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Remarks on various Operations for Cataract, with statistics of 510 Cases. By FRANK BULLER, M.D., M.R.C.S., England; late Resident Surgeon to the Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital.

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It is not my intention to weary you with labored descriptions of the many operations which have from time to time been proposed and performed for the removal of cataract, each of which has in turn found ardent admirers and zealous advocates, strong in their belief, that the nearest possible approach to perfection had at last been attained, and each of which has, in the opinion of its upholders, presented advantages—some real and some imaginary,—not to be claimed for any preceding method. Some of these operations have been born in obscurity and died in their infancy; others of more robust parentage have lived longer, and flourished for a time, but have likewise passed away, whilst others, again, endowed with still greater vitality retain all the freshness of youth and seem to be in a fair way to survive as long as the science which brought them into existence.

These last are, in a practical point of view, most worthy of consideration, and since the question as to their relative merits cannot yet be considered settled, it is fair to assume that fresh facts bearing upon this question will not be unacceptable to those who interest themselves in ophthalmic surgery. I therefore venture to place before you, in as condensed a form as possible, the results obtained in all the