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THE REGISTRATION OF NURSES.

THE great advantages of Registration to thoroughly trained Nurses, as a means of distinguishing them from untrained or untrustworthy persons who call themselves by the same professional title, have frequently been pointed out in these columns. The benefit to the public of being able, with ease and certainty, to learn the precise education which any given Nurse has received, has been accorded equal demonstration, but has needed it less; for, while the system is novel to Nurses, and has been surrounded with such an avalanche of abuse and misrepresentation that its issues have been much confused in many of their minds, the public have for long been accustomed to consult Directories for information concerning their doctors, lawyers, clergymen, soldiers, and even the Peerage, and to them, therefore, the Register of Nurses only appears as another development of a most useful principle. Since the Privy Council inquiry, however, and especially since the grant of a Royal Charter to the Royal British Nurses' Association set the seal of State approval upon the value of its work,

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