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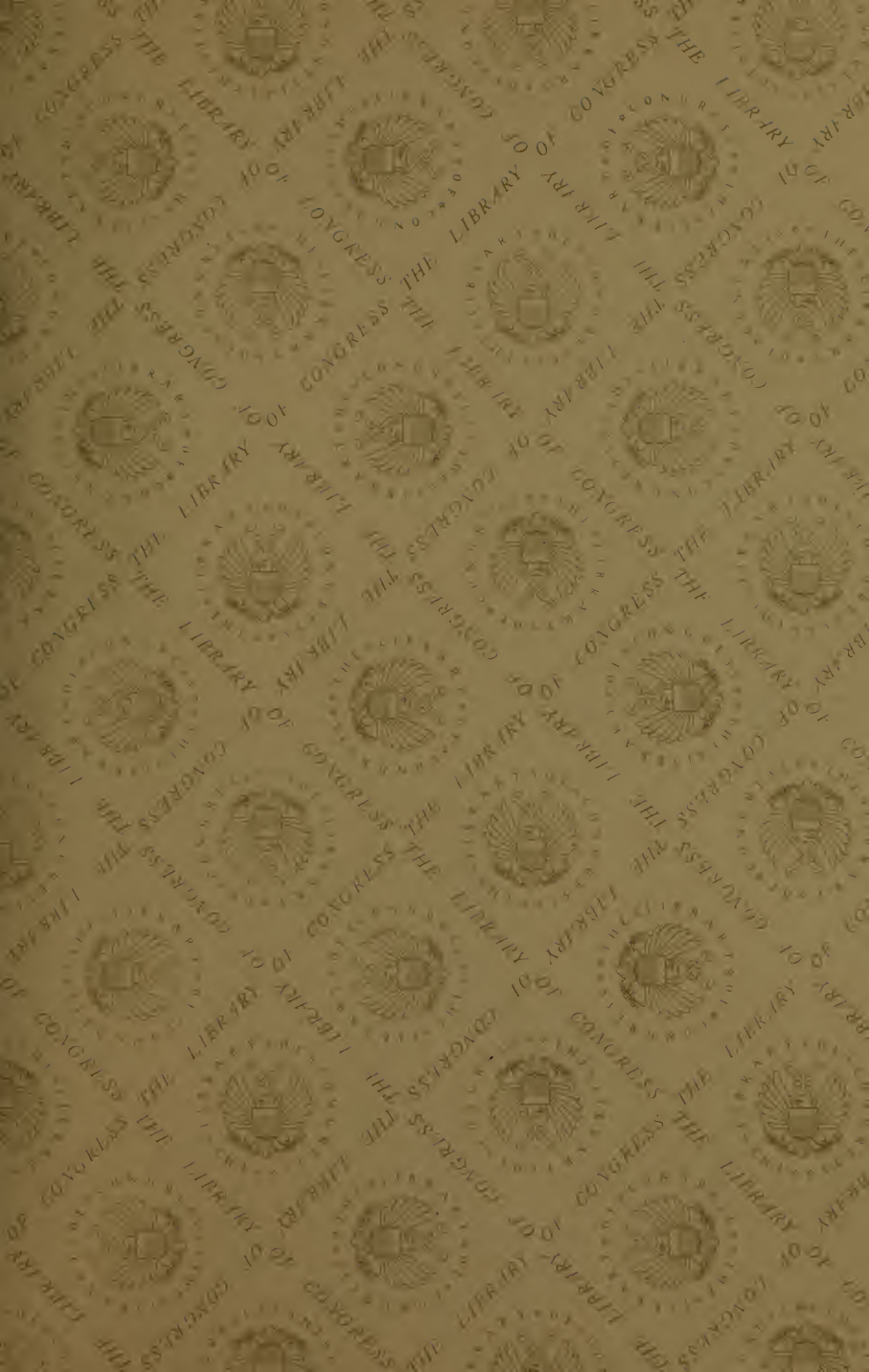## Steam and
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# HOUSE DRAINAGE.

The fact that plumbing during the past ten years has reached a most remarkable stage of development in the construction of improved systems of sewerage, house drains, ventilation and fixtures, is due to several causes.

In the first place, the manufacturers of plumbing supplies in their pursuit of commercial supremacy have employed a number of sanitary engineers, who by experimenting and investigation, have perfected systems and fixtures which are a preventative against the dangers of sewer gas and their subsequent results, such as typhoid, scarlet fever, dysentery, etc., coming as they frequently do from no apparent cause, as far as modern science will permit.

Secondly, good and safe plumbing has ceased to be a luxury. Its protection against the above mentioned diseases, and its safeguard to good health, have made it a necessity. Heretofore many earnest, well-meaning persons, not appreciating the importance of correct drainage and plumbing, were inclined to sacrifice this vital factor in their buildings, and even to-day the remark of some builder is often heard, to the effect that the balance of the house has cost so much more

than was originally intended, that no more money than is absolutely necessary can be expended for the plumbing. The knowledge and skill which is employed for the construction of the rest of the house, should be as carefully applied to the sewer, ventilation, bath and toilet rooms, and their fittings.

Modern knowledge has taken the place of ignorance and neglect, and the fixtures and systems, which were thought good enough ten years ago, are to-day branded as old, on account of their not being a proper safeguard against disease. Every builder should weigh these facts well, and make himself familiar with the dangers arising from putting in a poor system, as even the smallest leak will cause sickness and often death.

The first subject to be taken up in the plumbing line, is the house drain, which are the pipes which carry from the house the liquid and soil refuse. The accumulated waste from food, clothing and bathing, tends to decay, and must be removed promptly and properly, or disease will result. The sewer which conveys the matter from the dwelling, must be absolutely perfect. In all cases, the sewer pipe within the foundation wall, should be extra heavy cast-iron pipe, coated inside and out with hot asphaltum, and should run through the foundation wall, and the connection should be made to the vitrified sewer at least ten feet outside of the building wall. The connection be-

tween the iron and vitrified soil pipe should be
carefully made at X and cemented tight with a
good grade of Portland cement. A good idea is to
incase the connection at X in a block of concrete,
which will prevent the breaking of the joint at
this point.

In the drawing Fig. 1 an installation is shown
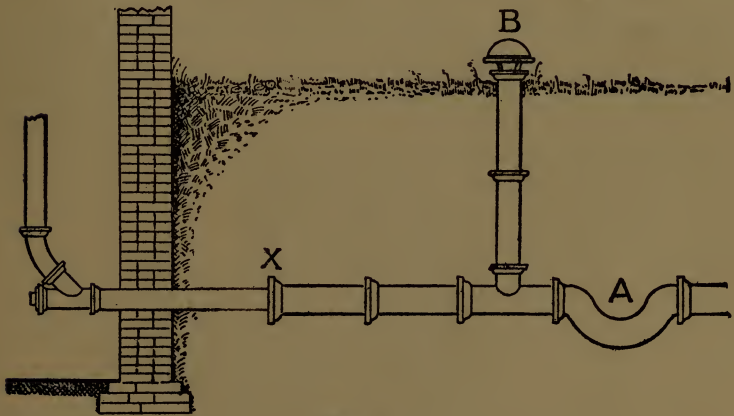which is commonly used by a great many plumb-



Fig. 1.

ers, but which has many disadvantages. The
trap at A, which is placed in the connecting
sewer, to prevent the ingress of foul gases from
the main sewer, is in a poor location, on account
of its inaccessibility. The vent opening to the
fresh-air inlet at B ventilates the house system of
drain pipes. This vent is often placed between
the sidewalk and the curb, or in the front yard.
The vent bonnet is very liable to become loose or

broken, which will permit of dirt, stones, and
sticks falling into the opening so left, and choke
the sewer, which necessitates digging down to the
bottom to clean it out.  Another objection to plac-
ing a vent in a position such as shown, is that
grass and other vegetation is liable to grow up
around and into it, thereby destroying its effi-
ciency.  When a main disconnecting trap must
be located outside of the building and under-
ground, there should be built a brick manhole
around it for easy access.  The manhole for this
purpose, should be two feet and five inches in
diameter at the base, and closed on the top with
a limestone cover, three inches in thickness, with
an eighteen-inch diameter round cast-iron lid,
which should have a one-inch bearing on the stone
all around.

The drainage system illustrated in Fig. 2 is a
very excellent one for a residence.  The fittings
as shown are standard stock articles, and conse-
quently reduce the cost to a minimum.  In the
ordinary residence, a four-inch pipe is sufficiently
large enough to carry away all of the sewerage.
A drainage pipe must not be so large, that the
ordinary flow of water will fail to float and carry
away the refuse which ordinarily accompanies
water.  The pipe should be laid to grade, or a
fall of one foot in forty feet.  Care should be ex-
ercised to allow a large enough opening in the
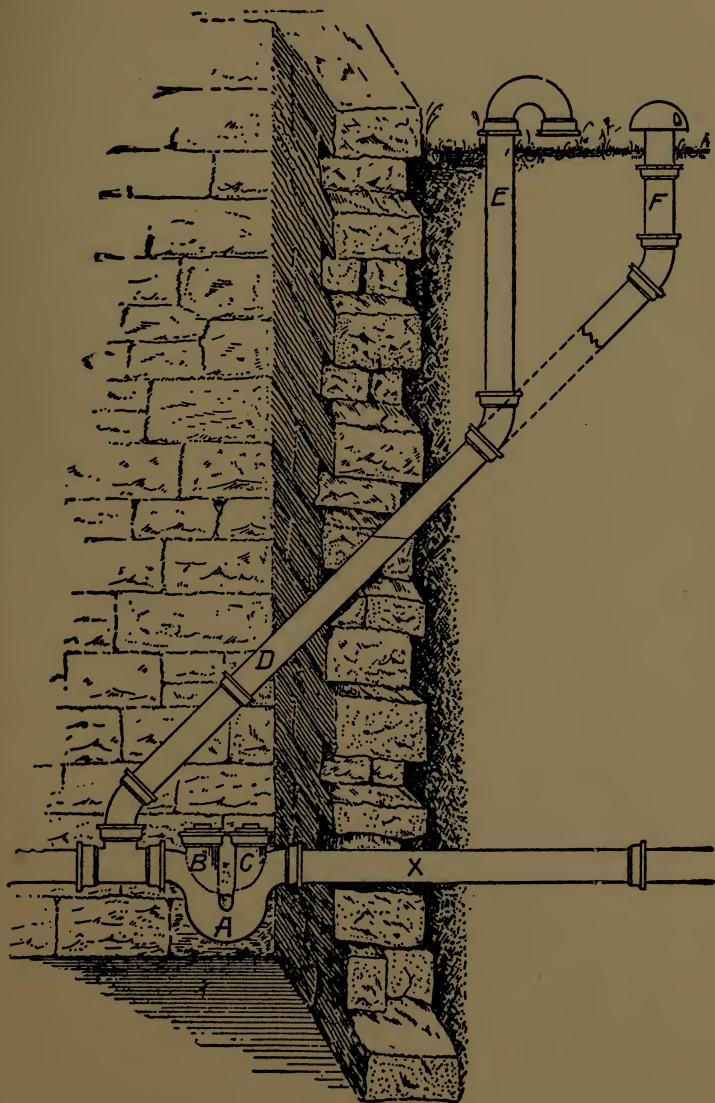wall where the pipes pass through it, and espe-

Fig. 2.

cially over them, to allow for setting of the wall without touching the pipes.

Extra heavy cast iron soil pipe, not less than four inches in diameter, coated inside and out with hot asphaltum, should be used in all cases for house drainage.

At A is shown a double-vent opening running trap. By calking a four-inch brass ferrule, with a brass-trap screw ferrule, into the hub at C, an opening which gives free access to the drainage system on the sewer end is obtained. Care should be taken in making this joint, and a good grade of spun oakum should be packed around the ferrule, with an iron yarning tool. The hub should then be run full at one pouring with soft molten lead, and then thoroughly calked with a blunt calking iron, which will make an absolutely airtight joint. The trap-screw cover should be screwed tightly into the ferrule with a good pliable gasket. It is very necessary that this joint be hermetically sealed, as the pipe X will constantly be loaded with sewer-gas from the main sewer, and any defective work at this joint will allow the gas to escape into the basement. The vent opening at B is to be treated in the same manner, giving an opening which permits easy access to the trap.

The air vent pipe D is run at an angle of forty-five degrees, and the extension E, which is run to the surface in this particular instance, is run

close to the foundation wall, and the elbow calked on the top of the pipe, which prevents a possibility of any sticks, stones or other debris getting into same and retarding a thorough circulation. In order to have this drainage system properly vented, the fresh-air inlet pipe should be the same size as the drain pipe. Where it is impractical or impossible to run this fresh-air vent up close to the foundation wall and turn it over as shown, it can be run as shown by F, and when placed in the yard the inlet pipe can be capped with a regular air vent-cap fitting. Care should be taken in placing this fresh-air inlet, so that the chances of having it knocked off and broken will be as small as possible.

The extension piece in all cases should be long enough to permit of the opening in the vent-cap being, at least, eight inches above the ground. In the drawing the sewer or drain pipe is shown above the floor. In cases of this kind rests or supports should be provided at an interval of five feet, or in other words at every joint, to prevent the same from sagging and probably breaking the joints. When placed underground the top of openings B and C should be on a level with the flooring. In case of a shallow sewer in the street, the piping can be suspended from the ceiling, with a good heavy hanger supported by a joist clamp or swivel joint, which will permit the

hanger being shortened or lengthened after the pipe has been hung.

**Connection to Main Sewer.** The method of making this connection is generally regulated by local conditions, and the rules and regulations established by ordinance of the town or city in which the work is to be done. The connection of the house sewer to the main or street sewer should, if possible, always be made with a Y, or if there is no Y connection on the main available, then the house sewer should be laid in such a manner that it will strike the main sewer at an angle to the direction of flow of sewage in the main sewer. This will greatly facilitate the flow of sewage from house sewer into main sewer. The house sewer pipe should have an upward incline of ¼ inch per foot as it extends from the street main toward the building, and it should terminate at a point not less than 5 feet from the outside of the foundation walls, where connection is to be made with the **cast iron soil pipe extending into the building.**

**Size of House Sewers.** The size of the sewer leading from the building to the street main is governed by the quantity of sewage to be disposed of. In large installations it often becomes necessary to use more than one. Care should be taken, however, not to install too large a sewer, nor to give the same too much pitch or incline toward the street. There are two reasons for this: (1) If the sewer is too large it will not be flushed as it should be, since the water passing through it will reach only part way up its sides, thus allowing the floating matter to adhere to the sides, the result of which will sooner or later be an accumulation that will cause a stoppage of flow.

(2) If the sewer has too much pitch the water will rush through it so rapidly that the solid matter will be left behind and very likely be deposited on the bottom and sides of the pipe, thus forming an obstruction to the discharge of matter which follows.

The basic principle controlling the successful disposal of sewage through pipes is flotation; that is, the velocity of flow of the water should be such that the solid matter will be floated along with the water. It has been found by experiment, and also by practice, that an average velocity of 276 feet per minute will carry all matter from the sewer. In estimating the required size of sewer from house to street main a good rule to follow is to have the sewer pipe one size larger than the soil pipe.

Table 1 will facilitate calculations for fall required of various sized sewers in order to give the velocity of flow required to remove all matter from the pipes.

| Size of Sewer | Fall, or Pitch Required | Velocity of Flow |
|---|---|---|
| 2 inch | 1 foot in 20 feet | 276 feet per minute |
| 3 " | 1 " " 30 " | 276 " " " |
| 4 " | 1 " " 40 " | 276 " " " |
| 5 " | 1 " " 50 " | 276 " " " |
| 6 " | 1 " " 60 " | 276 " " " |
| 7 " | 1 " " 70 " | 276 " " " |
| 8 " | 1 " " 80 " | 276 " " " |
| 9 " | 1 " " 90 " | 276 " " " |
| 10 " | 1 " " 100 " | 276 " " " |

TABLE 1.

FALL PER FOOT FOR VARIOUS SIZED SEWERS AND HORI-
ZONTAL SOIL PIPES.

**Rain Leaders.** All down spouts, or rain water pipes leading to, and connected with the house sewer should be equipped with traps at their base. The required size for house drains for carrying away rain water is given in Table 2, the values given therein being based upon an average rainfall.

| Size of Pipe | One-fourth Inch Fall Per Foot | One-half Inch Fall Per Foot |
|---|---|---|
| 5 inch | 3,700 sq. ft. of roof area | 5,500 sq. ft. of roof area |
| 6 " | 5,000 " " " " " | 7,500 " " " " " |
| 7 " | 6,900 " " " " " | 10,000 " " " " " |
| 8 " | 11,600 " " " " " | 15,600 " " " " " |
| 9 " | 11,600 " " " " " | 17,400 " " " " " |

TABLE 2.

SIZES OF HOUSE DRAINS TO CARRY RAIN WATER.

CAPACITY OF DRAIN PIPE UNDER DIFFERENT AMOUNTS
OF FALL.

Gallons per Minute.

| Size of Pipe. | 1-2 inch fall per 100 feet. | 3 inch fall per 100 feet. | 6 inch fall per 100 feet. | 9 inch fall per 100 feet. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 In. | 21 | 30 | 42 | 52 |
| 4 " | 36 | 52 | 76 | 92 |
| 6 " | 84 | 120 | 169 | 206 |
| 9 " | 232 | 330 | 470 | 570 |
| 12 " | 470 | 680 | 960 | 1160 |
| 15 " | 830 | 1180 | 1680 | 2040 |
| 18 " | 1300 | 1850 | 2630 | 3200 |
| 20 " | 1760 | 2450 | 3450 | 4180 |

| Size of Pipe. | 12 inch fall per 100 feet. | 18 inch fall per 100 feet. | 24 inch fall per 100 feet. | 36 inch fall per 100 feet. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 In. | 60 | 74 | 85 | 104 |
| 4 " | 108 | 132 | 148 | 184 |
| 6 " | 240 | 294 | 338 | 414 |
| 9 " | 660 | 810 | 930 | 1140 |
| 12 " | 1360 | 1670 | 1920 | 2350 |
| 15 " | 2370 | 2920 | 3340 | 4100 |
| 18 " | 3740 | 4600 | 5270 | 6470 |
| 20 " | 4860 | 5980 | 6850 | 8410 |

TABLE  3

## CELLAR OR BASEMENT DRAINS.

Floor drains, when used in cellar or basement should be connected to the leader side of a rain leader trap wherever it is possible. Some sanitary engineers go so far as to say that floor drains should never be used, their objection to them being that the floor is not washed often enough to furnish sufficient water to maintain a water seal at all times against sewer gas ingress, and their argument is well taken, but floor drains in a basement are very convenient, and should be part of a well-installed sanitary sewer system.

In case of a seepage of water through the foundation walls, during a rainy period, it is well to be provided with some means to carry the water away quickly, without having to resort to the laborious practice of pumping.

The evils of a floor drain are not so much due to their inefficiency, as they are to the care taken of them. The cemented floor basement of the modern home today is just as important to be kept clean as the bathroom, and the thorough housekeeper takes just as much pride in it, and realizes the necessity for having it so from a sanitary standpoint.

The old method of installing a floor drain or

floor outlet which consisted of placing a running trap in the line of drain pipe to the catch-basin, and running a piece of pipe to the floor level and simply closing the opening with a bar strainer grate is wrong. The grate, even when cemented into the hub end of the pipe, will in time become loosened, and dirt and other rubbish will soon clog up the trap and render it useless.
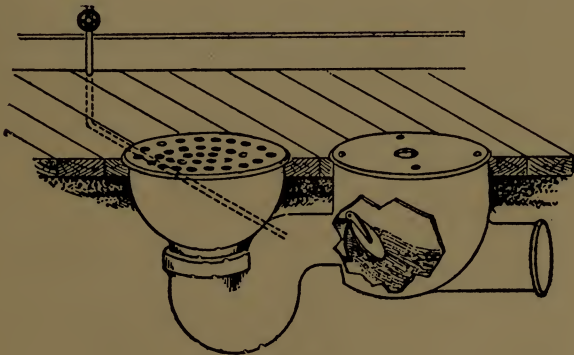


Fig. 3.

As before said, the great objection to a basement floor drain in the ordinary house, is that there is seldom sufficient water used on the basement floor, to maintain a perfect water seal in the trap. To neglect to see that the floor drain trap is not always filled with water and to argue against its installation on that point is wrong.

Floor drains should never be used without a back-water valve, which will prevent sewer water from backing up into the basement. A number

of different styles of floor drains are shown, which
are built on the proper lines.   The one shown in
Fig. 3 is a combination floor drain and back-water
gate valve.   This accessible cleanout cellar drain
flushing cesspool and back-water gate trap valve
combination has much to be commended.   It has
a hinged strainer, through which seeping and
floor waste water finds a direct outlet to the trap
and sewer.   The trap has a deep water seal, which
is always desirable, and is always provided with
a brass back-water gate valve or flap-valve which
will not rust and which will close and hold tight
against a back flow from the sewer.   It also has
a tapped opening to which a water supply pipe
can be attached, and by means of a valve being
placed on the pipe at some convenient point, the
drain trap can be throroughly flushed and cleansed
by simply opening the valve for a few minutes
at a time.

Another method oftentimes used to provide for
a floor outlet to sewer is to run a piece of iron soil
pipe from the trap on the sewer to the floor level,
and to caulk into the hub of the pipe a brass fer-
rule or thimble with a brass screwed cover, which
is screwed down tight against a rubber gasket, as
shown in Fig. 4.    An outlet of this character is
only opened when occasion demands, by unscrew-
ing and removing the cover until its need is past.

In Fig. 5 is shown an extra heavy cesspool
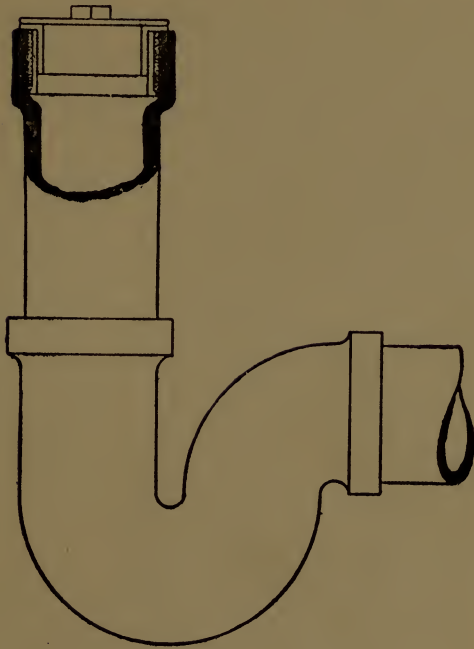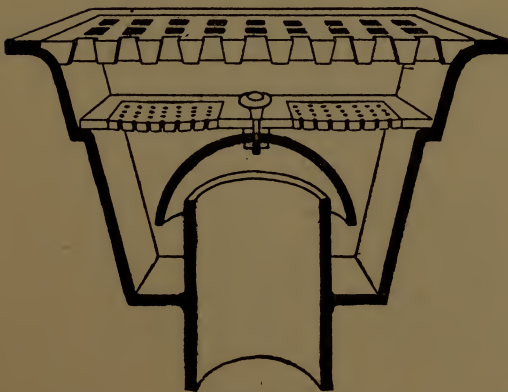suitable for barns, carriage room and places of

Fig. 4 .



Fig. 5 .

like nature. The top is sixteen inches square, the body ten inches deep and has a four-inch outlet, suitable for caulking into the hub of a four-inch iron sewer pipe. The top cover or grating is heavy enough to permit of horses, wagons and carriages passing over it. The second grating or strainer is of finer mesh, which catches any obstacles which might clog up the sewer, it can be lifted out by the knob and easily cleaned at any time. The deep water seal in this trap is one of its good features, the bell or hood not only serves to maintain a water seal, but where used in stables is a shield over the outlet to prevent oats or grain of any description which might fall through the second strainer from getting into the sewer.

Care should be taken to prevent the bottom of the cesspool from filling up with fine strainings.

Fig. 6 is a combination floor strainer and backwater seal and is used in the hub of a sewer pipe which extends down to the trap placed in the sewer run. The rubber ball prevents the flooding of the basement from backing up of water, by being floated to seat above.

In Fig. 7 is shown a floor drain and trap, designed especially for hospital operating rooms and other places where it is desirable not only to cleanse thoroughly the floor, but also to remove all sediment from the trap itself for obvious sanitary reasons. The trap is of cast iron, and is enamelled inside. This gives it an impervious
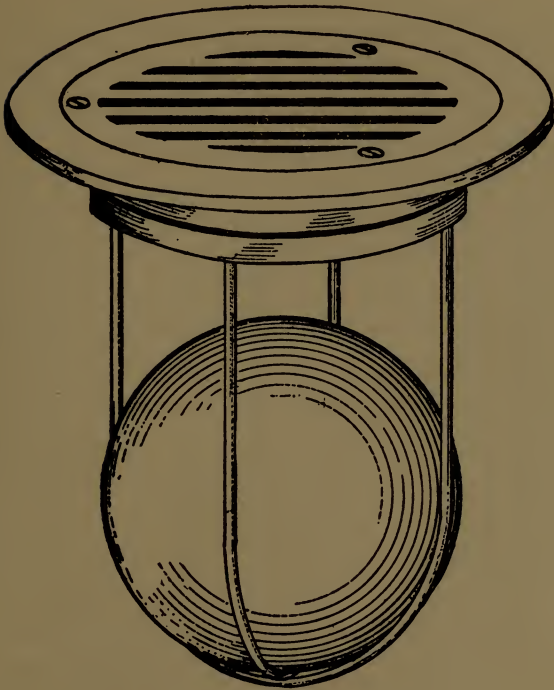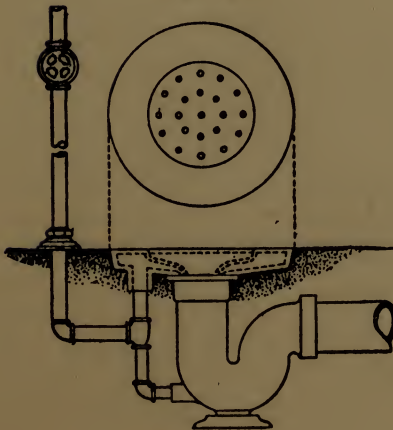
Fig. 6.



Fig. 7.

and smooth surface and prevents the trap from becoming coated and slimy. This trap is provided with heavy brass cast flushing rim and has a brass removable strainer.

In the sectional view is shown the method by which the water supply is connected to both the rim and trap, by means of which not only every portion of the body may be cleansed, but also all sediment removed from the jet inlet at the bottom.

The trap is built especially to maintain a deep seal and is three inches in diameter.

The roughing in of a system of plumbing requires the most careful measurements possible on the part of the plumber, owing to the fact that when this portion of the job is completed, the soil pipe is, or should be, in its proper location, the soil stack connected with it and extending through the roof of the building; also all branch soil pipes leading from the main stack to their proper locations, under, or near the various fixtures, so that when the floors are laid no changes will be required, for be it remembered that all roughing in must be completed before the floors of the building are put down. Fig. 8 shows a plan of the roughing in work to be done in the basement.

The soil pipe is shown, with its various branches, each having a certain function to perform, and it is easily seen that good judgment, and accurate measurements are necessary in order to bring each branch to its correct location.

Fig. 9 is a vertical section of a two-story and basement building, showing all parts of the plumbing system, including the main soil stack connected at its bottom end with the house drain pipe, while its top extends through the roof. A careful study of Figs. 8 and 9 will show that good work is required on the part of the plumber to locate each tee, and Y in its proper place.

RAIN LEADER

TRAP
CLEANOUT

RAIN LEADER

RISER TO KITCHEN FIXTURES

TRAP CLEANOUT

WASH TRAYS

WATER CLOSET

RISER TO BATH ROOM

CLEANOUT

RAIN LEADER

CELLAR DRAIN

CLEANOUT

TRAP

MAIN TRAP CLEANOUT

FRESH AIR INLET

VENTILATION CAP

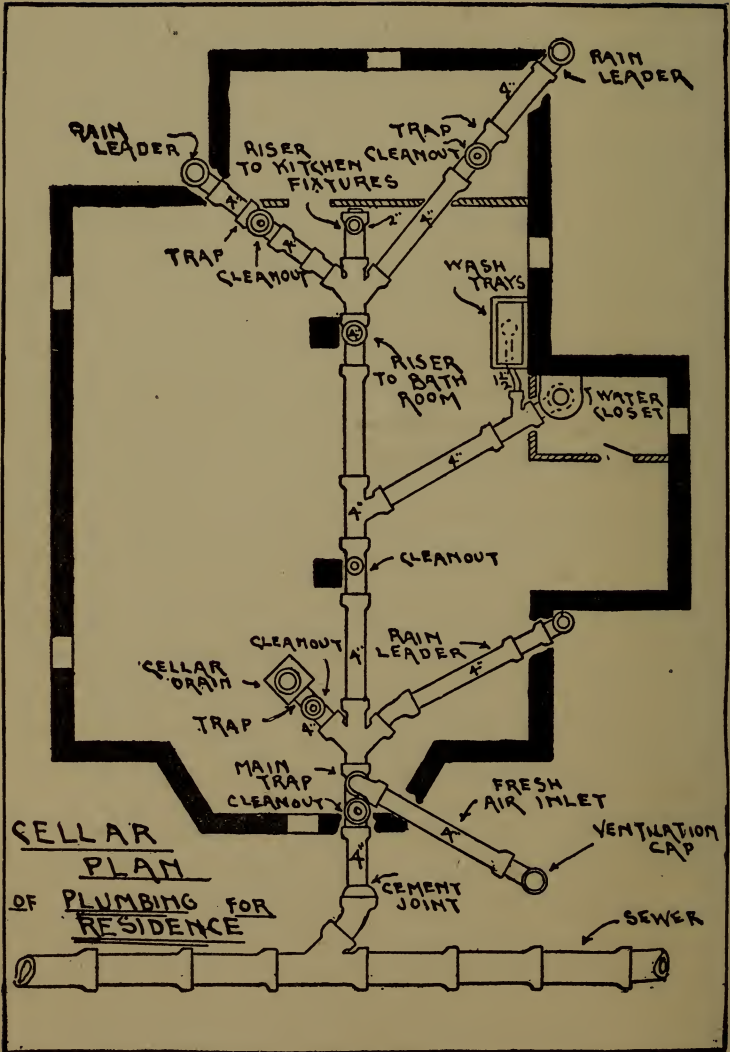CELLAR PLAN OF PLUMBING FOR RESIDENCE

CEMENT JOINT

SEWER

Fig. 8

In addition to the branch soil pipes which are to receive the discharge from the closets, there are vent pipes for the purpose of relieving the air pressure on the system, thus preventing siphonage, and maintaining a circulation of air throughout the entire system at all times. These pipes are clearly shown in Fig. 9. Then there are the water pipes which are to supply water to the various fixtures; and drain pipes for receiving the discharge from the different fixtures and passing the same on into the main soil stack. It is a good plan for the plumber to make a correct memorandum of all roughing in measurements, and preserve it for future reference.

**Cutting Soil Pipe.** As before stated, the soil pipe should be extra heavy cast-iron pipe. When the proper measurements have been taken, and memoranda made of the same, it will be next in order to cut the soil pipe into lengths to correspond with the measurements.

The best tools to use for this purpose are a diamond point cold chisel, and a machinist's hammer. Some workmen use a three wheel cutter for cutting this pipe, but there is always a liability of cracking the pipe with this tool, owing to the fact that the pipe is not of a uniform thickness. Having determined by measurement the point where the cut is to be made, mark it with a piece of chalk around the circumference of the pipe, then lay the pipe on the floor, placing a narrow piece of wood directly under the marked place, and proceed with the chisel and hammer.

Fig. 9

**Making Soil Pipe Joints.** Joints that will not leak should be the motto of every good plumber, and this should apply, not only to joints that are visible, but also to those joints in the soil pipe which are in many cases entirely hidden from view, owing to their location. Special care should be exercised in making the joint which unites the cast-iron soil pipe with the vitrified sewer pipe just outside the walls of the building. There are several patented devices that may be used for making this joint, or it may be made by the same method as are the joints in the main sewer, that is by the use of cement.

The joints in the soil pipe proper, within the walls of the building should be made with oakum and melted lead, by first caulking the oakum tightly in the space provided for the joint, leaving a space of 1 inch to $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches in which to pour the lead, which should also be caulked after it has cooled. In caulking the lead due care should be exercised not to use a heavy hammer, since great pressure is brought to bear upon the hub, and there is danger of cracking it. In the making of a joint in a horizontal soil pipe greater skill is required than on a vertical pipe, and it becomes necessary to use an asbestos joint runner in pouring the lead.

Putty, or soft clay are sometimes used for holding the lead, but not as good results are obtained as with the asbestos, which can be clamped around the pipe tightly, leaving an opening at the top for pouring in the lead. Always pour the joint full at one pouring. If by accident, or mistake the joint is not poured full, at the first pouring, it becomes necessary to pick out the lead, and repour it. The lead used in making these joints should be entirely free from solder, or other metals, and it should always be hot when poured. It is good practice to place some pulverized resin in the space before pouring the lead. This will prevent any trouble from possible dampness. Table 4 gives the weight of lead and oakum required for soil pipe joints in various sized pipes.

| Size of Pipe | Lead per Joint | Oakum per Joint |
|---|---|---|
| 2 inch | 1 ½ pounds | 3 ounces |
| 3 " | 2 ¼ " | 6 " |
| 4 " | 3 " | 7 " |
| 5 " | 3 ¾ " | 8 " |
| 6 " | 4 ½ " | 9 " |

TABLE 4.
LEAD AND OAKUM REQUIRED FOR SOIL PIPE JOINTS.

Fig. 10 shows the plumbing for a two tenement house, also method of using test plugs.

Fig. 11 shows the plumbing for a three tenement building.

Fig. 12 shows a method of running a long line of soil pipe on the cellar wall.

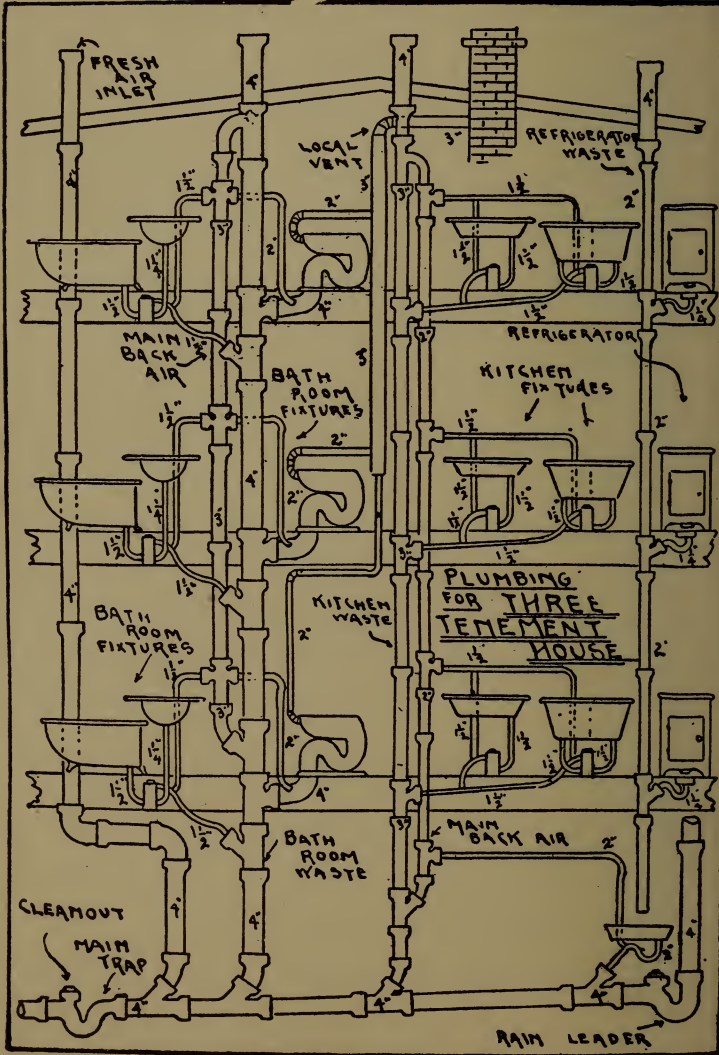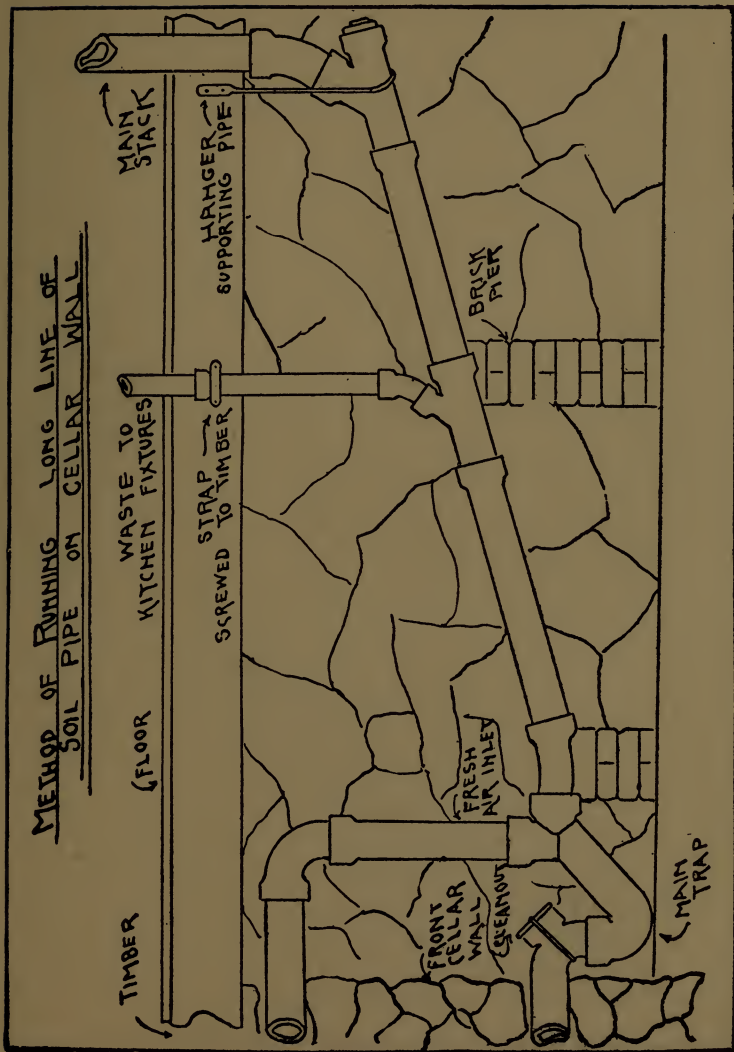LOCAL VENT

PLUMBING FOR TWO TENEMENT HOUSE

CHAMBER LAVATORY

BATH ROOM FIXTURES

SHOWING TEST PLUGS IN SOIL PIPE OUTLETS READY FOR WATER TEST TO BE APPLIED.

TEST — WATER TAKEN IN AT A, FILLS SYSTEM. ESCAPE OF WATER THROUGH CRACKS ETC. DISCLOSING DEFECTS. WASTES AND VENTS CARRIED FROM MAINS TO FIXTURES WHEN HOUSE IS ROUGHED IN ENDS OF THESE PIPES CLOSED PLUGS PUT IN AS SHOWN AND TEST MADE.

SPECIAL VENT FITTING

KITCHEN FIXTURES

TEST PLUG

FRESH AIR INLET

TEST PLUG

RAIN LEADER

TEST PLUG

DOUBLE TEST PLUG

Fig. 10

Fig. 11

Method of Running Long Line of Soil Pipe on Cellar Wall

MAIN STACK

HANGER SUPPORTING PIPE

WASTE TO KITCHEN FIXTURES

SCREWED STRAP TO TIMBER

BRICK PIER

FLOOR

FRESH AIR INLET

TIMBER

FRONT CELLAR WALL

CLEANOUT

MAIN TRAP

Fig. 18

**Roof Construction.**   Reference to Figures 10 and 11 will show that the diameters of the main soil stacks are increased just under the roof, by means of an increaser, and the enlarged diameter continues through the roof.   This is for the purpose of preventing the stack from becoming clogged with hoar frost in cold weather.

Figures 13 and 14 show several different methods of roof connections; called by plumbers, ''roof flashings.''   These are for the purpose of preventing rain water from following down the outside of the pipe below the roof.   Soil pipes should not be less than four inches in diameter, and both soil, and vent pipes should extend at least eight inches above the roof, and if, at this height the opening would be near the doors or windows of an adjoining building, these pipes should be extended so as to bring the opening to a point not less than fifteen feet from such doors or windows; and these openings should be not less than six feet from any ventilator, or chimney opening of the building they are installed in, or any adjoining building. Otherwise they are liable to be declared a nuisance.   The increasers for enlarged diameter of these pipes should extend at least one foot below the roof, and the openings of these pipes must have no caps or cowles affixed to, or over their tops.

In many cities the connection of soil, or vent pipes with a chimney flue is prohibited.

ROOF

RUBBER RING

SHEET COPPER NAILED TO ROOF

4"

INCREASER

3"

ROOF

CAULKED LEAD JOINT

SHEET COPPER

OAKUM

2"

TWO METHODS OF ROOF CONNECTION

Fig. 13

CAULKED
LEAD JOINT

SHEET
LEAD,
NAILED TO
ROOF, TURNED
OVER HUB
AND CAULK-
ED IN.

OAKUM

4"  ROOF

4"x2" INCREASER

2"

CAST
IRON
HUB

CAULKED
LEAD JOINT

OAKUM

SHEET COPPER
RIVETED TO HUB
AND NAILED
TO ROOF

4"

ROOF

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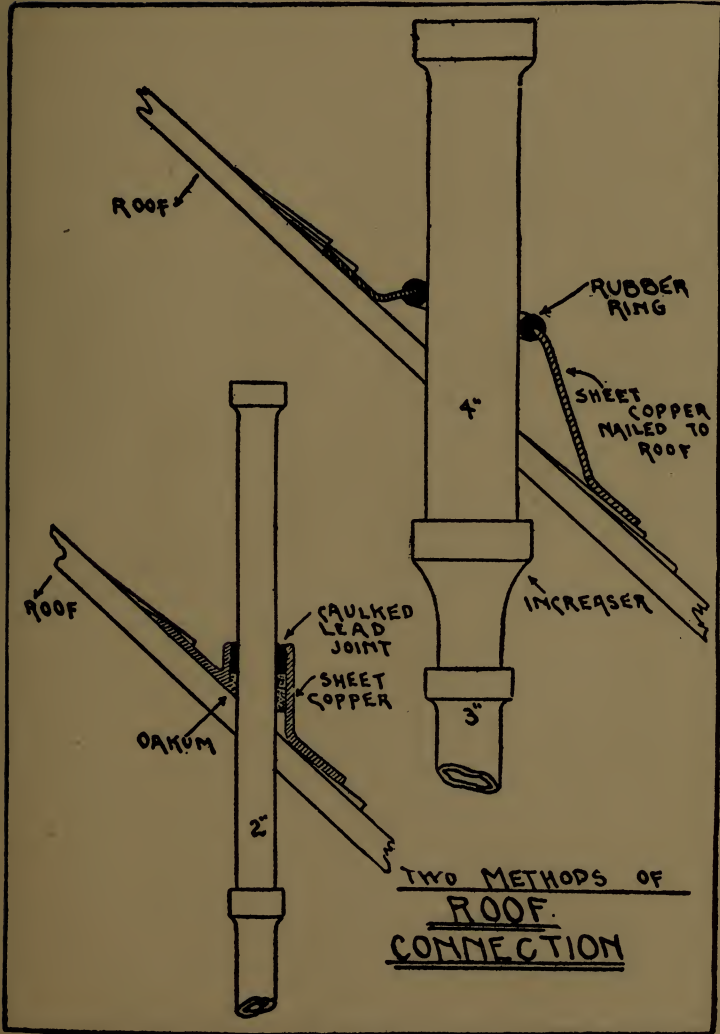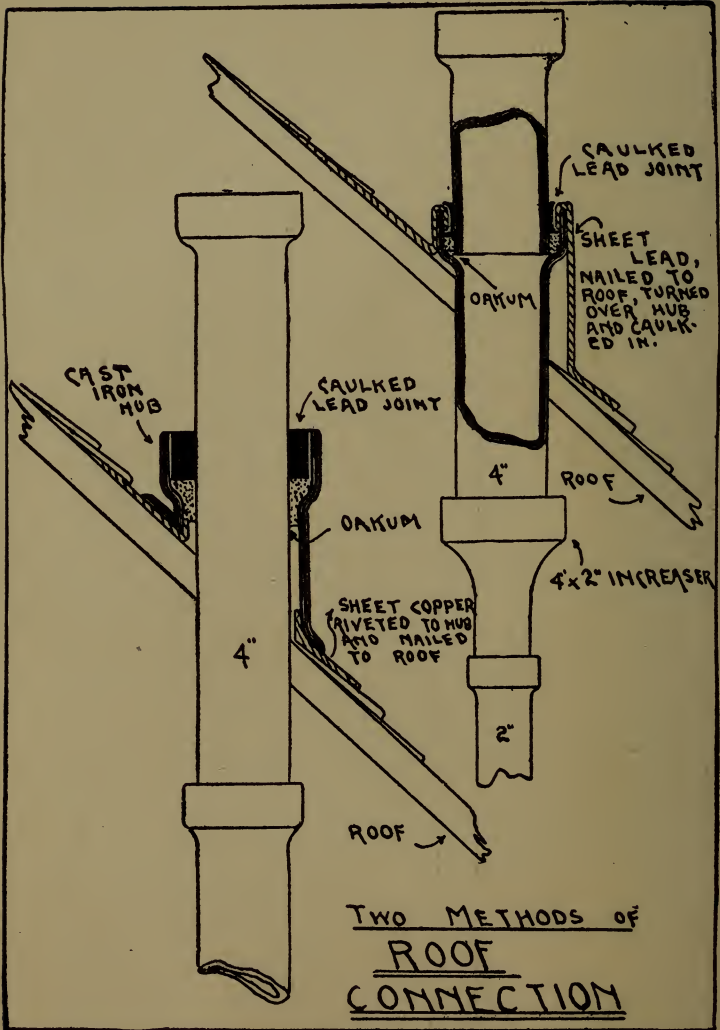
Fig. 14

**Pipe Supports**. The foot of every vertical soil, rain, or waste pipe should be permanently supported by a solid brick, stone or concrete pier properly constructed, by using cement mortar, or cement concrete, or if such material is not available, some other foundation equally as solid should be used. The weight of the vertical soil stack in most buildings is usually very heavy, and when not properly supported, there is danger of the pipe settling, the consequence of which would be the opening up of more or less of the joints, thereby causing leakage. In addition to supports at the bottom, these pipes should also be provided with floor rests at intervals of every second floor through which they pass. Soil pipes under the floor of the basement should be properly laid, relative to grade, and should also be provided with adequate supports that will not settle. In case these pipes are above the basement floor they should be supported on solid piers, or they may be suspended from above as shown in Fig. 12. Where horizontal pipes are to be supported by suspension, strap iron stirrups, and not hooks are to be used.

**Fresh Air Inlets**. Fig. 15 shows two methods for admitting fresh air to the basement soil pipe. Fig. 16 shows the roughing in plan for the basement of a store or office building; while Figures 17, 18 and 19 show the roughing in and plumbing of a Modern Engine House for the use of the Fire Department.

ROOF

FRESH AIR INLET

CLEAMOUT

MAIN TRAP

FRESH AIR INLET

TWO METHODS OF FRESH AIR INLET

CLEAMOUT

MAIN TRAP

Fig. 15

Fig. 16

Fig. 17

CONNECTIONS
FOR HORSE STALL
WITH SECTION OF
STALL SINK

STALL
(REAR VIEW)

TRAP DOOR
STALL
SINK

PLAN OF STALL
SHOWING RELATIVE
POSITION OF SINK.

PLANKS RUN LENGTHWISE
OF STALL, WITH SPACE BE-
TWEEN FOR ESCAPE OF
LIQUID INTO SINK
HINGE PLANKING FORMS
TRAP DOOR RING

CAST IRON SINK
ABOUT 3"x9", SET
IN REAR END OF STALL.
ALL 4 SIDES OF
SINK PITCH TO
ITS CENTRE.

PERFORATED IRON
COVER TO PRE-
VENT ESCAPE
OF SOLID MAT-
TER INTO
WASTE

3"

3" VENT

CLEANOUT

3"

WASTE

Fig. 18

Fig. 19

Figure 20 shows the plumbing for a modern stable, and is self-explanatory. Figures 21 to 28 show enlarged views of the connections to the various fixtures required in the plumbing of a two-story and basement residence as shown in Fig. 9. These illustrations are self-explanatory, and need no further comment. It will be noticed that the work starts in the basement on the connections for the wash trays, and servant's water-closet, Fig. 21. Next come the fixtures on the first floor, consisting of the refrigerator, kitchen sink, and lavatory. These are shown in Figs. 22, 23, and 24. The waste, or drip pipe from the refrigerator, Fig. 24, should not be directly connected with any soil pipe, rain water lead, or any other waste pipe; but should discharge into an open, water supplied sink, or over a deep sealed trap, as shown in Fig. 24. It should be as short as possible, and should be disconnected from the refrigerator, or ice box by at least four inches. In buildings where refrigerators, or ice boxes are located on two or more floors, the waste and vent pipe should be continuous, and should run through the roof, care being taken also, that it does not open within six feet of an open soil, or vent pipe. The size of a waste pipe for refrigerators for two floors, or less should be at least one and one-half inches; two inches for three floors and over, and two and one-half inches for five floors and over.
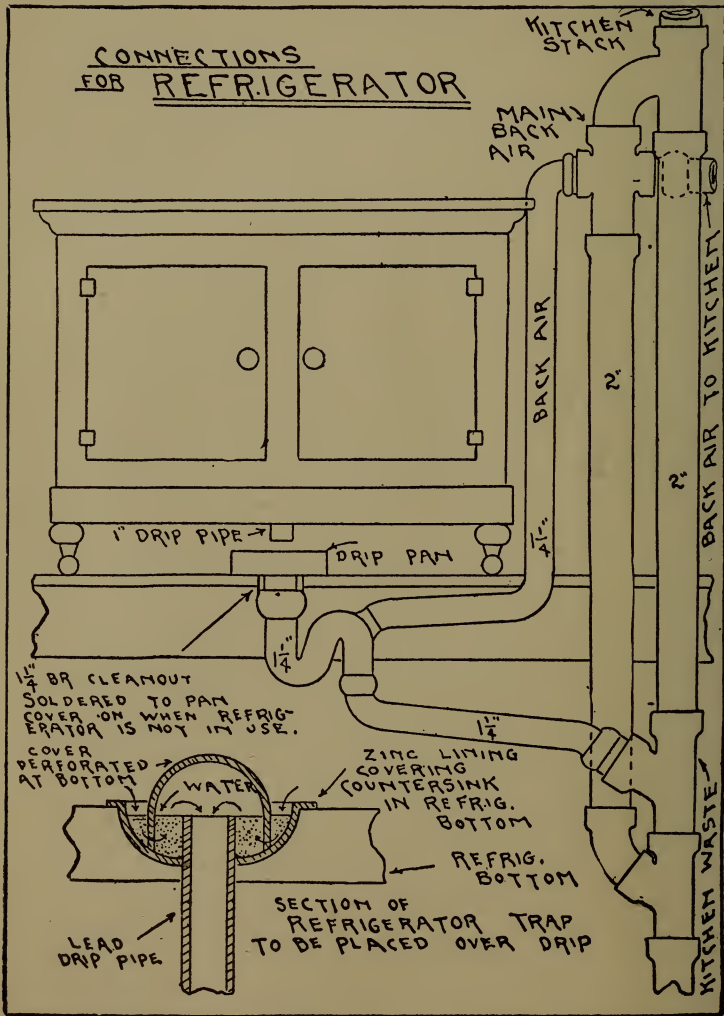
Fig. 20

Fig. 21

MAIN WASTE TO
KITCHEN FIXTURES

WIPED
JOINT ↓

2" BRASS
FERRULE

BACK
AIR →

1½"

2"

MAIN BACK AIR
TO KITCHEN
FIXTURES

WIPED JOINT
TRAP
SCREW ↓

1½"

1½"

4"
ROUND
LEAD
TRAP

WIPED
FLANGE
JOINT

2'

2"

2"

WIPED JOINT

1½"

2" BRASS
FERRULE

CONNECTIONS (LEAD)
FOR KITCHEN SINK

Fig. 22

Fig. 23

Fig. 24

CONNECTIONS FOR WATER CLOSET

TANK

BRACKET

WALL

BACK AIR FITTING

4"

MAIN STACK

FLUSH PIPE

1¼"

2"

BACK AIR

6'. 6"

SEAT BACK

SEAT

MAIN BACK AIR

2"

RUBBER ELL

4" LEAD BEND

4"

VENTED T Y

WIPED JOINT

4" BRASS FERRULE

Fig. 25

Fig. 26

Fig. 27

WIPED JOINT

2" BRASS FERRULE

4"

BACK AIR

MAIN STACK

2"

2"

MAIN BACK AIR

2" BRASS CLEANOUT

TRAP STANDARD

2"

CONNECTIONS FOR SLOP SINK

Fig. 28

## TRAPS.

A trap is a device or fitting used to allow the free passage through it of liquids and solids, and still prevent the passage of air or gas in either direction. There are two kinds of traps used on plumbing fixtures known as syphon traps and anti-syphon traps. The simplest trap is the syphon trap—a horizontal pipe bent as shown in
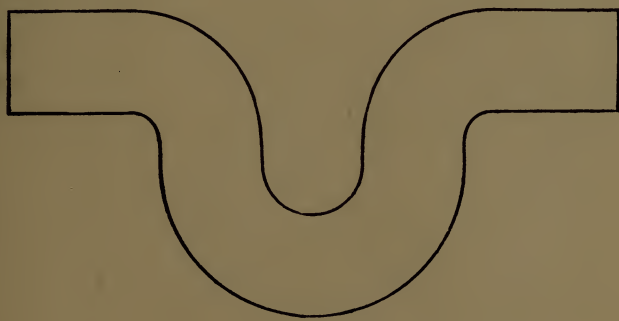


Fig. 29.

Fig. 29. This forms a pocket which will retain enough liquid to prevent air or gas from passing. The dip or loop is called the seal, and should never be less than one and one-half inches. This type of trap is what is known as a running-trap. This is not a good trap to use, and it is only capable of withstanding a very low back pressure.

The trap most generally used is what is known as the S trap, as shown in Fig 30. When this trap is subjected to a back-pressure, the water backs up into the vertical pipe, and naturally will withstand a greater pressure than the running-trap type—about twice as much.
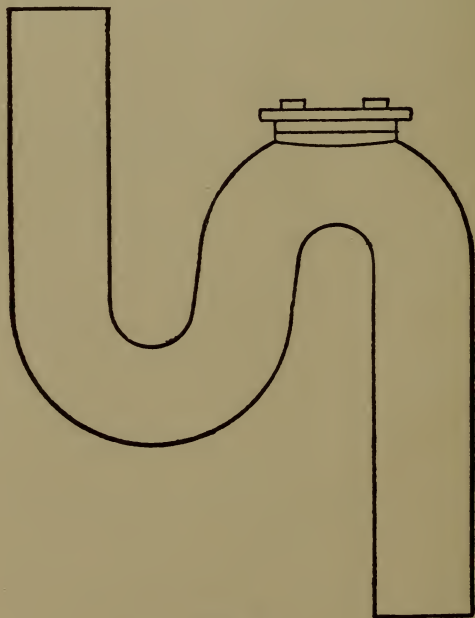


Fig. 30.

The trap shown in Fig 31 is what is known as a P trap, and in Fig 32 as three-quarter S trap, and has the same resisting power as the S trap.

A trap may lose its seal either by evaporation, self-syphonage or by suction. There is no danger

of a trap losing its seal in an occupied house from evaporation, as it would take a number of week's time, under ordinary conditions, to evaporate enough water to destroy the seal.
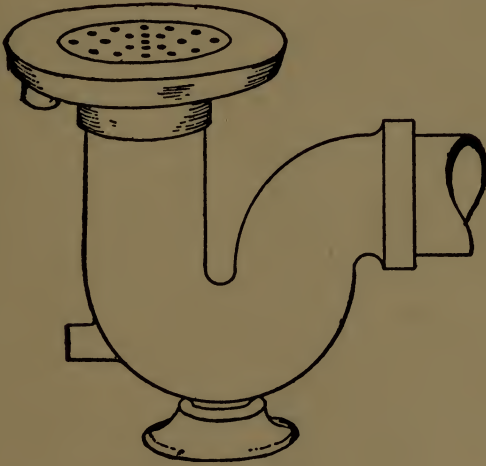


Fig. 31.
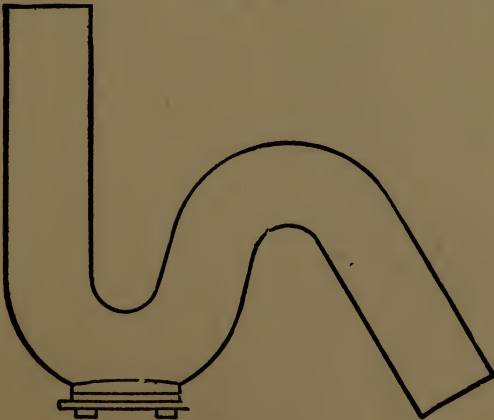


Fig. 32.

A trap can be syphoned when connected to an unvented stack, and then only when the waste pipe from the trap to the stack extends below the dip, so as to form the long leg of the syphon as in Fig. 33.
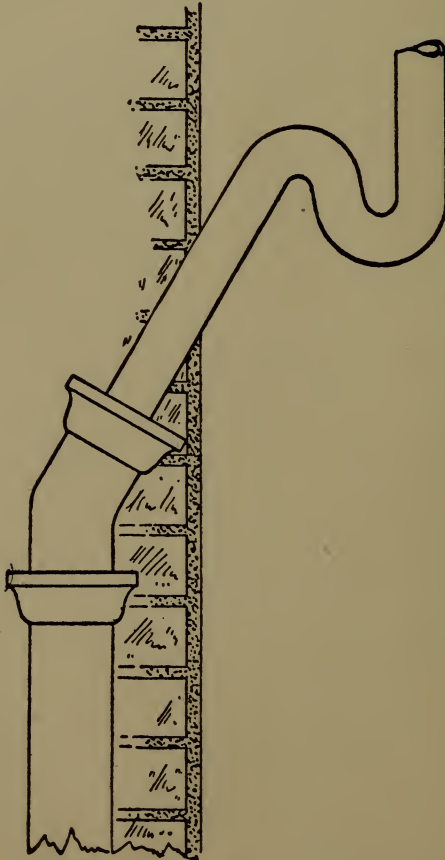


Fig. 33.

When two fixtures are installed one above the other, with unvented traps and empty into one stack, the lower trap can be syphoned by aspiration. The water emptying into the stack at the higher point in passing to the trap inlet of the lower fixture, creates a partial vacuum which sucks the water out of the trap at the lower point. To prevent this, what is known as back-venting is resorted to, back-venting not only protects the trap against syphonage, but relieves the seal from back-pressure, by equalizing the pressure on both sides of the seal. All revent pipes must be connected to vent pipes at such a point that the vent opening will be above the level of the water in the trap.

In Fig. 34 two basins are shown connected to soil pipe with S traps and back—vented into the air-vent pipe, both connecting into the attic into an increaser, which projects through the roof. This drawing is given to illustrate the proper back-venting to prevent syphonage of basin traps, and when it is necessary to run separate stacks for wash basins, such as are sometimes installed in bedrooms, the main waste stack must be two inches in diameter and the vent pipe one and one-half inches, either cast iron or galvanized wrought iron.

Non-syphon traps are those in which the seal cannot be broken under any reasonable conditions. Some water can be syphoned from the best

of non-syphon traps made, but not enough to de
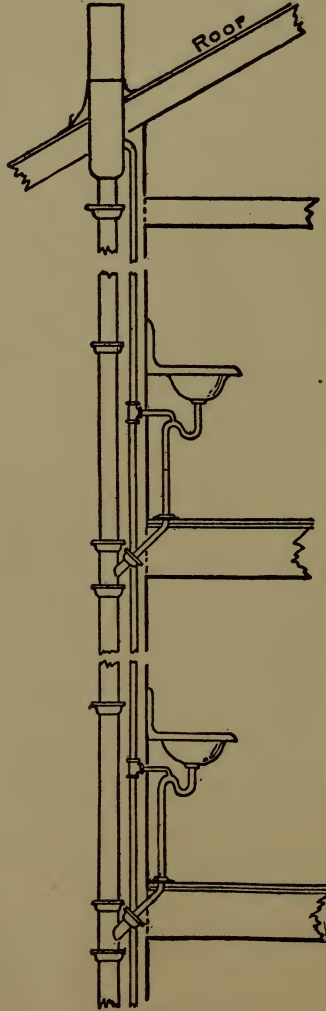stroy their seal. The commonest non-syphoning



Fig. 34

trap is known as a drum trap, which is four inches
in diameter and ten inches deep. Sufficient water
always remains in this trap to maintain its seal,
even when subjected to the severest of tests.

Fig. 35 shows a trap, which is the type general-
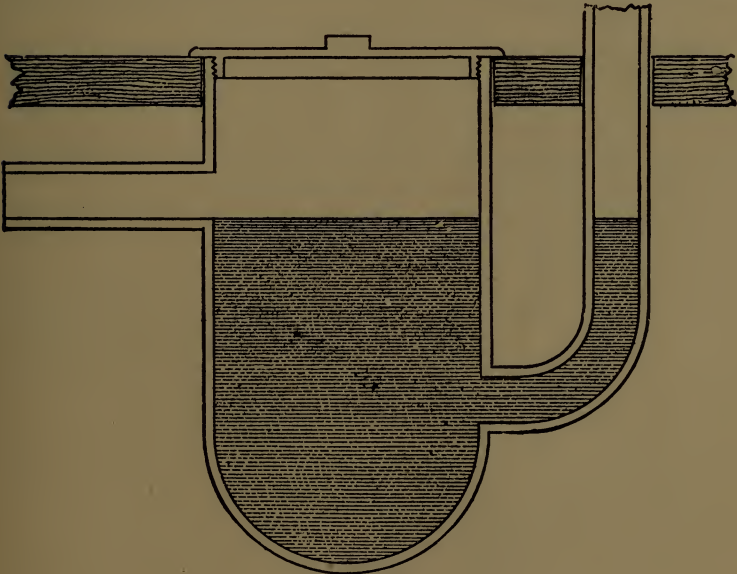ly used to trap the bathtub. This trap is provided



Fig. 35

with a brass trap-screw top for clean-out pur-
poses, made gas and water tight against a rubber
gasket. A trap of this kind would not be suitable
for a lavatory, its principal fault being that owing
to the enlarged body they are not self-cleaning,
affording a lodging place for the depositing of
sediment.

The non-syphon trap to be used is one in which the action of the water is rotary, as it thoroughly scours the trap and keeps it clean, such as is shown in Fig. 36. This trap depends upon an inner partition to effect this rotary movement, and is so constructed that its seal cannot be broken by syphonic action and is permitted by health
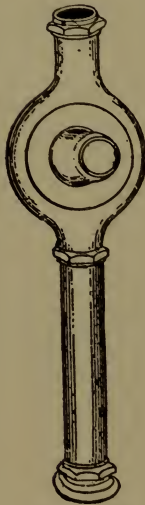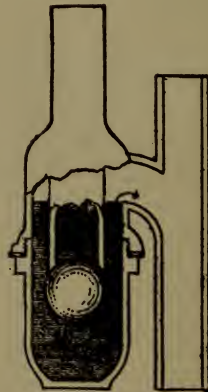


Fig. 36                    Fig. 37

and sanitary departments, where it is impossible to run a separate vent pipe to the roof.

One of the oldest traps is the Cudell trap, as shown in Fig. 38. The rubber ball being of slightly greater specific gravity than water rests on the seat and forms a seal when the water is not flowing through the trap. This ball prevents the seal

of the trap being forced by back-pressure, and
acts as a check against back flow of sewerage
should drain stop up, and provides a seal if water
is evaporated.

Fig. 37 shows the old Bower trap. The water
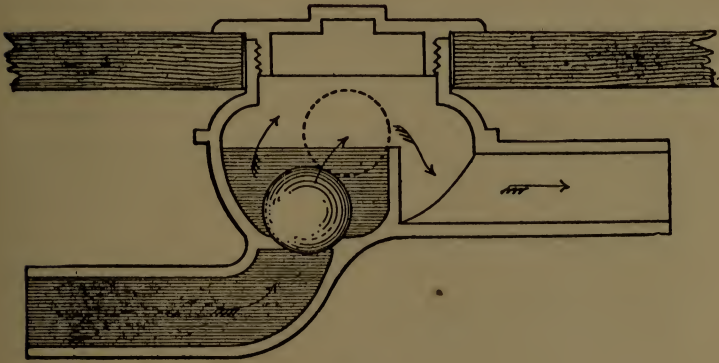seal is maintained by the inlet leg, extending



Fig. 38

down into the body below the outlet. The bot-
tom of this trap is glass, brass or lead, which-
ever is desired, and can be unscrewed from trap
and thoroughly cleaned.

## SOLDER.

The composition and properties of solders are a matter of considerable interest to all metal workers, but the subject is of especial importance to plumbers, because on the quality and purity of solder depend in a large measure the reliability and good appearance of their work. Nothing is more annoying, nor is there anything so productive of bad work, waste of time, and consequent irritability and bad temper, as the trying to do good work with bad material, particularly if that material is wiping or plumbers' solder. Until recent years it was invariably the practice for plumbers to make their own solders, either from the pure lead and tin, or, old joints and solders were melted down, and tin added in proportion. Of late years it is becoming quite unusual for plumbers to know anything about solder-making. Plumbers consider it more economical to buy it, already made, from firms who make solder-making a branch of their manufacturing trade. Another advantage is, that if supplied by a firm of good standing it can generally be depended upon for purity and uniform quality.

Good plumbers' solder should consist of two

parts of lead to one of tin, but the proportions, of course, vary according to the quality of the constituent parts. Tin, for instance, varies very much in quality, and no fluxing or a super-abundance of the tin will make good solder if this metal is of an inferior kind. It is, there-fore, far the most economical in the long run to use tin of the very best quality.

As the exact proportions, as they are gener-ally given, depend to a very great extent upon the condition of the two metals, it follows that the mere mixing of certain quantities of tin and lead does not necessarily make a composition that will serve the purpose that it is intended for, but a plumber with an experienced eye can detect at a glance the inferiority and usefulness of such solders when required for the execution of good work.

Although it is not absolutely necessary that a good solder-maker should be a plumber, it is important that he should have a considerable knowledge of the appearance of solder in proper condition. In the absence of a practical test, there are certain indications by which the solder may be judged, whether it is good or bad. The most common practice is to run out a strip of solder on a smooth level stone. As soon as the strip is nearly cold, the quality of the solder or the proper proportion of tin and lead can be de-ermined by the appearance of both surfaces. It

is important, before running the solder out on the stone, that it should be at such a heat as to allow the solder to run freely. A temperature just below red heat is the most suitable for this purpose, if the solder is not hot enough, it will have a dull white look, whether it is good or bad.

If it is in good condition, it should have a clean, silvery appearance, bright spots should also form on the surface from an eighth to a quarter of an inch in diameter. As a rule, the larger the spots the finer is the solder, although some kinds of tin will not show large spots, however much is used. In such cases they should appear more numerous.

If the strip has a dull, dirty appearance and a mottled surface, it is evident the solder is not as pure as it should be. It probably contains some mineral impurities, which can generally be removed by well heating the solder in the pot, and stirring into it a quantity of resin and tallow. These substances have but very little, if any, chemical effects, either upon the solder or the foreign matters it may contain, but the action that seems to take place is that they combine with the lighter mineral matters by what may be called adhesive attraction, and cause them to rise to the surface, where they can be skimmed off. There are some earthy impurities that get into the solder, the specific gravities of

which are probably much lighter than the solder itself, but which will not rise to the surface until assisted by means of fluxes. It must be remembered that although tin has a specific gravity of 7.3 and lead 11.445, it is therefore, necessary to well stir the solder while it is being poured into the moulds, as the tin will continually rise to the top, yet if it were not stirred at all after it was once mixed, the lower portion would not be wholly deprived of tin, showing that the greater specific gravity of the one does not wholly displace the other. The same is true of certain impurities, which are not removed until they are washed out, as it were, by means of fluxes such as resin and tallow.

The greatest enemy to plumbers' solder is zinc. If the slightest trace of this metal gets into a pot of solder, it is almost a matter of impossibility to wipe joints with it, especially underhand joints.

When zinc is present, the strip of solder has a dull, crystallized appearance on the surface. The tin spots are also very dull and rough, and not at all bright and clean. When solder of this kind is being used for wiping, the first thing noticed is that a thick, dirty dross forms on the surface directly after it is skimmed. It is impossible to keep the surface clean for even a second. When it is poured on a joint, it sets almost instantly, and it matters not at what heat

it is used. As soon as one attempts to move it with the cloth, it breaks to pieces, and falls off the joint.

In the case of branch joints when an iron is used, the solder cools in hard lumps, and breaks away like portions of wet sand. There are two or three ways of extracting zinc from solder, one is to partly fuse it, and when it is nearly set to pulverize it until the particles are separated as much as possible. The whole is then placed in a pot or earthenware vessel and saturated with hydrochloric acid, commonly called muriatic acid. The acid dissolves the zinc and produces chloride of zinc; the latter can be washed out with clean water and the solder returned to the pot in a comparatively pure state. This method cannot be recommended as a certain cure, because of the difficulty there exists in dividing the particles to such an extent as to expose the whole of the zinc that may be contained in it, and considering the small amount of zinc that is sufficient to poison a pot of solder it is doubtful if the acid process is radical enough in its action to thoroughly eradicate the zinc without repeated applications.

Sulphur is the best thing to use for this purpose.

When a pot of solder has been found to be poisoned with zinc, it is heated to just below a red heat. Lump sulphur is broken up and gran-

ulated, it is then screwed up tight in three or
four thicknesses of paper, and in this form is
thrown into the pot and held below the solder
with a ladle. As the paper burns the sulphur
rises through the solder, combines with the zinc,
and floats on the surface. The solder is well
stirred so as to thoroughly mix the sulphur with
the whole of the contents of the pot, the dross
which is formed by this process is then skimmed
off with a ladle and thrown away as useless.

In the case of the sulphur, although it is gen-
erally called a flux, the action that takes place
is altogether different to that of resin and tal-
low. It may safely be inferred by reference to
the results of chemical combinations that the
zinc, having a great affinity for sulphur, as soon
as it comes in contact, forms sulphide of zinc,
this is really a substance similar to zinc blende,
a common form of zinc ore. In this condition,
the specific gravity being considerably reduced,
it readily rises to the surface of the solder,
where it can be skimmed off with a ladle.

The question naturally arises—why is it the
sulphur does not combine with the lead to which
it also has an affinity, and thus form sulphide of
lead? If lead is heated only just above its melt-
ing point and then some sulphur is mixed with
it, a substance would be formed similar to ga-
lena, or sulphide of lead. But if the tempera-
ture is raised several degrees higher the sulphide

gives up the lead, and either floats to the top or passes off in the form of gaseous vapor, chemically termed sulphurous anhydride. Therefore, by heating the solder containing zinc to a temperature just below redness, it is hot enough to prevent the sulphur combining with the lead and tin, but not sufficiently heated to cause the sulphur to give up the zinc, which fuses at a temperature of 773 degrees Fahrenheit, whereas lead fuses at 612 degrees Fahrenheit, and in combination with tin as solder at 441 degrees Fahrenheit. The difference in the melting points is in all probability the principal cause of the sulphur attracting the zinc and leaving the lead and tin comparatively unaffected.

Another method of extracting the zinc from solder is to raise the temperature to a very bright red heat, if this is continued long enough the zinc vaporizes and passes off in a gaseous state.

The latter is a very wasteful process because it cannot be done without a large proportion of the tin becoming oxidized. The oxide gathers in the form of a powder on the surface, and is what is commonly known as putty powder. One of the most common means of spoiling solder is the last mentioned.

The flowing of solder, especially that used with the copper-bit, depends to a large extent upon the fluxes that are used for tinning pur-

poses. For soldering lead only a very simple flux is necessary, namely, a little tallow and powdered resin. The same kind of flux is also very often used for tinning and soldering brass and copper, and there are many plumbers who use nothing else but a piece of common tallow candle, which seems to answer the purpose very well. For soldering iron, zinc, and tin goods, chloride of zinc, or what is commonly called killed spirit of salt, is generally used, although it is not necessary to kill the hydrochloric acid when zinc has to be soldered. Soldering fluids and preparations have been invented which have, to a very large extent, superseded the common fluxes. The disadvantage of spirit of salt is owing to the tendency it has to produce oxidation on iron, and chlorides on zinc, after the soldering is done.

It would be interesting to try and find out the reason why a combination of metals fuses at such a low temperature when compared with the fusing points of the component parts of the alloys. It is necessary to bear in mind the fact that all metals, and indeed all matter, are composed of minute particles or molecules, and that there is nothing existing that is a strictly solid uniform mass. It is also acknowledged that the molecules of different substances always assume a distinctive shape, and when metallic matter is crystallized, as it is said to be when it

becomes solid by the action of cold, these particles are attracted to each other by a force of more or less power according to the nature of the metal, whether it is said to be hard or soft.

Now the force by which these aggregations of minute particles are held together is what is called cohesive attraction, and the power of this force to hold the particles together depends to a very great extent upon the particular shape which these extremely small particles assume, and the amount of surface which they present to each other. It is very easy to conceive that if a number of bodies have mutual attraction for each other, the larger the surface that comes in contact the more force is there exerted one with the other. If, for instance, the particles take the form of spheres like a number of marbles, the surface in actual contact is comparatively very small indeed, the same would be the case if they were very irregular in form. But if each particle took the form of a cube, or some other regular body, the attraction would be greatly increased, as each of the particles approached and fitted into its proper place. It is not contended that the molecules are actually attracted into absolutely close contact, because, as a matter of fact, they are not. In every substance, however hard and solid it might appear to be, there are certain interstices between the particles which are called pores, the capacities

of which vary according to peculiar conformation of the particles, and the degree of affinity which one set of particles may have for others in the same mass. It follows then that as a rule the hardness or softness of any substance depends, according to the theory of cohesive attraction, upon the close and compact nature of the molecules, and the large or small spaces or interstices between them, that is, so far as the action of heat is concerned. If it is required to make a hard substance soft and pliable, some power is necessary to exert a reactionary influence upon the attractive force which causes the particles to cohere. Now the only powers that will effectually produce this result is heat, when heat is applied to nearly all metallic substances, the first thing it does is to enlarge the bulk by the almost irresistible force of expansion. The effect that heat has on a solid is to cause the particles to be thrown farther apart from each other by a repulsive force, overcoming to a certain extent the force of cohesive attraction. This repulsive action continues to increase as the temperature is raised, until the attractive force has to give way to the force of gravity.

The result is the particles will no longer cohere in a mass, but fall away from each other and become in a state of fluid, and if they are not kept together in a vessel of some kind during their high temperature they will run in any

direction by the influence of gravity like ordinary liquids. When a metal is in such a condition it is said to be melted or fused. There are some metals, zinc for instance, the particles of which are separated to a much greater extent than is the case with fusion only. For if the heat is applied so that the temperature is raised above fusing point, evaporation takes place, and the molecules are driven off in the form of vapor.

When two distinct metals are mixed together, such as tin and lead, the cohesive attraction is modified to a large extent, because the molecules of one have a comparatively small affinity for the other. Of course tin has a certain amount of affinity for lead, in fact, if there were no affinity between the two, solders would be useless on lead, because tinning could not be effected if such were the case. But what seems certain is, when the two metals are alloyed, the molecules are not held together by the same attractive force that is exerted when a metal is not alloyed, that is, the particles of one metal do not, by reason of their difference of construction or conformation, have the same affinity for each other as they do when they are not intermixed with other particles of a different nature.

Consequently, when such combinations of metals are subjected to the action of heat, the particles mutually assist each other to separate, and

gravitate like liquids to a level surface, with a much lower degree of temperature than is required to obtain the same effect when the metals are melted separately.

Then with regard to wiping solder, it retains its fluid and plastic state for a much longer time than lead or tin would before they are mixed, showing that the particles, probably for the same reason, do not solidify so quickly as they would in a separate state. If they did, joint-wiping would, of course, be impossible, for on the peculiar power that solder has to retain its heat, or rather the effects of heat, depends the success of the most important parts of plumbing work. An alloy of lead and tin contracts considerably in cooling, the result of this can be seen when a solder pot is placed on the fire. Before the bulk of the solder melts, but as soon as that part which is near the hottest part of the fire begins to fuse, the molten metal forces its way up to the top, between the sides of the mass of solder and the sides of the pot, this often continues until the top of the unmelted mass is covered with a melted layer which has forced its way there, showing that when the solder cooled it contracted into a smaller space than it occupied when it was in a fluid state. Consequently, when the lower part of the solder is melted first, the expansion that takes place forces it of necessity to the top, because there is not room for the

increased bulk in the space it was reduced to during the process of cooling. But if antimony, the fusing point of which is 840 degrees Fahrenheit, is added to lead and tin, the result is just the reverse, for on cooling this alloy expands. The latter alloy is generally used for casting types for printing, the proportions of which are two of lead, one of antimony, and one of tin, although a more expansive alloy is made of nine of lead, two of antimony, and one of bismuth. Then with regard to the hardness of metals, it is not always that the hardest metals require the highest temperature to fuse them. Tin, for instance, is much harder than lead, yet it fuses at a temperature nearly 200 degrees Fahrenheit lower than lead.

| DECIMAL PARTS OF AN INCH. | | | | | |
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| 3-64 | .04688 | 3-8 | .375 | | |
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| MELTING POINTS OF ALLOYS OF TIN, LEAD, AND BISMUTH. | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tin. | Lead. | Bismuth. | Melting Point in Degrees Fahrenheit. | Tin. | Lead. | Bismuth. | Melting Point in Degrees Fahrenheit, |
| 2 | 3 | 5 | 199 | 4 | 1 | | 372 |
| 1 | 1 | 4 | 201 | 5 | 1 | | 381 |
| 8 | 2 | 5 | 212 | 2 | 1 | | 385 |
| 4 | 1 | 5 | 246 | 3 | | 1 | 392 |
| 1 | | 1 | 286 | 1 | 1 | | 466 |
| 2 | | 1 | 334 | 1 | 3 | | 552 |
| 3 | 1 | | 367 | | | | |

TABLE 5

| Thickness. | Wrought Iron. | Cast Iron. | Steel. | Gun Metal. | Brass. | Copper. | Tin. | Zinc. | Lead. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $\frac{1}{16}$ | 2.50 | 2.34 | 2.56 | 2.75 | 2.69 | 2.87 | 2.37 | 2.25 | 3.68 |
| $\frac{1}{8}$ | 5.00 | 4.69 | 5.12 | 5.50 | 5.38 | 5.75 | 4.75 | 4.50 | 7.37 |
| $\frac{3}{16}$ | 7.50 | 7.03 | 7.68 | 8.25 | 8.07 | 8.62 | 7.12 | 6.75 | 11.05 |
| $\frac{1}{4}$ | 10.00 | 9.38 | 10.25 | 11.00 | 10.75 | 11.50 | 9.50 | 9.00 | 14.75 |
| $\frac{5}{16}$ | 12.50 | 11.72 | 12.81 | 13.75 | 13.45 | 14.37 | 11.87 | 11.25 | 18.42 |
| $\frac{3}{8}$ | 15.00 | 14.06 | 15.36 | 16.50 | 16.14 | 17.24 | 14.24 | 13.50 | 22.10 |
| $\frac{7}{16}$ | 17.50 | 16.41 | 17.93 | 19.25 | 18.82 | 20.12 | 16.17 | 15.75 | 25.80 |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ | 20.90 | 18.75 | 20.50 | 22.00 | 21.50 | 23.00 | 19.00 | 18.00 | 29.50 |
| $\frac{9}{16}$ | 22.50 | 21.10 | 23.06 | 24.75 | 24.20 | 25.87 | 21.37 | 20.25 | 33.17 |
| $\frac{5}{8}$ | 25.00 | 23.44 | 25.62 | 27.50 | 26.90 | 28.74 | 23.74 | 22.50 | 36.84 |
| $\frac{11}{16}$ | 27.50 | 25.79 | 28.18 | 30.25 | 29.58 | 31.62 | 26.12 | 24.75 | 40.54 |
| $\frac{3}{4}$ | 30.00 | 28.12 | 30.72 | 33.00 | 32.28 | 34.48 | 28.48 | 27.00 | 44.20 |
| $\frac{13}{16}$ | 32.50 | 30.48 | 33.28 | 35.75 | 34.95 | 37.37 | 30.87 | 29.25 | 47.92 |
| $\frac{7}{8}$ | 35.00 | 32.82 | 35.86 | 38.50 | 37.64 | 40.24 | 32.34 | 31.50 | 51.60 |
| $\frac{15}{16}$ | 37.50 | 35.16 | 38.43 | 41.25 | 40.32 | 43.12 | 35.61 | 33.75 | 55.36 |
| 1 | 40.00 | 37.50 | 41.00 | 44.00 | 43.00 | 46.00 | 38.00 | 36.00 | 59.00 |

WEIGHT OF METALS.    TO FIND WEIGHT IN POUNDS.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Aluminium | cubic inches | | $\times$ 0.094 |
| Brass | " | " | $\times$ 0.31 |
| Copper | " | " | $\times$ 0.32 |
| Cast-Iron | " | " | $\times$ 0.26 |
| Wrought-Iron | " | " | $\times$ 0.28 |
| Lead | " | " | $\times$ 0.41 |
| Mercury | " | " | $\times$ 0.49 |
| Nickel | " | " | $\times$ 0.31 |
| Tin | " | " | $\times$ 0.26 |
| Zinc | " | " | $\times$ 0.26 |

TABLE 6

## HOW TO MAKE SOLDER.

Plumber's wiping solder, for use with the ladle and the soldering cloth, is made up by melting together pure lead and block tin in the proportion of 2 pounds of lead to 1 pound of tin. Plumber's fine solder is made of about equal parts of those two metals. Strip solder—used with the copper-bit—is made in the proportion of 2 pounds of tin to 3 pounds of lead. Gas-fitter's solder may be made in the proportion of 8 pounds of tin to 9 pounds of lead, tinsmith's copper-bit solder is 1 pound of lead to 1 pound of tin. The proportion of lead and tin may vary within certain limits without apparent effort on the solder.

Plumber's wiping solder, when in a bar, should have a clean grey appearance, and not be dirty-looking. The ends of the bar should be bright, and show several tin spots mottled over their surfaces. In use, the solder should work smooth, and not granular. The tin should not separate from the lead on the lower part of the joints. One test for the quality of solder is to melt it and then pour on to a cold but dry stone about the size of a dollar, and take note of the color and size and also the number and sizes

of the spots that appear, but the only reliable
test is to make a joint and note the ease with
which it can be worked.  For making joints on
lead pipes copper-bit solder made in thin strips
is generally used.  This is the kind used also
for soldering zinc.  Some plumbers prefer sol-
der finer, others coarser than the usual average
which is given above.

The usual method of making solder is as fol-
lows: An iron pot is suspended over a coke fire,
to which enough broken coke is added to bank
up all round the pot.  Sheet-lead cuttings and
scraps of clean pipe are put into the pot until it
is rather more than half full.  Preference is
given to pig-lead over sheet, and to new cuttings
over pipe, because the lead rolled into sheets is
generally purer than that used for pipe.  Some
pipe is made of old metals which contain lead,
tin, antimony, arsenic, and zinc, it is inadvis-
able to put such material in the solder-pot.  The
effect would be to raise the melting point of
the solder, and in applying it to the joint to be
soldered it would in all probability partially
melt the lead.  Moreover, the metals named do
not alloy perfectly, but partake more of the
nature of a mixture which partially separates
when making a joint, some metals, especially
zinc, show as small bright lumps on the surface.
Joints made with such solder, which usually is
called poisoned metal, are difficult to form, and

they usually leak when in water pipes. The appearance of such joints is a dirty grey, instead of bright and clean as when pure solder is used. From this it is clear that in making solder great care must be taken to exclude zinc from the pot. Zinc, lead, and tin do not alloy well, lead will unite with only 1.6 per cent of zinc, and above that proportion the metals are only mixed when melted, and on cooling partially separate.

Sufficient lead having been melted in the pot, about ½ pound of lump sulphur, broken into pieces about the size of hickory nuts, is added, and the whole well stirred with a ladle, the sulphur unites with zinc and other impurities. The resultant sulphides are skimmed off in the form of a cake, more sulphur being added so long as sulphides continue to form. The bowl of the ladle, in the intervals of stirring, should be laid on the fire, to burn off any adherent sulphur. When sulphide ceases to be formed, a handful of resin is thrown into the pot, and the lead stirred. When the resin has burned, the lead is again skimmed, and a piece of tallow about the size of a hen's egg is put into the pot, the lead being again stirred and skimmed. In stirring the lead it is lifted up and poured back by the ladleful, a larger amount of lead being thus exposed to the action of the cleaning material.

Best block tin is now added in the required proportion, and after the molten mass has been

well stirred a little of the mixture should be run on to a stone to test its fineness. If it appears too coarse more tin is added, if too fine, more sheet-lead. Finally, a little resin and tallow having been added, the solder is skimmed and is then ready for use or for pouring into moulds. When plumber's solder is heated in an open pot, the surface exposed to the air combines with oxygen, and on heating to redness, the combination takes place more readily. The tin melts at a lower temperature than lead, and so its specific gravity is lighter, floats when melted, and so the solder becomes poorer when too highly heated, owing to the tin's oxidation. If the dross is melted with a flux, or with powdered charcoal, which will combine with the oxygen, the solder will again become fit for use, but it is sometimes necessary to add a little more tin.

Burning the solder must be carefully avoided. A pot of solder after it has been red-hot has always a quantity of dross or dirt collected on the top. This is principally oxide of tin and oxide of lead, the tin and lead having united with the oxygen in the atmosphere to form oxides of these metals. Lead being roughly 50 per cent heavier than tin, the tendency is for the tin in the molten mixture to form the upper layer of the solder—the part most exposed to the action of the atmosphere. When the solder

becomes red-hot, there is therefore more tin burned than lead. Hence the solder becomes too coarse, and more tin must be added. Zinc is the greatest trouble to the solder pot. Great care has to be taken to exclude it, or to get it out. It may get into the solder from a piece of zinc, having been put into the pot by mistake for lead, but more commonly brass, which is an alloy of copper and zinc, is the source of the zinc that poisons the pot, into which brass filings find their way whilst brass is being prepared for tinning. If the filing is done at the same bench as the wiping, splashes of metal may fall on the filings, which will adhere, and thus get into the pot. Solder that is poisoned by arsenic or antimony is beyond the plumber's skill to clean, but zinc can be extracted by stirring in powdered sulphur when the solder is in a semi-molten condition, and then melting the whole, when the combined sulphur and zinc will rise to the surface, and can be taken off in the form of a cake, the solder being left in good condition for use.

## SOLDERING FLUXES.

The flux ordinarily used for plumber's wiping solder is tallow, generally in the form of a candle. No other fluxes answer this purpose so well, as they all spoil the wiping cloths, but different kinds of fluxes are required for different kinds of work. For a wiped joint, a tallow candle is rubbed over the parts. This is often used in making copper-bit joints, though for this latter purpose many plumbers prefer to use black rosin. Muriatic acid is employed as a flux for use when soldering, the acid—which is a powerful poison—being used for zinc or galvanized iron, and the killed acid for other metals, such as brass, tinplate, copper, wrought-iron, etc.

After tinning brass with fine solder, the copper-bit should be wiped quite clean, as the copper, uniting with some of the zinc in the brass, may affect the wiping solder. Some plumbers tin brass by holding it over the metal pot and pouring the solder on to it. This is bad practice, as the surplus solder, and any zinc with which it may have combined, fall into the pot. In cleaning solder, the sulphur must be used

with more care than when cleaning lead, or the tin will be burnt out as well as the zinc.

