House surgeon's notes for physician: male

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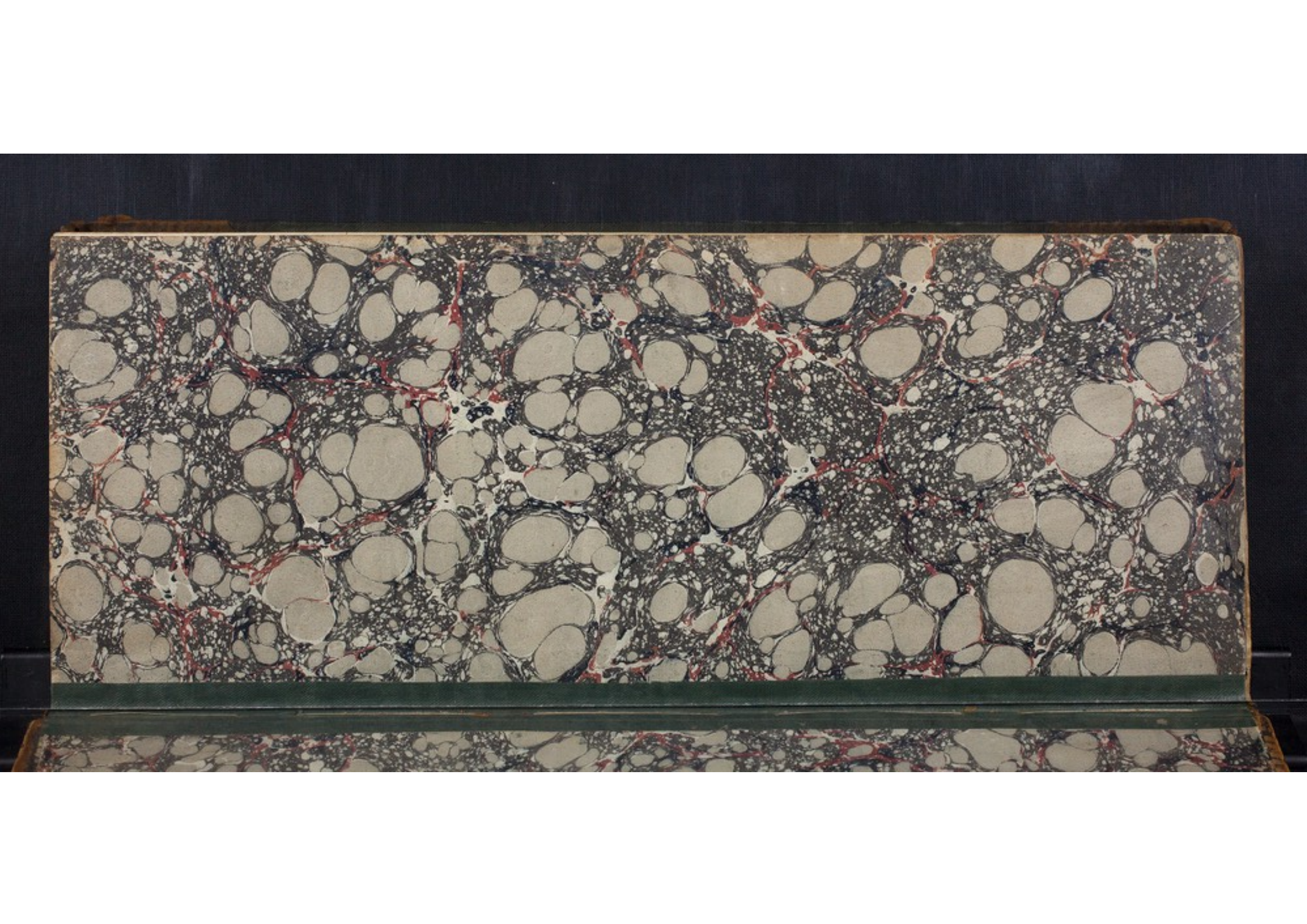

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John Brown Act: 27 years Vic II

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Dec. 31st — Pys small and feeble, Tongue very foul, lips parched, and eyes very much inflamed, no action has yet been produced on his bowels this morning vomited about two ounces and a half of fæs having a very fœtid smell - immediately after which his bowels acted motions very hard and costive - shortly after this he began to speak and appeared in all respects better - Cont Enemata ex sale et aquæ tepida - Let him have 6oz of port wine and a pint of porter daily - C. Ellis

January 5th — Has continued slowly to improve since last report - Enemata ex sale et aqua tepida have been used daily, on each of which occasions he has had passage from his bowels. Refuses to take medicine in any form. Eyes much less inflamed than formerly - Takes a little beef tea occasionally. Refuses to answer any questions regarding his state or feelings; but is quite conscious of all that is going on around him. Occasionally speaks a few indistinct words - pulse stronger, Cont Enemata ~~also the port wine & tartar~~ et vinum rubrum - -

— 7th — Two drops of Croton Oil was administered last night in his port wine and, during the night his bowels acted very freely, motions not so hard and costive as formerly - this morning took some beef tea and upon the whole looks better, eyes less inflamed and is more inclined to speak, pulse still very feeble Cont. Omnia

— 10th — When visited last night P120 small & feeble - pupils contracted - Tongue brown and dry - and face had a flushed appearance - had no passage from his bowels since last report - Two drops of Croton Oil was again administered in his wine as this is the only way he can be got to swallow medicine which acted on his bowels during the night. Is said by the attendant to have slept better than he has done since his admission - This morning Pulse no rather improved in strength - Tongue not so dry - takes his food better and on the whole has a more lively appearance. Several small spots however have made their appearance over both thighs & about the size of a half crown which have a sloughing appearance.

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Perfuce also in the same state, with considerable swelling of genis - gonorhoea still continues - Has at present twelve oz of Port wine in the twenty four hours which is to be continued and to have as much nourishing food as he can take Cont. Omnia -

— 18 Bodily health continues to improve, spots on thighs have almost healed and sloughing appearance of Perfuce gone takes his food better but is inclined to resist examination or to answer any questions, mind still in a very weak state, frequently attempts to bite and strike the attendants, bowels require to be kept open by medicine - Cont. Omnia

— 20 Still continues to improve, but bowels very apt to become constipated, has had no motion for the last three days, Two drops of Croton oil was administered to him in his wine last night which has had no effect as he vomited shortly after taking it - Mind still very weak, takes his food better - Kept out of bed for a short time today - Cont. Omnia

— 25 Has not been so well for the last two days, Is again very dull & depressed refusing to take his food or wine - bowels have not been opened since the day before yesterday - Is very restless and with great difficulty can be kept in his bed - pulse rather feeble - Is inclined to be violent and frequently attempts to bite the Attendants, mind evidently in a very weak state - Cont. Omnia

— 29 Pulse small & feeble - Tongue foul & dry - pupils natural - Face flushed - 2 drops of Croton oil was administered yesterday which has had no effect on his bowels Refuses to take any food and with great difficulty can be got to take his wine - A blister was applied over scarp the day before yesterday which has discharged freely but with no good effect - Is dull and depressed - Refuses to answer questions and with great difficulty can be kept in his bed - passes his urine on the bed clothes and is in a very weak state - Sumat stabin &c. Croti gtt ij - C. Alia

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1843

January 3rd Has continued well since last report at present quite rational, never makes any allusion to his business and appears more cheerful. A few evenings ago attended a party given to the patients and appeared to enjoy himself. Bodily health good. At present employs himself reading. Cont. Otherwise

— 8 Continues more cheerful. Answers questions relevantly and betrays no perceptible delusions. So anxious to leave the Asylum and return home. Employs himself reading. Bodily health good, On the whole very much improved and may at present be looked upon as convalescent. Cont. Otherwise

— 13 Convalescence proceeds favourably. Is in good spirits and perfectly rational. Bodily health good. Cont. Otherwise

— 18 Being in good bodily health, and his mind being free from all delusions he is this day dismissed

Cured

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1843

January 6th Bodily health good, expresses himself as highly delighted with his situation & says he thinks it is the best place for him - is particularly anxious to have the different cases of insanity explained to him, and says that if Dr Hutcheson would make him a kind of General Superintendant that he is convinced it would be attended with much benefit to the patients for that he already sees that his conversational powers have produced a remarkable change on the conduct of the patients in the same gallery with him - tells the Clinical assistant that if he wears his hair so long that it will all come out & that he will then be under the necessity of having a wig like Dr Crawfords, says no man need attempt to succeed in the Medical profession without having a proper wife, the want of which only prevented him from having an extensive practice - Countenance indicates much excitement Cont. Omnia

" 10 Since last report has employed himself in the printing office in which he appears to take great interest - Is very talkative particularly about himself & the benefit he might be to an Institution of this kind - still wishes to be made a general Superintendant - Appears to be very confused in his ideas - bodily health good, Cont. Omnia

" 11 This morning wrote the following letter to his Aunt -

Glasgow Royal Lunatic Asylum

My Dearest Aunt

I should esteem it a particular favour would you be at the trouble of sending me here two or three of my shirts - Some drawers & vests and a few pair of stockings, and any little article you might consider proper under present circumstances, if not convenient for you to go to my house Mr Campbell or my friend Mrs Morrison will take the trouble I am certain with more than pleasure - I should take a visit from any of my friends under

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present circumstances extremely kind
Compliments to Mr Laurie I hope he
is fully satisfied in his own mind
as to the propriety of conduct he has been
so determinedly pursuing - they are evidently
coming to a crisis if our conduct will
bear scrutiny so much the better for
ourselves, if our carelessness or yielding
to the improper council of others &
stretching matters far beyond the bounds
of christian moderation, the guilty party
will assuredly meet a reward according
to his works - I beg to be remembered
to Mrs Campbell - My kind generous friend
Mrs Morrison - I shall never forget her
care and that lovely creature Mrs
Chalmers attention in calling upon
me at the police office - God will
bless them both for it -
I am very uneasy at the unfortunate
position of my poor patients, it is
too bad to make innocent parties
to suffer for one presumed to be
guilty and the voluntary bail those
who have taken upon their heads

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My dear Sir

I am better of expressing to myself
yesterday mine and receive my
warmest thanks. and will by frank
in expressing my wishes - I do you are
already acquainted with family matters
I shall express myself shortly -
1st When I say and the present breach
between myself and Mr Leech as
particularly unfortunate it is my wish
to heal it upon Christian terms - of
mutual agreeable - and in reference
to money matters connected therewith
I shall submit to any arrangement
in regard to their future appropriation
to any 3 independent party mutually
chosen by ourselves - and abide by his
decision however contrary to my own
preconceived notions of its hypothetical
and should any difficulty arise
in regard to signing over the particulars
shall gladly proceed to undertake the
responsible duty - I shall yield

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— 10 The enclosing note to Mrs Leech I hereby when satisfactory evidence being produced to me that this is bona fide her own unbiassed decision -

— 11 2nd My brother James Leech and my sister Bethia's unfortunate cases I cannot reason to your letter judgement to decide on this difficult matter what is most prudent to be done under circumstances - and by this letter hereby bind and oblige myself to be guided implicitly by your advice in taking any further steps for this object - and after the death of my mother I already made under the authority & sanction of family matter - for which I hereby grant I have received your former instructions when you see I have put my signature for that of mine - and that I am will make more enclosed to Messrs Griffs agent cancel by which

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position of my poor patients, it is
too bad to make innocent parties
to suffer for one presumed to be
guilty and the voluntary lead those
who have taken upon their heads

I shall be implicated & involved without
a fear in every step I can consider most
prudent under circumstances -

I have in Conclusion to ask
pardon for the
liberty I take in
soliciting your kind attention and consideration
for I am alone in a foreign land
Lord
me - and in the strength of
shall take God come now I offend
a second time I may now perhaps
Convinced that your silence is not
only dictated by
but by sound principle

I remain
My Dear Sir
Your truly grateful & obliged
J. Jno Lee

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1843

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10 [illegible]

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Dr Hutcheson

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present circumstances extremely kind. Compliments to Mr Laurie. I hope he is fully satisfied in his own mind as to the propriety of conduct he has been so determinedly pursuing - they are coming to a crisis if our conduct will bear scrutiny so much the better for ourselves, if our carelessness or yielding to the improper council of others & stretching matters far beyond the bounds of christian moderation, the guilty party will assuredly meet a reward according to his works - I beg to be remembered to Mrs Campbell - My kind generous friend Mrs Morison - I shall never forget her care and that lovely creature Mrs Chrystals attention in calling upon me at the police office - God will bless them both for it -

I am very uneasy at the unfortunate position of my poor patients, it is too bad to make innocent parties to suffer for one presumed to be guilty and the voluntary load those who have taken upon their heads by acting towards me as they have done must be accounted for sooner or later - I may state that I have met with nothing but the utmost good breeding and politeness since I entered this establishment, it is conducted by Gentlemen and this is sufficient and by parties fully qualified for their important duties nor do I consider the present steps that has been taken in any other light than as a chastisement of my heavenly father for his own gracious and wise purposes - and am more desirous for his blessing upon this chastisement than for the removal of the rod - his will be done with regards to Mr Laurie My dear Sir -

I am your affectionate Wife
(Signed) Wm Leech

16 since last report has daily employed himself in the printing office - expresses himself as highly delighted with the institution and says he does not care how long he stays here, talks in a very sleighty manner on different subjects, bodily health good. C Morison

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George Bell Act from Vol II p172

1843

January 10th Has daily become more excited since last report and has been under seclusion for the last three day, during last night was very noisy, constantly cursing, swearing, and raving in a very loud and incoherent manner. Abuses the Clinical Assistant for giving him medicine which has acted freely on his bowels - says he knows me with to poision him - Is very filthy in his habits, passing his stools upon the floor of his room, and then painting the walls all over with them - Idle in seclusion Cont. Mania

— 20 Has relieved from seclusion on the 13th since which time he has been quiet, at present good humoured and answers questions relevantly, bodily health good. Walks daily in the garden. C. Mania

— 28 For the last two or three days has been very restless and easily excited - betrays the symptoms of his paroxysm returning - Abuses every thing that comes in his way and raves about different people - has been freely purged & to be closely watched and if his excitement increases to be placed under seclusion - Is filthy in his habits Cont. Mania

February 7th Has been in a very excited state since last report until yesterday, when he became more quiet and today excitement continues to decrease bodily health pretty good C. Mania.

— 11 Has continued free from any excitement since last report - At present quiet and in his usual state between his paroxysms - Bodily health good C. Mania

— 19 This morning has again become very highly excited - walking about the airing ground cursing, swearing and abusing every one connected with the place - Told the Clinical Assistant he was a ~~d~~ d - d rascal - Gets upon his knees and prays to God for the salvation of his soul - If his excitement increases to be placed in seclusion - R Pil Colocynth Comp c. ol. Croti ij sumat statim C. Mania

Pratts

21 Excitement has increased since last report and he is today

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placed under seclusion in the retired Gallery – raves in a very vehement and incoherent manner – Is very filthy at present – bodily Health pretty good – By Pil Colocynth Comp & ol Croti II hourly ℥j. O.a. h.s

— 27 So again quiet and in the usual state between his paroxysms – has remained in seclusion four days ago since which time his excitement has gradually decreased. walks daily in the airing ground and attends Chapel regularly Cont. Mixture

March 7 No change whatever has taken place in the state of this patient since last report – C. Mixture

— 8 This patients brother called today to say that his friends were anxious to try what effect a change to another Asylum would have upon him – He was accordingly removed this day to the Edinburgh Asylum for that purpose as believed

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1843

January 10th Was dismissed from the Asylum three days ago as cured and having taken lodgings at Govan left with the limitation of living quietly in the Country. This evening however he again returned to the Institution and requested Dr. Hutcheson to let him remain as he wished to be under his charge. Said he felt very dull & depressed living alone, particularly as he felt a peculiar sensation in his head which caused him to fear that he was going to have another attack of Insanity. Expresses in anxious desire that every thing may be done for him to protect him from another attack, at present in a very dull state, Head to be shaved and cold water dashed over it three times a day. To take regular exercise and bowels strictly attended to.

— 20 No change whatever has taken place since last report, daily complains of the same pain in his head as formerly, betrays no perceptible delusion but is very dull and anxious about himself. Col. Ulcis

— 30 Bodily health very good but still complains of pain in head. Is very dull and anxious about himself. Says he fears much he will soon have a return of his paroxysms. At present answers questions relevantly and is perfectly rational. Employs himself reading. Blister to be applied over scalp. C. Ulcis

February 7th Pain in head has been relieved by blister but still complains of uneasy sensations particularly in the morning. Is free from any delusions and employs himself reading. Bowels to be kept open by medicine. And blister over scalp to be again applied. Pil: Colocynth. Comp ℈ I Sumat iij o.n: 7.8 ad tertium vicem. C. Ulcis

— 11 Blister over scalp has been again applied by which he says pain in head has been relieved. Also expresses great anxiety about his paroxysm returning. Has made up his mind to give up business for some time and remain quiet in the Asylum. Is at present

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free from any delusions - Bowels apt to become constipated but bodily health continues pretty good - By Ol: Colocynth Comp VI Sumat iij o.n: h.s ad tertium vicem - Cont. Alia

— 27 Pain in head having again returned another blister has been today applied over scalp - Is in very dull spirits and expresses great anxiety about his own state - Employs himself generally reading - At present answers questions rationally and betrays no delusions C. Munro

March 21st Has been free from all delusions since last report but appears in very low spirits and daily expresses fear of his passages returning - Bodily health pretty good with the exception of a pain in the head which he frequently complains of and compares it to what would be felt by a sharp instrument going quickly through any part of the body - Frequent blisters have been applied but with no good effect - Head ordered to be bathed in cold water three times daily - Employs himself reading and takes regular exercise in the airing ground Bowels ~~frequently~~ regularly to be ~~kept~~ opened by gentle medicine Cont. Munro

— 28 On the whole looks better. Mind weak & timid but rational. Complains of pains in head. Pulse 72 full & soft. Pupils dilated, countenance more healthy - Some spasmodic action of the muscles of the mouth in speaking Expresses a desire to go out for a walk & is promised a drive into the country & a walk, & fixed upon return of better illness & not without good grounds Take drive out the first opportunity & tried with a walk in the country C. Alia

April 8 Was out on the 29th with General & the patients at Barnwood for some hours. He enjoyed himself very much & has been more cheerful & looked better since. Pupils natural, tongue clean & mind p72 natural, Bowels regular. Sleeps well. Still has some wandering pains in head. Mind quite rational. Wishes to go to the coast at the end of the month which the Superintendent thinks will be beneficial to him. C. Munro

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Jan January 23d For two days after last report he was in a very excited state after which he suddenly became dull and depressed in which state he continues. Request the Attendants to protect him and to let him keep his bed as he understands his life is in danger, says he heard some of the patients agreeing together past to beat him and then throw him over the window - declares the scaffold is now erected on which he is to be executed - His present symptoms do not characterize his former paroxysms - Countenance indicates great anxiety, Bodily health continues pretty good. C. Olmsted

February 7th Since last report has continued in a very dull & depressed state - Has taken Medicine several times but without any effect - Sits during the day in one place and never speaks a word to any of his fellow patients - bodily health pretty good Cont. Olmsted

— 11 No change whatever since last report - Still in a very dull and depressed state - Cont. Olmsted

— 27 Still continues in the same dull and depressed state - Sits during the whole day in one position and never converses with any one - Answers questions relevantly enough and takes his food well - Was today visited by one of his fathers servants and on being asked by him if he wished anything said that nothing would be of any use to him now, that he felt very miserable, and that death would be a relief to him - Asked several questions about his friends and during the conversation became very much affected and said to the Servant that his case was an awful visitation of Providence - Bodily health continues pretty good Cat. Olmsted

March 11th Continued in the same dull and depressed state till yesterday when he again betrayed symptoms of his paroxysm returning - Excitement increased during the night and this morning he exhibits all

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the symptoms incidental on his former paroxysms - Raves in the most vehement and incoherent manner - Curses, swears and abuses every one who comes in his way - Destroys the bed Clothes tears furniture - To be placed in seclusion in retired Gallery - Bowels said to be constipated by Mr Coltrght Comp, C.C. Col. H. Sumat if accordingly Surgeon Route - Cont. Mix

— 21 Still remains in seclusion and has been more highly excited during his present paroxysm than he has been for some years - A few days ago struck the Clerical Assistant and has several times used violence to the Attendants - Raves constantly in a vehement and incoherent manner - is very noisy particularly during the night - Covers the walls of his room with his faces and is inclined to be very destructive Cont. Mixture

April 3d Has been much less excited since last report but still raves in the same vehement and incoherent manner - bodily health continues good - Habits improve - To be allowed to walk about the airing ground during the day and still to be placed in retired Gallery during the night C. Mixture

— 21st Paroxysm still continues but he is daily becoming more rational - At present sleeps pretty quietly during the night and walks daily in the airing ground - Still raves very incoherently on different subjects - Constantly asks for tobacco and snuff Bodily health good - On the whole improved since last report C. Mixture

— 28 Has become much more quiet since last report and is today in front Saloon - Talks more rationally and paroxysm appears to be going off - Is today reading the newspapers - Bodily health very good, Appetite, Sleep and Bowels Natural C. Mixture

May 5th Yesterday betrays symptoms of paroxysm returning and today he is in a high state of excitement - Raves in a very vehement and incoherent manner - Is destructive and filthy - To be placed in seclusion C. Mixture

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1843

May 22d — Has continued in a high State of excitement since last report – Raves in a very incoherent manner on every subject – Abuses the Attendants in the most violent manner – Is particularly noisy during the night, and is very filthy in his habits – This morning threatened to strike the Clinical Assistant and told him that if he sent up any more of his damned pills that he would take the life out of him – Bodily health continues very good – Still in seclusion C. Munro

June 9th — Has been highly excited since last report but is this morning quiet and request to be removed from the retired Gallery – Still talks in a very incoherent manner on different subjects – Raves about horses, dogs &c – Bodily health very good – Appetite, Sleep and Bowels Natural – To be removed to the front Parlour – Cont. Munro

— 26 — Has daily improved since last report – Is at present rational and free from any excitement – Employs himself in reading and walks daily in the garden – Expresses a desire to see his friends – Bodily health good C. Munro

July 2d — During the last few days has betrayed slight symptoms of his paroxysm again returning – Talks in a rambling manner and is very restless though he is free from any particular delusions – Walks daily in the garden with which he appears much pleased – Appetite Sleep and Bowels Natural C. Munro

6 — Symptoms of returning paroxysm have daily increased since last report and today he is in a high state of excitement – Raves in his usual incoherent manner – Curses swears and abuses every one about the Institution – Is destructive and filthy – To be placed in the retired Gallery by himself in a room by himself C. Munro

14 — Still continues in the same excited state as at last report – Is very noisy and violent – Bodily health good – Still in seclusion C. Munro

August 3d — Has been less excited during the last two days but is still very filthy in his habits and raves

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is a very incoherent manner - Bodily health very good - Still in retired Gallery - C. Omnia

— 13 Has daily improved since last report and he is now much more rational - Still restless and confused but habits very much improved - Is quiet and answers questions relevantly - Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and bowels natural - To be removed from the retired gallery C. Omnia

— 31 Has been very restless and excitable during the last few days and this morning he is in a high state of mania, cursing, swearing and betraying all the symptoms of his former paroxysms - Has been removed to Frantic ward and is now under seclusion - Bodily health good - Appetite and Bowels natural -

Septr 19th Still continues in a high state of excitement and in seclusion - Raves in the most vehement and incoherent manner on all subjects - Is destructive and filthy - Bodily health good - bowels regular - C. Omnia

October 7th Is rather less excited than at last report and appears to be coming out of his paroxysm - Is still however very noisy and raves in a very incoherent manner - Bodily health good - Appetite and Bowels natural - Cont. Omnia

Contd

— 23 Excitement has very much increased since last report - Is at present very noisy and violent - Raves incoherently on all subjects - Still in seclusion Bodily health good - Appetite and Bowels natural C. Omnia

— 31st Paroxysm has again abated - He is now quiet and rational - Betrays no delusions and employs himself reading - Was yesterday removed from the retired Gallery - Bodily health good - Appetite - Sleep and Bowels natural C. Omnia

Nov 21st Has continued perfectly rational and free from all delusions since last report until this morning when he became highly excited & destructive - He is now in his usual state during a paroxysm and in refractory ward C. Omnia

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1843
January 21 Since last report the Physician has received the annexed letter from the patient who had an interview with his cousin Mr Lawrie from London the day before yesterday. On that occasion he expressed himself as highly satisfied with the establishment & his treatment. Said that he not been happy for the last two years – that all his misfortunes had come upon him in consequence of his having acted dishonourably to the Physician & not taken his advice in reference to his brother – that he had already apologised to the Physician by whom he would be implicitly guided in all things. Rambled a good deal. Looks ill & haggard. He is evidently weak minded & fanciful & so excitable that he is dangerous. Continues

1843
February 1st Has employed himself daily in the printing office since last report – Has been visited twice by Drs Weir & M'Innell at the request of the Sheriff to examine him whether or not he was a fit patient for the Asylum as a petition had been presented by a number of his old relations declaring him insane when he was perfectly sane – The following is the statement made by the medical men regarding his case –

Glasgow 31st January 1843

Agreeably to a remit from Mr Sheriff Bell we have visited on the 25th inst and again this day Dr John Leech at present confined in the Glasgow Royal Lunatic Asylum and having carefully examined him we are of opinion that although he is now considerably improved, it is still necessary that he should remain in that institution for some time longer.

This we certify on soul & conscience

John M'Innell M.D
(Signed) William Weir M.D

After they had left he abused them for every thing worse than another – said he should like very much to know what right they had to come here and examine him after he had distinctly stated that he wished to be ruled entirely by

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the opinion of Dr Hutcheson in whom he had every confidence – declared they were ignorant, impudent and inquisitive fellows, that he saw through them at once, they did not come here for his interest but to show themselves up to the world as having examined a person in an Asylum in which there were many cases which he considered far above their comprehension – If they came to examine him he would like to know what they had to do asking him questions about the diet and other matters connected with the house – This proved they were no gentlemen and he thought a short time here would do them both good and teach them at least good manners. Declares he will not leave the Asylum for any man living – that he feels happier than he has been for many years – that when here he is independent of any man – Abuses his brother who he says is a great rascal and in the course of a conversation concerning the knife which was found in his pocket when taken to the Police Office said he did not say he intended it for any particular purpose but if he had run it through his brother he should have considered the act a very proper one – Rambles very much as formerly – Mind very Jan cipal Cont. Omnia

19 Mind still very weak and fanciful – Rambles very much on different subjects – Still abuses his brother and says it is impossible to place confidence in any person however nearly related – Says he has had many trials – That the conduct of his wife created jealousy on his part – That he considered her on too intimate a footing with a Pole who he once found in her bed room with her and which was the principal cause of their being so unhappy together – Says that after he slept in a different room from her that one night he was disturbed by some one knocking at her window and on going into the room found it open. Declares females are regular Devils and he would place no confidence in any one of them that ever he saw yet – In good humoured and quite pleased with his situation C. Omnia No 18

1843

January 10th — Has continued much in the same state since last report, mind also very weak - says he suspects his friends have some object in sending him to this place - That he is fast loosing strength by being confined - sits in his room with a book open before him, but his mind is evidently wandering on other matters, bodily health very good and has exhibited no symptoms of violence since last report. C. Ottawa

" 15 — No change whatever has taken place since last report, mind still in the same confused state - bodily health good. C. Ottawa

" 24 — Has daily improved since last report, Mind more clear, answers questions rationally and betrays no perceptible delusions. reads during the most part of the day and frequently plays a game at Billiards with his fellow patients. Wrote a letter to his friends in which he expressed himself as pleased with the place and says that his being sent here has been of great use to him, that he now feels much better, is good humoured and contented - Bodily health very good - C. Ottawa

" 30 — Continues to improve daily - is good humoured and contented - answers questions rationally and betrays no delusions - Employs himself reading and sometimes plays at billiards - Bodily health good - May be looked upon as convalescent. C. Ottawa

February 10th — Continued to improve daily until this morning when he became rather excited - His brother in Law called upon him a few days ago and said he was worried (by attention) to get him out to China in a vessel that was soon to sail - On his seeing by the Newspapers this morning that the vessel was already gone, he cursed, swore and abused all his relations saying he knew some underhand work was going on but that he would play the Devil with them all for it - He then sat down and wrote the following

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letter -

" Sir

" I take the liberty of letting you know
" that the Ship D. Wellington sails today
" direct for China - You made a promise
" to see me on Wednesday last - I have
" been looking for you with the greatest
" anxiety these three days - It may be
" your business that detained you from
" fulfilling it, but I am now aware of
" the underhand work that is going on
" at present - Far be it from me to say
" that you are wishing to do me any
" harm - I am sensible you would do
" me a good turn in a reasonable way
" I have only one favour to ask from
" my father, if it is granted the last
" water will no longer wash my feet

(Signed) Alexr Cumming

G. L. & A.

19 Has daily improved since last report -
Is at present rational and betrays no
perceptible delusion - Bodily health
good - Employs himself reading and
playing Cards - Billiards &c with his
fellow patients - May be looked upon
as convalescent - C. Olivia

20 Being in good bodily health
and his mind being free from
any delusion he is this day
discharged

Cleared

John Brown Ct

1843

January 28th On admission was quiet and appeared very much bewildered - answers questions rationally and requested to know where he was, said if it was the Lunatic Asylum that there was no occasion to bring him here - said he had not been very well for some time back, that his friends had combined together and treated him very ill and that he felt very unhappy - Looks dull & depressed and is at present in very low spirits in which state his friends report him to have been for the last 2 years and a half - Countenance indicates much anxiety - P 68 small and feeble - Tongue but dry - pupils rather dilated - To have half diet, R Pil: Alterativ VI Sumat ij o. n. Hora somni - To be closely watched.

February 2d P 80 rather feeble - pupils dilated & white but moist - Answers questions relevantly but is in a very dull and depressed state - Says he thinks there is something wrong with his nervous system as he frequently during the night sees all sorts of objects moving about his room and that he often imagines he is to be murdered which puts him into such low spirits that he frequently wishes he was dead - Says he does not understand how it is but every thought he has vexes him in one way or another - Often feels as if he was going into convulsions - Thinks he feels better since he came to the Asylum and hopes every thing will be done to cure him soon as he wishes again to return to his family - R Pil Alterativ VI Sumat ij o. n: h.s - Cont. Alia

—— 7th Has rather improved since his admission but is still very dull and depressed - Answers questions tolerably enough but is full of fancies - Says he did not see any one in his room during last night for the first time for many months - Complains of want of sleep - Tongue & pulse improved - Bodily health pretty good - Is very desirous to return home and expresses an anxious desire to see some of his friends - Cont. Mania

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— 11th Bodily health improved - Answers questions rationally but mind still weak and fanciful - Says his sleep is not so much disturbed at night as formerly and yesterday requested a book to read for the first time to be very dull and depressed but on the whole is rather improved - C. Olivia

— 27 Has improved very much since last report - Is quiet and sleeps well during the night - Employs himself reading and is much more cheerful - A few days ago was visited by his brother in law when he told him that he was sure Medical men never took any interest in his case like to came here and that he is most thankful he was sent to the Asylum - Says he now thinks he might go home but as it is Dr Hutcheson opinion that he should remain quiet for a short time longer that he will take his advice - Says he bowels keep pretty well but that sometimes after reading for a length of time he feels his head a little confused and is apt to forget what he has been reading - Bodily health pretty good - Cert. Olivia

March 7th Continues to improve - Is cheerful and good humoured and betrays no delusions. Says he should like to go to the Country for a short time before returning home. At present employs himself reading and attends Chapel regularly - May now be looked upon as Convalescent Cert - Olivia

— 8 This patients brother in law having called this morning to inform him of the severe illness of one of his Children and he being Convalescent it was thought advisable to allow him to return home without undergoing the usual probation in such cases - Before leaving he said if he found it necessary, that he would again return and place himself under the care of Dr Hutcheson and said he could never feel grateful enough for the kindness he received since he came to the Asylum - He is consequently this day discharged

Cured

— properly

Walter McLean C from Vol II

1843

January 30th Has continued free from any excitement since last report – Employs himself daily reading and walks in the airing ground for about an hour daily when the weather permits – Mind in a very weak state and memory very imperfect – frequently plays a game at billiards with his fellow patients – Bodily health rather improved since last report and he appears stronger – Has very considerable difficulty of articulation and appears to be fast going into a state of general paralysis C. Omnia

February 27th No change whatever has taken place either in his bodily or mental state since last report – Has been free from any excitement and answers questions relevantly enough – Temper very quick and if annoyed by any of his fellow patients occasionally becomes rather violent – Mind in a very weak state and limbs become more feeble – walks daily in the airing grounds – Bowels require to be regularly kept open by gentle medicine C Omnia

March 21st Has been rather excited on one or two occasions since last report and a few days ago struck one of his fellow patients rather severely – On investigation however it was found that great provocation was given him – Mind still in a very weak state – Employs himself principally reading – Occasionally plays at billiards and walks in the airing grounds – limbs very feeble and he requires assistance when walking up and down stairs – Symptoms of general paralysis increase and he has sometimes great difficulty of articulation – Bowels require to be kept open frequently by medicine C. Omnia

April 7 Health appears better since last report & he walks rather more firmly – Difficulty of articulation increases. He is calm & cheerful at present, answers questions relevantly & labours under no delusions. Employs himself in reading. Appetite good. Bowels apt to be constipated. The present improvement will in all probability be very transient C. Omnia

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April 16 Today more feeble than he has been for some time. Complains that his knees totter, that he feels very weak that, he cannot articulate & is afraid that he will have one of his fits, though he has not yet had one – Articulation very much impeded – gait tottering – looks stout & stupid, though his ideas are clear & he is free from delusions, pulse 78 & ordinary strength, Tongue pretty clean & moist – Face red & swollen – Bowels acted to the regular – Appetite good Temperature of skin warm but surface naturally moist. Pupils contracted. Sumat cras mane pil. [illegible] c ol. Croti q. Calca

— 24 At present appears to have great difficulty of articulation and his knees totter very much – Face still has a swollen look and he appears anxious about his own state – says he thinks he is becoming very stout and should like to be brought down a little – wishes to be placed on vegetable diet – Mind evidently very weak but is free from all delusions – Bowels apt to become constipated – at present takes two Alterative pills every second night C. Omnia

May 22d Mind weak as formerly – Bodily health has continued in much the same state since last report – Bowels apt to become constipated and requires to be kept open by medicine – Employs himself reading – is cheerful and says he is very happy C. Omnia –

June 22d Mind still weak but is at present free from any delusions – Answers questions relevantly but has the same difficulty of articulation – ~~Countenance has a dull and~~ is very stout and has a stupid look – Employs himself reading and frequently plays a game at cards with his fellow patients – totters very much in his gait but appears cheerful – is very much pleased with his removal to Dartmouth and hopes the change of air will be useful to him – sometimes walks in the garden C. Omnia

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W. D. Stewart from Vol II

1843

January 31st No change has taken place since last report. Sores on legs look pretty well at present. Sitting to his habits and sits during the day whole day in his own room. Pretty good humoured at present and always shakes hands with the Medical Officer. Mind is a very weak state. Bodily health pretty good at present. Cont. Omnia

Febry 27 Bodily health at present pretty good. Sores on legs continue well. Mind still in the same weak state and constantly sits in his own room. habits as formerly. Is very anxious to remain constantly in his bed. Cont. Omnia

March 21st Bodily health ~~and~~ has continued very good since last report with the exception of sores on legs which have again broken out. Mind still in the same weak state and habits pretty as formerly. Sits constantly in his bed room. Appetite. Sleep and Bowels natural. Legs to be dressed daily. Cont Omnia

April 20th No change whatever has taken place in this patients Mental or bodily health since last report. Habits unchanged. Legs at present rather improved. Sits constantly in his room C. Omnia

May 20th No change whatever has taken place either in body or mind since last report. Sores on legs are pretty sack at present. Still sits constantly in his room C. Omnia

June 20th Bodily health good. Mind in the same weak state as formerly. Sores on legs continue better. Sits constantly in his own room. Has not suffered by the fatigue attending his removal to Gaitsmead. Is at present good humoured and shakes hands daily with the Medical Attendants C. Omnia.

July 14th Is at present in a very good bodily health. Mind and habits as formerly. Has a few days ago visited by his friends who thought him looking well. C. Omnia

August 18th No change whatever has taken place since last report. Mind weak. habits unchanged.

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bodily health very good C. Mannix

September 12th — Bodily health at present excellent and swelling of legs keep better — Mind in the same weak state — Habits as formerly — No improvement whatever has taken place in his mental state C. Mannix

October 7th — No change whatever has taken place since last report — Swelling of legs keep pretty well — His bodily health is good but his mind remaining in the same weak and fatuous state C. Mannix

Nov. 7th — Continues in every respect the same as at last report — No mental change — Bodily health at present very good — C. Mannix —

Dec. 7th — Bodily health at present very good — Mind in the same fatuous state, and habits filthy — No improvement whatever has taken place C. Mannix

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Jan. 7th — No change whatever worthy of notice has taken place during the last month — Legs continue pretty well at present C. Mannix

Feb. 7th — Mind fatuous as formerly — Habits filthy and in other respects remain unchanged — Bodily health pretty good — Legs continue better C. Mannix

March 4th — No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state during the last month C. Mannix

April 4th — Swelling of legs much less than formerly — Mind in the same fatuous state — Bodily health pretty good — Habit filthy C. Mannix

May 4th — No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place since last report. C. Mannix

June 4 — Bodily health has continued very good during the last month — Sores in legs are dressed daily with a stimulating lotion — Mind Continues in the same weak state and his habits remain unchanged C. Mannix

July 3d — No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place during the last month Cert. Mannix

Aug. 6 — Bodily health literally good. Sanitum and free from excitement. Bowels regular. Sores on legs discharge and are regularly dressed. Cont. on

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February 1st P 120 very feble Tongue & skin pupils rather contracted - So very dull and depressed - Refuses his food answers questions but in a very confused manner - Is rapidly loosing flesh - Bowels cannot be got to act - Is in a very precarious state C. Mannia

" 2d Continues to become weaker - Pulse small and scarcely perceptible - Pupils contracted - Attempts to speak but can not articulate - Has lost the power of deglutition - Eyes have a fixed appearance and he appears to be rapidly sinking - Cont. Mannia

" 4th Still continues in a very weak state but has been got to take some wine and brandy which he swallows with much difficulty Pulse 116 very feble countenance pale and corrugated - Remains constantly in one position on his back - To have an injection immediately - Continue the stimulants and beef tea Cont. Mannia

" 6 Today rather improved and pulse stronger - has taken three ounces of brandy and one ounce of wine during the night, also a little beef tea - Has had an injection but without any effect On the whole rather improved. Continue the stimulants and beef tea -

" 7 Yesterday afternoon took about an ounce of beef steak - and in the Evening his pulse was fully stronger - This morning Pulse has again become weaker and he appears to be loosing strength - An injection was given him this morning again but with very little effect - C. Mannia

" 9 Continued better during yesterday, took more nourishment than he had done for some time previously, and answered questions more rationally - About one Oclock this morning he became very sick and continued so for several hours vomiting a large quantity of bile - After this his pulse gradually became weaker and he continued to do so till about five minutes before two this afternoon when without a struggle he

Died

No inspection permitted -

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John Graham Ct 62

1843

February 4th — Was brought to the Asylum last night a little before twelve o'clock under the delusion that he was going to the Mills at the Towns Hospital where he expressed a wish to remain as a Pauper. On admission was quiet but said if he had known they were going to bring him to the Asylum that he would have resisted manfully if he had died in the struggle - That they were a cruel hearted set of fellows here, that he knew the place of old - Has had three different attacks and was an Inmate of the Asylum ten years ago. Said by his friends to be subject to frequent violent attacks of Bilious Diarrhoea - At present in a very dull and depressed state. Says he is unfit for anything and that he is useless in the world, that he is undone. Pulse rather feeble. Tongue white and dry - pupils slightly dilated - To have Pulv: Ipecacuanh xii statim ejus o. h. h.s ad vi^tam vicem -

7th — Has rather improved since last report - Complains of great sickness in the morning - Says he is determined to bring an action against the Clinical Assistant & Attendant who brought him here - That they went to Paisley in a Noddy - and got drunk with his son - then returned to Glasgow and took him out of his bed at one o'clock in the morning which they had no right to do - Declares he had to pay all the expences of their amusement. Is much less dull and depressed than on his admission - Ry Bicarb. Sodæ ʒij - Infus: Gent: Comp ℥xii Pro mistura ʒij bis quotidie - Cont. Alia

11th — Has continued to improve since last report - To day free from any perceptible delusions, answers questions relevantly and says he feels himself much better - Complained formerly of violent sickness in the morning - and want of rest during the night but & now says the sickness is gone and that he slept from ten o'clock last night till six this morning - Says nothing about his being brought to the Asylum

14th

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or of being taken out of his bed - Has a much healthier look and is more cheerful C. Munro

14th - Was this Morning visited by his Son when he became rather excited - Told him it was a disgrace to send his father to such a place - Said that he had protected people during his life when in trouble but he now found that no one would protect him - That as he had now degraded him in the eyes of the world, that he hoped he would keep him here for life - Complained very much about being taken out of his bed at such an hour in the night and said the men who took him here were drunk - Hoped his Son would come and visit him sometimes as he never intended again to mingle with the world - C. Munro

19th - Has continued more cheerful and good humoured since last report but still has a very dull and depressed look. Has frequent attacks of Headache and is now taking 9ss Hyds. C. Creta and 9ss ℞ Opii daily by which he says he is greatly relieved - Still complains of his being sent to the Asylum and says he is degraded by it - Delusions evidently become fainter - On the whole improved since his admission Cant. Munro

21 - Continues daily to improve both in his bodily and mental state - Is much more cheerful and does not now complain of having been sent here - May be looked upon as Convalescent - C. Munro

23 - Having continued in good bodily health and his mind being free from any delusion. He is this day discharged

C Munro

Charles Goyder Æt 14

1843

Feby 13 Was brought up under the pretence that he was to be employed in the Institution for a time & that one of the conditions of his being taken in was that he was not to go beyond the walls. His health is good & except a tgument there is nothing to indicate any affection of the Nervous System. This is a pure case of Kleptomania. The remedy is evidently to keep him employed, to entrust him with property without giving him the means of secreting it – to call forth his moral & intellectual powers & preserve his health –

— 24 Has been in good bodily health since his admission and is very cheerful. A few days ago wrote a letter to his father expressing himself as highly delighted with his situation. Has been constantly employed since his admission – Is at present learning Painting in which he takes much interest. Still thinks he was sent here for the purpose of learning some profession – Has as yet shown no symptoms of his propensity to steal – C. Munro

March 21st Is cheerful and good humoured. Employs himself regularly either learning painting or in the printing office – frequently reads – Has shown no symptoms of his former propensity to steal – A few days ago when in Chapel heard the 6th 10th Chap of 1st Corinthians read, and on the following day requested me of the his fellow Patients who takes great interest in him and who had been talking to him of the impropriety of his former conduct to explain to him the meaning of the 24th verse Let no man seek his own but every man another's wealth – On having it explained he appeared quite satisfied and said he had never understood it in the same way before Cont. Munro

April 24th Has been in good health and Spirits since last report – Employs himself daily either in the printing Office & Carpenters Shops – Says he likes the Place much better

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than home – Attends Chapel regularly and never exhibits any symptoms of his propensity to steal C. Minnie

May 22d At present employs himself daily at Carpenters work – Is cheerful and in good bodily health – Never steals any thing although he has frequent opportunities of doing so were he inclined – Says he would much rather live in the Asylum than return home – C. Minnie

July 2d Has continued in good bodily health since last report – Since his removal to Gartmavel has been making himself generally useful – Has been informed that he is to attend at the Physicians office daily for with which he appears much pleased – Employs himself more frequently reading than he formerly did – and has several times said that he now felt very much ashamed at his former conduct – Never betrays the slightest appearance of a stealing propensity C. Minnie

August 1st Bodily health good – Employs himself in the garden or office – Is perfectly rational and never betrays and appearance of his old propensity to steal – Is cheerful and good tempered C. Minnie

Septr 6th Has been in good bodily health during the last month – Walks about the place and generally employs himself at out door work – Never shows the slightest inclination to secrete things – C. Minnie

October 7th Bodily health very good – Altho he has the means of secreting many articles he never shows the least inclination to do so – Is known to reside in the same house with the Clinical assistants and to be employed regularly in the surgery and taught to dispense medicine C. Minnie

Novr 7th Has been employed regularly in the Surgery since last report where he has been very industrious, and strictly honest – Bodily health good – C. Minnie

Decr 7th In all respects as at last report – Is daily employed in the Surgery and seems perfectly honest – C. Minnie

—— 30 This patient was today dismissed

Cured

John Skedden Act 21

1843

Feb 18th Was brought to the Asylum last night by one of the Clinical Assistants under the delusion that he was going to the Highlands along with him - On admission was quiet and retired immediately to his bed - When told where he was appeared perfectly satisfied saying that in his present state it was perfectly right and necessary to send him to an Asylum for a short time - Says he has no doubt all his excitement was caused from the disordered state of his bowels which are very constipated - Breath foetid - Tongue but dry - Pupils slightly dilated - By Pil: Chloratin x11 Summat ij S.A.H.S. ad 11th Decem Half diet & regimen -

— 19 Pulse rather feeble - Pupils dilated Tongue but little dry - breath not so foetid - Has a depressed look and is full of delusions - Talks in a very incoherent manner on various subjects - Says he knows his brain is in a very confused state but that he will soon be better now - That a voice from heaven declared he was to be mad ten weeks in the year and that the time has now nearly elapsed when he will again recover - That the house he lived in when at Bath Street was the worst in Glasgow, that the inmates frequently gave him poison and that the nearest relation he had in the world (his aunt) hired men for the purpose of strangling him - Declares there are a set of men in the world called blood-suckers - That the last time he preached they entered the pulpit - sucked out all his blood - but that although dead he was still able to walk - this also was declared to him by a voice from heaven - When at breakfast this morning took his tea and washed his face with it saying that it would nourish his brain and that the bread would nourish his body - Walks about the Gallery in a very restless manner talking to himself - Bodily health appears pretty good - Cont. Omnia

— 21 Has been highly excited since last report - has been pretty tolerably quiet yesterday when at dinner -

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took hold of the table, threw it upon the ground breaking all the dishes - He then made an attack upon the windows and smashed fourteen panes of glass before the Attendants could prevent it - Was placed in a room by himself to where he still continues - Today not so highly excited but full of delusions - Expresses an anxious desire to be bled because he is mad - Says he wishes his body to be particularly examined as it is covered with particular things which he cannot explain but knows they are present - When spoken to about the impropriety of his conduct yesterday said he was to blame as far as the table was concerned, but that the window was broken by a black man who entered the room from the outside, thinks it was the Devil from his being so suddenly tempted to commit so foolish an act knowing it at the same time to be improper - Pulse 88 rather feeble - Pupils dilated - Tongue dry - Bowels said to be rather constipated By P.C. Colocynth: Comp. c. ol. Croti ℥ℓ statim ij. o. de: h.s

— 24 Today much less excited than at last report but still full of delusions - Says he wishes to have a new skin as the one he has at present is very much diseased - Bowels have been freely acted upon by Medicine - Tongue not so dry as formerly and pulse stronger - Habits very much improved - Says he thinks he has an evil spirit in his head and is anxious to know how he is to be driven out - Employs himself occasionally playing on the fiddle - Is now in the front Parlour - Continue the pills & Bicarb: Sodæ ℥ij: Infus: Gent: Comp ℥ℓ ~~ter~~ quarta ℥ij bis quotidie C. Alia

— 27 Mind still very weak and is full of fancies and delusions - Excitement daily becomes less - Takes his food better - Walks about the Gallery in a very restless manner muttering to himself and frequently during the night is noisy - Tongue pretty clean and moist - Pupils rather dilated - Walks out in the Airing Ground - Habits very much improved - Cont. Omnia

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Robt Templeton Act 70

1843

Feby 24th Was brought to the Asylum last night by one of the Clinical Assistants. When visited at his house for that purpose resisted violently and was in a high state of excitement. On Admission raved in a very incoherent manner particularly about Dr Wardlaw. This morning got out of bed and pushed his hand through a pane of glass in his bed-room window saying he wished to see blood. At first resisted examination and refused to take his food unless Dr Wardlaw was present. Two ~~oth~~ alterative pills were given him which — 7
he at first refused to take but on being told that it was Dr Wardlaws wish that he should take do so he at once consented. Is at present highly excited Pulse 90 full. Pupils slightly dilated. Eyes suffused. Tongue white and rather dry. By Pil Alterativ sumat statim et respere Haust Ry Sol: Sulph: Magnes ℥ij. Tinct: Senna ℥ij ℏ. To have full diet and to be — 11
closely watched.

— 26 Still remains in bed and is very much excited. Raves in a very incoherent manner particularly on religious subjects. Bowels have been freely acted upon by medicine and he now takes his food better. Eyes still suffused. Pulse 98 full. Tongue dry. Pupils slightly dilated. By Pil: Hydrarg ij sumat statim. Cont. Alia — 21

— 27 Has this morning got out of bed and is less excited. Eyes less suffused Mind still in a very confused state and raves incoherently. Thinks he is on board a steam-boat waiting for good weather to return to Glasgow and that it is Dr Wardlaws wish he should take every thing that is offered to him. Expresses an anxious desire to know if his family are all well. Pulse 88 still full Tongue moister. By ~~Haust~~ Infus: Gent Comp ℥xvi. Bicarb: Soda ℈ij ℏ sumat ℈ij bis quotidie. By Sol: Sulph: Magnes ℥ij: Tinct Senna ℥ss ℏ statim sumat. — 31
Cont. Alia

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March 4th — Has daily improved since last report and is today much less excited — She has a great many delusions & particularly anxious to see Dr Lomes Wilson and to hold a consultation about his state of health — says he wishes to know why Dr Wardlaw his Secretary of State has not called to see him — Suffused appearance of eyes almost gone — Tongue rather foul but moist — Pupils natural — Complains of feeling very weak — On the whole improved — To have one pint Porter daily Cont. Mixt.

— 7 — Still full of delusions — Complains very much of being kept here as he wishes to attend the funeral of his brother who ~~has died~~ died a few days ago — Says ~~that~~ there are a great ~~deal~~ many things working in his mind which he will not explain till he returns home and that he will then prosecute those who had the impudence to send him to a Lunatic Asylum C. Mixt.

— 11 — Bodily health improved — Delusions seem much fainter but he is in a very anxious state of mind to hear what arrangements have been made about his brothers funeral and also how his family are at present provided for — Says the cause of his insanity was family affairs working in his mind but that he feel himself much better — On the whole very much improved C. Mixt.

— 21 — Has daily improved since last report — is now free from any perceptible delusions — Answers questions relevantly and is much more cheerful — Employs himself regularly and frequently walks in the airing grounds — Has given up talking about his family affairs — His friends have seen him frequently on which occasions he expresses himself as perfectly satisfied with his situation and is now quite aware of the necessity of his having been sent to the Asylum — Bodily health also improved — may be now looked upon as Convalescent — Cont. Mixt.

— 31 — Having continued in good bodily health and free from all delusions since last report he is this day discharged

C Wardlaw

John Leech Ct from page 8

1843

February 27 Has continued in good health and spirits since last report – Answers questions relevantly enough but converses in a very rambling manner – Employs himself daily in the printing office in which he takes great interest – Is perfectly satisfied with his situation and says he never was so happy in his life, that he is fond of retirement and that he considers it a great deliverance from the bad treatment he received from his friends, but particularly his brother – Cont. Omnia

March 25th Mind still weak and confused – Talks in the same rambling manner as formerly – During the last fortnight has given up employing himself in the printing office saying that he did not approve of the conduct of some gentlemen who frequented it – Says he wishes now to remain quiet in his own room – He is very fanciful and apt to think that some of his fellow patients combine to annoy him – A few days ago told the Physician that he wished this house to be considered as an army and that he the Physician should be looked upon as the Commanding Officer and that he wished he would order him about – Complained of the insolence of one of the Attendants and also of some of his fellow patients but on investigation it was found that he had no just cause for complaining – Has gained flesh since his admission and has a more healthy look – At present employs himself reading

Cont. Omnia

April 5th – Has been employed in playing the violoncello in the band & in practising. In a long conversation with the Physician to day he found him as usual a great many complaints – gave various hints of abuses in the house – complained of the conduct of one of the former attendants in the gallery & of some of his fellow patients – Stated that every thing was right now & he was quite comfortable & feeling sincerely to follow the advice of the Physician. Alluded with

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April — many apologies to the [illegible] former conduct about 14 months ago to the Physicians — Said that he did not wish to leave this till the Physicians told him he ought to do so — Is not aware that he is boarded here at the lowest rate & is placed in his present position by the Physicians & disclaims his expressions of gratitude & satisfaction have no reference to this. He rambles in conversation a good deal from one subject to another & his remarks are rather weak. He is incorrect in his manner & looks excitable whenever his brother George is mentioned. (Commn.

— 7 In consequence of a reclamation from the direction of Mr Bell the Sheriff substitute to Mr Allison the Sheriff & sent from the latter to the former, another examination has been ordered to take place in presence of the Sheriff substitute & two of the petitioners by two members of the Faculty of Physicians & Surgeons of Glasgow Dr Lawrie & Dr Buchanan, on Wednesday next the 12th at 3 o'clock & an extract of the decree has been sent to the Physicians —

— 12 Saw Dr Lawrie by appointment & Dr Lawrie with two of his friends & the Sheriff Bell. He answered all questions relevantly, betrayed no delusions & conversed rationally. They found him to be sane at the time of examination — but would not pronounce him sane — They were of opinion from the circumstances under which he was sent here that he was insane on his admission — They were directed to furnish the Sheriff with a report tomorrow. Before this interview with the medical men & his friends he talked in a rambling manner to the Physicians, but he betrayed no delusions & answered questions relevantly — Commn.

— 28 No change to observe has taken place in the state of this patient since last report. His talks in the same rambling manner C. Commn.

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Nov 28th — No change whatever has taken place in the State of this patient since last report — occasionally becomes excited when he abuses every person in the Gallery — is very taciturn. Habits as formerly. When in the Gallery lies on his back upon the floor — Never employs himself in any way C. Mania

March 21st — Bodily health has continued very good since last report — Has had no return of excitement — Habits as formerly — very seldom walks in the airing ground and is constantly found stretched on his back upon the floor of gallery — Never reads or employs himself in any way Pulse 74 moderate strength — Tongue and moist — pupils slightly dilated — Appetite sleep and Bowels natural C. Mania

April 21st — Has remained free from all excitement since last report — Bodily health on the whole improved — is full of fancies and very excitable — walks out in the airing ground and has given up stretching himself on the floor — No mental change whatever has taken place C. Mania

May 22d — Has continued in good bodily health and free from any excitement during the past month — Appears to be gaining strength and flesh — Walks daily in the airing ground but never employs himself in any way C. Mania Mind in the same [illegible] and weak state C. Mania

July 2d — Has been rather excited since last report — Complains very much of his being moved from the Kilmainham Institution — is very abusive in his language — Bodily health very good — Walks daily in the garden — Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural C. Mania

August 2d — Bodily health very good — Appetite sleep and Bowels natural, Mind very weak and fanciful — He is full of delusions and subject to occasional fits of excitement — No change whatever either in body or mind C. Mania

Sept 4th — Mind very weak and fanciful — Has been rather excited during the last month — is at present

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very abusive - Curses and swears at every one who comes in & his way - Is constantly talking to himself and is frequently found stretched on his back upon the floor - Bodily health pretty good - C. Ammin

Octobr 4th Mind continues in the same weak state - He is full of delusions - Refuses animal food to his dinner on particular days of the week - Is very excitable and violent in his language - Never ready or employs himself in any way - Bodily health good Cont. Ammin

Nov 4th Mind in the same weak state and teeming with delusions - At present very sulky and refuses to answer questions - No mental improvement whatever has taken place - Bodily health pretty good - Sits in one corner of the Parlour during the greater part of the day and never reads or employs himself in any way Cont. Ammin

Decr 3d No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state during the last month - Is sulky - excitable and discontented as formerly - Never employs himself in any way - Bodily health good - Cont. Ammin

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Janry 3d No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state during the last month C. Ammin

— 16 This morning remains in bed and complains of severe pain of chest - talks differently articulates - Refuses to take his food - Bowels regular - Tongue clean - Countenance has a peculiar kind appearance - Blister to be applied over chest. C. Ammin. M.D.

— 17 Hourly becomes weaker - Cannot articulate or give any account of his feeling - Pulse small and feeble - Stimulants to be administered C. Ammin

— 18 Continued to become weaker till about six o'clock this evening when without a struggle he

Died

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1843

Febry 10th — Has been frequently very much excited since last report – A few evenings ago when in Chapel struck one of his fellow patients on the face and was otherwise very noisy – On his return to the Gallery he knocked down one of the Attendants and struck him very severely – Habits and delusions as formerly – Bodily health good – Cont. Omnia

March 2d — Has been less excited since last report – is prone to stand in one position and frequently when in the airing ground makes long speeches – Is not allowed to attend Chapel at present on account of his being so apt to use violence to the others present Bodily health good – Cont. Omnia

— 21 — Has continued free from all excitement since last report – Bodily health very good – Mind very weak and fanciful – Habits as formerly – Appetite – Sleep and bowels natural – Cont. Omnia

April 20th — Has continued free from all excitement during the last month – Mind still in the same weak state – Bodily health good in all respects the same C. Omnia

May 19th — Is today very much excited, cursing and abusing every one – This morning struck one of his fellow patients rather severely – Is making long speeches and is full of fancies and delusions – Bodily health good Appetite and Bowels natural C. Omnia

July 2d — Has been rather excited during the last month – Raves in a very incoherent manner – Is constantly muttering to himself and frequently annoys his fellow patients making long speeches – This morning struck one of his fellow patients – Bodily health good – Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural C. Omnia

Augt 2d — Has had no return of excitement since last report – His mind is very weak and fanciful – Never converses with any of his fellow patients and is very apt to grumble – Bodily health good – No change whatever has taken place C. Omnia

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September 4th. Has been free from all excitement since last report – Mind very weak and full of delusions – Frequently makes long rambling speeches and is prone to stand in one place for hours at a time with his eye fixed on some particular object – Bodily health very good – C. Munia

October 4th. Is at present rather excited and yesterday attempted to strike one of the Attendants – stands with his eyes fixed in one position – making long speeches, cursing, swearing and abusing every one – Mind very weak and teeming with delusions – Resists examination and refuses to answer questions – Never reads or employs himself in any way – Bodily health good – Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural Cont. Munia

Nov. 4th. Is at present quiet and free from any excitement – Refuses to answer questions and constantly keeps muttering to himself – Mind weak and teeming with delusions – Bodily functions natural – Never employs himself in any way C. Munia

Dec. 3d. No mental improvement has taken place – State very excitable and at times violent – Never employs himself in any way – Stands frequently in one position for hours at a time – Bodily health good – C. Munia

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January 3d. No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state during the last month C. Munia

" 28 Has been several times very highly excited lately – a few days ago struck one of the Attendants very severely and required to be placed in a room by himself – Is again quiet but full of fancies – Habits unchanged – Bodily health good – Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Munia

Febry 28th. Has been more quiet and free from any excitement since last report – Bodily health good – Mind teeming with delusions – is prone to stand in one position and frequently makes long incoherent speeches – Requires to be closely watched as he is very excitable and apt to strike his fellow patients C. Munia

March 2d No change C. Munia

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David Cathcart from Vol II page 193

1843

March 2d Bodily health good – Mind still full of fancies and delusions – Has been much quieter since last report and has given up repeating the French or unknown tongue at present – Complains very much of the British Government keeping him confined in a state prison of this kind without first giving him a trial – Employs himself working in the grounds and seldom enters into conversation with any of his fellow patients – Cont. Mania

— 21 Has been much more cheerful and good humoured since last report frequently conversing with his fellow patients and amusing himself playing billiards – During the evenings instead of walking up and down the Gallery singing in an unknown tongue he employs as he formerly did – he now employs himself reading – He has a great many delusions – declares he is frequently troubled with springs which are connected with the house and annoy him during the night – that they frequently catch him by the feet when he is walking in the airing grounds – keeps a basin of water at his bed side during the night for the purpose as he says of keeping away devils who are in the habit of visiting him – has a cork floating on the water which he says act as a charm – Frequently gives a long history of the different part of the world he has visited – and of the many incidents that happened when he was at sea – These however are delusions – Bodily health very good – C. Monro

April 29th He has been very good humoured since last report but is still full of his old fancies and delusions – He is much more frequently into conversation with his fellow patients – Habits as formerly – Spins walks up and down the Gallery singing in an unknown tongue and after doing so frequently laughs in a very idiotic manner – Has taken it into his head always to brush his own shoes declaring

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that if he is to be confined in this place that he will take the work out of them — Walks regularly in the airing ground and frequently reads — At present prepairing himself to take a part in the next Play at the Theatre of the Institution — Bodily health good — Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Annua

May 29th — Has been very good humoured and cheerful since last report — Works regularly in the airing ground and keeps it in very good order — Frequently abuses Sir R Peel for keeping him in a State prison — Talks much of America and says it is the best Country in the world — Sings in the unknown tongue particularly towards bedtime — C. Annua

July 11th — Continued very good humoured and cheerful like his removal to Gartnavel which took place on the 7th of last month — Since then he has been very much excited — Has made several attempts to escape and has been very troublesome to his fellow patients — Is destructive to furniture — Takes particular delight in scratching the walls of the Gallery and writing on them — Yesterday it was necessary to remove him to the retired Gallery as he was in the habit of throwing the water in which he washed himself over the carpet in his bedroom and doing every thing that lay in his power to give trouble — Bodily health very good — Mind full of delusions — Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural C. Annua

August 11th — Has been very excitable and destructive during the past month — On one or two occasions has attempted to make his escape — Is full of delusions and walks about the Gallery singing in an unknown tongue — Has been several times very abusive in his language and inclined to be violent — Has had several quarrels with his fellow patients — Bodily health good — Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Annua

19 — State very excitable and destructive — No change since last report C. Annua

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1843

March 2d — Has continued much in the same state since last report – At present employs himself diligently in the selection of hymns considering it a dispensation of Providence that he should be engaged in such a work as liable to frequent attacks of excitement – A few days ago had a letter from his brother wondering why he had not heard from him on reading which he became highly excited, rose from his chair – doted his feet and declared that not the power of the Devil in Hell would not make him write to the who treated him in such a manner – Is particularly anxious to draw people into a discussion on the Church question in which he takes great interest – Attends Chapel regularly morning and evening – C. Communion

" 21 — Has had no return of excitement since last report – Is at present very cheerful and good humoured – Employs himself as formerly in the selection of hymns and takes great interest in teaching one of his fellow patients his lessons He talks frequently on the Church question and declares the present Government will have much to answer for at the great day of judgement for their decision against the Majority of the Church which he considers was a disgrace to a Christian Country Cont. Communion

April 19th — Has been very quiet and good humoured during the last month employing himself as formerly – occasionally complains of his being kept in the Asylum – Was this morning visited by one of his fellow patients who left the Asylum a few days ago and when told by him that he was going to Edinburgh – he requested that if any of his friends asked for him to give them no information on the subject; and if he did to tell them that they better not come within a hundred of him or they will catch it – Constantly reads or writes during the day except when walking in the airing ground –

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and frequently plays a game at whist in the evening with the Physician and Clinical Assistants – Bodily health very good – Answers questions relevantly enough but is very excitable C. Mitton

May 11th Has been several times very much excited since last report – Employs himself as usual reading religious works but constantly complains of the impropriety of his being kept here – says the day is coming when he will have his revenge – Appears to be keeping notes of every thing that is going in the house – When reading the papers this morning saw some quotations from Dr Hutchesons last report after reading which he told the Clinical Assistant to stop till his report made its appearance – says he will show up the Steward for his conduct in feeding gentlemen like beasts – A few mornings ago called the Attendant Heggie into his room and told him he wished to explain to him two verses in Scripture viz the 4th and 5th verses of the 26th Chap of Proverbs Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest thou also be like unto him. 5th Answer a fool according to his folly; lest he be wise in his own conceit. says for some time he acted up to the first of these but now he was determined to act up to the second – told the Attendant to be aware of Chas Goyder one of his fellow patients who he says is an Imp sent from the Devil to take away his faith but that he will show both him and his master the Devil that his faith is too strong to be taken away by them – declares when in Church that whenever the word faith was mentioned that the little Imp stared into his face in a most hellish manner – says he is determined in future to watch all the movements of different people in this house – Bodily health good – Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Mitton

22 Has continued cheerful and good humoured since last report – Employs himself reading during the greater part of the day – If the Devil question is mentioned he becomes highly excited – says Sir R Peel will have much to answer for to God for his conduct on that question – Bodily health good C. Mitton

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1843

March 4th — is now free from all excitement and his habits continue to improve — Mind still full of delusions although they appear to become fainter. Rest quiet during the night and says he thinks it must have been a fancy he had that people entered his room to murder him — still has the delusion that he is to be mad ten weeks in the year and says he wishes to give up the Church and get an appointment in the Army — This morning asked the Clinical Assistant if he has any interest at the Horse Guards — Bodily health improves but bowels still apt to become constipated Pss moderate strength 7 pretty clean and moist — pupils slightly dilated Ry Pil: Colocynth: Comp ℈i Sumat ij M: ft: S By Picarb: Sodæ ℥iij: Infus Gent: Comp ℥xvi Sumat ℥ij bis quotidie Cont: Alia

— 7 — Today very quiet and delusions become much fainter — says he feels dull and all he wants is to have his books and be allowed to sit in a room quietly by himself — Expresses a desire to leave the Asylum and go to the Country — Complains of a peculiar sensation in his head which he cannot explain — On the whole very much improved both in his bodily and mental state C. Omnia

— 12 — Has continued quiet and free from all excitement — Betrays no particular delusions but has a dull and confused look — says he cannot explain rightly what is the matter with him — that he sometimes feels very stupid and heavy but at other times is quite cheerful — walks regularly in the garden and when in the Gallery generally employs himself reading the bible — Complains of his bowels being constipated Ry Pil: Colocynth: Comp ℈ss Sumat ij secunda quaque nocte Cont: Alia

— 16 — Bodily health pretty good — is more cheerful and employs himself reading — Expresses an anxious desire to have his books and fiddle — From the Sol. Company letter which he wrote this

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morning it will be seen that his mind is still in a very confused state -
To Dr Campbell
Dear Sir
I would be happy could I be admitted to the enjoyment of all my books; but as this may not be allowable at present I will be content with a few - the books which I most desire to have are the following: My Greek Testament: 2 vol - Butlers Analogy; Any vol of the Brittanica Encyclopedia containing several dissertations on philosophical subjects. It is the first vol of the series and Browns Philosophy of the human mind - All these books I had in my possession before I fell sick - I should like much coned Platos works (Plato a noble fellow) Bunyans Pilgrims progress; Henry Kirke White's Remains and Col. Gardeners life be procured for me: books that I never could get possession of somehow; though like every other body I have read Bunyan and portions of the Colonel life too - If my Trustees as they are called, have been giving good heed to the proceeds - Shillings and pence left me by my father according to the flesh - these books and several others might be procured without encroaching on any Strangers purse - Surely it is desirable that I should have on more orderly apparel: What has come over my black clothes, brown Jacket &c - A decent wig would be not unbefitting as my hair now Brown would be none the worse of being kept short - A pair of shoes seem almost indispensable - My violin too would be a good companion till I can get a better, of course I shall say whether I mean a better companion or a better fiddle - and if it raise its voice in the Orchestra, why, good and well
Yours Doctor
Very truly
(Signed) John Stoddart
Glasgow Lunatic Asylum

Date uncertain - See as elsewhere
21 Bodily health good - Mind slowly improves - Employs himself regularly and delusions have almost vanished - Reads frequently and amuses himself playing on the violin - decidedly improved in all respects C. Mossie

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William Cunningham Aet 25

1843

March 4th. On admission was quick and answered questions relevantly - Betrayed no particular delusions - At first did not know where he was but on being informed that he was in the Lunatic Asylum appeared perfectly satisfied - Had a pale look and seemed dull and depressed - Pge rather feeble & clean but rather dry - Pupils slightly dilated - Said his head had been blistered - That he had been bled, and that leeches had been applied to his head several times - By Pil: Alterativ & Station Summat -

— 7 No change was perceptible in the state of this patient since his admission - He betrays no delusions but appeared very depressed and as if something was working upon his mind - This forenoon he made a determined attempt to commit suicide with a pair of scissors which he found in a drawer in which they had been left through the carelessness of one of the Attendants - He made an incision about an inch in length in the external part at bend of elbow cutting completely through the cephalic vein of left arm from which he lost nearly a pound of blood - He also stabbed himself slightly in six different places between the Umbilicus and cartilages of ribs - Arm has been dressed in the usual way by means of compress and bandage - When asked why he attempted violence to himself said that his soul was lost and that the Devil had appeared on earth and was now within him making use of him to serve his own evil ends and that the Devil was making use of his brother for the same purpose which made him wish to leave this world as soon as possible - To be kept quietly in bed and closely watched by an Attendant night and day - Mind at present in a very dull and depressed state Cont. Omnia

8. Slept for about two hours during the night, but would not either speak or take nourishment. When food was offered him he clenched his teeth and turned away his head.

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Was attempted twice to remove the dressings from his left arm but was prevented by the attendant who sat up with him. He has been constantly watched since he exhibited the suicidal symptoms. Was seen by Mr Richardson this morning whom he immediately recognized shook hands with him, told him in an under tone to desire the people who were in the room to leave it. Upon this being done he immediately spoke freely and in a confidential manner. Asked Mr Richardson why he prevented him from dying, what was the reason he bound up his arm, why he did not permit him to bleed to death?
Threw himself about the bed and judging from the expression of his countenance he appeared to be enduring great mental anguish - said he had once possessed the spirit, but he had once felt as a Christian should, but that he had suffered the Holy Ghost to depart from him and that now there was no hope, and he could not possibly be saved. As soon as the Holy Spirit left him he felt as one being evil, the Devil then entered him and impelled him forwards, making him a tool in the execution of his wicked designs. Compared himself to a watch or a piece of machinery which being wound up went on in spite of any effort on the part of himself and that whichever way he moved if he came in contact with a Christian Satan who dwelt in him would immediately make use of him to entrap and ensnare his soul to eternal damnation.
He was persuaded of the personality of Satan on the earth and recommended Mr P. to read Dr Wells sermons if he was not convinced. He had been thinking over the matter for a long time and at length after much consideration had arrived at the conclusion that to save the souls of others it was absolutely necessary for him to die. He had often been tried by the Holy Spirit and believed sincerely that he had received a command from heaven to commit suicide in order that by his death Satan might be deprived of one of his emissaries. Believed Mr P. to be a good Christian, recommended him to pray to God, and he had little doubt he would be saved by Jesus Christ if he had faith - Hoped he would not be led away by

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Peter McOnie Act 27

1843

March 8th Was brought to the Asylum last night about 11 Oclock - On admission resisted violently and attempted to stabe the Attendant when taking him to the Gallery - Was shortly afterwards visited by the Clinical Assistant when he became more quick, answered questions relevantly enough but betrayed many delusions - Said he had been long persecuted by his friends particularly by his brothers who had done all in their power to ruin him - That by their damned underhandedness they had done him out of a share in an excellent business which had been left him by his father - He had also been out of work for fourteen months entirely through the fault of his friends who took him home and never afterwards did anything for him - This he considers quite enough to put a man mad - but he will yet have his revenge - That he knows they have sent him to the Asylum for the purpose of preventing him from exposing their conduct to him - Pulse 76 rather feeble Tongue clean but dry - Bowels slightly deranged Today employs himself reading By Pol: Allocution H Journal of U.S.A. To have half diet and as he has already attempted suicide to be closely watched - J

— 10 Still has the same delusions that his friends have combined against him for his ruin - Is very quick employs himself reading and assists the Attendants in the Gallery - Appears quite pleased with his present situation - When asked this morning by the Clinical Assistant why he was sent to the Asylum became rather excited, said it was his d—d brothers fault and that he wished to God he had taken his life when he had an opportunity of doing so - Bodily health pretty good Cont. Mixture

— 12 Yesterday evening effected his escape by one of the windows but was shortly afterwards brought back to the Asylum by one of the Attendants

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Admitted 7th March 1843

who found him at an Aunts house in Town – Returned quietly without making any resistance – Today has remained in bed saying that he is ashamed of his conduct – When spoken to this morning by the Chief Assistant on the impropriety of his acting as he did declared he knew he would be brought back but only wished to see his Minister and have his case put into the hands of a Man of Business for the purpose of having it investigated – Says there is nothing the matter with him and that his friends have placed him here to keep him out of the way and prevent him exposing their conduct – That if he does not get away by twelve Oclock tomorrow that a tale could be told as his Minister promised to make a strict enquiry into his case – still has the same delusions about the persecution he receives from his friends and declares vengeance against his brothers – Cont Mania

16 Bodily health good – employs himself reading and assists in the Gallery – still has the delusion that his Brothers are combined against him for his ruin and has a rather dull and depressed look – Cont. Mania

21 Bodily health very good and employs himself reading – Watches every favourable opportunity of effecting his escape – still looks dull & stupid and mind appears rather weak – delusion that his brother and friends are combined against him still continues, and he frequently declares he will have his revenge – Betrays no other perceptible delusion and answers questions rationally enough – C. Mania

28 No change whatever has taken place in the state of this patient since his admission – still has the same delusions that his friends are combined against him – Mind evidently weak – His father called this evening and said that it was his intention to remove him to a private Asylum in the highlands to try what effect change would have upon him – He is consequently this Evening discharged

Discharged

William Cunningham Act 25

from Sep

Wed 9th

on joins the "Act" he had lately been among. Said his Father Mother and the Medical man who had seen him were all in league with Satan and acted by his influence. Upon being remonstrated with he replied, "Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its savour, wherewith shall it be salted". He had once procured the seed, but he had not cultivated it. It had not grown up and flourished as the mustard seed. It had withered and died. Could not quote a text from Scripture in which Suicide was sanctioned, said there were express commands and that he felt he had received one. Did not think it necessary that he should try to save his own soul before he attempted to save the souls of others. Did not imagine that he was under trials now or that it was Satan working within him when he first attempted to bleed himself to death: on the contrary thought he was only making a reparation as far as lay in his power for the injuries he had been the instrument in inflicting upon Christ's people. Many looked upon his case as one of insanity but they did not understand the matter.

Appeared anxious to detain Mr Pinhard who promised to return after he had taken his medicine & food. Pulse 80 moderate strength, tongue whitish, pupils dilated scalp cool, bowels constipated, breath very offensive. Arms and chest free from pains. Urine not fit. Alteration in stature. Beef tea and toast for diet supper. Swallowed his pills without opposition but refuses his food, pulse 88, soft, pupils little dilated. After some slight resistance he took his beef tea and toast. Has slept for a short time this afternoon, but will not speak to the attendants. There is still a very strong inclination to attempt suicide, he frequently looks to his arm and carries his fingers over the bandage. Attendants sit with him night and day and they will continue to do so until the wound is healed. Sopiæ Summa in dg. Mordei e Vale Communa primo cum mane de opus fuerit. Cont: omnia.

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March 9th — Still remains in bed and is closely watched by the Attendant — Refuses to speak but this morning took his breakfast — Bowels have been freely opened by Medicine during the night but slept very little — breath much less offensive — Refuses to answer any questions put to him by the Assistant Clinical — P 76 rather feeble Tongue but dry — pupils rather dilated Has a very dull and depressed look Cont. Mixture

— 10 Yesterday afternoon got out of bed and walked about the Gallery for a considerable time — Reported by the Attendant to have slept well during the night — He continues to take his food and this morning answered the Clinical Assistant a few questions put to him, although with great reluctance — P 94 natural strength & cleaner tongue pupils slightly dilated — Is still very much depressed and from the expression of his Countenance — his manner &c it is evident that many painful delusions are still working on his mind — Bowels have not acted during the last thirty hours By Pill. Aloes in ij station sumat Cont. Mixa

— 11 Has slept well during the night and is today in the same depressed state — Refuses to answer questions but requests to be allowed to walk into Town — P 92 moderate strength Tongue but rather dry bowels natural — pupils slightly dilated — To have a walk in the garden today attended by one of the keepers — C. Mixa

— 12 Still very dull and depressed — This morning attempted to knock his head against the wall but was prevented doing so by the Attendant — Takes his food well — Answers questions but with great reluctance — Countenance indicates great anxiety — P 80 moderate pupils slightly dilated — Tongue but dry in centre — Bowels have not been moved since yesterday Morning By Pill. Aloetica ℈ss sumat ij h.s. Cont. Mixa

— 16 No change whatever since last report. Inclination to commit suicide still continues — Requires to be constantly watched by an Attendant — Bowels regular C. Mixa

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John Brown Ct

1843

March 11 Was dismissed from the Asylum three days ago to see one of his daughters who was thought to be dangerously ill - On his going home he found that a favourable change had taken place in her case and last night he returned to the Asylum of his own accord saying that as he has found himself so much better of the treatment he has received that he thinks it proper to remain quiet for a short time longer before returning to his business - says he feels most thankful that his friends placed him in the Asylum when they did as he feels quite satisfied he never would have recovered at home - His convalescence proceeds very favourably - he is now cheerful and free from all fancies and delusions - employs himself reading and walks regularly in the garden - His Bowels are apt to become constipated unless kept open by gentle medicine - R Pil: Alterativ II Cumat ij secundo quoque nocte - R Infus: Gent. Comp ℥xxij Bicarb: Sodæ ℈ij ad Cumat ℥ij bis quotidie - To have full diet -

— 16 Continues daily to improve in every respect - employs himself reading - walks regularly in the airing ground and attends Chapel morning and evening - does not feel so much confused after reading as he formerly did - and is much more cheerful - Mind perfectly rational - Convalescence proceeds favourably Cont. Mania

— 21 Convalescence proceeds favourably he is quite cheerful and good humoured - passes his time reading and walking in the airing grounds - Requested permission to attend Church in Town on Sunday last which was granted and he returned again in the Evening - His brother in law accompanied him - May soon be dismissed - Cont Mania.

