

vaccinated during seven years, must present themselves for vaccination to the proper medical practitioner, and the person who neglects or refuses to obey this order incurs a penalty not exceeding \$25.

Considering that a large and an increasing number of the community have conscientious scruples against vaccination, and that others have, to their cost and lifelong detriment, found it injurious to health, this legislation has a very Russian aspect; and we are not surprised that it is meeting with bitter opposition. It is scarcely possible that any such measure can become law.

### MARRIAGE WITH FOREIGNERS.

It concerns British subjects, both men and women, and perhaps more particularly the latter, to have some knowledge of the legal incidents likely to arise in relation to marriage with foreigners.

A Blue Book,<sup>1</sup> dealing with the laws relating to marriage in force in certain foreign countries, has recently been presented to both Houses of Parliament, revising previous official information issued on the subject.

The principal object of this publication is, as stated in the Introductory Note, to enable British subjects, desiring to contract marriage with a subject of any one of the countries mentioned therein, to take such precautions as they may think fit (a) to ensure that their marriage will be valid in all countries, and (b) to avoid committing a breach of the law of a foreign country, in which their marriage is to take place.

The information given is directed to the following three points:—

(1) Whether British Consular Officers are permitted by the local laws to solemnize marriages in the foreign country, and whether marriages, so solemnized, are there recognised as valid; information upon this head is only given in regard to such mar-

<sup>1</sup>(Cd. 5993), *Laws relating to Marriage in force in certain Foreign Countries*. London: Wyman & Sons, 1911.