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Editorial.

A RETROSPECT.

THE fact that this is the last number of this Journal for another year reminds us, and we may well recall, at some length, to our readers, what has happened in the Nursing world during the last twelve months. We said in our retrospect, last year, that 1892 appeared likely to prove memorable in the annals of Nursing, and it will probably be held hereafter, if not at present, that our anticipation was correct. February saw that most important Meeting of the General Council of the Royal British Nurses' Association, which determined to apply forthwith for a Royal Charter of Incorporation, and at which Her Royal Highness Princess CHRISTIAN once more proved the deep interest which she takes in the Association, and, indeed, in all Nursing matters, by announcing her intention to present the necessary Petition for the Charter to Her Majesty, in her own name as the President of the Association. In March, the application was duly made, and simultaneously a great Meeting was held at the Mansion House in its support. The time has not yet arrived to tell the history of the movement in full detail, but it is a matter of common knowledge that a very large number of important Hospitals, and many hundreds of medical men living in all parts of the United Kingdom, came forward to give their testimony and assistance in

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