— 31st Having continued in good bodily health and free from all delusions he is this day discharged

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Admitted 10th March 1843

Andrew Alexander Act

1843

March 11th Was brought to the Asylum & by one to the Attendants under the delusion that he was going to attend a Non Intrusion meeting in Glasgow — On admission was quiet and for some time did not know where he was — On his being told that it was the Asylum appeared very much astonished and said he thought those who sent him here should be confined themselves — Betrayed no particular delusions and answered questions rationally enough — To be examined in the Morning —

12th Was slept well during the night — Today rather excited and says he will not remain here any longer — Hypochondriacal delusions detected — Tongue but dry — Two pills were given him which he refused saying that he required no medicine from an earthly Doctor that a heavenly Doctor was what he required — Ry Pil. Alterativ. N. sumat. ij. o.n. h.s. Habt. diet and regimen —

14 Yesterday remained very quiet but did not appear inclined to converse with any person — Employed himself reading during the day — This morning he is full of delusions — Told the Clerical Assistant that it was quite necessary he should get away to give his support to the Non Intrusion party in the Church — Declares he is entrusted with immortality — that he is commissioned by Heaven to redress all grievances particularly those of the Non Intrusion party of the Church — but more especially those of the Minister of Dumbarton — says that his father told him when he was six years old that the Church of Dumbarton would belong to him — that it was his duty always to protect the Minister, that he took him into Town one day and with a stick struck a stone in a particular way and said Andrew after my death when you think the Minister is persecuted you have nothing more to do than strike a stone with a stick in the manner you saw me do and the Minister will get immediate assistance from Heaven — This is what makes him so anxious to return home

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Pupils dilated Tongue and dry. Appetite
Sleep and Bowels natural C. Omnia
16 Dixit has a great many fancies and
delusions particularly on religious
subjects Raves constantly about the
Church question - When visited this morn-
ing was found reading the bible and
told the Clinical ~~Assistant~~ assistant
that he was praying to God to take him
out of this place - That God was the Physi-
cian of souls and could administer home
consolation to him ~~that~~ than all the
doctors in the Asylum could - Bodily
health very good - Cont. Omnia
19 Yesterday forenoon made his escape
over the wall of airing ground but
was shortly afterwards followed
by two of the Clinical Assistants who
brought him back in the Evening -
Was found at an Inn in Dumbarton
and when first told that he must
return became highly excited declaring
he would ~~lose~~ lose his life sooner - Shortly
afterwards he was asked by the Clinical
Assistants to dine with them in the Inn
to which he consented when he became
much less excited and after having the
matter explained to him he agreed to re-
turn after consulting the Minister if he
thought it proper that he should do so -
at the same time saying that he the
minister was one of his disciples -
On the Minister advising him strongly to
return to ~~my~~ the Asylum at last consented to do so and
on his way home betrayed a great many
delusions - When asked ~~to~~ how he got
up the wall said that he never would
have attempted it without knowing
that a stronger arm was assisting
him - That he was Christ and that his
father God Almighty got upon the wall
and assisted him over - That he has
power from above to save the souls
of many ~~and~~ but that it was out of his
power to do any good when confined
in the Asylum - Returned very quietly
Cont. Omnia
21 Last night made another attempt to escape when
returning from Chapel - Today rather excited
and requests to know immediately why he
is kept here, says he strongly suspects it was
for some conduct in the Church - Bodily health
good - To be closely watched C. Omnia

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Alexander McNaught from Vol III. p121

March 21st Was transferred from A B to I. K Gallery on the 19th inst. at which he expressed himself as highly delighted. said he would not more speak of leaving the Asylum as he felt so comfortable, that he could converse with the patients up stairs but that he never could do so when in the B Gallery — at present rational and betrays no perceptible delusion — Bodily health good — Assists regularly in the Surgery and in the Private Theatre and is now in his usual state between his paroxysms Cont. Mania

— 26 Yesterday afternoon went to his bed saying he felt very unwell — Today betrays the usual Symptoms of his paroxysms returning — Raves of his powers as a knight — and also about Mr Lorne Campbell Rosemarkie — Bowels said to be rather constipated By Pil: Alterat: ij statim sumat — Cont. Alia

— 30 Still remains in bed and complains of pain all over his body — Says he wishes to remain quiet — Bowels rather constipated Tongue foul — Is not inclined to converse with any one — Blames the hard couch he had in the Surgery for this present attack. Cont. Mania

April 3d This evening became very much excited and was very noisy — Kept constantly singing in a loud and boisterous manner — Walked about his room and would not remain in bed — Said that he had been very badly used and which was the cause of his attack By Pil Jalap. c. R. Rad ij statim sumat — Cont. Alia

— 9 Remained quiet in bed since last report until this day when he again became highly excited and smashed several panes of glass in his bedroom — Raved in a very incoherent manner particularly about Mr Lorne Campbell Rosemarkie and the Duke of Argyll — On this occasion he exhibited a higher state of excitement than that which formerly characterized his paroxysms — To be removed to retired Gallery

C. Mania

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— 21 Has remained quiet and free from any excitement for the last ten days - is now quiet but remains constantly in bed. Answers questions relevantly but is full of fancies - Says he is in a very weak state and constantly asks for Medicine - Bodily health pretty good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Morris

May 10th - Has continues in the same depressed state and remains in bed - Is still full of fancies - Declares he is very weak and is not inclined to speak to any one - To be again transferred to A. B Gallery —

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Thomas Adair Act

1843

March 19 About ½ past 6 this evening the patient came to the Asylum & asked for Dr. Hutcheson ~~about to be sent~~ and not finding him in he went away. Dr Hutcheson having arrived a few minutes & being seen by him he returned & told him that he unfortunately belonged to him - Being asked where he came from he said Dublin - that he was born in convulsions & never had his judgment He was invited to enter the Committee room & there gave the following statement - that he was named Thomas Adair - that he was unmarried - that he was of no profession as he never had any judgment - that he would be 31 next June - that he was "a pig & had a pig's head," but that was no reason why people should abuse him - that his father was Adair the well known barrister in Dublin - that his brother was Robert Adair 11 Mountjoy Square Dublin - that he knew that he had always been a bad boy - that being born in convulsions & having no judgment but a pig's head, though nobody had a right to abuse him for that, he deposed dead in Dublin about two years ago & promised to his friends to be a good boy - that Dr Carmichael & Dr. Duncan of Dublin both wished him to be sent to the Asylum Asylum where he would be taken care of - that his friends put an advertisement in the papers which was answered by forty people - that Dr. Lennont agreed to take him & had 50 guineas a year - that he promised to his friends to be a good boy & sent to Dr. Lennont at Portobello about 2 years ago - that Dr. Lennont used him very well at first - but had ill used him since - that he had been chained to the floor - that Dr. Lennont put his feet on the fore & laughed at him - that he took fits sometimes - that Mrs Lennont was a lady of too great sentiment & a fashionable lady & not fit to have people born in convulsions - that he did not use him well -

Admitted 19th March 1843

1843

March 19 That he went to the Census Reading room & was told that they were in places as per form — That he had read the report of Mr Naughtons trial & saw Dr Hutcheson was there — That he had been told that Dr Hutcheson knew how to treat people born in convulsions & was kind & good natured to them — That he should have been here long ago as he was not fit to be at large — That he had told Dr Lennant today that he was going to his friend Dr Hutcheson & that Dr Lennant slighted him — That he left Falkirk at 11 Oclock today & had walked all the way — That he had tasted neither meat nor drink — That if Dr Hutcheson would be kind to him he would be his "Carpet stick" — He was allowed to remain & Dr Hutcheson went to Mr Sheriff Bell to report the case

" 20 The patient took a hearty meal last night & went to bed — Reported by the Attendant to have slept well during the night — Requests to be allowed to walk in the garden and expresses great fear that Dr Lennant will come and take him away. When asked what made him think of coming to the Asylum said his notice was first attracted to Dr Hutcheson by reading his evidence in Mr Naughtons case from which he saw that he was a good person to treat a man of weak mind — That he has no judgement and has frequently like Mr Naughton felt an inclination to shoot different individuals but at other times he thought it would not be proper — Considering also the bad treatment he received he determined at once to put himself under Dr Hutcheons care as he was sure he was a kind man — Pulse 84 rather feeble Tongue foul — Breath fetid, Bowels said to be constipated — To have full diet By Pil: Alterativ II Sumat ij o. n: hs He has been ordered to be detained here by the Sheriff at the instance of the Procurator Fiscal —

" 23 Has been conducting himself well since last report. States that he is perfectly comfortable Looks upon Dr Hutcheson, Mr Buchan & Dr Campbell as his friends — says that he will never go back to Falkirk as he has been used to ill there — That he would not take one penny account to leave them — That he

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Scott James Act

1843

March 20th Was brought from St Dreys private Asylum this forenoon by one of the Attendants - On admission was quiet and said he was delighted with the change - When he entered the Gallery he met an old friend of his at present a patient here, took him by the hand and said he was glad to behold his face once more - Requested the Clinical Assistant to show him the walking grounds as he considered that a very material thing in addition to the comfort of a man in his situation - answered questions relevantly enough but conversed in a very rambling manner - Pulse moderate Tongue clean & moist pupils dilated - To have ordinary diet and regimen -

— 21 Has spent a restless night and been very noisy - Kept constantly singing until early this morning sometimes Psalm tunes and then songs such as This is the house that Jack built &c &c - Today talks in a very rambling manner - Countenance indicates much excitement but answers questions relevantly enough - C. Munro

— 23 Today remains in bed and complains of being sick caused by pills which he took last night - Has been more quiet during the night - Raves in a very incoherent manner on religious subjects - Mind in a very weak state Cont. Mixt. Munro

— 26 Has been rather excited since last report and inclined to quarrel with his fellow patients - Walks up and down the Gallery singing and making a noise as if gesticulating and declares he is full of wind - Raves in a very incoherent manner on religious subjects - sometimes roars out in a very loud manner saying as other patients are permitted to make a noise he does not see why he should not do it also - To be removed to Back Gallery C. Munro

April 21st Has been free from all excitement since last report - Talks in a very rambling manner and is apt to quarrel with his fellow patients - Rests more quietly during the night - Bodily health

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good - C. Mania

May 21st Has been more quiet since last report and sometimes reads - Walks daily in the airing ground and his bodily health is very good - Mind in the same weak state and is full of delusions - says he wished like to return home but thinks an asylum the best place for him - Attends Chapel morning and evening - Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural C. Mania

July 11th Mind weak and fanciful - At present very excitable and apt to quarrel with his fellow patients - Walks daily in the garden - Walks about his room singing in a loud tone of voice - Bodily health good, Appetite sleep and Bowels natural C. Mania

August 9th Mind weak and fanciful and full of delusions - Sometimes employs himself in the garden - Is subject to occasional fits of excitement when he becomes very troublesome to his fellow patients - Curses, swears and talks in a disgusting manner - Bodily health very good - No mental improvement whatever has taken place C. Mania

September 9th Bodily health very good and habit improved - Mind weak and excitable but had had no particular attack since last report - Is cheerful and good humoured - Talks in a very rambling and unconnected manner and is full of fancies and delusions - Employs himself reading and sometimes works in the garden C. Mania

October 8th No change whatever either in body or mind since last report - Still very excitable and full of delusions - Yesterday sent the following letter to his daughter -

Gartmore 7th Oct. 1843

My dear Little Tot

My little dear I am sure it's quite clear
There is no use in crying and sobbing
When if all thought aught I am sure before night
You and Pat no house might be laughing -
But this is the thing so much folk doth bring
Mankind do not think as they should
And then they are left of all comfort bereft
To die like a piece of old wood -
Then let you and I and our lovely Hughes
(Craggy) with Mamma and our friends join in

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William Cunningham Ad 25

March 19th — Stice in a very dull and depressed state – Refuses constantly to be watched as his suicidal propensity is as strong as ever – Yesterday and this morning made several attempts to strike his head against the wall – A blister was last night applied over scalp and has discharged freely – An Enema was administered which brought away some hard faces and having a very foetid and strong smell – Refuses to speak and resists examination also refuses to take food or medicine – Appears to be loosing flesh Pulse 68 rather feeble – Pupils slightly dilated – To have a pint of Porter daily Cont. Alia

—— 20 — Inclination to strike his head having increased his room was padded yesterday evening and he has slept pretty well during the night – Bowels have not acted since yesterday – This morning took a little bread and tea for breakfast but stice refuses to take any medicine – Resists examination and refuses to answer questions – Has a very dull and depressed look – When requested to get out of bed this morning made a determined attempt to rush past the Attendant for the purpose of throwing himself through the window but was prevented doing so – Cont. Omnia

—— 21 — Reported by the Attendant to have slept pretty quietly during the night – This morning has again taken some breakfast – Stice refuses to speak and will not show his tongue when requested to do so – Refuses to take medicine – His bowels not having acted since yesterday an Enema of Turpentine & Castor Oil was administered this morning which brought away a small quantity of hard faces – This he resisted violently and when the Clinical Assistant was cutting some plaster for the purpose of dressing his arm he suddenly rushed upon him and attempted to get hold of the scissors which he used for that purpose – Upon finding that his attempt was frustrated he became highly excited & Attempted to strike several times – Was very depressed

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	look – As he refuses to open his mouth to have a few drops of Castor Oil rubbed inside of the lips C. Annia
– 22	Has slept pretty well during the night and is this Morning in the same dull and depressed State – Pulse 68 feeble pupils dilated – Refuses to show his tongue and has taken no breakfast this morning – Bowels have not acted Rp Sol: Sulph: Magnes Zjss: Tinct. Senna Zss Tinct: Jalap: Zij Ft Haust statim sumend. –
8 o'clock P.M.	Took the draught this morning but bowels have not yet acted – Has taken no food during the day and appears very much depressed Rp To have two drops of Castor Oil immediately –
9 P.M.	Bowels have not yet acted and he still refuses to take any food – An Enema was administered when his bowels acted freely after which he took a pint of Porter and some beef tea – To be watched during the night Cont. Annia
– 23	Has been very quiet during the night and bowels have been freely moved – Took some breakfast this morning – Still in a very dull and depressed state – Refuses to answer questions but showed his tongue this morning which appears cleaner and ~~moister~~ more moist – Pulse stronger – pupils slightly dilated – To be got out of bed and have a walk in the garden for about an hour this forenoon Cont. Annia
– 26	Has taken his food much better since last report but still refuses to speak – Is very much depressed – Bowels have been opened by medicine – Has walked daily in the Garden accompanied by one of the Attendants – Tongue pretty clean and moist – pupils dilated – Pulse to natural strength – Sore on arm heal rapidly C. Annia
– 30	Bodily health continues to improve and he walks daily in the garden – Takes his food well but still in the same depressed state – Refuses to speak or answer questions except by signs with his head – Never reads or employs himself in any way – Bowels natural Cont. Annia
April 2nd	Still continues in the same dull and depressed state – Refuses to answer any questions – bodily health very much

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April 21st improved - Takes his food regularly and habits rather improved - Sometimes sits with a book in his hand but does not appear to take any interest in what he is reading - Has exhibited a suicidal propensity and requires to be closely watched - Appetite sleep and Bowels natural C. Morris

" 28 Has continued in the same depressed state since last report - Still refuses to answer questions and never speaks to any one - Bowels very apt to become constipated - An Enema was given him last night which brought away a large quantity of faeces - Has a more healthy look than formerly - Diet moderate - White tongue but moist - Appetite limited - C. Morris -

May 4th Still refuses to answer questions and has the same depressed look - Yesterday made a determined attempt to effect his escape by drawing to pieces a portion of the window in the retired Gallery which he manages to do made of cast Iron - Was followed by one of the Attendants along the hall where he ran and immediately afterwards was brought back to the Asylum - He displays much cunning and requires to be very closely watched - When visited by the Medical Assistant this morning was laying on his back with his eyes fixed in one position as if dead - When spoken to he never moved, and when his hand was taken hold of he let it fall on the bed as if he had lost all power - Pulse was found to be perfectly natural and it was evident he was playing tricks - A pitcher of cold water was thrown on his face when he suddenly started up and attempted to get at the window in the Gallery - Finding it was of no use he quietly returned to his bed but never utters a word Cont. Otherwise

" 29th Has continued in the same sullen state since last report - Refuses still to answer questions - Bodily health is very much improved his bowels are apt to become

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constipated and with great difficulty can be got to act – A few days ago was ~~found~~ visited by his former Medical Attendant Dr Brown but he refused to speak a word to him – Is at present taken daily to the airing ground and forced to work with the wheelbarrows – Appetite and sleep natural – C. Ommia

July 10th – No change whatever has taken place in the state of this patient during the last month – He is still sullen and refuses to answer questions – Has a very depressed look and never employs himself in any way – At sometimes inclined to be destructive to his clothes – Requires to be closely watched as it is evident his suicidal inclination still continues – Bodily health improved – Appetite sleep and bowels natural C. Ommia

August 8th – Mind still very weak – Never talks and with difficulty can be got to answer a question – Is very dull and depressed and evidently has a suicidal inclination – Sometimes works in the garden and during the last few days has been reading a little – Bowels apt to become constipated – Bodily health otherwise pretty good – Appetite and sleep natural C. Ommia

Sept 6th – Mind still very weak – Is very dull and depressed – Never employs himself in any way and refuses to answer questions – Sometimes reads the newspapers – Bodily health good – No mental improvement whatever C. Ommia

October 6th – Still continues in the same dull and melancholy state – Is very sullen and with great difficulty can be got to answer a question – When visited is generally found in a corner of his gallery stretched on the floor – Never employs himself in any way – Sometimes sits with a newspaper or book in his hand but never appears to read it with any attention – Habits on the whole improved – Bodily health good – Bowels not so apt to become constipated as formerly – Never enters into conversation with any of his fellow patients – C. Ommia

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Murphy William Aet 35

1843

March 22 Was brought to the Asylum by one of the Attendants from an Hotel in Town under the delusion that an Upholsterer wished to see him on business for the purpose of giving him an order for some Articles he required — On getting into the Gallery he loosed down his parcels and displayed his patterns to one of the patients — When told where he was and that it was necessary he should remain, became very much affected — and wept bitterly — Said he had never been treated in such a way before — that he knew it was a trick and that he suspected Mr Crichton of Carlisle Murphy Hart & Co was the principal concerned in it as he had lent him a large sum of money in the morning and that he wished to get him out of the way — Declared he would bring them all to justice if it should cost him all the money he had in the world — Wishes particularly to see Sir Jas Campbell and Mr Wingate for that purpose — Talked incessantly on business matters but in a very rambling and incoherent manner — When asked if he had purchased any horses said his friends had advised him for thinking of doing so, but that he wished to procure a large number, as he had some money to spare for the purpose of sending them abroad and disposing of them again by way of a speculation that he had frequently done so before and made a good thing of it — Said he had also purchased several books and when asked what he intended to make of them, said he intended to make presents of them to different people whom he was to meet at a party in the Evening — After his admission he hourly became more incoherent and confused — P 110 full — T white and dry, pupils dilated — Breath very foetid By P.O. Aloetic iij Sennah Theriac Comm —

23 Said to have been very quiet during the night — Bowels have been freely moved by the Pills — Still converses in a very rambling and incoherent manner on different subjects — When visited

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this morning by the Clinical Assistant was found on his knees praying and reading the bible - told him that it was a most extraordinary ~~thing~~ when he opened the bible this morning that the first Chap: he turned up was the one of all others which presented to him most strongly the situation in which he was placed last night viz the 5th & 13th Verses of 2nd Chapt 1st Peter. Likewise ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder; yea all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. 13th Verse The church that is at Babylon elected together with you, saluteth you; and so doth Marcus my son - says he prays and reads a Chapt in the bible morning and evening and that he has an Orphan child placed under his charge who always repeats the words after him - Races of different people he has met at religious meetings and of the large sums of money he gives away yearly for the promotion of Christianity - is particularly anxious to go to Kilmarnock for the purpose of praying for some horses and a pig which he purchased ~~the~~ a few days ago - Mind very weak and full of fancies and delusions - By Sol: Sulph: Magnes Zijss - Tinct Senna Zij - Tinct. Jalap Zij ~~ter~~ Haust statim sumend - Cont. Alia ~~Nt~~

24 Bowels have been freely opened by medicine - is much more confused and will not remain in bed - tears his bedcloths and is very destructive - talks in a very incoherent manner - Pulse 100 full - pupils dilated - Tongue pretty clean Cont. Omnia

25 Has been very noisy during the night walking about his room naked - has destroyed the bedclothes and mind very weak and confused - complains of pain in head - talks very incoherently - Bowels have not been opened since yesterday - To be removed to padded Gallery - Head to be shaved and a blister applied over Scalp - By Tinct Camphorae Zij: Aq Ammoniae Zxiii ~~ter~~ Haust Zij ter in die - Cont. Alia

26 Has spent a very restless night and had all the symptoms of a case of delirium tremens - Thought he saw

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March 28th Lies in his room and all sorts of haste - Said that he saw his sister murdered - That Hell was before him and that his head was burning - Required two men to hold him in bed - would not allow the blister to remain on scalp - Complained of violent pain in his head - Several doses of camphor were administered to him after which he became much more composed - this morning appeared seems very much fatigued and inclined to sleep - Talks more coherently than he has done since his admission - Request that every thing will be done to prevent a return of the symptoms he had during last night - says his bowels are rather constipated - Another blister has been applied over scalp - Pulse 80 rather feeble, pupils dilated - White and very dry - Doses of camphor mixture to be increased - ~~By Ord. Surgl Mercurial Pill Dose Pill Dose Pill Ordered Station Ground - Take Light Food and Abdy Poultice C. Pain Countenance expresses Relief.~~ Toes have a blue livid appearance indicating incipient gangrene - Complains of severe pain in left hypochondriac region where there is an unnatural projection corresponding to the colon and very painful to the touch - Hot fomentations to be applied -

Vespere Soon after the fomentations were applied the swelling & pain of left hypochondriac region ceased. He was however affected with pain in left lumbar region & on the right hypochondriac region as well as right iliac region painful swellings appeared one after another similar to what appeared in the left hypochondriac. These yielded to fomentations, but wandering pains continued over the abdomen. The toes became more livid. At 8 PM in consultation with Dr. McFarlane the medical attendant of Mr Cruikston who sent the patient here, it was agreed to exhibit three quarters of a grain of opium & two grains of Calomel every three hours & to give him a bolus of turpentine every daily - His mouth is much improved & he does not talk of his fancies -

Admitted 22d March 1823

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March 27 Much better this morning, lividity of toes continues but does not extend. Blush spreading from lividity over dorsum of each foot circumscribed & fading away. Enema brought away some scybala — Has had a quiet night & on the whole looks better this morning. Pains in abdomen have disappeared. Dr. M'Farlane saw him in consultation this morning & it was agreed to continue the Calomel & opium this evening —

— 28 Pulse 78 fuller. Countenance has lost the anxious appearance it had. Tongue white but moist. Lividity of toes fades & blush on dorsum of each foot nearly gone. Has spent a quiet night. Bowels have discharged freely & given him some uneasiness. Has taken breakfast. Has had six grains of opium & six grains of Calomel. Mouth not affected — Bowels have not been moved. It appears that he has been very ill but says the change to the better was sudden, that he knows that it was right for him to have been sent here but that M'Culloch ought to have told him that he was going & he would have agreed at once — Says that he is conscious when he talks much that he forgets things & wanders — that he had enjoyment in his ~~eye~~ ear before he became ill — that he has had a great deal of business to attend to — that he is weak in the chest — that he cannot get his cards though he went down for them to Mr. Means last night & was there told that every thing had been sent up but that the people here deny it — On saying this he stopped short & exclaimed "You see it — that is what I was saying "it does not do for me to talk much — I go "from one thing to another & all wrong, but "if I had some rest I will be better." On consultation it was agreed to discontinue the Calomel & opium, to give him nourishment & keep him quiet

Before Has taken a good dinner. All symptoms improved — Bowels not moved. Repeat enem. dimp

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Thomas Adair Ct from page 30

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March 23 occasionally takes fits & is then filthy notwithstanding all he does to keep himself clean – Thinks he wishes to do us people of judgment direct him – That the place suits him & that he would not wish to leave it. Raves of his being born in convulsions, of his having the form of a horse – of the adversity of his brothers & sister – of his being a bad boy – & of the Dublin medical men. Laughs ridiculously – C. comma –

25 Mind very weak – Talks incoherently on different subjects – says he feels very comfortable in his present situation but fears Dr Tennent will take him away to Falkirk – That he has the head of a pig and is very filthy – occasionally becomes rather excited when he makes long speeches – Laughs ridiculously – Sometimes reads the Newspapers but never to-day – Takes his food well but has a very delicate look – C. Comma

28 Has been quiet and conducted himself well since last report – Daily asks the Clinical Assistant when his clothes are to be sent from Falkirk – Frequently expresses fear that he will again be sent back to Falkirk and says he feels himself very comfortable where he is – Mind very weak and confused and memory imperfect – If any particular idea occupies his mind he acts immediately upon it – Is full of tricks – Raves in a very incoherent manner on various subjects such as his appearance – the different Medical men he has consulted – fits to which he is subject – his having been a bad boy &c – Frequently throws his arms round the necks of his fellow patients and attempts to kiss them – On seeing an advertisement about himself in the Glasgow paper became rather excited – said that he saw his name mentioned and that he would show up Dr Tennent to the Sheriff – Is particularly fond of reading the Newspapers also loves to stand in the different corners of the Gallery – Sitting ground &c Rests quietly during the night – Takes his

Admitted 19 March 1843

1843

March food well but bowels very apt to become constipated — C. Musa

" 29 Is very glad that D^r. Hutcheson had been the means of saving his life by taking him into the Asylum. Says now that he would like to go back to D^r. Tennant that he is not fit for this house. Is loud in praise of D^r. Tennant to day says that D^r. Tennant thinks better that he should have country air & he agrees with him — On D^r. Campbell coming in he expressed his gratitude for saving his life — Says that he has read some books which he cannot efface from his memory — particularly that pernicious book of Hume — Begs D^r. Hutcheson to tell D^r. Tennant how the bad ideas are to be effaced from his mind — Feels no annoyance at D^r. Tennant. Likes him better than ever — D^r. Tennant will make him well. Says that what he said about D^r. Tennant was a mistake — D^r. Henderson of Spring Bank whom he saw in the reading room at Rochdale advised him to go to D^r. Hutcheson, saying that he was the only man who could take care of him. Says that he never had any idea of acting as M^c. Naughten did — Denies that he ever said that he felt a desire to do mischief — Says that the reason of his coming here that D^r. Tennant was jealous of him. D^r. Henderson is a practitioner in Rochdale. Seems to place great reliance on D^r. Hutcheson's advice & seems to have been impressed by his brother & D^r. Tennant that he ought to follow D^r. Hutcheson's opinion & that a public Asylum is not fit for him at present & makes him excited — Recognised D^r. McArthur whom he knew in Dublin. Says that he knew he was wrong in his mind — That he was superintendent of the Schools in Ireland & that part he was acting & that he had a pension from government. Raves about various subjects at present. Adheres to his statement that D^r. T. put his feet on the fire & called them names, but says it was in fun — Must be carefully looked after as he seems to be able to contrive

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William Murphy Æt 35 from p 35

March 30th Bodily health continues to improve - Lividity of toes and hands on dorsum of each foot almost gone - Takes his food well - Has had no return of pains in Abdomen - Bowels were twice moved yesterday - This morning however he again betrays some of his fancies and delusions - Is inclined to talk about his business when he becomes rather confused - Pulse moderate strength - Tongue pupils slightly dilated C. Morris

April 2d Pulse feeble Tongue pretty clean - Pupils dilated - Bodily health improves and feet well - Talks in a very confused and incoherent manner on different subjects - Was very restless during last night saying that he saw children murderers in his room - That he heard the sound of different musical instruments and frequently started up in his bed roaring for help - Requested the Attendant to sit by him constantly and protect him - Complains of a feeling of heat in his head - Ordered to be bathed with cold water three times daily - Bowels natural C. Morris

" 11 Bodily health has daily improved since last report - Mind very weak and confused - Lividity of feet entirely gone - Takes his food much better - Raves on business matters in a very incoherent manner C. Morris

" 21 Mind still continues in the same weak and confused state - Raves incoherently on different subjects - Is idiotically - Bodily health pretty good Pulse 86 moderate strength Tongue and ~~mouth~~ Mouth - Pupils dilated Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural. C. Morris

" 23d Has rather improved since last report - Talks much more rationally than formerly - Countenance very much improved and bodily health pretty good C. Morris

" 26 This patient has daily improved but at the request of his friends

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he was this day removed to Dumfries Asylum.
Relieved

Thomas Adair Æt 31 pour 36

1843

March — & execute any purpose he may conceive the one can calculate what he may take in his head. At the end of the interview, he said he had been so cleverly & well kept as here—

Contrary to what he has now stated, it appears that this morning he stated to the attendant that he wished to remain here — that Dr. Tennant used him ill — locked him up &c but that he promised to use him better —

He afterwards stated to Dr Kutcheon in the presence of ~~[illegible]~~ Mr Pinchard & Dr Campbell that Dr Tennant had slapped him, shut him up & thrashed him like a beast — that D. T. is very passionate but that he has promised to use him well, give him a nice room &c. It is evident that the interview between him & his brother & Dr Tennant yesterday has altered his views.

The Sheriff having committed him by warrant under the act he came up in great glee. He ordered before the Sheriff to recant ~~that~~ of the statements he made to the Physician. He professes himself quite delighted with the result of the investigation. Health improved. C. omitted

April 12 Has been in great glee & sometimes a little lucky, but within the last few days he has been employed in the printing office in arranging type & is delighted with the occupation. Says that he is determined no longer to have a pigs head but to be a gentleman. Health good. Habits correct. Conduct

" 28 Continues cheerful and good humoured — says he is very much pleased with the [illegible] and is very frequently about the new house, how it is getting on — A few days ago had a letter from his friends which appeared to annoy him very much. When asked by the Clinical

Admitted 19 March 1849

Assistant how his friends were said they were much better than he wished them – Mind very weak and he is fond of playing tricks – Employs himself generally reading – Bodily health very good C. Mackie

May 29th Mind very weak and fanciful – Is particularly fond of playing tricks on his fellow patients – In other respects he is quiet and easily managed – Employs himself sometimes reading and walks daily in the garden – Request the Clinical Assistant to write his friends how he is getting on – Bodily health good – Appetite sleep and Bowels natural C. Mackie

July 10th Mind very weak and full of fancies a few days ago wrote a letter to his brother in which he says that he feels very happy – Says he has established his character in Scotland by leaving St Dunstans House – Is sometimes very tricky – Never mentions his old delusion that he has a pigs head – Reads the newspapers and takes great interest in the Irish news – Bodily health improved and he has gained flesh since his admission C. Mackie

August 10th Has been frequently very much excited during the last month – Is fond of playing tricks and is frequently troublesome to his fellow patients – Talks in a incoherent and idiotic manner – Is very restless and walks about the gallery during the greater part of the day – Mind fanciful and teems with delusions – Bodily functions natural C. Mackie

September 9th Bodily health very good – Mind weak and fanciful as formerly – Is liable to fits of excitement when he is very fond of playing tricks on his fellow patients – Laughs idiotically – Walks daily in the grounds and frequently employs himself reading C. Mackie

October 7th Mind weak and fanciful as formerly – Is cheerful and contented – Amuses himself playing tricks on his fellow patients – Employs himself reading and is at present free from all delusions – Bodily health good – Laughs idiotically – Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural C. Mackie

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1843

March 25th On admission was quiet and answered questions relevantly - Betrayed no perceptible delusions but had a very dull and depressed look - Requested to be allowed to retire to bed as he felt very unhappy - Pulse feeble Tongue but rather dry - Impede dilated Breath fetid Ry Pil: Alterative ij Mistura cumach - Ordinary diet & regimen

" 27 Bowels have been opened by medicine and he has spent a quiet night - Mind very weak and confused - Has a very depressed look and requests to be allowed to sit in a department by himself as he has now no pleasure in society - Says he has had much to trouble his mind - that his constitution is gone and that he will not live long - Think death would be a relief to him - Takes his food pretty well - C. Mania

" 30 Has continued much in the same state since last report - Never speaks to any of his fellow patients and sits comfortably by himself in the retired gallery - Generally employs himself reading - Is sometimes very restless during the night getting out of bed and walking about his room - Frequently imitates the neighing of a horse and the singing of birds - Mind very much confused and shows a very depressed look - Countenance indicates great anxiety C. Mania

April 20th Bodily health has improved very much since last report - Mind evidently in a very weak state altho he betrays no particular delusions - Appears perfectly satisfied with his situation and when visited by his friends never talks of leaving - Is more cheerful - Walks in the airing ground and frequently enters into conversation with his fellow patients Employs most part of his time reading books - C. Mania

May 20th No change whatever has taken place in this patients bodily or Mental state since last report - Employs himself reading - When walking in the Gallery mutters very much to himself Has a depressed look but is more

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cheerful when on admission - C. Omnia

July 11th Bodily health very good - Mind weak and has a depressed look - Is sometimes very restless at night frequently speaking to himself - Is fond of little complaints - Employs himself reading - Has frequently a very anxious expression of countenance - Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural C. Omnia

August 11th Mind in the same state as formerly - Is quick and seldom talks to his fellow-patients - Employs himself reading and sometimes works in the garden - Has a depressed look Bodily functions natural C. Omnia

September 12th Mind still weak and has the same dull and depressed look - Employs himself reading and sometimes works in the garden - Betrays no particular delusions but is reported by the Attendant to be in the habit of getting out of bed during the night, walking up and down his room and talking to himself in an excited manner - Bodily health very much improved C. Omnia

October 12th Mind weak and fanciful - Employs himself reading - Is much more cheerful and sometimes plays a game at Cards with his fellow-patients - Has a depressed look - Bodily health very good - Appetite sleep and Bowels natural - Walks in the garden when weather permits C. Omnia

Nov. 10th No change whatever has taken place either in his bodily or mental state since last report - Answers questions relevantly but his mind is evidently weak - Employs himself reading - Is full of complaints C. Omnia

Dec. 10th No improvement whatever has taken place either in body or mind since last report - Cont. Omnia

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Jany 10th Bodily health good - Employs himself reading - Mind weak - Walks about the Gallery muttering to himself and laughing in a very idiotic manner - Is full of complaints & thinks himself a man of great self importance - C. Omnia

Feby 11th No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state since last Report C. Omnia

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March 27 On admission was quiet and appeared perfectly satisfied with his situation. Said that he had not taken any food for the last eight days. When told by the Physician that he could not live long without food said the sooner he died the better. That he had traced the world round and feels that he is to be one of the most miserable wretches on earth. That he has not the slightest desire to be better. That he cannot sleep as he always feels as if in Hell at least as far as earth could make it appear to. Does not know if he has a family. Says he used the means like other people. That there are some young ones at home who take his name but does not know if they are his own. Says he has been abused by many people particularly during the night that they always assembled in the room near the kitchen and annoyed him through the wall. That he went to the salt water to avoid it but that it only fed him up for a renewed attack of a most disgraceful nature. Knew the voices well for they were people who used to come about him. That it was not bodily mischief they intended but internal to a horrible extent willing to make him believe himself a beast says the people come constantly in batches to vex him. Thinks he is now placed in a trap completely by himself. Feels himself becoming very weak though he has had many meals when asleep. Bowels have not been opened for eight days and complains of pain in stomach. Has very disagreeable dreams during the night and has a very depressed look. Pulse so feeble. Tongue dry. Pupils dilated. Breath very foetid. An Enema to be given him immediately and to take two Alterative pills and one blue. Ordinary diet & regimen. To be closely watched.

28 Enema brought away a large quantity of scybala and bowels have been freely acted upon by

Admitted 27th March 1823

the pills during the night – This morning says he feels much better and has taken some tea and bread for breakfast – Delusions have become much fainter than last night but are still present – Complains of feeling very weak Pr Pulse 76 stronger Tr Still Fort Dry Purgs directed By ~~Supra~~ Sol Sulph Magnes Zjss – Tinct. Senn Zjss ~~Aq~~ Statim sumat

— 29 Bowels have been freely opened by the draught and says he feels much better – Some of his delusions still betray themselves and he complains of disagreeable dreams during the night – Says he is frequently annoyed with girls coming about his bed – Continues to take his food – Request to have some medicine as he still requires it – Pulse improved Tr more moist – Purgs directed By Pil Alterantiv XII sumat ij o.n. h.s. C. Alex

— 30 Today very much improved and betrays no perceptible delusions – Rested much better during the night and had no disagreeable dreams as formerly – Pill which he took last night had no effect upon him and have been ordered to be increased to three every night – Takes his food and is today walking in the airing ground Appears quite satisfied with his situation – Answers questions rationally and looks more Cheerful Cont Omnia Pr Decoct Sodae Zij – Infus Gent. Comp Zjss ~~Aq~~ sumat Zij bis quotidie –

April 2 Continues to improve both in body and mind – Sleeps well and takes his food regularly – Betrays no perceptible delusions but still rather depressed – Bowels apt to become constipated Pr Pil. Colocynth. Comp. iij sumat ij o.n. h.s Cont Alia

— 10 Continued to improve till within a few days when he again became dull and depressed and still continues in the same state – In fact of the same delusions as he betrayed on admission – Bowels said to be constipated Pr Pil fol. Cor. ij statim sumat

— 20 Bowels have been freely acted on by the medicines but he still continues in the same depressed state – C. Omnia

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May 8 The following letter was transmitted by the patient to the Physicians.

"My dear Sir,

"I am aware you are over "head & ears in business. I have refrained "troubling you with my affairs, but would "when it would suit you spare 10 minutes "to give me your counsel as to the most "prudent course of procedure under "the present extremely awkward situation "of my own & family affairs. I think "you do not consider I have "exhibited great impatience under "circumstances which most people "consider any thing but calm "play

"Yours most respectfully
"John Leech"

Being invited in consequence, he began with much less circumlocution than usual to state that he was now anxious to be engaged in his profession – that he wished for peace & that he hoped he would be supported by his friends. He wished to have the Physicians advice as to what he should do. Dr Hutcheson then told him that when he left this, the best thing he could do was to settle down quietly to his profession, to meddle with no mes affairs – to keep clear of his relations & neither upbraid nor get into any discussion with them – He said that this was exactly what he meant to do – that he would rather be a sufferer than quarrel – that if his relations had agreed to a meeting, all that had occurred might have been prevented. He wished the Physicians now to interpose & put an end to his confinement. Dr Hutcheson replied that besides the two certificates on which he was sent here – there had been two reports only one of which he had received – that he would endeavour to procure the other & would then consider what was to be done – that in the meantime under all the

May 2[illegible]

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circumstances he was determined to take no responsibility – that this was not an ordinary case – that he must leave it to the Sheriff to act – & that he would see Mrs Bell in an early day. Until then he appeared satisfied. He is in good health and appears to be more settled. Aware however of the hereditary nature of the case – of the original temper & disposition of this patient & of his extreme excitability & restlessness & of his obstinacy & considering the length of time the disease has lasted & the slow manner in which it developed itself, the Physician cannot sanction even a trial until made by the authority of the Sheriff & the Medical Inspectors of Madhouses & therefore he must remain still treated specially by the Sheriff – (remains

May 22 – Has continued in much the same state as at last report – So full of complaints and apt to quarrel with his fellow patients – Talks in a very rambling manner – Bodily health good – A few days ago wrote the following letter to the Physician

"My Dear Sir

I should like to get matters connected with myself brought to a point. I am not aware of being very impatient and fear I am now going into the opposite extreme of too great diffidence – It may be useful also for both of us to recollect that it is possible in an endeavour to get out of the frying pan we may find ourselves landed in the fire, which at present critical opening of new establishment is above all things to be avoided – I think you can trust my prudence in managing matters now and when confidence is placed in me I am not to be deterred from my point by every trifling person even tho he make up his countenance in more what he is different in state – I wish you well Sir and it will be your own fault if I am led to adopt other feelings with regard to yourself and prostrate as I am at this moment the wheel of that providence may fast in my frame what it at present at your disposal –

Your real brother in the profession
John Locke

N.B. Attend to this if you please – I know you are very busy – 10 minutes will settle matters

Excuse this Boy has excessively bad –

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1843

March 30th Was yesterday brought here from Dr Drury's Private Asylum where he has been for a Considerable time - On admission was quiet and had a very bewildered look - Answers questions in a hesitating and confused manner - Is prone to stand in one position and is filthy in his habits - Appears to be in a State of dementia - Of moderate strength - Pulse & Heart pupils dilated - Tongue ordinary - Diet and regimen -

April 2d No change has taken place in the state of this patient since his admission - Mind very weak - Answers questions in a confused manner - Walks about the Airing ground in a very fantastic manner and attends Chapel regularly - Appetite - Sleep and Bowels natural C. Mercier

" 20th Has remained in exactly the same state since last report - Mind very weak and never employs himself in any way - Never speaks or enters into Conversation with any of his fellow patients - Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Mercier

May 20th No change whatever has taken places in this patients bodily or mental state since last report - Mind weak and fatuous as formerly - Habits as formerly - Bodily health good - Walks daily in the Airing ground - C. Mercier

July 11th Has continued in much the same state since last report - Mind very weak and cannot utter a connected sentence - Is prone to stand in one position and is very filthy in his habits - Bodily health has not been so good lately - Appears to be loosing flesh and is troubled with considerable swelling of legs and feet which are now regularly bandaged - Cont. Mercier

August 9th Bodily health rather improved since last report - Swelling of legs much diminished - Mind weak and fatuous - Destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits C. Mercier

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1843

September 9th Mind weak and fatuous as formerly - Habits destructive and filthy - Constantly inclines to stand in one position - Walks daily in the Garden when compelled to do so - Bodily health very much improved C. Munro

Octr 9th Still continues in the same fatuous state of mind - Cannot utter a connected sentence - Habits filthy as formerly - Bodily health at present pretty good - C. Munro

Novr 8th No change whatever has taken place either in the patients bodily or mental state since last report - Mind fatuous, Habits filthy - Cannot utter a con-

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My dear Sir

I should like to set matters connected with myself brought to a point - I am not aware of being very impatient - and fear I am now going into the opposite extreme of great supineness - It may be useful also for both of us to recollect that if it is possible in our endeavours to set out of the spring pan we may find ourselves landed in the fire - which at present I think opening of new establishment is above all things to be avoided

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the last two table dwelling are now cured - fatuous state - merly - Bodily C. Munro

May 4th Legs now Cured - Habits filthy as formerly - Cannot utter a connected sentence - Never employs himself in any way - Has been walking sometimes in the Garden during the last fortnight - Bodily health pretty good C. Munro

June 3d Sores on legs continue well - Is very filthy in his habits and has rather lost flesh lately - Mind continues on the same fatuous state - Sometimes walks in the garden C. Munro

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1843

March 30th Was yesterday brought here from Dr Drury's private Asylum where he has been for a considerable time. His admission was quiet and had a very bewildered look. Answers questions in a hesitating and confused manner. Is prone to stand in one position and is filthy in his habits. Appears to be in a state of destitution & to possess strength. Pulse & breath natural. Bowels dilated. Tongue ordinary. Diet and regimen.

April 2d No change has taken place in the state of this patient since his admission. Mind very weak. Answers [illegible] manner. [illegible] regular. Bowels [illegible]

I think you can trust my judgment in matters now - and when confidence is placed in me. I am not to be deterred from my plain by every trifling [illegible] even then the matter terminates up in nothing but he is in worse state since different in [illegible] I wish you to [illegible] and it will be I am not to blame if I am [illegible] to adopt other [illegible] with regard

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May 20th No change [illegible] places [illegible] mental [illegible] Mind [illegible] purely [illegible] health [illegible] during

July 11th Has [illegible] state [illegible] weak [illegible] ted [illegible] in one position and is very filthy in his habits. Bodily health has not been so good lately. Appears to be loosing flesh and is troubled with considerable swelling of legs and feet which are now regularly bandaged. Cont. Mixture.

August 9th Bodily health rather improved since last report. Swelling of legs much deminished. Mind weak and perverted. Destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits. C. Mixture

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September 9th Mind weak and fatuous as formerly. Habits destructive and filthy – constantly inclines to stand in one position – walks daily in the garden when compelled to do so – Bodily health very much improved C. Munro

Dec 9th Still continues in the same fatuous state of mind – Cannot utter a connected sentence – Habits filthy as formerly – Bodily health at present pretty good – C. Munro

Nov 8th No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state since last report – Mind fatuous, Habits filthy – Cannot utter a con-

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June 3d Bones or legs continue well – Is very filthy in his habits and has rather lost flesh lately – Mind continues in the same fatuous state – Sometimes walks in the garden C. Munro

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John White Aet 40

1843

March 30th Was yesterday brought here from Dr Drury's Private Asylum where he has been for a considerable time - On admission was quick and had a very bewildered look - Answers questions in a hesitating and confused manner - Is prone to stand in one position and is filthy in his habits - Appears to be in a State of Dementia - Of moderate strength - Pulse natural - Pupils dilated - Have ordinary diet and regimen -

April 2d No change has taken place in the state of this patient since his admission - Mind very weak - Answers questions in a confused

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May 20th [illegible]

July 11th [illegible] in one position and is very dirty in his habits - Bodily health has not been so good lately - Appears to be loosing flesh and is troubled with considerable swelling of legs and feet which are now Regularly bandaged - Cont. Mixture

August 9th Bodily health rather improved since last Report - Swelling of legs much diminished - Mind weak and fanciful - Destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits - C. Manning

Dr Hutchison

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1843

September 9th Mind weak and fatuous as formerly - Habits destructive and filthy - Constantly inclines to stand in one position - Walks daily in the garden when compelled to do so - Bodily health very much improved C. Omnia

Octr 9th Still continues in the same fatuous state of mind - Cannot utter a connected sentence - Habits filthy as formerly Bodily health at present pretty good C. Omnia

Novr 8th No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state since last report - Mind fatuous, Habits filthy - Cannot utter a connected sentence C. Omnia

Decr 8th Bodily health good - No mental improvement whatever has taken place during the last month C. Omnia

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Janry 7th Mind fatuous as formerly - Stands in one position during the greater part of the day and never speaks to any one - Is filthy and destructive - Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Omnia

Febry 7th No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state during the last month C. Omnia

March 4th Bodily health pretty good - Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural - Is prone to stand in one position - Habits very filthy - Mind almost entirely gone C. Omnia

April 4th Has been in bed for the last ten days with considerable swelling of legs but which are now cured - Mind in the same fatuous state - Habits filthy as formerly - Bodily health pretty good C. Omnia

May 4th Legs now cured - Habits filthy as formerly - Cannot utter a connected sentence - Never employs himself in any way - Has been walking sometimes in the garden during the last fortnight - Bodily health pretty good C. Omnia

June 3d Legs on legs continue well - Is very filthy in his habits and has rather lost flesh lately - Mind continues in the same fatuous state - Sometimes walks in the garden C. Omnia

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John Hoy from Vol II page 141

1843

April 1st — Has continued free from any excitement since last report – At present cheerful and good humoured – Frequently talks of his raptures and is full of his old delusions – Takes Castor Oil regularly every morning – So frequently very restless during the night when he roars out in a loud manner – Appetite delicate – Never leaves the Gallery C. Mania

" 28 — Has been in good bodily health since last report – Habits as formerly and is full of delusions At present quiet and free from excitement – Employs himself frequently reading the Newspapers. C. Mania

May 24th — Has been several times rather excited lately – A few days ago struck one of the Attendants and when visited by the Clinical Assistant attempted to throw a chair at him – Takes some Castor Oil regularly every morning of which he finishes a bottle every three weeks – Mind and habit as formerly – Bodily health good – Appetite Sleep and Bowels Natural C. Mania

July 11th — Since his removal to Gartnavel he has been very quiet and appears very much confused – Says he feels very unhappy as all the sins of his Youth are now working on his mind – Wishes to know if every Persons mind is the same as his is – Does not understand how it is as he was always an honest man and never told lies – Mind in the same plaintive state – Bodily health continues good – Takes Castor Oil as formerly every morning C. Mania

August 10th — Since last report he has been very excitable and appears to have lost flesh – Says he has no feeling for any of his fellow patients and thinks he should be burned for it – Is full of delusions – Talks of different individuals about the house and says he can find out what they are by means of the Castor Oil bottle – Occasionally reads the Newspapers C. Mania

October 8th — Mind weak and full of fancies

Admitted 24th March 1871

Habits as formerly - still has the idea that he has no feeling for his fellow men and that he will be punished for the sins of his youth which have all come up against him - Bodily health pretty good - C. Morris

Expired Sept 8th - Is today very much excited - Says he has lost his tongue and cannot speak - Is very sulky and discontented - Frequently rooks out during the night - Appears to have lost flesh lately but his bodily health is pretty good - C. Morris

Nov 7th - Has been very restless and excitable during the last month - Says he is a bad man and should not live - Mind teeming with delusions - Bodily health pretty good - C. Morris

Dec 7th - Mind still weak and fanciful - Is very excitable and teeming with delusions - No improvement what-ever has taken place during the last month - C. Morris

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Janry 7th - Bodily health has decidedly improved since last report - Mind continues in the same weak state - Delusions formerly noted remain unchanged - Habits as formerly - Cont. Morris -

Febry 7th - No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state since last report C. Morris

March 4th - Mind still teeming with delusions - Says he is a bad man and should not live - That the sins of his youth are all before him - Raves in a very incoherent manner on different subjects - Bodily health at present pretty good C. Morris

Restless

April 4th - No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place in this patients state since last report C. Morris

May 5th - Has been very much excited during the last fortnight - Mind teeming with all sort of delusions - Thinks he is to be cut up - That he is a bad man and will be burned in hell - That he has no hope of salvation &c Bodily health pretty good C. Morris

June 4 - Has rather lost flesh during the last month but he is again less excited - Habits and delusions as formerly noted - Bodily health good C. Morris

Retired

July 1st - No change since last report. To page 143

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1843

April 2d Has continued pretty quiet since last report – Employs himself reading – Bodily health at present very good – He has however considerable difficulty of Articulation – says if Dr Ritchison will let him away that he would never drink Spirits again – has paid a visit by his son a few days ago and refused to shake hands with him – told him that if he kept him here any longer that he would disown him – is full of tricks and frequently annoys his fellow patients – and talks sometimes in a very gross manner – C. Thomson

" 28 Has been very quiet since last report and constantly asks when he is going to get home – says it is cruel to keep him here as it will be the means of bringing ruin on his family – Answers questions rationally – still has considerable difficulty of Articulation – Bodily health good – C. Thomson

May 24th Constantly abuses the house and attempts to cause his fellow patients also to complain – is very sulky and at visit will scarcely speak to the Clinical Assistant – Abuses his family and declares he will make them repent of their conduct to him – is very irritable and mind evidently wandering – frequently requests to have Porter or a glass of brandy – two days ago wrote the following letter to the Physician

28th May 1843

" Sir

" You must be sensible of the way I am used by so unreasonable a period " of confinement here and you know " well if is neither according to the laws of the " Country and contrary to the laws of " God – It is to say the least of it cruel " unjust and illegal done from a bad " spirit of revenge, ill nature & pride – " I must therefore insist that I be imm[ediately] " discharged – It is monstrous absurd to see " for any person to who is as well or per- " haps in better health of mind than your- " self or the other parties and who has " conducted himself generally better " than them – the justice of this request

Admitted 21st March 1842

" your conscience must tell you is necessary - My family have all moved to Glasgow some weeks ago, they have got everything their own way and they betray a great want of Christian feeling among them

I am Yours &c

(signed) John Harvey

July 11th - No change has taken place in the state of this patient since last report, - After his removal to Gartnavel he appeared to take particular delight in abusing the house and annoying his fellow patients - A few days ago wrote a letter to the Sheriff drawn up in the form of a petition which was discovered to have been written by one of his fellow patients who had been a Writer in town - Constantly abuses his family and says he will make them all regret placing him in a Lunatic Asylum - Says whenever he is discharged that he will take another wife and make all his children by a former marriage pay him board or they may go to the devil - Bodily health very good and he walks daily in the garden C. Mania

August 10th - Bodily health pretty good - Appetite Sleep and Bowels Natural - Has little difficulty of articulation - Is very anxious to be dismissed and abuses his eldest son for keeping him here - Answers questions relevantly - Habits as formerly -

Septr 10th - No change whatever has taken place in this patient bodily or mental state since last report - Employs himself reading and walks daily in the garden - Constantly abuses his family for keeping him in the Asylum - Mind evidently weak C. Mania

Octr 1st - Continues to be very sulky and discontented - Abuses the House and every one connected with it - Declares it is worse than hell on earth - So cunning and deceitful - Saw the Sheriff some days ago and requested his case to be taken into consideration - Abuses his family and all his relations - Has considerable but only occasional difficulty of articulation - Bodily health otherwise good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels Natural C. Mania

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1843

April 2d — Has continued in good health since last report — Is daily occupied superintending the making of furniture for the new Asylum — Has been permitted once or twice to go home on Sunday Evening when he has returned without apparently having been drinking — So cheerful and good humoured and appears quite pleased with his situation C. Munro

— 28 — No change whatever has taken place in the State of this patient since last report — His strong inclination for spirits however still continues — So employed at present looking after the making of furniture for the new house and yesterday evening returned from the Carpenters Shop to his Gallery in a state of intoxication — How he got the drink has not yet been discovered — This morning at six o'clock he wrote the following letter to the Physician Dr Nicholson

Friday Morning 6 o'clock

My Dear Sir

I take the liberty of troubling you with this note in the first place to say that one of the Attendants (Murray) looked as he says for clearance Morning in the Basin last night — So my brother Williams hair was in it — I am more than commonly speaking pleased indeed to Murray obliged — I have arranged as to the Gas Chains at least so many of them — and have sent for Mr Hemmens Man "of the Billiard table" Thomas not "the Man with the Carpet bag — (A word to the wise) In other Cases please let me leave the order as to the New Theatre — Now is the time Do — just say the "word" I will attempt not to disappoint you nor will I be extravagant — As a favour to me do let me get arrangements made as to the Theatre &c. Gentlemen Please let me have little "Crow and go upon work —

Mr Wansborough has as mentioned offered his aid for which I doubtless am obliged but if left

Admitted 25th January 1842

" to me I daresay I can once more
" give Satisfaction to you and to any
" other one - I almost care nothing
" so to speak"

" Yours &c
" Alexander S. Cleland

May 10 Continues to superintend the Carpenters and has on several occasions lately managed to get drunk - How he does it manages it has not yet been discovered - No change whatever appears to have taken place in his strong desire for stimulants - He very cunning and always denies ever having tasted a drop of whiskey although evident to every one that he has been drinking - Last night wrote the following letter to his wife.

" Glasgow 9th day May 1843

" My Dear Martha

" On stepping over the Matters which are vexing me so very much I have come to the resolution of writing Henry a letter and that not from Anger but a business one from Mr Steele - However distressing and disagreeable this measure is I cannot avoid it -

" If your class should permit I am very desirous to see you tomorrow

" Your affectionate Husband
" A Cleland

" Mrs A Cleland

" Henry In the consideration must I ever
" visit in my house while matters are managed
" A.C

19 A few days ago this patient was observed by one of the servants to taking some Spirits of wine out of the Surgery - After he had retired to bed the circumstance was told to Mr Henderson who sent Mr Richard & Mr Campbell to his room to question him about it - When asked what he had done with the Spirits of wine he took from the Surgery, he declared he had never touched it - that it was a little turpentine he took to clean his clothes at the same time offering his keys to have his drawers searched - He was then told to put his clothes on and come down to the Surgery to show what bottle he took the turpentine from when he coolly produced a bottle which had contained nothing for several weeks previous - His bed was then searched when several ounces of Spirits of wine was found concealed with - Only then that any further denial was useless

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John McCall Stirling from Vol II

1843

April 2d — Has had several fits of excitement since last report and once or twice struck one of his fellow patients — Bodily health good but mind very weak — Never employs himself in any way — Is destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits — C. Munro

" 28 — At present very excitable and two days ago struck one of his fellow patients very severely — Mind very weak — Never employs himself in any way — Is destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits — Is prone to stand in one position and frequently breaks pieces of glass — Cont. Munro

May 24th — Has been free from any excitement since last report — Mind in the same weak state — Habits filthy as formerly and is destructive to his clothes — Bodily health good — Appetite deep and Bowels natural C. Munro

July 11th — Has continued in exactly the same state since last report — Bodily health pretty good — Is destructive to his clothes and very filthy in his habits — Never employs himself in any way — Subject to occasional attacks of excitement and sometimes strikes his fellow patients C. Munro

August 11th — Bodily health good — Mind very weak and he is liable to occasional fits of excitement — With difficulty can be got to employ himself in the garden — Is apt to strike — Destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits — No change whatever for the better has taken place — C. Munro

September 11th — Mind weak and fatuous — Is very excitable, destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits — Cannot utter almost a connected sentence — Bodily health pretty good, but no mental improvement C. Munro

Octr 11th — Bodily health good — Mind in the same weak state — Has been free from any excitement during the last month — Sometimes employs himself in the ground — Habits still filthy

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and destructive Cont. Omnia

Nov. 11th — Mind in the same weak and fatuous state – Cannot utter a connected sentence – Is destructive and filthy – Bodily health pretty good C. Omnia

Dec. 11th — Continues in all respects the same as at last report – C. Omnia

Jany 11th — Mind fatuous – Is very destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits – Passes his urine on the bed-clothes – Cannot utter a connected sentence – Bodily health pretty good – No improvement whatever has taken place Cont. Omnia

Febry 11th — No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state during the last month Cont. Omnia

March 4th — Bodily health good – Is very filthy in his habits and is becoming more destructive to his clothes – Mind very weak and fatuous – With difficulty can be employed – No improvement whatever has taken place C. Omnia

Discharged

April 3d — Habits daily become more filthy – Mind continues in the same fatuous state – Is apt to strike his fellow patients – Bodily health good – Never employs himself in any way – C. Omnia

May 4th — No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state – Habits very destructive & filthy – Mind fatuous C. Omnia

June 8d — Is very destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits – Cannot be employed in any way – Mind continues in the same fatuous state – No improvement whatever has taken place Bodily health good – C. Omnia

July 4th — Habits continue filthy and destructive – Mind almost entirely gone – Never employs himself in any way – Bodily health good – Cont. Omnia

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Aug. 8. — Filthy and fatuous – Destroys his clothes and is very negligent and careless in his habits Bodily health very good – Stubborn and obstinate but has shewn no violence of late Bowels regular – Appetite good. Cont. omnia

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April 20th — Has continued more cheerful since last report and says he feels less anxiety about himself - Wandering pains in head still continue but not so frequently as formerly - Walks into town or Country every fine day - Answers questions rationally and is free from all delusions - Bodily health good - Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural - C. Ammia

May 1st — Has continued more cheerful since last report - says he does not feel the wandering pains in head so frequently - Has been washing daily into Town - some time since expressed a desire to the Physicians to try what effect the Sea air would have upon him - For that purpose he went to Lewis this forenoon and left the Asylum

Cured

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no self blame – That he had got a good lesson to conduct himself rationally – That he felt his health to be good & his mind rational – That of the acted as he did formerly he would give his friends leave to pop him again into quod – That he could be no more than sure this appearance – That the Physicians had had ample opportunities of knowing him thoroughly & must be aware that he was now well – That he had now no desire for spirits & would not take ~~of~~ stimulants on any account – That he might get worse by being kept, but could not get better – He begged the Physicians to see his friends & make some arrangements to get him discharged. On being reminded that he had been extravagant & had little money now to spend, he said he knew that – That he wished to live quietly, but at the same time to see the country – He was calm & rational. The physicians undertook to see his brother & converse with him on the subject.

" 6 Today with several other patients he spent some hours at Santuario – He walked about, took refreshment moderately, conversed & acted rationally C. omnia

" 7 This morning the Physicians saw his brother & gave him an account of his present condition – Dr. Wm Thurston & Dr. Pagan afterwards met him in consultation – After seeing the patient who talked in a bold & boasting strain & said that he had some money in India to spend & in enjoying himself here & that he would spend every farthing before he left, it was agreed that it would not be safe to allow him to leave this till he had undergone further probations, as if he were to act on the intent he expressed, he would not be sane

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April a month. C. remains

" 8 Today the Physicians good humouredly remonstrated with him on the absurdity of the views he had expressed to Dr. Thomson & Dr. Pagan yesterday & told him that the interview had left a very unfavorable impression on their minds. He seemed to be astonished & said that he thought that he had made a favorable impression on them — that he had stated his views humbly — that he had professed to do nothing but what was rational & proper — He said that his professional prospects would be injured by his being here, because the government in Sweden would know all about it, — that the Doctors there knew every thing & that it was impossible to keep any thing from them — that he would always have the feeling that every body he met would know that he had been a madhouse & that every one would be looking at him & watching his every word & deed — In the evening he asked for an interview with the Physicians at a later hour of the evening, this was promised but when the time came, circumstances took place which prevented conversation & it was put off till tomorrow — Commenced a long conversation today he expressed his conviction of the folly of his previous conduct & declared that the warning he had got would prevent him from ever repeating any of his absurdities. His statements to Dr. Thomson & Dr Pagan appear to have been mere bravado — He appears to be gentlemanlike

" 15 Arrangements having been made for his going to his brothers house, he wished to know if he might come again & they gave him the wished for. This was promised. He expressed his gratitude to the Physicians & his friendship for them & appeared sorry to leave when he was this day discharged

Cured

1913 Apr. 7 On admission appeared tractable and
calm but soon after began to speak
and became more excited. Said
there was no necessity for his being brought 25
here, that there was nothing whatever the
matter with him. Asked for tobacco.
Walked up and down the gallery with a
conquering air and although his
conversation is relevant yet from the 29
expressions of his countenance he is
evidently controlling himself, and
doubtless a very little would be likely to
throw him into a state of excitement.
Bodily health apparently good. Since
when visited by Dr Orr one of the Clinical
Assistants previous to his being brought
to the Asylum he was found locked in
a room by his wife on account of his
walking about the house in an excited
manner with a knife in his
hand. On the door being opened he was
found in bed and when spoken to raved
in a very incoherent manner. On the
table in front of his bed was an open
bible with a tumbler and glass on the
top of it and a green glass bottle by
the side of it. Three or four pipes
and as many pairs of shoes being ar-
ranged in order also on the table.
After a short time he became tractable
got up and walked about the house.
lighted his pipe at the fire in the
kitchen then applied the lighted paper
with which he used to the bottom of
several brass candle sticks in the room.
—— 8 Has remained quiet during the night
Complains very much of being brought
to the Asylum and says if he had
been left alone he would have soon
been all right. Says it would be a
good thing if some of us Doctors were
sent away to America. Answers
questions relevantly and requests to
be allowed some tobacco. C. Minor
—— 15 Has remained quiet and betrayed
no delusions since last report.
Employs himself reading and his
look is much less excited. Is very
good humoured and Contented. C Minor
—— 19 Has continued free from all
~~delusions~~ excitement and betrayed no perceptible
delusions since last report. —

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	so good humoured and employs himself reading - May now be looked upon as convalescent C. Munro
— 25	Convalescence proceeds favourably - is good humoured, answers questions relevantly and is free from all delusions - Employs himself reading - May soon be discussed C. Munro
— 29	Having continued in good bodily health and free from all delusions he is this day discussed C Wood

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Henry Danskin Ot 30

1843

April 18th On admission was quiet but looked very much bewildered - Answered questions relevantly but had a dull and depressed look - Complained of the conduct of his friends and said they used him very ill and supposed they had confined him here for the purpose of getting rid of him - Ord moderate strength - Tongue white but moist - pupils dilated - Bowels said to be constipated - Ry Pil. Aloes to ℈ss Sumat ℥j o.h. h.s - To have ordinary diet and regimen -

" 19 Has slept quietly during the night and bowels have been freely opened by Medicine - Betrays many delusions particularly on religious subjects - says he is the great I am - says he is determined to be good and keep himself quiet while here but that he should like to know why he was sent - thinks it was for necessary - Confined for six days and when asked why he did so said that he felt very weak and miserable about his soul's salvation - Is today much more quiet and Contented C. Alexia

" 20 Today looks more cheerful and says he feels better - Is confused in Conversation but answers questions relevantly enough - Is particularly much inclined to wash his head in cold water and if allowed would do so four or five times every hour - Pulse natural - pupils slightly dilated Tongue and moist - C. Alexia

" 24 Has rather improved since last report - Has a more cheerful look and says he feels better since he came to the Asylum - Takes his food better - Is very much inclined to sleep during the day - Betrays no perceptible delusion altho his mind is evidently yet weak - Pulse moderate Tongue and moist - pupils dilated R Bicarb. Sodæ ℈ij : Infus Gent. Comp ℥xij M Sumat ℥ij bis quotidie - C. Alexia

May 2d Continues daily to improve and is now much more cheerful - Answers questions relevantly and

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betrays no perceptible delusions - Assists the Attendants in the Galleries and is today playing Bowls in the Airing ground - Bodily health good may now be looked upon as convalescent C. Mania

14th - Today has a dull and depressed look and says he feels very unhappy but cannot give any reason for it - Expresses a desire to remain in bed and complains of great thirst - Is not inclined to employ himself in any way and appears to be very restless - Eyes have a very excited look - Pulse 86 Moderate Tongue white but moist Faeces delated By Pil: Colocynth. Comp & Station Lunat -

16th - Bowels have been freely opened by the medicine and he is today much more cheerful - Assists the Attendants in the Gallery and answers questions rationally - Mind rather weak - Pulse 86 moderate Tongue clean and moist - Faeces delated - C. Mania

9 Has gone on well since last report but betrays no delusions. Has been cheerful & industrious. On examination today he was found to be quite rational & his wife finding to be determined on removing him immediately. This is to be regretted as a few weeks probation would have corroborated his cure & rendered a return of the disease less probable. As it is he is quite well & therefore discharged

Cured

Richard Bennett Ad 40

1843

April 21st — Was this morning brought to the Asylum by Dr Rogan of Londonderry On Admission his hands and feet were confined by means of straps - They were immediately removed when he became highly excited and made several attempts to strike the Attendants - Raves in a very vehement and incoherent manner on different subjects - Countenance indicates high excitement - Eyes suffused - Pulse feeble & frequent and dry - pupils dilated - To be placed in retired Gallery - Bowels said to be constipated - Before his being brought here he was bled several times from the Arm and severely purged - By Pil: Alterativa & III Gramet ij O.h: h.s ad VI tam vicem - To have ordinary diet and regimen and to be closely watched -

22 — Has been very noisy during the night and with great difficulty could be kept in his bed - This morning he is quiet but appears much exhausted - Raves in a very incoherent manner - Bowels have not been moved by the pills - Is very thirsty and inclined to drink Pulse moderate strength & tongue white and dry - pupils dilated and eyes little suffused - Enema ex sale et aqua Infusa Statim injectandum - Abrad Capill et applicand Emplastr Cantharid brach capitis toto - Cont. Alia

23 — Blister over scalp has discharged freely and Enema brought away a large quantity of faeces - Has again slept a very restless night and today raves in the same incoherent manner - Has taken some food - Eyes still suffused Pulse feeble & dry - pupils dilated - Is very much confused and cannot answer questions relevantly - C. Mistura

24 — Has been highly excited since yesterday and last night struck one of the Attendants very severely - Raves in a very vehement and incoherent Manner - particularly about horses and dogs - Frequently offers up long prayers - Is filthy and destructive - passes his time

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in bed, and has pulled all his bed-clothes to pieces - P 102 feeble T dry, pupils natural - Bowels have not been opened since yesterday - By Sol. Sulph. Magnes ℥ij - Tinct Senna ℥j ℏ - Haust Statim sumend C. Alia

— 28 Has continued in the same excited state since last report - Is destructive and filthy - Raves vehemently and incoherently - Is at present taking ℥ij of Camphor three times daily - also two glasses of port wine - Bowels have not been opened since yesterday - Enema ex sale et aqua bonde statim ejectatum - Cont. Alia

May 2d State continues to rave in the same incoherent manner - Was yesterday taken to the airing ground for a short time when he became highly excited and attempted to strike every one who came near him - It was necessary again to place him in the retired Gallery - Last night has been very noisy and today raves in the same vehement manner P 100 moderate T white and rather dry - pupils dilated - Bowels said to be rather constipated By Sol Sulph. Magnes ℥ij Tinct Senna ℥ij ℏ Statim sumat - Cont. Alia

— 4 Continued to rave in the same excited and incoherent manner until this morning - When visited by the Attendant he was found to have almost lost the power of articulation and also of deglutition - Can swallow nothing but a teaspoonful of wine and that with considerable difficulty - Attempts to speak but cannot be understood - No fulness pupils dilated - Skin hot and dry - Abradat Capitis et applicat Cataplasma lyttæ capiti toto - Enema ex sale et aqua bonde statim injiciatur -

— 5 Has continued in the same weak state since last report - Blister on head has discharged freely but without any good effect - Has the same difficulty of articulation and deglutition - Can swallow nothing but a little wine during the day and is rapidly losing strength & flesh - Bowels have been moved by an Enema - Breath very foetid - Pulse 108 weak C. Alia

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Andrew Alexander Ad from p 328

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April 21st Has remained very quiet and contented since last report - employs himself reading religious books and frequently talks on matters connected with the present state of the Church - is very anxious to know how long he is to be confined - Mind evidently weak but he answers questions relevantly enough - Else has the idea that his friends have placed him here to serve some end of their own and that they wish to keep him out of the way - Bodily health good C. Mania

May 21st Has considerably improved during the past month - never betrays any of his delusions on Church matters - Has been some of his friends with which (state) he appeared pleased - is quiet and good humoured - Answers questions relevantly enough but his mind is evidently weak - Employs himself reading - To be closely watched as he knows the reason of his being sent to the Asylum and it is very probable that he may be concealing his delusions. Bodily health good - appetite. Sleep and Bowels natural - C. Mania

June 21st Bodily health good - Mind very much improved since last report - Employs himself reading - Betrays no delusions and answers questions relevantly - May now be looked upon as convalescent C. Mania

July 11th Bodily health continues good - Convalescence proceeds favourably - May soon be discharged C. Mania

August 18th A few days ago attempted to make his escape but was brought back shortly afterwards - Said his object in doing so was to see the Sheriff of Dumbarton to request his assistance in having himself removed from the Asylum - He is now rational and free from all delusions - His bodily health is good and he will be removed as soon as arrangements can be made with his friends - Convalescence proceeds favourably C. Mania

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Sept 11th Arrangements having been made with this patients friends for his removal and he being in good bodily health and free from all delusions he is this day discharged

C Lord

John Sheddeu Ad 21 from p 23

1843

April 21st Bodily health very much improved. Employs himself reading - Mind weak and he is full of fancies and delusions - Was visited by his friends last night for the purpose of informing him of the death of his sister at which he appeared much affected - Shortly after his friends left him he became very much excited, declared an Asylum was no place for him - That he requires to mingle with the world - Says he feels very miserable & imagines every one he sees is going to take his life - That he knows people have combined for his destruction but how & for what reason he cannot say - Walks very frequently with his hand upon his head and complains of wandering pains over scalp - Sometimes plays on the Violin and at other times is very much depressed - Appetite sleep and bowels natural C. Morris

May 19th Has been more or less excited since last report - Mind weak and full of delusions - Still thinks that people have combined for his destruction but never mentions who they are - Employs himself almost constantly reading or writing and sometimes plays a game at bowls with the fellow patients - Bodily health continues good - C. Morris

" 31 No mental improvement - General health good. Con. omnia.

July 6th Bodily health very good - Appetite sleep and Bowels natural - Mind still weak and full of fancies - Has very changeable ideas on religious subjects - says he feels very stupid and thinks he should now leave the Asylum - Is quite aware that it was the best place for him when he was first admitted - Says he was then in a very excited state but what he now requires is to enter into society - Employs himself reading and walks daily in the garden - Some days ago wrote the following letter to Dr Campbell and hopes that it will be immediately attended to

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Dear Sir

I am desirous to commence snuffing and smoking - That you may not think my desire a mere whim I shall state the grounds of it - I need something to keep my bowels open - I know from experience that an occasional smoke of tobacco serves the purpose in some measure - Pills do the same thing; but as variety is soothing and beneficial to the system I should like to have both pills and tobacco; so as to take the one sometimes, sometimes the other - I hope that with the help of pills and tobacco, moderate eating and plenty of exercise and good air, my internals will in course of time by the blessing of God be resuscitated from the torpid state into which they have been brought by prolonged sittings, and neglect of corresponding moderation in diet - Snuff soothes my head which is almost continually aching and refreshes my frame when exhausted - I trust therefore Sir that you will either yourself give me each fortnight the same quantity of good snuff and tobacco which Mr Harvey for instance receives weekly along with a dozen of pills or provide me with the means of letting my friends at home know my wants - I presume that in so far as money is concerned it matters not much in which of these two ways I get what I need

Yours truly

(signed) John Cheddew

To Dr Campbell

P.S Pray Doctor whether is it better to spend a little money in purchasing pills, snuff and tobacco, or to drag along a horrid existence, incapable of enjoying God - Nature and Society by reason of costive bowels -

J. S

August 1st Bodily health very good - Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural - Is quick and answers questions rationally but he is full of delusions - Says his friends are combined against him for his destruction - that he blames his having been boarded with his Aunts as the cause of his insanity as they are both mad - Says he will have his revenge for the conduct of his brother to him C Dunnin

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Alexander Rigg Ætat 41 from St. Leo

1843

April 24th Has been very dull and depressed since last report and today remains in bed - When asked what he complains of the only answer he returns is - "It is no use, all is lost" - Has taken no food except a cup of tea for the last two days - Incessantly crying and appears to be suffering much mental anguish - Bowels have not been opened since yesterday morning Pulse rather feeble Tongue but moist - Pupils dilated R. Edmd. Cassidy ex Mist. Cinnam ex Aqua Kordei c Lact. Statim C. Alia

May 8th Has continued in much the same state since last report - At present is rather less depressed and takes his food better - Answers questions rationally but is full of fancies and delusions particularly about his children his prospects &c Bowels apt to become constipated - C. Alexia

" 19 Still continues in a very depressed state and says he is miserable - sleeps very badly during the night - When asked what occasions him always ~~says~~ causes he would rather not ~~tell~~ say - Bowels very apt to become constipated and he requires frequently to take medicine - Sits in his bedroom during the greater part of the day and hence reads or employs himself in any way - Pulse feeble pupils dilated & pretty clean and moist C. Alexia

June 6 Continues still to confine himself to his own room & is much inclined like to sit in & sullen Tongue covered with a thick yellow fur. Bowels are still extremely sluggish stout and corpulent. Cinnam. statim pil. Aloet. Rhei. Rp. Sodae Tart. ʒiss Sulph. Zinci ʒi Rp. Pulvis ℈xvi. M. Cinnam. Gtt. xv. omni mane hora sept. Cin. Alia

" 11 No change whatever has taken place in the State of this patient - he is still very much depressed and full of delusions His friends although strongly advised by Dr Hutcheson not to remove him as they have come to the conclusion of taking him to the Country and as they have

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became responsible for him he is this day
contrary to the wish of the Physician
removed as

Relieved

John Miller Ct 62

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April 25th On admission was in a high state of excitement raving in a very incoherent manner – Cursed, swore and attempted to strike every one who went near him – Talked much of his great wealth, power – property &c – and exhibited all the symptoms of general paralysis – It was necessary to place him in a room by himself – Was feeble – Tongue red and dry – Pupils contracted – Eyes suffused – By Pil. Jalap C. Hyd ij Infusion Lenat – Ordinary diet and regimen –

— 26 Bowels have been freely acted upon by the Pills during the night and this morning he appears quiet – Converses in a very incoherent manner of his wealth – Incurs the Abuse his Son and declares that he used him very ill and that he wishes to get him banished immediately To remain quiet in his bed – C. Mania

— 28 still continues in bed and is much less excited – Answers questions in a confused and incoherent manner – Talks constantly of the Lord Provost Sir Jas Colquhoun who he says is his best friend – Is full of fancies and delusions – Bowels have not been opened since Yesterday – Pupils still rather contracted – By Pil: Alterative ij Infusion Lenat – C. Alia

May 2d Has continued more quiet since last report and has been walking daily in the airing ground – Raves in a very incoherent manner – particularly about his money – property &c – Is very uneasy in his gait – Has slight difficulty of Articulation and betrays all the symptoms of general paralysis C. Mania

— 19 At present in a very depressed state and the night before last made a determined attempt to hang himself – Was found by the Attendant with the end of the Sheet fixed to the top of his bed and in the act of placing the other end round his neck – When discovered he began to cry and declared that

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May	19	a man entered his room - took all his money and then attempted to take his life - Has very great difficulty of articulation and is very unsteady in his gait - Pulse moderate strength - Tongue but moist - Pupils contracted - Is subject to occasional fits of high excitement - To be closely watched C - Mixture
	31	Continues very paralytic & unsteady in his gait. Bowels regular. No mental improvement
June	6	Rather excited both yesterday & today. Bowels slow & habitually constipated. Tongue pale. Pulse 84. Urine natural. Appetite good. Sleeps well. Cont. Aperients.
July	6th	Since his removal to Carlton House which was on the 9th of last month he has been in a high state of excitement and requires at present to be constantly kept in a room by himself - Is very destructive and violent - Has smashed several panes of glass and has made several attempts to strike his attendants - Robbed of his money - His possessions in China &c Bodily health continues pretty good Cont. Mixture
	7th	Has continued in a state of high excitement since last report, is noisy violent and destructive and requires to be constantly kept in a room by himself - Frequently attempts to strike the attendant - Limbs feeble and general paralysis appears to increase - Bodily health otherwise good - Is very restless at night but appetite natural - Bowels require constant attention as they are apt to become constipated Raves in a very incoherent manner on different subjects C. Mixture
	10	Mind in the same weak state but is less excited - Is loosing flesh and strength rapidly - To have full diet and porter daily C. Mixture
	18	Continues daily to become weaker, has great difficulty of articulation and his limbs are so feeble that he cannot support himself. Takes very little food and with difficulty can be got to take his porter. Appears to be rapidly loosing flesh - Mind in the same confused state C. Mixture

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May 1st Bodily health very good and has had no vomiting since last report - Is good humoured and contented - Walks regularly in the airing ground and dresses herself very fantastically - Talks in a very incoherent manner on different subjects - Cont. Mania

" 24 Has continued in good bodily health since last report - Mind in the same state as formerly - Sometimes quarrels with his fellow patients when he is very abusive in his language - Declares he is Governor General of India - Dresses himself in the Army fantastic manner and walks about the airing ground in a military style - No change whatever has taken place C. Mania

" 31 Habits & mental state continue as described formerly - good humoured & cheerful - Health excellent. Cm. on:

July 6th Since his removal to Gartnavel has been in high spirits - Says he can call the new institution by no other name than heaven - Adores Dr Drury in whose house he was for several years and says that for the purpose of annoying him he was in the habits of taking down his trowsers and asking him what he thought of his backside - Still dresses himself in the same fantastic manner - Talks frequently in a very incoherent manner - Refuses to employ himself - Bodily health good - Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural C. Mania

August 6th Is cheerful and good humoured when weather permits he walks in the garden during the greater part of the day - Raves incoherently on all subjects - Is generally attended by some imbecile patients and takes great interest in making them take exercise - Dresses himself in the fantastic manner - Bodily health very good - Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural C Mania

September 6th Still in the same weak state - Constantly raves in an incoherent manner on all subjects - Habits as formerly - Dresses himself in the

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same fantastic manner and walks about the grounds during the greater part of the day - Is very cheerful and contented with his situation - Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Omnia

October 6th Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural - Walks in the grounds during the greater part of the day, and is always dressed in a very fantastic manner - Raves in a very incoherent manner, and thinks himself a very great person - Mind very fanciful and full of delusions Cont. Omnia

Nov. 6th No change whatever has taken place either in body or mind since last report - Raves in the same incoherent manner and walks about during the greater part of the day - Dresses himself very fantastically - Bodily health good Cont. Omnia

Dec. 6th No change whatever has taken place in this patients mental state - At the request of his friends he was today removed to the Country

Released

May 1st — Mind else in the same weak state – Has a very stupid look and is inclined to be idle – Never employs himself in any way and walks up and down the Gallery talking to himself and laughing idiotically – Has generally complaints to make about some of his fellow patients – Bodily health good – Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural Ent – Omnia

— 24th — Bodily health very good – Habits idle and lazy as formerly – Never reads and seldom employs himself in any way with the exception of sometimes playing a game at Bowels – Mind weak and fanciful frequently chatters to himself and laughs in a very idiotic manner – Appetite – Sleep and Bowels natural C. Omnia

July 6th — 31 No change whatever since last report. Since his removal to Gartnavel he has been full of complaints – Mind very weak and frequently laughs in a idiotic manner – Is very lazy and never inclines to employ himself in any way – This morning requested to make some tobacco and when refused ~~to~~ until his friends consulted he became very much excited and said he would have it in spite of our teeth – Bodily health good – Appetite – Sleep and Bowels natural – C. Omnia

August 7th — Bodily health very good – Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural. Answers questions relevantly but his mind is in a very weak state – He is troublesome and apt to quarrel with his fellow patients – Laughs idiotically – With difficulty can be got to employ himself and he is full of foolish complaints C. Omnia

September 6th — No change whatever has taken place in the state of this patient since last report – His mind is still very weak and full of fancies – Is very quarrelsome at times and full of complaints – Bodily health good – Employs himself reading and walks daily in the garden C. Omnia

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October 8th — Bodily health good - Is full of Complaints and his mind is very weak and fanciful - Thinks he is placed in the Asylum for committing an assault on an old woman. Is apt to quarrel with his fellow Patients - Is lazy and idle and never employs himself in any way - No improvement - Whatever has taken place Cont. Mania

Nov 8th — Has been frequently very much excited during the last month - A few days ago struck one of his fellow Patient and when Spoken to by the Clinical Assistant on the impropriety of his conduct he ordered him to go to Hell, that he did not give a d - n for him - Was removed to an inferior Gallery for his Conduct since which time he has been very quiet - Mind weak and full of fancies - Walks about the Gallery constantly talking to himself - throwing his arms about, and laughing in a very idiotic manner - Bodily health Good - Never employs himself in any way - Cont. Mania

Decr. 6th — No change whatever has taken place either in this Patients bodily or mental state since last report - Cont. Mania

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Janry 4th — Mind continues in the same weak state - Is liable to occasional fits of excitement when he is apt to quarrel with his fellow Patients - Walks about constantly muttering to himself - seldom employs himself in any way and he is full of self importance - Laughs idiotically - Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural - No mental improvement has taken place Cont. Mania

Febry 4th — No change whatever has taken place in this Patients mental state since last report - He is very excitable and full of fancies and delusions - walks up and down the Gallery talking to himself and frequently laughs in a very idiotic manner - Is apt to quarrel with his fellow Patients and is full of complaints about his food - Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Mania

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May 3d Abscess near anterior part of leg has continued daily to improve since last report - Ulcer & considerable discharge of pus still continues which is healthy - Ulcerations swelling of leg entirely disappeared and very healthy granulations are forming - To daily dressed with simple ointment - Bodily health otherwise pretty good - Mind in the same weak state and never utters a connected sentence - Continue the port wine daily - C. Ulcer -

— 10 Sore on leg continues daily to improve and discharges much less pus - Still confines to bed - Mind in the same weak and fatuous state as formerly - C. Omnia -

— 18 Has been in bed since last report - Sore on leg almost healed - Bodily health otherwise very good - Mind fatuous as formerly - C. Omnia

— 22 Sore on leg is today very much inflamed with considerable swelling extending from knee to foot - Mind in the same weak and fatuous state - To have a pint of porter daily - By Pil. Alterantiv ij statim sum C. Ulcer

— 24 Leg has been constantly kept moist with a solution of the Acetate of Lead and today the sore looks better and the swelling has almost disappeared - No Mental change C. Omnia

— 31 Ulcer on leg improves daily - General health pretty good - No mental change.

