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## Editorial.

### MISADVENTURE OR IGNORANCE.

WITH the deepest regret we find it necessary to call the attention of the Nursing profession to the lamentable frequency with which "fatal mistakes" made by Nurses, as they are termed by our contemporaries, take place at various hospitals, or in private houses. During the last six weeks, there have been no less than three cases in which persons have been poisoned in consequence of such errors. We would not say a word to accentuate the pain which each individual Nurse must feel at the terrible consequence of her carelessness or her ignorance. Because, however lightly it may be regarded by others, or however it may be condoned by a Coroner's jury, the memory that a fellow-creature has been killed by her mistake must always be to any woman a source of the most poignant regret.

We will not, therefore, dilate upon any special case, but would in reference to the poisoning cases at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, last month, at Guy's Hospital a fortnight ago, and at Oldham Infirmary last week, point out that they are illustrative of the two great causes of these terrible accidents. To give a patient carbolic acid instead of olive oil, or atropine instead of whisky, implies great carelessness; to give a patient an ounce-and-a-half of chloral instead of a drachm-and-a-half implies entire ignorance, both of the nature of the drug and of its customary dosage. It is not as if these were isolated or unique occurrences, because the whole series of fatalities to

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