AN ANAESTHETIC SPRAY

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SINCE TOPICAL ANAESTHESIA may be used at any age, it is desirable to have a spray with interchangeable metal tubes of varying lengths. Experience with many models has indicated that the following features are desirable: the spray must stand upright and be easily seen; the base should not adhere to modern work surfaces; it should be easy to assemble, repair, and sterilize; the metal tube should be detachable and of large bore; and the only perishable part should be a standard rubber bulb.

A spray as illustrated in Figure 1 has been in use for many years by broncho-

FIGURE 1

scopists for topical anaesthesia and has been very satisfactory. Its original metal tube, 32 cm. in length, was shortened to 22 cm. and proved very satisfactory for adult use. Metal tubes of varying length will now be supplied by the maker† on request for adult and paediatric use.

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