June 6 Ulcer on leg now contracting gradually under the use of lotions of Sulphate of Copper & the adhesive plaster - Cont. om:

July 6th Ulcer on leg now healed - Mind weak as formerly - Cannot utter a single sentence that can be understood - Bodily health pretty good - C Omnia

Sept. 7th Bodily health at present very good - Mind weak and fatuous. Never employs himself in any way - C. Omnia

September 7th Mind weak and fatuous - Never speaks to any one - Is liable to occasional fits of excitement - Bodily health pretty good - C. Omnia

Page 121 Admitted 24th July 1840

October 4th — Bodily health pretty good but sores on legs have again broken out with considerable odematous swelling - Mind in the same weak and fatuous state - Cannot utter a connected sentence - Never employs himself in any way - Sores to be dressed with a lotion of sulphate of copper and bandaged regularly Cont. Alex

Novr 5th — Sores on legs are completely cured and odematous swelling has abated - Mind in the same fatuous state - Bodily health at present good - C. Mannin

Decr 6th — No change whatever has taken place either in his bodily or mental state during the last month C. Mannin

1841
Janry 8th — Mind continues in the same fatuous state - Never employs himself in any way or enters into conversation with his fellow patients - Bodily health at present good - No mental improvement has taken place C. Mannin

Febry 5th — Ulcers on leg have again appeared - Bodily health otherwise good - Mind very weak - Keeps constantly muttering to himself - Cannot utter a connected sentence - Lotion of sulphate of copper to be applied to ulcers C. Alex

March 4th — No mental change whatever has taken place during the last month - Bodily health pretty good - Ulcers on leg improve daily - C. Mannin

April 3d — Sores on leg healed - No change whatever has taken place in his mental state - Bodily health good C. Mannin

May 4th — Mind in the same weak and fatuous state - Never employs himself in any way - Cannot utter a coherent sentence - Bodily health good - is very destructive to his clothes C. Mannin

— 20 — Sores on legs have again broken out - Mind continues in the same weak state - Is never employed in any way - Bodily health pretty good - No mental improvement has taken place - Legs to be dressed with an astringent lotion C. Alex

June 12 — Sores on legs daily improve - Mind very weak - Cannot utter a connected sentence - No mental change C. Mannin

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George Almond from Vol II

1843

May 3d — Has been much more quiet and contented during the last month - talks about his relations in a much more friendly way and frequently expresses a desire to see them - still makes occasional trifling complaints - seldom walks out and employs himself reading during the greater part of the day - mind still very weak and fanciful but decidedly improved Bodily health good - Appetite - sleep and Bowels natural C. Morris

— 4th — Is today in a high state of excitement and abuses every one connected with the place - This morning struck one of his fellow patients a severe blow on the face and when spoken to on the impropriety of his conduct by the Clinical Assistant told him he did not give a d—n for him that he was a low filthy beggar - to be removed to the back Gallery and kept in a room by himself C. Morris

— 19 — Has continued in a very excited state since last report - is very abusive in his language - curses and swears - says the treatment he receives is most disgraceful - still remains in the retired Gallery by himself - says the Attendants have several times put poison in his food which he supposes is done by the orders of Dr Pitcheson and the Clinical Assistant C. Morris

— 31 — Is at present quiet & free from any excitement, sits in the parlour with his fellow patients, reads & enjoys a game at cards. Health good. C.O.

July 6th — Since his removal to Gartmanel he has been quiet and good humoured - has sometimes worked in the garden - and betrayed no delusions - says he is very much pleased with the change - a few days ago told the Clinical Assistant that he hoped he would excuse him for the unbecoming language he used to him before leaving the old habitation - has been employing himself reading and sometimes plays a game at cards with his fellow patients - Bodily health good - Appetite - sleep and Bowels natural C. Morris

Page 220 Admitted 18th March 1839

August 8th — Is at present in one of his paroxysms, constantly complaining and full of delusions - Declares his fellow patients have combined to annoy him - that the Attendants disturb him regularly during the night and suspects that put poison sometimes in his food as he has been frequently very much purged - Is sulky and inclined to quarrel - Never employs himself in any way - Bodily health good, appetite, sleep and Bowels natural C. Dennis

September 7th — State continues sulky and depressed - Complains of every one, and is frequently very quarrelsome with his fellow patients - Is full of his old fancies and delusions - Bodily health pretty good - C. Dennis

October 6th — Is today very much excited and declares that the Attendants has put poison in his food - Curses and swears in a most violent manner - Says his father who pretends to be a Minister is an infernal old beggar for keeping him in such a place - Complains daily of his fellow patients and says he cannot live longer in the society of lunatics - At present never ready or employs himself in any way - Bodily functions natural - This morning refused to have himself shaved saying that poison was mixed with the soap - Cont. Dennis

Nov 6th — Has been very excitable during the last month constantly abusing the Attendants - Mind at present teeming with delusions - Declares poison is frequently placed in his food - Daily tells the Medical Attendant that he has a violent diarrhoea from the above cause, this however is all a delusion - Bodily health good - C. Dennis

Decr. 5th — Continues in the same excited state as at last report - Mind teeming with delusions - Is apt to quarrel with his fellow patients and is sometimes very troublesome - Constantly complains of the treatment he receives & abuses every one about the establishment Cont. Dennis

1840
January 5th — Is at present in his usual state between his paroxysms - Employs himself reading and is free from all excitement C. Dennis

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George Carswell Act 26 from Vol II
1843

May 3d Mind very weak and full of fancies and delusions – Constantly complains of feeling weak and fatigued – says he has much to annoy him – that God informed him that his sons was far from being in a proper state for heaven that he is very anxious to get home to speak to his mother on such subjects as she is an old woman now and her soul will soon be required of her – Raves in a very incoherent manner on religious subjects – Never reads any book but the bible and frequently stands in one position as if praying – Bodily health appears pretty good and he walks daily in the airing ground – Attends Chapel pretty regularly although sometimes with reluctance – C. Omnia

" 29th Mind very weak and full of delusions – Is constantly found with the bible in his hand and frequently during meal time requests his fellow patients to hold their tongues as they disturb him in his meditations – Bodily health pretty good – is very restless leaving the night frequently getting out of bed and walking about his room – Today wrote the following letter to his Mother

Glasgow May 29th 1843

" My Dear Mother

" I anxiously wish to
" get home – I am powerfully direc-
" -ted to think this way – I pray that
" you and all at home may be direc-
" -ted in this much affecting dis-
" -pensation and may be quickened with
" grace and also that your under-
" standings may be enlightened
" of God – I pray for you all that you
" may be directed to your duties –
" Pray for me, great benefit comes
" from attention to little matters –
" May the God of peace give you
" peace and may he who dwelleth
" with you be obedient with love
" and affection to all at home and
" prayer for other friends

" Iam My Dear Mother
" your very affectionate son
" signed George Carswell

Vol II Page 225 Admitted 28th September 1842

July 6th Bodily health very good - mind very weak and fanciful - so full of delusions and says he is sure he is lost in the sight of God - walks about the Gallery in a very restless manner muttering to himself and has the bible constantly in his hand - is very anxious to get home as he knows his mother is very anxious about him - constantly says he requires rest and daily asks the Clinical Assistant if any word has come for him - says he wishes to commend all the medical attendants and patients in this house to the mercy of the Lord - frequently gets out of his bed during the night and offers up long prayers - Yesterday wrote the following letter to his mother -

Glasgow Asylum
Gartnavel 5th July 1842

My Dear Mother

I have removed with the Asylum to the above mentioned place Gartnavel - three miles from Glasgow south side of the Clyde opposite Govan I hope you have heard of this. I am better in my health and my soul begins to prosper - I can walk, speak and think better - I hope that a blessing may rest upon this house and on you my Dear Mother and all at home - I pray that your talk may be in right spirit and all is right - I often think of this - May grace, mercy, and peace be with you all - I am waiting for deliverance - Use every exertion to get me home - I would commend you Mother and all at home to God's mercy also all here - who will protect and bless you - I pray for all other friends give them my blessing - My bible is very profitable to my understanding - Take the greatest care of your health Mother and wait for the Lord

I am Your affectionately
(signed) George Carswell

Sept 5th Has continued in the same state since last report - Constantly reads the bible and thinks he is lost in the sight of God - Raves in a very incoherent manner on religious subjects Bodily health good - C Mercer

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Thomas McInnes Act

1843

May 4th — Was brought to the Asylum by two of the Clinical Assistants under the delusion that he was to be examined before the Sheriff for using violence to some people on the night previous — On discovering where he was declared he that his fears would follow and that after getting out again he would leave the Country — Raved in a very rambling and confused manner about his business and the bad treatment he had received from his fellow-lodgers — Had considerable tremor of hands — Eyes very much suffused — Confessed that his conduct was very bad and that he had lately been several times mad with drink but that he considered sending him here was a very desperate step to take with him — Pulse moderate — Tongue and dry — breath very foetid By Pil. Alterative ij sum. statim — Infusion of senna — Low diet and aperient —

— 5 — Has spent a restless night and complains of having been objects in his room — Today converses in a much less rambling and confused manner — Eyes less suffused — Is employing himself in the printing office and says he feels better — Tongue dry and breath foetid By Sol. Sulph. Magnes ℥ij — Inf. Senna ℥iij 4th sum. statim — C. Alicis

— 6 — Bowels have been freely opened by medicine and today he looks much better — Suffused appearance of eyes has entirely disappeared and tremor of hands gone — Answers questions relevantly and is quite rational in conversation — Talks much of the foolishness of his conduct — Employs himself in the printing office and looks more cheerful C. Alicis

— 10 — Has continued to employ himself daily in the office since last report — Is much more cheerful and has a very healthy look — Yesterday wrote an letter to his friends requesting them to send him his tools as he wished to keep himself employed — He also said that the Asylum was a very different place from what people took it for — That he felt very comfortable in every respect except the thought of the disgrace

Admitted 4th May 1863

he had brought on himself & family by his friends hearing that he was in an Asylum - Is now perfectly rational and free from any delusion C. Mania

—— 24 Has been cheerful and good ~~has~~ humoured since last report - Mind free from all delusions and is perfectly rational - Sometimes talks in a rather rambling manner - Expresses an anxious desire to see his wife and says if he was allowed to see her occasionally that he was quite satisfied to stay here till Dr Matcheson thought proper to discharge him - Says he is very comfortable and is constantly working - Has made several dressing boxes as present to different people in the house - Bodily health very good - appetite, sleep, and bowels natural - C. Mania

June 20th Has been very quiet and perfectly rational since last report - Expresses a great desire to leave the Asylum - Says he is quite aware that he behaved in a very foolish manner but that he is determined to avoid spirits in future - Bodily health has improved very much since his admission - Is inclined constantly to work as he says it keeps him from thinking of his family and the state of his business - Says he has now determined to support himself and family by the work of his own hands and will never again enter into partnership with any of his relations as he considers they have treated him very ill - Was to-day informed that his friends would remove him at the end of the month with which he appeared much pleased - C. Mania.

—— 30 Has continued in good bodily health and as he is now perfectly rational and free from any delusions at the request of his friends he is this day discharged

Cured

Richd Bennett Ct 40

1843

May 8th Bodily health has rather improved since last Report - Has much less difficulty of articulation Takes his food better - Still highly excited and raves in a very incoherent manner - Eyes suffused Pulse moderate 1 pint & day - Breath fœtid - Insists dictates about Capsule at afternoon evening last bottle capsule tote - Cont Mixture

" 10 Bodily health continues slowly to improve - Bowels have been freely moved by a draught which he took yesterday. Eyes still suffused - Articulates with less difficulty - When asked this morning to show his tongue said very distinctly he could not - Takes his food and urine pretty well - Breath less fœtid. Pulse stronger - Insists dictates C. Mixture Still raves in the same excited and incoherent manner C. Mixture

" 11 Still continues in the same state of excitement - Takes beef tea with rice but cannot swallow any solid food. Bowels have been moved but he has passed no urine for the last twenty four hours - Is becoming weaker and has evidently fallen back since yesterday - Continue the beef tea and port wine C. Alia

" 12 Has been less excited since yesterday and has a more cheerful look - Two pints of urine were taken away last night by means of the Catheter and about one pint this morning by the same means - Talks in a very incoherent manner - Articulates with ease and shows his tongue without any difficulty Pulse go much improved 1 pint - Bowels rather constipated R Sol - Sulph. Magnes ℥ij/ss - Tinct Senna ℥ss ft Haust. statim sumend - C. Alia

" 18 Bodily health has improved very much since last report - Eats his food much better - Talks without any difficulty - Mind still in a very weak state - Raves in a very incoherent manner - Passes his urine in a regular way - Pulse full natural strength & cleaner and very much improved - Insists slightly dictates C. Bennett

Crow p 51 Admitted 21st April 1843

May 21st Bodily health has continued daily to improve since last report – he is now out of bed and walking about the Gallery – Mind in the same weak state and raves in a very incoherent manner – Is very destructive to the bed clothes and swallows large pieces of cloth – Habits very filthy – No mental change whatever for the better has taken place C. Otway

— 30 Has been rather excited since last report – Mind very weak and constantly raves in a very incoherent manner – Takes his food much better and bodily health improves – Is very filthy in his habits – Bowels require to be constantly kept open by gentle Medicine – This forenoon to have a short walk with the Attendant in the airing ground – C. Otway

June 6 Raves of his horns & money, promises the Clinical Assistant two billions, was found exercising all his ingenuity in trying to push a straw through his keyhole.

July 8th Mind continues in the same weak state – Raves in a very incoherent manner on different subjects – Is destructive to his clothes – Smashes windows and is very filthy in his habits – Has lost flesh lately although he is on full diet and has a pint of porter daily – Talks of his horses, property &c – Was a few days ago visited by Dr Rogan of London Derry when he told him that he hunted regularly and took a great deal of exercise – Requires to be constantly kept in a room by himself – C. Otway

— 11 When visited yesterday forenoon was found in much the same state as at last report – About seven o'clock in the evening he suddenly became worse – Was immediately visited by the Physician an Clinical Assistant when they found him laying on his back in bed in a very weak state – Pulse very feeble – Pupils dilated – Respiration hurried – Stimulants were immediately administered but without any effect – He continued to sink and at 2 o'clock this morning he

Died

James Anderson Act from vol. M. p. 174

1843

May 7th This patient having considerably improved it was thought advisable to remove him today from 4th to 2d Gallery - At present he believes he perceptibles delusions, and answers questions relevantly - Mind evidently in a very excited state - says he knows he was once insane for many years but that he is now quite well and ought to get home immediately - appears particularly fond of reading the Greek Testament and sits with it in his hands during the greater part of the day - Appetite - Sleep and Bowels Natural C. Allen

10 Employs himself reading during the greater part of the day - Answers questions relevantly but is full of delusions again - When asked this morning how he was, said his bodily health was very good but the state of his mind he left to others who were good and honest judges - Declares he is constantly watched by a number of people which annoys him much - That he wrote a political paper at the age of twenty and that they have watched him ever since that time - That if he looks out at the window - the door or any other place he always finds some one looking at him - Mind very weak - By Dr. Woodward Sum of 0 in 24 hrs - C. Allen

15 This patients bodily health has improved very much since his admission - He is much more rational but still betrays many delusions - His brother called and assisted in removing him although contrary to the wish of Dr. Nicholson - He is in consequence this day discharged as

Relieved

Admitted April 7th 1843

David McArthur Ct 41

1843

May 9th — Was brought to the Asylum about nine O'clock last night - His admission was quiet but talked in a very confusing and incoherent manner - Raves about the Corn trade - the number of customers he once had, and the cause of his ruin - Said he had been dreadfully excited lately but did not know the cause - Thought it was from the state of his bowels as he called at a York Doctors in Maxwell Street and got a vegetable comfort after which he became perfectly quiet - Wished to have medicine - Pulse moderate - Tongue and dry, pupils dilated Countenance indicates much excitement. Ordinary diet - R Ol Olivarum ℥ij Sum ij o.m. h.s. R Bicarb Sodæ ℈ij Infus. Gent. Comp ℥xxx ~~h.s.~~ bum ℥ij bis quotidie -

— 10 — Continues to rave in the same unconnected manner about his business matters - Slept quietly during the night and is today very cheerful - Has been playing cards with his fellow patients and appears perfectly satisfied with his situation - Answers questions in a rambling and confused manner and is very excitable C. Mania

— 12 — Was this morning very much excited - Abused the conduct of the Attendants for keeping his bed room shutters fixed - Said he had a bill of three thousand pounds to settle immediately and demanded his liberty - Wishes to know what has become of his gold watch ~~which~~ he prized five hundred pounds - Says it strikes like a clock, and plays fifty different tunes - Talks in a rambling and confused manner on different subjects and is very restless - Complains of his food and is rather troublesome to his fellow patients C. Mania

— 18 — Mind full of fancies and delusions - Raves in a very incoherent manner - Is very troublesome to his fellow patients - Cleans and destroys every thing he can lay his hands on - Is very noisy during the night frequently singing and roaring

Admitted 8th day May 1843

in a loud manner – Bodily health good. Appetite – Sleep and Bowels natural – C. Otway

24 Has been very troublesome during the last few days – Is full of fancies and very destructive – Yesterday struck one of his fellow patients and this morning attempted to take out one of the Windows for the purpose of making his escape – Is constantly making complaints and it is always found on investigation that he himself is in the fault – Says he considers himself far above any of his fellow patients and should not be among such a lot of people – The following letter is a Specimen of his Composition and Spelling –

Asylum Day of month not known
" To the Right Honorable the Lord Provost 1843 of Glasgow
" Sirr
" We are at a great loss here for good
" Spring Water – The Clyde water we use
" here at present is not fit for useing – You
" can get plenty of Spring water above the City
" say Camphy Hills at a much cheaper rate
" And like wise a better supply – Your at-
" tention to this will great oblidge Your
" true Friend David McArthur who will take
" in hand to supply much cheaper than at
" present – Call of meating if you please of
" the Magistry and send me notice if I can
" proceed with the order to get the water into
" the city and you are all greatly concerned
" (Signed) David McArthur

30 Continues in the same excited state – and since last report has broken smashed several panes of glass – Two days ago attempted to make his escape since which time he has been kept in retired Gallery – Raves of his wealth and considers himself a great man – is very quarrelsome with his fellow patients – Bodily health pretty good – C. Otway

June 5 Continues still very troublesome raving & destructive this morning broke the lock of back gallery door & annoys the other patients so much that he is today placed in Seclusion –

20 Has rather improved since last report but is still very apt to steal things belonging to his fellow patients – Bodily health pretty good – mind same as C. Otway

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Andrew Gordon Ct 30

1843

May 10th Was brought to the Asylum last night by his Mother – On admission said that he wished to remain here for some time as he thought it would be for his good to do so – When asked what he complained of said that he had frequently a lightness in his head and that he thought his mind was gone – Answered questions relevantly enough but his mind is in a very weak state – Ordinary diet and regimen – C

— 12 Is cheerful and good humoured says he is very much pleased with his new situation – Employs himself playing the flageolet and joins his fellow patients at a game of bowls – Mind very weak and is very confused in conversation – Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C Annis

— 17 Mind very weak – Says he is highly delighted with the Asylum as he thinks the inmates are just the sort of men he should associate with – Sometimes reads, and amuses himself in the garden – Appetite – Sleep and Bowels natural C Annis

— 24 Has remained in the house for the last few days and employed himself reading – Says the cold weather affects him very much particularly at the heart – Wishes to know how it is that the cold affects the inward parts of his body when the outward parts are perfectly warm – Thinks he must be differently constructed from other men – Mind evidently very weak indeed – Has a depressed look but enters into different amusements with his fellow patients – Bodily health pretty good – Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C Annis

July 4th Mind in the same weak state and has a dull and stupid look – Is full of complaints and very irritable in his temper – Frequently complains of his fellow patients taking away his Clothes but often without the slightest foundation – Thinks that his fellow patients attempt to immitate him

Admitted 9th day 1843

Sometimes reads but is not inclined to employ himself at out door work — Bodily health good — Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Mania

— 16 Is very sulky and excitable, refuses to employ himself in any way — frequently requests to have a room for himself, and when told, that he could not have one he became highly excited, cursed and swore, seized hold of a bar of Iron and attempted to strike the Clinical Assistant, he was ordered from the yard back to his room, and to be removed to the lower class patients Gallery for his conduct — Bodily health very good — Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Mania

August 17th Has had occasional fits of excitement since last report but has been employing himself in the ~~Gallery~~ Garden — Is very sulky and shy — Is full of complaints and his mind is very weak — Bodily health good, Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Mania

September 17th Has been free from any attack of excitement since last report and sometimes employs himself in the garden — Mind very weak and fanciful — Is sulky and inclined to quarrel with his fellow patients — Answers questions relevantly — Sometimes reads — Bodily health good — Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Mania

Octr. 16th Is very sulky and full of complaints — Thinks himself as he says a man of some consequence and should have one of the best bedrooms in the house — says his mother always thought him so — Mind very weak and fanciful — Is liable to occasional fits of excitement when he is very violent in his language — Sometimes plays on the flageollet and frequently employs himself reading — Bodily functions natural C. Mania

Novr. 16th Mind weak as formerly — Is very sulky and discontented — Frequently quarrels with his fellow patients and is very excitable — Seldom employs himself in any way — Bodily health good Appetite, Sleep and Bls natural C. Mania

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John Anderson Ct 40

1863

May 11th — Was brought to the Asylum last night by one of the Alexandria — On admission was quiet and requested to know why he was brought to the Asylum — Has Considerable swelling of right Ankle in which he complains of severe pain — Cannot ~~put~~ walk or support himself with it — Says it was caused by a fall he had some days ago — Mind in a very weak state and is full of delusions — Raves in a very incoherent manner on different subjects — Requests to get away as he is an Officer and his Regt is under orders for Malta — Says that his Uncle is Governor General of India and that he intends soon to join him — Has considerable difficulty of articulation and betrays all the symptoms of General Paralysis — Says he was knocked down last night and every thing taken out of his pockets and that he feels considerable pain in his head this morning from the blow — Pulse rather feeble Tongue &c — Aperients ordered — Twelve leeches to be applied over Ankle — R Pil Alexandrini II Statim ij o.n; L.S — To have ordinary diet and refusion —

— 12 — Has slept quietly during the night — and today remains in bed — Twelve leeches were applied to Ankle last night by which the swelling is greatly diminished — Bowels have not been opened by the pills and today he has considerable difficulty of articulation Mind full of delusions and raves in a very incoherent manner — R Pil Aperient. ol. Ricini ij statim —

— 18 — Has continued in the same state since his admission — Mind very weak and full of delusions — Talks of his particular friend the Emperor of China — of his Regt — and of his wealth — Sometimes answers questions relevantly enough but at other times he is very composed and rational Manner — Swelling of Ankle rather less but he cannot walk and appears to suffer considerable pain when he moves it — Bowels have been freely

Admitted 10th day May 1843

opened by Medecine – C. Omnia –
May 24 Mind very weak and fanciful – Says he wishes to know where all is money is which he made when abroad – Raves in a very incoherent manner about himself – his family &c – Yesterday he was rather excited and appeared inclined to strike – Still complains of severe pain in his Ankle and cannot yet support him – It has been rubbed for the last few days with a Stimulating lotion by which he appears to have been relieved – Swelling still continues – Bodily health continues the same – Has considerable difficulty of articulation and also betrays all the Symptoms of general Paralysis Bowels are apt to become constipated Continue the pills – C. Omnia
— 27 Paralysis appears to increase and he has now very great difficulty of articulation – Talks in a very confused and incoherent Manner – Bowels have been freely opened by the Medicine during last night – Takes his food pretty well & Pulse feeble Tongue but moist – Pupils dilated – C. Omnia
— 29 When visited this morning was found in bed when he complained of slight pain in anterior part of head but took his breakfast as usual, in this state he continued till about two Oclock when the Attendant observed him change very much in appearance – He was immediately visited by the Clinical Assistant who found him with his eyelids shut and perfectly incapable of understanding what was said to him or answering questions Pulse too very feeble pupils when examined were found to be dilated – His head was immediately shaved and an Enema administered which brought away a large quantity of faeces – This was immediately afterwards he had a convulsion fit which was very severe in its character – Cold was applied over scalp and hot fomentation to leg and feet – he this time remained in this state he continued for several hours after which he was followed by severe Spasms –
Despond Continues in the same comatose state – breathing rapid Pulse 140 compressible – Spasms gone Blister to be applied over scalp –
— 30 Has continued during the night to become weaker till past 9 Oclock this morning when without a struggle he Died

he confessed having taken it from the Surgery that afternoon - and that he had been in the habit of frequently doing so, sometimes drinking to the extent of three or four glasses daily - and so strong was his desire for stimulants that from his own statement / he frequently took a glass of the tincture for sake of the Spirits - It is [illegible] evident that he can no longer be trusted as Superintendant in the Carpenters Shop as he cannot resist the slightest temptation to drink and no confidence can be placed in a word he says - He is consequently now kept in the Gallery and never allowed to leave it unless for the purpose of taking exercise in the airing ground - C. Munro

May 24th Has been very quiet since last report and employed himself daily either reading or drawing plans for furniture - Has written several letters expressing regret for his past conduct - The following one was transmitted to Mr Richard a few days ago

Monday Morning

" My dear Sir

" Would you oblige me by perusing the enclosed and showing it to Dr H - It is written in sincerity and I will come under any obligation the Dr proposes should I breach it - Oh do assist me I have indeed fallen - I beseech you make this my only trial - My Mind is so seriously made up I am sure nothing can alter it

" Yr. Ob. St

" signed A S Cleland

" Have my Mother to know what has occurred it would I do think kill her - I repeat do try me only this once

June 10th Has been kept constantly in the Gallery since last report until yesterday when he was taken by the Physician to assist at Santaines He has promised never to drink spirits again as long as he remains in the Institution - will soon be dismissed C. Munro

Visited

20th since last report this patient has got a settlement with his Creditors and he has now determined on

Admitted 25th January 1872

again Commencing business for himself although very little doubt exists that he will again return to his old habits of drinking as he is at present free from any delusions and perfectly rational he is this day discharged as at present

Cured

Posted

Alexander McArthur from Vol II

1843

May 31st — Bodily health has continued to improve since last report. The difficulty of articulation which he had has disappeared — Bowels have been several times freely opened by pills containing Croton Oil — Mind continues in the same weak state and he is full of delusions — walks daily in the airing ground but still has a pale and heavy look. C. Alexr

June 6 — He merits a bodily change since last report. His diet was today altered from vegetables to 4 oz. steak at dinner with bread. Con. sanitas.

July 8th — Bodily health has continued pretty good since last report — Mind very weak and he is at present more depressed than usual — Face has a pale and flabby appearance — never employs himself in any way and is not inclined to take exercise — Bowels apt to become constipated Cont. Alexr

Augt 3d — Is this morning in a high state of excitement — Walks about the Gallery raving in a very incoherent manner of his wealth, power &c — Declares he will punish Mr Mutchison for stealing money from him — says he is the Lord high Chancellor of England. To be placed in a room by himself C. Alexr

— 6 — Continued in the same state of high excitement like this morning when he fell down in a fit — When visited he was found to be insensible — could not move his tongue and his mouth was considerably drawn to one side — Two drops of Croton Oil was placed on his tongue shortly after which his bowels were freely moved —

2 Oclock — Pulse continues in the same state Pp small and feeble — pupils dilated Skin clammy — ℞ Mistad. Capsicum. et Opponax Emplastrum Lyttæ Capsicum to —

— 8 — Blister has discharged freely and this morning he is much better — Bowels have been opened during the night and he has taken some breakfast — Power of Articulation

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has returned – He is quick and answers questions relevantly – By Pil Jal c Cal Croti ij sum statim C. Alex

— 7 Continues to improve – Bowels have been opened by the pill and he appears more cheerful today – Blister heals – Still full of delusions but free from any excitement – Remains quietly in his bed C. Ownie

— 11 Bodily health continues to improve but yesterday and today he has been rather excited – Takes his food well Raves incoherently and is full of delusions – Pupils dilated – bowels Constipated By Pil Colocynth Comp c d Cas ij statim Enem. Cast. Alex

September 11th Bodily health has rather improved during the last month – He has been very dull and depressed and his mind is at present very weak – So full of fancies and delusions and has had occasional fits of excitement – No change for the better has taken place – Bowels apt to become constipated – Pupils dilated C. Ownie

October 11th No change whatever has taken place in the state of this patients mind since last report – Paralytic debility seems to increase and he has a pale and flabby look – At times becomes rather excited when he is very talkative mind teeming with delusions – At present has a dull and stupid look C. Ownie

Nov. 11th Has been very quiet and free from any excitement during the last month – Mind continues in the same weak state – Bowels apt to become constipated – Alex has a pale and unhealthy look – Takes his food pretty well – No improvement whatever has taken place – C. Ownie

Dec. 10th Bodily health has rather improved during the last month – Sometimes plays a game at billiards with his Attendant – Mind continues in the same weak and fanciful state – No mental improvement C. Ownie

1840
January 10th Bodily health decidedly improved – walks about the Gallery talking to himself and laughing in a very idiotic manner – No mental change has taken place C. Ownie

February 10th No mental or bodily change C. Ownie

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Thomas Spottiswoode Aet 32.

1843

June 1 From the account given of this patient it appears that he was very dissipated. Had for some time previous to the present attack been drinking a good deal. He yesterday was extremely violent & had assaulted the servant girl at his lodgings caught her by the hair of the head & threw her violently on the floor when she was rescued by some of the people in the house in the Room he was much excited broke & destroyed everything that was in his way, broke a whole window frame as well as glass & made such a disturbance that the people outside heard it & the police having got notice he was taken to the Police office where he remained all night & returned home this morning. He has on several occasions requested his Landlady to take knives & things out of his sight. This morning lately when at breakfast he rang the bell & pointing to the breakfast knife he asked the servant to take that weapon away. He has been pretty quiet all today. When visited at home about 10 pm. he was in bed but being told that he must immediately appear before the Sheriff, he rose & dressed himself, sometimes humming a tune to himself. talked pretty rationally, took a pair of scissors & began clipping his whiskers, & appeared very unsettled.

2 Slept well, but is today a little nervous. Pupils much dilated. Tongue furred. Bowels confined. has one or two slight cuts on his fingers received whilst he was breaking the window at home. Asked about the legality of placing him here, said he was sure his friends were not aware of it as they would never have consented to it, & wished to know by whose authority it was done, and also how long he would be required to remain here.
Hem: Sal: Alterat: Cras statim.
Tolerare a pint of Porter immediately & another after dinner.
requested a sheet of Paper, which being sent him he wrote the following letter to Dr Hutchinson

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Parliamentary Road

Sir

I do think I should be favoured with a more decided answer as to the time I am to be detained in this the supposed meridian of my intellect, than I have yet received.

I am aware that on the evening of Wednesday last my conduct was very eccentric but the Policemen instead of confining me to my lodgings as they might and ought to have done accompanied me to the police office - And made the matter public - The damage being settled in my lodgings - my night confinement in the office, or at utmost a few should I think have squared matters.

Now however I find myself I do not exactly recollect the provisions of the present act regulating Madhouses but I think it requires a personal examination before the Sheriff before a man is allowed to be committed. You honour must know your own warrant for what you do - and whether it is to take and apprehend - & keep and detain and if there is redress to be had - for as I am - I shall find means to pursue it to the last resort.

Madness is a misfortune - (and the greatest that can befal man) easily imputed - but difficult to be disproved but I am not mad - "no one is the same all hours of the day" how much less all days - Religious madness I have heard is the worst of any - My Creed you may at the end of the Shorter Catechism of the Church of Scotland. "I believe &c." and if you are in want of one - adopt it till you get a better. My knowledge of the law of my country is sufficient for any business I shall - My information on other subjects is very general and perhaps erroneous - but we live to learn.

The conduct of the parties who put me in here whoever they may be - I cannot suppose them friends has ruined my prospects in this country. For I know the least man I would trust is a man who has been in an Asylum and the opinion of the public lays much the same way in most cases. These

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1843

June 2. parties may yet see through their mistake I am respectfully
Your most obed.t h.ble St
Thomas Spottiswoode
Excuse this scrawl as the pen does not suit my hand.

5 Has continued quiet & free from excitement since last report sleeps well & takes his food well. Inquiries made anxiously where how long he is to remain wishes to see his brother, who called yesterday & the day before to enquire for him & approved of the steps that had been taken in their absence. Pulse natural Papil. dilated. Johann snuff & Tobacco ℞ 3ij of each. — 26

— 20 Bodily health improves and he has a much more healthy look - Mind free from any delusions and he sometimes employs himself reading - is very anxious to know when he is to get away and has informed some of his fellow patients that he is determined to bring an action against the parties who placed him in the Asylum - although he is at present rational it is evident from his strong desire for stimulants that his only chance will be retention for a considerable length of time longer - Sleeps well during the night C. Mannix — 30

July 4.th Has continued in the same state since last report - Yesterday drew out a petition to the Sheriff for one of his fellow patients - One of his brothers called some days ago with the intention of having him removed to the Country but when the nature of the case was explained to him he came to the conclusion of keeping him in the Asylum other three months - Bodily health good - Appetite sleep and Bowels natural C. Mannix

Augt 4.th Bodily health good, Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural - Answers questions relevantly and betrays no perceptible delusions. Is very anxious to leave the Asylum He has a dull look and with difficulty can be got to walk out of doors - says he is determined never again to drink to the same extent - Generally employs himself reading C. Mannix

Admitted 1. June 1843.

October 4th — Is very quiet and has been free from any excitement since last report — Employs himself reading — Says he is determined to bring an action against the parties who placed him in the Asylum — Declares he never was a hard drinker or gave his relations any trouble and that it was merely an accidental circumstance that was the cause of his being brought here — Betrays no particular delusions in conversation but his mind is very weak — Bodily health good — Appetite deep and Bowels natural C. Munro

— 26 — Has improved very much since last report — He betrays no delusions and is quite rational — Bodily health very good — Employs himself reading but is anxious to return to his business. May soon be discharged — C. Munro

— 30 — Being in good bodily health and free from all delusions he is this day discharged

Elwood

James Dickson Aet. 47.

1843.

June 8 On admission was quite quiet, but appeared very unsettled passed up & down the gallery & would not stop to speak to the Clinical Assistant, but made him walk with him; answered questions rationally but was inclined to be facetious. Pulse 132. when it was felt he said he was a little unsettled just now. Tongue whitish. could or would give no information as to the state of his bowels. Had 1/6 & a farthing which he gave up, but afterwards begged hard to be allowed to keep the farthing. brought also with him a large bible. Ordinary but. Imm: pil: Alterativ: dieta h.s.

" 6 Has kept free from excitement since admission. Passed a quiet night. When asked if his medicine operated said no it had not the slightest effect but from the report of the attendant it appears that it operated very freely. Appears still very unsettled, and paces up & down the gallery with a handkerchief in his hand.

— 30 Has daily improved since last report. He is now quiet and free from any excitement — Answers questions rationally and betrays no delusions — Employs himself reading and sometimes plays a game at Cards with his fellow patients — Bodily health very good — Expresses much anxiety about his case and says he fears from his attacks being so frequent that in the end he will become incurable — says he should like to return again to his business but think he will soon be back again — C. Ollerenshaw

— 30 This patient has continued in good bodily health and free from any delusions since last report — This being the end of the quarter at the request of himself and friends he is again discharged

Cured

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Admitted 5 June 1843.

William Dawson Act: 68. from bol II. fo 221.
1843.

July 5th Mind very weak - has great difficulty of hearing and cannot utter a connected sentence - when visited by his sons a few weeks ago did not know them - is inclined to sleep a great deal and has a flabby and stupid look - Bodily health at present pretty good - ~~Cont~~ Ate is very filthy in his habits and frequently noisy during the night C. Munro

6 This morning the attendant reported him as being much worse, he was consequently kept in bed - pulse 68 small, pupils somewhat contracted, skin cold - Brandy in small quantities was administered and steadily persevered in. Towards the afternoon he rallied and took his food - He is very filthy in his habits passing his faces and urine involuntary so that it is with the utmost difficulty he can be kept clean - continue C. Munro

10 Bodily health continues slowly to improve but he is still in a very weak state - Pulse still very feeble - Pupils rather contracted White but moist - Mind still in the same weak and fatuous state - Is very filthy in his habits - Brandy is still continued in small quantities - C Allen

19 Mind in the same weak state - Habits very filthy - Bodily health rather improved but very slowly - Limbs feeble - Remains in bed - still in a very precarious state ~~C Munro~~ Has a bottle of porter daily - C. Munro.

23 Bodily health not so good as at last report - Arms & body are today covered with a considerable number of carbuncles and he has a very unhealthy look - Pulse 66 small and feeble - Tongue natural - Mind in the same weak state and habits very filthy - Continue the porter and full diet. C. Allen

Augt 7th Mind very weak and he is inclined constantly to sleep - His bodily health has rather improved since last report but he has several spots on different part of his body having the appearance of Sores which however are getting rather better - Pulse feeble - Habits very filthy - Continue to take a bottle of porter daily C. Munro

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Admitted 15. April 1842.

August 22 Bodily health has very much improved since last report and gangrenous appearance on different parts of his body is gone - Mind in the same weak and fatuous state and he is very filthy in his habits C. Munro

September 18th Bodily health very much improved - Mind entirely gone - Has lost his hearing - Habits very filthy and with great difficulty can be kept clean. Walks daily in the garden - C. Munro

Octr 17th Bodily health continues very good, but his mind is very weak - Cannot utter a connected sentence - Never employs himself in any way - Habits filthy - No mental improvement whatever - C. Munro

Novr 17th Bodily health continues good - Mind weak and fatuous - Habits continue filthy as formerly - Is destructive to his clothes - No change whatever has taken place during the last month - C. Munro

Decr 17th Continues in all respects the same as at last report C. Munro

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January 8th Mind continues in the same weak state - Has lost all powers of hearing, and is rapidly loosing his eye sight - Is loosing strength and his limbs are so feeble that he can scarcely walk - Destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits - Cannot utter a connected sentence - Takes his food pretty well - C. Munro

— 12 Is today much worse and cannot move himself in bed - Breathes rapidly Pulse small and feeble - Conjestion dilated - Head - Apoplectic appearance Eyelids conjestion - C. Munro

— 13 Stimulants have been regularly administered since yesterday and Bowels have been kept open but without any good effect - He became hourly weaker and this morning

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Inspection

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Poole

James Fisher from Vol. II. p. 133.

1843.

July 5th — No change whatever in the state of this patient — since his removal to Gartnavel he has refused to employ himself in any way — is idle and lazy and walks about with the same conceited air — Mind very weak — Bodily health good — Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural C. Munro

Augt. 5th — Bodily health good — Appetite, sleep, and Bowels natural — is very lazy and refuses to employ himself in any way — seldom speaks to any of his fellow patients — walks about the Gallery with a very consequential gait — Mind weak and fanciful and he is full of delusions — C. Munro

September 8th — Mind very weak and fanciful — is very conceited and refuses to employ himself — Habits destructive and lazy — Bodily health good — No mental improvement whatever C. Munro

October 5th — Mind in the same weak state — Laughs identically and walks about with the same conceited air — is very lazy and never employs himself in any way — Thinks himself a man of great importance — is sometimes destructive to his clothes — Bodily functions natural — C. Munro

Novr 5th — Mind weak and fatuous — is very lazy and inclined to be destructive — walks about the Gallery in the same consequential manner as formerly and frequently quarrels with his fellow patients — Never employs himself in any way — Bodily health good Cont. Munro

Decr 5th — No change whatever has taken place either in body or mind during the last month C. Munro

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Janry 6th — Bodily health good — Refuses to employ himself in any way — is very idle & lazy — Tears his clothes Mind very weak — Talks in the most unconnected manner — is very consequential and apt to quarrel with his fellow patients — No improvement whatever has taken place — Has made several attempts to escape — C. Munro

Admitted 14. February 1842.

Febr. 6th — No mental improvement has taken place – Still refuses to employ himself in any way – Bodily health good C. Omnia

March 5th — Bodily health very good – Walks about the Gallery in a rude consequential manner – Is full of fancies and very excitable – Destructive to his clothes, and refuses to employ himself in any way – No improvement has taken place C. Omnia

April 3d — Habits as formerly – Mind becomes weaker – Can scarcely utter a connected sentence – Never employs himself in any way – Is very destructive to his clothes – Bodily health good C. Omnia

May 4th — No mental improvement whatever has taken place – Never employs himself in any way – Bodily health good. Becomes more destructive and filthy in habits about him in the same consequential style – C. Omnia

June 8th — Is idle and lazy – Never employs himself in any way – destructive to his clothes – Walks about with the same consequential gait as formerly – Bodily health good – No mental improvement C. Omnia

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July 4th — No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place during the last month – Habits destructive – Bodily health good – Never employs himself in any way Cont. Omnia

" 15. — Inclined to destroy his clothes and is very dirty and untidy in his habits. Refuses to employ himself and resists violently if the attendant attempts to induce him to work. Mind weak and imbecile – Bodily health good. Appetite sleep and bowels natural. Cont. omnia

" 31. — Very careless of his personal appearance and negligent as to his dress. Ostensibly refuses to work – Requires constant attention in order to keep him clean – No mental improvement – Bodily health good. Functions natural C. O.

Aug. 10. — No improvement in mental state – Lazy and stupid. Laughs in an imbecile manner when spoken to. Occasionally looks at the newspapers but is averse to exert himself in any way. Health good. Bowels regular

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Walter McLean Act from page 11

1843

June 29 This afternoon at 2 o'clock when walking in the Gallery with one of his fellow patients he suddenly became very unsteady in his gait, Complained of being sick and required to be assisted to his bed - Was visited by the Clinical Assistant a few minutes afterwards - when he was found laying on his back in bed and incapable of answering questions Mouth drawn to one side from which a quantity of Saliva flowed - Face flushed Pulse 94 moderate strength - Two Cathartic pills were immediately given him His head shaved and cold applications applied over Scalp -

4 p.m. 2 Was again visited when he appeared worse although his bowels had been freely moved by the pills - Countenance pale and was frequently vomiting - Surface of skin cold - Pulse 70 feeble - Pupils contracted slightly - Appeared to understand what was said to him but could not answer questions -- Blister to be applied over Scalp -

5 o'clock Appears much better and twisting of mouth to the side has disappeared Answers questions but in a confused manner - Pulse still feeble - Surface of skin and countenance natural - An ounce of brandy to be given immediately -

9 o'clock Continues to improve in all respects and appears inclined to sleep - Pulse stronger and more natural - To be watched during the night -

30th So this morning much better and slept well during the night - Bowels have been freely opened by the medicine - Wishes to get out of bed - Has very great difficulty of articulation and is very unsteady in his gait - Blister over Scalp has discharged freely - Pulse very much improved - C. Munro

July 1st Yesterday evening became rather excited and would not remain in bed - Insisted on walking about his room naked - Has spent a very restless night walking constantly about the room and drawing his bed clothes after him - Made frequent attempts to get out of his room saying he wished to see his Aunt in

Admitted 18th March 1842

Glasgow - Is today very restless and confused and keeps constantly working with his clothes - Bowels have not been moved since yesterday By Sol Sulph Magnes Zij Tinct Senna Zij To boast chicken Sandwich C. Alcia

July 2d Bowels have been freely opened by the draught and this morning he is much less excited - Bodily health continues to improve - Answers questions relevantly but his face is full of fancies and delusions - Says he has been presented with the best of the free churches and is going to be married tomorrow - Requests the Clinical Assistant to be present - Has still very considerable difficulty of Articulation and is very unsteady in his gait - Face has a red and swelled appearance - Is today in the Gallery with his fellow patients - C. Mackie

— 5 Continues to improve in his bodily health but his mind is evidently weakened by his last attack - Is very much confused in conversation and has great difficulty of articulation - Limbs feeble - Face has still the same red and swelled look - Is today reading the bible - Bowels natural - Appetite pretty good By Subcarb Soda Zij Magnes Sulph Zvj Tinct Senna Zij his food as Capt. Allen

— 23 Mind very weak and has great difficulty of Articulation - Limbs feeble - Answers questions relevantly but in a hesitating manner - Employs himself reading and is very cleanly in his habits - Bowels apt to become constipated and require to take a large quantity of medicine Bodily health for the present rather improved C. Mackie

August 7th Bodily health rather improved since last report - Still has great difficulty of Articulation and his limbs are very feeble - Bowels apt to become constipated and require to be constantly kept open by medicine - Has had no return of fits - Employs himself reading - Answers questions relevantly but with hesitation - Mind very weak and sanguine Is very cleanly in his habits - C. Mackie

Archd McAulay Act

1843

July 3rd On admission was quiet and answered questions relevantly - said he was very happy his friends had sent him to the Asylum as he knew it would be useful to him and that he was quite aware from his own feelings that he required treatment in a place of the kind - That he had been in very low spirits for some time past and could not attend to business as his mind always wandered on different subjects - Complains that he could not sleep at night and that he frequently got out of bed and employed himself cutting his clothes with a pair of scissors - Said he knew it was foolish but could not resist doing so - Mind evidently very weak - Has a thin and unhealthy look - Pulse feeble - Tongue foul - Pupils slightly dilated Bowels constipated - Ry Pil Rhei Comp ℈ss Sum ij o.n. L.S -

— 5 - Pulse 80 moderate Tongue still white but moist - Pupils dilated - Has not slept well since his admission - Reported by the Attendant to be very restless at night and frequently walks about his room - Betrays no particular delusions but says he is in a very anxious state of mind - Has a dull and depressed look - Answers questions relevantly but with hesitation Ry Bicarb. Sodæ Zij - Hyd. Cret. Comp ℈xxx Ol. Sum Zij bis in die Cont. Alba

— 9 Bodily health improves daily - Pulse more natural. Tongue white but moist Says his appetite is much better and that he sleeps soundly during the night - Mind still very weak and fanciful - Employs himself reading and write sometimes C. Rhei

— 14 Continues to improve in all respects Betrays no particular delusions but is still confused in conversation and says he feels himself very incapable of attending to business - Sleeps much better during the night - Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural - Walks daily in the garden C. Rhei

— 23 Bodily health very much improved - Is good humoured and more cheerful Mind still weak and confused;

Admitted 3d July 1863

says he sleeps very sound during the night and that he has not the same disagreeable thoughts as formerly - that now they are principally on religious subjects - Employs himself reading and walks daily in the garden P.S.O. moderate. T. fowl - Pupils rather dilated By Pil. Alterativ XX sum ij o.n. 2.s C. Alia

August 8th Bodily health improved - sleeps well at night and says he feels himself much better - Is very religious and constantly reads the bible - walks daily in the garden but his mind is evidently weak - Limbs feeble - Pulse 68 tongue clean and moist Appetite, sleep and bowels natural C. Mackie

" 22 Bodily health very much improved since his admission - He has still however considerable paralytic debility walks daily in the garden and is much less depressed than formerly. Mind evidently very weak - Pupils dilated - Tongue generally foul and his bowels are apt to become constipated By Pil. Alterativ XII sum ij secundo quoque nocte - By Bicarb Soda Zij - Infus. Gent. Comp ℥XIJ Syr Sum Zij bis quotidie Cont. Alia

September 12th Bodily health pretty good with exception of paralytic debility which still continues - Answers questions relevantly enough but his mind is evidently weak - says he feel better and never expresses any desire to return home - Employs himself principally reading religious works C. Mackie

" 26 Has improved very much since last report - he answers questions relevantly and betrays no delusions - Employs himself regularly reading and is much more cheerful - C. Mackie

" 30 Paralytic debility still continues - In other respects his health is good, and he being now free from all delusions is this day discharged

Cured

David McArthur Act 41 from

1863

July 5th — Has been much less troublesome and noisy since last report — Has given up the habit of stealing from his fellow patients — Bodily health good with the exception of considerable swelling of Inguinal glands of left side — Mind weak and fanciful and full of delusions — Thinks himself a man of property — Says he has a very splendid place near Williamsburgh and wishes Dr Hutcheson & Campbell to visit him for some days — Frequently plays at cards with his fellow patients and sometimes reads the newspapers C. Omnia

— 23 — Bodily health very good and swelling over inguinal glands improves daily — A small incision was made into it about ten days ago when about ℥ij of pus was discharged — Mind still weak and fanciful but his habits are decidedly improved — Talks in a more rational manner and is not so much inclined to play tricks — C. Omnia

Augt 5th — Bodily health good — Appetite, sleep, and Bowels natural, Mind very much improved since last report — Answers questions rele- vantly and betrays no particular fanciful delusions — Employs himself reading and frequently walks in the garden — C. Omnia

— 12 — Continues to improve to all respects — Is quite rational and free from any delusions — Walks daily in the garden and employs himself reading — Convalescence proceeds favourable C. Omnia

— 21 — Having continued in good bodily health and free from all delusions since last report at the request of his friends he is this day discharged

Cured

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John Patterson Ct.

July 11th Ve admission was quiet and appeared confused – Requested to know where he was and when told he appeared quite satisfied – entered into a long history of his life said that he had been in an Asylum before he left Ireland – blamed his brother for telling him that he was going to Glasgow on a visit to see a gentleman with whom he was formerly acquainted – Mind very weak and fanciful – is confused and restless – Talks in an unconnected and incoherent manner – Pulse 78 moderate – Tongue white and dry – Pupils dilated – By Pil Alterativa & Stat Sum – Ordinary diet

— 14 Mind very weak – Talks in an incoherent manner on various subjects – says he knows he is insane but that it was his brothers fault for finding fault so frequently with him – Enters into a long history of the treatment he received when at home – Complains of shooting pains over his body which he thinks are caused by people who have conspired to annoy him – Bodily health appears pretty good – is full of fancies regarding his food – Refuses to take tea as it makes him nervous – Complains of not being able to sleep during the night as he frequently hears people walking about his room – seldom sits for any length of time in one place – Has rather a depressed look and frequently mutters to himself – sometimes employs himself reading C. Omnia

— 20 Bodily health good – Mind very weak and fanciful – is inclined to sleep very much during the day – Complains of the same shooting pains through his body which is evidently a delusion – is restless and depressed – Constantly mutters to himself – Complains of tea and requests the Clinical Assistant not to allow it to be brought into the Gallery as he fears the smell of it will cause his death – Pulse moderate – Tongue – Pupils dilated – By Pil: Alterativa Ft. Sum ℥ss Lona Omni C. Alia

— 23 Mind still in the same weak

Admitted 11th July 1843

and fanciful state - delusions and habits as formerly - Bodily health good - Employs himself reading - tongue clean - State inclined to remain in his bed. C. Mania

— 28 Mind very weak and fanciful - is full of delusions and inclined constantly to remain in bed - Bodily health improves - thinks he has been used very ill by his friends and says it was their fault that he is insane sometimes walks in the garden C. Mania

Augst 5th Bodily health pretty good - Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural Mind very weak and fanciful - answers questions in a confused, hesitating and frequently incoherent manner - Never employs himself in any way and seldom converses with any of his fellow patients C. Mania -

— 22, Mind very weak and talks in a rambling and confused manner - says he must remain constantly in bed or his soul will leave the body - is full of fancies and delusions - walks about in a restless manner constantly muttering to himself - blames his friends for sending him to the Asylum - says he constantly feels as if people were driving sharp instruments through his head and arms - Bodily health pretty good - Appetite and Bowels natural C. Mania

September 18th Mind still very weak and full of delusions - talks in a very incoherent manner on different subjects is inclined constantly to remain in bed and sleeps during the greater part of the day - sometimes employs himself reading and sometimes walks in the grounds - Bodily health good C. Mania

Octr 17th Bodily health good but he is very hypochondriacal - is full of complaints - wishes constantly to remain in his bed and raves in a very incoherent manner - Complains constantly of pains through his body - Constantly finds fault with the arrangement of the furniture and with the different movements of his fellow patients - Mind very weak C. Mania

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David Constable from page 22

1843

July 14th — Has been quiet and good humoured since his removal to Gartnavel – Requested to be placed in a part of the house where he might be removed away from all noise as he wished to study – About ten days ago he had a letter from his brother in which he referred to his removal from Aye which on reading which he became very much excited and abused all his connections – Talks constantly on the Church question and when his views are opposed becomes sometimes very much excited – Employs himself generally reading and frequently writes – Walks out daily in the garden – At this determined to raise an action against every person who had anything to do with his being placed in the Asylum – Bodily health good – Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural C. Mennie

August 11th — So at present cheerful and good humoured – Employs himself reading principally on religious work – Very excitable particularly on the Church question – A few days ago sent a letter to his brother in which he says he forgives him for his past conduct in placing him in the Asylum – Reads prayers morning and evening to his fellow patients – Bodily functions natural –

September 6th — Continues cheerful and contented but is very excitable – Employs himself reading and says he is preparing matter for a small newspaper which he intends publishing after leaving the Asylum for a farthing each, so that it may have a wide circulation – Says he is very much mistaken if it will not be the means of leaving very few in the Established church as it will be entirely devoted to that object – Has lately had several quarrels with his attendants and has one or twice threatened to strike – Bodily health good – generally plays a game at whist in the Evening and regularly conducts prayers twice a day in the Gallery – Appetite sleep and Bowels natural – walks in the grounds – Cont – Mennie

Admitted 17th November 1842

1843
Feby 8th — Is at present very quiet and contented — and has been employing himself reading during the last month — Is still very excitable particularly on Church matters Conducts prayers regularly in the Gallery and complains very much of the patients not attending to him — Bodily health at present very good — C. Otis Mia

Nov. 6th — Has been cheerful and contented during the last month — Still very excitable on religious subjects — Had a letter from his brother a few days ago with several books at which he seemed well pleased — Bodily health excellent — C. Otis Mia

Dec. 6th — Continues cheerful and contented — Employs himself as formerly — No change whatever has taken place either in body or mind since last report. C. Otis Mia

— 19 — During the last few days has been very excitable and sulky — Frequently finds fault with his food and abuses the Attendants — Says he is ~~supposed~~ convinced that a determination exists in the house to annoy him for the purpose of finding out how far he will bear it — That he has no right to be kept here and that the day is not far distant when those who are principal in the matter will answer for their conduct before a Court of justice — Bodily health good — Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural C. Otis Mia

1844
Janry 19th — Has been free from all excitement during the last month — Employs himself as usual reading religious books — In all other respects the same as at last report — C. Otis Mia

Feby 12th — No change whatever has taken place in the state of this patient since last report — Habits as formerly — Is good humoured and contented C. Otis Mia

March 4th — Has been very contented and good humoured during the last two months — Employs himself in different ways and walks out daily — Is much less excitable than formerly — Has been visited by his brother with which he seemed much pleased — Requested on parting to be kindly remembered to all his family without an exception — Bodily health good — Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural C. Otis Mia

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James Anderson Ct from Vol II p120

1843

July 19th — Bodily health very good - Answers questions relevantly and appears free from any delusions - Mind evidently weak and he never appears inclined to enter into conversation with any of his fellow patients - Habits very regular - When the weather permits he walks daily four or five hours in the garden - Retires to bed regularly for an hour or two after dinner - When in the house he generally sits with a bible in his hand - Appears cheerful and good humoured - Appetite, sleep and bowels natural C. Munro

August 12th — No change whatever has taken place in the state of this patient since last report - He is cheerful and good humoured - walks daily in the garden and his habits are regular as formerly C. Munro

September 12th — Habits regular as formerly - walks daily in the grounds and appears happy and contented - Mind in the same state - Bodily health has continued very good during the last month - C. Munro

Oct 12th — Bodily health good - Walks daily for several hours in the garden when weather permits - Habits regular - Reads the bible morning and evening and seems happy and contented C. Munro

Nov 12th — Is contented and happy - Walks daily in the garden and his habits are very regular - Bodily health good - No change whatever has taken place C. Munro

Dec 12th — No change whatever has taken place either in body or mind since last report - Bodily health excellent - Mind weak as formerly Habits unchanged - C. Munro

1844

Jan 12th — Mind weak - Habits as formerly walks daily in the grounds - Bodily health good - No change has taken place during the last month C. Munro

Feb 8th — No mental change has taken place - Bodily health good - Habits as formerly C. Munro

March 4th — Habits quiet - Never enters into conversation with any of his fellow patients and will scarcely answer questions - Mind as formerly - Bodily health good C. Munro

Admitted 31st October 1817

April 3d — Continues in all respects the same as at last report. — Bodily health good walks out daily C. Morris

May 3d — No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place during the last month Cont. Morris

June 4 — Bodily health good — No mental change — Habits regular as formerly — Walks daily in the grounds seems contented and happy C. Morris

July 4 — Habits as formerly — walks daily in a particular spot of the grounds. Bodily health good — Has complained once or twice during the last month of slight diarrhoea but is at present free from it — No change whatever has taken place C. Morris

" 31 — Health in a very good state at present. No return of bowel complaint. Appetite sleep and bowels natural. Mind more active on the whole and he appears to understand and reply to questions more readily than he formerly used to. Takes daily exercise in the open air in all weathers. Reads his Bible regularly and is quiet and contented. Dismissed.

August 31 — No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place during the last month Cont. Morris

Sept. 30 — Habits regular as formerly — Answers questions relevantly enough — Is very quiet and sits reading the bible during the greater part of the day. No change whatever has taken place C. Morris

Oct. 26 — Mind seems more alert and he is more inclined to converse with those around him — walks regularly in the grounds — seems cheerful and contented — Bodily health good — Generally employs himself reading the bible — Cont. Morris

Nov. 13 — No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month — Habits regular as formerly — C. Morris

" 30 — In all respects as at last report C. Morris

Dec. 28 — Bodily health good — Is quiet and seldom speaks to any one. — walks out when weather permits — Mind in the same weak state — Seems cheerful & contented

1818 January 28th — In all respects as at last report C. Morris

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David Blayde from Vol II p222

1845

July 19th — Bodily health very good — Mind weak and fanciful — Is subject to occasional fits of excitement — Answers questions relevantly but frequently talks in a coarse and incoherent manner — Is at present quiet and has made no attempt to escape since his removal of Gartnavel which took place on the 9th of last month — Employs himself reading — Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural C. Omnia

Augt 11th — Mind still very weak and fanciful — Is at present cheerful and good humoured — Answers questions relevantly but is full of delusions — Sometimes employs himself in the garden and occasionally reads — Is subject to occasional fits of excitement. Bodily functions natural C. Omnia

September 11th — Mind in the same weak state as formerly — Raves sometimes in a very incoherent manner and laughs ridiculously is full of delusions but has been free from any excitement since last report — Is at present cheerful and good humoured — Bodily functions natural C. Omnia

October 11th — Bodily health very good — Is at present cheerful and contented — Mind still full of delusions — Declares that several people are buried in the walls of the Establishment and points out to the Clinical Assistant several dark spots on the plaster which he says are the shadows of dead bodies — Talks sometimes in a very incoherent manner walks in the garden when the weather permits C. Omnia

Nov 12th — Mind weak and fanciful and teeming with delusions — Talks in a very incoherent manner on different subjects — Laughs ridiculously — Is still subject to occasional fits of excitement — Bodily health good — at present cheerful and contented C. Omnia

Dec 12th — Has been very cheerful and contented during the last month — Daily plays at billiards — Mind very weak and fanciful — Says he is sure the Institution is a very unhealthy one for he sees dead bodies in the

Admitted 16th February 1839

walls particularly during the night - No mental improvement has taken place - Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Dennis

1844 January 12th - Has been free from all excitement during the last month - Mind continues in the same weak state. Raves in a very incoherent manner and his mind is teeming with fancies and delusions formerly noted in the case - Bodily health good - Case stationary Cert. Dennis

Feby 10th - No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state during the last month C. Dennis

March 4th - Bodily health good - Declares the Asylum is a very unhealthy house - that very little care has been taken in the building of it - that the walls contain several dead bodies - Sees them frequently before him at night - Talks in a very confused and unconnected manner on different subjects - Is liable to occasional fits of excitement - Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural C. Dennis

April 1st - Delusions formerly noted remain unchanged - Habits as formerly - Has been free from any paroxysms of excitement since last report - No mental improvement - Bodily health good C. Dennis

May 3d - No Mental or Bodily change whatever has taken place during the last month - C. Dennis

June 4 - Mind teeming with fancies - Raves in a confused and unconnected manner - Is at present free from all excitement - No mental improvement - Bodily health good C. Dennis

July 4 - Has been rather excited during the last few days - Curses and swears in a most vehement manner against persons who combine to annoy him - Declares the house is a very unhealthy one and that the walls contain dead bodies - Never employs himself in any way - Is very childish in his habits - Bodily health good - Cert. Dennis

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More composed - Health good - No improvement in mental state. Bowels regular Dennis

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John Buchanan from Vol II p 201

1883

July 19th — Has been good humoured and more cheerful since last report – sometimes assists in the Gallery – Mind very weak and fanciful – sometimes strays to find his fellow patients against the house and after an entertainment which was given to the patients lately he abused the Physician saying that he considered he should have had one of the principal seats at table – Considers himself as good as any one present – Bodily health good – Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural – Cont. Stramonium

August 11th — Has been very quiet and good humoured since last report – Employs himself in the garden and sometimes assists the Attendants in the Gallery – Answers questions relevantly but betrays no particular delusions – Mind evidently weak – Bodily functions natural – C. Stramonium

September 11th — Has been free from any excitement since last report – Is at present cheerful and good humoured – Betrays no particular delusions but is full of fancies – Mind weak – Sometimes employs himself in the garden – Bodily health good – Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural – C. Stramonium

October 10th — Mind still weak and fanciful – Is very cheerful and in Conversation frequently laughs in a very idiotic manner – Is full of delusions and liable to fits of excitement, sometimes ~~assists~~ assists the Attendants in the Galleries C. Stramonium

Nov. 10th — No change whatever either in body or mind since last report – At times very quarrelsome – Assists the Attendants in the Galleries C. Stramonium

Dec. 9th 1884 — In all respects the same as at last report – Case stationary C. Stramonium

January 9th — Mind evidently very weak – Has been very good humoured and industrious during the last month – Answers questions relevantly but his mind is very fanciful – Bodily health good – Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural – Sometimes employs himself reading C. Stramonia

Admitted 22 July 1837.

Feby 6th — No mental improvement — Bodily health good — Resorts in the grounds and Galleries — Is quiet and contented at present C. Omnia

March 5th — Bodily health good — Is at present very industrious and always glad to render any assistance in his power — Mind weak and fanciful — Has had no fit of excitement during the last month — C. Omnia

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April 4th — Mind still weak and fanciful — His friends wished to remove him a few days ago but he refused to leave the Asylum saying he could do no good any where else — Is at present employed by the Chaplain teaching a few of the young Imbecile patients in the School room — Bodily health good — C. Omnia

May 4th — Mind still very weak and fanciful — Employs himself assisting in the Surgery and makes himself generally useful — Bodily health good — C. Omnia

June 3d — No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place — Continues to employ himself in the Surgery — Looks in a rambling and confused manner — C. Omnia

July 2d — Bodily health good — Is rational and betrays no delusions in conversation — Refuses to return home and says he wishes to remain in the Asylum — Mind ~~confused~~ evidently weak — Cont. Omnia

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" 15. — Has been regularly employed in the Surgery of late which he makes himself very useful — So obliging and respectful in manner and appears desirous to please — Quite free from delusions, bodily health good — Betrays no anxiety to leave the Asylum and has several times visited his relatives in Glasgow returning of his own accord — Bowels regular — Cont: omnia

" 31. — Spirits as before in the Surgery compounding the medicines and delivering them to the nurses and attendants — Collects and washes the bottles — Is cheerful and good tempered — Mind improves and is at present apparently free from fancies — Health good, bodily functions natural — Cont: omnia

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Robert Bridges from Vol II p 140

1843

June 9th Bodily health good - appetite sleep and bowels natural - has been free from any excitement or violence since last report - was yesterday removed to Gartmavel and went very quietly - Idles very idle and has a depressed look - Mind very weak and fanciful

July 19th Has been once or twice rather excited since last report - touches about his room talking to himself in a loud manner - Is idle and never employs himself in any way - Has a stupid and depressed look - Mind full of fancies and delusions - Declares he has a large worm in his stomach which annoys him much - Bodily health at present pretty good - C. Mannia

August 11th Bodily health good - Mind very weak and fanciful - Goes about in a restless manner and never employs himself in any way - Is destructive to his clothes and liable to occasional fits of excitement C. Mannia

September 11th Mind weak and fatuous - Has a very dull and depressed look - Never employs himself in any way - Mind full of delusions - Destructive to his cloths and filthy in his habits - Bodily health pretty good - Has had no fits of excitement since last report - C. Mannia

October 10th Idle destructive and filthy in his habits - Is very silent and refuses to answer questions - Never employs himself in any way - Has continued free from any excitement since last report. Bodily health good C. Mannia

Nov 10th Body health good - Mind fatuous and he is excitable as formerly - No change whatever has taken place in his body or mental state during the last month - Habits destructive C. Mannia

Decr 9th No change whatever has taken place in this patients bodily or mental state since last report C. Mannia

1844

Janry 9th Mind fatuous as formerly - Can scarcely utter a connected sentence - Destructive to his clothes - Is very melancholy and depressed -

Admitted 1st December 1846

never employs himself in any work- Is subject to occasional fits of excitement- Bodily health good C. Munro

Feby 9th Bodily health good - No mental improvement has taken place C. Munro

March 4th Bodily health good - Never employs himself in any way - Sometimes becomes very much excited - Breaks windows and furniture - Has a depressed look - Is sulky and lazy - Never speaks to any one - Mind almost entirely gone - Is destructive to his clothes - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Munro

April 3d No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state since last report C. Munro

May 3d Mind very weak - Never speaks or employs himself in any way - Is liable to occasional fits of excitement - Has a depressed and melancholy look - Bodily health pretty good C. Munro

June 4 Mind continues in the same weak state - Is very apt to break windows and furniture - Has a depressed and stupid cast of countenance - Is destructive to his clothes - Bodily health pretty good C. Munro

July 3d Habits destructive as formerly - No mental improvement has taken place - Bodily health good - Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural C. Munro

Visited 31. Mind weak depressed and melancholy- Taciturn and morose in disposition- Rarely moves about and will not employ himself in any way- Sits with his head resting on his chest and when spoken to never replies- Bodily health good, appetite voracious, sleeps well at night, bowels regulated by occasional doses of medicine- No outbreak of violence lately cont: omnia.

Aug. 15. No change in mental state- Has shewn no violence to any individual since last report- Very careless of his clothes and inclined to tear and destroy them- Has broken no furniture or glass lately- Takes his food well and is quiet at night. Bowels regular- Bodily health good- cont: omnia.

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William ell Thorburn from Vol II

July 19th — Bodily health good - Mind continues perfectly rational and free from all delusions since last report - is cheerful and good humoured - employs himself reading and walks daily in the garden - Convalescence proceeds favourably - C. Mumia

Augst 11th — Continues in good bodily health & perfectly rational and free from any delusions - walks daily into the Country - Employs himself reading - Convalescence proceeds favourably C. Mumia

September 11th — Has continued in good bodily health since last report - Answers questions relevantly and appears free from any delusions - is full of complaints, and very apt to quarrel with his fellow Patients and the Attendants - At present refuses to walk in the ground unless he is permitted to do so without being accompanied by the Attendant C. Mumia

October 10th — Has been very quiet and has made no complaints since last report - Answers questions relevantly and at present betrays no particular delusions - Employs himself reading and takes long walks daily - Considers himself a man of great importance and seldom associates with any of his fellow patients - Bodily health good C. Mumia

Novr 10th — Bodily health good and he walks daily in the grounds - Complains very much of being kept in the Asylum and thinks his brothers are keeping him confined for the purpose of getting his fathers money - says he suspects strongly his father knows nothing about his being in the Asylum In other respects he is rational and answers questions relevantly - Employs himself reading - His manner betrays much self importance C. Mumia

Decr 10th — Continues in all respects the same as at last report - Bodily health good C. Mumia

1864
January 7th — Bodily health good - Still thinks his friends are keeping him in the Asylum unknown to his father - Has an excited look and walks about in a very consequential manner - Employs himself reading -

Page 217 Admitted 9th July 1842.

Betrays no particular delusions but his mind is evidently weak. C. Mania

— 13 Has been very rational for the last few days — Betrays no delusions and is anxious to be dismissed — Employs himself reading — Bodily health good — & convalescent — C. Mania

— 31 This patient has continued perfectly rational and free from any appearance of insanity since last report — He received a letter informing him of the death of his father this morning and being in good health was dismissed

Cured —

Feby 8 This patient has again returned to the Asylum of his own accord and is admitted as a boarder —

He continued till

April 2 when he was discharged health both bodily & mental

Cured

John Leech At from page 41

1873

July 19th No change whatever appears to have taken place in the state of this patient since last report which was on the 22nd May. Since then he has betrayed no perceptible delusion and answers questions relevantly enough. He has been examined once by the Sheriff and since then, who decided on his being removed and wrote him to that effect. On his friends being informed on the subject they lodged a protest against his being removed when Drs Brown & Watson were appointed to examine him after which it was arranged that he should remain in the Asylum for a short time longer. He is evidently very excitable and from his rambling manner in conversation it is very probable that he is still in an unfit state to ~~guide~~ manage his own affairs. Says he is determined to keep quiet as he thinks it the most prudent way to act under the circumstances of the case. That he knows his friends wish him to quarrel with Dr Hutcheson as they think it would be in their favour afterwards when they will require to give an explanation of the way in which they are treating him at present. Employs himself reading. Has been complaining of diarrhoea for the last two days but is now much better. Occasionally walks in the garden. C. Dennis

" 23 Diarrhoea has completely disappeared and his bodily health is in all respects good. Talks in the same rambling manner and daily tells the Clinical Assistant what takes place in his gallery and of how anxious he is to do everything to assist being a brother in the Profession. This morning said that he did not consider his time entirely lost here as he was getting considerable insight into the treatment of insanity which might be useful to him afterwards. Says that he considers himself possessed of great management perhaps more than people would give him credit for. Employs himself reading. Answers questions relevantly and betrays no particular delusions C. Dennis

Augst 5th Bodily health good. Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural.

Admitted 28th December 1843

Answers questions relevantly and betrays no perceptible delusions – talks in rather a rambling manner – is very quiet and employs himself reading – walks daily in the garden C. Mucus

16 At the request of the Sheriff this patient has been examined three different times during the last three months. On each occasion by two different Medical men from Glasgow – they all thought he should remain in the asylum for a short time longer but at the same time they could detect nothing to prove him insane – he has betrayed no delusions since last [illegible] on bodily health

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Sheriff chambers Glasgow
June 28th 1843.

Sir

In answer to your letter of the 27th instant I am happy to be able to state that having advised with Dr Watchesson on the subject of his health he informs me that he considers you now so convalescent as to be entitled to your dismissal as soon as he has communicated with your friends which he is to lose no time in doing. Any further interference therefore in my official capacity is unnecessary

I remain
Sir
Your Obedt Servt
Wm Glassford Bell

To John Leech

addressed
Dr John Leech
Dr Watchesson
Royal Lunatic Asylum
Glasgow

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July 19th No change whatever appears to have taken place in the state of this patient since last report which was on the 22nd May. Since then he has betrayed no perceptible delusion and answers questions relevantly enough. He has been examined once by the Sheriff and since then, who decided on his being removed and wrote him to that effect. On his friends being informed on the subject they lodged a protest against his being removed when Drs Brown & Watson were appointed to examine him after which it was arranged that he should remain in the Asylum for a short time longer.

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August 5th Bodily health good. Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural.

Admitted 28th December 1872

Answers questions relevantly and betrays no perceptible delusions – Talks in rather a rambling manner – Is very quiet and employs himself reading – Walks daily in the garden C. Munro

16 At the request of the Sheriff this patient has been examined three different times during the last three months. On each occasion by two different Medical men from Glasgow – They all thought he should remain in the asylum for a short time longer but at the same time they could detect nothing to prove him insane – As he has betrayed no delusions since the last time he is in good bodily health he is this day dismissed

Edward

Robert Reid Aet 42

1843

July 30th When visited, last night at ½ past 9 o'clock by one of the Clinical Assistants and an Attendant for the purpose of having him removed to the Asylum he was found walking up and down his room without any clothes on him - Reported by his Land Lady not to have dressed himself for twelve months and only to have shaved himself for the first time three days ago during that period - With much trouble was prevailed upon to try his clothes on him which he did under the delusion that his creditors were from Ewing & Wingate the tailors for the purpose of having them made to fit him better - Was then told that he must go to the Country when he became violently excited, cursed and swore, then opened his room door saying this is my bed room gentlemen, walk out or by God I will make you do so - Was then told that it was of no use his acting in such a manner as we had a warrant from the Sheriff to take him with us - Was he, then demanded to see when it was read over to him - At this his excitement increased, he walked up and down his room saying that he was the son of a County Magistrate and the first man of consequence in the City of Glasgow and he would not move a step - Was then told that he must be taken by force when he had a sudden rush & caught hold of the Clinical Assistant and attendant and attempted to throw them on the ground After a struggle which lasted for some minutes he was secured and it was found necessary to pinion his hands with a handkerchief to prevent further violence He was then placed in a stretcher and taken to the Asylum - On his way out he became more composed - Said he hoped he did not hurt any one and appeared very much bewildered - Enquired what Asylum he was going to & if he would be well treated - Thought he would be, as he was an honourable man - Said he took great exercise in his own room, that he had it marked out and that he walked regularly three hours daily, (never more or less

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as it was the exact distance God allowed him. — On admission he was very quiet and on the handkerchief being removed from his hands he said I suppose you have a strong force in this castle if a fellow misbehaves himself — Requested to have a drink which was given him when he quietly retired to his bed — To have ordinary diet and regimen —

July 21st — Has been very restless and been walking about his bedroom during the greater part of the night — This morning has a hectic and depressed look — Mind evidently very weak and full of delusions — Says he was the greatest man in the City of Glasgow and cannot understand why he is sent to the Asylum — P 88 moderate Tongue moist and dry — Pupils dilated, breath rather foetid — R Pil. Colocynth. Comp iij sumo statim — C. Alia —

— 23 — Reported by the Attendant to have slept better last night — Is very dull and depressed — Has made several attempts to fasten his door for the purpose as he says of being able to worship God in private — Request the Clinical Assistant to send a good supply of steam through his room several times a day as he suffers very much and his trouble require it — Is full of fancies and delusions — C. Omnia

— 29 — Has a dull and depressed appearance and seldom enters into conversation with any of his fellow patients — Is full of delusions but answers questions relevantly enough — Inclines constantly to remain in his bed and complains very much that he is not allowed to do so — Has considerable paralytic debility of limbs but walks daily in the garden when weather permits — Bodily health good C. Omnia

Sept 5th — No change whatever has taken place since last report — Is very quiet and has a depressed look — Answers questions relevantly but with hesitation — Mind weak and fanciful — Bodily health good — Appetite, Sleep and Bowels Natural C. Omnia

— 22 — Bodily health good — Walks daily in the garden — Mind still very weak and full of delusions — Wishes constantly to remain in his bed — No change what-ever has taken place C. Omnia

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Alexander S. Cleland Ct

1848

July 29th Was ~~he~~ visited this forenoon by Dr. A. Burns and one of the Clinical Assistants at his own house when he was found in bed raving in a incoherent manner and in a very weak state - After being dressed he required to be assisted into the carriage for the purpose of having him removed to the Asylum - Reported by his wife to have been drinking regularly since he was discharged from the Asylum on the 20th of last month - On admission he was quick and raved about some of his fellow Patients - Pulse 120 small - face flushed - Eyes had a dumb and contorted look - pupils rather dilated - surface of skin dry and frequently started up and attempted to seize hold of imaginary objects - With much difficulty could raise his feet from the ground and appeared as if he had a slight attack of general paralysis, tongue foul and very dry - breath fetid - To retire to bed and have a pint of porter and two of the blue and Rhubarb Pills -

Vespere Pulse 100 small and intermittent - lips of skin clammy - pupils natural - is very restless and with great difficulty can be kept in his bed - Imagines he sees all sorts of objects in his room raves in a very incoherent manner about his father, wife &c says there people are watching him to take his life and requests not to be left alone. Has considerable tremor over his whole body - Is constantly picking the bed clothes - Begs earnestly for porter or brandy as he is very thirsty - R Pulv: Camph Zifs - Pulv: Opii grij ~~to~~ Misce in Julep iij - cum tertia quaque hora -

30 State continues in the same state Raves incoherently, picks the bed clothes and imagines he sees all sorts of objects in his room - Pulse small and intermittent - pupils dilated, tongue foul and dry - He has less general tremor this morning - Bowels have not been moved - To have a pint of porter every four hours - ℞

Admitted July 29th 1843

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Vespere — Bowels have been freely moved by the medicine and he has slept for a short time this afternoon - Is still confused but much less incoherent - answers questions relevantly and is much better Pulse 88 moderate strength - pupils natural - tongue still very dry - Requests to have some food -

— 31 Has slept pretty well during the night and is today perfectly rational - says he feels very weak and when he get out of bed with difficulty can support himself - Bowels have been freely opened by the medicine P 86 natural strength - pupils natural Tongue still foul but moist - Has taken a considerable quantity of beef tea and bread - Is intermittent medicament -

August 1st — Continues to improve in all respects Has slept well during the night - still weak - Appetite increases - Tongue clean and moist - To have full diet and three pints of porter daily C. Olsen

— 5th Is perfectly rational and gains bodily strength daily - Takes his food well and today inclines to get out of bed. Pulse 76 moderate - Tongue but little pupils natural - To have one quart bottle of porter daily - R Pil. Aloes c Hyde ij statim sumn

— 22 Bodily health has continued to improve daily since last report - He is now rational and free from all delusions - walks out daily and says he has made up his mind to remain in the Asylum for a considerable time - To continue to be employed in the institution C. Olsen

Sept. 18th Bodily health excellent - Mind rational and free from all delusions - walks about the grounds - Expresses great desire to be employed about the establishment - Appetite sleep and Bowels natural - Says he is determined never again to drink Spirits as it plays the devil with him - C. Olsen

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James Dickson Ct 47

1843

July 31st Was brought to the Asylum by two of the Clinical Assistants. On admission was quiet and when asked if he had been complaining said he felt very unsettled in his mind but did not know the cause. Had kept his room for ~~some~~ several days and was found in bed with his bible before him with several glasses placed upon it. Has a very depressed look and appears unsettled. Says it is no use his leaving the Asylum as he is always brought back again. Pulse 86 moderate Tongue white and dry pupils dilated Urine stated. Is attending Ordinary sick.

Augt 1st Has been very restless during the night. Reported by the Attendant to have been constantly walking about his bedroom and muttering to himself. Is today very restless and has an excitable look. Says he does not know what is the matter but that he is very unsettled. Walks up and down the Gallery speaking to himself and is not inclined to converse with his fellow patients C. Morris

— 3 Has been more cheerful since last report. Says he feels more composed and was today walking in the garden. Employs himself reading. Answers questions relevantly but has a very excitable look C. Morris

— 5 Continues to improve. Today appears perfectly rational and answers questions relevantly. Talks to the Clinical Assistant of the frequency of his attacks and wishes to know if he could not be treated at home as well as being always brought to the Asylum. Has a more cheerful and healthy look. Pulse moderate Tongue clean and moist. Pupils natural C. Morris

— 13 Is again quite rational and free from any delusions. Answers questions relevantly and is good humoured and cheerful. Employs himself reading and walks daily in the garden C. Morris

Admitted 31st July 1848

Sept. 18 Continues free from any delusions and his bodily health is very much improved. Walks regularly in the garden and employs himself reading. Answers questions relevantly. Convalescence proceeds favourably. C. Mercier

" 22 Being in good bodily health and his mind free from all delusions he is this day discharged.