The method ordinarily adopted by plumbers for tinning iron is to file it bright and then coat the part with killed acid or chloride of zinc, or muriatic acid in which zinc has been dissolved, and then dip it into molten plumber's solder. Sometimes sal-ammoniac is used for the flux, or a mixture of sal-ammoniac and chloride of zinc. When wrought-iron pipes have been thus tinned, and then soldered joints made, they have been found to come apart after a few years, the pipe ends, when pulled from the solder, being found to be rusty. Although more difficult to accomplish, iron pipe ends filed and covered with resin, and then plunged into molten solder, from the surface of which all dross has been skimmed, and afterwards soldered together, have been known to last a considerable time. When tinning the pipes or making the joints, the solder must not be overheated, or failure will result.

## PREPARING WIPED JOINTS.

One objection that is often raised to wiped joints is that they are too expensive, and require a large quantity of solder. Another is that they take up too much time, and when they are made they are said to be ugly, and have been described as a ''ball of solder round a pipe.'' It seems very unfortunate that plumbers' work should be judged by its worst specimens, but, probably, this course of action is justified by the principle that the strength of the chain is limited to its weakest link. There is no doubt that if joints are carefully prepared and properly wiped the above objections would be groundless, and that for good substantial work there is no other kind of joint that is more suitable for the purpose.

In the process of making wiped joints no part is no important as the preparation. A joint may be wiped as nicely and as regularly as possible, but if the ends are not properly prepared and fitted, it will very often happen that the joint will leak by sweating, as it is called, the solder is generally supposed to be the cause, but more often it is the fault of the imperfect preparation of the ends of the pipe. We will

suppose, for instance, an upright joint on an
inch service pipe. Fig. 40 is a sketch showing
the way a joint of this kind is usually prepared.
Very often one end barely enters the other, no
care is taken to see that the ends fit properly
together, and any space that may be left be-
tween the two ends is closed up with a hammer.
As to shaving inside the socket end, this is
thought quite unnecessary, if not a fault, for
some think if the socket end is shaved inside,
it will induce the solder to run through and
partly fill up the pipe. There is no doubt it
would do so if the ends do not fit; but that is
just the thing that is most important, not only
as regards the solder getting inside the pipe, but
on it depends, to a very large extent, the sound-
ness of the joint.

The general idea is that if the two ends of a
pipe are shaved and placed together, and a piece
of solder stuck round them, that is all that is
required to make a joint. If the solder is not so
fine as it ought to be, it is the cause of most of
the leaky joints, and very often the joints are
found broken right across the center, more es-
pecially in the case of joint on hot-water, service,
and waste pipes. It has been remarked
that the solder is generally blamed for all the
failures. It is either too coarse or too cold, or
else it must have got a piece of zinc in it. Other-
wise, if the joint is made to brasswork, it is that

which has poisoned the solder. In short, everything gets blamed except the right cause.

It must not be supposed that joint-wiping can be taught by books. This can only be accomplished in the workshop or on a plumbing job. But as practice is very often greatly assisted by precept, probably a few hints on the matter of joint-wiping will be helpful to many who have not the opportunities to gain a very large or varied experience. In preparing a joint similar to the one mentioned, after the two ends are carefully straightened, the spigot, or what is generally called the male end, should be first rasped square, and then tapered with a fine rasp quite half an inch back from the end. A fine rasp is mentioned because the rasps that are used by many plumbers are far too coarse to properly rasp the ends of pipes. Generally the very coarse rasps are used, it is difficult to say why, except it is that they are cheaper than the fine rasps, but if the advantages of a fine rasp be taken into account, the extra cost would not be considered.

When preparing the ends of the pipe, great care should be taken to avoid the raspings getting into the pipes, these cause no end of time and trouble when they get into valves and other fittings, after the pipes are filled with water.

As a rule, it is the back stroke of the rasp that throws the raspings inside the pipe, espe-

cially when the pipe is being rasped horizontally, or with the end of the pipe pointing upwards. If possible, when the ends are being rasped, they should either be pointing in a downward direction, or else the rasp should not be allowed to touch the pipe in its backward stroke. Some plumbers place a wad or stopper in the end of a pipe when it is being rasped; this is a very good precaution to take, providing it is not forgotten and left in the pipe. After the spigot end has been rasped, it should be soiled about six inches long, but no farther towards the end than an inch from the rasped edge. Sometimes the soiling is taken right up to the end, but this is not a good plan, because, if it is soiled over the rasped edge, the shave-hook does not always take the soil out of the rasp marks, a point which is most important; and as it is quite unnecessary to soil farther than the line of shaving, the soil at the end is quite superfluous. Many plumbers soil the ends before they rasp them with the same object in view, but this is not a good plan, because very often in rasping the ends, the end of the rasp is likely to scratch the soiling, making it necessary to touch up the soiling again.

If the soil is good it is an advantage to rub it, after it is dry, with a piece of carpet or a hard brush, a dry felt will do. This makes the surface of the soil smooth and more durable, and

not so likely to flake off when the joint is wiped.
The best soil is made from vegetable black and
diluted glue with a little sugar, and finely
ground chalk added. The proportion of the in-
gredients depends to a large extent on their
quality. Lamp black and size are generally used,
but if the black is not very good it is very diffi-
cult to make soil fit for use, it will rub or peel
off and become a nuisance. Good soil, and a
properly made soil pot and tool, are indispensa-
ble to a plumber who wishes to turn out a good
quality of work. Any makeshift does for a
soil pot with a great many plumbers. Some
use an old milk-can or a saucepan. It is much
better to have a good copper pot, with a handle.
Most plumbers should be able to make a soil
pot with a piece of sheet copper, otherwise a
coppersmith would make one for a small sum.
Before soiling the end of the pipe, it is always a
good plan to chalk it well. This will counteract
the effects of the grease that is nearly always
found on the surface of new lead pipes. If the
pipe is very greasy, it is still better to scour
it well with a piece of card-wire before it is
chalked and soiled. The scouring is not always
necessary, but it is always best to carry a piece
of card-wire in case of need.

When the end of the pipe has been properly
soiled, it should be shaved the length required,
that is, about half an inch longer than half the

length of the joint, thus allowing half an inch
for socketing into the other end. Grease, or
"touch," as it is called by plumbers, should
immediately be rubbed over the shaved part to
prevent oxidation. The socket end of the pipe
should now be rasped square and opened with a
long tapered turnpin—a short stumpy turnpin
is not a proper tool for this purpose, although
many of this kind are used. After rasping the
edge of the pipe, the rasped part should be par-
allel with the side of the pipe, as shown at Fig.
39. It is not at all necessary for the edge of
the socket end to project, nor to reduce the bore
of the pipe in the joint; but if the ends are pre-
pared, as shown at Figs. 40 and 41, it would
be necessary to open the socket end an extra-
ordinary width to get the same depth of socket,
and then a much larger quantity of solder would
be required to cover the edge, which would make
the shape of the joint look ugly, and not make
such a reliable joint either.

When the socket end is properly fitted, it
should be soiled and shaved half the length of
the intended joint. The inside of the socket
should also be shaved about half an inch down
and touched.

If the solder is used at a proper heat and
splashed on quickly, so as to well sweat the sol-
der in between the two surfaces where the ends
are socketed, the joint is made, so far as the

soundness is concerned, independent of the wip-
ing or the form and shape of the solder when
it is finished.  In fact, if a joint is prepared in
a proper manner, it would be sound in most in-
stances if the solder was wiped bare to the
edge of the socket end.  Of course, it would not
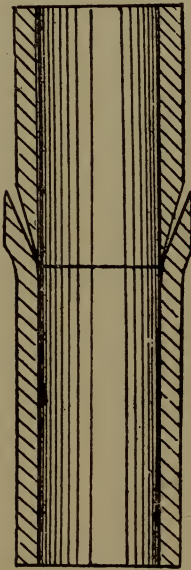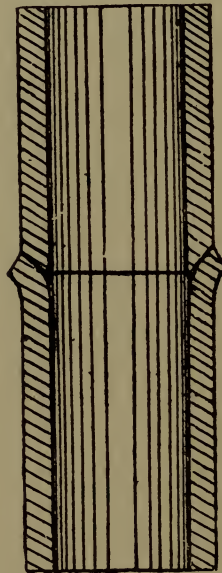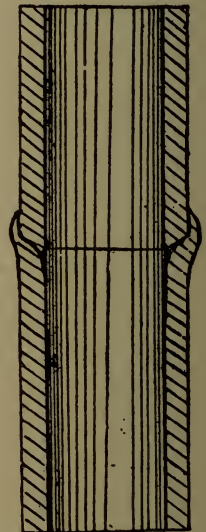
Fig. 39.            Fig. 40.            Fig. 41.

be advisable to do this, but still, a joint should
and could be quite independent of the very large
quantity of solder that is frequently used.  But
when a large amount of solder is seen on a joint,
it can generally be taken for granted that the
plumber that made it, when he prepared the

ends, took great pains to close up the edge of the socket end to the spigot end so that it fitted tight, so tight was this edge, that it prevented the slightest particle of solder getting in between. The consequence very often is, that if the plumber is not quick at wiping the joint, and keeps the solder moving until it is nearly cold, or at least cold enough to set, the whole of the solder on the joint will be in a state of porousness, or, in other words, instead of the solder cooling into a compact mass, the continual moving of it by the act of wiping causes the particles, as they become crystallized by cooling, to be disturbed and partially disintegrated. The result is, that under a moderate pressure the water will percolate through the joint and cause what is generally termed "sweating." Very often it is rather more than sweating, it can more correctly be compared to water running through a sieve. Under some conditions it is not a very easy matter to prevent this sweating, especially if the solder is very coarse, or is poisoned by zinc or other deleterious matters. The great advantage of leaving the socket end open is, that if the solder is used at a good heat, as it always should be when it is splashed on, it runs into the socket at such a heat that, when it cools, it sets much firmer than that part of the solder which has been disturbed by the forming of the joint.

# JOINT-WIPING.

Joint-wiping forms an important branch in the art of plumbing. It is a part of the work which requires more care, skill and practice than any of the other branches, and on it depends the success or failure of some of the most particular jobs in sanitary plumbing. Many serious cases of disease have been traced to bad joint-wiping. It is not expected that a joint can under all conditions, be as perfectly symmetrical and well proportioned as if it had been turned in a lathe. The best workmen have to leave joints that they would be ashamed of, as far as the appearance is concerned, if they were made on the bench or in some convenient place. There are too many who seem to think that sound work is good work, and therefore never try to make their work look as creditable as it should. The different styles of joint-wiping are so numerous, that one could go to any length describing the many eccentricities and peculiarities that are displayed in this particular branch of the trade. Of course every one has his own peculiar ideas in most matters, and no person does a thing exactly like another.

After a helper has been at the trade for a

short time, his one great ambition is to wipe a
joint. He seems to think that if he can only
manage to get a small portion of solder to ad-
here to a piece of pipe, and then so manipulate
it as to induce it to take the form of an egg or
a turnip, as the case may be, he has done some-
thing to be proud of, and soon begins to think
he ought to be a full-blown plumber. Another
question with regard to joints is the proper
lengths to make them. Some like long joints,
others prefer short ones. The advocates of long
joints say that short joints are ugly, and are not
proportionate. They are often compared to tur-
nips, and other things not quite so regular in
shape. Those who are in favor of short joints
say the long ones are not so sound, that they
will not stand a great pressure, and are liable
to sweat. It is ridiculous to make joints of
enormous lengths, when a joint made more in
proportion to the diameter of the pipe would not
only be much stronger, but would look far neat-
er, and generally require less solder. Then there
is the question of wiping-cloths. A great many
plumbers like a very thick cloth for wiping
joints, but, on the other hand, as many more
say they cannot wipe joints with thick cloths.
Many plumbers who are used to thick cloths
and can wipe joints as easily as possible, are
quite beaten if they try to use thin cloths. The
difference in the thickness of cloths is very great

in some cases. Very thin cloths are not suitable
for making joints a nice shape. When a plumb-
er gets used to a reasonably thick cloth he can
make joints far better and easier than if he used
thin ones. Generally, plumbers who use thin
cloths make joints very short and lumpy, and
bare at the ends, so that the shaving is shown
about an eighth to three-eights from the ends.
But when thicker cloths are used it is much
easier to make joints more like the proper shape.
This is very important in all joint-wiping, be-
cause wherever the shaving is left bare, the pipe
is weaker here than any other part, whereas,
if a joint is properly made, this part of it should
be the strongest. In a large number of in-
stances, when a pipe is subject to much expan-
sion and contraction, it will break at this weak
point very soon after it is fixed. It would be
difficult to say generally what should be a proper
thickness for cloths, excepting that they should
be in proportion to the width and length. Cloths
for large joints should be much thicker than
those used for small ones, because the larger the
cloth is, the more difficult it is to keep it in the
shape required for wiping the joint. If a cloth
used for making a four-inch joint were made of
only about six thicknesses of moleskin, it
would be no more, or at least but little more, use
than one generally used for three-quarter or one-
inch joints, because when a small amount of sol-

der falls on it, the cloth would bend down and let the solder fall, so that the solder would not remain in the cloth except that caught in the middle, where the hand is under it. Consequently, there is much difficulty in getting up the great heat necessary to make a large joint. Then supposing it were possible to get up the heat sufficient to wipe the joint, it is useless to try to make the point as regular as would be the case if moderately thick cloth were used. The reason is, that when the cloth is hot it gives too much to the pressure of each finger, and therefore presses unequally on the surface of the joint, making it either bare at the edges and showing the tinning, or causing the body of the joint to be irregular and bad in shape, more especially at the bottom where it is nearly bare.

A cloth should be just thick enough to prevent the impression of the fingers having any influence on the body of the joint, but at the same time it should be thin enough to allow it to be bent the shape required without any great exertion. A cloth cannot be employed like a mould used by a plasterer to mould a cornice, if it could, it would not be so difficult, and require so much practice to make a joint as it does. Although there can be no doubt that suitable tools are indispensable to the workman, yet it must be remembered, by plumbers especially, that the cloth, however well made both in size and shape,

will not make a joint without it is manipulated
by an intelligent and experienced hand.

**Wiping Horizontal Joints.** In the making of
wiped joints one of the greatest mistakes that is
generally made is that of using too thin cloths.
It is very difficult, if not altogether impossible,
to make a good shaped joint with a thin cloth.
The joints shown at A and B in Fig. 42 are
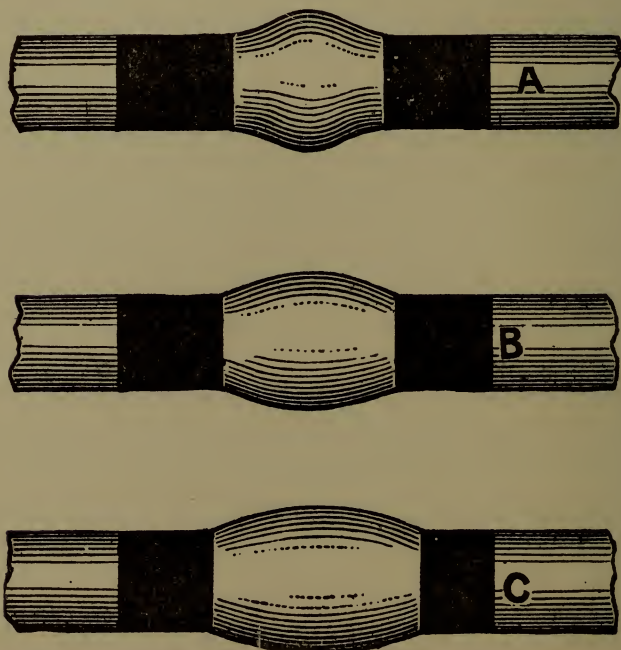


Fig. 42.

the kind of joint generally made with a thin
cloth. By thin cloths are meant about five
thicknesses of moleskin or ticking. Ticking,

however, is not nearly so suitable for the pur-
pose as moleskin. Another objection to the use
of thin cloths is their liability to get hot too
quickly. Before the joint is finished it is al-
most impossible to hold the cloth on account of
the intense heat. A cloth suitable to make a
good wiped joint should consist of about eight
thicknesses of moleskin. The width of a good
cloth should be about an inch longer than the
joint, and the length about the same or perhaps
a little longer.

It will not be found a good plan to fold up the
cloth out of one piece of material, as when the
folds are at the sides, it is difficult to make the
cloth bend as is required when in use. The bet-
ter plan is to cut the cloth into pieces, of twice
the length and exactly the same width as the
cloth is required to be when finished. These
should be folded once and then sewn together at
the edge as shown in Fig. 43. To those who
are in the habit of using thin cloths it will no
doubt be found rather awkward at first to use
thick ones, but a little practice will show that
they are much more convenient to use and will
turn out a better shaped joint as shown at C in
Fig. 42. Thin cloths after they are hot get
out of shape and give too much, with the result
that the edges of the joint are often wiped bare.
Another and very important advantage of thick
cloths is that the joints may be made much

lighter, as it does not necessarily follow that because a large amount of solder is used on a joint it is any more sound or stronger than a lighter one.

When the solder on the joint is at such a heat as to make it difficult to keep it on the pipe, it should be patted round with the cloth, and the
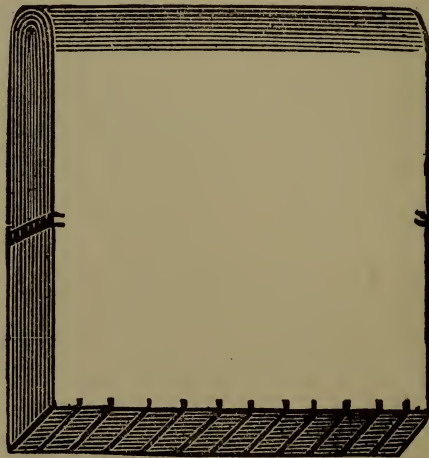


Fig. 43.

surplus solder on the edges wiped off. The cloth should now be taken in the right hand, as shown in Fig. 44, and the wiping commenced at the back of the joint. While drawing the cloth upwards, the forefinger should be used to clean the edge nearest to it, after which the little finger should be used to clean the other edge. As soon as the edges are clean, the body of the

joint can be formed with the middle of the cloth. Then take the cloth in the left hand, and pushing the surplus solder downwards, clean the outside edges of the joint with the fore and little fingers. Now take the cloth in the middle of the right hand, pressing equally with each finger so that the cloth touches the whole length of the joint, wipe round as far as is convenient with the right hand, then change quickly to the
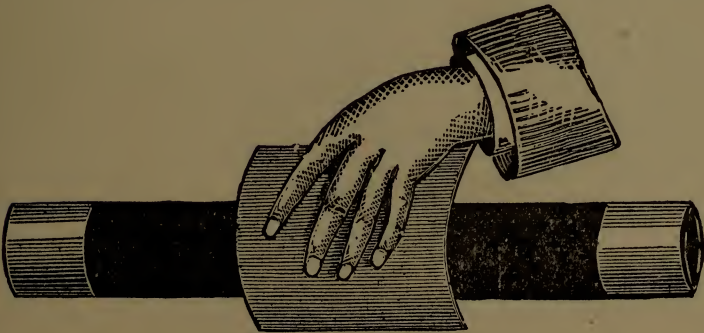


Fig. 44.

left hand and continue the wiping under the joint to the other side. It may be sometimes necessary to wipe the joint round this way two or even three times before it is smooth and clean, but it is much the better way to avoid wiping the surface more than is necessary. The sooner a joint is left alone after it is formed, the better it will be, both for looks and reliability.

**Wiping Upright Joints.** When wiping an up-

right joint as shown in Fig. 45, it is better **to** proceed by stages than to try to wipe the joint all at once. The first stage is to pour on the metal and tin the joint, that is, cause a film of solder to alloy with the surface of the pipe.
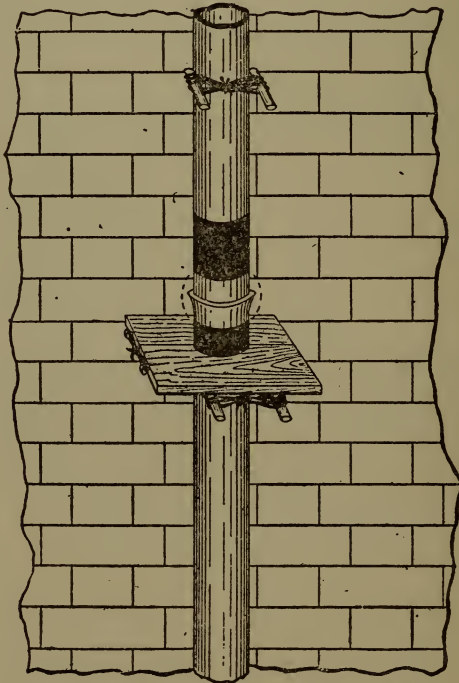


Fig. **45.**

When the above described operation has been performed, the iron should be made hot, and the joint should be splashed by means of the splash-stick, until the pipe is hot enough and

sufficient solder is on it to allow of the wiping cloth to be used. Great care should be used in melting the solder, if allowed to get red-hot the solder deteriorates. The soldering-iron should be heated to the right temperature and the bit filed clean and bright. The solder should first be splashed on the shaved portion of the pipe and then on about two inches of the soiled part at each end of the pipe. The cloth should always be held under the place where the solder is being splashed on, to catch the surplus solder. As the solder runs down the sides of the pipe and is caught in the cloth, it is pressed up against the pipe to keep up the heat and also to tin the pipe.

As soon as the pipe has been well tinned, the solder should be formed into the shape of a joint. Begin at the top of the joint, and with the hot iron in one hand and the cloth in the other, rub the iron over the solder on the joint and wipe round with the cloth quickly and lightly, working downwards until the joint is finished. When the joint has partially cooled, it may be cleansed and brightened by rubbing it over with tallow and wiping off with a clean soft rag.

**Wiping Branch Joints.** Fig. 46 shows a badly shaped joint that is often made by the use of a thin cloth, while Fig. 46a shows a joint that may be much more readily made by the

use of a thick cloth. When everything is ready and the solder is at a suitable heat, it should be splashed on very carefully while at the same time the pipe should be warmed for a few inches
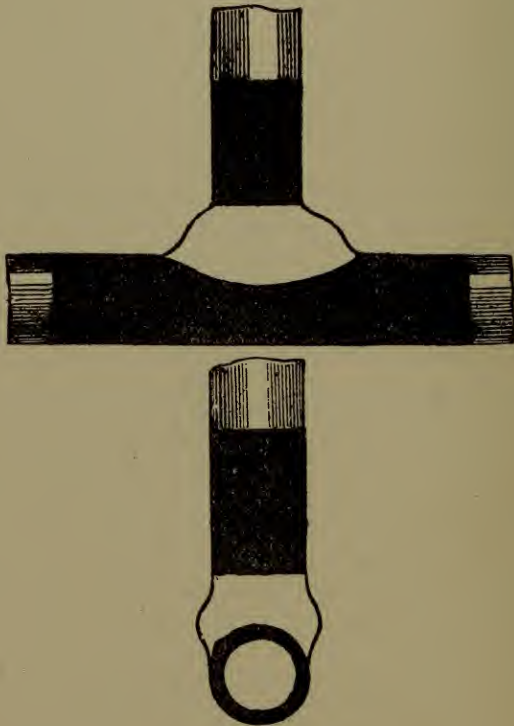
Fig. 46

each side of the joint with the solder. When the solder on the joint is at such a heat as to make it difficult to keep it on the pipe with continually drawing it up, take a small clean iron

at a dull red heat, and start wiping at one end
of the joint.   Carefully form the sides of the
joint and wipe the solder as hot as possible by
the continual application of the iron before each
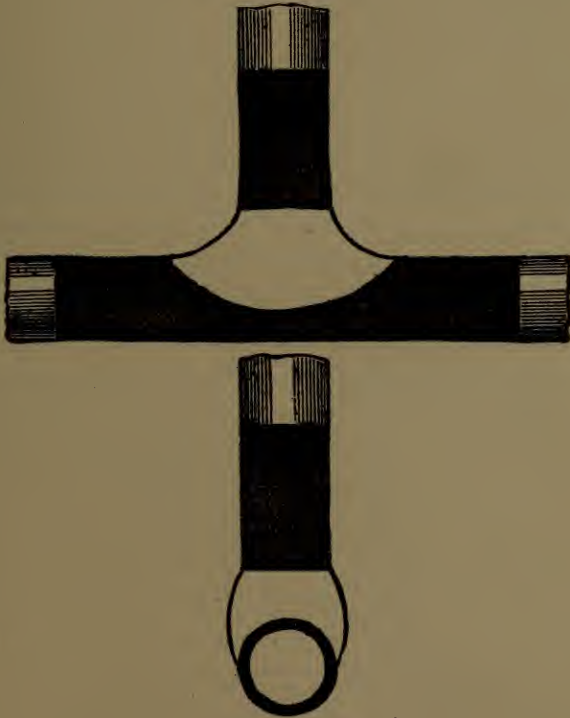


Fig. 46a

part of the joint is wiped.  Finish the joint at
the same end as it was started by drawing the
wipe-off to the outside edge of the joint.

A lead pipe can be wiped to a cast iron pipe with a fair amount of ease, but the joint will not stand satisfactorily. The best way is to file clean the end of the cast-iron pipe and then coat it with pure tin, using sal-ammoniac as a flux. The pipe is then washed to remove the sal-ammoniac, and afterwards re-tinned, using resin and grease as a flux. A plumber's joint, 3½ inches long for 4-inch pipes, is then wiped in the usual way. Great pains will have to be taken to make a good, sound, strong joint between the two metals. Nevertheless, in the course of time, it may be only a few years, the cast iron will come out of the solder. The first sign of decay will be a red ring of iron rust showing at the end of the joint. This rust will swell a little and cause the end of the soldering to curl slightly outwards. Eventually the rust will creep between the solder and the iron and destroy the adhesion of the one to the other. Only those metals that alloy together can be satisfactorily joined by soft soldering, and the solder should contain as great a proportion as possible of the metals that are to be united. The joint would, if out of doors, be subjected to temperatures ranging over 90° Fahrenheit, under such conditions the solder would expand .001251 inch, and the iron would expand .000549 inch, or less than half as much as the solder. The joint would therefore eventually become a loose ring on the iron pipe, but not on the lead pipe, as the

expansion of lead and solder do not differ materially.

Numerous experiments have been tried for overcoming the difficulty of wiping joints on ordinary tin-lined pipes, but the only method which has been found to approach success has been to insert a long nipple of tinned sheet iron, this method, however, has not been wholly successful with the ordinary make of tinned pipe. However, on a new kind of tin-lined pipe, wiped joints can be made very easily, without the tin lining melting.

It would often be a convenience if copper pipes could be united satisfactorily by wiping, but plumbers' wiped joints are of no use with copper tube, for the expansion and contraction will not permit them to remain sound, as many hot-water engineers know to their cost, brazed joints would be satisfactory, though troublesome to make. If copper pipe is thick enough to be threaded, have the fittings threaded also, and screw them together the same as with iron pipe, except that with long runs there must be expansion joints or other provision made for expansion. Even when a wiped joint on copper pipes is strongly made by sweating on a sleeve and then wiping a joint over the whole, it is doubtful if it would be permanent. It is very probable that electrolysis would set in, if the pipe is in damp ground. However, should circumstances

suggest that a wiped joint might answer, the
work is done as described below.

Wiped joints on copper pipes are longer than
wiped joints on lead pipes. Copper pipes 2 inches
or more in diameter have joints from 3½ to 4
inches long, 4-inch pipes have joints about 5
inches long, but it must be remembered that
whilst reasonable length and thickness of joint
are necessary to enable the copper pipe to with-
stand pressure and strain, the maximum time of
service does not depend on the length or thick-
ness of the joint as in lead pipe work. That
which determines practically the life of the joint
is the extent of pipe which is carefully tinned
before making the wiped joint. If the interiors
of the two pipe ends are tinned, say, for 6 to 8
inches, if the joint is cut open, in a few years'
time, it is found that the tinning has diminished
to 2 or 3 inches, a corroding action having taken
place at the end of the tinning, for this reason
it is advisable that the tinning be fairly thick,
so as to retard the separation and ultimate fail-
ure of the joint. In tinning copper, first thor-
oughly clean it with dilute sulphuric acid or
scour with sand and water, and then rinse it
with chloride of zinc, known as killed spirits.
Melt some pure tin, throw in sal-ammoniac as a
flux, and dip the copper in the tin, or pour or rub
the latter over the copper. In pipes forming a
portion of a distillery plant it is especially im-

portant that untinned spots are not left on the interiors of the pipe ends, as at such spots the destruction of the tinning commences at once. The pipe is strengthened by putting one pipe within the other, and the corrosion of the tinning is arrested when it reaches the lap. If sufficient lap is given, the pipe may be handled before the joint is wiped—a great convenience. The pipe ends are placed together, when practicable, over the iron pot containing the molten solder, which is then poured continuously over the joint until a heat is got up. This practice is not possible with lead or brass pipes, because in the one case the lead would melt, and in the other the molten zinc would leave the brass and ruin the solder. When the pipes cannot be moved, a shovel is placed beneath the joint and the solder poured on rapidly. When a thorough heat has been obtained, the joint can be wiped, with the aid of a cloth and of the mushy solder from the shovel, in much the same way as a joint on a lead pipe is wiped.

# AUTOGENOUS SOLDERING OR LEAD BURNING.

The art of lead burning has for many years been kept quite distinct from plumbing generally, it is nevertheless a branch of the trade, and one in which large numbers of plumbers are becoming very proficient. There is not required a large amount of skill or ingenuity in the execution of lead burning, because, as a matter of fact, when it is compared with first-class plumbing, it is not nearly so difficult to acquire. In most cases where lead burning was considered necessary, such for instance as lining large tanks in chemical factories especially for the manufacture of sulphuric acid, the lead was simply used in large sheets fixed with tacks to wooden framework and the edges burned together. Of late years, however, this method of burning the edges of lead together has been adopted for numerous other purposes, such as the lining of sinks for chemical laboratories, and lining cisterns in cases where the water attacks the solder.

The modern term for lead burning is "autogenous soldering." The word "autogenous" is rather an ugly one, and somewhat difficult to

define, it pertains to the word "autogeneal," which means "self-begotten or generating itself," neither of which is very appropriate to the process of lead burning. In fact the latter term is not strictly applicable, because the lead is not burnt, it is only fused. The most suitable term would be "fusing process." Instead of saying "the seams are burned," it would be better to say "the seams are fused," as this would correctly describe the action that takes place.

The simplest kind of lead burning is that known as flat seams, and which as a rule is the only kind that plumbers are likely to make use of. Professional lead burners of course are required to burn seams in many different ways, even horizontal seams overhead are sometimes necessary. When the seams of sinks and cisterns have to be burned, the joints should always be arranged about 6 inches from the angles. Because if the seams are arranged in the angles the flame of the blow-pipe is likely to catch the surface of the lead at the side and burn them through before the seam is formed. It is best also to butt the edges of the lead and not to lap them. Then when each edge has been shaved about a quarter of an inch wide, take a strip of shaved lead about half an inch wide and direct the flame on the end until a drop is melted and falls on the seam, at the same time the flame

should be directed towards the part of the seam
to be burned, for the purpose of heating it.
Then cause the flame to play upon the small
drop of lead until that and the lead upon which
it rests are fused, then draw up the flame quick-
ly.   This operation, owing to the intense heat
of the airo-hydrogen flame, occupies much less
time than it takes to describe it.   So that the
operator has to be quick in manipulating the
blast if he wishes to avoid burning the lead over
a much larger space than is desirable.   It must
not be supposed that a flowing seam like that
produced by a copper-bit and fine solder can be
formed by the burning process, this, under the
circumstances, is not possible.   Each wave has
to be formed separately by a distinct applica-
tion of the flame.   The regularity of these waves
will depend partly upon the skill of the opera-
tor, partly upon the quality of the blast and on
the purity of the lead upon which it is being used.
But like most other mechanical operations pro-
ficiency has to be attained by practice and ex-
perience.   When it is found necessary to burn
seams on the vertical side of a cistern, the lap is
generally arranged in a slanting direction for
the purpose of forming a ledge for the drops of
molten lead to rest upon until they are fused
into the seam, which is formed of a series of
drops, instead of waves.   A similar appearance

is obtained when seams are burned on an upright side of a cistern in a horizontal line.

Another very convenient way to produce a good flame for lead burning is to use compressed oxygen and coal gas. The oxygen can be obtained in steel bottles, this, being discharged under great pressure, is used for the blast instead of air, a bellows is therefore unnecessary.

When it is stated that a small sized blow-pipe of this kind with a supply of oxygen at the rate of 7 cubic feet per hour, and a gas supply through a quarter-inch pipe, will fuse a quarter-inch wrought-iron rod easily, the intense heat of the flame can be somewhat realized. Probably the oxygen method of burning would be rather costly where only small jobs of lead burning are occasionally required, but where there is a considerable amount to do the compressed oxygen would be far more preferable to the cumbersome and often troublesome hydrogen machine.

There is yet another method which has been adopted to a very large extent for lead burning, namely the use of a red-hot hatchet copper-bit.

The seam is placed, in the case of a pipe, on an iron mandrel, or if a flat seam, on an iron plate, and the hot copper-bit is drawn through, slowly fusing the lead together as it goes. A core or bed of sand will also answer the purpose.

It is, of course, a rough and ready way of

doing the work, and it involves a large amount of time and labor in cleaning off the seams. But it is nevertheless effectual, and, where more skilful means are not at hand, it often serves the purpose in a rough way. It would not, however, do for general application, in fact, in numerous instances where lead burning is required, it would not be at all practicable.

In conclusion, it may be well to point out that the idea of substituting the burning system for soldering generally in plumbers' work is not at all likely to be an accomplished fact. It is all very well for special purposes, but the art of soldering in the modern style is too well established to be ever superseded by the comparatively inartistic methods of lead fusing. Not only is lead burning not so attractive or so substantial in appearance as soldering, but it is not nearly so well adapted to general plumbers' work, and there does not at present seem any probability of it ever becoming a successful competitor.

# DRAINAGE FITTINGS.

**Soil** and **Waste** **Pipe** **Fittings.** One-quarter
and one-sixth, and one-eighth and one-sixteenth



Fig. 47.



Fig. 48.

cast iron soil pipe bends or elbows are shown
in Figs. 47 and 48 respectively, and long one-
quarter and one-eighth bend in Figs. 49 and 50.

Quarter bends with heel and side outlets are shown in Figs. 51 and 52.

A long quarter turn or sanitary bend is shown in Fig. 53.

Figures 54, 55 and 56 show a T-branch soil pipe with left-hand inlet, a sanitary T-branch



Fig. 49.



Fig. 50.

with right-hand inlet and a Y-branch with right-hand inlet, respectively.

A plain T-branch, a sanitary T-branch, a Y-branch and a half Y-branch are shown in Figs. 57, 58, 59 and 60.
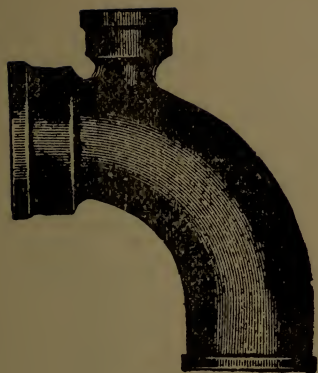
Fig. 51.

Fig. 52.

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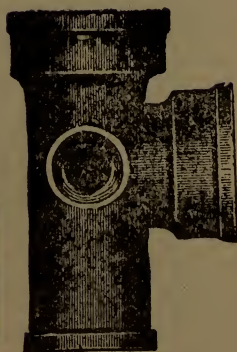
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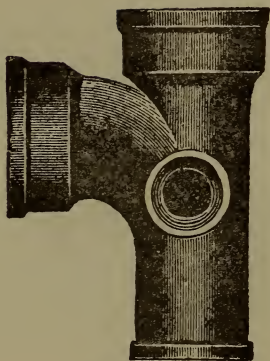
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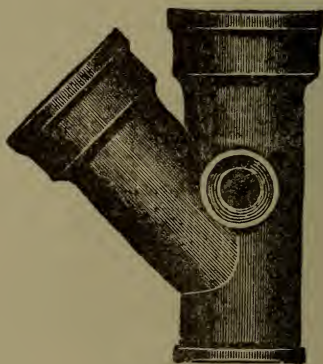


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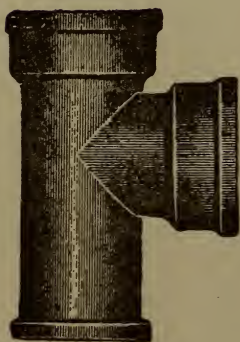


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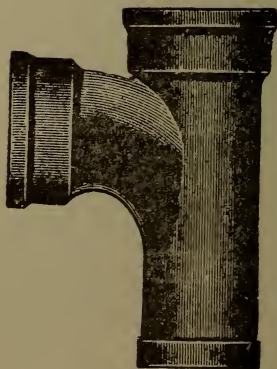


Fig. 58.

A plain T-branch, a sanitary T-branch, a cross and a sanitary cross all tapped for iron pipe are shown in Figs. 61 and 62.
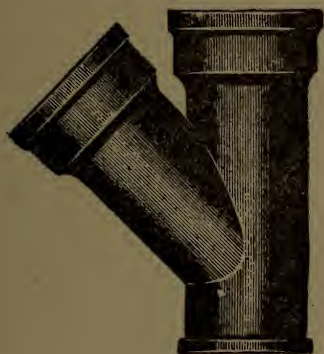


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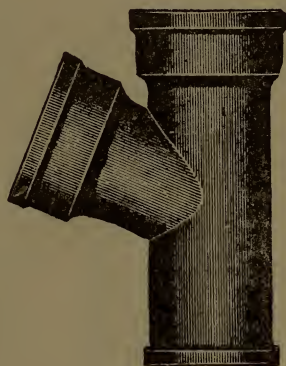


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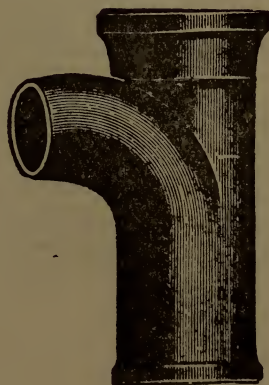




Fig. 61.

A plain cross, a sanitary cross, a double **Y**-branch and double half Y-branch are shown **in** Figs. 63, 64, 65 and 66.
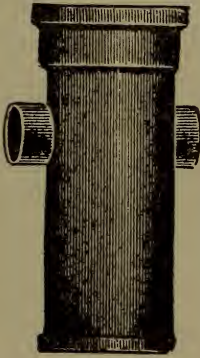


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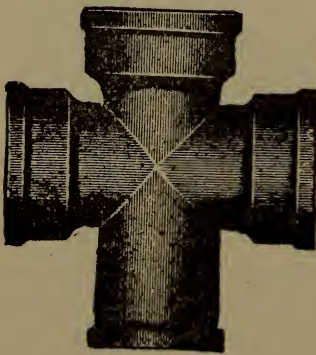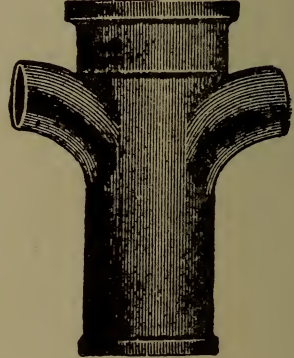


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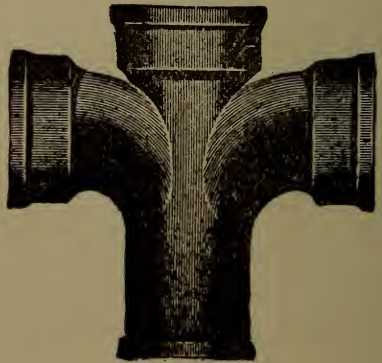
Fig. 64.

A ventilating cap and a Y-saddle hub are il-lustrated in Fig. 67, and half Y-saddle hub and a T-saddle hub in Fig. 68.
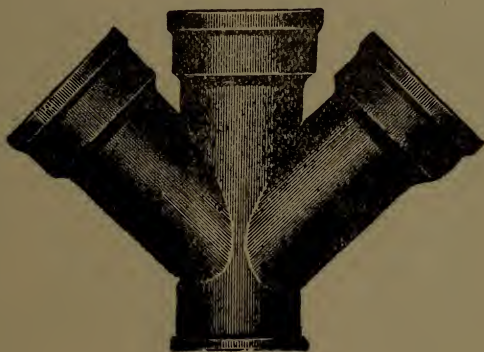


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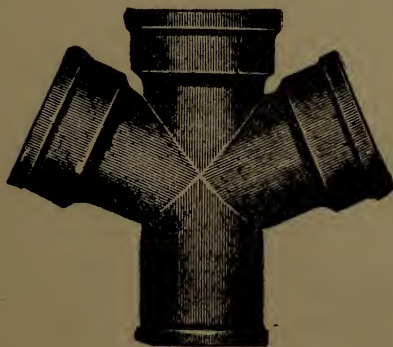


Fig. 66.

A ventilating branch tapped for iron pipe, an inverted Y-branch and a plain ventilating branch pipe are shown in Figs. 69, 70 and 71.
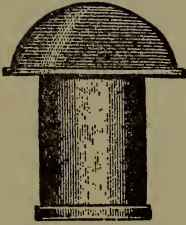
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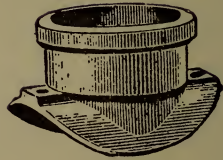


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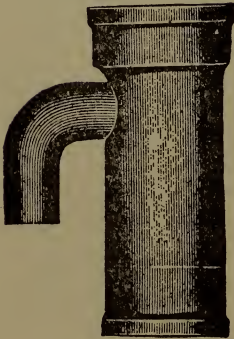


Fig. 69.

Fig. 70.

A T-branch, a sanitary T-branch and a Y-branch with trap-screw are shown in Figs. 72, 73 and 74.



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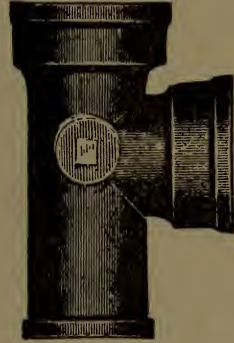


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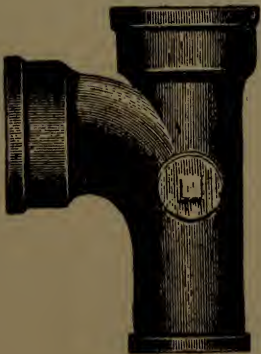


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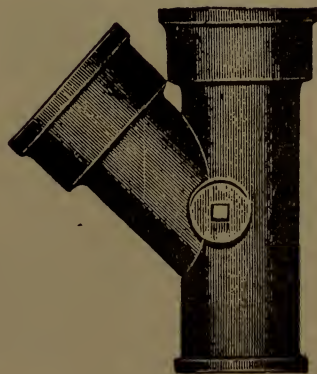


Fig. 74.

**Traps.** A running trap with hand-hole and cover, and one with two hub-vents are illustrated in Figs. 75 and 76.



Fig. 75.



Fig. 76.

A full S-trap, a three-quarter S-trap and a half S-trap, are illustrated in Figs. 77, 78 and 79.

An S-trap, a three-quarter S-trap and a half
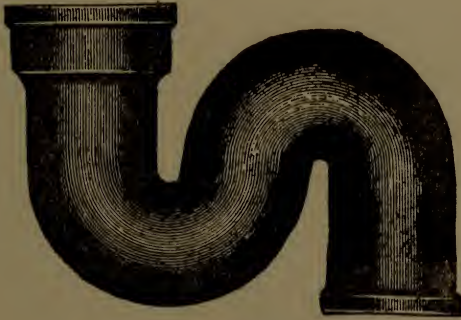


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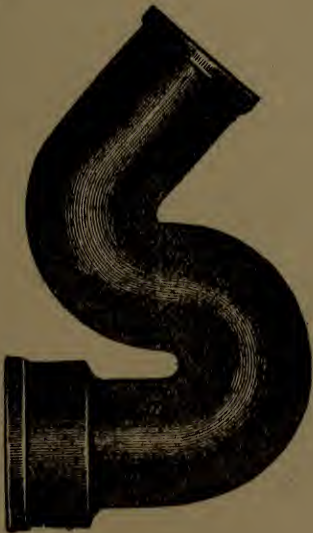


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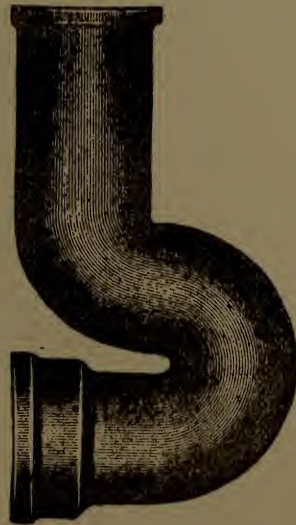


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S-trap, all with hand-hole and cover, are shown in Figs. 80, 81 and 82.
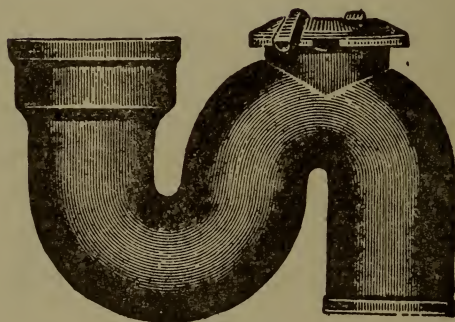


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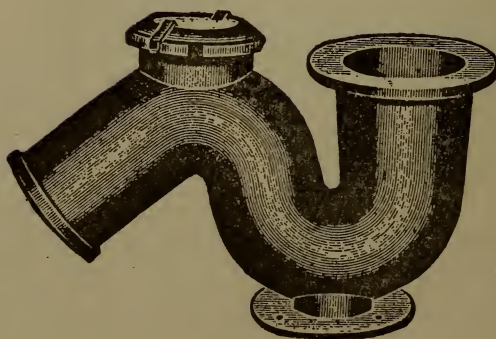


Fig. 81.

A full S-trap, a three-quarter S-trap and a half S-trap all with top vent are shown in Figs. 83, 84 and 85.
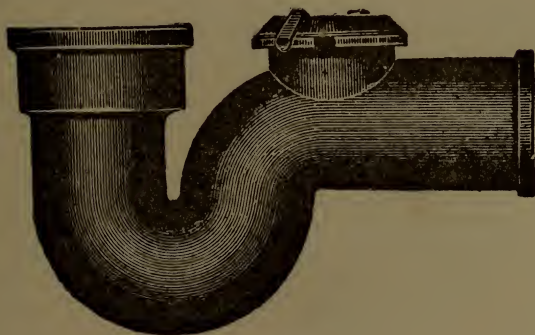


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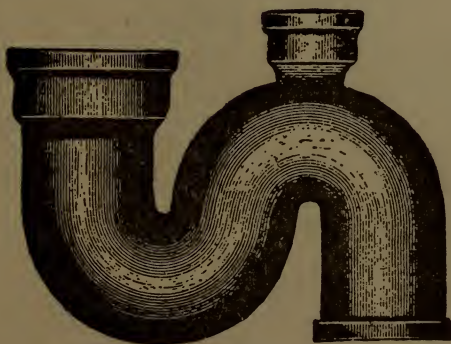


Fig. 83.

A plain running trap and a running trap with hub-vent are illustrated in Figs. 86 and 87.

**Lead Traps.** Traps with full S, three-quarter



Fig. 84.
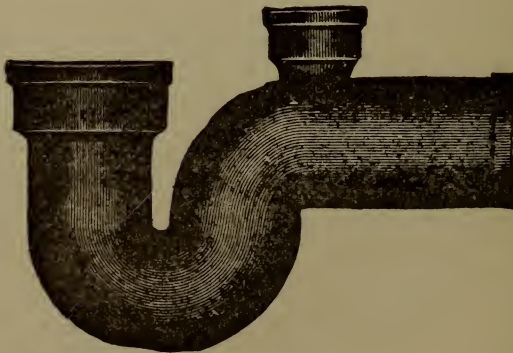


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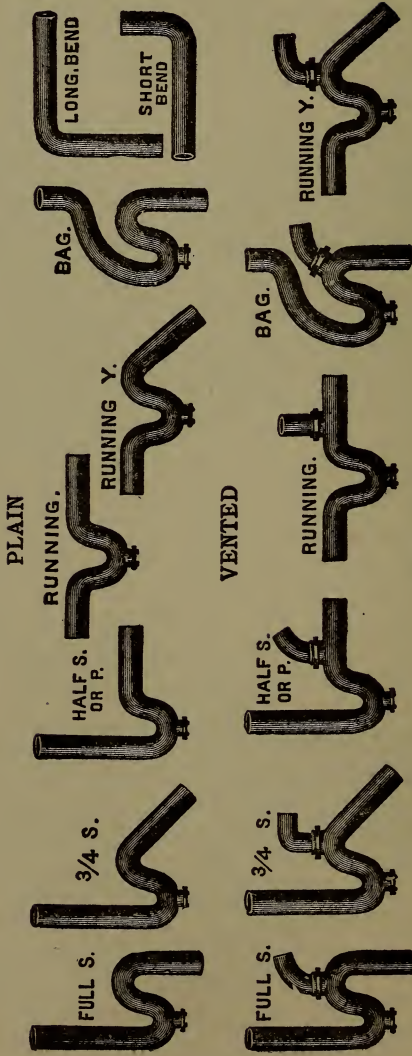S, half S or P and running bends are shown
in Fig. 88, both plain and vented.



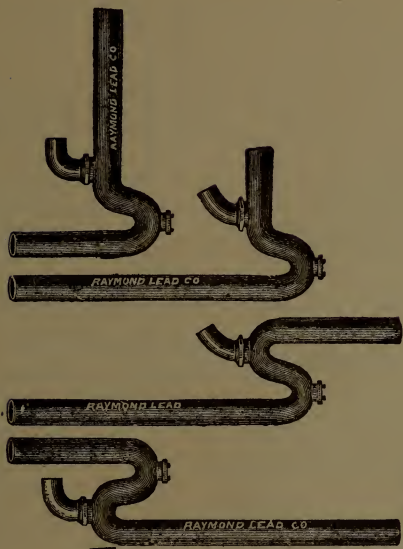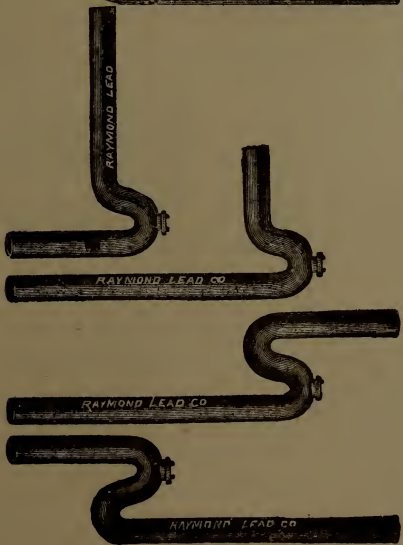Fig. 86.
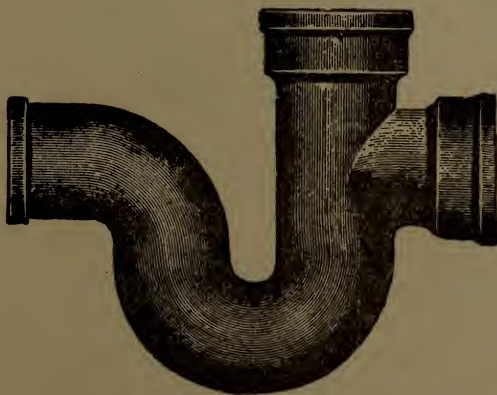


Fig. 87.

Lead Traps

Fig. 88.

EXTRA LONG—Vented

EXTRA LONG—Plain

FULL S TRAPS
Fig. 89.

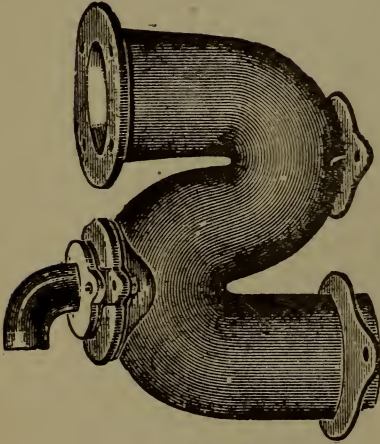Extra long plain and vented S-traps are also shown in Fig. 89.
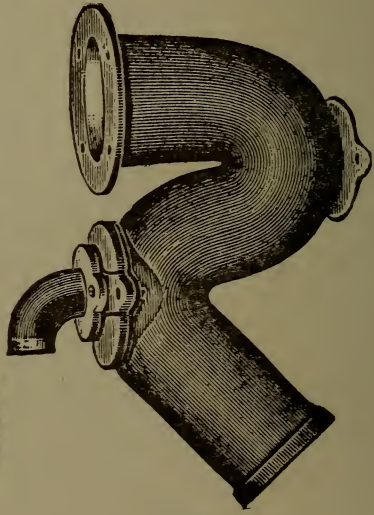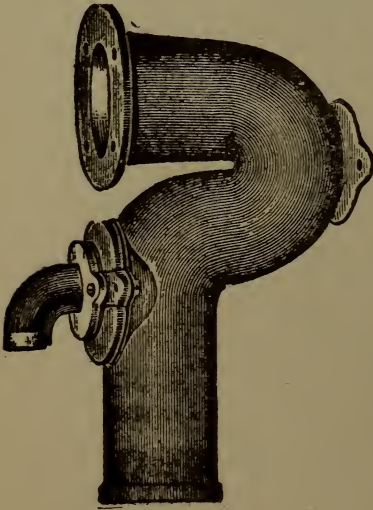
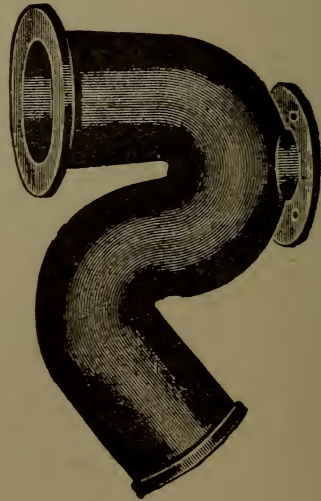
Fig. 90.


Fig. 91.


Fig. 92.


Fig. 93.

**Hopper Traps.** A high pattern S-trap for lead pipe connections is shown in Fig. 90, and a high pattern three-quarter and half S-trap for iron pipe connections in Figs. 91 and 92.



Fig. 94.                    Fig. 95.



Fig. 96.

A plain three-quarter S high pattern hopper trap, a three-quarter S high pattern hopper trap with hub-vent and three-quarter S high pattern



Fig. 97.
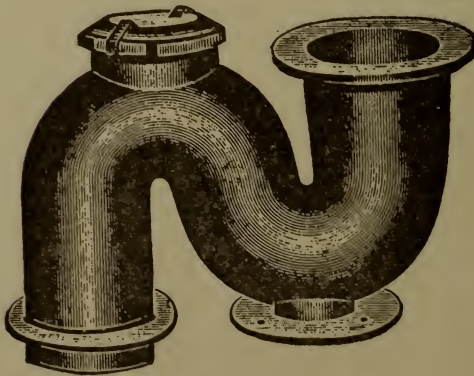


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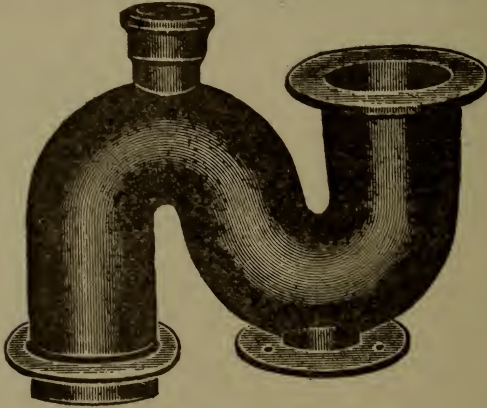hopper trap with hand hole and cover, are shown in Figs. 93, 94 and 95.

A high pattern plain S-trap, a high pattern S-

trap with hub-vent and a high pattern S-trap with hand hole and cover, all for lead pipe connections, are shown in Figs. 96, 97 and 98.

The same style of S-traps only for iron pipe connections are shown in Figs. 99, 100 and 101.
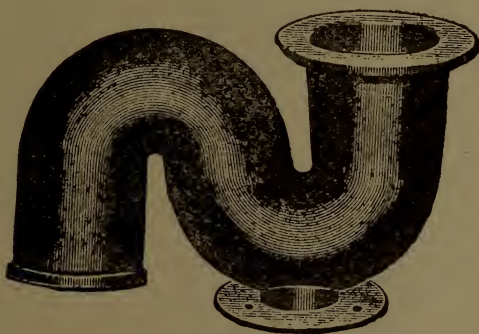


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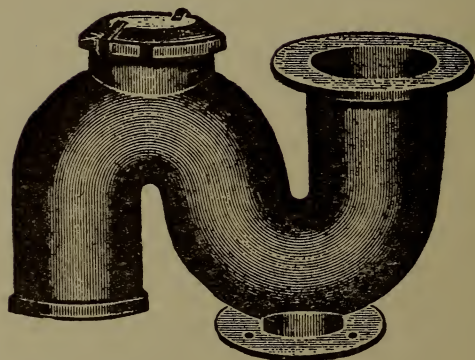
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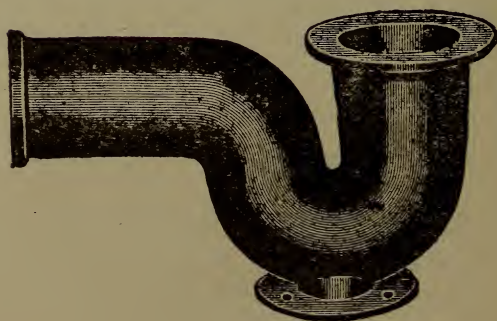


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A half S-trap plain, a half S-trap with **hub-**vent and a half S-trap with hand hole and **cover** are shown in Figs. 102, 103 and 104.

Sewer gas and back water traps are shown in Fig. 105. They have hand holes and covers and
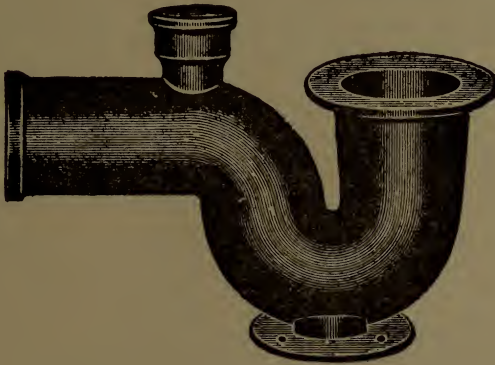


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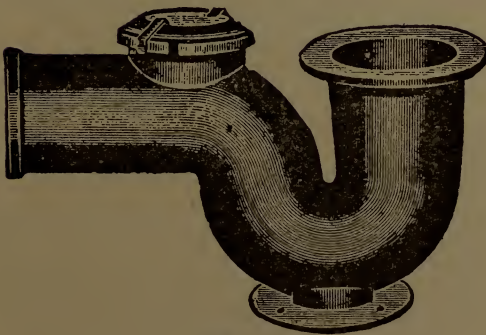


Fig. 104.

swing check valves to prevent any back flow of water.
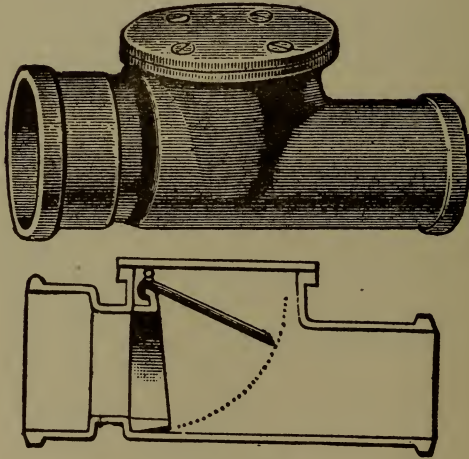


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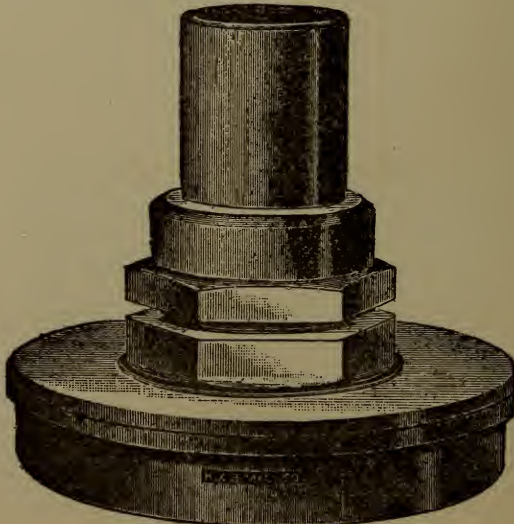


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Brass trap caps with straight and bent couplings are shown in Figs. 106 and 107.

**Cleanouts.** Cleanouts with hand-hole and swivel cover, with hand-hole and bolted cover



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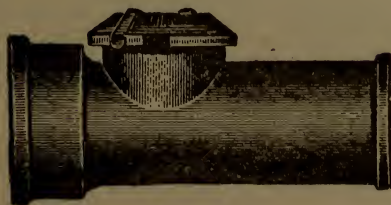


Fig. 108.

and with brass trap-screw are shown in Figs. 108, 109 and 110.
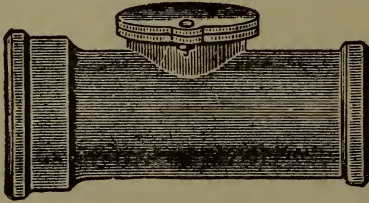


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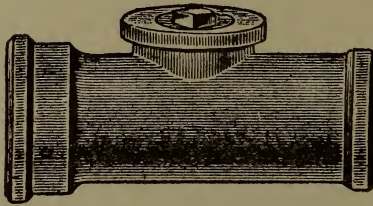


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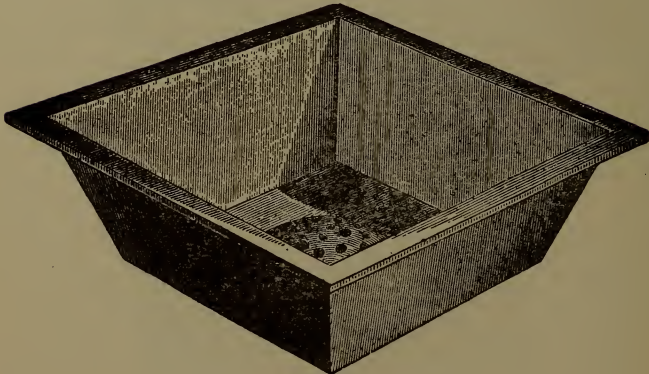


Fig. 111.

**Cesspools.** A hydrant cesspool for use with cellar or outdoor hydrants is shown in Fig. 111. A stable cesspool with bell-trap and grating is
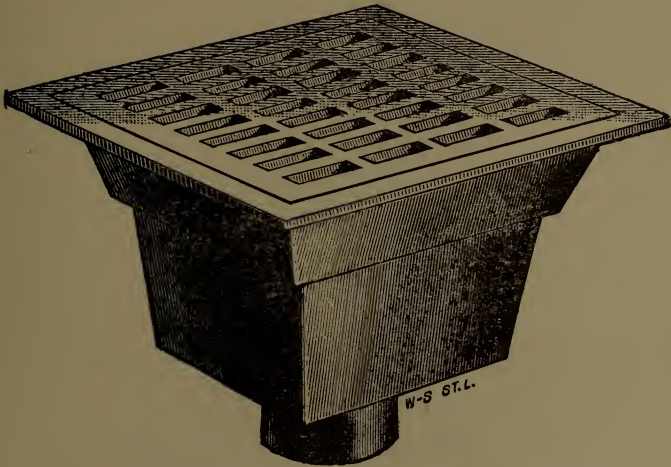


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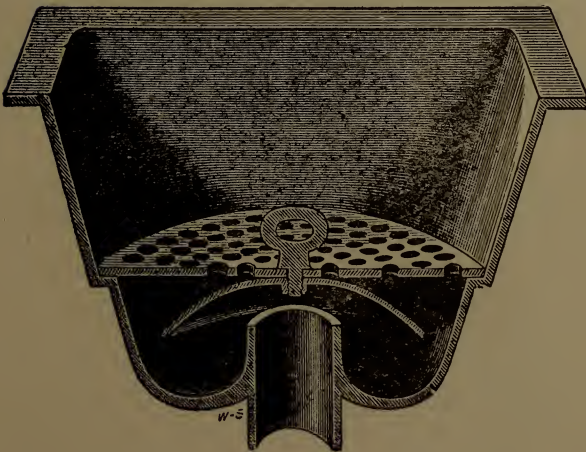


Fig. 113.

illustrated in Fig. 112, while Fig. 113 shows a slop sink with bell-trap and strainer. A cellar cesspool with bell-trap and grating of rectangular shape is shown in Fig. 114, while one of circular shape is illustrated in Fig. 115.
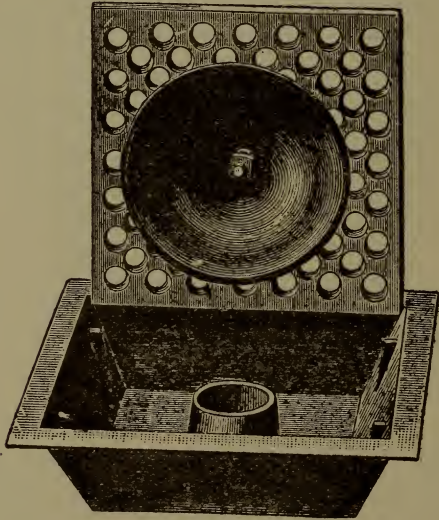


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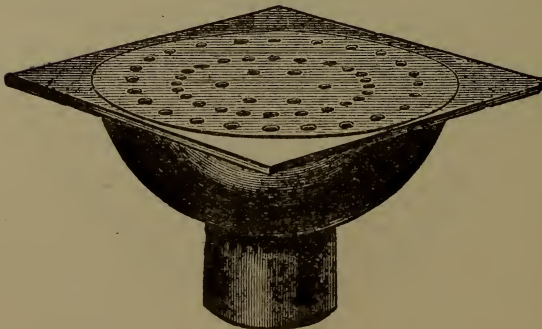


Fig. 115.

# SANITARY PLUMBING.

**The Bathroom.** There are good reasons why a bathroom should be finished in the best manner in preference to any other room in the house. As a rule, the bathroom is more used than any other room in the house except the kitchen. It requires the best material to stand such constant use, and it is always economy to have the best material for purposes where hard usage or work is to be performed. Without a good finish, with the proper materials for this purpose, the bathroom cannot be kept in a sanitary condition. From the sanitary condition of the bathroom the sanitary condition of the entire house may be judged. Any person who pays attention to the sanitary condition of a house, can also tell the nature of the people who occupy it. Where the bathroom is neglected, scarcely any other part of the house will be in a proper sanitary condition.

A bathroom should be well·lighted with windows, so that the sunlight may come in. It should be heated to a much higher temperature than any other room in the house, and should be thoroughly ventilated. The walls, doors, and casings should be of such material that they will

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be proof against water and steam. The floors should never be covered with carpet, as it is a very unsanitary thing in any bathroom. Hard wood makes a good floor for a bathroom.

The bathroom of the modern house is often the most expensive room in the house, as today people who have both taste and means are spending large sums of money in securing the most sanitary fixtures for the bathroom and the highest degree of art in everything pertaining to the bathroom. Fig. 116 shows a bathroom in which all the fixtures are open work, a roll-rimmed porcelain lined bathtub with carved brass feet, and also screen shower attachment, a sitz bath of the same material and finish as the bathtub, a syphon closet with low down flush tank, a washbowl with nickel-plated legs and brackets as supports, also nickel-plated supply and waste fixtures.

**Bathtubs.** In Fig. 117 is shown a porcelain roll rim bathtub. This is a sanitary article in every manner, as it requires no woodwork about it, and as this bathtub is made entirely of one piece, there is no chance for dirt to lodge in any part of it. This bathtub will last a life-time; once properly set there will be no further expense for repairs. The porcelain bathtub is not without some fault or disadvantage; it is very heavy to handle. It is no easy matter to carry a bathtub of this kind up one or two

Fig. 117.

flights of stairs and land it safely to where it is
to be set. It requires the greatest care in hand-
ling. In using the porcelain bathtub it has an-
other bad point in being very cold to the touch
until it has become entirely warm from the hot
water.

What is styled a corner porcelain bathtub is
illustrated in Fig. 118, the back and end of the
tub are to be built into the wall, and the base sets
into the floor. It is fitted with nickel-plated
combination bell supply and waste fittings, which
are connected directly to the bathtub itself.

Three styles of porcelain enameled bathtubs
are shown in Figs. 119, 120 and 121, the supply
and waste are connected directly to the bathtubs
shown in Figs. 119 and 120, while the bathtub
shown in Fig. 121 has only the waste and over-
flow connections on the tub.

A solid porcelain roll rim sitz bath is illus-
trated in Fig. 122. It is fitted with nickel-plated
combination bell supply and waste fittings.

A porcelain enameled footbath is shown in
Fig. 123, it is also fitted with nickel-plated com-
bination bell supply and waste fittings.

Fig. 124 illustrates a combination spray and
shower bath with rubber curtain and porcelain
enameled roll rim receptor.

The proper sanitary plumbing connections for
a bathtub are shown in Fig. 125. The cast iron
soil pipe is 4 inches in diameter, the main air
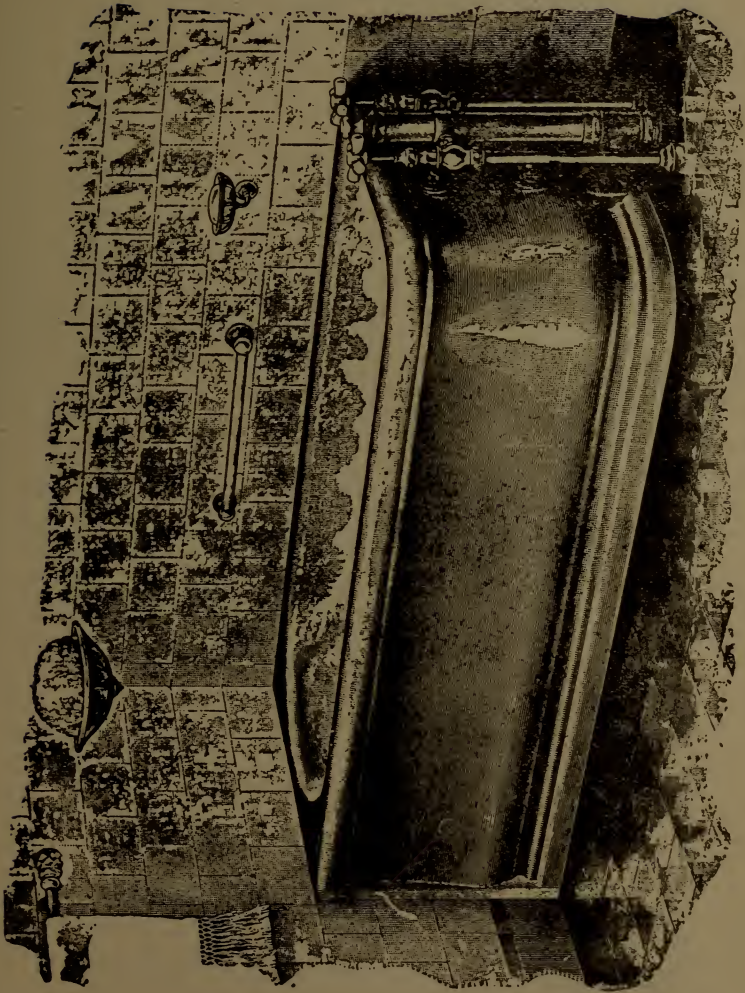
FIG. 118

Fig. 119.

Fig. 120.

Fig. 121.

pipe 2 inches, and the air-vent pipe on the connection leading from the trap 1½ inches; the waste and overflow from the tub are also 1½ inches in diameter.

**Water Closets.** The washout closet is, perhaps, the best sanitary water closet, and they
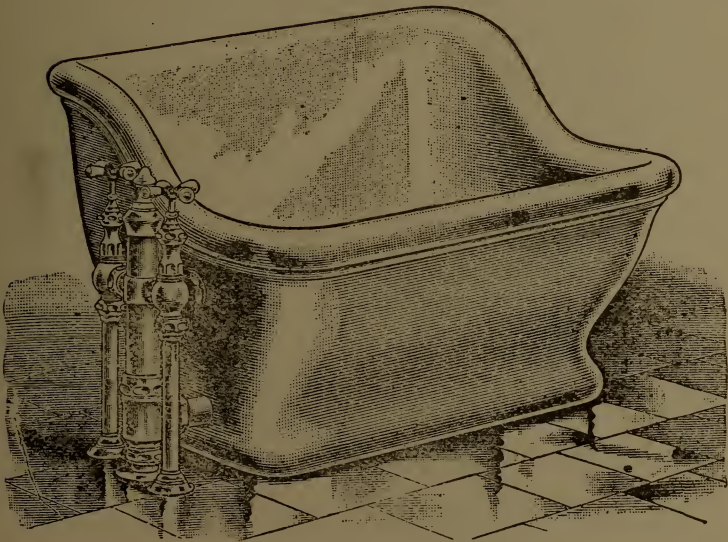


Fig. 122.

are made by nearly all manufacturers of sanitary fixtures. This closet is made with the bowl and trap combined in one single piece. The washout closet would be almost perfect if it were set up and connected as intended to be, and with a good local vent connected. The local

vent is the best possible thing that could be attached to a water closet, but, like all other arrangements, it must be made in such a way so that it will operate at all times and during every condition of the atmosphere. The local vent is



Fig. 123.

connected to the bowl of the closet for the purpose of taking away the air from the bowl of the closet in the room where it may be located, so that no foul odors while being used will pass from the closet to the room.

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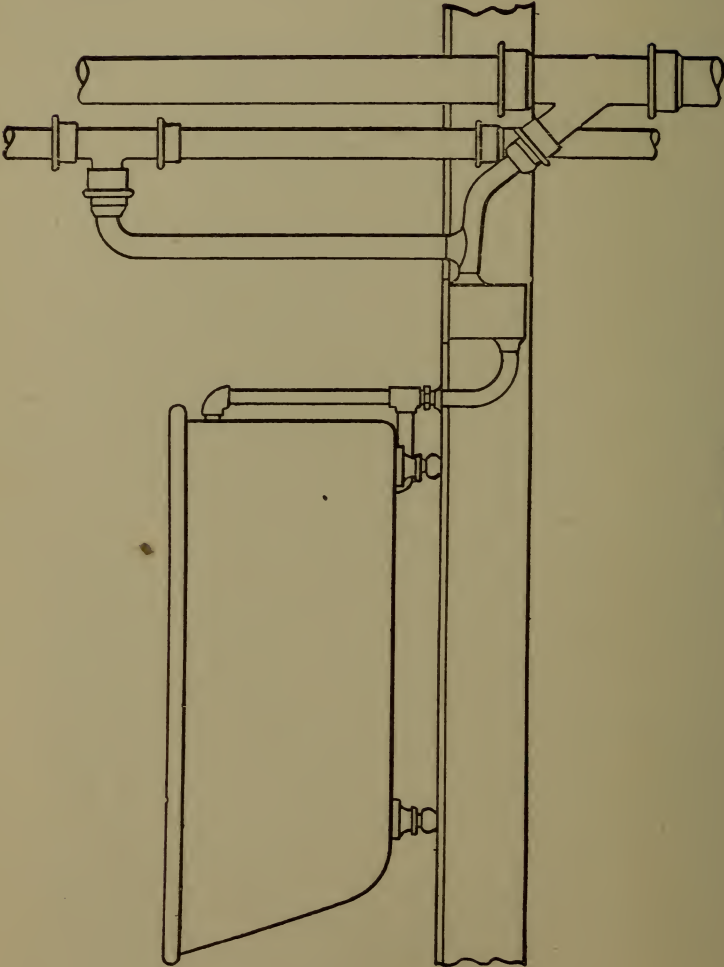
Fig. 125.

To make the local vent work satisfactorily at all times it will be necessary to arrange the pipes so that there would always be a suction in the pipe drawing from the point which is connected with the water closet bowl. This pipe can never be connected with the main ventilating shaft of the soil pipe, but must escape from the house by some other channel. In order to cause this local current of air to pass up and out of the house from the water closet bowl, it will be necessary to provide some artificial heat for this purpose. And where it is possible to connect to a chimney flue that is always warm when the house is occupied, the desired result may be had without any additional expense.

The washout closet is far from being an ideal sanitary fixture. It is an improvement over the hopper style of closet, yet its principle is not correct because it does not wash out. The objection to the washout closet is, that its bowl becomes filthy in a short time, and without having attached to it a local vent the bad odors from the bowl become unbearable. In the bowl of the washout closet there is too much dry surface, and the soil clings to it and cannot be washed off with the flow of water as it falls from the tank. The appearance of the inside of this closet is also very bad, especially the style of washout with the back outlet as shown in Fig. 126.

Fig. 127 shows a washout closet with front outlet.

A short oval flushing rim hopper water closet, with trap and air vent on the top of syphon is shown in Fig. 128.

Two styles of seat operated water closets are shown in Figs. 129 and 130, one with long hop-

Fig. 126.

per without trap and the other with short hopper and trap. The seat is normally kept open by the weight shown to the right, when depressed by the act of a person sitting upon the closet, the small arm or lever attached to the

Fig. 127.



Fig. 128.

seat comes into contact with the plunger valve, causing the water to flow as long as the seat is down.

A syphon jet water closet with low down tank



Fig. 129.

is shown in Fig. 131. It is necessary with this style of tank to increase the diameter of the flush pipe in order to induce syphonage in the closet. With this increased opening a large quan-

tity of water is thrown into the closet, which is
sufficient to make the syphon operate.

A prison water closet with short hopper and
trap to wall connection is shown in Fig. 132.   A



Fig. 130.

self-closing faucet is connected to the flushing
rim.

A syphon jet closet set up complete with hard-

Fig. 131.

wood, copper-lined syphon tank and concealed
water supply pipe is shown in Fig. 133.

Water closet seats with legs and with or
without lid are shown in Figs. 134 and 135.

The proper sanitary plumbing connections for
a washout water closet are shown in Fig. 136.
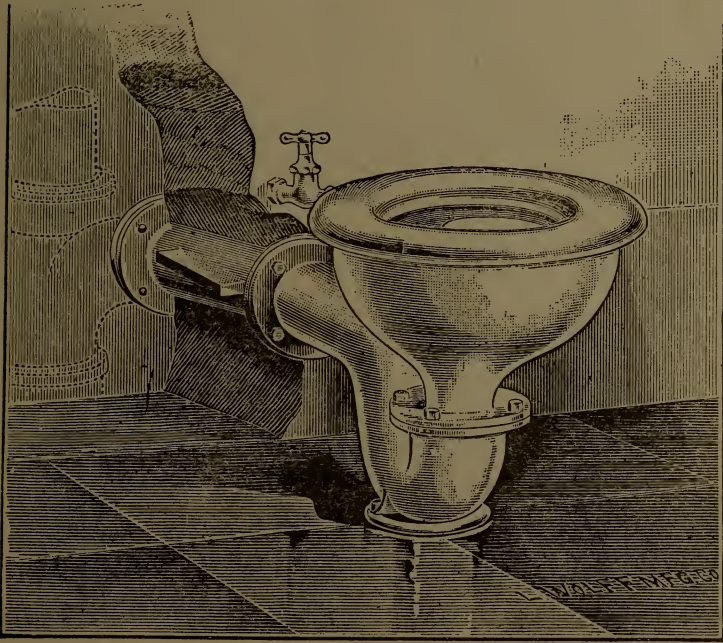


Fig. 132.

The cast iron soil pipe and the lead elbow
which connects the trap of the closet with the
soil pipe are both 4 inches inside diameter while
the air-vent from the lead elbow and the main

Fig. 133.

Fig. 134.



Fig. 135.

air pipe are 2 inches inside diameter. The air-vent pipe is of lead and the main air pipe of cast iron.

**Urinals.** A flat back porcelain urinal is illus-
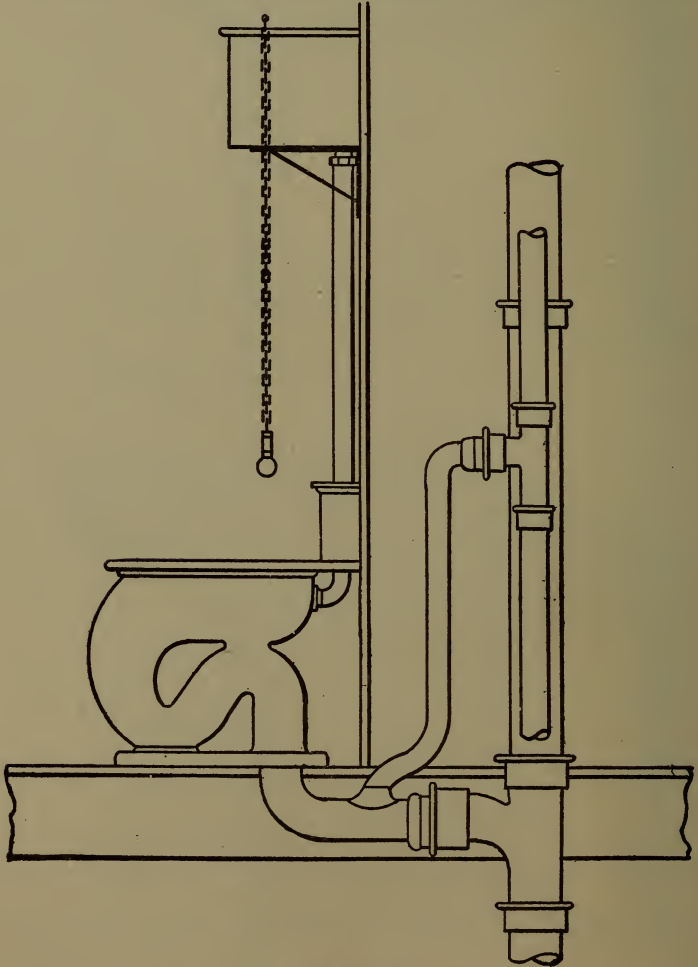


Fig. 136.

trated in Fig. 137, and corner porcelain urinals
in Figs. 138 and 139.  These are adapted for use
in hotels and office buildings.
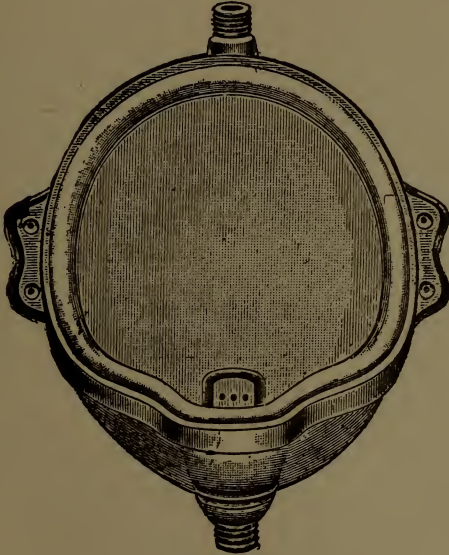
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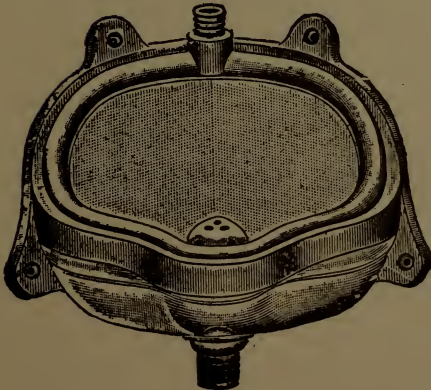
Fig. 188.

Individual stall urinals are shown in Figs. 140 and 141. The one shown in Fig. 140 has a plain stall with floor trough and spray pipe, while the one shown in Fig. 141 has urinal bowls or hoppers attached to the back wall. A complete toilet room containing closets, urinals and washbowls is shown in Fig. 142. This represents the interior of a toilet room in a hotel or office building.
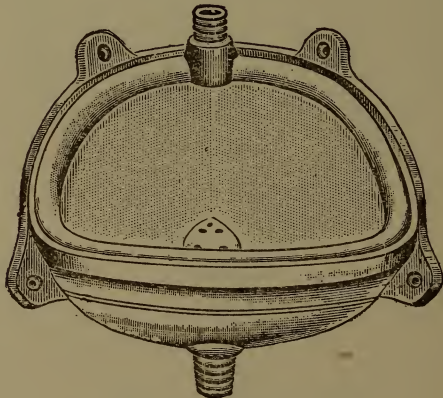


Fig. 139.

