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Editorial.

A CHAIRMAN'S AUTHORITY.

WE have been prevented, by more pressing matters, from alluding sooner to the conclusion of the case of Breay *versus* Browne; but it presents features of such great importance to the public, as well as to the Nursing profession, that we must accord it some consideration. It will be remembered that Miss Breay brought an action against Sir James Crichton-Browne in the City of London Court last October, claiming that he had acted maliciously and wrongfully in his capacity as Chairman in preventing her from proposing a resolution, at the Annual Meeting of the Royal British Nurses' Association, which appeared upon the Agenda of that Meeting, and of which she had given full and sufficient notice. Sir James Crichton-Browne, at the Meeting in question, stated that Miss Breay's resolution was out of order because as it had not been sent in a registered letter. Miss Breay immediately handed him the Post Office certificate of its registration, but he informed the Meeting that this was only a certificate

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