C. Mercier

~~Not to be charged~~

Charles Sterling Ad 40

1845

Augt 2d This morning came to the Asylum with his Sister and brother in law when told by Dr Hutcheson before leaving Glasgow that he would be the better of being under his care in the Country for a short time he seemed perfectly satisfied - On admission was quiet and appeared pleased with the place - Is very dull and depressed. Thinks he is a ruined man and that his case is lost - That his family and himself will soon be in the poor house - Reported by his friends to have threatened to shoot himself or cut his throat - Is evidently suicidal To be closely watched -

" 3 Was been very restless during the night and this morning complains that he could not sleep - Is evidently very much depressed - Last night before going to bed played a game at Whist during which it was evident that something was working on his mind. Was this forenoon visited by his friends when he appeared much excited - Requested his sister for God sake to take him away or he would be a Lunatic for the rest of his life - That it was a shame for her to send him to such a place - Talked to her of his having lost all his money and of his being ruined - C. Omnia

" 5 Is still in a very dull and depressed state - Answers questions relevantly and talks rationally - On subjects that has the same delusions that he is ruined - Walks about the Gallery in a very restless manner - Yesterday afternoon was very anxious to know whether or not his board was paid and what would be the Amount - Before going to bed last night played several games at Whist - Sometimes employs himself reading C. Omnia

" 6 Yesterday afternoon about 3 o'Clock a noise was heard in this patients bedroom and on being entered by Drs Hutcheson and Campbell he was discovered with his throat cut which he did with a pen knife which was left in his possession

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after he was admitted into the Asylum through the carelessness of one of the Attendants - It may however be remarked that his relations declared that he had no instrument of the kind whatever and requested his pockets not to be searched as it would hurt his feelings to do so - He lost as nearly as could be calculated about four pounds of blood having made an incision about two inches long, completely dividing the external jugular vein and almost to perforating the sheath of the external Carotid Artery - When first I discovered his pulse could not be felt at wrist and the pulsation of Carotids and Temporal Arteries was scarcely perceptible - Surface of skin cold and had a blue colour - He expressed great anxiety to know whether he was likely to recover - Stimulants were administered in large quantities shortly after which his pulse began to improve but he still remained cold - About twelve o'clock at night he fell asleep and continued so for about an hour and a half - By this time he had taken about a pint of Port Wine and four glasses of Brandy - At 1 past 2 o'clock in the morning his pulse from being very weak suddenly rose to 156. His face became flushed and his skin warm - Brandy and wine was stopped and he was ordered to have some strong beef tea every hour - To be closely watched - Lips of the wound have been brought together by ligatures -

June 7. Since reported yesterday forenoon he has been very restless and his manner very uneasy - His fingers are constantly in motion and his countenance indicates much excitement - Sleeps for a few minutes at a time but when the last nurse takes place he starts up in bed and appears frightened - Says he is a miserable wretch as he knows he will die in a few hours and his soul is lost to all eternity - Talks to himself in a low manner - Pulse 100 weak and variable - face flushed - Pupils natural Tongue white and dry - By Ord Rhie e Hayden ij etalin sum - Cont. Alia

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Augt 8th Strength continues to improve and since reported yesterday he has taken four pints of beef tea and two eggs. He is very restless and depressed. Bowels have been freely opened by the pills & this morning he asked for his breakfast. He has not slept during the night says his soul is lost and that he is suffering the most dreadful torments, talks of his family being in the poor house and says he will not live long - That the only chance of redemption he sees has is to be sent to the poor house in his own parish and then perhaps God will soften his heart - Is evidently still very suicidal - C. Mannia

" 10 Bodily health continues to improve but his mind is still full of delusions Wound on neck heals rapidly and does not discharge - His countenance is still irritable and suspicious but decidedly improved - Appetite better Ten grains of Camphor with 2 grain of Opium were given him at 10 Oclock last night but not without any effect - It was again repeated in three hours, after which he slept for a considerable time but complained of it causing uneasy sensations in his head - Is very dull and depressed - Thinks his soul is burning in hell and that his sufferings will endure for ever To have ½ pound of beef steak and a pint of porter daily for dinner - C. Alexia

" 12 Bodily health decidedly improved - Wound almost healed - Is very restless and frequently attempts to get out of bed - Says he wishes to be left in a room by himself - Raves of his being a ruined man - of his not having many days to live - of the misery that awaits him in the next world - Tongue pulse 98 moderate White but moist - Impeds natural - Bowels have been freely opened by a draught which he had yesterday forenoon - Complains of not being able to sleep C. Mannia

" 13 Is more composed today than he was yesterday but still thinks he is going to die soon - Says his

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Julee stopped several times during last night, that he attempted to pray several times but could not do so - and that he sees no hope for himself - Knows his soul is for ever lost and that he must soon appear before an offended God - Talks of his poverty, of his being ruined - and thinks he will die in a high state of mania has a dull and depressed look and is very restless - Did not sleep during last night and frequently got out of bed and walked about his room - Bodily health decidedly improved but he appears to have lost flesh - To have two glasses of port wine daily in addition to a pint of porter which he has at present - Ewen Home Dominus Tenet Hyoscyam 3ij - C. Alicia

—— 18 Bodily health continues to improve and wound on neck has completely healed - Is still very dull and depressed and thinks he is soon going to die - says his soul is lost for ever and that God will not hear his prayers for mercy - Still thinks he has no money and must end his days in the poor house - Sleeps very little during the night - Today walked in the garden for about two hours - Takes his food better and has a bottle of porter daily - Requires still to be constantly watched - C. Alicia

—— 27 Is still very much depressed and his delusions remain unchanged - Bodily health pretty good and he walks daily in the garden - Takes his food and on the whole sleeps better at night Was this morning removed to the gallery along with a few of his fellow patients - Pulse 76 moderate strength Tongue white but moist - Bowels rather constipated By Pil Rhei: c Hyoscy 3ij statim sum - C. Alicia

September 18th Bodily health has continued to improve since last report - He is still however very much depressed - His delusions seem to become fainter - Employs himself reading - Requires to be very closely watched as he has several times talked of hanging himself - Walks daily in the garden when weather permits C. Alicia

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Augt 15th — Mind very weak and childish, is noisy and excitable - Never reads or employs himself in any way - Cannot utter a connected sentence - Laughs in a very idiotic manner - Is destructive to his clothes and very filthy in his habits - A few days ago when in the garden he suddenly became very weak and could not support himself - On being visited his pulse was small and feeble - face pale and surface of skin cold - Two ounces of brandy with 3ij Bicarbonate of Soda was administered shortly after which he became quite well - His bowels have been freely moved by Medicine and he is now in his usual state of bodily health C. Olmsted

September 13th — Mind in the same weak state - Bodily health rather improved since last report - Habits still filthy - Raves incoherently on all subjects - No mental change whatever C. Olmsted

October 12th — Bodily health at present very good - Habits rather improved - Mind still very weak - Is very excitable and noisy - Was a few days ago visited by his brother in law and appeared very much pleased - Asked very kindly for his sister - Walks in the garden when weather permits C. Olmsted

Nov 12th — Has continued in good bodily health during the last month - Mind in the same weak state - Is sometimes very noisy - Habits continue filthy and he is becoming more childish - No improvement whatever C. Olmsted

Decr 10th — No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state since last report - C. Olmsted

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Janry 8th — Bodily health pretty good - Mind continues in the same weak and fatuous state - Cannot utter a connected sentence in conversation - Never employs himself in any way - Is filthy in his habits - No improvement whatever has taken place C. Olmsted

Feby 6th — No mental improvement - Bodily health good - Bowels rather constipated - By Pil Alterative & Ol Ricini ℥j o.n. h.s C. Olmsted

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March 4 Bodily health at present pretty good. Is very childish in his manner. Mind entirely gone - Limbs feeble - Is very filthy in his habits - Frequently roars out in a very loud manner under the delusion that he is to be executed - No mental improvement is likely to take place Cont. Omnia

April 3d No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state since last report C. Omnia

May 3d Mind weak and fatuous - Is destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits - Is very childish - Never employs himself in any way - Limbs rather feeble but bodily health otherwise good - Cont. Omnia

June 4 Mind almost entirely gone - Cannot be employed in any way - Is childish and filthy - Bowels require to be constantly kept open by gentle medicine - Bodily health pretty good - No mental improvement C. Omnia

July 3d No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place during the last month - Never employs himself in any way - Habits filthy C. Omnia

" 15. Mind weak and imbecile. Bodily health good. Appears quite fatuous and unable to take care of himself in the smallest way. Wets his bed every night and is inclined to be filthy during the day. Goes out into the open air when the weather is fine - Appetite good, bowels regular. Sleeps well during the night. Cont. omnia.

" 31. Has been transferred from No 1 East House to No 3 West House and appears to be benefited by the change. Cannot help himself in the least degree and the attendant is obliged to dress and wash him. Takes his food well and walks out daily in the airing ground - Mind quite weak and childish. General bodily health good. Cont. omnias

Aug. 15. No improvement in mental state. Is easily frightened and if a patient runs by him quickly he cries out as if alarmed - Mind quite shattered and imbecile - Is filthy at night - Some slight paralytic difficulty in articulation and gait. Cont. omnia

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1863

August 20th Appears daily to be loosing flesh and has great difficulty in swallowing his food. Pathetic debility very much increased and he has a pale and unhealthy look - pulse 88 feeble - Tongue hot dry - pupils contracted - cannot support himself from weakness - To have two ounces of brandy immediately and a bottle of porter daily C. Alia

" 21 Continued in much the same state as at last report until this morning when he suddenly became much worse - is now very weak and cannot move himself in bed - Pulse scarcely perceptible - Bowels have been opened during the night - has considerable shortness of breathing and surface of skin rather cold - face pale lips and tongue dry - Cannot swallow the stimulants administered to him. Is at present in a very precarious state Ordered: Capsule et opium Emplast lyttæ capiti tote -

9 Oclock P.M. Has continued gradually to become weaker since morning and this evening without a struggle he

Died

No inspection permitted

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September 15th — Was brought to the Asylum last night under the delusion that he was going to see the paintings in the Lord Rosse's house - Shortly after his admission he retired quietly to bed - Reported this morning by the attendant to have been very restless during the night - Walked briskly about his room and overturned his bed - Had struck his head several times to the wall which caused considerable swelling of face - Said several females dressed in black entered his room during the night and mesmerised him - then said he had murdered his father and must immediately prepare himself for execution - Declared it was getting away from them that he hurt his head - Raves of his property and talks in a very incoherent manner on different subjects - Has very considerable difficulty of articulation and betrays all the symptoms of general paralysis - Pulse feeble - Pupils dilated - Tongue pretty clean - To be closely watched - Bed to be taken out of his room and an attendant to sleep near him - To have full diet and a pint of porter daily -

18th — Has continued pretty quiet since last report - Complains very much of his being sent to the Asylum and says it was done by Dr Ritchie and not by his friends - Is very restless and excitable - Talks incoherently, and is full of delusions - Sleeps very quietly at night but generally becomes noisy towards morning - Complains very much of an attendant being in his bedroom and wishes to know what he wants - Has still considerable difficulty of articulation and is unsteady in his gait C. Dunsia

21 — Mind weak and forgetful - Is full of delusions - Talks of his money which he wants to draw from the river bank - Thinks he is mesmerised by females - Has considerable paralytic debility and great difficulty of articulation - Takes his food well and sleeps more quietly at night - Has a haggard look - Requires to be constantly watched as he is inclined to play tricks - Complains very much of an attendant sleeping

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in his bed room during the night.
C. Morris

—— 26 Mind very weak and fanciful, & ~~at times~~ seeming with delusions - Raves of his money - property &c - Bodily health much worse today - Paralytic symptoms have considerably increased - Has great difficulty of articulation and limbs very feble - Tongue & moist - bowels natural. With difficulty can be kept in his bed - picks the bed clothes and walks about his room naked - Is very noisy - Has a confused and excited look - Abrad: Capill. et. applicat. emplast. Lyttæ capite tolo - C. Alcock

October 18th Bodily health has improved considerably since last report but he has still very great paralytic debility - Takes his food much better and is gaining strength and flesh - Mind very weak and fanciful and seeming with his former delusions - Walks about the Gallery during the greater part of the day and never speaks to any of his fellow patient - Sleeps much more quietly during the night - Bs said to be rather constipated By Pil - Colocynth. Comp. ℔ss Sum ij secunda quaque nocte - Cont: ~~Columns~~ - C. Alcock

Nov. 18th Has lost flesh during the last month and paralytic debility seems to increase - Takes his food well - Mind very weak and teeming with delusions - Thinks he is a person of great wealth and ~~thinks~~ that the house is furnished with every thing necessary by him - Is inclined to be destructive to his clothes and he is filthy in his habits - Bowels apt to become constipated - By Pil Aloes cum Myrrh ℔ss Sum ij o.n.; h.s. ad ℔ss cum Rheo Cont. Alcock

Dec 18th Has lost flesh during the last months and paralytic debility continues unchanged. Mind very weak and fanciful - Is liable to occasional fits of excitement one of which he took yesterday when he smashed several panes of glass - Never enters into conversation with his fellow patients or employs himself in any way - Is destructive and inclined to be filthy - Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural C. Morris

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1848

September 6th Mind very weak and fanciful, is full of delusions principally on religious subjects - is constantly found with the bible in his hands and daily tells the medical Attendant that he wishes to go home as he requires faith - has considerable swelling of his legs from a habit he has of standing during the greater part of the day in one position as if praying. Bodily health otherwise good - frequently walks about his room during the night - C. Insania

October 6th Mind state full of the delusions formerly noted - is full of complaints thinks frequently that his food is poisoned and has taken into his head that he will be insane for ever because he has not got a Countryman of his own to attend him - is prone to stand in one position during the greater part of the day - swelling of legs very much abated - Bodily health good - Est appetite and Sle natural C. Insania

Novr 1st Mind still teeming with delusions particularly on religious subjects - Bodily health good and swelling of legs gone - Has constantly the bible in his hands - writes frequently very confused letters to his mother and friends in all of which he requests them to pray for his salvation - No improvement whatever has taken place C. Insania

Decr 7th Bodily health at present very good - Mind weak and very fanciful - says God tells him every morning that he must comfort his mother and daily requests leave to go home for that purpose - raves in the most incoherent manner on religious subjects Constantly has the bible in his hands - is teeming with delusions - C. Insania

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January 1st No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state since last report C. Insania

" 26 Has been rather excited during the last few days - abuses the house and every one in it. Mind teeming with delusions particularly on religious subjects - talks in a very incoherent

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Jany manner - Offers up long prayers and is always found with the bible in his hands - Is very anxious to get home Bodily health pretty good - Appetite and Bowels natural - Is very restless during the night C. Munro

Feby 20 Margorie on much the same way as in last report. Today told the Physicians that he had something particular to say to him which it was revealed to him he should communicate. He stated that it was revealed to him that he was unlawfully detained here - that the Sheriff had never granted a warrant for his confinement - that his friends were prevented from seeing him & that he ought to go home. Complained of severe treatment, of being cuffed & followed by Cubbon the attendant & others - of his being deprived of every thing which nature requires - of his never being in the open air - of his food being bad & irregularly served - of the Clergyman coming irregularly - of the names of the days of the week being changed to confuse & perplex him. He stated that he owes money that he cannot pay it without going into business & that he must go home to work. He also said that it was revealed to him that the Physician some months ago had said he was going to send him home in a few days & that he is nevertheless unlawfully detained &c &c. Every thing stated Erroneous & unfounded. Health pretty good. Mind weak, fanciful & erratic. Cont. same

March 4th Continues in all respects the same as at last report - Delusions & fancies remain unchanged - Habits as formerly - No mental improvement. Bodily health good. C. Munro

April 8th Mind very weak and fanciful frequently refuses to take his food and declares poison is placed in it - Other delusions formerly noted remain unchanged - Talks very incoherently on different subjects - Bodily health pretty good C. Munro

May 4th No mental or bodily change C. Munro

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John Shedden Ct 21 from p 53

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Septr 7th Bodily health pretty good, but Bowels require constantly to be kept open by medicine. Is very low and sleeps during the greater part of the day - Has a dull and depressed look - Mind very weak and full of fancies - State has the idea that his friends are combined against him - Cont. Mania

" 27 Bodily health good - Employs himself reading - Mind full of delusions - This morning complained of peculiar sensations in the head which he says are caused by Devils entering into the substance of his brain - Says he knows a great many people are combined together to ruin him, and that this is the plan they take to do it - Has a pocket-handkerchief placed round his head which he says is to keep the Devils out - Has a depressed look - Bodily functions natural C. Mania

October 18th Mind very weak and teeming with delusions - Constantly abuses his friends and considers he has been very ill treated by them - A few days ago asked the Medical Attendant if he ever saw the Devil for that his two aunts formed him exactly - Thinks they were the Devils that have been entering into his brain - On seeing a person wearing a thistle in front of his Cap, he told him that he had God on his forehead - for that the thistle shines and God was light - The following is a Copy of a list of Books which he sent to the Librarian a few days ago -

" Dennicks Village Discourses for the Sea
" Wit of the World for Shedden
" Ounce of Tobacco for same
" I say an ounce of tobacco for Mr Shedden:
" More than they that watch for the
" morning, does Mr Shedden wait for
" an ounce of tobacco - Bodily
health pretty good - Appetite,
Sleep and Bowels natural - C. Mania

Nov 18th Bodily health good - Mind still very weak and teeming with de-lusions particularly on religious subjects - Employs himself reading or writing Sermons during the greater part of the day - No

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	improvement whatever has taken place since last report C. Ottawin
Decr 17th	was today visited by his mother and Aunt whom he said he did not wish to see them – declares his Aunts have been his ruin and drove him insane – Mind full of fancies and delusions – Bodily health good – No Mental improvement has taken place during the last month. C. Ottawin
1844 Janr 17th	No Mental improvement whatever has taken place – Mind teeming with delusions formerly noted – Bodily health good – Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural Cont. Ottawin
Febr 18th	No change whatever has taken place either in this patient bodily or Mental state during the last month C. Ottawin
March 15th	Bodily health good – Mind weak and confused – Answers questions relevantly – Habits rather filthy – dislike to his friends continues them as ever – Is full of fancies – Employs himself reading – Is destructive to his clothes – No Mental improvement has taken place – Bodily functions natural Cont. Ottawin
April 15th	Bodily health good – Mind evidently becomes weaker – Employs himself reading – Is dislike to friends continues – Is destructive to his clothes but quiet and easily managed – C. Ottawin
May 14th	Mind very weak and fanciful – wishes to give up attending church as his soul is already saved – says he has now discovered that notions of religion generally taken by Preachers of the gospel are quite absurd – Has been once or twice discovered in the act of masturbation – Is evidently becoming worse – Is destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits C. Ottawin
June 15th	Bodily health good – Mind evidently becomes weaker – Fancies and delusions formerly noted in the case remain unchanged – destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits No Mental improvement has taken place Cont. Ottawin

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Septemr 19th Still continues in a high state of excitement and is very destructive Requires constantly to be kept in retired Gallery as he smashes windows draws down the Plaster from the walls, and quarrels with his fellow patients - This morning attempted to strike the attendant and declared by God that if any one in the house visits him by himself that he will make a mash of him - says that Dr Mutchesson is a d-d rascal for keeping him in a state prison - Declares he will bring the house down before he has done with it - Bodily health pretty good - C. Munro

October 18th Has continued in a high state of excitement since last report - A few days ago struck one of the attendants very severely, got hold of him by the hair and attempted to knock his head to the wall - is very destructive and takes every opportunity of smashing windows - Mind full of delusions - Says he has become a shoemaker and requests all the old shoes to be sent him for the purpose of having them repaired - Has a regular list of prices drawn out which he intends to charge - As this is a state prison he says people must work - Bodily health pretty good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Munro

Novr 18th Is at present quiet and contented and employs himself daily mending old shoes - Sits in his own room in one of the principal Galleries of lower class house and refuses to enter the first class house saying it is a d-d state prison - Mind teeming with delusions - Dresses his head very fantastically - Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Munro

Decr 17th Mind weak and teeming with delusions - Sometimes dresses himself very fantastically particularly his head - Has employed himself during the last few days working in the garden where he is very industrious and in

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the evening attempts to make shoes
says he is now a shoe-maker and
thinks it the best trade going - Bodily
1844 health at present very good. C. Omnia
Janry 7th Has been very quiet and good hu-
-moured during the last month -
Takes long walks and frequently
employs himself in the garden -
Makes shoes and mends his own
clothes - Will allow no one to clean
his room - Refuses to enter the
west house under the delusion
that it is a state prison - Mind
teeming with fancies and delusions
frequently sings in the unknown
tongue - Bodily health very good
Cont. Omnia
Febr 14th No change whatever has taken place
either in this patients bodily or mental
state since last report C. Omnia
March 4th Bodily health very good - Has been
very quiet and free from any excite-
-ment since last report - Mind still
teeming with delusions - Employs
himself making shoes - Declares
he is a state prisoner and must work
at some trade or other - Refuses to
enter the West House under the de-
-lusion that it is a d-d state prison,
and declares that from the first he
never liked the look of it - Walks
up and down his Gallery singing in the
unknown tongue - Mends his clothes
in a very extraordinary manner -
Sometimes employs himself in the
grounds - C. Omnia
April 3d Mind still teeming with the delu-
-sions formerly noted in his case -
Habit remain unchanged - No mental
improvement - Bodily health
good - C. Omnia
May 4th Delusions formerly noted in this
case remain unchanged - Sings in
the unknown tongue and at present
employs himself making shoes -
Sometimes works in the ground -
No mental improvement has taken
place - Bodily health very good.
C. Omnia
June 3d No change whatever has taken place
either in this patients bodily or mental
state since last report C. Omnia

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Sept. 12th — Bodily health at present very good - Mind weak and fatuous - Appears contented and happy - Frequently talks to himself and sometimes reads the newspapers - Walks daily in the garden - C. Omnia

Oct. 12th — Bodily health has continued very good during the last month - Mind on the same weak and fatuous state - Sometimes employs himself reading - Habit unchanged C. Omnia

Nov. 11th — No change whatever has taken place either in his bodily or mental state since last report - Bodily health good - Mind fatuous as formerly C. Omnia

Dec. 11th — Mind continues in the same weak and fatuous state - seldom enters into conversation but seems contented and happy - Answers questions relevantly but in a confused and hesitating manner - Bodily health good - C. Omnia

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Janry. 11th — Mind fatuous as formerly - In good humoured and contented Bodily health good - Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural - No mental improvement - C. Omnia

Feby 8th — No change whatever has taken place in this patients Mental state - Bodily health good - C. Omnia

March 4th — Bodily health very good - Mind very weak - Habits as formerly - Never enters into conversation with any of his fellow patients - Sometimes reads the Newspapers - Is happy and contented C. Omnia

Pardoned

April 4th — Continues in all respects the same as at last report but during the past month has been once or twice rather more excited - C. Omnia

May 3d — No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place during the past month - C. Omnia

June 4th — Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural - Mind almost gone - Seems cheerful & contented - No mental improvement Sometimes reads the Newspapers C. Omnia

Discharged

July 3d — Bodily health very good - Has been once or twice more

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excited than usual during the last month - Mind very weak - No improvement whatever has taken place Cont. Omnia

Aug. 7. Is at present tolerably quiet and composed. Mind very weak. Vacant and averse to enter into conversation. Bodily health good. appetite deep and bowels natural. Takes daily exercise in the open air and is harmless when not interfered with. Omnia

Sept. 7 Bodily health good and he walks daily in the grounds - Mind weak as formerly - Sometimes employs himself reading the newspapers - Mutters constantly to himself - Is free from any excitement C. Omnia

Dated

Oct. 7 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month C. Omnia

Nov. 6. Mind continues in the same fatuous state - seldom enters into conversation with any one - Sits with a book in his hand during the greater part of the day but seems not to comprehend what he is reading - Bodily health pretty good - Sometimes walks in the garden. Cont. Omnia

—— 30 In all respects as at last report walks daily in the garden. C. Omnia

Dec. 28 Bodily health pretty good - Mind weak & fatuous - Is inclined to be filthy in his habits - seldom speaks or takes notice of any person - Sometimes reads the newspapers - C. Omnia

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Jan. 28 Mind continues in the same fatuous state - Passes his urine on the bed clothes - Sometimes employs himself reading - Bodily health pretty good C. Omnia

Feb. 20 Looks well. Walks very erect & answers a few questions relevantly. Appetite deep & Bowels natural Employs himself in reading but does not seem to recollect a word of what he reads. Cont. omnia

March 8 Has had an interview with Mrs Cammel another lady. Recollected her having been frequently calling on him formerly named them & seemed gratified with the interview. Health good - habits as formerly. Cont. Omnia.

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September 13th Mind weak and fanciful as formerly - Has had occasional fits of excitement since last report - Frequently makes long rambling speeches in which he abuses every one - Employs himself reading - Legs pretty well at present - Bodily health good - C. Dennis

October 12th Has been highly excited during the last few days cursing, swearing and abusing every one about the place - says two men of the name of Smith entered his window every night for the last week and persecuted him in a disgraceful manner - Mind teeming with delusions and fancies - Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Dennis

Nov 11th Has continued in good bodily health and free from any fits of excitement since last report - Mind in the same weak state and teeming with his old delusions - Employs himself reading C. Dennis

Decr 11th Has been free from all excitement during the last month - Frequently roars out at night under the delusion that people are entering his room window - Answers questions relevantly and at present employs himself reading - Mind very weak and fanciful - Bodily health good - Appetite and Bowels natural. Cont - Dennis

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Janry 11th No change whatever has taken place in this patients mental state - Bodily health good Appetite and Bowels natural - Delusions remain unchanged C. Dennis

Feby 8th Habits as formerly - Employs himself reading - Mind weak and full of fancies - Is liable to occasional fits of excitement - Frequently becomes very violent in his language - No Mental improvement has taken place - Bodily health good - C. Dennis

March 6th No Mental improvement has taken place - Still liable to fits of excitement - At present quiet and contented - Bodily health good - Mind full of delusions C. Dennis

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April 4th. Bodily health very good at present. Employs himself reading. Mind in every respect the same. Habits as formerly. Still subject to paroxysms of excitement during which he is violent and noisy C. Otis

May 4th. No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place during the last month. Sometimes employs himself reading C. Otis

June 3d. Has been free from any fits of excitement during the last month. Is at present quiet and employs himself reading. Mind still very weak and full of fancies. Frequently rises out during the night under the delusion that some one is entering his windows. Bodily health good C. Otis

July 3d. Employs himself reading. Has been free from all excitement during the last month. Is very noisy during the night. No mental improvement. Bodily health good Const. Otis

Ported

Aug. 7. Has been cheerful and composed since last report. Disinclined to move much about and usually amuses himself in reading the newspapers and other periodicals. Occasionally talks a good deal to himself when alone in his room at night. Health good, bodily functions natural. Dismissed.

Sept. 7 Is at present very quiet and walks daily in the garden. Mind fanciful as formerly. Employs himself reading but he is very lazy. Bodily health good. Appetite, sleep and bowels natural Const. Otis

Ported

Oct. 7 Mind fanciful as formerly. Declares he is Sir Thos Johnstone and not Cook as formerly called. Talks very much during the night but is free from any fits of excitement. Bodily health good. Sometimes reads the newspapers C. Otis

Nov. 7 No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place during the last month. Habits as formerly. C. Otis

Dec. 7 Mind weak as formerly. Is liable to occasional fits of excitement. Seldom employs himself. Bodily health good. He still receives as a weekly report. C. Otis

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October 18th — Mind weak and teeming with delusions - Is constantly complaining of his fixtures and wishes strong medicine to drive them away - Thinks he has all sorts of beast in his stomach - Is very quiet and take great delight assisting the Attendant to keep the Galleries clean - sometimes reads and frequently plays a game at Billiards with his fellow patients. Bodily health good - Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural C. Mania

Novr 18th — Mind still teeming with the delusions formerly noted - Employs himself as usual assisting in the Galleries - Habits unchanged - Bodily health good - No improvement whatever has taken place C. Mania

Decr 17th — No improvement whatever has taken place in his mental state since last report - Delusions continue unchanged - Employs himself as formerly assisting in the galleries - sometimes ready - Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural Cont. Mania

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Janry 17th — No change whatever has taken place in this patients bodily or mental state since last report - Bodily health good - Delusions continue as formerly Cont. Mania

Febry 12th — Mind still teeming with the delusions formerly mentioned in the case - Employs himself reading and assists the Attendants in the Gallery - when visited by his friends he generally complains of being forced to work although he is frequently requested not to do so - Is particularly fond of making down the beds - cleaning dishes &c - No mental improvement - Bodily health good - C. Mania

March 6th — Habits as formerly - Mind very weak and full of delusions - Employs himself as usual - Is good humoured and quick - Constantly complains of his fixtures - Bodily functions natural C. Mania

April 4th — No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state since last report -

C. Mania

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May 3d — Mind full of fancies - Assists in the Galleries - Daily asks for some strong medecine to drive away his fantasys - In good humoured and easily managed - Bodily health good - No mental improvement C. Dennis

June 4 — Mind continues in the same weak and fanciful state - Delusions formerly noted in the case remain unchanged - Habits as formerly - No mental improvement has taken place - Bodily health good C. Dennis

July 3d — Mind still teeming with delusions - Employs himself as formerly - No mental or bodily change has taken place during the last month C. Dennis

Aug. 2. — Employs himself in assisting the attendants. Mind very weak and full of absurd fancies. Asks continually for medicine and porter. Says he is very weak, that the 'fantasies' continue to trouble him. Feels something very hard in his abdomen which moves about and causes him great annoyance. Bowels regular, appetite good. Sleeps at night. Anxious to go home or to see some of his friends. Cont: omnia.

Sept. 12 — Bodily health good - At present complains very much of his fantasys thinks he should be placed on light food and strong drink - Mind very weak and full of fancies - is very anxious always to assist the attendants in the gallery - C. Dennis

Oct. 12 — Fancies and delusions remain unchanged - No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month C. Dennis

Nov. 10 — Bodily health good - Mind still full of his former delusions - Complains of his fantasies - Asks daily if any word has come for him & when he is to get away - Wishes particularly to assist in the store - C. Dennis

Dec. 2d — No change mental or bodily has taken place since last report - C. Dennis

— 28 — Mind still teeming with the delusions formerly noted in the case - Says he is much troubled with his fantasies at present - Bodily health good Cont: Omnia

1852 June 28th — See all respects as at last report C. Dennis

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1843

October 17th Continues in the same state as at last report – Is very cunning, and troublesome – Takes great delight in causing quarrels with his fellow patients and, putting them against the house – He is devoid of every principle of honesty and truth – No confidence can be placed in a word he says and his greatest delight appears to lie in deceiving (if in his power) the Medical Officers and his Attendants – and abusing his children to his fellow patients – Was a few days ago discovered in the act of giving a letter to one of the workmen employed in the grounds and when asked by the Clinical Assistant why he did so, declared he never gave a letter to any man, that it was a half slice of bread – On reading the letter it was found to contain a request (with the promise of a new hat) to call at the Smiths Shop at the West corner of the grounds and see if he had any word for him – This was done by one of the Medical Assistants who discovered that he had left several letters with the Smith on former occasions which he managed to do by requesting the Attendants when out walking to allow him to light his pipe at the Smithy fire – It was also found that he had given the Smith some silk handkerchiefs and locks belonging to gentlemen in the same Gallery with himself, and to conceal his dishonesty that he had very carefully picked out the mark from the articles not being his own property with a pin – The Smith very properly kept all the letters and other articles which he had received in a parcel together for the purpose of giving them to the Physician – It is unnecessary to say more of what the letters contained than that they were full of the most barefaced lies to suit his own purposes that ever were invented – It is very evident that an Asylum is the best place for this patient – His bodily health is at present very good but he has considerable paralytic affection of articulation – Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural Cont. Observe

Nov. 17th Continues in all respects the same as at last report – Is very cunning

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and troublesome to his fellow-patients — Abuses the house to every person who enters it — This case was lately brought before the Sheriff who decided after hearing the history of the case that he should remain in the Asylum for some time longer — Bodily health good — C. Morris

Dec. 16th — Continues in all respects the same — is very troublesome and abuses every one particularly his own family — says he will make them regret keeping him in an Asylum — makes use of the most filthy and disgusting language when in his former, and at the same time he is always the first to complain of the want of religious devotions in the establishment — He is devoid of every principle of honesty and truth — Bodily health good — Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural. Cont. Morris

1844
Jany 16th — Has been again at his old tricks of attempting to get letters into Glasgow through the Tradesmen at the Asylum but has again been discovered — Continues very troublesome and discontented — No confidence can be placed in a word he says — Has made several attempts to bribe the Attendants to take letters into town for him — Abuses his Children as every thing worse than another, and declares the Day is coming when he will have his revenge for their conduct to him — Bodily health good — Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Morris

Feby 13th — No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or Mental state since his ~~admission~~ last report — Cont. Morris

March 6th — Bodily health testy good — Has considerable difficulty of articulation — is idle, lazy and discontented, sometimes attempts to make his fellow patients break windows for the purpose of spoiling the workmen about the Institution — Abuses his family for every thing that is bad — Declares he will have nothing more to say to them — Wishes to have his case investigated before the Sheriff — is very troublesome and no confidence can be placed in a word he says C. Morris

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1843

October 18th Bodily health now very good but his desire for stimulants is as strong as ever - since last report it was discovered that he was in the habit of leaving the grounds and visiting a public house at Partick where he got whiskey on credit - On being accused of ~~so~~ doing so he as usual denied it but finding it was known, he confessed having done so on four different occasions - This took place about three weeks ago - On promising most faithfully that he would not touch drink he was permitted to spend a day last week at his house in town but before evening he returned to the Asylum perfectly drunk - It is now evident that he cannot be trusted away from the establishment - Employs himself reading and walks in the garden when the weather permits - C. Munro.

Nov. 18th Has not been permitted to leave the institution during the last month consequently has had no opportunity of getting drink - He is now perfectly rational and free from all delusions - Employs himself reading and playing billiards - Bodily health very good - C. Munro

Dec. 17th Continues to behave himself and is at present employed assisting the Steward - Has not been in town during the last month as he cannot be trusted - Is rational and free from all delusions - Bodily health good Cont. Munro

1844
Jany 17th Has been two or three times permitted to go home to see his friends during the last month and on every occasion has returned to the Asylum the worse of spirits - A few days ago brought some home with him and on it being discovered, he denied ever having tasted it - No confidence can be placed in him as he takes every opportunity of getting drunk - Bodily health pretty good - C. Munro

Feby 12th No change whatever has taken place since last report C. Munro

March 6th Bodily health very good - Employs

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himself assisting the Steward - Has permission to visit Glasgow every Saturday but it is evident frequently on his return that his desire for stimulants remains strong as ever - Mind at present rational - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural C. Omnia

April 6th No change whatever has taken place in this patients state since last report - Makes himself generally useful C. Omnia

May 6th - Bodily health good - Frequently visits Glasgow and generally returns the worse of spirits - Betrays no delusions but his desire for stimulants seems to be as strong as ever - Is inclined to be idle and lazy - No improvement in this case is ever likely to take place C. Omnia

June 5th - Continues in all respects as at last report - Sometimes visits town - Seems contented and pleased with his situation C. Omnia

July 12th - Continues rational and free from any delusions - Having obtained a situation in Liverpool he is today discussed

J. Mc Neil

Charles Sterling Act 40 from p 89

1843

October 18th Has improved very much since last report. Bodily health very good - He is much more cheerful and has betrayed no delusions during the last fortnight - Frequently plays a game at Billiards in which he seems to take great interest - At times however he is still rather depressed and his Attendant reports that he only makes use of one shirt weekly, to save the expence of washing - He has also requested a pint of porter which he has been in the habit of taking daily to be stopped, probably from the same feeling - This is a case from his strong suicidal inclination that will require a long probation - Sometimes employs himself reading and walks in the garden when weather permits. C. Ottenia

—— 23 Has daily improved since last report - Is now very cheerful - Plays a game at whist with his fellow patients in the evening - Is perfectly rational and free from all delusions - Bodily health good - Convalescence proceeds favourably C. Ottenia

—— 30th Has continued to be more cheerful since last report - Being now perfectly rational and in good bodily health he is this day discharged,

Cured

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1843

October 19 Came out with the Physicians who visited him with Dr Perry at his own request several times before. Was very much depressed. Insisted that he had lost every thing, that his health was irretrievably gone that he could never recover. Conjunctiva muddy. Expression of countenance anxious and haggard. Tongue pale clean & moist. Very restless. pulse 72 weak. Rep pil. Alterato xij Lenmat ij h. s. Repet h. s. s.

Rp Infusi Senegæ Comp. Vaguæ dra ʒvij T. Cardamomum. Comp ʒij. Fiat mistura ʒij bis quotidie sumenda.

Diet. To be constantly watched.

" 20 Did not sleep till one o'clock & woke again at five. Became restless and excited but became towards the afternoon was quieter. Harps on the old thing, his sin, his state of health, his inability for any exertion mental or bodily, his want of appetite & the utter hopelessness of his condition. C. omnia

" 24 Has taken little food. Has been prescribed wine & refused to take it, but has been persuaded to take porter — Takes little food. Is excited in the morning when he first awakes which is generally about 5 or 6 o'Clock, then he comes depressed & continues so till after dinner when he becomes more composed. Looks at newspapers but cannot be got to read any book, to walk or employ himself in any way. Bowels still constipated notwithstanding the medicine & it has been necessary to give him an enema daily, powder every morning. C. omnia

" 30 Somewhat better since last report but still excited in the mornings & depressed before dinner. After dinner is much less depressed & converses on other subjects besides his own health & affairs. Likes to speak of Political Economy, the House of Commons, &c and tales of Fashionable Life. Plays Whist in Evening. Cont. omnia —

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1843

Nov. 5 On the whole improved, though very slightly. Now walks about in the forenoon. Still excited in the morning & depressed afterwards. Talks as usual of his ruin, his inability for any exertion. Has been persuaded to take a little Sherry daily, & appetite improves. Reads News papers & converses rationally in the evenings. Plays Whist & Roquette. Has formed an acquaintance with Mr Constable one of the patients & he says that he feels better in this society. Has begun to weigh himself to see whether the Physician is correct in saying that he is making flesh – C. ommn

" 10 Continues slowly to improve. Takes now three glasses of Sherry daily & makes a hearty dinner. Is sometimes excitable in the morning & is always more or less depressed before dinner. After dinner however is in good spirits. Is not so despondency at any time as formerly. Plays cards in the evening, converses, tells anecdotes & enjoys humour. Does not so frequently mention his delusion as to the state of his affairs & has forgotten his opinion about his health. Is much pleased with finding that he has gained two pounds weight since he came here. Has seen his friends & was pleased with the interview. Wished to have statements of his business. Cont omnia

" 16 Continues steadily though slowly to improve both in mind & body. Walks, reads the News papers, weighs himself & talks about business matters – Looks much better. State in the morning some what excitable at times & some days depressed in the forenoons. Takes his food well. Requires less aperient medicine. The quantity of wine has been increased to four glasses daily with benefit Cont. omnia –

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Andrew Donaldson Aet 45

1843

October 20th Came to the Asylum last night accompanied by Dr Kalteisen and one of the Clinical Assistants - Was very much depressed - Said he had lost all his scholars and would soon be a ruined man - That it was known in town that he was insane for he saw an old Gentleman a few days ago who stopped him in the Street and said I am very sorry to hear that you have been confined & thinks he may as well be in the Asylum at once as have the name of being so - Says he will never get better - ~~Has~~ That his bowels are impervious - That he has complete inability to fix his attention on any particular object and that he will soon become perfectly deranged - Thinks all his old friends now turn from him with contempt and that every one has changed in his deportment towards him - Pulse 86 feeble - pupils dilated - Tongue foul and dry - Breath fœtid - To have ordinary diet and to be ~~closely~~ closely watched as he is evidently suicidal By Rx Alterativi XII Gum ij O.h. h.s ad 1/4 Vin Vrecim -

21st Has been very noisy and restless during the night & declared that the Doctors had poisoned him for he felt a burning sensation in his Stomach - Talked very much to himself - Bowels have been moved by the pills and his tongue is much improved - Breath still fœtid. Says it is no use giving him medicine that he is already ruined and will soon be deranged & Delusions remain unchanged and as strong as ever - Is full of complaints and very much depressed - C. Dennis

23 Last night refused to have his pills saying he would die before morning - Has been very restless during the night and he continues today in the same depressed state - Bowels have not been moved since yesterday morning - Tongue still foul and breath fœtid - Walks about his Gallery in a restless manner Speaking to himself, and wringing his hands together - Takes his food better - Delusions remain unchanged - Two of the pills

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formerly prescribed to be taken immediately C. Alia

— 26 Bowels have been freely moved by the pills which he has been taking daily – Is still very much depressed and thinks he is ruined for ever – Rests better at night and takes his food pretty well – Delusions remain unchanged – Has a melancholy look but sometimes employs himself reading – Tongue still foul and breath rather fetid – By Pulv. Alexandri XXIV bis in die – C. Alia

— 29 Bodily health seems to improve but his delusions remain unchanged – Still thinks he is ruined and that his friends look on him with contempt – Is full of fancies – Never employs himself in any way – No mental improvement has taken place – Cont. Omnia

— 31 This patients sister called at the Asylum this morning for the purpose of removing him and altho strongly advised and by Dr Hutcheson against such a step she insisted on doing so – No improvement whatever has taken place – His delusions continue as strong as ever – He evidently has a tendency to commit suicide – Under all these circumstances she still persisted in removing him – The necessary order was consequently given by Dr H for that purpose at the same time protesting strongly against it, as being dangerous & holding himself free of all responsibility for what may occur – He is consequently today dismissed

Relieved

James Miller Act 40

1843

October 21st — On being brought to the Asylum this evening, he made determined resistance before he would enter the Gallery. Afterwards he became very quiet - When asked questions by the Clinical Assistant he refused to answer and resisted examination - Has a very melancholy expression of Countenance - To retire to bed and an attendant to sleep in the same room with him - Bodily health evidently very much impaired -

—— 22 — Has slept well during the night but he still continues in the same depressed state - Refuses to take his food and will not answer questions - Resists examination and is prone to stand in one position - Pil. Calomel c Colocynth ij Sum h.s

—— 23d — Bowels have been moved by the pills but no change for the better has taken place - Still refuses to speak or to take his food - Is very much depressed - Sleeps very ill at night - Pulse yo small and feeble - pupils dilated Tongue white and dry - Ry Bicarb: Soda 3ij Tart potass et Soda 3ij - Aqua 3xvi Ft Mistura 3ij ter quotidie -

—— 25 — Continues still in a very depressed state and refuses to speak to the Medical Attendant. This forenoon however he told his Attendant that he was ruined and wished himself out of the world - Has taken about half a pint of beef tea and some bread - Bowels have been freely moved by the Draught - Tongue moist - pupils dilated - Rested quietly during the night Ry Pulv: Alterativi c Sulph Quinia xxiv Sum j ter quotidie C. Alex

—— 26 — Still continues very much depressed but today when asked questions answers yes or no - Refuses to enter into conversation - Thinks he is ruined - This morning took an Egg to his breakfast and has been reading the Newspapers - Countenance much more healthy - In the whole rather improved Cont. Omnia

—— 31 — Has continued to take the Saline mixture and alterative powders daily - Is now very much improved - Takes his food better and answers questions relevantly - Mind still weak and fanciful and continues depressed - Betrays no particular delusions

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but something is evidently working on his mind - Has a more healthy look and is gaining flesh - C. Omnia

Nov 13th - Has continued daily to improve since last report and he now seems rational - Answers questions relevantly and is becoming more cheerful - Takes two alterative pills and two wine glasses full of the infusion of gentian & soda twice daily - Gains strength and flesh - Employs himself reading - Takes his food well - Sometimes plays a game at billiards with his fellow patients - May soon be looked upon as convalescent C. Omnia

" 25 Continues rational and free from any perceptible delusions but still seems rather depressed - Employs himself reading - Bodily health pretty good appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural May now be considered as convalescent C. Omnia

Dec. 9th Has again betrayed symptoms of his insanity and today he is teeming with delusions - Thinks he has been guilty of some act or other against his relations and can never get over it - Says his being kept in the part of the house he now occupies is only increasing his difficulty and adding to expences which he never can pay - Says he should be with the lowest paupers in the house and thinks he is ruined - Wishes to wander away from his friends as will be seen by the following letter which he wrote to Dr Ritchieson this morning -

December 9th 1843

Dr Ritchieson

Dear Sir

I have been anxiously awaiting the result of the communication you told me you were to have with my relations on Tuesday, being unable to conceive what it would be -

What beneficial object was to be attained by putting me into this Establishment, I cannot imagine, increasing obligations already far greater than I can ever answer and further most cruelly involving others, whom I have already so deeply and irretrievably by my presumption and self sufficiency injured

Samuel Gregory Act

1843

October 21st On admission was quiet and seemed very much bewildered - thought he was in London and asked his fellow patients a great many questions about the food - Beds &c of the Establishment - When visited by the Clinical Assistant he raved in a very confused manner - said that he felt very tired - That he was taken prisoner on Thursday last when on board a french Privateer by Her Majesty Ship the Marquis of Hastings having on board the Duke of Northumberland and family - thinks for that reason they have sent him here - Is evidently very much confused says he was taken prisoner at the mouth of the Clyde near North Berwick - Pulse full Pupils dilated - Tongue foul - Breath very fœtid - Sumat. Jul. Colocynth Comp ij a.s -

— 22 Has been very noisy and restless during the night - Frequently attempted to break open his door and knocked over his bed and table - This morning he is quiet but his mind is very much confused - Still raves of his being taken prisoner - Walks about the Gallery in an excited manner Tongue still foul - Breath fœtid - Pupils dilated - R Pil: Hydrarg ij Sum h.s. C. Alia

— 23 Slept very quietly during the night and is today quiet & more composed - Is very anxious to leave - Mind still weak and confused - Delusions remain unchanged - Breath still very fœtid - Pupils dilated - Takes his food well - R Pulv: Rudicis j statim sumend - R Infus. Gentian. Comp XVI Bicarb Sodæ 3ij th - Sumat 3ij bis quotidie - C. Alia

— 24 Is today considerably better - Has slept well during the night - Says he is anxious about his business and thinks over anxiety and want of sleep was the cause of his being here - Says he is perfectly aware of all the nonsense he spoke when admitted but says he now feels quite well again - Answers questions rationally but still has a confused and excitable look - Says that some years ago when

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abroad he had a stroke of the sun and has since been subject to occasional fits of excitement — employs himself reading Breath natural — Tongue white rather foul but moist — pupils slightly dilated C. Omnia
— 25 Has slept well during the night — is today perfectly rational and betrays no delusions — His wife saw him this morning and requested to have him removed — As he is anxious about his business and being well, he is today without undergoing the usual probation in such cases dismissed

Cured

Henry Sterling Aet 28

1843

October 28th — This patient accompanied by his sister came from Ireland this morning and requested to be admitted into the Asylum. Had been some years ago under the care of Dr Hutcheson - Says he has felt very nervous for some time back and is loosing flesh rapidly - That he wishes to be under proper Medical treatment - Fancies his whole body is diseased. That he has gonnorhoea and says he should have been in the Asylum eighteen months ago, that he wished to come but his friends would not allow him - Looks depressed and expresses great anxiety about himself - Pulse 88 moderate - Tongue white and rather dry - Pupils dilated - Breath foetid - Ordered Pil Rhei c Hyd ij - Hft To have ordinary diet -

— 29 Is today rather dull and fears he is in a serious state of health - Employs himself reading and takes his food well - Every few minutes smells his hands and other parts of his body under the delusion that he is in a diseased state - Bowels have been moved by the pills - Breath still foetid - Pupils slightly dilated - Tongue foul - Rx Pil. Alterativ xii Sumij secunda quaque nocte - C. Alia

— 31 Continues in much the same state - Delusions remain unchanged - Habits as formerly - Seems rather depressed - Bodily health pretty good - Rx Decoct: Sodae Zij, Tinct: Gent. Comp Zij: Aquae Zxi Mor. Sum Zij: bis quotidie C. Alia

Novr 12th — Mind continues in the same weak and fanciful state - Says he feels very nervous and knows he is all diseased - Employs himself reading and frequently plays at billiards with his fellow patients - Bodily health good and he appears to gain flesh R. C. Alia

Decr 12th — Has decidedly improved during the last Month and his fancies and delusions become fainter - Says he feels himself better and that he wishes to remain for some time in the Establishment - Has gained flesh - Bowels apt to become constipated and he requires constantly to take medicine - Employs

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himself reading and frequently plays at billiards with his fellow patients. In good humoured and contented. Mind evidently weak. C. Omnia

1844
January 13th — No change whatever has taken place since last report either in his bodily or mental state. Francis formerly noted continues and he has a depressed look. In good humoured and contented with his situation. Bowels ~~ord~~ to become ~~constd~~ constipated. R Pil Alterativ IVi bis 2a dosa C. Alia

Febry 8th — No change whatever has taken place in this patients bodily or mental state during the last month. C. Omnia

March 6th — Bodily health decidedly improved. In still depressed, and retiring in his manner. Says he is sure if he had not come to the asylum that he would have been dead before now. Thinks he feels much better. Seldom seems inclined to enter into conversation with his fellows. Complains of deafness. Appetite, sleep and bowels natural. R Bicarb Sodæ ʒij. Infus. Gentian. Comp. Aqua aa ʒviij. Tinct Cum ʒij bis quotidie. C. Alia

April 3rd — Has continued pretty well during the last month. In still rather depressed. Yesterday expressed a wish to go home to return home but when told that his friends wished him to remain seemed quite satisfied. During a conversation with the Clinical Assistant he told him that his wish to return home was caused by his being sure that his life was a very short one and that he should like to be among his friends. That he would never again enter into business. That he knew his own failing and was sure he could never do any good. Bodily health very much improved. C. Omnia

— 20 — Has been more cheerful during the last fortnight. In anxious to return home. At present betrays no delusions. Bodily health very good. C. Omnia

May 3d — Having continued in good bodily health and his mind being free from all delusions he is today discharged Cured

William Cunningham Act 25.

1843

Novr 6th Bodily health very good - Appetite sleep and Bowels natural - Still continues sullen and depressed - Is very lazy, but his habits are on the whole improved - Employs himself reading in which he now appears to take some interest - Sometimes converses with his Attendant but refuses to speak or answer questions to any other person - C. Mannia

Decr 6th Refuses still to answer any questions to the Medical Attendant - Bodily health very good and he employs himself constantly reading - Writes for the books he wishes - Sometimes speaks to the Attendant in the Gallery but very seldom - Mind continues in the same state - C. Mannia

1844
Janry 1st No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state since last report C. Mannia

" 26 Mind still very weak and fanciful and he has the same disinclination to answer questions. Employs himself reading but never enters into conversation with any of his fellow patients - Is generally found walking about without his Coat - Bodily health very good C. Mannia

Febry 18th No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state during the last month C. Mannia

March 8th Bodily health very good - Employs himself regularly - Habits still lazy but improved - Answers questions and is more inclined to enter into conversation with his fellow patients - Mind still very weak and fanciful - Bowels rather constipated - By Dr Alexander's Form of 1 oz. 2 S C. Mannia

April 5th Mind still weak but on the whole improved - Reads more than any patient in the Establishment - Walks about always with his coat over his shoulders - Was visited by his father about ten days ago told the Attendant that his father was dead, and that he never saw any one so like him as the person

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who came to see him - Bodily health very good - C. Annia

May 8th - Has very much improved during the last month - Employs himself reading and answers questions relevantly - walks out daily - Has a stupid look but betrays no delusions - Bodily health good C. Annia

June 4th - Continues rather to improve - Answers question relevantly but in a hesitating manner - Employs himself reading - Mind evidently still very fanciful - Bodily health good - C. Annia

July 4th - Has continued to improve during the last month - Answers questions in a hesitating manner but relevantly enough - Is anxious to return home - Bodily health very good - Employs himself readily C. Annia

Aug. 2 - Since last report has continued steadily to improve - Bodily health very good - Mind cheerful and apparently free from delusions - Takes daily exercise in the open air and amuses himself in reading - Appears quiet and contented - Appetite, sleep and bowels natural - Has had several interviews with his relatives lately and apparently without detriment - As friends having called today and expressed a desire to try him at home he was accordingly dismissed

Cured.

Thomas Adair Ot 31 from p38

1843

Nov 7th Bodily health very good - Has been free from any fits of excitement during the last month - Answers questions relevantly and is particularly fond of getting information regarding different families in Ireland - Is very childish and constantly plays tricks on his fellow patients - At present employs himself reading Cont. Mania

Decr 4th Has been very much excited during the last fortnight - Fears his fellow patients are going to do him harm - walks about in a very childish manner, and laughs idiotically when asked any questions. Declares he is a pig, but that it is no fault of his - Constantly plays tricks on his fellow patients - Bodily health pretty good - Appetite, sleep and Bowels Natural C. Mania

1844

Janry 7th Has continued very much excited since last report - Tears his clothes and is constantly playing tricks on his fellow Patients - Talks of his having a pigs head - of his being like a beast - Never employs himself in any way - Bodily health pretty good - Ry Pil Catharin XII Lan ij o/n. h.s ad 7tam vicem - Ry Ricard Sodæ ℥ij - Tinct Gent Comp - Tinct Cardamom Comp aa ℥ij - Aquæ ℥XIII M. Cum ℥ij bis quotidie - C. Mania

— 26 Has rather improved during the last few days - Is now much less excited and has been employing himself reading - Tone Mind very weak & fanciful - Is constantly playing tricks - Delusions above noted continue unchanged - C. Mania

Febry 14 Is at present very much excited - Raves in a very incoherent manner - Is full of tricks and very destructive to his clothes - Grunts like a Pig and declares he is one himself - Makes long incoherent speeches - Bodily health pretty good - C. Mania

March 8th Has continued very much excited since last report - Talks in a very incoherent manner - Is full of

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tricky and very childish - Frequently roars out in a loud manner - delusion that he has the head of a pig continues - Tears books and is destructive to his clothes - Has lost flesh during the last fortnight To have full diet and a bottle of porter daily - R Pil. Alterantiv XII Semij secunda quaque nocte -
R Decoct. Sarsa ℥ij - Tinct. Gent. Comp ℥ij
Tinct. Cardamom ℥j - Aquæ ℥XII M
Sumn ℥ij bis quotidie C. Alia

April 4th Still very excitable and full of tricks - So destructive and filthy in his habits - Bodily health rather improved - In other respects the same as when last reported C. Munro

May 4th Mind very much weaker - So noisy, destructive and filthy - Tears his clothes - Plasters the walls with his faces, and sometimes rubs it over his face and other parts of his body - So very noisy and full of tricks - Bodily health pretty good - C. Munro

June 3d Continues to be very destructive and filthy in his habits - Mind full of fancies and very weak - Seems to be loosing flesh - Never employs himself in any way - Walks about the airing grounds & is constantly playing tricks C. Munro

July 3d Has improved very much since last report - Takes care of his clothes and his habits are not so filthy - Has gained flesh and strength - Mind still continues in a very unsettled state and he talks in a confused and unconnected manner - Never reads or employs himself in any way Cont. Omnia

Aug: 7. Bodily health has been steadily improving of late and he gains flesh - More careful of his clothes and personal appearance - Has been quite free from any paroxysm of excitement since last report - Is very mischievous and tricky and delights in annoying his helpless fellow patients but does not strike them - Good humoured in temper - Bowels regular, appetite good - Drink weak and limited - Cont. omnia

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Andrew Thomson Aet

1863

Nov 21st Was brought to the Asylum at six o'clock last night - His admission was quiet but very much bewildered - Talked in a confused and incoherent manner - Has been very restless and noisy during the night frequently raving out murder, and imagined he saw all sorts of objects in his room - When visited this morning he requested to know where he was and told the Clinical Assistant that he had done the Asylum people who have been after him for the last fortnight. Says they do not know where he is at present concealed - Is very much confused and talks in a very incoherent and unconnected manner - Pulse 102 small - Pupils very much dilated - Tongue & dry - Breath foetid - To have a pint of porter immediately and another in the evening - Has very considerable tremor over whole body - R Pil Hydrarg ij statim cum ol Ricini hora tertia cum pulv Seidlitz - To have ordinary diet and to be closely watched -

" 22 Mind very weak and teeming with delusions - Has spent a very restless night and with great difficulty could be kept in his bed - Frequently roared out and declared he was going to be murdered - Saw all sorts of objects in his room - Today talks in a confused and unconnected manner - Very considerable tremor continues - Bowels have been moved by the Medicines - Takes very little food and has a very depressed look - R Pulv. Alterativus xxiv Sumj ter quotidie Cont. Alia

" 23 Mind still full of delusions - Talks in a very unconnected manner - Has spent another very restless night - Is today depressed and has been on his knees praying during the greater part of the forenoon - Tongue improved - Breath still rather foetid - Pupils dilated - Takes his food better - R Sodae Bicarb 3ij - Tinct. Gent. Comp 3ij Tinct. Cardamom 3ij - Aquae 3xiv Mist - Sumj bis quotidie C. Alia

Admitted 20th November 1843

— 25 Has spent a more quiet night and slept better - Is more rational in conversation but still very much confused - Slight general tremor still continues - Appetite improves - Still depressed and he has a very anxious expression - Complains of wandering pains through his head - Tongue moist - Pupils rather dilated Bowels natural - C. Ammia

— 27 Has improved very much during the last two days - Is now pretty rational and tremor has almost entirely disappeared - Takes his food pretty well and says he sleeps much better - Is daily gaining flesh and strength Mind still rather confused - Cont. Julr Alteratin aut prosecpt - Pt Bicarb. Sodæ ℥ij Tinct Gent ℥j - Pt Cardamom ℥j - Aquæ puræ ℥x Pt Sum ℥ij bis quotidie - C. Ammia

— 28 Is today decidedly better - Tremor of body is now entirely gone - Appears more cheerful says he now feels ~~so~~ much less confused - Cannot recollect any thing that took place for some days previous to his admission - Rests quietly and sleeps well at night - Did not know how long he had been here until told by his Attendant - Bodily health improves - Cont. Ammia

Dec 3d - Has continued daily to improve since last report - Is now rational and free from all delusions - Bodily health improved - May be looked upon as convalescent - R. Ammia

— 11th - Browne continues in good bodily health and perfectly rational since last report he is today discharged

Entered

This patient died at home at 3 o'clock PM on the 3rd of Feby 1844.

Alexander Dunlop Act 49

1849
Decr 13 This patient who had been consulting the Physicians for some time past by special arrangement admitted as a boarder into the Physicians House. He came in himself & requested to remain in a retired. He was very much depressed & talked despondingly of the infidelity of his wife. He had what he conceived to be an irrefutable chain of circumstantial evidence to prove that & opened his case as if he had been addressing a jury, with great eloquence tact & ingenuity. The facts on which he founded were very numerous & of the most trifling description when viewed separately, but when joined together by him with great ingenuity they made out a prima facie case which would have made a strong impression on any person not acquainted with the lady & the whole circumstances - His pulse was 78 small & feeble. Countenance sallow & anxious. Complains much of pain - pupils dilated, Skin dry, Tongue thin white furred posteriorly. Bowels constipated & stools dark & very fetid. Urine scanty, high coloured & thick, depositing a sediment of mucus & urate acid on a very short time & in an hour or two becoming highly ammoniacal. He was placed on antimony but plain diet & directed to take every night at bed time two Alterative pills and a Seidlitz Powder every morning, to walk four or five hours daily in the open air & to drink a pint of water three times a day.

" 25 Since last report he has rapidly improved. Some days ago he was placed on the cold impression of shock & immediate dread. He now laughs at his former delusions except when the thought flashes him of the injustice he has done his wife & the misery he has caused

Admitted 13th December 1843

1843
Decr ben. At these times he becomes depressed & vents his self reproaches today has had a kind letter from his wife and is satisfied that he was not to blame as his conduct was the result of disease. His bowels now are regular that he only requires occasionally one pill. His tongue is clean. He sleeps well & has a good appetite. Pulse 72 of moderate strength. Urine natural in quantity & quality. Countenance is indicative of health. Eyes clear. Pupils natural. Gains flesh. C. omnia

29 Has gone on well since last report & family matters requiring his presence at home he is this day with directions to follow the regimen & medicine already recommended & to avoid excitement, dismissed

Cured

1844
May 10 the Physician has repeatedly seen & heard of [illegible] Dunlop who is going on well —

Dec 31 For some time back this patient has been frequently troubled with his old delusions but as yet he is aware of them abruptly & capable of controlling them —

1846
April 20 Since last note this gentleman has been doing on the whole well. At times his old delusions seize possession of his mind & for a time he is inclined to act on them, though he can always control himself so as not to commit overt act. In a few days they leave him. He is however a source of great anxiety to his friends & would not be surprised to hear of his cutting his throat or doing some desperate suicide at any time. He will ultimately lose all self control

W. H.

Richd Young Act 23

1843

Decr 15th — was brought to the Asylum this evening by one of the Attendants — On admission he was quiet and answered questions relevantly enough — Entered into a long account of the way he made his escape from Edinburgh Asylum — Of his intentions to go to America, and of the manner in which he had been treated by his relations in being placed in a mad house for the purpose of getting possession of a sum of money which was left him by his father — Says he knows he has been once or twice rather excited, but that temporary insanity was nothing — That he has frequently seen old sailors and soldiers who had been wounded after taking a little whisky become excited for a day or two, but these he did not consider as cases for an Asylum — After making his escape from Edinburgh Asylum he went to his Aunts house, took possession of several silver spoons, then proceeded to Jarmouth where he was found by the Authorities of that town in the act of pawning them, and not being able to give a satisfactory account of himself he was placed in the Police Office — At the request of his family Medical man, one of the Attendants of this institution went to England and brought him here — His mind is evidently weak and fanciful — Bodily health seems very good — To be closely watched —

— 20th — Has been watching every opportunity of making his escape — Says he wishes to go to America — That he has no idea of being kept here and done out of his money by people who pretend to be his friends — Talks in a rambling and confused manner — Constantly fills his pockets with bread and ~~and tea~~ any little things he can get his hands on — Mind evidently very weak — Bodily health good —

1844
January 19th — Has continued in much the same state during the last month — Delusions regarding his friends and money remain unchanged — Mind weak and excitable — Employs

Admitted 15th December 1852

himself reading and playing billiards
Bodily health good - C. Otmia

Feby 18 Has been more excited during the last fortnight - Mind very weak and fanciful - Complaining very much of people looking through his bed room window and annoying him - He declares his friends are combined together to do him out of money - Has a stupid look and laughs in a very idiotic manner - That people look through his window is a complete delusion as his shutters are closed every night - Bodily health pretty good - R Pil Alterative XII - Rem ij o.a.h.s

March 6th Mind is evidently becoming weaker - Has a stupid look and is constantly talking to himself - Delusions noted in last report remain unchanged - Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and Ble natural C. Otmia

April 4th No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state during the last month - Is at present quiet, and free from all excitement - C. Otmia

May 4th Bodily health good - Mind evidently becomes weaker - Dislike to friends still continues - Declares frequently that people enter his room at night for the purpose of annoying him - Is full of fancies - Walks about the gallery cursing and swearing to himself - Is liable to occasional paroxysms of excitement but is easily managed - seldom employs himself in any way - C. Otmia

June 8th Bodily health good - Dislike to friends continues - Delusions formerly noted in the case remain unchanged - Seldom employs himself in any way - No improvement whatever has taken place C. Otmia

July 4th Mind becomes much weaker - Is full of fancies - Frequently throws off his clothes and runs naked about the airing grounds - Abuses his friends and declares he will have his revenge on them yet - Laughs and sings in a very idiotic manner - Has lost flesh lately - Cont. Otmia

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1843

Dec 9th — But if my residence here is to depend for its termination on my pointing out any rational course, it must be long indeed for were I at this moment free from all obligations, incited of having forfeited place and character by a conduct which I can neither vindicate nor remedy, I have no prospect but to wander away, as far as possible from those whom I cannot resist, and am ashamed to meet, without aim or object - Circumstanced as, it is most absurd that I should have been retained here so long, and every moment increases the absurdity - I can only give what I have, and certainly although I never would have dreamed of coming in here or of such an absurdity being perpetrated under the mockery of kindness, I have not been able to make any effort to get out, because I know not where to turn - The treatment I have received / knowing as your servants must have done my true position since I came, is a strong proof of the good discipline of your establishment, while you have been most unjustly inconvenienced and annoyed on my account.

I am most respectfully
Your Obt Servt
(signed) Jas Miller

20 — Mind still very fanciful and tinging with the delusions formerly noted. Has a very depressed look and seldom employs himself in any way - stands during the greater part of the day looking out at one of the Gallery windows - Bodily health pretty good - Appetite, sleep and bowels natural - C. Ownie

24 — Has been much more cheerful during the last few days - Employs himself reading, and has been playing cards with his fellow patients - Answers questions relevantly - Still looks depressed but his delusions evidently become fainter - Bodily health good Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural Cont. Ownie

30 — Has continued daily to improve since last report - He is now rational and free from all delusions - Bodily health good - C. Ownie

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1844
Jan 8th Having continued cheerful, and free from any delusions since last report, he was at the request of his friends today discharged

Cured

1846
October 21. This patient has become ~~[illegible]~~ passionately fond of Freemasonry & late. Last winter he gave lectures on the subject & has announced a series of lectures for the ensuing winter. He is Grand Master of St Alcuins Lodge He enjoys excellent health & spirits & appears to be quite rational —

John Ogle Act
1844

Janry 9th Was today brought from the Edinburgh Asylum - On admission recognised Dr Balcheson the Physician. Looked very dull and depressed. Refused to give any account of his feelings and resisted examination - Pulse 90 small - Impulse debated, Bowels open - By Pil: Alterative ij Enema j 6th hrs -

" 13th Continues in a very depressed state Refuses to Speak, and never answers questions - Stands during the greater part of the day in one position - Never takes his food unless given to him by the Attendant - Passes his urine on the bed clothes and is filthy in his habits - Is very childish and will do nothing for himself - Seems to be loosing flesh - Bowels apt to become constipated - By Pil: Colocynth Comp c col Ext j Enema - Enema C. Olei

" 20th No improvement whatever has taken place - Continues depressed and refuses to take his food - Answers questions in a vacillating manner and frequently refuses to speak a word - Habits continue childish and filthy - Has an unhealthy look and is loosing flesh - By Bicarb Soda 3ij - Tinct Gentian C 3ij Aquæ 3 XIV M - Sumat 3ij bis quotidie Enema Statim Jejr Alterative ij C. Olei

" 26 Still continues melancholy and depressed - Stands in one position and never speaks to any one - Yesterday answered questions but today refuses to do so - With great difficulty can be got to take his food - Looks thin and pale - Never employs himself in any way - Passes his Urine on the bed clothes - and requires to be dressed by the attendant every morning - Is very childish and requires everything done for him By Tinct Senna 3ij - Mist Rhei 3ij Tart Potass et Soda 3ij - Bicarb Soda 3ij Aquæ 3 XIV M Sumat 3ij bis in die C Olei

Febry 4th No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state since last report - Habits still very filthy C. Olei

Admitted 9th Jany 1844

Jan 22 Mind ~~con~~ continues in the same weak state - Has a very depressed look and still refuses to answer questions - Is destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits - Refuses frequently to take his food - Is prone to stand in one position - Has lost flesh during the last fortnight - Pulse 68 small - Pupils dilated - Refuses to show his tongue - Bowels apt to become constipated - R Pil Alterativ XII Secum ℥ ss. h.s - and Vitam vaccin - C. Alia

" 26 Still refuses to take his food at times - No mental change - Is evidently loosing flesh - To have three glasses of Port wine and two pints of beef tea daily C. Alia

March 8th Bodily health has decidedly improved since last report - Takes his food now very well - Is again gaining flesh - Mind still continues in the same weak and confused state - Refuses to speak to any one, even his friends who have seen him once or twice lately - Has a melancholy look - Habits very filthy - Passes his urine & faces in the bed clothes - Is very childish and will do nothing for himself - Stop the port wine and let him have two pints of porter daily C. Alia

" 21 Bodily health continues to improve - Mind continues in the same weak state - Habits filthy as formerly - No improvement has taken place - C. Ormia

April 5th Mind continues in the same weak state - Refuses to speak and is prone to stand in one position - Never employs himself in any way - Destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits - Hands have a blue appearance which is probably caused by want of circulation - To be washed with the Spirit of Camphor. Bowels require to be kept open by medicine C. Ormia

May 4th State very filthy in his habits - Refuses to speak and has a stupid look - Hands have not the same blue appearance as at last report - Bodily health good - No mental improvement C. Ormia

To Sept 1st

Martin Stockdale Kirkes Act

1844

Janʸ 11th Was brought to the Asylum today under the idea that it was a Royal hospital for Navy and Military men - On admission he looked depressed and stupid - Talked in a confused manner and his mind was evidently much weakened by hard drinking and eating opium - Requested to retire to his bed - Had an abscess on perinæum which had been opened and was discharging - Bowels to be kept open and hot fomentation constantly applied - Has considerable tremor and complains of not being able to sleep as he sees every sort of Devils in his room - R Pulv: Camphoræ gr x Pulv: Opii gr ß M. Sum. statim -

— 12 Abscess still continues to discharge but he feels much less pain - says he slept pretty well during the night - Is less confused this morning in conversation - Pulse 81 moderate - pupils dilated - Tongue foul - R Sol Sulph: Magnes ℥ij - Tinct: Cardamon ℥j M. Haust statim sumend C. Alia

— 15 Opening in Abscess has closed and the discharge is gone - Has now very little pain and today took a short walk in the Gallery - Is now perfectly rational - Contented and happy - Says he will remain here for a considerable time longer - This is a case in which a very long probation will be necessary to do any good - C. Omnia

— 20 Continues cheerful and happy - Has been amusing himself playing billiards and reading - Says he is quite pleased with his situation and laughs at the idea of the trick that was played upon him when he was brought here - Is rational and free from all fancies - Sleeps well at night - Bodily health very much improved C. Omnia

Febʸ 13th No change whatever has taken place in the state of this patient since last report - Is cheerful and contented and seems quite pleased with his situation C. Omnia

March 5th Bodily health very good - Employs himself reading - Plays billiards and walks out daily - Sometimes

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goes into Glasgow - Is quite aware of his great desire for stimulants and seems perfectly satisfied that he is in a position where he cannot gratify it - Appears cheerful and happy - Mind now entirely free from all delusions - Appetite, sleep and bowels natural C. Mackenzie

April 8th Bodily health good - Is now rational and free from all delusions - Has permission to walk into Town - Is cheerful and contented and wishes to remain for some time longer in the establishment - Is quite aware of his own strong desire for stimulants - C. Mackenzie

May 8th No change whatever has taken place in this patients bodily or mental state since last report C. Mackenzie

June 4th Walks daily into town and seems cheerful - Answers questions relevantly but his mind is evidently weak - Bodily health good - May be removed from the Institution when his friends think proper - C. Mackenzie

July 4th Walks daily into town and seems cheerful - Strong desire for stimulants continues - Is free from any delusions - Bodily health good - No change since last report C. Mackenzie

" 31 Bodily health very good. Appetite & sleep natural - Walks out daily and visits the neighbourhood. Has signified his intention of leaving the Asylum shortly. Conversation free. Imbecile

August 31 Continues to walk out daily - Employs himself when in the Asylum either reading or playing Cards - In all respects as at last report Cat. Mackenzie

Sept 30 This patient when in town a few days ago was bit rather severely by a dog on the right arm - It is now rapidly healing and he suffers no great inconvenience from it - Bodily health otherwise good - Talks in a rambling manner on different subjects C. Mackenzie.

" 30 Being this day in good bodily health and his mind being free from all delusions he is discharged

C. Mackenzie

Wm Johnstone Aet 18 –

1844

January 17th was today brought to the Asylum by one of the Clinical Assistants and an attendant – When visited for that purpose he resisted violently and beat his fathers hand very severely – On admission he became more quiet but declared he would yet have his revenge on those who brought him to the Asylum – Refused to answer questions, and walked about in a very excited manner – Pulse full – Pupils slightly dilated – Tongue foul and dry R Pil Alterativ XII Sum ij O.n. h.s. ad 4tum vicem –

— 18 Is today more composed, and has been employing himself reading – Asked the Clinical Assistant why he was sent to a Mad house and that surely he was not thought insane – When told that he had been complaining, he said that he had – That he had not been able to attend to his business for some time back – That particular feelings used to come over him and that he frequently felt restless and confused – At the same time it would do him no good sending him here – Said he was no doubt better than in his own house – and declared his father was the cause of all his sufferings – Raved of the use the cold water cure had been to him – and said that no other medical treatment would do him any good – Takes his food well and sleeps quietly at night – R Brandi Sodæ ℥ij – Tinct Gentian Comp ℥ss – Aquæ ℥ij ℞ Sum ℥ij bis quotidie – C. Olea

— 20 Continues in all respects the same as at last report – Has kept free from any excitement – Still complains of the treatment he received from his friends – Talks in a rambling manner – Mind evidently weak – Employs himself reading Cont. Olea

— 26 Is very quiet and free from any excitement – Answers questions reasonably enough – Still raves of the cold water Cure – This morning gave the Clinical Assistant the following account of himself – Said that he felt frequently great disinclination

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to speak to any person - That he frequently saw objects coming before his eyes after which he felt excited - Frequently did so when at home - Had an inclination to leave his home and friends and say that much as he dislikes the Asylum that he feels happier in it than in his father's house - Thinks he feels himself better - Evidently looks more cheerful - Bodily health improves - C. Nevins

Feby 5 Delusion of Father still continues as appears from the letter which he this day wrote to a friend of which the following is a copy -

Lunatic Asylum 5th Feb'y 1844

My Dear Allan

I received your very interesting letter today and now hasten to reply. I cannot tell you how much I feel disappointed at your not being able to pay me a visit I hope however you will remove as soon as possible what prevents you and come and see me as I will then be able to explain to you far more satisfactorily what I can do but imperfectly by writing -

Among other things which I wish to see you for is to get your advice on what I am to communicate to my father and to be the means of bearing it to him - for as to writing him or holding any personal communication with him while I remain here is what I will never do - I cannot tell you how much incensed I am at the manner in which I have been lugged into this place - I am much obliged to you for the very confident prospect of restoration to health you hold out to me with attention and Gods blessing which I trust may come about but I wish for any sake that you would come out and see me - I do not know what you mean by it not being in your power I suppose some damnable promise has been extorted from you not to come. You cannot imagine what a miserable existence it is to me here - I am treated as an insane person, shut up in a room with 6 or 8 insane (moderate) with access to a Gallery where you walk about - There is one blessing viz a Library, so that I have principally spent all my time in reading

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John Anderson Aet 30

1844

Janry 22d On admission was quiet and looked bewildered - Refused to speak and had a very depressed look - was very stupid and did not seem to know what he was doing - Said to have refused food for several days and he looked pale and thin - Pulse so feeble - & clean - Inspiss dilatet Pj Bicarb: Sodæ 3ij - Tinct Gent Comp 3ij - Aquæ ℥ xx M. Sumat 3ij bis quotidie

" 23d Has been very quiet during the night and today he continues in the same depressed state - Refuses to speak but has taken some food - Is filthy in his habits and passes his urine and faces on the bed clothes - Is very childish and stupid. Pj Pil: Alterantis vi Sumj o.n. & 8 ad mittenda urgentia C. Alia

" 26 Has rather improved during the last few days - Is still depressed and melancholy but answers questions has a very stupid look - Takes his food very well and today said he felt better - Still filthy in his habits - Never employs himself in any way - C. Mannia

Febry 1st Continues to improve and takes his food better - Still depressed and melancholy but not so stupid - Answers questions in a hesitating manner but relevantly enough - Habits very much improved - Has gained flesh and strength - Bowels apt to become Constipated - Repet. Pilul: ad pil: ant. Prescripti - Cont. Alia

" 24 Is daily becoming more cheerful although he is still very depressed - Bodily health very much improved - Employs himself reading - Seldom enters into Conversation with any of his fellow patients - Was today visited by his brother and seemed pleased to see him - Said he felt better - That he was comfortable and did not wish to leave the Asylum till he was perfectly restored - C. Mannia

March 6th Notices no particular delusion but is still depressed and melancholy - Habits have very

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much improved - is gaining flesh and strength - Employs himself reading - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural - On the whole very much improved
C. Ormiston

April 3rd — Mind weak and fanciful - Never speaks to any of his fellow patients - Resists examination and answers questions in a confused manner - When visited yesterday by his friends would scarcely speak to them and left the room - Has a melancholy depression of countenance - Bodily health improved - Walks daily in the grounds - Continue infusion of soda & gentian also the pills - C. Ormiston

May 4th — No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place in this patients state since last report C. Ormiston

June 4th — State very depressed and stupid - seldom speaks to any one and when asked questions answers in a hesitating manner - Bowels require to be constantly kept open by gentle medicines - Has been once or twice visited by his friends but did not seem inclined to speak to them - Is very clinedish - No mental improvement has taken place during the last month - Bodily health good
C. Ormiston

July 3d — Bodily health good - Walks daily in the grounds - Is depressed and seldom speaks to any of his fellow patients - Mind on the whole more alert - Seldom employs himself in any way C. Ormiston

Aug 10. — Bodily health continues good. Mind weak and depressed. Inclined to be taciturn - Reserved in disposition and secludes himself from his fellow patients. Bowels regular. Appetite good
Cont. omnia

Septr 10 — Mind ~~in the same~~ becomes much more alert but he is still rather melancholy ~~Walks~~ daily in the grounds but seldom employs himself in any way - Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural Cont. Omnia

" 21st — Has daily become more cheerful since last report. Shows rational and free from any delusions and being in good health he is today at the request of his friends dismissed
E. Welch

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1844

Janry 28 Mind continues in a very weak state - is full of fancies - walks about the Gallery during the greater part of the day talking to himself in a very idiotic manner - tears his clothes and is inclined to be otherwise destructive - Breaks windows &c, delusions formerly noted in the case remain unchanged - Has considerable paralytic debility. Bodily health in rather a feeble state - Bowels require to be kept open by medicine - No improvement has taken place - Habits filthy - C. Mania.

