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THE MIDWIVES BILL—II.

AS we pointed out, last week, the Midwives Bill has been set down for reading in the House of Commons, on May 11th, and judging by the present state of public business, it seems probable that it will thus be able to secure the whole of that Wednesday afternoon for its consideration.

There is a general feeling amongst medical men, that this Bill is as radically defective as any measure which proposes to create an inferior and independent order of midwifery practitioners must always be. But this particular measure appears to us to be not only fraught with considerable danger to the public, but to be even detrimental to midwives themselves. It proposes to place midwives under the local supervision of Medical Officers of Health—gentlemen who, for the most part are already encumbered with sufficient serving. It proposes to throw upon these gentlemen a great number of duties for which it appears they are to receive no additional remuneration, and for the non-fulfilment of which there is no penalty provided. It is, therefore probable that Medical Officers will either refuse or



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