**Washbowls.** A job which requires experience and good judgment is the setting of porcelain washbowls to marble slabs. Although it may look like an easy job, no one can do this work well unless having had considerable experience. In setting washbowls to marble slabs there are some things to be considered, and to accomplish these things in a satisfactory manner there must

be some calculations made. To have a wash-
bowl properly fitted to a marble slab it is neces-
sary to grind the flange of the bowl so that it
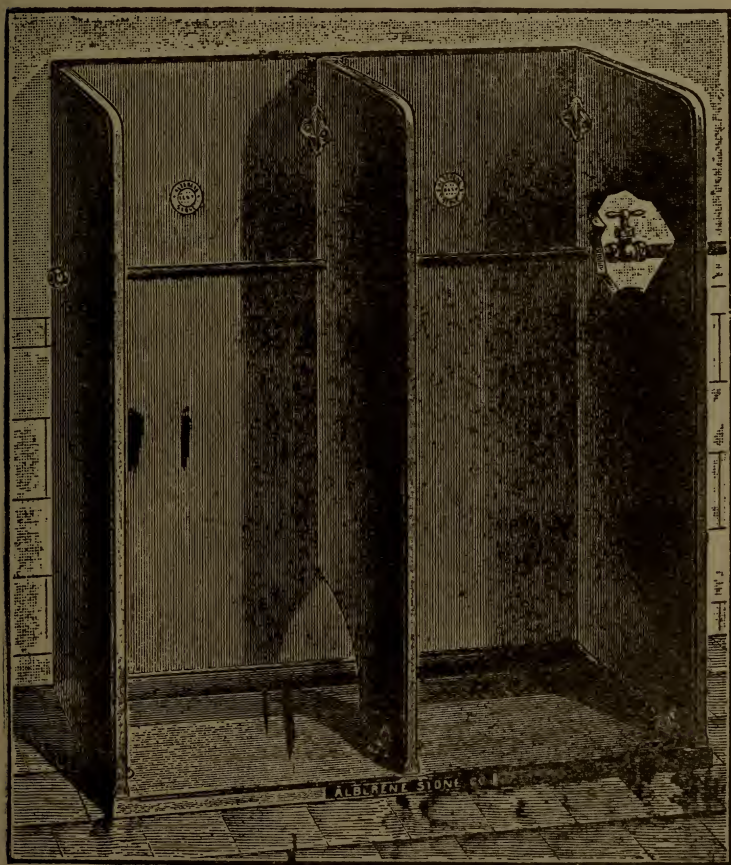


Fig. 140.

will lay level on the slab. This has to be done
by rubbing the upper surface of the flange of the

bowl on the marble, using sand and water on the marble, until the top edge of the bowl is perfectly flat and level. This grinding action
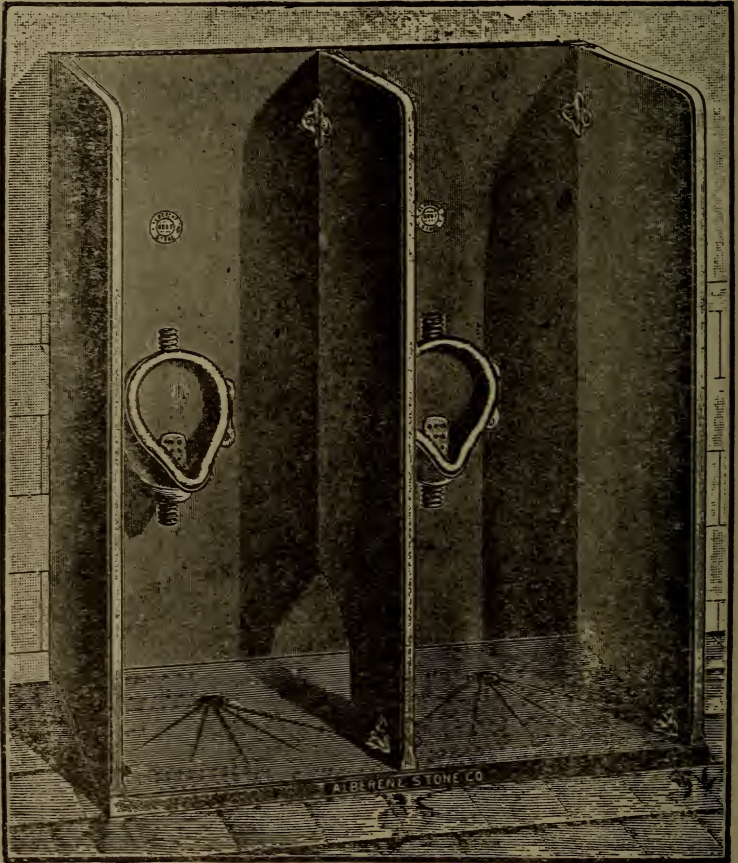


Fig. 141.

also takes off the glazed surface and allows the plaster-of-Paris to take hold of the procelain
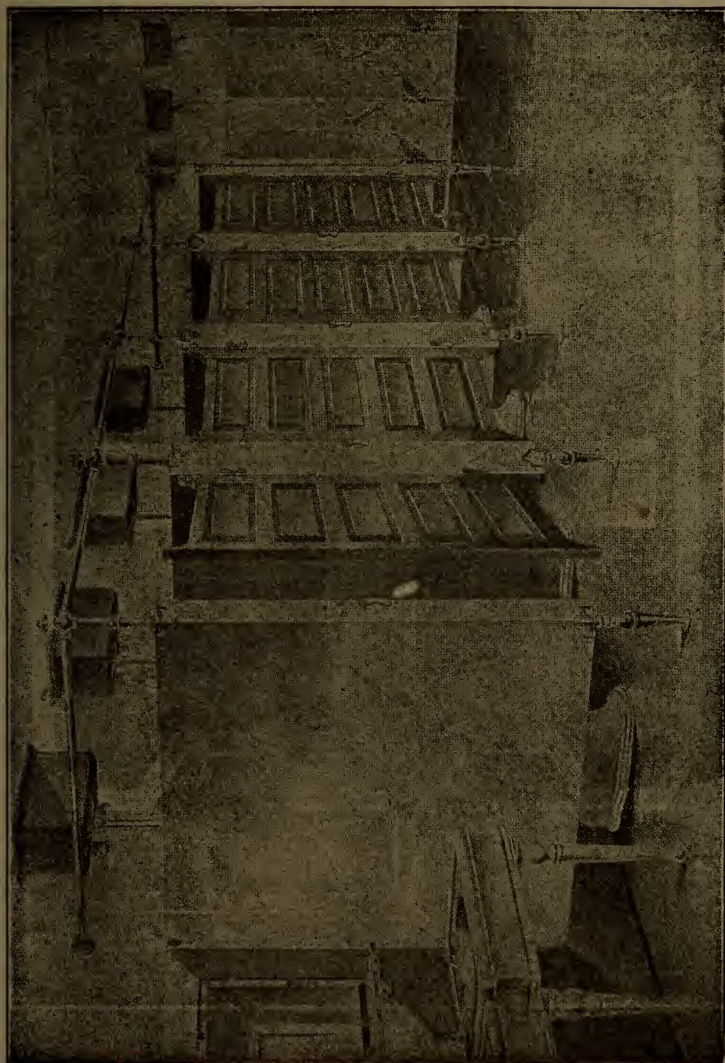
Fig. 142.

and make a perfect joint. The bowl must be set
perfectly even all around with the hole in the
slab. The less plaster used in setting bowls the
better. It is a poor job that has to be filled up
with a large amount of plaster. To get the posi-
tion of the holes for the bowl clamps, it will be
necessary to mark on the back of the slab the
exact position of the edge of the bowl, then
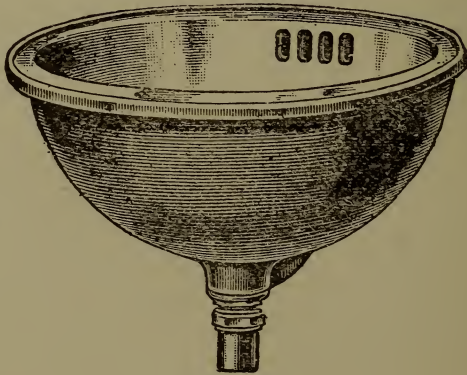


Fig. 143.

space off the distance and drill the slab for at
least four clamps. In drilling the slab for the
clamp holes the polished surface of the slab must
rest on the floor, and in order not to scratch or
injure it the slab should have under it a bed of
some soft and clean material. The clamps should
be well calked into the slab with melted lead,
and made so that they will not shake nor pull
out.

Independent bowls for attaching to marble

slabs are shown in Figs. 143 and 144. They are
provided with brass plugs and coupling and
rubber stopper for the waste.

A roll-edge washbowl with removable strainer
at the overflow, nickel-plated plug and coupling
and rubber stopper, and bronzed brackets is
shown in Fig. 145.

A half-circle roll edge washbowl with high
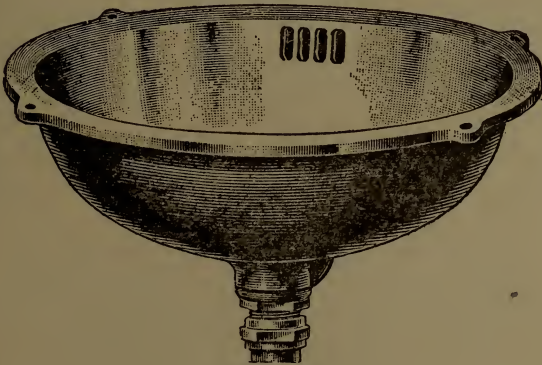


Fig. 144.

back and apron, cast in one piece, is shown in
Fig. 146.

Fig. 147 shows a roll-edge oval washbowl with
overflow with removable strainer, bronzed brack-
ets, nickel-plated plug and coupling and rubber
stopper.

A roll-edge corner washbowl with oval bowl,
removable nickel-plated strainer, nickel-plated
plug and coupling and rubber stopper is shown
in Fig. 148.

Fig. 145.



Fig. 146.
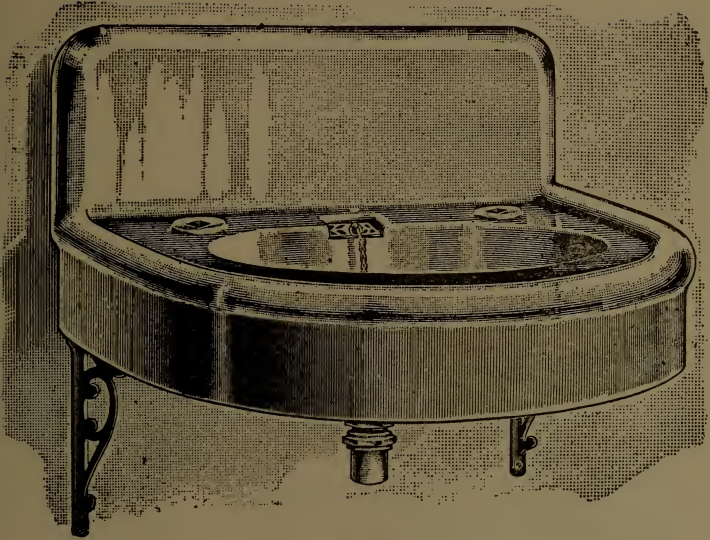
Fig. 147.



Fig. 148.

A roll-edge slab and bowl with ideal waste is shown in Fig. 149. It has a round bowl and high back.

A vertical cross section of the above bowl showing the ideal waste is given in Fig. 150.

The proper sanitary plumbing connections



Fig. 149.

for a washbowl are shown in Fig. 151. The cast iron soil pipe is 4 inches in diameter. The waste pipe from the bowl and the air-vent pipe from the top of the syphon are 1½ inches and the main air pipe 2 inches in diameter.

**Drinking Fountains.** A solid porcelain double

roll edge drinking fountain with back and bowl in one piece is shown in Fig. 152. It has a self-closing faucet and nickel-plated drip-cup with strainer. A one-piece solid porcelain drinking fountain with roll-edge bowl is shown in Fig.
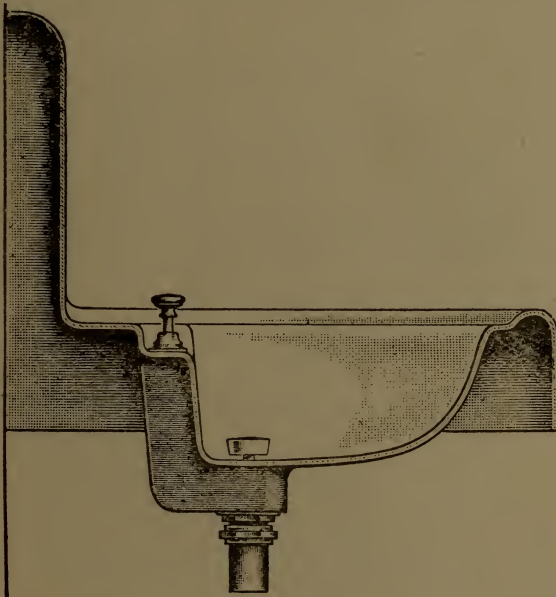


Fig. 150.

153. It has a self-closing faucet and nickel-plated half S-trap.

A marble drinking fountain is shown in Fig. 154, which has a counter sunk slab and high back, nickel-plated Fuller pantry cock, drip-cock with shield, nickel-plated supply pipe, and trap with vent and waste to wall.
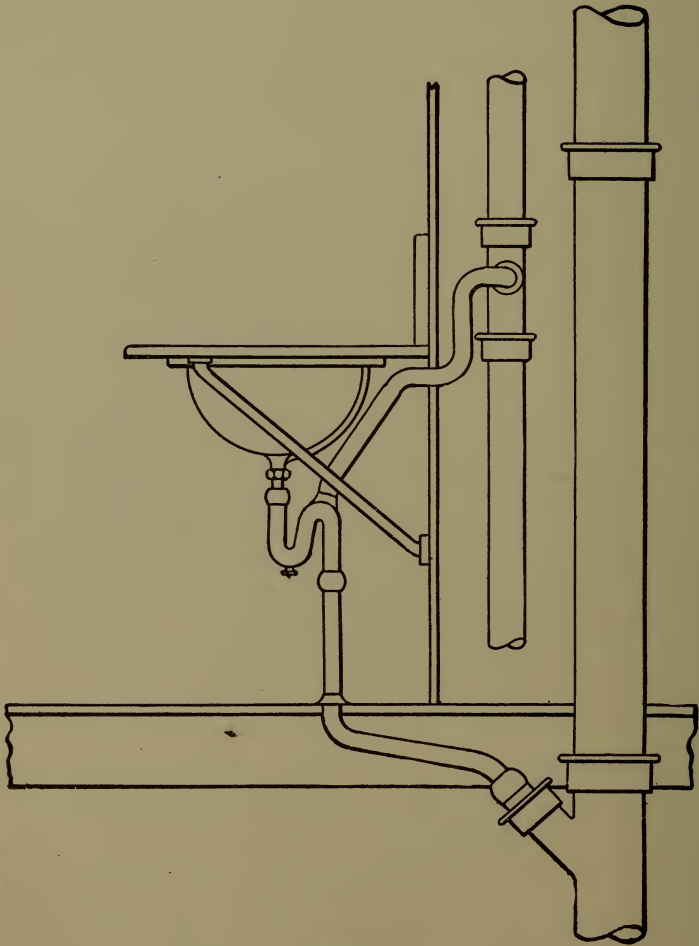
Fig. 151.

Drinking fountains of the type shown in Figures 152 and 153 are now prohibited by law in the public places of many cities; bubbling fountains being required instead.

**Sinks.** The enameled iron sink is a great advancement in sanitary improvements.     When
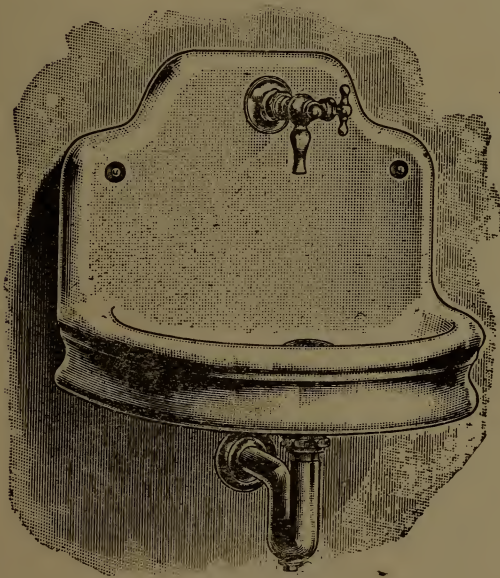


Fig. 152.

made properly and used for light work it is all that could be desired, because it is coated with a material which wears well, and is also proof against the action of gases or acids. It has a smooth finish and is easily kept clean, but it is not suitable for heavy or rough work.  In the

larger sinks this enameled coating cracks off
easily when heavy utensils are placed in it,
which causes the sink to bend, and the enamel,
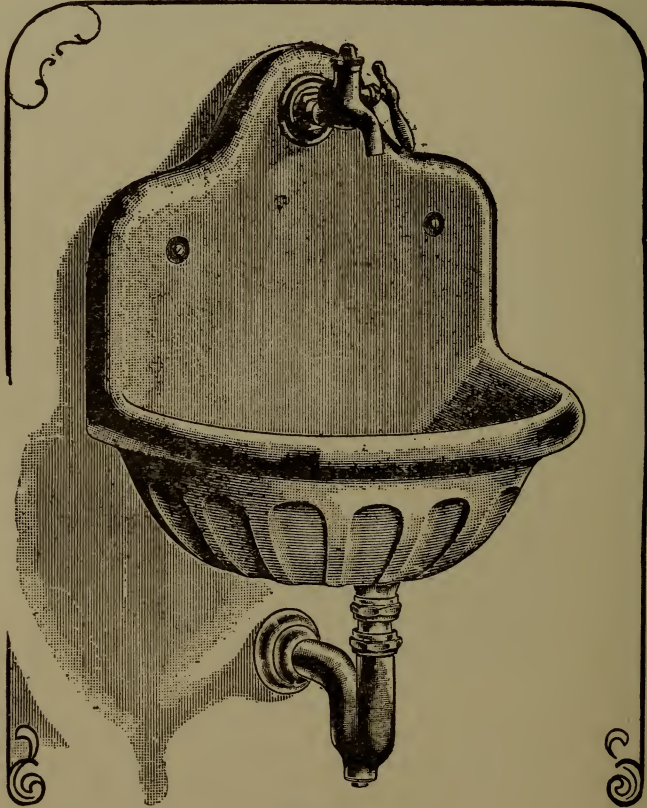


Fig. 153.

having very little elasticity, must naturally
crack. It sometimes cracks by the uneven or
sudden expansion and contraction of the iron.

The first step in the process of installing the
water service system in a building is, to procure
from the proper authorities a permit for the in-
troduction or use of water in the building.

The tapping of the street main is done by work-
men in the employ of the water department of the
city, or town.   A cock, called a corporation cock
is screwed into the main, and to this cock a section
of lead pipe, the length of which is governed by
local rulings, is connected by means of a wiped
joint.   Lead pipe should in all cases be used for
making this connection, for the reason that, owing
to its pliability, there is much less danger of break-
age caused by the settling of the main, or of the
service pipe, than there would be were the con-
nection made with wrought iron pipe which would
be rigid.

The size of the service leading to the building
will depend, of course, upon the amount of water
that will be required; and if two or more distinct
and separate buildings are to be supplied by means
of branch, or sub-service pipes supplied by a
single tap in the street main, each branch should
be independently arranged with a stop cock and
box on the curb line.

These stop cocks are for the purpose of shutting
off the water when required, and each service pipe
must be equipped with one, located within the side-
walk at, or near the curb line of the same.

The service pipe leading from the street main
into the building must be laid below the frost line

**Stop Cock in Building.** Each service pipe must also be provided with a stop-cock inside the building, placed beyond damage by frost, and so situated that the water can be conveniently shut off, and drained from the pipes, in order to prevent freezing in cold weather.

**Service Pipes in Building.** The main riser, from which branch pipes are carried to the various fixtures, should start in the basement at or near the shutoff cock; tee outlets being inserted at the proper locations under the ceilings of each room for connecting the branches to the fixtures on the floor above. These branches can also be connected, leaving their nipples extending through the floors at the proper locations for connection with the fixtures they are to serve. These nipples should then be capped over to prevent dirt or other foreign matter from getting into the pipe before a permanent connection is made to the fixtures. The caps should be screwed on tightly and left there until the piping system has been thoroughly tested.

**Testing.** After the risers, and branch pipes of the water service have been installed, and all openings either capped over, or plugged, the system should be thoroughly tested before any connections to fixtures are made. If the testing is done at the proper time, that is before the floors are laid, or plastering done, the leaks, if there are any can be much more easily discovered, and repaired than they could be if covered by floors or plastering. In fact the majority of large cities

and towns at the present day require by law that all plumbing in a new building shall remain exposed until after the job has been tested and passed upon by the inspector.

**Methods of Testing**. The entire plumbing system when roughed in must be tested by the plumber in the presence of the inspector of plumbing if there be such an official, or if there is no local inspector, the plumber should test the work nevertheless for his own satisfaction.

**Water Test.** This test should always be applied to new work before the connections are made to the fixtures. The water test is to be applied to all the soil, waste and vent pipes, as well as to the water service pipes. In the case of the soil, waste and vent pipes, all openings except those above the roof are to be closed by soldering them shut on lead pipe, and by plugs, or caps on iron or steel pipe. The entire system of piping is then filled with water, the filling to be done slowly, and when filled, every joint should be carefully examined for leaks, and if any are found they should be repaired at once. A leak in a caulked joint may often be stopped by additional caulking, but if a split pipe, or fitting is found, it will be necessary to replace it.

On some jobs the plasterers may be in a hurry to get along with their work, and in such cases the soil stacks can be tested in sections, by leaving out a length of pipe on each floor, and afterward inserting the same for the final test, care being taken to always leave the length of pipe out at some point where it will be easily accessible to insert.

**Air Pressure Test.** The air pressure test is applied by means of a force pump and a mercury column equal to ten inches of mercury. All openings in the system are to be closed with the exception of the one to which the force pump is connected.

The pump is then operated until the pressure of air in the system is sufficient to raise the mercury column to a height of ten inches. The pump is then stopped, and if the column of mercury remains permanently at that height the test is complete, but if the mercury column should gradually fall, it is an indication of a leak, and this should be investigated at once.

**Smoke Test.** After the completion of the work, and when the fixtures are installed the smoke test can be applied, and this is done by closing all openings, including those above the roof.

A device in which a heavy smoke may be generated by the burning of oily waste, or rags, is then connected to the system which is soon filled with the smoke, and if there are any leaks, they may easily be detected by the smoke which will escape through them.

**Peppermint Test.** This test may be applied in place of the smoke test, if preferred, at the time the job is completed. It is usually applied in testing alterations, or repair work; in fact it is the only test permitted in some localities, after extensions, or repairs of old systems. The peppermint test is made by using about five fluid ounces of oil of peppermint for each line of pipe up to

five stories and basement in height, and for each additional five stories or fraction thereof one additional ounce is to be used. All openings except those above the roof are to be closed. The oil of peppermint is then poured into the roof opening, and immediately after this pour in about one-half gallon of hot water for each ounce of peppermint oil, after which close the roof opening tightly with a plug. The mixture of oil of peppermint and water will then flow to every portion of the system of piping, and if there are any leaks the fumes of the peppermint will penetrate through them, and they can be detected by the odor of the peppermint present.

**Testing the Water Service.** After the water piping system has been installed, water pressure from the street main can be easily applied to the entire system of water piping, or it may be tested in sections if necessary while being installed, and the leaks if there are any will soon make themselves manifest.

Too much care cannot be exercised in the matter of testing all parts of an installation of plumbing in a building, for the reason that the health, and lives of the occupants of the building are in a great measure dependent upon the character of the work, and the quality of the materials used.

**Wrought Iron Pipe.** Table 7 gives the dimensions, thickness of metal, threads per inch, and other valuable details relative to wrought iron, or steel pipe in sizes running from one-eighth inch, up to fifteen inches inside diameter.

| | DIMENSIONS OF WROUGHT-IRON PIPE. | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Nominal Inside Diameter. | Actual Outside Diameter in Inches. | Actual Inside Diameter in Inches. | Thickness of Metal in Inches. | Threads per Inch. | Length of Full Thread in Inches. |
| ⅛ | .405 | .270 | .068 | 27 | .19 |
| ¼ | .540 | .364 | .085 | 18 | .29 |
| ⅜ | .675 | .493 | .091 | 18 | .30 |
| ½ | .840 | .622 | .109 | 14 | .39 |
| ¾ | 1.050 | .824 | .113 | 14 | .40 |
| 1 | 1.315 | 1.048 | .134 | 11½ | .51 |
| 1¼ | 1.660 | 1.380 | .140 | 11½ | .54 |
| 1½ | 1.900 | 1.610 | .145 | 11½ | .55 |
| 2 | 2.375 | 2.067 | .154 | 11½ | .58 |
| 2½ | 2.875 | 2.468 | .204 | 8 | .89 |
| 3 | 3.500 | 3.067 | .217 | 8 | .95 |
| 3½ | 4.000 | 3.548 | .226 | 8 | 1.00 |
| 4 | 4.500 | 4.026 | .237 | 8 | 1.05 |
| 4½ | 5.000 | 4.508 | .246 | 8 | 1.10 |
| 5 | 5.563 | 5.045 | .259 | 8 | 1.16 |
| 6 | 6.625 | 6.065 | .280 | 8 | 1.26 |
| 7 | 7.625 | 7.023 | .301 | 8 | 1.36 |
| 8 | 8.625 | 7.981 | .322 | 8 | 1.46 |
| 9 | 9.625 | 8.937 | .344 | 8 | 1.57 |
| 10 | 10.750 | 10.018 | .366 | 8 | 1.68 |
| 11 | 11.75 | 11.000 | .375 | 8 | 1.78 |
| 12 | 12.75 | 12.000 | .375 | 8 | 1.88 |
| 13 | 14. | 13.25 | .375 | 8 | 2.09 |
| 14 | 15. | 14.25 | .375 | 8 | 2.10 |
| 15 | 16. | 15.25 | .375 | 8 | 2.20 |

TABLE 7

Taper of the thread is ¾ inch to one foot.

Pipe from ⅛ inch to 1 inch inclusive is butt welded and tested to 300 pounds per square inch.

Pipe 1¼ inch and larger is lap welded and tested to 500 pounds per square inch.

TABLE OF QUANTITY OF WATER DELIVERED BY SERVICE PIPES OF VARIOUS SIZES UNDER VARIOUS PRESSURES.

Proportion of Head of Water (H) to Length of Pipe (L).

Gallons Per Minute.

| Diameter of Pipe Inches. | $H = 10\ L.$ | $H = 9\ L.$ | $H = 8\ L.$ | $H = 7\ L.$ | $H = 6\ L.$ | $H = 5\ L.$ | $H = 4\ L.$ | $H = 3\ L.$ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ½ | 19.8 | 18.7 | 17.7 | 16.5 | 15.3 | 14.0 | 12.5 | 10.8 |
| ⅝ | 34.5 | 32.7 | 30.1 | 28.9 | 26.5 | 24.4 | 21.5 | 18.9 |
| ¾ | 54.4 | 51.7 | 48.7 | 45.6 | 42.2 | 38.5 | 34.4 | 29.8 |
| 1 | 111.8 | 106.0 | 100.0 | 93.5 | 86.6 | 79.0 | 70.7 | 61.2 |
| 1¼ | 195.2 | 185.2 | 174.6 | 163.3 | 151.2 | 138.0 | 123.4 | 106.9 |
| 1½ | 308.0 | 292.1 | 275.4 | 257.6 | 238.5 | 217.7 | 194.8 | 168.7 |
| 2 | 632.2 | 599.7 | 566.4 | 538.9 | 488.1 | 447.0 | 399.8 | 346.3 |
| 2½ | 1104.0 | 1048.0 | 987.8 | 924.0 | 855.4 | 780.9 | 698.5 | 604.9 |
| 3 | 1745.0 | 1651.0 | 1560.0 | 1460.0 | 1351.0 | 1234.0 | 1103.0 | 955.5 |
| 4 | 3581.0 | 3397.0 | 3203.0 | 2996.0 | 2774.0 | 2532.0 | 2265.0 | 1962.0 |
| 5 | 6247.0 | 5928.0 | 5588.0 | 5227.0 | 4839.0 | 4417.0 | 3951.0 | 3406.0 |
| 6 | 9855.0 | 9349.0 | 8814.0 | 8245.0 | 7633.0 | 6968.0 | 6233.0 | 5391.0 |

| Diameter of Pipe Inches. | $H = 2\ L.$ | $H = 1\frac{3}{4}\ L.$ | $H = 1\frac{1}{2}\ L.$ | $H = 1\frac{1}{4}\ L.$ | $H = 1\ L.$ | $H = \frac{3}{4}\ L.$ | $H = \frac{1}{2}\ L.$ | $H = \frac{1}{4}\ L.$ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ½ | 8.8 | 8.3 | 7.7 | 7.0 | 6.3 | 5.4 | 4.4 | 3.1 |
| ⅝ | 15.4 | 14.4 | 13.4 | 12.2 | 10.9 | 9.5 | 7.7 | 5.5 |
| ¾ | 24.3 | 22.8 | 21.1 | 19.3 | 17.2 | 14.9 | 12.2 | 8.6 |
| 1 | 50.0 | 46.8 | 43.2 | 39.5 | 35.3 | 30.6 | 25.0 | 17.7 |
| 1¼ | 87.3 | 81.6 | 75.6 | 69.0 | 61.7 | 53.5 | 43.7 | 30.9 |
| 1½ | 137.7 | 128.8 | 119.3 | 108.9 | 97.4 | 84.3 | 68.7 | 48.7 |
| 2 | 282.7 | 264.4 | 248.8 | 223.5 | 199.9 | 173.1 | 141.4 | 100.0 |
| 2½ | 493.9 | 482.0 | 427.7 | 390.4 | 349.2 | 302.4 | 246.9 | 174.6 |
| 3 | 780.2 | 728.8 | 674.8 | 615·9 | 555.5 | 477.1 | 390.1 | 275.8 |
| 4 | 1602.0 | 1496.0 | 1385.0 | 1264.0 | 1133.0 | 979.3 | 800.8 | 566.2 |
| 5 | 2791.0 | 2613.0 | 2420.0 | 2209.0 | 1976.0 | 1711.0 | 1394.0 | 987.7 |
| 6 | 4407.0 | 4122.0 | 3817.0 | 3484.0 | 3116.0 | 2693.0 | 2204.0 | 1558.0 |

TABLE 8

TABLE SHOWING PRESSURE OF WATER AT DIFFERENT ELEVATIONS.

| Feet Head. | Equals Pressure per Square Inch. | Feet Head. | Equals Pressure per Square Inch. | Feet Head. | Equals Pressure per Square Inch. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | .43 | 130 | 56.31 | 255 | 110.46 |
| 5 | 2.16 | 135 | 58.48 | 260 | 112.62 |
| 10 | 4.33 | 140 | 60.64 | 265 | 114.79 |
| 15 | 6.49 | 145 | 62.81 | 270 | 116.96 |
| 20 | 8.66 | 150 | 64.97 | 275 | 119.12 |
| 25 | 10.82 | 155 | 67.14 | 280 | 121.29 |
| 30 | 12.99 | 160 | 69.31 | 285 | 123.45 |
| 35 | 15.16 | 165 | 71.47 | 290 | 125.62 |
| 40 | 17.32 | 170 | 73.64 | 295 | 127.78 |
| 45 | 19.49 | 175 | 75.80 | 300 | 129.95 |
| 50 | 21.65 | 180 | 77.97 | 310 | 134.28 |
| 55 | 23.82 | 185 | 80.14 | 320 | 138.62 |
| 60 | 25.99 | 190 | 82.30 | 330 | 142.95 |
| 65 | 28.15 | 195 | 84.47 | 340 | 147.28 |
| 70 | 30.32 | 200 | 86.63 | 350 | 151.61 |
| 75 | 32.48 | 205 | 88.80 | 360 | 155.94 |
| 80 | 34.65 | 210 | 90.96 | 370 | 160.27 |
| 85 | 36.82 | 215 | 93.14 | 380 | 164.61 |
| 90 | 38.98 | 220 | 95.30 | 390 | 168.94 |
| 95 | 41.15 | 225 | 97.49 | 400 | 173.27 |
| 100 | 43.31 | 230 | 99.63 | 500 | 216.58 |
| 105 | 45.48 | 235 | 101.79 | 600 | 259.90 |
| 110 | 47.64 | 240 | 103.96 | 700 | 303.22 |
| 115 | 49.81 | 245 | 106.13 | 800 | 346.54 |
| 120 | 51.98 | 250 | 108.29 | 900 | 389.86 |
| 125 | 54.15 | | | 1000 | 433.18 |

TABLE 9

| WEIGHT OF COPPER PIPES PER FOOT. | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bore in Inches. | Thickness of Metal in Parts of an Inch. | | | | | |
| | $\frac{1}{16}$ | $\frac{1}{8}$ | $\frac{3}{16}$ | $\frac{1}{4}$ | $\frac{5}{16}$ | $\frac{3}{8}$ |
| | pounds. | pounds. | pounds. | pounds. | pounds. | pounds. |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0.426 | 0.946 | 1.561 | 2.270 | 3.075 | 3.973 |
| $\frac{5}{8}$ | 0.520 | 1.185 | 1.845 | 2.649 | 3.547 | 4.540 |
| $\frac{3}{4}$ | 0.615 | 1.324 | 2.129 | 3.027 | 4.020 | 5.108 |
| $\frac{7}{8}$ | 0.709 | 1.514 | 2.412 | 3.425 | 4.493 | 5.676 |
| 1 | 0.804 | 1.703 | 2.696 | 3.784 | 4.966 | 6.243 |
| $1\frac{1}{4}$ | 0.993 | 2.081 | 3.263 | 4.540 | 5.712 | 7.378 |
| $1\frac{1}{2}$ | 1.182 | 2.459 | 3.831 | 5.297 | 6.857 | 8.514 |
| $1\frac{3}{4}$ | 1.372 | 2.838 | 4.388 | 6.055 | 7.805 | 9.646 |
| 2 | 1.560 | 3.217 | 4.967 | 6.808 | 8.748 | 10.783 |
| $2\frac{1}{4}$ | 1.750 | 3.591 | 5.531 | 7.566 | 9.694 | 11.918 |
| $2\frac{1}{2}$ | 1.940 | 3.975 | 6.103 | 8.327 | 10.643 | 13.066 |
| $2\frac{3}{4}$ | 2.128 | 4.352 | 6.668 | 9.081 | 11.590 | 14.190 |
| 3 | 2.316 | 4.729 | 7.238 | 9.737 | 12.534 | 15.325 |

| WEIGHT OF BRASS PIPES PER FOOT. | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bore in Inches. | Thickness in Parts of an Inch. | | | | | | |
| | $\frac{1}{16}$ | $\frac{1}{8}$ | $\frac{3}{16}$ | $\frac{1}{4}$ | $\frac{5}{16}$ | $\frac{3}{8}$ | $\frac{7}{16}$ |
| | pounds | pounds | pounds. | pounds. | pounds | pounds. | pounds. |
| $\frac{1}{4}$ | 0.22 | 0.53 | 0.94 | 1.43 | 2.01 | 2.68 | 3.44 |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0.40 | 0.89 | 1.47 | 2.15 | 2.91 | 3.75 | 4.70 |
| $\frac{3}{4}$ | 0.58 | 1.25 | 2.01 | 2.86 | 3.80 | 4.83 | 5.95 |
| 1 | 0.76 | 1.61 | 2.55 | 3.58 | 4.70 | 5.92 | 7.25 |
| $1\frac{1}{4}$ | 0.94 | 1.96 | 3.09 | 4.31 | 5.64 | 6.98 | 9.46 |
| $1\frac{1}{2}$ | 1.12 | 2.34 | 3.67 | 5.01 | 6.49 | 8.05 | 9.71 |
| $1\frac{3}{4}$ | 1.33 | 2.66 | 4.14 | 5.70 | 7.36 | 9.11 | 10.94 |
| 2 | 1.48 | 3.04 | 4.69 | 6.44 | 8.27 | 10.20 | 12.21 |
| $2\frac{1}{4}$ | 1.65 | 3.40 | 5.23 | 7.16 | 9.17 | 11.27 | 13.46 |
| $2\frac{1}{2}$ | 1.83 | 3.75 | 5.77 | 7.87 | 10.06 | 12.35 | 14.72 |
| $2\frac{3}{4}$ | 2.01 | 4.11 | 6.31 | 8.59 | 10.96 | 13.42 | 15.97 |
| 3 | 2.19 | 4.47 | 6.84 | 9.31 | 11.85 | 14.69 | 17.42 |

TABLE 10

# HOT WATER SUPPLY.

**Cylinder System.** In the cylinder system the principal difference from the tank system lies in the fact that the cylinder or reservoir of hot water lies beneath the draw-off pipes and not above them, as with the tank system. This being the case it is impossible to empty the reservoir unknowingly or accidentally, should the cold water supply be shut off.

Referring to Fig. 155, the flow-pipe proceeds from the extreme top of the waterback, and does not project through inside the waterback in the least degree. If it cannot be taken from the top, it must be connected to the side or back of the waterback as close to the top as it can be got, but the top connection should always be used if in any way possible. From the waterback the flow-pipe proceeds to the boiler and terminates five-eighths of the way up from the bottom. The pipe can enter the side of the boiler at the correct point, or it can come through lower down and be extended up inside with a bend and short piece of pipe together without making two holes.

The return pipe leaves the side of the boiler as close to the bottom as possible, or it can come from the bottom if desired. It then proceeds to

the waterback and enters either through the top
or the side, terminating half-way down with a
saddle boiler.  Both of these pipes, the flow and
the return, must have a rise from the waterback
to the boiler of not less than 1 inch in 10 feet.
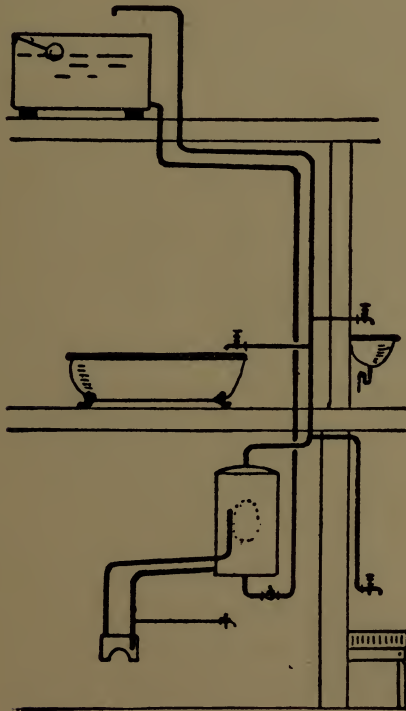


Fig. 155.

From the top of the boiler is carried the ex-
pansion pipe.  This also should rise 1 inch in 10
feet from the boiler to its highest point.  The

highest point can be above the cold-water cistern
or through the roof.

The cold water supply to the system is a pipe
direct from a cistern, as shown. This pipe must
not be branched for any other purpose.

It is of the highest importance that the cold
water supply pipe should be of full size, and not
choked or reduced in bore anywhere. The out-
flow at the hot water faucet is exactly in ratio
with the down-flow of water through this pipe,
less friction, therefore everything possible must
be done to give the water full and free passage
and lessen the friction. This is done by having
the pipe of good size, using bends and not elbows,
or lead pipe, and seeing that the stop-cock, if there
be one, has a straight full way through it. The
stop-cock should be put near the boiler, so that
the man who cleans the waterback, or effects re-
pairs, does not have to traverse the house to shut
the water off and afterwards to turn it on. A tee
should be put on the cold water supply connec-
tion, inside the boiler to spread the inflowing cold
water over the bottom of the boiler. If this is not
done the inflowing cold water will bore its way
up through the hot water above, unless the pres-
sure be quite low.

An emptying cock should be put somewhere be-
neath the boiler, but this cock must be provided
with a loose key, so that only an authorised per-
son can withdraw the water from the boiler.

The draw-off pipes are all taken from the expansion pipe as shown. This pipe should therefore be carried up by the best route to touch at the points where the faucets are, otherwise long single branches must be run. The expansion pipe, being a single tube, has no active or useful circulation in it.

It must never be forgotten that, on opening a faucet, on a secondary circulation, water will proceed from both directions to reach that faucet. The circulatory movements all cease, and quite a new action takes place. Water will come up from the top of the boiler and this will be hot. There will also be water coming up the secondary return, and the temperature of this will depend on whence it comes. If connected as shown in Fig. 156 then whatever water comes to the faucets will be hot, all there is of it, and when the temperature of the issuing water falls it may be known that the hottest has all been withdrawn. There have been several points at which the secondary return has been connected with bad results, notably at the bottom of the boiler, into the primary return (between the boiler and waterback), into the boiler, and even into the cold supply pipe just beneath the boiler. These are wrong, and only one position is correct, as shown in Fig. 156. The point is from 3 inches to 6 inches from the top of the boiler according to its size. The latter would

be for a 100-gallon boiler. A 50-gallon size would have the connection 4 inches from the top.

**Tank System.** The usual arrangement of this system of water heating apparatus is illustrated
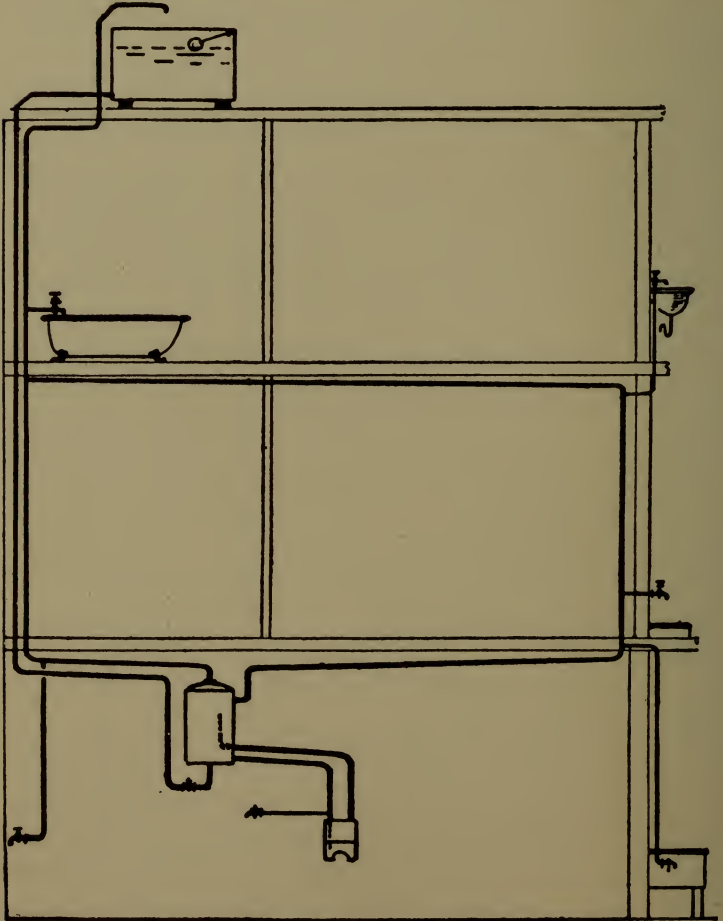


Fig. 156.

in Fig. 157. The flow pipe should proceed from
the extreme top or highest point of the water-
back, preferably from the top plate, and not pro-
ject through to the inside of the waterback in
the least degree.   If it is impossible to connect
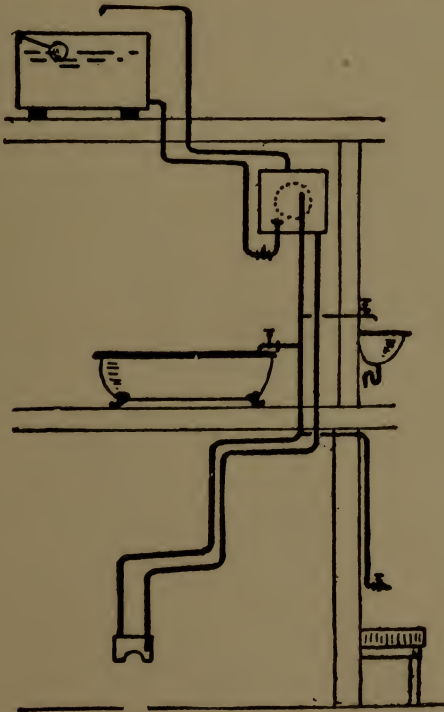


Fig. 157

the flow pipe in the top plate of the waterback
it should be located in the side or back, but as
close to the top as possible.  From the waterback
the flow pipe should proceed to the tank and ter-

minate in it about three-fourths of the way up, that is one-quarter of the height of the tank from the top. It may pass through the bottom and reach up inside as a stand pipe as shown in Fig. 157, or it may enter the side at the required height.

The return pipe should leave the bottom of the tank, being connected directly in the bottom or in the side of the tank near the bottom. It should never be more than an inch from the bottom. From the tank the return pipe should proceed directly to the waterback, and if entering the boiler through the top, should extend downwards, three-fourths the height of the waterback.

The draw-off pipes are taken from the flow pipe as shown. It therefore follows that the flow pipe should be carried in a direction which will bring it as near to all the faucets as possible. Instead of this, the most common practice appears to be to carry the circulating pipes by the most direct route from the waterback to the tank, and to consider the running of the branch pipes afterwards. There is no objection to the return pipe taking the shortest route, but the flow should be diverted to pass the work as near as possible. Failing this, there would have to be long single-pipe branches, and the fault of these is that so much cold water has to be drawn before the hot issues. This is not so much a fault at a bath, at which some cold water will probably be needed. At a lavatory

basin, however, the fault is very pronounced, the faucets being small and slow-running, and at no point is the quick arrival of warm water appreciated more than at this one.
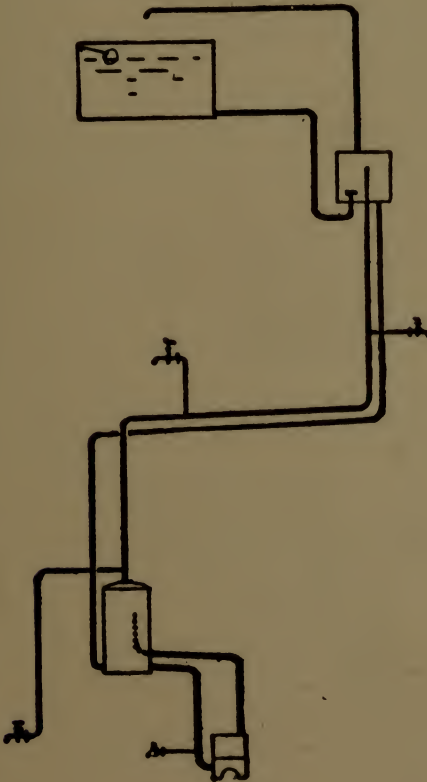


Fig. 158.

**Cylinder-Tank System.** This is simply a combination of the two systems previously described.

The tank system and the cylinder system both
have good features which are retained in the cyl-
inder-tank system, and also certain bad features
which are eliminated in the combination system
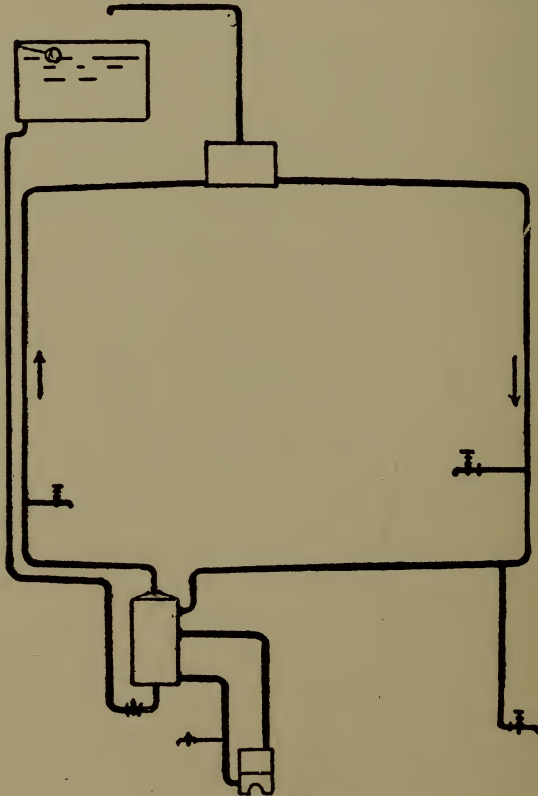


Fig. 159.

which may be here described briefly, the tank sys-
tem ensures a good flow of water from the high
faucets, while the cylinder system commonly has

a very unsatisfactory issue of water from any fau-
cets that are near the top of the house. On the
other hand, the cylinder system is safest where
the cold water supply is at all uncertain, as the
cylinder—the reservoir of the apparatus—cannot
be emptied. The object of the cylinder-tank sys-
tem is therefore to ensure a good outflow at all
taps by having a store of hot water above them,
and to have a store of water which cannot be
exhausted unknowingly if the cold water supply
fails.

Fig. 158 illustrates this system of apparatus in
outline, and the parts need no general description
more than that given already. As to the sizes of
the tank and cylinder, the best practice for gen-
eral requirements is to make them of equal capa-
city, and the two together should be no larger
than one would be if alone. Thus, if a 50-gallon
boiler would be the suitable size for a job erected
on the ordinary cylinder system, then with the
combined apparatus the boiler should be 25 gal-
lons and the tank 25. In the cylinder-tank sys-
tem illustrated in Fig. 158, the cold water supply
is delivered into the tank directly from the cis-
tern, while in the system shown in Fig. 159, the
cold water supply is carried down to the cylinder.

| WEIGHT AND THICKNESS OF SHEET LEAD. | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Weight in Lbs. per Sup. Foot. | Thickness in Inches. | Weight in Lbs. per Sup. Foot. | Thickness in Inches. |
| 1 | 0.017 | 7 | 0.118 |
| 2 | 0.034 | 8 | 0.135 |
| 3 | 0.051 | 9 | 0.152 |
| 4 | 0.068 | 10 | 0.169 |
| 5 | 0.085 | 11 | 0.186 |
| 6 | 0.101 | 12 | 0.203 |

TABLE 11

# HOT WATER PLUMBING.

As the drawings shown in the article on Hot Water Supply are merely diagramatic outlines of the different systems and are only intended to illustrate the principle of the circulation, which is involved in the heating of water for domestic use, further description and additional drawings are here given to illustrate the two systems of water heating in common use, viz.: the pressure-cylinder system and the gravity-supply tank and cylinder system.

In Fig. 160 is shown one of the simplest arrangements of the pressure-cylinder system for the successful heating of water for household use. The boiler, water-back and pipe connections are all plainly shown. In the boiler is a pipe extending down from the top and connected with the cold water supply, which it discharges in the boiler a short distance from the bottom. The distance down in the boiler which this pipe should extend depends upon the height that the pipe from the upper part of the water-back enters the boiler. The cold water supply should always enter the boiler at a considerable distance below the point of entrance of the pipe conveying the hot water from the water-back to the boiler.

The greater the distance that the hot and cold water pipes are apart in the boiler, the better will be the circulation and the less time it will take to heat a given amount of water.
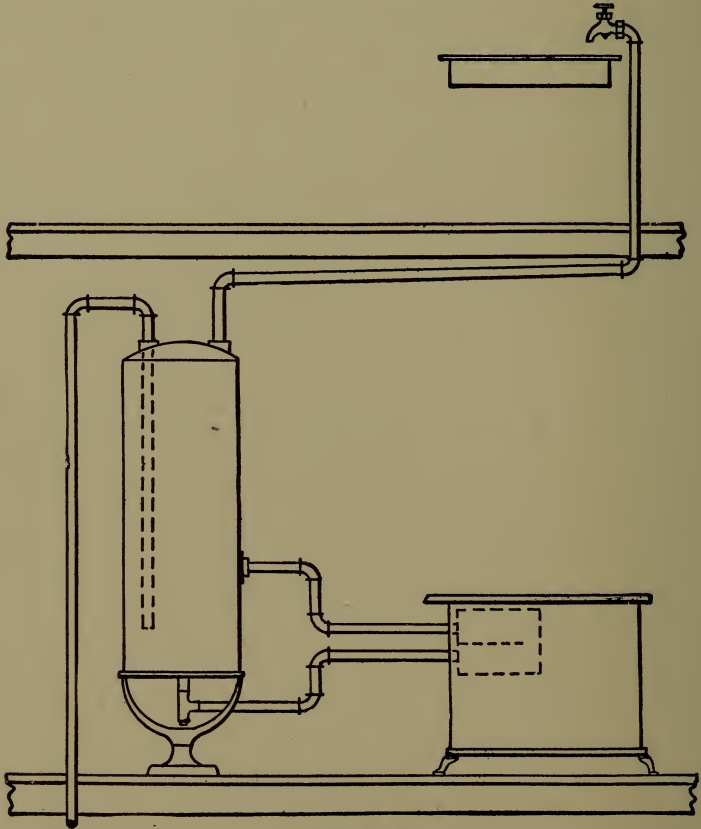


Fig. 160

The piping in the arrangement shown in Fig. 160 is designed to deliver hot water on the floor above that on which the boiler is located. If hot
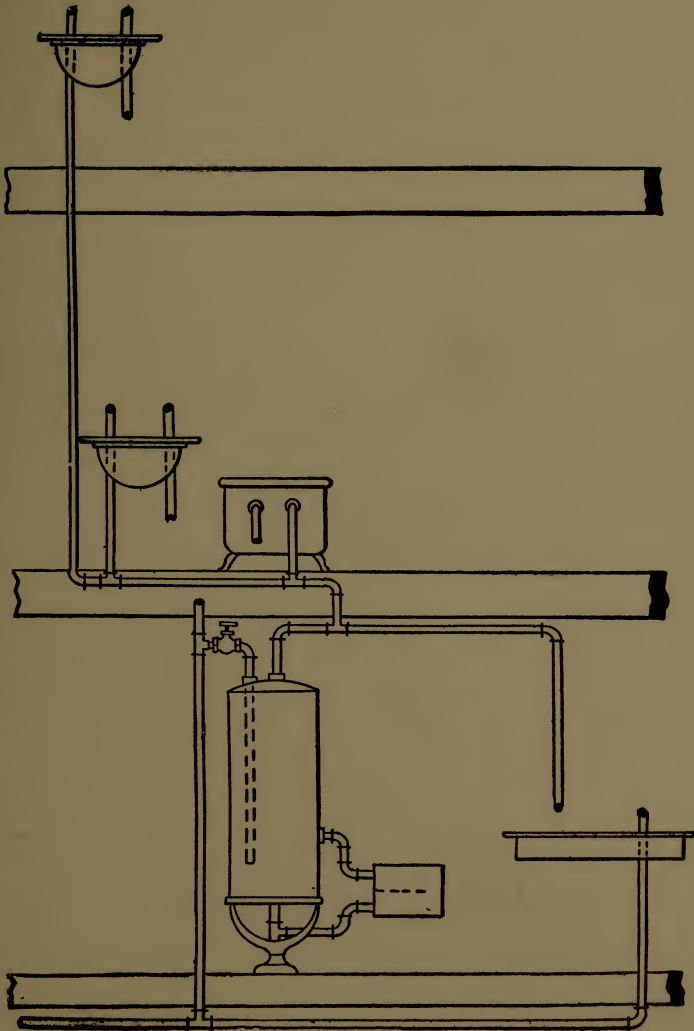
Fig. 161

water is desired on the same floor a connection can be made in the pipe leading from the top of the boiler to the faucet on the floor above.

Fig. 161 shows an arrangement of fixtures and piping to supply hot water on three floors by the pressure-cylinder system. Hot water is supplied to the kitchen sink on the ground floor, to a bath tub and wash bowl on the second floor and to a wash bowl on the third floor. The cold water supply pipe to the boiler is shown and the cold water connection to the kitchen sink, while the cold water pipes to the bath tub and wash bowls on the upper floors are omitted for the sake of simplicity.

Fig. 162 shows one of the simplest forms of the gravity-supply tank and cylinder systems, in which the boiler, water-back and hot water connections are all on the same floor. The cold water pipe goes to the floor above or to the attic as the case may be to the supply tank, where the supply of water is regulated by a ball float cock. An expansion pipe as shown should be provided in the hot water pipe leading from the boiler and arranged to discharge into the supply tank. In Fig. 163 a gravity-supply tank and cylinder system is shown, which is arranged to deliver hot water to the kitchen sink and also to a bath tub and wash bowl on the floor above. The cold water pipe is shown running up to the supply tank and also to the kitchen sink. For the sake of clearness and

to avoid confusion the cold water pipes leading
to the wash bowl and bath tub are omitted.

It must be remembered that the kitchen boiler
is not a heater, it is simply a reservoir to keep a
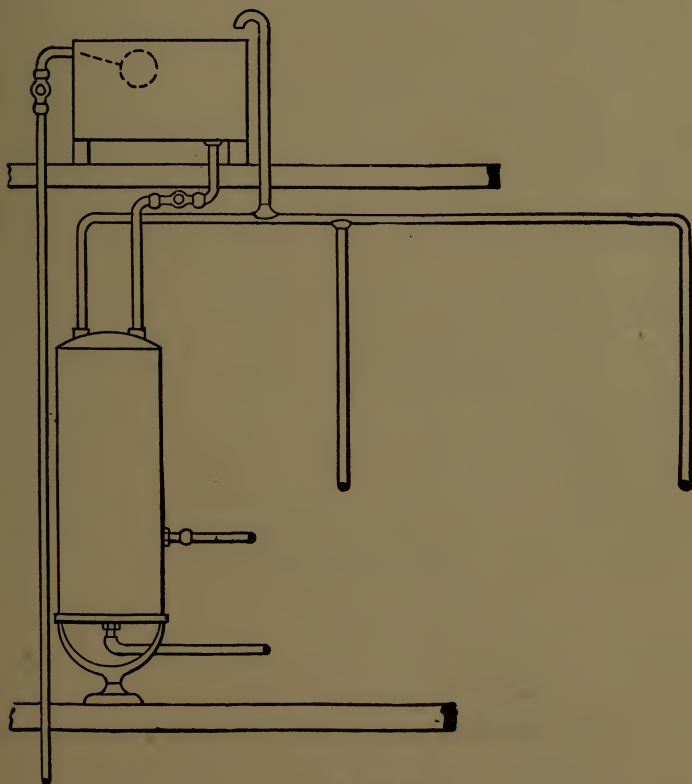


Fig.  162

supply of hot water on hand so that it may be
drawn when required.  By this arrangement hot
water may be had long after the fire has been ex-

tinguished in the stove, as it stores itself by the law of gravitation at the upper part of the boiler, and is forced out by cold water entering below and remaining there without mingling with or
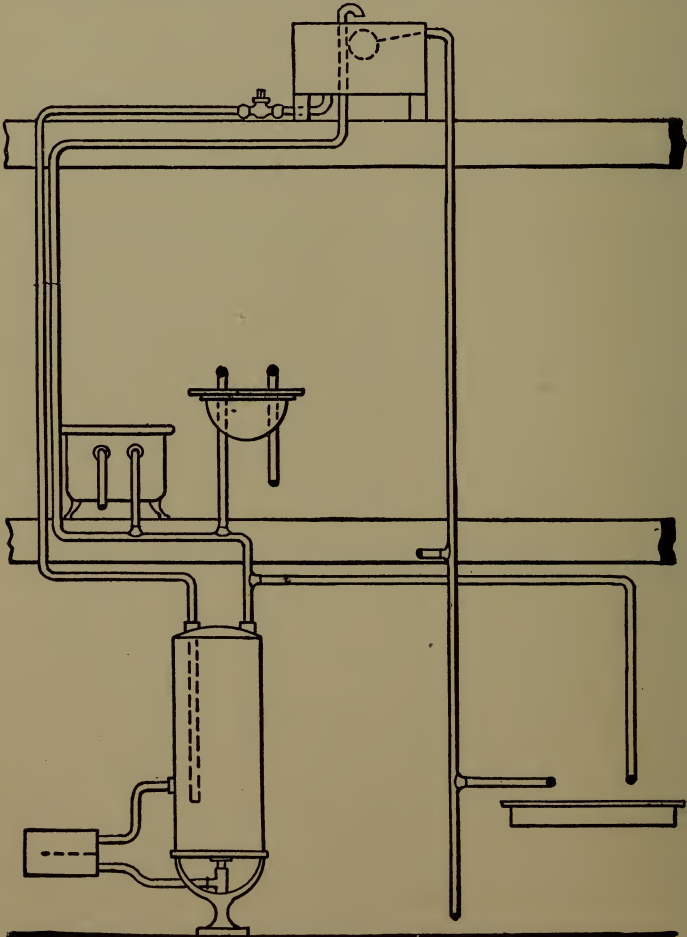


Fig. 163

cooling the hot water in the upper part of the boiler. It should be understood that the natural course of hot water, when confined in a boiler and depending for its motion on the difference between its temperature and the temperature of other water in the same boiler, is in a perpendicular or vertical direction. And consequently when the heating apparatus or pipes which have to convey the hot water from the water back to a boiler in which the hot water is to be stored in any position other than in a vertical position, friction is added which retards the flow of hot water just in proportion to the degree of angle from the vertical of the hot water pipes.

A noise in the pipes and water-back, and also a rumbling noise in the boiler indicates that there is something wrong, and which requires attention. These noises are produced by different causes, sometimes on account of the way the upper pipe from the water-back in the stove is connected to the boiler.

This pipe should always have some elevation from the water-back to where it enters the boiler. The more elevation the better the water will circulate. But the slightest rise in this pipe will make a satisfactory job. It should be a continuous rise if possible, the entire length from the water-back to the boiler.

Another cause of this noise comes from the water-back being filled, or nearly so, with scale,

which partly stops the water from circulating
Nearly all the troubles of this kind come from
a bad circulation of water between the stove
and boiler.  If the trouble is allowed to continue
very long without doing anything to improve it,
it will grow worse, and perhaps stop up entirely.
With the connections between the water-back in
the stove and the boiler stopped up, what is to
be expected?  With a good fire in the stove un-
der these conditions, an explosion of the water-
back, which may blow the stove to pieces and,
perhaps, kill some of the occupants of the house.

There are two conditions of things that will
cause the water-back in a stove to explode. First,
to have water in the water-back with its outlets
or pipe connections stopped up, then have a fire
started in the stove. The fire will generate steam
in the water-back, and, having no outlet through
which the steam might escape, an explosion must
take place.  The second way through which the
water-back could explode is to have no water
in the kitchen boiler, with a good fire in the
stove and the water-back red-hot, then allow the
water to be turned on suddenly into the boiler
and water-back.  Under these conditions steam
would be generated faster than it could escape
through the small pipe connections, and would
naturally result in an explosion.

The different ways of connecting a water-back
on any water heating device to an ordinary

kitchen boiler, are governed, to some extent, by the conditions in each individual case.



HOT WATER OUTLET.

FLUE

GAS

COLD WATER INLET

DRAIN
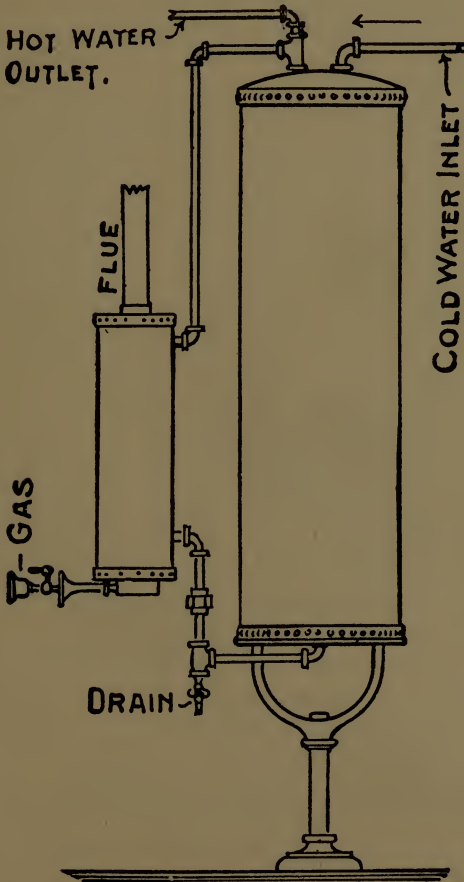
Fig. 164

In connecting a gas-heated water device, the connections should be made as shown in Fig.

164, which is known as a top connection, the particular reason being that it is possible, with a connection of this kind, to heat small quanti-
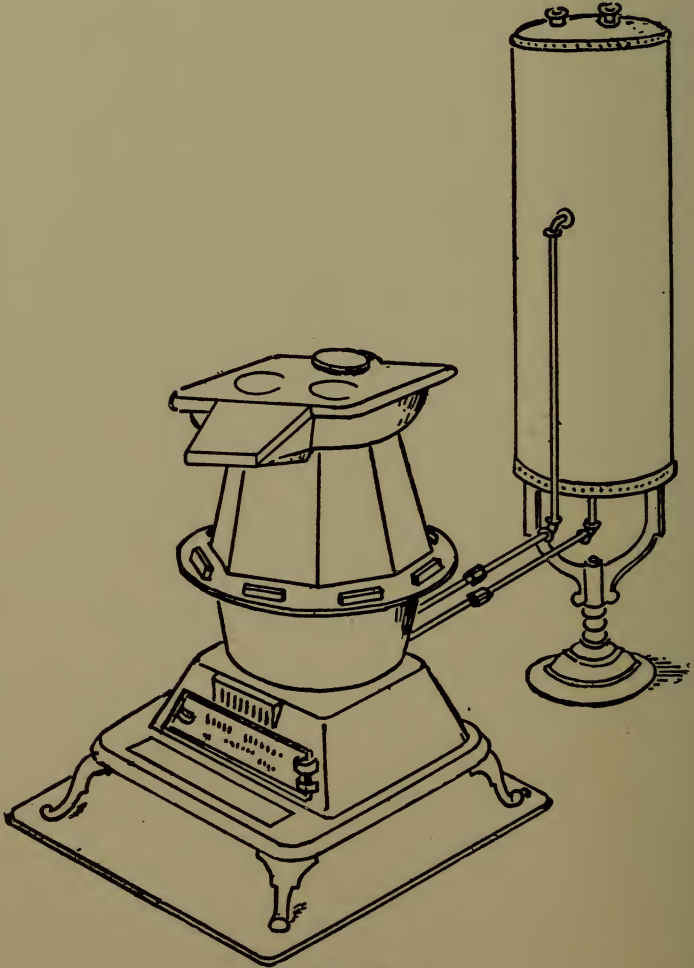
Fig. 165

ties of water and to heat it quickly, and water can be drawn within five minutes after lighting the gas the great advantage being the economy of fuel and time. A gas-heated water device should always be connected to a flue.
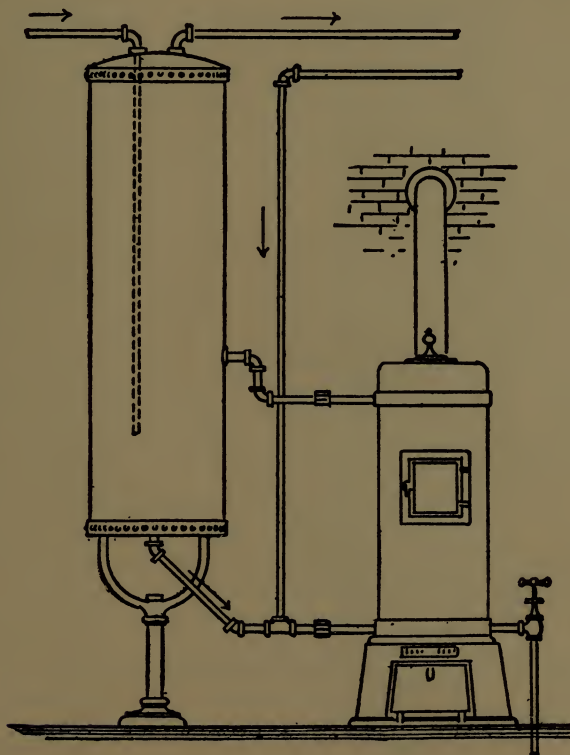


Fig. 166

When connecting a kitchen boiler to a water-back in a range, the connection should be made as shown in Fig. 165. As the range fire will

probably be kept burning all day, the question of fuel economy is not to be considered—the advantage of a connection of this kind is that it gives a large body of water from which to draw at all times.
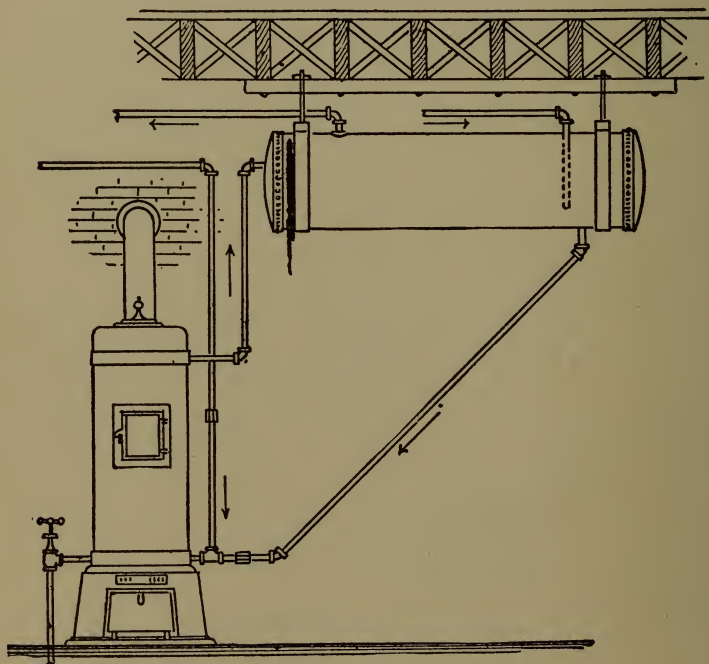


Fig. 167

Connections to vertical and horizontal boilers, when connected to independent water heaters are shown in Figs. 166 and 167.

Another device recently put on the market and
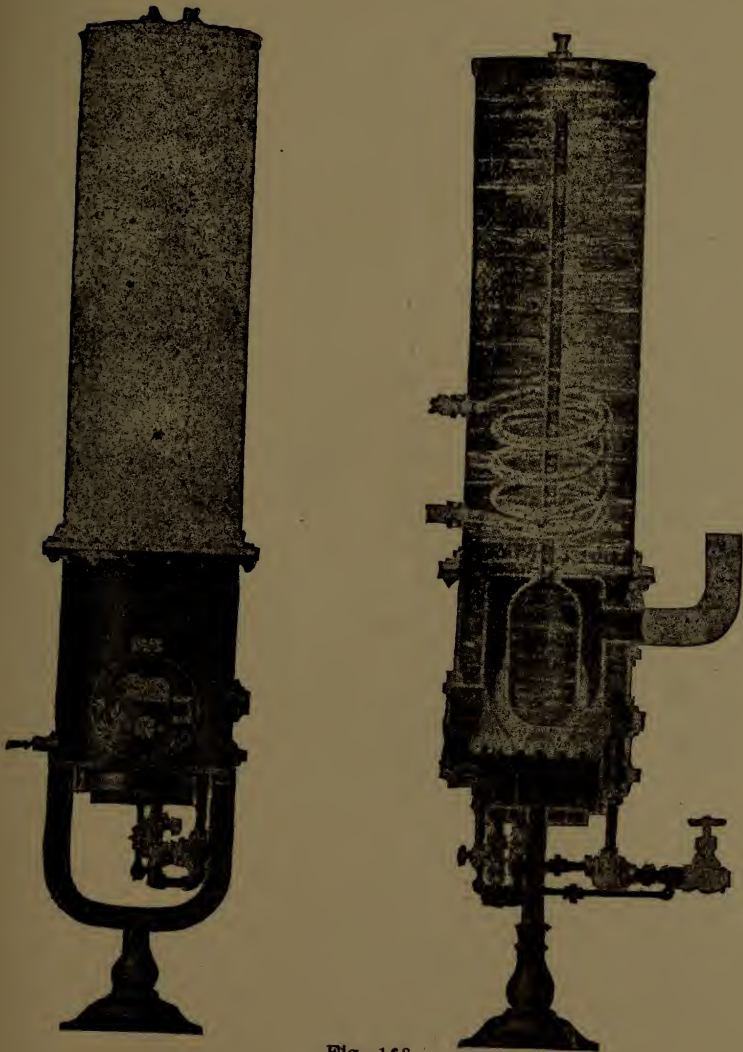
Fig. 168

shown in Fig. 168, is a combination reservoir and
heater. This heater is unique in construction of
water compartments inasmuch as all surfaces
are exposed very advantageously to the flame.
The central water compartment being directly
over the flame and the pipe which carries hot
water to the top of the tank enables it to supply
hot water within a very short time. The gas
supply is regulated by a thermostat, which auto-
matically decreases the flow of gas when water
is heated and automatically increases the flow of
gas as soon as the hot water is drawn from the
tank. Two clusters of blue flame gas burners,
which are independent of each other, and can be
used separately or both at the same time, fur-
nish the heating medium. The advantage of
this boiler, outside of the economy of fuel con-
sumption, is that it requires little space for the
installation and a great saving in the piping.
Again the automatic gas regulating feature pre-
vents the boiler from becoming over-heated and
from its subsequent dangers, as the temperature
of water is maintained at about 170 degrees Fah-
renheit.

In the sectional cut a steam coil is shown
whereby the water can be heated with steam, in
case it is installed, where steam is available.

**Plumber's Tools.** The illustrations given in
Figs. 169, 170 and 171, show a set of plumber's
tools. The name of the tool is given with each

Blow Pipe
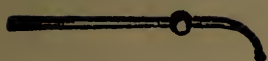
Round Iron?
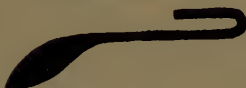
Pot Hook

Copper Hatchet Bolt
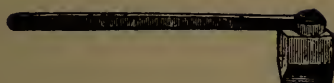
Copper Pointed Bolt·

Ladle·
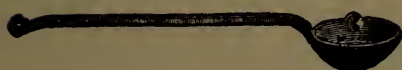
Solder Pot

Torch

Wiping Cloths

Soil Cup.

Tack Mould

Tack Mould

Tool Bags

Fig. 169

Hammer

Saws

Cold Chisel

Hack Saw

Floor Chisel

Compass Saw
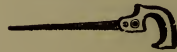
Gouge

Calking Chisel

Rasp

Offset Calking Chisel

File

Basin Wrench

Yarning Chisel

Fig. 170

illustration, making further information unnecessary.

A larger number of tools than those shown

Bossing Stick

Dresser

Side Edge

Chipping Knives

Shave Hook

Tap Borer

Divider

Washer Cutter

Turn |Pin

Bending Pin

Drift Plug

Grease Box
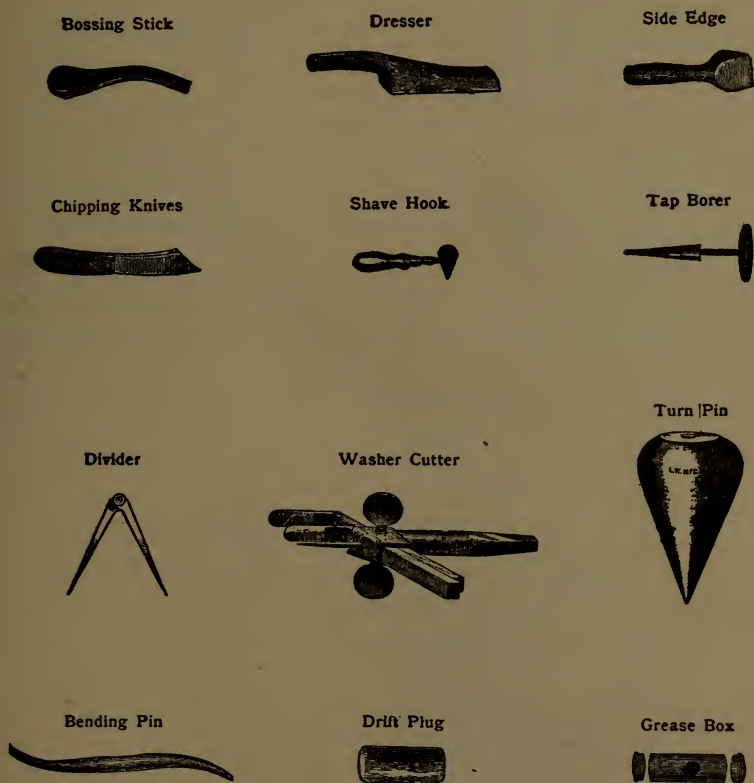
Fig. 171

will sometimes be necessary for special work, or work that has to be done under difficulties.

Figs. 172 and 173 show two styles of plumber's blow-torches, and Figs. 174 and 175, two solder

pots. The air pressure is generated by means of rubber bulb in the solder pot shown in Fig. 174, and by means of a small hand pump in the one shown in Fig. 175.
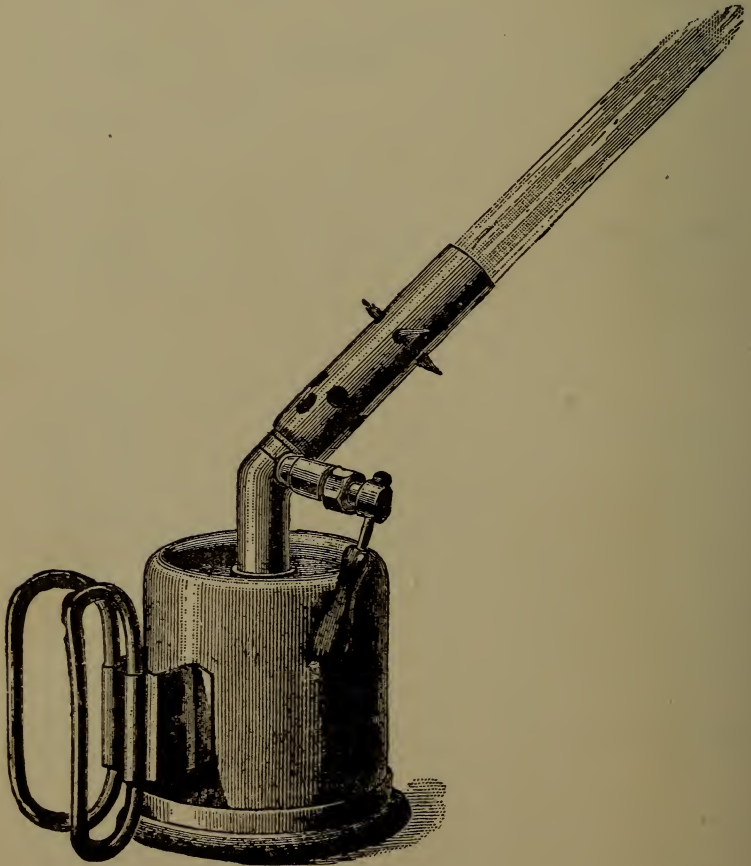


Fig. 172

A rubber force cup for cleaning bathtubs, washbowls and sinks is shown in Fig. 176.

Fig. 173



Fig. 174



Fig. 175



Fig. 176

A thawing steamer for thawing pipes that have been frozen during a cold spell is illustrated in Fig. 177.



Fig. 177

**Traps**. A trap is a vessel which contains water, its purpose is to prevent the passage of sewer gas and other foul odors from the sewer into the house, or to prevent the entrance through the house fixtures of gas and noxious odors that may be formed between the main trap and the house fixtures. The water seal of a trap should not be less than 1½ to 2 inches.

The seal of a trap may be broken in different ways, viz: by syphonage, evaporation, back pressurage and momentum or the action of the waste itself as it may pass off with considerable force.

A good trap should have a good seal, it should be non-syphonable, self-cleaning and have as few corners or places where dirt or refuse may collect as possible.

The S-trap and the drum or cylinder trap are two forms most used.

The back pressure or gas from the sewer will saturate the water in a trap with sewer gas, therefore all traps should be back-vented from the sewer side of the syphon and at the highest point of the same.

Traps should always be counter-vented, principally to prevent syphonage, to ventilate the plumbing system and to relieve back pressure.

**Counter-venting**. A counter-vent is a pipe by means of which a trap is supplied with air, to prevent the partial or total syphonage of the trap and also ventilate the plumbing system of the house.

Counter-vents from fixture traps should always be carried into the main air-pipe and higher than the top of the fixture or else directly through the roof.

The counter-vent from a water closet should always be vented from the highest point of the syphon and never from a lower point where the flushing action of the closet would throw waste matter into the entrance of the counter-vent or at any point where the waste would be liable to settle in the vent-pipe.

**Caulking Joints.** A ring of oakum is first forced into the joint, and then set with a caulking tool until hard. After the oakum is firmly caulked, an asbestos rope is placed around the top of the joint, leaving a small opening at the top for pouring the melted lead. The melted lead is then poured, and after cooling, firmly set down with the caulking tool, care being taken to thoroughly caulk the inner and outer edges of the lead circle. The lead in a 4-inch soil pipe should be about 1 inch deep.

## PROPERTIES OF WATER.

A tasteless, transparent, inodorous, liquid, almost incompressible, its absolute diminution being about one twenty-thousandth of its bulk, possesses the liquid form only, at temperatures between thirty-two degrees and two hundred and twelve Fahrenheit. Chemically considered, it is a compound substance of hydrogen and oxygen, two volumes of hydrogen to one volume of oxygen. Water is the most powerful and universal solvent known.

The gallon is the unit of measure for water. The unit of water pressure is the pound per square inch, one gallon of water measures .134 cubic feet and contains 231 cubic inches and weighs about eight and one-third pounds, or sixty-two and one-third pounds per cubic foot.

The above is figured at sixty-two degrees Fahrenheit, which is taken as a standard temperature.

The weight of a column of water of one inch area and twelve inches high, at sixty-two degrees Fahrenheit is .433 pounds, on

.433×144=62.35 pounds per cubic foot.

The pressure of still water, in pounds, per square inch, against the side of any pipe or ves-

sel, of any shape whatever, is equal in all directions, downwards, upwards or sideways. To find the pressure in pounds, per square inch, of a column of water, multiply the height of the column in feet, by .433, approximately one foot of elevation, is equal to one half-pound pressure per square inch.

The head is the vertical distance between the level surface of still water and the height in the pipe, unless caused by pressure such as by a pump, etc. Water pressure is measured in pounds per square inch, above atmospheric pressure, by means of a pressure gauge. To ascertain the height water will rise, at any given pressure, divide the gauge pressure by .433; the result is the height in feet.

Example: The pressure gauge on a supply pipe in a basement shows 25 pounds pressure. To what height will water rise in the piping throughout the building?

Answer: 25÷.433=57½ feet.

While water will rise to this height, sufficient head should be provided to furnish a surplus head of about ten feet above the highest point of delivery, to insure a respectable velocity of discharge.

It is frequently desired to know what number of pipes of a given size is equal in carrying capacity to one pipe of a larger size. At the same

velocity of flow, the volume delivered by two
pipes of a different size is proportionate to the
square of their diameters, thus: A four-inch pipe
will deliver the same volume as four two-inch
pipes.

Example:

2 inches×2 inches= 4 square inches.
4 inches×4 inches=16 square inches.
16 inches÷4 inches= 4 2-inch pipes.

With the same head, however, the velocity be-
ing less in a two-inch pipe, the volume delivered
varies about as the square root of the fifth power.
Thus one four-inch pipe is actually equal to 5.7
two-inch pipes.

Example: With the same head, how many
two-inch pipes will it take to equal one four-inch
pipe?

Solution:

$2^5 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 32$ and the $\sqrt{32} = 5.7$ nearly.

In other words, the decrease in loss by friction
in the four-inch pipe, in comparison with the two-
inch pipes, is equal to 1.7 two-inch pipes over the
actual square of their respective areas.

Water boils or takes the form of vapor or steam
at 212 degrees Fahrenheit, at a mean pressure of
the sea level, or 14.696 pounds per square inch.
Water freezes, or assumes a solid form, that of
ice, at 32 degrees Fahrenheit, at the ordinary at-

mospheric pressure, and ice melts at the same
temperature. The point of maximum density is
reached at 39.2 Fahrenheit, that is, water at that
temperature occupies its smallest possible volume.
If cooled further, it expands until it solidifies, and
if heated, it expands.

Hardness of water is indicated by the easy man-
ner with which it will form a lather with soap,
the degree of hardness being based on the pres-
ence and amount of lime and magnesia. The more
lime and magnesia in a sample of water, the more
soap a given volume of water will decompose.
The standard soap measurement is the quantity
required to precipitate or neutralize one grain
of carbonate of lime. It is commonly recommended
that one gallon of pure, distilled water takes one
soap measure to produce a lather, and, therefore,
one is deducted from the total amount of soap
measurements found to be necessary to produce a
lather in a gallon of water, and in reporting the
number of soap measurements or degrees of hard-
ness of the water sample.

The impurities which occur in waters are of two
kinds, mechanical and physical, dirt, leaves, in-
sects, etc., are mechanical and can be removed
by filtration. It is said that these impurities are
held in suspension.

Solutions of minerals, poisons and the like are
physical and are designated as those held in solu-
tion.

Freshening water to render it palatable is accomplished by aeration, that is, by exposing water to the action of the air, by passing air through it or raising it to an elevation built for that purpose, protected from dust and other impurities of the air, if the water is to be used for drinking purposes, and allowing it to run down an incline, which is slatted or barred, so as to break it up into small particles, and allow it to become saturated with air.

This process, however, is of no practical use for actual purification.

## USEFUL INFORMATION.

One heaped bushel of anthracite coal weighs from 75 to 80 lbs.

One heaped bushel of bituminous coal weighs from 70 to 75 lbs.

One bushel of coke weighs 32 lbs.

Water, gas and steam pipes are measured on the inside.

One cubic inch of water evaporated at atmospheric pressure makes 1 cubic foot of steam.

A heat unit known as a British Thermal Unit raises the temperature of 1 pound of water 1 degree Fahrenheit.

For low pressure heating purposes, from 3 to 8 pounds of coal per hour is considered economical consumption, for each square foot of grate surface in a boiler, dependent upon conditions.

A horse power is estimated equal to 75 to 100 square feet of direct radiation. A horse power is also estimated as 15 square feet of heating surface in a standard tubular boiler.

Water boils in a vacuum at 98 degrees Fahrenheit.

A cubic foot of water weighs 62½ pounds, it contains 1,728 cubic inches or 7½ gallons. Water expands in boiling about one-twentieth of its bulk.

In turning into steam water expands 1,700 its bulk, approximately 1 cubic inch of water will produce 1 cubic foot of steam.

One pound of air contains 13.82 cubic feet.

It requires 1½ British Thermal Units to raise one cubic foot of air from zero to 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

At atmospheric pressure 966 heat units are required to evaporate one pound of water into steam.

A pound of anthracite coal contains 14,500 heat uits.

One horsepower is equivalent to 42.75 heat units per minute.

One horsepower is required to raise 33,000 pounds one foot high in one minute.

To produce one horsepower requires the evaporation of 2.66 pounds of water.

One ton of anthracite coal contains about 40 cubic feet.

One bushel of anthracite coal weighs about 86 pounds.

Heated air and water rise because their particles are more expanded, and therefore lighter than the colder particles.

A vacuum is a portion of space from which the air has been entirely exhausted.

Evaporation is the slow passage of a liquid into the form of vapor.

Increase of temperature, increased exposure of

surface, and the passage of air currents over the surface, cause increased evaporation.

Condensation is the passage of a vapor into the liquid state, and is the reverse of evaporation.

Pressure exerted upon a liquid is transmitted undiminished in all directions, and acts with the same force on all surfaces, and at right angles to those surfaces.

The pressure at each level of a liquid is proportional to its depth.

With different liquids and the same depth, pressure is proportional to the density of the liquid.

The pressure is the same at all points on any given level of a liquid.

The pressure of the upper layers of a body of liquid on the lower layers causes the latter to exert an equal reactive upward force. This force is called buoyancy.

Friction does not depend in the least on the pressure of the liquid upon the surface over which it is flowing.

Friction is proportional to the area of the surface.

At a low velocity friction increases with the velocity of the liquid.

Friction increases with the roughness of the surface.

Friction increases with the density of the liquid.

Friction is greater comparatively, in small pipes, for a greater proportion of the water comes

in contact with the sides of the pipe than in the case of the large pipe.  For this reason mains on heating apparatus should be generous in size.

Air is extremely compressible, while water is almost incompressible.

Water is composed of two parts of hydrogen, and one part of oxygen.

Water will absorb gases, and to the greatest extent when the pressure of the gas upon the water is greatest, and when the temperature is the lowest, for the elastic force of gas is then less.

Air is composed of about one-fifth oxygen and four-fifths nitrogen, with a small amount of carbonic acid gas.

To reduce Centigrade temperatures to Fahrenheit, multiply the Centigrade degrees by 9, divide the result by 5, and add 32.

To reduce Fahrenheit temperature to Centigrade, subtract 32 from the Fahrenheit degrees, multiply by 5 and divide by 9.

To find the area of a required pipe, when the volume and velocity of the water are given, multiply the number of cubic feet of water by 144 and divide this amount by the velocity in feet per minute.

Water boils in an open vessel (atmospheric pressure at sea level) at 212 degrees Fahrenheit.

Water expands in heating from 39 to 212 degrees Fahrenheit, about 4 per cent.

Water expands about one-tenth its bulk by freezing solid.

**Rule for finding the size of a pipe necessary to fill a number of smaller pipes.** Suppose it is desired to fill from one pipe, a 2, 2½ and 4-inch pipe. Draw a right angle, one arm 2 inches in length, the other 2½ inches in length. From the extreme ends of the two arms draw a line. The length of this line in inches will give the size of pipe necessary to fill the two smaller pipes—about 3¼ inches. From one end of this last line, draw another line at right angles to it, 4 inches in length. Now, from the end of the 2-inch line to the end of the last line draw another line. Its length will represent the size of pipe necessary to fill a 2-, 2½- and 4-inch pipe. This may be continued as long as desired.

**Discharge of water.** The amount of water discharged through a given orifice during a given length of time and under different heads, is as the square roots of the corresponding heights of the water in the reservoir above the surface of the orifice.

Water is at its greatest density and occupies the least space at 39 degrees Fahrenheit.

Water is the best known absorbent of heat, consequently a good vehicle for conveying and transmitting heat.

A U. S. gallon of water contains 231 cubic inches and weighs 8 1/3 pounds.

A column of water 27.67 inches high has a pressure of 1 pound to the square inch at the bottom.

Doubling the diameter of a pipe increases its capacity four times.

A hot water boiler will consume from 3 to 8 pounds of coal per hour per square foot of grate, the difference depending upon conditions of draft, fuel, system and management.

A cubic foot of anthracite coal averages 50 pounds. A cubic foot of bituminous coal weighs 40 pounds.

### Weights.

One cubic inch of water
    weighs ................  0.036 pounds
One U. S. gallon    weighs...  8.33    "
One Imperial gallon  "   ... 10.00    "
One U. S. gallon    equals....231.00  cubic inches
One Imperial gallon  "   ...277.274   "      "
One cubic foot of water
    equals ................  7.48  U. S. gallons

### Liquid Measure.

4 Gills make 1 Pint      4 Quarts make 1 Gallon
2 Pints make 1 Quart     31½ Gals. make 1 Barrel

To find the area of a rectangle, multiply the length by the breadth.

To find the area of triangle, multiply the base by one-half the perpendicular height.

To find the circumference of a circle, multiply the diameter by 3.1416.