Febry 21st No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state since last report. Habits filthy - Mind very weak - C. Mania

March 6th Paralytic debility seems to increase and limbs become more feeble - Mind very weak - Can scarcely utter a connected sentence - is destructive and filthy - Thinks he is a man of large property - Raves sometimes of his wealth, power &c Has considerable difficulty of articulation - No improvement is likely to take place - Bowels apt to become constipated. R Pil. Alterantes XII Sum ij o.n. h.s ad 6tam vicem C. Alia

April 8th Bodily health has considerable improved during the last month - Considerable paralytic debility continues - is destructive and filthy in his habits - Mind fatuous and full of delusions - walks daily in the grounds when weather permits - Continue the infusion of soda and gentian - C. Mania

May 4th No mental improvement has taken place - is destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits Paralytic debility continues - Never employs himself in any way C. Mania

June 4th Mind still very weak and fanciful - Much equally to any one - Resists examination and seems not to comprehend what is said

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to him - Has very great paralytic debility of his limbs - Is destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits - Walks daily in the garden - Never ready to employ himself in any way - Is destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits - Cont. Omnia

July 3d No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place during the last month - Is destructive and filthy in his habits C. Omnia

Aug. 10. Bodily health continues feeble. Appetite good Throws off his clothes and resists the attendant when he endeavours to put on his dress - Has a very unsteady gait and the paralysis is gradually increasing - Mind weak and imbecile. Passes his faeces and urine as he stands and not his bed every night - Cont. medicament -

Sept. 10 Paralysis continues to increase and he seems to lose flesh - Habits filthy and destructive - Mind very weak - Will not keep on his clothes - No mental improvement is now likely to take place - Cont. Omnia

Oct. 10 Mind continues in the same imbecile and fatuous state - seeing not to comprehend what is said to him - The attendant has great difficulty in keeping on his clothes Habits filthy - Resists examination Paralytic debility continues C. Omnia

Nov. 9. Is destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits - Mind very weak - seldom speaks or takes notice of any one - Never employs himself in any way - Paralysis seems to increase Cont. Omnia

Dec. 1st No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report - ~~C. Omnia~~ A pint of porter daily -

— 28 Bodily health at present in a very feeble state - Limbs become more feeble and he is loosing flesh & strength Paralysis seems to increase - Mind almost entirely gone - Habits very filthy - Throws off his clothes - Never speaks to any one - Is frequently childish and requires to be assisted by his attendant in every thing - By Rule Alteration XXIV seems to be entitled — Cont. Alia

1845 Jany 28 The all respects as at last report C. Omnia

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1844

Jan^y 28 Has been in seclusion during the last month - Is still in high state of excitement - Raves in a very vehement and incoherent manner on all subjects - Paroxysms of mania are now of much longer duration than formerly and he is more apt to strike his Attendants - Has made several attempts to do so during his present attack - When well seldom continues so more than ten days or a fortnight - Bodily health very good - Appetite and Bowels natural C. Mania

Febr^y 24 Is at present rational and free from all excitement - Has been again removed to his own Gallery - Bodily health good - Is now in his usual state between his paroxysms C. Mania

March 6th Has been rather depressed during the last few days - Says he feels unhappy but can not explain why - Answers questions relevantly enough - Remains at present free from any excitement but betrays slight symptoms of his paroxysms in returning By Pil. Alterativ XII Gum ij Ol. Ricini ad vi^am vicem C. Alia

— 20 Is today in a high state of excitement - Raves vehemently and incoherently - Curses, Swears and Abuses every one - Is destructive and filthy - Tears the bed clothes and this morning attempted to strike the Clinical Assistant - Is to be removed to the refractory ward - Bodily health good - R Pil Ipec c Ol Ricini Gumat Statim - C. Alia

— 22 Continues in the same high state of Mania - Is very noisy and destructive - Raves incoherently and is in his usual state between during his paroxysms C. Mania

April 5th Continues in the same excited state as when last reported - Bodily health good - Still in seclusion C. Mania

May 5th Still continues in the same state of excitement C. Mania

— 26 Has been rather quieter during the last few days and he now seems to be coming out of

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his present paroxysm – still raves in a very incoherent manner – is permitted to walk about the ward but still in the refractory during the night C. Ownie

June 10 Has continued daily to improve since last report – Is now quiet and rational but very depressed – At present betrays no delusions and is now in his usual state between his paroxysms – Bodily health good. Employs himself reading. C. Ownie

July 8 Still continues quiet and has been free from any excitement during the last month – Is rational and betrays no delusions – Employs himself reading C. Ownie

Aug 30 For the last few days he has been gradually becoming excitable and this afternoon he began to throw off and destroy his clothes. It was found necessary in consequence to remove him to the refractory ward this evening – General bodily health good. Appetite and bowels natural – Sleeps but little and passes his time shouting and whistling. Paroxysm has set in with all its accustomed violence. Let him be kept in seclusion. Dismissed.

" 20 Paroxysm continues. Is very violent in language and gesture but good humoured and not disposed to strike. Walks in the refractory gallery during the day occasionally but he is as yet too excitable to be removed. Health good. bowels regular. Coat omitted

" 24 Has gradually become more composed since last report. Expressed a wish to be allowed to change his room and promised to behave quietly if permitted to leave the refractory ward. He has consequently been transferred to No 1 W. Women. Dismissed.

Sept 4 Has continued daily to improve since last report. Is now quiet and rational and in his usual state between his paroxysms – C. Ownie

" 15 Is today highly excited and was this morning removed to the refractory ward – Raves in a very vehement manner – Curses and abuses the attendants. Bodily health good – Appetite and Bowels natural – Same statement. Last Ainsworth

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Feby but now I am getting designated at it. so I have nothing to do but stretch myself on 3 or 4 Chairs and think on my very bright prospects and damn an Curse and Swear at the authors of my present Condition. then when night comes on you are locked up into your bed room. Upon my word it is enough to make one mistane. So then get over all objections to coming out which I am sure you will when you read the above so that I will expect you in a day or two.

I would be very glad to hear Mr. Glovers letter I am sure it will be very interesting and very well written.

The lecture ticket is I think in my great Coat pocket or in the little press in my bed room. I hope you will get it all snug. As to the washing I do not care about it now but I thank you if you would see about the Sheetsham as I would be very sorry either that it should be lost or come to any Harm. as also various other little nick knacks which you know I value and which were in the little press which you will please enquire about. What about my pictures? I hope that matter is all squared off. There is also a great many other things which I have to tell you and so do come out And ever believe me

Your sincere friend

Wm Johnstone

10 Appears more composed & cheerful Answers questions relevantly and betrays no delusions except in connection with his Father. C. omnia

14 Told the Physician that he had a statement to make to him at a future day. Still determined against his Father. Pulse 70 small Tweak. Tongue dry. Takes food & sleeps well. T. Pl. Act ij. h.s C. alvi

23 Has written a letter to the Physician requesting an interview in his Study which is promised him tomorrow. No change except that his bowels are more regular. Cet omnia

24 Came today to the Physicians Study

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Feby made the following statement He was 5 or 6 years at the High School Clapton where he learned very little. Had no liking for any thing but Geography. Her Father was very religious & strict in that, but kind in every thing. At 16 went to Greenock to a rope work. Went on well for a year but then had disagreable feelings, such as ~~feeling~~ a heat in his face when in company which made him ~~feel~~ unhappy when in company. Felt comparatively well when alone. Felt sweetness in loins – Never indulged in women but learned masturbation at School at Manchester after he left the High School. He continued the practice for a year once or twice a ~~year~~ week & beginning to feel sinful & hurtful, gave it up. Emissions continued Consulted medical men who laughed at him & said it was imagination Felt so miserable that he was tempted to put an end to himself In consequence of losing all confidence in medical men he wished to consult quacks & particularly by Nostrums. Used Perry & Co of Birmingham, the author of the Silent friend but got no good of their bottle. Circulation languid hands cold & blue. Pale & weak & feeble – Pupils dilated – Bowels irregular. Complains of flatulence Has given his parole not to go away & is to be removed up stairs – Rx Acetat plumbi 3ij pulv. Opii gr xv. Confect. Aromatic 3ij Ft mistura quam divide in pulvos aequales xxx.. ~~Hauste pro~~ Alterate xxx. pro Sumat unam omni nocte h.s. Hauste pul. Alterate xxxv. pro. Sumat 4ta omni mane. Haust Infus Cinchon. frigid. c Acid. Muriatic ℥xv. Sumat 3ij bis quotidie Cont. alia —

March 6th Is now much more Cheerful – says he is satisfied that Dr Hutchesons treatment will do him good. Spoke of his father in a much kinder manner and says he will forget all that is past – Walks out daily and on the whole is much improved

April 1st Cont. Has continued daily to improve since last report and he is today discharged Cured

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March 4th Mind very weak and turning with delusions - Is at present quick but liable to fits of excitement. Bodily health at present pretty good - Bowels apt to become constipated - Delusions previously noted in the case remain unchanged - No improvement has taken place C. Mimica

Parted

April 8th Bodily health at present pretty good - Walks daily in the garden and his limbs are much firmer - seldom employs himself in any way. Mind continues in the same weak state - Delusions unchanged C Mimica

May 3rd Has continued in good bodily health during the last month - Mind in the same weak state - Never employs himself in any way - C. Mimica

June 6th Continues in good bodily health - Walks daily in the garden - Is liable to occasional fits of excitement when he makes long rambling and incoherent speeches - At other times he will sit in the parlour for days together in a depressed state and never speak to any one - Never reads or employs himself in any way - No mental improvement has taken place C Mimica

July 5th No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place during the last month - Walks out daily in the grounds Cook - Mimica

Parted

Aug. 10. Has been very quiet and free from all symptoms of excitement since last report - Takes daily exercise in the airing grounds, walking rapidly to and fro without taking notice of any person who may pass him - When spoken to he answers in monosyllables and very abruptly - Bodily health good - Requires occasional doses of cathartic medicine - Cont. Mimica

Sept. 10 Bodily health at present pretty good walks daily in the airing grounds for several hours - Mind very weak - but he continues free from any excitement - C. Mimica

Oct. 10 Mind continues in the same weak state - Takes no notice of anything that is going on around

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	mania – Has been free from any excitement during the last month – walks out daily in the airing ground and his bodily health continues good Cont. Mania
Nov. 11	Bodily health continues very good – Sometimes reads and walks daily in the garden – Mind very weak – Seldom enters into Conversation with his fellow patients – Cont. Mania
Dec. 2?	No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report C. Mania
— 28	Bodily health at present very good – So quiet & free from any excitement – Never enters into conversation with his fellow patients – Mind fatuous – walks daily in the airing ground and never takes notice of any one – Cont. Mania
1840 Jan. 28	Is at present in good bodily health – walks daily in the garden for several hours – Mind very weak – Never enters into Conversation with any of his fellow patients – Seldom employs himself in any way – C. Mania
Feb. 15	Health good. Daily takes general horse exercise. Appetite Neck Herneil natural. Looks cheerful & happy but seldom speaks. When he does speak his utterance is difficult & his words are thrown together as if he made an effort to get them all out at once. His mind is very weak but he betrays no delusions either in what little he speaks or by his acts. Cont. mania –
March 1	Continues the same in all respects as at last report. When not taking exercise ~~or other~~ ~~wise~~ engaged in eating he sits in an attitude indicating perfect inattention to what is passing around him. Never reads – Does not hold any communication with his fellow patients. Cont. mania

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Robert Scott Jones Act 30

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March 15th On admission was quick and composed asked where he was, and when told seemed perfectly satisfied – Is in a state of Dementia – Cannot utter a connected sentence – When asked questions always answers yes – Talks incoherently – Mind fatuous – Said to be subject to epileptic fits –

" 21 Continues in the same state as on admission – Mind weak and fatuous – Is quick and contented – Never employs himself in any way – Bowels apt to become constipated – By Pil. Jal. c.d. Pot. ℞ Decoct j secunda quaque nocte C. Alia

" 28 No mental improvement – Never employs himself in any way – Has had no return of his Epileptic fits since his admission – C. Ormerod

April 21st Had an attack of excitement this morning and broke two panes of glass – Attempted to strike the Attendant – Is very childish and his mind seems almost entirely gone – By Pil. Alterantin ℞ Mane ij secunda quaque nocte – C. Alia

May 26 Mind Continues in the same weak state – Has had no epileptic fit during the last month and has been free from any paroxysm of excitement – Bodily health good – C. Ormerod

June 25 Has not been so well since last report and Epileptic fits have been more frequent – Mind Continues in the same fatuous state – Is destructive and filthy when in a paroxysm – Bowels require to be constantly kept open by strong purgatives – No improvement has taken place Cont. Ormerod

July 19th No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state during the last month – Cont. Ormerod

August 20. Epileptic paroxysms as violent and frequent since last report. He has had no fits during the last fortnight. Mind quite imbecile and fatuous. Bodily health good. Inclined to be filthy in his habits and cannot assist himself – Bowels regular by medicine. Continued.

Admitted 15th March 1864

Sept. 19 Had a fit a few days ago rather violent in its character after which he became very much excited - Mind continues in the same fatuous state - Eats every thing with the shape of food that he can lay his hands on - Bodily health as usual and ~~Habits~~ habits remain unchanged C. Otunia

Oct. 19 Mind continues in the same fatuous state - Epileptic fits are less frequent - Is liable to occasional fits of excitement - Habits childish and he is sometimes inclined to be filthy - Bodily health good - Walks daily in the grounds Cont. Otunia

Nov. 15 Has had no epileptic fit during the last month - Mind fatuous as formerly - Is very childish and can do nothing for himself - Is subject to occasional fits of excitement. Bodily health good. Cont. Otunia -

Dec. 5th Had a fit this morning and after recovering from it became rather excited - Threw his tea cup at the Attendant - Mind continues in the same fatuous state C. Otunia

—— 28 Mind weak and fatuous as formerly - Is inclined to be filthy in his habits and is very childish Has had no return of fits since last report - Bodily health good - Cont. Otunia

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Jan. 28 Bodily health has rather improved during the last month - Epileptic fits are less frequent - Has a more voracious appetite - Mind continues in the same fatuous state - Cont. Otunia

Feby 10 No change has taken place in this patient since last report Has had no Epileptic fits. Appetite voracious. Bowels regular Sleeps well. Childish in mind & feeble in body. Moves very slowly. Is easily pleased & engaged through when mounted he sits his pegasus like a child. Requires a good deal of attention to keep him clean & tidy as he is rather inclined to be filthy. Cont. omitted

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Hugh Smith Ct

1844

March 21 An attendant had been sent from the Asylum last night who found him in charge of a private keeper, bound hand & foot & highly excited. The attendant by a little tact & management soon quieted him & released him from personal restraint. He remained quiet during the night but this morning became highly excited, attempted to jump over the window bench, but kicked, cursed & swore & became perfectly maniacal. The attendant acting on his instructions managed him without personal restraint. At half past 4 PM he was found by the Physician in a state of maniacal excitement. When spoken to cursed & swore. After a few minutes soothing, he was induced to remain quiet & to listen to a statement. The Physician told him that a warrant from the Sheriff had been placed in his hands authorizing his being sent to Taunton & that he had called for him himself as he thought it would be more agreeable to his feelings than to be apprehended & brought by any keepers. The patient became quiet, smiled & said that it was all right, that the Sheriff had attended to what he told him & that he was a good fellow. The Physician begged him to get up & dress & accompany him in his carriage which was at the door. With this he was tastily complied & in less than ten minutes left the house. He was a little excited, laughing & making absurd remarks occasionally on the way but generally conversing rationally on various subjects. He entered the gallery, was pleased with the arrangements & asked for books which he procured & began to read. Pulse 78 rather small, pupils contracted, tongue rather muddy, tongue pretty clean & moist. Has been purged. Skin

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March cool but dry. Complains of dyspepsea, flatulence as he has done for years. Scalp cool Ordinary diet & regimen ——

22 Went to bed last night at 9 o'clock & slept soundly till about 8 this morning when he became excited on awaking Declared that it was a damnable mistake in sending him here — that his father ought to have been sent — Abused his friends, walked about in a hurried manner — went to the evening ground — tossed a penny up incessantly for half an hour & watched each time it fell in which side it turned up. When visited by the Clerical Assistant Dr Campbell raved in a confused and unconnected manner — said no one had any right to place him in an Asylum — Talked about several snuff boxes, card cases &c which he had purchased — During the conversation frequently put toward something to himself — Started from his chair, and walked about the room in an excited manner — Wished particularly to see the Newspapers as he expected to find an advertisement in which under his present circumstances he was much interested. Wrote the following letter to Dr ~~Scott~~ Mc Farlane

23d March 1844
Gartnavel

Dear Sir

As I have business of importance which must be attended by myself or some other I will thank you to take steps for procuring my release from this place on the morning after to-morrow otherwise I will desire a lawyer to do so — You must by this time be aware you have been in a great degree misled in this matter

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March 22. and I cannot but feel that a cruel and unwarrantable outrage has been perpetrated on me - To Continue it further must injure my professional character and business irreparably and which I do not hesitate to say only the present state of my fathers health prevent me from seeking reparation for in the Civil Court - As it is the injudicious and violent conduct of yourself and others has most effectually broken up family ties

I am Sir
Your most Obt
Hugh Smith

As it is you have most effectually banished me from Glasgow

" 24 Still continues in a very excited state - Raves on different subjects in a very rambling manner - Jumps about the Gallery and is very restless - Told the Clinical Assistant this morning that he was going to visit London for a few weeks and intended to procure a private conveyance, and engage two livery servants for that purpose - Abuses his father and brother - Declares they should be here in his place - This morning requested one of his fellow patients Mr Cleland to furnish three houses for him in Glasgow - Pulse 72 small - Pupils contracted - Tongue white and rather dry -
℞ Pil Alterativ XII Sum ℥ s. n. h. s
℞ Infus. Cinchon. frigid ℥ XV - Tinct Cardamom. Comp ℥j - Acid. Muriat dil ℥j
Aqua ℥ij bis quotidie C. Mixta

" 28 Still very much excited - Abuses his friends and Dr Mr Farlane for sending him to a mad house - Raves of a landed property which he intends to purchase - says he has been very busy here - That he has already made himself master of the Greek language which is a strong argument that the brain is in a perfect state - Walks about the airing ground in a very excited manner - Frequently stands laughing and exposes his privates to the windows of the Institution - Yesterday wrote the following papers and insisted

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on the Attendants signing them -
I William Gabbon Attendant in Gartnavel Lunatic Asylum do hereby certify that from the moment Mr Hugh Smith entered this Asylum, and whilst he has remained here, during which time he has been constantly under my immediate inspection, as superintendant of Gallery No 4 West house, he has never displayed the slightest symptoms of insanity, but has conducted himself in a quiet, gentlemanly, regular and moderate manner and I should say there are few men in Glasgow who are less likely to become insane than he -

I Stuart McRae Attendant in Gartnavel Asylum having been with Mr Hugh Smith during the whole time of his confinement both here and in his brothers house certify that he is and has always been perfectly sane - saner than most men, altho a little violent when we first moved him -

Gartnavel Madhouse 26 March 1844

Dear Sir

They have put me into a madhouse, nevertheless I am not mad - Have me out by 8 tonight at latest - Take no excuse from Bill, and if he cannot be, take a chaise to Orpil, then come and help me to crack a bottle of port, and concert schemes of vengeance - Shew this to your father for the Jews sake -

H. Smith

George Kippen Esqr
East George Street - Corner of Wellington Street

April 2d Is still very much excited and full of delusions - Yesterday told the Medical Assistant that if not dismissed soon that he will run the Attendant through with a knife and then make his escape - Says he is going to build about fifty houses in town and call the place Smith Street - That he has about a hundred thousand pounds and considers it will be a good investment - Is very violent and apt to strike - Raves very incoherently on different subjects - Pupils contracted - Mind Lapsed - & alia

3 Has been very noisy during the night and this morning he is in a high state of excitement - Has smashed several panes of glass, and broke open the door of his bedroom - Tears his bed

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April 6th clothes and is filthy in his habits - When visited by the Attendant declared by God that he would murder the first man who came near him - He then made a violent attack upon him and struck him severely on the face - Declares he will have satisfaction from Dr McCleeson. Was immediately removed to the refractory ward - When visited after his removal by the Medical Assistant he abused him for every thing worse than another - Swore he would knock him down if he would not promise on his word of honor to liberate him in two hours - made long rambling speeches about his powers in his profession, his interest in Glasgow - Declared he was worth two hundred thousand pounds - That he had twelve different actions to bring against Dr H. That he would ruin him. That he was already an unpopular Medical man with the public - That the authority of Hugh Smith had only to be mentioned and he would be hurled from his situation immediately - He then abused his brother - Said he was mad but that his father has wisely placed him under restraint - Kept raving on different subjects in a violent and incoherent manner - Bodily health pretty good - pupils contracted - Pulse full - Tongue but moist - Appetite and bowels natural - To be closely watched C. Ormiston

— 7 Has continued in the same high state of excitement - Raves vehemently and incoherently on different subjects - Abuses Dr H and declares he is no gentleman - Tears bed clothes, smashes windows when in his power, and is apt to strike his Attendants - C. Ormiston

— 8 At present appears haggard. pulse 80 small & feeble. Tongue pretty clean and moist. pupils contracted. Face pale. Was very highly excited. Had torn his clothes & bed clothes to pieces. Abused the Physician & declared that he was a scoundrel, a liar, a coward &c - that he would by his influence turn him out of his situation - that he had good reason - that he had only once insulted him - that the attend

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Hanly had knocked him down and kicked him – that Cubbon in particular had thrown him down & danced on his chest by which his lungs were severely injured & he had spat up a pint of blood – that his chest was still affected & that he could scarcely breathe while at the same time he was bellowing out his abuse in a loud & deafening tone – He further stated that he would raise 12 reckons of damages against the Physician & reviewer – that he would not be content with that but would have his life's blood – that he would send a friend with a challenge to him as soon as ever he got out & that if he did not meet him with pistols he would take an opportunity to horsewhip him to within an inch of his life in the most public part of the city – Being spoken to quietly he became quieter, said that he had no revenge – that he was willing to forgive & forget – that if he was well used he would be kind – Demanded porter, wine & spirits. He was ordered to be shaved dressed & transmitted to No 4. While he was yelling rudely he smiled & became good humoured, told the Clerical Assistant Wm Prichard that he had given it to the Physician & seemed to fancy that he had done a good thing – said that it would frighten him & make him do every thing for him He was transferred to No 4 & ordered to be placed on porter & full diet – On being visited in the afternoon he was found to be quiet & good humoured. Answered questions rationally & said he was fully recovered

9 Continued quiet and rested well during the night – About nine o'clock this morning he again became highly excited – smashed about sixteen panes of glass – struck his attendant and abused every one who came near him. Was placed in his bed room when

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April 6th Bodily health good with exception of slight paralytic difficulty of articulation - employs himself reading. Is very troublesome to his fellow patients. His greatest pleasure seems to be in putting every new patients who enters the house against the Physician and his assistants - Is very abusive to the attendants - Abuses his family and declares if ever he gets out that he will make them smart for their conduct to him - Says he will take another wife and do them out of every thing in his power - It is evident from the many trials he has already had that he will never do any good if not under some restraint - C. Nevins

May 6th No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place during the last month - Is full of mischief and very troublesome C. Nevins

June 5th Is still as discontented and troublesome as ever - Complaining of everything and has not a good word to say of any person in the establishment - Takes great interest in attempting to excite his fellow patients and in one or two cases has done much mischief - Abuses his family in the most disgusting language - No improvement has taken place - Bodily health good - Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural. C. Nevins

July 5th Bodily health good - Is very sulky and quarrelsome - Abuses his family and talks in a rambling manner - Symptoms of general paralysis increase - Is very troublesome in the gallery. C. Nevins

Aug: 10 Very reserved in his deportment towards the medical officers. Disorientated and inclined to find fault with those around. Has been engaged latterly very busily in needlework. Reads the newspapers and other periodicals but rarely takes exercise in the open air. Bodily health tolerably good - Some paralytic weakness can be observed in his gait and his articulation is also considerably affected particularly when he becomes excited in conversation. C. O

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Sept 10 Bodily health good. – Has been less reserved lately in his manner to the officers and attendants – Answers questions relevantly enough – Employs himself at needle work – Has considerable paralytic difficulty of articulation –
Cont. Omnia

Oct 10 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month – Is apt to cause mischief among his fellow patients
Cont. Omnia

Nov 9 Bodily health pretty good – Constantly employs himself mending old clothes. Has slight difficulty of articulation – Is apt to quarrel with his fellow patients – Abuses his son for keeping him in the Asylum – Answers questions relevantly enough and is rational in conversation. C. Omnia

— 29 Has been rather excited during the last few days – Abuses his family and says he is determined to marry again – Is very troublesome and no confidence can be placed in what he says – Mind evidently weak – A few days ago wrote the following letter to one of the female Servants in the Establishment

My Dearest friend

The sincere regard I have for you and the good opinion I have of your character tells me that I can with confidence rely on secrecy at the present time & you can trust your all to me. I am now to escape from the cruel feelings of my family & Dr. H – and have much reason to thank God for good health. I never required a particle of their medicine and as for the moral medicine here the language, example & society is of a very pernicious quality – I wish you could have broke the laws of the Medes & Persians & invited me to tea & I would have fetched my hem with me – I will let you know immediately I leave this and you must meet me in Glasgow – I hope you can say your lessons as I am going to ask you the question – Mind & be discreet & you may look for the highest price – I have much news for you. Meantime silence is best – Destroy this when you read it in case of the hands of the Philistines

I am my Dearest friend
Yours sincerely
John Harvey –

Dec 21 The son of this patient called today for the purpose of removing him to the Country – He was consequently dismissed from the Asylum
Released

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April 6th — Bodily health very good - Is industrious and employs himself constantly reading - Betrays no particular delusions but is liable to occasional fits of excitement when he is sometimes very violent - Is very anxious always to add to the comfort of his fellow patients and always speaks well of the establishment - Great improvement has taken place in this case since his admission
C. Ellerton

May 1st — No mental or bodily change has taken place since last report - Is cheerful and contented - Has had no paroxysms of excitement during the last month -
C. Ellerton

June 5th — Bodily health good - Is contented and happy - Never complaining of his situation as he did formerly - Employs himself in the school teaching a few of the lower class patients to read in which he takes great interest - Is very easily excited - Takes great interest in the establishment C. Ellerton

July 5th — No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place during the last month - Employs himself reading and teaching in the school seems cheerful and contented -
Cont. Ellerton

August 11 — Very regular and methodical in all his affairs - Reads and studies in his own room and assists the Chaplain in teaching some lower class male patients in which occupation he appears to take great interest. Takes excursions into the country and fishes in the streams in the neighbourhood of the Asylum. Is very kind and obliging in all he says and does and is on the best of terms with all connected with the institution the interest of which he always endeavours to promote. Bodily health good. Mind composed and rational -

Septr 10 — Continues in good spirits and employs himself as formerly - Reads very much and takes great interest in all that is going on - Bodily health good -
Cont. Ellerton

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Octr 10	Bodily health good – Employs himself as formerly – Takes great interest in every thing that goes on in the house and teaches a school daily where several of the younger patients attend – Mind rational – Is cheerful and takes daily walks into the Country Cont. Mania
Novr 9	Is good humoured and industrious Employs herself as formerly – Seems contented and happy – Bodily health good – Cont. Mania
30	No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place ~~during the~~ since last report – Cont. Mania
Decr 28	Bodily health good – Is at present quiet and contented – Employs herself reading & teaches a class daily in which he takes much interest – Is very easily excited. Mind rational – Cont. Mania
1843 Janry 28	Bodily health good – Takes great interest in every thing connected with the Asylum – Is perfectly rational in his conversation – Is at times rather excitable Cont. Mania
Febry 20	very regular in his habits. Gets up early, reads & studies till the time of family worship which he attends Breakfasts, walks when the weather permits till dinner time & studies After dinner again retires to his room & studies. Keeps a Common place in which he records his thoughts & any striking passage or idea he may meet with in his reading – After tea plays chess & then retires to bed. Very amiable & humane to be serviceable to his fellow patients, is prudent of the Rules & Regts all in order. His fellow patients all respect & love him & indeed he is the great favorite of the Institution He betrays no delusions & has no bad or excitable since last report. Is in fact rational & happy & contented. Attends the Free Church at Paisley every Sunday. Is very benevolent – Bodily health excellent, all the functions being natural. Commun

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Olivier Barker from page 20

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April 6th — Bodily health good. Never employs himself in any way. Has been very much excited during the last few days. When in the airing ground is very noisy and makes long rambling speeches. Yesterday attempted to strike the Attendant. No mental improvement whatever has taken place C. Morris

May 1st — Has been free from any paroxysms of excitement during the last month. No mental improvement. Bodily health good C. Morris

June 8th — Has been very much excited during the last few days. Is very noisy and apt to strike his fellow patients. Stands in one position for hours at a time and when in the garden stands with his eyes fixed on the sun making long rambling and incoherent speeches. Mind teeming with fancies. Bodily health good. Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural. C. Morris

July 8th — No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place during the last month. Still continues very much excited. C. Morris

Recd

Aug. 10 — Health continues good. Bodily functions natural. Mind excitable. Walks incessantly when in the airing ground and usually takes up his position in one of the corners of the yard when he remains until the Attendant removes him. Cont. same.

Septr 9 — Mental continues in the same weak and excitable state. Is sometimes very noisy and prone to stand in one position. Makes long rambling and incoherent speeches. Bodily health good. Never employs himself in any way C. Morris

Rec'd

Octr 9 — No change whatever Mental or bodily has taken place during the last month. Habits as formerly. C. Morris

Novr 9 — Is at present very much excited. Is constantly talking to himself and raves in a very incoherent manner. Mental state of delusions. Bodily health good. Appetite, sleep, and Bowels natural. Cont. Morris

Admitted 28th May 1839

— 30 Still continues rather excited - Is constantly talking to himself in a loud manner - Mind full of fancies & delusions - Appetite & Bowels natural C. Mania -

Oct 28 Has been much less excited since last report - Continues to talk constantly to himself - when in the garden he generally stands in one place and makes long rambling speeches - If annoyed is very apt to strike - Bodily health good - Cont. Mania

1840
Jan 28 No change whatever Mental or bodily has taken place during the last month - C. Mania

Feb 10 Has been considerably excited during the last few days. Walks rapidly up & down the airing ground talking to himself and then stands for hours in one position looking up & addressing a long unconnected set of sentences in a declamatory manner to a supposed audience. In the house he appears absorbed in some inner sentences to himself. Appetite good. Bowels regular, Tongue clean & moist. Pulse 78 full. Answers questions in a rough talkative & not always relevantly. Cont Mania

— 25 Has been pretty quiet again for the last few days. Health good Mind weak & confused. Cont Mania —

March 10 No change whatever since last report. Cont. Mania

April 6 Mind still continues in the same weak and fanciful state - Is very apt to quarrel with his fellow patients & makes long rambling speeches of a most incoherent and incorrected kind - Never employs himself reading or in any other way - When in the garden he generally stands in one position - Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural - C. Mania

— 21 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report C. Mania

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Hugh Smith Ret from p. 124

1844

April 9 He burst open his bedroom door and again attempted to get at the window - R Tart Antimon gr viij Aquæ ℥xxx M Cum ℥ij secunda quaque hora - C. Alicia

" 10 Slept pretty well during the night but this forenoon he again broke several panes of glass - was again placed in his room and the door strongly secured - Made several attempts to burst it open but finding it was of no use he tore his bed clothes to pieces and made a bed over the carpet - when visited during the afternoon by the Physician he bellowed out his abuse in the same loud manner as reported on the 8th - R Tart. Antimon gr xxiv - Aquæ ℥ss - Liniment. Opii ℥j M - ℥ij to be given every two hours - C. Alicia

" 12 Has continued in the same state of excitement since last report - Is very destructive to his bed clothes and filthy in his habits - Raves in a vehement and incoherent manner says he is ready to beg Dr Hutchesons pardon for what he said to him but at the same time Dr H must well know that he must either be a sane or insane man - If insane he is not responsible for his actions - If sane he should no longer be confined in this place - C. Alicia

" 22 Has been rather less excited during the last few days but his mind is still teeming with the delusions formerly noted in the case - Raves in a confused and incoherent manner - Has gained flesh and he has a more healthy look - Is clean and moist - Is daily walking in the garden but he requires to be closely watched - Destructive to his clothes - On the whole improved R Pil. Ipecacuanhæ ℈ss Cum ℥ o. h. s. C. Alicia

May 16 Has lost flesh and strength. Mind still teeming with delusions - he is very destructive and filthy - walks daily in the grounds No mental improvement and bodily health far from good C. Alicia

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— 26 State continues in a high state of excitement — Habits depraved and filthy. Has been frequently found in the act of masturbation — Is looking flesh & strength — Raves very incoherently of his wealth, power &c Is very destructive — No improvement whatever has taken place — Tongue clean and moist — Is have as much food as he can take and porter daily C. Munro

June 20 Has been less excited since last report but he is still very destructive and filthy in his habits — Raves in a very incoherent manner and his mind is teeming with delusions. Walks out daily in the garden but requires to be constantly watched by an Attendant as he smashes the windows, and annoys his fellow patients — Eats as much food as any two in his Gallery and constantly complains of being starved — Bodily health improves and he has rather gained flesh — C. Munro

The physician this day granted the Certificate No 169 (Copy this) —

July 4th Mind still very fanciful and teeming with delusions formerly noted in the Case — Habits very much improved — Is not so filthy or destructive — Daily gains flesh and strength — On the whole has improved very much since last report C. Munro

" 23. Pulse 96 moderate strength, tongue clean, pupils contracted. Bowels constipated. Appetite not so good as formerly and he requires to be fed by the attendant. Mind very weak and fanciful — says he has been a good deal puzzled latterly as to the truth of christianity — He has read numerous books by men of all every opinion and cannot make up his mind upon the subject. Thinks the Unitarians are as near the truth as any. Looks dull and stupid. Has latterly lost flesh — Inclined to be negligent in his dress and personal appearance — Walks out in the airing ground and sleeps tolerably well at night Continues porter and has the Aromatic pill [illegible] p.r.n.

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George Carswell Aet. 26 from [illegible]

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May 20th Mind still teeming with [illegible]
Declares he is ordered by God to return
home to his mother as he is here
deprived of every thing which nature
requires - Is rapidly loosing flesh and
with great difficulty can he got
to take his food - Says poison is
placed in it and that it is irregular
-ly served - Has the bible constantly
in his hand - Bodily health not as
good - C. Ottawin

June 1st Continues to loose flesh and
strength - Refuses to take his
food and his mind teems with
delusions - No mental improve-
-ment has taken place C. Ottawin

" 8 At the request of his relatives
friends he was today removed to
the Country, and is consequently
dismissed from the Asylum as

Relieved

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May 25 This patient has improved very much during the last three weeks On the evening of the 17th he attended the theatre along with others of his fellow patients to see the Play of Rob Roy performed and in which he seemed to take great interest - On the following morning he questioned his Attendant regarding who sustained the different characters, at the same time making remarks on them - This was the first time he had spoken almost since his admission - Since that time he has daily become more cheerful and at present walks out daily in the Country with his Attendant of his own request - He is still rather childish and sometimes filthy but very great improvement has taken place - This is not the only instance in which the beneficial effect of amusement has been found to be - Bodily health now very good - C. Mackie

June 20th Bodily Health now very good - Mind more alert - Answers questions in a hesitating manner - sometimes reads and walks out daily with his Attendant - Has a depressed and stupid look - Habits not so filthy as formerly - Continues slowly to improve - Cont. Mackie

" 26th Continues to improve in all respects - Today wrote the following letter to his brother

Dear Andrew

I have received the paper and other materials for writing for which I thank you

Would you send me out a Copy of the Westminster Confession of Faith if there is a Copy in the shop

I remain

Yours very truly

John Ogle

July 8th Tuesday Bodily health very good - Mind much more alert and he employs himself reading - Answers questions relevantly but in a hesitating

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manner - Habits very much improved - Has still a depressed look - walks out daily in the garden - Cont. Otherwise

Aug: 15. since last report he has driven out twice with his Brother and spent the day with him in the Country - Still continues listless and disinclined to converse with or take notice of his fellow patients - Takes daily exercise in the open air and his bodily health improves. Occasionally passes his urine in bed but upon the whole his habits of late are improved. Mind very weak - Appetite good, bowels regular. Reads the papers and books furnished to him by his Brother -

℞ Infusi Quassiæ ℥j. Sodæ Bicarb ℈j M ft draught ℥ss thrice in the day

Cont. pil Alterativ ij h. s. p. r. n. —

Sept. 15th Has decidedly improved both in his mental and bodily state during the last month - Answers questions relevantly enough but he continues listless and disinclined to assist himself in any way - Continues his walks with his Brother and his habits are very much improved - ~~Bodily~~ Has gained flesh Cont. Otherwise

Sept. 26 At the request of his Brother friends he was to day removed to the Country to try the effect of a change and is consequently dismissed

Relieved

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June 4th On admission was quick and answered questions relevantly - Looked confused and asked why he was sent to the Asylum - That he & his friends sent him to get him out of the way - Pulse 74 moderate - Tongue clean & moist Pupils dilated -

— 5 Has slept quietly during the night - this morning entered into a long history of his case - Told the Physician and Clinical Assistant that he had brain fever three times when in India - That he was purged - blistered and bled for it which did him much harm - That he was confined in a private Asylum in India not because he was considered mad but to make himself acquainted with the habits of the inmates - says insanity has been in his family for many generations - That he himself is frequently excited and knows he is predisposed to it - says his friends have never treated him as they should - That he is the youngest son and has been taken advantage of in every possible way - knows his being sent here will not make them more comfortable at home - Mind evidently very weak and fanciful - Is confused in conversation says he feels himself very comfortably situated - Bodily health seems good - Employs himself reading C. Annia

— 8 Continues quiet and employs himself daily reading - Mind very weak and full of fancies - Dislike to friends continues strong as ever - This morning called the Clinical Assistant into his room and told him that when explaining his case to Dr Hutcheson he forgot to mention that before his last attack of fever he had a discharge of blood from the rectum which was suddenly checked and came

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ders it was the cause of all his confused ideas - This he mentions to be distinctly understood, as he knows many people will be asking about it.
C. Dennis

— 18 Bodily health good - Employs himself reading - says he feels happier in the Asylum than he did at home - still thinks his friends are all combined against him - that he is sure they have some object in view by acting as they have done - that they began their persecutions when he was in India and deprived him of a comfortable living of four hundred a year - considers he is not a patient for an Asylum although aware that Insanity is in his family - dislike to friends continues strong as ever - no improvement has taken place
Cont. Dennis

— 20 Is constantly abusing his friends but says he is satisfied with his present situation - Delusions formerly noted in the case remain unchanged - Has requested leave to walk in the grounds, and has been granted leave to do so. Under the promise that he will not leave the enclosures - Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural employs himself reading Dennis
Has written the following letter to his brother in law Mr. Sheriff -

Royal Lunatic Asylum
Glasgow 12 June 1844

"My dear Mr Sheriff

"The proceedings you have gone into in our family, not meeting my dear & deceased brother's ideas with those of mine I protest against those proceedings.

"First - Your connection with our family alone, is not sufficient of "itself" to entitle you to go into such strong proceedings in "our family" without the most strong "reasons"

"Second" - Those proceedings will not meet any "brothers ideas nor mine" who are the "principle" "Support and surety" of the "family"

"Thirdly - Those proceedings not meeting

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June 20 "our "ideas" of "duty" and "responsibil
":ty" in this world", living in the
"world as we are depending
"upon a "Holy Father" "and a Just,"
"and Almighty God" to whom we
"will have to answer for the part
"we act in this world

"Your attached Brother
"J McNair

He has also written the following
letters

"Royal Lunatic Asylum
"12 June 1844

"My dear sister Christy

"I had the pleasure of
"receiving your kind note of the 7th
"instant in the afternoon of the 10th
"to which I would have immediately
"replied but delayed in expectation
"of receiving my box, with writing
"materials, it not having come to hand
"I delay no longer. I have written
"Dr. Ronald begging a visit from
"him"

"I myself am thoroughly convinced
"no circumstances, trials or afflictions
"of this world will ever more disturb
"my mental health and as for that of
"my body, it is as good as any
"body can be and invariably continues
"in whatever circumstances of the
"world it may have to go through;
"The proceedings your husband has
"given rise to, in our family, are not
"such as meet my ideas of honour
"the similarity of my brother's ideas, but
"that of course I think it proper to lend
"him the inclosed Protest which on
"perusal please hand him. In the
"circumstances in which I have
"been lately placed, I have fallen
"considerably out of clothing, my
"remaining clothing of which not
"being suitable for this climate &
"even of that they have sent me home,
"here at present I have no way of
"getting myself clothing, through any
"industry of my own. This matter tells
"I am otherwise here" very comfortable

"I have been removed from the
"class of patients when your Husband left me
"to the apartments to which we have at present

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June 20 "a cess Convent of Two Large Halls 80 feet
"by 18 feet, well carpeted furnished,
"dry and well aired, they are very
"high to the ceiling, one of the apartments
"and till lately been a Theater
"or Opera, but the Directors having
"ordered that to be discontinued for a
"time, the Scenery & furniture and
"other fittings have altogether been
"taken out of this apartment, this
"at present unfurnished, the other
"Hall is 50 feet by 18 feet & similarly
"well furnished & well aired & equally
"lofty to the ceiling —— We at present
"have access to three parlours all
"about 20 feet Square or 22 feet
"by 20 feet; they are all equally
"well furnished, with excellent
"Wilton carpets, good comfortable
"chairs, tables of excellent ma
"hogany & Rose Wood. There are cloths
"for the tables; the parlours correspon
"ding with the Halls are well lighted
"with Gas". The windows have drapery
"& Blinds. The Bedrooms are all
"comfortable, there are many larger
"but some smaller, than that I
"at present occupy, this about
"18 feet by 11 feet, high in the
"ceiling & well aired, the floors
"well carpeted with a good "Wilton"
"carpet. The bed is of the couch di
"vanfrom of Mahogany & hard wood
"with comfortable Mattress & Pillows,
"good clean Sheets & excellent
"Blankets & Bed covers, the curtains
"are good & clean hanging from
"the ceiling, but I have not yet got
"curtains, the furniture of the room
"consists of a very nice chest of drawers
"of excellent Mahogany, a small
"horse for putting your towels upon,
"a basin stand with basin, ewer,
"soap dish and a jug, for drinking
"from or washing the mouth ~~in~~ the
"from, a table with drawer, covered
"with a clean white cloth, for putting
"hair brush, comb &c upon, a looking
"Glass with Mahogany frame, there
"are also a clean cloth upon the drawers
"which gives the room a clean look
"& prevents the drawers from being

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June 26 "easily injured by any thing being
"laid upon them, a good Comfortable
"Mahogany chair with the Stuffed seat
"completes the mentionable furniture
"of the room. We have an excellent
"Bath & other conveniences with the
"apartments; our regular meals
"are three every day & extra for
"any Gentleman who may wish
"more.

"Breakfast consists of Tea, Sugar
"and Milk, Eggs & cold meat, or a
"little bit of Fish, Toast Bread;
"and untoast Bread and Butter,
"is laid down comfortably clean
"cloth, Plates, Knives & forks, salts,
"Cruet containing Vinegar, Mustard
"Pepper &c. Tea tray, Cloths &c., the
"Kettle of warm water is brought
"in by the Waiter who attends the
"Table

"Dinner consists of "Soup" Roast
"Meat & Potatoes, Bread & Beers,
"& "Porter" "Wine" and Cheese are
"on the Apartments should they
"be called for by the Gentlemen
"or ordered by the Doctor, The whole
"is laid down & attended in the
"same comfortable manner as the
"Breakfast.

"Tea". We have Tea, Sugar &
"Milk, Toast Bread & untoast bread
"and butter laid down and
"attended to the same comfortable
"manner, as the aforementioned
"meals; some gentlemen take Steak
"& beer & a bit of bread & cheese in the
evening -

"Our party to meals at present
"consists of five. Mr Dawid Constable
"of Edenburgh, a brother in law of our
"Mothers connection Mr Robert Cadell
"by his first marriage [illegible] C. M.
"C. in height is from 5 feet 11 inches to
"6 feet, in make he is stout & robust;
"he has had a liberal education & of
"considerable study, he has travelled on
"the Continent & is well informed on many
"points, his disposition is agreeable &
"pleasing & he always studies to make
"himself so

Lieut. Rukes R. N an Englishman

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June 20 "by birth apparently of good family,
"writes Music & plays the Guitar; his
"profession has led him through various
"parts of the world, has seen a good
"deal of society, studies to make him
"self agreeable & pleasant

"Mons. Jacqueton [Chevqueal]
"a french gentleman of Paris very
"polite & apparently of good family,
"good education; seen a good
"deal of society. Traveled in France
"Switzerland & Italy, is agreeable
"& pleasing ~~in his~~ manners & studies
"to be so.

"Mr. Anderton of Dundee, a Scotch
"gentleman seldom speaks but
"when spoken to, quiet & agreeable
"in his manner —

"Have not mentioned Mr.
"Constables having seen a good deal
"of good society;
"And Lady who also studies to be
"agreeable & pleasing when finding
"a reciprocal feeling of this nature in others

"The parlours are principally oc-
"=cupy at present are two entering
"from the Hall & from one another;
"in one there is no fire for those who
"prefer cool rooms, in the other we
"have a constant fire. The tempera-
"ture is kept up uniformly during
"all; the Register grate is of the latest
"improved principle, with Fenders,
"Fender, Hearth Rug, Coal & Brush,
"a large tin dish of coals are held
"the fire mutually to suit one another
"& the warmer brings the Coals & lights
"on the hearth

"There is the greatest attention to
"cleanliness & health not only in the
"Parlours, but throughout the whole
"Institution — Bedding & Linens
"are washed every week — Dined
"with the class in which Mr. Sheriff
"left me; their food was very good
"almost exactly the same as we have
"seen; throughout the whole
"Institution, it does not seem to differ. It
"is all liberal & sufficient for its objects

"The Medical attendance is very
"excellent & the whole order of the
"Institution is good & orderly; every cruelty

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June 20th and attention is shown & whole
"friends do their part to patient
"that may come to be uncomfor
"table & unhappy.

"We are furnished with the best
"periodicals and Newspapers. There
"are Chess, Bagamon & Cards or
"any amusements any patient
"may call for, there is also an ex
"=cellent Billiard Table in the
"Establishment; there may be more
"than one but that I mean is a=
"=mediately ~~[illegible]~~ adjoining that apart
"=ment; there are no unnecessary
"restraints here on any patient;
"they out in the institution, go
"into town & visit their friends
"receive their friends here, walk
"with them in the country. There
"are an extensive Library for patients
"fond of reading; they are very
"careful here in classing the patients

"In this life to me, there is nothing
"unpleasant or disagreeable but on
"the other hand much agreeable
"& pleasing; our little party are
"very agreeable & pleasing ~~[illegible]~~
"~~[illegible]~~ and we live very happy
"together; we are agreeable & pleasing
"to one another chatting ourselves
"to one another; were I in this
"life merely to live out, I could
"live my life here agreeably and
"pleasantly; many in the world not
"knowing their own misery lead a life
"of much vexation of body & mind
"& very few indeed are ~~[illegible]~~ able
"to keep themselves better than they are
"kept here. I feel myself here enjoying
"comforts that my Boy Mother & Sisters have
"not & indeed know not; this gives
"me much anxiety, I became indebted my
"property through my parents & how I am
"to be supported here as I now am I do
"not see. I look to nothing in this life
"but to gain my living by my own
"industry & application, although I have
"been taken from the course of life
"which I was pursuing & in a manner
"in a time cut off from any pursuit
"in life whatever, this I am not

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"disheartened, what God hath ordained
"for me will be, were I skilled in
"this respect, it would be a much more
"pleasing employment — But my Mother
"& Sisters are now so busy as to be able
"to meet my expenses here I do not
"think is the case.

"I must now conclude this as
"it is becoming dark; my box of
"papers has just now arrived, but
"I have not yet got the key.

"This steel pen is quite new to
"me in writing, I have never been
"accustomed to write with a steel
"pen —

"having been out of considerably writing of
"late & not now having my Diction
"ary beside me, there must be many
"in this note that will not agree
"with Johnson. I suffer from your
"Husband in the post he has created
"in the family, tell your boys my
"best regards & all my nephews
"& nieces & tender best regards to
"yourself

"I remain
"Your affe. brother
"Maclean

Mrs. Sherriff
South Bridge Head
by Penicuik

Royal Lunatic Asylum
Glasgow 18 June 1844

"My dear sister Agnes,

"The bundle of clothes arrived
"last night & this morning received
"your note from Dr. Hutcheson —

"This is really an excellent In-
"stitution & most pleasingly conducted
"I wrote Clerety pretty fully. The
"greatest attention is paid here to
"cleanliness & health. If I had but
"to live in this world I could live
"here through life pleasingly & happily
"our little society here is altogether
"pleasing & happy; we are classed
"in this Institution in Dispositions
"habits & Tempers, dining & agreeing
"which is one of the highest attainments
"this world can give.

"In sending me from Sabbath

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June 20th "There were no more clothes sent me
"than was actually required to
"enable me to join you at Ashburn
"as had I any money with me
"to clothe myself comfortably to any
"among in this country. The only
"cloth coat I had, that which
"brought me to Ashburn was an
"old dress coat made in Calcutta
"in the year 1836. I could have
"worn it no longer in India &
"it is not at all suitable for this
"country; except my white
"shirts, Pocket Handkerchiefs &
"some other little things, all my
"clothes were much in the same
"way as you yourself know, —
"that a person returning to her mother
"in such a destitute condition is
"a thing that occurs in many
"instances over the world &
"in many families, but having
"been returned as I was, I felt it
"very much & also felt for the family
"At Ashburn I put up with any
"clothing I had, even miserable as
"it was, but here it is different, here
"I must have clothing suitable to
"the climate & suitable to the class
"in which I may be in here & I
"have to go into Society manufacturing
"& earning a livelihood for myself in
"this world, I must have clothing to
"enable me to go into such Society;
"on receipt of this send me my purse
"with the Royal Bank of Scotland
"Notes. Two of £5 Stg = £10. 0. 0
"City of Glasgow Bank Note one 1. 0. 0
"make £11. 0. 0

"Eleven Pounds Sterling
"Eleven pounds Sterling & some silver
"& some Copper in the Purse. — It
"is in the small drawer of the inner
"enclosure of my "Secretary", the
"upper drawer of my chest of drawers
"The keys of the drawers you apparently
"have detained, that of the Inner enclosure
"is one of the keys you sent here which
"I return you enclosed. I do not know
"why you sent these keys here; they are no
"keys of any box or drawers I have here;
"do not send me any key of any repetition

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June 20 "him unless it be the key of any box
"you may send me
"I am aware of having the key of
"my large chest in my small box which
"I have here, but not yet knowing
"got the key of this box from Dr Ja^s
"Arnold, I am consequently unable
"to get the Box open, however — it is
"of no matter at
"present
"The keys I now return you, three
"of them are keys of drawers & lockers,
"inside of the large chest, the fourth is
"a key of a small box — of the sort of
"wood as my chest of drawers —
"The fifth key I have already men-
"tioned, any thing you send me
"here comes regularly through the
"Establishment and is all entered in
"the Books, what occurs in one family
"in this world, occurs in many others,
"do not allow any feelings in this re-
"spect to prevent you from doing your
"duty, either to yourself or towards me
"I am troubling you very much here
"and I feel it very much on account
"of the state of health you are in & your
"eyesight, Charly writes me he has
"returned to you, he will do the work
"for you.
"My being here is a considerable
"expence, how it is to be made up I do
"not know, but those who put me here
"no doubt are looking to this, I am not
"doing any thing here that will bring
"me any thing, either to cloathe me here
"or to pay my expences of being here,
"however it may be all for the best
"for what soever God hath ordained
"will come to pass, I have a thorough
"reliance in this respect on an Almighty
"Father & while I do my best according
"to my abilities & knowledge & what is
"in my Power I can do no more,
"The knitting work had brought me
"nothing, I had given it up, the Cotton
"was of little value it's a matter of no
"consideration, I do not intend doing
"any more of this work, I must try
"something more profitable, should
"you send me any returns from this
"work, be careful how you send it
"as it must come through the Consu-

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June "here, perhaps you had better not send
"me here, any returns of money whatever
"pass this week, it cannot be much
"& soon hear of it again ——

"The sending of things here must
"be a considerable expense & trouble
"but as it cannot be helped and
"as you will be sending a parcel
"with my pictures you had better
"at the same time send my hair
"Comb", my best black clothes
"and my old great coat. The
"hair comb I have felt much
"want of ——

"There seems to be a constant wash
"-ing here, our clothes go out on
"Monday and come in on Saturday
"should any of your linen be rather
"torn, it comes in very nicely repaired
"and should a button be wanting &
"clothes come in with another button
"The stockings come in darned &
"repaired, in fact the whole institution
"is admirably conducted.

"I am glad to hear Mother is
"so well I hope you yourself will
"soon be strong again, remember
"me feelingly to all, not forgetting
"Effie ——

"I had a note from Dr Renald
"this morning, he says he has had
"a sore in one of his legs ——

"With best regards ——

"I remain

"Your affe brother

"J. MacNair

Mrs A MacNair
Ashburn
Alcog
Rothesay
Island of Bute

July 4th Mind continues very weak and fanciful - is full of delusions regarding his friends - blames them for treating him as they have done - frequently talks about his clothing & considers that what has been sent him is anything but suitable to his present situation, and in such a climate - Employs himself reading and walks daily in the

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July grounds – Says he is perfectly satisfied with the treatment he receives in the Asylum – Bodily health good – Cont. Omnia

Aug. 7 Walks out daily into the neighbouring country and returns regularly at proper hours – Bodily health good! appetite, sleep and bowels natural – Amuses himself in reading and writes a good deal – Delivered a packet of papers to Mr Nicol the Steward to post of which a copy is subjoined –

"Charles Kirwan Esquire
Sheriff Substitute
Dunfermline

My dear Mr Sheriff

I had a call here on the 26th ultimo from Christy and Mr Thomas Livingston, or rather they came out to see me having called upon Dr Watcheson, but it was late in the evening and they were in a hurry to get away from this again, so consequently we had little conversation.

I sending you the enclosed documents
1st My living in India
2nd Circumstances of Robert, William, George and John Macnairs as they stood 1st January. 1843.
3rd Statement appearing to Mr Macnair and family.
4th Receipt of income of Mr Macnair 1843/44
5th Estimate of income of Mr Macnair 1844/45.

First my living in India was just what could be expected, taken in charge of by Robert as I was and so completely acting under his guidance and direction from my first arrival in India until the day on which they put me on board ship, returning me to this country, a life which young gentlemen in similar circumstances had previously pursued were then pursuing and still are pursuing usefully and profitably to others and to themselves, and I may further add that in the manner in which I went to India, I might have been in India and might have done with there without ever having gone to Robert had he not have had every arrangement previously made for my going into his employ and that immediately without any delay on my arrival at Calcutta.

Second this Statement will speak much for itself had I been in India still, going on as I was I would now be in similar

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Ewan A. Cameron Ætt

1846

June 24th On admission was quiet but looked bewildered - said he was sent from the Police Office for being excited, and walking about the streets with a number of boys after him - Complained of feeling very much confused - Declared he was the King of Saxony and complained of the waiters at the Hotel not paying him proper respect - Could not recollect what had passed but thought, he was very noisy - Took some food and retired to bed -

" 25 Has been very noisy and excited during the night - walked about his room sometimes singing and at other times roaring out that he was attacked and making the most desperate resistance - This morning he walks about the Gallery muttering to himself and has written several notes to parties in town requesting that they call on him and explain why he is placed in such a position - Says he is very much fatigued defending himself all night against a set of rascals who entered his room and abused him in a most desperate manner - Pulse 80 full - Tongue white - Pupils dilated - ℞ Pil. Alterativ XII sumn ℥ pro. 2ᵃ. h.s. - C. Alia

" 26 Last night at about eight o'clock this patient became very highly excited - smashed several panes of glass and attempted to make his escape through the windows when discovered he abused the attendant for keeping him in such a d-d place and attempted to strike him - Was removed to the refractory ward - Today he is quieter and is ordered to be removed to the West house - On being visited by the Clinical Assistant he gave him the following account of himself - Said he had three or four attacks of the same kind before One at the Eagle Inn at Glasgow and on another occasion in France

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That he was then kept on his back for nearly a month - bled, blistered and purged - wishes word to be sent to his wife and would like to see her soon as possible - Betrays no delusions but is very confused and answers questions in a hesitating manner - Says he has been living rather freely of late - Memory at present seems imperfect - Takes his food well - R Cicuta Sodæ ℥ij Tinct Gentian Comp - Tinct Cardamon Comp aa ℥j - Aquæ ℥XII M Sum ℥ij ter quotidie C. Alia

— 27 Is today rational and free from all delusions - Has seen his wife with which visit he was much pleased - Has slept well during the night - Excitement entirely gone may be looked upon as convalescent - C. Alia

— 29 Has continued rational and free from any delusions - The Sheriff has withdrawn his warrant and without undergoing any further examination at the request of his wife he is today discharged

C. Alia

Richd Stratton Act

1844

June 28th On admission seemed very much excited - Raved in a very incoherent manner - Walked up and down the Gallery catching at imaginary objects and frequently roaring out that people there murdering him - Pulse 72 feeble Tongue white and dry - pupils contracted - Sum station Pil. Hyd Ray iij at post hours this must effect.

" 29 It has been very noisy during the night - Today he raves in the same incoherent manner. Thinks he sees all sorts of objects and messengers he is to be murdered. Has taken very little food - R Pil. Alterativ ij - Sum bona somni. Cont. Alia

" 30 Has spent a quieter night and slept a little - Bowels have been freely moved by the pills and today he is much less excited - Mind still full of delusions - Declares he had no right to be sent to an Asylum and says he will raise an action of damages - Says poison was placed in his food and that all his money & was taken from him - That he has been persecuted ever since he entered Scotland - Tongue still white - R Pil: Alterativ xii Sum iij Oh. 7s R Decoct Lodo ʒiij - Infus Gentian Comp - Aquæ ana ʒj vel ij Fiat Sum ʒiij bis quotidie. C. Alia

July 2d Is now free from any excitement Answers questions relevantly but in rather a hesitating manner - Employs himself reading - Is quite aware that he was in a very excited state before he was brought to the Asylum but considers the treatment he received very harsh - Declares that five men were marched into his room and being in a strange country the delusion at once entered his mind that he was going to be murdered - Bodily health very much improved - Cont. Observe

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4th Continues daily to improve and employs himself reading - Was yesterday visited by his father with which he seemed much pleased. Is now very anxious to return to his business but he has arranged with his father to remain a short time longer - Answers questions relevantly and betrays no particular delusions - Bodily health pretty good but his bowels are apt to be constipated - Ry Sᵗ Alterative Xii Lum ij o.n. h.s - Ry Bicarb. Sodae ℈ij Infus. Gentian Comp : ℥viij M Sum ℥ij bis quotidie - Cont. Alia

6 Bodily health good - Employs himself reading - Mind rational and free from any delusions - May now be considered as convalescent - Cont. Omnia

8th Is now rational and free from all delusions - Employs himself reading and walks in the garden - Bodily health good - Convalescence proceeds favourably - Cont. Omnia

14th Seems rational and betrays no delusions in conversation - Employs himself reading and is very anxious to leave the Asylum - Mind evidently weak and fanciful from the following letter which he wrote to his mother this morning -

Gartnavel near Glasgow July 18th 1844

My very dear Parents

It is usual in commencing a letter for the writer to state his address; you will not however be surprised that I shrink from writing the repulsive words Lunatic Asylum - You will probably say that such was the most fitting place for a person in my state : I am sure my dear parents that I can prove the contrary. If I was certainly considerably excited when brought here, but that same illness and excitement was the sole result of annoyance & fright operating upon an exhausted and fatigued state of body - You are aware that in my former letter I complained of the annoyance I experienced from the Police - Whether they took me for a rogue or fool it matters not I was evidently under their surveillance.

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1844

July 10th On admission raved in a very confused and incoherent manner told the Physician that the devil was the only place a rational man could live in - that the world was turned upside down, and that his father was insane - Declared that several people were combined against him and his father - Pulse 64 Moderate Tongue foul - pupils dilated - Sumi statim pil Alterativ iij -

" 13 Has been very noisy during the night - Raved in a vehement and incoherent manner - Bowels have not been moved by the pills. Today he is in a high state of excitement - Abuses his partner Mr Matheson - Curses, swears and when visited this morning struck his attendant - Stands in one position in the airing grounds making long rambling speeches - Is very noisy and troublesome - Sumi statim haust effer - C. Alex

" 14 Has spent another very noisy night - Continues to rave in the same vehement and incoherent manner - throws off his clothes and runs about naked - Has attempted to strike his attendant several times - Is noisy and destructive - Bowels have not yet been moved - R. Cret. Inf. Zingib. Tinct Cardamom Comp ℥ij - Aquae ℥ij Ft. Sumi statim Cont. Alex

" 15 Continues to rave in the same vehement and incoherent manner Is very destructive and filthy in his habits - Bowels have been freely moved by the ~~pills~~ Croton Oil - No improvement whatever has taken place C. Mannia

" 18 Still continues in a high state of excitement and is at present under seclusion - Raves in a very incoherent manner - Continues destructive and filthy as formerly - Takes very little food, and has lost flesh - pupils dilated - Bowels apt to become constipated - R. Pil Alterativ xij Sumi ij o.n. Cont. Mannia

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— 19 Is today in a very weak state — Mutters to himself and cannot utter a connected sentence — Pulse small and feeble — Tongue dry — Pupils very much dilated — Refuses to take medicine and takes very little food — Is loosing flesh and strength — To have a glass of brandy immediately with two drops of Croton Oil and two bottles of porter daily with beef tea — Cont Alia

— 20 Still continues in a very weak state — Mind seems more natural — Is rapidly loosing flesh & strength Pulse very feeble — Pupils much dilated — Tongue very dry — To have stimulants administered every half hour with beef tea — Cont Alia

— 21 Refuses to take his food and with great difficulty can be persuaded to take his wine and brandy — Is loosing flesh and strength — Pulse still very small and feeble — Pupils less dilated — Tongue very dry — Stimulants and beef tea to be continued and an Alterative powder to be given three times during the day — Cont. Alia

N. m. Was seen by the physicians who succeeded in persuading him to swallow a bottle of Soda water with two oz of brandy. Appears weak and exhausted —

2 p.p.m. Has rallied considerably since twelve o'clock — Is now rational — Tongue moist and clean, pulse improved in strength — skin moist — Continues weak — His Father called this afternoon and saw him — He signified his intention of removing him to the physicians and persisting in doing so against all remonstrances — He was this afternoon dismissed

Relieved.

1847 April 20 He soon got well — He is here now quite highly. M.H.

David Cathcart from page 95

1844

July 25 Has been rather more excited during the last fortnight - Walks up and down his Gallery singing in an unknown tongue - Mind teeming with delusions - Refuses to allow the attendant to make his bed or brush out his room - Employs himself making Shoes and says he intends having a regular list of charges - Writes the Sheriff for keeping him in such a d-d state prison - Bodily health very good. Appetite, Sleep and Bowels Natural Coat. Albuminous

Read

" 26 Has been more quiet of late but still imagines he is a state prisoner. Will not associate with any of his fellow patients and refuses to leave his present gallery and go to one of a superior class. Walks out occasionally with the attendant and attends to his own room not permitting any person to wash it out or meddle with it. Amuses himself in making slippers and mending his clothes. Bodily health good. This morning he accompanied Mr Constable and Mr Scott on a fishing excursion - Mr C. engaging to look after him and bring him back. He took provisions with them and Mr Constable had a few shillings in money - They were to return this evening -

" 27 Mr Constable returned with Mr Scott today but without Mr Cathcart. It appears he managed to escape from them as they were returning towards the asylum. Parties have been sent out in every direction to intercept him if possible -

Aug. 6. No tidings have been received of him until this morning when a letter arrived addressed to William Biggie, principal attendant, post mark "Lockerby". In the letter he requested Biggie would send on all his clothes to Carlyle by the coach as also his account for board &c and particularly his papers drawings and adorned highland boots. A party was immediately ordered to Carlyle and left for that place this morning -

" 12. Yesterday a letter was received stating that the party sent to secure Mr Cathcart had now such intelligence that there was now no longer any doubt but he would soon have been in his custody. This morning he returned with Mr Cathcart

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safely to the asylum. Wm Cathcart appeared to be in very good spirits, gave an account of his adventures and considering the distance he had walked was in very good strength. His feet were slightly swollen but in consequence of the rest he had taken at Carlisle they were almost well when he reached the Asylum.

It appears he left Wm Scott and Constable on Friday evening July 26 and walked during the whole of the night. Wm Constable had remained behind in conversation with a person where they all had been taking refreshment. Scott and Cathcart going forwards towards home. After walking some distance they came to a part where the road diverged into two and Wm Constable not overtaking them at this place Scott proposed that they should both return to him. Cathcart refused to move but told Scott he might go back if he chose and he would sit down and wait until he returned with Wm Constable which was agreed to. Upon Wm C & S. reaching the place Wm Cathcart had left it and they hearing no more of him returned to the Asylum early on Saturday morning.

When Wm Cathcart parted with Wm Scott he had a fishing basket, a pint of wine and some bread and meat. He passed by Glasgow and not knowing the country wandered on until he came to Lockerby, sleeping out at night and occasionally obtaining food from the cottars on the road side. Arriving at Ulrich Holme, between Lockerby and Carlisle he went into a house and obtained paper & ink and wrote several letters. Here the first clue was gained as to his course. He then went into Carlisle and put up at the Temperance Hotel remaining there two days. He started from Carlisle and before he reached Kendal he was recaptured. Upon seeing Higgin he immediately asked for the warrant and being satisfied he returned quietly.

Asked if Wm Hatchison was living, saying he had been home on the moor with a hundred and more priests, that he fought them and they all went down together into a bog.

Said he was a State prisoner, talked about the crops. Appeared to be amused with his adventures. Ate very heartily and carried away every thing in the shape of food from the mess on the road home. Was placed in the West House on his return but he seemed very anxious to go to his former abode in the East House which was however not permitted.

Discreet.

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John Sheddon Ad 21 from page 94

1844

July 15th Bodily health good - Mind becomes weaker and teems with delusions - Declares that Devils are constantly going through his brain Abuses his friends - Is sometimes destructive to his clothes, and inclined to be filthy in his habits - walks about the Garden singing in a loud and vehement manner - Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural. C. Omnia

Aug. 15. Takes daily exercise in the open air and has been free from any symptoms of excitability since last report. Says he is quite satisfied with his treatment here, that he should be content to remain for two or three years but could not make up his mind to die here. Thinks it a very fine institution. Says he would like by and bye to go into the world again and begin business. Does not wish to proceed in his Divinity Studies. Would not mind taking a public House. Think his friends have bad feelings towards him. Bodily health very good, appetite, sleep and bowels natural. Imment.

Septr 15 Bodily health good - walks daily in the airing ground and employs himself reading - Mind very fanciful - Is determined to have nothing more to do with preaching - Dislike to friends continues - Cont. Omnia

Octr 15 Mind very weak and fanciful Declares his aunts are regular Devils on earth - Is very confused in conversation - Has taken into his head that his sister died lately and that his friends are concealing it from him for some infernal purpose - No improvement has taken place - Bodily health good - C. Omnia

Novr 13 Bodily health good - Mind seems to become weaker - Fancies and delusions formerly noted remain unchanged - When talking of his friends he generally becomes rather excited - Employs himself reading and walks in the airing ground - C. Omnia

Decr 4 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report - Mind in a very weak state C. Omnia

Admitted 6th February 1845

— 28 Bodily health good — Mind full of delusions — Abuses his friends says they were the cause of his spending money on Divinity which is all d — d nonsense — Thinks some devil or other frequently walks through his brain — Is very lazy and inclines constantly to sleep — Is sometimes very destructive to his clothes C. Mania

1845
Jan'y 28 Mind full of fancies and delusions — Is confused in conversation — Habits lazy and he is sometimes inclined to be destructive — Bodily health good — Mind seems to become weaker — C. Mania

Feb'y 10 very stout. Seems to have a great dread of cold & wraps himself in a cloak even in the house. Rarely proves destructive at times to his clothes. Looks heavy & stupid. Is very listless when in the house & walks slowly when in the airing ground. Does not enter into conversation, but when spoken to makes some common place & sometimes irrelevant remark. Occasionally takes fits of cursing & swearing directed against his friends or the Devil who he imagines walks through his brain & annoys him. Says that he will have nothing more to do with the Study of Divinity but that he will betake himself to commerce. Does not look his Hospital. Takes no notice of his fellow patients or what passes around him. Never asks for his relatives or friends & in a word he appears indifferent to every thing. Appetite keen. Pulse 70 full. Eye heavy & pupils dilated. Tongue clean & moist. Bowels natural — sleeps long & soundly. Cont mania

— 21 Continues the same in all respects since last reported, except that he has not been cursing or swearing & not been destructive to clothes. Occasionally reads but not so often as he used to do. Cont. mania

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Alexander Wilcox from page 58

1844

July 15 Mind continues in the same weak state - Never employs himself in any way - Cannot utter a connected sentence - Sores on legs almost healed - Bodily health pretty good Cont. Mania

Aug. 15. Bodily health continues to improve steadily and the sores on his legs are healing. Mind quite weak and imbecile and when spoken to chatters in a rapid and incoherent style - Bowels regular, appetite good. Quiet at night. Cont. mania

Sept. 15 Sores on legs healed - No other change Mental or Bodily has taken place during the last month - C. Mania

Oct. 15 Mind continues in the same fatuous state - Sores on legs continue well - Habits as formerly. Chatters away in the same incoherent manner - Bodily health pretty good - Cont. Mania

Nov. 18 Has been rather excitable during the last few days - Legs continue well - Chatters in the same incoherent manner - Mind very weak - Bodily health good C. Mania

Dec. 16 No change whatever Mental or Bodily has taken place since last report - Mind fatuous as formerly - Cont. Mania

— 28 Mind continues in the same weak & fatuous state - Never employs himself in any way - Never speaks but constantly chatters to himself in a very idiotic manner - C. Mania

1845

Jan. 28 Has been more excited than usual during the last few days - Walks about - talking to himself in a loud manner - Mind very weak - Never enters into conversation with any person - Bodily health good - C. Mania

Feb. 20 Has been on the whole quiet since last report. Mutters to himself. When spoken to mumbles a monosyllable or two in reply. Looks much better than he has done since he came to the Asylum. By the attention of the keepers he is kept clean & tidy, but if left to himself would

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1841

Feb 7 He [illegible] & careless of his clothes never converses & seems to be perfectly careless of every thing about him. Does not occupy himself [illegible] in any way except walking in the Saloon or airing ground. Appetite good. Bodily regular. Sleeps well. Cont omnia

March 8 No change whatever since last report. Health good Functions natural. Omnia

— 20 Has been more excited during the last few days - walks about the gallery talking to himself in an excited manner - When asked questions he laughs idiotically - Sings during the greater part of the night. Never employs himself in any way and is not inclined to enter into conversation with his fellow patients - Bodily health at present very good - L. Morris

— 30 Is again much less excited - When asked questions answers as formerly in monosyllables - Walks to himself and has a very idiotic & expression of countenance - Never employs himself in any way - Is careless of his appearance. Bodily health good - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural. L. Morris

April 10 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report - Mind weak and [illegible] as formerly - L. Morris

— 21 Today refuses to take his food and complains of being sick - Walks about the Gallery muttering to himself as formerly - Tongue white and Mouth [illegible] - By Pte. Smyth Comp[any] 1st Sutherland - L. Adm

John Hay from page 43

1844

July 15th Bodily health has rather improved since last report but he has been very excitable - Mind teeming with delusion - Says he is a bad man and will be burned - Delusions formerly noted in the case remain unchanged - Sometimes reads the newspapers Cont. Otomia

Paroled

Aug. 15 Bodily health tolerably good - Mental state unimproved - Bodily functions natural - Reads the newspapers occasionally and for some time past has been free from excitability - Cont. Omnia

Paroled

Sept. 15 Bodily health pretty good - Habits as formerly - Mind continues full of his old delusions - Is at present very excitable - Sometimes reads - C. Otomia

Oct. 15 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month - has had one or two paroxysms of excitement - C. Otomia

Nov. 13 Is at present very restless and excitable - Declares he is a bad man - That the sins of his youth are all coming up against him - That is going to Hell - That he has found all this out by means of the bible - Thinks he had never seen it - Bodily health pretty good C. Otomia

Dec. 6 Is today rather excited - talks about the fallen in a very agitated state - Says he has found out by means of the bible that he is going to Hell - Bodily health good - C. Otomia

— 28 Delusions above noted remain unchanged - Continues in the same agitated state - Is very fanciful - Bodily health good - Cont. Otomia

1845
Jan. 28 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month - Cont. Otomia

Feb. 14 Bodily strength seems slowly but steadily to increase - Looks thin & haggard compared with what he was. But last half his buckwheat the last 18 months in spite of all the food & meat upon which he lives, Reasons as he has long done against

Admitted 24th March 1831

1845

Feb 7 medicine. Insists on having the London shutters of his room closed & lets in a part of the light on his large chair resting his legs on another. When spoken to starts up & declaims with great energy that he is a bad man — that he has always been a bad man — that he has lately found it out — that he is so depraved a character that he will bring God's judgments on the house & destroy all in it — that he must go to Hell — that he has found it out by means of the Bible & the mouse & the hole (meaning the ventilating aperture) Will not see the Chaplain & tells him to go away. Says that he has no faith in penitents — that they cannot save him but on the contrary will send him sooner to Hell — that the best thing that can be done with him will be to burn him at once — that he is devoid of all human feelings &c &c

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Cæ omnia

25 In all respects the same as at last report. Cæt. omnia

March 4 Lodging Mr Hunt Barclay of Perth whose brother is married to one of Mr King's relations called & wished to see him. The patient being told this resolutely to see him, declaring that he was so depraved a character that he could not be seen by any one. No change in what = ever either bodily or mental Cæt. omnia

— 13 Raves as usual on the theme noted on the 14th of February adding some of his former delusions about his finding out things by a Castor oil bottle and a mug. Does not seem to have lost flesh during the last month. Generally lets in darkness & candlelight, though occasionally for a short time he permits light to be admitted to enable

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July 14th You may attribute this idea to the effect of my own imagination, but I assure you it was otherwise. Suspicion perhaps arose from my leaving Liverpool so hastily and at midnight, taken in connexion with my pale, thin and jaded appearance. The labour was too much for me, I certainly ought to have stept in Liverpool, but I was anxious to have done with the sea portion of my excursion. After leaving Kirkcudbright the same surveillance attended me to Castle Douglas. Did here I received an impression that the Landlord intended doing me some bodily injury. On reflection however I am now perfectly satisfied that he was entirely free from any such intention, and that all he did was meant in kindness. At the same time I must say it was ill judged & mistaken kindness. Remember my situation when I arrived at his house. I was unwell from annoyance and something like fright. I certainly did manifest some excitement. This however would have passed away had they allowed me repose and quietness. Instead of so doing they fanned the spark into a flame by bringing in half a dozen cut throat looking fellows into my bedroom, men the very image of highwaymen. The unavoidable impression made on my mind was that they intended to murder me, or having plundered me of all that was on my person, to dispose of me so as to prevent any tidings concerning me from ever reaching my home friends. I think you will allow that in my state the above treatment was calculated to make such an impression. They frightened me into the idea that they intended to destroy me. This idea was not at all ~~lessened~~ lessened when they brought me to the Asylum. Every thing was previously abstracted from my pockets and it was said that I was to return to Bristol. On arriving at this Asylum I was much excited and attempted to break a window in order to escape,

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but this was all done still under the idea that I was among a community of thieves who intended to make way with me - so soon however as I was informed where I was I immediately began to get composed - and when my dear father called I was perfectly well - It would have been much better had he then taken lodgings for me at the sea side - since that time I have been perfectly well - I trust you will send an order for my immediate liberation -

I am My Dear Parent
ever Your affectionate Son
pro pro Richd Stratton Lond

— 19 Has been very quiet since last report but is very anxious to return home - Betrays no delusion in conversation but he has an excitable and confused look - Is now permitted to walk out having made a promise that he will not attempt to make his escape - Bodily health good - Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural Cont. Omitta

" 31. Bodily health very much improved - Walks out daily into the country and returns of his own accord - Mind more calm and he is contented to remain until the physician can make arrangements with his friends for his return home - Has had money furnished him by the physician to enable him to do any thing he wished in the neighbourhood - May be considered convalescent - Cont. omitta

Aug. 11. His Father having sent a friend to take charge of him and accompany him on a trip to Edinburgh and the Highlands previously to his returning to England he was this day being in good bodily health and composed and rational in mind discharged from the Asylum - as

Cured.

1848. July 21. On admission was quiet and somewhat alarmed. He was dressed in a fancy suit of blue with gilt buttons and a cap with a thin silver cord about his chin. Said he intended entering the navy and expected to be appointed in the course of a few days. "Had no interest or friends who might facilitate his views but intended going and joining either the navy or army." Had been in bad health latterly and had been residing at the coast in consequence. Thought it somewhat premature in providing himself with uniforms before he was certain of a military appointment but had only put it on that day as far as he could recollect. Knew quite well where his friends had brought him and was so unprepared for such an event as his residence here that he had not even brought with him a change of linen. Hoped he should not be detained here long." Pulse 96 good strength, tongue moist but foul in centre, pupils dilated. Looks thin and somewhat emaciated. Complained of headache and general restlessness particularly at night. Ordinary diet and regimen. Quiescat. Slept tolerably well during last night. Bowels have not acted since his admission. Pulse 96 good strength. tongue foul, pupils dilated. Appetite very good. Requests permission to remain in bed for the present and appears to feel ashamed of his position. Mind evidently weak and somewhat childish. Conversation puerile. Skin hot but moist. Natural sec. Alterations in hours of sommo have no effect. Pulse Seidlitz draught primo mane. Cont. alia.

" 23. Bowels still constipated. Disinclined to rise apparently from not having a dress of an ordinary character to appear in. Somewhat depressed and stupified in manner. Complains of pain across his forehead. Pulse 94 good strength. Tongue more foul, pupils dilated. Skin hot. Skin yellow, conjunctivæ suffused. Urine natural in quantity. R. Magnes: Sulphatis ℥ij. Infusi Sennæ Comp ℥xij. M. Sumat ℥ij ultimo cujusque horæ donec alvus respondeat. Cont. alia.

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July. 31. Medicine operated last night after repeated doses. Continues quiet and depressed. Remains in bed and exhibits a great reluctance in manner and disinclination to come forward and associate with the other patients in the same gallery. Amuses himself in reading the periodicals and news papers. Never speaks of his design of entering the navy or army. Still complains of headache and giddiness especially when he sits upright in bed. Pulse 90 moderate strength, tongue less foul, pupils slightly dilated, Skin moist and of natural temperature, appetite tolerably good, some slight thirst, urine free. Bowels not sufficiently open.
℞ Mydearg Submur. gr. x. Pulv. Jalap. Comp. ℈ss. M. Pilvis quam primum sumendus.
℞ Magnes. Sulph. ℥j Infusi Senna Comp. ℥vij M. Sumat cyathum minimum 2da. 3tia q.q. hora donec alv. respond.—

Aug. 2. Medicine has operated freely. Tongue cleaning, appetite good. Skin less yellow, conjunctivæ now clear. Pulse 90 firm. pupils slightly dilated.
Is inclined to exercise and anxious to remain in bed. Reads during the day. Sleeps better at night. Sumat pulv. Jalap. Comp. ℈j pro re nata. Intermit. alia medicamenta. Let him rise and take exercise in the ward tomorrow.—

" 2. Since last report he has risen daily and taken exercise in the gallery. Amuses himself in reading but is very averse to go out of doors. Imagines he has been taking mercury and begs the medical officer will prescribe nothing but the most simple remedies. Bowels inactive and requiring medicine to cause them to act. Appetite good. Sleeps well at night. ℞ Sodæ Bicarb ℈j Infusi Quassiæ ℥j M. Sumat cyathum minimum bis quotidie. Sumat pil. Aloetic ℈j h.s. 2da q.q. mane.

" 2½ Thinks the Mixture contains Opium and hesitates to take it. Bowels slow. Pulse 84 good strength tongue clean, pupils natural. Complains of occasional giddiness in the head. Wishes to remain in doors. Mind weak, has a childish manner and very little to say. Looks thin and delicate. Takes his food very well and is quiet at night. Cont. Mistura
℞ Infusi Colocynth. Comp. ℥j M. Cathartic. q.s. ℥j Mist. simplex ut pil. ℥j. dentur h.s. p.r.n. Cont. omnia

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1844

Sept. 6th	Bodily health pretty good with exception of ulcers on legs which discharge and require to be constantly bandaged – Mind continues in the same weak state – Never speaks to any one. Cont. Omnia
Oct. 3d	Sores on legs continues to discharge in very inactive – No mental improvement – Bodily health pretty good Cont. Omnia
Nov. 3d	Continues in all respects as at last report – Sores on legs at present pretty healthy – Mind in the same fatuous state – C. Omnia
— 30	No change mental or bodily since last report – C. Omnia
Dec. 28	Bodily health pretty good – Habits ~~of~~ as formerly – Sits constantly in his room – Refuses to answer questions – Legs require to be bandaged daily – C. Omnia
Jan. 28	Continues in good bodily health – Mind fatuous as formerly – Never speaks to any person – Has lately been more than usually filthy in his habits, attempting on all occasions when not watched even sometimes in the presence of the attendants to bathe his head with the contents of the close stool. Placing a basin of clean water beside him did not obviate this & the only plan which has been found to succeed is to put clean water in the close stool when he applies it readily enough to his head. Swelling of legs kept in check & ulcerated state continues to discharge though not to the same extent as formerly. These are dressed & the legs properly bandaged. He takes food well & has a pint of porter daily. Cont. Omnia
Feby 13	Bodily health continues pretty good for his years. Swelling of legs does not increase. Ulcers still discharge but do not ~~increase~~ extend. Still taciturn. Does not answer questions. Sits constantly in his chair & sleeps or dozes away the greater

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1845
Feby 4 part of his time. Has not been excited for some time. Takes his food well. Bowels kept regular by medicine. Very filthy in his habits. Does not shake hands as formerly and never smiles. Cont omnia

" 24 No change whatever since last report. Cont omnia

March 5 Requires constant attention Habits & state bodily as well as mental the same as reported on the 28 Jany & 13 Feby. Cont omnia.

