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SPECIAL NOTICE TO OUR READERS.—We have much pleasure in stating that we hope to be able to announce next week the nature and details of the competition which will have for its prize a "Vertical Feed" Sewing Machine of the value of Five Guineas.

EDITORIAL.

THE LATEST ATTACK.

WE had intended to leave the Royal British Nurses' Association to fight its own battles in future, believing that with a journal of its own and such experienced writers as it can command, there could be no further need for our assistance. But the latest attack upon

the Association by the *Hospital* is so contrary to the "good usages" of English journalism, that we feel bound to notice the matter. We regret to observe that the *St. James's Gazette* has been entrapped into quoting the article to which we allude, and we warn our contemporary to disbelieve anything concerning the Nurses' Association which appears in the columns of the *Hospital*, as much animosity has been displayed week after week for three years in attacks upon this body of working women.

The latest onslaught is by no means the worst, although it is a series of the most absurd mis-statements which we have read in an English journal. It is headed, "Figures for Nurses to Note and Remember." It states that it publishes "an important letter from the Nurses' (*sic*) Training School authorities," which, on inspection, proves to be the letter which figured in the daily press last week signed by eight gentlemen, representing themselves chiefly, although avowedly the London, St. Thomas's, King's College, and the Westminster Hospitals, and the Liverpool Training School. The writer could not be so densely ignorant as to imagine that these four Hospitals and one Provincial Institution are the Nurses' Training Schools of this country, or one thirtieth part of them. The assertion, then, is simply ridiculous in its emptiness. It next states that in the matter of Registration the Association "has placed itself in direct opposition to the expressed opinion of nearly all those who know most of the subject." As the *Hospital* attempts to pose as a semi-medical, semi-nursing paper, it ought to

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