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### EDITORIAL.

#### LEGAL REGISTRATION OF NURSES.

THE most important event for Nurses which has occurred since the foundation of the Royal British Nurses' Association, has recently taken place at the Cape of Good Hope—a very name, in itself, of good omen. As we stated last week, the Parliament of that Colony has just passed a Medical Act, containing clauses which legalise and authorise a system of Registration of Nurses. The movement, which has thus ended so successfully, was initiated some two years ago, and has been carried through, by SISTER HENRIETTA—the highly respected Matron of the Kimberley Hospital—Dr. CALLENDER, and other active members of the Royal British Nurses' Association in South Africa.

Nursing reform is perhaps even more necessary in the Colonies than in this country, inasmuch as so many "failures" in the old world seek to commence a new career in the Greater Britain beyond the seas. This has been especially marked in the case of Nursing; and the raff who have assumed the title, and undertaken the work, of Nurses, have caused such great discredit to the profession, and such grave danger to the sick in various Colonies, that for several years there has been a growing feeling of the necessity for some reform. The foundation of the Royal British Nurses' Association, and its clear and common sense programme of Registration, was therefore hailed by medical men and trained Nurses in the Colonies, with general expressions

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