pipettes. A drop of oil on the plunger of the syringe facilitates the operation of that portion of the apparatus.

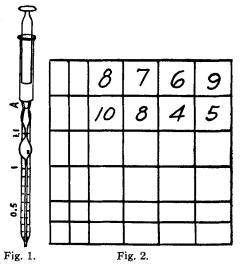
The advantages noted in using the above apparatus are as follows:

The operator may take up the blood column with one hand, since a slight raising of the plunger by the thumb and forefinger is sufficient to fill the pipette to 05. The other hand is free to use as occasion arises.

Second, the eye may be placed on a level with the graduations on the pipette.

Third, the column remains fixed unless the plunger is moved and if the plunger is covered with castor oil, accidents rarely occur.

Fourth, as soon as sufficient diluting fluid has been drawn into the bulb of the pipette, the apparatus may be rested in the hollow between the thumb and forefinger of the left hand and rotated with



the right as you would roll a pencil between your thumb and fingers.

Fifth, the syringe attachment facilitates the washing of the pipettes in the various solutions when through using them.

Sixth, one syringe may be used for as many pipettes as desired. However, one for red and one for white cells is more convenient.

The author likewise uses another simple device which was designed by a former associate, Dr. R. C. Sherwood.

The above consists of a rubber stamp which is a replica of  $1/_{16}$  the counting field of the slide.

This enables the operator to systematically record his count.

The pipettes were ground by Central Scientific Company, Chicago, Ill. The rubber stamp was manufactured at the Northwestern Stamp Works, St. Paul, Minn.

## AMERICAN BUSINESS.

"He would be a rash man who would state that we are finally upon the golden stairs to the industrial millennium, but there is great hope that America is finding herself upon the road to a solution of the greatest of all her problems. That is, the method by which social satisfaction is to be attained with the preservation of private industry, initiative and a full opportunity for the development of the individual."—Secretary Herbert Hoover.

## ROMANCE IN BUSINESS.

Every art and profession has its romances and these interest the public if told in words understood by the lay reader. This comment is prompted by a book recently published by Captain Mallet "Plain Tales from the Far North," which brings out the romance in fur trade, even though important matters of the business are not discussed in detail. The story portrays the points of contact and human nature and is rich in imaginative appeal. The specific purpose of the comment is to emphasize again the importance of the book on pharmacy, to be written in popular style, the preparation of which will receive further consideration at the Philadelphia meeting; editorial mention has been made in previous issues of the JOURNAL.