" 15 In all respects the same as at last report. Cont omnia

" 20 Bodily health pretty good Was yesterday visited by a friend but did not seem inclined to take any notice of him - Sits in the place during the day and never takes any ~~notice~~ notice of the Medical Officer at visit. Habits pretty as formerly and he requires close attention Ulcers discharge and are dressed daily - C. Omnia

April 8 Mind continues in the same unsettled and fatuous state - Habits continue unchanged - Ulcers on legs continue and are bandaged and dressed daily by his attendant - Still inclines to bathe his head with the contents of the close stool - Sleeps during the greater part of the day - No improvement C. omnia

" 21 Has been visited by some of his friends but took very little notice of them and refused to shake hands with them which he formerly did. Mind continues in the same taciturn state - Takes no notice of any one - Sits in one place & sleeps during the greater part of the day C. Omnia

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John McCall Stirling. Male. ..from page 46.

1844

Septr 8th Mind continues in the same weak state - Never employs himself in any way - Is destructive and filthy in his habits - Bodily health pretty good C. Omnia

Octr 3d Bodily health good - Mind patients as formerly - Can scarcely utter a connected sentence - No improvement has taken place Cont. Omnia

Novr 3d No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month - Mind patients, and habits filthy as formerly - C. Omnia

Decr 1st Habits become more destructive and filthy - Mind almost entirely gone - Bodily health good. C. Omnia

" 28 Mind patients as formerly - Sits in one place during the greater part of the day and never speaks to any of his fellow patients - Never employs himself in any way - Habits filthy - Bodily health good - Cont - Omnia

1845

Janry 28 Habits very destructive and filthy Mind almost entirely gone - Never employs himself in any way - Bodily health good - C. Omnia

Febry 15 Answers questions in monosyllables & not always relevantly. Is very restless & idle. Sits in one place the whole day with his head hanging down or employs himself in destroying his clothes & anything the walls & furniture. Cannot be employed at or in any thing useful or harmless. Habits very filthy. Appetite very keen. Body in good condition. Bowels natural. Tongue clean & moist. Pupils dilated & eye heavy. Is as formerly addicted to masturbation & requires constantly to be watched. C. Omnia

" 28 Though he has been clothed in a canvas dress he manages to destroy it by rubbing & otherwise. Never speaks except when spoken to & then only in monosyllables. Takes no interest in any thing. Is filthy & disorderly & perfectly famous. Requires to be

Admitted November 5. 1838.

1845
Feby constantly attended to. Appetite very keen. pulse 70 rather weak Tongue clean & moist. Bowels regular. Sleeps well. Cannot be employed in any way. At present as the weather will permit let him be properly clothed taken down to the quarry & employed in wheeling. Cont. idem

March 6 Appetite voracious - Tongue clean - pupils slightly dilated - pulse 72 small - Bowels very regular - has a childish expression of countenance, and laughs idiotically - No change whatever in mental state - very destructive at times and filthy in his habits - Sleeps well at night. Cont: omnia.

16 pulse 74 small and jerking - Tongue pretty clean and moist - pupils natural - Scalp of a medium temperature, and moveable - Eye appears dull and heavy - has a very childish expression of countenance - conjunctivæ rather muddy - Face rather full and ruddy - has a very keen appetite, and so much so that if the food were not removed he would eat until it would do him harm - Temperature of Body arms, legs and feet moderate - habits filthy, although not quite so bad as before - has not been so destructive of late, but he is constantly working with his canvass dress, &c picking the walls. - Mutters to himself, and laughs heartily sometimes - Cannot utter a connected sentence, and it is difficult often to get him to speak when spoken to, and even then it is unintelligible - Urine rather pale coloured, and of considerable quantity - General condition of Body healthy - There is a large ulcer on first phalanx of great toe of right foot, which is ordered to be dressed immediately. No change whatever in mental state since last report Sleeps well at night, indeed it is sometimes difficult to awake him. Bowels regular. Cont: omnia

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1844

Sept. 10 Mind weak as formerly — is destructive to his clothes — Refuses to employ himself and laughs in a very idiotic manner. No mental improvement — Body health good —

Oct. 3d Continues idle and lazy. Thinks himself a man of great importance. Refuses to employ himself. Mind very weak and imbecile — Is destructive to his clothes C. Munia

Nov. 3d No mental improvement has taken place since last report. Mind weak & fatuous as formerly — Destructive in his habits Bodily health good C. Munia

— 30 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month — Cath. Munia

Dec. 28 Mind continues in the same fatuous state — Can scarcely utter a connected sentence. Tears his clothes and is very destructive in his habits — Never employs himself in any way — Bodily health good — C. Munia

1845

Jan. 27 Mind weak as formerly — Tears his clothes and refuses to employ himself — thinks himself a person of great importance Bodily health good — Is fond of deluding — habits filthy — C. Munia

Feby 6 very listless and idle — very destructive to his Clothes and filthy in his habits — Requires constant attention — very [redacted] and cannot be made to employ himself in any way — Eye sharp and quick — Countenance expressive of falsity — Mind weak and childish — Tongue pretty clean. pupils dilated. Bowels very regular. Cont: munia.

16 Constantly picking his [redacted] dress — Never speaks to any one and when spoken to, appears lost in thought, and generally says something quite foreign to what was said to him — Cannot be employed in any thing — Habits filthy — Repeatly fatuous — Appetite good. Tongue clean — pupils

1842 Admitted February. 14. 1842.

Feb 4 slightly dilated - sleeps well - Health robust - Bowels regular - Cont: omnia

" 8 Pulse 78 full - Tongue clean - pupils natural - Bowels pretty regular - Body in good condition - Habits very filthy - Resolutely refuses to employ himself - seems to take no interest in any thing - sits almost constantly in one position - is very quiet and harmless - Health pretty good Cont: omnia.

March 6 Answers questions in a very confused manner, and perfectly incoherent - requires to be constantly watched as he is very destructive sometimes - is never employed in any way - Health good. Bowels regular. C. O.

" 16 Pulse 84 full and of good strength - Tongue pretty clean and moist - Bowels regular - pupils natural - Eye has rather a dull expression - Scalp rather hot, and moveable - has a voracious appetite, and will eat whatever is set before him - Countenance expressive of imbecility - Features sharpened - constantly muttering to himself, - When visited to day, asked Medical Assistant if he knew "Mr McLaren at Scranton?" and before there was time to answer him, suddenly turned round and asked him "if he was quite well - and muttered "Mr McLaren Scranton" "Be sure and remember that" This was all which was intelligible. Is perfectly childish - Continually picking the strings of his dress, and in consequence requires to be constantly watched - Urine plenty and of natural colour - is cleanly in his habits, but very dirty in his personal appearance, and requires constant attention to keep him clean - General condition of Body healthy - is very quiet and harmless - Cannot be employed in any way - sits in one place the greater part of the day, and never speaks to any one - sleeps very well at night - Surface of Body of medium Temperature. Cont: omnia.

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David Blayde. Ætatis . from page 80.

1844

Septr 8th Mind teeming with the delu-sions formerly noted in the case - Sometimes employs him-self reading - Talks in a con-fused and incoherent manner - Is subject to occasional fits of excitement - Bodily health good C. Mania

Octr 5th No change whatever Mental or bodily has taken place during the last month Cont. Mania

Novr 8th Mind full of fancies - Cannot understand why the world uses him so - Says he never looks out but he sees some damnable change awaiting him - Knows the house is very unhealthy and that the walls contain dead bodies - Talks in a very confused and unconnec-ted manner - Bodily health good C. Mania

— 30 Is today in one of his paroxysms of excitement - Walks about the airing court swearing in a most violent manner - Declares he is ill treated and that the world in general are conspired against him - Mind teeming with fan-cies - Bodily health good - C. Mania

Decr 28th Bodily health good - Is at pre-sent quiet and free from any excitement - Mind teeming with his former fancies & delusions - Never employs himself in any way C. Mania

1845

Janry 27 No change whatever Mental or bodily has taken place during the last month - Is liable to oc-casional fits of excitement - Cont. Mania

Febry 10 Continually asking for a key to go out & in with - Complains of the keepers using him by preventing him from going out - Walks about the airing ground sometimes smoking sometimes talking sometimes at other times telling long absurd story of pirates, voyages &c to such of his fellow patients as will listen to him Affords considerable amusement to ~~Lookers~~ the Convalescent patients who engage in conversation with

Admitted February. 16. 1839.

1845
Feby him. Occasionally makes shrewd remarks & is much flattered by being listened to ~~repeating~~. When a laugh is produced he is quite delighted & fancies that he is a very important man to his auditors. Wears Muscadet & a straw hat frequently a handkerchief or thong about his waist. He is one of the characters of the house. Mind weak & fanciful. Occasionally he becomes excited & comes & demeans in a rough manner. Bodily health good. Cat. omnia

— 21 No change whatever since last report. Health good. C. omnia

March 3 Has not been excited since last report. Health good. Mind & occupation as formerly Cat. omnia

— 15 Health good. Has been in good humour since last report & has occupied himself prudently with reading as the weather has been generally unfavorable for out of door exercise. Cat. omnia

— 30 Has been rather excited during the last few days. Declares something is wrong with the management of this house. That dead bodies are in the walls and that people frequently talk to him during the night. Abuses the attendants for keeping him in such a place. When in the airing ground curses & swears in the most violent manner. Hears several people but cannot say who they are. Mind full of all sorts of fancies. In particular is fond of telling long stories to his fellow patients. Seldom reads unless he gets hold of Punch or other such publications. C. omnia

April 21 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report C. Omnia

John Buchanan: Mat's. from page 81.

1844

Augst 31st — Is at present free from any delusions but talks in rather a rambling manner — Assists in the Surgery washing bottles and makes himself generally useful Is good humoured and says he has no wish to leave the Asylum Bodily health good — Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural — C. Mania

Sept 30 — Continues to employ himself as formerly in the Surgery — Has been rather flighty during the last few days and talks in a rambling manner — Is good humoured and contented. Cont. Mania

Octr 29 — Has been in the habit for the last few Sundays of attending Church with his friends in Glasgow his father seems to think that it excites him in consequence of which he will no longer be permitted to do so — Employs himself as formerly and his mind continues in the same state Cont. Mania

Novr 29 — No change whatever Mental or bodily has taken place during the last month — Appetite, Sleep and bowels natural — Cont. Mania

Decr 28 — Has been rather more excited during the last month and he is very apt to quarrel with his fellow patients — Mind weak and he is much more troublesome than formerly — Bodily health good — Is kept in his Gallery for some days — Cont. Mania

1845
Janry 27 — Is liable to occasional fits of excitement during which he is very quarrelsome and apt to annoy his fellow patients — During these attacks he thinks himself a man of great importance — Mind continues in the same weak and fanciful state — Bodily health good Cont. Mania

Feby 16 — Has been rather more excited and troublesome of late — When he is so excited he assumes an air of grandeur, and refuses to answer any questions put to him

Admitted July 22. 1837.

1840

Feby (cont'd) by the Medical Assistant. Mind weak and fanciful. Is slovenly in his personal appearance, much more so than he used to be - Bowels reported to be regular - Sleeps well at night - Appetite keen. Cont: omnia.

28 Has been much quieter since last report on the whole he has been much better behaved of late - Speaks when spoken to, but is very rambling in conversation - Mind weak and confused pupils dilated - Tongue rather white - especially towards the edges - Appetite good - Sleeps and Bowels natural. Cont: omnia

March 20 No change in mental state since last report - Walks about the airing ground all day long when the weather is fine - Cleanly in his habits; he is just as untidy as ever in his personal appearance however - Docile and happy - Eye dull and heavy - Countenance sallow and anxious - Has been free from all excitement since last report - Health good. Bowels regular. Cont: omnia.

April 10 Has been quiet and good humoured since last report - Answers questions relevantly and betrays no delusions - Sometimes employs himself in the grounds Bodily health good - C. Omnia

—— 30 Continues rational and good humoured - Betrays no delusions Sometimes employs himself in the grounds - Is rather inclined to be idle - Bodily health good - C. Omnia

May 5th Being this day in good bodily health and his mind being free from all delusions he is discharged

Edward

Robert Bridges. Statis. from page 82.

1844

Sept. 15th Bodily health pretty good but he looks thin - Mind in the same weak state - Has a depressed look - Never enters into conversation with any of his fellow patients or employs himself in any way No improvement has taken place Cont. Mania

Oct. 15th No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or mental state during the last month - C. Mania

Nov. 10 Mind continues in the same weak and fatuous state - Is liable to fits of excitement - Never speaks to any one or employs himself in any way - Habits destructive & filthy Cont. Mania

Dec. 8th Has been very much excited during the last few days - Last night got out of bed and broke several panes of glass Habits very filthy - Mind weak & fatuous as formerly - C. Mania

— 28 Has been today rather excited and made several attempts to get at the windows - Habits become more filthy and he is very restless during the night - Never takes any notice of his fellow patients - Has a very melancholy & depressed look - Mind very weak - C. Mania

1845
Jan. 27 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month - Cont. Mania

Feb. 8 Has been free from excitement since last report - Habits filthy in the extreme, but he is not so destructive of late - No change in mental state - Never speaks to any one - When in the airing ground walks hurriedly backwards and forwards without taking the slightest notice of anything going on around him Pupils natural - Tongue pretty clean and moist - Bowels regular Sleeps well at night - Appetite good.

Admitted December 1. 1840.

Feby (Cont.d.) Has a very depressed look. Con: omnia

20 Continues destructive to his Clothes and filthy in his habits - Mind depressed and melancholy - cannot be got to employ himself in any way - Countenance sallow and anxious - Eye expression dull and heavy - Tongue clean and moist - pupils slightly dilated - Body in good condition - Appetite voracious Bowels upon the whole good - Sleeps well - Cont: omnia

March 8 No change in mental state since last report - very cleverly in his personal appearance, and disposed to tear his Clothes - Habits continue filthy as formerly - Never speaks except when spoken to, and then only in monosyllables - Mind weak - Has had no return of excitement - Bodily health good Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural. Cont: omnia.

20 Taciturn and morose - Countenance anxious - Scalp of ordinary temperature - Tongue pretty clean - pupils dilated - General condition of body natural - Destructive to his Clothes and filthy in his habits - Appetite very good - Bowels reported regular - When within doors sits with his head bent on his Chest, and his hands in his pockets, sometimes for hours together, without making the slightest movement - Always has his waistcoat half open, his shirt collar almost thrown back over his shoulders, and his trousers partly undone - Has restrained from excitation for sometime, altho' he has rather an excitable look - Never employs himself in any way - Takes no interest in anything passing around him, and never speaks to any of his fellow patients Mind weak, depressed and melancholy - Bodily health good. Sleeps well at night - No improvement has taken place. Cont: omnia

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George McSwan Aetat. 48. from page 90.

1844

Sept. 15th Bodily health at present pretty good, and he seems more steady in his gait - Mind continues in the same imbecile and weak state - Is very childish and filthy in his habits particularly at night No improvement is ever likely to take place. Cont. Omnia

Octr 15th Mind almost entirely gone - Habits filthy and destructive Passes his urine regularly on his bed clothes - No mental improvement - Bodily health pretty good - C. Omnia

Novr 11 Mind continues in the same fatuous state - Bodily health good - Is destructive and filthy in his habits - No improvement has taken place C. Omnia

Decr 9 Mind continues in the same fatuous state - Habits destructive and filthy - Simply becomes more feeble and during the last few days has not taken his food so well as formerly - R Pil: Alterativ XII bis in di. R.S. Cont. alia

—— 16 During the last few days this patient has been observed to be more stupified than usual - When visited this morning he was found unable to speak or move himself in bed - Eyes fixed and suffused - Pulse small & feeble Extremities cold - Hot applications to feet & Stimulants to be administered C. alia

—— 17 Continued to become weaker till about eight Oclock this morning when he

D.D

No inspection permitted

Admitted June 17. 1842.

Thomas Adair: Ætatis. 31. from page 108.

1845

Sept. 7th Bodily health has considerably improved - He still fond of playing tricks and has again been tearing his clothes - Annoys his fellow patients and is sometimes violent to be filthy in his habits seldom washes or employs himself in any way C. Omnia

Oct. 3d Bodily health now very good. Is not so apt to tear his clothes but his mind is very weak and fanciful - No change in his habits has taken place C. Omnia

Nov. 3d Is at present very noisy and excitable - Raves in a confused and unconnected manner - Is filthy in his habits but not so destructive to his clothes - Mind seems to become weaker - Bodily health good Cont. Omnia

Dec. 1st No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place since last report C. Omnia

" 28 Has been very excitable during the last fortnight - Is noisy & frequently strikes his fellow patients & destructive to clothes & furniture Mind very weak & full of delusions - Bodily health at present good C. Omnia

1846

Janr. 27 Mind full of all sorts of delusions - Is very apt to strike his fellow patients and is constantly playing tricks - Habits very destructive - No improvement since last report - C. Omnia

Febry 12 Has been pretty quiet since last report & though careless of his clothes is not destructive to them Has not been striking any one as formerly. Still inclined to be filthy & plays all sorts of monkey tricks. Mind very weak & fanciful Cont. omnia

" 25 For the last few days has been rather quiet & depressed. Has not struck any one or destroyed his clothes. Health pretty good. Looks thin as he generally does. Cont. omnia

March 5 Much the same since last report Still inclined to be filthy. C. omnia

Admitted March 19. 1843.

— 14 Has been very destructive and troublesome during the last two days - Today struck one of his fellow patients - Mind full of all sort of fancies - Says he has the head of a pig and wishes to be placed among the pauper patients - Is very careless of his clothes - Never reads or employs himself in any way - Frequently speaks about his friends and expresses a desire to see them - Bodily health has continued to improve during the last two months - ~~Walking~~ Walks about the airing ground talking to himself and frequently laughs in a very idiotic manner - Constantly playing all sorts of Monkey tricks - C. Morris

— 30 Is again quiet and less excited - Habits continue destructive and at times rather filthy - Is not inclined to enter into conversation with the Medical gentlemen and generally attempts to avoid them - Mind evidently becomes weaker - Has a very keen appetite and when at food is very troublesome to his fellow patients - Constantly plays tricks and always blames some one else for it - Seldom employs himself in any way - Has a very idiotic expression of Countenance - Dirty and sometimes plasters the walls of his room with filth - Answers questions in a hesitating manner and is very confused in his conversation. C. Morris

April 21 No change whatever has taken place either in this patients bodily or Mental state since last report - C. Morris

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Richard Young. Ætatis 23. from page 111

1844. Sept. 10 Still inclined to be excitable. Walks about the airing ground and evinces a sullen and discontented disposition. Very careless of his dress and personal appearance. Mind weak and superficial. Bodily health good. Appetite sleep and bowels natural. Conts. Omitted

Sept. 9 Bodily health good. Mind seems to become weaker. Walks about the Gallery talking to himself and laughing in a very idiotic manner. Is full of fancies. Never employs himself in any way. Cont. Omitted

Oct. 3d No mental improvement. Habits idle and lazy as formerly. Never employs himself. Disposed to quarrel. Continues strong as ever. Bodily health good. Appetite, sleep and bowels natural. Cont. Omitted

Nov. 3d No mental or bodily change whatever has taken place during the last month. Mind very weak and superficial. Cont. Omitted

Dec. 12 This patient escaped on Tuesday Nov. 26th and not having been recaptured he was today struck off the roll of patients as

Relieved

1846 October 20 The Keeper can see nothing of Richard Young and has learned that this patient had gone to sea as a common sailor & was doing well. Some months ago he returned to his friends & has since been behaving well.

Admitted December. 15. 1843.

Hugh Smith. Aetat. from page 128

1844 July 31. Still very averse to take his food and requires to be fed by the attendant. Bowels require occasional doses of cathartic medicine. Has lost flesh rapidly since last report. Looks dull and stupid. Will rarely speak and appears inclined to destroy the furniture of the gallery. Walks listlessly about the airing ground and rarely speaks. Pulse 90 moderate strength, tongue clean but white, pupils somewhat contracted. Cont. omnia.

Aug. 15. Bowels inactive and requiring occasional medicine. Mind unimproved. Takes daily exercise in the open air and upon the whole is more alert. Takes down his trowsers and exposes his person when in the airing ground. Bodily health slightly improved. Cont. omnia.

Sept. 18 Mind becomes weaker. Has a stupid look and scarcely ever speaks. Walks daily in the open air. Is rapidly loosing flesh and strength. Bowels continue in the same inactive state and require to be constantly kept open by medicine. Cont. Omnia

—— 20 Still filthy in his habits. Mind continues in the same weak state. Can scarcely utter a connected sentence. And he is full of delusions. Yesterday betrayed slight paralytic difficulty of articulation and his mouth seemed drawn to one side. After being well purged with castor oil these symptoms disappeared. Applies emplast lyttæ capiti tot. Cont. Omnia

Oct. 3d Has taken his food better during the last few days but he seems to be loosing flesh and strength. Mind continues in the same weak state. Blisters ~~applied~~ on scalp discharged freely but with no good effect. Habits filthy and destructive. C. Omnia

—— 26 Mind seems to become weaker. Cannot utter a connected sentence. Is destructive and filthy in his habits. Takes his food better but this he is in a very precarious state of bodily health. Is loosing flesh. C. Omnia

Nov. 11 Bodily health continues in much

Admitted March 21. 1844.

the same state as at last report - Mind very weak - This morning was more talkative and seemed rather excited - Declared he was to be murdered immediately - that two men brought a Coffin into his room about ten minutes ago - that they had several dead bodies with them. Habits destructive & filthy as formerly C. Morris

— 30 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report - Seems to be loosing flesh - To have a pint of port wine & beef tea daily also full diet - C. Morris

Dec. 27 Bodily health has improved & he has gained flesh since last report - Mind continues in the same weak state - Is full of all sorts of ridiculous fancies - Habits filthy and destructive - has a dull & stupid look - Bowels require to be kept open by gentle medicine C. Morris

1845 Jan. 27 Has gained flesh and strength during the last month - ~~Today~~ Yesterday complained of slight diarrhoea which is to day better - At present very sickly and apt to strike his fellow patients - Mind full of delusions - In the whole improved C. Morris

Feb. 27 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month - C. Morris

March 25 Mind continues in the same weak state - Has a idiotic look and is very sulky and discontented - Refuses to stand in one position - Is full of fancies - Habit rather improved Never complains himself in any way - At times refuses to take his food under the delusion that poison is placed in it - C. Morris

April 21 Has improved very much both in his bodily and mental state since last report - At times very well indeed but at other times is very punctual - walks daily in the grounds C. Morris

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1844. Aug. 7. (Letter)

circumstances with them. and having been returned from India as I have been there has been a great injustice done me, and the manner in which they have sent me to this country has altogether been so unfeeling unfriendly and improper that leaves me at much difficulty trying to account for such an action. In sending me from India there were not clothing provided for me suitable for this climate, nor was I furnished with means to provide myself with such on my arrival in this country; in the ship in which they had put me on board in India, arriving at Liverpool the Captain handed me a receipt with its contents which I here note.

"Calcutta 21st January 1843. Received from R. Macnair Esqr. a Silver Hunting Horizontal watch by McCabe No 11955. belonging to Mrs. McNair and 10 (ten) Sovereigns all of which I shall deliver to him on his arrival in Liverpool, also 4 (four) Sovereigns to be paid to the Steward of my ship being remaining half of the sum agreed to be paid to him for his attendance on Mrs. Macnair on the passage home, provided he gives satisfaction.

True copy (Signed) H. Heron
J. Macnair. Commander."

This is in Williams's handwriting, and appears to be a copy of an original signed by the master or commander of the ship. This was all the money that was furnished me, the Steward was paid the four Sovereigns and the remaining ten Sovereigns I found just sufficient to get my luggage through the Custom House, pay my expenses in Liverpool and bring me to my mothers where I was desired to go: I was carried on board this ship in Calcutta by Dr. James Ronald, Williams &c and told by them that I was going home to my mothers, that every thing was provided comfortably for me on board ship, and that my sisters would be waiting to receive me on Liverpool on our arrival there, amongst the Captains other instructions regarding me he was furnished with an introduction to Miss Jessie Macnair who would be waiting the ships arrival in Liverpool. Arrived at Liverpool and after two days stay in a Hotel no Miss Jessie Macnair making her appearance I had no other course left but to do as I had been told to do, and take myself to my mothers where I arrived on the evening of the 27th of

Admitted June 4. 1844.

Aug. 7. (Cont?)

May 1843. as stated in the third statement, that referring to Mr Macnaer's family, the drawing out of this statement was unpleasant to me, and so circumstance connected with it gives me a pleasant recollection. I would willingly refrain from saying any thing regarding this statement, but that would not do. considering the part you have thought proper to act towards me. so I will here state that on arrival with the family considering the part Robert had acted towards me, in cutting me off so entirely from the only lot which had been portioned to me in this world, I sought to unite myself with the family, thinking our interests so nearly connected, our desires would be much the same, but that soon appeared not to be. It would occupy much time to be more full upon this now. this statement will shew a little what they are, were this conduct pursued, desirous of suitably connecting themselves in life, it would be different, but no such idea seems to enter their heads, and although it happens to be drawn up, regarding Mr Balfour it is done through no enmity to any individual but merely to shew what their conduct has always been when left to themselves and which they have invariably pursued in life, and much more extensively than I have gone into, and that to with young men not fit associates for them, but I must also say here that my being returned upon them as I was, was not only hard upon me, but it was also hard upon them, there being no difference made to my mother whatever on this account, the same remittances that had been made for years, had only been continued, and no remittance to me whatever, to furnish me with suitable clothing for the climate, my bodily health at this time was debilitated, arising almost entirely from the part Robert had acted towards me in India. my life at Ashburn was most miserable. I was going about out of doors worse than a beggar, and in doors I was equally miserable. In a manner there as a child least miserably habited from some foreign country, a shew and ridicule to every visitor coming about the House. Fourth, receipts of my mothers income for the late year shewing the dependent circumstances in which she is in, and the more dependent circumstances her daughters will eventually be in, independent of their Brothers. Under these circumstances and considering the part Robert has acted towards

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me, I thought the family could be induced to return to Troon, both on account of themselves and me, that being in Troon they might be of some use and profit to themselves, and that I might also be of use and profit, but their ideas as they have always been, were at variance with their own interests, nor in fact as they were would they profitably and usefully employ themselves in any way, or allow me to employ myself in any way usefully and profitably.

Robt's life is no more sure than that of others and by his will and Testament every farthing that he may be possessed of goes to his children. In the event of anything happening to Robert, William and George might find it difficult enough to manage for themselves in this world, and might not be able to extend assistance to the family, and over and above all this I cannot see what satisfaction my Sisters can have in themselves in the life they lead, but in this respect I can only say (which very much distresses me) there are not two inmates of this institution (Glasgow Lunatic Asylum) more Lunatic in every idea than Misses Jessie and Agnes Macnairs, may I put the question to yourself "how would you have felt similarly circumstanced, and situated.

Fifth Statement. Estimate of my Mothers income for the present year.

The cost of my living here, I suppose will be about one guinea a week,

or per Annum £ 54. 12. 0

My clothing had long ago seen out, and in this respect there will be a considerable expense for the present year. say about £ 25. 8. 0

Estimated amount of my living here for this year. ——— £ 80. 0. 0 stg

Where is this to come from; my Brothers have behaved to me in a manner I would not do to any menial servant, and even were they to grant me this living here I would consider it no compensation for being deprived of that living in India I would have had through my own industry. — Living here, situated as I am I am unable to do any thing for myself, and this at a time of life when I ought to be useful and profitable. A short time longer of this life may disable me from ever being any use to myself or any one else at any period of life hereafter.

Admitted June 4. 1844.

Aug. 7. (Contd.)

And I may further and lastly state of my Brothers, that I can in no way account for the part they have acted towards me; it would require strong reasons indeed to induce me similarly situated, even to act such a part to any of them. Robert acts so, more or less by how ever to all his Brothers, William and George, and if he may fancy it for his interests he may follow up his actions towards them as far as is in his power, as he has done to me.

I may further say of the family, had they been in Glasgow and me there connected in business it would have been different. I would not have been dependant for any money coming through their hands for clothing and their conduct altogether would not have been felt so severely by me. I would not have been so much in the House.

Jessie called on me here yesterday, I was very happy to see her but sorry to hear the sad tidings she brought of the demise of Uncle James Edington. My Mother will feel his death very much.

Your attached Brother
J. Macnair.

Glasgow
7th August. 1844.

A copy of each document referred to in the above letter is now appended.

"Mr. John Macnairs living in India, as Assistant Manager of Indigo Factories and Silk Filatures. From arrival 1st August 1836 till 30th September 1837.
drawing annually: ——— Stg. £150. 0. 0
From 1st Octr. 1837, till 31st July 1838.
drawing Annually. ——— 200. 0. 0
From 1st August. 1838 till 30th Sep. 1840.
drawing Annually. ——— 250. 0. 0
From 1st Octr. 1840 was to have received
Annually ——— 325. 0. 0
Was now 23 years and 11 months of age, 4 years of which and three months, had now been in India.
1st July 1844. J. Macnair."

"Circumstances of Robert, William, George and John Macnairs as they stood 1st January 1843.
1st Robert the Eldest, Principle managing Partner of extensive indigo Factories, in the district of Jessore, Lower Bengal.
Allowance drawn by him from the Copartnery,

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for his private expenses. Annually:— £650. 0. 0.

2nd William the second Eldest, Principle managing partner of Silk Filatures, and assistant manager of Indigo Factories, in the district of Jessore, lower Bengal.

Allowance drawn by him, from the Copartnery of the Silk Filatures, and the Proprietors of the Indigo Factories for his private expenses Annually:— 425. 0. 0

3rd George, the Third Eldest. was formerly managing partner of Cotteesore Sugar Works. The Copartnery being dissolved by Mutual consent, he has for some time back, been assistant manager of Indigo Factories, and Silk Filatures in the district of Jessore, lower Bengal, drawing from the proprietors Annually a Salary of ——— 400. 0. 0

4th John the youngest, went to Bengal in a similar manner as his Elder Brothers had done before him, was equally well entitled to do so, and would now have been in equal circumstances with them, had he not been unjustly, unnecessarily and unlawfully deprived of any thing he had in the world, and sent to this Country, and no justice being done to him here, in any way whatever, for the property he was unjustly, unnecessarily and unlawfully deprived of in India, nor any remuneration for the heavy loss he has sustained in being sent from India. ———

We are all single men in this world, except the Eldest Robert, whose life has not been, as it might have been, & in fact ought to have been, for the Eldest son of the family, who as such enjoyed and received many advantages, which his younger Brothers did not, nor could do, from the almost unparalled misfortunes of their father in his latter life: He has still alive three natural children who of course look to him as their only parent and their life in India will never enable them to do any thing for themselves. they are all three girls. the mother of these Girls also receives a little support from him to enable her to live.

The Indigo business has all along paid all its expenses, including all sums drawn by the partners, for their private expenses, and notwithstanding all the difficulties it has had to come through it has left profit, and its future

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Aug. 7. (Cont.) prospects may be looked to more hopefully. The same factories formerly have made fortunes to other Gentlemen. The silk business is not so extensive, but from its commencement, now nearly ten years, it has all along paid all its expenses, and has given a liberal, clear, and steady profit very satisfactory to all its Partners.

The sums stated as drawn for private expenses, are sums actually drawn, or their equivalents, of course allowing a reasonable rent for the house in which they live. Riding horses &c. kept for them and bread &c. supplied to their tables. These sums are much under the actual cost of the several individuals, to the businesses to which they are connected, but as people so circumstanced unconnected with business might not go to such expense, were such items not given by the businesses in which they are connected, I have therefore only valued them as far as they would be really worth to them, unconnected in business.

15th July. 1844. S. Macnair"

"Referring to Mr. Macnair and Family.

1843. 27th May. "Arrived at my Mother's residence in Bute, on the evening of Friday the 27th day of May 1843. Found my mother, Agnes, Margaret and Ann at home; Jessie had gone to Liverpool to receive me, but having been too long of leaving Bute, we passed one another between Liverpool and Bute. Jessie again returned from Liverpool in a few days, but her return was rather to divide the family than otherwise, it seemed she had not held any intercourse with her sisters, Agnes, and Margaret for many months previous, and this had caused much enmity and disagreeable feeling in the House. The two parties at difference only sought a separation from one another, and to use their own expressions, they only held united their Mother's health was gone, until they would accomplish such an end. The bickerings this division occasioned in the family, and continued quarreling was very disagreeable and unpleasant, and this about the most silly and frivolous matters.——

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Saturday 22nd June

On saturday the 22nd day of June, a young man, a Mr Balfour, of about 25 years of age, was received into the House, said to be in very bad health, and only to remain for two days, previously to returning to his lodgings in Kilkenny. He sat up till early on Sabbath morning and the Sabbath day was spent very unsatisfactorily. it was also monday morning before this Mr Balfour, Miss Jessie Macnair, Miss Agnes Macnair and Miss Margaret Macnair retired to rest from the Sabbath day. Monday was spent in much noise and disorder in the house, the evenings and early hours of the ensuing morning were now invariably spent in dissipation, violent laughing and talking, so much so that Mr Macnair, Miss Anne Macnair and Mr John Macnair, the more quiet and sedate members of the family, could find no repose or quiet during night, or the earlier hours of the morning, for the excessive violent laughing, and talking carried on by Mr Balfour and the forementioned Misses Macnairs, Miss Margaret Macnair not hesitating boasting to Mr John Macnair that she had seen the sun rising in the morning before she had gone to bed to seek repose from the previous day.

Mr John Macnair holding now no intercourse with Miss Jessie Macnair & Miss Agnes Macnair on account of the impropriety of their conduct further than telling them of the impropriety and indecency of such conduct, and warning them of what could not but be the results of such a life; now had they no regard for themselves, furthermore than their own welfare in this world; all advice was thrown away upon them; they having no regard whatsoever for their Mother, Sister, or Brother or themselves even, when their Mother, Sister, or Brother would try to lead from their dissipation.

2d.

3d.

Miss Jessie Macnairs continued iteration on being spoke to by her Mother on the impropriety of her conduct was, that Mr Balfour was the only pleasure in the house, that there was no pleasure in this life without him, that he was a great pleasure and happiness to her, his sweet manners and kindness was her

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only pleasure, that he always kept her happy and in good spirits.

Mrs McNair, Miss Ann Macnair, and Mr John Macnair were now much vexed at this conduct and day and night it continued without any change, the three aforementioned individuals not hesitating to tell Mr Balfour of the impropriety of his conduct, and so acting towards him as that he might see his stay in the family was not agreeable to the family, and the three aforementioned individuals further told Miss Jessie, Miss Agnes, and Miss Margaret Macnairs of the impropriety of keeping such an individual in the family, but they only the more withdrew themselves from the family to dissipate with him.

4th. This conduct continued. Mr Balfour was indulged with wines, spirits and every delicacy they could get to lay before him, let such be procured in whatever way they could, while the family was allowed to remain without even the common necessaries of life, Miss Macnair having the management of the family affairs, the family support being at this time more than two thirds Charity.

5th. This state of affairs continued to grow worse, nothing being withheld from the family, and even the common necessaries of life for bodily support being withheld from the family, to indulge and pamper this Mr Balfour and others, and their dissipation riot, and noise in the House during the late hours of night and early hours of the morning still continued. Miss Jessie Macnair, Miss Agnes Macnair and Miss Margaret Macnair were now allowing Mr Balfour improper and indecent liberties with them.

6th. In the month of August Miss M. Macnair being said to be in bed with a headache, Miss Ann and Mr John Macnair went up to her bedroom to enquire for her and found the room door bolted, or otherwise secured, and were denied access to the room. Miss Agnes Macnair and Mr Balfour were in the room; this hurt Mrs Macnairs Miss Ann and Mr John Macnairs feelings exceedingly and were very much annoyed.

7th. Sometime in the month of September, about half past four o'clock in the morning, Mr John Macnair feeling a smell of burning cloth and smoke, arose out of bed, and on going into the lobby in the bedroom flat, found Miss Agnes and Miss Margaret Macnair in their

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night shirt, and Mr Balfour with no other clothing than a shirt, standing with the foremention'd Miss Macnairs. The bed in which Mr Balfour had gone to sleep was in fire and on Mrs J. Macnair opening the door of the bedroom, the whole bed appeared to be in one flame, which even at this time appeared to be taking the ceiling of the room, and thereby would have taken the roof of the house, and would eventually have consumed the whole house, but by great exertion and good fortune the fire was got under and eventually extinguished but its effects did not end here, it created much confusion and bad effects in the house and almost eventually proved the death of Mrs Macnair, at any rate was the cause of great suffering to her at her advanced time of life now nearly seventy years of age.

8th On or about the 11th of November 1843 Miss Jessie Macnair and Mr Balfour did leave Mrs Macnairs and go to Glasgow, where they resided for eight days or thereabouts

9th On or about the 19th November 1843 Miss Jessie Macnair and Mr Balfour did return to Mrs Macnairs. Mr Balfour quite intoxicated from excessive use of spirituous liquors this he almost invariably did on occasions of being absent from Mrs Macnairs for any limited time; in fact it was almost impossible at any time to say he was not more or less affected from excessive indulgence in this respect.

10th Although Mr Balfour nominally had lodgings in Rothesay he still continued living in Mrs Macnairs for five days, out of each seven days of every week and Misses Jessie, Agnes and Margaret Macnairs still continued their dissipation, riot and noise with Mr Balfour in the late hours of night and early hours of the morning; and we may here mention Miss Jessie Macnair could not even continue friendly with her Sisters even in their united dissipation. She continually peevish and ill natured, complaining of Misses Agnes and Margaret Macnairs continually taking Mr Balfour away from her. In fact this seemed to be the ground of their previous differences. Misses Agnes and Margaret Macnairs complaining on the other hand of Miss

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Jessie Macnairs differing from them, mainly through jealousy of the young men frequenting the House, preferring their society to hers, and consequently on this account treating them very improperly, flying into the most violent passions without any provocation or cause whatever, and altogether treating them not as Sisters, entitled alike with her to every comfort and use of the House, but as low despicable creatures, that should not be in this world at all, and treating them altogether in such a manner as they could not bear the further mention of which here is unnecessary, but her conduct in this respect was certainly altogether Madness and Misses Agnes and Margaret Macnairs had long previously come to the resolve of separating from her on the very first opportunity.

11th The Misses Jessie, Agnes and Margaret Macnairs conduct became now to be more severely felt by Mrs Mc Ann and Mr John Macnairs, the Servants having been kept up late at night, could not be up in the morning, and over doing themselves in this respect were now falling into bad health, and the house consequently being in an exceeding dirty and disorderly state.

12th Sometime in the Month of January the principal Servant being in bed unwell and the House in much disorder and confusion. Mrs Macnair feeling annoyed in such circumstances was fidgeting much more about the house than her advanced years, and blindness ought prudently to have admitted Miss Margaret Macnair being also in bed with a headache, Mrs Macnair going up stairs to enquire for the Servant and Miss Margaret Macnair, and coming down stairs again in the dark, unfortunately missed her foot, her head coming in contact with the low railings of the stair and from that falling headlong, head foremost down a sharp abrupt straw stair, severely injured and bruised herself, and when found on the stair, she was bleeding profusely: After much sickness however she eventually recovered, and although she is now hale and well in bodily health she is much less capable in any way to do anything for herself than ever she formerly was.

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This accident however and all that had previously occurred did not in any way tend to lead the Misses Jessie, Agnes and Margaret Macnairs from their dissipation, improper and imprudent life, the same dissipation, impropriety and imprudence still continued, and Mr Balfour even now seemed to take more liberties with the aforementioned Miss Macnairs than ever he had hitherto done. Although he had all along taken indecent liberties and was almost constantly with them in their bed rooms, whether they were in bed or not, and while undressed in bed they would allow him to tickle, and take indecent liberties with them, more particularly Miss Jessie Macnair who allowed Mr Balfour to take liberties with her too indecent to be dwelt further upon. This conduct was in itself so bad would not have perhaps been felt so strongly by Mr John Macnair had it not been for the singular circumstances in which he was situated with his mother and sisters. Referring to Statement of receipts of Mrs Macnairs income at this time shewing the dependent circumstances she stood in, being considerably dependant upon her sons for the support of herself and family, Miss Jessie Macnair having the sole and uncontrouled management of the family affairs. Mr John Macnair now found himself most unjustly and improperly used, kept in manner as a Beggar without proper clothing & Food while the Misses Jessie Agnes and Margaret Macnairs were indulging themselves in every dissipation and imprudence.

Drawn up and sworn to by me
First day of July, eighteen hundred
and forty four years.

J. Macnair."

Statement of Receipts of Income of Mrs James Macnair as known to her Son Mr John Macnair from 31st May 1843 till 31st May 1844.

1843.

Nov. 11. Remittance from her Son in India to Miss Macnair for support of Mrs Macnair and

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1844.	Feb 12.	To do. do. for Clothing for Mr John Macnair but this object not stated in the particulars of a letter inclosing this Bill ———	20. 0. 0
	May 11.	To do. do. for support of Mrs Macnair and her family, the letter inclosing this Bill, stating that the above remittance of 12th Feb. of £20 stg was for clothing for Mr John Macnair	20. 0. 0
			120. 0. 0
		Probable discount on above Remittances ———	2. 14. 0 117. 6. 0
	May 21.	To cash received from Merchants House, being a pension granted by the House to Mrs James Macnair during her natural life for support of herself and family, on account of the late husband Mr James Macnair having long been a member of the above House. Received in the Quarters of August, November, February and May £6. 5/ each quarter: ———	25. 0. 0
	May 21.	To Cash received at terms of November 1842 and May 1844 from Heirs of three shops, corner of George Square and St. Vincent Street, Glasgow, being property left by the late Miss Mary Macnair to Mrs James Macnair for support of herself and family during her natural life and to descend to her unmarried daughters, at her decease, which property is very old and is burdened with borrowed money which is secured by a Bond on the property of £1,100 stg and an additional sum not yet settled for due for business done on account of this property of upwards of £50 stg. This property has very seldom given this amount and can never be expected to give more, should it even continue much longer to give any thing like this amount. ———	60. 0. 0
	" 21.	To Cash received from Bond on Glasgow Iron Works Glasgow being property left to Mrs James Macnair by her late sister Miss Mary Edgington, burdened with a legacy of £10 stg yearly to be paid to Lieutenant John Edington, during his natural life, reverting at his death back again to Mrs James Macnair for support of herself and family during her natural life, descending to her daughters, their heirs and successors, the unmarried daughters receiving the whole interest arising from this property during their natural lives, jointly or singly, devolving at their deaths to the married daughters or their heirs or successors. Original Bond upwards of £900 stg but lately reduced by mutual consent of parties interested to £700 at which it now remains, bearing Interest at 5 % ———	10. 0. 0
		Total Amount of Income	£ 222. 6. 0

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1st July 1844. J. Macnair.

Estimate of Income of Mrs James Macnair from 1st June 1844. to 1st June 1845.

Promised Remittance from her Sons in India — £100. 0. 0
Rents from Merchants house in Glasgow 25. 0. 0 £125. 0.
Returns from property in Georgetown, Glasgow 60. 0. 0
Do. Rent out Thomas Row Steeple, Glasgow 25. 0. 0 25. 0.
Estimated Income — £210. 0.

Two hundred and ten pounds Sterling money.

E. & O. E. 1st July 1844. J. Macnair.

" 11. Bodily health continues good. Takes daily walks and appears cheerful. Has been lately occupied in writing and he has made a copy of the letter and other documents addressed to Mr Shirreff (which have been already noticed) and enclosed them in the following letter to Dr Ronald.

"Dr James Ronald
late R. I. C. S.
131. Hope Street. Glasgow

My dear Sir

Inclosed are copies of Statements, and letters to Mr Shirreff.
My life here is neither useful nor profitable and what interest the family can have in keeping me here, I cannot see, nor are the comforts here such as I have been accustomed to through life, and to one knowing himself, his God, and the world as I do; this situation is neither pleasant nor agreeable, nor any satisfaction to myself for the responsible part for which I am accountable to my God. you have acted a considerable part in bringing me from India and putting me here. It may not be for me now to say more upon this subject, but I take this mode of bringing myself before you. —

Yours very sincerely
Glasgow Lunatic Asylum. J. Macnair.
13th August 1844.

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Sept. 11 Mind continues in the same weak and fanciful state - Complains sometimes of his friends conduct in keeping him here. Is full of self importance and constantly making complaints - Is disagreeable to his fellow patients - walks daily in the grounds and sometimes employs himself Bodily health good C. Morris

Oct. 8th Is today considerably excited at being refused pocket money and permission to visit the town - Is very troublesome to his fellow patients - Mind full of fancies and he is very confused in conversation - Denies that he ever presented any fire arms at his brother or ever shot at any one - says that his brother is a man whose character is not known - Denies that he ever brought any accusation against his sisters at Rotherham - His brother wrote to Rotherham to use him ill and they did so - they gave him neither clothes or money - His father left the family destitute and dependent on the brothers including himself - His eldest unmarried sister was ill brought up - She was very excitable - Felt cold very severely and wants clothing - Is regular in his habits, takes a walk before tea though subject to cold - Bodily health good Cert. Morris

— 20 Mind continues in the same weak state - Fancies remain unchanged - Is full of complaint and apt to quarrel with his fellow patients - A few days ago wrote the following letters -

Charles Shirreff Esquire
Sheriff Substitute
Dunfermline

My Dear Mr Shirreff

Dr & Ratcheson having stated that I have no liberty to go to town from this, and not allowing me the necessary means of doing so, thereby depriving me of the opportunity of pursuing my business, and calling; and having disturbed my easiness and domestic peace, by stating vile; false; and calumnious accusations, as reasons for detaining me here

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1844 Aug. 16. Has now completely recovered the effects of his long walk. Appears to wish to go back to the East Indies but says a prisoner of war must submit. Asks for writing materials and needles and thread. Will not permit the attendant to remove his linen from the room for the purpose of getting it washed but says he will do all that himself. Says he is in the service of France and that he must no longer be considered a subject of this country. Bodily health good.

Wrote the following letter today.

Archibald Alison Esqre
Sheriff Depute of Lanarkshire
Glasgow

Gartnavel 16th August 1844.

Sir

I beg again to call your attention to my petition for liberation and with reference to my several letters reminding your Lordship of the same subject.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obt Humble St.
D Cathcart

Wrote to the Signet &
J Gayfield House Edinburgh

" 21. Saw the physician this morning and delivered to him a parcel which he sealed in his presence. It was addressed to — Currie Esqr
Manager British Linen Co Bk
& Secretary Acting. St Andrew Square Edinburgh
The parcel contained several pages of writing of which a copy is now subjoined —

" To the Manager of the British Linen Co. &
Secretary acting as in terms of the Charter.
St Andrew Square
Edinb."

Gartnavel. 21. August 1844
by Glasgow

Sir

You will please to call a special General Meeting of the Proprietors holders (of stock in your good Company) and should I not be permitted to leave this Asylum whither I was again brought back from within three miles of Chapl. Westonmeland obliged to be exposed on the Road side from your not attending to my letters for 12 days and nights You will lay the accompanying letters and statement before that meeting so called.

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giving me and Mr Lodgson, Attorney, Carlisle due and timeous notice thereof that my interests may be well watched and attended to.
I am sorry to feel for your situation as an entire one but I must for the sake of all concerned that you will think well of your situation and of the deadful exposure and ultimate ruin which is sure to follow such simple facts as the correspondence will prove against your integrity as Gentlemen and Bankers.
I am Gentlemen and Sir
Your most ob. Servt.
D Cathcart. W.S.
and of Gayfield House Edinburgh.

"Copy, Correspondence, David Cathcart Esquire Writer to the Signet. To
The Manager of the British Linen Company
St. Andrew Square Edinburgh.
1st Letter copied and referring to a letter from Ettrick Forest written in a cottage there when I was sheltered a short time in the forenoon of Monday the 5th inst. and which letter also referred to others of older date referring to same subject of cash.

"Carlisle 8th August 1842.
"Commercial Tavern & Posting Rooms
Addressed " High Street.
To — Currie Esqr. Manager, British Linen Company, St Andrew Square, Edinburgh
or the Secretary Acting.
"I wrote you from a House I stopped at in Ettrick Forest on 4th inst. requesting you would remit to me here the sum of fifty pounds (£50 Stg) as contained in my draft on your Bank dated from Post Donachan in Autumn 1842, & that you would remit me money here for the amount of which I should return an acknowledgement as usual. I have inquired twice at the post and found no letters I have therefore again to request your earliest attention to my wants as I must stop in Carlisle until I receive the money (N.L.). I referred in my letters to my account current and I shall soon be in Edinburgh to arrange about it & close (N.L.) I am not spending much I assure you as my journey here from Gatehouse prison cost me one Shilling and Sixpence halfpenny to be quite accurate. I am D. Cathcart"

"Copy" "The same to the same"
Carlisle 13th August 1842."
"I have twice addressed you within the last 10

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"days on the subject of a remittance on my account and funds deposited in your Bank and your declining to answer letters has reduced me to the Common highway for protection and Scrauneying onward. I have written Mr Hodson the Attorney an account of your proceedings and if he is to be found I have no doubt he will reduce you to answer and acknowledge letters of correspondents as he taught you before.

I. D. C."

"Same day wrote Carlysle Post Master to forward my letters to Chapps N Vandal Green."

"Copy. Letter said Dav.d Cathcart to Messrs Smith Payne & Smiths, Bankers, opposite Mansion House London. dated Carlysle 10th August 1844.

Commercial Tavern and Coffee Room, this

Sirs

As old Correspondents I write you to put you in possession of my Correspondence with your Agents in Scotland, The British Linen Company Bank Edinburgh (R.L). On the latter days of June 1840 I was induced to Consult Mr Hutcheson M.D. (whom I had educated) on account of my health in consequence of which desire he accompanied me to Glasgow and on the same faith of friendship I entered what is termed the Glasgow Royal Lunatic Asylum of which Dr H. was then the Superintendent. I was scarcely to discover that I was to be detained an involuntary inmate or prisoner instead of being as I have stated a Friend and patient for a short time of the Superintendent (R.L) I have been detained in that place and the adjacent prison of Garturk these three years passing into four as above stated. Now I to inform you of the atrocities committed upon me in these several places it would raise your astonishment that such cruelties could be practiced, or permitted in a civilized community. I can instruct my charges against these institutions and I relish the power of doing so. During my detention there I was taken down to the Highlands for two months and stopped at that house at a common Inn called North port Connachan. I considered myself at liberty and as I had previously to being imprisoned as above, stated the intention of travelling a little to confirm my health again for the business of a writer to the Signet. I drew upon the above Bank, where I have an account Current, settled by my stock

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"of that Company and guaranteed by further securities deposited with them. My conduct at Port Sonachan I will refer to any tribunal but I was again conducted back to the Glasgow Asylum. No attention has been paid to that Aff. of the 30th Ult. nor to a letter of date 4th inst. wrote on my way hither. I think it better to annex a letter again calling their attention to my Aff. and I am now here detained without money till I receive their answer. N.B. I was visited in both prisons as above stated by the authorities, I think about six times these four years and the last visit I received in Ward last from the Sheriff of Lanarkshire's substitute, a Mr Bell. I was desired by him to petition the Sheriff for liberation. I accordingly did so in the usual common forms of a Sheriff Court and backed it by several letters reminding Mr Sheriff Alison of my liberation petition. On Friday fortnight ago I was taken along with a number prisoners by Mr David Constable (formerly practising as an Advocate at Edinburgh) on a walk to the Village of Campsey about 10 miles from Gartnavel and as I got a hint from him that I was at liberty to walk away I took the opportunity with one sixpence in my pocket and reached this on last Thursday forenoon. I was then twice apprised on the Road side and once I received 1/-. All these addresses I have in my pocket to repay when my Aff. arrives. I never entered a house or asked for anything and those kindnesses were voluntary.

My conduct at the Glasgow and Gartnavel prisons I will refer as above with my stay in the Highlands and with my motives for journeying here I will satisfy any individual who may be legally appointed to enquire.

W. D. C.

Further Correspondence in Relation and connected with the British Seamen Company in the above line of Conduct will be produced and ready to be read and referred to at the Bank public Meeting.

The above Copy is in my Hand Writing

D. Cathcart. W.S.

Grayfield House Edinburgh

Sept. 20

Is quiet and conducts himself well. Mind full of fancies - washes all his own clothes and will not permit his Attendant to assist in cleaning the rooms. Sings in the unknown tongue. Has written once or twice to the Sheriff on the subject of his liberation. Ent. Cumin page 177

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Sept. 12 Still refuses to take his medicines Declares he was so weakened by getting large doses when young that he cannot now stand it - Has a depressed look & rather confused and childish in his conversation - Never wishes to go out in the open air - Sometimes employs himself reading - Takes his food well and seems rather to gain flesh C. Mannia

— 20 Still depressed and childish but his mind seems more alert - Wishes constantly to remain within doors and employs himself reading - Fancies formerly noted in the case remain unchanged - Bodily health improved R Decoct. Cinch. Lond 3ij - Tinct. Cardamom. Comp 3ij - Infus. Gentian. Comp - Aqua aa 3vij M - Sum 3ij bis quotidie C. Mannia

Oct. 3d Seems more cheerful and delusions become fainter - Mind however still weak and fanciful - Is quiet and seldom enters into conversation with his fellow patients employs himself reading but will seldom go out of doors - Complains of giddiness in his head - Bowels kept open by gentle medicines C. Mannia

— 26 Has improved very much since last report - Is much more cheerful and converses with his fellow patients - Was yesterday permitted to visit Glasgow to see his friends and to get his drawing materials with which he appeared pleased Is now rational and betrays no delusions - Has leave to walk out when he thinks proper - May at present be considered as convalescent - C. Mannia

— 29 Is at present very talkative and has a rather excitable appearance - Betrays no delusions - Has been visiting Glasgow during the last two days and did not return yesterday till late in the evening - To be closely watched as he betrays slight symptoms of his former disease returning C. Mannia

— 30 A brother of this patients accompanied by Dr McKenzie called this

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morning on Dr Watterson and informed him that when in town yesterday he had been calling at Hyams the tailors about a Military Jacket and that when in Church last Sunday he was very restless sitting a few minutes in one place and then going to another - Came home last night with his pocket full of salt herring. Is very flighty at present - was very much annoyed at not seeing his friends and immediately after their departure wrote the following letter to Dr McKenzie

Gartnavel 30th Octr 1844

My Dear Sir

I sincerely sympathise with you in your indisposition - You must have been very weak indeed when you could not climb the Mail house stair - Do let me know how you are by return of Post - Meantime

I remain
Yours sincerely
J. B. Buchanan

Dr McKenzie
Norfolk Street

Nov. 6th Has been very much excited since last report - Raves in a confused and unconnected manner on different subjects - On the 3d of this month wrote the following letter to Rev Macbeth Lawmoston Church Glasgow -

Gartnavel 3d Nov. 1844

Revd & Dear Sir

I did vow to Almighty God if he restored me to reason and consciousness I would lead a new life but towards the end I returned to folly & vice with new zest and he deprived me of it again in justice & love / the love of a father to a well beloved son / how I wish to return thanks to God for his goodness to me & also for preserving my life & restoring my life / when it not dead I was for some time alive / 12 / times and also for putting in my former some property which I hope I may use to God glory & my own good for the which I desire to return thanks to God for his goodness to me in the land of the living

I remain Revd & Dear Sir
Yours sincerely
J. B. Buchanan

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John Cleland: ætatis

1844. Aug 19. Came up from Kelsenbagh this evening of his own accord to the Asylum accompanied by Mr Sc Adam who had been down to that place with his sister (Mrs Menzies). On admission he appeared to be labouring under the effects of liquor. He had been leading a very irregular life for some considerable time past and it was with some difficulty he could be persuaded to leave Kelsenbagh when he was going to destruction. On entering the gallery he laughed and talked, admired the house and said he had come to pass the winter here. Shook hands with the Physicians and asked about several of his old friends. Said he was very much fatigued and he soon after went to bed. Quiescat

" 20. Passed a restless night and rose from his bed forgetful of where he was. At visit this morning. Pulse 108 moderate strength, tongue dry and brown, pupils slightly dilated. Hands and legs tremulous. Bowels have not yet acted, no undue heat of scalp. Appears very restless and agitated and cannot keep quiet for a moment. Was ordered a glass of brandy & toddy by the physicians, to be repeated in two hours. Can take no food.
This afternoon he had a severe epileptic fit which lasted about 3 minutes. Wanders in his conversation and forgets what has passed a few moments before. Is very agitated. Limbs tremulous. Pulse 100 small tongue dry. Considerable thirst. Stomach extremely irritable and he rejects every thing he swallows. Let him have the effervescing mixture freely. Ammon fet Mxx. c opio, Statim et rep hora somni. Continue the brandy toddy every two hours 3ij ats each dose.

" 21. Passed a better night and this morning appears more composed. Bowels have acted once, tongue cleaning, pulse 96 good strength, skin cool. Lies in bed and reads the papers. Considerable tremor of hands. Stomach less irritable and he can now retain any thing he takes, although he vomited very severely last night. Wishes to be allowed some porter instead of the brandy toddy. Complains of soreness of the throat which he says is occasioned by the vomiting of yesterday. Let him have a pint of porter every four hours. Continue the effervescing mixture.

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Aug. 22. Was rather restless during the night but this morning is up and dressed walking in the gallery. There is still a considerable tremor and agitation of hands and he sometimes imagines that he is in Helensburgh. Asks to be permitted to walk out by the river side and promises not to go into Helensburgh. Mind wandering and confused. Bodily health improves. Tongue clean. Appetite now keen. To have a steak at dinner and three pints of porter daily. Rep. Mist. Alterativa ℥ss. ter die.

" 26. More cheerful and composed in mind. Has taken exercise in the open air but he is still very unsteady in his gait and there is considerable tremor of hands. Wishes to move from his present gallery as soon as he is strong enough as there are few persons in it that he can associate with. Bowels have acted from the pills. Tongue clean. Appetite improves. Continue porter. R. Ammon. Bicarb. ℥j Mist. Camphor. ℥xii. Tinct. Card. Comp. ℥ss Tinct. Valerian. ℥j M. Rep. Mist. Cathartic. mane sumend. ter quotidie.

" 28. Has improved rapidly since last report. Bodily health almost re-established. Tremor of limbs almost gone and he takes daily exercise in the open grounds. Amuses himself in reading. Bowels regular, tongue clean, appetite good. Was today transferred to No 5 gallery. Cont. omnia.

Sept. 8. Walks out daily in the grounds. Bodily health improves steadily. Mind calm and rational. Bowels regular. Appetite good. Complains of weakness of limbs and some slight unsteadiness of hands. Rep. Pil. Alterativ ℈j. h. s. pro re. R. Pulv. Alterativ ℈x. Tinct. Calumb. ℥ij Aq. Pur. ℥iss M. ter quotidie sumend.

" 20 Has improved daily since last report. Walks out daily in the grounds and seems cheerful. Limbs stronger. Tremor of hands entirely gone. Employs himself reading. Cont. omnia.

Octr. 20 Is perfectly rational. Bodily health very good. Sometimes visits town but always returns sober. Is cheerful and contented. To remain.

Novr. 19th Being this day in good bodily health and his mind being free from all delusions he is again discharged.

C. Wood

Thomas Johnston. Aetatis 67.

1844. Aug. 28. On admission appeared slightly intoxicated. Came readily to the Asylum with the attendants under the idea that he was sent for by the Sheriff on account of an assault made by him some time since on a Female and for which he had already been fined. Imagined the Assistant Superintendent was the Sheriff and began to detail the circumstances which led to his breaking the peace and striking the woman, attributing all the blame to her. Confessed he had been drinking latterly and that at that moment he was labouring under the influence of whisky otherwise he should be able to state his case better. Was recommended to compose himself and that as soon as he became sober he should be allowed to state his case again.

His evening he was quiet and appeared to have recovered from the effects of the liquor taken this morning. Appeared desirous to ascertain by whose authority he had been sent here.

Hoped his residence here would not be a long one. Could not imagine why his friends had placed him here and thought it was at the instance of Dr Baird. Said he was ashamed of his appearance having on his working dress which was very dirty. Was quite calm and satisfied to remain a short time. Asked numerous questions about the patients and shortly after retired to bed. The attendant found on him a soda water bottle containing whisky. Quiescat.

Sept 3. Has been quiet since his admission but becomes a little agitated when he talks of getting home. Having promised that if permitted to walk in the grounds he would not attempt to make his escape he has been allowed the privilege to go out accompanied by a convalescent patient. He succeeded however in getting away this afternoon but was recaptured eventually. Bodily health good. Appetite, sleep and bowels natural. Coat. omnia.

" 10. Since last report he has had interviews with several of his friends. Behaves quietly and appears more reconciled to his present abode. Health good. Coat. omnia.

" 20 Is now perfectly rational and behaves no delusions. Employs himself reading. Is anxious again to be permitted to walk in the grounds and declares he will never again attempt to make

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his escape - A long probation will be ne-
-cessary to do any good and his friends
wish to keep him where he is. Cert. Omnia

Octr 3d Has been again permitted to walk
in the grounds and he seems more
reconciled to his situation - Is
quiet and rational - Bodily health
good - Declares if allowed to leave
the Asylum that he will never
again touch spirits in any shape
Cert. Omnia

— 19 Employs himself daily in the grounds
Is rational and free from any
delusions. Bodily health good -
On the 16th Mr Steel writer Queen St
presented a petition to the Sheriff
in this patients name averring that
he had been taken up and that
he never had been insane upon
which Dr Watcheson received an
order from the Sheriff to report on
the case - On the 18th a report
was sent in to the Sheriff as re-
-quested for a copy of which vide
467 - Today the following letter
was received by Dr Watcheson from
Mr Steel

16 Queen Street
Glasgow 19th Octr 1844

Sir

As Agent for Mrs Thos Johnstone
presently an inmate of the Royal
Lunatic Asylum at Gartnavel
I beg leave to send you herewith
copy of a minute which I this
day, in pursuance of his applica-
-tion for liberation, presented to the
Sheriff in his behalf; and also of
the Sheriffs deliverance thereon -
All in terms of the said order

I am Sir
Your mo obt Servt
William Steel

Doctor William Watcheson
Physician to the Glasgow
Royal Lunatic Asylum
Gartnavel - Glasgow

Minute for the Petitioner Mrs Johnston
19 Octr 1844

The Petitioner Mrs Johnstone has
now obtained the report of Dr Watcheson

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Alexander J. Bland. Aetat.

Sept 3. Came up to the Asylum at his own request. Had been troubled with diarrhoea for some days previously and his stomach was very irritable. Looks thin and worn out. Pulse 72 feble, tongue foul, pupils natural. Is quite rational in conversation.
Let him have a glass of brandy immediately and repeat it in an hour. Cannot fix alterative ℥ hora somni.—

" 4. Passed a restless night, stomach irritable vomited a quantity of yellow bilious matter. Bowels have acted from the pills. Asks to be allowed porter. Pulse 80 moderate. tongue cleaner, pupils natural. Some slight tremor. Let him remain in bed. Liq ℥ ammoniæ per diem. Saline draughts in effervescence three or four times daily.

" 10. Since last report has gradually improved in health. Walks out daily. Appetite good. Sleep and bowels natural. Cannot

" 26th Is now perfectly recovered again. Walks daily about the grounds and sometimes employs himself reading. Says he is ashamed at being again brought back to the Asylum but thinks it will be the last time as he is determined not to touch spirits again.
C. O'Connor

Oct. 26 Had permission to walk out in the country like with the last few days when he returned to the Asylum worse for drink. Confessed that he had been drinking Spirits and porter. Regretted having done so but could not help it. Inclination for stimulants continues strong as ever. Employs himself in the Gallery where he is now confined with leave to take exercise in the airing court. C. O'Connor

Nov. 6th This patients brother died a few days ago and he was permitted to go home till the funeral was over. This took place yesterday and today Dr Ketchum received the following letter

My Dear Sir

I am perfectly aware that for all events for a short time I cannot be better than returning to Portsmouth where I have all along been so comfortable.

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yet, I beg respectfully to state that when I return which I hope to do on Monday that I do so in every sense of the term a voluntary patient with freedom to go at large, to leave &c. at same time however promising as I now do to in every other respect attend to the rules and regulations of the Establishment

Trusting you will excuse all this trouble and requesting to hear from you

I remain
with best regards
My Dear Sir
Yours very sincerely & obliged
(Signed) A. Stewart. Cleland

148 West Nile Street
6th Nov 1845

12 Returned to the Asylum yesterday evidently the worse of spirits - Talks in a confused and mumbling manner - Today he has evidently been drinking and must have brought the drink with him - A few days ago sent the following note to Dr Mackeson

Thursday Night

My Dear Sir

My brother John has just been here and informed me that Dr Campbell had this morning told him that my note to you of yesterday was by you considered "impertinent" - Nothing was ever farther from my wishes or intentions than in the most remote degree give even the least offence to one whom I have and still do believe to be one of my best friends And I may add that before I sent the letter to your office I read it to my wife and my mother -

It seems Dr Campbell also told John that the card was very much underlined which to say the least you did not approve of - As far as I remember the sentence to be marked so was only the one wherein I stated my willingness to attend to all the rules of the Establishment Hoping this note will be received in the same spirit I write and that the explanation will be satisfactory as also begging to tender you all our best thanks and regards

I remain My Dear Sir
Yours very sincerely
A. Stewart Cleland

James Struthers from page 118

1844

Sept. 20 Paroxysm continues - Is very highly excited - Raves in a vehement manner - Has struck out at the attendants several times - Sleeps very little - To remain in seclusion C. Mania

Oct. 3 State continues in the same high state of excitement - Is very violent, destructive, and filthy - Bodily health very good - Remains in seclusion C. Mania

" 26 Has continued in the same excited state since last report - Continues to be very destructive & filthy - Plasters the walls of his room with his faces - Is at times apt to strike his attendants - Paroxysm has on this occasion continued longer than on any previous one - Attention to be paid to bowels and to remain in seclusion C. Mania

Nov. 11 Has been quiter during the last three days but still raves in a very incoherent manner - Walks about the Gallery during the day but still sleeps in the refractory ward - Bodily health good Cont. Mania

" 18 Is today quiet and rational - Betrays no delusions and employs himself reading - Is now in his usual state between his paroxysms and has been removed to his Gallery in the West House C. Mania

" 27 Has betrayed slight symptoms of his paroxysm returning during the last few days - This morning he is in a high state of Mania - Raves vehemently and incoherently - To be placed in refractory ward - C. Mania

Dec. 27th Has continued in the same high state of excitement since last report - Raves in his usual manner during his paroxysms - Is very destructive & filthy - Bodily health pretty good C. Mania

Jan. 15 Has been tried in his own Gallery for a day or two but he has again become so violent that he is sent back to refractory ward -

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Raves in the most vehement & incoherent manner – Is very destructive and filthy in his habits –
C. Mercier

— 27 Still continues very much excited – Raves vehemently & incoherently – Is in his usual state during his paroxysms – Bodily health good.
C. Mercier

Febr 4th Paroxysm has today ceased and he is removed to his own Gallery in West house – Is now quiet and rational – Answers questions relevantly and employs himself readily – C. Mercier

March 4th Has continued free from any excitement during the last month – Is good humoured & employs himself reading – At present perfectly rational
C. Mercier

— 30 During the last two days has betrayed symptoms of his paroxysm returning – today he is in a high state of excitement – Raves in a very vehement and incoherent manner on different subjects – Curses, Swears and abuses every one – Destroys his clothes and furniture – To be placed in refractory ward – C. Mercier

April 7th Has been much less excited during the last few days and has been released from seclusion – Wishes to take a walk in the Garden which has been granted – Talks still in rather a rambling manner seems to be recovering from his present paroxysm –
Cont. Mercier

— 9 Is today rational and in his usual state between his paroxysms – To be sent to his own Gallery in West house
C. Mercier

— 21 Has continued quiet & rational since last Report – At present answers questions relevantly & betrays no delusions – Employs himself reading and is soon summoned C. Mercier

John Craig Act 38

1864

Sept 20 On admission appeared very much bewildered - Raved in a very incoherent manner about himself - Declared he was treated in a most brutal manner by Capt Johnstone of the Hector - That he threatened his life several times - That he appointed several men to watch him, said he was a rascal, and owed him money which he refused to pay in a most dishonest manner - That about a hundred boys followed him on the street crying out that is the fellow who will not pay his debts - That two policemen entered his house and that he made his escape through the back window - That he then changed his clothes, took a cab and drove several miles out of Glasgow that every person on the road was speaking about him - That he at last came to a wood and remained in it for several hours - That two men entered the wood and that when concealed he heard one say to the other that fellow deserves to escape he has done us so cleverly - That he then returned to Glasgow and called on several friends but they all refused him admittance - That he now feels [illegible] glad to get himself into a place of safety where he is away from them - Pulse too small - Pupils dilated - Tongue white and rather dry - Some stertorous [illegible]

" 21 Has been very restless during the night and never slept - Today he refuses to take any food - Remains in his bed and sees all sorts of objects in his room - Delusions above noted remain unchanged and he raves in a most incoherent manner - Pulse still small & feeble - Tongue foul - To have a pint of porter twice daily and two aperient pills every night at bedtime

C Alcia

" 22 Bowels have been moved by the pills but he still continues in a very confused state - Last night

Admitted 20 September 1844

he was very noisy - Roared out and required to be kept in his bed by one of the Attendants - Declared his life was in danger - That his room was full of people anxious to do for him - That they entered by his window and all sorts of places where it was possible - A glass of brandy with sixty drops of Tincture of Opium was given him - after which he became quieter but could not sleep - Today his mind teems with the same delusions - C. Mannin

23 Has spent another very bad night - and his mind still teems with the delusions - He is in a regular state of delirium tremens - Sees all sorts of objects in his room and thinks people are going to murder him - No improvement has taken place C. Mannin

24 Slept well during the greater part of yesterday and also last night - Today he is very much improved and speaks quite coherently on different subjects - Cannot understand how he took such ideas into his head - Answers questions relevantly - Has still the slight tremor of limbs - Bodily health improves C. Mannin

Oct 2d Has continued daily to improve since last report - Is now perfectly rational and betrays no delusions - Employs himself reading and walks out daily - Seems quite satisfied with his situation C. Mannin

— 20 Had permission to walk out in the country under the promise that he would behave himself and return regularly - This evening he did not make his appearance till late in the evening and so drunk that two men had to assist him to his gallery - His former leave is withdrawn - He is kept in his gallery and must in future take exercise in the airing court - C. Mannin

— 26 Complains of being confined - Mind rational and he betrays no delusions - Employs himself reading - Medication for spirits continues no doubt strong as ever C. Mannin

Nov 27 No change since last report C. Mannin

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Alexr Mc Hutcheon Act

1844

Sept. 24th This patient came to the Asylum today and requested to be admitted. Said he had been drinking Spirits for some time past and that he could not give it up - Feared he would hurt himself and looked to him for ~~some~~ a time - Had considerable tremor over whole body. Seemed confused and looked stupid. To have a bottle of Porter daily -

" 28 Has been very quiet and seems pleased with his situation. Cannot resist the temptation of drink when at large - Knows his own failing - Employs himself reading and walks in the grounds C. Morris

Oct. 2d Bodily health improved since his admission - Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural - Tremor over body has disappeared - Mind seems weak - Employs himself reading and is contented and happy. C. Morris

" 9 Bodily health good - Is now quite rational and betrays no delusions - Walks about the establishment and seems cheerful and Contented - C. Morris

" 20 Is rational and betrays no delusions - Had permission to walk out in the grounds but today returned to the Asylum evidently the worse of drink - He is now kept in his gallery and his leave to walk out withdrawn - Bodily health good - C. Morris

" 26 Is quiet and rational - Complains of not being permitted to walk out which he thinks improper - Employs himself reading and takes exercise in the yard C. Morris

Nov. 16 Bodily health good - Mind free from all delusion - At the request of his friends but contrary to the advice of Dr Hutcheson he was today (without undergoing the usual probation in such cases) discharged

Cured

Admitted 26th Sept 1844

John Waterston Aet 40

1844

Octr 19th At about six oclock this evening two friends of this patient called to say that he was in an excited state and wished immediate steps taken for his removal to the Asylum. Two of the Medical gentlemen immediately went to his lodgings when they found him in his room with two long poles up the Chimney to prevent people coming down, and also two pistols. Said he had some suspicion of the people in the house and did not think them very honest - On being told that he must go to the Asylum he at first hesitated but shortly afterwards consented to admission he was quiet and immediately retired to rest -

" 20 Has been very quiet during the night and this morning told the Clinical Assistant that he slept very ~~sound~~ well - Declared he had not closed his eyes for several nights previously - When asked the cause said that he suspected the people of the house but could give no particular reason for so doing - Said he had been feeling confused for some time back but hoped an attack might be prevented by his coming here - Is quiet but has an excited look - Seems to have lost much flesh - Tongue white but moist - pupils dilated - Same statement in other respects C. Allen

" 22 Sleeps well at night - Employs himself reading during the day Is quiet but seems restless and excitable - Is rather confused in his conversation - The two following letters were sent to Dr Watherston with a request that he would forward them immediately -

Glasgow 19th October
49 Renfield St

Dear Sir

Mr William Leighton will perhaps tell you that I called for you in your absence and it was my intention to have gone to Hamilton on Sunday next, for the purpose of seeing you

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had I not been obliged to go from home this afternoon on business. — I would feel obliged to you to keep me in mind for the piece of business you spoke of when it occurs — I would be able to begin it in ten days or a fortnight: —

I am, with esteem
Dear Sir
Yours Sincerely
John Waterston

Robert Brown Esq
Palace
Hamilton

Gartnavel 20th October 1844
Glasgow Royal Lunatic Asylum

Dear Sir

During the illness I had two years ago, it was necessary for me to be under the charge of Dr Hutcheson here, who is a very particular friend of mine, and Mrs Eadie having put out her illnature in circulating reports about me, the Dr thought it a safe and precautionary step, that I should come out here, and of course not knowing altogether the truth of what Mrs Eadie told. — After a good night's rest, I am quite well this morning, but I may have to remain here ten days or a fortnight. In the mean time you may tell Miss Angus that I will be from home on business if it is my own business to get well if I be not well and that I wish you to get the bed intended for me in the room where all my things are, she is a very decent person, and you can just go on as you have been doing — be in as much as possible from 9 in the morning till 5 or 6, and tell any person who calls that I am from home on business and will not be back for a fortnight tell no person whatever where I am, and if they have anything particular ask them to write me, and you will forward it, and you can take a walk out and see me on Wednesday afternoon. You may remind Miss Angus to tell the postman to hand in my letters to you, which you and take to the R. L. Asylum Physician's Office, in St George's Church square, it is open from 11 till one. — The Painter can alter my sign at the side of the

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door in the way I told him.

You can be going on with the copying part of the tables, they are; I think in the bag along with the other books, and if anything particular occurs with me

Annexed I give you a copy letter to Mr Walter Paterson, which you will copy fair and send by post to him on receipt. —

I am
Dear Sir
Yours truly
John Waterston

I wish thanks you to send by the bearer, my best carpet bag, it is at the foot of my bed & the bottle wrapped in paper in the bottom of the press, and my thickest shoes, and black gaiters hanging up in the press

J Waterston

Mr James Gray
by Renfield St
Glasgow —

Glasgow 21 October 1844
by Renfield Street

Dear Sir

Mr Waterston had been obliged to go from home on business on Saturday and desired me to write you, that he was sorry he could not keep his engagement to you on Tuesday- he also had me say that after examining the small parks of Browns head and corner, he is afraid that from his having had rather little time on the Saturday, there may be an error and he will see you at Uddingstone as soon as he possibly can, and go over it again.

He is quite sure of the accuracy of all the rest of Birkenhead, and if you can immediately see for it, he thinks you should adopt the measurement of Browns head and corner as you have, but if it can stand over it would be all the better

I am
Dear Sir
Your most Obt Servt
(signed) James Gray

Walter Paterson Esq
at Andrew Jacks Esq
Uddingstone by
Bothwell

Admitted 19th October 1844

Oct. 24 Continues quiet but at times seems rather excitable - Employs himself reading - Says he feels very uncomfortable and fears another attack - Yesterday when he heard one of his fellow patients talking of Dr Chalmers declared he did not think much of him - That he was very fond of drinking and that he was guilty of many things which he considered unseemly in a man of his years - As to the free church he considers it a d—d humbug - Bodily health rather improves - Bowels apt to become costive - Ry Pil. Alterativa XII bem ℥ o. m. h. s. ad h.m. vicem - Cont. Alia

— 26 Is very quiet and rational - Betrays no delusions and seems more cheerful says he is glad he came to the Asylum and now thinks he will keep free from an attack at present - Bodily health rather improves - Employs himself reading C. Monica

Nov. 10 Feels himself much better and says he is very happy that he came to the Asylum when he did - Yesterday told one of his fellow patients the whole story of his suspecting people entering his room and of his having butts in his lodgings for protection - Sees through the absurdity of his delusions - Bodily health very much improved - May at present be looked upon as convalescent Cont. Omnia

— 19 Bodily health very much improved - Rational and free from any delusions - Goes sometimes into town to enquire about his business - Convalescence proceeds favourably - Cont. Omnia

— 22 Being this day in good bodily health and his mind being free from all delusions he is discharged

Cured —

which accusations can only be got up to deprive me of my property, of my rights, and of my liberty; which has already been too far done to me. – I find it necessary to address Dr W Ritchieson an application of which the annexed is a copy.
Royal Lunatic Asylum Gartnavel attached Brethren
Gartnavel 14 October 1844 J Mcnair

Dr W Ritchieson
Physician & Director
Royal Lunatic Asylum
Gartnavel

Sir

You having stated that I have no liberty to go to town from this; and not allowing me the necessary means of doing so thereby depriving me of the opportunity of pursuing my business, and calling, and with reference to the conversations we had on the 8th Inst., and the Vile, False, and Calumnious Accusations you stated to me as reasons for detaining me here, which accusations I at the time, were vile, false and Calumnious with no truth in them whatever. I here again repeat these accusations and my refutation of them –

1st Of having shot a man
2nd Of getting up an accusation against my sisters
3rd Of presenting a loaded pistol to my Brother –
4th That I acted improperly in India

The whole of which I again repeat, are Vile, False, and Calumnious, without any truth in them whatever.

