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N^o 1030. David Niven et 44 Married Calico Printer. Admitted
31 December 1835. Rate 4/6

Previous History. This patient has been four different times treated in this institution before viz from 20 October 1829 till 29th June 1830. from 22nd Sept. 1831 till 3rd of March 1832 from 23rd April till 3rd July 1833 and from 26th Decr 1833 till 2nd Feby 1835 and on all these occasions dismissed cured. Vide Page 99. 193 300 & 342 of Volume III. On the present occasion he has been eight days insane and for a week previous to that certain precursory symptoms indicated the approach of the malady altho it is not said what they were. The malady is now characterised by great elevation of spirits, incessant talking or raving on various subjects, particularly of his own knowledge and power, he frequently swears loudly and becomes outrageous. He has not attempted or threatened to injure himself or others dangerously, but has frequently raised his hands to strike those who attempted to threaten or control him.

When in his usual state he was generally a steady inoffensive sober man though at times on fair nights he has been known to have a little more spirits than was thought good for him, and his general health was tolerable good. The exciting cause on this occasion is ascribed to a merry making at which he was about eight days ago, and at which he exhibited an extraordinary flow of spirits. Nothing has yet been done for his recovery.

No further Remarks in this case were entered by the Medical Officers. It appears from the Records that he was
1836 July 16 dismissed.

Cured.

No. 1031. William Whyte esq 24. Single Leather Merchant Admells
31st December 1835. Rate 2/6.

[Neither the history of nor any Reports in this case were entered by the Medical Officers. It appears from the Schedule that about three years before the attack he had been very much depressed in spirits and occasionally after that time. The disease had lasted for a month and he had not been insane before. He was marked by his raving on his being the Saviour of the world and incoherently on other subjects. There were exacerbations and remissions at uncertain times. He had been rather suicidal & destructive. The disease was said not to be hereditary. Nothing particular in his habits or feelings was even observed. His health had been good. He had been occasionally inclined to drink spirits to excess but he did not habitually drink. The cause it was said to be want of success in business. He had cold applied to the head as well as blisters and leeches and he had purgatives and tartar emetic, but the effect is not stated. He had never been in any asylum. It appears from the Records that

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he was dismissed.

Cured.

N^o 1032. James Struthers Et 39. Single Brewer Admitted 7th January 1836. Rate 3/6.

Previous History. Has been four times insane at irregular intervals. His first attack was about 17 years ago, his last has been of six months duration, but was fairly convalescent till within the last few days when he became furiously insane. Has unusually flighty and in high spirits for more than six months before the attack. Has always been a little flighty, and the malady is hereditary.

Has of Military matters, especially in connection with Cavalry and Highland Costume. Has been much interested in improving the breed of Dogs and Fowls, and supposes himself to be a great connoisseur, and wonderfully successful in these matters. In this and all his former attacks the malady seems to have approached gradually, and without any evident exciting cause.

Leeches, Calomel purges, Tart. Antim, Anodyns and vegetable diet have been useful. He never was in an Asylum before.

Let him Tart. Ant. 9ⁱ every half hour till either sick or quiet, a large dose being necessary. Keep head shaved and cool, belly free by a scabidity with a grain of Tart. Antim every morning and let him have vegetable fare.

30 In the course of a fortnight excitation remitted, and he now conducts himself with sufficient moderation to associate with the gentlemen of his class, yet he is not free from a degree of morbid irritability, as his eye and manner betoken. Continue regimen, and attention to bowels.

Feb 7. 20 Eye expressive of suspicion, and seems disposed to shun my presence. Cont. Conna.

25 Cheerful and disposed to whistle and the eye rather unsettled, has behaved with becoming propriety. Cont. Conna.

March 4 Pulse 75 perfectly calm and naturally full. Tongue clean. Eye steady and otherwise natural. Has been conducting himself with great propriety, but some while I was reasoning he indulged in an approach to a whistle, but merely in a breathing sound. Cont. Conna.

April 1 Continued to improve till about 10 days ago, when bowels began to get unusually torpid, his sleep unpaired, and his spirits became more depressed. Some active purgatives with the frequent use of laxatives was employed with some benefit, but as on former occasions his mind is becoming more depressed and he is under the impression that he is dying. He has of his own accord resumed his vegetable fare and is most willing to keep his bowels in action by purgatives. Continue attention to bowels.

6 Greatly agitated and bewildered. Takes little or no sustenance. Bowels free by Elix. Eps. and some soup. To have 6℥ Ricini ʒi of Turb ʒij and at bed time ʒij with Sol Mur. Mork 9th XL

8 Rather less agitated and bewildered, but still greatly depressed. Tongue whitish. Pulse 80. Belly not satisfactorily evacuated, although he had some thin stools. Takes food much more readily. Repeat Elix. Eps. to morrow early.

9 Had his sleep early but no stool till a Lister was given at 2 o'clock and which was retained till repeated. Took breakfast with more relish, eating two Eggs & bit, but has still to be fed. Pulse 90 still rather weak, though improved both in strength and fulness, countenance more natural both in colour and expression. To have two eggs in good beef tea with toasted bread cut down in it for dinner. Cont. Elix.

14 Takes food better, but has still to be fed. Mind gets slowly a little more active but he is still much irritated and enfeebled. Cont. Conna.

June 29 Gradual though slow improvement. Was long taciturn and very lined. Began lately to speak beyond a mere monosyllable, and has with benefit been in the Garden daily. He not only now converses, but makes a remark or two of his own accord. Health improved. Pulse 80. Daily shade labour in the Garden. Cont. Alia

July 11 Is a little more flighty again, and though in excellent health and strength complains of

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 July 28 of pain and Itches, and failure of health and strength &c.
 Labours frequently in the garden, and still improves, but in course of conversation still disposed
 to interject an attempt at whistling, cont. Alia.
 Aug 24 Pulse 90, but he has been working Tongue quite clean Appetite good and better kept free. Is
 daily in the garden when weather will permit. This day was troubled by his Father, I stated
 that his time of probation was not yet satisfactory, but I under proper management he might
 be dismissed by the end of this month having found that Mr. John his brother had said
 so much to him as to lead him to expect speedy liberation. continue
 Sept 7 Has continued slowly and a little interruptedly to improve, and mind appears to be more
 steady than it has been at any of my former visits. Pulse under 80 calm and soft. Has
 for the requisite period been convalescent, yet his recovery has not been quite steady, and his
 confinement is therefore prolonged, but may terminate as soon as arrangements can
 be made for his removal.
 " 15 was this day dismissed

Cured.

N^o 1033 John Walker Et 22. Single cabinet maker Admitted 4th January 1836. Age 46.

Previous History. Has been three days decidedly insane for the first time, but for six months past or thereby he seems to have laboured under deep depression of spirits, want of Appetite and Sleep and aversion to society till about a month ago when the gloominess began to wear away and unusual cheerfulness and vivacity succeeded. He now raves of being annoyed by Spectres or imaginary beings, and is given to sing love songs. He has been observed to make attempts to strangle himself and threatened and actually struck his friends, but is not prone to break, tear, or destroy. The disease is said not to be hereditary. He was not remarkable for any mental manifestation previous to the malady, and his habits were steady, sober and exemplary, and general health good. About fourteen years ago he fell from a Chair when his head and one shoulder were severely injured, and Callosities he became much excited in expectation of making a prominent figure at a concert, to which the attack is ascribed. Purgatives and nervous medicine have been used with some benefit. Never was in any Asylum before.

1836 Jan. 25 Has greatly improved, and in the course of the last fortnight has given useful aid to the doctor, and been serviceable to the teachers. Says he has been freed from all his imaginary visitants for the last two weeks, and is now sensible that they were entirely imaginary. Is fairly convalescent. Continue regimen, especially employment.

April 2 Has continued to work daily, and steadily with due advancement in convalescence and though rather prematurely is this day dismissed.

Cured.

No. 1034 Robert M. Millan et al Married State admitted 15 January 1836
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Previous History. Has been between two and three months insane for the first time but no precursory symptoms were observed. He now raves on various subjects but those least agreeable or dishonorable intentions entertained by others towards his wife and money matters. There are short remissions at uncertain intervals, but on the whole the Malady is increasing with frequent bursts of outrage. He has never attempted or threatened to injure himself, but when violent has frequently struck those around him. Before the attack he was always considered a workman and subject to unreasonable bursts of passion, and has a sister at present insane who was formerly cured with some benefit in the Asylum.

The exciting cause is unknown and he has not undergone any treatment from warm any Asylum.

1836 Jan 25 No durable improvement, and for the last two days has been so highly excited as to require confinement to his apartment with both hands secured, would not admit to me that his wife had been unjust to him, but alleged that both she and his mother had been involved by blackguards. Has been very mischievous and his conduct is threatening and malicious. Continue personal restraint and give Solution of Tartar Emetic.

April 18 Has been working and not guilty of any outrage. Complains of gripes. To have a dose of Castor Oil Cont. Alow.

July 11 Has been useful as a labourer and has benefited by his labour but there is no decided convalescence. To day there is considerable maniacal excitation. Coarse, vulgar and Nauseating.

1837 May 17 Stationary ever since last report. Works readily in any labour assigned him, and has been much employed at wheel barrow or spade labour in the open air is generally decorated with a Star on his breast, and other honourable insignia suitable to his imaginary high rank. Eats and Sleeps well and is in high health of body and very stout. Frequently petitions me for dismissal, but is not so impatient as many of his fellows. Cont. Emulsion.

July 30 Seems to become less high minded, in so far that he has shaved off his mustaches which he had allowed to grow to a great length and he has laid aside his Star and other insignia of his exalted rank and authority. Seems to be a little ashamed when I asked about his Star and various orders. Is still however far from being in a sound state of mind. Continues to be a diligent and willing worker. Cont. Emulsion.

Decr 8 Has continued to work and to improve. This day carefully examined him with a view to his dismissal and found him to be free from all his former insane impressions quite sensible that he had been insane, and that those impressions were quite imaginary. Having undergone satisfactory probation, I have sanctioned his dismissal as soon as his wife shall arrive for him.

Having continued as at last report he is dismissed.

Cured

No. 1035. David Cook et 46 Engineer Admitted 21st January 1836. Kate 46.

Previous History. Imbecility with occasional rascibility and a degree of paralysis observable both in his trunk and in his gait.

Is said to have been three months insane but continued to work as an Engineer till within the last month when he became unmanageable, that his employer had to dismiss him. It has not been ascertained whether the disease is hereditary or not.

The exciting cause is alleged to have been the death of his mother-in-law. On examination his ideas could not detect any decided morbid impressions. He said to save about his work, always desiring to be employed and complaining that he is not gratified. Memory and control of his motions unimpaired as usual in imbecility. Was in the Town Hospital for a few days, and supposed it to be an Infirmary. Supposes the Asylum also to be an Infirmary, but says that an Infirmary is a house for the reception of poor people and not for the sick. The patients' wife states that he had for some time been troubled with giddiness, when one day at dinner he was seized with difficulty of breath as if from a sense of suffocation, and at the same time with stupor. He lost speech till the following morning, when it was still very imperfect. Slept little or none. Became very restless and unruly when awake, and soon so insensible as to pass both his stools and urine in bed. Was bled. Shaved blistered on the head and neck and freely purged, with some benefit. Had also the cold bath.

Let head be kept shaved. Belly free, and put an issue by chord in the neck.

- March 25 Walks with a former life, and seems not to be quite so stupid, but the improvement is very slight.
No further change, and after careful examination, I am of opinion that after all the improvements that can be expected, the mind will remain in a state of imbecility.
April 16 As formerly, and is this day dismissed, as unfit for further treatment.

Relieved

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N^o 1036 John M. Farlane Aet 54. Formerly a Clerk Admitted 26 Jan 1836. Rule 6/6.

Previous History. This patient has been for a considerable time insane or in a state of mental weakness, but little knowledge of his case can be obtained except what is contained in a petition to the Sheriff of Lanarkshire in which it is stated that for some time past he has been calling and making demands of a most unreasonable nature upon the Agent of the Bank of Scotland in Glasgow and by numerous letters to the directors of that establishment in Edinburgh has become a source of annoyance if not danger to them and others. In one of these letters written on the 11th current he has used expressions tending to impress them with a conviction that their persons and property are in hazard unless his absurd and unmeasurable demands are complied with. In consequence of this formal application he was examined before the Sheriff and clear proofs of insanity appearing he was ordered to be confined, and at the expense of the Government sent to the Royal Lunatic Asylum till a cure is certified by the Medical Officer of that establishment, and previous to dismissal 24 hours notice to be given to the Procurator Fiscal and Superintendent of Poor.

His information has been received of his previous disposition or habits and it is not known whether any thing has been done for his recovery.

[This disease appears to have been of three years duration]

- Feb 17. 11. Its remarkable change till 3 days ago when he was observed to have become very stupid. was leeches and purged, and yesterday I ordered a blister on the scalp, but without much benefit. Answers when he is questioned but incoherently and cannot recognise me or the other by standards. Right side paralysed. Has passed discharge in bed, but takes his soup readily. Pulse 80 small and weak on which account has had a glass of wine diluted, in the course of a day and seems to relish it much. Dress head with long hair and give daily a small dose of Rhen. and if no stool a Glyster in the evening.
25. Head has been thin whole some days. Much mucus evolved to the left side. Rigidity as well as the loss of power of the right arm. Is unable to recognise any person formerly known to him, and passes stools and urine in bed. Repeat blisters to the head and keep bowels free.
- March 11. Has improved so far that he can support himself for a short time on his legs, but the left arm is still powerless though when erect he seems able to swing it a little. Is still unable to recognise any one who approaches him, and cannot catch the words or even comprehend what is usually said to him, but he is aware of the calls of nature. Being now harm less as well as insensible he is this day dismissed as unfit for further treatment very little if at all.

Relieved.

N^o 1037 Andrew Gilmour Et 26 Surgie. Cutler. Admitted 6th February 1826.
Note 4/6.

Previous History, Has been insane for about 400 years for the first time. Precursory symptoms were observed for an uncertain period, and as at present were great depression of spirits, restlessness and want of sleep, and marked alteration of temper and disposition, and on the whole these seem to be increasing with a marked dislike to labour and dangerous disposition towards his parents. He raves principally about God, and immediately after praying breaks into fits of blasphemy. He once made an attempt to destroy his parents, and on one occasion lately dislocated his Mother's finger and otherwise abused her. He is prone to destroy furniture &c. but has always been prevented by his friends or others. The disease is said not to be hereditary, however to the Malady he was not remarkable for any mental manifestation, and his bodily health was good, but shortly before the attack his head was rather severely injured by a stroke from a piece of beam, and this is the only known cause for that event. Nothing has been done for his recovery except bleeding and without any marked benefit. Never was in any Asylum before.

Keep him secured till his habits and propensities be observed, attend to bowels and proper regimen.

