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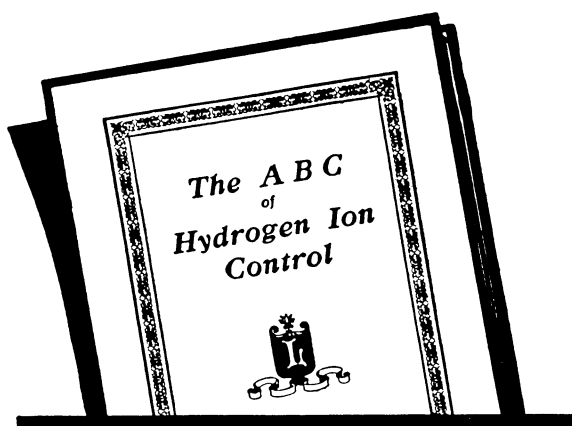
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THE FORGOTTEN PHYSICIAN¹

I APPRECIATE to the full the honor which has been given me to be present to-day on this platform. I have elected to say something on a subject which is very prominent in my thoughts and very pertinent to the modern trend of medical education and development, and shall speak of the forgotten physician.

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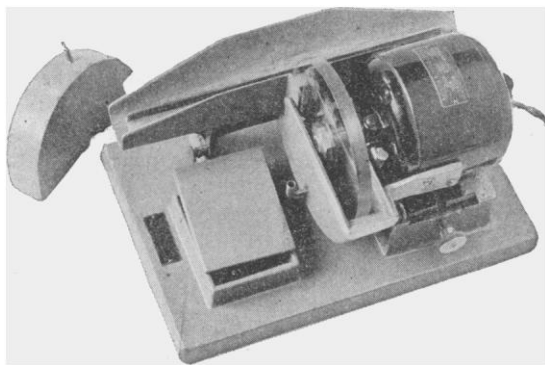
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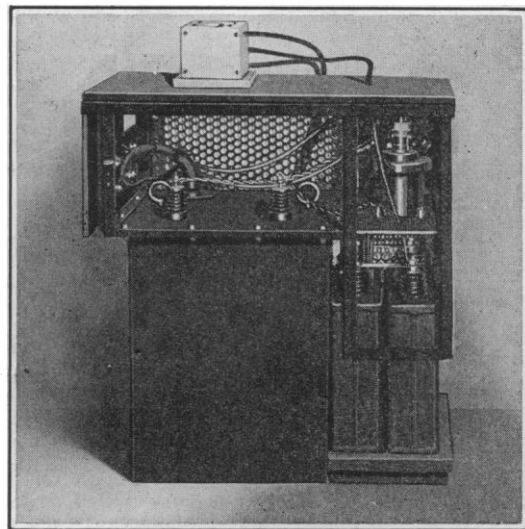
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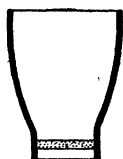
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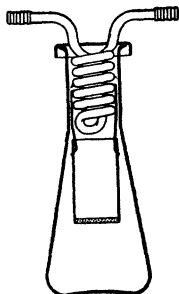
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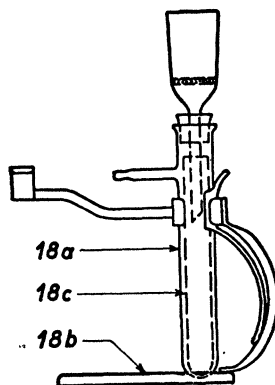
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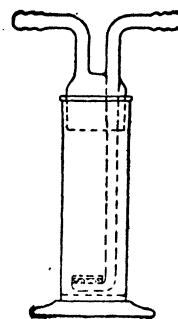
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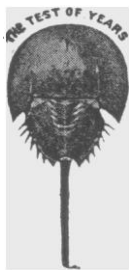
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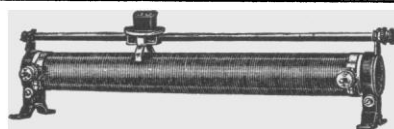
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