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Editorial.

ARMY NURSING REFORM.

WE publish in another column part of Mrs. Hampton Robb's most admirable presidential address at the Annual Convention of the National Associated Alumnae of the United States. Her remarks upon the organization of Army Nursing will be read with special interest at the present time when the question of Army Nursing is forcing itself on the attention both of the nurses and of the public in this country, and the prompt and effective manner in which American women are dealing with the question is worthy of all admiration. At present there is a wide-spread feeling that the organization of both military and naval nursing departments in connection with the War Office and the Admiralty is in a very antiquated condition. It is most undesirable that a great professional Governmental Department should be managed on amateurish lines, yet this is at present the case in connection with the Army Nursing Reserve. It is reasonable to suppose that the selection of nurses for active service should be made on the same lines as that of medical men, namely, on the nomination of professional persons. Yet this is not at present the case, and the result is that we hear of generally expressed dissatisfaction con-

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