- Feb'y 25 Irritability has subsided, and he is now walking about, with hands secured. Is still very stupid. Keep bowels free ordinary diet and regimen.
- April 13 Has of late been duly employed with the Barber. By this means his bodily health has improved, and his mind become more active and alert. Continue laborious employment and attend to bowels.
- July 30 Has continued to be willing and useful worker, and has improved since last report, but his mind is still feeble. Received the usual English education for reasons of his Station in life, and could read well enough, but now reads with difficulty the most sensible works, and can neither read nor understand any words that are not of colloquial familiarity. I again examined his head where he received the injury, and from the cicatrices on the upper and right side of occiput, it appears to have been severe. Much matter is said to have been discharged but no bone yet there is a depression or furrow as from exfoliation some months ago. Ordered an issue to be put into his neck, and it still discharges. Pulse 66. Tongue pretty clean and moist. Stools and bowels regular. No hallucinations detected, and he continues to behave very peaceably. His memory is so treacherous, that he is not likely to profit by admonition, but I thought it right to admonish him in the presence of his Sister, so that she might refresh his memory with my injunctions, moral and religious. Give him Recipe for Colic with Pills, ordered Seaton to be continued. Head to be bathed with cold water every morning, and Grade labour in preference to his former occupations, and he is this day dismissed.

Relieved

N^o 1038. James Dunlop Et. 25. Widower Kidder Admitted 8. February 1836
Rate 6/6-

Previous History. Has been about six weeks insane for the first time, and as the attack occurred in the country, and at a distance from his friends, nothing can be said regarding the precursory symptoms if any. The malady is now marked by watchfulness, disinclination to every kind of business and great desire for ardent spirits, without any lesser interval or great remissions. The symptoms sterner stationary, he raves on various subjects, conceives that he is dying rapidly of mortification, that he has sold himself to the Devil and that his condition cannot be made worse by any violence he may commit.

He has repeatedly threatened to destroy his sister with a knife, and when excited is apt to break articles within his reach, but no fear has been entertained of any evil intention towards himself. The disease is said not to be hereditary. Excepting too great a desire for ardent spirits there was nothing remarkable about him previous to the disease, his head was never severely injured, and his health was good.

The exciting cause is ascribed to drinking and family affection, his wife having been burned to death a short time before the attack. Nothing has yet been done for his recovery, and he never was in any Asylum before.

- Feb^y 11 Says he has slept well for the last two nights and he is evidently more composed and rational. Keeps hands shut secured and attend to bowels and regimen.
- 25 Improves slowly, and even seems to get a little better, though he alleges that he is getting weaker and more emaciated. Takes his food well and his guest, but limited.
- March 13 Has been working with trade and barrow, and has improved both in body and mind. Pulse natural, Bowels free. Admits that he is less emaciated, Longs much for a little tea. To be indulged with half an allowance of tea. To encourage him in working, but limited.
- July 4 Answers satisfactorily in regard to former insane impressions and does not betray any symptoms of lunacy. Has been regularly employed and works well. Continues regular active employment, and other things.
- 23 Has continued free from maniacal symptoms, and being now well and having undergone sufficient probation he is this day dismissed.

Cured.

N^o 1039. Alexander M^r Lierie Aged 44 Married Weaver Admitted 12th February 1836. Rate 8/6-

Previous History. Has been six months insane for the first time and for twelve months before the attack his spirits were observed to be much depressed and his temper unusually irascible. He now raves incoherently on all subjects and the melody seems increasing without interval or remission. He has never attempted self violence, but when provoked and angry threatened to drown himself and he struggles without provocation, particularly the members of his own family, and is at all times prone to tear clothes, or break furniture &c. The disease is said not to be hereditary. Before the attack he was not remarkable for any mental manifestation, and his general health was pretty good, till about 3 or 4 months ago, at which time he had an attack of palsy that affected his speech after which he became more cross and ill tempered.

Except the above no exciting cause is known. Nothing has yet been done for his recovery except the application of two blisters to nape of neck without any permanent benefit. None was in any Asylum before.

Feb^y 7. '36 No remarkable change since his admission. Insert an issue in the neck and keep bleeding.

25th Urine had been passed involuntarily, but is now retained and passed properly. Little other improvement. Cont. Opium.

April 13 Little or no change since last report. Is a little more attentive in regard to his evacuations but probably from the tutelage of the keeper, than from any actual improvement of mind. Some evening when there has been no stool, unloaded Stools by Clyster. Cont. Opium.

May 31 Has experienced some improvement in regard to his paralytic debility, being harmless, and quite incurable, he is this day dismissed as unfit for further treatment.

Relieved

N^o 1040. William Anderson At 46. Comptroller of Customs. Admitted
19th February 1830. Note 63.

Previous History. About 18 months ago he suffered from derangement of Stomach and Bowels, faded looks and diminished flesh about the same time his temper was observed to become unusually irascible and his memory to be impaired.

About 8 months ago he complained of numbness and partial loss of power of left leg, which he slightly dragged in walking and also of occasional headache. Bowels slow, Tongue clean, Pulse rather sharp, but neither full nor frequent. Was cured. Blisters on neck and lower belly kept open by Blue Pill followed by Laxatives. He also used the Shower Bath with benefit. A mild and light diet was ordered but recently a fuller diet and though his health improved a degree of mental irritation supervened which rendered personal restraint necessary. By indulging in wine he became very irascible and about a fortnight ago was seized with the delusion that God inspired him with directions as to both the quantity and quality of his wine and food and for the regulation of all his actions. Became so violent on the 9th instant as to require the Strait Waistcoat. Has been alternately violent and sullen or violent and abusive, but some days in good humour singing &c.

His delusions are that he had a message from God communicating to him unlimited power as well as regulating all his proceedings that he has great talents and great political influence, that he has unlimited command over all money matters, so that he can reward or punish his friends at pleasure by so ordering matters that they can possess or be deprived of wealth to any extent which he judges the case to require and that he has by proper inflictions of this kind lost some of his acquaintances. Has at times taken food, imagining that it was poisoned. Has also imagined that he was robbed. Has two or three times seen spectral appearances of persons. Has tickled at articles in his way and once broke a tumbler when he was violent but his violence was much owing to the irritation occasioned by restraint. No manifest defect before the time specified on the contrary he was a very able and efficient Officer in the Army. The disease is said not to be hereditary. No exciting cause of lunacy known. Has slept little or none for several nights.

1836, February 20 I saw the patient yesterday at 11 O'clock. after he had enjoyed a very short nap, slept several hours last night and to day is composed and civil, but has some fault to find to find with every thing about the house, especially with the water closet and diet. Pulse 80 rather small and not firm but not remarkable feeble. He has had a little wine. No stool some headache. Give Rhubarb and Magnesia, presently, and saline purge to morrow early. Let him be indulged with a Cutlet to dinner and continue Wine not exceeding two glasses in the day.

24 Bedley has been properly attended to. Considerable oedema of left leg and around ankle where most swollen there is some redness, undue heat and considerable pain. To take a Blue Pill combined with a grain of squill every night, and apply Sol. Acet. Linc. with some Spirits added on linnen to his ankle. Cont. Alia.

29 Mind still gets into a state of bewilderment when the imaginary robbery of his household articles occurs to his memory, but on other topics speaks sensibly and to the purpose. Left leg still much swollen, but heat and redness of foot have subsided and the sore is healing. Appetite good. Better sleep. Wine increased and gets pale. Cont. Sol. Acet. Linc. Rub leg and foot daily, and apply roller continue Diuretic Pill at night, and give as much cream of Tartar as will open Bowels daily. Continue Wine, and give some Porter in the evening.

March 1 Leg improves, and he continues to behave quietly. No accident the wine has been omitted for some days, but as the indications of debility both in pulse and general strength are still considerable, let him have a glass of wine daily, and a pint of London Porter at bed time, continue the other prescriptions and treatment.

4 Swelling of foot diminished, that of leg nearly as before and some return of undue
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- 1856 March 14 heat and redness. Sore not yet well. Continue roller to foot, repeat solution to leg and daily wash sore with Sol. Nitr. Argent. Other treatment as before.
- 12 Pulse 80, and sensible improving in strength. Suppurated sore of heel getting well. Still oedema of limb but no underheal. Mind pretty composed tho' feeble and at times fanciful and wandering. Alleges that the keeper Smith is his son and that he is married to his own Mother, claims property and freedom. Gave Quinine Pills. Gave J. Ferri 9th 28 bis quodidie. Let him have have two glasses of wine to dinner, with other things as before.
- 16 Pulse improves in fulness and still about 80. Leg still better. Feels stronger and looks better. Behaves well. Sleeps and eats sufficiently. Bowels free. Mind still apt to wander. Alleges that his servant Fung was concerned in robbing his house and in seizing him at Dundee.
- 28 Loses his drogs and has taken but little of them. Discontinue drogs. Give Pill twice a day with 2 grains of Sulphate of Quinine.
- June 20 Francis that he cannot pass urine. Though what is passed is quite natural, and from pressure above pubis there is evidently none accumulated in the bladder. Has long given up the Tonic Pills, and indeed his state of health does not require any medical means of amendment. Under the impression that his urine is suppressed, has not taken his morning Tea, and has not tasted his bread. There is no improvement in regard to his state of mind. Pulse 98. Belly free, Continue his usual treatment.
- 30 Has been much in bed for two days. Yesterday he alleged that he could pass no urine, to day he says that his bowels have again become quite locked up, so that he cannot have any stool. Is as formerly very obstinate in opinion in regard to his fancies, or any means of relieving his pretended or imaginary ill. With a view to break it on his absurd impressions and to let him practically experience the difference between real and imaginary impressions. Ordered three grains of Tartar emetic to be given him in his coffee in the evening for a vomit.
- July 11 Have repeatedly examined patient since last report. Has for a short time past been a little fractious, and as before prone to complain of every thing about him being dirty. Is very changeable and capricious no improvement in mind. Pulse 80 of pretty good strength.
- 12 Found him in very good humour and highly pleased with all he had yesterday found fault with. He expressed himself warmly in praise of his dinner. Every thing was excellent and abundant. This day certified that his malady on the whole had been stationary for some weeks past that I did not expect any considerable amendment till the heat of summer should have subsided and that in my opinion he ought to be allowed to remain in the Asylum at least till the month of November unless an unexpected degree of improvement should sooner take place. Continue treatment.
- Sept. 3 State of mind variable. To day he is at visit very confused and placid. Bodily functions pretty natural. Continue treatment.
- Oct. 1 Has of late been more agitated and alarmed about himself. At the visit shook his head with a tremulous motion from side to side and says he is extremely ill. Pulse 90 small. Has not been out for some days alleging that he would be much injured by the open Air.
- To be taken to the airing ground immediately and attended by the Nurse to be walked out daily. To be tried with the following Rx. R. Ag. Sini 37 Carb. Ammoniac 3jss in the usual dose of a table spoonful at any time.
- 20 Has been out daily and his health seems a little improved but he is getting irascible and making great complaints of every thing and persons about him. Alleges that the keepers treat him with the utmost cruelty when only doing their duty by taking him to the airing ground and making him walk round with them for the sake of medical exercise especially ordered by myself that his bed is as dirty and cold as if he were lying in the gutter, while on examination in his presence it appeared to be perfectly dry and most comfortable. Will not allow that the Mattresses are of hair, or that he has enough of them, altho he has three, and

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1836 Oct 20 made of the best materials. Pules 90 and not very firm, but of sufficient strength and he is getting a little stouter as has occurred on former occasions when he has become unusually perverse and irritable.

1837 Jan^r 4 No Change.

March 23 Has at several of my visits exhibited a gradually failing off, both in mind and body. Was roused by 'blister', but its good effects are now gone. Pules only 80 very feeble and as reported by Mr. Galbreath at times intermitting. Eyes still a little 'supposed', and pupils as formerly very small as if contracted. About a week ago could with great difficulty, and with help of the highest, stand on his legs, but now they are powerless and his arms are extremely feeble. The whole body is in a state of paralytic debility. Is paler and heat defective. Is extremely stupid so that altho he talks to me I doubt whether he knew me. Has had only one glass of Wine daily for some time past. Apply a blister on the upper part of the head, and give two glasses of wine daily. Support heat when requisite, keep Bowels as free as can be done by blisters. They have been all along torpid.

29 No evident benefit from prescribed treatment. Fell into a state of profound stupor and this morning about 8 o'clock he

Died

Inspection

Skull of uncommon thickness, and Dura Mater partially much thickened. Vessels in Choroid Plexus. From the symptoms, I thought it likely that we should find some more marked organic change of parts perhaps of slow formation, and long existence, such as ossification, undulation, tumors, suppuration &c. but nothing of these appearances could be detected.

N^o. 1041. William Anderson at 35 Single Police Officer. Admitted
12th March 1836. Rate 8/6.

Previous History. Has been insane about 10 days and was so at a former period, of which no account can be traced, but on the present occasion he is said to have been high tempered and occasionally considerably excited for three or four months past and during this period he has been guilty of many extravagances of conduct as well as speech, particularly annoying an unmarried Lady on his beat whom he fancied to have fallen in love with him. At other times he seemed under strong apprehensions of danger and was ready to fly from any one that looked at him. He now raves on trivial subjects but seems to have no prominent 'delusions' and he has occasionally remissions of uncertain duration. It is said on one occasion he attempted to drown himself, but he seems more, to run into the water under an apprehension of being pursued by persons about to destroy him. He has never attempted to injure others nor is he wont to break tea or destroy. Nothing except the above is known of his History and he has not been under any treatment for recovery.

- Keep hands secure. Bowels free, and let him have ordinary diet.
 April 13 Very noisy in night for three nights past and seems to sleep none. Bowels freely purged to day and he shales his promises that he will be quiet in the night. If noisy early in the night give 5℥ with Sol. Morph. 9th 1℥.
 Sept. 19 Pulse 70 Bodily functions natural and he has been free from delusions for more than two months. working well and steadily. Continue treatment.
 21 As at last report, and is this day dismissed.

Cured

N^o 1042. John M. Callum et 40 Single Female Admitted
11 March 1836. Rate 6/6.

Previous History. This patient was taken up when preaching on the streets: no account of him was obtained but what he gave of himself. It was ascertained that he had four attacks before. He has somewhat emaciated or agitated appearance, but answers rationally to my questions. Says that at times he has had a call from above to preach the Gospel and that he is then under a strong impression of the near approach of millennium but that the call is now off. Had a similar call about a year ago, when he betook himself to preaching and left his work as he lately did. Attend to Books, ordinary regimen, especially employment

April 13 Has been actively employed in the open air, and has much improved in all respects. Is now of opinion that his last call was quite imaginary. Yet thinks that his first call might be real. Says he is disposed to be of this opinion because he proved with a degree of fluency and propriety far beyond what he could have done by his natural and unaided powers. Admits however that he himself was not the sole judge of his supposed great increase of his gift of prayer. Continue treatment

May 5 Has been a willing and daily labourer, and daily labourer, and not long after admission was free from delusion and is this day dismissed

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1836 Aug. 31 About three weeks ago became again furiously insane and he is now in the Town Hospital. This relapse is reported to have occasioned by intemperance. Preaches and raves as before

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N^o 1043. Richard Cluff. Et 44. Single Farmer. Admitted 25th March 1856.
Rate 8⁶.

