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THE AFTER-CARE ASSOCIATION

For Poor Persons discharged recovered from Asylums for the Insane.

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July 23 1914*

Patroness—H.R.H. PRINCESS CHRISTIAN.
President—THE EARL OF MEATH.
Secretary—H. THORNHILL, ROXBY, Esq.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE.

Name of person? **Ernest Henry Clark**

Age? **32 - 35 years**

Religion? **Church of England**

Married or Single? **Single**

Occupation? **Groom**

Name and address of last employer? **Mr. Edgar Farmer, Anglefield House, Clacton-on-Sea.**

Present and former address? **Severalls Asylum, Colchester, formerly of Anglefield House, Clacton-on-Sea.**

To what Poor Law Union chargeable? **Hackney**

When discharged from Asylum? **Not yet discharged**

Period of residence in Asylum? **Since the 27th August, 1913.**

Have there been any previous attacks? **No**

Has she any physical ailments which require treatment? **No**

Form of Assistance suggested? **Employment & supervision during trial**

If any relatives are able to assist, please say so? **Mr. Albert Clark, Brother, Registrar's Office, London Hospital, Whitechapel. E.**

In what employment was the patient engaged, & for what service is he now fitted? **A handy man accustomed to look after houses - but useful at any job about a house.**

Any facts connected with the previous history of the Applicant which it is important to know? **Has been addicted to alcoholic excess & generally a weak character.**

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE

I certify that **Ernest Henry Clark** has been discharged recovered from **is** Asylum, and in my opinion is able to undertake work, now, or after a short residence in a Cottage Home.

Date **July 23rd 1914** Signed **R Thornhill**

It is very important that all cases have their clothing before leaving the Asylum, or Workhouse.

INFORMATION FROM OTHER SOURCES.

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- Jul.21st. Letter received from Dr. Turnbull asking if we could take this man on trial. He said he considered him a weak-minded young man who had never done much good in the world, and his friends did not seem at all anxious to help him. Reply sent that the case would be considered by the Council.
- Jul.23rd. Further particulars to be asked for.
- Jul.23rd. Letter sent to Dr. Turnbull asking him to fill up a form.
- Jul.27th. Form received from Dr. Turnbull. Letters sent to the Hackney Gdns and E. Farmer Esq. asking for information.
- Jul.28th. Miss Trotter went to the London Hospital and saw the brother.
- Jul.29th. Particulars received from the Gdns. Letter sent to Mrs. Chapman the sister asking for information, and if she could receive the man while he was looking for work, or could make any suggestion as to any way in which we could help him.
- Aug.6th. Dr. Turnbull to be asked to postpone discharge and case to be considered again in a month's time.
- Aug.6th. Letter sent to Dr. Turnbull asking if he could postpone the discharge as the most suitable Home was full. Letter sent to Mr. Wood asking when he was likely to be able to take the case. Letter received from Mr. Farmer stating that he had known the man for 14 years, but knew of no relations or friends, or of anything to account for his illness.
- Aug.10th. Reply received from Mrs. Chapman saying she could not possibly receive the man, and she thought if we could find him employment it would be the best way to help him. Dr. Turnbull wrote to say that he would keep the man until after our next Council.
- Sept.3rd. Letter sent to Dr. Turnbull asking if he would let us have a week's notice before he discharged the case and said we would defray expenses if he would send an attendant with the man to the Home, also asking if he would get the usual maintenance allowance while on trial.
- Sept.3rd. Accepted to go to Worthing, we to pay all fares for case and attendant.
- Sept.5th. Dr. Turnbull wrote to say that he expected the man to be discharged on the 23rd with an allowance of 10/- a week while on trial. He was very short of attendants but if we could not make other arrangements he would see what he could do.
- Sept.18th. Letter sent to Dr. Turnbull saying that if he sent the man to London Bridge we would meet him there, the Acting Med. Supt. having written to suggest this.
- Sept.21st. Letters sent to Dr. Turnbull and Mrs. Woolgar about arrangements.
- Sept.23rd. Letter received from Dr. Turnbull saying he would accept a local doctor's certificate. Mrs. Woolgar wrote saying she would take the man and fetch him.
- Sept.24th. Miss Vickers went to London Bridge and met the man and the attendant and Mrs. Woolgar.
- Sept.25th. Letter sent to The Acting Med. Supt. asking him to send the grant to the ~~man~~ ^{man}, and saying that the clothing lent the man should be returned, he having asked us to do this. Letter sent to Mrs. Woolgar asking her to return the clothing and let us know what the man had or required, and to see that he handed over the grant to her.

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- Sept.26th. Mrs. Woolgar wrote asking if we would send the man some boots, and a card was sent her asking her to get them for him. She acknowledged this and said the man was getting on nicely.
- Oct.1st. On trial, at Mrs. Woolgar's.
- Oct.6th. Letter received From Mrs. Woolgar saying the man's clothes had come but were hardly wearable, and she enclosed a list of things he required. Later she sent measurements for a suit as requested by Miss Roworth. The clothing was sent to him.
- Oct.12th. Letter received from the man who seemed very happy and feeling much better. He asked if we could help him to recover his N.I. Book from the Insurance Agent, and the stamp card from Mr. Farmer as he would want them when applying for work. Miss Vickers replied that she would write to both men and urged him to try and get work as soon as possible after his trial was up. She wrote to Mr. Bisley the agent and to Mr. Farmer.
- Oct.15th. Mr. Farmer sent the card but said he could not tell us anything about the man's friends or relations. He had given him every satisfaction during the time that he hadworked for him. Reply sent asking if he could re-employ the man. Letter sent to the man saying that we were afraid the card would not be much good as the last payment was more than a year ago, but if he thought it would be of any assistance we were quite willing to stamp a new card for a week or two to date.
- Oct.19th. Letter received from Mrs.Woolgar saying the man was doing nicely, and thought of joining the army if nothing else turned up.
- Oct.23rd. Letter received from the man asking our advice about his joining the army. he had been advised to by the Vicar of Heene, and the doctor who had signed his certificate the previous day had also thought it would be a good thing,if he could pass. He had not been able to get work round Worthing. He had heard that the Agent had forwarded his Insurance book to the Asylum. Miss Vickers replied suggesting that the man should write to Dr. Turnbull to ask his advice about enlisting. He could stay at Worthing until the 30th. Mrs. Woolgar wrote to say she had sent off the Certificate to the Asylum.
- Oct.26th. Mrs. Woolgar sent the £2 received from the Asylum. She said she had paid 2/- forthe certificate.
- Oct.29th. Is at Worthing.
- Oct.31st. Letter received from Mrs. Woolgar saying the man had gone to Chichester on the 30th to enlist. He was quite fit and strong now and said he would write to us later.
- Nov.26th. Has enlisted, closed and initialled.

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Name and Number of Case Breesh Henry Clark

| Date. 1914 | Board and Maintenance. | Travelling. | Advertisements. | Clothing. | Visitor's and Matron's Expenses | Sundries. | Total. |
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