To find the area of a circle, multiply the diameter by itself, and the result by .7854.

To find the diameter of a circle of a given area, divide the area by .7854, and find the square root of the result.

To find the diameter of a circle which shall have the same area as a given square, multiply one side of the square by 1.128.

To find the number of gallons in a cylindrical tank, multiply the diameter in inches by itself, this by the height in inches, and the result by .34. To find the number of gallons in a rectangular tank, multiply together the length, breadth and height in feet, and this result by 7.4. If the dimensions are in inches, multiply the product by .004329. To find the pressure in pounds per square inch, of a column of water, multiply the height of the column in feet by .434.

To find the head which will produce a given velocity of water through a pipe of a given diameter and length: Multiply the square of the velocity, expressed in feet per second, by the length of pipe multiplied by the quotient obtained by dividing 13.9 by the diameter of the pipe in inches, and divide the result obtained by 2,500. The final amount will give the head in feet.

Example.—The horizontal length of pipe is

1,200 feet, and the diameter is 4 inches.   What head must be secured to produce a flow of 3 feet per second?

3×3=9;  13.9÷4=3.475.
9×1,200×3.475=37,530.
37,530÷2,500=15 ft.

To find the velocity of water flowing through a horizontal straight pipe of given length and diameter, the head of water above the center of the pipe being known: Multiply the head in feet by 2,500, and divide the result by the length of pipe in feet multiplied by 13.9, divided by the inner diameter of the pipe in inches.   The square root of the quotient gives the velocity in feet per second.

To find the head in feet, the pressure being known, multiply the pressure per square inch by 2.31.

**To find the contents of a barrel.**   To twice the square of the largest diameter, add the square of the smallest diameter and multiply this by the height, and the result by 2,618.   This will give the cubic inches in the barrel, and this divided by 231 will give the number of gallons.

To find the head in feet, the pressure being known, multiply the pressure per square inch by 2.31.

To find the lateral pressure of water upon the side of a tank, multiply in inches, the area of the

submerged side, by the pressure due to one-half the depth.

Example—Suppose a tank to be 12 feet long and 12 feet deep. Find the pressure on the side of the tank.

144 x 144=20,736 square inches area of side.

12 x .43=5.16, pressure at bottom of tank. Pressure at the top of tank is 0. Average pressure will then be 2.6. Therefore 20,736 x 2.6=53,914 pounds pressure on side of tank.

To find the number of gallons in a foot of pipe of any given diameter, multiply the square of diameter of the pipe in inches, by .0408.

To find the diameter of pipe to discharge a given volume of water per minute in cubic feet, multiply the square of the quantity in cubic feet per minute by 96. This will give the diameter in inches.

To find the weight of any length of lead pipe, when the diameter and thickness of the lead are known: Multiply the square of the outer diameter in inches, by the weight of 12 cylindrical inches, then multiply the square of the inner diameter in inches by the same amount, subtracting the product of the latter from that of the former. The remainder multiplied by the length gives the desired result.

Example. Find the weight of 1,200 feet of lead pipe, the outer diameter being ⅞ inch, and the inner diameter 9-16 inch.

The weight of 12 cylindrical inches, 1 foot long, 1 inch in diameter, is 3.8697 lbs.

$7/8 \times 7/8 = 49\text{-}64 = .765625.$

$9\text{-}16 \times 9\text{-}16 = 81\text{-}256 = .316406.$

$.765625 - .316406 = .449219 \times 3.8697 \times 1{,}200 = 2{,}086$ lbs.

**Cleaning Rusted Iron.** Place the articles to be cleaned in a saturated solution of chloride of tin and allow them to stand for a half day or more.

When removed, wash the articles in water, then in ammonia. Dry quickly, rubbing them hard.

**Removing Boiler Scale.** Kerosene oil will accomplish this purpose, often better than specially prepared compounds.

**Cleaning Brass.** Mix in a stone jar one part of nitric acid, one-half part of sulphuric acid. Dip the brass work into this mixture, wash it off with water, and dry with sawdust. If greasy, dip the work into a strong mixture of potash, soda, and water, to remove the grease. and wash it off with water.

**Removing Grease Stains from Marble.** Mix 1½ parts of soft soap, 3 parts of Fuller's earth and 1½ parts of potash, with boiling water. Cover the grease spots with this mixture, and allow it to stand a few hours.

**Strong Cement.** Melt over a slow fire, equal parts of rubber and pitch. When wishing to apply the cement. melt and spread it on a strip of strong cotton cloth.

**Cementing Iron and Stone.** Mix 10 parts of fine iron filings, 30 parts of plaster of Paris, and one-half parts of sal ammoniac, with weak vinegar. Work this mixture into a paste, and apply quickly.

**Cement for Steam Boilers.** Four parts of red or white lead mixed in oil, and 3 parts of iron borings, make a good soft cement for this purpose.

**Cement for Leaky Boilers.** Mix 1 part of powdered litharge, 1 part of fine sand, and one-half part of slacked lime with linseed oil, and apply quickly as possible.

**To keep plaster of Paris from setting too quickly.** Sift the plaster into the water, allowing it to soak up the water without stirring, which would admit the air, and cause the plaster to set very quickly. If it is desired to keep the plaster soft for a much longer period, as is necessary for some kinds of work, add to every quart of water one-half teaspoonful of common cooking soda. This will gain all the time that is needed.

**To keep paste from spoiling.** Add a few drops of oil of clove.

**To make a cement that will hold when all others fail.** Melt over a slow fire equal parts of rubber and pitch. When wishing to use it, melt and spread it on a strip of strong cotton cloth.

**Bath for cleaning sheet copper that is to be**

tinned. Pour into water sulphuric acid, until the temperature rises to about blood heat, when it will be about right for pickling purposes.

**Making Tight Steam Joints.** With white lead ground in oil mix as much manganese as possible, with a small amount of litharge. Dust the board with red lead, and knead this mass by hand into a small roll, which is then laid on the plate, oiled with linseed oil. It can then be screwed into place.

**Substitute for Fire Clay.** Mix common earth with weak salt water.

**Rust Joint Cement.** Mix 5 pounds of iron filings, 1 ounce of sal ammoniac, and 1 ounce of sulphur, and thin the mixture with water.

**To tin sheet copper after it has been well cleaned.** Take it from the bath. If there are any spots which the acid has failed to remove, scour with salt and sand. Then over a light charcoal fire heat it, touching it with tin or solder, and wipe from one end of the sheet to the other with a handful of flax, only going so fast as it is thoroughly tinned. If the tinning shows a yellowish color, it shows there is too much heat, which is the greatest danger, as tinning should be done with as little heat as is necessary to make the metal flow. When this is done, rinse off in clean water and dry in sawdust.

**To give copper a red appearance as seen on bath boilers.** After the copper has been cleaned,

rub on red chalk and hammer it in with a planishing hammer.

**To tin soldering copper with sal-ammoniac.** It will be found very handy to have a stick of sal-ammoniac in the kit for tinning purposes. After filing the heated copper bright, touch the copper with the sal-ammoniac and afterward with a stick of solder. The solder will at once flow over the entire surface. In this there is but one danger, the too great heating of the copper, in which case the burned sal-ammoniac will form a hard crust over the surface. Tin with as little heat as possible. Sal-ammoniac will be found of great value in keeping the soldering copper in shape by frequently rubbing the tinned point with it.

**To Keep Soldering Coppers in Order While Soldering with Acid.** In a pint of water dissolve a piece of sal-ammoniac about the size of a walnut. Whenever the copper is taken from the fire, dip the point into the liquid, and the zinc taken from the acid will run to the point of the copper and can then be shaken off, leaving the copper bright.

## TESTS FOR PURE WATER.

**Color.** Fill a long clean bottle of colorless glass with the water. Look through it at some blank object. It should look colorless and free

from suspended matter. A muddy or turbid appearance indicates soluble organic matter or solid matter in suspension.

**Odor.** Fill the bottle half full, cork it and leave it in a warm place for a few hours. If, when uncorked, it has a smell the least repulsive, it should be rejected for domestic use.

**Taste.** If water at any time, even after heating, has a repulsive or disagreeable taste, it should be rejected. A simple, semi-chemical test is to fill a clean pint bottle three-fourths full of water, add a half teaspoonful of clean granulated or crushed loaf sugar, stop the bottle with glass or a clean cork, and let it stand in the light, in a moderately warm room, for forty-eight hours. If the water becomes cloudy, or milky, it is unfit for domestic use.

| | DIAMETERS, CIRCUMFERENCES, AREAS, SQUARES, AND CUBES. | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Diameter in Inches. | Circumference in Inches. | Area in Square Inches. | Area in Square Feet. | Square, in Inches. | Cube, in Inches. |
| ⅛ | .3927 | .0122 | ......... | .0156 | .00195 |
| ¼ | .7854 | .0490 | ......... | .0625 | .01563 |
| ⅜ | 1.1781 | .1104 | ......... | .1406 | .05273 |
| ½ | 1.5708 | 1963 | ......... | .25 | .125 |
| ⅝ | 1.9635 | .3068 | ......... | .3906 | .24414 |
| ¾ | 2.3562 | .4417 | ......... | .5625 | .42138 |
| ⅞ | 2.7489 | .6013 | ......... | .7656 | .66992 |
| 1 | 3.1416 | .7854 | ......... | 1. | 1. |
| 1⅛ | 3.5343 | .9940 | .0069 | 1.2656 | 1.42383 |
| 1¼ | 3.9270 | 1.2271 | .0084 | 1.5625 | 1.95313 |
| 1⅜ | 4.3197 | 1.4848 | .0102 | 1.8906 | 2.59961 |
| 1½ | 4.7124 | 1.7671 | .0122 | 2.25 | 3.375 |
| 1⅝ | 5.1051 | 2.0739 | .0143 | 2.6406 | 4.291 |
| 1¾ | 5.4978 | 2.4052 | .0166 | 3.0265 | 5.3593 |
| 1⅞ | 5.8905 | 2.7611 | .0191 | 3.5156 | 6.5918 |
| 2 | 6.2832 | 3.1416 | .0225 | 4. | 8. |
| 2⅛ | 6.6759 | 3.5465 | .0245 | 4.5156 | 9.5957 |
| 2¼ | 7.0686 | 3.9760 | .0275 | 5.0625 | 11.3906 |
| 2⅜ | 7.4613 | 4.4302 | .0307 | 5.6406 | 13.3965 |
| 2½ | 7.8540 | 4.9087 | .0340 | 6.25 | 15.625 |
| 2⅝ | 8.2467 | 5.4119 | .0375 | 6.8906 | 18.0879 |
| 2¾ | 8.6394 | 5.9395 | .0411 | 7.5625 | 20.7969 |
| 2⅞ | 9.0321 | 6.4918 | .0450 | 8.2656 | 23.7637 |
| 3 | 9.4248 | 7.0686 | .0490 | 9. | 27. |
| 3⅛ | 9.8175 | 7.6699 | .0531 | 9.7656 | 30.5176 |
| 3¼ | 10.210 | 8.2957 | .0575 | 10.5625 | 34.3281 |
| 3⅜ | 10.602 | 8.9462 | .0620 | 11.3906 | 38.4434 |
| 3½ | 10.995 | 9.6211 | .0668 | 12.25 | 42.875 |
| 3⅝ | 11.388 | 10.320 | .0730 | 13.1406 | 47.634 |
| 3¾ | 11.781 | 11.044 | .0767 | 14.0625 | 52.734 |
| 3⅞ | 12.173 | 11.793 | .0818 | 15.0156 | 58.185 |
| 4 | 12.566 | 12.566 | .0879 | 16. | 64. |

TABLE 12

## DIAMETERS, CIRCUMFERENCES, AREAS, SQUARES, AND CUBES.

| Diameter in Inches. | Circum- ference in Inches. | Area in Square Inches. | Area in Square Feet. | Square, in Inches. | Cube, in Inches. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4⅛ | 12.959 | 13.364 | .0935 | 17.0156 | 70.1895 |
| 4¼ | 13.351 | 14.186 | .0993 | 18.0625 | 76.7656 |
| 4⅜ | 13.744 | 15.033 | .1052 | 19.1406 | 83.7402 |
| 4½ | 14.137 | 15.904 | .1113 | 20.25 | 91.125 |
| 4⅝ | 14.529 | 16.800 | .1176 | 21.3906 | 98.9316 |
| 4¾ | 14.922 | 17.720 | .1240 | 22.5625 | 107.1719 |
| 4⅞ | 15.315 | 18.665 | .1306 | 23.7656 | 115.8574 |
| 5 | 15.708 | 19.635 | .1374 | 25. | 125. |
| 5⅛ | 16.100 | 20.629 | .1444 | 26.2656 | 134.6113 |
| 5¼ | 16.493 | 21.647 | .1515 | 27.5625 | 144.7031 |
| 5⅜ | 16.886 | 22.690 | .1588 | 28.8906 | 155.2871 |
| 5½ | 17.278 | 23.758 | .1663 | 30.25 | 166.375 |
| 5⅝ | 17.671 | 24.850 | .1739 | 31.6406 | 177.9785 |
| 5¾ | 18.064 | 25.967 | .1817 | 33.0625 | 190.1094 |
| 5⅞ | 18.457 | 27.108 | .1897 | 34.5186 | 202.7793 |
| 6. | 18.849 | 28.274 | .1979 | 36. | 216. |
| 6⅛ | 19.242 | 29.464 | .2062 | 37.5156 | 229.7832 |
| 6¼ | 19.635 | 30.679 | .2147 | 39.0625 | 244.1406 |
| 6⅜ | 20.027 | 31.919 | .2234 | 40.6406 | 259.084 |
| 6½ | 20.420 | 33.183 | .2322 | 42.25 | 274.625 |
| 6⅝ | 20.813 | 34.471 | .2412 | 43.8906 | 290.7754 |
| 6¾ | 21.205 | 35.784 | .2504 | 45.5625 | 307.5469 |
| 6⅞ | 21.598 | 37.122 | .2598 | 47.2656 | 324.9512 |
| 7 | 21.991 | 38.484 | .2693 | 49. | 343. |
| 7⅛ | 22.383 | 39.871 | .2791 | 50.7656 | 361.7051 |
| 7¼ | 22.776 | 41.282 | .2889 | 52.5625 | 381.0781 |
| 7⅜ | 23.169 | 42.718 | .2990 | 54.3906 | 401.1309 |
| 7½ | 23.562 | 44.178 | .3092 | 56.25 | 421.879 |
| 7⅝ | 23.954 | 45.663 | .3196 | 58.1406 | 443.3223 |
| 7¾ | 24.347 | 47.173 | .3299 | 60.0625 | 465.4844 |
| 7⅞ | 24.740 | 48.707 | .3409 | 62.0156 | 488.3730 |
| 8 | 25.132· | 50.265 | .3518 | 64. | 512. |

TABLE 12—Continued

## DIAMETERS, CIRCUMFERENCES, AREAS, SQUARES, AND CUBES.

| Diameter in Inches. | Circum-ference in Inches. | Area in Square Inches. | Area in Square Feet. | Square, in Inches. | Cube, in Inches. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 8⅛ | 25.515 | 51.848 | .3629 | 66.0156 | 536.3770 |
| 8¼ | 25.918 | 53.456 | .3741 | 68.0625 | 561.5156 |
| 8⅜ | 26.310 | 55.088 | .3856 | 70.1406 | 587.4277 |
| 8½ | 26.703 | 56.745 | .3972 | 72.25 | 614.125 |
| 8⅝ | 27.096 | 58.426 | .4089 | 74.3906 | 641.6191 |
| 8¾ | 27.489 | 60.132 | .4209 | 76.5625 | 669.9219 |
| 8⅞ | 27.881 | 61.862 | .4330 | 78.7656 | 699.0449 |
| 9 | 28.274 | 63.617 | .4453 | 81. | 729. |
| 9⅛ | 28.667 | 65.396 | .4577 | 83.2656 | 759.7988 |
| 9¼ | 29.059 | 67.200 | .4704 | 85.5625 | 791.4531 |
| 9⅜ | 29.452 | 69.029 | .4832 | 87.8906 | 823.9746 |
| 9½ | 29.845 | 70.882 | .4961 | 90.25 | 857.375 |
| 9⅝ | 30.237 | 72.759 | .5093 | 92.6406 | 891.666 |
| 9¾ | 30.630 | 74.662 | .5226 | 95.0625 | 926.8594 |
| 9⅞ | 31.023 | 76.588 | .5361 | 97.5156 | 962.0968 |
| 10 | 31.416 | 78.540 | .5497 | 100. | 1000. |
| 10⅛ | 31.808 | 80.515 | .5636 | 102.5156 | 1037.9707 |
| 10¼ | 32.201 | 82.516 | .5776 | 105.0625 | 1076.8906 |
| 10⅜ | 32.594 | 84.540 | .5917 | 107.6406 | 1116.7715 |
| 10½ | 32.986 | 86.590 | .6061 | 110.25 | 1157.625 |
| 10⅝ | 33.379 | 88.664 | .6206 | 112.8906 | 1199.4629 |
| 10¾ | 33.772 | 90.762 | .6353 | 115.5625 | 1242.2969 |
| 10⅞ | 34.164 | 92.885 | .6499 | 118.2656 | 1286.1387 |
| 11 | 34.557 | 95.033 | .6652 | 121. | 1331. |
| 11⅛ | 34.950 | 97.205 | .6804 | 123.7656 | 1376.8926 |
| 11¼ | 35.343 | 99.402 | .6958 | 126.5625 | 1423.8281 |
| 11⅜ | 35.735 | 101.623 | .7143 | 129.3906 | 1471.8184 |
| 11½ | 36.128 | 103.869 | .7270 | 132.25 | 1520.875 |
| 11⅝ | 36.521 | 106.139 | .7429 | 135.1406 | 1571.0098 |
| 11¾ | 36.913 | 108.434 | .7590 | 138.0625 | 1622.234 |
| 11⅞ | 37.306 | 110.753 | .7752 | 141.0155 | 1674.5605 |
| 12 | 37.699 | 113.097 | .7916 | 144. | 1728. |

TABLE 12—Continued

# CHICAGO PLUMBING CODE

The following extracts from the 1914 Plumbing Code of the City of Chicago, will, it is believed, be of material assistance to the student. Of course the rules and regulations controlling plumbing work in various cities differ more or less, according to conditions, but the bulk of the rules herein given will serve as a reliable guide to the plumber in his work, regardless of the locality in which the work is to be performed, and it is for this purpose that they are here inserted.

## PLUMBING.

**Permit for use of water.]** All applications for permits for the introduction or use of water supplied by the city shall be made in writing upon printed forms furnished by the department of public works, the blanks to be specifically and properly filled in and signed by the owner or duly authorized agent of the owner, and no work whatever shall be done in the street, or outside a building, by any plumber or other person for the purpose of making any connection to or with any city water main or pipe until after the issuance of such permit. This restriction shall not prevent any person from rendering assistance in case of accident to water pipes occurring at night, or at any time requiring immediate action. In case of any

such accident prompt report thereof shall be made to the department of public works by the person rendering such assistance.

**Tapping street main.]** No person except the tappers employed by the department of public works shall be permitted under any circumstances to tap any street main or insert stop-cocks or ferrules therein. All service cocks or ferrules must be inserted at or near the top of the street main, and not in any case nearer than six inches from the bell of the pipe. The size of the cock to be inserted shall be that specified in the permit.

**Lead pipe—kind permitted—weight required.]** No lead pipe shall be used in any work done under the authority of a license or permit issued by the city, except such as is known to the trade as "strong," and every lead pipe so used must weigh as follows:

Half-inch internal diameter..........1¾ pounds per lineal foot.  
Five-eighths inch internal diameter...2½ " " " "  
Three-fourths inch " " ...3 " " " "  
One inch " " ...4 " " " "  
One and one-fourth in. internal diam..4¾ " " " "  
One and one-half in. " " ..6 " " " "  
One and three-fourths in. " " ..6½ " " " "  
Two inches " " ..8 " " " "  

No pipe shall be used for the purpose of street service of a different material or size from that herein specified, except by special permit, issued by the commissioner of public works.

**Service pipe—joints.]** All service pipes leading from street mains to the building line shall as far as practicable be laid in the ground to a depth of not less than five feet, and every such pipe shall be laid in such manner and be of such sur-

plus length as to prevent breakage or rupture by settlement, and all joints in such pipes shall be of the kind termed "plumber or wiped joints." The connections of pipe by the so-called "cup-joint" is prohibited.

**Stop-cocks.]**  Every service pipe shall be provided with a stop-cock for each consumer, easily accessible, placed beyond damage by frost and so situated that the water can be conveniently shut off and drained from the pipes.

**Stop-cock—location—shutoff box.]**  Such stop-cocks, unless otherwise specially permitted, shall be connected to service pipes within the sidewalk at or near the curb line of the same, and be inclosed in and protected by a cast-iron box with a cover having the letter "W" of suitable size cast thereon; such iron box shall be of form and dimensions satisfactory to the commissioner of public works and shall extend from service pipe to surface of sidewalk, and be of proper size to admit a stop key for operating the stop-cock.

**Single tap for several buildings—independent cocks required.]**  Whenever two or more distinct buildings or premises are to be supplied by means of branch or sub-service pipes supplied by a single tap in the street main, each branch shall be independently arranged with stop-cock and box on the curb line in the manner above described. All cocks used at the sidewalks by plumbers shall be of the kind known as "round water way."

**Opening of streets—permit—deposit.]**  Before filling any trench the service cock in the street

main shall be covered with a suitable cast-iron box furnished by the city; the earth shall be well rammed under the main to a level with the top thereof; from thence the trench shall be filled in layers of not more than twelve inches in depth, and each layer thoroughly rammed or puddled to prevent settlement. This work together with the replacing of sidewalks, ballast and paving shall be done in all cases by the city. A sufficient sum of money shall be deposited with the city before the issuance of the permit for opening the street, to cover this expense.

No permit shall be granted for the opening of any paved street for the tapping of mains or laying of service pipes, when the ground is frozen to a depth of twelve inches or more, except when in the opinion of the commissioner of public works there is a sufficient emergency to justify it.

**High pressure steam boiler—supply tank required.]** All persons are prohibited from connecting pipes whereby high pressure steam boilers may be supplied with water direct from city water mains. All such boilers shall be provided with a tank or other receptacle of sufficient capacity to hold at least six hours' supply of water, which may be used in case of a pipe district being shut off for the repair of water mains or for the making of connections or extensions. In such cases the city will not be responsible for a lack of water for steam boilers, or for any purpose.

**New plumbing—repairs—pipes and traps to be exposed till after tests.]** In all buildings here-

after erected in the city, both public and private, and in all buildings already built or erected wherein any plumbing is installed or wherein any sewer-connected pipe shall be repaired or changed, except for minor repairs, on the sewer side of the trap, the drain, soil, rainwater, when rainwater pipes are within building, waste pipes, or any other pipe or pipes connected directly or indirectly to any drain, soil or waste pipe, and all traps, shall be placed within buildings and exposed to view for ready inspection and test, and shall remain so exposed until approved by the commissioner of health. In no case shall a trap be inaccessible at any time.

**Metal connections — requirements — tests — tile sewers above ground prohibited.]** All soil or waste pipes shall be connected to the tile sewer, if a tile sewer is laid within the building, and if the connection is made above the ground or floor, by a suitable metal connection, which shall make an air-tight and water-tight joint, without the use of cement, mortar, putty or other like material, and which can and shall be tested with water when in place, such metal connections shall be in view at the time of final inspection.

The entire fitting or piece which is used to connect the iron soil or waste pipe to the tile sewer shall be regarded as the metal connection. Metal connections which can be removed from the sewer and soil or waste pipes, after once in place without removing a portion of the iron soil or waste pipe, are prohibited. No such metal connection

shall be used which has not been submitted to and tested and approved by the chief sanitary inspector and the commissioner of health. No tile sewer shall be used above the ground or cement floor or where a cement joint is exposed to the air. One of each such approved types of metal connections shall be kept in the sanitary bureau of the department of health.

**Connections outside buildings and under ground.]** Outside of the building and under ground the connection between the soil or waste pipe and the vitrified tile sewer shall be thoroughly made with live Portland cement mortar, made with one part cement and two parts clean, sharp sand.

An arched or other proper opening shall be provided in the wall for the house drain to prevent damage by settlement. The opening around the house drain may be filled with pure refined asphaltum.

**Drains connected with sewers—sizes—connections must be made by plumber.]** It shall be the duty of every person or corporation connecting or causing to be connected any drain, soil pipe or passage with any sewer from any building, structure or premises, to cause such drain, soil pipe, passage or connection to be at all times adequate for its purpose and of such size and dimensions as to convey and allow freely to pass, whatever may properly enter the same.

All connections between metal pipes and between metal pipe and tile sewers shall be made by

a licensed plumber and in such manner as the commissioner of health shall direct.

**Separate drainage for every building—exception.]** Every building shall be separately and independently connected with a public or private sewer, when there is any such sewer in the street adjoining such building.

The entire plumbing and drainage system of every building shall be entirely separate and independent from that of any other building, except where there are two buildings on one lot, one in the rear of the other. If there is no sewer in the alley to which the rear building can connect, the sewer of the first building may be extended to serve such rear building.

**Drainage of kitchen slops, etc.—water supply.]** All connections with sewers or drains used for the purpose of carrying off animal refuse from water-closets or otherwise, and slop of kitchens, shall have fixtures for a sufficiency of water to be so applied as to properly carry off such matters.

**Soil pipe—size—increaser.]** Every water closet located within any building shall waste into a pipe not less than four inches in diameter. Such pipe shall be increased below the roof line as hereinafter provided and shall be carried through and above the roof.

**Definition of terms.]** In this article the term "main soil pipe" is applied to any pipe receiving the discharge of one or more water closets, with or without other fixtures, and extending through the roof.

The term ''branch soil pipe'' is applied to any pipe receiving the discharge from one or more water closets and with or without other fixtures and leading towards and connecting with the main soil pipe, but not necessarily extending through the roof.

The term ''waste pipe'' is applied to any pipe receiving the discharge from any fixture or fixtures other than water closets.

The term ''house drain'' is applied to the pipe within any building which receives the total discharge from any fixture or sets of fixtures, and may or may not include rain water, and which conducts or carries the same to the house sewer. The house drain, when rain water is allowed to discharge into it, shall be not less than six inches internal diameter.

The term ''house sewer'' is applied to the tile sewer, which shall be not less than six inches internal diameter, and which begins outside of the wall of a building and connects the house drain with the public sewer in the street.

The term ''main vent'' is applied to the vertical line of air pipe running through two or more floors to which the vent or revent pipes from the various floors are connected.

The term ''vent pipe'' is applied to any pipe provided to ventilate a system of piping, and to which the revents are connected.

The term ''revent pipe'' is applied to any pipe used to prevent trap siphonage and back pressure.

The term "soil vent" or "waste vent" is applied to that part of the main soil pipe or waste pipe which is above the highest installed fixture waste connection and extends through the roof.

When sizes of pipes are specified the internal diameters of the pipes are meant.

**Iron pipes—quality—weights.]** All soil, waste and vent pipes, except as hereinafter specified for lead branches and brass pipes, shall be either extra heavy cast-iron pipe coated with tar or asphaltum, or standard galvanized wrought iron pipe; provided, that wrought iron pipe coated with tar or asphaltum may be used for soil and waste pipes, but not for soil or waste vent nor for vent or revent pipes. All pipes shall be sound and free from holes, cracks, or defects of any kind.

The following weights per lineal foot will be accepted as complying with this chapter as to weight of extra heavy cast-iron pipe:

Diameter

| 2 inches | . . . . . . . . | 5½ | pounds per lineal foot |
| 3 " | . . . . . . . . | 9½ | " " " " |
| 4 " | . . . . . . . . | 13 | " " " " |
| 5 " | . . . . . . . . | 17 | " " " " |
| 6 " | . . . . . . . . | 20 | " " " " |
| 7 " | . . . . . . . . | 27 | " " " " |
| 8 " | . . . . . . . . | 33½ | " " " " |
| 10 " | . . . . . . . . | 45 | " " " " |
| 12 " | . . . . . . . . | 54 | " " " " |

Extra heavy cast-iron pipe shall have the mak-

er's name and the weight per foot clearly cast upon each section thereof.

The following weights per lineal foot are required for standard wrought iron pipe, galvanized, or tar-coated pipe:

Diameter

| 1½ inches | ..... | 2.68 pounds per lineal foot. |
| 2 " | ..... | 3.61 " " " " |
| 2½ " | ..... | 5.74 " " " " |
| 3 " | ..... | 7.54 " " " " |
| 3½ " | ..... | 9.00 " " " " |
| 4 " | ..... | 10.66 " " " " |
| 4½ " | ..... | 12.49 " " " " |
| 5 " | ..... | 14.50 " " " " |
| 6 " | ..... | 18.76 " " " " |
| 7 " | ..... | 23.27 " " " " |
| 8 " | ..... | 28.18 " " " " |
| 9 " | ..... | 33.70 " " " " |
| 10 " | ..... | 40.00 " " " " |

**Fittings—quality—cleanout fittings.]** All fittings used for soil or waste pipe, except as hereinafter specified, shall be either extra heavy tar or asphaltum-coated fittings or extra heavy galvanized, cast or malleable iron, recessed and threaded drainage fittings. The burr formed by cutting the wrought iron pipe shall be carefully reamed out. Proper sized cleanout fittings shall be installed at each ninety degree intersection of soil or waste pipe.

**Cleanouts—tapping pipes.]** On soil or waste pipes four inches or more in diameter heavy brass cleanouts, not less than four inches in diameter,

shall be used. Where iron drain, soil, waste or vent pipes are drilled and tapped, brass plugs or brass soldering nipples shall be used.

**Pipe joints to be filled.]** All joints on cast-iron soil, waste or drain pipes and rain water leaders shall be so filled with picked oakum and molten lead and hand calked as to make them air and water-tight. The quantity of lead used shall be twelve ounces of fine soft lead for each inch in the diameter of the pipe.

**Vertical lines of pipes—floor rests.]** Vertical lines of soil, waste or other pipes, and rain water pipes when within buildings, shall be provided with floor rests at intervals of every second floor.

**Pipe supports—pipe hooks prohibited.]** The foot of every vertical soil, rain or waste pipe shall be adequately supported by brick, stone or concrete piers properly constructed by the use of cement mortar or cement concrete, or shall be otherwise equally well supported. Pipes under the basement floor or in the ground shall be properly laid, graded and supported. Pipes above the floor shall either be adequately supported or suspended.

The use of pipe hooks for supporting pipes is prohibited. At the foot of each soil or waste pipe shall be placed a cleanout fitting, which shall be accessible at all times.

**Prohibited fittings.]** No double hub or straight crosses shall be used on horizontal or vertical lines. The use of bands, saddles and sleeves is prohibited.

**Buildings subject to vibrations—calked joints**

**prohibited.]** Pipes with calked joints shall not be installed in buildings subject to vibrations from operating machinery or subject to other causes likely to loosen such calked joints.

**Lead pipe—quality—not to extend within partitions.]** Lead pipe of a quality equal to ''extra light'' shall be used for water-closet bends and as branches for vent, revent and waste pipe connections.

Lead pipe used for vent or revent connections shall not extend into or be used within partitions.

**Lead pipe connections—wiped joints—brass pipes.]** All connections between lead and metal pipes shall be made by heavy brass solder nipples, or heavy brass or combination ferrules which have been approved by the department of health. All solder connections shall be regulation wiped joints. If brass pipe is used it shall be drawn tubing of No. 18 B. and S. gauge.

**Straight tees prohibited.]** Straight tees for soil or waste pipes shall not be used.

**Chimney ventilation of soil or waste pipes prohibited.]** No brick, sheet metal, earthenware or chimney flue shall be used for a sewer ventilator or to ventilate any trap, soil, waste or other sewer-connected pipe or opening.

**Iron pipe—where used.]** Every soil, revent, vent and waste pipe shall be of iron, except as is specified herein for lead or brass pipe.

**Vertical pipes through roof—increased how.]** The vertical soil, waste or vent pipes (where the vent or continuous waste pipe is not reconnected

to a soil, waste or vent pipe below the roof) shall extend through and above the roof at least eight inches and have a diameter of at least one inch greater than that of the pipe proper; but in no case shall it be less than four inches in diameter through and above the roof.

The increasers shall extend at least one foot below the roof. No cap or cowl shall be affixed to the top of any such pipe or pipes.

**Pipes above main building—nuisance.]** Soil, waste and vent pipes shall be carried above the roof of the main building when otherwise they would open within fifteen feet of the windows or doors of such or adjoining buildings, and shall be not less than six feet from any ventilator or chimney opening of such or adjoining building or buildings; nor shall they be located so as to be a nuisance to the occupants of any building.

**Soil and waste pipes to be extended—when.]** Except in office buildings and factories, branches of soil or waste pipes of twenty feet or more in length shall be extended full size, increased and carried through and above the roof. Branches of waste pipes less than twenty feet in length shall be either carried full size and increased and carried through and above roof or returned full size to the main vent pipe.

**Sizes of vent pipes.]** Vent pipes into which the revent pipe of rows of fixtures are connected shall not be less than one and one-half inches in diameter for not to exceed three plumbing fixtures other than sink, urinal or water closets. For a

greater number of such fixtures the vent pipe shall be at least two inches in diameter.

Where the vents from water closets and other plumbing fixtures are connected into the same vent pipe, the size of the vent pipe shall be at least two inches in diameter from the main vent pipe to the point of connection to the vent of the other fixtures not requiring a two-inch revent.

**Ejectors—sizes of vent pipes.]** The soil or waste pipe leading to an ejector or other appliance for raising sewage or other waste matter to the street sewer, shall, where a water closet or closets are installed, be ventilated by a vent pipe not less than four inches in diameter. Where fixtures other than water closets are installed the waste pipe shall be ventilated by a vent pipe of the same diameter as the waste pipe. Soil vents, vents and revents for ejectors shall be installed according to the provisions of this chapter governing soil, waste, vent and revent pipes.

**Horizontal waste pipes prohibited—amount of pitch.]** Horizontal soil or waste pipes are prohibited. In all possible cases the pitch shall be one-fourth of an inch to the foot, making the grade in the direction of the outflow.

**Drainage and vent fittings—prohibited vents.]** Where rows of fixtures are placed in line where galvanized wrought iron pipe is used for vents or revents, galvanized iron, malleable or cast-iron fittings or cast iron drainage fittings shall be used.

All vent fittings shall be either galvanized, tarred or asphaltum coated.

Horizontal vent pipes unless practical shall not be used. Lines of soil, waste, or vent pipes shall be run in a thoroughly workmanlike manner. Trapped or sagged, or drops in, vents or revents are prohibited. No vent pipe from the house side of any trap shall connect to any sewer, vent pipe or soil or waste pipe.

**Continuous vents—ventilation of traps—crown venting prohibited.]** Trap revents shall be continuous where possible. Where the vent or revent pipes are continuous and traps are ventilated through the waste fitting, the center of the outlet of such fitting shall not be set below the water seal of the trap; and the trap shall not be more than three feet from the waste fitting.

No crown venting shall be permitted.

**Size of soil and waste pipes.]** The least diameter of soil pipe permitted is four inches. A vertical waste pipe into which a kitchen sink or sinks discharge shall be two inches in diameter, and at least three inches in diameter if receiving the waste of five or more floors, and shall have not less than one and one-half inch branches.

**Trap prohibited—where.]** There shall be no traps at the foot of soil or waste pipes, nor shall there be any trap upon the house drain or house sewer.

This section shall not prohibit the use of traps at the foot of rain water leaders or upon drains or sewers used exclusively for conducting rain water to a public sewer.

**Trap revents—concealed partitions.]** Every

water-closet, urinal, sink, basin, bath, and every laundry tub or set of laundry tubs, or any other plumbing fixtures shall be effectively and separately trapped and revented, except as hereinafter provided for anti-siphon traps.

All traps shall be protected from siphonage by special vent or revent pipes, except where anti-siphon traps are permitted. Such revented trap shall not depend upon any concealed partition for its water seal.

**Connected wastes.]**   A connected waste pipe receiving the discharge of not more than two basins, set in line, may waste into a single trap, which shall not be more than two feet from the waste outlet of one of the fixtures.

**Floor washes—prohibited traps—back water valve.]**   When floor washes are connected it shall be by means of a deep seal trap. Bell traps and cast-iron S. and P. traps having covers over hand holes on the sewer side of the trap, held in place by lugs or bolts, are prohibited. Where a floor drain is placed in a basement, it shall be protected from back sewage by means of some suitable and approved back water valve or stop. Covered floor gutters are prohibited.

**Bath tub drum trap—revent.]**   Each bath tub shall be provided with a drum trap. Traps on bath tubs shall be placed in such a manner that the cleanout will be in plain view and above the floor. The drum trap shall be revented through either a "TY," a "Y," or a drainage fitting.

**Traps—placing of—water seal.]**   Traps shall

be placed as near to the fixtures as possible, and in no case shall a trap be more than two feet from the waste outlet of its fixture.

All traps shall have at least a one and one-half inch water seal and they shall be set true with respect to their water level.

**Waste pipe connection with closet bend, etc., prohibited—exception.]** In no case shall a waste pipe from any fixture be connected with any water-closet trap, lead bend, vent or revent connection for same, except that a waste connection may be made to a lead bend in old or repaired work.

**Water-closet revent—size.]** Water-closets when placed within buildings shall have two-inch revents for each water-closet trap, except as hereinafter provided.

**Sizes of vent pipes—revents.]** The main vent pipe for traps of water-closets in buildings four stories or under shall be at least two inches in diameter and have two-inch revents, except that revents for the traps of other plumbing fixtures may be the same diameter as waste traps. In buildings more than four stories high and not more than six stories high, the main vent pipes for water-closets with or without other plumbing fixtures shall be at least two and one-half inches in diameter. In buildings more than six stories high and not to exceed eighteen stories, the main vent pipes for water-closets with or without other plumbing fixtures shall be at least three inches in diameter. In buildings more than eighteen stories high the main vent pipe for water-closets

with or without other fixtures shall be at least four inches in diameter. The main vent pipe for other fixtures than water-closets in buildings four stories and under shall be at least two inches in diameter. In buildings more than four stories high and not more than eight stories high the main vent pipes shall be at least two and one-half inches in diameter. In buildings more than eight stories high the main vent pipe shall be at least three inches in diameter, except that the diameter of the vent pipe may be reduced to two and one-half inches for the six lower stories; provided, that where the waste pipe for fixtures other than water-closets exceeds three inches in diameter the main vent pipe shall be at least three inches in diameter. The size of revent to traps of plumbing fixtures other than water-closets shall be at least the same size as waste to traps.

**Vents—size of for twelve fixtures.]** Where more than twelve closets are installed on any floor the vent pipe for the same shall be at least three inches in diameter with two-inch revents for traps.

For purposes of reventing, any four fixtures other than water-closets (where the same are placed on one floor) shall be taken as equal to one water-closet. This is to apply where water-closets are revented through the same vent pipe.

**Vents in residences.]** Vent pipes for water-closets in residences shall be two inches in diameter with same size branches, and for other fixtures not less than one and one-half inches in diameter with branches the same size as waste and

trap; except that the vent pipe for a kitchen sink shall be two inches in diameter.

**Sizes of waste pipes in buildings over four stories in height.]**  Where fixtures other than water-closets are installed in a building more than four stories and basement or cellar high, having no soil pipe from ground in building to and through roof, and where the total number of fixtures wasting into one pipe exceeds six, the same shall waste into at least a two and one-half inch pipe, which shall be carried through the roof; except that where a battery of urinals and no water-closets are installed in any building (where a three-inch waste pipe is required) the same shall be carried at least three inches in diameter from the ground in the building up and through the roof.

**Sizes of waste pipes in buildings four stories in height and under.]**  In buildings of four stories and under, where no water-closet is installed and where no sewer-connected soil pipe is carried from ground in building to roof, the fixtures if six or more in number shall waste into a pipe at least two and one-half inches in diameter, which shall be carried through the roof.

Where a smaller number of fixtures is installed the main waste pipe shall be two inches in diameter and carried through the roof, except that where a battery of urinals having a three-inch waste pipe is installed the waste pipe shall be carried at least three inches in diameter from the ground in the building up and through the roof.

**Vents reconnected—connections prohibited with floors below.]**  All vents shall be either run separately through the roof or be reconnected to an increaser twelve inches below the roof, or they may be reconnected to the soil vent or main vent pipe not less than three feet above the highest floor on which fixtures are placed; provided, that no fixture or fixtures shall be placed on any floor or floors above and connected to the soil, waste, vent or revent pipes from the fixtures on floors below; nor shall any fitting or fittings for future connections be placed in any soil or waste pipe above the point of revent connection.   Where fixtures are afterwards installed on other floors the vent and revent pipes of the fixtures already installed shall be rearranged to conform to the provisions of this chapter.   Reconnections will not be permitted where said vent pipes run through more than five floors.

**Length of horizontal vents.]**  Except in office buildings and in factories, the vent pipes from any fixture or fixtures reconnected as hereinbefore provided, shall not span a horizontal distance to exceed twenty feet in length.   In office buildings and factories this distance shall not exceed forty feet.

**Vent pipe increased.]**  Where a vent pipe is carried independently through the roof it shall be increased as provided for in preceding sections.

**Prohibited use for revents, etc.]**  No trap, revent or vent shall be used as a waste or soil pipe.

**Revents for adjoining fixtures.]**  Where bath

rooms are located on opposite sides of a wall and directly opposite each other and on the same floor in any building and have a common soil or waste pipe in the same separating wall, the revents from fixtures in either or both of such bath rooms may connect into the same pipe.

Where two plumbing fixtures, other than water closets, waste into a double ''Y'' or double ''TY'' fitting, a single proper revent connected at or near the junction of the two waste lines forming a part of the fitting will be permitted.

**Safe wastes.]** All lead or other safes where necessary under fixtures shall be drained by a special pipe, the same to discharge into an open water supplied sink or into a deep seal trap, and in no case shall the safe be connected with any waste, soil or drain pipe or sewer. The ends of safe waste pipes shall be covered by flap valves.

**Overflow pipes—how connected.]** Overflow pipes from fixtures shall be in each case connected on the inlet side of the trap.

**Refrigerator wastes—sizes—traps.]** The waste pipe from a refrigerator or ice box shall not be directly connected with any soil, rain or waste pipe or with the drain or sewer, or discharge upon the ground. It shall discharge into an open water supplied sink or over a deep sealed trap and shall be as short as possible and disconnected from the refrigerator or ice box by at least four inches; and where refrigerators or ice boxes are placed in buildings and upon two or more floors, the waste and vent pipe thereof shall be continuous and shall

run through the roof and in no case shall it open within six feet of an open soil or vent pipe.

The size of a waste pipe for refrigerators for two floors or less shall be at least one and one-half inches, and two inches for three floors and over and under five floors, and two and one-half inches for five floors and over. Each refrigerator or ice box shall be provided with a suitable trap with an accessible trap screw or cleanout. Such trap shall be placed in the one and one-half inch waste pipe and shall be near the refrigerator or ice box. Such traps need not be separately revented.

**House boilers—sediment pipes.]** The sediment pipe from house boilers shall not be connected into the sewer side of any trap nor directly connected into any soil or waste pipe or drain.

**Water-closets—flush tanks—purity of water.]** All water-closets and urinals within any building shall be supplied from special tanks or approved automatically flushing valves having flush pipes at least one and one-quarter inches in diameter. The water from such tanks or cisterns shall not be used for any other purpose. The purity of such water and of water used in all other plumbing fixtures shall be equal to the purity of the water supplied through the Chicago waterworks system.

**Automatic flush tanks for urinals.]** Flush tanks for urinals shall be arranged for intermittent and automatic discharges. All urinals shall be flushed

at regular intervals not to exceed seven minutes each.

**Cisterns for water-closets—siphon discharge—house tanks.]** Where cisterns are used for water-closets they shall each have a siphon discharge. The valves of such cisterns shall be fitted and adjusted so as to prevent a waste of water. When the city pressure is not sufficient to supply such cisterns or plumbing fixtures with water, adequate pumps or house tanks shall be provided.

**Water-closets within buildings—flushing rim bowls.]** All water-closets within buildings shall have flushing rim bowls.

**Water-closets within buildings—flushing discharge.]** Water-closets and urinals within buildings shall not be supplied from any water supply pipes direct.

All water-closets within buildings shall be fitted with either siphon discharge flush or pressure tanks or approved automatically flushing valves not directly connected to the city water supply pipes.

All individual water-closets within buildings at each flush shall receive not less than four gallons of water into the closet bowl at each discharge, which shall be discharged in such time and with such force as shall thoroughly clean the closet bowl at each flush.

**Long hopper closets—regulations.]** Long hopper closets shall not be installed within any building hereafter constructed. Long hopper closets may be installed in a cellar or unfinished basement

of old or existing buildings only. A water-closet in a basement or in a yard may be flushed with a hopper cock or stop and waste cock buried to a depth of at least three feet below the ground. A long hopper closet of the last named construction shall be located at least eight feet distant from any dwelling.

A flushing rim water-closet may be placed adjacent to the outside wall of an existing building when the occupied floor of the building is not more than two feet above the ground level, in which case such closets shall be flushed by suitable flushing cistern, the flushing pipe from which shall be brought nearly to the level of the closet seat on the inside of the building.

**Outside water-closets—where prohibited—regulations.]** A water-closet shall not be installed on a porch or other like place. Outside water-closets may be installed for buildings heretofore erected only.

Water-closets when placed in the yard of any building heretofore erected shall be separately trapped and placed not less than eight feet from any dwelling or other place of abode and so arranged as to be conveniently and adequately flushed, and their water supply pipes and traps shall be protected from freezing. The compartments for such water-closets shall be adequately lighted and ventilated.

**Water-closets under sidewalks, etc.]** Where water-closets or other plumbing fixtures are placed under a sidewalk, street, alley or other like place,

adjoining and opening into the basement of any building, each and every fixture so placed shall be ventilated in the same manner as is provided for other plumbing fixtures in this chapter, and the water-closet compartments shall be adequately lighted and ventilated.

**Places of employment—separate water-closets for men and women—number.]** In all places of employment where men and women are employed, separate and sufficient water-closets shall be provided for males and females. Water-closets for men shall be plainly marked ''Men's Toilet'' and water-closets for women shall be plainly marked ''Women's Toilet.''

In all places of employment, one water-closet shall be provided for every twenty-five males or less number, and one water-closet shall be provided for every twenty females or less number. Such water-closet facilities shall be furnished upon at least every second floor. Where there are employes in any basement, such basement shall be considered as one floor.

**Water-closets in hotels and lodging houses.]** In lodging houses and hotels hereafter erected or altered there shall be provided one water-closet for every twenty-five males or less number and one water-closet for every twenty females or less number. The number of water-closets required shall be determined from the number of lodging quarters provided. There shall be at least one closet on each floor. The general water-closet accom-

modations of a lodging house shall not be placed in the basement.

**Separate closets in buildings used for both business and residence purposes.]** In all buildings used jointly for residence and business purposes, separate and sufficient water-closets shall be provided for the use of families and for the use of employes and patrons of the place.

**Toilet paper.]** No paper other than what is commonly known as toilet paper shall be placed in any water-closet or allowed to enter any soil pipe.

**House tanks—zinc and lead linings prohibited —overflow pipes.]** Tanks in which water to be used for drinking or other domestic purposes is stored shall not be lined with zinc or lead.

The overflow pipes from such tanks shall discharge upon the roof or be trapped and discharged into an open sink. Such overflow pipes shall not be connected into any soil waste pipe or other sewer connected pipe; nor shall the drain or sediment pipe be connected into any soil, waste or other pipe directly connected with a sewer.

**Rain water leaders—prohibited uses—when to be trapped—construction.]** Rain water pipes or leaders shall not be used as soil, waste or vent pipes; nor shall any soil, waste or vent pipe be used for a rain water pipe or leader. Where a rain water leader opens near any window, door or vent shaft, or is so located as to render it likely to become a nuisance, if not trapped, it shall be

properly trapped far enough below the surface to prevent its becoming a nuisance or freezing.

Inside rain water leaders shall be made of extra heavy cast iron or tar or asphaltum coated wrought iron pipe or galvanized wrought iron pipe, with roof connections, made gas and water tight by means of heavy lead or copper drawn tubing, wiped or soldered to a brass ferrule, calked or screwed into the pipe. Outside rain water leaders may be of sheet metal, but they shall connect with the house drain by means of a five-foot length of cast iron pipe extending vertically at least four feet above the grade level.

**Steam pipes—condensers—vents.]** No steam, exhaust, blowoff, drip or return pipe from any steam trap shall connect with the sewer or with any house drain, soil, or waste pipe or rain water pipe. The water or steam of condensation from such pipes, before it shall enter any sewer or drain, shall be discharged into a suitable cast iron catch basin or condenser, from which a special vent pipe not less than two inches in diameter shall extend through the roof.

**Blowoff pipes—how made—discharge.]** Blowoff pipes from boiler or heating plants shall be either of extra heavy cast iron pipe or galvanized wrought iron pipe. No such blowoff or hot water pipe shall discharge directly or indirectly into any vitrified earthenware tile sewer within any building.

**Temperature of water entering sewer.]** No water of a higher temperature than one hundred

and twenty degrees Fahrenheit shall be permitted
to enter any house sewer direct.

**Area drains to be trapped—when.]**   When the
area drains are connected to the house sewer or
drain, they shall be effectively trapped.   Such
traps shall be protected from frost.

**Cellar drainer—ground water.]**   Cellars and
basements shall be kept free from ground or sur-
face water, and where the same are too low to
be drained into the sewer, the water therefrom
shall be lifted by a cellar drainer or other device,
approved by the chief sanitary inspector, and dis-
charged into the sewer.

**Floor washes in basements—building plans
must indicate locations of backwater valves.]**
Floor washes for basements shall be provided
with a deep seal trap, having a heavy strainer,
and a backwater gate valve, or stop, accessible
for cleaning.

No backwater valve shall be used which has not
been approved by the chief sanitary inspector.

All building plans, where basement floor washes
are connected, shall indicate where and what
backwater valve or device is to be used.

**Sumps—tight cover.]**   Sumps or rodding basins
for sub-soil drains shall be provided with tight
cast iron covers.

**Wood sinks and tubs prohibited.]**   The instal-
lation of stationary wooden sinks and wooden
laundry tubs is prohibited inside of any building
used for human habitation.   Such sinks and tubs
shall be of non-absorbent material.

**Catch basins prohibited within buildings—exceptions.]** No catch basin or gravel basin shall be allowed within any building, except as provided for in the following sections.

**Catch basin to intercept kitchen wastes—diameter.]** Kitchen or other greasy wastes shall be intercepted by a catch basin or grease trap and thence conducted to the house sewer.

The vitrified tile sewer through which kitchen wastes are conducted shall be at least six inches in internal diameter.

**Catch basins for kitchen wastes—construction —covers.]** Catch basins for receiving such wastes shall be constructed either of brick, concrete or cast iron. If of brick or concrete, they shall be at least thirty inches in internal diameter at the base and may taper to not less than twenty-two inches internal diameter at the top.

Each catch basin shall be covered at the grade level with a stone, iron or cement concrete cover, having an opening of sixteen inches diameter, and fitted with an eighteen inch iron lid of a weight not less than eighteen pounds. No stone cover shall be less than three inches in thickness. No wooden catch basin cover shall be hereafter installed. If a wooden catch basin cover becomes rotten or defective so as to require repair or replacement, it shall be removed and replaced with a stone, iron or cement cover placed at the grade level.

Every concrete cover hereafter installed shall, if not reinforced as hereinafter provided, be made

at least three and one-half inches thick **from a** Portland cement concrete mixture consisting of one part cement, two parts limestone screening free from clay, and three parts number three crushed limestone such as will pass through a three-quarter inch sieve. The use of clean torpedo sand entirely free from dirt shall be considered the equivalent of the two parts of limestone screening in this mixture.

Every reinforced concrete cover shall be not less than three inches in thickness, made of the mixture above described, and shall be reinforced with two hoops of not less than gauge number ten wire, having the respective diameters of twenty and twenty-eight inches, and provided with at least eight cross connections of the same wire between the inner and outer hoops.

All covers shall be manufactured under shelter, protected from the sun, wind and frost, and shall not be removed from such shelter for at least two weeks after manufacture.

The walls of such catch basins, if of brick, shall be eight inches thick and laid in Portland cement mortar and plastered outside and inside with a half-inch coat of Portland cement mortar in proportion of one part of Portland cement and two parts of clean, sharp sand. The bottom shall be at least eight inches thick and of either brick laid in cement mortar or of Portland cement concrete. The brick used shall be hard burned sewer brick.

Where Portland cement concrete is used, the

walls shall be at least five inches thick, and the concrete shall be made of one part of live Portland cement, three parts of clean, sharp sand, and four parts of crushed stone free from dust and of sizes between one-fourth inch and one and one-half inches in largest diameter; and, in addition, the catch basins shall be plastered inside and out, as specified above for brick construction. Catch basins shall be made water tight. No re-tempered cement shall be used.

The bottom of catch basins shall be at least two feet below the invert of the outlet to the sewer.

The outlet shall be trapped to a depth of six inches below the invert of the outlet to the sewer to prevent the escape of grease, by a hood or trap of brick and cement mortar, or a hood of concrete or cast iron.

The invert of the inlet to the catch basin for kitchen wastes shall be not less than two and one-half feet above the finished bottom of the catch basin.

**Catch basin dispensed with—grease trap.]** Where the building covers the entire lot, the catch basin for kitchen wastes may be dispensed with; provided, that a suitable sized grease trap of approved construction is installed and provided with a water jacket through which shall circulate the water that is drawn for the general kitchen use. Such grease traps shall at all times be accessible for cleaning.

**Rain conductor connection—defective catch basins.]** Rain water leaders may connect to catch basins. Such leaders shall connect to a catch basin when they conduct water from a gravel roof.

Defective and leaking catch basins shall be rebuilt according to the above specifications.

**Number of urinals in factories.]** In all places of employment, one urinal shall be provided for every seventy-five males or less number.

**Urinals—construction—prohibited use.]** The sides, back and base of every urinal stall placed within any building shall be of non-absorbent material. Urinal stalls having troughs set in the floors are prohibited. The top of the urinal base shall be set one and one-half inches above the finished floor level. Urinal troughs and sectional urinals, unless lipped and provided with suitable automatic flush tanks or approved intermittent and automatic flushing valves, are prohibited. No sectional urinals shall be placed within a building or compartment which is subject to vibrations.

**Urinal flush—prohibited materials—separate trap and waste pipe.]** Every urinal stall shall have an individual lipped sanitary bowl.

The use of cast iron, galvanized iron, sheet metal or steel urinal bowls and troughs is prohibited. Each urinal bowl shall be separately and independently trapped and shall have a waste pipe of at least two inches in diameter.

**Automatic flushing of urinals—frequency.]** Each and every urinal trough and urinal bowl

shall be intermittently and automatically flushed with at least one gallon water flush for each urinal bowl or two foot length of urinal trough and at intervals not to exceed seven minutes each during its period of use.

The flushing of all such urinal fixtures shall be by means of either approved intermittently and automatically operated flush tanks or by intermittently and automatically operated flushing valves protected against a vacuum by a ground seat check valve.

**Urinal wastes—screens.]** The waste pipe of a "battery" of not exceeding four urinals shall not be less than two inches in diameter. For batteries exceeding this number the waste pipe shall be at least three inches in diameter.

No wire or metal screen shall be placed in any urinal bowl, unless every part of such screen is thoroughly washed at each water flush.

**Revent omitted—when.]** Where a single water-closet or other plumbing fixture is located in a building or on the top floor of any building, and there is an adequate soil or waste pipe of undiminished size from ground (in building) to roof, the revent pipe may be dispensed with; provided, that for water-closets a non-siphoning trap, tested and approved by the chief sanitary inspector, or a closet of approved construction, is used for such work; and provided, further, that the trap of such fixture is located not more than five feet from such soil or waste pipe.

**Revent omitted, when.]** Where a toilet or bath room having not more than one closet and three other fixtures therein is located on one·floor only or the top floor of any building, and such closet is set not more than five feet from the vertical soil pipe, the revent for the closet may be omitted; provided, that a closet of an approved construction is installed.

**Vent pipes reconnected—exception.]** Vent pipes shall be reconnected to main soil and waste pipes or drain by a ''Y'' branch below the lowest fixture, and in such manner as to prevent accumulation of rust. This shall not apply where there is a battery of fixtures on one floor only and no other fixtures on floors above or below.

**Open Plumbing.]** All plumbing fixtures shall be installed as open plumbing.

**Prohibited closets—removal.]** Pan, plunger, offset, washout-range closets and washout latrines shall· not be allowed in any building; nor shall hopper closets be installed in any building hereafter erected. Such closets, when found to be a nuisance, shall be removed, or when the same are removed for repairs they shall not be again installed. In alteration work, pan and plunger closets shall be removed.

Range closets of types approved by the commissioner of health and the chief sanitary inspector may be installed in factories and workshops only, and such closets shall be installed in separate compartments as hereinbefore provided for water-closet compartments.

**Reventing washout closets.]** Where individual washout closets are installed they shall be revented above the floor line. Rubber connections or connections of like material shall not be used on any sewer connected pipe.

**Prohibited fixtures not reinstalled.]** No fixture shall be installed and no fixture shall be reconnected or reinstalled where it does not meet the requirements of this chapter.

**Earthenware trap connections—how made.]** All earthenware and closet traps shall be connected to waste or soil pipes by inserting heavy brass floor or wall flanges, not less than one-fourth of an inch in thickness where lead bends are used, and shall be soldered to the same and bolted to the trap flange.

Where brass or iron bends are used, brass or iron flanges not less than one-fourth of an inch in thickness may be used, and shall be screwed or calked to the same and bolted to the trap flange, and all such joints shall be made tight without the use of putty, cement, plaster, rubber or leather washers. The use of putty, cement, plaster, rubber, or leather washers is hereby prohibited in making all connections between traps of plumbing fixtures and soil or waste pipes.

No flange, iron bend or gasket connection shall be used until it has been approved under test by the chief sanitary inspector. One of each of the above type of gaskets, flanges and iron bends shall be kept on exhibition in the sanitary bureau of the department of health.

**Slip joints—ground joints.]** Slip joints shall not be permitted on the sewer side of any trap, unless the metal connection is required between the soil or waste pipe and tile sewers. Unions on wrought iron, soil, waste and vent pipes shall be made by means of metallic brass-seated ground unions, or flange unions with sheet lead gaskets, and made without other gaskets or packing.

**Barn drainage—traps—catch basins.]** Floor washouts, urinal gutters and wash racks in barns or stables shall be provided with deep seal traps, having heavy strainers. Such traps shall have a depth of seal of at least three inches and shall be located at the floor line. An adequate water supply shall be provided for flushing such gutters.

All liquid wastes from barns or stables shall be intercepted before entering the sewer by a catch basin placed outside of the building, which shall be either the catch basin which is constructed according to the specifications for such catch basins or a cast iron catch basin provided with bolted air-tight iron cover. Barn drains and wastes shall be ventilated by sufficient and proper vents through the roof.

**Special permits—when issued.]** Special permits will be issued by the chief sanitary inspector only. Where special permits are issued, the location shall be inspected before the work is started, and duplicate plans in ink, in the name of the owner, agent or architect, shall be submitted and approved and placed on file. These plans shall show the proposed work, in plan and elevation. Such

plans shall be drawn on paper or cloth and drawn to a quarter inch to the foot scale.

The installation of any sewer connected fixture or of any sewer connected pipe or pipes other than those hereinbefore mentioned, or under any other conditions than those hereinbefore set forth, shall be as directed by the chief sanitary inspector, and the same shall be covered by special permits issued by him.

**Plumber's notification — inspection — when.]** When the plumbing in any building is ready for inspection, the plumber in charge of the work shall immediately notify the commissioner of health in writing of such fact at least twenty-four hours in advance of inspection. Inspections will not be made the same day that notifications are received.

**Inspection of repairs.]** The following repairs and extensions to any part of the plumbing and drainage system in any building shall also be reported for inspection, viz.: where there is any change in any sewer connected pipe, and where such change is on the sewer side of the trap, except in the case of minor repairs.

**Inspection—test.]** The entire plumbing system, when roughed in, in any building, shall be tested by the plumber in the presence of the plumbing inspector and as directed by him, under either a water pressure or air pressure.

The water pressure test for plumbing shall be applied by closing the lower end of the vertical pipes and filling the pipes to the highest opening

above the roof with water. The air pressure test for plumbing shall be applied with a force pump and mercury column equal to ten inches of mercury. The use of spring gauges is prohibited. Special provision shall be made to include all joints and connections to the finished line or face of floors or side walls, so that all vents or revents, including lead work, may be tested with the main stacks. All pipes shall remain uncovered in every part until they have successfully passed the test. After the completion of the work, and when fixtures are installed, either a smoke test under a pressure of one inch water column shall be made of the system, including all vent and revent pipes, in the presence of the plumbing inspector and as directed by him, or a peppermint test made by using five fluid ounces of oil of peppermint for each line up to five stories and basement in height, and for each additional five stories or fraction thereof one additional ounce of peppermint shall be provided for each line.

All defective pipes and fittings or fixtures shall be removed and all defective work shall be made good so as to conform to the provisions of this chapter.

The tile drainage system inside any building shall be tested by the drainage layer or sewer builder, in the presence of the house drain inspector, by closing up the end of the drains two feet outside the building and filling the pipes inside the building with water to a height of at

least two feet above the highest point of the tile drainage system.

**Water-closet and urinal compartment—ventilation.]** Water-closets and urinals shall not be installed in an unventilated room or compartment. In every case the room or compartment shall be open to the outer air or be ventilated by means of an air duct or shaft or be mechanically ventilated.

Where a urinal, bath or water-closet compartment is mechanically ventilated, the air shall be changed at least four times per hour by exhausting the air from the compartment.

In the case of an extension or alteration of any existing plumbing system, the same, if new stacks are run, shall be tested when roughed in and when completed, as hereinbefore provided.

**Peppermint test for alterations.]** In other alteration work, a peppermint test, and only this test, shall be applied by using five fluid ounces of oil of peppermint for each line up to five stories and basement in height, and for each additional five stories or fraction thereof one additional ounce of peppermint shall be provided for each line.

**Old work remodeled.]** In remodeling work, the existing system of soil, waste and ventilating pipes shall be changed to make them reasonably conform to the provisions of this chapter.

**Light and ventilation.]** All urinal, bath or water-closet compartments, hereafter constructed in any building, shall be lighted and ventilated as hereinafter provided for in this chapter. Every water-closet or urinal compartment or bath room

in every now existing building, and every compartment in buildings hereafter erected, where the compartment is more than one story under ground, shall be separately ventilated by a window opening to the external air or by proper and adequate ventilating pipes, shafts or ducts running through the roof or to the external air, and providing for at least four changes of air for the entire compartment each hour. All such compartments shall be adequately lighted by either natural or artificial light.

**Toilet compartments—separate.]** The urinal, bath or water-closet compartments shall be separate compartments and shall be entirely separated from any other room, workshop, office or hall by a tight partition extending from floor to ceiling, and every door of every such compartment shall be provided with a door check to keep such door closed.

No window or other opening shall be made to open from any such compartment for the purpose of ventilation, into any adjoining room, office, workshop, factory, hallway or compartment of any kind.

**Window area in toilet compartments.]** In every building hereafter constructed, every such compartment, where there is not more than one story under ground, shall have a window not less than one foot wide and of an area of at least four square feet for a floor area of forty-five square feet or less, opening directly into the outer air,

or special light and air shaft, into which no other rooms or compartments, other than toilet compartments, are ventilated. For upwards of forty-five square feet of floor area there shall be a window area of at least one-tenth of the floor area. The windows in all cases are to be arranged so as to admit of their being opened at least one-half their height. The urinal, bath or water-closet compartments on the top floor of any building may be lighted and ventilated by means of a skylight and ventilator. The area of the skylight shall conform to the above specified areas for windows.

**Fixtures to be kept in sanitary condition.]** All such fixtures in such compartments as are referred to in the previous section shall be kept in a thoroughly clean and sanitary condition.

**Ventilation into court.]** Nothing herein contained shall be construed as preventing the ventilation of the above mentioned compartments into an outer, inner or lot line court.

**Plans—plan and elevation, etc.]** Building plans in duplicate shall be filed with the bureau of sanitary inspection before the original plans are approved. Such duplicates shall be on paper or cloth and drawn to a standard scale, showing how all rooms and compartments of the building are to be lighted and ventilated. They shall also show in plans and in at least one elevation all drains, soil, waste, vent and revent pipes within the building and the location of all plumbing fixtures within the building, the location of the catch basin

(in case one is necessary) outside of the building, and its connection to the drainage and sewerage system.

**Fee before plans are approved.]**  Before plans are approved, the following fees for inspection shall be paid to the city collector:

When the building contains from one to six plumbing fixtures, the sum of fifty cents shall be paid for the inspection of each fixture, and for each and every additional fixture thereafter installed, or for which waste or vent fittings are installed, the sum of twenty-five cents shall be the fee for inspection.

**Certificate of inspection.]**  When the plumbing in a building is completed, the plumber or his representative shall secure for the owner of such building, from the commissioner of health, a certificate of inspection, signed by the chief sanitary inspector and approved by the commissioner of health, certifying that the plumbing work has been properly inspected and tested as required by the provisions of this chapter.

**Penalty.]**  Any person or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this chapter shall be fined not more than two hundred dollars nor less than twenty-five dollars for each offense; and a separate and distinct offense shall be regarded as having been committed each day on which such violation shall be allowed or suffered to continue after the first offense.

## GAS WATER HEATERS.

**Permit required to install or connect gas water heaters in bath room or lavatory.]** No person, firm or corporation shall install or connect any hot water heater in a bath room or lavatory for heating water in the same by the use of natural or artificial gas as fuel, within the city of Chicago, without first having obtained a permit as hereinafter provided.

**Application—permit—fee.]** Any person, firm or corporation desiring to install or connect any water heater in a bath room or lavatory for heating water for use in such bath room or lavatory by the use of natural or artificial gas as fuel, shall file with the commissioner of health of the city of Chicago an application upon forms furnished by the department of health, containing the name of the applicant, the street number of the building in which the said heater is to be used (and if the building is an apartment building, the location of the apartment), the floor plan of the room, showing the proposed position of the heater, the location of the plumbing fixtures, the door and window openings, showing their dimensions, and the course of the gas duct or ventilating pipe to the outer air or to a chimney connection.

If such application is approved by the commissioner of health, it shall be the duty of the city clerk to issue a permit to the applicant upon the payment by him of a fee of fifty cents for every such heater desired to be installed or connected.

**Structural requirements.]** No person, firm or

corporation shall install or connect any such heater unless it be provided with a metallic hood to which there shall be connected a suitable ventilating pipe not less than two inches in diameter, which said pipe shall extend to a chimney flue or to the open air in such a way as to carry off all escaping gases or fumes from such heater. In case such ventilating pipe shall extend to the open air, it shall be provided with a cap or cowl so as to prevent a back draft. Every such heater shall be provided with a convenient and adequate means of access to the burners and heating surfaces, for the purpose of lighting and cleaning same. No such heater shall be set closer to the floor than twenty inches, measuring from the top of the burner. The use of a pilot light on such heater is hereby prohibited; provided, that nothing herein contained shall prevent the use of a pilot light on a large water heater automatically controlled by a thermostat and located elsewhere than in a bathroom or lavatory.

**Duty of owner or person in possession of heater.]** It shall be the duty of the owner or person in possession or control of any premises where gas water heaters have heretofore been installed in bath rooms or lavatories to make such heaters comply with the requirements of this article, and it shall be unlawful for any person to use any such heater until it shall have been made to conform to the provisions of this article.

**Penalty.]**  Any person, firm or corporation vio-

lating, failing or refusing to comply with any of
the sections of this article shall be fined not less
than twenty-five nor more than two hundred dol-
lars for each offense.

## ELECTRICAL THAWING APPARATUS

The use of the electric current for thawing frozen water pipes has been practically demonstrated during the last few years to be a reliable and economical means of alleviating one of the discomforts incidental to a rigorous winter. This method has placed within the reach of property owners a safe and inexpensive means of thawing frozen pipes, and thus quickly and cheaply relieving themselves of the discomfort and inconvenience caused by one or more frozen water pipes in the building. The old method of thawing frozen pipes by means of a torch is at once, slow and dangerous, very often resulting in setting fire to the building, whereas, with an electric thawing outfit the work may be done in much less time and without necessitating the removal or destruction of any portion of the woodwork or plastering.

Should the frozen pipe happen to be underground, it may be thawed with an electric outfit, without going to the trouble and expense of excavating the entire length of the pipe, as with the old method. All that is necessary is to connect the terminals of the electric circuit to the pipe at two points far enough apart to include the frozen portion of the pipe within the circuit. This means digging down to the pipe at only two places

and these excavations need be only large enough
to permit a man to connect the wires to the pipe.
In order that the student may get an idea of the
construction and operation of this valuable ad-
junct to the modern plumber's equipment of tools,
a description and illustrations are herein given of
two styles of standard thawing outfits, as manu-
factured by the Westinghouse Electric and Mfg.
Co., of Pittsburgh, Pa. Fig. 177 shows the one
for heavy service, comprising a specially designed



Fig. 177
Heavy Service Outfit
Choke Coil
Alternating Current

choke coil, which is to be connected in series with
the primary of a 2,100 volt, 60 cycle, 125 cycle or
133 cycle transformer, as the case may be. The
choke coil is mounted in a cast iron casing, which
is provided with suitable carrying lugs. It is

portable, as it weighs but 200 pounds, although it may be, and often is mounted upon a wagon or sled. The leads are connected to the choke coil through the handles of two contact plugs which fit the five plug sockets arranged to allow current adjustment.

The secondary voltage can be decreased to approximately 95 per cent, 87 per cent, 75 per cent, 65 per cent and 50 per cent of the normal voltage by the insertion of the contact plugs in the proper sockets. The leads and handles of these plugs are insulated with a high test material guaranteed to resist successfully much greater potentials than it will ever be called upon to stand in actual service.

It is impossible to injure the transformer, or choke coil by making a wrong connection.

Fig. 178 shows the light service outfit. This device is intended for thawing house piping that may become frozen. It is enclosed in a cast iron case, consisting of top and bottom castings firmly bolted together.

Three plug sockets which are mounted in the top casting, are provided for obtaining the variation in secondary voltage of the transformer. The cables and handles of these plug contacts are also carefully insulated in order to avoid any possible injury to the operator. The low tension terminals are of sufficient size to receive cables of 60,000 circular mils. This equipment is intended to be used on nominal 2,100 volt, 60, 125 or 133 cycle

circuits. The secondary voltage can be adjusted for either 55 or 35 volts by means of the above



Fig. 178
Light Service Outfit
Alternating Current

mentioned plug contacts which are connected to taps on the winding of the primary.

A current of 100 amperes can be maintained for one-half hour without undue heating.

The insulation is specially prepared to withstand severe weather conditions.

No oil is used with this transformer, the laminations of the coils being exposed directly to the air. This device can be carried by one man, as it weighs but 100 pounds complete. Two substantial clamps for securing good contact with the pipe are included with the outfit.

**Operation.**—The outfit is brought as near to the frozen pipe as conditions will permit.

The high tension leads are then connected to the main line feeders. The low tension leads are attached to opposite ends of the section of pipe to be thawed. For service piping in buildings, one lead may be connected to a faucet, and the other to a convenient hydrant. When street mains are to be thawed, two hydrants are often used as connections, or, when this is impracticable, excavations are made which allow the leads to be connected directly with the pipe. The capacity of the transformer used with the heavy service outfit (Fig. 177) is from 15 to 25 K. W., adapted to a nominal 2,100 volt, 60, 125 or 133 cycle A. C. circuit. The transformer used with the light service outfit (Fig. 178) has a capacity of 5 K. W. adapted to the same kind of current as the larger equipment.

## AUTOMATIC SEWAGE EJECTOR

Modern architecture is not satisfied with extending the building to a height of several hundred feet in the air above street level, but installs sub-basements at a depth which renders it necessary to use some other means than the force of gravitation for removing the sewage and drainage from the building.

One of the most efficient devices for accomplishing this work is the automatic ejector, of which there are several types.

The apparatus herein described and illustrated is known as the Shone System of Sewage and Drainage for buildings, and is in successful operation in many of the largest buildings in the United States.

The following data regarding this system is furnished by the Shone Company of Chicago:

The principles governing the operation of the Shone System are the same in all cases, the deep basements of city buildings and the long distances to which sewage has often to be conveyed from buildings in the country merely presenting varieties of the same problem.

In general, the system may be described as follows:

An air and water tight vessel, known as an "Ejector," is placed in a chamber provided for it, in such a position that all the sewage and

drainage of the building can flow to it by gravitation.

The sewers connect directly to the ejector, and as the latter can be placed at any depth required, there is no difficulty in obtaining sufficient fall to enable them to be made perfectly self-cleansing.

The ejector is furnished with an iron sewage discharge pipe, leading to the point of delivery or outfall, and it is also connected with a supply of compressed air which is constantly maintained.

As soon as an ejector is filled, the compressed air is automatically admitted and the sewage is forced out through the discharge pipe, whereupon the compressed air is cut off and fresh sewage again commences to fill the ejector.

The operation of emptying the ejector usually takes less than half a minute. The time it takes to fill depends upon its size and upon the amount of sewage coming down the sewers at any given moment.

In this manner the sewage is handled automatically and is ejected from the building as fast as it is produced, without coming in contact in any way with the air of the building.

When an ejector is in operation, it is perfectly inoffensive, and it is impossible to tell of what the liquid it is handling may be composed. It can and should be kept as clean as any other piece of machinery, and it is preferably located where it will be in plain view.

**The Shone Pneumatic Ejector.** Fig. 179 shows **a** sectional view of an ejector of the type usually

employed in buildings. It consists essentially of a
closed vessel furnished with sewage inlet and dis-
charge connections, of a diameter suitable to the
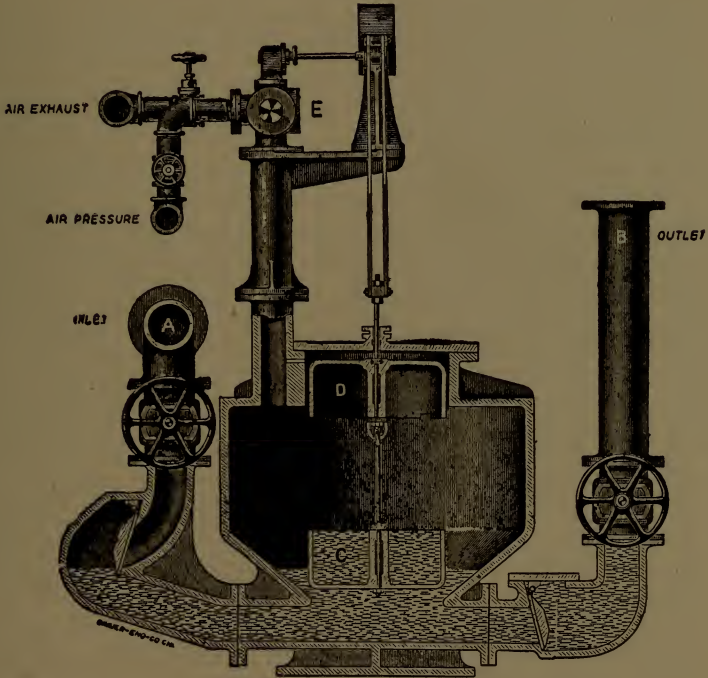


Fig. 179
Shone Pneumatic Ejector

size of the ejector and the amount of sewage to
be pumped. The main sewer of the building is
connected directly to the inlet pipe A, and the dis-
charge pipe B is continued to wherever it is de-
sired to deliver the sewage. In each of these
connections is placed a check valve which permits

a flow in one direction only, that in the inlet pipe opening toward the ejector and that in the discharge pipe away from it.

On the cover of the ejector is placed the automatic valve E, to which is connected the air pressure pipe from a receiver which is kept constantly charged, and the air exhaust pipe leading to the outside of the building. This valve controls the admission of air to, and exhaust from the ejector.

Inside the ejector are hung two cast-iron bells, C and D, linked to each other by an iron rod, in reverse positions, as shown. The bronze rod to which the bell D is attached passes through a stuffing box and connects by means of links to a lever with a counterweight. The rising or falling of these bells operates the automatic valve E through a rock shaft connecting it with the center of motion of the lever, the counterweight being so adjusted as to balance their weight, except when the system is thrown out of equilibrium by the filling or emptying of the ejector as hereafter described.

As shown in Fig. 179 the bells are in their lowest position (the extent of their movement being limited to about 1½ inches), the compressed air is cut off from the ejector, and the interior of the ejector is open to the atmosphere through the automatic valve, and air exhaust pipe.

The sewage, therefore, can flow through the inlet pipe A into the ejector, which it gradually fills until it reaches the bell D and commences to rise around it. When the latter is sufficiently sub-

merged for its buoyancy to overcome the friction of the parts, it raises both itself and the lower bell, to which it is attached, into their upper positions. The consequent movement of the lever throws over the automatic valve, thereby closing the connection between the inside of the ejector, and the atmosphere, and admitting the compressed air. The check valve in the inlet pipe falls upon its seat as soon as the ejector is filled, thus preventing any return in that direction, and the compressed air, acting upon the surface of the sewage in the ejector, immediately commences to drive it downwards, and out through the discharge pipe B. The sewage passes out of the ejector until its level falls to such a point that the lower bell C is sufficiently exposed for its weight to throw the system out of equilibrium in the opposite direction.

The bells consequently fall, which again reverses the automatic valve and returns it to its original position. The result of this action is, first, to cut off the supply of compressed air, whereupon the outflow of sewage ceases, and the check valve in the discharge pipe drops to its seat, and, secondly, to allow the compressed air within the ejector to escape to the atmosphere.

The sewage which has been ejected cannot return past the discharge valve, fresh sewage commences to flow into the ejector once more, and so the action goes on as often as the ejector is filled. The positions of the bells are so adjusted that the compressed air is not admitted until the

ejector is full, and is not allowed to exhaust until the ejector is emptied down to the discharge level; thus the ejector discharges a specific quantity each time it operates.

The principal objects which have been kept in view in the design of this machine are the capacity for handling rough, unscreened sewage, combined with certainty of action, simplicity, and durability. Although ejectors may be and frequently have been operated uninterruptedly for years with no attention whatever, such treatment is not to be recommended. Where continuous service night and day is required, as is usually the case, if there is only one ejector, it is difficult to give it the ordinary care that any machine should have, or to effect the repairs that must sooner or later become necessary, and which are likely to be needed all the sooner if it is not kept continuously in good condition. For this reason, as well as to supply reserve capacity in cases of emergency (such as the bursting of a water main, or flooding by fire engines), ejectors are generally installed in duplicate.

Ejectors are built in various sizes, from a capacity of fifty gallons per minute each up to as large as desired.

**Air Compressing Apparatus.** The air for the operation of the ejector is furnished by a compressor, which delivers it to an air receiver, the compressor being in all cases arranged to start and stop automatically as the pressure falls or

rises in the receiver in accordance with the demands being made by the ejector. The compressor is so proportioned as to be capable of supplying air at a suitable pressure and in sufficient volume to operate the ejector at its maximum capacity.

Compressors can be driven by steam, electricity or any form of power, the only essential being that the power shall be available at all times.

When steam is employed, a direct acting compressor is the most suitable for small plants. For the larger sizes, or where several ejectors are operated by one compressing plant, a duplex crank and fly-wheel compressor is generally used. The latter is much more economical in the consumption of steam, but the amount of power required to operate ejectors is usually so insignificant as to render the question of theoretical economy in the compressor altogether subsidiary to simplicity and ease of manipulation.

Where electricity is the motive power, a horizontal crank and fly-wheel compressor, driven by a slow speed compound-wound motor, is generally employed.

Fig. 180 shows such an arrangement, together with the automatic switchboard. As being more commonly employed than the single outfits, the whole apparatus is shown in duplicate, for as it also is generally required to be in constant operation night and day, there are the same advantages in a duplicate installation as have been already
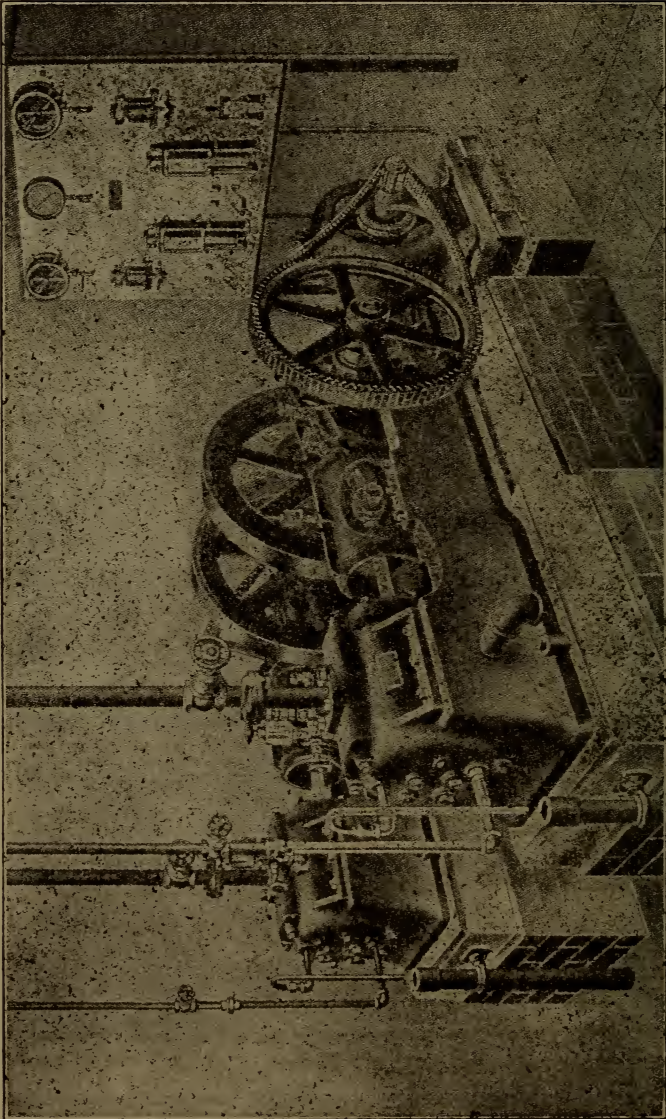
Fig. 180
Air Compressor

explained in the case of the ejectors themselves.

Each side of the switchboard controls its own motor, starting and stopping it automatically within any given limits of pressure, but there is a cross connection by means of which either side can be made to control both motors.

When the air pressure falls, an electrical connection is made through an adjustable contact point, which closes a magnetic switch. This completes the main circuit, and, through the intervention of an automatic starter which gradually cuts out resistance, starts the motor slowly without shock or undue strain. When the pressure has risen to the required amount, a connection is made with another adjustable contact point, which opens the magnetic switch and stops the motor.

Should a chance failure of current occur while the motor is running, the magnetic switch immediately opens, the automatic starter falls to its original position, and on the restoration of the current the motor is re-started slowly as in the first place.

The compressed air required in most buildings for some one or more of the many other purposes for which it is now employed, can be obtained from the compressing plant that operates the ejectors, provided the pressure required is about the same. For ordinary purposes, such as those of jewelers or other light manufacturers, or for blowing the dust out of electrical machinery, etc.,

it is only necessary to allow for the additional quantity required. Special apparatus, however, has generally to be provided for filtering, washing and drying the air used by doctors and dentists.

When the pressure required is materially greater than that needed to operate the ejectors (which seldom exceeds twenty-five pounds per square inch), it is not generally advisable to combine the two services, although one side of a duplicate plant is occasionally arranged so that it can produce a high pressure in a separate receiver, which is cross connected so that if need be, it can be changed over to run the ejectors.

As far as the action of the compressing machinery and ejectors is concerned, it is the same in all cases, but the details of location and arrangement vary somewhat in accordance with the different conditions existing in different classes of buildings.

**Buildings in Cities.** In buildings in cities the ejectors are usually located in some central position, and the compressing apparatus in the engine or machinery room. It is preferable to have the latter placed where it can be seen by the engineers in charge as they go about their duties, as the normal action of the compressing machinery is a sure index of the like action on the part of the ejectors themselves.

**Installation.** Fig. 181 shows a pair of ejectors in position, with their connecting pipes. The

discharge pipe from the ejectors can be led up
to and along the basement ceiling and down to
the street sewer, but it is preferable to lay it
under the basement floor to the curb wall, and
from there up into the street sewer. It should
be run independently of all others, as in case of
any obstruction in it, or the street sewer, the
ejectors would be liable to force the sewage back
up any pipes that might be connected to it. The
air pressure, and air exhaust pipes have merely
to be run in the most convenient manner, and
require no special comment. The air exhaust
pipe, however, which is for the purpose of pro-
viding a means whereby the exhaust air can
escape to the outside of the building, needs seldom
to be run the whole way independently, as it can
generally be connected to the flue leading from
the boilers to the chimney, or it may be con-
nected to some vapor pipe, or ventilating duct.
Wherever it is possible to spare the room, ejector
chambers should be left open, or at least partial-
ly so, and surrounded by a coping and railing.

If necessary, however, the chamber can be
entirely covered; merely an entrance being left
which can be closed with an ordinary manhole
cover. Ejector chambers are usually circular in
form, and may be built in a variety of ways,
but they are generally constructed either of brick
laid in cement or of tank steel.

The latter form is used where the ground is
bad, or where there is much water to contend with
during construction, as unless conditions are

favorable, great care is required in the construction of brick chambers in order to make them water tight. A leaky chamber is a serious inconvenience, since the presence of water in it is
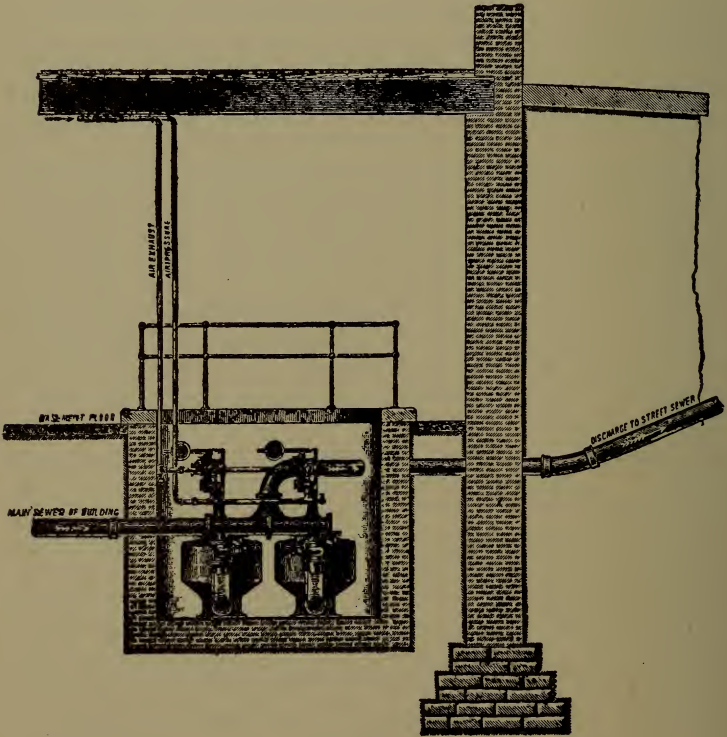


Fig. 181
Pair of Ejectors in Position

not only unsightly, but prevents ready access to the machines, and is a hindrance to keeping them in good condition.

A steel chamber is usually designed in the form of a cylinder with a convex bottom.

There should be a ring of angle iron around the top in order to stiffen it, and a suitable casting should be riveted to the side in order that a water tight joint may be made around the inlet pipe where it passes through to the ejectors. The steel shell is usually built complete, and then lowered in one piece onto a bed of concrete, after which it is grouted around outside with fine concrete, and a level floor inside of the same material.

In applying this system to a group of buildings the whole of the sewage and drainage of each building is collected into one sewer, and the ejectors are located at some central point to which each of these sewers can be brought with a good fall. It is preferable that the air compressing plant be located in the main engine or machinery room, where it can be cared for by the engineer in charge, and where it will at once give notice if everything is not operating properly. The air pressure pipe to the ejectors may be either cast or wrought iron.