Previous History. Has been occasionally insane for the last two years and the present attack is of three months duration. The precursive symptoms the duration of which is not mentioned, were unusual elevation of spirits and want of sleep, and these have gradual merged into great restlessness and a wish to be continually driving about, and he becomes much excited from the slightest contradiction. He raves on different subjects but chiefly about his fine arms and possessing great personal strength. He has several times been guilty of horsewhipping servants and threatened to shoot them, but has never attempted any act of self violence, nor is he more to break bar or destroy. The disease is said not to be hereditary. Previous to the malady he was of a very hasty temper and much given to intemperance, and his legs were subject to swelling and eruptions from the latter cause. The exciting cause is said to be intemperate use of brandy spirits and reduced circumstances. Nothing has yet been done for his recovery and never was in any Asylum before.

April 10 On examination I found him to be composed, polite and submissive. There is an eruption partly papular and partly in the form of somewhat lived blotches on the legs especially about the ankles and upper part of each foot, ascribed to his intemperance. He has now been in the Asylum for several days and has behaved very peaceably.

Rf Sulph^r Quinⁱ ʒij Acid Sulph^r Dil ʒij Xc ʒij Ferri ʒij M To be given twice a day and continue dilute. 6000 sent to eruptions, ordinary diet and attention to belly and respiration.

June 20 Since last report, I have repeatedly visited and prescribed. The left leg still exhibits some slight discoloration, and is still apt to become a little cedematous, especially towards night. In other respects well, and his bodily health has so greatly improved. The Quinine and acid were given up about a month after admission and also the Asylum. He has of late been employed in the garden, and is fond of that employment, as well as benefited by it. He has always behaved well, but there is now a marked change in the state of his mind and nervous system for the better. He answers calmly without any of that agitation or hurry of thought which he at first exhibited, and talks rationally and composedly. He is now not impatient for discharge, and happily sensible of having derived benefit from his treatment. When questioned he does not speak in the least extravagantly of his property, of his bodily powers or of his fine arms. He says he sleeps well and is refreshed thereby. Appetite good. Bowels free. Pulse is still a little frequent and slightly excited. It was 92 to day, but probably excited a little by my conversation.

Sept. 20 Pulse 70. Health good, and he is now in all respects well. His mind naturally possessed of great strength. Is this day dismissed.

Cured.

N^o 1044. John Russel Aet 20 Single Joiner Admitted 26th March 1836
Rate 8/6.

Previous History. Has been about two months insane for the first time and was very much subject to cramp in his legs after going to bed for a few weeks before the attack. He now raves on various subjects particularly on Music of which he is said to be very fond and the malady seems to be increasing but with considerable remissions, though seldom of more than a days duration. He has frequently threatened violence to those around him when crossed, but has never actually committed any, nor is he prone to break glass or destroy. The patients mother was insane for 12 months and his paternal Grandfather was also insane & last for 6 months after which he was well for seven years. He then had a severe attack of twelve months duration and died. The mother was about his own age when attacked with insanity and then pregnant with him. He was subject to bleeding at the nose which is now suppressed and was so for about four or five weeks previous to the malady. The exciting cause is unknown and nothing has yet been done for his recovery as it was found impossible to get him to submit to any treatment at home. Never was in any Asylum before. Shakes, purge, sicken, and secure.

March 29 When brought into my room, was cheerful and seemingly very good humoured. When asked if he intended to misbehave again gave a shake of his head, and said he would take care of that. Continue treatment sicken only when needed.

April 13 Gets more steady, tho still a little excitable and unsettled. Continue treatment and let him be tried at work as soon as possible.

July 9 Pulse 70 quite calm and regular. Tongue a little furred and stools dark. Soon after last report, began to work, and has continued to work and to improve since. Is quite aware of his past insanity and expresses strong sense of the benefit of labour, is now dismissed.

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No. 1045. George Skinner. Et. 25 Single black. Admitted 5th April 1836
Rate 18th.

Previous History. Precursory depression of spirits in consequence of disappointment in business, for 10 or 11 days before lunacy, and he has now been 10 days insane and in a stationary state. He is much depressed, agitated and bewildered, sleeps none, having leaped into Clyde with intention probably to drown himself he was when taken out laid near a large fire to dry his clothes. Was afterwards seized with great fear that he was about to be burned alive, was afterwards under the impression that he had ruined his master, and was at other times in great apprehension for his salvation. Has never attempted to injure any person or thing. The disease is said not to be hereditary. Was naturally of an irascible temper, and appears to be of pretty high nervous temperament. The exciting cause as above stated. Remains clear and has no fugitives without benefit.

6 Gives no answer when questioned, but writhes himself holding his belly with his hands as if from pain and the hypogastrium feels tense, as if from accumulation of urine, and he has passed none since yesterday. Fully a pound of pretty high coloured was drawn off at visit by catheter, seemingly with relief of uneasy feelings. Let him have presently 6℥ of R. 3. 6℥ of Sol. 3ij. M and a Draught at bed time with Sol. Morphiat. XI. Keep hands secured, and secure properly to bed in the night.

9 Could not be got to take the Oil but belly moved by Glyster, after warm bath. Catheter then used and brought away few ounces of Urine. Belly still feels hard, on attempting to introduce catheter, Urine flowed, and on introducing it scarcely any remained. Has taken very little Sustenance. Pulse 80 small and feeble. Long for some Porter. Give a dish of baked Oat, to be repeated in the course of three hours if necessary. Then repeat Glyster if required. To have a bottle of Porter and as much Soup as he can be got to take continue other treatment.

13 Pulse 100 weak. Mind still much depressed, and at times he expresses of "Good God" or the like seemingly from the sudden occurrence of some painful recollection. Catheter not required for several days Urine deposits whitish sediment, with which it is wholly muddy on standing. He walked about the Gallery occasionally and to have the warm bath again in the evening.

26 Urine had for some time been passed properly, and he appeared to improve a little in his bodily condition. But of late has utterly refused food, fallen off in strength and become greatly emaciated. No improvement of mind. I give some Soup by the feeding pot, and ordered him to be fed with Soup and egg in the usual way. Wine Porter &c.

June 4 The determined resistance of this patient in consequence of his resolution to starve himself to death, renders it extremely difficult and troublesome to make him swallow nutritious fluids in the usual mode of forcing and all that could be got over was quite insufficient to sustain life. I therefore had recourse of feeding by the nose, having prepared proper apparatus for this purpose. He was afterwards fed by Mr. Galbreath twice daily, at each of these meals from a pound and a half to two pounds of Beef Tea made with equal weight of Beef and water, and at first two and afterwards three raw eggs well beat up with the Soup. His digestion seemed to go on well. He never seemed sick or disposed to vomit after his food. Indeed his tongue was clean and moist and of natural aspect, and he was far from any visible affliction that I could detect. I had therefore no hesitation in throwing in the nutritious fluid which I usually employ in the quantity stated. He was thus fed from the 19th April till the 20th May, after which he began to take food in sufficient quantity to supersede the necessity of more feeding. Soon before he began to eat I had repeatedly told him that I could prevent the possibility of his starving himself to death, as he had already experienced. This consideration may have had some weight with him. Soon after the nose feeding commenced I ordered him to be weighed, from his exterior it would appear that he lost some weight after the nose feeding began but afterwards gained. I cannot however rely with implicit confidence on the accuracy with which his weight was ascertained, especially in regard to the quantity of drink, Urine, Stool &c. or the different days of weighing. He is reported to have weighed on the 15th May 6^{lb} 7^{oz} 4^{gr} and on the 21st only.

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- 1836 June 4 ^{From 16. to 20} But on the 25th he weighed ^{From 16. to 20} 6 4 8. having thus gained in 4 days 16 lbs and on the 2^d June when he had for 4 days ^{From 16. to 20} been from St. Mark taken food solitary, is reported to have weighed ^{From 16. to 20} 2. 6. having thus gained 16 6 in the course of 10 days. He is now evidently gaining flesh and strength, is much less excoriated, and much improved.
- 17 Tumor of left chest near nose and affecting alar nasi and septum with some abrasion emitting thin purulent discharge from nostril and coming forward a general suppuration continues to take his food well, and to improve both in body and mind.
- 30 The tumor disappeared under the use of the Bouteille without coming forward to general suppuration. Takes his food well and continues to improve in health, flesh and strength. Mind at same time improves and although still has somewhat of melancholic aspect, yet he answers readily, relevantly when questioned, his countenance and manner are getting more alert, and it is justifying as a favorable indication to observe that the improvement of mind and body keeps pace with each other. Some time ago I ordered him to be laid in sheets in place of straw, and he has kept his bed perfectly clean. He complains much of his restraint and I sanctioned the removal of floor, but could disagree with the Staph. reminding the teacher that (while the propensity to suicide continues) as the mind improves the danger increases, the patient being able to protect with increased cunning and address. Continue treatment.
- July 8 Has for some days been employed in the garden, and his improvement proceeds with more rapid pace. I walk much more at ease when questioned, and the expression of anxiety in his countenance has almost vanished. Continue treatment securing only one hand in the night and removing all coercion by day, when at work or in view of the teacher.
- 15 Has continued to improve in all respects. Continue treatment.
- 28 Some flatulent pain swelling and hardness of hypogastrium, says he never passed worms. R. El Ricini ʒij. ol. Turp ʒij. M. Take presently.
- Sept 8 Has been repeatedly purged with the oil, but no worms I saw him discharged. Is relieved of epigastric pain since cupped. Liver obviously felt about an inch and a half below margin of ribs. No pain by pressure upon it. Still costive, and little effect from three of his pills with broom. Complains still of pain across umbilicus as if from thickening or retention of feces for about four inches in the middle of the transverse arch of the colon and rather acutely painful on pressure. Pulse about 88 and not irritable. Tongue clean or nearly so and moist. Has increased to 9 Stones in weight and there is no yellowness of skin or eyes. On the contrary the countenance exhibits all the appearance of improved health. Mouth slightly affected and he has had increased discharge of saliva. No return of propensity to suicide on the contrary he is now anxious about the state of his health, and afraid that his affection of the bowels may be fatal. Some of his friends he says having died after similar sufferings. None of his imaginary impressions can be detected, and there is a degree of mental weakness such that he is sometimes to cry like a child in the course of my examination of him. The application of leeches, or the cupping glass to epigastrium would I think be again beneficial, and he ought to continue the use of Mercury longer, but his friends being desirous to remove him and his mind being free from delusions, he is this day admitted

Cured

N^o 1046 Hector Kennedy Et 38. Married Jean Menyer Admitted 5th April 1836
Rate 2^d.

Previous History. I attended this gentleman from the 25th April till the 12th May 1836, having paid four visits to him in the course of that period. He was at first so unruly as to require coercion, and the care of a nurse, his thoughts were hurried, flighty and so disordered as to be almost nearly delirious. He exhibited much nervous irritability, great flushing of face and undue heat over body especially of head. By the usual treatment in such cases he was so calm and composed in mind by the 12th May that in that day I allowed him again to go to his place of business in compliance with the wishes of himself and friends, pleading unjust reasons.

His mind has for some time past been in a very wavering and unsettled state and pregnant with various and unwise, impracticable schemes. He lately paid a visit to a brewer to teach him his art, and also to a Distiller to initiate him in the art of distillation, and while seemingly bent on these projects, applied as he affirms, to the Commissioners of Police as a candidate for the Office of Captain or Superintendent now vacated by the death of Mr Watson. He is now evidently in a state of imbecility as characterised by his weakness of memory, incoherence of speech, and defective control of his motions. His wife reports that he has been excessively given to self torturation, and that he often tears and fatigues her by long continued and ineffectual attempts to have connexion with her, then lay himself down by her side and has recourse to his habitual vice. The disease is said not to be hereditary and the cause was evidently more or less a sudden, every morning checks his immoral practice by the usual means.

20th No material change. Memory very feeble, forgetting that he had written to a friend, his law agent yesterday and is to write again to insert some in name of note. Sent letter.

Sept. 5th I have frequently visited and examined and prescribed since last report, but except that the Memory seems at this visit to be not quite so feeble as usual, there is no change and the case seems to be too obstinately confirmed to afford a hope of cure. Issue discharged, continue treatment.

20th I have repeatedly seen Mr Kennedy since last report. To day he has cried like a child in asking me to liberate him from the Asylum and although on some days he seems to have a little more mental control than on others, there is no durable improvement. His imbecility is confirmed and seems insurable continue treatment.

25th Alleges that he is at any time able to creep into a wine bottle and has resorted to this feat, head and shoulders foremost. Has been cooked up in one, cannot say how he rushed out the cork. His wife it appears is pregnant and he thinks the child will be a son, who will be born in a state of maturity. Thinks he will speak the Italian language because Mr K has a sister who understands that language and the child cannot hear any English so as to learn it till he be born. Thinks he may also speak a little Greek, his Brother having had some knowledge of Greek, but is not certain. Believes that his son will be able to assist him in his business immediately on his birth. Alleges that he can spit up his whole body, and that he has spit up his liver, when a piece of it was cut off or came off and the rest returned to its place, and is now quite sound. On spelling up his bowels, flesh, bones, blood and all, cannot really say how he is void the last portions of it, but thinks it will be by his mouth but seems disposed to avoid any explicit answer. Topics of attention and Memory so feeble that he replies to some of my questions quite irrelevantly, being unable to fix his attention to the proposed question.

25th Patient was unusually alert, found the amount of a number of sums in pounds shillings pence and farthings readily. Made out an account of a variety of articles at given rates, calculated interest at 7% and 3% per cent on £10 correctly and speedily. Would not admit that he had ever gone into a wine bottle. Admits that he spit up a piece of his liver. Says it was not cut off and speaks more doubtfully of this occurrence than at former examination. Says however that he has a piece of his Brother's Liver packed up with a piece of gold, says it was cut or taken off by Doct. Brown, and that he has had it in his possession for five years. When asked if the piece of his Brother's Liver be more than an ounce weight says that it is more. I did not examine him on his delusions of his child's capabilities, on this occasion Mr K seemed to be on his guard against admitting that his delusions existed as formerly. Issue discharges well. Bowels free and he seems to improve in health and strength continue treatment.

