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# Editorial.

HOSPITALS AS TRAINING SCHOOLS.

N close connection with the consideration which we have recently been devoting to the subject of the education of Nurses, is the important matter of the knowledge which medical students should, as compared with that which they actually do, acquire of Nursing details. This is a subject which hitherto has not received the attention to which, in our judgment, it is entitled; but we are compelled—by the strict adherence to purely Nursing matters, which, from the first number of this Journal, it has been our immutable policy to maintain—to leave many interesting points therewith connected, to our medical contemporaries to discuss. But we may, incidentally, draw their attention to certain facts which make the subject worthy of their very earnest consideration.

For example, we would almost lay it down, as an axiom, that a Medical and a Nursing School should not, for the benefit of both, be attached to the same Hospital. This will, doubtless, appear to many, to be so revolutionary a doctrine—so utterly opposed to the general condition of affairs now existent, that, like many other arguments which we have advanced in these pages, it will, perhaps, be immediately described in some quarters as "visionary in the extreme." But, we feel

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