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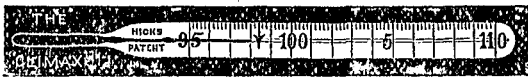
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Editorial.

BREACH OF CONTRACT.

IN our Foreign Letter, in another column, will be found the account of an action at law brought by Mr. J. L. Van de Merwe, Chairman of the Hospital at Johannesburg, against three Nurses—Sophia Ann Hollis, Elizabeth Tobias, and Mary Ann King—in which he claimed, on behalf of the Hospital Board, £100 damages from each of the defendants, on the ground that they had failed to fulfil a contract into which they entered with the Board to serve it for three years. The test case taken was that against Sophia Ann Hollis, M.R.B.N.A., a late Sister at St. George's Hospital.

The Court, after hearing the case, was of opinion that no sufficient reasons had been laid before it to justify the defendant in leaving her service in conflict with the terms of her contract. They therefore entered judgment for the plaintiff, with £100 damages. The same judgment applied to the two other defendant Nurses.

We draw attention to this judgment, because the question is one of great importance to Nurses, and one to which we have alluded on previous occasions. Unhappily

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