Oct. 7th This day gave evidence before Sheriff Watson and a Jury in the case of Mr Kennedy, when he was

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1856. Oct. 7 found out to be insane, and incapable of managing his own affairs. Examined, him before the Court and Jury. In answer to my questions he told us that he had a piece of his Brother's Liver packed up with a piece of gold, which he thought was a fragment of a gold pin in his scabbard. That the piece of Liver was not an ounce weight. That it kept well being like a piece of dried Tongue. That he had put up his own Liver, parting with a piece of it and the rest has returned to its place performing with propriety its proper functions, that he had gone partly into a wine bottle but not more than head or shoulders. That there was a little worm in the bottle he having drank the rest that he had breathed quite comfortably when in the bottle but that he had never gone into a bottle but once could not say how he had knocked out the cork. That the child about to be born to him would be a son. That he would instantly on birth speak both Italian and Greek which he could easily understand as he would speak all Languages, and that the infant would assist him in conducting his business. I would have proceeded to examine him on other points such as the patient's great capacity for business in being quite able to act as subintendant of Police in consequence of having a friend employed in the Police Establishment of Edinburgh and at the same time to manage a Brewery in Dumbarton &c. but the Sheriff and Jury were quite satisfied with the proof of insanity which I had elicited and the latter readily and unanimously brought in the verdict Insanity.
- 14 The patient being again in the Asylum to which he was sent immediately after having been recognized I found by questioning him to day that he had but a very obscure recollection of the procedure and also of the object of it. The Court was held in Gresham's Hotel and he conceived it to be a meeting of his friends and that they were all quite satisfied that he was able to manage his business and not at all insane. Consequently that he would be instantly liberated and enabled to recommence business. He said however that he thought it would be best for him in the first instance to sell Ale and Porter for the brewers, and not to begin the brewing as he could not command a sufficient Capital at first.
- 22 Since last report Mr. Kennedy was delivered of a daughter but Mr. K. does not express any great feeling of disappointment. He thinks she will be as useful to him in the way of his business as if she had been a son.
- Nov. 18 Died as feeble and imbecile as abroad as formerly, on being asked if he purposed going to the Country on leaving the Asylum he said he would not leave Glasgow because he had to take care of two generations, one of them his wife, and she shared his own care. The children of three generations were very numerous.
- Dec. 6 No change was this day dismissed on trial.

Relieved.

N^o 1047 Andrew Greig Et 25 Student of Divinity. Admitted 6th April 1836. Rate 15/-

Previous History. Recurrent depression & fits, has been insane for 10 days and his hallucinations increase. These are that in various places especially in two houses where he staid for a short time when on a little excursion to the country, his body was charged full of brimstone and that he was so choked full of it that he could not swallow a morsel of food, and that fiery brimstone darts were poured down on him, constantly felt the brimstone in his throat.

Mind has always been a little peculiar and he was refused his license as a preacher it is supposed in consequence of his mental defect others of his family have been insane, or remarkable for some defect or oddity of mind. No immorality or disease of body known. He does 100 small and pebbles. Exciting cause anxiety about professional success, and about the period when palpable lunacy occurred a family dispute under life hard and painful, has had leeches to head. Strong purgatives & without benefit. Let him have Nutritive food, a bottle of Porter daily, 2 leeches to leg and as stopping threatens soon treat his case and keep him free by compound Solecynth Pills and if necessary add one drop of broom oil to the six Pills. 11 Leeches were not applied, but swelling of leg which it now appears proceeded from a bruise has subsided, circulation languid and he is generally pale and cold.

To have his feet warmed, and to have his legs warmed at dinner. Cont. Allen.

13 Pills 120 small and pebbles some occasionally coming of blood from leg which is a little chafed. Refuses his porter and would not take wine from me, though I was told he had taken some before my visit.

June 28 Continued more or Porter according to he may fancy and as he has taken scarcely any sustenance let him be frequently tried with beef tea and egg in it continue after prescriptions. The Aphetide having gradually come round he soon began to take some minced meat in his beef tea, and in no long time after he took adue allowance of Butcher meat and bread. His health strength and bulk steadily improved. He had entirely lost the power of his right fore arm and the arm was ulcerated and shrunk in consequence of pressure before admission, he having kept arm constantly pressing against bed head, arm as well as mind and body much improved and he is this day dismissed.

Cured.

Note.

At my last examination of this patient, on the day of his dimission he seemed to have misgiving for gotten his former impressions respecting the brimstone and smiled at them when stated to him. But the remembrance something of the fiery darts. The delusion seems to have originated in the circumstance of a house being on fire in his neighbourhood, thence the darts were made of iron and that they were not red hot, candidly remarking that their darts, as well as the brimstone must have been imaginary. At the same time he is not altogether free from a degree of occasional transient belief in the reality.

Daniel Shaw. At 22 Single Farmer Admitted 15th April 1836
Rate 8/6

Previous History. Has been about five weeks insane for the first time, and the attack was preceded by elevation of spirits and want of sleep for about three weeks. He now raves chiefly on the subject of religion and at times imagines himself to be the son of God and at other times God the Father. He is prone to break windows and furniture and has threatened violence to some of his friends or acquaintances, but has never actually committed any and no fear is entertained for his own safety. The malady seems now stationary, but with great remissions at uncertain periods though only of a few months duration. Before the attack there was nothing remarkable in his disposition or manner and his basic health seems to have been good and the only predisposing cause known is of a constitutional or hereditary tendency he having had an Uncle insane or presently so. The exciting cause is ascribed to anxiety and solitude in consequence of having engaged in the culture of a new farm. He abuse of ardent spirits & tobacco was great. He was sed in the first occurrence of the Malady, afterwards was loose bed and frequently had purgative medicine given to him. Never was in any asylum before.

April 18 Has had an active purge and is a little more composed. Answers my questions pretty sensibly, but there is evidently a defect in the command of attention and a vagueness and excitability of impression.

Nov: 15 Excitation was relieved, and excitability gradually subsided under the prescribed treatment when he at length became a useful labourer and has ever since continued to improve, along with the improvement of his mind his bodily health has improved, and he has now got not only stout, but rather immoderately corpulent. Is quite aware of his having been insane and of the folly of all his past delusions, he is therefore in appreciation of his friends this day dismissed.

Cured.

N^o 1049. George Cornell Et 33. Single Laborer Admitted 15th April 1856.
Rate 5/6.

Previous History. This patient was formerly treated in the Asylum from the 12th Sept 1853 till 27th Dec 1854, and dismissed relieved. Vide Vol 3 page 332. Has been 14 weeks insane for the second time. On the present occasion he exhibited elevations of spirits and irregularity of temper for three or four weeks before the insanity increased to the present extent. He is now stationary with 2 days interval of lucid periods. He raves or talks wildly on a variety of subjects particularly religious ones. He has never attempted or threatened to injure himself or others and is not prone to break, tear or destroy. Before the disease he was very religious but generally considered as possessing a feeble mind and his general health is said to have been good. The existing cause is evidently of a constitutional nature, at least no other etiology is evident, and nothing has been done for his recovery. After he was dismissed he went to his friends and worked till the present exacerbation took place.

April 25th Kept and attend to bowels ordinary regimen and security, Cold affusions to head every morning Daily Labour.

Sept 14 Has had a gum boil lately discharged but without any change of his mind.

Oct 15 Pliable works well, gets fat is Stationary. Cont. Insur.

Dec 9 State of mind quite stationary, so very willing to work at any kind of labour Cont. Insur.

31 Labour when desired, and no paroxysm of fury, but imbecile as before.

No further Reports were inserted by the Medical Officers. It appears from the Records that he was dismissed 1858 June 12.

Relieved

W. 1050. Alexander Dove Et 49. Married Coal Master Admitted
21 April 1856. Kate 18.

Previous History. No precursive symptoms observed, and has been insane for about two years with great remission or lucid intervals but said to have been worse than formerly within the last few months. Disease said to have commenced with great depression of spirits followed by great elevation. Converses pretty rationally and quite composed and is not said to have in any particular subject, but has been remarkably prone to enter on ridiculous and impossible speculations when he expected to amass great wealth, had not been guilty of any violence, and appears to be quite reasonable. The disease said not to be hereditary. He had a discharge from a sore on right leg which has nearly dried up when an issue was made and discharges. Was injured by a fall from a horse 9 years ago. Said not known to have been hurt. Exciting cause said to have been over anxiety about business and probably for the relief of depression took to the bottle. Has at least much the aspect of having indulged in both meat and drink.

Was bled and freely purged with temporary benefit but without advantage or retard. using these remedies.

- May 25 Keep Bellay free. Give Sol Carb. Limmon and use cold affusions to head.
- May 2 For careful examination of the head to day. I observed a cicatrix about 2 inches in length extending or near the commissure of the right parietal and the occipital bone occasioned he said by a fall from his horse 26 years ago. The injury he is said to have received 9 years ago was occasioned in like manner and has left a cicatrix over the left eye brow also about 2 inches long. It is not now evident that there has been any fracture in either of these cases, says he intends to purchase the Ralston Estate and to build or fix a ground on both sides of the Paisley Road for small houses or villas with gardens attached to them behind, has £8000 and can easily borrow the balance of price, mind in a state of very evident imbecility and at the same time often pregnant with extravagant fancies.
- 7 Is less impatient of confinement, and behaves very quietly. Memory very feeble, sends the keeper for an article of dress and presently forgets he has done so or what article he wants, cannot remember whether he has taken his medicine, sometimes supposing that he has taken it twice when he has had not a single dose, at other times when he has taken it repeatedly forgets that he has taken it at all.
- 11 Pulse is quite calm and regular. Tongue whitish. Lay yesterday with his belly on the grass and has now gripes for which he has had a dose of laxative medicine. Mind as weak and wandering as at my former examination so urgent in his intrudings for dismission alleging that there now was any reason for his confinement. Is still bent on purchasing the Ralston Estate and on building houses with gardens on both sides of the road where bounded by the grounds of Ralston. He does not more than £8000, but could easily borrow £2000 on the Estate and his other landed property. He prices of Ralston as he supposes being £18000. Thinks he would clear 10 per cent by the bargain but on the question being put to him thinks 7½ per cent would be a pretty fair return. Could not say what 10 per cent would amount to but thinks it would be about £200. Could not say the amount at 7½ per cent. By my assistance however seemed enabled with difficulty to conceive that it would be £1350.
- 17 Added pounds shillings and pence with facility, but could not calculate the most simple question in interest by memory. The interest at 5 per cent of £1800 he first said would be £900 and soon after thought it would be £900. At cards some time ago laid down his hand, then by mistake took up his own trumps and played them without discovering the difference.
- 24 Pulse 84 quite regular pretty full and strong. Mind seems to improve a little recollects full from 24th in February. No not when first questioned.
- 25 Visited Mr. Dove this morning at 10 o'clock and proceeded at 12 to the Justice Court Hall to give evidence in his case, having had due intimation to this effect and having agreed to depose with the usual formality of a summons.

Was the first witness examined, and my examination was concluded at great length before Sheriff Watson and a Jury composed chiefly of Writers with Mr. Ritchison.

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May as forman. The evidence of witnesses being always committed to writing I was fully and under examination. I testified that Mr. D. was in a state of imbecility of mind together with occasional aberrations approaching to lunacy. I did not judge him to be proper and completely a lunatic because his hallucinations were generally transient, and on reflection with the aid of a little tuition he became sensible of their absurdity, in answer to questions by a Juryman L. explained what I meant by lunacy. I also explained the meaning of the term imbecility. In reply to a question by the Agent Mr. Moodie to signify a feebleness of mind in which a defect in the power of attention and memory especially of the latter was a prominent and characteristic feature. This defect was most remarkable in regard to newest impressions in case of imbecility. That impressions made before imbecility had in any great degree occurred or had occurred at all, were often well remembered while recent occurrences were forgotten. In like manner that any mental operations to which the patient had been long accustomed before imbecility could be performed with comparative ease while those operations requiring less effort but to which he had not been used could not be performed at all. I stated also that there was also a remarkable defect in the control of the action of the mind so that the patient laughed, cried or got out of temper from trivial or inadequate causes. I stated that the present case was a combined one of imbecility with a degree of lunacy. I stated facts to prove these allegations. I explicitly stated that Mr. Dove was incapable of managing his own affairs and the verdict of the Jury corroborated.

July 9 No further improvement. Thinks that the Jury defeated the object of those persons who wished to deprive him of the management of his affairs. Does not seem to harbour the smallest dislike to me for the evidence I give and I have no doubt that he has but a very confused recollection of it.

The Jury found that his patient was furious and incapable of managing his affairs. The forman of the Jury demurred at the term furious, the patient being the very reverse of furious in the usual sense of that term. It was explained that the only terms which occur in the several Acts of Parliament for their government in the case at issue, were "furious and furious" and they must therefore find him to be either the one or the other or both.

11 His health continues to be extremely good but no change evident in the state of his mind. Expresses his surprise that he should not be longer detained in the Asylum, in the same terms as he has often done and takes peaceable and submissively a refusal of his request on any plausible grounds. Behaves in his usual quiet and inoffensive manner among his fellow patients. Continue treatment.

Sept 3 No evident change of any importance since last report and I have seen and questioned him at many visits. Continue attention to bowels and regimen.

14 Was in his usual health last night and played cards as usual appeared to sleep well in the night without any unusual start or oppression of breathing. In the course of the morning was observed to be unusually stupid and in no long time lost the power of speech or of understanding one word that was said to him. I was sent for about 11 o'clock and after giving orders to keep him visited at a little before 12 o'clock and remained till one. His pulse was above 80 and firm. He was profoundly stupid and I could not rouse him either by questioning or shaking him. His breathing was low and heavy but not stertorous. Hands rather hot no remarkable flushing, but the usual bloated appearance of countenance. Left arm and hand much colder than the right. Tongue a little furred and put out with some difficulty not badly straight. Has had his blood shown analysed, the second scant and loose. Leeches which I had ordered had not been got and took from his arm about 3Xvj of blood. Immediately after this evacuation he spoke and replied to my questions much in his usual manner. I ordered the head to be kept cool and some salts to be given. Visited him again at 3 o'clock. He was lying in a slumbering state, but when roused was as sensible as at former visit. The pulse was down to 70 and considerably fuller. The death felt much better. Eyes

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Still pretty natural.

Apply a dozen Leeches to head repeat purgative solution as it has not operated. After feeding cover Scabb with a blister sticking forehead still cool with wet clothes.

- 15 A consistent stool yesterday after visit. None since. Blister has acted well. Sleeps calm but with some puffing of lips on examination. Kieker affirms that he has always had this puff blowing when asleep. When awake is more alert though still stupid and very confused. Pulse 80 soft and not quite so full. Tongue drish and a little hoarse. No morbid affection of eyes. Left arm feels a natural warmth, and he moves it in the same way as the right. Right arm seems to be like leg inflexible and the power of directing the motion of them defective.

Give Calomel 5*ss* presently, and let him be got out of bed. Keep forehead cool and if necessary apply warmth to feet.

- 16 No stool by Calomel and he got some Spoom Salts this morning which brought on the operation of the medicine and had five stools to day. His pulse had risen to 90, but I had ordered him out of bed, and he was now in a chair. The hue in his countenance was not so florid as before his attack, and the colour more equal and natural. Tongue put out slowly and turns a very little to left side but pretty clean the slightly furced and still drish. Eye more lively and he seems not at present disposed to droopiness. Answers pretty readily when questioned, yet seems nearly as stupid as he was yesterday. Some of his relations saw him to day as reported to me this evening. Seemed regardless about them. Had ordered him Soup and toasted bread for dinner which he seemed to relish much. Taken it with a fair appetite. Kieker reports that he changes colours at times, but on the whole seems better than in the morning. No coldness of left arm nor greater weakness than of the right.

