



Excerpt from, "Thesis on Intubation of the Larynx," by Arthur G. Root, MD, AMC Class of 1890

*"For many years the treatment of laryngeal stenosis, has presented to the medical world at large, a problem both serious and perplexing. The laryngeal brush, sponge, probang and forceps have long been in use as means of affording relief in cases where the symptoms have been sufficiently well marked to warrant operative measures. Later we find catheterization and tracheotomy resorted to, and of late (he said with feelings of thanksgiving), we have a means put within our grasp, both easy, safe and effective, relieving both the stenosis and dyspnea, and, acting as the physicians friend, throughout the after administration, of medicinal agents, and among the members of the profession who have made the treatment of laryngeal trouble a study, and particularly those conditions in which the presence of a pseudo-membrane is recognized, among such, I say, do we find the friends of Intubation."*

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