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## Editorial.

DIRECT REPRESENTATIVES.

Tis becoming generally recognized that whenever Parliament deals with the question of Nursing legislation, a Council must be formed to supervise and control Nursing education and registration, and the Nursing profession of the future. Furthermore, the whole tendency of professional opinion, at the present day, is in favour of such a Council being largely composed of what are termed Direct Representatives—that is to say, of members elected by the profession which is governed by the Council. In the case of a Nursing Act, therefore, it is most probable that the governing body of the calling would, to a large extent, be elected by Registered Nurses.

In view of this probability, the present position of affairs in the medical world must possess great interest for our readers. The General Medical Council comprises five members directly elected by medical practitioners; three by those in England and Wales, one by those in Scotland, and one by those in Ireland. The English representatives, chosen last November, were Drs. Rentoul, George Brown, and Glover, of whom the first two were nominated and supported by the

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