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### Editorial.

THE LONDON HOSPITAL-II.

S we said, last week, it appears to us that the attitude of the authorities of the London Hospital may involve the most serious results to other Hospitals. These are, in this country, with three or four exceptions, Institutions which are entirely dependent upon voluntary contributions for their support, which live, therefore, solely upon public support, to whom, consequently, public confidence is as the breath of their nostrils. The London Hospital—the largest—and it pleads, comparatively, the poorest of them all - is accused, in the public press, of mis-management. Definite charges of waste and extravagance are made by an eye-witness, and instances given of the practice. In other words, the Committee are accused of allowing the funds to be squandered which are entrusted to them for the benefit of the sick poor. The Committee strenuously decline to allow the charges against them to be investigated, or to take any step on theirown side to disprove the allegation. It has been stated that the patients are neglected, owing, partly to the ignorance, partly to the overwork of the Nursing Staff. The Committee decline to permit the charge to be proved

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