(the landlord) would speak to him in a few minutes. After the lapse of a brief period Mr. - made his appearance, and having closed the door carefully behind him, commenced the conversation by saying that he had heard much of the skill of Dr. ---, and had, consequently sent for him to assist his wife. "Ah," said the doctor, "has she been long in labour. Will I walk up to her room and see her?" "Labourdoctor, she is not in labour-who said she was in labour? The fact is she has gone and got in the family way and will be confined just in our busy season when the house will be full of people, and her services required. Now this wont do, so we've concluded to put a stop to it, and that why I have sent for you, I want you to help Mrs. - to get rid of it." Our friend, remarkably astonished, replied indignantly to this-"Do you know, sir, what you ask of me-Why do you suppose that I am a person capable of committing murder?" "Murder," replied Mr. -, bursting into a loud laugh, "well that is a good joke, doctor. I really did'nt think you were so thin-kinned and awfully particular. Why, I can get half a dozen doctors about these parts to do the job, but hearing so much of your skill, I sent for you. However, I see you ai'nt the man for me. Murder; Well, well, that beats all." "Yes," said the doctor, "murder is the name of the act, and whoever perpetrates it is a murderer." "Now there ai'nt no use getting excited about it" replied the landlord, "you hold to your own episions, do tor, and we will hold to our own." Our friend then left.

There is at present much agitation or this subject in the American Journals, which we sincerely hope may be productive of the best results, and that the eyes of the public may be opened to a full perception of the heinousness of the crime of abortion.

Professor Hamilton continues his excellent researches into the subject of deformities after fractures. We hope to meet them in the shape of a goodly volume, when we will give them that attention which their great importance demands.

## CLINICAL LECTURE.

On Extirpation of the Globe of the Eye. By WM. LAWRENCE Esq., F.R.S., F.R.C.S., Senior Surgeon to St. Bartholomew's Hospital,

I wish to speak to-day of some operations on the globe of the eye, which have been lately performed at the hospital, and which have a kind of pathological interest that I see is very much discussed just at present