As such accusations give me much uneasiness, independent (as you say) of being the cause of confining me here; and of your still detaining me here. –

Being a responsible individual, capable of thinking and acting for myself, and regarding health, being strong and hale, in body and in mind; I by this application call upon you, to produce my body in an open court of Justice, fully authorised and appointed and there in public prefer against me, such accusations, or any other you may have; that I may there have an opportunity publicly of proving their vileness, their falseness, and their Calumniousness, and the utter want of truth

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in any of them whatever. Or otherwise that you allow me the means, and opportunity of seeking redress, for the great injuries, and Injustices, I have received and am now suffering under -

I repeat to you here, what I have written, and stated, to that gentleman that acted the principle part in bringing me here; namely; James Ronald Esquire late of the Honourable East India Companies Service; That the comforts which I am allowed here are not such as I have been accustomed to through life. -

I further repeat to you here, that I am suffering severely in bodily health, from the want of that clothing, I so much require, which in itself is necessary and reasonable I should have, and for which I have duly and regularly applied, as you yourself have directed me to do; and which you so pointedly, and unjustly refused me; Although those that have put me here have particularly desired me to request from you, whatever I may want. Stating that I have no need to want anything, nor do I myself see any cause why I should do so. -

Nor do I omit here, my Application to you still pending, for money as I may require such from you, while I may be here;

With regard to what you say, that there is no property in question I say there is property in question; and that this Stratagem that has been gone into towards me; to deprive me of my property, my rights; and my liberty; is one of the most vile; and wicked; that could be gone into, by one individual towards another -

That you may know, that I do not make this application to you alone; or in unjust fear; or in unjust regard of any human being in this world; I request that on perusal of the accompanying copies of this application and the letter accompanying them copies; that you forward them copies, with them accompanying letters, to the Gentlemen to which they are respectfully addressed - Then being the gentlemen that unjustly and unlawfully brought me here, namely

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Charles Shirreff Esq. Shirreff Substitute Dunfermline, and James Ronald Esquire, late of the Honourable East India company's Service; The former married to my eldest Sister, Miss Macnair and the latter married to my cousin Miss Agnes Macnair

And I further request that you will deliver to me, your answer to this my application within or upon Six (6) full, and lawful days from this date, Being the date of the day upon which I have delivered this to you

I remain Sir
Your Obt Servt
(Signed) J Macnair

Royal Lunatic Asylum
Gartnavel
14 October 1844

True Copy J Macnair

Octr 26th The following letters have been this day sent to Dr Hutcheson by Dr Jas Ronald -

My Dear Sir

I beg to leave two notes from Miss McNair which I have received for your perusal. The one for her Brother to be given to him or not as you think proper. I do not approve of the mode of expressing her mind tho I can make allowance for a sisters feelings

Believe me
Very Sincerely
(Signed) Jas Ronald

137 Hope Street
Wednesday 20th Octr

Ashburn - Aberg. Octr 18th 1844

My Dear Sir

I return you many thanks for your attention to my wife & the painfully distressing case of my poor brother John - After perusing his letter and entering into what I suppose his feelings of indignation at unjust treatment since he found himself treated in this manner I cannot see anything in his letter, but what any one of us might

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be induced to write in a similar strain - he has many erroneous ideas but these may be accounted for from his actual ignorance about them - his education was limited - he went too early to India, where he was much isolated in the Country - Naturally of a very violent temper - not under any restraint and his mind not strong by nature - I could scarcely expect he could feel or write otherwise - I did not and do not still think he requires to be confined as he is - I may be wrong but still I think so, and I am very confident that were he employed he would be quite well - He had no command over him here and he was so very selfish and disagreable and made us so unhappy, that we cannot sacrifice all our comfort to him by his again living here as before, yet my deep interest in him is not and cannot be diminished by any conduct of his - I can never feel any comfort till I can see him poor fellow more comfortable happy - If you will have the goodness to glance over what I have written to him, which I have to beg you to let him have without its being known to any one at the institution, it will save me troubling you again with my ideas - I intend very soon to be in Glasgow when I hope something may be arranged for my poor brother - I thank you sincerely my dear Sir for both for my Brother Jack, who is now both able to do so herself, and my own, and all of us, for your kindness on this subject - John will do so also, I trust when he sees things, as I trust he soon will - I am much obliged by your letting us have a perusal of Robert's letter to you, which I now return - I do hope he will come home soon - he seems to have many reasons of his own for doing so - besides the natural one of coming to see my mother which she is still spared to us in life - So have the goodness to urge him when you write to him - I hope you yet mean to come here and see us this

which he herewith begs leave to produce – But before finally pronouncing upon the Petitioners application he respectfully craves that your Lordship would be pleased to remit to his own family Surgeon Matthew Matthew Esqr Barrachnie, and any other Surgeon whom your Lordship or Dr Matthew may think proper & necessary to examine the Petitioner and to report on his state of body & mind and as to the necessity or propriety of his present restraint and confinement In respect whereof (Signed) William Steel

Glasgow 19th Octr 1854 Having considered the above Minute together with the report by Dr Matthew Before pronouncing further remit as craved to Matthew Matthew M.D and John Mc Farlane M.D to visit and examine the Petitioner and to report within ten days as to the state of his mind and whether he is in their opinion a fit subject for confinement in a Lunatic Asylum the expense of their visits and report being defrayed by Mr William Steel Agent for the Petitioners, and appoint this deliverance to be intimated to Dr Hutcheson

(Signed) Henry Glassford Bell

Novr 10th Drs Matthew and Mc Farlane examined this patient as requested and after which they reported him sane but thought from the circumstances of the case that it was necessary for his own health that he should remain in the Asylum for some time longer – Employs himself working daily in the grounds and is perfectly rational – Bodily health good – C. Observed

— 24 Has continued free from any delusions since last report – Being this day in good bodily health and his mind rational he was dismissed from the Asylum

C Wood

Admitted August 28th 1812

David Cathcart Ass from p 164

1844

Oct. 26th Is at present quiet and free from any excitement - Mind Continues full of fancies - Employs himself making Shoes and will not permit his Attendants to clean his bedroom - Washes his own clothes and brushes his boots - Declares he is a State Prisoner and an American subject - Sometimes walks in the airing court - Bodily health good - Cont. Mania

Nov. 27th Has been several times rather excited since last report - Mind full of fancies - Delusions formerly noted remain unchanged Employs himself as usual - Sings in an unknown tongue sometimes for hours at a time - Bodily health good - Cont. Mania

Dec. 27 Is at present quiet but full of delusions - Sings in the unknown tongue - No Mental or bodily change whatever has taken place during the last month -

1845. Cont. Mania

Jan. 27th Has been very excitable during the last month - Abuses the Attendants in the most violent manner and refuses to speak to Dr Hutcheson - Declares his fellow Patient Mr Cocker get into his bedroom at night in the shape of a rat and in consequence he is very abusive to him - Sings in the unknown tongue - Mind teeming with the delusions formerly noted in the case - Employs himself as usual - Bodily health good C. Mania

Feb. 27 No change whatever Mental or bodily has taken place during the last month - C. Mania

March 25 Has been very much excited since last report - Walks about the airing grounds during the greater part of the day and in all weathers - Sings constantly in an unknown tongue - At times very violent and a few days ago struck his Attendant very severely - Today struck one of his fellow Patients

Admitted October 20th 1842

Mind teeming with all sorts of delusions - Is very selfish and cunning - Destroys his clothes and is destructive to furniture - Countenance indicates much excitement Bodily health good - L. Morris

30 Continues in rather an excited state - Is very destructive in his habits - Mind full of all sorts of fancies - Brushes his own clothes and boots - Keeps his room in a very filthy state - Blesses the Medical Gentlemen for keeping him here - Walks about the airing grounds during the greater part of the day and keeps constantly singing in an unknown tongue - Is full of complaints and seldom enters into Conversation with his fellow Patients - Thinks himself a state prisoner - Requires to be closely watched as he is apt to strike to strike the Attendants - Employs himself mending shoes, boots, old Clothes &c - Bodily health good - L. Morris

April 7 Has been less excited during the last few days - Still continues to employ himself as formerly and Continues to sing in an unknown tongue - Will not allow the Attendants to clean out his room - Says as long as he is a prisoner that he will work for himself - Is constantly applying for needles, yarn and cloth - Thinks himself a person of great importance and seldom enters into conversation with his fellow Patients - Sometimes works in the garden - L. Morris

21 No change has taken place in this Patients bodily or mental state since last report - Continues free from excitement - L. Morris

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Lawson & Irving cheques and Basil. next week the Glasgow fast coach. No friends will be with us & we shall be very happy to see you & hope this fine Oct weather will last till then. Excuse this very hurried note written late at night — My Mother & Hester join me in very kind wish

Yours sincerely
Signed Jessie elle Nair

Dr J. Renals

Ashburn - Accy - Sept 18th 1844

My Dear John

Since I last saw you we have had no letter from India but one from George; previous to their having received any of our May or June letters I have heard from Dr Renals of your letter to Dr Hutcheson - You can never know how much I have felt for you. I have had no comfort one day since you left us, on your account God alone knows it - I never thought you required to be treated medically as you are - I do believe if God would give you grace and strength of mind to restrain the violence of your temper, all wd be well - Oh! do let me beseech you, as you value your own happiness to make a firm determination to conquer such violence — and on your knees supplicate the Lord Jesus Christ to give you wisdom & strength & courage to keep it - I am determined since I see no one else to do so - to do all I can to obtain employment for you in the meantime - I will go to Glasgow and see if any of those still alive who knew my beloved father will assist me in doing so for you - & Oh dear John if I am successful you must be very humble and patient; after all you have suffered perhaps God has been teaching you many hard lessons, you stood much need of - I cannot explain this more fully at present, but write me you in person I have read a letter of Roberts to Dr Renals of last month's date in it he speaks very kindly of you

Admitted June 4th 1864

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& repeats his intention of assisting you - after you have been a short time employed as Clerk in some concern to shew your steadiness and desire to exert yourself - he does not know at the time of where you are now - Basil Ronald has got a situation in a London house connected with India - perhaps he may after this be able to find a similar one for you there also - In the meantime do keep yourself quiet and submissive - Perhaps God may bless my endeavours and cause you to find some friend in Glasgow - I think it a mercy you are not allowed to go to town - You could only have exposed yourself - how could you say to any one where you were residing - We must in some degree in this world in mixing with it conform to its prejudices & opinions where they are not in opposition to the commands of God - & altho in the eyes of every Christian there can be nothing disgraceful attached to your present abode, still in knowledge will unavoidably injure you therefore dear Robin keep all your matters as much to yourself as possible - My Mother is pretty well this last fortnight - I don't think she has been quite so strong - All the rest are well - Agnes eyes are quite well this week past - In the meantime I pray God to bless you, it is my constant morning prayer for you

Believe me Dear Robert
Your affectionate Sister
(signed) Jessie Macnair

Dumfries 23 Oct 1864

Sir

I am favoured with your letter of the 22nd Inst. respecting Mr John Macnairs board & in the asylum amounting to £7. 14. 11 which I have forwarded to Mr Macnairs relation at Bute. I am very much astonished with the large sum charged for clothes, which I cannot conceive to have been necessary for a person in Mr Macnairs situation and which his means are altogether unable to afford

I am Sir Your Obd Servant
Chas Sheriff

D Anderson Esq
110 West George St Glasgow

1840 Oct 20

Charles Sherriff Esq
Sheriff Substitute
Dumfermline

My Dear Mr Sheriff

I wrote Mr Sheriff on the 15 June and you on the 7th August to neither of which I have received any reply, nor have either of you written me in return. I gave Mr Hutcheson a letter to forward to you on the 14 Sept. to which I have also received no reply. I do not see the part Mr Hutch is acting towards me, or any cause in his acting as he is now doing & I am strong and acute in mind, few of my age in this world are more so. He does not advance any excuse for himself, in this respect for the part he is acting towards me, and the fabrications he states, as reasons for detaining me here, are madness. I was astonished to hear him state such fabrications, & on considering them delivered him an application in a letter to you, which letter Mr Hutcheson I requested him to forward to you, which you may have received but this application has merely caused him to be more strong in confining me here. I dont see any justice in this whatever. It was not your wish before bringing me here, or that of the family I have all along been attributing that part Robert has acted towards me and that also not my own wish but his own, but I cannot think that it is even at his will that the present part is acted towards me, and even if it were so, seeing no object for it being so. I protest against this part being acted towards me Robert actions have been very deceiving towards me, I can call them by no other name, for he has merely led me to deception. On the 1st October 1840. The day in which my liberty is no longer mentioned. In that note I sent you of my living in India I had previous to this been with Messrs James & Coull Indigo planters. Proprietors of extensive works and landed property in the District of Purnea — Bogorratt Aly Khan and Fuseelpore Lower Bengal, as an assistant manager of Indigo factories, in anticipation of becoming a partner in one of an Indigo concern. These gentlemen had for some time previous

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been unsuccessful in business, and at that time were no longer able to carry on their business as it then stood, they were parting with a great proportion of their partners and property, and as such changes invariably cause changes among the managing proprietors, and assistant managers, and another young gentleman. Then left them Gentlemen. Such changes being undecided I was not then desirous of seeking a similar engagement, but was desirous of trying something on my own footing. The principle I was desirous of trying was a merchant and agency business, and I might have done well at such a business. At that time grasping Roberts partners I called upon him to state to him my intention but he dissuaded me from doing so, I was then told enough to be led by him from my own intentions, by fabricating difficulty and uncertainties of such a business, that I was young enough to commence any business on my own account — whereas would have an important manage-ment, to remain with him for a time from thing more suitable for me would turn up, an opening might occur, in the business in which he himself was the principal managing partner — it was in his power to make a temporary opening for me, not suspecting any intentions from a brother so much my elder as he is, but what would be for my good, I was thus led by him and remained with him doing any thing he wished, as assisting him and occupying myself — but as this was bringing me nothing when they were all in good business and no opening occurring for me I was uneasy. In July 1841. A Mr Dunlop of a wealthy and extensive indigo planter, and Landed proprietor who I had for years known and visited asking for me in a letter to Robert offered me an engagement such as I had previously had under similar prospects but this Robert would not allow me to accept, and not allowing me to by any thing else I was annoyed. Whether and perhaps thought I might have taken such an engagement as there was no opening remaining as I was. and Robert

1844 Calcutta (Cont'd)

on this account sought to take me from William and George, and create a difference between us - this more annoyed me that I should be the cause of a difference amongst brothers, and much annoyed and disgusted at the part Robert was acting towards me, and had acted towards me and that I should be the cause of a difference amongst brothers. in October 1841 I left them, but my leaving them at this time was different than if I had not remained with them the previous year - for I knew I left them without any fixed intentions regarding what I should do. and the year then past I had lived considerably upon my own money, and was still in doubt and uncertainty regarding what intentions a brother so much my elder could have, in acting as he was also to William and George

After leaving Robert as I have mentioned I went to Calcutta - and if I had then return and determined I might have engaged nearly similar to former engagements but I was disgusted and disheartened George was in Calcutta. he and his partners were mutually giving up their joint engagements - he was returning to the country to his former engagements in Indigo - he was very desirous I would return to the country with him - he also said William and Robert were so also - I did not do so however; Robert wrote me immediately after this - and as we usually travel by the river in India - he sent me a boat and servants to return to him in - I returned the boat writing him my wish to return to him to remain similarly as I had done for the last year with him there Robert having business in town at this time he and William came to town they came to the hotel I was living at - Robert perceiving my apartments - asked me to exchange them with him for those he had - I did so. they remained in town till they had finished their business. and returning to the country again they were very desirous I would return with them - and were going to take me away by force. I was living at considerable expense at Calcutta and fast exhausting my money and as I could no longer continue

Admitted 4th June 1844

Phh Ddd &c Ans.

doing so without getting business or employing myself in some way that would bring me a living. But not being able just at that time to get into a suitable Business or Employ I stated to my friends the part Robert was acting towards me. They said he now not acting properly, but that as all my Brothers wished me to return to them I had better do see rather than in any way immediately employ myself in Calcutta, and as the previous year I had principally been led by Robert, while William and George who differing from him regarding the part he was acting towards me, rather than immediately employ myself in Calcutta Returned to William and George to know a little more of them, and not in any way to have any thing to say to Robert, but then I had little knowers William and Georges nature dispositions and strength, he would request William or George, whoever I would be staying with, to come and stay with him and bring me with him, this step at first I could not avoid without offending William or George, and on such occasions he would request me to remain with him a few days rather than return with them immediately again, on all occasions I possibly could endeavoured to return with them, as I was getting no benefit from such visiting, I found means to excuse myself to William and George on such occasions, this did not seem to suit Robert, and not liking continued refusals from me, he would make the invite me from his residence asking me to join them, however I excused myself, and he then began to hinder my residence with them very uneasy, he directed them in every way in their actions towards me, and although they themselves were against the part he was acting, still there was no reasoning they would come to and allow me to take myself away from them altogether, under such circumstances I feared it was the only remaining further Fever I could have had, it was only temporary, for a very short time. It could not return to me again, nor no Fever ever will; No

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Power has ever returned to me; having had that Power; they kept me a prisoner at the Factory took me a Prisoner to Calcutta, put me in the Lunatics Asylum there, After having been there unjustly and unlawfully for about one month, they carried me from it again by force and against my will and remonstrances, carried me forcibly, unjustly and unlawfully on board ship at Calcutta; further particulars I have already written you, I consider the whole of this very unjust, and did all the time doing it, to use their own expressions to better me. on putting me on board ship at Calcutta, William must use the words Robert put into his mouth, and tell me that [illegible] my Brothers were doing, how for my own interest and for my best.

On my arrival in this Country having no means at my command, or even clothing suitable for the Climate, I could not help myself, but remain for a time at home, to see if my Brothers had any intentions to assist me, but up to the time you brought me here, their actions have been confined to mere words.

Since you brought me here I have been getting a little clothing, the you know I absolutely required, and would have got whether you brought me here or not, and I have had no clothing here, but what it was absolutely necessary I should have, and in getting this clothing I have been doing so with the view of going into Glasgow, and there arranging either to get into Business in this Country or to return to India again, Robert can have no just reason that he should not return to India, it is wide field, I am to be in India quite independent of him, and may do better there, than he has done, should he attempt to annoy me there, the Courts will give me protection from him, for my part will not annoy him, three Gentlemen on considerable Mercantile concerns, have returned again to India, and are doing well there now, Robert although he is the eldest is not better off than William and George, as that I myself would be, were I in India still, he may be of a little more importance from his greater knowledge, and experience, and may eventually do more fortunate, but that is a may be, William and George are more independent

Admitted June 14th 1844

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in one respect, having no children depending upon them, from the statement I send you of our circumstances, living in India, being more than Fifty per cent (& more than one half cheaper) than it is in this Country. You may clearly see, that we are enjoying much more of the comforts of the world there, than you can possibly be doing here, and with the exception of Robert, being all single individuals, we have no family to bring up, educate and provide for. It is not to say I care for the things of this world but I do not see why I should be used as I am, thought to be able to do for myself at any rate in this world, and dont see why I should be prevented from doing so, I am but an idle consumer of what things of this world I am allowed here, without being of any use or profit in it, I do not see why being kept from being of use in this world, the things of this World should be unjustly kept from me, or my being brought here & stated every circumstance to Christy regarding our circumstances here in the most favourable light I could, so much so; I had been most unpleasantly situated previously but such you are aware I could then no longer bear, to have done so would have been very silly on my part, but since the matter have changed very much here, and no cause to my comfort, and even whilst I had an object here, I cared for nothing but the pursuit of that object, but since this object is denied me it is now very different with me, I see no justice or reason why this object should be denied me, and regarding this I will expect to hear from you. —

Since this only object I have had here is denied me, and being now stringently confined, without any way of occupying myself, is telling severely upon my health, and such is sufficient under present circumstances, to drive a strong and acute mind, into an unhealthy and deranged state, I hope you will reply to this at your earliest convenience.

Your Attached Brother
J. Macnair

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time writing the above another matter has come forward, were my being here at all necessary for my own health, or any just object, or tend to any individual would not be discontented or uneasy even situated as I am, but it not being necessary for my own health, or any just object or end to any individual, I feel myself unjustly acted by, and unjustly and unnecessarily unfeelingly used, if my Brothers will act this part to me, and have it in their power to do so, it is one of the greatest wickednesses one individual can do to another, in putting me here neither you nor Dr Ronald mentioned to me any arrangements that were gone into towards me, and consequently being here I have acted as I found myself circumstanced, but now there is a stop to that, and I now feel myself most unreasonably treated, I am not allowed to go from this to seek any living for myself in this world, nor will they allow me a living here at all bearable, I am very much astonished at this, seeing no cause that it should be so, I have applied here for Clothing and a little Pocket money to enable me to go to Town and effect some arrangement for myself there, but this I am denied I am kept most unjustly in close confinement here, and denied reasonable clothing, altogether this life is in no ways bearable, there is no man has a better knowledge of accounts than I have as far as I require such for my life, nor no one has a more proper knowledge of money to use it without abusing it, nor no one more able and willing to keep himself to his own means and circumstances, while those means and circumstances are right and proper, —

Under this close confinement I am feeling the cold here now exceedingly, I applied as directed for a warm Coat of which the annexed is copy of my application and the answer I have received. —

Admitted June 4th 1844

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Copy Application

Mr Macnair feeling insufficient warmth from his present clothing will be obliged by Mr Nichol, getting him an outer coat lengthy, that will button readily; and give him a warmth such as he requires for the present and ensuing Cold weather. Will Mr Nichol get Mr M. their coat at his earliest convenience.

Lunatic Asylum 22 October 1844.

To James Nichol Esquire

The only answer received to this was a verbal message that such a Coat would be got for me, but not receiving the Coat, I wrote a second note, of which annexed is copy.

Mr Macnair compliments to Mr Nichol, and begs to remind him, that he has not yet received the Coat that he requested Mr N, to get for him upon the 22d instant. Mr M. feels much the want of this Coat.

28th October 1844. To James Nichol Esquire

Copy of Answer from Mr Nichol.

Asylum 28th October 1844

Dear Sir,

I regret that it is not in my power to execute your last order, having received instructions to add no further to your account without a written order from your relatives

Vam, Dear Sir, Yours truly

(Signed) Jas Nichol

Mr Macnair

Here no sense in this conduct, there are no circumstances of the family that require my being kept in such Untearable circumstances If Robert as he says is doing this for my good and that of the family, my life here may be made bearable, there is no pleasure to even certain enemy, the close confinement added to the many circumstances here that try to draw a strong and acute mind into an unhealthy and deranged state, requires amusements, recreations, and freedom, to keep the mind in a healthy state, others here enjoy such amusements, recreations, and freedom, and there no reason, why I should not do so also, If my residence here is merely temporary preparatory to my returning to India again, it may be made bearable in the meantime, for my former letter to you, I estimated my living here at £80 Sterling per annum, but I had not at that time felt what

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sort of a place this was. It will take £100 Stg p annum to make my living here at all bearable, If my brothers have that feeling and intentions towards me, that they have all along expressed, this sum they can easily afford, and I have no doubt are prepared to meet,— and if they have no such intentions towards me, as they have all along expressed they have acted a very unjust part towards me, and being kept here under the circumstances I now am is one of the most wicked parts one individual could act towards another and without any object or end but a bad wicked-ness to themselves; As this part was commenced to me by Robert I suppose it is now followed up by his instructions, if not it does not alter matters I will take it in another light, If I am not kept here by my Brothers with intentions as stated above, I see no object any other individuals can have in keeping me here, it is acting a very unjust part to me, and if any individual can have such a power over another, it is one of the greatest wickednesses that can exist in this world, and I do not see how any individualy could have such horrid wicked feeling as to act such a part to any individual I cannot think that you would act such a part, or what interest you can have in doing so, as I have already stated it will take £100 Stg p annum to keep me in any sort of bearable life, on the other hand if you have the power and are acting towards me the horrid wicked part I have stated, my Expenses here may cost about £80 Stg but what object any one can have in doing so I cannot see it ought to be every ones object to get an individual out of an Institution of this kind as quickly as possible, even when there might be just cause for such confinement, but that as far as I am concerned now as was the case, there are a Constant

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coming and going of patients here, and many are brought here under very frivolous and improper pretences, and many have come and gone since I came, In this Gallery I saw; there are at present nine Gentlemen of which I have been head by far the longest; with the exception of two gentlemen who are old, and far advanced in life, and who have not had the opportunities, care, and attentions I have had in life.—

regarding expences, I am not allowed to know exactly what they are, but I make it my study to know as nearly as I can, and any thing that I receive I know what they are, and what they likely cost, or their value taking the inference that I am living here at £100 stg p annum, my board for the four months ending 30th Sept. will be £18-6-0 and four months proportion of other expences would be £18-17-0. the clothing I have had may amount to £19-5-10 leaving an excess I have over drawn of £0-8-9 but from the very destitute circumstances I was in for clothing when you brought me here, this could not but be expected, and can easily be made up from the present quarter, there may be some other small items of expences & charges on bringing me here, which can easily be made up at any time, this is taking the inference that my brothers intentions towards me are for my good, and that my residence here is only temporary—

On the other hand if I am not here by my brothers, it ought to be any other persons object to let me get away from this as soon as I possibly can, thereby saving them the expence of keeping me here—

If my residence here is by my brothers for the intentions I have stated I request arrangements to be made to render my residence here bearable, and such as others under similar circumstances enjoy.—

On the other hand if my residence here is not by my Brothers, but others

1844 Nov 1 (Cont'd) I request that arrangements be made, such as will enable me to get away from this as soon as I possibly can, that my mind may not become infected from the disease of those, amongst whom I am now kept -

I expect your immediate answer to this letter

Your attached Brother
J. elMacnair

Lunatic Asylum 1st Nov 1844

The above was sent enclosed to Dr Hutcheson in the following letter

Mr Macnairs compliments to Dr Hutchieson, and he begs to enclose to him "unsealed" as requested by Dr Campbell, a letter to his brother in law, Charles Shirreff Esquire, Sheriff Substitute, Dunse: formuline which he will be obliged by Dr. H forwarding or perused

Lunatic Asylum 1st Nov 1844
Dr Hutchieson

Nov 3d On the first inst was visited by two of his sisters when in presence of Drs Prichard & Campbell he made the following statements that he was not treated in the Asylum as a person should be in his situation - That Dr Hutcheson behaved very harshly to him - That he refused him Pocket money and the proper clothing necessary for this cold weather - That he refused him permission to visit town which was granted to other patients - That he was not now even permitted to walk out but kept in close confinement without any of the comforts he formerly had when in India - That Dr H brought accusations against him which were base falsehoods as an excuse for keeping him here - Knew they came from his brother Robert but that every one knew what kind of man he was in the town - Considered himself as independent as any of his brothers for they were

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all left alone – Requested Dr Prichard and Campbell at first to leave the room and when told that Dr Hutcheson's order distinctly stated that one of the Medical Officers was to be present – asked if he could see the order – On it being shown him he asked particularly if he might keep it which of course was refused – Enters into a long story about family matters and his wish to look after a place of business in Glasgow and when opposed by his sisters seemed rather excited – Told them of course he never would return to his mothers house as that was quite out of the question – Since then he has been very sulky and abusive – Is full of complaints and apt to quarrel with his fellow patients Abuses his brother in law Wm Shirreff in the most violent manner for being the means of placing him here – This information he received from his sisters at their visit Bodily health good – Cont. Insania

10th Mind still continues in the same weak and fanciful state – Delusions formerly noted in the case and in his letters remain unchanged – Is very troublesome and full of self importance – Bodily health good – A few days ago wrote the following letter to Dr Ronald enclosing him a Copy of his letter to Mr Shirreff bearing date Novr 1st 1844

James Ronald Esquire
Late of E. I. C. S.
131 Hope Street Glasgow

My Dear Sir

Enclosed is copy of a letter to Charles Shirreff Esqr Shirreff Substitute, Inverness, to which I request your attention, and if you cannot visit me here, I request your reply to this letter at your very earliest convenience

Yours very truly
J. MacLean

Lunatic Asylum
6th Novr

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John Young Act

1844

November 7th On admission was very much intoxicated and required to be put to bed - Raved in a confused and unconnected manner - Begs for God sake to give him some drink - Had considerable tremor of whole body and kept constantly grinding his teeth - Shortly afterwards went to sleep -

— 8th Shortly after retiring to bed last night he tumbled out on the floor and cut his nose, swelling the face very considerable - This morn can give no account of how it happened - Complains of feeling miserable and has considerable tremor of body - Requests earnestly for stimulants - Confesses that he had been drinking very hard lately says that he knew he could not give it up and thought the best plan was to place himself in the Asylum for a short time - Thinks he has done right as he knows he would soon kill himself. Answers questions relevantly and betrays no delusions but says he feels very much confused - Pulse slow - Tongue foul - Pulse feeble To have a glass of brandy immediately also to take two Alterative pills - Cont. Mist

9 o'clock P.M. Has been very sick during the day vomited the glass of brandy which he took in the morning also a pint of porter which was given him in the afternoon - Got out of bed half an hour ago and declared he could not sleep without a light in his room as he saw all sorts of Devils - Prayed that the attendant might be permitted to sleep with him during the night as he felt so nervous - Still complained of feeling sick and has considerable tremor of body - To have a blue and opium pill immediately and a glass of brandy and water and a half afterwards. C. Mist

— 9th Retired to bed last night after taking the pill and brandy -

Admitted 7th November 1844

Has very restless during the night frequently seeing objects in his room. Towards morning however he went to sleep and continued so for several hours – Today he has taken some food and feels much better – Answers questions relevantly and betrays no delusions – Has still considerable tremor and feels confused and weak – Bowels have been slowly moved – Pulse still feeble and Tongue foul To have a pint of porter every four hours – ℞ Pil: Alterativ: XII Decoct: ℈ o.s. h.s C. Alia

— 10th Slept well during the night and today he is much better – is perfectly rational and says he is glad he came to the Asylum – Bowels have been moved by the pills – Takes his food better and tremor of body is much less – To have a pint of porter daily – Cont. Alia

— 15 Has continued daily to improve since last report – Is now rational and betrays no delusions – Employs himself reading and plays at billiards – Thinks this a very good place for fellows to be drunk had and wishes he had come sooner – Seems contented and happy – Tremor entirely gone Cont. Omnia

Nov. 4th At the request of his friends was once or twice permitted to walk into town to transact some business in which they required his assistance – On every occasion he returned to the Asylum very much the worse of drink although under a solemn promise to Dr Hutcheson that he would not do so – He is now rational – free from all delusions, and in good bodily health – His desire for stimulants continues strong as ever and it is evident now that a very long probation will be necessary to do any good C. Omnia

— 27 During the last few days has been again permitted to walk into town & is behaving himself much better – Never has any appearance of drinking on his return – Is rational & free from any delusions C. Omnia

— 31 At the request of his friends was today discharged – Cured

Francis B. Buchanan Oct 30 from age 185

1845

Nov. 6th Yesterday he again wrote the following letter to Miss Marion Brown Bo
Spitzbergen 8th Nov. 18 2/
Fair Maid of the East
It was my intention to have been in Bones yesterday morning in Cog but my brother has put a damper on it by putting me in a position where I cannot go above 300 yards however if I have not Nov. 8
regained my liberty on Monday I will kick up a deuced noise about it and make my escape from these persecuting hands when I intend to join the ranks of the Scotch Greys and after a few years buy a commission having as much as will purchase me smart - They are ~~going~~ doing every thing in their power to keep me from your society at present Perhaps there may be something green 1845
in my brothers eyes (hope not) Nov. 2
Meantime I remain
Yours ever
Frank Buchanan
Miss Marion Brown
Bones

" 11 Continued in the same slightly and excitable state during the last four days - This morning however he is very depressed - Complains of severe pain in Head and bones - Seems he is in a bad way - Mind very weak and confused - Tongue foul - Bowels rather slow - Complaining of seeing yellow objects in his room - By Pd. Hydrarg ij cum statim et post horas tres haust effer - Catb. Mcia 2/ March

" 15 Has remained in bed since last report and is in a very depressed state - Complains of feeling very weak - Is not inclined to enter into conversation with any of his fellow patients - Pulse full Pupils slightly dilated - Tongue white - Seems in much the same state as he was shortly after his admission. Bowels have not been moved since the day before yesterday By Pd Hydrarg ij cum statim -

page 165 Admitted July 26th 1844

By Rubr: Sedlitz XII. sum ℥ tertiis quaque hora - C. Alexia

— 27 Has continued daily to improve since last report - Is again more cheerful and employs himself reading Is quiet and contented - Betrays no particular delusions - Bowels require to be kept open by medicine Cont. Omnia

Nov 8th Bodily health now very good - Is still rather depressed but gets out of bed daily and employs himself reading - Betrays no particular delusions but seems disinclined to enter into conversation with his fellow patients - Cont. Omnia

— 27 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report - Is very quiet and employs himself reading Cont. Omnia

1845
Janv 27 Is liable to occasional fits of ~~excitement~~ depression - At present quiet and rational - Answers questions relevantly and betrays no delusions - Bodily health good. C. Omnia

Feb 27 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month - C. Omnia

March 20 Has continued quiet since last report - This morning he is again very much excited - Talks in a rambling and confused manner on all subjects - Cannot remain for a moment in one place - Wishes to become a soldier - Abuses his brother for not behaving properly to him - Bodily health good - C. Omnia

— 23 Still continues very excitable - Is full of all sorts of fancies - This morning he got out of bed at five in the morning - Packed up his clothes and wished to start for America - Talks in a rambling and confused manner and wanders from one subject to another - Sings ridiculous songs and seems to have lost all ear for music - Is very troublesome to his fellow patients - Bodily health good - Bowels slow - ℞ Pil: Aloetic XII sum ℥ o.n: h.s - Cont. Alexia Vol IX. p 13

William Sloan Act

1844

Novr 25 On admission was in a high state of raving Mania, and in hand cuffs which were immediately removed was placed in a room by himself when he lay in bed - raving in the most vehement and incoherent manner - could not utter a connected sentence - frequently roared out and was very noisy - Declared he was worth three hundred thousand pounds - that he received sixty thousand pounds this forenoon for giving the Earl of Glasgow a kick on the arse - thought it a very curious thing - was very confused - the following is a specimen of his talk when in bed - Holy Jesus, Holy St Peter no St Mark by God - all right Willm Sloan &c - Pulse 70 moderate Pupils very much dilated - Tongue white but moist - Scalp hot - By Dr Glegnath. Comp. E. of Cast. in Lunn station - Shaved Capillitium

— 26 Bowels have been freely moved by the pills during the night - Today he is much quieter but still excitable - says he has been d-d ill used by being sent here - Talks in a very confused manner - is full of fancies and very violent in his language - wished to have a knife and when told by the Clinical Assistant that it was contrary to the rules of the establishment he became rather excited, declared he was not yet inclined to take his life, and wished to know if we thought he would cut his throat - has today written the two following letters -

Dear Doctor

I am very anxious to see you come out some where about 3 Oclock - I consider I have been very - but I do not want to say anything about it present. Send me an answer by the bearer when I may expect you hence

— 27

Admitted 25 November 1844

Yours truly
Wm Hoare
Dr John Cooper
Moore place

Dear Sir
I found myself here this morning but for what purpose I know not I have been very ill used but I intend letting that flea stick to the wall for a little. Come out as soon as you can as I am anxious to see you and have some chat with you - Wish you desire Murray to come out as I want to see him as well

Yours truly
W. Hoare

Big House
26th Nov 1844

Peter White Esqr
Buchanan Street

27 Has slept well during the night and this morning continues in a very excited state - Abuses his friends for sending him here and is determined to raise an action against them - Declares his mother in law Mrs Summerden is a d-d b-tch that she was the cause of his being sent here - That it was a regular revengeful trick on her part because he had her arrested - Says she has been insane for some time past - That she told him a few days ago that she was determined either to drown herself or take her life in some other way - That he immediately went to the Fiscal and got a warrant to confine her upon which he locked her up in a room in his own house - That his wife was annoyed at his doing so and joined her in using every means in their power to drive him furious - That they employed men for this purpose put him in hand cuffs and placed irons on his feet - Not content with this that they jumped on his body

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and treated him in the most brutal manner – Is determined that his wife shall never again enter his house – Raves in a very incoherent manner on different subjects – Mind teeming with delusions – ~~Says~~ By Pll Alterator XI. seems to have a P.S. L. Mia

27 Was this rather excited this morning – Mind teeming with delusions – Views his wife and mother in law in the most violent manner – Demands his liberty and says he has a power from God to act as he thinks proper – Has today written the following letter to his mother in law

Lodging in the Reg. House
1844 Nov. 28th

Mrs John Lumsden

Have you my Servant John Hues if so you have no right to him – Send him to me without delay – It is a high farce your taking my Valet after the way you have treated me – but so soon as I get quit here which is most likely I will get an order from Dr Hutchison he has half promised it and he says I am not a fit patient to be sent in the brutal way you thought proper to do it and I know both yourself & my friend Barbara had a hand in the job which made my Chin black & blue – I find you have got Barbara over to your feet – pray why did she remain away when I was lying in the greatest pain with a swelled bladder full of water and refused to relieve me for twenty four hours – Her conduct was very harsh under the circumstances in not coming to give me one single embrace – I am determined to bring an action of divorce against her & that she will never again live in my seat as my wife –

I beg to subscribe myself
William Sloane

Mrs J. Lumsden
6 Albany Place

Admitted 25th November 1864

30 Is today very much excited & raves in a very incoherent manner – Says he has a power from God and is determined to exercise it – Raves of his strength and is determined to exercise it – This morning took hold of the Clinical Assistant by the throat and declared by God he felt inclined to give him a d–d good thrashing – When told that two could play at that game he became quieter – Is very talkative and full of self importance – Declares he never was insane and abuses his wife and her mother in the most vehement manner – Bodily health seems pretty good

Com. Dimmick

Dec. 2d Is still very much excited and destructive – Mind full of delusions – Raves of his wealth – Declares he is inspired by God – That the Estate of Kelly belongs to him – Has been very noisy during the night and took several locks from the walls of his bedroom – When visited by the Attendants he declared if they attempted to touch him he would take their life – Raves in a very incoherent manner on different subjects – Bodily health pretty good – Tongue foul – Bowels very much deluted –

℞ Pil Hydrarg ℈ ij et post horas tres haust. effer. – L. Alvi

5 Still very much excited – Mind teeming with delusions – Declares he is all powerful and inspired by God – talks of his friend Jesus Christ and today told the Clinical Assistant that his father told him to give him a kick in the arse – Abuses his wife and mother and raves in a very incoherent manner on different subjects – Says every thing he orders must be done for God told him so – Thinks he has large sums of money – Abuses every one for not paying him attention

℞ Vin. Alterantiv xxx Sumat ℥ ij. h.s.s

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James Steel Adt

1844

Dec. 2d — Was brought to the Asylum this evening — On admission was a little excited and seemed to have been drinking — When visited by Drs Watchieson & Richard he immediately began to speak of his trial before the Sheriff of Dumbarton & a jury who declared him insane a very short time ago — Asked Dr Richard why he said in his evidence that he knew him several years ago at a grammar School — Reported by his Brother and the Fiscal of Dumbarton to have been very troublesome on his way so much so that they required to hire men to assist them in bringing him to the Asylum — When on board the Steamboat between Helensburgh & Glasgow he wished to give one of the passengers an order for three hundred pounds — and when ordered not to do so he made an attempt to jump out at the windows of Cabin — Mind evidently very weak and he is confused in Conversation — Pulse 72 moderate — Tongue clean — Pupils dilated —

— 3 — Was slept pretty well during the night — Today he is in rather a confused state and seems depressed — Thinks he is brought here on account of money matters — Is not inclined to enter into conversation with any one — Mind evidently very weak — C. Mania

— 5 — Continues very quiet — Seldom enters into Conversation with any one — Has a melancholy expression of Countenance — Stands for hours at a time in one position with his head leaning on his arm against the wall and muttering to himself in a very idiotic manner — Mind full of fancies — Bodily health good Cont. Mania

— 8 — Is very quiet and good humoured Never employs himself in any way — Answers questions &c. cheerfully enough — Is particularly fond of entering into a history

Admitted 2d December 1844

of his life - Of the different Asylums he has been confined &c - Memory seems very imperfect - Declares it is only two years and a half since he was last in the old Asylum. Frequently talks in a very confused way about money matters - Is prone to stand in one position with his head against the wall - Bodily health pretty good - Wishes to have some magnesia and says he has never taken any other kind of medicine since his dear friend Dr Young died - By magnesia I presume Chas. Alex

— 16 Bodily health good - Mind very weak and fanciful - Abuses his friends in the most violent manner and when visited by his brother refused to speak to him - Is very careless of his personal appearance with difficulty can be got to change his under clothing or wash his face. Got some new clothes a few days ago but refused to wear them until forced to do so - Says he was sent to the Asylum to save money and thinks by not using many clothes that he will leave and soon get out again - Is prone at times to stand in one position and sometimes places chairs in a particular position and will walk around them for hours at a time - Is idle & lazy - Never employs himself in any way C. Alexis

— 27 Mind continues in the same weak state - Fancies & delusions remain unchanged - Refuses to employ himself in any way - Dislike to friends continues - No mental improvement. Bodily health good - C. Alexis

1845
Janry 27 Has been much more excited during the last month - Walks about muttering to himself and is apt to strike & smash panes of glass - Tears his bed clothes and pieces them in different parts of the walls in his bedroom - Mind full of delusions - Resists examination and is very sulky - Bodily health pretty good - Sometimes refuses to take food for two days at a time - Mr. Alexis's [illegible] since last report - C. Alexis

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page 230 Feby 27th 1847 No change since last report - C. Morris

John Waterston Act

1845

Dec 3d This forenoon came out to the Asylum for the purpose of visiting some of the patients - he immediately called on the Physician and presented him with a silver snuff box - He also brought out about a dozen and a half of snuff boxes filled with snuff and each addressed to a different individual in the establishment - On Dr Hutcheson perceiving that his mind was evidently affected he went into town - Saw his relatives and procured the necessary papers and certificates for his detention - During the afternoon he has become much more excited - Declares the Clinical Assistant Dr Campbell gave him poison when last in the house - That he brought out the snuff boxes to serve Sodomitical purposes - Raves in a very confused manner on different subjects - Pulse 68 moderate - Tongue pretty clean - Pupils dilated - Urine Natural Quantity & Appearance -

4 Has been pretty quiet during the night but today he is much more excited - Raves in the most unconnected manner on different subjects - Declares the Ministers of the Gospel are a d—d set of rascals and guilty of many very unseemly acts - Abuses the Clinical Assistant in the most violent manner - Curses and swears - Bowels have been freely moved by the pills - C. Mucin

5 As today in a high state of excitement - Raves incoherently and incoherently and makes use of the most disgusting language - Today attached the Clinical Assistant in the following strain - It is now half past ten and the hour of visit is nine you b—r - Your testicles must be fixed by a string and rattled about till your p—k comes out at your arse you b—e - God eternally damn you b—e -

Admitted 3d Decr 1844

God damn your soul - Your head and arse must be shaved you b—r and placed in the prattie ward you b—r yes I say prattie by God prattie - You have got the claps and pox you b—r - blue pills by God - yes salivation in Mulcheking by God - You have f k d the Duchess of Argyll you b—r and got her with child by God - Damn such highland heirs to property &c - To be placed in a room by himself &c - Pupils very much dilated - Face flushed - Tongue foul - -

Ry Pil Alterative XII - Sumj o.h.s
Ry Acid. Muriat. dilut. ℥ij - Infus Lin. Fomit. Gentian. Comp ℥j - Tinct. Cardamom Comp ℥j - Aquæ ℥xiv M - Sumj bis in die - C. Klein

8 Still continues in a high state of excitement - Raves in a confused and incoherent manner - continues to rave in the same strain as reported last - Curses, swears & abuses the Attendants - Declares he is unjustly imprisoned here - This morning a knife was found under his bed which he had managed to conceal on admission - Declared by God if his Attendant had not got hold of it that he would have walked into some of them - Bodily health good - Requires to be closely watched - Cont. Omnia

13 Continued in the same state of excitement till this morning when he became perfectly quiet and rational - Sent for the Physician and Clinical Assistant & Campbell to apologize for his conduct and hoped the understood he cared not helps it - Yesterday evening and this morning wrote the two following letters by which shows the sudden change which took place in his mental state -

Gartmavel 12th Dec. 1844

My Dear Sir

I was on the eve of writing a Journal letter to the Sheriff Depute of Lanarkshire / enclosing it open to you thanking or requesting him to

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Patrick Smith Act 52

1844

Dec. 6th Was brought to the Asylum this morning under the delusion that he was going to see a friend - On ascertaining he became rather excited - Declared he had no right to be brought to such a place - Raved in a very incoherent manner on different subjects - Was quite confused and seemed not to comprehend what was said to him - Made several attempts to open the window for the purpose of throwing himself over - Reported by his friends to have had two fits last night from the description of which they appear of have been of an Epileptic character - Pulse 74 full - Tongue white but moist - Pupils dilated - R Pil. Alterati xii sumat 9 o.a. h.s. ad 17ma vicis - R Haust. Sodae 3ij. Infus. Gentian. Comp - 3ij ad 3viij 4ta quaq. 3ij. in Epileptic - Quiescat -

7 Has been pretty quiet during the night - Today he is less excited but very much confused. Talks in a very unconnected and incoherent manner on all subjects - Says he is in Hell upon earth - Seems not to know where he is and today asked the Clinical Assistant what was the rent of the different houses round the Crescent - Bowels have not been moved by the pills which he took last night - Refuses to take his food - 6. Ounces

8 Last night about 8 Oclock he became highly excited and very noisy - Declared he would be kept here no longer - Rushed at the window to get out and cut his hand through a pane of glass - Was placed in his room and with difficulty could be kept in his bed - Bowels were freely moved by the pills shortly after which he became quiet and towards morning slept soundly - Today he remains in bed - Raves in the same confused and incoherent

Admitted 6th Dec. 1844

manner - Refuses to take his food - Habits filthy - To have two pints of beef tea - Ord. Alex

— 9 Bowels have been freely moved by the pills - Today he remains in bed and has a stupid and heavy look seems not to know where he is - Raves in a confused manner - Frequently talks to his daughters and servants as if they were in the room with him - And is in a very weak and confused state - Seems to have slight paralytic difficulty of articulation - C. Ormrod

— 11 Continued in much the same state. Vide about ½ past 10 o'clock last night when his Attendant reported that he had a fit — He being visited immediately by the Physician and Clinical Assistant he was found in bed - Pulse full - Eyes suffused - Face flushed - Breathing laboured - Seemed not to know the different people about him but was not altogether insensible - Had considerable tremor of extremities - Six ounces of blood was drawn from his arm shortly after which he seemed more composed - Slept at times during the night but this morning he is evidently worse - Symptoms of general Paralysis betray themselves - Difficulty of articulation increases - Mouth drawn to one side - Limbs very feeble - May now be considered in a very precarious state - Head to be shaved and a blister applied over scalp also as turpentine injection to be given immediately - To be closely watched -

— 12 Continued to become weaker hourly since last report - Was visited by his friends but did not know them A few hours before his death he mentioned his sisters name and at twenty minutes before three this morning he

Died

No inspection permitted

William Sloan from p 108

1844

Decr 8th Still continues in a high state of excitement - Is very destructive and violent - Raves in a vehement and incoherent manner - Is very apt to strike his fellow patients and requires to be placed in a room by himself - Mind teeming with all sorts of delusions declares he is inspired by God - That he was born to be the first man on earth - That he is far above any of the Prophets &c - Pupils very much dilated - Bowels require to be kept open by gentle medicine - R Pil Alterativ XIII cum j. o. h. h. s Cont. Rlia

—— 16 Is today rather less excited but still very destructive and filthy - Mind still teeming with all sorts of fancies and delusions - Curses and abuses every one who enters his room - Raves very incoherently - Bodily health good - C, Vide Rla

—— 27 Has continued since last report in the same high state of excitement - Raves in the most incoherent manner - Curses & swears and is very apt to strike his attendants - At times raves of his former - Declares he is God Almighty and that Scotland belongs to him - At other times he is quite incoherent and seems not to understand what is said to him - Yesterday he seemed to have slight difficulty of articulation, his head was shaved and his bowels were freely moved by Croton Oil after which the symptoms disappeared - Is very destructive & filthy in his habits - Has been loosing flesh lately - Cont. Observa

1845
Janry 27 Has improved on the whole during the last month - Habit not so destructive & filthy - Is more by excited - Mind full of fancies - In conversation is quite confused and he seems to be going into a dull, stupid & imbecile state - Has gained flesh & strength - Never employs himself in any way - R Pulv Alterativ XXIII cum jss ter in die L. Rlia

Admitted 23th Novr 1844

Febry 27 Habits have improved during the last month but he is still destructive to clothes - Mind very weak and full of fancies - Declares that men use improper liberties with him at night and that he acts in the same manner on them - Talks in a confused and incoherent manner on different subjects - Has a imbecile expression of countenance - L. Bennis

March 25th Has visited by Mr Barbier on the 8th and by Mr Brock on the 22d of this month in both of which occasions he received them well - Talked to them on different subjects but in a confused and incoherent manner - Is at present free from excitement - Mind very weak - Wanders very much in conversation and seems not to comprehend what is said to him - Has a thin look but his bodily health is pretty good - Still destructive to his clothes - L. Bennis

April 10 Has rather improved in his bodily health since last report - Mind continues in a very weak and fanciful state - Is very confused and wanders much in conversation - Answers questions in a confused and hesitating manner - Is very destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits - Abuses some of his friends in a very violent manner - Has a stupid look - Is frequently found masticating - Appetite and Bowels natural - Never employs himself in any way - L. Bennis

" 24 Bodily health pretty good - Mind continues in the same weak and confused state - Continues destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits - Never employs himself in any way - L. Bennis

Thomas Johnstone Aet 57

1842

Decr 14th — This patient was removed from the Asylum on the 29th of last month by his friends contrary to the wish of Dr Hutcheson - He was not at large twenty four hours when he commenced drinking as hard as ever. The night before last he made a determined attempt to cut his throat with a razor and succeeded in making a wound several inches long - He was this morning brought back to the Asylum by two of the attendants On admission he was quiet and seemed very much depressed - Answered questions relevantly and betrays no delusions - This is one of those cases where the patient when sober is rational and perfectly harmless, but when under the influence of spirits is dangerous both to himself and others - It is evident that an Asylum is the best place for him - Wound to be dressed in the usual way Quiescat —

—— 16 Has been quiet and rational since his admission - Complains of feeling very weak - Is depressed and seems to regret very much the attempt he made at self destruction - Frequently cries bitterly - Answers questions relevantly and betrays no delusions L. Oliver

—— 20 Wound on neck heal slowly - Feels still very weak and he regrets very much having cut his throat - When in the Asylum is rational and well behaved - Employs himself reading - To have porter daily — Ct. Oliver

—— 27 Bodily health has improved since last report and he is becoming stronger - Mind continues in the same rational state - Wound on neck continues to improve - Ct. Oliver

1843
Jan'y 27 Bodily health now quite restored - Is rational & free from all delusions. Has permission to walk in the grounds under the promise that he will not leave them - Employs himself reading - Is quiet and contented - Ct. Oliver

Admitted 14th Dec 1844

Feb 27	No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month - wound on neck entirely healed - C. Morris
March 25	Is perfectly rational and seems cheerful and contented - walks out daily and behaves himself well - Bodily health good - C. Morris
April 24	Has been very busy during the last month - superintends several of the lower class patients who work in the Quarry and makes himself very useful - seems cheerful, Contented, and happy - Behaves himself well and feels ashamed of his conduct before he was brought here - Is perfectly rational in Conversation and betrays no delusions - Bodily health good - Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural - Cont. Morris
May 24th	No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report - C. Morris
June 24	Bodily health good - is very industrious and employs himself daily in the grounds - Takes great interest in the management of the Quarry - when in the house he sometimes employs himself reading - is cheerful and seems contented with his situation - Cont. Morris
July 24	Employs himself as formerly - Continues rational and free from all delusions - Bodily health good - Has no wish to leave the Asylum - Cont. Morris
August 26	No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report - Inclinations for stimulants continue - C. Morris
Sept. 30	Health good. Works diligently in the grounds. Cheerful and good humoured. Bodily functions natural. Con: omnia
Oct: 30	Continues in all respects the same C. O.
Nov: 30	Walks in the Grounds daily. General health good. Desire for Stimulants is as strong as ever. Cont: omnia
Dec 31	No change since last report. C omnia

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appoint as early a day as he conveniently could, the terms of the act of Parliament for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not I am a fit inmate for this Institution but as I would do this with much reluctance both on your account and my own - before doing so I think it better to request an interview with you - which I now do with the view of ascertaining what may be your intentions in regard to me - I need hardly add that however reluctantly I may do it, there is a duty I owe to myself which will force me to take legal measures to obtain my liberty

I remain
Yours sincerely
John Waterston

2 F W Watcheson
Esq
Portmanel

Portmanel 13th Dec. 1866

Dear Madam

I have had a very severe illness here, and may have to remain for a week or two - Be so good as just three or four day shirts, a night shirt - My cotton drawers & a few pairs socks into my bag and send me them by the bearer - You may also give him any letters which may have come for me - Meantime I have no doubt you will take charge of my things at 37 Dalhousie Street and I shall be with you as soon as the Dr thinks it proper for me to leave this -

I am Dear Madam
Your obt Servt -
John Waterston

Miss Russell
Dalhousie Street
Glasgow

16 Continues quiet and free from any excitement - Answers questions relevantly and betrays no delusions - Employs himself reading - Body health good - Is noted in his

Admitted 3d Decr 1844

usual state between his paroxysms –
C. Morris

— 27 Bodily health good – Mind continues rational and he is free from any delusions – Has been rather more talkative during the last two days – Has made up his mind to remain where he is for a few months and fears another attack. Employs himself reading & sometimes plays a game at billiards or cards
C. Morris

1845
Jan'y 19 Continued rational and free from any delussions till last night when he betrays symptoms of his paroxysm returning – Excitement has since increased and this morning he raves in a very vehement and incoherent manner – Curses – swears and is very abusive – Declares Dr Hutcheson is a d–d rascal – That he has been long enough under his charge and now wishes to have done with him. Same station – Pil. Jalap. h.s. [illegible]
Cook. Alex

— 23 Still continues in the same state of excitement – Raves in the most incoherent manner on all subjects – Dances & sings during the greater part of the day – Is very noisy & restless at night – Curses and makes use of most disgusting language – Frequently very abusive to his fellow patients – Bodily health good – Same station H. Cook. [illegible]
L. Alex

— 27 Continues in the same high state of excitement – Is very noisy and abusive to his fellow patients – Mind teeming with delusions – Is inclined to be destructive – Is removed to attend gallery – L. Alex

— 31 Is today quiet and rational – Betrays no delusions – Requests permission to return to his own gallery – Employs himself reading & is in his usual state between his paroxysms –
L. Morris

James Dixon Act

1844

Dec. 21st. This patient walked into to the Asylum this afternoon and asked a word of Dr Hutcheson. He seeing him he presented the following note unsealed from his wife.

14 Prong gate

Glasgow 21st Dec 1844

Dr Hutcheson

Dear Sir

Please admit the Bearer James Dixon to the Asylum under your charge and Oblige

Sir

Yours respectfully

Mrs Dixon

On admission into the Gallery he was quiet and good humoured. Asked his fellow patients how they had been since he last saw them. Said his wife thought he was insane and to save her the trouble of sending him, (or rather to avenge himself, for her talk) he pretended to walked out. Bodily health seems good. Ordinary diet.

— 22 Has been quiet during the night. Today talks in a rambling and confused manner. Told the Medical Assistant a long story about his wife. Said for a few days back she sometimes thought him insane, and he sometimes thought her so, which led to high words. That she once or twice told him he must be sent to Gartnavel. That he at last told her to write a letter to Dr Hutcheson and sign it herself and that he would take it to him. That by this means he placed the matter in the hands of Dr Hutcheson and his wife & that they must settle the business between them. Says he must have liberty here to walk out when he thinks proper. That he frequently felt faint & called for a glass of spirits and must have it. Head full of fancies and he has a very excited look. Frequently stamps his foot on the floor and mutters to himself. Pupils dilated. Tongue white but

Admitted 21st Decr 1874

moist - By Pt Attendant ~~XX~~ seen in ~~XX~~ 26 Dec 11th in recn - Cont. Alin

— 24 Bodily health good - Still rather excitable - walks about the Gallery muttering to himself - when asked this morning how he was, he answered just the same - As well at his own fireside as in the Asylum - In fact he did not care where he was - Mind evidently full of fancies C. Annie

— 27 Still rather excitable and his mind continues in the same fanciful state - Sometimes plays a game at cards but he is restless and unsettled - Something appears to be constantly working on his mind - Bodily health good - Cont. Annie

— 31 Is today more quiet & rational than he has been since admission still however rather confused in conversation - Employs himself reading and plays cards - Bodily health pretty good - Seems upon to be coming out of his present paroxysm C. Annie

Jan.y 13 Has continued daily to improve since last report - Is now pretty rational and betrays no delusions in conversation - Wishes to return home - Employs himself reading - Bodily health good Cont Annie

— 17 Has been today in a depressed state and would not speak to any of his fellow patients - Betrays no particular delusions but he has a peculiar manner in expressing himself - Employs himself reading - C. Annie

— 27 Has been pretty well during the last few days - Wishes very much to return home again - Is very easily excited and has a peculiarity different from his natural manner - Answers questions relevantly - Bodily health good - Cont. Annie

Feb.y 27th Has permission to visit town but is expected to return to the Asylum - Is now rational and free from all delusions - Bodily health good - C. Annie

Joseph King Aet 33

1844

Decr 24 On admission was quiet and shortly afterwards requested leave to walk in the airing Court. Raved in a very incoherent manner on different subjects. Abused his friends, more particularly his brother in law - said he knew he wished to get him away - asked the Clinical Assistant what he could expect from a man who murdered his own daughter & sister by throwing them over a window to serve great people Abused the Queen & Prince Albert in the most violent manner and declared they must be punished - Bodily health pretty good - Ordinary diet -

— 25 Bodily health good - Is quiet and free from any excitement. Mind teeming with delusions - Raves in the most incoherent manner - Yesterday wrote a letter to the Sheriff but in so unconnected & incoherent a manner as not to be understood. Abuses his brother in law Mr John Paterson Surgeon and declares that the same cruel heart which caused him to throw his daughter Mrs Dunlop out of the window at Irvine caused him to throw me out of society - says that Mr John Mc Killop has lately been added to his oppressors, as a man who was once a weaver, then a Baker, and after a brief course of study with all the advantages of his former ~~attainments~~ attainments became a Medical Solomon - Employs himself reading - Cont. Vannia

— 27 Mind still teeming with the fancies and delusions formerly noted - Employs himself reading and walks in the garden - Raves of his former as a Preacher - is good humoured - dislike to relations continues strong as ever - Abuses the Queen & Prince Albert in a very violent manner C. Vannia

Admitted 24 Decr 1844

31 Still continues to raise in the same incoherent manner - Mind teeming with fancies and delusions - formerly noted in the case - Employs himself reading - Bodily health good - Cont. Insania

1845 Janry 3rd Bodily health good - Is quiet & free from any excitement - Mind teeming with delusions and he raves on different subjects in a very incoherent manner - Declares that different people are under the earth - That he never sits down but some one abuses him - Dislike to his friends continues strong as ever - Looks to Sir R. Peel - Says he has written the Queen several letters on the subject but never received a satisfactory answer - Is sure he has been sent here to serve some infernal purpose - Mind very weak - Employs himself reading Cont. Insania

— 11 Mind still teeming with all ~~sorts~~ sort of fancies - Delusions above noted remain unchanged - Dislike to friends continues strong as ever - Raves in a very incoherent manner - Abuses the Queen and declares she has been the cause of driving him from Society - Bodily health good - C. Insania

— 19 Has been very much excited during the last few days - Says of being constantly annoyed by people speaking to him from excavations under the earth - Abuses the Queen for not allowing him the use of the Conversation instrument which she permits all her subjects to use - Thinks if he had it that he would find out the cause of all the persecutions which are now going on against him - Abuses all his friends - Raves very incoherently - C. Insania

— 27 Delusions noted above remain unchanged - Raves in a very incoherent manner on different subjects Bodily health good - Employs himself reading - C. Insania

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John Macnair Adt 26 from pg 184

1844
Decr 27th No improvement has taken place since last report - Is full of fancies - Constantly cause of his comfort in India - Wishes to have his case brought before the Sheriff - Is full of Unwell complaints and very troublesome to his fellow patients - This morning sent the following letters to Dr Watchieson -

J. M. Watchieson
Physician & Director
Lunatic Asylum

Dear Sir

I will be very much obliged, if you will favor me by forwarding the enclosed letter & directed to Archd Alison Esquire Advocate, Sheriff of Lanarkshire

I remain Dear Sir
Your Mo Obt Servant
J Macnair

Gartnavel Lunatic Asylum
27th December 1844

Archd Alison Esquire
Advocate
Sheriff of Lanarkshire

Sir

Having had no results from those statements you allowed me an opportunity of making to you here on the 2nd Ultimo; And being still unjustly detained, and confined here, and having been Robbed; Assaulted: Ill used in many ways previously to being brought here -

I will be very much obliged if you will order my body to be produced before you in your Court and enquire into these my Complaints, and Detentions here

I have the honor to remain
Sir
Your Mo Obt Servant
J. Macnair

Gartnavel Lunatic Asylum
27th December
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Gartnavel Lunatic
20th December 184

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Refering to Mr Macnair and Family.—

1st Your differences amongst yourselves.—
2d Admitting improper individuals into the House: dissi-
pating with those individuals; and siding such individ-
uals in opposition, in your own family.—
3d Withholding the Family's proper means from the Fam-
ily, and dissipating that means improperly with
improper individuals.—
4th Improper Conduct with improper individuals.—
5th The Consequences of admitting improper individ-
uals into the House.—
6th Further impropriety of conduct with an improper
individual.—
7th The Impropriety of an improper individual.—
8th The differences in the Family that such improper
individuals occasions.—
9th The Effects of improper conduct in the House.—
10th The Further Effects of improper conduct in the
House.—
11th The little Effect that every circumstance has upon
you.—

Arrived at my Mothers residence in Bute, on the evening of Friday, the 27th day of May 1843.—

1st My Mother, Agnes, Margaret, and Ann, were at-
home, Jessie had gone to Liverpool to receive me, but hav-
-ing been too long of leaving Bute, we passed one another
betwixt Liverpool and Bute; Jessie again returned from
Liverpool in a few days, but her return was rather to divide

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the Family than otherwise, it seemed she had not held any intercourse with her Sisters, Agnes and Margaret for many Months previous, and this had caused much enmity and disagreeable feeling in the House, the two parties at difference only sought a separation from one another, and to use their own expressions, they only held until their Mothers breath was gone, until they would accomplish such an end; The Bickerings this division occasioned in the Family and continued quarreling was very disagreeable and unpleasant, and this to about the most silly, and frivolous matters.—

On Saturday the 22d day of June a young man a Mr Balfour of about 25 Years of age, was received into the House, said to be in very bad health, and only to remain for two days, previous to returning to his lodgings in Rothesay, he sat up till early on Sabath Morning, and the Sabath day was spent very instatisfactory, It was also Monday morning before this Mr Balfour, Misses Jessie, Agnes, and Margaret Macnairs, retired to rest from the Sabath day, Monday was spent in much noise and disorder in the House, the evenings and early hours of the ensuing morning, were now invariably spent in dissipation, violent laughing, and talking, so much so, that Mrs; Miss Ann; and Mr John Macnairs; the more quiet and sedate members of the Family, could find no quiet, or repose during night, or the earlier hours of the morning, for the excessive violent talking and laughing, carried on by Mr Balfour and the forementioned Misses Macnairs; Miss Margaret Macnair not hesitating boasting to Mr John Macnair that she had seen the Sun rising in the morning, before she had gone to bed to seek repose from the previous day, Mr John Macnair holding now no intercourse

with

with Misses Jessie or Agnes Macnairs, on account of the impropriety of their conduct, further than telling them of the impropriety and indecency of such conduct, and warning them of what could not but be the results of such a life, even had they no regard for themselves further more than their own welfare in this world; All advice was thrown away upon them, they having no regard whatever for their Mother, Sister, or Brother, or themselves even, when their Mother, Sister, or Brother, would try to lead them from their dissipation:— Miss Jessie Macnairs continued, reiteration on being spoke to by her Mother, on the impropriety of her conduct, to wit; that Mr. Balfour was the only pleasure in the House, that there were no pleasure in this life without him, that he was a great pleasure and happiness to her, his amusingness and liviness was her only pleasure, that he always kept them happy, and in good spirits. Mrs. Misp Anns; and Mr. John Macnairs were now much vexed at this conduct, and day and night it continued without any change, the three aforementioned individuals not hesitating to tell Mr. Balfour of the impropriety of his conduct, and so acting towards him as that he might see, his stay in the family was not agreeable to the Family, and the three aforementioned individuals further told Misses Jessie, Agnes, and Margaret Macnairs of the impropriety of keeping such an individual in the family, but they only the more withdrew themselves from the Family to dissipate with him.—

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This conduct continued Mr. Balfour was indulged with Wine, Spirits, and every delicacy they could get to lay before him, let such be procured in whatever way they could, while the Family was allowed to remain without even the common necessaries

=aries of life, Miss Jessie Macnair having the management of the Family affairs, the Family support at this time being more than Two thirds charity: This state of affairs continued to grow worse, Clothing being withheld from the Family, and even the common necessaries of life, for bodily support being withheld from the Family, to indulge and pamper this Mr. Balfour and others, and their dissipations, riot, and noise in the House, during the late hours of night, and early hours of the morning still Continued. —

6th

Misses Jessie, Agnes, and Margaret Mac= 4th
=nairs, were now allowing Mr. Balfour improper, and indecent liberties with them: In the Month of August Miss M Macnair being laid to be in bed with a head= 7th
=ach, Miss Ann and Mr. John Macnairs went up to her bedroom to inquire for her, and found the room door bolted, or otherwise secured, and were denied access to the room, This hurt Mrs. Miss Ann, and Mr. John Macnairs feelings exceedingly, and were very much annoyed. —

8th

Sometime in the month of September about 5th
half past four Oclock in the morning; Mr. John Mac=
=nair feeling a smell of burning cloth, and smoke arose out of bed, and on going into the Lobby in the Bedroom flat, found Miss Agnes and Margaret Macnairs in their night shirts, and Mr. Balfour with no other clothing than a shirt standing with the forementioned Misses Macnairs; The Bed in which Mr. Balfour had gone to sleep, was in Fire, and on Mr. J. Macnair opening the door of the Bedroom, the whole Bed appeared to be in one flame, which even at this time appeared to be taking the ceiling of the Room, and thereby would have taken the Roof of the House, and would eventually have consumed the whole House, but by great=

exertion

exertions and good fortune, the Fire was got under and eventually extinguished but its bad effects did not end here, it created much Confusion, and bad effects in the House, and almost eventually proved the death of Mrs Macnairs; at any rate was the cause of great suffering to her, at her advanced time of life now nearly seventy years of age. —

6th On or about the 11th November 1843, Miss Jessie Macnairs and Mr Balfour did leave Mrs Macnairs and go to Glasgow, where they resided for eight days or there abouts. —

5th 7th On or about the 19th Nov. 1843. Miss Jessie Macnairs and Mr Balfour did return to Mrs Macnairs Mr Balfour quite intoxicated from excessive use of Spiritous liquors; this he almost invariably did on occasions of being absent from Mrs Macnairs for any limited time, in fact it was almost impossible at any time to say, he was not more or less effected, from excessive indulgences in this respect.

8th Although Mr Balfour nominally had lodgings in Rothesay, he still continued living in Mrs Macnairs for five days out of every seven days of every week, and Misses Jessie, Agnes, and Margaret Macnairs, still continuing their dissipation, riot, and noise with Mr Balfour in the late hours of night, and early hours of the morning; we may here mention Miss Jessie Macnairs could not even continue friendly with her Sisters, Miss Agnes, and Margaret Macnairs even in their united dissipation, she continually peevish and ill natured complaining of Misses Agnes and Margaret Macnairs continually taking Mr Balfour away from her, in fact this seemed to be the ground of their previous differences: Misses Agnes. and Margaret Macnairs complaining on the

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other-hand of Miss Jessie Macnair-differing from them, merely through jealousy of the young men frequenting the House preferring their Society to hers;-and consequently on this account-treating them very improperly, flying into the most violent passions, without any cause or provocation, and altogether-treating them not as Sisters, entitled alike with her, to every comfort and use of the House, but as low-despicable Creatures, that should not be in this [redacted] World at all; and treating them altogether-in such a manner as they could not possibly bear-the further-mention of which here is unnecessary, but her conduct in this respect, was certainly altogether-Madness; and Misses Agnes, and Margaret Macnairs had long previously come to the resolve of separating from her, on the very first opportunity.-

Misses Jessie, Agnes, and Margaret-Macnairs 9th conduct became now-to be more severely felt-by Mrs.: Miss Ann; and Mr. John Macnairs; the Servants having been kept up late at-night; could not be up in the Morning, and overdoing themselves in this respect, were now-falling into bad health, and the House consequently being in an exceedingly dirty, and disorderly state.-

Sometime in the month of January, the principle Servant being in Bed unwell, and the House in much disorder-and confusion; Mrs. Macnair-feeling annoyed in such circumstances, was fidgeting much more about the House, than her advanced years, and blindness ought-prudently to have admitted, Miss Margaret Macnair-being also in bed with a headach; Mr. Macnair-going up stairs to enquire for the Servant-and Miss Margaret-Macnair, [illegible] coming down stairs again in the dark, unfortunately missed her foot, her head coming in

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contact with the Iron Railings of the Stairs, and from that falling heavily, head foremost, down a sharp, abrupt stone Stairs, severely injured and bruised herself, and when found on the stairs she was bleeding profusely, after much sickness however she eventually recovered, and although she is now hale and well, in bodily health, she is much less unable in any way, to do any thing for herself, than even she formerly was.—

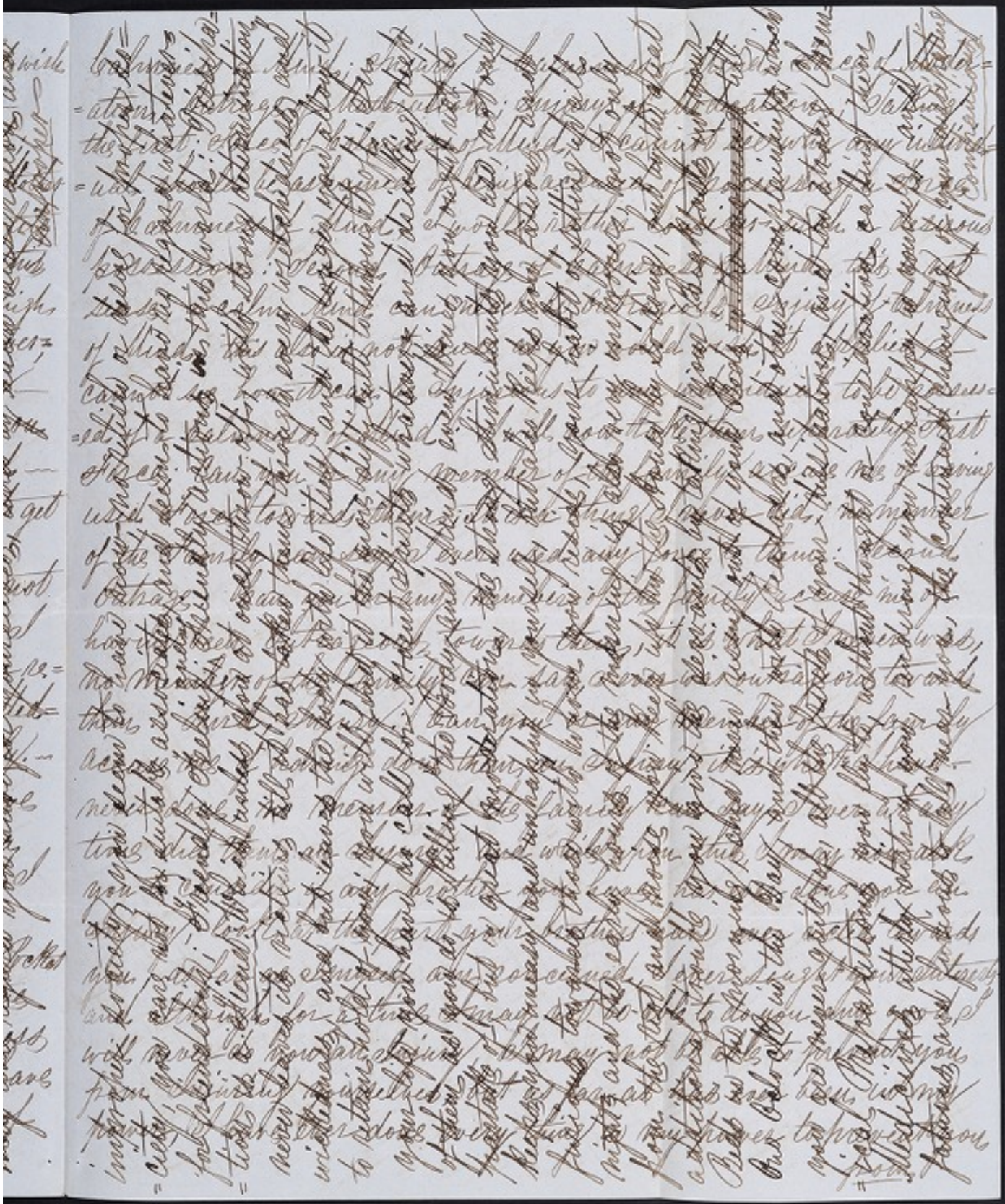
This accident however, and all that had previously occured, did not in any way, tend, to lead the Misses Jessie: Agnes: and Margaret Macnairs from their dissipation, and improper, and imprudent life, the same dissipation, and impropriety, and imprudence still continued, and Mr Balfour even now seemed to take more liberties with the aforementioned Miss Macnairs, than even he had hitherto done, although he had all along taken indecent liberties, and was almost constantly with them in their Bedrooms, whether they were in Bed or not, and while undressed in Bed they would allow him to tickle, and take indecent liberties with them, more particularly Miss Jessie Macnair who allowed Mr Balfour to take liberties with her too indecent to be dwelt further upon; This conduct even in itself so bad, would not have been perhaps felt so strongly by Mrs J. Macnair had it not been for the singular circumstances in which he was situated with his Mothers and Sisters:— Refering to statement of Mrs Macnairs Income at this time, showing the dependant circumstances in which she was, being considerably dependants upon her sons for the support of herself and family; Miss Jessie Macnair having the sole, and uncontroled management of the family affairs, Mr John Macnair now found himself most unjustly, and improperly used, Kept in a manner as a Beggar without

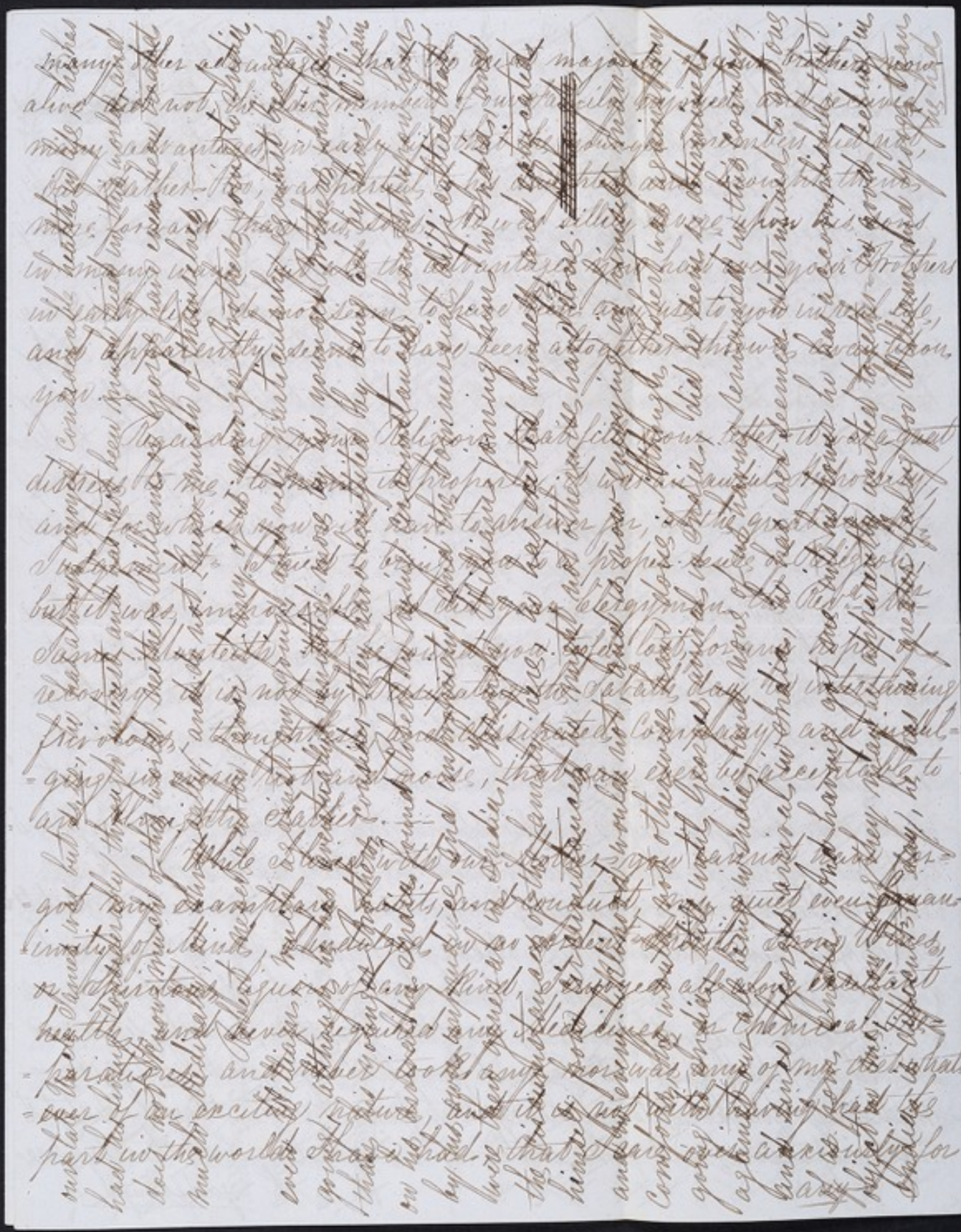
out proper clothing or Food, while the Misses Searig. Agnes, and Margaret Macnairs were indulging themselves in every dissipation, and impudence.—

1st July 1874.—

Harriet now made a few remarks upon the Paper for the time over which it extends, & will now go back upon an earlier time, Viz: since our Fathers death and us brothers left you; how your own accounts you both seem to have been living happily together and with good feeling for one another: Second since our Fathers death and us brothers left you, you seem all about to have been seeking your Good, for your respective individuals without any object or end to your several ages now are: Yourself (44) Forty four Years: Agnes (37) Thirty Seven Years: Margaret (35) Thirty five Years: Jane (31) Thirty one Years: None of you surely can be expecting Marriage with young men (25) Twenty five Years of Age and under: And to think that you would be seeking Marriage with men, who have moved in quite a different rank of life, than you have done and ought still to do, and who at the same time are professing a different Creed, and Faith, would be equally improper; or that you would be seeking Marriage with individuals attached both to themselves and Society, would be equally improper: Nor do any of you seem to harbour a wish or desire for a Married life; and as none of you do any thing for your own living, you have no excuse for keeping a new House as you do: Our Father never transmitted any such intention, nor did you ever do so while any of us brothers remained with our Mother, that you should have taken advantage of your Mothers imbecility to act as you have done, and still do, shows very little regard you have for yourselves, and by such dissipation and improper

intercourse to society, may seem to have now no relish or desire for Marriage as=





the hard life he has ever led, and the life he still leads, the Medical Gentlemen in Dudley unitedly say he cannot lead longer, and they even said he would not stand such a life to this time, he is thinly clothed out in person, and that considerably within a private week, and he has no great restraint over himself either in one way or another, indulges himself in every way, and brings upon himself these fits and illnesses; he has for years been suffering from Gout, Rheumatism, and also those complicated diseases, complaints and failings, arising from luxurious living, and excesses indulged, and many a long, and anxious hour have his nearest Brothers have been up with him, in his fits of inebriety and dissipation, often afraid it would be his last, the difficulty of breathing, and apparent suffocation has often frightened us, and the often occurrence of these fits, and the strong remedies he resorts to, to relieve himself, must weaken and undermine his constitution; Regarding William he had not many advantages in early life, he was weak and delicate, and saw little of the world, nor has he seen much of the world in life, he is yet the same weak being in body and in Mind, he is easily led, and particularly so, into silly and expensive amusements, and dissipations, he is restless, and never happy but in excitement, he has been indulged in rich Wines and strong Spirits, he has never acted a part for himself in this world, he has always been led and directed in it, and has gone on in the world more as a Machine, or mere piece of Mechanism, than as a rational, considerate, and reflecting human being; As for George, he had not many advantages in early life, and the time he was with our late Uncle

James Ronald Esquire
late of E. I. C. S.
131 Hope Street
Glasgow

My dear Sir

Enclosed is a letter to Jessie (in answer to her letter to me of the 18th September last) unsealed for your perusal, having received her letter through you in a similar manner: I have been pretty full in this letter, and I trust it may bring them to reflect a little upon their own actions; and I may now only further say to you here, as you yourself already know, that our Brother Robert in his actions in this life, has never shown that he was acting in the fear of God or man, or cared for what God or man could do, further than not being overcome in his actions, and the part that he has acted in this world you yourself are considerably acquainted with. In my letters to Mr Shirreff of the 7th August, 30th October, 21st Nov. last, I have explained myself in regard of the family, and the unjust part Robert has acted towards me: That you will still continue acting in such a manner towards me, is not only exceedingly unjust, Cruel, and wicked, but it further shows a Madness in yourselves.