# DISPOSAL OF SEWAGE.

The disposal of sewerage in districts where there are no public sewers at hand is often a matter of difficulty. Formerly, it was believed that if a running body of water, river or creek, was at hand, into which the sewerage could be emptied, the question of adequate sewer systems was solved. Frequent epidemics of diphtheria and scarlet fever, have called forth careful investigation, which has proven that the pollution of streams contiguous to domestic water supplies with sewerage, is one of the greatest dangers to health. This subject is being more closely studied every year, which is probably due to the wide publicity given it in discussions and reports of health departments. It is the purpose to consider some of the best sanitary systems and appliances applicable to the convenience and health of country districts. A system which is adaptable for one place will not prove an adequate or effectual system for another. It lies with the plumber or builder to study the conditions as they exist, and to exercise a little common sense.

The old out-door closet, with its revolting stench and inconvenience, is rapidly disappearing. Private and public water service have made it

possible to install a modern bath room, even in the country, but the sewer disposal in most cases, is a puzzling proposition.

The primitive method of installing a leaching cesspool, which is a hole dug in the ground deep enough to allow five or six feet of space below the inlet end of the house drain pipe, and five or six feet wide, walled up with loose stones, the bottom left loose and filled with about a foot of small stones and the top walled over with a tight arch, and the earth filled in to the grade level thereby depending on the liquid to ooze away through the porous strata, has a great many disadvantages. In the first place, in communities where the neighbors depend on wells for their water supply, it is very dangerous, as it invariably pollutes the subsoil in the neighborhood and contaminates the well water supply. On a farm where plenty of ground is available, if located at a good distance from the dwelling, and at a lower level in the opposite direction from the well, it may be used without causing any harm. In case such a cesspool is used, the arch should be built up to an opening, twenty inches in diameter, and run to the surface and closed with an inspection cover hermetically sealed by a rubber gasket.

The system of sub-surface irrigation for sewerage disposal has been very well thought of by our best sanitary engineers. It consists of two absolutely tight cesspools or concrete receptables, as
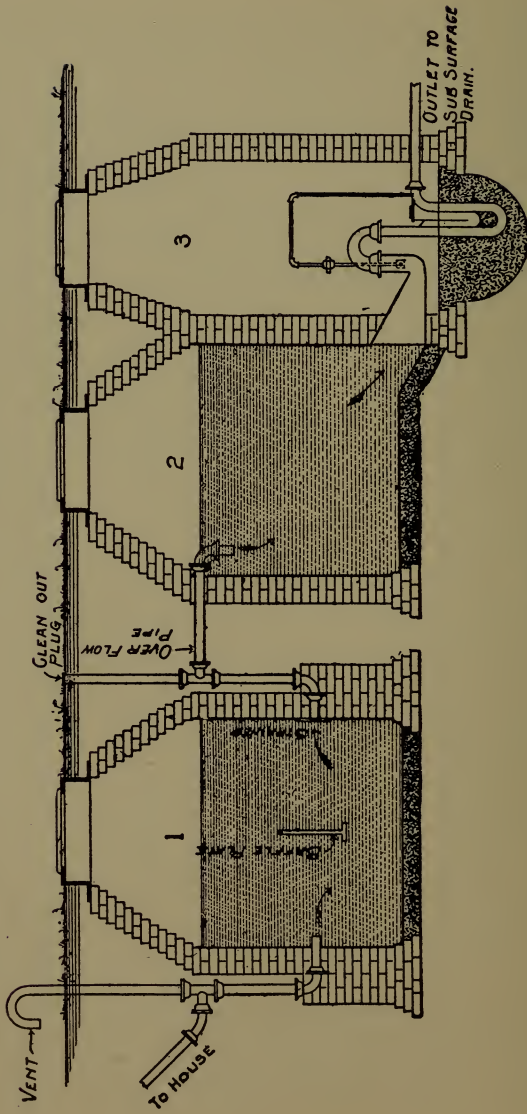
Fig. 182.

shown in Fig. 182, built circular in shape, arched over, and with extended manholes to the surface, with tight inspection covers, also provided with an air-vest opening for the escape of gases, one tank to receive the drain from the house and to retain the solids and grease. The other for the liquid sewerage, connected together with an overflow pipe in such a manner that the first basin is drained into the second, without disturbing the grease and scum in the top of the first one, with a baffle plate, as shown, to prevent an underflow current from carrying the solids through to the second basin.

In the drawing an inspection basin is shown with the syphon for emptying the liquid outside of the second basin. The advantage of this is that in case of the syphon failing to work properly, it is accessible without disturbing the other two tanks. Another very frequent construction, which, of course, avoids the expense of the inspection basin, is to place the syphon in the second tank and protect it with a wire screen. The advantage of having the inspection basin, of course, is obvious, and hardly needs to be further commented upon here. The opening from the syphon is run with a four or six-inch vitrified salt glazed sewer pipe with tightly cemented joints, to a point down grade, where it is connected with four by two inch Y branches to a series of two or three-inch porous drain tile, which should be laid in a

trench about ten inches deep, never deeper, on boards, with a very small fall about three or four inches per hundred feet, tiles to be laid with open joints, and joints to be covered with a half ring of vitrified clay or cup, to protect the same from filling up when buried. The liquid tank can be emptied in several ways, either with a sluice valve or a gate valve, both of which necessitates personal attention. The advantage of using the syphon is that it is automatic.

There are a great many different kinds of syphons on the market, and it is sometimes a matter of personal opinion as to which is the best. The liquid tank should not be emptied more often than once every twenty-four hours, which allows plenty of time for the ground to thoroughly drain, and to breathe in more oxygen, and then in a volume sufficiently large enough to fill all the drain pipes at once, to insure an even distribution. This system is, of course, preferably adapted to a porous or gravel soil. In places where clay soil conditions exist, the soil should be drained at least four feet below the level with porous drain.

# COUNTRY WATER SUPPLY.

The procuring of a water supply in the country depends largely upon the surrounding conditions. Of course, when the source of the water supply is at a higher level than the house, a gravity system is the least complicated, and very often the cheapest. When the house is located at a reasonable height above the water supply, which could be made to supply an eight or ten-foot head, the hydraulic ram could be used. Rams will work, and work successfully, where the spring or brook is only three feet higher than the ram head, as the height or head increases the more powerfully the ram operates, and its ability to force water to a greater elevation and distance correspondingly strengthens. The best wearing results will be secured where the head or fall does not exceed ten feet; the head on the discharge pipe may be from five to ten times the head on the drive pipe. As a specific example: It might be said a fall of ten feet from brook or spring to the ram is sufficient to raise water to any point, say 150 feet above the machine, while the same amount of fall would also raise water to a point considerably higher, though the quantity of water discharged will be proportionately diminished as the height and distance increase.

**Rule for Estimating Delivery of Water.** Multiply the number of gallons supplied to the ram per minute by three, and this product by the number of feet in head or fall of drive pipe, and divide by four times the number of feet to be raised. The result is the number of gallons raised per minute. **Example:** With a supply of ten gallons per minute delivered to a ram under a head or fall of ten feet, how much water can be raised to an elevation of 100 feet?

$$\frac{10 \times 3 \times 10}{100 \times 4} = .75 \text{ gallons per minute.}$$

To obtain a water supply which will deliver water at any faucet in a house, yard or barn, it is necessary not only to pump the water, but to have some means of storing it under pressure. The elevated tank delivers it by gravity pressure, and, when used, should be placed at least eight to ten feet above the highest point from which the water is to be drawn, to insure a respectable velocity of discharge.

**Compressed Air System.** The principle of delivering water and other liquids by pressure of compressed air is very old, but it was not until recently that this principle was employed to furnish domestic water supply.

One of the greatest advantages of the com-

pressed air system is that it does away with the elevated tank, and there are a great many defects in the elevated tank system. If placed in the attic, it is not high enough to afford a sufficient pressure to be any protection against fire. Another objection is the weight of the tank, when filled with water, is very liable to crack the plastering and to leak. Another serious defect of the elevated tank, when placed in an attic or on a tower is the exposure to weather, in the winter it freezes and in the summer it becomes warm.

In the compressed air system the tank is placed either in the ground below the frost line or in the basement, and the water is pumped into the bottom of the tank with a force pump, which may be operated by hand, windmill, gas engine or hot-air engine. Another opening in the bottom delivers water to the faucet in the house, yard or barn. As the water is pumped into the bottom of the tank the air above it, not having an outlet, is compressed. This pressure is increased and maintained by an automatic air valve. It does away with the elevated tank, and delivers water at an even temperature all year around. The tank and pipes leading to and from it are protected from the weather. A pressure of fifty pounds is easily obtained, which equals the pressure from an elevated tank one hundred and ten feet high. This affords first-class fire protection and enables the country residents to have all the sanitary con-

veniences of a city home. A double system of
this kind can also be installed, one for furnishing
well or drinking water to the fixtures, and an-
other one supplying soft water from the cistern.

In Fig. 183 a steel storage tank is shown buried
in the ground below the frost line, water is
pumped into it by hand or windmill. This pump
forces both air and water into the tank at the
same time. A connection run to the surface near
the house to a yard hydrant with hose connec-
tion furnishes water for sprinkling and fire pro-
tection, another branch supplies water to the
barn, under pressure.

In Fig. 184 a steel storage tank is shown placed
in the basement and supplied with a hand pump.
These two illustrations will serve to give some
idea of the extent to which a system of this kind
can be put to use. The tank is practically inde-
structible, and, unlike the elevated tank, requires
no expense after it has been put in. When the
tank is one-half full of water, the air which origi-
nally filled the entire tank will be compressed
into the upper half of it and will exert a pressure
of fifteen pounds to the square inch, and if a
straight supply pipe was run from the bottom of
the tank, this air pressure would force the water
to a height of thirty-three feet. For ordinary
elevation the best results are obtained by main-
taining in the tank excess air pressure of ten
pounds, that is, enough air to give ten pounds
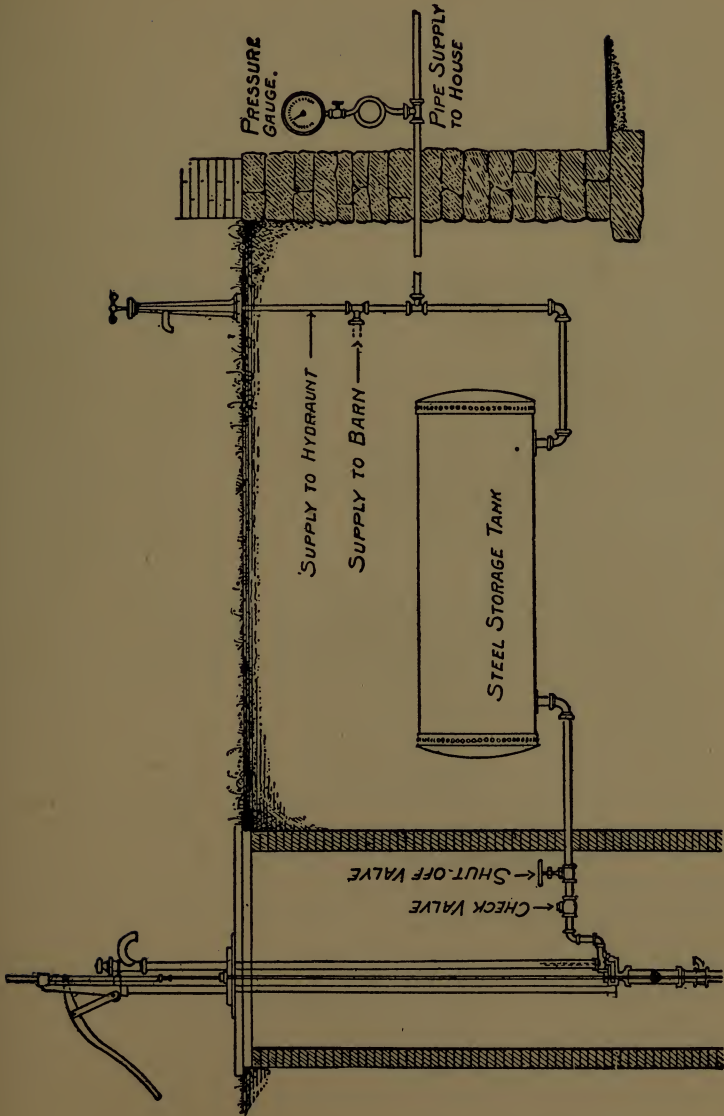
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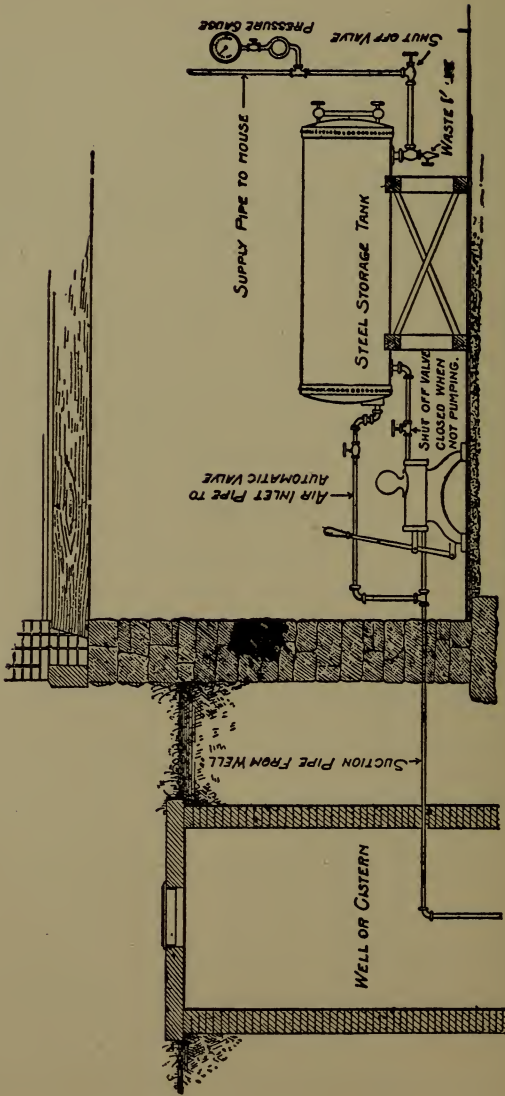
Fig. 184.

pressure when the tank contains no water.  Thus equipped, a tank will deliver twice as much water as otherwise.

Most of the country towns at the present day are supplied with efficient water systems, and it is a very easy matter to install a hydraulic system which supplies hot and cold soft water to every fixture in the house automatically and all of the time.  One of the principal objects desired in the hydraulic system is to utilize the waste water from the hydraulic pump so that there will be no loss, which is quite an item when the water is paid for at so much per thousand feet.

The system shown in Fig. 185 is a very simple and inexpensive one.  The city water supply is run direct to the hydraulic pump, and the city water passing through it is piped direct to the fixtures at which cold hard water is desired.  In the drawing this pipe supplies the closet tank and one faucet over the lavatory for drinking purposes in the bathroom, also one faucet over the sink and two connections to laundry tub, which is very convenient, as the cold water can be utilized for rinsing purposes, thereby saving a great deal of the soft water.  The operation of the same is, that when any of these five faucets are opened, it permits the city water to pass through the pump and at the same time operate the pump, which pumps soft water from the cistern to the tank in the attic from which a pipe is run down to the base-

ment with branches taken off at the different floors to supply cold soft water, hence, to the hot water heater tank, from there on to the heater, back to the tank and around to the different fixtures supplying hot soft water. The return pipe prevents a dead end which necessitates wasting the soft water before the hot water begins to flow.

A method is shown whereby it is possible when the cistern is emptied to fill either the city water supply only with city water, or the entire system without its passing through the pump by the manipulation of three globe valves, designated as A, B and C. When the pump is pumping cistern water to the attic tank, valve B and C are closed, and valve A is opened. When the cistern is emptied, and it is desired to fill only the cold city water pipe with water, leave valve C closed, close valve A and open valve B, which permits the water to flow into the cold water pipe without passing through the pump. If it is desired to fill the entire system with city water, all that is necessary is to open valve C, which permits the water to flow up to the attic tank and down through the balance of the system. When this is done, valve D on the overflow pipe should be closed after the water begins to overflow, and not before, as the system would become air-bound.

An overflow pipe is shown leading from the attic tank to the cistern within the house. If it is possible to run this overflow pipe out onto the

roof so that the overflow will return to the cistern through the eavestrough and downspout pipe to the cistern, it is best to do so, as the cistern water then has a chance to become aerated. The pipe to supply the sill cock or yard hydrant for sprinkling purposes should be taken off at a point before the supply to pump, to prevent the unnecessary work of the pump when sprinking. In case of a basement closet being installed, a connection can be taken from the city water supply pipe run to the laundry tub, three-quarter-inch galvanized iron pipe is sufficiently large enough for all of the main supply pipes with one-half-inch branches to the different fixtures. These hydraulic rams are manufactured so as to work, and work successfully, at as low a pressure as ten pounds per square inch.

CONNECTIONS
BETWEEN WATER CLOSET
AND BEND

No. 3.

WATER CLOSET.
OUTLET

CLOSET SCREW

PUTTY JOINT

FLOOR

LEAD BEND
FLANGED OVER
ON FLOOR

No. 4.

WATER CLOSET
OUTLET

CIRCULAR
MOVABLE RUBBER
RING, MAKING
AIR-TIGHT
JOINT WITH
CROCKERY

CLOSET SCREW

4" BRASS
BEND
CAULKING INTO
SOIL PIPE
FITTING

SOIL PIPE → | OAKUM

RUBBER GASKIT

BODY OF BRASS OR IRON

BRASS SCREW COVER

CAULKED LEAD JOINT

RECTANGULAR IRON COVER

RUBBER PACKING

CAST IRON

RUBER GASKIT

BRASS SCREW COVER

CAST IRON

CAST IRON COVER

CLEANOUTS

RUBBER GASKIT

STRAP

OF CAST IRON MADE ALSO IN FORM OF TEE, ON TRAPS ETC.

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SECTIONS SHOWING
MANNER OF SHAPING
PIPES WHEN THEY ARE
TO BE JOINED BY
WIPED JOINT
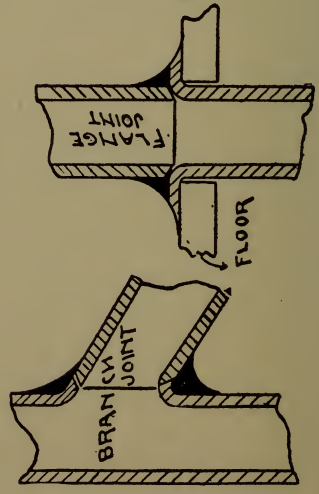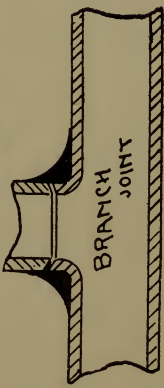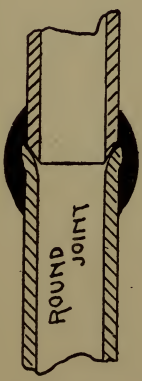
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ROUND JOINT

BRANCH JOINT

FLANGE JOINT

FLOOR

BRANCH JOINT

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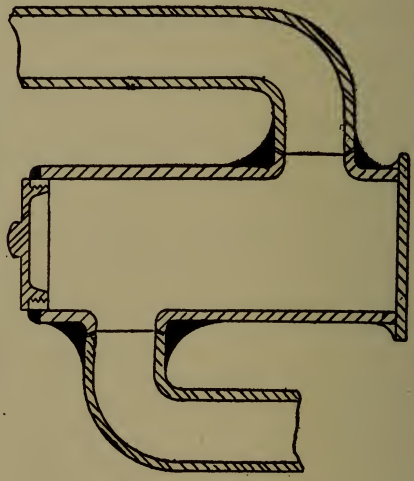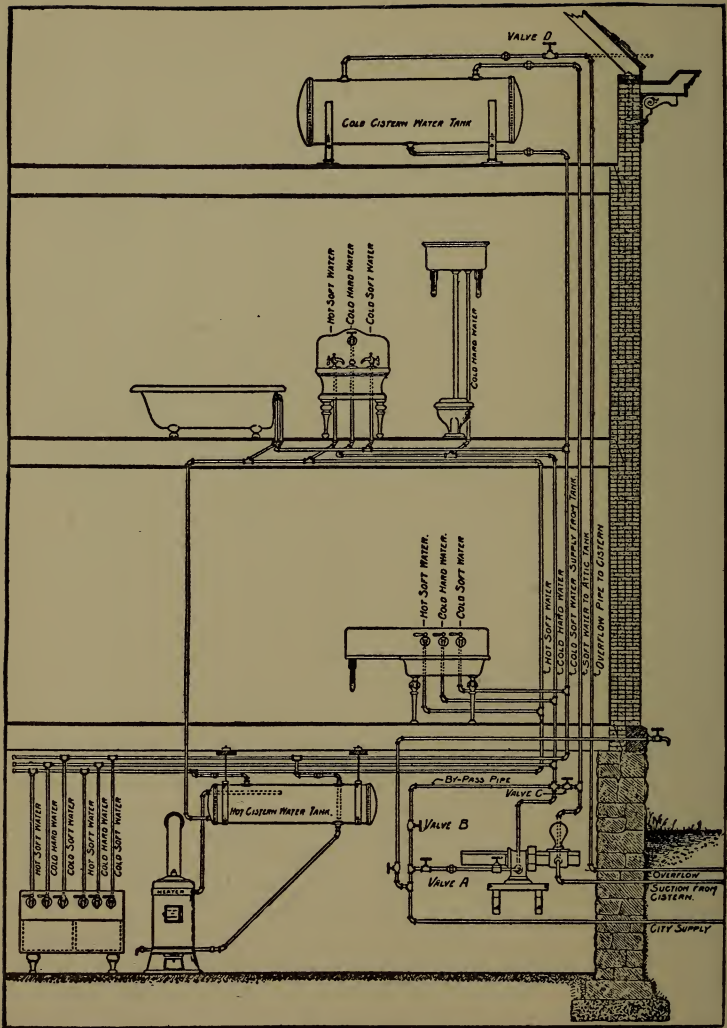
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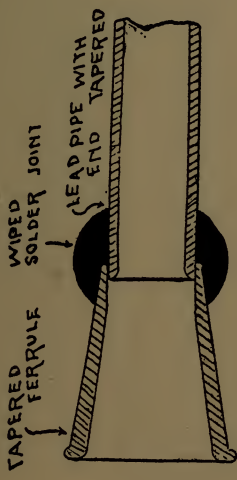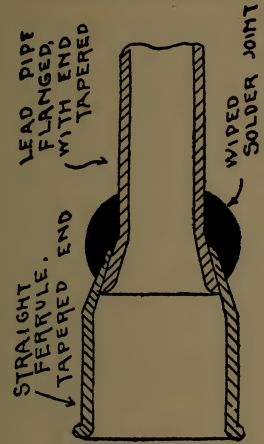
Sections Showing Connection of LEAD PIPE with BRASS FERRULE

Lead Pipe Flanged, With End Tapered

Wiped Solder Joint

Straight Ferrule, Tapered End

Tapered Ferrule

Wiped Solder Joint

Lead Pipe With End Tapered

Wiped Solder Joint

Lead Pipe Flanged

Straight Ferrule

Straight Ferrule

Wiped Solder Joint

Lead Pipe Run Through Ferrule And Flanged

Space Between Ferrule And Pipe To Be Filled

CONNECTIONS
BETWEEN WATER CLOSET AND LEAD BEND

No. 1.

WATER CLOSET OUTLET

CLOSET BOLT

RUBBER GASKIT

SOLDER JOINT BETWEEN FLANGE AND BEND

BRASS FLANGE

FLOOR

4" LEAD BEND

No. 2.

WATER CLOSET OUTLET

CLOSET BOLT

RUBBER GASKIT

BRASS FLANGE

LEAD BEND

CONNECTIONS
FOR SITZ BATH

MAIN STACK

TAPPED TEE

MAIN BACK AIR GALV. WR IRON PIPE

1½"

UNION

BACK AIR GALV WR. IRON PIPE

IMPERIAL WASTE AND OVERFLOW

2"

4"

1½

SOLDER NIPPLE

1½"

1½

LEAD TRAP

2" BRASS FERRULE

Plumbing for Railway Station
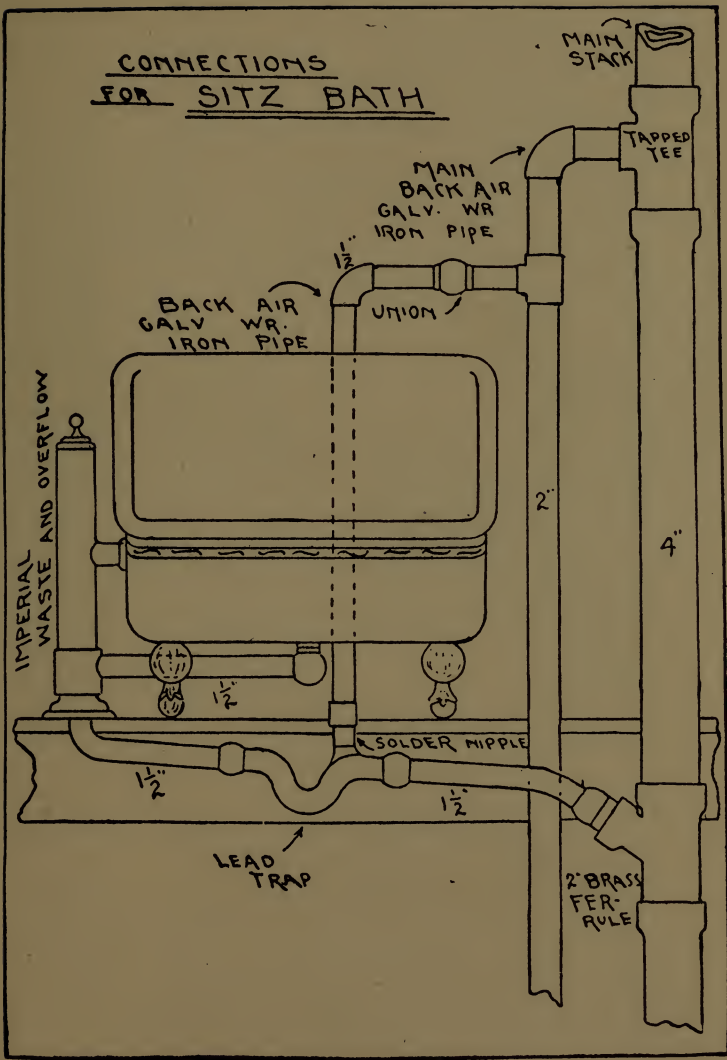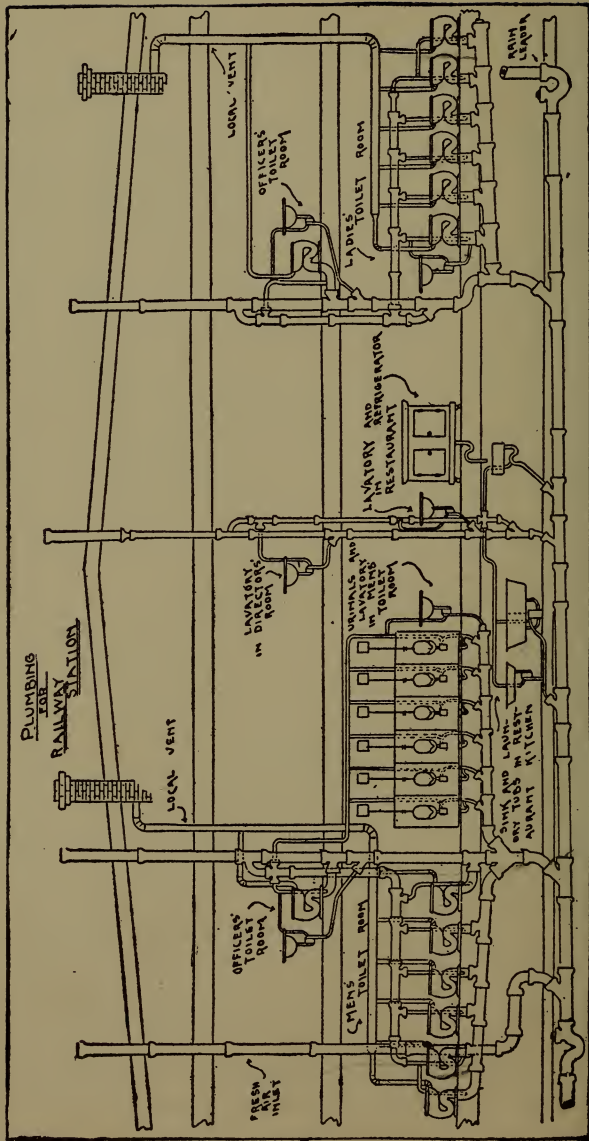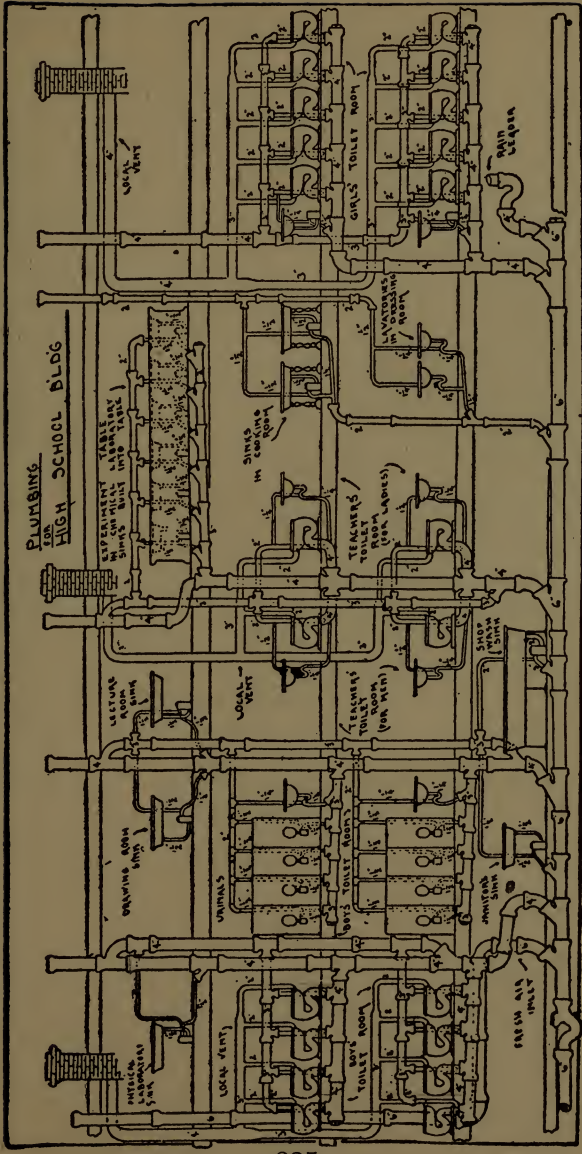
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# HOT WATER HEATING
# STEAM AND GAS FITTING

## RELATIVE ADVANTAGES OF STEAM AND HOT WATER HEATING.

The first cost of a steam heating system is from 20 to 30 per cent less than that of a hot water system. This is due to the smaller sizes of pipes and radiators used on steam work. The cost of operation is however in favor of the hot water system.

When steam radiators are shut off they cool much more rapidly than hot water radiators. This proves to be an advantage in favor of the hot water system.

A steam plant requires much more attention and skill on the part of the operator than the hot water system. With regard to freezing, the preference is in favor of steam, and in large buildings this is often a matter of great importance. A hot water system may be run during mild weather with much less heat than a steam system which must always be brought to a temperature of 212 degrees Fahrenheit before any heat is felt.

## HEATING SYSTEMS.

A steam or water heating system involves in its construction the following:

A steam boiler or water heater.

Pipe and pipe fittings.

Valves.

Radiators.

Air valves.

It also requires an expansion tank (water heat-- ing) for its successful operation.

A good chimney.

Good fuel.

Good management.

For heating a house or a small flat building the round sectional steam boilers or water heaters are unquestionably the best up to 1,500 square feet of radiation.

For capacities above this limitation, rectangular sectional steam boilers or water heaters are used.

**Ventilation.** Ventilation is a most important matter in connection with heating. All living rooms should be ventilated, and the greater the number of occupants the room contains, the greater should be the amount of ventilation required.

In the ordinary house, ventilation is obtained from the fresh air entering the rooms through the windows and doors, for the ordinary occupants of the rooms.

Under ordinary conditions, an adult requires about 1,000 cubic feet of air per hour.

The principal cause of the vitiation of the air in a room is the respiration of the occupants. Moisture and gases arising from the occupants of

the room also tend to make the air foul. Lighting and heating are other causes.

The air in a room is to some extent changed by diffusion, but preferably by the entrance through registers provided for the purpose, of fresh air that has been warmed, and by the outward passage through flues, of the foul air.

The foul air should leave a room near the floor. An open fireplace furnishes an excellent means of ventilating a room.

The foul air is heavier than the purer air, and therefore settles to the bottom of the room. By drawing the colder and therefore heavier air, which is at the bottom, the warmer air at the upper part of the room settles to fill this space, thus creating a circulation, and making the heating more effective.

**Heat.** In what is known as the molecular theory, all bodies are made up of rapidly vibrating particles, the hottest bodies being those whose particles move or vibrate with the greatest rapidity, and through the greatest distances. The conclusion is therefore reached that heat is not a substance, but a form of motion, and that this condition may be transferred from one body to another. This theory explains in a simple manner the various actions of heat.

Upon being heated, the particles of a body tend to repel each other, and as a result of the action of the heat the body expands, and this expansion if

carried far enough, finally produces a change in the state of the body, the point at which such change takes place varying with each different substance. As an example of this change a cake of ice when subjected to heat, melts and becomes water, and this water when subjected to further heat again changes its state and becomes steam.

Heat may be transferred from one body to another in three ways, by conduction, by convection and by radiation.

By conduction is meant the direct contact of one body with another. A heated bar of iron will transmit heat to another bar when in contact with it.

Heat is also transferred from one body to another by convection, by means of water or other fluids, which convey it from one point to another.

Heat is transferred from one body to another by radiation through such a medium as currents of air.

# STEAM HEATING.

The low pressure gravity and the high pressure steam systems are the ones in general use.

The chief feature of the low pressure gravity system of steam heating is that all condensation returns to the boiler by gravity.

A pressure of steam below 10 pounds above the atmospheric pressure is low pressure steam.

The low pressure steam system is chiefly used in house heating, because it is safer than high pressure steam, and as it works at a lower pressure is more economical to use, and requires less attention.

Not less than a $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch pipe should be used for a steam main, and this diameter should not be run for a greater length than 25 feet.

Regardless of the amount of work to be done, no steam riser less than 1 inch in diameter should be used.

If too small the pipes will sometimes cause the radiators to fill with water.

The steam main should be run as high as possible above the boiler. A distance of 18 inches or more should be allowed if conditions will permit of it.

Branches should always be taken from the top

of the steam supply mains or at an angle of 45 degrees, but never from the side.

Branches should not be taken from the side of the main, as water hammering and the forcing of condensed water from the main into the radiators may be result.

Branches should be run full size from the main to the risers and connected with the latter by a reducing elbow.

The horizontal branch should be one size larger than the riser, if more than 6 or 8 feet in length, as the circulation is not so strong on a horizontal as on a vertical line of pipe.

A steam main should have a pitch of at least 1 inch for every 10 feet of length.

Branches should have a pitch of at least 1 inch for each 5 feet.

Carelessness in the alignment of steam pipes is liable to form pockets or traps which will impede the circulation and cause hammering, due to the condensed water remaining in the pockets.

When necessary to make a direct rise in order to get over an obstruction or to increase the head room, the pocket formed should be dripped by a small pipe into the return.

## STEAM BOILERS.

Experience has shown that steam boilers made of cast iron are the most reliable and most efficient for heating purposes. No other metals which can be used for this purpose deteriorate so little from corrosion as cast iron under like conditions. A cast iron steam boiler cannot explode. Being built up in sections they are easy to set up and involve the least amount of trouble and expense. In operation they are simplicity itself and their management is easily understood.

The capacity of a steam boiler should be at least 25 per cent in excess of the total duty required by the radiation and pipe system for direct radiation. When indirect radiation is used add 50 per cent to the above.

In locating a steam boiler, be sure and ascertain by careful measurements that it will stand low enough so that the water line will be 18 inches or more below the lowest point of the steam mains.

The boiler should be placed on a solid foundation and as close as possible to the chimney flue.

The proper size of coal to use in a given size of steam boiler is a very important factor to its successful operation. As a rule the best results have been obtained by the use of range or stove coal in

round boilers or heaters. For rectangular steam boilers good results have been obtained by the use of stove coal for the smaller sizes and egg coal for the larger ones. If bituminous or soft coal be



Fig. 1.

used instead of anthracite or hard coal, a boiler at least one size larger should be installed.

**Round Steam Boilers.** The boiler shown in Fig. 1 is entirely of cast iron construction, so arranged

as to amply provide for expansion and contraction. The only joints or connections are formed of heavy cast iron threaded nipples, making a perfect joint, with no possibility of leaks from any cause whatsoever and absolute freedom from all necessity of packing of any kind. The general construction of steam boilers is as follows:

The circular base, or ashpit, which also forms the support for the grate, is substantially made of cast iron and gives a safe depth for accumulation of ashes. Resting on this is the firepot section, shown in Fig. 2. This section, being one complete casting in itself, and tested under heavy pressure before leaving the shop, is absolutely free from mechanical imperfections. In the center of the top of this section is a large opening, threaded to receive a nipple, which connects it with a closed section, shown in the right hand upper view, Fig. 2. This first, or intermediate section, is of less diameter than the top of the firepot section. On top of this closed, or intermediate section and attached to it in the same manner, as described for the connection of the firepot, there is an open section shown in the right hand upper view, Fig. 2, which is of the same diameter as the top of the firepot and entirely fills the jacket casings hereinafter described. On top of this is placed another closed section, and on top of this again comes the top section, which is either the steam dome, forming the steam boiler,
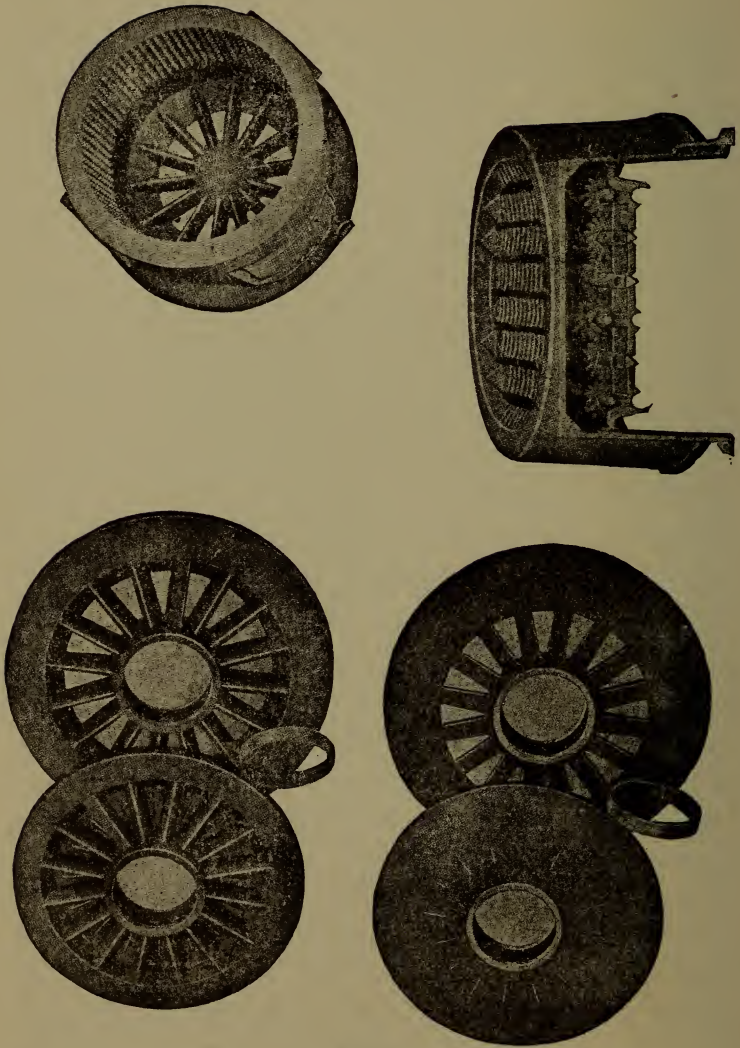
Fig. 2.

or the upper water section, forming the water heater, all connected together in the manner de-

scribed, with screw nipples, the top section, or dome, having the necessary tappings for the supply outlets for steam, or the flow outlets for water.

**Casings.** Extending from the outer edge of the top of the firepot section to the top of the upper section, or dome, there are cast iron casings, closely fitted joints. These casings are made in segments and are interchangeable and easily applied, with no possibility of rusting, wearing out or breaking. They form in themselves a perfect chamber for the retention of products of combustion, compelling these to follow such channels as will give best results.

**Firepot.** The firepot is circular in form, entirely surrounded by water, is made in one perfect casting, and free from any possible chance of leakages. The inner surface of the firepot has projecting into it all around the sides a multiplicity of iron points, just long enough to prevent the water contact from chilling the fire and making it possible to secure perfect combustion and a uniform fire around the edges as well as in the center. The firepots are of sufficient depth to insure a deep, slow fire, forming the best and most economical heat-producing proposition for low pressure heating.

**Grate.** The grate is of the triangular form and is at all times easily operated, and in its operation it pulverizes all clinkers before depositing in ash pit.

On all the larger size boilers the grates are fitted with a heavy bearing bar in the center, thus prolonging the life of the grate bars, as it prevents their warping.

**Simplicity of the Grates.** The construction of the grate is exceedingly simple, and admits of any one bar of the whole grate being changed without the assistance of skilled labor.
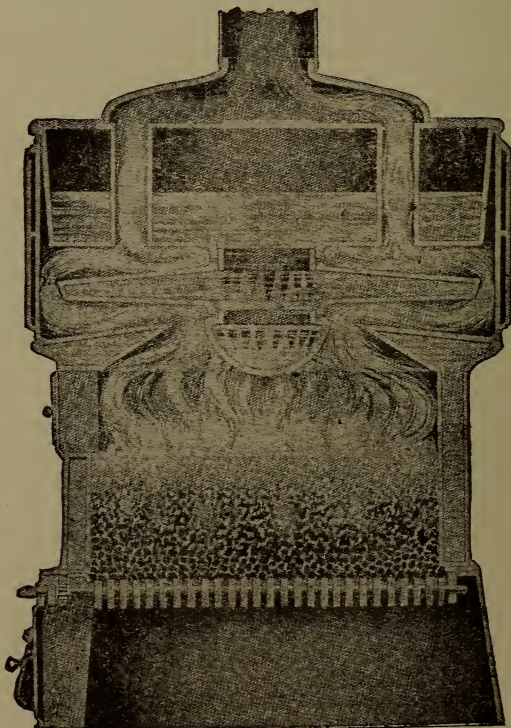


Fig. 3.

Fig. 3 shows a vertical cross-section of a steam boiler.

**Rectangular Sectional Boilers.** The vertical sectional type of steam boiler has been on the market and in all forms for a number of years. There are no new ideas that can be safely exploited in this line. The demand is for a simple, practical, easily handled device that will absolutely endure the work appropriated for it.
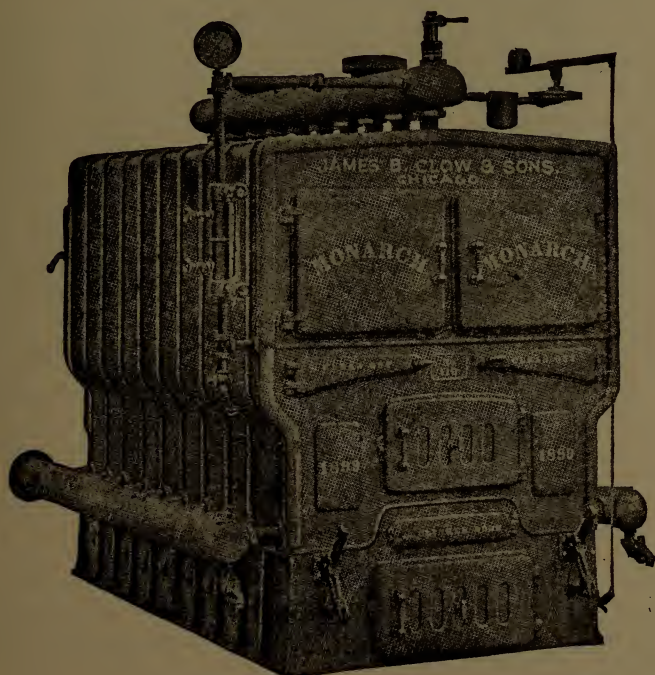


Fig. 4.

The boiler shown in Fig. 4 is strong, of good appearance, thoroughly accessible for cleaning, and, so far as can be determined from exterior appearances, a most satisfactory heater. The good opin-

ion already formed of the heater is further
strengthened by reference to views of the inter-
mediate and rear sections shown in Figs. 5 and 6.
By reference to these cuts it will be seen that
every possible advantage is taken of the fire sur-
face, it being the belief that, unless great good is
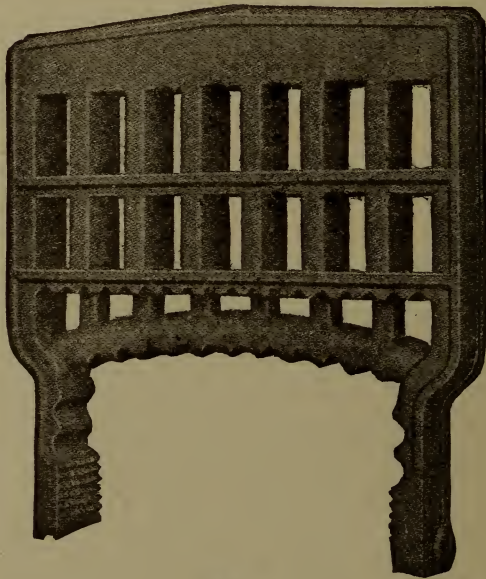


Fig. 5.

accomplished in direct contact with the fire, there
will be but little assistance obtained from the
flues.

**Firepots.** Firepots of this type of boilers are
deep—to give a compact body of fire, and, besides,
are covered with numbers of iron projections to
prevent chilling contact of the fire with the ex-

posed water surface and yet secure such perfect combustion as will quickly impart to the water the heat from the fuel and permit of maintaining at all times a clear, even fire in every portion of the firepot.
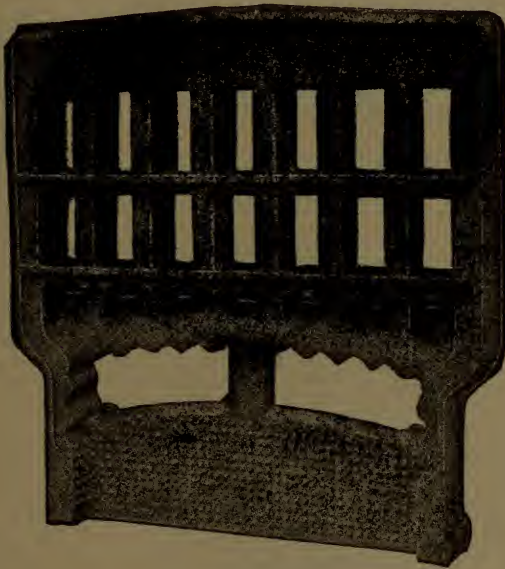


Fig. 6.

**Boiler capacity.** The capacity of the boiler should be at least 25 per cent in excess of the total duty imposed upon it by the radiation and pipe system.

Example: Let 600 square feet equal the total radiation, plus 25 per cent for the surface of the mains, plus 25 per cent excess boiler capacity, which is 900 square feet, the capacity of the boiler

required. The same result may be arrived at by adding 50 per cent to the radiation.

When direct-indirect radiation is used, an ad-



Fig. 7.

ditional 33 1/3 per cent must be allowed, and when indirect radiation is used, add 50 per cent.
Example:

| | | | |
|---|---:|---|---|
| Total direct radiation= | 450 | sq. | ft. |
| One direct-indirect radiator= | 60 | " | " |
| One indirect radiator= | 190 | " | " |
| | 700 | " | " |
| 25 per cent for surface of mains= | 112.5 | " | " |
| 33 1/3 per cent on direct-indirect= | 20 | " | " |
| 50 per cent on indirect radiator= | 95 | " | " |
| | 927.5 | " | " |
| 25 per cent excess capacity= | 231.9 | " | " |
| Boiler capacity= | 1159.4 | " | " |

**Safety Valves.** While not an absolute necessity, some form of low-pressure safety valve is generally used on the steam boiler of a low-pressure heating plant. Forms of low-pressure safety

Fig. 8.

valves are shown in Figs. 7 and 8, the one shown in Fig. 7 is spring controlled and capable of adjustment for different pressures, while that shown in Fig. 8 has a ball weight instead of a spring
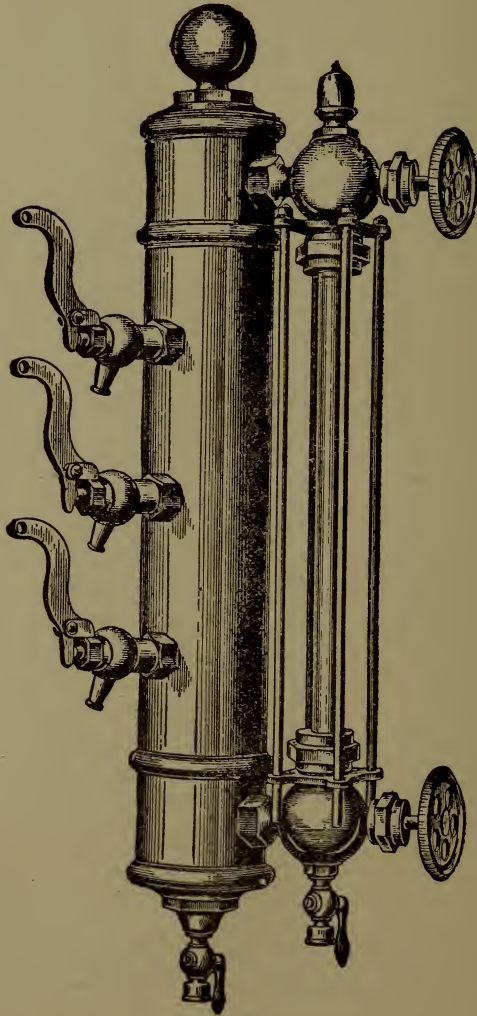
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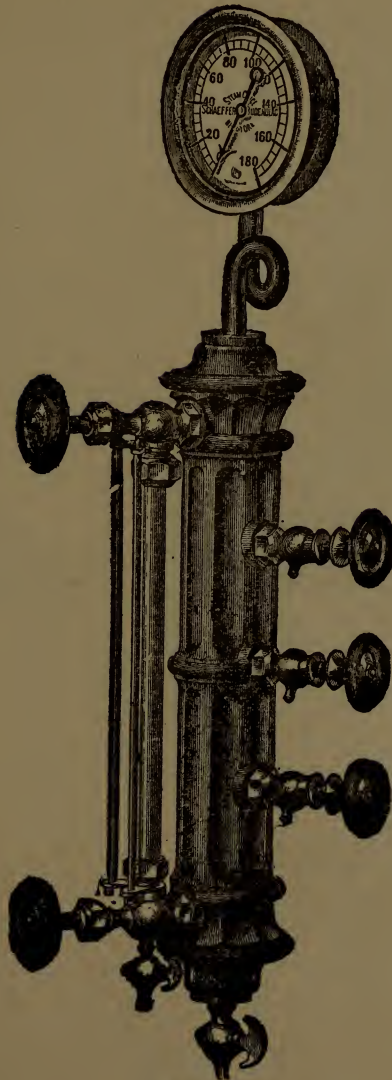
Fig. 10.

and is consequently non-adjustable except by changing the weight.

**Water Column.** Every steam boiler should be equipped with a water column with water gauge and try-cocks as shown in Fig. 9. A combination water column is shown in Fig. 10, with steam gauge on the top of the column.

**Damper Regulator.** While an automatic damper regulator is not as essential to a water heater as to a steam boiler, it is a very useful device, and when used prevents overheating and occasions great economy in fuel. An automatic regulator for a steam boiler is shown in Fig. 11. Check draft
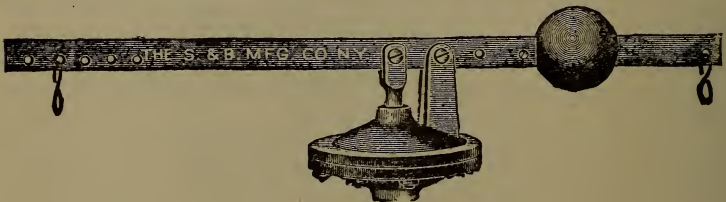


Fig. 11.

dampers, which are controlled by automatic regulators, are shown in Fig. 12.

The damper regulator consists of a hollow bowl formed by two castings bolted together, with a rubber diaphragm between them, the lower casting being connected to the steam space of the boiler by means of a short nipple. Through an opening in the top of the upper casting a plunger works, and across this plunger and connected to an upright lip on the edge of the diaphragm cast-

ing is a bar, from the ends of which chains connect to the draft door and check damper door of the boiler.

As the steam pressure rises, the pressure against the under side of the rubber diaphragm is transmitted to the plunger which is raised,
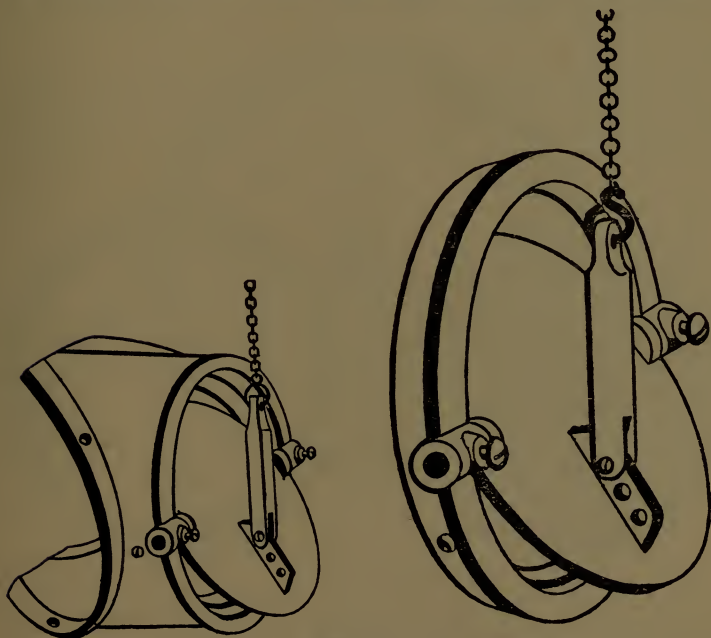


Fig. 12.

thereby operating the rod or lever, and the chains connecting with the draft and check damper doors. The sliding weight usually on the rod may be set so that the leverage may be smaller or greater, according to the pressure of steam carried on the apparatus, before the operation of

the doors will take place. By means of the damper regulator the rise and fall of temperature in the boiler may so regulate the draft that an even temperature may be obtained.

The chains should be so set that the draft door and check draft will each be closed when the regulator lever is level, and there is no steam in the boiler.

**Pressure Gauges.** The hollow spring in the gauge, shown in Fig. 13, is so shaped and arranged
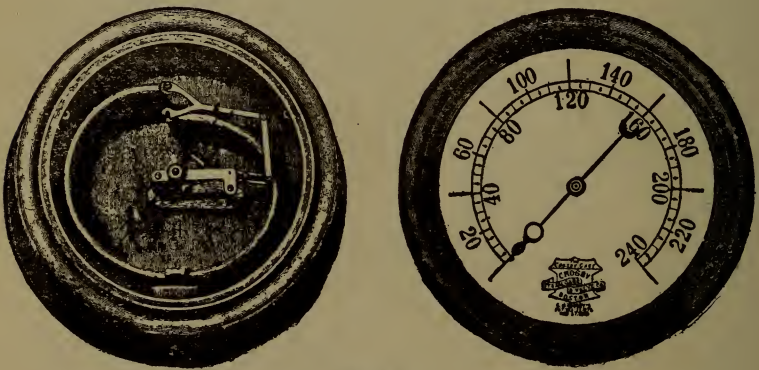


Fig. 13.

and the mechanism is such that the vertical as well as the horizontal movement of its free ends is fully utilized. It thereby permits the use of springs 100 per cent stronger than can be used in any other gauge, so preventing their settling under any pressure which may be indicated upon its dial.

The gauge shown in Fig. 14 may be used for

indicating either pressure or vacuum, as the case
may be. It is graduated for pressure in pounds
per square inch, and for vacuum in inches of mer-
cury in column or pounds per square inch, as
may be desired.
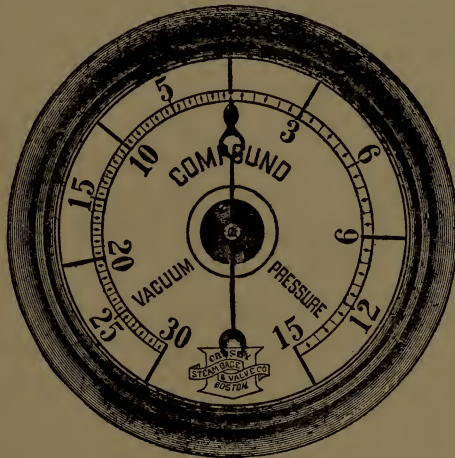


Fig. 14.

**Smoke Pipes.** Steam boiler smoke pipes range
in size from about 8 inches in the smaller sizes
to 10 or 12 inches in the larger ones. They are
generally made of galvanized iron. The pipe
should be carried to the chimney as directly as
possible, avoiding bends, which increase the re-
sistance and diminish the draft. When the draft
is known to be good the smoke pipe may pur-
posely be made longer to allow the gases to part
with more of their heat before reaching the chim-

ney. Where a smoke pipe passes through a partition it should be protected by a double perforated metal collar at least 6 inches greater in diameter than the pipe.

The top of the smoke pipe should not be placed within 8 inches of exposed beams nor less than 6 inches under beams protected by asbestos or plaster. The connection between the smoke pipe and the chimney frequently becomes loose, allowing cold air to be drawn in, thus diminishing the draft. A collar to make the connection tight should be riveted to the pipe about 5 inches from the end, to prevent its being pushed too far into the flue.

**Chimney Flues.** Flues, if built of brick, should have walls 8 inches in thickness, unless terra cotta linings are used, when only 4 inches of brick work is required. Except in small houses, where an 8x8 flue may be used, the nominal size of the smoke flue should be at least 8x12, to allow a margin for possible contractions at offsets, or for a thick coating of mortar. A clean out door should be placed at the bottom. A square flue cannot be reckoned at its full area, as the corners are of little value. An 8x8 flue is practically very little more effective than one of circular form 8 inches in diameter. To avoid down drafts the top of the chimney should be carried above the highest point of the roof, unless provided with a suitable top or hood.

**Dimensions of Chimney Flues for Given Amounts of Direct Steam Radiation**

| Square Feet of Steam Radiation | Diameter of Round Flue | Square or Rectangular Flue |
|---|---|---|
| 250 | 8 inches | 8 in. x 8 in. |
| 300 | 8 inches | 8 in. x 8 in. |
| 400 | 8 inches | 8 in. x 8 in. |
| 500 | 10 inches | 8 in. x 12 in. |
| 600 | 10 inches | 8 in. x 12 in. |
| 700 | 10 inches | 8 in. x 12 in. |
| 800 | 12 inches | 12 in. x 12 in. |
| 900 | 12 inches | 12 in. x 12 in. |
| 1000 | 12 inches | 12 in. x 12 in. |
| 1200 | 12 inches | 12 in. x 12 in. |
| 1400 | 14 inches | 12 in. x 16 in. |
| 1600 | 14 inches | 12 in. x 16 in. |
| 1800 | 14 inches | 12 in. x 16 in. |
| 2000 | 14 inches | 12 in. x 16 in. |
| 2200 | 16 inches | 16 in. x 16 in. |
| 3000 | 16 inches | 16 in. x 16 in. |
| 3500 | 18 inches | 16 in. x 20 in. |
| 5000 | 18 inches | 16 in. x 20 in. |

**Fuel Combustion.** Combustion is one form of chemical action, accompanied by the generation of heat. When such action takes place slowly the heat produced is almost imperceptible, but when it takes place rapidly, as in the burning of wood, coal, etc., the heat becomes intense. In the burning of ordinary fuel, the carbon and hydrogen of the coal combine with the oxygen of the air and produce combustion, without which no material results may be obtained from the fuel.

Combustion depends upon the presence of oxygen, without which it cannot take place.

Combustion is estimated by the number of pounds of fuel consumed per hour by one square foot of grate surface.

One square foot of grate will consume about 5 pounds of hard coal per hour, or about 10 pounds of soft coal, under a natural draft.

For 7½ to 10 pounds of coal consumed, one cubic foot of water will be evaporated.

A fire of a depth of 12 inches will do more efficient work than one of less depth.

The use of too large coal is attended with large air spaces between the pieces, and this large amount of air is too great for the gases escaping from the combustion of the coal, allowing the gases to escape into the chimney flue unburned.

The use of too small coal is not advisable, as it packs down so compactly as to prevent the admission of the proper amount of air through the grate to produce good combustion.

**Pipe Systems.** The three systems of heating described: The direct, indirect and direct-indirect radiation, are governed by the same rules in the matter of piping and steam supply, requiring only special rules for proportioning the amount of heating surface and for the arrangement of air supply. There are the one-pipe and two-pipe systems, with several forms and combinations of each, and for the steam supply there are high and low-pressure systems, exhaust systems, gravity systems and vacuum systems.

The essentials of a heating system are: A source of steam supply, a system of piping to conduct the steam from the source of supply to the radiators, a series of radiators or radiating surfaces, a system of return pipes through which the condensed water from the radiators may be removed.

It may be more briefly stated that the prime requisites for a steam heating system are: The source of steam supply, the radiating surface and a system of pipes connecting them. Should, however, the supply and return pipes be embodied in the same system, it is just as important to arrange to dispose of the condensed water as it is to supply steam to the radiators.

**One-pipe System.** The simplest form of steam heating system is known as the one-pipe gravity return system. The steam is generated in the

boiler, flows through the pipes to the radiators, the condensed water as it is formed in the radiators draining out along the bottom of the pipes and back to the boiler by gravity, to be re-evapor-
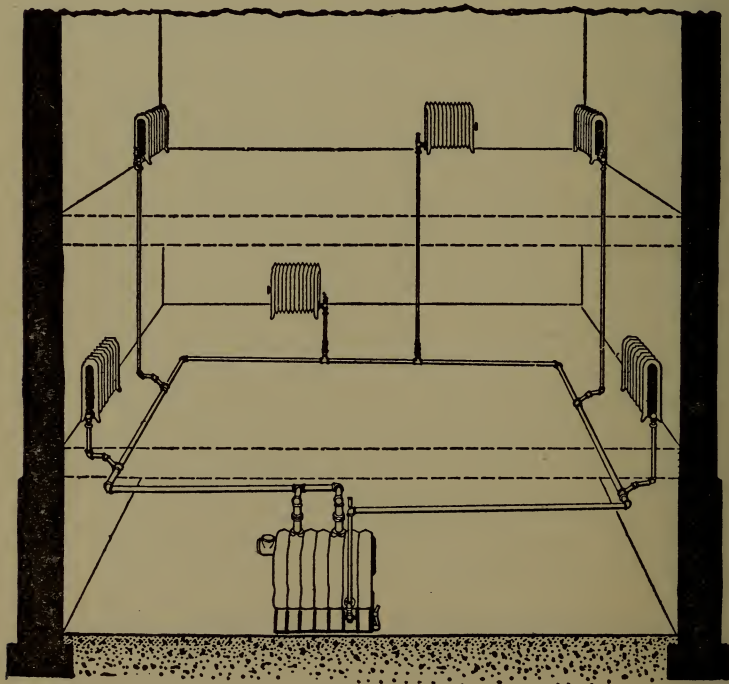


Fig. 15.

ated into steam. This system may be used only in a very small plant, and one in which the pipes should be made of large size and given a very decided pitch toward the boiler.

**One-pipe System With Separate Return.** In the system shown in Fig. 15 the main in the base-

ment is pitched so as to drain away from the boiler, and at its end a return pipe is connected and led back to the boiler, entering it below the water-line. In this manner the flow of the steam and the water of condensation is in the same direction in the mains, and upon the sudden condensation of steam, as occurs when turning steam into a cold radiator, the water falls down the risers against the current of steam, while in the main it is forced along in the same direction as the steam. If the mains are extensive they may be drained at different points. This system is extensively used for residences and buildings of only a few stories in height, and it has also been used in larger installations. In such a plant the risers as well as the mains must be of ample size, and the latter must have sufficient pitch and be thoroughly drained.

**One-pipe Overhead System.** This is the only system of single-pipe connection which is extensively used in high buildings, such as the modern office building, and is shown in Fig. 16. In this system the steam is conducted through a large main supply pipe to the attic of the building, or to the ceiling of the top floor, and from this the mains extend around the building to supply the risers. The risers are connected with the return mains in the basement. In this system the flow of steam and condensed water is everywhere in the same direction except in the connections to the
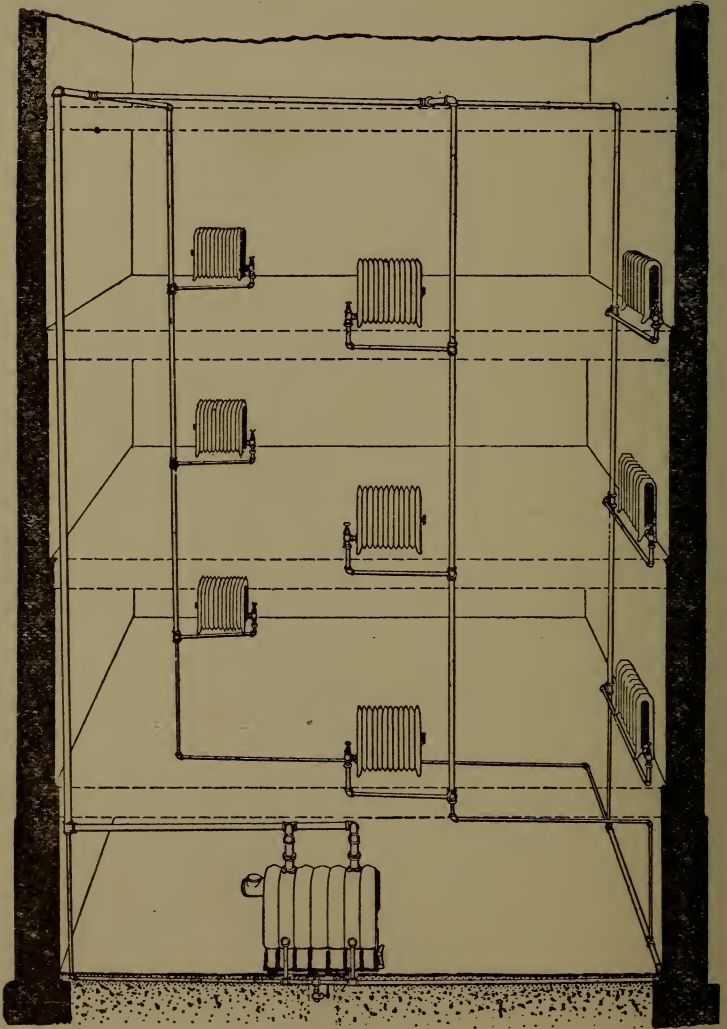
Fig. 16.

radiators, and the risers should be so arranged
that these connections may be comparatively

short. This system has the very decided advantage over the ordinary one-pipe system that the condensed water which falls down the risers from the radiators does not, when it reaches the horizontal pipe at the bottom come into contact with the main current of steam, as the horizontal pipe is only a drain in which there is practically no steam and which is intended solely for the purpose of draining of the condensed water.

**Two-pipe System.** The two-pipe system as illustrated in Fig. 17 is much the same in all cases, but special adaptations of it are sometimes made to meet special conditions. There is a two-pipe overhead system in which steam mains are in the attic as well as in the one-pipe overhead, but there a separate set of return risers are provided which connect with the return in the basement. This system has been very little used.

**The One-pipe Circuit Steam Heating System.** In this system the steam pipe is run from the boiler vertically to the ceiling of the basement, from which point it pitches downward throughout its course around the cellar or basement, to a point at or near the rear of the boiler, where an automatic air vent is placed, and drop made with a pipe into the return opening of the boiler.

The one-pipe circuit system is used in buildings which are square or rectangular in shape.

When the building is of such shape that a one-pipe circuit will not do the work to advantage,

that is to say, in long buildings, where the boiler is set at or about the middle of the building, it is then desirable to run a loop in either direction.
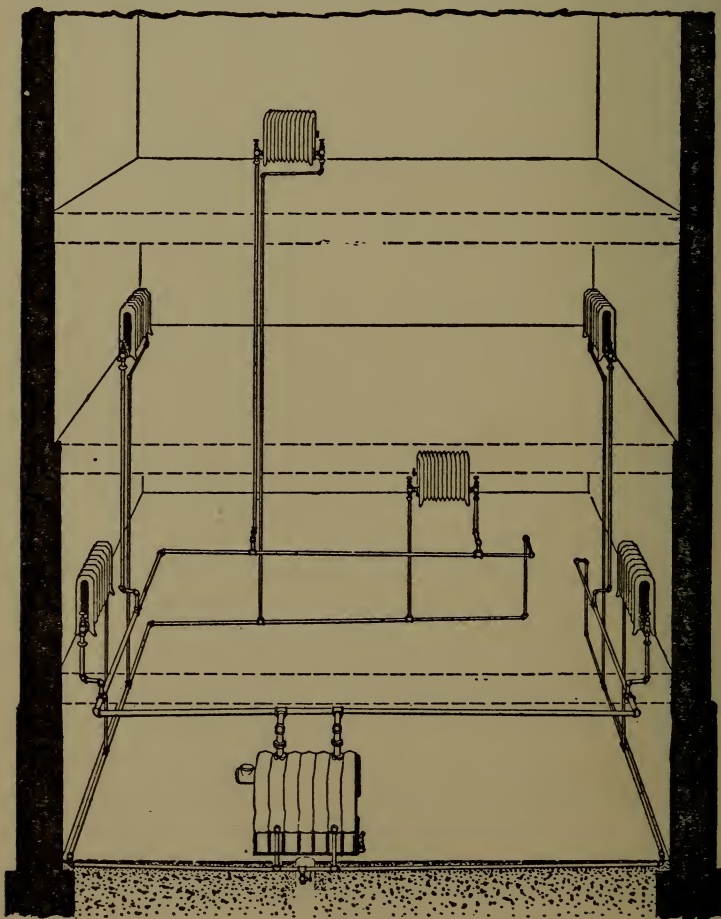


Fig. 17.

**The Overhead Steam Heating System.** In this system the feed pipe is carried vertically to the

ceiling of the top floor, or into the attic, and from this point branches are carried down to the different radiators.

This system is used in office buildings, school houses, factories, and often in residences, when a main can be carried up into an attic. Frequently, owing to the absence of a basement under the building, it is necessary to use the overhead system to heat the radiators.

The return pipes should enter the top of the flow end of the radiator, and return out of the bottom of the return end.

Some radiators on the one-pipe system may be connected as single pipe. Radiators on the overhead system may also be connected as on a one-pipe circuit system. Where this is done, the condensed water from the radiator returns into the drop or feed pipe.

**Heating Surface.** To estimate the amount of heating surface required to heat a room with steam to a temperature of 70 degrees Fahrenheit in zero weather with a steam pressure of from 2 to 3 pounds and ordinary conditions of exposure, the following rule is given, which is for direct radiation, and based upon the glass surface, exposed wall surface and cubic space:

1 square foot of radiation to 3 square feet of glass.

1 square foot of radiation to 10 square feet of wall exposed.

1 square foot of radiation to 150 cubic feet of space.

For each degree of temperature above or below zero, deduct from or add to 1½ per cent of the radiation given by the above rule.

Example: Required the number of square feet of direct radiation for a room 10x10x10 feet, having two exposed sides and two windows 2½x6 feet.

Answer:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Glass surface= | 30 sq. ft.÷ 3=10 | sq. ft. | |
| Exposed walls= | 200 " " ÷ 10=20 | " | " |
| Cubic space= | 1,000 cu. " ÷150= 6.6 | " | " |

Total direct radiation=36.6 sq. ft.

Example: Required the number of square feet of direct radiation for the same room, with one exposed side and one window 2½x6 feet:

Answer:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Glass surface= | 15 sq. ft.÷ 3= 5 | sq. ft. | |
| Exposed walls= | 100 " " ÷ 10=10 | " | " |
| Cubic space= | 1,000 cu. " ÷150= 6.6 | " | " |

Total direct radiation=21.6 sq. ft.

When indirect radiation is used, 50 per cent should be added to the above figures.

**Reducing Size of Steam Mains.** The proper reductions in the size of pipe depend on the character of the work to which the pipe is put.

It is customary to reduce the size of mains by

usirg reducing fittings tapped eccentric, or by using a reducing coupling tapped eccentric, the idea being to have a continuous fall of pipe without the formation of traps or obstructions for holding water at the points where reductions are made. It is customary to reduce the size of pipes for risers or radiator connections by using a reducing ell on the branch under the floor.

Eccentric fittings are so tapped as to bring the bottoms of the openings of different sizes at the same level on the fitting. When these fittings are used they allow a continuous fall of pipe without forming pockets for holding water at the points where reduction in size is made. This is of material benefit to a heating system.

**Steam Mains.** The proper size of steam mains for one and two-pipe systems are given in the accompanying tables:

| Proper Size of Steam Mains: ONE PIPE SYSTEM | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pipe Size in Inches | 2 | 2½ | 3 | 3½ | 4 | 4½ | 5 | 6 |
| Sq. feet of Radiation | 200 to 350 | 350 to 500 | 500 to 750 | 750 to 1000 | 1000 to 1500 | 1500 to 1800 | 1800 to 2200 | 2200 to 3000 |
| TWO PIPE SYSTEM | | | | | | | |
| Pipe Size in Inches | 2 | 2½ | 3 | 3½ | 4 | 4½ | 5 | 6 |
| Sq. feet of Radiation | 500 | 750 | 1000 | 1500 | 2000 | 2500 | 3000 | 4000 |

# RADIATION.

**Direct Radiation.** This consists of a heating surface in the form of a radiator or coil, which is placed directly in the room to be heated.

**Indirect Radiation.** Radiators in the room to be heated on the first or second floor are located in the cellar or basement, usually directly under the rooms to be heated. There is placed in the floor of the room to be heated, or in the side wall above the baseboard, a register and connection is made between this register and the radiator in the basement by means of tin or sheet iron pipe, for conveying the heated air into the room.

The indirect radiator is placed in a chamber into which fresh air is conveyed from outside, and to which the hot air flue to the register is connected.

The distance from the top of the radiator to the ceiling of the casing should be from 10 to 12 inches and from the bottom of the radiator to the bottom of the casing from 6 to 8 inches. The dimensions of the cold air inlet should be 1½ square inches for each square foot of indirect radiation. The warm air outlet should be 2 square inches for each square foot of indirect radiation, which would be for a radiator containing 100 square feet of

radiation, 200 square inches of cross sectional area, or a duct 10x20 inches. The dimensions of the warm air register should be 50 per cent larger than those of the warm air duct, which allows for the contracted area caused by the register face. A warm air duct having 200 square inches of cross sectional area should have a register approximating 300 square inches.

**Direct-Indirect Radiation.** This system serves a double purpose, that of Direct Radiation and Ventilation, and is also placed in the room to be heated under windows, or close to the exposed walls.

The lower front part of the radiator is encased, having an opening at the bottom or back of the base for the introduction of cold air by means of a duct through the outside wall of the building.

On account of the cooling effect of the outside air passage between the coils of the radiator, increased heating surface to the amount of 33 1/3 per cent must be added to make it equivalent to direct radiation.

This system of radiation is seldom used in the heating of houses, being more necessary where ventilation is required in the heating of public buildings and schools.

Instead of placing all of the radiators at one point, it is well to divide it into two or more radiators, according to the size of the room. As heating with steam or hot water is accomplished by the

turning or circulation of the air in the room, it is well to divide and place the radiation at the most exposed points, in order to better heat the room.

In small houses a radiator placed in the lower hall, if sufficiently large, will heat the hall above, but in large buildings, where the hall space is large, the upper halls should have radiators placed in them.

A properly installed steam heating plant should be noiseless in operation and heat the rooms to 70 degrees in zero weather on from 2 to 3 pounds steam pressure, and show a circulation of steam throughout the system on a pressure of 1 pound, as indicated by the steam gauge.

A noiseless circulation in all radiators on a pound of steam or less indicates that the pipe system is of proper size and properly pitched, thereby avoiding low places, causing water pockets or traps. The proper heating of the rooms in which the radiation is placed on from 1 to 3 pounds steam pressure indicates that the heating surface or radiation is sufficient.

**Radiators.** Heating surfaces are divided into three classes: Direct radiation, Indirect radiation and Direct-indirect radiation.

Direct radiation covers all radiators placed within a room or building to warm the air, and are not connected with a system of ventilation.

The best place within a room to place a single radiator, is where the air is cooled, before or under

the windows, or on the outside walls. When the radiator is of vertical tube, or a short coil, which can occupy only the space under one window, and when, as often occurs, there are three windows, the riser should be so placed as to bring the line of radiators in front of, and under the windows where they will do the most good. When a small extra cost is not considered, to use two radiators and place one in front of each of the extreme windows.

When the room is large and has many windows, the heating surface, when composed of radiators, should be divided into as many units as possible.

Indirect radiation embraces all heating surfaces placed outside the rooms to be heated, and can only be used in connection with some system of ventilation.

All the heating surface is placed in a chamber, and the warmed air distributed through air ducts.

Figs. 18, 19 and 20 show two, three and four column forms of direct radiators, and Fig. 21 a two-piece hall or window direct radiator.

The indirect radiator is usually boxed, either in wood lined with tin, or in galvanized iron. The former is best when the basement is to be kept cool, as there is a greater loss by radiation through metal cases, otherwise the sheet metal is the best, as it will not crack.

Indirect radiators are usually hung from the ceiling in the basement under the rooms they are

intended to heat. A cold air duct is carried from an opening in the outside wall to the stack box.
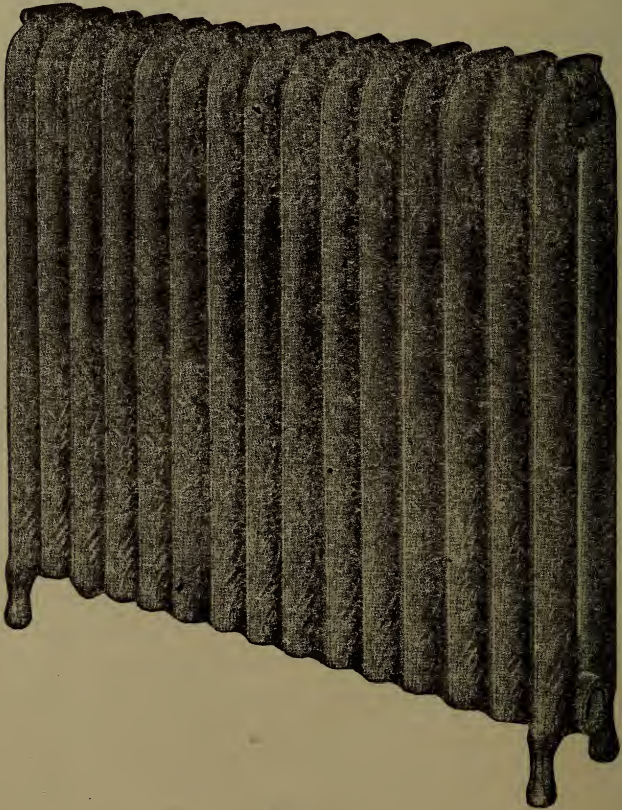


Fig. 18.

This duct must be provided with a damper, and its inlet covered on the face of the outside of the wall with a wire screen of small mesh.

Fig. 19.

The box inclosing the radiator shown in **Figs.** 22 and 23 is made of wood lined with bright tin about half-way down. The sides of the box should



Fig. 20.

almost touch the hubs of the radiator on both ends, so that the cold air coming in through the duct will surely find its way up between the sections of the radiator, and not around the ends of it.
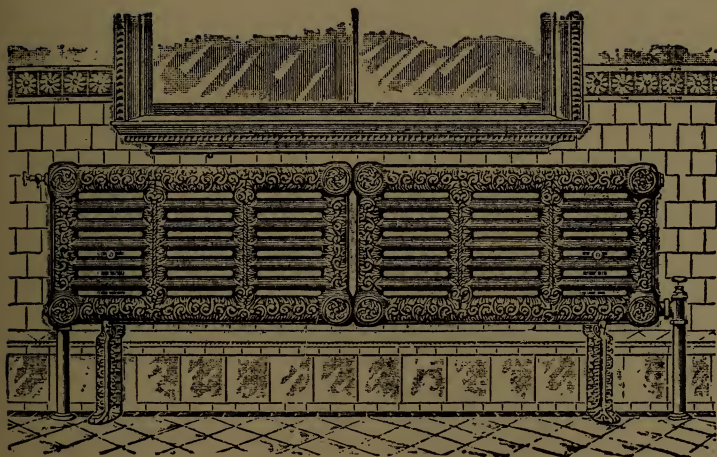
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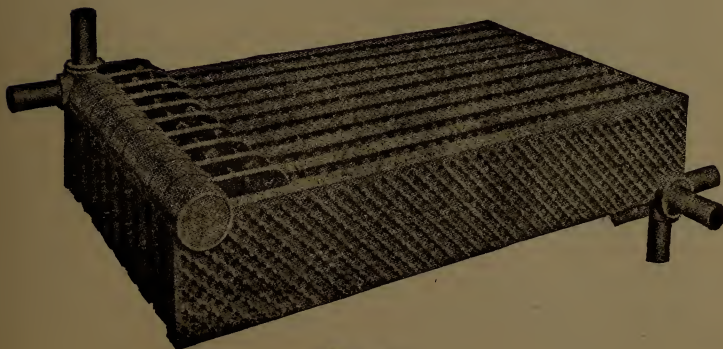


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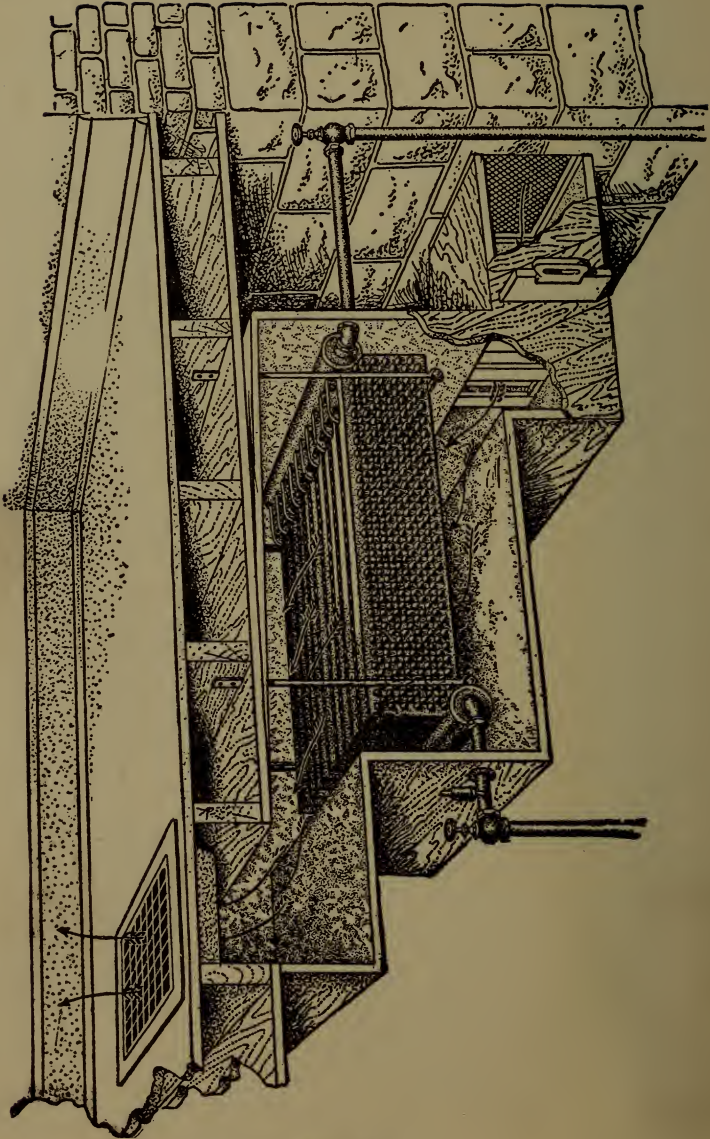
Fig. 23.

The radiator is shown connected for a two-pipe steam system.

The cold air duct is provided with a slide, so that the air may be shut off when it is not wanted, or when the radiator is turned off. The radiator



Fig. 24.

should be so hung in the box that the space above it is about one-third more than the space below; this provides for the expansion of the air after it has been warmed by contact with the radiator.

Brackets for supporting the hall or window types of direct radiator are shown in Fig. 24.

