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suit these ends. There are many kinds of material for this purpose.

Material to construct it of.

It strikes us that ivory is a very good material for the grate, as it may be called, as the urine is apt to touch and come on this, and it is easily dried on this, and urine will not corrode it; and when polished, it will not hurt the privy parts if it comes in contact with them. The grate must not press much on the lips of the privy parts. It may touch them, but it must not hurt them.

Cushion requisite.

There is a cushion required to fit this grate into, as well as to keep it steady, and in its place; and at the same time it must not hurt the sides of the lips with which it is in contact, and presses against, and also the inside of the thighs, and above the pubis, and as far as possible, not too far, down the perinæum.

Material of the cushion.

A cushion made of India-rubber will suit very well, as it has elasticity, and accommodates itself to the movements of the different parts. There are other materials, but we only intend to give some idea of the kind of apparatus that is requisite. This one may be imperfect, but any one may get one by applying to a surgical-instrument and bandage maker, who knows the best material, and who will be able to make it fit the person, and the best way of securing it. Different persons will require it to be made a little different to suit them, more especially the young and small, at that part between the vaginal and urinary passages, as the distance between these entrances is greater as they get older, as those also whose bodies are larger, as the grate may extend nearer the urinary passage, or farther above the vaginal in older persons, to allow of its shifting down, and thus keep the vaginal passage covered, if it shifts; but it is not so likely to shift upwards if the grating is too near the urinary passage; but if it is too near it, it is apt to cover it, and impede the flow of urine; but by being more likely to shift downwards, if it is too far below the urinary passage, it is apt to get below the vaginal passage, and allow foreign bodies to be put in.