There can be no just objection to my returning to India, I never ought to have been sent from it, you yourself carried me forcibly, and against my own will, on board ship at Calcutta, but admitting expediency into present circumstances, if my Brothers do not wish me to return to India again, than let them assist

assist me into Business here, it is the least they can do, considering the part they have acted towards me, and they are also well able to do so, being asked by our Cousin Mr Thomas Edington regarding the suitableness of their Manufactures for the India Market, the enclosed are extracts of the correspondence that passed betwixt us on the subject; it has been left off by me, from the want of means to follow it further; the manner in which you sent me from India, has been very trying to me; and the family here, have at no time, ever been of any use to us, so far as they would ever try in any way to assist us in life, they have always been the exact reverse, and have ever done all in their power to thwart us, in our en= =deavours to do for ourselves and them; The Business I would try for myself in this country would be an Agency and Commis= =ion Business; I could start or connect myself without much Capital, and as my Brothers have done me great injuries the least they could do, I would be to assist me in such a Business, - even such a Business, under the most prosperous circumstances would be a considerable time in giving me a living such as I had in India, and would still have had; Our Family have many friends and relatives in all the principle Manufacturing and Commercial Towns in Scotland, our Father during his [redacted] days had a very extended Business, and while his circum= =stances were good he was always kind and liberal to his friends and relatives and you yourself must know, that many he as= =sisted in life, and myself wanting no particular assistance, Business gives a great proportion of the people of this country their living, they must get their Business done; if not by one

person

Extract of a letter from Thomas Edington Esqr.
Phoenix Iron Works Glasgow
[illegible] an enquiry about the dies and presses for cutting [illegible] made of iron, and I cannot reply not having with me at present the necessary information about them, but could by return of Post give you any information you might require, if you would favour me with a line to that effect.

Copy of letter to Thomas Edington Esquire, Phoenix Iron Works

My dear Sir — My brother has sent me your letter of the 7th instant, and desires me to return you his thanks for the attention and trouble you have taken in the matter of the Bread Knife. Should you be desirous of trying a sample of your manufacture, our friends would be glad to receive it, and have their advices on the subject. —

I would have written you before this, but I was in hopes of receiving your own communication, as you mentioned in your last that you would write me. I am sorry to say that the Bowls, as far as I have seen, are not at all what I expected. I had formerly something of a similar description in Montrose, which I had turned and finished in the same manner, and was perfectly satisfied with, but the last batch you sent me were not to be compared to the Bowls, they seemed to be a coarse description of [illegible] rather better than one third of the thickness of the metal. Some of the Bowls were not even round, and the edges were full of [illegible] and [illegible] the slightest [illegible] in the manufacture would [illegible] complete damper on the Sales, all that would be required is a good smooth casting with little attention to the edges of the Bowls not heavy in weight, but also would be much [illegible]

connexions are old respectable, and extensive
Founding, Casting, and Machinery Business,
their Home Trade, which considerably to the East
Indies, the America's, and other parts of the world, are desirous
Market, should it hold out any encouragement,
manufactures principally suitable for your Market, would be
Scales, Beams, Weights, Bowls, &c. &c., their Machin-
principally Engines for Mills, Sugar Mills, Pumps
and they send a consid-
quantity of Cast Iron Work, viz. Sugar Pans, Boilers, Furnace Bars, Doors &
the best sorts they also turn down to Kettles, Pots, Pans, Steampans,
&c. &c. &c. which would be in your way perhaps you may favor
us with a few words on the subject.

We are convinced that steam demand for Sugar, and Rice
would soon be introduced, and Castor Oil, and other East India, Produce
in small quantities, would be sent to us in Shipments, would sell readily, and advan-
tageously.

Messrs Rothesay Island of Bute
Scotland, 21st Dec. 1843.

Sever and yours very Sincerely
S. Mclanair

Extract from the original

The above Messrs Nichol Esqrs Messrs Nichol

Calcutta, 14th Dec. 1843.

Messrs Rothesay
Island of Bute, Scotland

Your

Your esteemed favor of 27th Sept. reached me on the 27th Ult.o and the contents have been carefully noted on each article particularised therein. —

With the exception of Engines, Sugar Mills, and Vacuum Pans, and with the appurtenances thereunto belonging, we think there is a fair opening for every other article you have enumerated, provided Shipments are made to a moderate extent at a time, and accompanied with bona fide Invoices. —

We are in the habit of executing orders for dealers Europeans and Natives through our London Correspondents Messrs. _____ who have hitherto employed Messrs. Bullock & Co. of Birmingham, whose terms perhaps your friends may be acquainted with. All that has been sent out by Messrs. B. & Co. hitherto has given great satisfaction to our constituents as to quality, and their prices are moderate, which has had the effect of a repetition of orders, which is satisfactory to us as Agents. —

We should think that you might compete successfully with the English House, and returns in Indian produce we are aware would find a good Market in Glasgow — we would therefore suggest to your friends to make a trial of a well assorted Invoice of each article mentioned by you with the exception of the above mentioned expensive Machinery, and they may depend on our doing our best for their interests, we are the more confident we could dispose of their Goods quickly from the number we know in the line, that would readily purchase should the Invoice be well laid in. —

Our London friends correspond with Messrs. _____ at Glasgow, but as yet we have no Agent there. If you know any

thing

person, by another. I am as able for such a Business, as any man living, and although I may hitherto not exactly have follow-ed such a Business, and in the offset it may not exactly just get me my living, still it will eventually do so, and were my Brothers uniting with me in such a Business it would lead to their advantage as much as to mine: Mr Shirreff was desirous I would try myself in such a Business before bringing me here, and what put it into his head to bring me here I cannot fancy.—

Mr Nichol, our friend in Calcutta is of a Roxburghshire family, who were left in this world considerably like ourselves, he has been considerably tried in life, he and a Sister are now the only remaining members of the Family, she is Lady Pirie, wife of Sir John Pirie Baronet, Alderman, late Lord Mayor of London, they live on friendly and feeling terms with one another, and as a man of Business there is none superior to Nichol in Calcutta, his partner Mr Wilkie is a Nephew of the late Sir John Wilkie the celebrated Painter, I mention Sir John on account of his being more generally known, but his brother Mr Wilkies father, who I believe is still alive, was equally respected, and Mr Wilkie has many friends in London, and throughout England, and is himself an active and sharp man of Business. their correspondents in Glasgow are also respectable they are of an old Glasgow Family, and were left considerably like ourselves, they have all along kept respectable, as families we were long known to each other visiting and otherwise intimate and friendly together.

Having now expressed my desire to return to India again, or to try myself in Business here, I fully anticipate I will be met, either in the one, or in the other, I can in no way palliate the part

Robert

Robert has acted towards me, and why you should be against my returning to India, I cannot conceive, if it is in fear of disturbing the small Pittance of a Remittance sent to my Mother;- it will in no way do so, but rather be the means of strengthening and augmenting it, Robert merely subscribes his proportion with ourselves for the Remittance, and at no time would deviate from the fixed sum, when we have wished to encrease the Remittance, and never subscribed any proportion of an additional Remittance, and he is the only one who ever makes any second remark regarding it; However he in no ways grudges himself, except in mental and bodily fatigue, as you may easily have seen from his personal appearance, nor do William or George any way grudge themselves in their ways.—

I have already stated to you, that I desire any life be it what it may, to being Kept and treated here as a Lunatic, I have never complained of my lot in this world, except in being unjustly taken from it, and the part that has been acted towards me, is one of the most cruel and wicked, that could be acted to any individual, and that apparently without any cause or object.—

I feel for the manner I have now to trouble you, but you yourself must Know, that my present detention here is very trying to me.—

Yours very truly
A. Macnair

Gartnavel Lunatic Asylum
28th December 1844.—

Jan.

1844 Dec. clothing or Food, while the Misses Searie Agnes, & Macnairs were indulging themselves in ation, and impudence.—

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Yours very truly
A. Macnair

Asylum

Garlmael Lunatic Asylum
27th December
1844

1845 Jan. 27 Bodily health good. Mind very weak and fanciful.

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Is full of complaints and apt to quarrel with his fellow patients. thinks himself a man of great importance - Abuses his friends in the most violent manner for keeping him in the Asylum. he feels the change very great after the comfort he had in India - wishes to begin business for himself in Glasgow as it is quite out of the question his ever again returning to his mothers house - wishes no assistance from any of them as his money is quite sufficient to support him - Employs himself reading and sometimes walks in the airing Courts - Is very particular about his clothes - Abuses the food and every thing connected with the place - No improvement has taken place - C. Mannia

Feb 27 Mind still full of all sorts of fancies - Continues sulky, quarrelsome, and discontented - Dislike to friends continues strong as ever - Complaining of being treated much more harshly than his fellow patients and wishes to know the cause - Bodily health good Cont. Mania

March 27 Has been very restless and discontented for the last few days - Complaining of being in bad society which he feels very disagreeable - Abuses his friends and fellow patients. says he would rather live in a stable than among such a set - wishes to visit town and see what is going on in the world. Has been writing long letters during the last few months which betray a very weak state of mind. In these he abuses all his friends and relations in the most violent manner as the [illegal] are copies of them -

John Craig Aet 38 years 170

1844

Decemb 27 Bodily health good - Employs himself reading and has free permission to walk out daily in the grounds - Answers questions relevantly and betrays no delusions - is perfectly rational when kept away from spirits, and from the statements of his friends a very long probation will be necessary to do any good - Cont - Morcia

— 31 This patient contrary to his promise to Dr Hutcheson left the grounds yesterday, went down to Portick and returned to the Asylum perfectly drunk - He struck his fellow Patient Oliver Cleland on the head with a stone and was inclined to be very violent - No confidence can now be placed in him & he is ordered for the future to be kept in his Gallery - C. Morcia

1845

Janry 28 Bodily health good - Has been quiet and behaved himself well since last report - Employs himself reading - C. Morcia

Febry 27 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month - C. Morcia

March 28th Bodily health good - Continues rational and free from all delusions - walks out daily & behaves himself well - Employs himself reading - Seems Contented and happy - C. Morcia

— 31 Being this day in good bodily health and his mind being free from all delusions he is discharged

Edward

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Alexander S. Cleland 16th from page 16

1842

Dec. 27th Bodily health good. Has permission to walk out but not to leave the grounds. Insane for etc. mutants continues strong as ever. At present rational & free from any delusions. Employs himself reading and plays billiards. Ch. Nunis

1843
Jan'y 27 Had permission to walk in the grounds under a promise that he would not leave them. A few days ago however he returned to his gallery for a bottle of brandy. No confidence can be placed in a word he says, so he is again confined to the gallery. His strong desire for stimulants seems to overcome every other feeling. At times rational and free from any delusions. Bodily health good. C. Nunis

Feb'y 27 Has been confined to his gallery during the greater part of last month. When kept away from spirits he is perfectly rational. No confidence can be placed in him. Bodily health good. C. Nunis

March 25 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month. Is at present behaving himself pretty well. Ch. Nunis

" 29. Being this day in good bodily health and his mind being free from all delusions he is dismissed

C. Reed

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William Barclay Aet 27

1845

Jany 1st — Was brought to Gartnavel this afternoon from the Londonderry Asylum. On admission was quiet - Entered into a history of his complaints and said from the appearance of the place he thought he should feel very comfortable - Answered questions relevantly and betrayed no delusions -

" 2d — Has been very quiet during the night. Says he is quite pleased with his situation and if he had known what sort of place it was that he would have been here long ago - Told the Clinical Assistant that he has been for several years in rather an uncomfortable state of mind - That he feels very nervous and cannot meet strangers without the most disagreeable feelings coming over him - That he frequently sees objects before him and sometimes fancies they will harm him - Has long been troubled with his stomach and says his bowels are apt to become constipated - Says he frequently starts in his sleep under the idea that people are murdering him - Seems in a rather feeble state of health - Ry Pil: Alterativ iij Sumn statim - C. Alia

" 5 — Has continued quiet since last report - Employs himself reading and says he is quite pleased with his situation - Answers questions relevantly - Expresses great anxiety about his state and fears his mind will become weaker - Hopes every thing will be done for him - Complains of a heavy feeling about his stomach and of seeing disagreeable objects before him - Tongue moist & clean - Appetite & sleep natural - Bowels rather slow - Ry Pil: Alterativ xii Sumn iij o.h.s. Ry Pot: carb: Sodæ ʒij - Tinct. Cardamom. Comp ʒij Infus. Gentian Comp ʒxi ~~ʒiij~~ - Sumn ʒij bis in die - C. Alia

" 11 — Says he feels himself much more cheerful - Employs himself reading and is perfectly satisfied with his situation - Answers questions relevantly and betrays no particular delusions - Thinks he will never

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again be able to enter into society - Ps Psalm. Section XII - Use every morning L. Mania

— 13 Is quiet and contented - Thinks himself better - Today told the Clinical Assistant that he knew was insane but merely a little excited - Knows he is very nervous but says he has no delusions - Has thought himself ~~insane~~ insane on any nonsense of that kind - Thinks it all arises from his stomach being evidently weak - Employs himself reading - Cont. Mania

— 19 Mind still very weak and fanciful - Is rather confused in conversation but answers questions relevantly enough - Has some very ~~odd~~ Peculiar ideas about his health - Is contented and pleased with his situation - Bodily health improved L. Mania

— 23 Mind evidently very weak - Is liable to occasional fits of depression - Says on the whole he feels better but today cannot understand why he should be kept here - Thinks his fellow patients wish to get him away - Bodily health decidedly improved L. Mania

Feby 23 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month - Facies is the while become fainter - L. Mania

March 23 Has very much improved during the last month - Seldom mentions any of his former fancies and takes his food much better - Walks daily in the grounds - Employs himself reading - Attends any of his fellow patients when they are sick - Is cheerful, obliging and kind - Seems perfectly satisfied with his situation and says he feels a different man - Walks out daily when he thinks proper - Bodily health good - L. Mania

April 20 Has been cheerful and happy since last report - Answers questions rationally - Takes his food well - Walks for a certain number of hours every day - Looks quietly settled - Cont. mania

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James Mc Kinlay Act 28

1845

Jan'y 6th On admission was very much excited - Entered into a long rambling story to the Physician - Wished to have a certificate that he was of sound mind and protested against his being kept in an Asylum - When visited at his own house he resisted violently, and attempted to strike one of the attendants - Talked in a confused & rambling manner - Pulse full - Tongue white Breath fœtid - Ordinary diet

" 7 has been quiet during the night and this morning he is more composed - Told the Clinical Assistant a long rambling story of his case - Said he had been once or twice rather excited - That when last in Edinburgh he felt so - That he started for Glasgow and on arriving at the end of the Railway he went upon his knees on the open Street and prayed to his God that the excitement might leave him - That it did so immediately - That he then returned to his home in Glasgow and attempted to prepare for his duties on the following Sunday - That when doing so every half hour he was disturbed by different people calling on him - Some told him his voice was gone - Others told him he did not preach properly the gospel of Christ - Others told him he must give up his charge and retire to a small Country Church - In fact he saw they were all combined to ruin him - That he considered what was to be done and at last determined to preach in the Church at Dumbarton - That he did so and at the end of his sermon asked his hearers if his voice was gone, or if he did not preach the gospel - That the unanimous answer was that his voice was good & his preaching excellent - That he then returned to Glasgow perfectly convinced

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that he had enemies - That he then placed himself in the hands of Christ who had power over all such persecutors - That his prayer has been answered & that he now feels perfectly happy and cares not where he is placed - Raves in a very unconnected manner on different subjects and walks up and down the gallery reading his bible - Tongue foul - Breath fetid - R. P.C. Hydrarg. ℈ss stat. sumi ut. post horas tres mane - effect. Cont. Mist.

8 To day more excitable and very noisy - Walks about the gallery talking to himself, and preaching in a loud and boisterous manner Declares he is inspired by God - Raves in a very incoherent manner on religious subjects - Bowels were slightly moved by the pills administered yesterday - Tongue still foul & breath fetid - R. Ricini ℥ij R. Ext. Taraxac. ℥ij gtt. x ℥ss stat. sumi Cont. Mist.

9 Bowels have been freely moved by the medicine given yesterday - Has been very noisy during the night and this morning he is in a high state of mania - Raves in a very vehement & incoherent manner - Declares he is inspired - Told the Clinical Assistant he was a d—d barber and had an evil spirit - Attempted to strike and was very violent - To be placed in a room by himself - R. Ricini ℥ij R. Ext. Taraxac. ℥ij gtt. x ℥ss stat.

11 Yesterday refused to take his food and declared he would starve himself, as long as he ~~was~~ was kept in the asylum - This morning he sent for the Clinical Assistant and told him he had changed his mind - That the evil spirit had left him and that God was his friend - That the devil wished him not to eat but that he was determined not to destroy his body for any such personage - Asked to have food sent him

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immediately - Has been preaching in a loud manner during the night. Still declares he is inspired - Raves in a confused & unconnected manner - Breath still fetid -
By Pil: Alterativ XII Sum 4ta 8. h. h.s
ad 11tum vacuin - L. Alia

13 Was continued in a very excited state during the last two days and takes very little food. Mind teeming with delusions and he raves in a very incoherent manner - Declares the spirit of Mesmerism pervades through the Establishment - that he has the power of inspiration - and that he hears every thing that is said through the house - Says the Clinical Assistant has a brown Spirit about him which must disappear before he takes any medicine - Has lost flesh - Bowels constipated
R. Al. Cath. Lig 4tis sing Sum statim -
Cr Alia

16 Is today much less excited and takes his food better - Raves in a very incoherent manner on different subjects - Mind teeming with Delusions - Has lost flesh and strength -
R. Pulv: Alterativ XXIV - Sumj ter quotidie — R. Acid. Muriat. dilut Zij - Tinct: Cardamom: Comp Zij - Aqua Camphor. pro Zxv M - Sumj Zij ter in die -

19 Continues slowly to improve - Mind still very weak and principle - Today told the Clinical Assistant that he was still very doubtful of him and that he had something to do with an evil Spirit - Talks in a very confused manner on different subjects - Sometimes sad & the other - Bodily health improves
C. Morrin

23 Is much less excited but his mind continues in a very weak state - Walks about the Gallery singing to himself and he is very talkative - In conversation he becomes

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very unconnected in his ideas - Is gaining flesh - On the whole very much improved C. Munro

— 27 Has been rather excited during the last few days - complaining of being kept in the Asylum and declares he will take an action against all concerned - walks up and down the gallery preaching in a loud and excited manner - Mind full of fancies and he is sometimes very abusive - talks in a confused and incoherent manner on different subjects - By Pt. Alteration XII Class 3 R.L.S. Asst. Med.

— 31 Has improved very much since last report - Is at present good humoured and cheerful - talks in a rambling and confused manner - says he finds not considerable hair cutting because he speaks his mind and is aware that he has been an excitable being all his life - Is gaining flesh - C. Munro

Feb 15th Violent on will till this morning when he again became very much excited in consequence of preaching - He is now very noisy and destructive - talks in a rambling and confused manner on different subjects - To be placed in a room by himself - C. Mun

March 7th Was removed from seclusion on the 28th and transferred to 1st gallery - Since then he has continued to be excited for a few hours daily - Mind full of all sorts of fancies - Talks in a very confused manner C. Munro

— 20th The Physician spoke to this patient on the 7th after which he became more calm - He was visited by his brother in law Mr Stevenson on the 12th when he spoke to him about the absurdity of confining him here - Since that visit he has gradually become quieter and he is today transferred to No 5 & 6 Gallery - C. Munro

— 27 Has continued pretty quiet since last report - Amuses himself with his pencil and sings a psalm every night before going to bed - Mind in a very weak and confused state - Bodily health good C. Munro

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Archibald Balderston Cet 38

1845

Jan^y 17^th Was brought to the Asylum yesterday afternoon - On admission he was quiet and looked very much bewildered. Said he was a Burgher and consequently a steady man. That he had been very much annoyed by his employer respecting money transactions - That he had a wife and children and consequently anxious about such matters - That he had been very restless for several months caused by nervous excitement - That he frequently felt inclined to throw himself over the window. Has slept well during the night and this morning he seems rather depressed - Declares his bowels are fixed by instrument in some particular way but cannot explain how they are so - Complaining of constipation - Bawes of the Burgher church and thinks he has received a commission from God to reform all churches - Tongue very much - Pulse 84 full - Tongue furred - pupils dilated - ~~Pulse 84~~

By Dr Hy Henry if seen stating at present seems very much depressed upon mind very much and full of fancies - Expresses great anxiety about himself - Knows he is frequently very excitable and nervous - That when he thinks of some of his actions he feels very miserable - Told the Clinical Assistant that on one occasion he rushed out of his house into the street naked and was followed by several people - That he frequently would have thrown himself over the window had he not been watched - Says a new King dom will shortly come upon us and that he has been appointed to bring it about at particular times of the years - Talks in a very confused manner on different subjects - Bodily health pretty

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good - L. Mannin

— 19 Is today very quiet and seems more composed - Says he feels very comfortable in the Asylum and hopes it will be the means of curing him - That he is now less confused in his ideas and has not the same nervous feeling - Mind evidently still very weak - Bodily health pretty good - By Pit: Alterative Mixture 3ii tam 3ti. b.i.d. Cork - Aleh

— 21 Has improved very much since his admission - Today employs himself reading and betrays no particular delusions - Says he feels better in every way - Answers questions rationally - L. Mannin

— 23 Continues to improve - Employs himself reading - Answers questions rationally - Yesterday wrote a letter which is perfectly rational - Laughs at his former delusions and cannot understand how such things entered into his head - Bodily health pretty good L. Mannin

— 24 Continues daily to improve - Says he feels much better and is glad that he was placed under the treatment of Dr Hutchinson - Answers questions rationally - Wishes particularly to see his wife and child - Bodily health good - Employs himself reading and thinks he could now attend to his business - Countenance full and mature - L. Mannin

— 31 Was yesterday visited by his brother and seemed pleased to see him - Mind evidently weak but he betrays none of his former delusions - Says he feels better - Bodily health pretty good - L. Mannin

Feb 4th On the whole improves & he is quite rational, though some slight weakness is perceptible. Cont. omit

10 His friends being satisfied that he is quite well both in body & mind & there being nothing indicative of insanity he is this day prematurely discharged.

Cured

Peter Gibson Act 13

1845

Jan^y 28th On admission was quiet and seemed bewildered - Mind in a weak and imbecile state - Cannot utter a connected sentence - Is subject to Epileptic fits - To be watched - Ordinary diet -

— 29 Has slept quietly during the night. Mind perfectly imbecile - Laughs in a very idiotic manner and is full of tricks - Cannot rest in one place for a single moment. Pulse Respiration & Appetite Natural. Ordered XVIII ounces of tea & toast - L. Alia

— 31 Habits destructive and filthy - Mind seems entirely gone - Is very troublesome - Never speaks to any one - Refuses to take food unless fed by the Attendant - Cont. Omnia

Febry 28 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month L. Omnia

March 27th Epileptic fits have been very frequent during the last month and very severe in their character - Mind entirely gone - Has an unhealthy look and is loosing flesh - Hands and feet break out frequently in unhealthy sores which are daily dressed - To have two glasses of port wine daily - Cont. Alia

April 16 Since last report this patient has had no return of Epileptic fits but he is daily loosing flesh and strength. Hands & feet have become gangrenous and several sores of a similar kind have broken out on his back - Mind continues in the same weak state - Has three glasses of port wine daily and the sores are dressed with Camphor Liniment - L. Omnia

— 24 Continues to loose flesh and strength - Hands & feet look more healthy but gangrenous sores on back become worse - Has no return of fits Continue nourishing diet and port wine - L. Alia

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— 30 Continues to become weaker and gangrenous sores increase - Mind in the same idiotic state - Takes very little food - is rapidly sinking - Continue stimulants & nourishing diet -

April 5th Has daily become weaker since last report - Every thing ever done to restore his health but without effect and early this morning he

Died

No Inspection permitted

John Ogle Act
1845

Jan'y 29th On admission has very quick. Mind very weak & fatuous - Refused to answer questions & resisted examination - Had a dark & bewildered look - Pulse 68 Moderate - Tongue clean & moist - Pupils dilated -

" 30 Mind continues in the same fatuous state - Wishes to leave the Asylum - Says he should not be kept here - Is very confused in conversation - Believed to be filthy in his habits - Bodily health good Cont. Omnia

" 31 Mind very weak - Refuses to answer questions - Has a dark and sleepy look - Passes his urine on the bed clothes - Never employs himself in any way - Cont. Omnia

Feby 5 If any thing worse in all respects & there is no hope even of improvement in this case. Extremities cold. Crawls about. Is indifferent to every thing. Has to be fed. Sleeps pretty well. Cont. omnia

" 20 Since last report, notwithstanding generous diet, cordials &c this patient has been becoming of probable worse. He requires to be fed & attended to like a child When questioned on any subject does not reply for a long time & then drawls out yes or no in a weak voice. Habits filthy. Pulse 72 weak. Tongue white & tremulous. Looks pale - Bowels kept regular by medicine Cont. omnia.

March 2 Is now evidently sinking. Powers of mind & body rapidly decaying & he can hardly last much longer

" 14 Continued to sink & yesterday morning a little before seven was seized with Apoplexy from which he never recovered & that day he

Died

For notes of inspection see Letter book B No 615.

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John Cleland Act 50

1845

Feby 1st — On admission was quiet and answered questions relevantly — walked out to the Asylum with his wife — said he came out to prevent his being brought — had evidently been drinking and was a little confused in conversation — asked the Clinical Assistant why he refused to call at his house on the previous night — this was entirely a fancy of his own as no such visit could have been expected — Had slight tremor of body — Ordinary diet —

" 2 Somewhat more composed today & free from delusions suffers from tremor & anxiety & trembles cold. Countenance anxious & some slight confusion of ideas. Has slept very little To have ℥ij of Brandy mixed in hot water. Thus to be repeated in six hours if necessary Has taken no food

" 3 Has had ℥x of Brandy since last report. Has slept & declares himself all right now & that he can stand water. Tongue foul. Urine high coloured Bowels constipated. Very little tremor. Complains that he cannot read. Pimat hora somni pil. Alterato. iiij. To have full diet & 3 pints of water per diem

" 5 Bowels acted from Medicine Tongue cleaner. Appetite improves, sleeps pretty well. Is good humoured & cheerful. Pimat omni nocte hora somni pil alterato. & bis quotidie haustus Cinchon. sulph. c Acido Muriatico dilut. ℥ij. Cont alia

" 10 Goes on well in all respects. Looks much better. Walks out, takes food & sleeps well. Reads as formerly books & News papers & plays at whist in the evening Converses rationally. Is quite convalescent. Porter diminished to one pint per diem Cont alia

" 21 Has been improving in all

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1845

Feby 7 respects since last report
his now preparing to go home
Cont. mania

March 1 Being this day in good bodily
health & quite sound in
mind, he is with suitable
cautions & admonitions dis
charged

Cured

John Neill Aet 32

1845

July 1st On admission was quiet but drowsy very much confused. Walked about the Gallery talking to himself in a very incoherent manner. Said he had no connection with the world and had no objections to give up all his money to government. When asked questions, answered them in a very unconnected manner. Appeared not to know where he was. Mind in a very weak state. Pupils dilated. Tongue white but moist. — To have ordinary diet.

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William McGough Act from page 9

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April 8 No change in any respect since last reported. Cont: omnia

May 7th Has been rather more excitable than usual during the last four days - Roars out during the night and is rather noisy - Never employs himself in any way - Bodily health pretty good - Mind fatuous as formerly - Cont. Omnia

June 7th Bodily health good - Mind fatuous as formerly - Never employs himself in any way - Has a very idiotic look - Cont. Omnia

July 6th No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report - Mind fatuous - Cont. Omnia

Augt. 6th Bodily health good - Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural - At times rather excitable - Mind weak and fatuous - Never speaks to any of his fellow patients - Cont. Omnia

" 26 In all respects as at last report - C. Omnia

Sept: 30 Mind weak and fatuous - Never speaks to any one, ~~any~~ except when spoken to and then only in monosyllables Reads the Newspapers sometimes he however never appears to derive a single piece of information from them - Walks up and down the saloon without taking the slightest notice of any one - Health good. Bowels regular. Cont: omnia

October 30 Continues in all respects the same as at last report - Cont: omnia

Novr. 30 Countenance expressive of imbecility He is at present free from excitement Appetite, Sleep and Bowels natural Cont: omnia

December 31 Takes no interest in any thing going on around him - Reads the Newspapers and walks about alternately - Health good. Cont: omnia

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January 19 Mind unchanged. Bodily health good. Seldom speaks unless when spoken to and then only in monosyllables. Habits correct. Quiet and harmless. Appetite and Sleep natural Cont:

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February 22	Health good. Bodily functions natural. Mind weak as formerly. Cont:
March 22	Has been very cheerful since last report. Bodily health good. Reads the newspapers occasionally. Cleanly in his personal appearance. R. omnia.
April 22	No change in mental state. He has of late however been more observing, and although he never enters into conversation he occasionally speaks to the Medical officer, and appears pleased when taken notice of. Bowels regular. Appetite and sleep natural. Cont:
May 24	Mind in the same listless state. Never speaks unless when spoken to. Very inactive, and slow in his movements. Health excellent. R. white but moist. Bowels regular. Appetite keen. Pupils slightly dilated. Sleeps well at night. Cont:
June 24	In all respects the same as when last reported. Cont: omnia.
July 18	Good natured and cheerful. Habits and occupation as formerly. Urinary functions natural. Bowels regular. No change in mental state. Cont:
Augt 10	State requires constant attention to keep him clean. He is good humoured & answers simple questions cheerfully. He never converses, but is always pleased with being noticed. Occasionally reads the News papers, but spends most of his time in walking up and down the gallery or garden. Health good for his state. Cont: omnia
" 31	No change whatever since last report. Bodily health good & functions natural
Septr 18	Seems rather to have lost flesh of late. His appearance however indicates good health. Mind habits & pursuits remain unchanged. Cont: omnia
Octr 14	Mind if any thing weaker than before. Health on the whole good. Seldom requires any medicine & then only aperients. Is very quiet & never converses with any one. Either walks about the airing ground & gallery or sits in one place. Is very easily managed if it were not for his propensity to conceal filth about his person.

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1845

Feby 17 Receives occasionally letters from his which afford him gratification & to which he replies in the manner formerly noted, spelling his words according to his fancy & covering the whole sheet of paper with small writing. His own letters he generally keeps in his pocket till they are worked & crushed before he requests them to be forwarded. Of his own accord opens the keepers cell the gallery & then complains to the Medical Officers & others of his being made a slave & obliged to perform the most menial offices. Is most persevering in his requests for medicine, physic &c. to remove what he calls the "fixtures" which are sometimes according to his account, in his head, at other times in his chest & latterly in his abdomen. Has not been talking lately of phrenological charts &c which he used formerly to have. Health good. Cont. comm.

March 18 Continues in all respects the same as at last report. C. comm.

April 16th Mind still full of all sorts of fancies - Delusions mentioned in report of 17th Feby remain unchanged - Employs himself in the galleries according to his own wishes and then complains of being obliged to do so - Bodily health good - Appetite sleep and Bowels natural - C. Comm.

May 13th Employs himself as formerly and is full of complaints - Asks the Clinical Assistant if any letters have come for him and if he will get away the next time his friends come to see him - Complains of his fixtures - Is anxious to know what he is to receive for his work here. Bodily health good - C. Comm.

June 18 Delusions continue unchanged. Habits as formerly - Wishes frequently to change from one Gallery to another - Bodily health good - Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural - Raves of his fixtures - C. Comm.

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Admitted 28 November 1831.

July 13th. No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report. Delusions remain unchanged. C. Omnia

August 13th. Mind still teeming with his old delusions. Walks about the gallery and has a very stupid look. Seldom employs himself unless when he assists the keepers in the Gallery. Continues to rave of the pictures in his abdomen. C. Omnia

" 26 Delusions formerly noted in the last Monthly unchanged. Employs himself as usual in the galleries. Bodily health good. C. Omnia

Sept: 30 Health good. No change in mental state. Continues to talk of his "pictures" as formerly. Is very anxious to make himself useful to the attendants. Amuses himself sometimes at the Billiard Table. Bowels regular. Appetite good. Ext: omnia

Oct: 31 No change has taken place since last report. C. omnia

Nov: 30 Mind in the same state as at last report. Speaks in a very confused manner, and delivers the same delusions. Seldom reads. He however plays Billiards occasionally. Bodily functions natural. C. omnia

Dec: 30 Continues in all respects the same as when last reported. C. omnia

1846

Jany 31 General health good. Mind as formerly. Delusions formerly noted are unchanged. Dull and stupid expression of countenance. Assists in the Galleries occasionally. Careless of his personal appearance. Habits correct. Talks in a confused manner on all subjects. His memory seems to be much impaired although on some points it is obvious he is in a perfect state. Ext: omnia

Feby 26 Much the same as when last reported. A day or two ago he requested to have a large poultice applied over the Abdomen in order to frighten the picture away. This was accordingly given him but of course without producing any effect. Cont: omnia

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James Anderson Ad from page 79

1845

Feb 7 18 Health excellent. Habits regular & methodical. Reads the Bible daily at the rate of so many chapters & when he has finished Revelations begins again at Genesis. Seldom speaks & only when spoken to. Is cheerful and good humoured. Attends to all the conversation of the Convalescent patients, enjoys any wit or humour & watches their occupations. C. omnia

March 15 In all respects as at last report. Health good. Cont. omnia —

April 15 Mind continues in the same weak state — Habits regular as formerly — Walks daily in the grounds and always at the same particular spot — Bodily health good — Reads the Bible and Newspapers — C. Omnia

May 13th Is cheerful and contented — Walks daily in the grounds and always keeps to the same place — Mind and habits continue the same as formerly noted — Cont. Omnia

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June 13th Bodily Health good — Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural — Habits regular as formerly — Reads the bible and Newspapers — Is cheerful and contented — seems to take interest in all that is going on — C. Omnia

July 13th No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report — C. Omnia

August 13th Is very quiet and seldom speaks to any one — Habits methodical as formerly — Walks out daily in the grounds and always keeps to the same particular spot — Bodily health good — C. Omnia

" 26 In all respects as at last report — C. Omnia

Sept: 01 No change in mental state — General health good. Takes exercise in the open air daily when the weather permits. When spoken to, answers questions in monosyllables. He however appears to take great interest in the conversation of others. Reads his Bible when not otherwise engaged Cont: omnia

Admitted 31 October 1817.

1840

October 31 Cheerful and good humoured. Follows the same course as mentioned in previous reports. Bowels regular. Appetite good. Sleeps well. Omnia

November 30 In all respects the same as when last reported. Omnia.

December 30 Health good. Mind in the same weak state. Reads his Bible as formerly. Smiles and seems altogether much pleased when spoken to by any one. Never interferes with any one. Cleanly in his person. Cont: omnia

1841

January 26 much the same as when last reported. Bodily health excellent. Cont:

February 28 No improvement in mental state. Health good. Seldom speaks and only when spoken to. When the weather is fine he walks out for an hour or so. Very methodical. Appetite, sleep and bowels regular. Clean and neat in his personal appearance. Cont:

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March 25: Bowels obstinate. Appetite impaired. Employs himself in reading his Bible &c as before. Pretty cheerful. Mind as formerly. Ry Sulph: magnes: Bij infus: senna comp: Ziij. M. ft. draught: Haustus omni mane: Cont: alia

" 27 Bowels now freely moved by the medicine. Seems more active since. Walks in the open air daily. Seldom speaks unless when spoken to. In other respects the same. Cont:

April 12: No change in mental state. Bodily health good. Cont:

May 30 In all respects the same as when last reported. Cont: omnia.

June 24 Mind has been rather more alert of late. Health good. Bodily functions natural. Speaks to the medical officers more frequently, and appears much pleased when taken notice of by them. Cont:

July 18 Good humoured and cheerful. Very methodical in his habits. Takes exercise in the open air every forenoon (when the weather is fine) from 12 o'clock to 1, at which hour he makes his appearance in the parlour, and has his lunch, & he takes possession of a particular seat, and will have no other. Clean and neat in his personal appearance. Reads his Bible as formerly. Bodily functions natural. Complexion healthy. Tongue pretty clean and moist. Pulse 62 & moderate strength. Pupils slightly dilated Cont.

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Thomas Johnston Ct from page 97

1845

Feby 16 Looks somewhat thin. Right foot somewhat oedematous as it has long been especially towards evening. Is languid & restless. Answers questions relevantly & betrays no delusions. Mind however weak. Occasionally talks & mutters to himself. Engages in no occupation except occasionally looking at a newspaper & more seldom a book. Bowels pretty regular but occasionally requiring aperients. Habits correct. Appetite & sleep natural. Cont. omnia

March 6 No change whatever since last report. Cont. omnia —

April 6th Mind continues weak but he at present betrays no particular delusions. Speaks very much during the night. Seldom feels inclined to enter into conversation. Has been free from any fits of excitement for a considerable time. Bodily health pretty good. Oedema of foot gone. Cont. Omnia

May 6th Is quiet and contented. Sometimes employs himself reading badly daily in the garden. Seldom enters into conversation with his fellow patients. Mind continues in the same weak & fanciful state. Bodily health good. Cont. Omnia

June 6th No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report. Is quiet and contented. Right foot has an oedematous appearance. Sometimes reads the newspapers. C. Omnia

July 6th Mind continues in the same weak state. Seldom speaks to any one. Sits in a corner of the windows during the greater part of his time reading an old newspapers. Bodily health good. Cont. Omnia

Augt 6th Habits remain unchanged. Mind very weak. Is very listless and never speaks to his fellow patients. No mental improvement. Bodily health good. C. Omnia

Admitted 23 October 1835.

— 26 No change whatever. Mental or bodily has taken place since last report. C. Mania

Sept. 6 There is always unhealthy looking ulcer on the anterior aspect of leg about the upper third today. Leg rather edematous. Bodily health tolerably good. No change in mental state. Bowels regular. Appetite good. Apply a poultice to ulcer immediately.

" 18 poultices have been applied to leg since last report several times with considerable benefit. Bowels regular. Appetite good. Mind in the same weak state. Cont: omnia.

" 20 Leg heals kindly under the use of the Ung^t Simpl: and Bandaging. Edema has entirely disappeared. No change in mental state. Habits correct. Sanguine and listless. Bowels rather slow. Appetite tolerably good. Sleeps well at night. R Sulph: Magnes: Bij Infus: Senna Comp: Bij M^{ft} Haustus quam primum sumendus. C. alia.

" 26 Ulcer has completely healed up. Mind in the same weak state. Never employs himself in any way if you except occasionally reading the newspapers. Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural. Cont: omnia

Oct: 30 No change in any respect since last reported. C. omnia

Nov: 30 Health good. Bodily functions natural. Seldom or never speaks unless when spoken to. Employs himself as formerly. Cont:

Dec: 31 No change in mental state. Health continues good. Cleanly in his habits. Dull and listless as formerly mentioned. Walks out in the open air occasionally when the weather is fine. Appetite and sleep natural. Cont:

1846

Jany 30 Habits correct. Dull and listless. No change in mental state. Reads occasionally. No marked condition of any part of body. Bodily functions natural. Does not take any interest in what goes on around him. C.

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Alexander Johnstone Ætat 52.

1847

Nov. 25 Steadily improved. Left pipe daily excited in the morning. Sleeps longer. Is left seldom depressed. His anxiety to ascertain his increase in weight has supplanted altogether his anxiety about health. Laughs with great glee when he has gained half a pound. Expression of countenance much improved. Appetite & bowels natural. Pulse 72 still rather feeble occupations as formerly. Has occasional visits from his son, his son-in-law, his partner & other friends. Cent. omnia

Dec. 1 Improves in all respects. Gains flesh. Appetite good. Takes now half a bottle of Sherry daily with relish & evident benefit. Enjoys the newspapers & has gaming game at whist. Still has been sometimes depressed, especially on Sundays, when his time hangs heavy on his hands & his usual associates are otherwise occupied. His friends however visit him with kindness. Cent. omnia

" 10 On the whole much the same as at last report except that he is evidently gaining flesh. Cent. omnia

" 19 Has been going on well since last report & may now be looked on as convalescent. Has been taking three quarters of a bottle of Sherry for the last few days & sees that he feels more like himself again. Has gained more than three weight since he came here. Is now looking forward to leaving this & has examined all his business statements. Is satisfied that his affairs are not so bad as he anticipated & though still anxious but not without reason about his investments & speculations is convinced that he has enough to live comfortably on. Says however that he will never have the same confidence in Godly as he used to have & has been frequently com-

Group 10 2 Admitted 19 October 1843

1843
Dec^r telling the Physician about the propriety of resigning his seat in Parliament, as he thinks it too exciting & harassing. Does himself as formerly. Takes long walks & in fact goes on in all respects in a satisfactory manner. C. omnia

26 Enjoyed his Christmas dinner yesterday & was very happy Convalescence proceeds favorably.

1844
Jan^y 2 Goes on well in all respects Has dined out once or twice with the Physician & was very pleasant Cont. omnia

— 10 Convalescence proceeds favorably & arrangements are now making for his leaving this. C. omnia

— 20 Is quite well. Has gained gained two stones in weight since he came here. Gave a dinner to the Medical Gent & his friends among the Convalescents. Is remarkably well. His wine has been increased with benefit to a bottle of sherry daily —

" 23 This day being in good bodily health & perfectly rational he is discharged Cured

1844 Jan^y 31 The Physician saw Mr. Johnston today & had a long conversation with him. He was apparently in good health & quite sound in mind. The Physician signed as one of the Witnesses to his will

~~The Physician left Aberdeen for Edinburgh last night. Mr Johnston remained behind~~

Feb^y 23 Mr Johnston with some friends dined with the Physician today. He was quite well & in excellent spirits.

His patient afterwards went to London & finding himself ill he was advised to try the Cold water cure at Malvern where in he cut his throat & was found dead in a planting

Alex^r McArthur &c from page 120

1845

March 10 Health good. Takes a great deal of exercise. Smiles & looks cheerful when spoken to but seldom speaks. Appetite sleep & bowels natural. Pulse 68 full. Seems to take no interest in anything & to be absorbed with his own thoughts – Cont. Omnia

April 10 Bodily health very good – Walks daily and is frequently muttering to himself – seldom takes notice of any one about the establishment. Never employs himself in any way – Cont. Omnia

May 10th Bodily health very good, and he continues to walk in the airing court during the greater part of the day – Mind very weak – is not inclined to enter into conversation with any one. Cont. Omnia

June 10 Mind continues in the same weak state – Never speaks to any of his fellow patients – Walks in the airing court during the greater part of the day – Bodily health good – Cont. Omnia

July 9th No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report – Bodily health very good. C. Omnia

Augt 9th Bodily health good – Appetite sleep and Bowels natural – Walks about muttering to himself and never speaks or seems to take interest in anything – Mind very weak – C. Omnia

" 20 In all respects the same as at last report. C. Omnia

Sept: 20 Does not appear to take any interest in what goes on around him. Mind is unchanged. When spoken to he smiles and bends his head, and very rarely speaks. Health good. Bodily functions natural. Omnia

October 20 Continues in all respects the same as at last report. Omnia.

Nov: 20 A few days ago had a slight attack of diarrhoea which was quickly got rid of by the usual means. No change in mental state. Omnia

Admitted 28 December 1838

1845 Dec: 01	Continues in all respects the same as when last reported. Cont:
1846	
Jany 29	Very clean. No change in mental state. Cleanly in his personal appearance. Appetite, sleep and bowels natural. Never employs himself in any way. Seldom speaks. Cont:
Feby 28	No change in any respect since last reported. Cont:
March 30	Health good, bowels regular. No other change during last month. Cont:
April 24	pulse 70 moderate. pupils natural. Has a sallow look. General condition of body healthy. Almost never speaks, but smiles when spoken to. Walks round the airing ground when out of doors at a very rapid rate frequently, and perhaps after having performed the circuit of the ground three times he will sit down and fold his arms on his chest & remain so often for hours. Appetite, sleep and bowels natural. Cont:
May 30	General health good. Bodily functions natural. Mental state unchanged. Occupation, manners and habits as formerly, he is however occasionally rather sullen. Cont:
June 30	In every respect the same as at last report. Cont: same.
July 18	Had a suit of clothes given him a day or two ago, which at present engross his whole attention, and when remarks of approval are made he appears highly pleased, smiles, and shakes the hand of the person. Bowels natural. Appetite keen. Rather corpulent. Takes considerable exercise in the open air. Mind as at last report. Cont:
August 22	Has been pretty much the same since last report, both as regards his bodily and mental state. Cont:
Sept 18	In good health. Mind weak, but cheerful. Is very civil & good humoured to all the medical Officers. Has considerable difficulty of articulation & seems to have also a difficulty in finding words to express his ideas. Talks are always coherent enough & he seems not to be under the influence of any delusions. Takes a great deal of exercise, at least ten miles a day. Walks very rapidly

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Robert Scott Jones Ætat 30 from p 121

1845

Feby 20 Has had one slight epileptic fit the day before yesterday in the morning. Today is somewhat more feeble & stupified than usual. No other change. Cont. Tonica

March 2 No return of fits since last Report. Is at present in his usual state as formerly described

— 13 For two days past has had each night a slight epileptic fit, but is not so stupified as he usual is after such attacks looks however depressed. Is taking two alterative pills compld. C. calcia

April 13 Has continued free from Epileptic fits during the last month. Mind continues in the same weak and fatuous state. Has a very idiotic look. Requires to be assisted in everything. Cont. Tonica

May 13 Is at present looking better than he has done since his admission. Continues free from Epileptic fits. Mind fatuous as formerly. Appetite very voracious. Cont. Tonica

June 12 Is today rather excited and inclined to be destructive. Had a fit this morning but mild in its character. Mind fatuous as formerly. Appetite voracious. C. Tonica

July 12 Has been free from any excitement since last report, and he has had no return of Epileptic fits. Mind continues in the same weak and fatuous state. Cont. Tonica

Augt 11th Had two Epileptic fits yesterday very severe in their character. Today he is very dull & stupified. Mind continues in the same fatuous state. Bowels constipated. Is taking Sulph Sal col Cath. C. Mix

— 26 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report. C. Tonica

Admitted 15 March 1844.
1840

Sept: 28 Has had only three Epileptic fits since last report. Bowels regulated by occasional doses of aperient Medicine. Health good. Can walk difficultly articulate. Mind unchanged. Cont:

October 30 No return of fits since last reported. looks depressed. Mother expects the same as at last report. Cont: mania.

Nov: 28 Had one or two Epileptic fits a few days ago. Appetite keen, Bowels ~~changed~~ regular. No change in mental state. Walks about. Cont:

Dec: 31 During the last ten days has had an Epileptic fit almost every night. Bowels regular. Appetite voracious. Sleep natural. Health pretty good. Mind as formerly.
1845 Cont:

Jany 31 Has had eight fits since the beginning of the month, but of a mild character. Scalp cool. Tongue whitish. Bowels regular. Somewhat depressed this afternoon. Takes no interest in what goes on around him. Has been upon the whole tolerably quiet since last report. Cont:
Note. The relatives have observed for some years, that the attacks were more frequent and more severe at the end of the year than at any other time. This they attributed to the delicacies which are usually partaken at the commencement of a new year. This cannot however in the present instance have been the cause, as he has been getting the ordinary diet of the house all along.
WHH

Feby 28 Health good. Bowels regular by the aid of medicine. Appetite keen. Body of natural temperature. No undue heat of scalp. Countenance expressive of imbecility. When spoken to seems much pleased, and generally he endeavours to reply, but it is almost always in relation to his food. Has had seven Epileptic attacks since last report. Takes no interest in what passes around him. Sleep natural. No return of excitement cannot do any thing for himself. Stands in one position sometimes for hours, at others he walks up and down the saloon at a slow pace. Cont:

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David Constable from page 126

1845

March 10. Bodily health excellent. Is cheerful, happy & active in his exertions to be useful & to move around him. Receives visits from his friends. Takes great interest in Religious matters & particularly in the Free Church. Studies as formerly. In all respects goes on well. Continues

April 10th. No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place in the state of this patient during the last month - Is cheerful contented and happy. C. Dunn

May 8th. Has been rather irritable during the last few days - Complains that his brothers make a fool of him and is determined not to stand it - Employs himself as formerly - Is rational and takes great interest in everything that is going forward about the establishment - C. Dunn

June 8th. In all respects the same as at last report - Visits different parties in the Establishment and is generally cheerful & good humoured - Employs himself generally reading books on Religious matters - C. Dunn

July 8th. No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report - C. Dunn

August 6th. Bodily health good - Employs himself reading - Walks daily into the Country and sometimes fishes in the streams - Is good humoured and contented answers questions relevantly and betrays no delusions - C. Dunn

" 26 In all respects the same as at last report - Habits and employment as formerly - C. Dunn

Sept. 20 Health has not been so good during the last day or two. Complains of languor. Tongue white. Bowels slow. Some want of appetite. ℞ Infus. Cinchon: Jvi. Acid: Sulph: Aromat: dilut: ℥ss. Tinct. Cardamom: ℥j. Mist. Camphor. ℥iij. ter in die. Sumat secunda quaque nocte hora somni pil: Aloes: et Myrrh: gr. viij. C. Dunn

Admitted 17 November 1842

1842

Sept: 26 since ~~last report~~ he has been complaining more or less of thirst. appetite indifferent bowels more free. Face flushed. General health much impaired. Mind languid. He has had to use water for drink. ℞ Potass: Citrat: ℥ss Saccharo: purificat: ℥j Aquæ ballient: Lib: ij M. Sept: ℥ij to be used as common drink. Cont:

" 28 was to day visited by the Physician accompanied by the Medical Assistant. pulse 1010 small and feeble. Eyes injected, heavy and watery. Skin hot and dry. Pharynx much flushed. pupils dilated. Urine high coloured and turbid. Eye dull and heedless. Complains of great uneasiness in the throat with a sense of rawness, and difficulty of deglutition. Some oppression and anxiety in breathing On examination the whole of the roof and posterior part of the mouth were covered with Aphthæ and considerably inflamed. Somewhat debilitated. ℞ Spirit: Æther: Nitros: ℥iij ♁ Hyoscyam: Nig: ℞ Mist: Camphor: ℥xiij ℞ Sumat ℥j Ustis quaque hora. Let him have White wine and water for drink. Omitt: Mist: Cinchon: Cont: pilul:

Oct: 6 Skin more moist. Tongue becomes cleaner some expectoration. Has been considerably more easy during the last day or two. Bowels bound. Appetite improving. pulse 89 pretty full. ℞ Calomel: gr x Pulv: Jalap: ℈j. fiat Pulvis quamb primum sumend. Cont: omnia.

" 20 pulse 78 moderate. Tongue pretty clean and moist. Eyes have resumed their natural clearness. Respiration natural Skin moist. Urine of proper quantity and quality. Inflammation in mouth almost gone. Appetite good. Bowels free. Has gained strength. Countenance upon the whole. Diphtheritic may now be looked upon as cured. Cont: Vin: Mist: ex Camphor: has been omitted.

Nov: 28 Health good. Mind weak and unstable Appetite and Sleep natural. Bowels free. Walks out when the weather is fine. Some weakness still. Sumat indies Decoct: cinch: fortis Lib: j Cont: alia.

Dec: 10 Has got a slight cold. Health not quite so good. Bowels reported to be regular. Appetite tolerable. Let him have some Sherry negus at bedtime. Cont: to Vol: IX p. 110:

John Sheddon Ct 21 from p 141

1845

March 1 Health good. Still very stout. Has been quiet since last report No mental improvement Cont. omnia

— 15 Health good. No cursing or swearing since last report Mind weak & unsupplied with deliteons. On the whole no change since last report Cont. omnia —

April 15 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place during the last month. C. Omnia

May 13th Bodily health pretty good. Has a stupid and leaky look. Seldom enters into conversation. Abuses his friends and still has the delusion that the Devil passes through his brain. Sometimes employs himself reading. No improvement. C. Omnia

June 12 Mind very weak and fanciful. Is confused in conversation. Has a stout but stupid look. Abuses his relations and declares they are all mad. Bodily health good C. Omnia

July 12 Habits very depraved and filthy. Dislike to friends continues. Mind very fanciful Frequently curses and swears. Bodily health good. Seldom employs himself in any way. Cont. Omnia

Augst. 11th Bodily healthy good. Appetite sleep and Bowels natural. Has a heavy rude imbecile expression. Mind very weak. Habits depraved. Walks about the gallery muttering to himself. Never employs himself. C. Omnia

— 26 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report C. Omnia

Sept: 28 Mind weak, confused and inactive. Bodily health excellent. Seldom swears now. Mutters to himself very frequently. Still addicted to masturbation. Bowels regular. Appetite keen. Cont: omnia

October 30 Continues in all respects the same as at last report. Omnia

Admitted 17 Feb'y 1843.

1845

Nov: 30 Health good. Mind in the same state as at last report. Eye wears a heavy expression. Talks and listless. Seldom reads. Walks up and down the saloon at a rapid rate sometimes, and others lounges on the Ottomans. Bodily functions natural. Cont: omnia

Dec: 28 In all respects the same as when last reported. Cont: omnia.

1846

Jany 31 Mind weak and imbecile as formerly. Countenance wears a heavy expression. Bodily health good. Has been just from excitement for sometime. Delusions mentioned in former reports are unchanged, he however never broaches any of them unless he is induced to enter into conversation, and even then he appears to think it too much trouble. Bodily functions natural. Cont.

Feby 28 Much the same as when last reported. Cont.

March 30 No mental improvement. General condition of body healthy. Destructive to his clothes sometimes. He has been upon the whole tolerably quiet since last report. Will not exert himself in the slightest degree. Sometimes speaks to the Medical officers but very rarely indeed. Abuses his friends in a most disgraceful manner frequently. Cont:

April 30 Habits filthy as formerly. Very stout habit of body. No change in mental state. Appetite good. Bowels natural. Seldom enters into conversation with any of his fellow patients. Tongue a little white but moist. Pupils very much dilated. pulse 74 soft and compressible. Cont:

May 02 In all respects the same as when last reported. Cont: omnia.

June. 30 Bodily health good. Mind in the same weak state, and impressed with his former delusions regarding the Devil passing through his brain &c. Sometimes abuses his friends in a most shocking manner. He is however generally speaking very quiet and has an exceedingly filthy look. Never engages in any useful occupation. Sleeps natural. Appetite good. Cont: ~~magnetism~~ magnetism

July 20 Frequently caught in the act of ~~[illegible]~~ Masturbation. Returns impressed by the Medical officers that should he found so again he ~~should~~ would have a cold bath. General health good. Bodily functions natural. Cont.

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John Hay Alt from page 143

1845

March — to read a Newspaper or look at the Bible for a few seconds. Cont: omnia

April 13th — Mind still continues in the same fanciful state. is at present rather excitable. Raves in the same manner as formerly did. sometimes reads the Newspapers. Bodily health pretty good. C. Morris

May 13th — Habits remain unchanged. Liable to fits of excitement. Mind continues in the same weak and fanciful state. Sometimes reads the Newspapers. Bodily health has not been so good during the last month. C. Morris

—— 24 — is at present rather excitable and abuses his attendant. Delusions and fancies remain unchanged. Habits as formerly seems again to be gaining flesh Cont: Morris

June 24 — Has been free from any excitement during the last month. Talks in the same confused manner. is full of ridiculous delusions. Habits remain unchanged. Bodily health at present pretty good. C. Morris

July 24 — No change for whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report. C. Morris

Augt 24 — Bodily health at present pretty good. Mind full of fancies and delusions. seldom leaves his bedroom and never speaks to his fellow patients. Habits remain unchanged. C. Morris

Sept: 20 — Continues in all respects the same as at last report. Cont: omnia

October 28 — No change in mental state. Raves of his being a depraved character and of his being fined for Hell &c. Health tolerably good. Cont: omnia

November 20 — Mind weak and fanciful as formerly. seldom or never employs himself. Remains in his bedroom nearly the whole day. Has been tolerably free from excitement during the last month. Appetite pretty good. Bowels regular. Cont:

Admitted 24 March 1821 —
1845

Novemb 30	Raves as formerly of his being a depraved character, and of his being doomed for Hell. &c. Looks pretty well upon the whole. Bowels require as they have along done opposite medicines occasionally. Appetite and sleep natural. Cont:
1846	
January 30	Mind as before weak and full of delusions. General health tolerably good. Cont.
February 28	Sits in his Bedroom with the shutters closed during the early part of the day because he thinks that as depraved a character as he should not see light. Delusions mentioned in previous reports are unchanged. Is at present free from excitement. Bowels regular. Cont.
March 30	No change whatever either bodily or mental since last report. Cont.
April 24	Health good. Mind unchanged. Reads the Newspapers occasionally. Raves as formerly mentioned of his being a sinner &c. Appetite at present pretty good. Bowels regular. Seldom leaves his room. Cont.
May 30	Pretty quiet at present. Seems in good condition at present. Bodily functions natural. Cont.
June 24	Delusions regarding his sins are unchanged. Repeats the same story on several occasions, and generally concludes with "whats that," (putting his forefinger in his little finger) "thats Hell" Health pretty good. Bowels kept regular by the aid of Aperients. Urine natural colour and in sufficient quantity. Appetite and sleep natural. Face is rather haggard in appearance. Cont.
July 18	Raves in the incoherent manner mentioned in former reports, and on the same subjects Has not read anything during the last month. Bodily functions natural. Pulse 64 moderate. Tongue moist. Pupils dilate Habits as formerly. Cont:
August 29	No change in mental state, Bodily health pretty good upon the whole. Surface of Body moist, and of an equable temperature. During the last month he has been more out of his room than usual. Rarely speaks to or indeed takes the slightest notice of any of his fellow patients. Bowels assisted by Aperients. Appetite very good. Sleeps well at night. Cont.

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Thomas Holmes Ct from Vol IX

1845
Jan'y 31 On the 28th became again taciturn
Has continued so since. In good
humoured. Does not remain
in bed as formerly during his
paroxysms. Health good. Occupa-
as formerly described. C. Munro

Feb'y 10 Still taciturn. Health good.
Smiles when spoken to but will
not answer except by signs.
Habits & occupations as formerly.

" 25 Still taciturn. Clothes very shabby
Refuses to have new ones but patches
mends & embroiders the old. Will
not speak but answers by signs
Habits & occupations as formerly

March 6 Still taciturn & small respects
the same as at former report
Cent. Munro

April 1st No change whatever mental
or bodily has taken place
since last report C. Munro

" 21 Continues taciturn. Never
employs himself in any
way. Stands in one corner
of the Parlour window during
the greater part of the day.
Will answers questions by signs
Bodily health good. C. Munro.

May 23 In all respects the same. Conti-
nues taciturn and answers ques-
tions by signs. Refuses to speak.
Stands looking out at the Gallery
window during the greater part
of the day and never employs
himself. Bodily health good.
Appetite, sleep and Bowels natu-
ral. C. Munro

June 19th Is today in good spirits and
very talkative. Enters into a
history of what has taken place
in the Asylum during many
years. Assists in the Galleries.
Bodily health good. Is now in
his usual state between his
paroxysms. Cont. Munro.

" 26 Is again quiet and refuses
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Sept. 30 Mind in the same state as when last reported. Appears good humored. He is still taciturn. Appetite, sleep and bowels natural. Cont:

Oct. & Nov. 30 Stands in one place and one position during the greater part of the day. When spoken to answers by signs, but will not speak. Health good. Bodily functions natural. Cont:

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[illegible] refuses from [illegible] spoken to [illegible] himself in

[illegible] the attendants but avoids [illegible] at his old [illegible] window. Cleanly [illegible] Bodily

Feby 10 Still taciturn. Has a depressed look to day. Bodily health good. Appetite and sleep natural. Cont:

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1845
June 31 On the 28th became again taciturn
then continued so since. In good
humoured. Does not remain
in bed as formerly during his
paroxysms. Health good. Occupation
as formerly described. C. Munro
July 10 Still taciturn. Health good.
smiles when spoken to but will
not answer except by signs.
Habits & occupations as formerly.
" 25 Still taciturn. Clothes very shabby
Refuses to have new ones but patches
mends & embroiders the old. Will
not speak but answers by signs
Habits & occupations as formerly
March 6 Still taciturn & recalls respects
the same as at former report
Cert[illegible]
April 1st [illegible]
" 21 [illegible]
May 23 [illegible]
stands looking out at the Gallery
window during the greater part
of the day and never employs
himself - Bodily health good -
Appetite, sleep and Bowels Nat-
ural - C. Munro
June 19th - Is today in good spirits and
very talkative. Enters into a
history of what has taken place
in the Asylum during many
years - Resides in the Galleries -
Bodily health good - Is now in
his usual state between his
paroxysms - Cont. Munro
" 26 Is again quiet and refuses
to speak - Stands in one
place during the greater part
of the day and never employs
himself - Bodily health good -
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Sept. 30 Mind in the same state as when last reported. Appears good humoured. He is still taciturn. Appetite, sleep and bowels natural. Cont:

Oct. 30 Stands in one place and one position during the greater part of the day. When spoken to answers by signs, but will not speak. Health good. Bodily functions natural. Cont:

Nov. 26 In all respects the same as when last reported. Cont:

Dec. 30 Still taciturn. Seems cheerful from the way he smiles when spoken to. Health good. Never employs himself in any way. Cont:

1876
Jany 8 On new years day he wished the attendant a happy new year, but said nothing else. He again at his old post by the side of the window. Cleanly in his personal appearance. Bodily functions natural. Cont:

Feby 18 Still taciturn. Has a depressed look to day. Bodily health good. Appetite and sleep natural. Cont:

March 9: Health good. Bodily functions natural. Never employs himself in any way. Habits quite correct. Countenance sallow. Listens with great attention to what the other patients say to one another, but is still taciturn. When spoken to by the Medical officers he makes a most courteous bow, with a smile on his countenance, but never deigns a reply. No morbid conditions of any age of Body. Seldom moves out of the position he occupies in the morning unless to his Meals, after which it is again resumed. Cont.

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1845

January 21. Idle & languid as usual. With difficulty roused from his bed & inclined to lie down again. Takes no interest in any thing. At with difficulty got out into the open air, where he moves about slowly in the saloon he creeps along or stands leaning out of the window in a listless manner. Skin cold. Eye unsteady, pupils somewhat dilated. Countenance rather pale. Tongue clean, Appetite good, Bowels regular. Pulse 70 weak. Considerable debility of limbs. Seldom speaks & then after some delay & only answers to questions to which he gives relevant replies. Mind very weak. Cont. ômnia

Feby 4 In all respects the same as at last report except that occasionally he is inclined to be a little irritable. Cont. omnia

" 18 No change whatever either mental or bodily since last report. Cont. omnia

" 27 Careless about every thing. Wears his hat almost constantly in the gallery. Seems rather stronger than he was in body but his mind is as weak as ever. Seldom speaks. Occasionally looks at a newspaper. Cont. omnia.

March 12 Perfectly indifferent to every thing but remaining in bed which he is not permitted to do. Takes his food well. Health feeble but not worse. Mind as weak as ever. Cont. omnia

April 1st No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report. C. omnia

" 24 Never reads or employs himself in any way. Mind weak as formerly. Has a depressed look and never enters into conversation with his fellow patients. Bodily health pretty good. C. Omnia

May 24 Mind continues in the same weak state. Has a dull and

Admitted 19 July 1843.

	stupid look - Stands in one place during the greater part of the day and never employs himself - Seldom speaks to any one, and when asked questions he answers in a confused and hesitating manner - At times inclined to be irritable - Limbs feeble Cont. Omnia
June 24	Mind continues in the same weak state - Habits remain unchanged - Never employs himself in any way - Has a dull and heavy look - Limbs feeble - Cont. Omnia
July 24	No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report - Habits depraved and filthy - C. Omnia
Augt 25	Mind very weak - Takes no interest in what is going forward - Symptoms of general paralysis seem to increase - Has a very stupid look - Keeps about the gallery and never employs himself in any way - C. Omnia
Sept 30	In all respects the same as when last reported. Cont: omnia.
October 30	Mind very weak. Seldom speaks. Takes no interest in anything Dull heavy expression of countenance Health tolerably good. Con: omnia
Nov: 30	General health good. Bodily functions natural, sometimes very irritable. Body of natural temperature. pupils dilated. Cont: omnia.
Dec: 31	Has been tolerably quiet for sometime back. No change in mental state. Occasionally reads. Bowels regular Appetite good. Sleeps pretty well C. omnia.
1844	
Jany 30	No change in mental state. Health good. Takes no interest in what goes on around him. Never employs himself in any way. Dull and listless Cont:
May 30	Idle and languid. Mind unchanged. Bodily health tolerably good. Bowels regular. Never speaks or takes the slightest notice of any one unless when spoken to, and then only in monosyllables. Appetite and sleep natural. Cont: omnia. to Vol: IX p. 122

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1845

March 25 Has been very excitable during the last month - Mind very weak and fanciful - Talks in a confused and unconnected manner and his mind constantly wanders from one subject to another - Is very destructive to his clothes and also to furniture Habits filthy - Keeps himself in constant motion - Places chairs in particular parts of the room and walks round them for hours at a time - Is frequently found sitting in a corner of the window with no clothes on him but his shirt. Sometimes refuses to speak and at other times is very talkative. Today struck one of his fellow patients - Mutters to himself and frequently laughs in a very idiotic manner - Has lost flesh lately

L. Munson

— 30 State continues very excitable & destructive to his clothes and filthy in his habits. Frequently walks about the garden naked - Plasters the walls with all sorts of filth and has broken several panes of glass - When in the garden he generally employs himself rubbing the ground in a particular spot for hours at a time with his old shoes - Is apt to quarrel with his fellow patients and sometimes becomes very violent - Talks in a confused and unconnected manner on all subjects - Abuses his friends for sending him here - Is idle and lazy - Refuses to employ himself in any way - Complains of his food - Enters into a long history of his life and declares he was never known to be insane - Bodily health good - Appetite, sleep and Bowels natural - Requires to be closely watched - L. Munson

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Admitted 2d December 1844

No change whatever has taken place since last report - Still very excitable and quarrelsome - Is destructive to clothes and furniture - Places the Chairs and tables in particular spots in the room and walks round them for hours at a time - When asked why he does so says it is merely to spend the time - Has he feels inclined - Employs himself in the garden in the same manner as noted in last report - Walks about his bedroom during the night and is sometimes very noisy - Bodily health good - Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural

C. Morrison

18 Has been much less excited during the last few days - Still very careless of his clothes but says he gets having broken the windows and furniture not to do so again - Asks permission to walk out when he thinks proper - This cannot be granted in his present state - Is more inclined to enter into conversation with his fellow patients - Asks particularly for the different Medical Officers about the Establishment - Considers great improvements might be made here - Continues to walk round the chairs in the same ridiculous manner as formerly - Is very idle - Never reads or employs himself in any way - Says books are of no use to him as long as he is kept in such a place as this - Bodily health good - Cont. Morrison

24 Mind continues in the same weak and fanciful state - Employs himself as formerly doing mischief - Bodily health good - Cont. Morrison

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1845

March 25 Has been very excitable the last month. Mind weak and fanciful. Talks confused and unconnected manner and his mind constantly wanders from one subject to another. Is very destructive to his clothes and also to furniture. Habits filthy. Keeps himself in constant motion. Places chairs in particular parts of the room and walks round them for hours at a time. Is frequently found sitting in a corner of the window with no clothes on him but his shirt. Sometimes refuses to speak and at other times is very talkative. Today struck one of his fellow patients. Mutters to himself and frequently laughs in a very idiotic manner. Has lost flesh lately.
L. Maurice

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L. Maurice

Admitted 2d December 1844

April 1st No change whatever has taken place since last report - Still very excitable and quarrelsome - So destructive to clothes and furniture - Places the Chairs and tables in particular spots in the room and walks round them for hours at a time - When asked why he does so says it is merely to spend the time Has he feels worried - Employs himself in the garden in the same manner as noted in last report - Walks about his bedroom during the night and is sometimes very noisy - Bodily health good - Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural C. Mannin

— 18 Has been much less excited during the last few days - Still very careless of his clothes but says he tries having broken the windows and promises not to do so again Seeks permission to walk out when he thinks proper - This cannot be granted in his present state - Is more inclined to enter into Conversation with his fellow patients - Asks particularly for the different Medical Officers about the Establishment - Considers great improvements might be made here - Continues to walk round the chairs in the same ridiculous manner as formerly. Is very idle - Never reads or employs himself in any way - Says books are of no use to him as long as he is kept in such a place as this - Bodily health good. Cont. Mannin

24 Mental continues in the same weak and fanciful state. Employs himself as formerly doing mischief - Bodily health good - Cont. Mannin

John Waterston Adm from Jail

1845

Febry 25th Has continued daily to improve since last report. Is now rational and free from all delusions. Employs himself reading and walking into town sometimes. Wishes again to return to the Country for some months. Is cheerful and contented. May be considered as convalescent. L. Huntington

March 27 Walks into town almost daily. Is free from all excitement. Has taken lodgings at Longs where he intends to reside for some months. Intends soon to leave the Asylum. Bodily health good. L. Huntington

— 31 Being this day in good bodily health and his mind being free from all delusions he is dismissed

Edward

194 Admitted 3d December 1844

James Dixon Act from p 193

1848

Febry 26 Is now perfectly rational and free from any delusions - Walks into town daily, transacts business, and returns to the Asylum in the afternoon - wishes to remain as a boarder fearing a return of his disease - sometimes employs himself reading - is cheerful and contented - Bodily health good. Cont. Omnia

March 27th Continues to walk into town daily - Expresses great anxiety regarding himself and fears another attack - is at present perfectly rational - Bodily health good Cont. Omnia

— 31st Being this day in good bodily health and his mind being free from all delusions he is discharged

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Admitted 21st December 1844

Joseph King Adt 33 from p 196

1845–

Febr 27 Mind still teeming with all sorts of delusions – Raves in a very incoherent manner. Abuses his friends in the most violent manner. Complains of receiving great annoyance from by people talking to him from excavations under the earth – Declares he is subjected to all sorts of persecutions by the Queen down to her lowest subjects – Bodily health pretty good – Employs himself reading – L. Norris

March 27th Bodily health good – No mental improvement – Delusions above noted remain unchanged – Raves very incoherently – L. Norris

30 Has been very unsettled during the last few days Mind teeming with all sorts of delusions – Raves in a very incoherent manner on different subjects – Says he has been persecuted for several years Abuses his brother and brother in law in the most violent manner – Declares they were the cause of his being sent here and to show what sort of people they are he actually saw them murder the Child of his brother in law to serve a purpose – Cannot say what that purpose was – Abuses the Queen and Prince Albert in the most violent manner and says they withold from him the Conversations instrument for the purpose of driving him out of society Knows the Queens object in doing so is because he can expose many acts of which she has been guilty – Says she visited him at Kilmarnock and wished him to have connection with her – Held out all sorts of promises to him and after failing in her object she has joined

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with others in placing him in a Lunatic Asylum - Complaining of being constantly annoyed by people speaking to him from excavations under the ground - That he cannot rest at night, they make so much noise - That he hears one man distinctly preaching and praying most earnestly for the Queen, Prince Albert and his other persecutors - That bands of music composed of several hundred people play frequently and knows it is all for the purpose of annoying him - Writes long letters but so incoherent that it is impossible to make any thing of them - Employs himself reading and walks about the Gallery during the greater part of the day speaking to himself - Frequently places his ear on the ground to listen what is going on in the excavations as he calls them - Bodily health good - Appetite, Bowels natural - Cont. Mania.

April 10 No mental improvement has taken place - Is full of fancies and delusions - Constantly complaining of his persecutions - Bodily health good - Cont. Mania

" 24 Is today very much excited - Abuses the Clinical Assistant for keeping him here - Says he could not sleep last night people were making so much noise under the ground - That it resembled the noise of wild beasts more than anything else - Delusions about the Queen and Prince Albert remain unchanged - Raves of the conversation in - strument and wishes to Complain to Government about it - Bodily health pretty good - Cont. Mania

George Shaw Aet 55

1846

Feby. 25 On admission was very melancholy & dejected. Walked about rubbing his hands, moaning & mumbling & could scarcely be kept a moment in one position. Declared that he was ruined — that he would be apprehended & brought before Parliament because he had not signed some Railway plans deposited with him as Schoolmaster — thereby that he is to be imprisoned & fined to such extent which he can never pay & that he will be kept a prisoner in misery for life. Then declares that he has lost all hope — that he is dying — that no one can do him any good & that his soul is lost — Afterwards wishes he were dead. It is evident that he has a strong propensity to commit suicide — pulse 78 very feeble. Extremities cold, Tongue white & tremulous, Bowels constipated, Looks very ill. pupils dilated, Has a most dejected look & shrinks from observation, To be carefully watched. To have beef tea & full diet. Rx pul. jalap c ol. croti, Statim sumendus.

26 Bowels have been freely moved. Has slept for an hour & two at a time. Has taken little food, looks a little more alert but in other respects the same as yesterday. Rx pul. jalap c ol. Croti. 4 o iij. statim p. omni nocte. Hora somni Continuea

March 8 Has upon the whole improved since last report. Delusions still remain. pulse 70 feeble Extremities cold. Wanders about moans & mutters as formerly

" 15 Since last report has several times made preparations to strangle himself but has been defeated in his purpose. Within the last three days has refused food his object being to destroy himself by starvation. The remonstrances of the Physician & Chaplain have been useless & it is necessary to

Admitted 28th Feby 1846.

1846
March — two attendants from the House who are strangers to him to stand by & feed him. He gulps down his food, protesting against such mouthfuls, like most schoolmasters & clergymen whom I have met with insane, he is most troublesome & obstinate. Rx Infus. Cinchon. Sulph. Zxiv. [redacted] Tinct Cardamom Co. ℥ij ad 3vij. Mucil. Acac. ℥ij. Spiritus ℥ij. bis quotidie. Sumat cochlearia duo ampla bis quotidie. Cont. alia.

" 21 — No change. Take the same medicine frequently to make him take food. Health feeble. Pulse 16 small & weak. Tongue foul, Bowels kept free by medicine. Hands rather better. Has been visited by some Cousins with whom he never had any intercourse but who seem attracted by his property. Cont. omnia.

" 27 — No improvement. His selfish friends have been busy in removing him, notwithstanding the warning & remonstrance of the Physician. Cont. [redacted]

April 3 — On the whole looks better. At times even cheerful. It is evident that the case is hopeless. The best that can be effected is quiet imbecility. The friends or rather relatives are determined on removing him.—

" 8 — The physician having procured him a suitable attendant & given all proper directions, the patient is under protest discharged

Relieved

Robert Love Act

1848

March 24th On admission was quiet and looked very much bewildered. Talked of his power, wealth &c. Walked up and down the gallery talking to himself and laughing in a very idiotic manner. Pulse 70 moderate - Tongue foul - Pupils contracted with the other dilated. Sumn Statim pil. Alterative &c - Cathartic dish -

" 25 Is this morning very talkative. Raves in a very incoherent manner on different subjects - Says he has thousands of pounds. That all the funded property in Scotland belongs to him - That he dines every day at the table of the Lord. Has slight difficulty of articulation and is in a state of general paralysis - Pupils still contracted and the other dilated - Bowels have not been moved - Sumn Statim pil Jalap c ol Crot &c - C. Alia

" 27 Bowels have been freely moved by the pills taken yesterday - Extravagant delusions formerly noted continue unchanged - Is rather unsteady in his gait - Takes his food well. C. Ammon

" 31 Takes his food well. Paralytic symptoms seem to increase. Mind very weak and full of all sorts of delusions - Walks about and talks to himself - Passes his urine in bed - R Pil Alterative XII - Sumn &c o.a. 2da ad 11tam horam - Cont. Alia

April 2d Is today very much excited. Inclines of the violent and is apt to strike his fellow patients. Raves in a bewildered, extravagant and incoherent manner - To be placed in seclusion - Sumn Statim pil Jalap c ol Crot &c - C. Alia

" 4th Bowels have been freely moved by the pills but he still continues excited. Raves in the same extravagant manner - wishes to fight with several people - Paralysis seems to increase. Mind very weak - R Pil Jalap c ol Crot &c Sumn Statim -

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Shred Capsule et applent emplast lyttæ capite toto - C. Alex

— 6 Blister has discharged freely and today he is much less excited - Is Relieved from seclusion - Habits very destructive - Raves in the same incoherent manner and considers himself a man of great power, wealth &c - C. Alex

— 18 Has continued less excited since last report - Delusions formerly noted remain unchanged - Raves incoherently - Limbs feeble - Symptoms of General paralysis increase - Bowels apt to become constipated - Ry Pil Alterativ XII 4ta q.q.h h.s ad vicem - C. Alex

— 24 Has rather improved since last report in his bodily health. Mind seems to become weaker - Talks in a confused and incoherent manner - Is at times very noisy - Habits destructive and filthy - C. Alex

— 30 No change whatever mental or bodily has taken place since last report - C. Alex

May 8th Mind continues in the same weak and fanciful state - Is full of fancies and delusions - Looks himself a person of large property and great power - Daily request the Clinical Assistant to cut away his arms and legs from his body, or give him a knife for the purpose of doing so - Paralytic debility continues - Has a heavy expression, and he is quite confused in conversation - Ry Pulv Alterativ c Calph Limia XXII. Gummi ter quotidie - C. Alex

— 24 Bodily health in much the same state as at last report - Habits very destructive and filthy - Mind seems to become weaker - Fancies and delusions noted in last report continue unchanged - Never employs himself in any way - Steals every thing he can get hold of - Is very troublesome to his fellow patients - Cont. Alex

— 28 Is today removed from the Asylum as Relieved

Simon Fraser Act

1848

March 26th Was brought to the Asylum this afternoon from Dr Drury's private Institution - On admission was quiet - Mind seems entirely gone - When spoken to laughs in a very idiotic manner - Is in a state of dementia Ordinary diet -

" 27 Has been quiet during the night Passed his urine on the bed clothes Mind continues in the same fatuous state - Cont. Mixture

" 31 Cannot be employed in any way - Mind seems entirely gone - Is inclined to be filthy in his habits - Bodily health pretty good - Walks daily in the garden - C. Mixture

April 24 Bodily health good - Mind fatuous - Never speaks to any one - Habits at present clean - Laughs idiotically and has a very imbecile expression - Walks daily in the garden. Cont. Mixture

" 29 No change whatever has taken place in the state of this patient - He was today removed at the request of his friends to a private Asylum in England and is consequently dismissed

Relieved

Admitted 26th March 1845

John Goodwin Act

1843

March 26th On admission was quiet but very much bewildered - Entered into a long story of the bad treatment he received from his friends - said he was sent here for breaking windows - That he did so when in an excited state caused by injustice and oppression - Declared he had several thousand pounds left to him by his father - That a young woman a cousin of his, was also left a considerable sum - That the agreement was they were to receive it whenever they were married - That his father's last words to him were that he was to marry this person and no other - That they were going together for some time back and that his Uncle and other friends interfered with them - Knows his Uncle's object in doing so was to deprive them of the money and get it into his own hands - Said he demanded justice which was refused - That he then smashed the windows under the idea that it would cause his Uncle to act otherwise - That he was first sent to Sea and then sent here for the purpose of keeping him out of the way - Mind evidently very weak and he is confused in conversation - Pulse 80 small - Pupils dilated - Tongue clean and moist - Ordinary diet -

" 27 Has slept well during the night - Is today quiet and gives the same history of his case as he did yesterday - Wishes to see a man of business on the subject - Mind full of fancies - C. Ommin

" 29 Continues quiet and free from any excitement - Today refuses to give any account of himself and is not inclined to enter upon the subject - Says a day will soon come when justice will be done - Bodily health good - Works in the Garden - C. Ommin

" 31 Mind very weak and full of delusions - Answers questions in a confused and

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hesitating manner - Faucies noted formerly remain unchanged - has written the following confused and ill spelled letter -

Glasgow 29th March 1845

Sir

If you would be as good as Come Round till Gart Naval Asylum & Call upon me Personaly as i was Lodged in it upon the 26th & Cannot State for what & i will state to you when you Come Round the Maner that i was taken in which i expected that you would have got word before this time & Called upon me before this time & we will arange about the Matter When you come Round Requesting your Earnest Attention

Yours most Obt
Lieut John Goodwin

Mr John Paul Whitter
24 Hutcheson St
Glasgow

April 6th Has continued in the same state since last report - Mind still teeming with the delusions formerly noted in the case. Sometimes employs himself reading but seems in a very agitated state of mind - Bodily health pretty good & Appetite

— 16 Mind still full of fancies and delusions - Enters into the same history of his case as he did on admission - Is convinced he is kept here by his friends to serve their own object and to deprive him of his rights - Has a depressed look and he seldom employs himself in any way - Mind evidently in a very weak state - In conversation seems very much confused - L. Appetite

— 21 Bodily health good - Appetite Sleep and Bowels natural - Delusions formerly noted in the case remain unchanged - Never employs himself in any way L. Appetite

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