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MESSRS. AUTHORS & COX, the well-known artificial limb and truss manufacturers, at 135 Church St., Toronto, wish to call the attention of the medical profession to the Colostomy Truss recently introduced by Dr. Herbert Bruce, F.R.C.S., Surgeon to Toronto General Hospital, of this city. This Truss is made of pure gum. The following is Dr. Bruce's opinion of this apparatus, and speaks for itself:

"Finding it impossible to get a suitable pad to be used by patients after colostomy, I asked Messrs. Authors & Co., of Church St., to make one for me. They have gone to a great deal of trouble in faithfully carrying out my suggestions in the matter, and have produced a pad or truss for a colostomy opening which I believe will prove in every way most satisfactory. One of the distressing features of the condition is the periodic escape of gas, depriving these patients of participation in social life. This truss or pad fits around the colostomy opening so accurately that it overcomes this difficulty, and if properly applied there is no reason why the patient should not attend a dinner party in comfort and without fear of being objectionable to others. It is quite the best colostomy pad I have seen."

THE AFTER TREATMENT OF CATARRHIAL COLDS, ETC.—The various colds, "gripes," and catarrhs that afflict the respiratory mucous membranes during the winter months, are extremely likely to leave their traces upon the general systemic vitality, in the form of a greater or lesser degree of anemia. This is especially true of those whose resistance is "below par," *i.e.*, elderly people, young, ill-nourished children, and weaklings from whatever cause. The constitutional after-treatment of respiratory disorders, among this class of patients, is usually more honored in the breach than in the observance. There can be no better routine practice than to order Pepto-Mangan (Gude) as a general tonic and reconstituent, especially when anemia is apparent. This exceedingly pleasant and ferruginous reconstructive is so distinctly palatable as to render it generally acceptable to all patients, and is so entirely free from irritant properties as to insure its ready toleration without causing constipation or disturbance of digestion.