

ibly hostile to this principle. They do not believe that the end justifies the means. French and European legislation has schooled many of our citizens of European birth in the opposite faith. Much can be said, and much will be said, on both sides. It is not a subject for hasty legislation. If a plan can be devised to restrict the evil without violating the principles of morality and justice, and thereby sapping the foundations of society, we shall be only too glad to plead for it. But we protest against that one-sided legislation which protects men at the expense of women—which distrains woman of her liberty that she may be made a safe subject for masculine lust—which compels her to submit to examinations and operations in order that she shall not communicate disease to men, and then opens the door of her bedroom to every diseased and beastly lecher, who may enter without examination, without inquiry, without the shadow of restraint. We blush for any professional brother of cultivated conscience and refined morality who would advocate such legislation.—*Pacific Medical and Surgical Journal*.

LIEBREICH'S OPERATION FOR EXTRACTION OF CATARACT.—

Prof. Liebreich says that during the four years past he has in more than three hundred cases employed the following method for extracting cataract in preference to the one recommended by Graefe, which he had formerly employed, and finds it to be, in many respects, its superior. The incision of the cornea is to be made with the smallest possible Graefe's knife in the following manner: "Puncture and contra-puncture are made in the sclerotic about one millimetre beyond the cornea, the whole of the remaining incision passing with a very slight curve through the cornea, so that the centre of it is about one millimetre and a-half distant from the margin of the cornea. This incision can be made upwards or downwards, with or without iridectomy, and the lens can be removed through it with or without the capsule. If, as I now practise, the extraction is made downwards without iridectomy, the whole operation is reduced to the greatest simplicity, and does not require narcosis, assistance, elevator, or fixation, and only two instruments, Graefe's knife, and one cystotome with Daviel's spoon (*Br. Medical Journal*, No 570).