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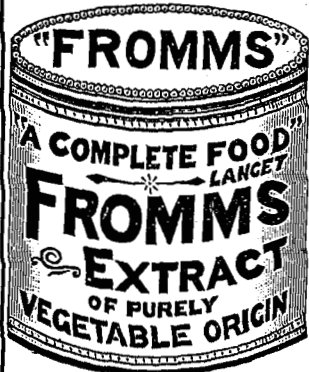
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Editorial.

THE REGISTERED NURSES' SOCIETY.

IT is, with extreme pleasure, that we are able to chronicle this week the continued success and prosperity of the Registered Nurses' Society. It will be remembered by most of our readers that we initiated this organisation, some four years ago, in order to obtain for the members of the Royal British Nurses' Association, who desired to engage in private nursing, the advantages of co-operation.

Some years previously, the principle of co-operation which we proposed in 1887, and commenced by the formation of the Royal British Nurses' Association, had been accepted and utilised by certain prominent opponents of that Association, in the institution of a Co-operation of private nurses. But, whilst using our ideas, this new body, to a considerable extent opposed the idea of Registration, and, as far as possible, excluded the Registered Nurses from the benefits of their Society. It was therefore essential, in order to assist the members of the Royal British Nurses' Association, that some special co-operation should be commenced for their benefit; and so the Registered Nurses' Society came into existence.

Both the need for the organisation and its success have now been abundantly proved. We based our work upon two broad principles,

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