A direct-indirect form of radiator is illustrated in Fig. 25, in which the air is taken from the outside of the room to be heated and passes up between the sections of the radiator as shown, the front of the radiator being encased.
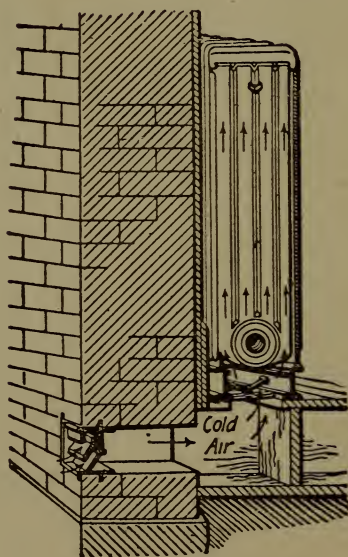


Fig. 25.

| Two Column Radiator for Steam or Hot Water Heating. | | | | | | | |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| | | SQUARE FEET OF HEATING SURFACE. | | | | | |
| No. of Sections. | Length in Inches. | 45 Inches High. | 38 Inches High. | 32 Inches High. | 26 Inches High. | 23 Inches High. | 20 Inches High. |
| 2 | 5 | 10 | 8 | $6\frac{2}{3}$ | $5\frac{1}{3}$ | $4\frac{2}{3}$ | 4 |
| 3 | $7\frac{1}{2}$ | 15 | 12 | 10 | 8 | 7 | 6 |
| 4 | 10 | 20 | 16 | $13\frac{1}{3}$ | $10\frac{2}{3}$ | $9\frac{1}{3}$ | 8 |
| 5 | $12\frac{1}{2}$ | 25 | 20 | $16\frac{2}{3}$ | $13\frac{1}{3}$ | $11\frac{2}{3}$ | 10 |
| 6 | 15 | 30 | 24 | 20 | 16 | 14 | 12 |
| 7 | $17\frac{1}{2}$ | 35 | 28 | $23\frac{1}{3}$ | $18\frac{2}{3}$ | $16\frac{1}{3}$ | 14 |
| 8 | 20 | 40 | 32 | $26\frac{2}{3}$ | $21\frac{1}{3}$ | $18\frac{2}{3}$ | 16 |
| 9 | $22\frac{1}{2}$ | 45 | 36 | 30 | 24 | 21 | 18 |
| 10 | 25 | 50 | 40 | $33\frac{1}{3}$ | $26\frac{2}{3}$ | $23\frac{1}{3}$ | 20 |
| 11 | $27\frac{1}{2}$ | 55 | 44 | $36\frac{2}{3}$ | $29\frac{1}{3}$ | $25\frac{2}{3}$ | 22 |
| 12 | 30 | 60 | 48 | 40 | 32 | 28 | 24 |
| 13 | $32\frac{1}{2}$ | 65 | 52 | $43\frac{1}{3}$ | $34\frac{2}{3}$ | $30\frac{1}{3}$ | 26 |
| 14 | 35 | 70 | 56 | $46\frac{2}{3}$ | $37\frac{1}{3}$ | $32\frac{2}{3}$ | 28 |
| 15 | $37\frac{1}{2}$ | 75 | 60 | 50 | 40 | 35 | 30 |
| 16 | 40 | 80 | 64 | $53\frac{1}{3}$ | $42\frac{2}{3}$ | $37\frac{1}{3}$ | 32 |
| 17 | $42\frac{1}{2}$ | 85 | 68 | $56\frac{2}{3}$ | $45\frac{1}{3}$ | $39\frac{2}{3}$ | 34 |
| 18 | 45 | 90 | 72 | 60 | 48 | 42 | 36 |
| 19 | $47\frac{1}{2}$ | 95 | 76 | $63\frac{1}{3}$ | $50\frac{2}{3}$ | $44\frac{1}{3}$ | 38 |
| 20 | 50 | 100 | 80 | $66\frac{2}{3}$ | $53\frac{1}{3}$ | $46\frac{2}{3}$ | 40 |

| | | SQUARE FEET OF HEATING SURFACE. | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number of Sections. | Length in Inches. | 39 Inches High. | 33 Inches. High. | 27 Inches High. | 21 Inches High. |
| 2 | 5 | 12 | 10 1-2 | 8 1-2 | 6 1-2 |
| 3 | 7 1-2 | 18 | 15 3-4 | 12 3-4 | 9 3-4 |
| 4 | 10 | 24 | 21 | 17 | 13 |
| 5 | 12 1-2 | 30 | 26 1-4 | 21 1-4 | 16 1-4 |
| 6 | 15 | 36 | 31 1-2 | 25 1-2 | 19 1-2 |
| 7 | 17 1-2 | 42 | 36 3-4 | 29 3-8 | 22 3-4 |
| 8 | 20 | 48 | 42 | 34 | 26 |
| 9 | 22 1-2 | 54 | 47 1-4 | 38 1-4 | 29 1-4 |
| 10 | 25 | 60 | 52 1-2 | 42 1-2 | 32 1-2 |
| 11 | 27 1-2 | 66 | 57 3-4 | 46 3-4 | 35 3-4 |
| 12 | 30 | 72 | 63 | 51 | 39 |
| 13 | 32 1-2 | 78 | 68 1-4 | 55 1-4 | 42 1-4 |
| 14 | 35 | 84 | 73 1-2 | 59 1-2 | 45 1-2 |
| 15 | 37 1-2 | 90 | 78 3-4 | 63 3-4 | 48 3-4 |
| 16 | 40 | 96 | 84 | 68 | 52 |
| 17 | 42 1-2 | 102 | 89 1-4 | 72 1-4 | 55 1-4 |
| 18 | 45 | 108 | 94 1-2 | 76 1-2 | 58 1-2 |
| 19 | 47 1-2 | 114 | 99 3-4 | 80 3-4 | 61 3-4 |
| 20 | 50 | 120 | 105 | 85 | 65 |

THREE-COLUMN RADIATOR FOR STEAM OR HOT WATER HEATING.

| | | SQUARE FEET OF HEATING SURFACE. | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number of Sections. | Length in Inches. | 42 1-2 Inches High. | 38 1-2 Inches High. | 32 1-2 Inches High. | 26 1-2 Inches High. | 20 1-2 Inches High. |
| 2 | 8 1-2 | 19 1-3 | 16 | 13 1-3 | 10 2-3 | 8 |
| 3 | 12 1-2 | 29 | 24 | 20 | 16 | 12 |
| 4 | 16 1-2 | 38 2-3 | 32 | 26 2-3 | 21 1-3 | 16 |
| 5 | 20 3-4 | 48 1-3 | 40 | 33 1-3 | 26 2-3 | 20 |
| 6 | 24 3-4 | 58 | 48 | 40 | 32 | 24 |
| 7 | 28 3-4 | 67 3-3 | 56 | 46 2-3 | 37 1-3 | 28 |
| 8 | 32 3-4 | 77 1-3 | 64 | 53 1-3 | 42 2-3 | 32 |
| 9 | 37 | 87 | 72 | 60 | 48 | 36 |
| 10 | 41 | 96 2-3 | 80 | 66 2-3 | 53 1-3 | 40 |
| 11 | 45 | 106 1-3 | 88 | 73 1-3 | 58 2-3 | 44 |
| 12 | 49 | 116 | 96 | 80 | 64 | 48 |
| 13 | 53 | 125 2-3 | 104 | 86 2-3 | 69 1-3 | 52 |
| 14 | 57 1-2 | 135 1-3 | 112 | 93 1-3 | 74 2-3 | 56 |
| 15 | 61 1-2 | 145 | 120 | 100 | 80 | 60 |
| 16 | 65 1-2 | 154 2-3 | 128 | 106 2-3 | 85 1-3 | 64 |
| 17 | 69 1-2 | 164 1-3 | 136 | 113 1-3 | 90 2-3 | 68 |
| 18 | 73 3-4 | 172 | 144 | 120 | 96 | 72 |
| 19 | 77 3-4 | 183 2-3 | 152 | 126 2-3 | 101 1-3 | 76 |
| 20 | 82 | 193 1-3 | 160 | 133 1-3 | 106 2-3 | 80 |

FOUR-COLUMN RADIATOR FOR STEAM OR HOT WATER HEATING.

**Radiator Connections.** Methods of connecting radiators used in steam heating plants are shown in Figs. 26 and 27.
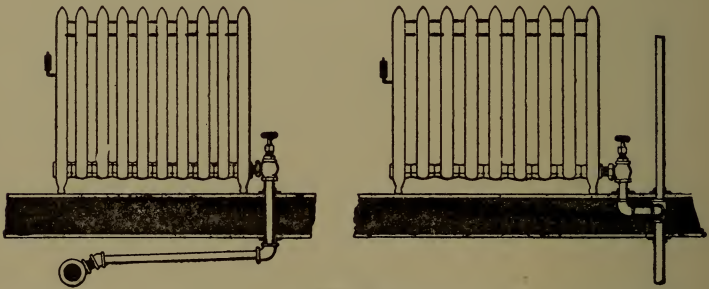


Fig. 26.

They should be made in such a manner as to allow for expansion and contraction in the branch
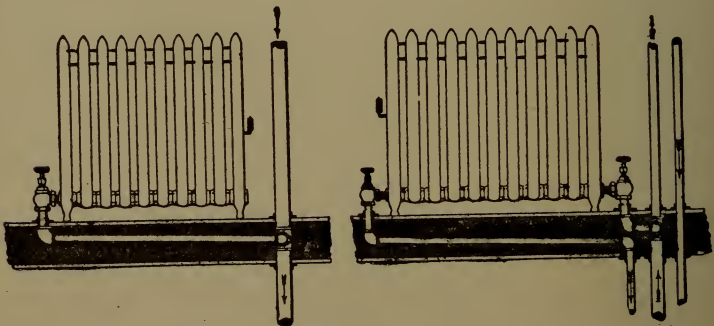


Fig. 27.

supply to the radiator. This provision is shown in the illustrations of radiator connections shown in Figs. 26 and 27.

When the overhead system is used, the radiators may be fed at the top of one end, and the return taken out of the bottom of the same or opposite end.

The circulation of water in either case is positive.

All radiator connections should be of sufficient area to give the best results.

| Pipe Tap for Radiator Connections ONE PIPE SYSTEM | |
|---|---|
| Square Feet of Radiation | Size of Pipe Tap in Inches |
| 20 | 1 |
| 25 to 50 | 1¼ |
| 50 to 75 | 1½ |
| 75 to 100 | 2 |
| TWO PIPE SYSTEM—TWO TAPPINGS | |
| 20 | ¾ x ¾ |
| 25 to 50 | 1 x ¾ |
| 50 to 75 | 1¼ x 1 |
| 75 to 150 | 1½ x 1¼ |

**Air Valves.** Automatic air valves have almost entirely superseded the use of hand operated air cocks. They are made with a composition disc, which is arranged to close the valve as soon as the hot steam comes in contact with it. They are pro-

vided with a screw attachment by which the valve opening can be adjusted after the valves are in place. The only disadvantage of the automatic air valve is that when steam is turned on, the entire radiator becomes heated. By means of the plain air cock the amount of the radiator heated can be regulated, especially when connected on a one-pipe system. The automatic air valve takes the circulation in the radiator entirely out of the hands of persons who are not acquainted with their principles, and in the case of indirect radiators is an absolute necessity.



Fig. 28.

Fig. 28 shows three forms of automatic air valves, and Figs. 29 and 30 four styles of hand operated air cocks.

**Valves.** Straightway valves, commonly called quick-opening radiator valves, are best adapted to this work. Only one valve is used on a hot water radiator which is located in the supply pipe, as close to the radiator as possible. One valve is

used on a one-pipe steam system, and two on the two-pipe system. Valves should be used which have removable discs, such as the Jenkins disc valve. On one-pipe work the radiator valve should be placed on the flow pipe, and on two-pipe work on both flow and return pipes. To shut off a steam radiator the valve on the return should be closed
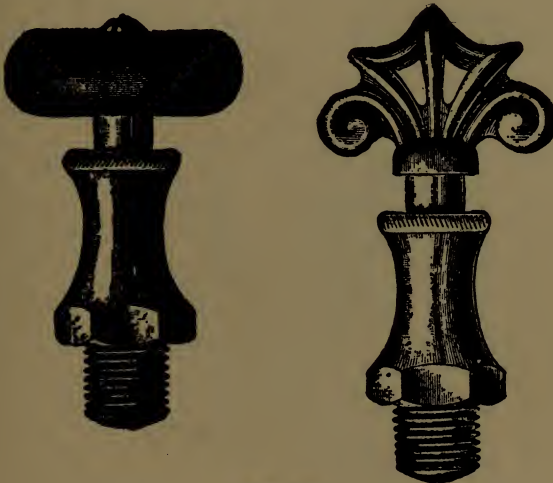


Fig. 29.

first, the supply valve last, and in all cases both valves should be entirely closed or entirely open. To turn on a steam radiator the supply valve should be opened first, then the valve on the return. The valves should be connected to close against the steam pressure, in order that the stuffing boxes may be packed or repacked while the

heating system is in operation. Gate valves should be used in the mains and risers for the reason that they have a full opening and do not impede the circulation.

**Radiator Valves.** The most commonly used form of radiator valve is the angle valve, with or without union connection, and with composition
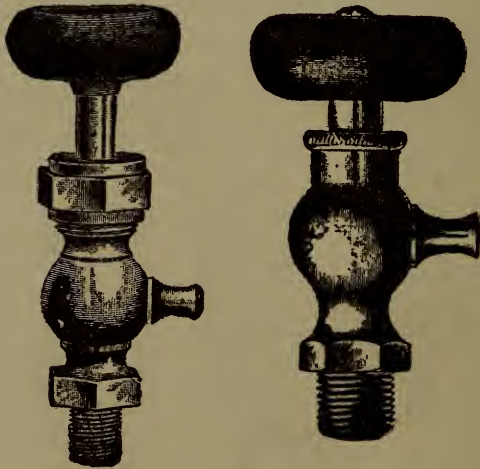


Fig. 30.

disc, wood wheel, rough body and nickel trimmings, as shown in Figs. 31 and 32.

Gate valves as shown in Fig. 33 are sometimes used when the radiator connections require them, especially on a down or overhead system of piping.

Angle valves with lock and shield as illustrated in Fig. 34 are much used in public buildings.

Globe valves if used in a steam heating system restrict the flow of both steam and condensed water. Their use should be avoided if possible.
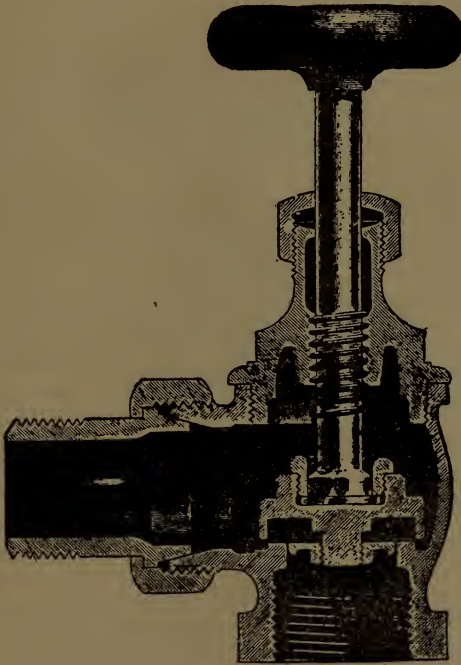


Fig. 31.

Figs. 35 and 36 show vertical cross-section and outside views of a globe valve.

Swing check valves should only be used on the main section of a two-pipe system, close to the boiler, or when the return is underground, to pre-

vent the boiler from being emptied from a leak or break in the return pipe.

An outside view and a vertical cross-section of a swing-check valve are shown in Fig. 37.

Corner radiator valves are generally used when



Fig. 32.

the radiator connections are above the floor line. Right and left-hand corner valves are shown in Fig. 38.

A brass plug-cock with square or flat head, as shown in Fig. 39, for blowing off the boiler, should always be installed either in the return pipe near

the boiler or in the boiler itself. It should not be directly connected with a pipe to the sewer, the end of the pipe should be in plain sight, so that
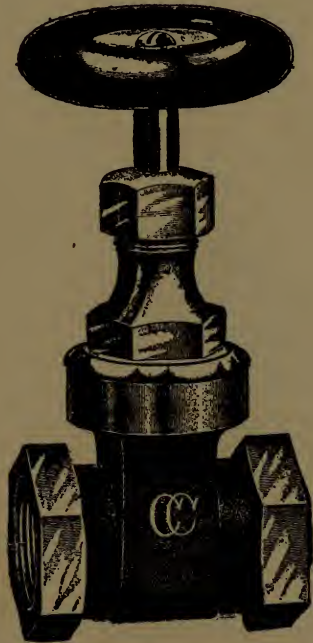


Fig. 33.

any leakage due to not closing the cock properly may be noticed.

**Unsteady Water Line in Boiler.** This trouble often results from grease in the boiler, the grease usually being present by reason of its use in the

construction of the piping and manufacture of the boiler and radiators. The grease rests on the sur-
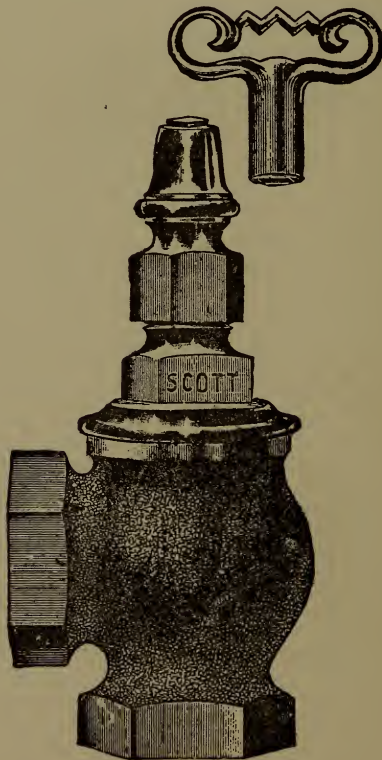


Fig. 34.

face of the water in the boiler, forming a scum, and when this occurs, the bubbles of air formed by the boiling water cannot reach the surface of the water

and burst off into steam. This causes a disturb-
ance in the boiler, the bubbles seeking for an out-
let naturally finding it in the connection to the
water column, or gathering in such force under a
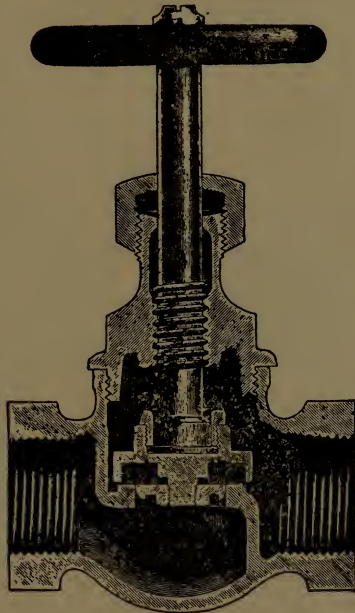


Fig. 35.

portion of the scum, that they break together, and
with such force as to force water into the steam
main, often causing a vacuum which will empty
the water glass and water column connections en-
tirely.

Blow the boiler off under pressure. This will usually remove most of the grease, if the unsteady line is due to grease. It may be necessary to repeat



Fig. 36.

this operation several times, at intervals of a few days, before the boiler is entirely clean. If the cause be due to the construction of the boiler, it may be necessary to use an equalizing pipe, that is, to make a direct connection from an opening in

the top of the boiler to a return opening in the bottom of the boiler.

**Starting a Steam Heating Plant.** After all the connections are made, pack the radiator valves and attach the air valves. Fill the boiler to the water line and start the fire, allowing the entire system to fill with steam by opening all the valves. When the steam has blown freely out of all air valves,
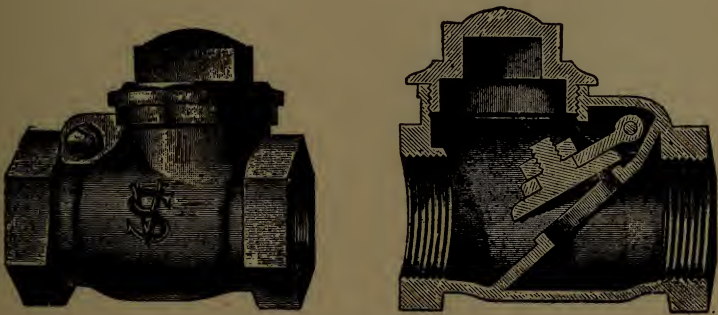


Fig. 37.

close the same, and if they are automatic adjust and regulate them, which may have to be repeated a number of times before they are in good working order. Carry the pressure of steam high enough so that the safety valve will blow off from 5 to 10 pounds. Inspect every portion of the system carefully, and if any leaks are found note the same and when the steam is down make the necessary re-

pairs. After the system is found tight, keep the boiler under fire several days, and then blow it off according to the following directions:

Close the main steam and return valves, or all
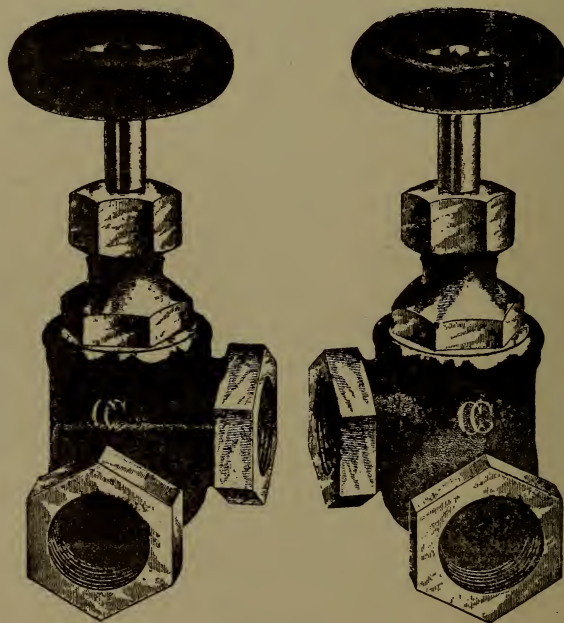


Fig. 38.

radiator valves. Make a good fire and get up a pressure of at least ten pounds. Open the blow-off valve, being careful that just enough fire is carried to maintain a pressure until the last gallon of water is blown out. Allow the fire to go out. Open

the fire and flue doors, and in about half an hour. close the blow-off valve, and refill boiler slowly to the water line, then open all radiator and main valves, and start the fire.

The boiler should be blown off within a week after it is installed and in operation.



Fig. 39.

**Steam Heating Plant.** Figs. 40, 41 and 42 show the plans for a three-story and basement apartment building equipped with a one-pipe return system. The boiler, steam mains, piping to radiators and radiators are all plainly shown.
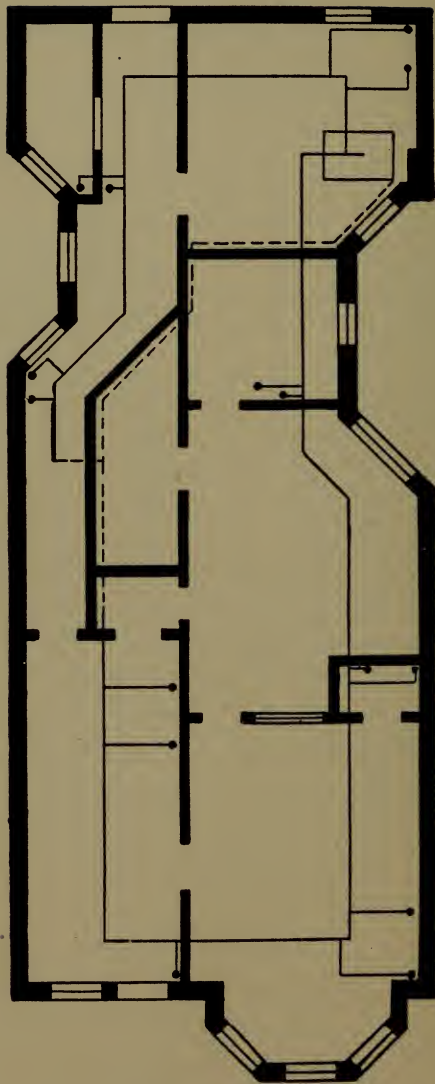
Fig. 40. Basement.
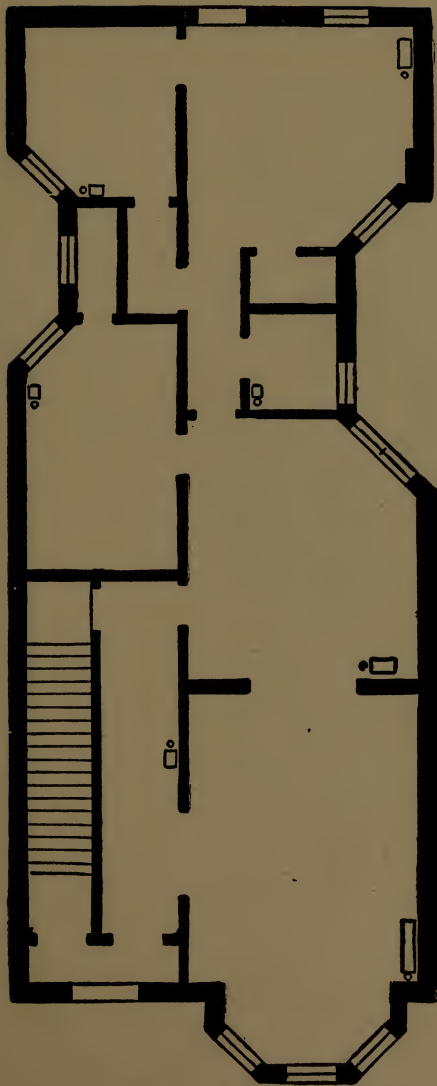
Fig. 41. First Story.
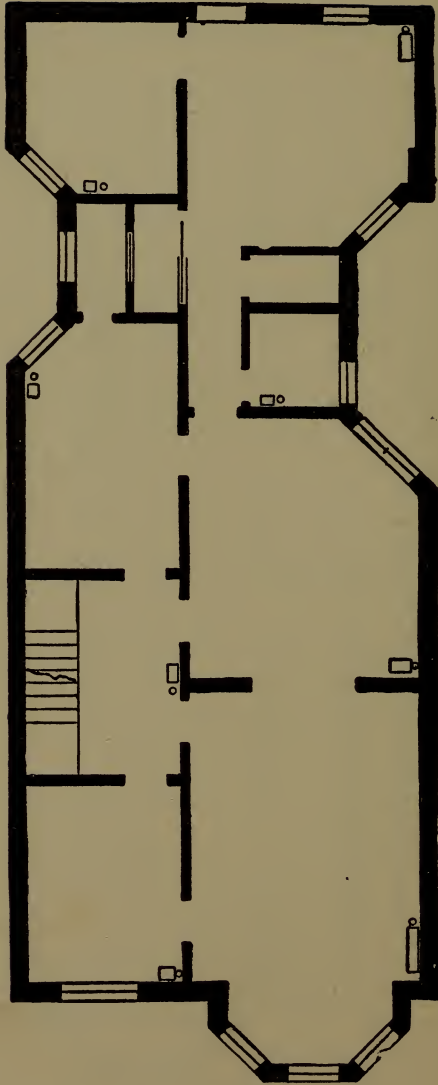
Fig, 42.  Second and Third Story.

| Temperature of Steam at Varying Pressures, in Degrees Fahrenheit. | | |
|---|---|---|
| Gauge Pressure. | Absolute Pressure. | Temperature in Degs. Fahrenheit. |
| 0 | 15 | 212 |
| 5 | 20 | 228 |
| 10 | 25 | 240 |
| 15 | 30 | 250 |
| 20 | 35 | 259 |
| 25 | 40 | 267 |
| 30 | 45 | 274 |
| 35 | 50 | 281 |
| 40 | 55 | 287 |
| 45 | 60 | 292 |
| 50 | 65 | 298 |
| 55 | 70 | 302 |
| 60 | 75 | 307 |
| 65 | 80 | 312 |
| 70 | 85 | 316 |
| 75 | 90 | 320 |
| 80 | 95 | 324 |
| 85 | 100 | 327 |
| 90 | 105 | 331 |
| 95 | 110 | 334 |
| 100 | 115 | 338 |
| 110 | 125 | 344 |
| 120 | 135 | 350 |
| 130 | 145 | 855 |
| 140 | 155 | 361 |
| 150 | 165 | 866 |

**Estimating.**   Make a careful survey of the location, construction and exposure of the building to be heated, and take accurate measurements of the size of the glass surface and exposed walls of the rooms in which the radiators are to be placed.

Having ascertained the total amount of radiation, select a boiler having a rated capacity of 50 per cent in excess of the total radiation, which for the average system will allow for the duty imposed by the mains and provide a margin of 20 per cent.

Make a plan of the basement to scale, locate the boiler, and lay out the pipe system, putting down the size of the mains and the branches.

From the plan obtain the number of lineal feet of each size of pipe, including the risers, also the number and size of all fittings.

Allow one air valve for each radiator, and one for the end of the steam main.

The number and size of the floor and ceiling plates may be counted from the number and size of risers that will pass through the floors and the ceilings.

The length of pipe covering may be obtained from the size and number of lineal feet of pipe in the mains.

# SPECIFICATION AND CONTRACT FOR A STEAM HEATING PLANT.

We hereby agree to furnish and install in your house, ............... street, a Steam Heating Plant, under the conditions, and for the price hereinafter named, and in accordance with the following specifications:

Boilers. Furnish and set up in basement one No. —— steam boiler, having a rated capacity of ...... square feet, and provide same with a set of fire and cleaning tools.

Foundation. The owner is to provide a suitable brick or concrete foundation for the boiler.

Smoke Pipe. Connect the smoke collar of the boiler to the chimney flue by a ....-inch galvanized iron smoke pipe, provided with a choke damper.

Chimney. The owner is to provide a chimney flue of sufficient size and height to secure a proper draught.

Fittings. The steam main, risers and branches to the radiators to be of ample areas and properly graded and supported in basement by neat, strong hangers, secured to ceiling joists. All fittings to be of best grade cast iron, and reducing fittings to be used, not bushings.

F. & C. Plates.    Where risers and radiator con-
nections pass through floors and ceilings, protect
the openings with neat bronzed or nickel-plated
floor and ceiling plates.

Valves.    Each radiator is to be furnished with
a nickel-plated wood-wheel Disc Radiator Valve.

Air Vents.    Each radiator to be provided with
an automatic air valve.

# HOT WATER HEATING.

The open tank, and the closed tank or pressure systems are in general use.

The open tank system is preferable to the closed tank system, as it may be more easily and safely operated.

In the open tank system a vent pipe is carried from the expansion tank through the roof or side of the building open to the atmosphere. The closed tank system is not vented, and is therefore under pressure and requires a safety valve.

In the closed tank system the water may be heated to a temperature above 212 degrees, the boiling point of the open tank system.

A safety valve should be placed on the expansion tank, with a pipe running from the open side of the valve to a sink or drain, in order that when sufficient pressure is raised to operate the valve, any overflow of water may be carried off without injury to the building.

Ten pounds is the proper pressure at which the safety valve should work on the closed tank system.

The piping for the closed tank or high pressure system may be somewhat smaller than for the open tank or low pressure system, but the piping should

be run and the connections taken off in the same manner for each system.

The mains should be pitched 1 inch for each 10 feet of length.

The mains in a hot water system should not be reduced too rapidly as branches are taken off, as the greater amount of friction in the smaller sizes of pipe will cause trouble.

Radiators may be heated by hot water on the same level as the boiler, or below it.

Under these conditions the circulation results from the weight of water above the low radiators. This depends on the fact that a column of water 2.32 feet in height will produce about 1 pound of pressure.

This may be done by carrying the flow pipe up so as to get a pressure from the weight of water above, to produce circulation.

A hot water system should be filled from the lowest point if possible, for the reason that the water will drive the air out of the system as it rises.

The air vents should all be opened to allow the air to escape, being closed as each radiator is completely filled with water.

**Round Water Heaters.** The heater shown in Fig. 43 is entirely of cast iron construction, so arranged as to amply provide for expansion and contraction. Water heaters, whether round or rectangular, are similar in con-

struction to boilers designed for steam heating
systems, the only difference in outward appear-
ance being the absence of a water column, safety



Fig. 43.

valve and steam gauge on water heaters. A
water heater should, however, always be equipped
with a thermometer and an altitude gauge as illus-
trated and described later on.

The description and illustration of the internal construction of round steam boilers as given on pages 14 to 18 will apply to round water heaters also. The main points of difference are a larger heater surface and the absence of a steam space in the water heater as shown in Fig. 44, when compared with a steam boiler of similar design and capacity, a sectional elevation of which is shown in Fig. 3, page 18.

Reference to Fig. 2 on page 16 will give the reader an idea of the plan usually followed in the design and construction of the various sections composing the round type of water heater. The method of assembling these sections and connecting them together to form a complete unit is described on page 15.

The small rings shown in the lower portion of Fig. 2 represent cast iron slip nipples having their ends ground to a perfect fit with the faces of the sections between which they are inserted, thus making a steam tight or water tight joint when bought together and held in position by the threaded nipples referred to on page 15. In the more modern type of round boiler or water heater, lugs are cast on the outside of the sections used in building up the unit, and strong bolts passing from the lugs of one section to those of the adjacent section serve to still further strengthen the construction. When assembling

this latter type, care should be taken not to screw down too tightly on the bolts while the sections are cold, for the reason that when the heater is fired up there will be considerable expansion in the sections. The stay bolts should be tightened gradually until the heater has reached its highest temperature.

As before stated, hot water heaters differ from steam boilers principally in the omission of a steam space above the heating surface. The steam boiler might be used as a heater for hot water, but the large space left for steam would necessarily make its operation very unsatisfactory. The passages designed for circulation in a hot water heater need not extend so directly from bottom to top as in a steam boiler, since the problem of providing for the early liberation of the steam bubbles does not have to be considered in the case of the water heater. In general, the heat from the fire box or furnace should impinge against the heating surface in such a manner as to increase the natural circulation, and not to produce a backward circulation, or a circulation in which the water having once been heated by passing near the furnace might be caused to again flow in that direction. The proper circulation in the water heater may be attained by designing the heating surface in such a manner that a large amount of direct heat will be absorbed by the top section referred to in connection with Fig. 2.

This applies to the vertical round heater shown in Fig. 44. There is considerable difference of opinion among engineers regarding the relative merits of vertical and horizontal heating surfaces for use in hot water heaters. One phase of the question, however, appears to be pretty well settled; that is, if the surface is very much divided, or the circulation of the water from section to section is sluggish or hindered in any way while at the same time the fire is maintained at a high temperature, considerable steam is likely to be generated and this always acts in a certain measure to increase the circulation in the heating pipes and radiators and to still further diminish it in the heater, the result being that a disagreeable crackling noise or hammering is produced. Practically speaking, the boilers designed for low pressure steam heating systems and heaters designed for hot water heating systems differ from each other very little as to the character of the heating surface.

When designed for steam heating, a steam chamber of ample capacity should always be provided in the upper portion of the boiler. This chamber should contain a few inches of water in its lower portion as shown in Fig. 3, and the flat area of this water surface should be large enough to permit the separation of the steam from the boiling water without noise or violent ebulition, the steam in the meantime accumulating in the

upper portion of the chamber from which it
passes through the mains and branch pipes to the
radiators.

Should the steam chamber not have sufficient
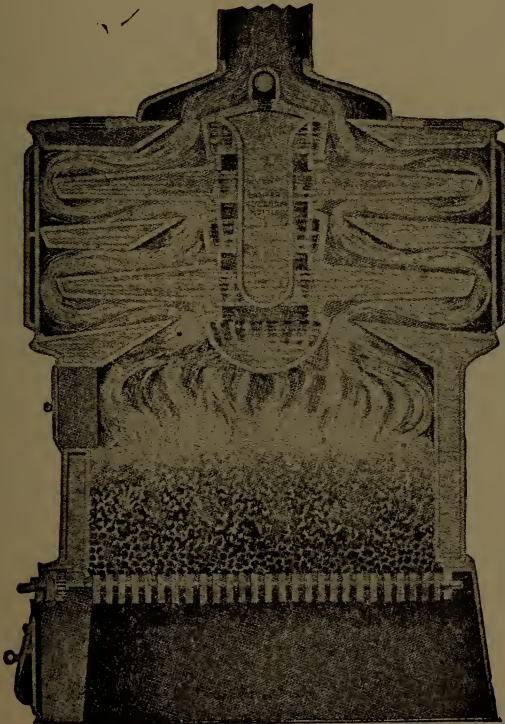


Fig. 44.

volume for the requirements of the system there
is danger that small quantities of water may be
projected over into the steam mains by the too
rapid passage of the steam from boiler to pipes,

and this would tend to a lowering of the temperature throughout the entire system of pipes and radiators.

**Rectangular Sectional Heaters.** Fig. 45 shows
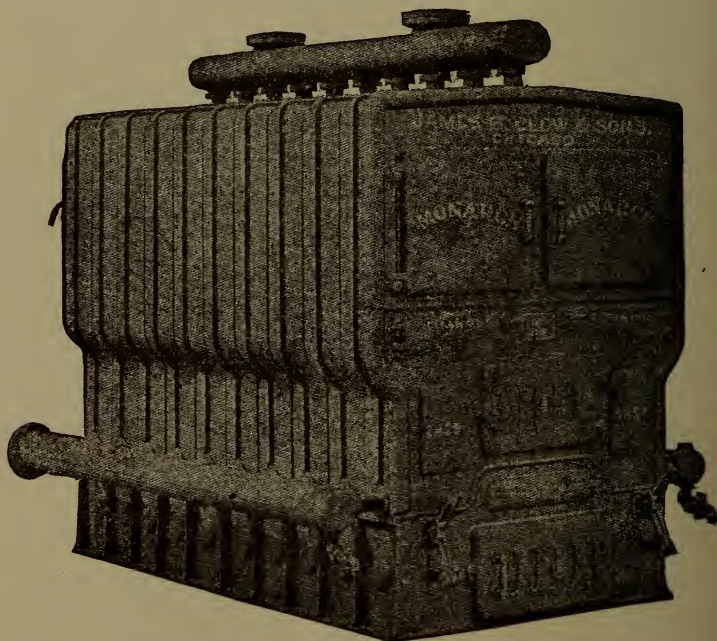


Fig. 45.

a view of the vertical rectangular sectional type of water heater, and it will be noted that in external appearance this heater very much resembles the rectangular steam boiler shown in Fig.

4, the principal difference being that the heater
shown in Fig. 45 has neither steam gauge, water
column nor safety valve.

As in the case of the round water heaters, the
description and illustration of the internal con-
struction of rectangular steam boilers as outlined
on pages 19 to 22 inclusive will also apply in the
case of the rectangular sectional type of water
heaters. This also includes heater capacity as
calculated on page 21 and 22, except that, instead
of adding 25 per cent to the total radiation in
order to ascertain heater capacity, 20 per cent is
used, as on page 87 where an example is given of
calculating the total capacity required of a
heater in the operation of a hot water heating
system under varying conditions and with dif-
ferent kinds of equipment, such as direct radia-
tion, direct-indirect, and indirect radiation.

Figures 5 and 6 (see pages 20 and 21) show the
design formerly followed in the construction of
the different sections used in the makeup of a
rectangular sectional heater. The rear section,
shown in Fig. 6, differs from the other sections,
in that the space between the two legs at the
bottom is about two-thirds occupied by a cast
iron water back against which the heat and gases
from the furnace impinge before passing out
through the limited space above. Each section is
hollow throughout, including the vertical columns
and the horizontal connections between the col-

umns. This method of construction secures a free circulation of water throughout all parts of the sections and in those portions which help to make up the firepot or furnace, heat is directly imparted to the water, thus causing it to move to a higher plane while at the same time it is replaced by cooler water from the returns. The lower portions of the sections are connected as shown in Fig. 45 to horizontal headers, one on each side, into which the return water from the entire heating system is conveyed. The tops of the sections are also connected to a common header from which the main flow pipes distribute the hot water throughout the system. These connections are made with screw nipples, while the various sections composing the boiler are securely held together by long bolts extending from front to rear, asbestos cement being used between the sections to secure air tight and fireproof joints. A series of openings in the heating surface above the fire allows the passage of the heated gases and smoke to the rear of the heater. In the improved modern types of sectional boiler the products of combustion are caused by means of bafflers to pass several times across or through the length of the boiler before passing into the smoke pipe, thus utilizing to as full an extent as possible the heat units in the fuel.

**Heater Capacity**. This should be 20 percent in excess of the total radiation.

Example: Let 600 square feet equal the total radiation, plus 25 per cent for the surface of the mains, plus 20 per cent excess heater capacity, which is 900 square feet, the capacity of the boiler required. The same result may be arrived at by adding 50 per cent to the radiation.

When direct-indirect radiation is used, an additional 33 1/3 per cent must be allowed, and when indirect radiation is used, add 50 per cent.

Example:

| | | |
|---|---:|---|
| Total direct radiation= | 450 | sq. ft. |
| One direct-indirect radiator= | 60 | " " |
| One indirect radiator= | 190 | " " |
| | 700 | " " |
| 25 per cent for surface of mains= | 112.5 | " " |
| 33 1/3 per cent on direct-indirect= | 20 | " " |
| 50 per cent on indirect radiator= | 95 | " " |
| | 927.5 | " " |
| 20 per cent excess capacity= | 185.5 | " " |
| Heater capacity | 1113 | " " |

**Thermometers.** A thermometer should be attached to every water heater as it not only registers the temperature of the water but it indicates to the attendant the required temperature of the water to be maintained for different conditions of the weather. It should be located in the top of the

heater or in the side near the top so that the closed
brass chamber   comes in direct contact with the
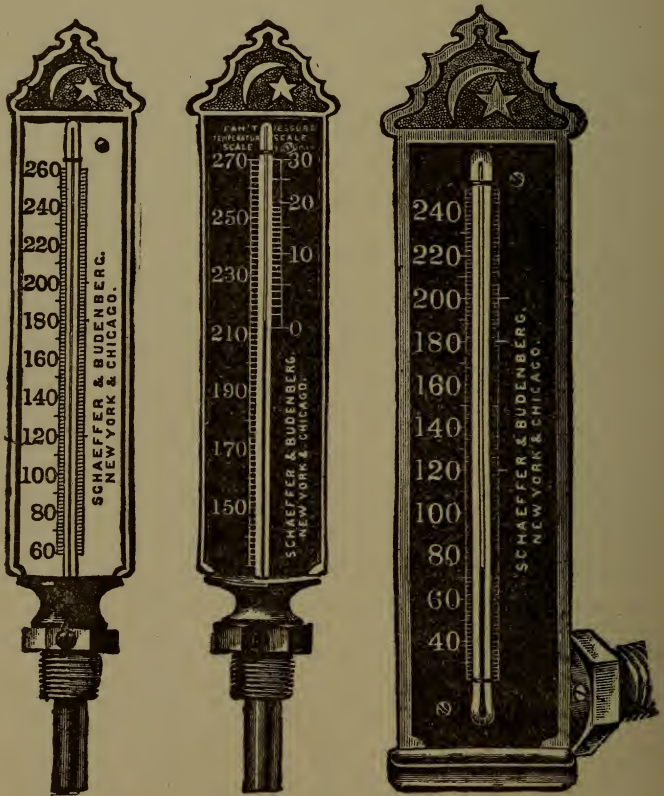


Fig. 46.

water circulation.   Thermometers for use with
water heaters are shown in Fig. 46.

**Pipe Systems.**  The quadruple main hot water
heating system shown in Fig. 47 when properly

installed will give very satisfactory results, and on account of the small size of the mains that are required it comes well within the range of the tool equipment of a heating contractor.
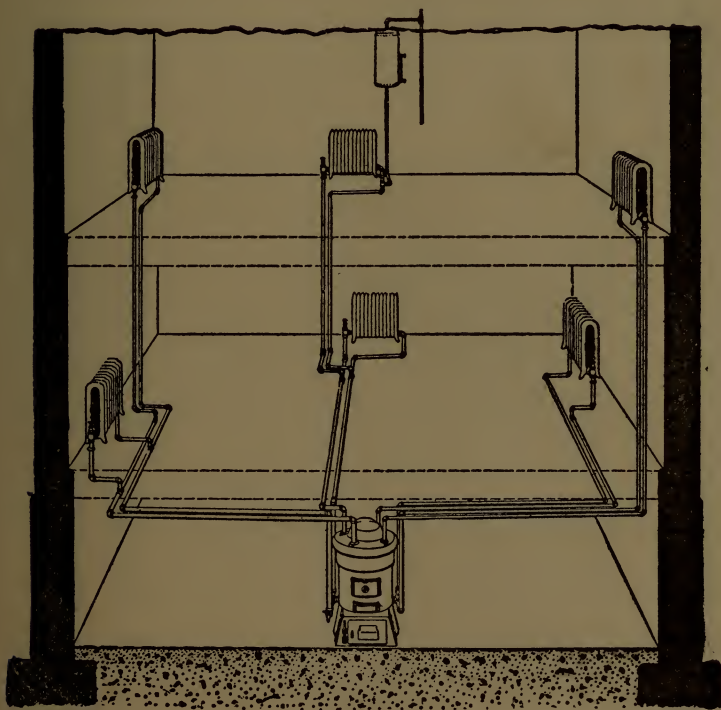


Fig. 47.

The double main system, as shown in Fig. 48, consists of flow mains starting from points on top of the boiler and running horizontally with a pitch of 1 inch or more in each 10 feet from the boiler.
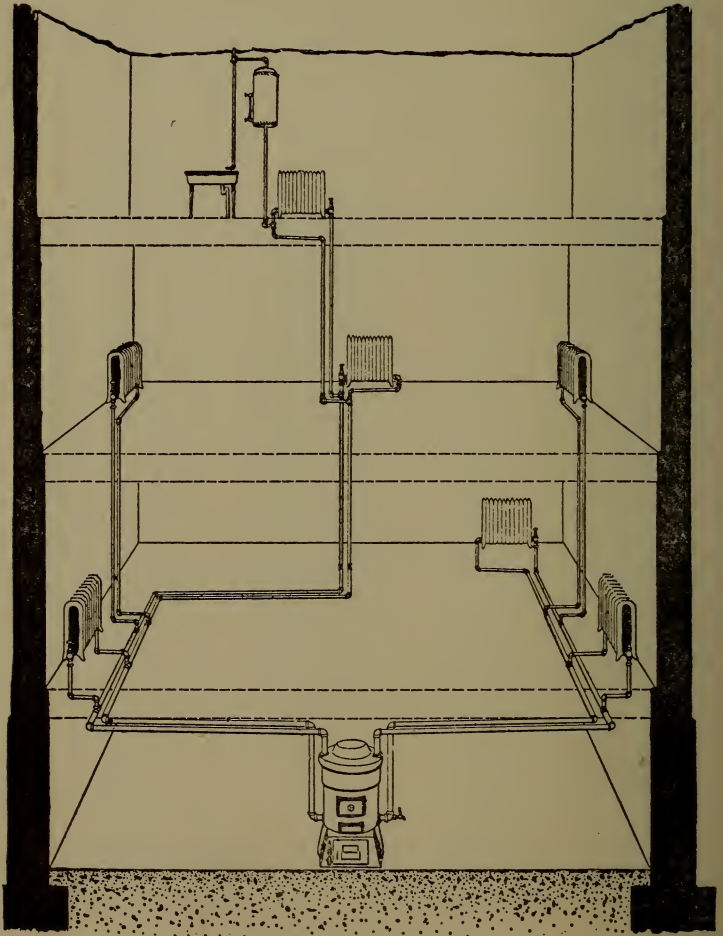
Fig. 48.

This is a system that is very much used and con-
sidered by many the best practice to follow.

The single pipe overhead or down-feed system

Fig. 49.

is much used in large office buildings. As illustrated in Fig. 49 a single feed or supply pipe runs from the top of the heater to a point some distance above the highest radiator. At this point the down-feed pipes branch out to the different sets of radiators. The expansion tank is connected to the system by a separate pipe at a point near the heater as shown. A vent pipe is also placed at the top of vertical supply pipe. The expansion tank should always be above the highest line of pipe.

**Heating Surface.** To estimate the amount of heating surface required to heat a room with hot water to a temperature of 70 degrees in zero weather, with the water at a temperature of 180 degrees at the heater and under ordinary conditions of exposure, the following rule is given, which is for direct radiation, and based upon the glass surface exposed wall surface and cubic space.

   1 square foot of radiation to 1 square foot of
      glass.
   1 square foot of radiation to 10 square feet of
      wall exposed.
   1 square foot radiation to 150 cubic feet of
      space.

For each degree of temperature above or below zero, deduct from or add to, 1½ per cent of the radiation given by this rule.

**Hot Water Mains.** The proper size of mains for hot water heating are given in the accompanying table:

| Proper Size of Hot Water Mains. | |
| --- | --- |
| Size of Main in Inches. | Sq. ft. Direct Radiation. |
| 1½ | 175 |
| 2 | 300 |
| 2½ | 400 |
| 3 | 650 |
| 3½ | 900 |
| 4 | 1200 |
| 4½ | 1500 |
| 5 | 2000 |
| 6 | 2700 |
| 7 | 4000 |
| 8 | 5500 |

**Radiator Connections.** All radiator connections should be of sufficient size to give the best results.

| Tapping of Direct Hot Water Radiators. | |
| --- | --- |
| 40 | 1 x 1 |
| 40 to 72 | 1¼ x 1¼ |
| 72 to 100 | 1½ x 1½ |
| 100 to 150 | 2 x 2 |
| **Tapping of Direct Hot Water Radiators.** **Two Pipe—Two Tappings.** | |
| 20 | ¾ x ¾ |
| 20 to 40 | 1 x ¾ |
| 40 to 80 | 1¼ x 1 |
| 80 to 120 | 1½ x 1¼ |

Example: Required the number of square feet of direct radiation for a room 10x10x10 feet, having two exposed sides and two windows 2½x6 feet.

Answer:

    Glass surface=    30 sq. ft.÷   1= 30    sq. feet
    Exposed walls=  200 sq. ft.÷ 10= 20        "
        Cubic space=1,000 cu. ft.÷150=   6.6        "
                Total direct radiation=56.6    "

    Example:   Required the number of square feet of direct radiation for the same room, with one exposed side and one window 2½x6 feet.

Answer:

    Glass surface=    15 sq. ft.÷   1= 15    sq. feet
    Exposed  walls=  100 sq. ft.÷ 10=  10    "
    Cubic  space=1,000 cu. ft.÷150=   6.6    "
                Total  direct  radiation=31.6    "

    When  indirect  radiation  is  used 75  per cent should be added to the above figures.

## RADIATION AND BOILER CAPACITY.

Considerable space has already been devoted to these subjects, especially radiation, but as the heating of buildings by steam or hot water has within the last twenty-five years developed to a degree that requires much sober thought and intelligent judgment on the part of the engineer engaged in the work, it is thought best to continue the discussion of the above mentioned subjects, thus giving the student the benefit of the very latest and most modern practice along these lines. A very important feature in connection with the art of heating and ventilating buildings is the diversity of conditions encountered by the engineer in the installation of heating plants; each plant, in fact, being different in some respects from the others and requiring the exercise of considerable ingenuity and good judgment in laying out the plans for the piping and in locating the radiators in such positions as to get the most efficient results from the fuel consumed in the boiler or heater. When a system of heating a building by either steam or hot water has been installed and thoroughly tested under the most severe conditions likely to be encountered, and the test proves to be satisfactory in every respect, then and not until then, can it be called a successful

installation.    Tables are given on pages 53, 54
and 55, showing the dimensions and square feet of
heating surface of all the standard types of radi-
ators and hot water heating.

The following rules for computing required
boiler capacities and radiator quantities for steam
and hot water heating plants have been formulated
and adopted by the most prominent heating engi-
neers in the United States, consequently they may
be considered as standard and strictly up to date
in every respect.   These rules are arranged under
various schedules (A, B, C, etc.), and it should
be noted that, although there are several varia-
tions in certain allowances for radiating quanti-
ties, the final results when calculated will be
practically the same for all schedules.

**Schedule ''A''** is for computing minimum sizes
of boilers for the average apartment building and
residence, based on ratings specified in the manu-
facturer's present catalogue.   Standard for com-
puting boiler sizes and radiation quantities for
apartment buildings and residences of brick
construction.

*Note.* — Where coils are to be inserted in the
boiler for heating water for domestic purposes,
size of the boiler should be increased by figuring
each gallon of water tank capacity as equivalent
to two square feet of radiation.   For example: a
160-gallon tank should be figured as equivalent

to 320 square feet of radiation. If this is connected to an up-draft cast-iron boiler, the increased size of the boiler would be 320 plus 80 per cent or 576 feet. If connected to a fire box up-draft boiler, the increased size of boiler should be 320 plus 35 per cent or 432 feet.

*Cast Iron Up-Draft Boilers.* Size of boilers should be 80 per cent greater than the actual amount of radiation in radiators and coils. See Note.

*Cast Iron Down-Draft Boilers.* Size of boiler should be 60 per cent greater than the actual amount of radiation in radiators and coils.

*Cast Iron Up-Draft Boilers.* Size of boilers should be 60 per cent greater than the actual amount of radiation in radiators and coils. See Note.

*Steel Firebox, Brick Set, Up-Draft.* Size of boiler should be 35 per cent greater than the actual amount of radiation in radiators and coils. See Note.

*Steel Firebox, Brick Set or Portable, Down-Draft Boilers.* Size of boiler should be 40 per cent greater than the actual amount of radiation in radiators and coils. See Note.

**Low Pressure Steam Heating Plants.**

**Schedule "B"** for computing minimum quantities of radiation for the average apartment building or residence at 70° F. with outside temperature at zero.

*Note.*—To heat to 70° F. with outside temperature at 10° below zero, add 15 per cent.

One square foot of radiation for every 100 cubic feet of contents plus.

One square foot of radiation for every 20 square feet of exposed wall surface, plus.

One square foot of radiation for every three square feet of glass surface.

For all rooms with north and west and north and east exposures, add 10 per cent additional radiation:

For top floor add for roof exposure, 10 per cent additional radiation.

For seat radiators, add 20 per cent.

For indirect radiation, add 60 per cent.

**Schedule ''C''** for computing minimum quantities of radiation for the average apartment building or residence at 70° F. with outside temperature at zero.

*Note.*—To heat to 70° F. with outside temperature at 10° below zero, add 15 per cent.

One square foot of radiation for every 60 cubic feet of contents, plus.

One square foot of radiation for every 10 feet of exposed wall surface, plus.

One square foot for every two square feet of glass surface.

For all rooms with north and west and north and east exposures, add 10 per cent additional radiation.

For top floor add for roof exposure 10 per cent additional radiation.

For seat radiators, add 20 per cent.

For indirect radiation, add 100 per cent.

The above schedules of quantities are commensurate with good heating results for the average apartment building or residence of brick construction, but are by no means to be construed as guarantees of proper quantities of radiation necessary to heat every apartment building or residence, as extraordinary conditions will, of course, require additional radiation.

The meaning of the terms "direct radiation," "indirect radiation," and "direct-indirect radiation," as applied to different systems of heating by steam or hot water, has been clearly explained on pages 42 to 44.

The rules given under schedules A, B and C, on pages 96 to 98, are for computing the minimum sizes of boilers and minimum quantities of radiation for heating buildings. They are based on ratings specified in the present catalogue of the manufacturers' association and refer more particularly to direct radiation.

In the following pages are given rules and instructions for calculating minimum sizes of various types of heating boilers, including the cast iron magazine type, also boilers designed for hot blast coils. These schedules cover not only direct radiation but include also indirect, and direct-

indirect radiation and are based on ratings as specified in the catalogue of the manufacturers' issue previous to March, 1916. The vapor system of heating is also explained, and many other details are given which are not included in schedules A, B and C.

**Boiler Sizes for Direct Radiation.**

**Schedule "D."**  For minimum size boilers in average buildings based on ratings by manufacturers previous to March, 1916.

*Note.* — Where coils are to be inserted in the boiler for heating water for domestic purposes, size of the boiler should be increased by figuring each gallon of water tank capacity as equivalent to two square feet of radiation. For example: a 160-gallon tank should be figured equivalent to 320 square feet of radiation. If this is connected to an up-draft cast iron boiler, the increased size of the boiler would be 320 plus 80 per cent, or 576 feet. If connected to a fire-box up-draft boiler, increased size of boiler should be 320 plus 35 per cent, or 432 feet.

*Cast Iron Up-Draft Boilers.*  Size of boiler should be 80 per cent greater than the actual amount of radiation in radiators and coils when temperature of 70° F. is required. See Note.

*Cast Iron Down-Draft Boilers.*  Size of boiler should be 60 per cent greater than the actual amount of radiation in radiators and coils when temperature of 70° F. is required. See Note.

*Steel Firebox, Brick Set, Up-Draft Boilers.* Size of boiler should be 35 per cent greater than the actual amount of radiation in radiators and coils when temperature of 70° F. is required. See Note.

*Steel Firebox, Brick Set, Up-Draft with Approved Furnace.* To be figured on same basis as steel down-draft of similar number and rating.

*Steel Firebox, Down-Draft, Brick Set or Portable Boilers.* Size of boiler should be 45 per cent greater than the actual amount of radiation in radiators and coils when temperature of 70° F. is required. See Note.

*Cast Iron Magazine Type.* Size of boiler should be 60 per cent greater than the actual amount of radiation in radiators and coils when temperature of 70° F. is required. See Note.

*Boiler Sizes for Direct-Indirect and Indirect Radiation.* For computing boiler size for direct-indirect and indirect radiation reduce same to basis of direct by adding 50 per cent to indirect and 25 per cent to direct-indirect and use factor of safety as called for on direct radiation.

**Boiler Sizes for Hot Blast Coils.**

For computing boiler size to be used for Hot Blast Coils, use manufacturer's condensation charts and figure one-quarter pound of condensation per hour as equivalent to one square foot of direct radiation and add the following factor of safety:

Fire-Box, Up-Draft ...........10%
Fire-Box, Down-Draft ........15%
Portable ....................15%
Cast-Iron Down-Draft ........25%
Magazine ...................25%
Cast-Iron Up-Draft ..........40%

## VAPOR SYSTEMS.

A vapor system is defined as a two-pipe system which has the return lines open to atmosphere with no valves at the return connections of heating units which will close against steam.

For heating to temperatures other than minus 10° F. to 70° F., multiply above quantities by the following co-efficients:

$$10° \text{ to } 65°............ .94$$
$$10° \text{ to } 60°............ .87$$
$$10° \text{ to } 55°............ .81$$
$$10° \text{ to } 50°............ .75$$
$$10° \text{ to } 45°............ .69$$
$$10° \text{ to } 40°............ .62$$

Where radiation attached to boiler is designed to maintain a temperature lower than 70° F. the boiler capacity shall be based on the amount of standard column radiation necessary to heat space to 70° F. temperature.

Radiation Quantities for Average Construction.

Schedule "E." For computing minimum quantities of steam radiation at 70° F. with outside temperature at minus 10° F.

One square foot of radiation for every 300 cubic feet of contents, plus.

One square foot of radiation for every 15 square feet net exposed wall surface, plus.

One square foot of radiation for every two square feet of glass surface.

For all rooms with plastered ceiling and unheated air space between ceiling and the roof, add one square foot of radiation for every 30 square feet of ceiling area.

For all rooms with ceiling plastered on roof joists, add one square foot of radiation for every 20 square feet of ceiling area.

For all rooms with ceiling of open joist or concrete roof constructions, add one square foot of radiation for every 10 square feet of roof.

For all rooms with northeast or northwest exposure, add 10 per cent additional radiation.

Where radiators are placed under seats or behind grills, add 20 per cent additional radiation.

Where radiators are placed in open recesses, add 10 per cent additional radiation.

For indirect radiation without fan system, add 50 per cent additional radiation.

For direct-indirect without fan system, add 25 per cent additional radiation.

Where pipe coils or cast iron wall radiation are placed on side of walls 80 per cent of the required amount of standard column radiation may be installed. Size of boiler and piping, however,

shall be based on standard column radiation requirements. Ceiling coils to be considered as standard column radiation.

In measuring glass surface, the full opening in wall shall be figured. Outside door openings shall be taken as glass.

For computing minimum quantities of hot water radiation at 70° F. with outside temperature at minus 10° F., add 60 per cent to amount necessary for steam.

For computing minimum quantities for vapor systems at 70° F. with outside temperature at minus 10° F., add 20 per cent to amount necessary for steam.

The above schedules of quantities are commensurate with good heating results for the average building of average construction, but are by no means to be construed as guarantees of the proper quantities, as extraordinary conditions will, of course, require additional radiation or boiler capacity.

## MODERN BOILERS AND WATER HEATERS.

Many important improvements in the design and construction of heating boilers and equipment have been wrought within recent years, and it is fitting that space be here devoted to a description and explanation of the principles involved in some of the more prominent types. Before proceeding farther, the author desires to acknowledge his in-

debtedness to the American Radiator Company
for courtesies received in the way of illustrative
and descriptive matter pertaining to the subject.

**Square Sectional Boilers.**  Probably no type of
boiler is better adapted for general heating service



Fig. 50.

than is the square or rectangular sectional boiler.
Made of cast iron, the sections can be assembled
so as to form a complete boiler of any size and
capacity as conditions may require.  Another ad-
vantage to be noted in favor of this type of boiler
is adaptability for practically all kinds of fuel.

Fig. 50 shows a view of the Ideal steam boiler, of which there are many styles. Figures 51 and 52 will give the reader a good idea of the interior construction of this type of heating boiler, the arrows in Fig. 51 indicating the course of the flame and heated gases in their passage from the firepot to



Fig. 51.

the smoke pipe. Fig. 52 shows the extent of the grate surface. Water heaters of the Ideal type are of practically the same design as the steam boilers. Fig. 53 shows an interior view of the Ideal down-draft sectional boiler by the use of which economy in fuel and the prevention of

smoke is effected.   Another view of this style of
boiler is given in Fig. 54 showing the so-called
water grate immediately above the main grate.

**Ideal Type "C" Sectional Boiler.**   This boiler,
a view of which is shown in Fig. 55, represents a
radical departure from the ordinary design of sec-



Fig. 52.

tional boiler, in that it is grateless and that its
fuel, which is soft coal, is fed downward from a
magazine while the air necessary for combustion
is passed to the sides of the fire through an auto-
matically controlled air duct leading from the
front draft damper in the top of the outer door
frame as shown in Fig. 56, which is a side sec-

tional view showing the fuel in the magazine, the fire underneath, and the direction taken by the products of combustion which at first rise and are then compelled by means of a revertible flue to flow downward, making their final escape through the smoke flue at the lower left corner of the



Fig. 53.

boiler as shown in Fig. 55. As will be seen from Fig. 56, a secondary air supply also leads from the draft damper through channels between fins on the section, thence over the top of the coal in magazine, and into an auxiliary air tube as indicated by the arrows. This secondary air tube, it will be noted, terminates in a large slotted pipe
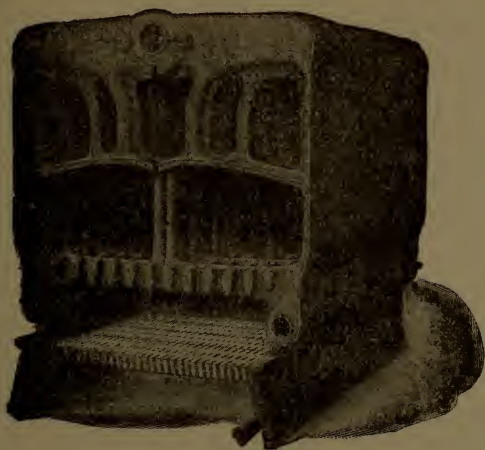
Fig. 54.



Fig. 55.

running horizontally through the boiler and from this slotted pipe the secondary air, already pre-heated, issues into the combustion zone at its point of highest temperature, thus insuring a combustion that is practically complete. This auxiliary air supply can be increased in volume if desired
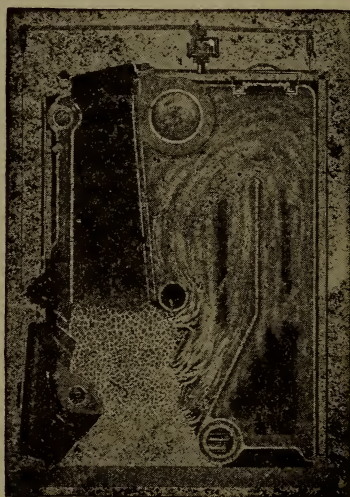


Fig. 56.

by means of a circular slide damper at either side of the boiler, those dampers being attached to the ends of the horizontal slotted air pipe (see Fig. 55). The builders of this boiler, The American Radiator Co., claim that it is smokeless, and that it will readily burn the lower grades of free-burn-

ing bituminous coal. In operation, no air is admitted from beneath the boiler, the large front door shown in Fig. 55 being for the removal of ashes only.

**Automatic Damper Control.** In order to get the best results from the fuel consumed in a heating boiler it is necessary that some means be provided for automatic regulation of the draft. A very efficient and reliable device for this purpose



Fig. 57.

Fig. 58.

is the Sylphon regulator which can be attached to either a steam boiler or a water heater. Fig. 57 shows the Sylphon regulator as designed for use on a steam boiler. It is constructed entirely of metal, having no rubber diaphragms, packing, nor piston; motion being imparted to the weighted lever by the expansion and contraction of a sensitive bellows of cylindrical form with two brass disks and accordion sides made of the best flexible steam brass. The method of attaching it to the damper of a steam boiler is shown in Fig. 50. It

can be adjusted to maintain any pressure desired. The Sylphon regulator for a water heater operates on the same principle as the steam regulator, except that its action depends upon the temperature of the water. As shown in Fig. 58 there are two weights on the regulator lever, and adjustment



Fig. 59.

for any desired temperature is accomplished by placing the balance weight at that point on the lever which will give the desired result.

The Sylphon regulator is usually connected to the highest portion of the boiler or it may be connected by means of a "Y" or "T" fitting to one of the flow pipes as near the boiler as possible.

**Arco Temperature Regulator.** This device has two parts, the thermostat and the motor. The thermostat is placed on an inside wall at some central location in the building and controls the operation of the motor which is located in the basement and operates the dampers on the heater. Fig. 59 shows the thermostat which is equipped with an eight-day clock that can be set to lower



Fig. 60.

the temperature at night at any time desired, and automatically raises it to 70° at any hour desired in the morning. The power to operate the dampers on the heater is supplied by an Arco motor which has ample power to lift the heaviest dampers, or to operate steam or gas valves, and the operation of this motor is controlled by the clock thermostat.

Any one of three different types of motor may be used, depending upon conditions. Where alternating electric current is available, a small induction motor can be used. The spring motor shown in Fig. 60 is actuated by a spring and will give sixty to seventy-five operations on one winding. The indicator on the front shows at a glance when winding is necessary. The Arco gravity motor is similar to the spring motor except that power is supplied by a ten-pound weight. This motor requires winding more often than the spring motor.

## BOILER RATINGS.

The ratings of heating boilers are based on the following conditions:

**Steam Boilers.** Assuming that a gauge pressure of two pounds is maintained in the boiler, and that the radiation is standing in quiet air at a temperature of 70 degrees Fahr. Under such conditions, one square foot of heat-radiating surface will condense not more than 0.25 (¼) pound of steam per hour. If the load attached to the boiler has a condensing power exceeding 0.25, such as occurs in factories, green-houses, etc., the factor representing the increased condensation should be used instead of the house heating factor of 0.25.

**Water Boilers.** Assuming that the temperature of the water is maintained at 180 degrees Fahr. at the outlet of the boiler, and that the heat radiation is standing in quiet air at 70 degrees Fahr. Under such conditions one square foot of heat radiating surface will lose 150 B.T.U.'s (heat units) per hour. (For a definition of the term "heat units" see page 192). In green-houses, factories, etc., the cooling power will exceed that given above, and the factor representing the increased cooling effect should be used instead of the house heating factor of 150 heat units per hour.

**Radiator Connections.** Methods of connecting radiators used in water heating plants are shown in Fig. 61.
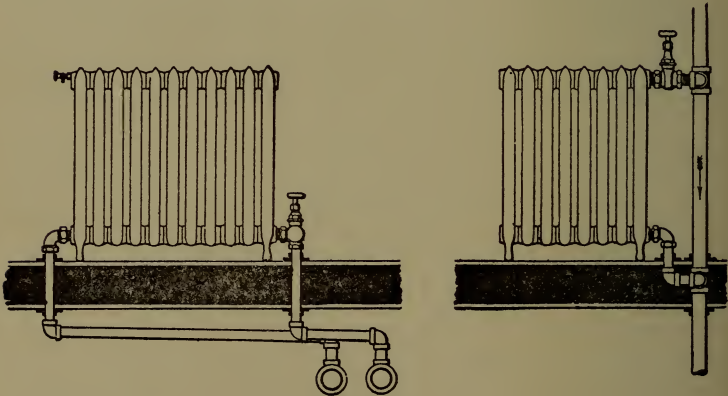


Fig. 61.

**Radiator Valves.** For use with hot water heating systems, angle radiator valves that have a full opening for a half turn of the wheel are usually employed. They have wood wheel, union connection and nickel-plated trimmings. This style of valve is illustrated in Figs. 62 and 63.

Angle valves with or without union connection, with wood wheel and nickel-plated trimmings, of the disk seat type are also used. They are shown in Figs. 64 and 65.

Gate valves as shown in Figs. 66 and 67 are used with down feed or overhead systems or when the radiator connections are made above the floor.

Globe valves as shown in Fig. 68 should not, if possible, to do without, be used in hot water heating systems, as their use interferes with the free circulation of the water.
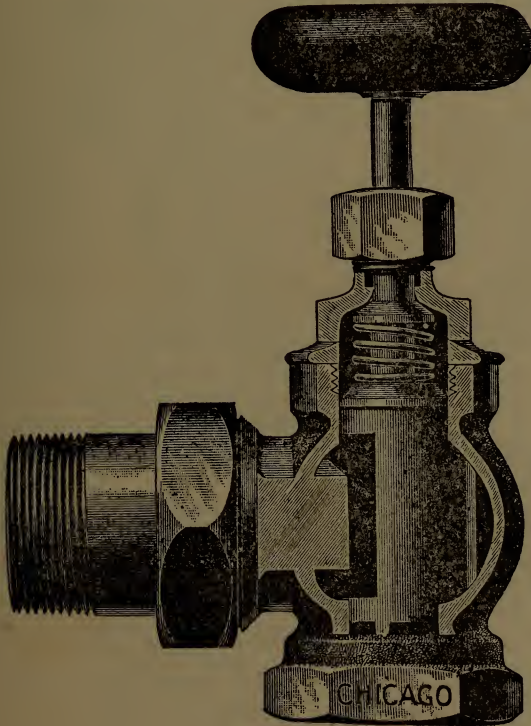


Fig. 62.

A corner valve for use when the radiator connections are above the floor is shown in Fig. 69; they are made both right and left-hand and with union connection.

A square or flat plug-cock should be always placed in the return pipe close to the boiler or in the boiler itself, as close to the bottom as possible.
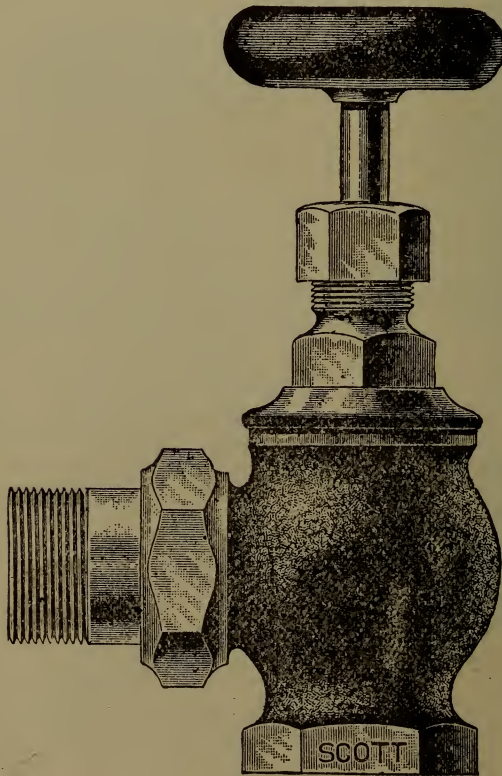
Fig. 63.

It should not have any direct connection to the sewer, but the discharge end of the pipe should be in plain sight so that any leakage due to negli-

gence in closing the cock may be quickly seen.
Fig. 70 shows both square and flat-head plug-
cocks.

The union-elbow shown in Fig. 71 is used to
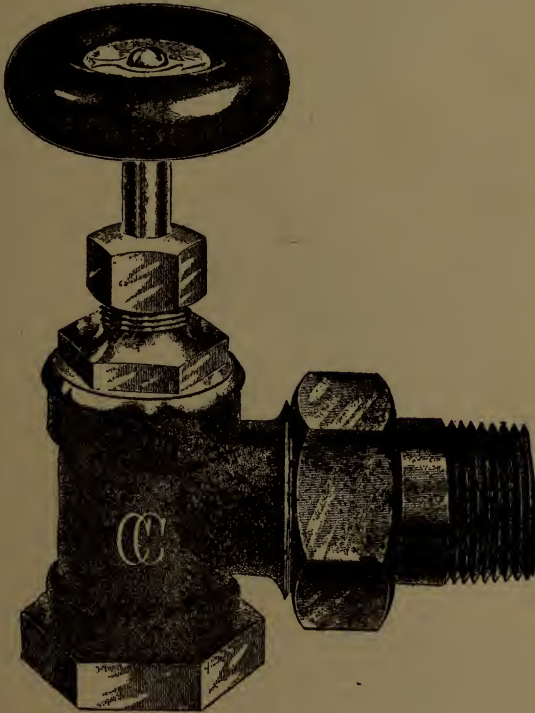


Fig. 64.

make the return connection from the radiation to
the main. Check valves such as shown in Fig. 72
are sometimes used in the return main of a hot
water heating system.

**Check Valve.**  It is well understood that the common check valve is a very poor article when it is put to constant work, as it soon becomes pound-
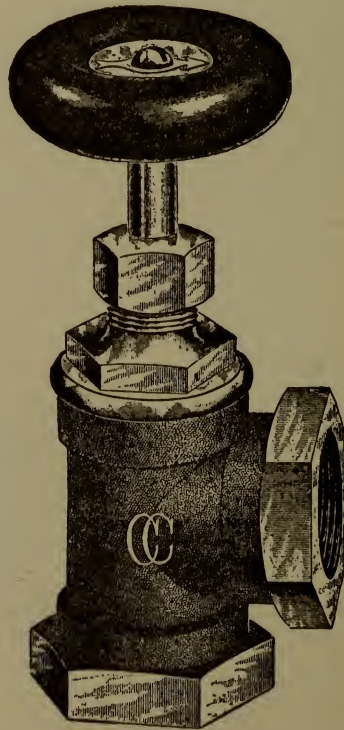


Fig. 65.

ed out of the seat, thereby leaking.  It also wears oblong in consequence of the back pressure coming against the side of the feather, which back pressure prevents the valve from closing promptly,

thereby permitting considerable water to return
to the pump.

The common valves are very much choked by
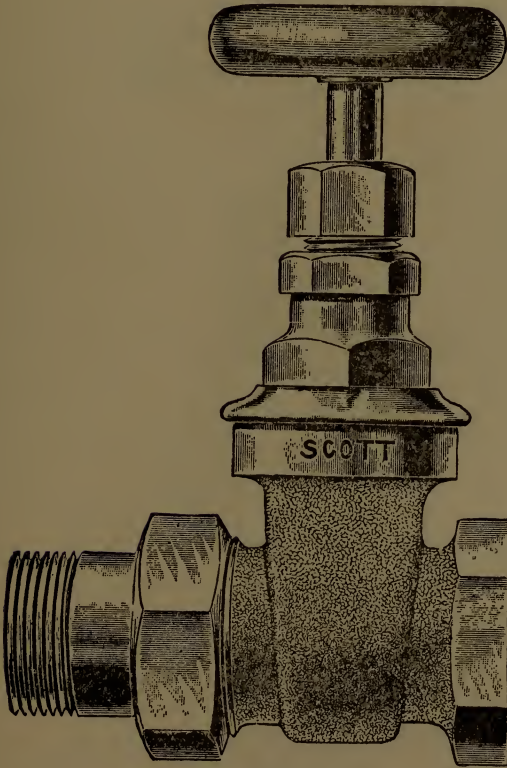


Fig. 66.

the guides, so that not more than two-thirds of
their area is serviceable.

The cup pattern valve shown in Fig. 72 has **a**

much larger seat, a larger area, and is so constructed that the back pressure comes on the top of valve, thus preventing the side wear of the seat, and insuring prompt closing.
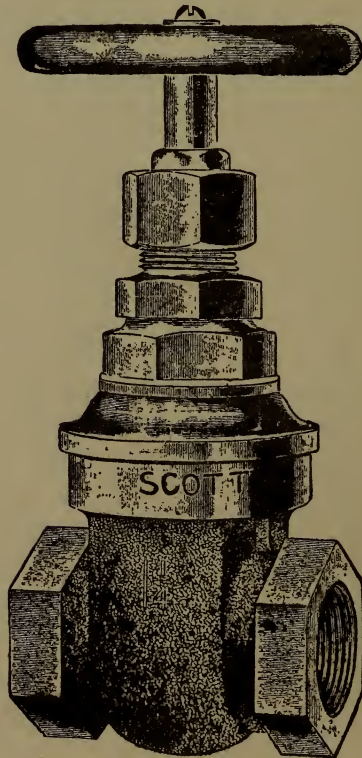


Fig. 67.

**Expansion Tank.** The purpose of an expansion tank is to provide for the increased bulk of the water in a hot water heating system, as water ex-

pands about one-twentieth of its bulk from 40 to
212 degrees Fahrenheit or to the boiling point of
water. The expansion tank should always be



Fig. 68.

placed at the highest point of the system and near
the ceiling at least 3 or 4 feet above the highest
radiator or even higher if possible.

The expansion tank should not require more than one or two gallons per month to replenish the loss by evaporation. The overflow or vapor
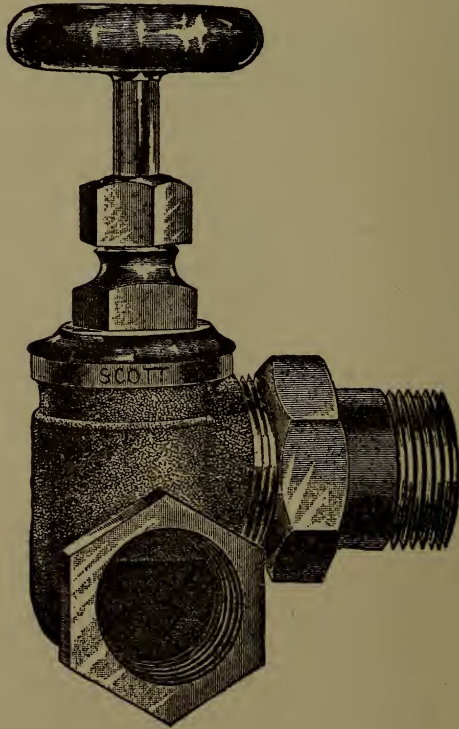


Fig. 69.

pipe should be carried to the nearest drain. The expansion tank should never be placed in an extremely cold place or an unheated room if possible. A stop-cock or globe-valve should never be placed in the pipe leading to the expansion tank.

The expansion tank should be located in a warm room, to prevent freezing.
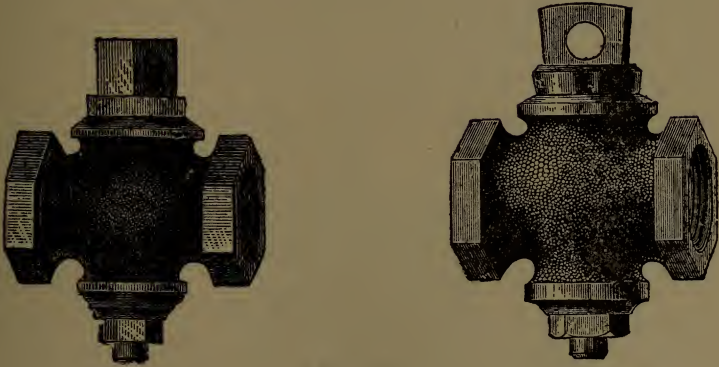


Fig. 70.

The overflow from the expansion tank should be carried through the roof, and on the end of the
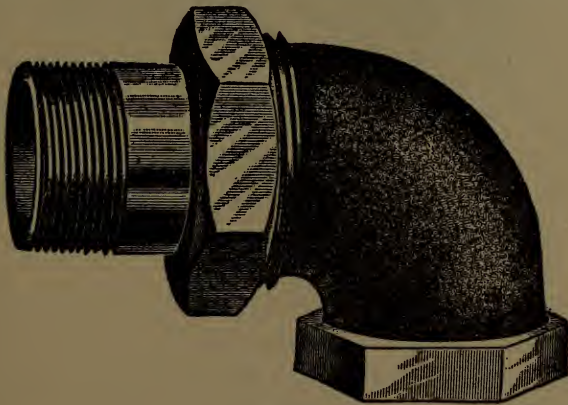


Fig. 71.

pipe a return bend should be placed, in order that the water may not run down the side of the pipe.

The expansion tank should hold from 1-20 to

1-30 of the amount of water contained in the entire
system.

For the reason that when at the boiling point,
the water in the system will occupy a considerably
larger space than when cold.

At its boiling point, water fills a space about 5
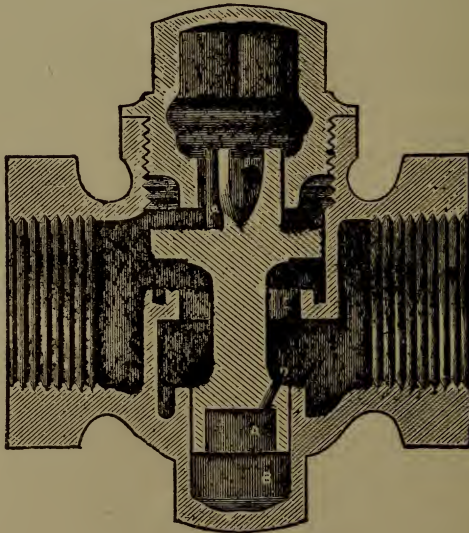


Fig. 72.

per cent. greater in volume than at its densest
point, when cold. When cold, the water must fill
the entire system. Therefore provision must be
made to take care of this extra volume when the
water is at the boiling point.

The expansion tank is provided for this purpose
on all hot water heating systems.

When a wooden lead-lined tank is used and the water supply can be obtained from the city water main, a float device replenishes the water automatically.



Fig. 73.

If there be no water pressure available the tank must be filled by hand through a funnel.

A galvanized steel expansion tank is shown in Fig. 73. The overflow pipe, vent and water supply openings are all clearly shown.
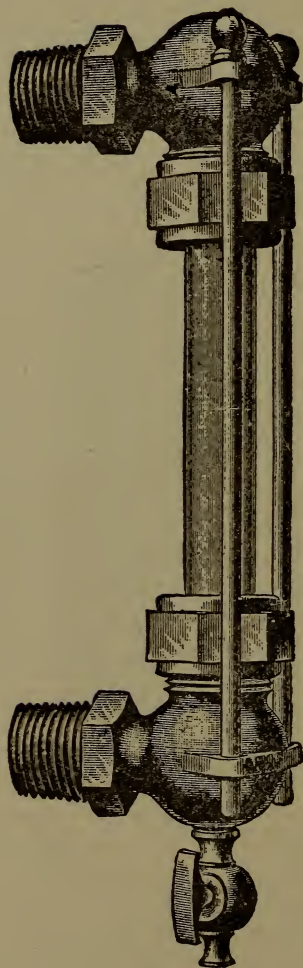
Fig. 74.

A water gauge for use on an expansion tank is illustrated in Fig. 74.

| No. | Diam. in Inches. | Capacity Gallons. | Sq. Ft. of Radiation. | No. | Diam. in Inches. | Capacity Gallons. | Sq. Ft. of Radiation. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | CAPACITY OF EXPANSION TANKS. | | | | |
| 0 | 16 | 8 | 250 | 5 | 31 | 32 | 1,300 |
| 1 | 17½ | 10 | 300 | 6 | 32 | 42 | 2,000 |
| 2 | 20 | 15 | 500 | 7 | 37 | 66 | 3,000 |
| 3 | 23 | 20 | 700 | 8 | 39 | 82 | 5,000 |
| 4 | 25 | 26 | 950 | 9 | 40 | 100 | 6,000 |

**Altitude Gauge.** The gauge shown in Fig. 75 denotes the height of a column of water in a reser-
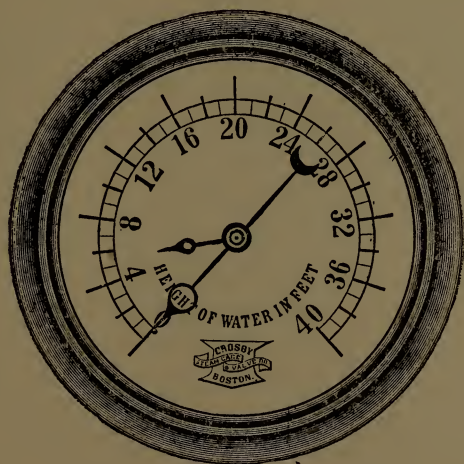


Fig. 75.

voir or tank used in connection with heating or wherever it is desired.

The adjustable hand indicates the number of

feet in height at which the water should be constant in the reservoir, and is so set by the user when the gage is put up.

The hand operated by the gauge tube spring, which the pressure of the column of water actuates, shows in graduations on the dial marked in feet the actual height of water in the tank or reservior and consequently the fluctuations in the height of water due to its use, and thus enables the user instantly to know whether the water column is of the required and proper height to be maintained. It is of great service and usefulness in this respect.

The gauge has two dials, the red one being moveable only by hand, the black one being connected with the mechanism of the gauge. When the system is first filled to the required height, the spring dial of the gauge shows the height in feet of the water in the system. The face of the gauge is then taken off, and the red dial moved to a point directly under the spring dial, and pointing to the same number on the gauge. As the water in the system evaporates by use, the spring dial drops away from the red dial, indicating less water in the system.

By the use of an altitude gauge at the boiler, the necessity of watching the expansion tank to know the amount of water in it, is avoided, as the gauge at the boiler registers the height of water in feet in the system.

| Approximate Radiating Surface To Cubic Capacities Of Space To Be Heated. | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| One Square Foot of Radiating Surface will Heat. | C U B I C   F E E T   O F   A I R . | | |
| | In Dwellings, School-Rooms and Offices. | In Halls, Lofts, Stores and Factories. | In Churches and Large Auditoriums. |
| With direct hot-water radiating surface. | 30 to 50 | 60 to 80 | 90 to 150 |
| With indirect hot-water radiation. | 15 to 35 | 20 to 45 | 60 to 100 |
| With direct hot-water radiating surface. | 50 to 80 | 70 to 100 | 160 to 250 |
| With indirect hot-water radiation. | 40 to 50 | 55 to 75 | 100 to 150 |

**Starting a hot water heating plant.** The expansion tank should always be placed in position at the same time as the radiators.

After the system is erected and all connections made, each radiator valve should be packed. The air valves should be attached to the radiators, and should be shut off, preparatory to filling the system with water.

When either or both a hot-water thermometer or altitude gauge are to be used they should be attached at this time, provision being made for connecting them when erecting the mains.

Fill the system with water slowly until the heater and mains are full. If any leaks are discov-
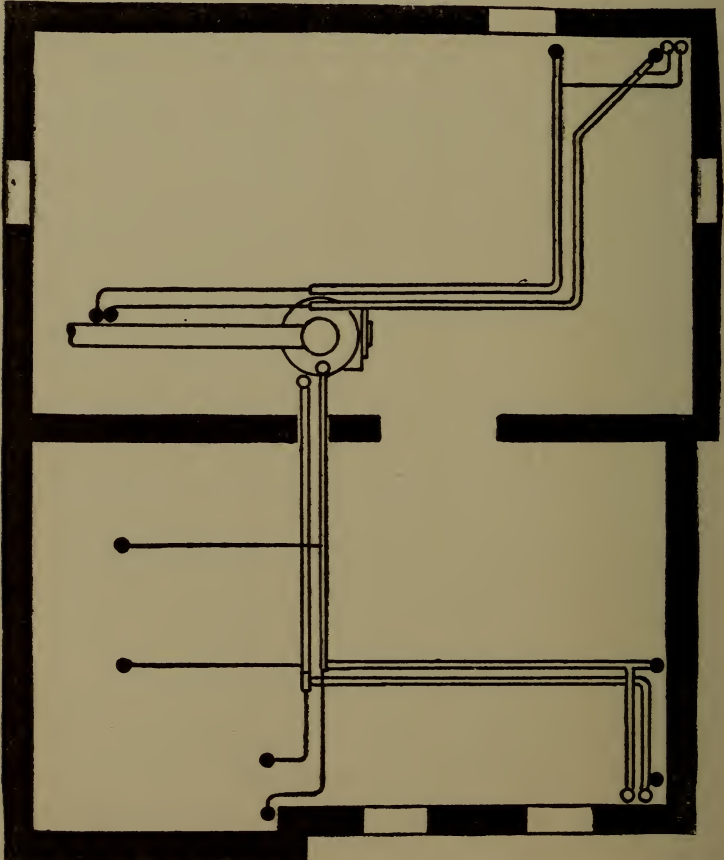


Fig. 76.—Basement.

ered, but not serious, continue to fill the system with water until the water can be drawn freely from the air valves on the first floor radiators.

Open all the radiator valves and start a slow fire, and when the system is tight, raise the tem-
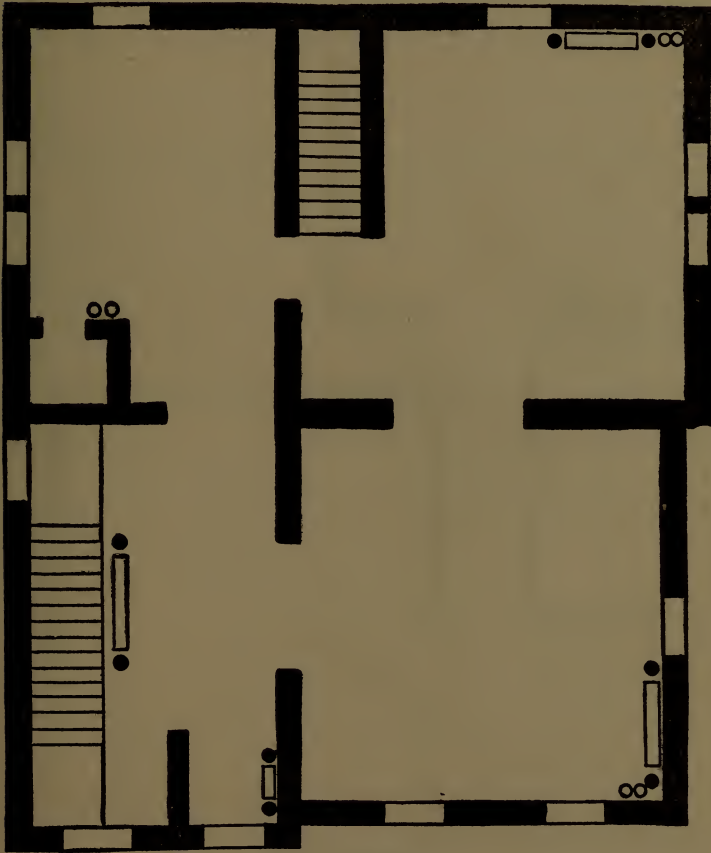


Fig. 77.—First Floor.

perature of the water to the boiling point, or 212 degrees Fahrenheit which should be easily done if all conditions are right.