Wet clothes with vinegar and water to forehead when hot or flushed and warm bottles to feet if chilly and let him be observed in the course of the night.

- 17 Had a good night. 2 stools. Pulse 90 when sitting up. Is a little disordered, and desirous of a change of abode. Countenance a little expressive of dissatisfaction. Tongue still whitish or of blanched appearance.

Give Calomel 5*ss* at bed time, and repeat solution in the morning and only in sufficient dose to keep body free. No purgative meat to have Soup and bread.

- 20 Has continued to improve in health. Face quite free from the flushed and blotched appearance of face quite gone. Tongue pretty clean but still turns a little to left side when put forth. Appetite good, and he sleeps well. Mind seems nearly as it was before the attack of Stupor. Continue laxative dose of solution daily. Diet and treatment as before.

- Oct. 5 Has continued to improve in health. Face quite free from the flushed and somewhat livid spots, and since issue began to discharge well he became more alert, and even more composed & quiet. Slept calmly and his Kieker reports without any thing of his former Stupor which seemed to be habitual and natural to him when he appeared to be in his usual bodily health. Body has been tight free.

Continue treatment. No Calomel meat as yet.

- 14 Face beginning to exhibit somewhat of purpled and blotched appearance again especially about the nose, and mind seems a little more confused. Issue continued to discharge.

Give solution in large doses daily. No animal food of any kind.

- Nov. 12 Has rather unaccountably been getting sicker and more pletthoric possibly by clandestinely sharing in the diet of his fellow patients. Four days ago fell into his state of Stupor and was black, livid, and pinched. Yet at my visit to day could not answer a single question. Head unduly hot.

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1836 Nov. 29 Has for some time entirely lost his hearing, probably the consequence of his last attack of stupor some indurated cerumen having been observed in his ears. He St. Amoyd. and afterwards swimming were used but with no improvement of hearing. A few days ago had an interview with his brother which evidently had a most injurious effect. Presently after the interview he began to rave about his brother being a king and soon became quite violent, foaming about with malignant aspect flourishing his arms and vociferating at the top pitch of his voice but avoiding to injure any person. Face unusually flushed. Pulse frequent and irritated. Bowels free by laxative solution.

Gave over sagittal suture to 3xv. and gave Calomel gr. viij. by condense solution every morning and kept head cool.

1837 March 17 This patient since last report required occasional repetition of former prescriptions, but no symptoms of a change have appeared. The issue in the neck has been kept freely discharging, and the bowels at all times free. The vegetable diet has been continued. He remains perfectly deaf, the loudest sounds producing no indication of any perception of them. His mind is still in as feeble but not so irritable a state as formerly and judging from countenance speech and manner I would pronounce him to be less insensate, but it is difficult to form an opinion of him as I cannot communicate with him by speech. His friends wishing to remove him he is this day dismissed by their desire.

Relieved

N^o 1053 Henry Duncan Et 58 Married Baker Admitted 3^d May 1836 Hale 18th

Previous History. No precursive symptoms were observed or at least remembered. After two slight attacks he had a third about 20 years ago and remained insane for four years about four months before his recovery he was sent to the Asylum where he remained from the 8th June till the 30th Sept. 1816 on which day he was dismissed cured vide Vol. II. page 193. He has never been two years insane. Several relatives have been insane or of unsound minds. Eccentric in all his opinions and understandings and of course a warm politician. Was of sober habits and free from bodily disease or infirmity. The exciting cause appears to have been grief for the loss of two of his children, and in like manner his former attacks succeeded the death of near relatives. So disposed to be melancholy and the disease has been subject to slight remissions and exacerbations it is on the whole increasing. Raves chiefly on the supposed prosperous state of his business, was bed ridden and had cold effusion to head when first attacked in this occasion but without violent tumult.

5 Heat mental torpor. This is a marked case of imbecility. Behaves ever quietly. Pulse about 110 but with frequent intermissions and at times a number of slow beats in succession. Action of heart gives bellows sound and that of aorta rather indistinctly strong on right side of Sternum. Trachea have been freely opened. Blister to superior part of head and bowels to be kept free.

7 Is considerably more alert since blistered. Countenance more expressive. Eye more lively and intelligent replies readily and relevantly when questioned. Force was given with effect but body has since been slow, and no stool to day. Keep bowels free by selenite. Pills. Continue treatment.

Sept: 24 Nearly as at last report. Insert an issue in the neck. Continue this treatment.

18 Issue has continued to discharge and due attention has been paid to bowels. Little change since last report. Weakness of mind seems stationary.

24 Seems to be neither progressive nor retrograde. His Imbecility is too long established and confirmed to afford any hope of a cure. He certainly possesses a little more mind than at first but only a little. Continue treatment.

1837 Jan: 26 No change since last report and is this day dismissed.

Relieved

N^o 1052 James Banks Et 44 Widower. Pastor. Admitted 4th May 1836
Rate 96.

Previous History. Has been a few days insane for the first time but for some months past he has been rather restless anxious and somewhat sleepless and exhibits considerable loss of memory. He now fancies that he has committed some offence for which he has a severe punishment is awaiting him and this seems to be his principal hallucination and subject to raving. He has never threatened or attempted violence to himself or others nor is he prone to break law or destroy. It was not ascertained whether the disease was hereditary or not. Before the attack he was rather quick tempered, but there was nothing else remarkable in his disposition or manner and though of late his state was accompanied by some corresponding degree of bodily weakness, yet on the whole his health was tolerably good. The exciting cause is ascribed to losses in business. Nothing has yet been done for his recovery and he never was in any delirium before.

- May 5 Tried to feed him by the nostril, but without success the catheter not being long enough to pass the pharynx and almost all the whole fluid rejected by the mouth.
- 6 The fear of being again subjected to the operation of forcible feeding subdued his resolution of obstinacy and last night he not only took his porridge with avidity but would have taken more than the kitchen maid could give him. Still by the bye countenance rather more composed and intelligent.
- 9 At my visit yesterday I found the pulse to have sunk much, being small frequent and feeble. His strength was too far reduced to attempt forcible feeding by any contrivance and his tongue which had been glazed was now quite dry shrivelled and flaccid, though still clean. His bowels had been moved by Elixir and his urine passed pretty freely without the catheter having been required. He had taken a little wine which I had ordered to be given freely. Soon after his admission he was twice affected with general spasms or convulsions but without loss of consciousness or the symptoms of Chorea. He had now a greater degree of tremor at first, and very frequent Subalio delirium stupor, fly catching and in the evening soon after having taken some porridge rather suddenly.

Died.

Note by Dr. Balmanro.

The circumstance of this patient having taken his porridge with apparent keenness, tho' at distant and irregular times, could not be in consequence of any return of appetite. With such a tongue and other symptoms there could not be any digestion. His malady might have been called Low nervous fever or maniacal excitation. J. B.

N^o 1053. David Ross Et 30. Married. Clerk Admitted 7th May 1836
 Note 6/6.

Previous History. Has been insane for about four days, and was insane two or three times before for short periods for three or four weeks before the attack, allurative elevation and delirium of spirit was observed and he was altogether out of his ordinary way. The Malady is now characterized by uneasiness, unusually restless and changes in his expressions and movements of the countenance, and which appears to be stationary, but with lucid intervals or rather remissions preceded by paroxysms occasioning considerable exhaustion. He also raves on various subjects, sometimes addressing God at other times talking of the Devil, Reform &c in a most hurried and incoherent manner. He has never made any serious or dangerous attempt to injure himself or others, but on one occasion when somewhat excited and slightly under the influence of liquor without any particular cause or offence, made rather a severe attack with his hands on one of his most intimate friends. It cannot be ascertained whether the disease is hereditary or not. Previous to the Malady there was nothing remarkable in his disposition or manner, and he was always considered moderate temperate and steady, and so far as known he enjoyed good health. Its exciting cause can be ascribed, he has been bled in the arm and had leeches applied to the head, and a purgative powder given, since which he has been rather quieter. So far as known he was never in any asylum before.

May 21 Has behaved very quietly for some time past, and appears to be considerably advanced in convalescence. In his conversation with me to day he was calm and rational, yet he has somewhat of a melancholic aspect. He said he was perfectly sensible that he had been insane, and he even recalled many of the absurd impressions which occurred to him in time of his paroxysms. Says he has been in his last paroxysm for 8 or 10 days before his admission, and that on former occasions

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No. 1054. Robert Begg. Aged 38. Married compositor. Admitted 14th May 1836
Rule 9th.

Previous History. This patient was treated in the Asylum from 17th September till 22 December 1835 and dismissed Cured. Vide Vol. III. page 452

No account of his case could be obtained until the patient had become sufficiently composed to give some account of himself. He was in a paroxysm of maniacal excitement when he was admitted which subsided in the course of a day or two.

May 27 Pulse frequent small and feeble. Oedema of lower limbs

June 16 I examined Begg on the 27 May. He was then unusually anasaricous and the thigh and limbs swollen to a very great size. Lividity of skin occurred from pressure on any part of the body, and there was a bad sore over the sacrum. He had been put on Quinine &c and as nutritive food as he could take, but he was now so feeble that it was a great effort for him to be supported for an instant in the erect posture so that I might examine his torso. He continued to sink and this morning about 2 o'clock he

Died

Note by Dr. Balmanno.

I examined the body after death but as the weather was very hot and putrefaction likely to be rapid I mentioned that I could not dissect him. Soon before death he fell into a state and vesications formed on the toes, inside of thighs &c

N^o 1055. Gabriel Miller Et 45 Married Sinner Admitted 16th May 1838
Rate 8/6-

Previous History. Precursory symptoms were change of temper and broken sleep for six months and he has now been six months insane. Is in a state of imbecility and excitement but accessible when crossed. Disease stationary. Flares chiefly of late about an expected accession of fortune through the agency of Angels, &c harmless. No relative insanity. No bodily disease. No original defect. Exciting cause supposed to have been his failure in business. Shaving. Licking. Cold applications. Mercutial purgatives have been used with little benefit. Purg. Keep belly free, ordinary regimen.

- June 10 Has shown a disposition to quarrel with other patients, but chiefly at meals, and behaves tolerably at other times. No mental improvement. Howels kept free, continue attention to bowels.
- Sept. 29 No change in the state of his mind since last report. Has had dinner for a considerable time in his own room, and to day was served with his allowance as usual. A new patient having arrived, the keeper was called to receive him, and to carry him up to his ward to which he belonged. On the keepers return he found Miller in a state of insensibility, and motionless. He presently gave the alarm, and being in the house proceeded together with the Sub-intendant to the patient. He was evidently dead, and probably within ten minutes of the time when we saw him. I observed a lump of chewed bread projecting from one side of his mouth which I removed and it appeared that both his mouth and throat were stopped full of the bread and other articles of his dinner but chiefly bread. After the whole had been extracted as well as we could with the fingers, I passed the probang into the stomach and then a curved pair of forceps into the urethra. Efforts dilating them and cautiously pushing down and shunting play hold of any portions of food which might have entered beyond reach of fingers which I used as a direction for the forceps, but could neither feel or extract any thing. We shined a vein but very little blood flowed, not above 3j. Friction to chest was strongly applied, and we tried to inflate the lungs by bellows, but the bellows let the air readily escape, and I do not think that any of it entered the Lungs. Some found its way to the stomach after working hard for an hour, we gave up in despair, no symptoms of returning animation having occurred. When this accident occurred the patient was lying in bed as he was accustomed to do when he dined. It is the second case of the kind that has occurred, showing the necessity of the keeper being present always when patients eat in bed.

N^o. 1056. Mathew Lochhead Et 34. Married. Grocer. Admitted 24th May 1836. Rule 15th.

Previous History. This patient was treated in the Asylum from 30th June till 20th Oct. 1835 and dismissed cured Vide Vol III. page 435. Some singularity in his way of working for a week or two before the attack. Occasionally bursts of violence but at other times quiet and to a certain extent rational. Mind however evidently weak and wandering even at his best, and he has high notions of his capacity for improvement. Disease hereditary. Had a Brother formerly in the Asylum. Exciting cause the abuse of Lardent Spirits. No remedies.

25 Attention to details and the usual regimen

Aug^o 10 Has been frequently employed in the Garden with benefit, but the better I have not of late observed any progress in improvement. At all my visits intreats me to dismiss him, alleging that he is now quite well. Mind still weak and unsettled. Weather at present very hot, and I have told him that I cannot dismiss him until the heat of the summer season shall have given place to the cool air of September or October. Continue treatment especially shade labour.

Sept. 12 The weather has of late been very cold, and the heat of summer was of very short duration, yet there is but little improvement in the state of the patient's mind. In the letters to his wife he makes frequent promises of good behaviour on which no reliance can be placed. Mind still as weak and flighty as before yet he talks with more moderation and behaves peaceably. Continue treatment especially out door labour.

Oct. 10 Is almost as flighty and unsettled in mind as usual, but makes himself useful in the wards and irritable in temper is in general civil and obedient.

Continue treatment especially work in Garden when weather will permit.

17 Is at last reformed, and is this day dismissed.

Relieved.

N^o 1057. Walter Scott Et 40. Single Pinka Admitted 1st June 1836
Rate 8/6.

Previous History. Has been about three weeks insane at this time but has had several attacks since he was 18 years old, at which period the first happened, but of these symptoms and duration nothing is known. His previous symptoms were observed on the present occasion and the malady is characterised by high exaltation and raving with exacerbations at uncertain periods and these are gradually increasing. He raves principally on his own great abilities and religion, and alleges that he is prompted to commit violent or dangerous actions. He has attempted at a former period, and nearly succeeded in destroying himself with a Razor alleging that he did so at the instigation of others who had conspired against him, but he has never attempted to injure others so far as is known nor is he prone to break tear or destroy. It cannot be ascertained whether the disease is hereditary or not. Previous to this there was nothing remarkable in his disposition or manner with the exception of a natural hasty temper, but his general health was considered good, and his habits moderately temperate. The exciting cause is not known but is supposed to have originated after brain fever. Nothing has yet been done for his recovery. He was never in a Lunatic Asylum, but the particulars of his case and treatment on that occasion are altogether unknown.

Ordinary precautions and attention to bowels and regimen.

