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Editorial.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

SO much interest is naturally being taken in the legal proceedings against the Royal British Nurses' Association, to which we alluded last week, that we feel it our duty to explain them in some detail, although we are precluded from commenting upon them until the action is concluded. The facts are briefly these:—In 1890, the Royal British Nurses' Association commenced to issue a Quarterly Report of its proceedings instead of an Annual Report as it had done during the previous two years; and to this Report was given the name of the *Nurses' Journal*. It contained accounts of the lectures and meetings of the Association, but no contentious matter of any kind or description concerning individual members. It was certainly never intended or expected that the Journal of the Association should be used as a medium of personal attacks upon its members. Since the middle of 1894, however, letters and comments have appeared in nearly every number of the Journal concerning which we would only make the indisputable statement that they very gravely and very unfairly condemned the proceedings which certain members deemed it their duty to take.

For example, a lengthy letter appeared in

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