

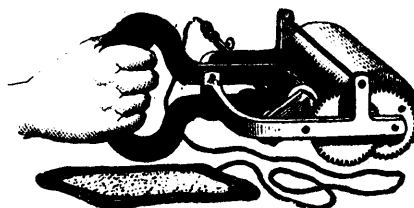
PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF ELECTRO-MASSAGE.

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A large portion of electrical treatment that hitherto could only be carried out by specialists by using elaborate apparatus, by the proper use of a new mode of treatment, by employing the apparatus shown in the engraving, can be intrusted to the hands of those who are not so skilled.

By means of this simple machine the manipulator transfers the mechanical motion used in rubbing the patient into an electrical current, and the current as it is generated is transmitted through the part while being rubbed, and it fulfils the requirements of a treatment including rubbing, kneading, pounding, flexing, etc., combined with the application of the electric current.

The instrument consists of a metallic roller covered with chamois leather or other suitable material, an electro-magnet, and a permanent magnet set in a strong frame, which hold the instrument together. The roller, besides acting as the driving wheel of the machine, is so arranged that it it also acts as one of the electrodes by which the current is transmitted and is connected by gearing with the electro-magnet so as to cause the poles of the latter to revolve opposite those of the permanent magnet which forms the handle of the instrument. Each revolution of the roller produces twenty-five revolutions of the electro-magnet, which is magnetised and demagnetised at each revolution, and thus induces a current of electricity which is ample for all purposes for which it is intended. The circuit is completed by connecting any required electrode by the binding post at the side of the instrument, the roller acting as the other electrode; both are brought into contact with the surface of the body of the patient, and as the roller is moved about over the surface, the current is established and transmitted through the part over which the roller is made to revolve.



This machine includes in itself an electric generator, a rubber, kneader, a manipulator, and a set of electrodes, all in one. Any person of ordinary intelligence can be taught to use it under the direction of the attending physician. It is portable, being quite capable of being carried in an overcoat pocket.

The inventor finds in practice that it has far exceeded his expectations, inasmuch as by its use he gets greater tonic effects than from the employment of both faradism and massage separately. It fulfils most of the requirements of the induction current in general practice and every-day cases. As the current is generated by motion, no acids or liquids of any kind are necessary. The instrument is at all times ready for use, a matter that will be appreciated by all who use electricity.

This treatment has been used with great success in cases of nervous exhaustion, debility, neuralgia, rheumatism, paralysis, etc., and we are informed that it is recommended by the medical profession generally.

This invention has recently been patented by Dr. John Butler, of New York city. Communications in regard to the instrument may be addressed to the New York Dynamo-electric Manufacturing Company, 907 Broadway, New York city.