- July 11 Violence gradually subsided under the usual treatment and has for some time past been at work daily and is now convalescent. Continue treatment especially employment.
- " 12 Mind still ennobled and easily whipt by any unusual exertion of it. Has lately betaken himself to the correcting of a book for the press, and as happened on former occasions from the same spot of mind is evidently enervated and again a little unlinged. His proposed corrections are merely of a literal nature such as a fault of type.
- Nov. 4 Mind still enervated, weak and disposed to wander. Does not say so much of his literal corrections for the press, but thinks himself capable of assuming his wonted occupation, and has reason to expect present employment from Mr. Whitt his former Master. Expression of face and countenance quite unsettled, some slight spasmodic twitching of the muscles of the face especially the right side. Pulse 110 Small and compressible and he has a feeble and relaxed appearance. Still believes that there was a conspiracy against him in America when he was a young man and engaged in a printing office there, and is still of opinion that these conspirators prompted him to cut his throat, says little on religion or on his high capabilities, but appears to be nearly as insane as at first. His Brother having arrived from London and being resolved to give him a trial out of the Asylum he is this day dismissed, but only a little

Relieved

No. 1058 Andrew Thomson Et 36 Married Civil Engineer Admitted 15th June 1836
 Rule 21/

Previous History. Has for several years been subject to occasional fits of Melancholy, and has now been insane for one month. Prominent symptoms are depression of spirits, and fixed determination to commit suicide. Is said to have slight remissions every 2^d or 3^d day. Imagines that he has committed some heinous crime. A knife was found concealed about his person, and last night he cut himself in the forehead with a tumbler for the purpose of despoiling himself. Some of his relations have been insane, but he has been much addicted to the intemperate use of spirituous liquors, and has had several attacks of Delirium Tremens. In addition to this 'predestinating' and also cause of his malady he fell from a Steam Carriage, fractured his lower jaw, and received a contusion or blow on the head, followed by symptoms of concussion of the Brain. Is said to have no bodily disease. Was at the commencement bled to great extent, seemingly without much permanent benefit. Has since been treated by the use of purgatives and opiates.

Placed to Board and ordinary regimen

I learned from the keeper who attended this patient before his admission that he the patient imagines that a prohibition is going on against him by the Glasgow and Edinburgh Railway Company, that he hears people at all times talking to him, and the sound of their voices as well as what they express is a great and constant annoyance to him and that besides the means of self destruction already mentioned he has attempted to get the use of a razor, he has also wished to have a basin of water for the purpose of suffocating himself in it and has admitted to effect the same purpose by applying a tumbler to mouth and nose. Has also attempted to stuff mouth and nose with a wetted handkerchief, at the same time stopping his ears with his fingers lest some air might get through his ears to his lungs and thus defeat his purpose of self destruction.

July 11 Mind has gradually and greatly improved, has not attempted or threatened any act of violence. Is quite sensible of the state in which he has been and composed and rational. Complains of the wrist belt and wrist straps.

Belt and straps to be removed in the day time but hand to be still secured at night. Continue other things. To have shower bath every morning.

Aug^r 25 Has continued to improve and being now well, though scarcely long enough under probation, he is this day dismissed.

Cured

N^o 1059 Claudius Jamieson At 26 Single Lillie Admitted 17th June 1836
Rate 6/6.

Previous History. Has been insane for the last six weeks for the first time. For four weeks before he was obliged to be dismissed and taciturn and that state was succeeded by high maniacal excitation which still continues but with remissions at uncertain periods. He raves on various subjects, but seems to have no permanent hallucination. He has attempted to leap over windows although as supposed not with the intent of destroying himself but with a desire to escape or fly from danger. It cannot be ascertained whether he was insane or not from childhood he was considered of dull and retired habits and rather weak in mind, but his bodily health was on the whole not good. The exciting cause is ascribed to concern about his worldly affairs or vexatious competition in business. Nothing has been done for his recovery, and he never was in an Asylum before.

Attended to bowels regimen & especially employment.

- 1837 Jan^y 7 Has for more than a month been a useful assistant to the keepers and a diligent labourer at any work assigned to him. He has derived great benefit from employment and is now fairly contented. Continue treatment, especially regular work.
- " 22 Tongue clean. He quite aware of former insane state, and though naturally rather feeble mind is free from any symptoms of lunacy. Has been much addicted to smoke Tobacco, in place of which let him use Carnarvon seeds. Having undergone due probation, he is this day dismissed.

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N^o 1060. John Ferguson et al. Single Bankers Clerk. Admitted 3^d July 1836.
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Previous History. This patient was treated in the Asylum from 1st March till 21st June 1830 and dismissed cured. Vide Vol III page 114. Precursory depression of spirits for 7 or 8 days. Insane for 3 days and increasing, and no lucid intervals. Hallucinations various but durable. Delirium. Not mischievous either to persons or furniture. Attempted to drown himself last night in the canal. Mind said to have been originally rational. Body free from disease. No injury of head. Existing cause of this attack is alleged to have been love. No remedies used.

4 I observe that the patient is of plethoric habit. Pulse a little frequent and of good strength. He is still much excited and bewildered. Continue coercion. Apply Leeches to temples and afterwards cloths dipped in cold water. Give Calomel 6th & 8th of June.

7 Pulse 110 weaker. Countenance pale and features a little shrunk. Keen are a wavering and embarrassed account of symptoms and effects of medicine. Excitation has subsided. He seems still bewildered and sleeps little or none. Had only one stool by the purge and mouth evidently affected. I have some minced collops or stewed beef and to take at bed time a draught with half an ounce of syrup of Nuxvom.

10 Slept well after his draught, was next day more composed and has continued to improve. Is now willing about, and altho expression of countenance is still a little unsettled, converses calmly and rationally. When other patients were urging me for their dismissal he voluntarily and earnestly requested that I would not dismiss him, until I should judge him fit to be dismissed and that he should most willingly remain as long as I should think necessary. Continue ordinary treatment and regimen.

28 Continued in a promising way till within the last two days. On entering the gallery I observed him walking in a pompous and consequential manner, replied to me purposely enough but as remarked by Mr. Calbreath, his countenance the not longer has assumed some of the meagre look of mania and the changeable expression of his eye seems to proceed to a greater defect in fixing attention. Has also somewhat more of his agitated look and manner. Repeat draught with Chamber and Hyoscyan at bed time and stork belly freely to morrow.

Aug: 15 Was quite composed on the day after last report and has continued to. amend having as usual derived much benefit from outdoor work. Pulse 80. Calm.

Sept: 12 Has complicated his term of convalescence, but has lost his employment as a Teller in the Ship Bank.

27 Dismissed

Cured

N^o 1061. William Graham Et 45 Married Currier Admitted 5th July 1836
Rate 8s.

Previous History. Has been four months insane, previous to which he has had three attacks since September 1835. The duration of the first was five months and every succeeding one of increasing length. For about a month previous to the present attack he was observed to be more than usually passionate, and now expresses his strong aversion to all whom he respects when sane and seems to delight in ridiculing public bodies or characters of people of whom he may have little knowledge. He expresses his strong aversion to his wife and friends especially.

He has never threatened or attempted to injure himself, but frequently struck his wife and children without any perceivable cause, but he is not prone to break tear or destroy, although he was so to some extent during the first attack.

Previous to the malady he was always considered of rather a weak mind, exhibited occasional eccentricities, and was subject to unreasonable fits of passion, and his father distinctly and the family were conscious of weak intellect. He received an injury of the left side in youth and always finds pain in that situation previous to an attack. After which he becomes subject to intolerance he is also subject to fits, and insanity has been observed to follow immediately the stopping of a Girth-hoof. Exciting cause not well known, but supposed to be partly connected with the unfriendly feeling of his wife's relations towards him. He has had an issue in the neck, and blister to the side, and at last attack was bled without any sensible effect. Never was in any Asylum before.

July 28 Pulse 90 Small Gives a rational account of family disputes though with rather more than due circumstantiality and prolixity. Behaves properly. Talks to without delusion or other proofs of lunacy. Belly painful, tense with flatus and rather loose. Admits that on particular provocations he once struck his wife with his open hand on the side of her head or cheek. This day examined carefully the region of the liver. The virus is enlarged and some pain is excited by pressure over it. The left lobe and left side of the right lobe are most perceptibly affected. Has occasionally had pain of right shoulder and is dyspeptic. Smokes Tobacco. Give plenty. At 10 o'clock to-morrow let him begin to take Carb. Fer. Marsh. 4℥. twice a day washing it down with Infus. Gentian 3j. and smoke carroway seed in place of Tobacco.

Aug. 31 Improved under prescribed treatment and soon became useful as a worker with usual benefit and he is this day dismissed.

Cured.

No. 1062 Peter Mac Naughton Aet 33 Single Joiner Admitted 7th July 1836
 Rate 15th

Previous History. This patient was treated in this Asylum from 5th October till 31st December 1832 and dismissed cured. Vide Vol. III. page 208. For 2 or 3 days before his attack he complained of headache. Disease of 3 weeks duration. Fits of great agitation of mind during which he constantly means occasional remissions. Hallucinations chiefly on religious subjects. No transients no threatenings or attempt at suicide.

Predisposition. No relatives insane. Of comely habits, was rather more than usually quiet and silent before all bodily disease but when a Boy had his head severely injured by a fall. Exciting cause not known but on the first occasion supposed to be produced by a great loss of blood from injury of arm. No remedies employed. Large attend to Bowels and regimen.

16 Has improved much since admission converses sensibly rests in the night and has entirely given up swearing. Pressed much to be dismissed, but the eye is still unsettled and rather gloating and the general expression of countenance. Speech and manner is that he is yet in a manner scarcely in a fair state of convalescence. Daily employment.

28 Has within the last two days become quite unsettled and bewildered came to me in the day room with his hat on and with his shirt and other small articles made up in a parcel saying hurriedly that he was going to leave the House instantly. Manner agitated and suspicious. Eye glistening and unsettled. Body slow and flatulent.

Use smart purg of Sassa Oil and Oil Turpentine presently and if necessary a Draught at bed time.

Sept. 19 Has occasionally had the Oils with benefits and at times other laxatives when required. Has been occasionally at work in the garden when weather would permit and has been free from his insane impressions and his hurried and bewildered thoughts for some time but has not completed even a month probation and there is still a degree of instability of mind.

He is very urgent to be dismissed and his mother having arrived from a distance for the purpose of removing him, I could not prevail upon her to allow him to remain he is therefore this day dismissed.

Cured.

N^o 1063. William Westerdale et 67. Married Shoemaker, Admitted
9th July 1836. Rate 6/6.

Previous History. Has been insane for nearly 12 Months and this is said to be his third attack, each of the former being of about a months duration, but from the first has scarcely ever been considered correct. He is thin, melancholy and liable to unreasonable passions to the danger of his wife's life. Sometimes he is quiet and will not speak or do any thing at other times he raves particularly on his trade and wishes to get shoes made while he lives. He has never threatened or attempted to injure himself nor has he ever made any premeditated attempt to injure other although he has repeatedly in a fit of passion made rather severe or dangerous attacks on his wife. He is also prone to break tear and destroy. Previous to the malady it was said he was affected with some degree of mental aberration and inclined to talk wildly and foolishly. His father is said to have died in a state of insanity, but no other predisposing cause is known to exist. The exciting cause is ascribed to hereditary disposition and hardships in the course of his business. Nothing has yet been done for his recovery, and he never was in any Asylum before.

- July 14 Answers pretty readily and relevantly, seems to be in his composed state and he has much improved in his appearance since his admission, is still considerably emaciated and debilitated. Restrictive diet and attention to bowels.
- Sept 19 Is much improved both in body and in mind. Is serviceable in the ward and labours continue treatment.
- 28 Continues to behave with propriety, and to make himself useful mind still easily agitated even to shedding of tears, but it is gradually acquiring more firmness, and he does not betray any of his maniacal symptoms. Cont.
- Oct 25 Has continued to improve and he is this day dismissed.

Cured

N^o 1064. Robert M^r. Al

Previous History. Has been 18 months insane for the first time, and for several months previous he laboured under great depression of spirits restlessness, want of appetite, constancy of temper and costive bowels. The more prominent features of his malady are now a torpid and depressed state of mind with alternations of great talkativeness and violent exclamations. He is said to be worse at present than he has been but on the whole, though with occasional remissions at uncertain periods the symptoms appear stationary. He raves incessantly on various subjects generally on religious ones and on which his thoughts and expressions are horribly blasphemous. He has more than once attempted to drown himself and repeatedly attacked persons on the high road with stones and other missiles. He is also prone to tear his clothes and destroy furniture. He was not subject to any vice eccentricity or mental infirmity, but he was subject occasionally to some about the time which were of a dark hue and discharged much matter and several of his relations have been insane. The exciting cause is unknown. His head has been shaved, blistered, and bathed with cold water and a little blood taken away but without any benefit. Never was in any asylum before.

Saw this patient immediately on his admission. He was thin silent morose and a little restless but showed his tongue on being desired. open belly freely by an active purge. Secure &c.

1837 Oct 6 Has long been in a helpless state of mind was so from the time of his admission. He has now sunk into a state of great feebleness both of mind and body emaciated and averse to food. Being now harmless, incurable and getting more and more debilitated I shall speedily dismiss him.

30 Continued as at last report, and was this day dismissed.

Relieved

Previous History. This Patient was treated in the Asylum from 5th March till 30th June 1835 and dismissed cured vide Vol. III page 411. Its secondary symptoms, or nothing remarkable. Extremely talkative and so violent as to require complete coercion and to be secured to his bed. Symptoms said to be stationary. Hallucinations, the millenium and sun like around it, Imagines that some marvellous will be at hand, especially the millenium or the end of the world. Prophesies. Says he has took Laudanum for the purpose of self destruction. This circumstance is doubled by his friends. Foretells others. The disease is free from mental defect and bodily disease before the occurrence of lunacy. Exciting cause unknown. Nothing has been done on the present occasion.

Shave hair and secure

- Oct. 1 Excitation gradually subsided under the usual treatment, he has for a considerable time been convalescent. Continue treatment, especially work in the open air.
- 10 A little flighty, but convalescence proceeds or at least an approach to it. Has fabricated a Kaleidoscope with some small pieces of broken glass and very little the production of a person of sound mind. Continue treatment.
- 22 Much as at last report. Weather prevents work. Continue treatment.
- 1837 June 1 At my numerous visits in the course of the winter and spring was in want of out door exercise, or other employment, and made little progress, since favourable weather commenced, has been especially within the last month more employed in the open air, and has to day been working at the wood for the scion of Ladies arising ground with evident benefit. Talks very sensibly, and he always feels better when he has something to do. Continue treatment, especially, leisure work at which he seems pretty expert.
- July 30 Has been daily and usefully employed in assisting the Sisters of the Asylum. Continue treatment.
- 31 Is naturally a little flighty, but as well as he is ever likely to be, and is this day dismissed

Cured

N^o 1066 Walter Hill Et 24. Single. Painter. Admitted 30th July 1836. Rate 15s.

Previous History. This is the first attack. Alternate elevation of spirits and depression for about four weeks before lunacy.

At first great depression, and now raves incessantly, and violence increasing, but is said to be of only three days duration. Hallucinations. Religion. Love are the principal subjects on which he raves. Propensities to disposed to injure both himself and others.

Predisposing causes. Had an Uncle who was considered to be an idiot from his infancy. Fond of religious discussions, very temperate. No bodily disease. Head never injured. Exciting cause. Religion. Treatment. Purgatives. Shaving head. Cold affusion to head and a blister. Opium to procure sleep, and all without benefit. Show purge and secure attention to Bowels and regimen.

