

MEDICAL PREPARATIONS, ETC.

A FINANCIAL "SIMILE."

The prudent financier always has, at his command, a reserve store of sound securities with which to meet the demands of a period of monetary stringency. Likewise, the *healthy* individual maintains, in his vital bank account, a reasonably liberal balance of forceful energy, upon which he may draw during periods of physical stress and strain. When, however, the business man gambles with his capital, his financial reserve is often hypothecated and is thus unavailable in times of emergency. So it is with the man or woman who improvidently consumes the physical capital with which nature liberally endows the human organism. Too liberal and too frequent drafts deplete the vital store more rapidly than the normal deposits of force and energy are credited to the physical account. It is just at this period that the physician is consulted in his capacity as a physico-financial expert. Upon his advice, at this critical juncture, depends the vital solvency of the patient. The undue expenditure of energy must be checked: the vital assets must be conserved: timely deposits of negotiable funds must be entered to the credit of the impaired balance. The vital bank account of the depleted anæmic, the over-tired, over-worked neurasthenic, the chronic dyspeptic, the exsanguinated surgical patient, the marasmic infant and the exhausted convalescent are all in need of such deposits of vital energy. As the round gold "coin of the realm" is the standard of financial value, so is the round hæmoglobin-carrying, oxygen-bearing red corpuscle of the blood the circulating medium of all vital exchange and interchange. To avert an impending physical bankruptcy, there is urgent need for the adoption of prompt measures to increase the deposit of these necessary erythrocytes. Pepto-Mangan (Gude) quickly adds to the circulating medium, by constructing new red cells and reconstructing those that have retrograded because of over-drafts of force and energy. It increases the appetite, stimulates and encourages the absorption of blood-building nutritive material, augments the hæmatinic richness of the circulating fluid, increases the number and establishes the structural integrity of the corpuscular elements of the blood. It thus successfully plays the rôle of the depositor of vitality to the account of the patient who needs such essential additions to his or her physical credit.

PUBERAL ANÆMIA.

Broad clinical experience certainly tends to support the opinion of many medical men that chlorosis is practically limited to the female sex,