able to impress others with her own strong convictions, and to carry them to fruition for the benefit of her profession in its early days, when wise guidance was of supreme importance.

Her presence in London last year as a delegate to the International Council of Nurses was a great joy to her colleagues, and it is difficult to believe that a personality of such superabundant vitality has passed away.

Isabel Hampton Robb belongs not only to America, but to the nursing world at large, which will always feel the uplifting influence of her life, revere her teaching, and keep her memory fragrant.

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