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## Editorial.

THOU SHALT SAVE.

E are compelled to return to the matter upon which we wrote last week, and to demand for Nurses liberty of action in business, as well as in professional, matters. The same principle of dictation against which we protested last week, the same attempt to treat Nurses as incapable of managing their own affairs, which underlies so many of the rules of Nursing Institutions, has shown itself again in a scheme to which our attention has been called. The Guy' Hospital Institution for Trained Nurses, which is very wisely separated entirely from the Hospital Nursing department, has recently issued its ninth annual report. The scale of salaries paid to the private Nurses has been re-organized. Each Nurse re ceives £25 for the first year, £30 for the second, £35 for the third, and £40 for the fourth year of her service on the staff. In addition to this salary, the Institution takes out for her a policy in the National Pension Fund, estimated to produce for her an annual pension of £11 5s. at the age of 50 years. But the Nurse herself is required to take out a policy for £7 ros. annuity, commencing at the same age. Finally, the Institution provides for an annual division of the profits which remain, after the payment of expenses, amongst those Nurses who have been on the staff of the Institution for four complete years. For this purpose, the surplus profits at the end of each year form a bonus fund, which is distributed to the Nurses in proportion to the length of their service; those who have worked for five years receiving four shares, and those of nine years' service receiving eight shares from the fund.

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