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Editorial.

PRELIMINARY EDUCATION.

THE Royal British Nurses' Association has taken a step which must be fraught with the most important results to itself, to the public, and to the whole profession of Nursing. By its Charter, it is provided that one of the purposes of the Corporation shall be the institution of lectures on technical subjects, and one of the greatest necessities in the Nursing world, at the present day, is, beyond doubt, the supply of a demand for courses of preliminary scientific instruction, which is growing greater and greater as the training of Nurses becomes more and more definite.

The matter has recently received consideration in these columns with especial reference to the provision of an efficient education for women who desire to become Probationers in Hospitals. It is generally felt that while some Institutions are unable to provide their pupils with lectures upon Elementary Anatomy, Physiology, and Hygiene, it would be of much advantage to the Probationer in her ward work, and would remove from the Hospital authorities a duty which is irksome for most, and impossible for some, to undertake—and a work, moreover, which entails a certain amount of time, thought, and trouble, which could be better utilized—if every Probationer, before admission to a Hospital, had been sufficiently grounded in these elements of preliminary knowledge. It has hitherto,

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