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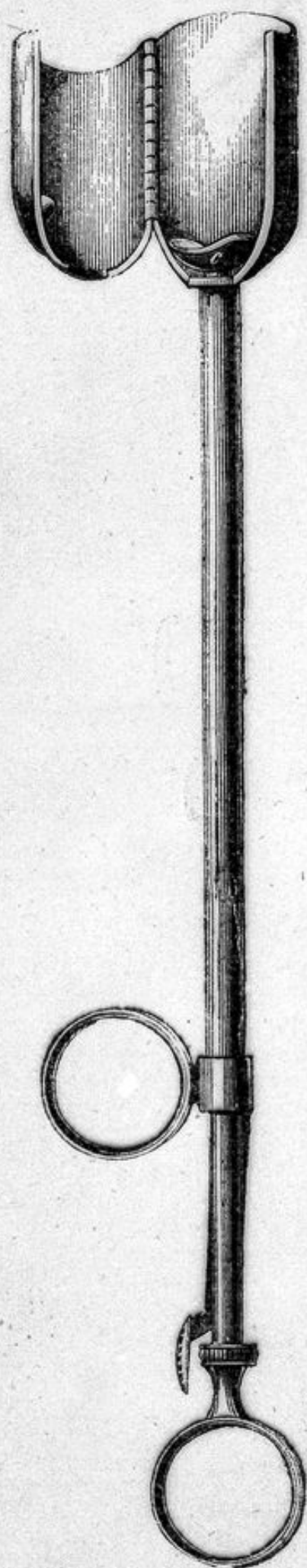
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Dr. SIMS' PORTE TAMPON is presented. It is an instrument for the purpose of enabling to apply a cotton pessary. The requisite quantity of cotton is placed in the middle with a strong thread, and the porte tampon; the lid is then closed, and the instrument is introduced like a speculum, the patient on the left side, and to be pushed firmly and forwards and downwards under the pubis to the posterior *cul-de-sac*. The cotton piston is to be pushed forward until the tampon is left in its place, and the instrument is withdrawn. The cotton is previously attached to the cotton pessary, and the vagina, and with this the tampon is removed when necessary.

Fig. 130 is another form of instrument.

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