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### Editorial.

#### THE MORAL OF A VICTORY.

EVENTS have been taking place in the medical profession which teach most important lessons to Nurses. For some years past, medical men throughout the country have been expressing their dissatisfaction with the constitution and work of the governing body of their profession—the General Medical Council. But their discontent has hitherto taken no tangible form—probably because they have not been united amongst themselves. Some four or five years ago, however, a number of medical men determined that the only hope of obtaining the reforms, which they all felt to be necessary, must be found in co-operation and self-help. An Association was therefore initiated, and in 1893 became legally constituted under the name of the Incorporated Medical Practitioners' Association. The first object to which the Association decided to devote its efforts was the election of representative general practitioners upon the General Medical Council, and to secure increased represen-

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