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Editorial.

THE GENERAL COUNCIL LIST.

VARIOUS influential members of the Royal British Nurses' Association have recently communicated their views to us concerning the list which is next month to be proposed as that of the General Council of the Association for the next year. It is well known that the Executive Committee of the Association is deputed to draw up a list of those members of the Council who, in accordance with the bye-laws, have to retire in rotation from that body, and suggest others to occupy their places. In former days, when the Association was honourably managed, the officials always applied to the various Institutions from which the retiring members came, asking for others to be nominated to take the vacated places. By this means, the Hospitals and Nursing Institutions of all kinds throughout the country were always represented on the General Council by one or more members according to their size and importance. And it will be remembered that the heads of the leading Nurse Training Schools were entitled to permanent seats upon the Council. The governing body of the Association was, therefore, largely and accurately representative of the

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