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**Editorial.**

**WORKHOUSE NURSING.**

IT will be generally admitted that the nursing of the sick pauper is in need of very considerable improvement, although, thanks to the ability, energy, and public spirit of Miss LOUISA TWINING, of the officials of the Workhouse Infirmary Nursing Association, and of the Hospital-trained Matrons, who have during the past few years been appointed to superintend the nursing in the larger new Infirmaries, the greatest advances have been made, both in efficiency and in the humane care of the sick in these Institutions. There remains, however, much that must be done before the conditions of Workhouse Nursing can be considered to be even creditable.

The Select Committee of the House of Lords in its Report, made in 1892, has drawn attention to facts, with which, unfortunately, the public have not yet become sufficiently acquainted, and which go to prove that the system authorised by the Local Government is in itself, in some measure, an impediment to progress. In saying this, however, we desire to recognize in the fullest possible manner the immense services which Dr. BRIDGES and other Medical Inspectors of the Board have conferred upon the sick in Workhouse wards, and upon the Nursing profession, by their energetic efforts to bring about improvements and reform; and, furthermore, we are well aware that the efforts of the Local Government Board are, to a large extent, hampered by the trammels of red tape and by a multitude of local jealousies. We need only point, however, to the notorious facts

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