

French watering places, or health resorts. From all we can learn from the published reports in the *London Times* it appears such an idea never was contemplated by the Bill in question. France, like other countries, has been, perhaps, overrun by spurious medical practitioners, and it appears to us that the Bill in question is a salutary measure, one which was in all likelihood urgently demanded. There can be no hardship to a doctor, who has any claim to that name, if he is desirous of residing in France, and exercising his calling, to be expected to give evidence by a practical test, of his knowledge of his profession. A French student of Medicine must pass through a regular course of study at the hospitals, and submit to several rigorous examinations, before he receives the authority from the state to practice as a physician or surgeon. Every state is expected to look after the welfare of its own subjects, and on the one hand should, in this connection, protect the interests of the children of the soil, and on the other rest satisfied that the lives of its subjects shall not be imperilled by the incompetency of foreigners, who for their own pecuniary advantage, elect to reside in its territory and practice as physicians or surgeons.

CODDING.

This is a slang phrase in common use amongst school-boys, on the other side of the border, which is, we believe, of celtic origin, it is meant to signify misrepresenting, humbugging, joking—the precise derivative of this term we are unable to supply. Some very remarkable statements were made recently by an antivaccination lecturer in respect to the published statistics on vaccinal syphilis by Dr. Ballard of London, Eng., which have been repudiated by that gentlemen in a letter which he addressed to the Mayor Dr. Hingston. From the remarkable similarity of the lecturer's name in sound if not in orthographical construction, we suggest that possibly there may be some connection between the two, and therefore the antivaccination lecturer, might, we think, in future be styled with perfect correctness, Codder.