

appear when he thinks he has a peg, even the very slimmest, upon which to hang an argument against vaccination, and thus they continue writing long tirades and exciting the public mind by what to the uninitiated appear as the symptoms produced by a deliberate septic poisoning. It is hardly necessary to repeat that these tales thus manufactured—the outspring simply of a disordered imagination—could not bear the light. Every symptom exhibited has been clearly shown to have been due and traceable to causes entirely unconnected with the vaccination, and the result only exhibits either the absence of the knowledge or the appreciation of the simplest clinical and pathological facts, or wilful distortion of the facts as found. As regards the author himself of this unfortunate case, perhaps his youth and inexperience may claim for him an acquittal on the former ground, and as regards the other, who ought to have known better, we can hardly bring ourselves to believe the latter, but suppose he must have been so super-saturated with the prominent idea of the injuriousness of vaccine, that where this is concerned he has lost all power of judgment. None so blind as those who *won't* see.

To publish such cases and discuss such questions in the secular press is an offence against the profession. If the differences of opinion amongst medical men on this point are thus to be discussed why not those of any other? Are there not many other points in medical practice on which there is great diversity of opinion? Is that any reason why one of the minority on any such point should be permitted to air his views, and that in the most offensive manner, in the daily journals?

We hope that the signal disgrace which has befallen Dr. Roy in this his first attempt at publishing his medical observations (?) may serve to prevent his again thus erring against all propriety and professional decency; but his supporter is an old offender in this way and is not so easily reached. It is a matter which should be taken up by the Société Médicale, and we should be glad to hear that this body had expressed its disapproval in no undecided manner of this breach of one of the best understood rules of Medical Ethics.