Dec. 30. Much improved within the last two weeks, and has made himself useful as a labourer in painting. Continue treatment.

1837 April 17. Has continued to behave becomingly, and to work or give his aid when required. At other times amuses himself painting little landscapes or portraits in Oil for the day room, all of them being arranged along the wall as if for sale. Is sensible that he was insane, and that his past maniacal impressions were absurd, but does not distinctly recollect what these impressions were until reminded of them. Pulse when I called for examination was much hurried and a little irregular, but soon fell from about 120 to 66. Had at same time some palpitation to which he had been subject, and he is of high nervous temperament. He is naturally flighty, and has no great command of mind, as indicated by changeability of features, and glistening unsteadiness of eye, but being free from lunacy he is this day dismissed.

Cured.

No. 1117 Hugh Provan 23rd Single Pattern Dragoon Admitted 5th August 1836
 (Rate 15/)

Previous History. Remonitory. No deviation from his usual state observed. No mischievous or suicidal propensity. No relative morbid. Mind rational before lunacy, 8 months ago had a severe attack of cold from exposure to weather followed by an epileptic or apoplectic fit and paralysis of right leg and arm. Speedily relieved by blood letting. Exciting cause unknown but probably proceeding from cause of excitement as the epileptic or apoplectic paroxysm. Fancies he is engaged in great and important business. disposed to roam. Treatment little or nothing has been done. None before in any asylum.

Pulse a little frequent, but he is struggling to free himself from necessary coercion. Puts out tongue but he is somewhat delirious and much bewildered. Great impatience of restraint. Flatulences.

Sept. 1 Was shaved, purged and bled, but continues liable to rather high excitation. Ordered R. P. Belladonna gr. i. ter die, but the powder could not at the time be procured, and instead of a quarter of a grain of excellent Extract was given and has now been increased to a grain for the last 8 days. It appears to have some degree of sedative effect, but he is still excitable and of flighty habits destroying his treasures frequently. continues to try the powder if it can be had.

Oct. 14 Excitation has abated, yet his countenance still betrays hurried unsettled thought, and a degree of impetuosity. Walks about however with tolerable composure. Keep Bowels free. continue other treatment.

22 Still excitable, and at times excited, continue usual treatment.

Dec. 30 Has continued to improve pretty steadily since last report. continue treatment.

1837 June 14 Is very remarkable change since last report, except that within the last week or ten days there has been some falling of in strength and mind seems a little more stupid, but to be as nutritious as he can take and to have some porter.

20 Has recovered a little since last report, and continues a little more intelligent. continue treatment.

29 dismissed.

Relieved.

N^o. 1018 Robert Young Aged 35. Married. Weaver. Admitted 6th August 1836.
Rate 9/6.

Previous History. Became insane for the first time about six months ago, for some time previous to which his spirits were low, appetite bad and bowels rather costive, he raves chiefly about having passed through a fever without having been attended to, and which he says is the cause of his illness, also about his own conduct supposing himself a very great sinner and that he has infected his relations with his own disease, his malady seems stationary. He has threatened self destruction, and at times carries a rope in his pocket for that purpose, but he never threatened or attempted injury to any other person or thing. There was nothing remarkable about him before the attack and none of his relatives were ever insane. The exciting cause is ascribed to influenza, his head has been shaved and leeches and sanguinals given and a scalon has been inserted in his neck for some months, and doses of tinct of Morphia given at bed time on the last occasion with good effect. He never was in any Asylum before.

Oct. 1 Has improved in bodily health and is rather less enervated, but still impressed with former delusion especially that all ailment arose from an ill treated fever, that he has infected all his family so that they can never get well again more than himself, and that he is doomed to eternal punishment in the world to come. From inability to continue payment of board his friends have determined to remove him and he is therefore this day dismissed but only a little

Relieved.

N^o 1019. William Fletcher Et 29. Single. Bachel. Mater. Admitted
12th August 1836. Age 16 1/2

Previous History. Has been repeatedly furious insane within the last six years but continuously, so for about 12 Months on the present occasion. He now raves on various subjects particularly during exacerbations, but he has frequent well marked remissions or even lucid intervals. He has attempted twice to cut his throat with a large knife, and during the last attack has endeavored to get at the beds of the children in the Edinburgh Mend Asylum as is supposed for the purpose of injuring them. Also when excited is prone to tear or destroy every thing within his reach. The disease is said not to be hereditary. He is said to have been rather imbecile from childhood and since 14 years of age he has been subject to repeated attacks of epilepsy at which period he fell from a height upon his head. And this is the only known exciting cause. Various remedies have been tried without obvious benefit, but never was in any Lunatic Asylum before.

August 13 Insert Scaton in neck, and keep Belly free by the Pil. Colocynthis Croton, every night. Pil. Nit Argent. gr x Pils. Aromatica 7½. Sule. 6. Carab. q. s. 3M divide in pills xx each to be taken after breakfast, another after dinner daily. Keep one hand secured.

Sept. 8 No epileptic fit has yet occurred and no paroxysm of excitation. Behaves quite peacefully. To take the Pil. Nit Argent three times a day.

1837 Febr. 8 On the 16th Ult. had a fit with the usual phenomena of Epilepsy and it is the only fit reported to me of a decidedly epileptic nature since his admission. Has ever since been more or less stupid, and his countenance exhibits vacancy and bewilderment. Has had his pills regularly and issue in neck discharges. Continue Pills attentively Berberis &c.

May 18 Has had several fits since last report. Some of which I have witnessed. They are usually about five minutes duration and exhibit the usual appearance of Epilepsy, remains for a day or two, more stupid after each fit, but on the whole his mind is as formerly. Has not been guilty of any improper conduct except on one occasion when he was greatly provoked by another patient.

Aug. 12 Has this day dismissed

Relieved

N^o 1070. Alexander Muir Et Sc. Married Farmer. Admitted 15th August 1836
 Date 15th.

Previous History. This Patient has been four times in the Asylum before viz from the 17th Nov. 1818 till 1st Feb^y 1819, from 16th Nov. 1827 till 2nd Feb^y 1828, from 23rd Dec. 1833 till 13th Feb^y 1834 and from 19th Feb^y till 14th May 1834, on the first two occasions he was dismissed cured and on the last two Relieved. Vide Vol I page 457 Vol II page 499 & Vol III page 341 & 342. For six or eight weeks observed to be coming on by depression and pensiveness. Mind has on every occasion brooded on religious subjects and has been despondent. Has lurch and wounded attendants, and has broken windows but never attempted suicide, Has a Sister named Is somewhat irritable in temper, and high minded, says that in early life his Brother instructed him in the practice of masturbation to which he has been much addicted. Exciting cause an affront to remission. Surge and Keep Bowels free. Shave and when requisite Sicken Emulsion.

- Oct. 22 Agitation had subsided, and he had come pretty comforted. To day said his wife and friends who led him to expect his dismissal, and at my visit he was much again agitated and his thoughts hurried and painful, says he has got assurance from his Harbours of eternal happiness. Recollects seeing a light in the sky on the night when Mr. Hunter a fellow patient died saw three stars unite into one brilliant luminary &c &c Some days ago I endeavoured to dissuade his wife from yielding to his intreaties to be removed, yet she came to day to remove him. I again prevailed on her with difficulty to let him remain. Gout Smell which he is sensible has injured him. Half allowance butcher meat purging Solation.
- Nov. 28 Recovering from harassment of fury brought on by some dispute with another patient. Has to be secured to bed but is now wallowing about again. Keep Bowels free by Solation and Cont.
- Dec. 30 Pliable and submissive, but still fanciful. Says he saw in the sky a figure of a man half naked and very white which he has no doubt was an Angel as he was praying at the time. Eye and manner expressive of a degree of agitation, and excitability, but his wife being determined to remove him, and having promised to do so to day he is dismissed on trial.

Relieved

N^o 1071 James Ball Et 38. Married Engineer Admitted 18th August 1836
Rate 8/6

Previous History. Became insane about four months ago, and continued so for a month during which he attempted to cut his throat. The present attack has continued for a fortnight, altho his sleep was disturbed and his manner fanciful ever since the previous attack. He is occasionally disposed to outrage for which he requires to be confined, and also to talk incoherently on various subjects, imagines that something of an insidious nature has been thrown over his head, affecting chiefly the back of it, and rendering him stupid, also that nausea from grease overtook him. On the present occasion he has not attempted himself to destroy any thing, but has assailed his wife with a knife. He is said to have been original of rather slow capacity and was prone to depression of spirits from slight causes, to talk to himself when at work, and to occasional intoxication. He has been long subject to humors, but no other bodily malady. He had a Brother insane. No very distant exciting cause is known. Nothing has yet been done for his recovery, and he never was in any Asylum before.

- Aug. 9 Kept his hands secure his head shaven and cool and his belly free.
Sept. 19 Excitement gradually subsided under prescribed treatment, and he now behaves peaceably so urgent in his intreaties to be dismissed. Continued ordinary regimen and attention, showed
1837 April 10 Continued slowly to amend, and has now been in a stationary state of amendment for a sufficient probationary term. He is now quite free from the delusion about taxes, and smiles at the recollection of this and his other absurd fancies. Is desirous of dismissal but not unreasonable, so, says if he were dismissed he would cheerfully return to his employment and work diligently for the support of his family. I have been satisfied with his conduct, and with his answers when examined. I still observe some tendency to maniacal expression of the countenance, but he being in other respects well is this day dismissed.

Cured

N^o. 1072. Alexander Mitchel 61 54. Married Farmer. Admitted 20th August 1836.
Note

Previous History. This is the first attack and lasted for 3 months. The disease is said not to be hereditary, and nothing very remarkable was observed in his character except that he was of a quick irritable temper. He was very temperate and healthy. The exciting cause is unknown. The disease commenced with drowsiness and chillsiness, and is now increasing. He was for a few weeks nearly well but there have been no remission for some months. He has once or twice attempted to injure his face and other parts of his body with his hands but is not destructive. Nothing has been done for several months for his recovery and never was in any danger before.

22 Pulse 86 small and feeble. Pits but Tongue well and is pretty clean and moist. At times excruciatingly hot and then is frigid and irascible. Mind evidently very feeble. General paralytic debility, shivering of lower extremities, right leg chiefly affected. No disease of Throat. Speech ill articulated. Stools by physic yesterday. Insert issue in nape of neck, and keep Belly free.

Sept. 23 No material change nor any prospect of amendment and he is this day dismissed by desire.

Relieved

Note

I neglected to mention that oedema and extensive bad sores supervened in this case under which symptoms he appeared to be sinking at my last visit but by touching the edges of the largest sore with nitric acid it proceeded suppuration a little, and by the liberal use of portier and the other means of support he improved a little and was enabled to wait down the approach better than could have been expected.

James Gilchrist Et. 22. Single. Weaver. Admitted 23rd August 1836
Rate 8/6

Previous History. Has been insane on the present occasion since the 15th of April and has had two previous attacks, 1st April 1833 & 1st Novr 1834, which continued three or four months in each case, and with symptoms similar to the present. Acidity and obstinate constipation of the bowels preceded the disease for a few days only, and the symptoms seem rather increasing, with occasional remissions at uncertain periods. He raves indifferently on all subjects with which he is acquainted but has no remarkable delusions. He is occasionally prone to tear his clothes and break articles of furniture, but he never attempted or threatened any other act of violence. From his earliest youth he has exhibited a degree of mental imbecility, but with the exception of hysterical insubordination at times on the face, he was subject to no bodily disease. The exciting cause is unknown, Soda and Rhubarb, Magnesia, Hydrocyanic Acid, and other medicines to allay the irritability of the stomach have been tried with little apparent benefit, and the bowels have been carefully attended to but with little advantage. It is stated that the patient evidently recovered from his former attack in consequence of a Caustic issue made over the spine, but as no tenderness could be detected there on the present occasion it has not been resorted to. The disease is said not to be hereditary.

Aug^t. 25 Is under the operation of a purge, in his countenance and speech has much the appearance of fatuity as well as imbecility. Pupils of eyes uncommonly large, when spoken to and moved in bed, broths into an idiotical fit of crying like a child. Belly is so tense from flatulence, that I could not satisfy myself as to the state of the liver seems to have no morbid degree of pain on the spine. When raised to stool is quite passive and harmless. Is kept out of bed and clothed, securing himself with hands secure answers quite irrelevantly and foolishly. Tongue quite clean and moist though he says he has had acidity. Insensibility in neck and back throes face by fit & start & audibly gives Sibilant cough.

Decr. 9 Is formerly imbecile, peevish, and sensible. Continues treatment
1838 June 30 Little change, but being more manageable is this day dismissed

Relieved

August 1836
Rate 8/6
N^o 1074. James Irvine Et 35. Single, Weaver. Admitted 27th August 1836. Rate 8/6.

Previous History. Has been about a month insane and the malady is increasing with occasional bursts of outrage generally in the afternoon. He raves on various subjects, and fancies himself to be a king, but he has never committed any great or premeditated act of outrage. For an indefinite period previous to the attack he was observed to be rather cross tempered and fanciful, but had been indulging in drinking to excess at that time and this is the only cause that can be assigned for the malady.

Then in his ordinary state of health he was not remarkable for any mental manifestation, nor subject to any particular bodily disease, his head was never severely injured, nor were any of his relations ever known to be insane. His head has been shaved and blistered after leeching and purgatives, and other medicines administered without any benefit, but he never was under treatment in any Lunatic Asylum before. Keep Body free by solution, and head shaved, bath &c.

Nov. 12 Delusions began to give way very soon after admission and he became a diligent labourer with great benefit to himself. He now smiles at his former insane fancies. There is still some tendency to flightiness, but he is free from lunacy and at the end of his term of probation I think ought to have been a little longer, yet his brother having arrived from the Country to remove him he is this day with an appropriate admonition and the most strict injunctions to refrain from stimulating liquors dismissed.

Cured

N^o 1075. Alexander Mac Kean Et 36 Married. Prisoner of Indianman
Admitted 28th August 1836. Kate

Previous History. This patient has had several attacks. Inequality of spirits seems to be natural to him, and his malady the gradual operation of the cause to which it is ascribed. Malady Delirium Tremens or rather the excitation and infernity of mind consequent on habitual intemperance. When affected with Delirium the usual symptoms of Del Trem are said to have occurred in a marked manner. What these were is not stated. He said to have dogged resolutions to commit suicide, and this morning made two incisions in his throat with a knife. No relatives were present. Is of nervous temperament and rareable spirits. Habits very intemperate. Affection of the Liver and Stricture of Urethra. Excess of Spiritous liquors. No account given of treatment.

