

The Best Form of Administering Iron.

That the inorganic and other official preparations of iron do not always answer the requirements of actual practice and possess many disadvantages, every experienced practitioner will admit. Summarized briefly, the disadvantages of most of the official preparations are: they are disagreeable to the taste, they affect the teeth, they often derange the stomach, they cause anorexia, constipation and headaches, and, most important, frequently fail to be absorbed and assimilated. It is frequently impossible to induce children and women to take any of the official iron preparations.

The ingenuity of the chemist was therefore bent for many years upon the production of an iron preparation which should be free from all those drawbacks, and the ideal of an iron preparation has been reached in **Dr. Gude's Pepto-Mangan.**

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Dr. Deering J. Roberts, of Nashville, Tenn., editor of the *Southern Practitioner*, gives the clinical histories of five cases—gastric ulcer, occipito-cervical neuralgia, chlorosis and amenorrhœa with dysmenorrhœa—in which the use of **Pepto-Mangan (Gude)** was followed by brilliant clinical results. In these cases neither the hæmoglobin nor the red corpuscles were estimated by laboratory methods, but, as the author says: "Nor was there any need. Each case, its progress and its results have been so plain that he who runs may read."