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Editorial.

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WHEN the Report of the Committee, which we reprinted and commented upon last week, was presented to the Court of Governors it received the powerful support of Dr. BESANT who proposed, of Dr. LATHAM who seconded, and of Dr. MACALISTER and Sir GEORGE HUMPHRY who supported, its adoption—gentlemen whose eminence in their profession, and whose knowledge of the subject would with any ordinary Court of Governors have carried due weight, and probably obtained complete adhesion to their views. But the Governors of Addenbrooke's Hospital seem to include amongst their number, gentlemen of a somewhat unusual type, inasmuch as they acknowledge their extreme ignorance of matters upon which they still speak as if with knowledge and authority. The Rev. E. G. WOOD asserted that he was "unpersuaded" of the wisdom of the proposals in the Report, which he described as a "leap in the dark." We feel constrained to agree with the reverend gentleman, but we would go further than he does, for we are quite certain and persuaded that leaping in the dark is a most unwise performance. But if Mr. WOOD is in the dark, it would, in our humble judgment, be more discreet on his part rather to gain some illumination from persons who are more enlightened than himself, than to extend the thick gloom in which his mind seems to be enshrouded upon Nursing matters. Mr. E. G. WOOD was good enough to state that he "had nothing to say against the three years' system in itself," which should give much satisfaction to the Select Committee of the House of Lords, and to the authorities of all the leading Hospitals in

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