After a day's test the fire should be let out, and
the entire system drained, and all leaks that have
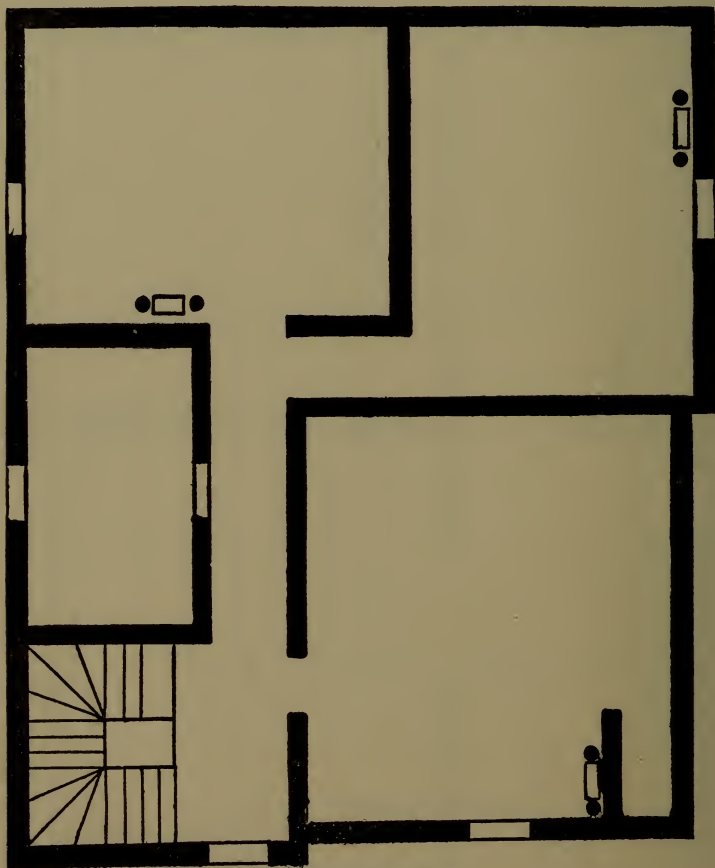


Fig. 78 —Second Floor.

been discovered repaired, when the system should
be refilled with fresh water.

**Hot water heating plant.**   The preceding illus-

trations shown in Figs. 76, 77 and 78 are the plans for a nine room house, heated by a double-main hot water system. The boiler, water, mains, piping to radiators, and the radiators are all plainly shown.

## SPECIFICATIONS AND CONTRACT FOR A HCT WATER HEATING PLANT.

We hereby agree to furnish and install in your residence,...........Street, a Hot Water Heating Plant under the conditions, and for the price hereinafter named, and in accordance with the following specifications:

Boiler—To provide and set up in basement one No......Hot Water Boiler, having a rated capacity of ...... square feet, and furnished with a set of fire and cleaning tools.

Foundation—The owner is to provide a suitable foundation for the boiler of brick or concrete.

Smoke Pipe—The smoke collar of the boiler to be connected to the chimney flue by a .. inch galvanized iron smoke pipe, closely fitted and provided with a choke damper.

Chimney—The owner shall provide a chimney flue of proper size and height to secure sufficient draft.

Fittings—The mains, risers and branches to be of ample area, properly graded. The mains to be

supported in the basement by neat, strong hangers, secured to ceiling joists.   All fittings to be of best grade cast iron to be used.

Floor and Ceiling Plates—Where risers and radiator connections pass through floors and ceilings, place bronzed or nickel-plated floor and ceiling plates.

Valves—Each radiator to be furnished with a nickel-plated wood-wheel, quick opening radiator valve.

Union Ells—The return end of each radiator to be provided with a nickel-plated elbow, with union coupling.

Air Vents—Each radiator to be furnished with a nickel-plated air valve, with key or wood-wheel.

Water Supply—The owner is to provide a connection in the water service pipe, near the boiler, for the water supply.

Expansion Tank—Provide and place in proper position a heavy galvanized iron expansion tank, complete with water gauge.

Altitude Gauge—Furnish and attach in proper position on boiler one 5-inch Altitude Gauge with stop cock.

**Estimating.** Make a careful survey of the location, construction and exposure of the building to be heated, and take accurate measurements of the size of the glass surface and exposed walls of the rooms in which the radiators are to be placed.

Having ascertained the total amount of radiation, select a heater having a rated capacity of 50 per cent in excess of the total radiation, which for the average system will allow for the duty imposed by the mains and provide a margin of 20 per cent.

Make a plan of the basement to scale, locate the heater, and lay out the pipe system, putting down the size of the mains and the branches.

From the plan obtain the number of lineal feet of each size of pipe, including the risers, also the number and size of all fittings.

Allow one air valve for each radiator.

The number and size of the floor and ceiling plates may be counted from the number and size of risers that will pass through the floors and the ceilings.

The length of pipe covering may be obtained from the size and number of lineal feet of pipe in the mains.

The best method of running pipe around a timber is by the use of the offset fittings, as they represent the least resistance to circulation.

*Equalizing Pipe.* The function of an equalizing pipe is to steady the water line of the boiler, which may fluctuate up and down in the water glass, and thus fail to give a reliable indication of the true water level. This trouble may also be due to the peculiar construction of the boiler, or to the fact that a proper height cannot be reached by the main above the boiler, or to a low ceiling or to some other cause. The equalizing pipe may be connected from the steam dome or top of the boiler to one of the return openings below the water-line of the boiler, or it may be connected to the main near the point where the main is taken from the boiler, and connected into the return pipe at a point near the entrance of the return into the boiler.

## FLOW OF WATER THROUGH PIPES.

The quantity of water which flows through a pipe is measured by the product of the area of its cross-section and the velocity of its flow. The velocity is not uniform over the entire cross-section, but a mean or average velocity may be computed which will serve for purposes of calculation.

In order to calculate the velocity, two elements must be considered, viz., the slope and the hydraulic radius. The slope is the sine of the angle of inclination of the pipe, or in other words, the head divided by the length of pipe. The hydraulic radius is the area divided by the wetted perimeter.

For purposes of computation, the slope is called S, and the hydraulic radius R. For pipes of circular cross-section running full R=diameter divided by 4, the same being true when half full.

The head of water is the vertical distance to which it is pumped above the level of supply. The pressure of one foot-head of water, taking the density at the average temperature of 62 degrees Fahr. is 0.433 pound per square inch. The head corresponding to one pound pressure per square inch is 2.3095 feet. The pressure within a vessel is the same upon every square inch of its surface regardless of its shape and size and is due to the head of water upon it.

The theoretical velocity of water issuing from an orifice is the same as that which would be acquired by a body falling from the height of the head of the water above the orifice. This is expressed by $V=\sqrt{2gh}$,

Where V=velocity in feet per second

h=the head of the water

g=the acceleration of gravity=32.2

In practice, this theoretical velocity is not attained. If the water is under pressure other than that due to its own weight, the head corresponding to that pressure may be found allowing 2.3095 feet to the pound pressure.

The co-efficient of discharge of a jet of water is the proportion of the full theoretical discharge which is realized in practice. As a result of many experiments, this co-efficient may be given a mean value of 0.61. Therefore, to find the actual discharge of water from an orifice in the comparatively thin wall, or bottom of a vessel or tank containing water; multiply the area of the opening by the theoretical velocity $(V = \sqrt{2gh})$; then 61 per cent of this product will be the discharge.

If, instead of a mere orifice, a short tube having a length of about three times its diameter is used, the co-efficient of discharge is 80 per cent of the theoretical amount. In computing the flow of water through long pipes, the principal velocity loss is due to friction between water and pipe.

**Flow of Steam Through Pipes.** The flow of steam in pipes presents some problems that are slightly different from those given on pages 148 and 149, relative to the flow of air, although in many respects the two cases are similar. There is a tendency for the steam to condense, which changes the flow and greatly affects the results.

In estimating the size of steam mains for power purposes, it is customary to allow an area of cross-section such as will give velocity of flow not to exceed 100 feet per second. For steam heating purposes, the rule is to use a much larger pipe and lower velocity, so that the total reduction on the entire system is much less.

# FURNACE HEATING.

**Furnace Heating.** Since 1 square foot of glass will transmit about 85 heat units per hour when the difference between the inside and outside temperature is 70 degrees, to ascertain the total loss of heat by transmission multiply the exposed glass surface by 85.

If the air enters through the register at 140 degrees, under zero conditions, it is plain that one-half the heat supplied is carried away by the air escaping at 70 degrees the other half being lost through the walls and windows. Therefore, twice the amount of heat lost by transmission must be supplied by the furnace.

As 8000 heat units are utilized per pound of coal burned in a well proportioned house heating furnace, with a maximum coal consumption of 5 pounds per square foot of grate surface per hour there are consequently $8000 \times 5 = 40,000$ heat units per hour per square foot of grate surface transmitted to the air passing through the furnace. Dividing the total loss of heat per hour (that is the total exposure in terms of the exposed glass surface) by 40,000 will give the required grate surface in square feet, from which the diameter of the fire pot in inches may be readily determined.

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**That is:**
$$\frac{\text{Total Exposure} \times 170}{40,000}$$

$$= \frac{\text{Total Exposure}}{235} = \text{required grate surface.}$$

**Furnaces.** In the furnace shown in the illustration at Fig. 79 the combustion drum from top to bottom consists of one sheet of steel, its seams being riveted until gas-tight so that where the sheet is lapped it is practically welded. The same gas-tight workmanship is maintained in the extra radiating drum and in the furnace throughout. Gas cannot get through the heating surface at any point. The material used is of the best quality low-carbon, steel plate, a metal that is uniform in texture and composition, and anti-corrosive, ductile, and possessed of a tensile strength of 60,000 pounds to the square inch. In a cold state it may be worked almost as copper plate may be, it may be flanged, double-seamed, twisted, drawn out, doubled up, and welded and the process may be continually repeated. A piece one-fourth of an inch thick may be drawn as thin as a piece of writing paper without cracking or checking. Containing less than one-fourth of one per cent. of carbon, mild in quality and homogenous in structure, it is absolutely impermeable to gases, and having a uniform expansive quality throughout its entire mass, it has neither fibre to tear nor sand to drop, as is the case in cast metals.

It may be said of the ordinary furnace that fuel

is put in at the door and heat let out at the smoke hole—let out either as soot and gases that have not
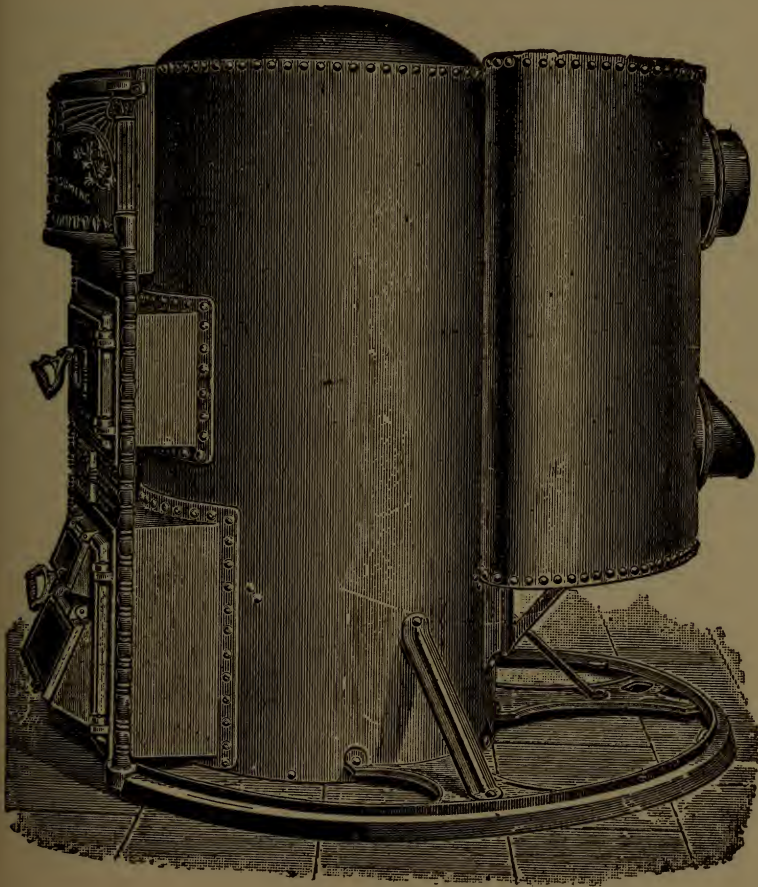


Fig. 79.

been ignited, or as heat that must be wasted through the flue, because efforts to retain it would

cause a choking of the smoke-passage. In other words, it has a practically direct draft because of its imperfect system of fuel combustion.

This is really a double furnace. Combustion takes place in the first, or fire drum, which in itself possesses a very great radiating surface. From this, before reaching the smoke outlet, the products of combustion have to enter and travel a long distance through the second drum. This drum, by actual measurement, contains more heating surface than some of the heaters upon the market contain altogether. This supplementary drum is made in two forms—crescent shape and round, the latter with an open center. The course of the products of combustion being such that heat is brought directly against every part of the inside of the surface, while the air passes against every part of the outside, so that there is not only long retention of the heat inside, but an effective use of it by contact with the air from the outside. A question always arising in the mind that whether or not, with such a long and indirect passage way, there will not be choking or clogging. There will not be. Herein is where the effective combustion is demonstrated. With a good smoke flue and with ordinary good care, this drum will not require cleaning oftener than once a year. More than this, the heating surface will remain practically free from soot-coating, so that it is always effective for service.

Fig. 80 is a partial sectional elevation of the furnace previously described, while Fig 81 shows
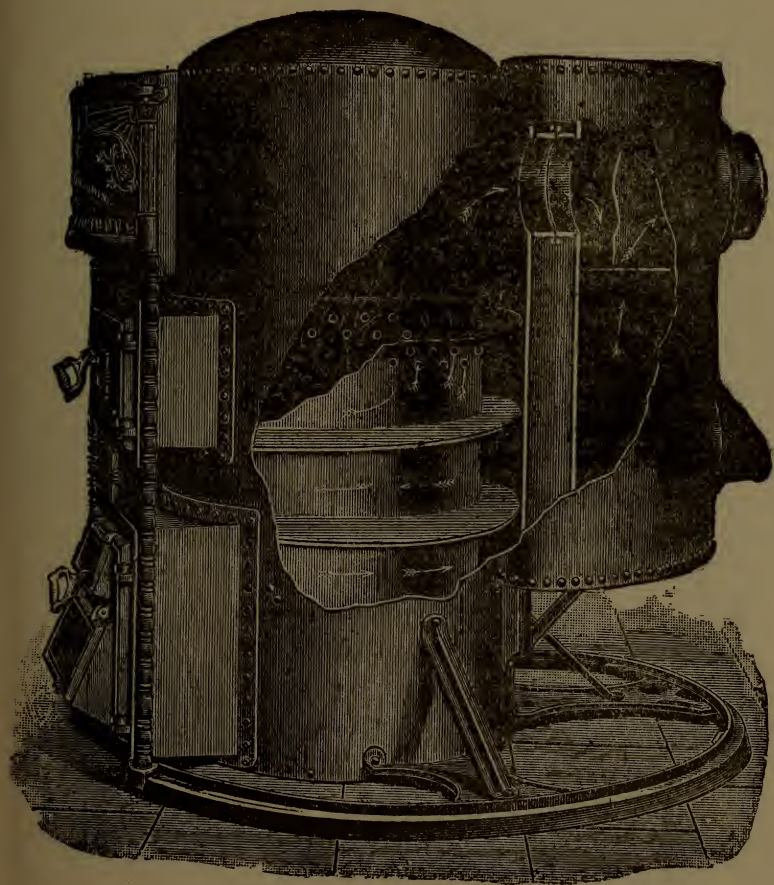


Fig. 80.

the same furnace with a water heating device which forms a portion of the fire pot as shown.

The water-back itself is shown in Fig. 82. An en-
cased type of furnace with additional drum also
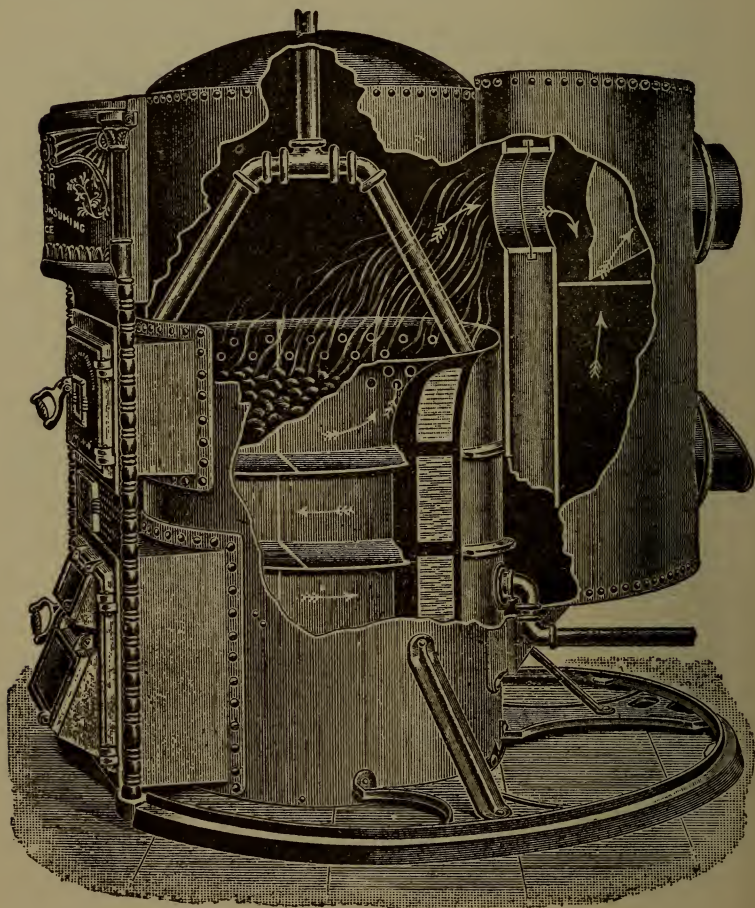


Fig. 81.

built in with the furnace proper is shown in Fig.
83. A water tank for furnishing hot water is also

provided as shown in the illustration. Check draft dampers for controlling the temperature of the furnace are shown in Fig. 84.

**General instructions.** To obtain proper results and to convey all the warm air that a furnace may produce, to the rooms to be heated, the following rules should be observed:
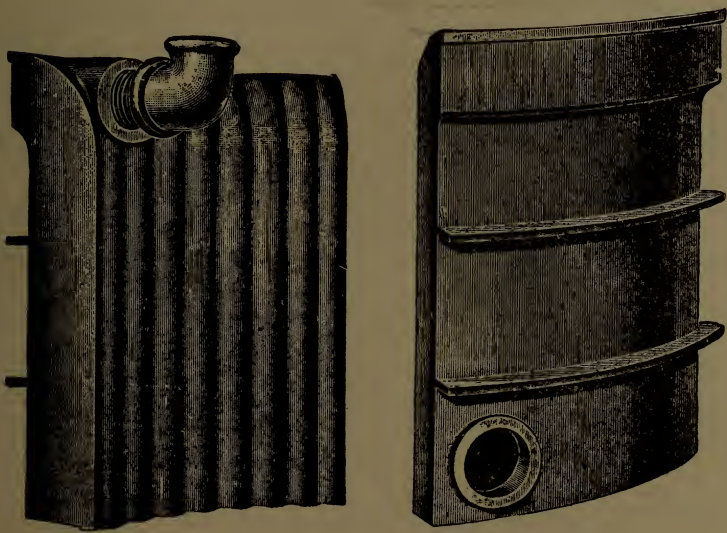


Fig. 82.

Put in a furnace of sufficient capacity.

See that the chimney is of proper size and has good draught.

If possible set the furnace under the center of the house, so as to equalize the length of the hot air pipes.

Hot air pipes should be of the proper size, with a good elevation from the furnace to the register, avoiding long runs and abrupt turns.
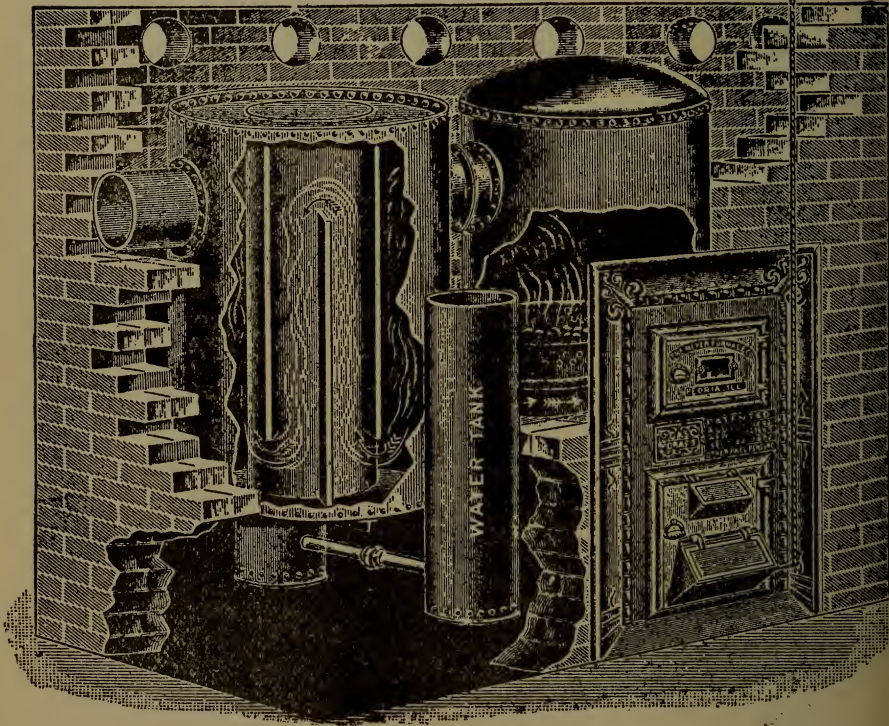


Fig. 83,

The cold air pipe, if taken from the living room, should be at least 85 per cent of the combined area of all the hot air pipes.

All holes or openings in the foundation must be closed to prevent the hot air from being chilled.

Good workmanship and practical application of the same always insures good results.

**Proper Size of the Furnace.** Some furnaces are
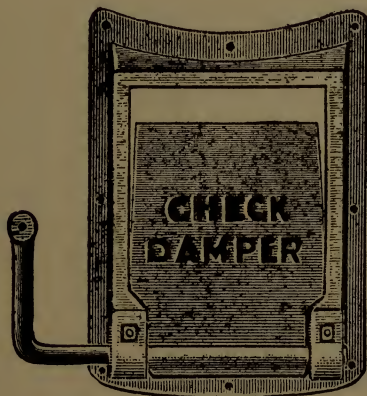


Fig. 84.

rated far above the amount of their actual heating capacities. Combining this with the fact that some dealers expect to sell a consumer only one furnace,

and therefore consider only the first profit and pay little attention to results, has led to the general demand of the prospective buyer to ask for a furnace of one or two sizes larger than the one figured on.

The tables of capacities of furnaces are based on scientific figures and years of actual test and experience. Under reasonable conditions a furnace selected according to this rating will heat the building to the proper temperature.

**Proper Size of the Chimney.** The chimney should start from the floor of the cellar so as to allow for a clean out underneath the smoke pipe. It should continue in a straight line to at least 2 feet above the highest point of the roof, if necessary to offset, care should be taken not to contract the size, a 10 inch round or an 8 by 12 inch square is a good flue for almost any size of furnace. For a small furnace a straight chimney, with an 8 by 8 inch flue will answer the purpose.

A chimney 4 inches wide will seldom give satisfaction. As a great deal depends on a good chimney, this very important feature should never be overlooked.

**Location of the Furnace.** There may be conditions that make it impractical to set the furnace under the center of the house, but the best results are always obtained when it is possible to do so. If it be necessary to set the furnace toward one end of building, it is best to favor the north

and west. Drainage conditions often govern the depth of cellar. If possible it should be at least 7 feet under the joists.

**Hot Air Pipes.** There is no rule that would apply to the size of the pipe for certain rooms. The location of the furnace, the length of the pipes and the exposure of the rooms, also their use must be taken into consideration. Ordinarily 8 and 9 inch pipes are large enough for all second and third floor rooms. For first floor rooms, a reception hall with open stairway to second floor, a 12 inch pipe is the best adapted, but 10 inch may answer the purpose in most cases. For parlor, dining and sitting rooms of about 12 by 16 feet or 14 by 15 feet a 10 inch pipe will give good results, 8 and 9 inch should be used for bed rooms. If possible, avoid any bends or turns except an elbow at the furnace and another where it enters the register box or boot. A damper should be put in every hot air pipe close to surface.

All hot air pipes in the cellar should be covered with asbestos. This insures better heating, preserves the pipes and makes them absolutely safe.

**Partition Pipes.** Use of double pipes is advocated as the flow of air through them is better than if single pipes are used. The reason for this is that with the patented double pipes, the inside pipe has a straight, smooth surface, it does not buckle or warp, thereby reducing its size, but always retains an even and unobstructed passage

from the boot at the bottom to the register head or top.

The outside pipe prevents the inner one from becoming chilled, and also prevents any danger of setting fire to the woodwork by becoming overheated.

**Cold Air.** This is a very important feature, as an insufficient supply of cold air to the furnace means a lack of warm air in the house. There are different opinions as to the proper place to take cold air from, whether from the outside, from the living rooms, or from the cellar. If taken from the outside, the expansion of air is greater than if taken from the house. A smaller pipe can be used, and therefore costs less to install. The outside air being often very cold, it requires heavy firing to heat it to the required temperature. With good firing satisfactory results can be obtained, but with a low fire cold air may be admitted into the house without being properly warmed.

By taking air from the living rooms, the house can be heated at a minimum cost of fuel, the expense of installation is slightly higher, as it requires a larger pipe, also register faces and other fittings to connect the furnace. By using this method, either one or more pipes can be used. The area of this pipe or pipes should never be less than 85 per cent of the combined area of all the hot air pipes.

The best general results are obtained in this

way, for there is always a circulation, the air is taken out of the rooms, passed over the heated surface of the furnace, and warmed to the proper temperature.

There is only one item in favor of using cellar air, this is the expense of installation, as it costs very little to make the connection—in all other respects it is not advisable to use it.

**Openings in Foundation.** Great care should be exercised to see that all openings in the basement or foundation walls are properly closed during the cold season, as a current of cold air against any hot air pipes, acts as a damper to the proper flow of air through them.

**Good Workmanship.** Much depends upon a furnace being properly installed; it is often said that a poor furnace properly installed will give better satisfaction than a good furnace poorly put in.

| DIMENSIONS AND HEATING CAPACITIES OF FURNACES. | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| No. | Height. | Diam. | Height of Ra- idator. | Height of Cast- ing. | Diam. of Cast- ing. | Weight | Heating Capacity. |
| | Ft, In. | Ft. In. | Ft. In. | Ft. In. | Ft. In. | | Cubic Feet. |
| 24 | 4—6 | 2—0 | 2—0 | 4—11 | 4—2 | 1200 | 9000 to 18000 |
| 28 | 4—10 | 2—4 | 2—4 | 5—2 | 4—4 | 1250 | 12000 to 25000 |
| 30 | 5—0 | 2—6 | 2—6 | 5—7 | 4—8 | 1450 | 20000 to 35000 |
| 33 | 5—0 | 2—9 | 2—9 | 5—7 | 5—0 | 1750 | 30000 to 50000 |
| 36 | 5—2 | 3—0 | 3—0 | 5—8 | 5—8 | 1950 | 60000 to 80000 |

The Loss of Heat by Transmission with A Difference of 70 Degrees Fahrenheit Between the Indoor and the Outside Temperature.

The loss in heat units per square foot per hour by transmission for:

| | |
|---|---|
| 8-inch  brick wall. | 32 |
| 12-inch  brick wall. | 22 |
| 16-inch  brick wall. | 18 |
| 20-inch  brick wall. | 16 |
| 24-inch  brick wall. | 14 |
| Single  window. | 85 |
| Ceiling (unheated attic). | 5 |
| Floor (unheated basement). | 4 |

Wind Velocity.

| Wind. | Feet per Minute. | Miles per Hour. |
|---|---|---|
| Scarcely appreciable | 90 | 1.02 |
| Very feeble | 180 | 2.04 |
| Feeble | 360 | 4.1 |
| Brisk | 1080 | 12.3 |
| Very brisk | 1800 | 20.4 |
| High | 2700 | 30.7 |
| Very high | 3600 | 40.1 |
| Violent | 4200 to 5400 | 47.8 to 61.4 |
| Hurricane | 6000 | 68.1 |

The United States Weather Bureau defines a gale as a wind blowing 40 miles per hour.

TABLE SHOWING THE PROPER SIZE OF FURNACE PIPES
TO HEAT ROOMS OF VARIOUS DIMENSIONS WHEN
TWO SIDES ARE EXPOSED.

Temperature at Register 140 degrees, Room 70 degrees, Outside 0 degrees. Rooms 8 to 17 Feet in Width Assumed to be 9 Feet High. Rooms 18 to 20 Feet in Width Assumed to be 10 Feet High. For Other Heights, Temperatures or Exposures Make a Suitable Allowance. When First-Floor Pipes are longer than 15 feet use one size larger than that stated.

| Width of Room | Length of Room. | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 8 | 7/8 | 7/8 | 7/8 | 7/8 | 7/8 | 7/8 | 8/9 | 8/9 | 8/9 |
| 9 | | 7/8 | 7/8 | 7/8 | 7/8 | 8/9 | 8/9 | 8/9 | 8/9 |
| 10 | | | 7/8 | 7/8 | 8/9 | 8/9 | 8/9 | 8/9 | 8/10 |
| 11 | | | | 8/9 | 8/9 | 8/9 | 8/9 | 8/10 | 8/10 |
| 12 | | | | | 8/9 | 8/9 | 8/10 | 8/10 | 8/10 |
| 13 | | | | | | 8/10 | 8/10 | 8/10 | 9/19 |
| 14 | | | | | | | 8/10 | 9/10 | 9/10 |
| 15 | | | | | | | | 9/19 | 9/11 |
| 16 | | | | | | | | | 9/11 |

One 12-inch pipe = two 9-inch pipes.
One 13-inch pipe = two 10-inch pipes.
One 14-inch pipe = two 11-inch pipes.
One 15-inch pipe = two 12-inch pipes.
One 16-inch pipe = two 12-inch pipes.
One 17-inch pipe = two 13-inch pipes.

In the space opposite the numbers indicating tne length and width of room, the lower number shows the size pipe for the first floor, the upper number the size pipe for second floor.

For third floor use one size smaller than for second floor.

For rooms with three exposures increase pipe given in table in proportion to exposure.

For halls use pipe of ample size to allow for loss of heat to second floor.

### THE APPROXIMATE VELOCITY OF AIR IN FLUES OF VARIOUS HEIGHTS.

Outside temperature 32 degrees Fahrenheit. Allowance for friction 50 per cent. in flue one square foot in area.

| Height of flue in Feet. | Excess of temperature of air in the flue over that out doors | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 10° | 20° | 30° | 40° | 50° | 60° | 70° | 80° | 90° | 100° | 120° | 140° |
| | Velocity of air in feet per minute. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | | 77 | 111 | 136 | 159 | 179 | 199 | 216 | 234 | 250 | 266 | 296 | 325 |
| 10 | 109 | 156 | 192 | 226 | 254 | 281 | 306 | 330 | 354 | 376 | 418 | 460 |
| 15 | 133 | 192 | 236 | 275 | 312 | 344 | 376 | 405 | 432 | 461 | 513 | 565 |
| 20 | 154 | 221 | 273 | 319 | 359 | 398 | 434 | 467 | 500 | 532 | 592 | 650 |
| 25 | 173 | 248 | 305 | 357 | 402 | 445 | 485 | 522 | 560 | 595 | 660 | 728 |
| 30 | 189 | 271 | 334 | 390 | 440 | 487 | 530 | 572 | 612 | 652 | 725 | 798 |
| 35 | 204 | 293 | 360 | 423 | 475 | 527 | 574 | 620 | 662 | 705 | 783 | 862 |
| 40 | 218 | 311 | 386 | 452 | 508 | 562 | 612 | 662 | 707 | 753 | 836 | 920 |
| 45 | 231 | 332 | 408 | 478 | 538 | 597 | 650 | 700 | 750 | 800 | 887 | 977 |
| 50 | 244 | 350 | 432 | 503 | 568 | 630 | 685 | 740 | 790 | 843 | 935 | 1030 |
| 60 | 267 | 383 | 473 | 552 | 622 | 690 | 750 | 810 | 865 | 923 | 1023 | 1125 |
| 70 | 289 | 413 | 510 | 596 | 671 | 746 | 810 | 875 | 935 | 995 | 1105 | 1215 |
| 80 | 308 | 443 | 545 | 638 | 717 | 795 | 867 | 935 | 1000 | 1065 | 1182 | 1300 |
| 90 | 327 | 470 | 578 | 678 | 762 | 845 | 920 | 990 | 1060 | 1130 | 1252 | 1380 |
| 100 | 345 | 495 | 610 | 713 | 802 | 890 | 970 | 1045 | 1118 | 1190 | 1323 | 1455 |

The volume of air in cubic feet per minute discharged by a flue equals the velocity in feet per minute multiplied by the area in square feet.

Knowing any two of these terms, the third may be readily found.

$$\text{Velocity} = \frac{\text{volume}}{\text{area.}} \qquad \text{Area} = \frac{\text{volume}}{\text{velocity.}}$$

Example.—Find the area of a flue 20 feet high that will discharge 3,000 cubic feet per minute, when the excess of temperature in the flue over that out doors is 40 degrees.

Opposite 20 in left hand column and under 40 on upper line is the number 319, representing the velocity in feet per minute. The volume 3,000÷319 = 9.4 square feet, the required area. In estimating the effective height of a warm air flue from a furnace, consider the flue to begin 2 feet above the grate.

### The Capacity of Furnaces to Maintain an Inside Temperature of 70 Degrees with an Outside Temperature of 0 Degrees.

Temperature of entering air, 140 degrees. Rate of combustion, 5 pounds of coal per square foot of grate surface per hour.

| Average diameter of fire pot in inches. | Corresponding area in square feet. | Total exposure in square feet to which furnace is adapted. |
|---|---|---|
| 18 | 1.77 | 1,110 |
| 20 | 2.18 | 1,370 |
| 22 | 2.64 | 1,655 |
| 24 | 3.14 | 1,970 |
| 26 | 3.69 | 2,310 |
| 28 | 4.27 | 2,680 |
| 30 | 4.91 | 3,080 |
| 32 | 5.58 | 3,500 |

## STEAM AND GAS FITTING.

**The Expansion of Wrought-Iron Steam and Water Pipes.** To calculate the amount of expansion in the length of pipes, with different temperatures, take a pipe 100 feet long, containing cold water, or without either steam or water, and being at a temperature of about 32 degrees Fahrenheit. After heating the water in the pipe to 215 degrees, or 1 pound pressure of steam, the pipe will be found to be 100 feet 1½ inches in length, with a rise in temperature from 32 degrees to 265 degrees, or 25 pounds pressure of steam, there will be an increase in length of 1 8/10 inches. From 32 degrees to 297 degrees, or 50 pounds steam pressure, the increase would be 2 1/10 inches. And again, a rise in temperature from 32 degrees to 338 degrees, or 100 pounds pressure of steam, will give an increase in length of 2½ inches.

**Wrought Iron Pipe.** Wrought iron pipe is now almost exclusively used in heating plants. It is made at a number of factories, and being of standard sizes, pipe bought from different factories will be found to fit the same size of fittings.

It is manufactured from wrought iron of the proper gauge, which is rolled into the shape of the pipe and raised to a welding heat, after which the

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edges are welded by being drawn through a die. The small sizes of pipe up to 1¼ inches are butt welded and 1½ inches and larger sizes are lap welded.



Fig. 85.

**Fittings.**   Pipe fittings can be bought from the regular supply houses.



Fig. 86.

Fittings are mostly of cast and malleable iron, except straight couplings, which are usually of wrought iron.   Elbows, tees and other fittings,

which can be procured of cast iron, are the best **to**
use, owing to the fact that being of a harder metal
than the pipe, and less elastic, they will not **yield**
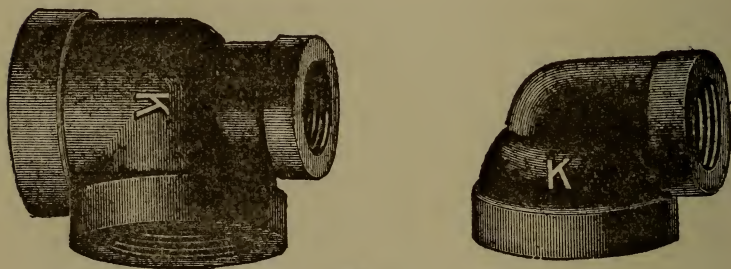


Fig. 87.

sufficiently to cause leakage when connections **are**
made.   All fittings should be closely examined **for**
flaws before screwing on to the pipe.
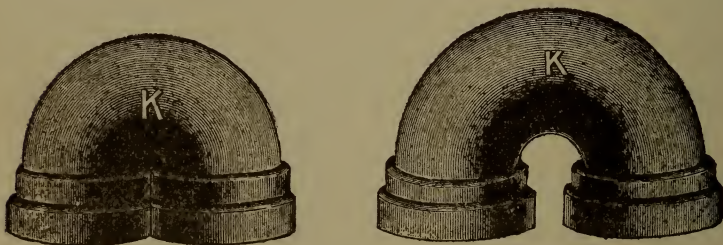


Fig. 88.

Standard cast iron fittings for use in installing
steam and hot water heating plants are shown in
Figs. 85, 86, 87 and 88.

**Pipe Bends.**   The radius of any bend should **not**

be less than 5 diameters of the pipe and a larger radius is much preferable. The length X of



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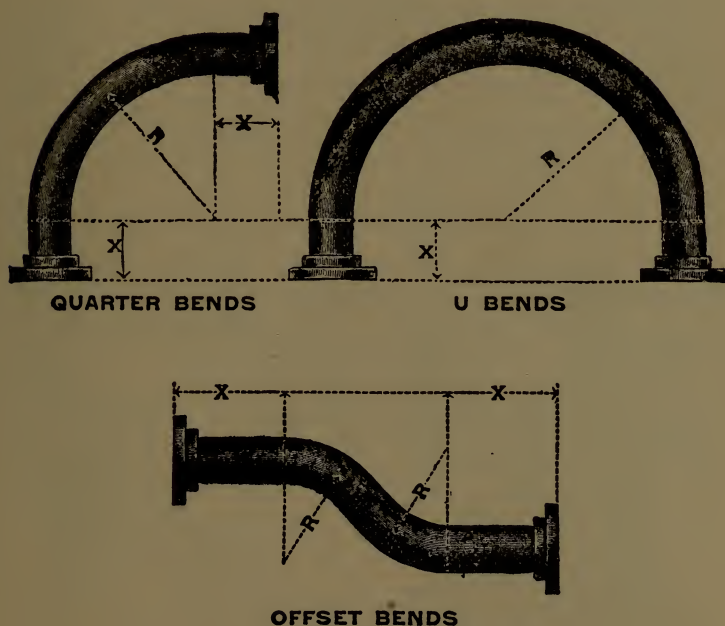
OFFSET BENDS
Fig. 89.

straight pipe shown in Fig. 89 at each end of bend should be not less than as follows:

2½-inch Pipe X=4 inches,
3  -inch Pipe X=4 inches,
3½-inch Pipe X=5 inches,
4  -inch Pipe X=5 inches,
4½-inch Pipe X=6 inches,
5  -inch Pipe X=6 inches.

6 -inch Pipe X=7 inches,
7-inch Pipe X=8 inches,
8-inch Pipe X=9 inches,
10-inch Pipe X=12 inches,
12-inch Pipe X=14 inches,
14-inch Pipe X=16 inches,
15-inch Pipe X=16 inches,
16-inch Pipe X=20 inches,
18-inch Pipe X=22 inches.

**Pipe Machines.**  The illustrations in Fig. 90 show two portable pipe-threading machines which are compact, moderate in cost, and efficient.  For
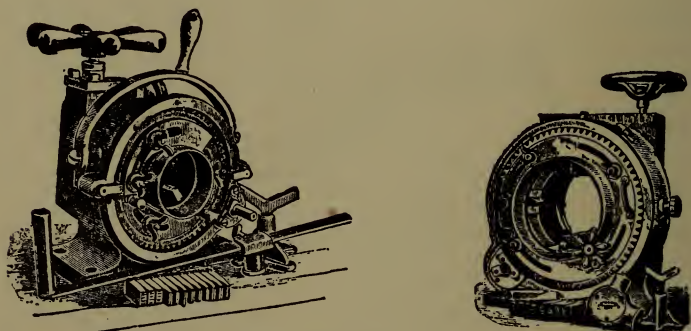


Fig. 90.

the larger sizes of pipe, covering a range of from 2½ to 4 inches they will be found time-saving and convenient devices.

**Tools.**  The tools shown in Figs. 91 and 92 will be found sufficient to meet the ordinary requirements for installing a steam or hot-water heating
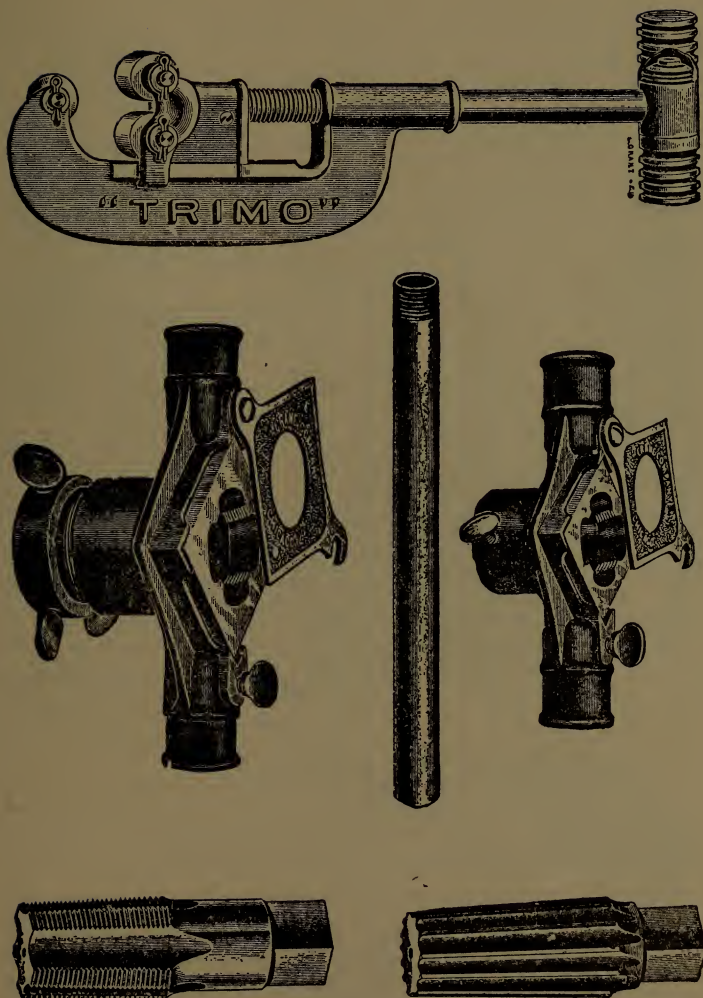
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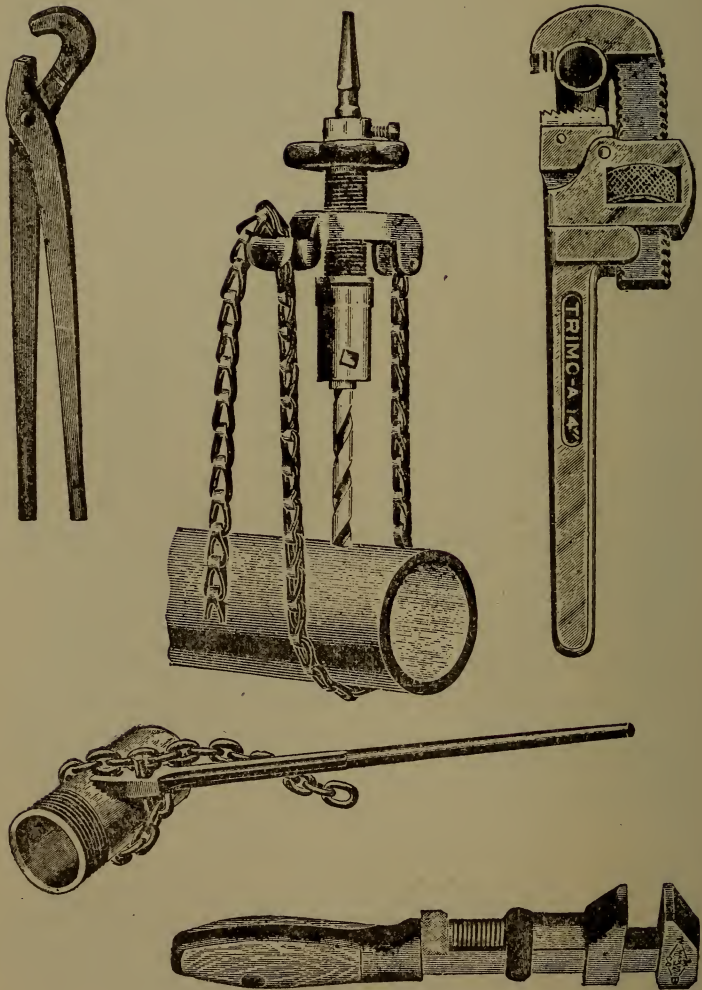
Fig. 92.

plant of ordinary size. The mains of larger size
than 2 inches may be ordered cut to measurement.

The contractor should provide himself with two
pipe vises as shown in Fig. 93, having a range
of capacity from 2½ up to 4 inches inclusive. Such
machines can be purchased at a very moderate
cost.
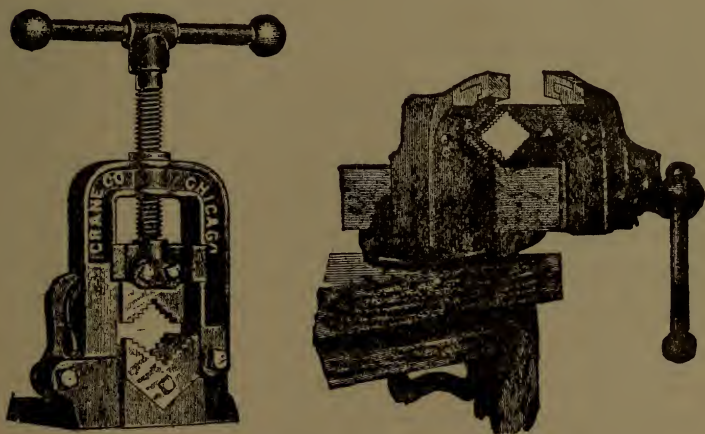


Fig. 93.

**Gas Fitting.** While electricity is making won-
derful progress and particularly for lighting, still
gas holds its own for domestic purposes. Illumin-
ating gas is not entirely perfect, but when it is
properly made, carefully delivered to the building
and there properly handled, the results are so sat-
isfactory that some time will elapse before any-
thing else will take its place. The average house

is fitted for the use of gas, and the field of discovery in the use of gas for domestic purposes appears to be as great as that of electricity.

**Gas Supply Pipe.** The gas supply pipe should be connected to the main in the best possible manner. The pipe should be wrought iron, with fittings, if any, of malleable or wrought iron. Cast-iron fittings should not be used as they crack easily. The service pipe should be laid with an incline to the main in the street, as the earth which surrounds the pipe being cold causes some of the gas to condense and become liquid. With a fall in the supply pipe to the street the condensation can therefore flow back into the main pipe.

With the supply pipe laid in this way there will be no flickering of the gas or any unsteady pressure.

The gas supply pipe from the street main should never be less than one-inch pipe. The meter connection pipes should always be of one size larger than the meter couplings. All drops should be not less than ⅜-inch pipe.

**Street Supply Pipe.** It is necessary to have the house supply pipe rest on a solid foundation. It often happens that in excavating the trench for the supply pipe it is dug too deep, or it may be dug level, and as the pipe must be pitched back to the main, it will have to be blocked up. Do not block up a supply pipe on filled-in earth. Start the blocking from the bottom of the trench or from

the lowest excavated part. There is no special amount of pitch required for such pipes as the more pitch they have the less liability they will have to form a water trap. After the pipe is all laid, properly graded and blocked, test the pipe, for the purpose of ascertaining if there are any leaks, before the pipe is covered up. The pipe being found perfectly gas tight, the trench can now be filled up. It is a good plan to remain on the ground and superintend the work of properly filling the ditch as the average laborer who is engaged to do the filling of such ditches has not sufficient knowledge of the work to handle the pipe with the necessary care. It is not an unusual thing to find the gas supply pipe leaking badly, after being covered over, by allowing heavy stones to fall into the ditch by carelessness on the part of the laborers.

**Frost in Pipes.** The flow of gas is retarded by frost even where the supply pipe has sufficient pitch, if it be in too cold a place and not properly protected from the cold. This occurs generally in the main supply pipe where it passes under the sidewalk, and as a large amount of gas passes through the supply pipe, a large amount of moisture comes with the gas. It is this moisture which freezes to the sides of the pipe, like heavy frost on a window, but much coarser, and looks very much like coarse salt. It will keep on accumulating, gradually filling up the pipe toward the center

from all sides, until the pipe is entirely filled and
the flow of gas arrested.

To remedy this difficulty the pipe should
be covered with some felt or other material,
dry sawdust may be also used and placed in a box
around the pipe. By striking the pipe a sharp blow
with a hammer the frost will fall from the sides of
the pipe and lie at the bottom of the pipe. This
does not clear the pipe entirely, but will allow the
gas to flow through the upper part of the pipe.
This frost cannot be blown back into the main and
to clear the frost out entirely alcohol must be
poured into the pipe at the meter connection, a
half pint or more, which will melt the frost and
carry the water which is formed into the main.

**Fittings.** Gas fittings should be of malleable
iron in preference to cast iron as they are lighter
and neater in appearance, besides being much
stronger. Standard fittings for use in gas lighting
work are shown in Figs. 94, 95 and 96. Union el-
bows and tees are shown in Fig. 97 and gas service
cocks in Fig. 98.

**Connecting a Meter.** The gas pipes in the build-
ing, as well as the supply pipe from the street,
should be tested before the meter is connected, to
avoid the possibility of damaging the meter by
any sudden pressure. The supply pipes should
also be blown out so that the liability of dirt being
carried into the meter by the gas will be obviated.

After connecting the meter care should be taken

to turn on the gas slowly until the pressure has had a chance to equalize on the distributing side. This prevents a sudden strain on the meter. A meter should not be set in a place warmer than 100 or colder than 40 degrees Fahrenheit, as the oil in



Fig. 94.

the meter diaphragms is very susceptible to heat or cold.

**Reading a Meter.** One complete revolution of a hand registers the number of cubic feet marked above the dial.

**STREET ELBOWS**

**ELBOWS**

**DROP ELBOWS**

**DROP TEES**

**WALL PLATES**

**CHANDELIER HOOKS**

**FOUR-WAY TEES**

**CROSS OVERS**

**REDUCING COUPLINGS**

**EXTENSION PIECES**

Fig. 95.

# STEAM AND GAS FITTINGS
## ELBOWS
### CAST IRON
#### STRAIGHT

## REDUCING ELBOWS
### CAST IRON

## 45° ELBOWS
### CAST IRON

## ECCENTRIC TEES
### CAST IRON

## REDUCING TEES
### CAST IRON

Fig. 96.

WITH FEMALE UNION
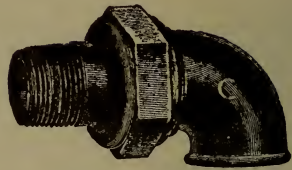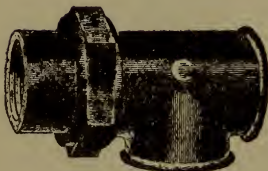
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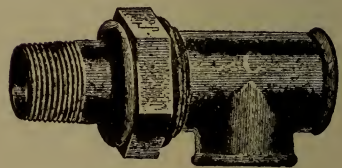
WITH MALE UNION

Fig. 97.

Put down the figures on each dial, that the hand has just passed, and add two ciphers. The num-
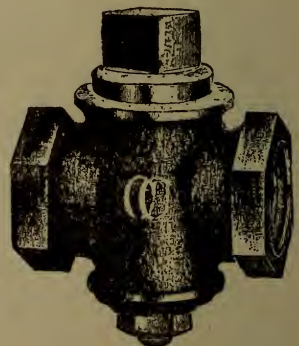
Fig. 98.

ber obtained will be the amount of gas in cubic feet that the meter has measured. From this amount

subtract the last reading of the meter and the result is the amount of gas consumed in the intervening period.

A type of meter and one of the most used is shown in Fig. 99, and the dial plate of a gas meter in Fig. 100.
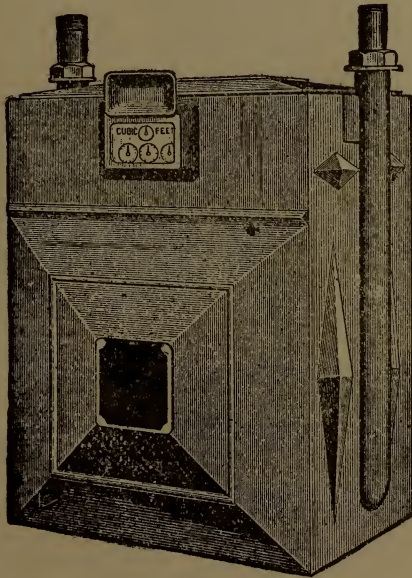


Fig. 99.

**Blow-torch.** In working around gas fixtures that are in place, the gas fitter should be very careful about the walls and ceilings and not blacken them with the blow-torch in case he has to heat a joint for the purpose of connecting. Proper tools should be at hand to do this work with, and in

place of using gasoline or some other kind of oil in the torch, the best kind of alcohol should be



HOW TO READ (FIVE FEET) A GAS METER.

100 THOUSAND   10 THOUSAND   1 THOUSAND

READ FROM LEFT TO RIGHT.

Fig. 100.

used, so that there will be no smoke from it to dirty the walls or ceiling.  Fig. 101 shows a gas



HOT BLAST CHICAGO
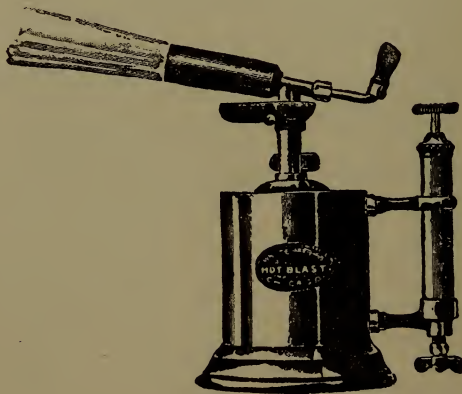
Fig. 101.

fitter's blow-torch, made in the best possible manner and adapted for many purposes.

**Mantle Lamp.** The mantle lamps of which there are a great many different varieties, resem-
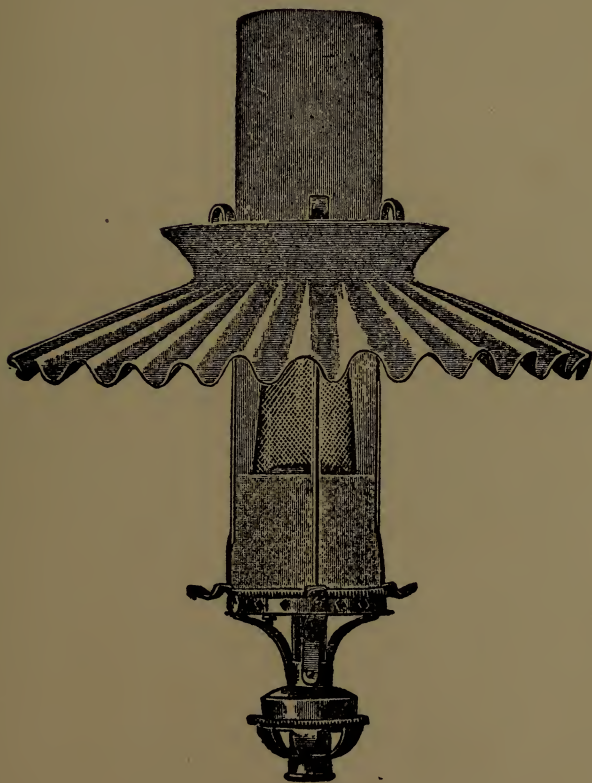


Fig. 102.

ble somewhat the old-fashioned round or Argand type of burner, but the manner in which the light is produced is entirely different in the mantle

lamp. The light produced by this lamp does not
come from the flame itself, as in the case of an or-
dinary gas burner, but from the mantle, and is due
to the intense heat to which it is subject by the ac-
tion of the Bunsen flame within the lower end of
the mantle. Fig. 102 shows one form of a mantle
lamp.

In transferring a mantle from its box to the
burner, take the two ends of the string in one
hand and lift the mantle out of the paper tube.
By holding the top part of the burner in the other
hand and below the mantle, the latter can safely
be lowered into position. Before fixing the chim-
ney examine the mantle, as a faulty one will be
exchanged by the dealer if returned before being
lit. A mantle is made up of a regular series of
loops, each row connected to the one above, and if
at any point a loop does not join the row above,
the mantle should be returned as faulty, as it is
almost certain to develop a break as soon as used.
Other faults, such as broken collars, broken sus-
pending loops, fractured sides, and torn bottoms,
are noticeable at a glance.

When lighting incandescent burners, the light
should be applied from underneath the chimney,
but above the screen which prevents lighting
back. Some prefer to light from the top of the
chimney, in which case the gas should be turned
on sufficient time before the light is applied to
allow the gas to expel all the air in the chimney,

so that little or no explosion shall take place, and the mantle may be free from consequent damage.

The breakage of mantles when in position may be avoided by attention to a few rules. Fix incandescent burners only on good sound and clear gas fittings. Where there is much vibration, use one of the anti-vibration frames now on the market, these frames are specially suitable for hanging lights, such as the arc lamps, etc. All pendants for the incandescent light should be supplied with loose joints, and they should never be screwed stiff, or the mantle will break if it gets the slightest knock. In draughty places, such as lobbies, passages, and corridors, a mica chimney is desirable, so as to avoid breakage of the chimney, and to preserve the mantle.

If a newly fixed burner gives an unsatisfactory light, either there may be an insufficient gas supply, or the mantle may be much too wide, perhaps both conditions exist. In the first case the mantle will be well lit all round the bottom with the light getting worse towards the top. If two of the four air-holes in the Bunsen tube are covered by the fingers, the light will at once improve. Therefore, either reduce the amount of air admitted, or increase the quantity of gas supplied. To reduce the amount of air, unscrew the Bunsen tube and fix inside it a piece of card or tin to cover two opposite holes. To increase the gas supply, remove the burner from the fittings, and unscrew

the Bunsen tube, when the gas regulator nipple
will be seen to consist of a brass tube having a
metal top with small holes, which should be very
slightly enlarged. Very handy for this purpose
is a hat-pin, ground to a long taper and passed up
from the under side. When a mantle is too wide,
one side only is incandescent, the other side hang-
ing away from the gas ring. This fault is, of
course, easily seen before the burner is used, if,
however, the mantle has been lit, the light can be
improved by slightly lowering the mantle and, as
this is tapered, presenting a smaller surface to
the flame. Take off the mantle, lifting it by a wire
under the suspending loop. Then place the wire
across a glass tumbler with the mantle suspended
inside. Take out the support, nick it with a file
about ½ inch from the plain end, and break it off,
then replace the mantle.

It is noticed that the brilliant light given by a
new burner does not last, the light after a fort-
night probably commencing to decrease. If kept in
use, the mantle top becomes coated with soot and
a smoky flame issues. The burners go wrong in
a much shorter time if used in a room in which a
fire is constantly burning. The cause of this is
simply dust, which is drawn in at the air-holes
and carried up the Bunsen tube. It cannot pass
away owing to the screen, to which it adheres,
thus preventing the gas getting away quickly
enough to draw in the proper amount of air. To

remedy this, take off the mantle and, with a small brush (an old nail- or tooth-brush), remove the dirt, blowing through the screen afterwards. Then replace the mantle, clean and replace the chimney, unscrew the Bunsen tube, and brush the nipple clean. Blow the dust from the tube and then refix the top. If the mantle is covered with soot, leave the gas half on until the soot is removed. To keep the burners at their best, this process should be done at least monthly. If the burners are in a dusty place they will require more frequent cleaning.

Failure of the bye-pass in arc lamps is a common fault, even in new burners. The bye-pass light may go out after the gas is turned on. In a new burner this is often caused by one of the two set-screws on the side of the burner being inserted too far; in this case, after unscrewing a complete turn, the burner will most likely work. It is sometimes necessary to take out both screws and to remove the grease adhering inside the end of the hole.

**Gas Proving Pump.** Considerable time will be saved by having a good force pump with which the supply pipe in the street and the house pipes may be tested. A gas proving pump is shown in Fig. 103.

**Cleaning Gas Fixtures.** If the gas fixtures cannot be kept covered in summer time, they can be kept clean by going over them every two or three

days with a soft, damp cloth, which must not be pressed hard against the fixture, as there will be danger of rubbing off the thin coat of lacquer. All that is to be taken off is the fly-specks, for if they are allowed to remain for more than two or three
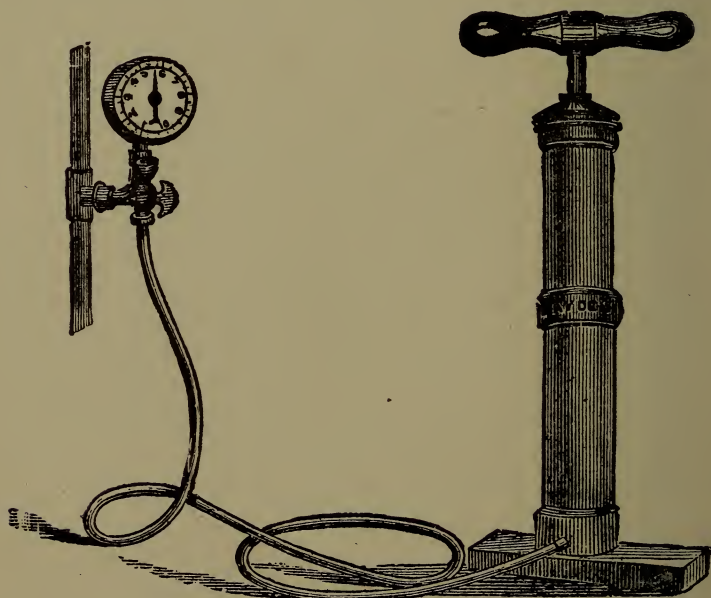


Fig. 103.

days they will eat in through the lacquer and also through the plating and then the more the fixtures are cleaned the worse they will look. No powder or polish of any kind should be used for the purpose of cleaning gas fixtures, as it will at once destroy the only protection a gas fixture has, that is

the coat of lacquer. After using a damp cloth to clean the fixture, dry each part at once with a soft, dry cloth, as it will injure the coat of lacquer to allow water to dry on the fixture. Even the moisture from the hand will sometimes leave a stain that can never be cleaned off.

### FLOW OF NATURAL GAS THROUGH A ONE-INCH CIRCULAR OPENING.

| Pressure, Inches Water. | Cubic Feet per Hour. | Inches Mercury. | Cubic Feet per Hour. | Pressure, Pounds per Square Inch. | Cubic Feet per Hour. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | 2,041 | 1 | 5,168 | 5 | 17,186 |
| 4 | 2,897 | 2 | 7,632 | 6 | 18,989 |
| 6 | 3,542 | 3 | 9,305 | 8 | 21,778 |
| 8 | 4,116 | 4 | 10,552 | 10 | 23,388 |
| 10 | 4,563 | 5 | 12,019 | 12 | 25,479 |
| | | 6 | 13,220 | 15 | 27,876 |
| | | 7 | 14,182 | 20 | 33,027 |
| | | 8 | 15,316 | 25 | 38,002 |
| | | 9 | 16,025 | 30 | 42,762 |
| | | 10 | 16,970 | 35 | 48,074 |
| | | | | 40 | 52,761 |
| | | | | 50 | 62,352 |
| | | | | 60 | 71,125 |

### HEIGHT OF COLUMN OF LIQUID TO PRODUCE ONE POUND PRESSURE PER SQUARE INCH AT 62 DEGREES TEMPERATURE.

| | |
|---|---|
| Water | 27.71 |
| Machinery oil | 30.80 |
| Mercury | 2.04 |

## GAS BURNERS.

While much has been written upon the principle involved in obtaining a light from gas, very little is generally known as to what is required and what is the best means to adopt to secure the greatest amount of light at the least cost, and with the least vitiation of the atmosphere of the room where the light is required. Many and various improvements have been brought forward for the accomplishment of these objects, some require only a very slight alteration to the existing fittings and yet give very excellent results, while others secure a very high illuminating effect and at the same time not only remove the vitiated air which has been used to support the combustion of the flame, but at the same time carry off the air rendered useless for supporting life by the inspiration and absorption of the oxygen.

The principle which is involved in the burning of gas may with advantage be here mentioned. Coal gas contains many very different substances, about one-half of it is hydrogen, one-third marsh gas, and perhaps one-tenth is carbon monoxide.

The three gases mentioned in the statement are of no value as regards the light they will give by

themselves, but they are capable of giving a great heat when ignited, and this heat is utilized for the purpose of rendering white hot the small quantity of hydro-carbons in the gas, and it is this incandescence of the very finely divided carbon particles which makes the flame luminous.

When a gas burner is lighted, the rush of gas from the orifice of the burner causes a current of air to pass upon each side of the flame, and thus supply the oxygen necessary to support combustion, the portion of the flame nearest to the burner is almost non-luminous, and is, in fact, unignited gas enclosed in a thin envelope of bright red flame. That this is really unconsumed gas can be shown, by placing the lower end of a glass tube into this portion of the flame and applying a light at the upper end, when the gas issuing from it is seen to burn with an ordinary flame. The reason that this portion of the gas is not luminous is that the quantity of oxygen which is able to get to the flame at this point is only sufficient to cause the outer portion to be in a state of incandescence. That there is solid carbon in the flame may be seen by inserting a piece of cold metal or porcelain in the white portion of the flame, which, by reducing the temperature of the carbon, becomes coated with soot upon the under side. The same effect takes place when the cold air is allowed to blow upon the surface of the flame, the excess of oxygen presented to the flame causing a cooling of

the heating gases and a consequent loss of light, as the particles of carbon are not then sufficiently heated to be made white hot and to give off light, and they then allow the carbon to pass off in the form of soot and to blacken the ceilings and paint of the rooms. This is more likely to occur with high quality gas, which contains more particles of hydro-carbons, and if there be an insufficient supply of oxygen to the flame a larger proportion of soot will be allowed to escape and settle upon the ceilings, etc. Another source of blackening of the ceilings is the nearness of the burners and the absence of a guard over them to deflect and spread the products of combustion over a large space. The real explanation of this effect is that aqueous vapour formed by the burning gas is condensed on the ceiling, and dust particles which are floating in the air are thereby caused to adhere to the ceilings. With high quality gases small burners should be used, so that the gas may be more thoroughly consumed.

It appears that the first burners were simply pieces of pipe with one end stopped up. In the centre of the end was drilled a small hole, and the light given off, principally owing to the shape of the flame, was very small. Then was invented the bat wing burner, which has a slot cut in the dome-shaped top, and this gave a flame somewhat of the shape of a bat's wing, hence the name. Then came the union jet, which is an arrangement very

generally in domestic use at the present day. It consists of a piece of brass tube plugged with a piece of steatite or porcelain with two holes in it drilled at such an angle that the two streams of gas issuing from them meet, and cause the flame of gas to spread and form a flame of horseshoe shape. One of the special points to be noticed in these burners is that the holes in them should be of comparatively large size, and the pressure of the gas when delivered from the burner reduced to the lowest point at which a firm flame can be maintained. This can be done best by means of what is known as a governor, which is in effect a self-acting valve which allows only just so much gas to pass as may be required.

Passing on to the more modern styles of burners, of which there are many patterns, such as the regenerative burners, it is found that all these embody the same principle, which is to use the heat generated by the flame to heat the gas supply and the air supply so that the cooling effect of the air, which causes the blue portion of an ordinary flat flame, is considerably reduced, and the particles of carbon are rendered more rapidly incandescent, and, being heated to a greater temperature, attain greater luminosity and are kept for a longer period at this white heat.

The earliest arrangement of such a burner was invented in 1854, and consisted of an argand burner with two chimneys, one outside of the other,

the air supply to the flame having to pass down between the two glasses, and so to become heated before it was led to the bottom of the burner. This answered very well, but the breakage of the chimney glasses was a considerable expense, and debarred many from adopting the system. This trouble is quite overcome in the modern regenerative burners, as the chimneys are made of metal and the burner is inverted, so that the flame is spread outwards instead of, as in the argand burner, upwards. The regenerative burner gives a light having four times the illuminating power of the flat-flame burner.

With the incandescent burners, quite a modern invention, the principle of admitting air to mix with the gas before lighting is employed as in the Bunsen heating burner, and this, while taking away the luminosity of the flame, causes it to give off a much greater amount of heat, this heat being utilised to render a mantle of rare earths incandescent or white hot. These mantles are made conical in shape, and when made white hot emit a most pleasing white light, which is about five or six times more intense than that given off by the ordinary flat flame burner.

With a properly arranged ventilating regenerative burner, consuming 20 cubic feet of gas per hour, and properly fitted, not only can all its own product of combustion be removed, but also the air vitiated by breathing can be removed at the rate of

more than 5,000 cubic feet per hour from the upper part of the room.

The comparative quantity of air vitiated by different illuminants giving the same amount of light is shown by the following table:—

Gas burnt in union jets............ 1
Lamp burning sperm oil ........ 1.6
Lamp burning kerosene oil........ 2.25
Tallow candles .................. 4.35

From this table it will be seen that kerosene lamps use up more than twice the amount of the oxygen of the air that gas does, while tallow candles use more than four times the amount.

For a light of 32 candle-power, tallow candles would vitiate as much air as would be required by about 36 adult persons, kerosene oil lamps as much as fifteen adults, while gas varied from an amount of air required for nine and a half adults when a batwing burner was used, to eight and a half when an argand burner was used. In these experiments not only was the quantity of oxygen consumed taken into consideration, but carbon dioxide and the water vapour were all taken account of.

Special attention must be directed to the necessity of having burners suitable to the quality of gas which is being used. It may be taken as a fairly general rule that the higher the illuminating power of the gas the smaller the burner should

be. With unsuitable burners, not only blackening of the ceilings, but a far lower state of efficiency as regards the illuminating power of the light obtained from a given quantity of gas will result.

The effect of using bad burners is primarily that the light capable of being developed from the consumption of a definite quantity of gas is not obtained, consequently more gas is burnt than necessity requires, in other words, gas is wasted, and with imperfect combustion, deleterious products are given off, vitiating the atmosphere and endangering health.

That the burners which are most economical in gas consumption are the most expensive at first cost is certainly the case to some extent, but the amount of the saving effected by their use quickly repays the first cost, and thereafter the money saved goes directly into the pocket of the user of the burner. The incandescent burner is the most economical burner that is at present known, and where gas is at a high price it is a very distinct advantage, as the quantity of gas required for a given amount of light is only about one-fifth of that used with the ordinary burner. Then comes the argand burner, which is superior to the union jet or flat-flame burner, but in all these an arrangement known as a governor is generally to be found, by which is regulated the quantity of gas that can find its way to the point of ignition,

and, if only just sufficient is allowed to pass so
that none is wasted, gas is economized.  These
governors are also made for use with the ordinary
flat-flame burner.

As has been said, the principal gas burners now
in use are the flat-flame, argand, and incandes-
cent.  Flat-flame burners embrace the union jet,
or fishtail, and the batwing.  In the union jet or
fishtail the gas issues through two apertures in
a steatite plate inserted in the top of a cylindrical
brass tube, threaded at its lower end for the pur-
pose of attaching to a gas-fixture.  The holes in
the steatite tip through which the gas issues are
inclined towards each other at an angle, so that
the gas issues in two streams which unite into one
flat flame at right angles to a plane passing
through the two holes.  One of the reasons of the
adoption of steatite for the tip of the gas burner
was the fact that it required a very high heat to
harm it.  Steatite is a natural stone found in vari-
ous parts of the world, principally in Germany.
Chemically it is a double silicate of magnesium,
and a substitute for the natural substance may be
obtained by mixing silicate of magnesium and sil-
icate of potash.  Natural steatite is of a very fine
grain, and softer than ivory, it admits of being
worked to a very fine polish, but after it has been
burned in a kiln it becomes harder than the hard-
est steel, and will resist a very high temperature,
about 2,000° Fahrenheit.  In forming the steatite

into burner tips, the material is finely powdered, moistened with water, and kneaded into a plastic condition, after which it is moulded to the requisite shape and finally burnt to harden it. The diameter of the orifices in the steatite tips, through which the gas issues, differs in size, the aim being in each case to produce a flame of a thickness suited to the quality of the gas the burner is intended to consume.

The batwing burner resembles the fishtail or union in its general features, but differs in the manner in which the gas issues from it. In this form of burner the hollow tip is made dome-shaped and has a narrow slit cut across it and extending some little distance down. The slit varies in width to suit different qualities of gas. The batwing burner requires less pressure than the union jet, with the result that the gas issues with less force, so that the flame produced in burners of this class is not so stiff as that obtained with a union burner. Consequently it is necessary to employ globes with burners of this description in order to protect them from draught, which would cause them to flicker and smoke.

## GAS STOVES AND FIRES.

An examination of the principles of gas stoves, and a consideration of the advantages and disadvantages of these heating appliances, may appropriately precede any description of gas stoves themselves. A point often ignored in the heating of rooms is that a room will not feel warm until its walls reach the same temperature as the air which it contains. Until this occurs, the room will feel draughty, owing to the fact that the walls are depriving the air of the heat given out by the stove.

It is necessary to examine the conditions of the room or building to be heated before making any calculation as to the amount of gas required to heat it. Architects calculate the cubical contents of the room, and gauge from this the size and character of the heating appliances required. A better plan is to calculate the area of the wall surface, and, in ordinary dwelling-houses, allow that one-half a heat unit is absorbed by each square foot per hour for each degree Fahrenheit rise after the necessary warming up is complete.

The number of heat units generated per cubic foot of gas of sixteen candle-power, theoretically is 670 to 680, therefore, to raise the temperature

in a room which has been once warmed, it is necessary to allow a consumption of 1 cubic foot for every 1,300 square feet of wall surface. For the preliminary heating, however, considerably more than this is required, and as there should be a change of air in the room about every twenty minutes, practically three-fourths of the heat produced by the stoves passes away by ventilation, and consequently about four times the above-mentioned quantity of heat is required to raise the temperature of a room from the commencement, when it is at about the same temperature as the external air.

It was at one time recommended to fix a row of Bunsen burners in front of or underneath an ordinary coal fire-grate, filled either with black fuel, made of fireclay, or with small coke. It gave a very cheerful appearance, but it was found that the quantity of coke used, together with the consumption of gas, rendered the plan uneconomical. Many persons set a high value upon the cheerful appearance of this arrangement, and are willing to pay for it, and makers have brought forward improvements by which a saving of gas is effected. Still, gas fires in ordinary coal grates can only be recommended in preference to gas stoves when economy is not essential.

Stoves in which air passes over heated surfaces are more economical than ordinary gas stoves, but, on the other hand, they are more liable to

cause unpleasant odours through the heating of the dust particles. With these stoves, as also with hot-air and hot-water pipes, as distinct from grates, the heated air has a great tendency to rise to the top of the room, leaving the feet cold while the head is too warm. The same effect is noticed where enclosed stoves are set forward some distance into the room, but these stoves are very economical, and where fuel is dear this is a paramount consideration. One pound of coal burnt in an ordinary grate requires, for its proper combustion, 300 cubic feet of air having a temperature of 620° Fahrenheit, and 1 volume of gas for complete combustion requires $5\frac{1}{2}$ volumes of air. In atmospheric or Bunsen burners the average mixture of gas and air is 1 volume of gas to 2.3 volumes of air, consequently, a further supply of air around the flame is necessary to cause complete combustion, and an analysis of the gases, taken from the centre of the glowing fuel, shows that often 10 per cent of carbon monoxide exists, and, should down-draughts occur, this must find its way unnoticed—for it has neither smell nor color—into the room, hence the necessity for ensuring a good draught from the stove. Curiously enough, however, the analyses of gases in the flue during the burning of the gas stove do not show a trace of this deadly gas. An average of some twenty-four stoves tested in this way showed the presence of 12 per cent of oxygen, 84 per cent of

nitrogen, and 4 per cent of carbonic acid, thus proving that all the carbon monoxide had been converted into carbonic acid before leaving the stove when burning in the proper manner. This shows conclusively that flues are a necessity with gas stoves in which Bunsen burners are in use, although they need not be so large as the usual coal-grate flue, but where flues are not possible, only such stoves as employ ordinary lighting burners and utilise the heat radiated from a polished surface should be fixed.

Where a smoky chimney exists, a gas stove will not cure it, unless the fault is due to a contraction of the flue, by which the flow of the draught is impeded. In that case a much smaller flue for carrying off the products of combustion being sufficient with a gas stove as compared with a coal fire, the trouble will probably disappear, but it would be well to ascertain the origin of the fault before recommending the adoption of a gas stove as a remedy.

# GAS-FITTING IN WORKSHOPS.

In fitting workshops with gas, it is important that strong materials be employed and it is desirable to use iron pipes throughout. Where a row of benches is fixed upon each side of a workshop, it is usual to run a pipe along just below the ceiling, with tees between each window, from these a small pipe is carried down to either a single or double swing iron bracket. Some firms who make gas-fittings, supply iron brackets, but they can be made up quickly from the fittings and short pieces of iron pipe. Brass swivels wear considerably better than those that are made of iron, and do not corrode and stick in the working parts.

When the lights are to be located down the middle of a workshop where lathes or other machine tools are used, the only brass parts are the cocks and burner elbows, the ordinary iron tee being very suitable for the centre of the pendant. Where more than one floor is to be lighted, fix on the supply pipe a governor for regulating the quantity of gas delivered, otherwise the pressure due to the height of the upper floors will cause a lowering of the light in the ground floor or basement. It is also an advantage to have each floor separate-

ly supplied from the main, so that each floor may
be shut off entirely without interfering with the
others, and if a separate meter be supplied for
each floor, the quantity of gas consumed in pro-
portion to the work done after dark may be check-
ed, and any escape noted.  Where a pipe falls, a
pipe syphon or syphon-box should be fixed, as the
temperature is subject to extreme changes and the
quantity of condensation is much greater than in
private houses.

When the pipes are run through the floor and
up the legs of the lathes or other machinery, it is
usual to bend the pipe to the exact curves taken
by the machine, and to fix the pipe in its place by
means of bands of iron bent to the curve of the
pipe, and fixed to the machine by two small set
screws.  These bands may also be found useful
in fitting up houses where the nature of the wall
or floor will not permit the use of the ordinary
pipe-hook.

It is often found necessary to fit up in a work-
shop over each machine a bracket arranged so as
to move in any direction to suit the convenience
of the workman.  One way of making these fit-
tings is to make the elbows of the brackets of two
double swing swivels—one upright and one on its
side.  Another way is to have two lines of pipes
from the support, and to connect both at each end
to double swivels, while between the upper and
lower pipe, and laid at an angle, is  a  thin bar,

which is fixed on to the upper pipe, and can be clamped to the lower one when the exact position required has been obtained. This form of bracket is useful in drawing offices, where the burner and shade commonly in use cause the other pattern of bracket to gradually fall downwards on to the table, whereas the second arrangement always keeps parallel, and, if tightly clamped, cannot change its position without breaking the thin metal bar, which should be made sufficiently strong to withstand the strain due to the weight of the heaviest burner chimney and shade likely to be placed upon it.

In making brackets and pendants it is convenient to know a quick and efficient way to bend iron pipes. The exact shape required having been drawn full size upon paper the latter is tacked or posted on to a rough board. Strong cut nails are then driven in it to follow the desired curve, the nails being half the outside diameter of the pipe from the drawn line, so that the centre of the pipe, when bent, may lie directly over the drawn line. The iron pipe is heated in a forge fire or in a furnace, the latter heats the pipe equally over the length required. The end is inserted between the lines of nails, and, with the aid of a pair of pliers, is quickly made to follow the curves indicated by the nails. Nails are not necessary on the outer side of the curves, except at the starting point, where a firm grip of the pipe must be insured.

Where many pipes are to be bent to the same shape, the board is replaced by a square plate, with holes all over it, cast or wrought-iron curves replacing the nails. The saving in time and the accuracy of the bending soon repay the additional outlay. In bending iron pipe, proceed gradually, and make only small curves at a time, or the pipe will collapse.

For shop brackets, metal backs are found suitable. These metal backs are supplied with the fittings, and are drilled and countersunk ready for erection, space being left for the pipe to screw into the top of the swivel joint. A metal back makes a strong job, and answers every purpose where very neat finish is not necessary.

In all workshops ventilation is a prime requisite, and must be provided for, more especially where the rooms are low and a considerable number of workmen and gas lights are employed. Gas is an excellent draught inductor, an ordinary batwing or union jet burner consuming 1 cubic foot of gas per hour, when placed in a six-inch ventilating tube 12 feet long, will cause 2,460 cubic feet of air per hour to pass up the tube, and this induced draught can be easily adapted for the removal of the heated and vitiated air from the upper portion of the room. Each person present will give off per hour about 17.7 cubic feet of air, of which from .6 to .8 of a cubic foot will be carbonic acid ($CO_2$), the amount of $CO_2$ evolved from the com-

bustion of coal gas is equal practically to one-half
the quantity of gas burnt, and an ordinary gas
burner may be considered as being equivalent to
at least three adults in its effect upon the atmos-
phere.   The air space required in a workshop is
250 cubic feet for each person during the day and
400 feet at night.   Again, 500 cubic feet of fresh
air per person should be delivered into a room
during each hour, and therefore the same quantity
of vitiated air must be drawn away by some
means, no method is more suitable or so effective
as the one above proposed, in which a lighted
gas burner is enclosed by a ventilating shaft.   A
well-constructed ceiling burner has an excellent
effect upon the ventilation of a room, workshop,
or hall, when a properly arranged vertical shaft,
usually of sheet iron, is carried up through the
roof, and will at the same time assist greatly in
the general illumination of the shop.

# USEFUL INFORMATION.

One heaped bushel of anthracite coal weighs from 75 to 80 lbs.

One heaped bushel of bituminous coal weighs from 70 to 75 lbs.

One bushel of coke weighs 32 lbs.

Water, gas and steam pipes are measured on the inside.

One cubic inch of water evaporated at atmospheric pressure makes 1 cubic foot of steam.

A heat unit known as a British Thermal Unit raises the temperature of 1 pound of water 1 degree Fahrenheit.

For low pressure heating purposes, from 3 to 8 pounds of coal per hour is considered economical consumption, for each square foot of grate surface in a boiler, dependent upon conditions.

A horse power is estimated equal to 75 to 100 square feet of direct radiation. A horse power is also estimated as 15 square feet of heating surface in a standard tubular boiler.

Water boils in a vacuum at 98 degrees Fahrenheit.

A cubic foot of water weighs 62½ pounds, it contains 1,728 cubic inches or 7½ gallons. Water

expands in boiling about one-twentieth of its bulk.

In turning into steam water expands 1,700 its bulk, approximately 1 cubic inch of water will produce 1 cubic foot of steam.

One pound of air contains 13.82 cubic feet.

It requires 1½ British Thermal Units to raise one cubic foot of air from zero to 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

At atmospheric pressure 966 heat units are required to evaporate one pound of water into steam.

A pound of anthracite coal contains 14,500 heat units.

One horsepower is equivalent to 42.75 heat units per minute.

One horsepower is required to raise 33,000 pounds one foot high in one minute.

To produce one horsepower requires the evaporation of 2.66 pounds of water.

One ton of anthracite coal contains about 40 cubic feet.

One bushel of anthracite coal weighs about 86 pounds.

Heated air and water rise because their particles are more expanded, and therefore lighter than the colder particles.

A vacuum is a portion of space from which the air has been entirely exhausted.

Evaporation is the slow passage of a liquid into the form of vapor.

Increase of temperature, increased exposure of surface, and the passage of air currents over the surface, cause increased evaporation.

Condensation is the passage of a vapor into the liquid state, and is the reverse of evaporation.

Pressure exerted upon a liquid is transmitted undiminished in all directions, and acts with the same force on all surfaces, and at right angles to those surfaces.

The pressure at each level of a liquid is proportional to its depth.

With different liquids and the same depth, pressure is proportional to the density of the liquid.

The pressure is the same at all points on any given level of a liquid.

The pressure of the upper layers of a body of liquid on the lower layers causes the latter to exert an equal reactive upward force. This force is called buoyancy.

Friction does not depend in the least on the pressure of the liquid upon the surface over which it is flowing.

Friction is proportional to the area of the surface.

At a low velocity friction increases with the velocity of the liquid.

Friction increases with the roughness of the surface.

Friction increases with the density of the liquid.

Friction is greater comparatively, in small

pipes, for a greater proportion of the water comes in contact with the sides of the pipe than in the case of the large pipe. For this reason mains on heating apparatus should be generous in size.

Air is extremely compressible, while water is almost incompressible.

Water is composed of two parts of hydrogen, and one part of oxygen.

Water will absorb gases, and to the greatest extent when the pressure of the gas upon the water is greatest, and when the temperature is the lowest, for the elastic force of gas is then less.

Air is composed of about one-fifth oxygen and four-fifths nitrogen, with a small amount of carbonic acid gas.

To reduce Centigrade temperatures to Fahrenheit, multiply the Centigrade degrees by 9, divide the result by 5, and add 32.

To reduce Fahrenheit temperature to Centigrade, subtract 32 from the Fahrenheit degrees, multiply by 5 and divide by 9.

To find the area of a required pipe, when the volume and velocity of the water are given, multiply the number of cubic feet of water by 144 and divide this amount by the velocity in feet per minute.

Water boils in an open vessel (atmospheric pressure at sea level) at 212 degrees Fahrenheit.

Water expands in heating from 39 to 212 degrees Fahrenheit, about 4 per cent.

Water expands about one-tenth its bulk by freezing solid.

Water is at its greatest density and occupies the least space at 39 degrees Fahrenheit.

Water is the best known absorbent of heat, consequently a good vehicle for conveying and transmitting heat.

A U. S. gallon of water contains 231 cubic inches and weighs 8 1/3 pounds.

A column of water 27.67 inches high has a pressure of 1 pound to the square inch at the bottom.

Doubling the diameter of a pipe increases its capacity four times.

A hot water boiler will consume from 3 to 8 pounds of coal per hour per square foot of grate, the difference depending upon conditions of draft, fuel, system and management.

A cubic foot of anthracite coal averages 50 pounds. A cubic foot of bituminous coal weighs 40 pounds.

