

Notes on Treatment.

UNDER THIS HEADING ARE INCLUDED BOTH ORIGINAL SUGGESTIONS AND THE ENDORSATION OF METHODS ALREADY PUBLISHED.

Appendicitis.

In the treatment of appendicitis I have found the local application of ice more satisfactory than hot poultices or fomentations, in relieving the pain and limiting the inflammation. It may be applied by means of a Leiter's coil, or in a rubber bag suspended over the patient in such a way as to partially take off the weight, or the ice may be pounded up and rolled in a large towel and then laid over the region of the appendix.

I believe that fewer cases would come to require operation if cold instead of heat were more generally used as a local application.

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Simple Anæmia or Chlorosis.

Iron in some form seems to influence the formation of hæmoglobin more than any other drug.

The older and plainer preparations of iron seem to be falling into disuse, but a prescription which has been given in a large number of cases under close observation, with much satisfaction, and scarcely ever with any sign of untoward effects, is as follows :

R	Tincturæ Ferri Perchloridi	℥ iv
	Acidi Hydrochlorici diluti	℥ iv
	Glycerini	℥ i
	Aquæ	ad ℥ vi

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Sig: ʒii three times daily in water, after food.

The dose of the tincture of iron is gradually increased up to twenty, thirty or forty minims and even higher, during the regular menstrual period the treatment is suspended. Care of the teeth is always enjoined while this mixture is being used. The use of the glass tube is recommended, and after each dose the mouth should be washed out with some alkaline solution.

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