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### Editorial.

#### OUR STATE HOSPITALS.

AN important book, recently published by Dr. DOLAN, under the above title, contains much which is—as expressions of opinion, from an expert of the first rank, upon the management of Workhouse Infirmaries—not only of general interest, but also of very special importance at the present moment when the organisation of these institutions is being so much discussed, and when the present conditions of their management leave so very much to be desired.

Dr. DOLAN is the author of various important works upon The Poor Law Medical Service, Workhouse Infirmaries, and other cognate subjects; and, as Medical Officer of St. Luke's Hospital, Halifax, he has taken a very prominent part in the re-organisation of the Nursing department of that great Institution. In brief, it may be said, that the author is a powerful, and has, for many years, been a steadfast, advocate of the most wide-reaching reforms in Workhouse Sick Wards and Infirmaries. He is, in the first place, strongly of the opinion, to which all wise administrators are coming, that the Nursing of the sick by pauper helps is not only inefficient, but wrong in principle, and most extravagant in practice. And he considers that the appointment of a Hospital-trained Lady Superintendent as the head of each staff of Trained Nurses is essential to the efficiency of the Nursing in Workhouse Infirmaries. His words upon this matter are very significant—

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