PRESSURE OF WATER FOR EACH FOOT IN HEIGHT.

| Feet in Height. | Pounds per Sq. In. | Feet in Height. | Pounds per Sq. In. | Feet in Height. | Pounds per Sq. In. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | .43 | 15 | 6.49 | 50 | 21.65 |
| 2 | .86 | 20 | 8.66 | 70 | 30.32 |
| 5 | 2.16 | 25 | 10.82 | 80 | 84.65 |
| 10 | 4.33 | 40 | 17.32 | 100 | 43.31 |

| BOILING POINTS OF VARIOUS FLUIDS. | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Substance. | Degrees. | Substance. | Degrees. |
| Water in Vacuum | 98 | Refined Petroleum | 316 |
| Water, Atmosph'c Pres. | 212 | Turpentine | 315 |
| Alcohol | 173 | Sulphur | 570 |
| Sulphuric Acid | 240 | Linseed Oil | 597 |

### Weights.

One cubic inch of water
weighs . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 0.036 pounds
One U. S. gallon weighs. . . 8.33 "
One Imperial gallon " . . . 10.00 "
One U. S. gallon equals. . . .231.00 cubic inches
One Imperial gallon " . . .277.274 " "
One cubic foot of water
equals . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 7.48 U. S. gallons

### Liquid Measure.

4 Gills make 1 Pint          4 Quarts make 1 Gallon
2 Pints make 1 Quart      31½ Gals. make 1 Barrel

| Size of Pipe in Inches. | Sq. Ft. in one Lineal Ft. | Gallons of Water in 100 Feet in Length. |
|---|---|---|
| ¾ | .27 | 2.77 |
| 1 | .34 | 4.50 |
| 1¼ | .43 | 7.75 |
| 1½ | .50 | 10.59 |
| 2 | .62 | 17.43 |
| 2½ | .75 | 24.80 |
| 3 | .92 | 38.38 |
| 3½ | 1.05 | 51.36 |
| 4 | 1.17 | 66.13 |

To find the area of a rectangle, multiply the length by the breadth.

To find the area of triangle, multiply the base by one-half the perpendicular height.

To find the circumference of a circle, multiply the diameter by 3.1416.

To find the area of a circle, multiply the diameter by itself, and the result by .7854.

To find the diameter of a circle of a given area, divide the area by .7854, and find the square root of the result.

To find the diameter of a circle which shall have the same area as a given square, multiply one side of the square by 1.128.

To find the number of gallons in a cylindrical tank, multiply the diameter in inches by itself, this by the height in inches, and the result by .34. To find the number of gallons in a rectangular tank, multiply together the length, breadth and height in feet, and this result by 7.4. If the dimensions are in inches, multiply the product by .004329. To find the pressure in pounds per square inch, of a column of water, multiply the height of the column in feet by .434.

To find the head in feet, the pressure being known, multiply the pressure per square inch by 2.31.

To find the lateral pressure of water upon the side of a tank, multiply in inches, the area of the

submerged side, by the pressure due to one-half the depth.

Example—Suppose a tank to be 12 feet long and 12 feet deep. Find the pressure on the side of the tank.

144 x 144=20,736 square inches area of side.

12 x .43=5.16, pressure at bottom of tank. Pressure at the top of tank is 0. Average pressure will then be 2.6. Therefore 20,736 x 2.6=53,914 pounds pressure on side of tank.

To find the number of gallons in a foot of pipe of any given diameter, multiply the square of diameter of the pipe in inches, by .0408.

To find the diameter of pipe to discharge a given volume of water per minute in cubic feet, multiply the square of the quantity in cubic feet per minute by 96. This will give the diameter in inches.

Cleaning Rusted Iron.   Place the articles to be cleaned in a saturated solution of chloride of tin and allow them to stand for a half day or more.

When removed, wash the articles in water, then in ammonia. Dry quickly, rubbing them hard.

Removing Boiler Scale. Kerosene oil will accomplish this purpose, often better than specially prepared compounds.

Cleaning Brass. Mix in a stone jar one part of nitric acid, one-half part of sulphuric acid. Dip the brass work into this mixture, wash it off with water, and dry with sawdust. If greasy, dip the

work into a strong mixture of potash, soda, and water, to remove the grease. and wash it off with water.

Removing Grease Stains from Marble. Mix 1½ parts of soft soap, 3 parts of Fuller's earth and 1½ parts of potash, with boiling water. Cover the grease spots with this mixture, and allow it to stand a few hours.

Strong Cement. Melt over a slow fire, equal parts of rubber and pitch. When wishing to apply the cement, melt and spread it on a strip of strong cotton cloth.

Cementing Iron and Stone. Mix 10 parts of fine iron filings, 30 parts of plaster of Paris, and one-half part of sal ammoniac, with weak vinegar. Work this mixture into a paste, and apply quickly.

Cement for Steam Boilers. Four parts of red or white lead mixed in oil, and 3 parts of iron borings, make a good soft cement for this purpose.

Cement for Leaky Boilers. Mix 1 part of powdered litharge, 1 part of fine sand, and one-half part of slacked lime with linseed oil, and apply quickly as possible.

Making Tight Steam Joints. With white lead ground in oil mix as much manganese as possible, with a small amount of litharge. Dust the board with red lead, and knead this mass by hand into a small roll, which is then laid on the plate, oiled

with linseed oil. It can then be screwed into place.

Substitute for Fire Clay. Mix common earth with weak salt water.

Rust Joint Cement. Mix 5 pounds of iron filings, 1 ounce of sal ammoniac, and 1 ounce of sulphur, and thin the mixture with water.

Removing Rust from Steel. Mix one-half ounce of cyannide of potassium, ½ ounce of castile soap, 1 ounce of whiting, adding enough water to form a paste, and apply to the steel. Rinse it off with a solution formed of one-half ounce of cyannide of potassium and 2 ounces of water.

## COMPARATIVE VALUE OF COAL, OIL, AND GAS.

In good practice, with boilers of proper construction and proportioned to the work—

One pound of coal will evaporate 10 pounds of water at 212 degrees Fahrenheit.

One pound of oil will evaporate 16 pounds of water at 212 degrees Fahrenheit.

One pound of natural gas will evaporate 20 pounds of water at 212 degrees Fahrenheit.

One pound of coal equals 11.225 cubic feet of natural gas.

Two thousand pounds of coal (1 ton) equals 22,-450 cubic feet of natural gas.

One pound of oil equals 18.00 cubic feet of natural gas.

One barrel of oil (42 gallons) equals 5,310.00 cubic feet of natural gas.

1.125 cubic feet of natural gas will evaporate 1 pound of water.

1.00 cubic feet of natural gas equals 860 Heat Units.

1,000 cubic feet of natural gas equals 860,000 Heat Units.

One ton of coal will equal 19,307,000 Heat Units.

One barrel of oil will equal 4,566.600 Heat Units.

In ordinary practice, about twice as much of the above fuels are required to evaporate the above amounts.

# USEFUL KINKS.

**Paint for Iron.** Dissolve ½ pound of asphaltum and ½ pound of pounded resin in 2 pounds of tar oil. Mix hot in an iron kettle, but do not allow it to come in contact with the fire. It may be used as soon as cold, and is good both for outdoor wood and ironwork.

**Recipe for Heat-Proof Paint.** A good cylinder and exhaust pipe paint is made as follows:

Two pounds of black oxide of manganese, 3 pounds of graphite and 9 pounds of Fuller's earth, thoroughly mixed. Add a compound of 10 parts of sodium silicate, 1 part of glucose and 4 parts of water, until the consistency is such that it can be applied with a brush.

**Rust Joint Composition.** This is a cement made of sal-ammoniac 1 pound, sulphur ½ pound, cast-iron turnings 100 pounds. The whole should be thoroughly mixed and moistened with a little water. If the joint is required to set very quick, add ¼ pound more sal-ammoniac. Care should be taken not to use too much sal-ammoniac, or the mixture will become rotten.

**Removing Rust from Iron.** Iron may be quickly and easily cleaned by dipping in or

washing with nitric acid one part, muriatic acid one part and water twelve parts. After using wash with clean water.

**Making Pipe Joints.** Never screw pipe together for either steam, water or gas without putting white or red lead on the joints.

Many times in taking pipe apart the joints are stuck so hard that it is impossible to unscrew the pipe; heat the coupling (not the pipe) by holding a hot iron on it, or hammer the coupling with a light hammer, either one will expand the coupling and break the joint so it can be easily unscrewed.

**Annealing Cast Iron.** To anneal cast iron, heat it in a slow charcoal fire to a dull red heat; then cover it over about two inches with fine charcoal, then cover all with ashes. Let it lay until cold. Hard cast iron can be softened enough in this way to be filed or drilled. This process will be exceedingly useful to iron founders, as by this means there will be a great saving of expense in making new patterns.

To make a casting of precisely the same size of a broken casting without the original patterns: Put the pieces of broken casting together and mould them, and cast from this mould. Then anneal it as above described; it will expand to the original size of the pattern, and there remain in that expanded state.

**Preventing Iron or Steel from Rusting.** The

best treatment for polished iron or steel, which has a habit of growing gray and lustreless, is to wash it very clean with a stiff brush and ammonia soapsuds, rinse well and dry by heat if possible, then oil plentifully with sweet oil and dust thickly with powdered quick lime. Let the lime stay on two days, then brush it off with a clean stiff brush. Polish with a softer brush, and rub with cloths until the lustre comes out. By leaving the lime on, iron and steel may be kept from rust almost indefinitely.

**Loosening Rusted Screws.** One of the simplest and readiest ways of loosening a rusted screw is to apply heat to the head of the screw. A small bar or rod of iron, flat at the end, if reddened in the fire and applied for two or three minutes to the head of a rusty screw, will, as soon as it heats the screw, render its withdrawal as easy with the screwdriver as if it were only a recently inserted screw. This is not particularly novel, but it is worth knowing.

**Tinning Cast Iron.** To successfully coat castings with tin they must be absolutely clean and free from sand and oxide. They are usually freed from imbedded sand in a rattler or tumbling box, which also tends to close the surface grain and give the article a smooth metallic face. The articles should be then placed in a hot pickle of one part of sulphuric acid to four parts of water, in which they are allowed to

remain from one to two hours, or until the recesses are free from scale and sand. Spots may be removed by a scraper or wire brush. The castings are then washed in hot water and kept in clean hot water until ready to dip. For a flux, dip in a mixture composed of four parts of a saturated solution of sal-ammoniac in water and one part of hydrochloric acid, hot. Then dry the castings and dip them in the tin pot. The tin should be hot enough to quickly bring the castings to its own temperature when perfectly fluid, but not hot enough to quickly oxidize the surface of the tin. A sprinkling of pulverized sal-ammoniac may be made on the surface of the tin, or a little tallow or palm oil may be used to clear the surface and make the tinned work come out clear. As soon as the tin on the castings has chilled or set, they should be washed in hot sal soda water and dried in sawdust.

**Removing Scale from Iron Castings.** Immerse the parts in a mixture composed of one part of oil of vitriol to three parts of water. In six to ten hours remove the castings, and wash them thoroughly with clean water. A weaker solution can be used by allowing a longer time for the action of the solution.

**Cleaning Brass Castings.** If greasy, the castings should be cleaned by boiling in lye or potash. The first pickle is composed of nitric acid one quart, water six to eight quarts. After

pickling in this mixture the castings should be washed in clear warm or hot water, and the following pickle be then used: Sulphuric acid one quart, nitric acid two quarts, muriatic acid, a few drops. The first pickle will remove the discolorations due to iron, if present. The muriatic acid of the second pickle will darken the color of the castings to an extent depending on the amount used.

**Tinning Surfaces.** Articles of brass or copper boiled in a solution of cyanide of potassium mixed with turnings or scraps of tin in a few moments become covered with a firmly attached layer of fine tin.

A similar effect is produced by boiling the articles with tin turnings or scraps and caustic alkali, or cream of tartar. In either way, articles made of copper or brass may be easily and perfectly tinned.

**Protecting Bright Work from Rust.** Use a mixture of one pound of lard, one ounce of gum camphor, melted together, with a little lampblack. A mixture of lard oil and kerosene in equal parts. A mixture of tallow and white lead, or of tallow and lime.

**How to Braze.** Clean the article thoroughly, and better to polish with sand paper. Fasten the parts to be brazed firmly together, so they will not part when heated in the fire. Place over a slow fire of charcoal or well coked coal. Place

on the parts to be brazed a small quantity of pulverized borax; as soon as this is done boiling and has flowed to all parts, then put on the spelter; when the spelter melts it will generally run in globules or shot. Jar the piece by gently striking with a small piece of wire; this will cause the spelter to flow to all parts.

**Lead Explosions.** Many mechanics have had their patience sorely tried when pouring lead around a damp or wet joint, to have it explode, blow out or scatter from the effects of steam generated by the heat of the lead. The whole trouble may be avoided by putting a piece of resin, the size of a man's thumb, into the ladle and allowing it to melt before pouring.

**Sharpening Files.** To sharpen dull and worn out files, lay them in dilute Sulphuric Acid, one part acid to two parts of water over night, then rinse well in clear water, put the acid in an earthenware vessel.

**Soldering Aluminum.** When soldering aluminum, it should be borne in mind that upon exposure to the air a slight film of oxide forms over the surface of the aluminum, and afterwards protects the metal. The oxide is the same color as the metal, so that it cannot easily be distinguished. The idea in soldering is to get underneath this oxide while the surface is covered with the molten solder. Clean off all dirt and grease from the surface of the metal with a little

benzine, apply the solder with a copper bit, and when the molten solder is covering the surface of the metal, scratch through the solder with a steel wire scratch-brush. By this means the oxide on the surface of ·the metal is broken up underneath the solder, which containing its own flux, takes up the oxide and enables the surface of the aluminum to be tinned properly.

Small surfaces of aluminum can be soldered by the use of zinc and Venetian turpentine. Place the solder upon the metal together with the turpentine and heat very gently with a blowpipe until the solder is entirely melted. The trouble with this, as with other solders, is that it will not flow gently on the metal. Therefore large surfaces cannot be easily soldered.

Another method is to clean the aluminum surfaces by scraping, and then cover with a layer of paraffine wax as a flux. Then coat the surfaces by fusion, with a layer of an alloy of zinc, tin and lead, preferably in the following proportions; Zinc five parts, tin two parts, lead one part.

The metallic surfaces thus prepared can be soldered together either by˙ means of zinc or cadmium, or alloys of aluminum with these metals. In fact, any good soldering preparation will answer the purpose.

A good solder for low-grade work is the following: Tin 95 parts, bismuth five parts.

A good flux in all cases is either stearin, vaseline, paraffine, copaiva balsam, or benzine.

In the operation of soldering, small tools made of aluminum are used, which facilitate at the same time the fusion of the solder and its adhesion to the previously prepared surfaces. Tools made of copper or brass must be strictly avoided as they would form colored alloys with the aluminum and the solder.

**Aluminum Solder.** This consists of 28 pounds of block tin, three and one-half pounds of lead, seven pounds of spelter, and 14 pounds of phosphor-tin. The phosphor-tin should contain 10 per cent of phosphorus. Clean off all the dirt and grease from the surface of the metal with benzine, apply the solder with a copper bit, and when the molten solder covers the metal, scratch through the solder with a wire scratch brush.

**Sweating Aluminum to Other Metals.** First coat the aluminum surface to be soldered with a layer of zinc. On top of the zinc is melted a layer of an alloy of one part aluminum to two and one-half parts of zinc. The surfaces are placed together and heated until the alloy between them is liquefied.

**Soldering Fluid.** Take of scrap zinc or pure spelter about ¼ pound, and immerse in a half-pint of muriatic acid. If the scraps completely dissolve add more until the acid ceases to bubble and a small piece of metal remains. Let this

stand for a day and then carefully pour off the clear liquid, or filter it through a cone of blotting paper. Add a teaspoonful of sal-ammoniac, and when thoroughly dissolved, the solution is ready for use. Depending on the materials to be soldered, the quantity of sal-ammoniac can be reduced. Its presence makes soldering very easy, but, unless the parts are well heated so as to evaporate the salt, the joints may rust.

**Etching on Iron or Steel.** Take one-half ounce of nitric acid and one ounce of muriatic acid. Mix, shake well together, and it is ready for use. Cover the place you wish to mark with melted beeswax, when cold write the inscription plainly in the wax clear to the metal with a sharp instrument, then apply the mixed acids with a feather, carefully filling each letter. Let it remain from one to ten minutes, according to the appearance desired. Then throw on water, which stops the etching process and removes the wax.

**Soldering Solution.** An excellent method of preparing resin for soldering bright tin is given as follows: Take one and one-half pounds of olive oil and one and one-half pounds of tallow and 12 ounces of pulverized resin. Mix these ingredients and let them boil up. When this mixture has become cool, add one and three-eighths pints of water saturated with pulverized sal ammoniac, stirring constantly.

**Softening Cast Iron.** To soften iron for drill-

ing, heat to a cherry-red, having it lie level in the fire. Then with tongs, put on a piece of brimstone, a little less in size than the hole is to be. This softens the iron entirely through. Let it lie in the fire until cooled, when it is ready to drill.

**Suggestions how to Solder.** Clean the parts thoroughly from all rust, grease or scale, then wet with prepared acid. Hold the soldering copper on each part until the article is well tinned and the solder has flowed to all parts.

**Watch-Makers' Oil that Will Never Corrode or Thicken.** Take a bottle about half full of good olive oil and put in thin strips of sheet lead, expose it to the sun for a month, then pour off the clear oil. The above is a very cheap way of making a first-class oil for any light machinery.

**Varnish for Copper.** To protect copper from oxidation a varnish may be employed which is composed of carbon disulphide 1 part, benzine 1 part, turpentine oil 1 part, methyl alchol 2 parts and hard copal 1 part. It is well to apply several coats of it to the copper.

**Glue for Iron.** Put an equal amount by weight of finely powdered rosin in glue and it will adhere firmly to iron or other metal surfaces.

**Soldering or Tinning Acid.** Muriatic Acid 1 pound, put into it all the zinc it will dissolve and 1 ounce of Sal Ammoniac, add as much clear water as acid, it is then ready for use.

**Plaster of Paris.** Common plaster that farmers

use to put on land and plaster of paris are the same thing, except plaster of paris is common plaster calcined. Many times it is difficult to get calcined plaster, and when it is procured it is badly adulterated with lime and unfit for many uses. To calcine plaster, or in other words, to make common plaster so it will harden, you have but to take the plaster and put it in an iron kettle and place it over a slow fire, put no water in it. In a few moments it will begin to boil and will continue to do so until every particle of moisture is evaporated out of it. When it has stopped boiling take it off, and when cold it is ready for use. Plaster treated in this way will harden much quicker and harder than any which can be bought ready prepared.

**Hardening Small Articles.** To harden small tools or articles that are apt to warp in hardening, heat very carefully, and insert in a raw potato, then draw the temper as usual.

**Bluing Brass.** Dissolve one ounce of antimony chloride in twenty ounces of water and add three ounces of pure hydrochloric acid. Place the warmed brass article into this solution until it has turned blue. Then wash it and dry in sawdust.

**Drilling Glass.** Take an old three-cornered file, one that is worn out will do, break it off and sharpen to a point like a drill and place in a carpenter's brace. Have the glass fastened on a

good solid table so there will be no danger of its
breaking.   Wet the glass at the point where the
hole is to made with the following solution:

Ammonia  ............6½  drachms
Ether  ...............3½ drachms
Turpentine  .............1    ounce

Keep the drill wet with the above solution and
bore the hole part way from each side of the
glass.

Another solution is to dissolve a piece of gum
camphor the size of a walnut in one ounce of tur-
pentine.

Another method is to use a steel drill hardened,
but not drawn.   Saturate spirits of turpentine
with camphor and wet the drill.   The drill should
be ground with a long point and plenty of clear-
ance.   Run the drill fast and with a light feed.
In this manner glass can be drilled with small
holes, up to 3-16 inch in diameter nearly as rapid-
ly as cast steel.

**Cement for Pipe Joints.**   Mix 10 parts iron
filings and 3 parts chloride of lime to a paste by
means of water.   Apply to the joint and clamp
up.   It will be solid in 12 hours.

**Removing Stains.**   To remove Ink Stains, wash
with pure fresh water, and apply oxalic acid.   If
this changes the stain to a red color, apply am-
monia.   To remove Iron Rust from White Fabrics,
saturate the spots with lemon juice and salt and
expose to the sun.

**Weight of Castings.** If you have a pattern made of soft pine, put together without nails, an iron casting made from it will weigh sixteen pounds to every pound of the pattern. If the casting is of brass, it will weigh eighteen pounds to every pound of the pattern.

**Ordering Taps and Dies.** In ordering Taps and Dies, be sure and give the kind, exact size and thread wanted. Always remember you are writing to a person who knows nothing of what is wanted, therefore make the order plain and explicit. Never order a special Tap or Die if it can be avoided, as such will cost at least double that of regular sizes and threads.

**Tapping Nuts.** Always use good Lard Oil in cutting threads with a die or tapping out nuts. Poor cheap oil will soon ruin both die and tap.

**Grindstones.** Grindstones to grind tools should be run at a speed of about 800 feet per minute at its periphery, a 30-inch stone should be run about 100 revolutions per minute. When used to grind carpenters' tools a speed of 600 feet at its periphery, a 30-inch stone should therefore be run at 75 revolutions per minute.

**White Metal for Bearings.** White metal for bearings consists of 48 pounds of tin, 4 pounds of copper, and 1 pound of antimony. The copper and tin are melted first, and then the antimony is added.

**Marine Glue.** One part of pure india rubber

dissolved in naphtha. When melted add two parts of shellac. Melt until mixed.

**To Soften Cast Iron.** Heat the whole piece to a bright glow and gradually cool under a covering of fine coal dust. Small objects should be packed in quantities, in a crucible in a furnace or open fire, under materials which when heated to a glow give out carbon to the iron. They should be heated gradually, and kept at a bright heat for an hour and allowed to cool slowly. The substances recommended to be added are cast-iron turnings, sodium carbonate or raw sugar. If only raw sugar is used, the quantity should not be too small. By this process it is said that cast iron may be made so soft that it can almost be cut with a pocket-knife.

**To Harden Files.** To harden files dip the file in redhot lead, handle up. This gives a uniform heat and prevents warping. Run the file endwise back and forth in a pan of salt water. Set the file in a vise and straighten it while still warm.

**Leather Belts.** A leather belt is more economical in the end than a rubber one. When buying a leather belt it should be tested by doubling it up with the hair side out. If it should crack, reject it as it cannot realize the whole amount of power it should transmit. If it shows a spongy appearance it should be condemned at once, for it must be pliable as well as firm. The grain or hair side should be free from wrinkles and the

belt should be of uniform thickness throughout its length. It should be tested for quality by immersing a small strip in strong vinegar. If the leather has been properly tanned and is of good quality, it will remain in vinegar for weeks without alteration, excepting it will grow darker in color. If the leather has not been properly tanned the fiber will swell and the leather will become softened, turning it into a jelly-like mass.

**To Cement Rubber to Leather.** Roughen both surfaces with a sharp piece of glass, apply on both a diluted solution of gutta percha in carbon bisulphide, and let the solution soak into the material. Then press upon each surface a skin of gutta percha about one-hundredth of an inch in thickness, between a pair of rolls. Unite the two surfaces in a press that should be warm but not hot. In case a press cannot be used, dissolve 30 parts of rubber in 140 parts of carbon bisulphide, the vessel being placed on a water bath of a temperature of 86 degrees Fahrenheit. Melt ten parts of rubber with fifteen parts of rosin and add 35 parts of oil of turpentine. When the rubber has been completely dissolved, the two liquids may be mixed. The resulting cement must be kept well corked.

**Drilling Holes in Glass.** Holes of any size desired may be drilled in glass by the following method: Get a small 3-cornered file and grind the points from one corner and the bias from

the other and set the file in a brace, such as is used in boring wood. Lay the glass in which the holes are to be bored on a smooth surface covered with a blanket and begin to bore a hole. When a slight impression is made on the glass, place a disk of putty around it and fill with turpentine to prevent too great heating by friction. Continue boring the hole, which will be as smooth as one drilled in wood with an auger. Do not press too hard on the brace while drilling.

**To Polish Brass.** Smooth the brass with a fine file and run it with smooth fine grain stone, or with charcoal and water. When quite smooth and free from scratches, polish with pumice stone and oil, spirits of turpentine, or alcohol.

**How to Make a Soft Alloy.** A soft alloy which will adhere tenaciously to metal, glass or porcelain, and can also be used as a solder for articles which cannot bear a high degree of heat, is made as follows:

Obtain copper-dust by precipitating copper from the sulphate by means of metallic zinc. Place from 20 to 36 parts of the copper-dust, according to the hardness desired, in a porcelain-lined mortar, and mix well with some sulphuric acid of a specific gravity of 1.85. Add to this paste 70 parts of mercury, stirring constantly, and when thoroughly mixed, rinse the amalgam in warm water to remove the acid. Let cool from 10 **to**

12 hours, after which time it will be hard enough to scratch tin.

When ready to use it, heat to 707 degrees Fahrenheit and knead in an iron mortar till plastic. It can then be spread on any surface, and when it has cooled and hardened will adhere most tenaciously.

# MEDICAL AID.

**Things to Do in Case of Sprains or Dislocations.**
The most important thing is to secure rest until
the arrival of the surgeon. If the sprain is in the
ankle or foot, place a folded towel around the
part and cover with a bandage. Apply moist
heat. The foot should be immersed in a bucket
of hot water and more hot water added from time
to time, so that it can be kept as hot as can be
borne for fifteen or twenty minutes, after which
a firm bandage should be aplied, by a surgeon, if
possible, and the foot elevated.

In sprains of the wrist, a straight piece of wood
should be used as a splint, cover with cotton or
wool to make it soft, and lightly bandage, and
carry the arm in a sling. In all cases of sprains
the results may be serious, and a surgeon should
be obtained as soon as possible. After the acute
symptoms of pain and swelling have subsided, it
is still necessary that the joint should have com-
plete rest by the use of a splint and bandage and
such applications as the surgeon may direct.

Simple dislocation of the fingers can be put in
place by strong pulling, aided by a little pressure
on the part of the bones nearest the joint.

The best that can be done in most cases is to

put the part in the position easiest to the sufferer, and to apply cold wet cloths, while awaiting the arrival of a surgeon.

**To Remove Foreign Substances from the Eye.** Take hold of the upper lid and turn it up so that the inside of the upper lid may be seen. Have the patient make several movements with the eye, first up, then down, to the right side and to the left. Then take a tooth-pick with a little piece of absorbent cotton wound around the end and moistened in cold water, and swab it out. , The foreign substance will adhere to the swab and the object will be removed from the eye without any trouble.

**In Case of Cuts.** The chief points to be attended to are: Arrest the bleeding. Remove from the wound all foreign substances as soon as possible. Bring the wounded parts opposite to each other and keep them so. This is best done by means of strips of surgeon's plaster, first applied to one side of the wound and then secured to the other. These strips should not be too broad, and space must be left between the strips to allow any matter to escape. Wounds too extensive to be held together by plaster must be stitched by a surgeon, who should always be sent for in severe cases.

**Broken Limbs.** To get at a broken limb or rib, the clothing must be removed, and it is essential that this should be done without injury to the patient. The simplest plan is to rip up the seams

of such garments as are in the way. Shoes must always be cut off. It is not imperatively necessary to do anything to a broken limb before the arrival of a doctor, except to keep it perfectly at rest.

**Wounds.** If a wound be discovered in a part covered by the clothing, cut the clothing at the seams. Remove only sufficient clothing to uncover and inspect the wound.

All wounds should be covered and dressed as quickly as possible. If a severe bleeding should occur, see that this is stopped, if possible, before the wound is dressed.

**Treatment of Burns.** In treating burns of a serious nature, the first thing to be done after the fire is extinguished should be to remove the clothing. The greatest care must be exercised, as anything like pulling will bring the skin away. If the clothing is not thoroughly wet, be sure to saturate it with water or oil before attempting to remove it.

If portions of the clothing will not drop off, allow them to remain. Then make a thick solution of common baking soda and water, and dip soft cloths in it and lay them over the injured parts, and bandage them lightly to keep them in position. Have the solution near by, and the instant any part of a cloth shows signs of dryness, squeeze some of the solution on that part. Do not remove the cloth, as total exclusion of the

air is necessary, and little, if any, pain, will be felt as long as the cloths are kept saturated. This may be kept up for several days, after which soft cloths dipped in oil may be applied, and covered with cotton batting. If the feet are cold, apply heat and give hot water to drink, and if the burns are very serious send for a doctor as soon as possible. The presence of pain is a good sign, showing that vitality is present.

**Bleeding.** In case of bleeding, the person may become weak and faint, unless the blood is flowing actively. This is not a serious sign, and the quiet condition of the faint often assists nature in stopping the bleeding, by allowing the blood to clot and so block up any wound in a blood vessel.

Unless the faint is prolonged or the patient is losing much blood, it is better not to relieve the faint condition. When in this state excitement should be avoided, and external warmth should be applied, the person covered with blankets, and bottles of hot water or hot bricks applied to the feet and arm-pits.

Watch carefully if unconscious.

If vomiting occurs, turn the patient's body on one side, with the head low, so that the matters vomited may not go into the lungs.

Bleeding is of three kinds: From the arteries which lead from the heart. That which comes from the veins which take the blood back to the heart. That from the small veins which carry

the blood to the surface of the body. In the first, the blood is bright scarlet and escapes as though it were being pumped. In the second, the blood is dark red and flows away in an uninterrupted stream. In the third, the blood oozes out. In some wounds all three kinds of bleeding occur at the same time.

**Carrying an Injured Person.** In case of an injury where walking is impossible, and lying down is not absolutely necessary, the injured person may be seated in a chair, and carried, or he may sit upon a board, the ends of which are carried by two men, around whose necks they should place his arms so as to steady himself.

Where an injured person can walk he will get much help by putting his arms over the shoulders and round the necks of two others.

## LAP-WELDED STEEL OR CHARCOAL IRON BOILER TUBES.

### Table of Standard Dimensions.

| Diameter | | Nominal Thickness. | Wire Gauge. | Circumference. | | Transverse Areas. | | | Length of Tube per Square Foot of | | Nominal Weight per Foot. |
| External. | Internal. | | | External. | Internal. | External | Internal | Metal. | External Surface. | Internal Surface. | |
| Inches. | Inches. | Inches. | No. | Inches. | Inches. | Sq. In. | Sq. In. | Sq. In. | Feet. | Feet. | Pounds. |
| 1 | .856 | .095 | 13 | 3.142 | 2.689 | .785 | .575 | .21 | 3.819 | 4.462 | .90 |
| 1¼ | 1.106 | .095 | 13 | 3.927 | 3.475 | 1.227 | .961 | .266 | 3.056 | 3.453 | 1.15 |
| 1½ | 1.334 | .095 | 13 | 4.712 | 4.191 | 1.767 | 1.398 | .369 | 2.547 | 2.863 | 1.40 |
| 1¾ | 1.56 | .095 | 13 | 5.494 | 4.901 | 2.405 | 1.911 | .494 | 2.183 | 2.448 | 1.66 |
| 2 | 1.81 | .095 | 13 | 6.283 | 5.686 | 3.142 | 2.573 | .569 | 1.909 | 2.11 | 1.91 |
| 2¼ | 2.06 | .095 | 13 | 7.069 | 6.472 | 3.976 | 3.333 | .643 | 1.698 | 1.854 | 2.16 |
| 2½ | 2.282 | .109 | 12 | 7.854 | 7.169 | 4.909 | 4.09 | .819 | 1.528 | 1.674 | 2.75 |
| 2¾ | 2.532 | .109 | 12 | 8.639 | 7.954 | 5.94 | 5.035 | .905 | 1.389 | 1.509 | 3.04 |
| 3 | 2.782 | .109 | 12 | 9.425 | 8.74 | 7.069 | 6.079 | .99 | 1.273 | 1.373 | 3.33 |
| 3¼ | 3.01 | .12 | 11 | 10.21 | 9.456 | 8.296 | 7.116 | 1.18 | 1.175 | 1.26 | 3.96 |
| 3½ | 3.26 | .12 | 11 | 10.996 | 10.241 | 9.621 | 8.347 | 1.274 | 1.091 | 1.172 | 4.28 |
| 3¾ | 3.51 | .12 | 11 | 11.781 | 11.027 | 11.045 | 9.676 | 1.369 | 1.018 | 1.088 | 4.6 |
| 4 | 3.732 | .134 | 10 | 12.566 | 11.724 | 12.566 | 10.939 | 1.627 | .955 | 1.024 | 5.47 |
| 4½ | 4.232 | .134 | 10 | 14.137 | 13.295 | 15.804 | 14.066 | 1.838 | .849 | .902 | 6.17 |
| 5 | 4.704 | .148 | 9 | 15.708 | 14.778 | 19.635 | 17.379 | 2.256 | .764 | .812 | 7.58 |

## WROUGHT IRON AND STEEL STEAM, GAS AND WATER PIPE.

### Table of Standard Dimensions.

| Diameter. Nominal Internal (Inch.) | Diameter. Actual External (Inches.) | Diameter. Approximate Internal (Inches.) | Nominal Thickness. (Inch.) | Circumference. External. (Inches.) | Circumference. Internal. (Inches.) | Transverse Areas. External. (Sq. In.) | Transverse Areas. Internal. (Sq. In.) | Transverse Areas. Metal. (Sq. In.) | Length of Pipe per Square Foot of External Surface. (Feet.) | Length of Pipe per Square Foot of Internal Surface. (Feet.) | Length of Pipe Containing One Cubic Foot. (Feet.) | Nominal Weight per Foot. (Pounds) | Number of Threads per Inch of Screw. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ⅛ | .405 | .27 | .068 | 1.272 | .848 | .129 | .0573 | .0717 | 9.44 | 14.15 | 2513. | .241 | 27 |
| ¼ | .54 | .364 | .088 | 1.696 | 1.144 | .229 | .1041 | .1249 | 7.075 | 10.49 | 1383.3 | .42 | 18 |
| ⅜ | .675 | .494 | .091 | 2.121 | 1.552 | .358 | .1917 | .1663 | 5.657 | 7.73 | 751.2 | .559 | 18 |
| ½ | .84 | .623 | .109 | 2.639 | 1.957 | .554 | .3048 | .2492 | 4.547 | 6.13 | 472.4 | .837 | 14 |
| ¾ | 1.05 | .824 | .113 | 3.299 | 2.589 | .866 | .5333 | .3327 | 3.637 | 4.635 | 270. | 1.115 | 14 |
| 1 | 1.315 | 1.048 | .134 | 4.131 | 3.292 | 1.358 | .8626 | .4954 | 2.904 | 3.645 | 166.9 | 1.668 | 11½ |
| 1¼ | 1.66 | 1.38 | .14 | 5.215 | 4.335 | 2.164 | 1.496 | .668 | 2.301 | 2.768 | 96.25 | 2.244 | 11½ |
| 1½ | 1.9 | 1.611 | .145 | 5.969 | 5.061 | 2.835 | 2.038 | .797 | 2.01 | 2.371 | 70.66 | 2.678 | 11½ |
| 2 | 2.375 | 2.067 | .154 | 7.461 | 6.494 | 4.43 | 3.356 | 1.074 | 1.608 | 1.848 | 42.91 | 3.609 | 11½ |
| 2½ | 2.875 | 2.468 | .204 | 9.032 | 7.753 | 6.492 | 4.784 | 1.708 | 1.328 | 1.547 | 30.1 | 5.739 | 8 |
| 3 | 3.5 | 3.067 | .217 | 10.996 | 9.636 | 9.621 | 7.388 | 2.243 | 1.091 | 1.245 | 19.5 | 7.536 | 8 |

## WROUGHT IRON AND STEEL STEAM, GAS AND WATER PIPE.

### Table of Standard Dimensions.

| Diameter Nominal Internal (Inch.) | Diameter Actual External (Inches) | Diameter Approximate Internal (Inches) | Nominal Thickness (Inch.) | Circumference External (Inches) | Circumference Internal (Inches) | Transverse Areas External (Sq. In.) | Transverse Areas Internal (Sq. In.) | Transverse Areas Metal (Sq. In.) | Length of Pipe per Square Foot External Surface (Feet) | Length of Pipe per Square Foot Internal Surface (Feet) | Length of Pipe Containing One Cubic Foot (Feet) | Nominal Weight per Foot (Pounds) | Number of Threads per Inch of Screw. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3½ | 4. | 3.548 | .226 | 12.566 | 11.146 | 12.566 | 9.887 | 2.679 | .955 | 1.077 | 14.57 | 9.001 | 8 |
| 4 | 4.5 | 4.026 | .237 | 14.137 | 12.648 | 15.904 | 12.73 | 3.174 | .849 | .949 | 11.31 | 10.665 | 8 |
| 4½ | 5. | 4.508 | .246 | 15.708 | 14.162 | 19.635 | 15.961 | 3.674 | .764 | .848 | 9.02 | 12.49 | 8 |
| 5 | 5.563 | 5.045 | .259 | 17.477 | 15.849 | 24.306 | 19.99 | 4.316 | .687 | .757 | 7.2 | 14.502 | 8 |
| 6 | 6.625 | 6.065 | .28 | 20.813 | 19.054 | 34.472 | 28.888 | 5.584 | .577 | .63 | 4.98 | 18.762 | 8 |
| 7 | 7.625 | 7.023 | .301 | 23.955 | 22.063 | 45.664 | 38.738 | 6.926 | .501 | .544 | 3.72 | 23.271 | 8 |
| 8 | 8.625 | 7.982 | .322 | 27.096 | 25.076 | 58.426 | 50.04 | 8.386 | .443 | .478 | 2.88 | 28.177 | 8 |
| 9 | 9.625 | 8.937 | .344 | 30.238 | 28.076 | 72.76 | 62.73 | 10.03 | .397 | .427 | 2.29 | 33.701 | 8 |
| 10 | 10.75 | 10.019 | .366 | 33.772 | 31.477 | 90.763 | 78.839 | 11.924 | .355 | .382 | 1.82 | 40.065 | 8 |
| 11 | 11.75 | 11. | | 36.914 | 34.558 | 108.434 | 95.033 | 13.401 | .325 | .347 | 1.51 | 45.028 | 8 |
| 12 | 12.75 | 12. | | 40.055 | 37.7 | 127.677 | 113.098 | 14.579 | .299 | .319 | 1.27 | 48.985 | 8 |

## WROUGHT IRON AND STEEL EXTRA STRONG PIPE.

### Table of Standard Dimensions.

| Diameter | | | Nominal Thickness. | Nearest Wire Gauge. | Circumference. | | Transverse Areas. | | | Length of Pipe per Square Foot of | | Nominal Weight per Foot. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Nominal Internal. | Actual External. | Approximate Internal Diameter. | | | External. | Internal. | External. | Internal. | Metal. | External Surface. | Internal Surface. | |
| Inch. | Inches. | Inches. | Inches. | No. | Inches. | Inches. | Sq. In. | Sq. In. | Sq. In. | Feet. | Feet. | Pounds |
| ⅛ | .405 | .205 | .1 | 12½ | 1.272 | .644 | .129 | .033 | .086 | 9.433 | 18.632 | .29 |
| ¼ | .54 | .294 | .123 | 11 | 1.696 | .924 | .229 | .068 | .161 | 7.075 | 12.986 | .54 |
| ⅜ | .675 | .421 | .127 | 10½ | 2.121 | 1.323 | .358 | .139 | .219 | 5.657 | 9.07 | .74 |
| ½ | .84 | .542 | .149 | 9 | 2.639 | 1.703 | .554 | .231 | .323 | 4.547 | 7.046 | 1.09 |
| ¾ | 1.05 | .736 | .157 | 8½ | 3.299 | 2.312 | .866 | .452 | .414 | 3.637 | 5.109 | 1.39 |
| 1 | 1.315 | .951 | .182 | 7 | 4.131 | 2.988 | 1.358 | .71 | .648 | 2.904 | 4.016 | 2.17 |
| 1¼ | 1.66 | 1.272 | .194 | 6½ | 5.215 | 3.996 | 2.164 | 1.271 | .893 | 2.301 | 3.003 | 3. |
| 1½ | 1.9 | 1.494 | .203 | 6 | 5.969 | 4.694 | 2.835 | 1.753 | 1.082 | 2.01 | 2.556 | 3.63 |
| 2 | 2.375 | 1.933 | .221 | 5 | 7.461 | 6.073 | 4.43 | 2.935 | 1.495 | 1.608 | 1.975 | 5.02 |
| 2½ | 2.875 | 2.315 | .28 | 2 | 9.032 | 7.273 | 6.492 | 4.209 | 2.283 | 1.328 | 1.649 | 7.67 |
| 3 | 3.5 | 2.892 | .304 | 1 | 10.096 | 9.085 | 9.621 | 6.569 | 3.052 | 1.091 | 1.328 | 10.25 |
| 3½ | 4. | 3.358 | .321 | 0 | 12.566 | 10.549 | 12.566 | 8.856 | 3.71 | .955 | 1.137 | 12.47 |
| 4 | 4.5 | 3.818 | .341 | 0 | 14.137 | 11.995 | 15.904 | 11.449 | 4.455 | .849 | 1. | 14.97 |
| 5 | 5.563 | 4.813 | .375 | 00 | 17.477 | 15.120 | 24.306 | 18.198 | 6.12 | .687 | .793 | 20.54 |
| 6 | 6.625 | 5.75 | .437 | 000 | 20.813 | 18.064 | 34.472 | 25.967 | 8.505 | .577 | .664 | 28.58 |

## WROUGHT IRON AND STEEL DOUBLE EXTRA STRONG PIPE.

### Table of Standard Dimensions.

| Diameter Nominal Internal (Inch.) | Diameter Actual External (Inches) | Diameter Approximate Internal (Inches) | Thickness Nominal (Inches) | Nearest Wire Gauge No. | Circumference External (Inches) | Circumference Internal (Inches) | Transverse Areas External (Sq. In.) | Transverse Areas Internal (Sq. In.) | Transverse Areas Metal (Sq. In.) | Length of Pipe per Sq. Foot External Surface (Feet) | Length of Pipe per Sq. Foot Internal Surface (Feet) | Nominal Weight per Foot (Pounds) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ½ | .84 | .244 | .298 | 1 | 2.639 | .766 | .554 | .047 | .507 | 4.547 | 15.667 | 1.7 |
| ¾ | 1.05 | .422 | .314 | 1 | 3.299 | 1.326 | .866 | .139 | .727 | 3.637 | 9.049 | 2.44 |
| 1 | 1.315 | .587 | .364 | 00 | 4.131 | 1.844 | 1.358 | .271 | 1.087 | 2.904 | 6.508 | 3.65 |
| 1¼ | 1.66 | .885 | .388 | 00 | 5.215 | 2.78 | 2.164 | .615 | 1.549 | 2.304 | 4.317 | 5.2 |
| 1½ | 1.9 | 1.088 | .406 | 000 | 5.969 | 3.418 | 2.835 | .93 | 1.905 | 2.01 | 3.511 | 6.4 |
| 2 | 2.375 | 1.491 | .442 | 0000 | 7.461 | 4.684 | 4.43 | 1.744 | 2.686 | 1.608 | 2.561 | 9.02 |
| 2½ | 2.875 | 1.755 | .560 | 9/16 | 9.032 | 5.513 | 6.492 | 2.419 | 4.073 | 1.328 | 2.176 | 13.68 |
| 3 | 3.5 | 2.284 | .608 | 5/8 | 10.996 | 7.175 | 9.621 | 4.097 | 5.524 | 1.091 | 1.672 | 18.56 |
| 3½ | 4. | 2.716 | .642 | 5/8 × | 12.566 | 8.533 | 12.566 | 5.794 | 6.772 | .955 | 1.406 | 22.75 |
| 4 | 4.5 | 3.136 | .682 | 11/16 | 14.137 | 9.852 | 15.904 | 7.724 | 8.18 | .849 | 1.217 | 27.48 |
| 5 | 5.563 | 4.063 | .75 | 3/4 | 17.477 | 12.764 | 24.306 | 12.965 | 11.34 | .687 | .940 | 38.12 |
| 6 | 6.625 | 4.875 | .875 | 7/8 | 20.813 | 15.315 | 34.472 | 18.666 | 15.806 | .577 | .784 | 53.11 |

## TABLE GIVING VELOCITY OF FLOW OF WATER

In Feet per Minute, Through Pipes of Various Sizes, for Varying Quantities of Flow.

| Gallons per Minute. | 3-4 inch. | 1 inch. | 1 1-4 inch. | 1 1-2 inch. | 2 inch. | 2 1-2 inch. | 3 inch. | 4 inch. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5 | 218 | 122½ | 78⅓ | 54½ | 30½ | 19½ | 13½ | 7⅔ |
| 10 | 436 | 245 | 157 | 109 | 61 | 38 | 27 | 15⅓ |
| 15 | 653 | 367½ | 235½ | 163½ | 91½ | 58½ | 40½ | 23 |
| 20 | 872 | 490 | 314 | 218 | 122 | 78 | 54 | 30⅔ |
| 25 | 1090 | 612½ | 392½ | 272½ | 152½ | 97½ | 67½ | 38⅓ |
| 30 | | 735 | 451 | 327 | 183 | 117 | 81 | 46 |
| 35 | | 857½ | 549½ | 381⅓ | 213⅓ | 136⅓ | 94½ | 53⅔ |
| 40 | | 980 | 628 | 436 | 244 | 156 | 108 | 61⅓ |
| 45 | | 1102½ | 706½ | 490½ | 274½ | 175½ | 121½ | 69 |
| 50 | | | 785 | 545 | 305 | 195 | 135 | 76⅔ |
| 75 | | | 1177½ | 817½ | 457⅓ | 292½ | 202½ | 115 |
| 100 | | | | 1090 | 610 | 380 | 270 | 153⅓ |
| 125 | | | | | 762½ | 487½ | 337½ | 191⅔ |
| 150 | | | | | 915 | 585 | 405 | 230 |
| 175 | | | | | 1067⅓ | 682½ | 472½ | 268⅓ |
| 200 | | | | | 1220 | 780 | 540 | 306⅔ |

## TABLE GIVING LOSS IN PRESSURE

Due to Friction, in Pounds, per Square Inch, for Pipe 100 Feet Long.

| Gallons Discharged per Minute | 3-4 inch. | 1 inch. | 1 1-4 inch. | 1 1-2 inch. | 2 inch. | 2 1-2 inch. | 3 inch. | 4 inch. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5 | 3.3 | 0.84 | 0.31 | 0.12 | | | | |
| 10 | 13.0 | 3.16 | 1.05 | 0.47 | 0.12 | | | |
| 15 | 28.7 | 6.98 | 2.38 | 0.97 | 0.27 | 0.06 | | |
| 20 | 50.4 | 12.3 | 4.07 | 1.66 | 0.42 | 0.13 | 0.03 | |
| 25 | 78.0 | 19.0 | 6.40 | 2.62 | 0.67 | 0.21 | 0.10 | |
| 30 | | 27.5 | 9.15 | 3.75 | 0.91 | 0.30 | 0.12 | 0.03 |
| 35 | | 37.0 | 12.4 | 5.05 | 1.26 | 0.42 | 0.14 | 0.05 |
| 40 | | 48.0 | 16.1 | 6.52 | 1.60 | 0.51 | 0.17 | 0.06 |
| 45 | | | 20.2 | 8.15 | 2.01 | 0.62 | 0.27 | 0.07 |
| 50 | | | 24.9 | 10.0 | 2.44 | 0.81 | 0.35 | 0.09 |
| 75 | | | 56.1 | 22.4 | 5.32 | 1.80 | 0.74 | 0.21 |
| 100 | | | | 39.0 | 9.46 | 3.20 | 1.31 | 0.33 |
| 125 | | | | | 14.9 | 4.89 | 1.99 | 0.51 |
| 150 | | | | | 21.2 | 7.0 | 2.88 | 0.69 |
| 175 | | | | | 28.1 | 9.46 | 3.85 | 0.95 |
| 200 | | | | | 37.5 | 12.47 | 5.02 | 1.22 |

## Tensile Strength of Bolts.

| Diameter of Bolt in Inches. | Area at Bottom of Thread. | At 7,000 lbs. per square inch. | At 10,000 lbs. per square inch | At 12,000 lbs. per square inch. | At 15,000 lbs. per square inch. | At 20,000 lbs. per square inch. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ½ | .125 | 875 | 1,250 | 1,500 | 1,875 | 2,500 |
| ⅝ | .196 | 1,372 | 1,960 | 2,350 | 2,940 | 3,920 |
| ¾ | .3 | 2,100 | 3,000 | 3,600 | 4,500 | 6,000 |
| ⅞ | .42 | 2,940 | 4,200 | 5,040 | 6,300 | 8,400 |
| 1 | .55 | 3,850 | 5,500 | 6,600 | 8,250 | 11,000 |
| 1⅛ | .69 | 4,830 | 6,900 | 8,280 | 10,350 | 13,800 |
| 1¼ | .78 | 5,460 | 7,800 | 9,300 | 11,700 | 15,600 |
| 1⅜ | 1.06 | 7,420 | 10,600 | 12,720 | 15,900 | 21,200 |
| 1½ | 1.28 | 8,960 | 12,800 | 15,360 | 19,200 | 25,600 |
| 1⅝ | 1.53 | 10,710 | 15,300 | 18,360 | 22,950 | 30,600 |
| 1¾ | 1.76 | 12,320 | 17,600 | 21,120 | 26,400 | 35,200 |
| 1⅞ | 2.03 | 14,210 | 20,300 | 24,360 | 30,450 | 40,600 |
| 2 | 2.3 | 16,100 | 23,000 | 27,600 | 34,500 | 46,000 |
| 2¼ | 3.12 | 21,840 | 31,200 | 37,440 | 46,800 | 62,400 |
| 2½ | 3.7 | 25,900 | 37,000 | 44,400 | 55,500 | 74,000 |

The breaking strength of good American bolt iron is usually taken at 50,000 pounds per square inch, with an elongation of 15 per cent before breaking. It should not set under a strain of less than 25,000 pounds. The proof strain is 20,000 pounds per square inch, and beyond this amount iron should never be strained in practice.

### TABLE OF THE PROPERTIES OF SATURATED STEAM.

| Gauge pressure in lbs. per sq. in. | Temperature in degrees F. | Total heat units from water at 32° F. | Heat units in liquid from 32° F. | Heat of vaporization in heat units. | Density of weight of 1 cu. ft. in lbs. | Volume of 1 lb. in cubic feet | Weight of 1 cu. ft. of water. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | 212.00 | 1146.6 | 180.8 | 965.8 | 0.03760 | 26.60 | 59.76 |
| | | | | | | | 59.64 |
| 10 | 239.36 | 1154.9 | 208.4 | 946.5 | 0.06128 | 16.32 | 59.04 |
| 20 | 258.68 | 1160.8 | 227.9 | 932.9 | 0.08439 | 11.85 | 58.50 |
| 30 | 273.87 | 1165.5 | 243.2 | 922.3 | 0.1070 | 9.347 | 58.07 |
| 40 | 286.54 | 1169.3 | 255.9 | 913.4 | 0.1292 | 7.736 | 57.69 |
| 50 | 297.46 | 1172.6 | 266.9 | 905.7 | 0.1512 | 6.612 | 57.32 |
| 55 | 302.42 | 1174.2 | 271.9 | 902.3 | 0.1621 | 6.169 | 57.22 |
| 60 | 307.10 | 1175.6 | 276.6 | 899.0 | 0.1729 | 5.784 | 57.08 |
| 65 | 311.54 | 1176.9 | 281.1 | 895.8 | 0.1837 | 5.443 | 56.95 |
| 70 | 315.77 | 1178.2 | 285.6 | 892.7 | 0.1945 | 5.142 | 56.82 |
| 75 | 319.80 | 1179.5 | 289.8 | 889.8 | 0.2052 | 4.873 | 56.69 |
| 80 | 323.66 | 1180.6 | 293.8 | 886.9 | 0.2159 | 4.633 | 56.59 |
| 85 | 327.36 | 1181.8 | 297.7 | 884.2 | 0.2265 | 4.415 | 56.47 |
| 90 | 330.92 | 1182.8 | 301.5 | 881.5 | 0.2371 | 4.218 | 56.36 |
| 95 | 334.35 | 1183.9 | 305.0 | 879.0 | 0.2477 | 4.037 | 56.25 |
| 100 | 337.66 | 1184.9 | 308.5 | 876.5 | 0.2583 | 3.872 | 56.18 |
| 105 | 340.86 | 1185.9 | 311.8 | 874.1 | 0.2689 | 3.720 | 56.07 |
| 110 | 343.95 | 1186.8 | 315.0 | 871.8 | 0.2794 | 3.580 | 55.97 |
| 115 | 346.94 | 1187.7 | 318.2 | 869.6 | 0.2898 | 3.452 | 55.87 |
| 120 | 349.85 | 1188.6 | 321.2 | 867.4 | 0.3003 | 3.330 | 55.77 |
| 125 | 352.68 | 1189.5 | 324.2 | 865.3 | 0.3107 | 3.219 | 55.69 |
| 130 | 355.43 | 1190.3 | 327.0 | 863.3 | 0.3212 | 3.113 | 55.58 |
| 135 | 358.10 | 1191.1 | 329.8 | 861.3 | 0.3315 | 3.017 | 55.52 |
| 140 | 360.70 | 1191.9 | 332.5 | 859.4 | 0.3420 | 2.924 | 55.44 |
| 145 | 363.25 | 1192.8 | 335.2 | 857.5 | 0.3524 | 2.838 | 55.36 |
| 150 | 365.73 | 1193.5 | 337.8 | 855.7 | 0.3629 | 2.756 | 55.29 |
| 155 | 368.62 | 1194.3 | 340.3 | 853.9 | 0.3731 | 2.681 | 55.22 |
| 160 | 370.51 | 1195.0 | 342.8 | 852.1 | 0.3835 | 2.608 | 55.15 |
| 165 | 372.83 | 1195.7 | 345.2 | 850.4 | 0.3939 | 2.539 | 55.07 |
| 170 | 375.09 | 1196.3 | 347.6 | 848.7 | 0.4043 | 2.474 | 54.99 |
| 175 | 377.31 | 1197.0 | 349.9 | 847.1 | 0.4147 | 2.412 | 54.93 |
| 180 | 379.48 | 1197.7 | 352.2 | 845.4 | 0.4251 | 2.353 | 54.86 |
| 185 | 381.60 | 1198.3 | 354.4 | 843.9 | 0.4353 | 2.297 | 54.79 |
| 190 | 383.70 | 1199.0 | 356.6 | 842.3 | 0.4455 | 2.244 | 54.73 |
| 195 | 385.75 | 1199.6 | 358.8 | 840.8 | 0.4559 | 2.193 | 54.66 |
| 200 | 387.76 | 1200.2 | 360.9 | 839.2 | 0.4663 | 2.145 | 54.60 |
| 225 | 397.36 | 1203.1 | 370.9 | 832.2 | 0.5179 | 1.930 | 54.27 |
| 250 | 406.07 | 1205.8 | 380.1 | 825.7 | 0.5699 | 1.755 | 54.03 |
| 275 | 414.22 | 1208.3 | 388.5 | 819.8 | 0.621 | 1.609 | 53.77 |
| 300 | 421.83 | 1210.6 | 396.5 | 814.1 | 0.674 | 1.482 | 53.54 |

## CHIMNEYS.

| Area Square Feet | Diameter, Inches | HEIGHTS IN FEET. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 75 | 80 | 85 | 90 | 95 | 100 | 110 | 120 | 130 | 140 | 150 | 175 | 200 |
| | | COMMERCIAL HORSE-POWER. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3.14 | 24 | 75 | 78 | 81 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3.69 | 26 | 90 | 92 | 95 | 98 | | | | | | | | | |
| 4.28 | 28 | | 106 | 110 | 114 | 117 | 120 | | | | | | | |
| 4.91 | 30 | | 122 | 127 | 130 | 133 | 137 | | | | | | | |
| 5.59 | 32 | | | 144 | 149 | 152 | 156 | 164 | | | | | | |
| 6.31 | 34 | | | 162 | 168 | 171 | 176 | 185 | | | | | | |
| 7.07 | 36 | | | | 188 | 192 | 198 | 208 | 215 | | | | | |
| 8.73 | 40 | | | | | 237 | 244 | 257 | 267 | 279 | | | | |
| 10.56 | 44 | | | | | 287 | 296 | 310 | 322 | 337 | | | | |
| 12.57 | 48 | | | | | | 352 | 370 | 384 | 400 | 413 | | | |
| 15.90 | 54 | | | | | | 445 | 468 | 484 | 507 | 526 | | | |
| 19.63 | 60 | | | | | | | 577 | 600 | 627 | 650 | 672 | | |
| 23.76 | 66 | | | | | | | 697 | 725 | 758 | 784 | 815 | | |
| 28.27 | 72 | | | | | | | | 862 | 902 | 931 | 969 | 1044 | |
| 38.48 | 84 | | | | | | | | 1173 | 1229 | 1270 | 1319 | 1422 | |
| 50.27 | 96 | | | | | | | | | 1584 | 1660 | 1725 | 1859 | 1983 |
| 63.62 | 108 | | | | | | | | | 2058 | 2102 | 2181 | 2352 | 2511 |
| 78.54 | 120 | | | | | | | | | | 2596 | 2693 | 2904 | 3100 |

## REDUCTION OF CHIMNEY DRAFT BY LONG FLUES.

| Total Length of Flues, in feet. | 50 | 100 | 200 | 400 | 600 | 800 | 1000 | 2000 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Chimney Draft, in per cent. | 100 | 93 | 79 | 66 | 58 | 52 | 48 | 35 |

| AREA OF CIRCLES. | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Diam. | Area. | Diam. | Area. | Diam. | Area. | Diam. | Area. |
| ⅛ | 0.0123 | 10 | 78.54 | 30 | 706.86 | 65 | 3318.3 |
| ¼ | 0.0491 | 10½ | 86.59 | 31 | 754.76 | 66 | 3421.2 |
| ⅜ | 0.1104 | 11 | 95.03 | 32 | 804.24 | 67 | 3525.6 |
| ½ | 0.1963 | 11½ | 103.86 | 33 | 855.30 | 68 | 3631.6 |
| ⅝ | 0.3068 | 12 | 113.09 | 34 | 907.92 | 69 | 3739.2 |
| ¾ | 0.4418 | 12½ | 122.71 | 35 | 962.11 | 70 | 3848.4 |
| ⅞ | 0.6013 | 13 | 132.73 | 36 | 1017.8 | 71 | 3959.2 |
| 1 | 0.7854 | 13½ | 143.13 | 37 | 1075.2 | 72 | 4071.5 |
| 1⅛ | 0.9940 | 14 | 153.93 | 38 | 1134.1 | 73 | 4185.4 |
| 1¼ | 1.227 | 14½ | 165.13 | 39 | 1194.5 | 74 | 4300.8 |
| 1⅜ | 1.484 | 15 | 176.71 | 40 | 1256.6 | 75 | 4417.8 |
| 1½ | 1.767 | 15½ | 188.69 | 41 | 1320.2 | 76 | 4536 4 |
| 1⅝ | 2.073 | 16 | 201.06 | 42 | 1385.4 | 77 | 4656.6 |
| 1¾ | 2.405 | 16½ | 213.82 | 43 | 1452.2 | 78 | 4778.3 |
| 1⅞ | 2.761 | 17 | 226.98 | 44 | 1520.5 | 79 | 4901.6 |
| 2 | 3.141 | 17½ | 240.52 | 45 | 1590.4 | 80 | 5026.5 |
| 2¼ | 3.976 | 18 | 254.46 | 46 | 1661.9 | 81 | 5153.0 |
| 2½ | 4.908 | 18½ | 268.80 | 47 | 1734.9 | 82 | 5281.0 |
| 2¾ | 5.939 | 19 | 283.52 | 48 | 1809.5 | 83 | 5410.6 |
| 3 | 7.068 | 19½ | 298.64 | 49 | 1885.7 | 84 | 5541.7 |
| 3¼ | 8.295 | 20 | 314.16 | 50 | 1963.5 | 85 | 5674.5 |
| 3½ | 9.621 | 20½ | 330.06 | 51 | 2042.8 | 86 | 5808.8 |
| 3¾ | 11.044 | 21 | 346.36 | 52 | 2123.7 | 87 | 5944.6 |
| 4 | 12.566 | 21½ | 363.05 | 53 | 2206.1 | 88 | 6082.1 |
| 4½ | 15.904 | 22 | 380.13 | 54 | 2290.2 | 89 | 6221.1 |
| 5 | 19.635 | 22½ | 397.60 | 55 | 2375.8 | 90 | 6361.7 |
| 5½ | 23.758 | 23 | 415.47 | 56 | 2463.0 | 91 | 6503.9 |
| 6 | 28.274 | 23½ | 433.73 | 57 | 2551.7 | 92 | 6647.6 |
| 6½ | 33.183 | 24 | 452.39 | 58 | 2642.0 | 93 | 6792.9 |
| 7 | 38.484 | 24½ | 471.43 | 59 | 2733.9 | 94 | 6939.8 |
| 7½ | 44.178 | 25 | 490.87 | 60 | 2827.4 | 95 | 7088.2 |
| 8 | 50.265 | 26 | 530.93 | 61 | 2922.4 | 96 | 7238.2 |
| 8½ | 56.745 | 27 | 572.55 | 62 | 3019.0 | 97 | 7389.8 |
| 9 | 63.617 | 28 | 615.75 | 63 | 3117.2 | 98 | 7542.9 |
| 9½ | 70.882 | 29 | 660.52 | 64 | .3216.9 | 99 | 7697.7 |

To compute the area of a diameter greater than any in the above table:

RULE.—Divide the dimension by 2, 3, 4, etc., if practicable, until it is reduced to a quotient to be found in the table, then multiply the tabular area of the quotient by the square of the factor. The product will be the area required.

EXAMPLE.—What is area of diameter of 150? 150 ÷ 5 = 30. Tabular area of 30 = 706.86 which × 25 = 17,671.5 area required.

## CIRCUMFERENCE OF CIRCLES.

| Diam. | Circum. | Diam. | Circum. | Diam. | Circum. | Diam. | Circum. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ⅛ | .3927 | 10 | 31.41 | 30 | 94.24 | 65 | 204.2 |
| ¼ | .7854 | 10½ | 32.98 | 31 | 97.38 | 66 | 207.3 |
| ⅜ | 1.178 | 11 | 34.55 | 32 | 100.5 | 67 | 210.4 |
| ½ | 1.570 | 11½ | 36.12 | 33 | 103.6 | 68 | 213.6 |
| ⅝ | 1.963 | 12 | 37.69 | 34 | 106.8 | 69 | 216.7 |
| ¾ | 2.356 | 12½ | 39.27 | 35 | 109.9 | 70 | 219.9 |
| ⅞ | 2.748 | 13 | 40.84 | 36 | 113.0 | 71 | 223.0 |
| 1 | 3.141 | 13½ | 42.41 | 37 | 116.2 | 72 | 226.1 |
| 1⅛ | 3.534 | 14 | 43.98 | 38 | 119.3 | 73 | 229.3 |
| 1¼ | 3.927 | 14½ | 45.55 | 39 | 122.5 | 74 | 232.4 |
| 1⅜ | 4.319 | 15 | 47.12 | 40 | 125.6 | 75 | 235.6 |
| 1½ | 4.712 | 15½ | 48.69 | 41 | 128.8 | 76 | 238.7 |
| 1⅝ | 5.105 | 16 | 50.26 | 42 | 131.9 | 77 | 241.9 |
| 1¾ | 5.497 | 16½ | 51.83 | 43 | 135.0 | 78 | 245.0 |
| 1⅞ | 5.890 | 17 | 53.40 | 44 | 138.2 | 79 | 248.1 |
| 2 | 6.283 | 17½ | 54.97 | 45 | 141.3 | 80 | 251.3 |
| 2¼ | 7.068 | 18 | 56.54 | 46 | 144.5 | 81 | 254.4 |
| 2½ | 7.854 | 18½ | 58.11 | 47 | 147.6 | 82 | 257.6 |
| 2¾ | 8.639 | 19 | 59.69 | 48 | 150.7 | 83 | 260.7 |
| 3 | 9.424 | 19½ | 61.26 | 49 | 153.9 | 84 | 263.8 |
| 3¼ | 10.21 | 20 | 62.83 | 50 | 157.0 | 85 | 267.0 |
| 3½ | 10.99 | 20½ | 64.40 | 51 | 160.2 | 86 | 270.1 |
| 3¾ | 11.78 | 21 | 65.97 | 52 | 163.3 | 87 | 273.3 |
| 4 | 12.56 | 21½ | 67.54 | 53 | 166.5 | 88 | 276.4 |
| 4½ | 14.13 | 22 | 69.11 | 54 | 169.6 | 89 | 279.6 |
| 5 | 15.70 | 22½ | 70.68 | 55 | 172.7 | 90 | 282.7 |
| 5½ | 17.27 | 23 | 72.25 | 56 | 175.9 | 91 | 285.8 |
| 6 | 18.84 | 23½ | 73.82 | 57 | 179.0 | 92 | 289.0 |
| 6½ | 20.42 | 24 | 75.39 | 58 | 182.2 | 93 | 292.1 |
| 7 | 21.99 | 24½ | 76.96 | 59 | 185.3 | 94 | 295.3 |
| 7½ | 23.56 | 25 | 78.54 | 60 | 188.4 | 95 | 298.4 |
| 8 | 25.13 | 26 | 81.68 | 61 | 191.6 | 96 | 301.5 |
| 8½ | 26.70 | 27 | 84.82 | 62 | 194.7 | 97 | 304.7 |
| 9 | 28.27 | 28 | 87.96 | 63 | 197.9 | 98 | 307.8 |
| 9½ | 29.84 | 29 | 91.10 | 64 | 201.0 | 99 | 311.0 |

To compute the circumference of a diameter greater than any in the above table:

RULE.—Divide the dimension by 2, 3, 4, etc., if practicable, until it is reduced to a diameter to be found in table. Take the tabular circumference of this diameter, multiply it by 2, 3, 4, etc., according as it was divided, and the product will be the circumference required.

EXAMPLE.—What is the circumference of a diameter of 125? 125 ÷ 5 = 25. Tabular circumference of 25 = 78.54, 78.54 × 5 = 392.7, circumference required.

| PROPERTIES OF METALS. | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Melting Point. Degrees Fahrenheit. | Weight in Lbs. per Cubic Foot. | Weight in Lbs. per Cubic Inch. | Tensile Strength in Pounds per Square Inch. |
| Aluminum | 1140 | 166 .5 | .0963 | 15000-30000 |
| Antimony | 810-1000 | 421.6 | .2439 | 1050 |
| Brass (average) | 1500-1700 | 523.2 | .3027 | 30000-45000 |
| Copper | 1930 | 552. | .3195 | 30000-40000 |
| Gold (pure) | 2100 | 1200.9 | .6949 | 20380 |
| Iron, cast | 1900-2200 | 450. | .2604 | 20000-35000 |
| Iron, wrought | 2700-2830 | 480. | .2779 | 35000-60000 |
| Lead | 618 | 709.7 | .4106 | 1000-3000 |
| Mercury | 39 | 846.8 | .4900 | |
| Nickel | 2800 | 548.7 | .3175 | |
| Silver (pure) | 1800 | 655.1 | .3791 | 40000 |
| Steel | 2370-2685 | 489.6 | .2834 | 50000-120000 |
| Tin | 475 | 458.3 | .2652 | 5000 |
| Zinc | 780 | 436.5 | .2526 | 3500 |

NOTE.—The wide variations in the tensile strength are due to the different forms and qualities of the metal tested. In the case of lead, the lowest strength is for lead cast in a mould, the highest for wire drawn after numerous workings of the metal. With steel it varies with the percentage of carbon used, which is varied according to the grade of steel required. Mercury becomes solid at 39 degrees below zero.

| DECIMAL PARTS OF AN INCH. | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1-64 | .01563 | 11-32 | .34375 | 43-64 | .67188 |
| 1-32 | .03125 | 23-64 | .35938 | 11-16 | .6875 |
| 3-64 | .04688 | 3-8 | .375 | | |
| 1-16 | .0625 | | | 45-64 | .70313 |
| | | 25-64 | .39063 | 23-32 | .71875 |
| 5-64 | .07813 | 13-32 | .40625 | 47-64 | .73438 |
| 3-32 | .09375 | 27-64 | .42188 | 3-4 | .75 |
| 7-64 | .10938 | 7-16 | .4375 | | |
| 1-8 | .125 | | | 49-64 | .76563 |
| | | 29-64 | .45313 | 25-32 | .78125 |
| 9-64 | .14063 | 15-32 | .46875 | 51-64 | .79688 |
| 5-32 | .15625 | 31-64 | .48438 | 13-16 | .8125 |
| 11-64 | .17188 | 1-2 | .5 | | |
| 3-16 | .1875 | | | 53-64 | .82813 |
| | | 33-64 | .51563 | 27-32 | .84375 |
| 13-64 | .20313 | 17-32 | .53125 | 55-64 | .85938 |
| 7-32 | .21875 | 35-64 | .54688 | 7-8 | .875 |
| 15-64 | .23438 | 9-16 | .5625 | | |
| 1-4 | .25 | | | 57-64 | .89063 |
| | | 37-64 | .57813 | 29-32 | .90625 |
| 17-64 | .26563 | 19-32 | .59375 | 59-64 | .92188 |
| 9-32 | .28125 | 39-64 | .60938 | 15-16 | .9375 |
| 19-64 | .29688 | 5-8 | .625 | | |
| 5-16 | .3125 | | | 61-64 | .95313 |
| | | 41-64 | .64063 | 31-32 | .96875 |
| 21-64 | .32813 | 21-32 | .65625 | 63-64 | .97438 |

| MELTING POINTS OF ALLOYS OF TIN, LEAD, AND BISMUTH. | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tin. | Lead. | Bismuth. | Melting Point in Degrees Fahrenheit. | Tin. | Lead. | Bismuth. | Melting Point in Degrees Fahrenheit. |
| 2 | 3 | 5 | 199 | 4 | 1 | | 372 |
| 1 | 1 | 4 | 201 | 5 | 1 | | 381 |
| 3 | 2 | 5 | 212 | 2 | 1 | | 385 |
| 4 | 1 | 5 | 246 | 3 | | 1 | 392 |
| 1 | | 1 | 286 | 1 | 1 | | 466 |
| 2 | | 1 | 334 | 1 | 3 | | 552 |
| 3 | 1 | | 367 | | | | |

MELTING, BOILING AND FREEZING POINTS IN DEGREES
FAHRENHEIT OF VARIOUS SUBSTANCES.

| Substance. | Melts at Degrees | Substance. | Melts at Degrees |
|---|---|---|---|
| Platinum | 3080 | Antimony | 810 |
| Wrought-Iron | 2830 | Zinc | 780 |
| Nickel | 2800 | Lead | 618 |
| Steel | 2600 | Bismuth | 476 |
| Cast-Iron | 2200 | Tin | 475 |
| Gold (pure) | 2100 | Cadmium | 442 |
| Copper | 1930 | Sulphur | 226 |
| Gun Metal | 1960 | Bees-Wax | 151 |
| Brass | 1900 | Spermaceti | 142 |
| Silver (pure) | 1800 | Tallow | 72 |
| Aluminum | 1140 | Mercury | 39 |

| Substance. | Boils at Degrees | Substance. | Freezes at Degrees |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mercury | 660 | Olive Oil | 36 |
| Linseed Oil | 600 | Fresh Water | 32 |
| Sulphuric Acid | 590 | Vinegar | 28 |
| Oil of Turpentine | 560 | Sea Water | $27\frac{1}{2}$ |
| Nitric Acid | 242 | Turpentine | 14 |
| Sea Water | 213 | Sulphuric Acid | 1 |
| Fresh Water | 212 | | |

# VACUUM SYSTEM OF STEAM HEATING.

The application of vacuum to steam heating ordinarily involves the employment of a vacuum pump located at, or as near as possible to the lowest point in the return pipe system in which a partial vacuum is to be maintained in order to assist in steam circulation. With such a system properly designed, which means with the return lines graded so that the condensation flows naturally back to the vacuum pump, and with efficient apparatus installed at the proper points, the pump can be of relatively small size as it has little to do beside partially exhausting the air from the piping and radiators so as to establish a lower pressure on the return side of the system. This removal of air once accomplished, the pump has only to handle the condensation and entrained air; the steam condensing in the radiation produces the necessary vacuum to induce a further supply of steam to the heating units. It is only when the physical conditions of the building to be heated make it necessary to have drainage points below the level of the suction inlet of the pump that it is required to ''lift'' the condensation or return water, but, since the steam used to actuate

the pump is afterwards used for heating, with its value impaired only a few per cent, the pump becomes a very efficient power unit.

**Introduction and Advantages.**—The introduction of a vacuum system of steam heating into a building involves either the installation of a complete plant including the vacuum pump in the building, or, on the other hand the steam required for heating may be obtained from a nearby central heating station conducted on the vacuum system which is done in a large number of instances. The principal advantages to be derived from the installation of the vacuum system are:

(1) The circulation of steam through the pipes, radiators and heating coils is quick, positive and uniform.

(2) There is no "water hammer" in the piping of a properly installed vacuum heating system. This is due to the continuous relief of air and the positive removal of the products of condensation.

(3) The absence of air valves on the radiators.

(4) The ability during mild weather, when the demands for heating are slight, to distribute a relatively small volume throughout the system as needed, with a pressure at, or even slightly below that of the atmosphere.

(5) In mills and factories operated by power from non-condensing steam engines or steam turbines, exhaust steam can be used for heating, due to the partial elimination of back pressure. This

either saves directly in fuel consumption or enables the engine to do more work at the same expenditure of fuel. Back pressure upon compound engines and turbines adds to their steam consumption approximately 2.5 to 3 per cent per pound of back pressure, while with simple reciprocating engines the increased steam consumption due to back pressure is 1.5 to 2.5 per cent under favorable conditions and often much more, depending upon conditions.

**Heating Medium.**—The first subject for consideration in designing a vacuum system of heating is the character of the heating medium, whether exhaust or live steam, or a combination of both.

If exhaust steam from engines or auxiliaries is to be utilized, as it should be whenever possible, proper provision must be made to remove the entrained oil and cylinder condensate. For this purpose various methods are employed including the loop seal. A successful device is shown in Figure 104. The apparatus consists of an oil separator connected into the supply pipe, and drained into a grease trap placed about six feet below the separator.

**Pressure-Reducing Valve.**—A pressure-reducing valve is essential to secure the success of the system. Such a valve is designed to automatically admit live steam at reduced pressure into the supply mains at times when the amount of exhaust steam is insufficient. This valve should be espec-

ially adapted to vacuum system service, which
means that the diaphragm should be of ample area
to secure sensitive operation. In the case of
boiler pressures above 125 pounds it is the best
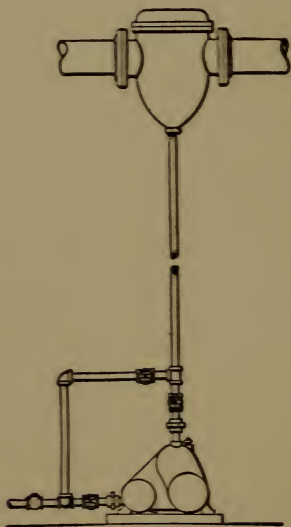


Fig. 104.—Typical method of draining Webster Oil Separator through a
Webster Grease Trap.

practice to "step down" the pressure through two
reducing valves rather than to make a full reduc-
tion with a single valve. By this method more
accurate regulation is secured.

**Radiation.**—Before the supply and return pip-
ing can be properly sized and arranged, the
amount of heat loss should be carefully calculated
for the various rooms and compartments. For

this purpose the rules and tables given elsewhere in this book will be found entirely reliable and satisfactory and apply to any heating system. The rate of condensation varies not only with the type of radiation, but with its location and use.

Ordinary cast-iron loop radiators such as are shown on pages 46 to 50 are most frequently used, except in factories, large ware rooms, etc., where
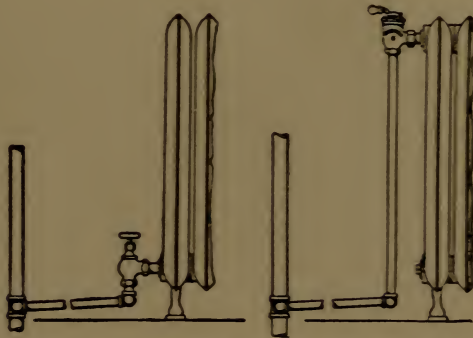


Fig. 105.—Radiator Connections—steam type with bottom connected supply valve. Hot water type with top connected Webster Modulation Valve.

cast-iron wall radiators or ordinary pipe coils may be better adapted. When the riser connections are above the floor line the radiators should be placed so as to secure proper grading of supply and return run-outs from radiators to risers. This may be accomplished as shown in Figure 105.

**Radiator Tappings.**—The tables here presented are furnished by Warren Webster & Co. and apply to vacuum system only.

The Webster modulation valve referred to in the table of radiator tappings and also shown at the top in Figure 105, is a device especially adapted to vacuum heating systems, and will be described and illustrated later on.

Its function is to regulate the supply of steam as needed.

CAST IRON RADIATOR TAPPINGS.

Table of Sizes.

| Square feet of direct radiating surface condensing normally not to exceed ¼ lb. per square foot per hour. | Normal Maximum pounds of condensation per hour. | Supply tapping with Webster Modulation valve attached. | Pipe size of return tapping. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 to 25 | 7 | ¾ in. | ½ in. |
| 26 to 50 | 13 | ¾ in. | ½ in. |
| 51 to 100 | 25 | ¾ in. | ½ in. |
| 101 to 175 | 44 | ¾ in. to 1 in. | ½ in. |
| 176 and over | 75 | 1 in. | ¾ in. |

PIPE COIL TAPPINGS.

Table of Sizes.

| Square feet of direct radiating surface condensing normally not to exceed ¼ lb. per square foot per hour. | Normal maximum pounds of condensation per hour. | Pipe size of supply tapping. | Pipe size of return tapping. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 42 | 13 | ¾ in. | ½ in. |
| 84 | 25 | 1 in. | ½ in. |
| 146 | 44 | 1¼ in. | ½ in. |
| 250 | 75 | 1½ in. | ¾ in. |
| 528 | 158 | 2 in. | ¾ in. |
| 924 | 277 | 2½ in. | 1 in. |

When the radiators are located so that a higher condensation rate will be secured, the sizes of the tappings should be based upon the condensation rate and not upon the size of the radiator.

Direct-indirect radiators will condense at least 33 per cent more than direct radiators. The condensation rate of wall radiators is approximately 0.3 lb. per square foot of radiating surface.
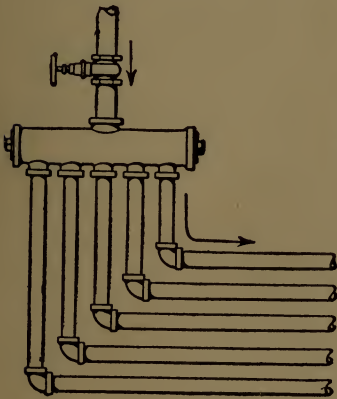


Fig. 106.—When the "harp" coil has but a few pipes, a simple supply connection, as shown, should be made.
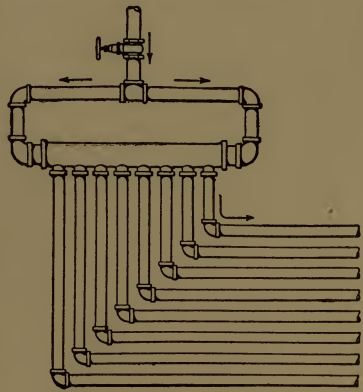
Fig. 107.—Proper method of making supply connections to "harp" coil of large size to insure supply of steam to each pipe in the coil.

**Run-Outs.**—When horizontal supply run-outs above floor level from risers to radiators are more than four feet in length, they should be at least one size larger than the radiator supply trappings given in the tables. In buildings where it is necessary to lay supply run-outs for some distance, practically level under finished floors, these run-outs must be of such size that the velocity of steam

in the direction opposite to the flow of condensation will not prevent the latter from flowing back to the main. It is good practice to make the return run-outs from radiators to risers not smaller than ¾-inch, even when the radiator return tapping is ½-inch, as the larger pipe is not so liable to become distorted, sagged or clogged.

**Pipe Coil Connections.**—Figures 106 and 107 show proper methods of making supply connections to harp coils. Figure 108 shows the supply connection to a manifold coil.
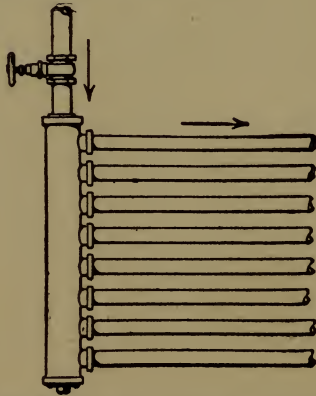


Fig. 108.—Supply connections to manifold coil.

**Arrangement of Supply Piping.**—There are two general methods in use, the up-feed and down-feed systems. The most common arrangement is the up-feed system of risers, locating the supply mains in the basement.

Where conditions require that the main be run centrally with lateral branches of considerable

length it is customary to drip these branches at the base of each riser. The removal of condensation at these points is accomplished either through individual traps discharging into the vacuum return line as shown in Figures 109 and
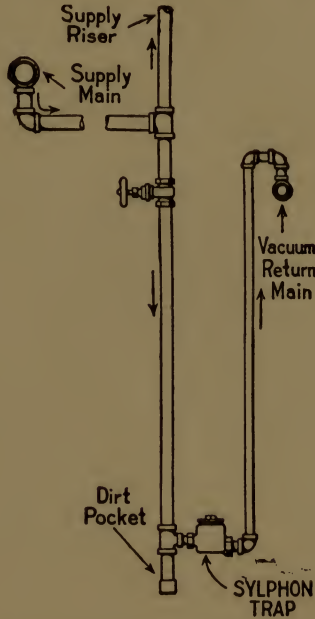


Fig. 109.—Method of dripping supply risers through Webster Sylphon Trap into vacuum return line.

109ᵃ, or by combining these drips into a separate drip line from which the condensation is discharged into the vacuum return line through a heavy duty water line trap as shown in Figure 110.

**Down-Feed System.**—It is frequently better engineering practice to use the down-feed system, especially in high buildings when the main exhaust pipe leads to the roof. This pipe may be used as the main supply riser, and in such case the back pressure valve is located at or near the top of the main riser, below which a branch is taken off to feed a system of distributing mains to supply the down-feed risers as shown in Figure 111.



DIRT STRAINER

DRIP TRAP
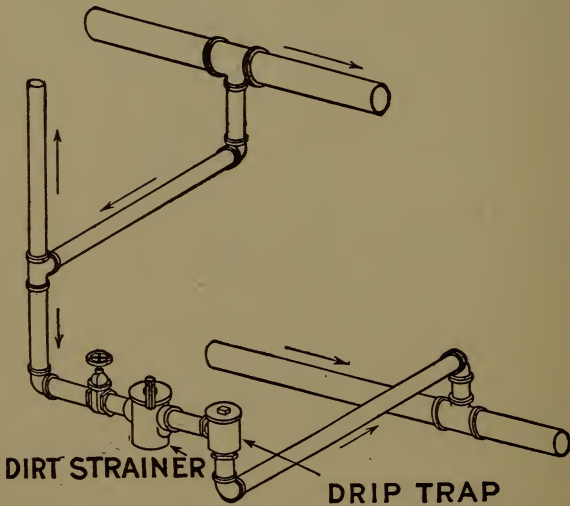
Fig. 109a.—Webster Dirt Strainer and Trap.

These risers may be dripped through individual traps, or the drips may be combined into a separate drip line and discharged through a heavy duty trap into the vacuum return line.

**Vacuum Return Lines.**—The location and arrangement of return piping is the same whether

the up-feed or down-feed system of supply is used. There should always be a slight downward pitch in the direction of the flow of condensation.

The size of vacuum return piping is affected by the amount of vapor to be handled.

In gravity heating systems the returns are filled with steam, while in vacuum systems with efficient traps they are not so filled.

Assuming the supply piping to be correctly proportioned, a safely approximate rule is to make
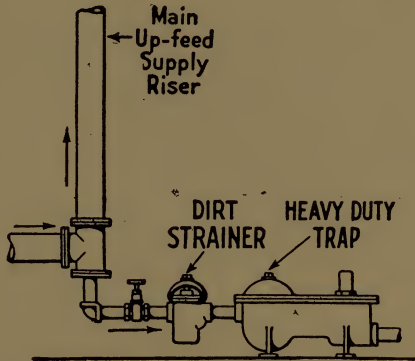


Fig. 110.—Dripping the Main Up-Feed Supply Riser.

the diameter of the horizontal return line not less than one-half the diameter of the corresponding supply line for supply lines of 4-inch and under, while for larger supplies the proportion may be reduced until with a 12-inch supply line for example, a 4-inch return (1/3 supply) would be ample. In no case should a horizontal return pipe less than ¾-inch in size be used for more than

one radiator. "Lifts" in return lines should be avoided when it is possible to arrange for gravity flow to the vacuum pump. When a lift of 6 feet or over cannot be avoided it should be divided into "steps" rather than make the total lift in one rise.
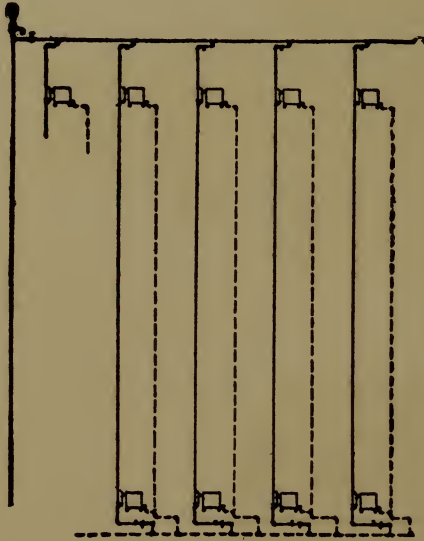


Fig. 111.—The Down-Feed System of Piping.

**Exhausting Apparatus.**—The highest authorities recommend the installation of two vacuum pumps, each of ample capacity for the entire plant, so that either pump may be cleaned and repaired while the other is in operation.

**Modulation Valve.**—Mention has already been made of this valve, a sectional view of which is
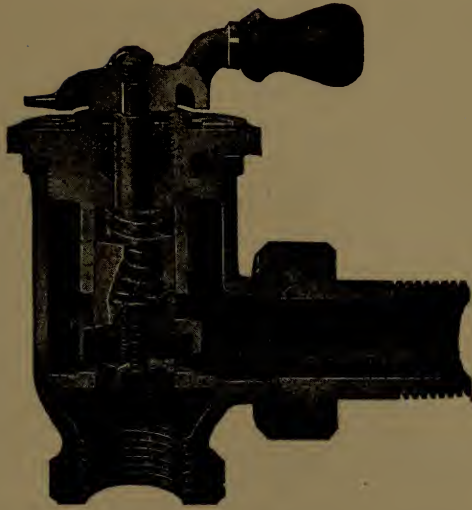
Fig. 112.—Webster Type N Modulation Valve, sectional view.



Fig. 113.—Webster Water-Seal Trap.

shown in Fig. 112. Its proper location in the steam supply leading to a radiator is shown in Fig. 105.

In Figure 114 is shown a sectional view of the Webster sylphon trap which operates on the well-known thermostatic principle, using a sylphon bellows constructed of seamless brass folds the contraction or expansion of which serves to open or close the valve shown at the bottom.
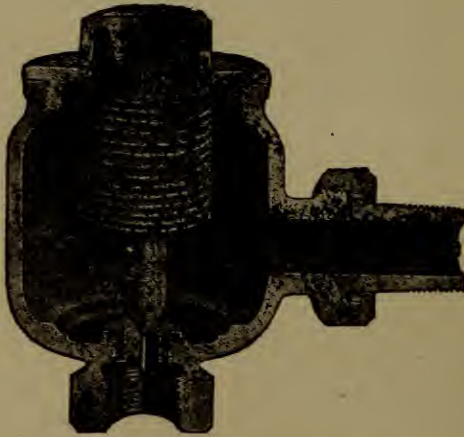


Fig. 114.—Webster Sylphon Trap.

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