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Editorial.

THE THREE YEARS' STANDARD.

N another column, will be found a letter from a Nurse which undoubtedly ex-

presses views that are held by a considerable number of ladies similarly placed to herself. It is curious what widespread misapprehension exists concerning the real meaning of the three years' standard, and as to its objects and its progress. Our correspondent, for example, is a lady who is proved by her letter to be both educated and thoughtful; she works in a district in the home counties. We are, however, aware that, excepting this journal, there is no other periodical which keeps Nurses *au courrant* with the actual progress of events in our profession, and it is, therefore, probable that, despite our efforts, there may be many yet who are unaware of the rapid strides which have been recently made in Nursing education.

Our correspondent, it will be observed, takes it for granted that the three years' system has failed, and holds that the cause