- 30 Has slept in the night, but interruptedly, no stool. Tongue a little turned and brownish. Pulse extremely frequent being 26 in the quarter of the minute or 144 in the minute. Small and rather feeble, wound of skin on Trachea not adhering but proceeding to form a little furculum. Give solution of the carbonate of ammonia. Keep beddy free by the Rhei Comp. Shape wound. Keep hands secured &c.
- Sept. 1 Behaves with the greatest propriety, and speaks of his present state and past conduct in a becoming manner. Bids the wound ^{be} not examined in presence of other patients for fear of exposure. To be released of wrist cloth of one hand, and continue other things.
- " 12 Continues to behave with propriety. Wound of throat getting better. No symptoms of his mental aberration, health good and he is getting stout. Continue treatment.
- Oct. 10 Behaves with great propriety, and might be dismissed forthwith, but begs to be allowed to remain as he thinks it will be for his advantage, and that the cicatrix of his throat will be less conspicuous. Continue treatment.
- 22 Continues to behave well, and gets stout. Continue Treatment.
- 1837 April 17 Has continued to conduct himself with propriety since last report. Is at present engaged in the Wrights Shop, there is no ground for his detention, but to keep him from his evil habits dismissed.

Cured.

N^o 1076. Robert Watson Et 40. Single Engineer Admitted 1 September 1856. Rate 6/6

Previous History. This patient who has been sent from the Towns Hospital was found by the Police on the streets in a state of violent mania and sent by order of the Magistrates to that Institution without any account whatever of his case. For a few days after his arrival here he continued in such a state of excitement that nothing could be learned from himself regarding his case, but the symptoms having somewhat subsided he now states that he had been for some time out of employment and frequently drinking to excess the means for so doing having been supplied by the sale of some of his implements of trade and a small allowance which he at times received from a near and rich relative who he alleges possesses the fortune that he ought to have inherited. From the account it is somewhat doubtful whether he has not formerly laboured under the malady, but for weeks he had never been previously confined nor under any particular treatment.

[From other sources I have learned that this was the third attack and that the first began about five years before. The malady was hereditary.

Sept 1 Pulse only 70 and soft, vit pretty composedly while questioned, but mind evidently hurried and excitable. Scalp very loose and exhibiting numerous boils or irregularities some slight cicatrices cannot or will not say how long he has been unwell but from appearance of scalp, I judge his case to have been of long standing or frequent recurrence. Saline purge and if necessary Senna cool the head and secure well.

15 Better, but only to day for the first time tried without straps. Continue treatment.

Dec: 26 dismissed

Cured.

The patient's malady was repeatedly accompanied by a propensity to preach. He was quite sensible when dismissed but did not long continue to enjoy soundness of mind. He was not sent back to the Asylum but returned to the poor House.

N^o 1077 Archibald M. Kenzie Aet 28. Single Merchant. Admitted 9th September 1836
Rate 15^{/-}

Previous History. This is the first attack of eight months duration and is marked by defective sleep and appetite and constipation. The duration of these symptoms is not stated. His habits have been unsettled and he has exhibited increase of irritability. The disease increasing. His pains are that there is a constriction about him by his relations and especially by his Mother who deprives him of sleep, by pulling the bed clothes. Thinks his bowels are gone, and that his food goes to nourish others. No evident attempt at suicide. But from circumstances is suspected to have had a transient intention to commit it. Had fever 18 Months ago, and after it a loss of memory. Has indulged rather freely in the use of Ardent Spirits, but not constantly to a great excess. The disease is not hereditary. The exciting cause is probably a larger potation than usual of Ardent Spirits. Has been bled freely, purged, cold to head without any benefit.

12 Has continued to behave quietly since admission. Tongue pretty clean. Pulse rather slow some flatulency. Pulse 80. Complains of a sense of constriction or oppression at pit of Stomach, which is always most trouble some in the evening. Did not at this visit broach any of his imaginary impressions, being surrounded by patients. R^x J. Sclerian ʒi. As. Gumam ʒv. Carb. Limmon ʒi. M. Take a Table Spoonful at any time when uneasy. Shower bath every morning. Pl. Lot & bl. but every night. Daily employment when practicable.

Oct. 18 No remarkable change. Weather has prevented, out door work. Continue treatment.
1837 Feb. 22 Little change, and weather so bad that he has not had the benefit of out door exercise as prescribed. Continue treatment.

April 4 Has not for a long time complained of his imaginary nocturnal annoyances, and his feelings appear to be in general more comfortable. It is to be regretted that the continuance of bad weather so long has prevented this and other patients from receiving the benefit from the most appropriate kind of treatment. His Mother determined to remove him, and having come to Town for that purpose he is this day dismissed.

Relieved.

N^o. 1078. Josiah Begg at 37 Married, Pilot. Admitted 17th September 1836. Rate 8/6

Previous History. Has been decidedly insane for the last six days but exhibited considerable depression of spirits for six weeks before that, in consequence of being out of employment. He now complains of slight confusion with pains about forehead, and depression about the region of the heart and these are rather increasing. The subjects on which he chiefly raves are his own ingratitude, Masonic ceremonies, religion and an apprehension of being laid in wait for and destroyed by menials. He is said to have lucid intervals at uncertain times and occasionally exacerbations. He has never attempted or threatened any act of outrage, but though he was under an obligation to swallow Prussic Acid. Previous to the malady he was rather of an irritable temper and somewhat contentious in argument and at times given to excess in ardent spirits, but not for some time. He was not subject to any bodily disease, nor was any of his relations known to be insane altho some of them are rather eccentric particularly in their religious opinions. Exciting cause said to be want of employment. His head has been shaved and cooled and two doses of Castor Oil given, but he never was in any Asylum before. Little improvement for some time until he began to labour. His amendment was then progressive and being now well he is this day dismissed.

Cured

N^o 1079 John Cock Et 45 Single. Writer. Admitted 28th September 1836
Rate 6/6

Previous History. Has been about five or six months insane for the first time so far as known and nothing is known of the precursory symptoms if any, but the malady has been increasing particularly for the last three months without either intermission or remission. He raves furiously on religious subjects, but seems somewhat weak and wandering on all. He has never attempted to injure himself or others, but is prone to tear and burn clothes &c. Before the malady he was not remarkable for any mental expression or subject to any bodily disease, with the exception of such as seem to have required the use of mercury, the abuse of which is assigned as the exciting cause. It cannot be ascertained whether the disease is hereditary or not. No particular treatment has yet been adopted, and he never was in any Asylum before.

- 21 *Purge and Kick. Pellets. Shave head.*
Oct: 18 Soon after my first visit I found this patient to be in a state of paralytic debility, affecting chiefly the lower extremities, and not only insensible but in complete dementia. He thrust out the tongue a little at my design to day and it was clean and moist, but his countenance is quite vacant. In reply to questions he always (when he chooses to speak) mutters the same ill articulated words, but he is generally mute, unless it be to disturb his neighbours by the amusement of uttering a kind of bark, short howl. He is neither inclined nor able to injure any one who approaches, and being therefore harmless and to all appearance incurable as well as a great nuisance to the Asylum, both by his howl and by the stench of his stools which are always passed in bed. I have this day given notice to the Treasurers to apply to the Magistrates of Larnack who sent him from their Jail to the Asylum to have him removed without delay.
Nov: 2 As at last report and is this day dismissed unfit

Relieved

N^o 1080. James Thomson Et 42 Single, Shoemaker. Admitted 20th September 1836. Rate 15th.

Previous History. Has been insane for 16 months, says all his lost and every thing he ever did is wrong. No propensity stated. No predisposing cause stated. Exciting cause, nothing unless it be usage by a person who told him an account and alleged that he had perjured himself. Was ill and had cold to head, low diet, long fast lent to head and neck without benefit. Lives in any other asylum.

Oct. 24 This patient was put under the usual treatment, but the state of the weather has prevented the degree of exercise prescribed, and his madness is nearly stationary. Continue attention to bowels, and when practicable let him have employment.

Nov. 22 No violent change. Is quite calm, generally very silent and of pensive aspect. His brother having resolved to remove him he is this day dismissed but little.

Relieved

N^o 1051 William Brownlie Aged 30. Married. Weaver. Admitted 21st September 1836. Date 8/6.

Previous History. Has been about a year insane for the last time and this was preceded for some months by unusual depression, but little change of bodily health, which then was and is still pretty good, the prominent symptoms of the malady is disorderedness of a religious nature, unchanging in character and affecting his hair, but still some lucid intervals or remarkable remissions at uncertain periods. The only subject on which he raves, is his fate as one lost to doom. It is understood that he has threatened and even attempted self destruction, but has committed no act of outrage otherwise. The disease is said not to be hereditary. Previous to the malady he exhibited no peculiarity of character but was given to vice and intemperance to some extent. No exciting cause can be assigned, little medical treatment has been resorted to, and that little without benefit. He never was in any asylum before. 7th June 3rd St. James & St. John, and kept Beddy free by the Apot. c. St. John.

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2. Much improved still some tendency to agitation, and still easily affected. Sleeps ill, but says that his gloomy anticipations of future have left him. As an inducement to work to have 7th tobacco in the well and out door work daily when possible.

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3. Has been much employed in the open air, when weather would permit. Has continued to improve and having undergone the usual two months probation or longer, is this day dismissed.

Cured

No. 1082 Archibald Campbell Married Clerk Admitted 23^d September 1856 Age 66

Previous History. Has been about four weeks insane for the first time, and for an uncertain period previous to the attack he was observed to be unusually depressed with occasional great restlessness and uneasy, impaired appetite and sleep and irregularity of bowels. The continuance of these produced some bodily infirmity for which he was sent to the Dispensary where he remained a month before being brought here and when his mental irregularity first appeared. He raves on various subjects, but seems to have no very prominent delusion. He has attempted to cut his throat, and is prone to break tear and destroy, but has never made any premeditated attempt to injure others. No account is given of his previous manner or disposition. The want of employment is assigned as the cause, and like and want therefrom arising are the only exciting causes. He was treated as above stated for a month in the Dispensary but it is not mentioned how or with what effect. Never was in an Asylum before.

837 Jan'y 26, This patient improved so greatly under the usual course of treatment that in all probability he would have been dismissed completely cured, at the period when Insanigena was raging and in many cases with formidable and even fatal Symphonia, he became affected with symptoms of that disease but in no degree alarming, at my visit to day about 3 O'Clock was assured by the keeper that he had taken his breakfast as usual and without any appearance of difficulty swallowing. In the forenoon however he complained of tightness of the throat. When I saw him the external fauces were swollen, and on looking into his mouth, I found the tongue thrust upwards and backwards by a swelling or tumour underneath rising higher than the teeth on pressing the tongue downwards with my finger to get a view of the posterior fauces a discharge of puss took place from some opening which I could not detect and in such abundance as nearly to suffocate him. A little wine was given occasionally when he could swallow in the evening the discharge of puss became suddenly so profuse that it flowed from mouth and nose so that from suffocation he

Died

N^o 1053 Robert Lennox Et 31. Singl. Spirit Dealer. Admitted 25. September 1836. Rate

Previous History. For three weeks he was unusually elevated at times. High notions of his own importance, and an evident degree of mental exaltation or folly. The disease is said to be of five days duration and stationary. Bosty. Sleepless, very high minded. Foretells friends with Police Officer. Murd. humiliated and perturbed. Fabricates he is about to be married and to take a coach and four to buy himself, a tierce, but in his business and subjects connected therewith can talk sensibly. Leaked from a window first breaking a pane of glass and ran off. The disease is said not to be hereditary. He was always high minded and home but exhibited no original, distinct mind. No bodily disease. Habitually intemperate. Fell twice into a state of insensibility recently before admission. Dr. D. D. saw one of them, and says it was evidently epileptic. Exciting cause. Excitation and anxiety in having commenced business a few weeks ago. Treatment, some Antispasmodics & Anodynes without benefit.

- Oct. 1 Has shaved, hanged and secured. Continues to be agitated, very restless in the night and both night and day is much excited. Bowels free by dose of solution which had ordered to be given daily, and last night ordered Sol. Last. which had some effect in quieting him. Pulse near 80 full and strong. Face flushed and hot, but he is now secured to bed and his efforts to free himself from the
- 3 Heat and flushing of face have subsided since leeching Pulse less excited and when he is alone he is very quiet. Belly free by Sol. Mag. & T. Cut. Continue purgative solution every morning and repeat sickening solution when violent. Keeping head cool. No delirious onset. To be got out of bed to a chair to morrow.
- 14 Still excited and maniacally bewildered. Is a little flushed but he is at the point secured to bed. The kitchen being engaged with the dinner of the other patients on the whole his mania has been more moderate and he has been up daily as prescribed. Shave head, and repeat Shaving at least weekly. Continue purgative solution.
- 22 Highly excited. Face flushed and death hot. Is again secured in chair. Repeat Leeches and other treatment as before.
- Decr. 30 Some remission but no great amendment.
- 1837 Febr. 13 Is generally out of bed daily and has lately been some days clothed but is still very excitable and at times so much excited as to require coercion and confinement to bed or chair. Is at the point to day in the latter but on the whole there has been a progress of improvement though unequal and in a small degree. Continue treatment.
- Sept. 17 Has improved in health, and become much less flighty and absurd in his conversation since released from constant confinement to his chair. He now walks peacefully about and keeps his clothes free from the effect of former habits. Answers me calmly and relevantly, countenance speaks and manner alert and no indication of that stupor which would indicate pressure within the head. Yet this day he fell into a distinctly characterised epileptic fit. Give Pil. Nitralis Argent. 1 morning and evening and evening. Continue treatment.
- 21 This morning lost speech for about an hour and there is a tendency to confusion of thought and some difficulty in recollecting himself so as to give a relevant and ready answer to the simple questions usually proposed to him. Give Calomel & iij every night and bidlet in the morning for three days or four omitting during that course to give the Pil. Argent. Nitralis.
- Nov. 2 Pulse 80 soft and regular. Tongue clean. Countenance composed and comports itself intelligently. Indeed he is quite rational as far as his limited understanding reaches. Sleeps ill, but has not had one fit since last report. Issues discharges well and Body kept free gets rather full in flesh. Continue treatment.
- Decr. 22 Has at several visits been disposed to wandering of the mind but no return of the fits. Continue treatment.
- 1838 Jan. 1 His friends wishing to give him a trial of change of place he was this day at their request dismissed.

Relieved

N^o 1085. Robert Baillie Et 23. Married. Master. Admitted 13th October 1836. Rate 8/6

Previous History. Has been about two weeks insane for the first time, but no precursory symptoms were observed. He talks incessantly on various subjects, and exhibits a disposition to talk incessantly when he can find listeners. Being very fond to exhibit the knowledge he has acquired, particular in natural Philosophy and Chemistry, but often exhibiting the most absurd and extravagant nonsense. He has never attempted or threatened to injure himself or others especially from immobility, but he is somewhat prone to tear and destroy when any way excited. The disease is said not to be hereditary. Previous to the malady there was nothing remarkable in his mental constitution and he was free from any bodily disease so far as known. The exciting cause is ascribed to exclusion from a Master and operatives contract for the regulation of wages, and which contract he had violated by demanding higher wages than those stipulated. Cold applications to the head and a blister have been applied, and the Bowels have been attended to without effect. There was in any degree before.

Oct. 18. Replies to my questions, but hurriedly. Puts out his tongue when desired, and it is pretty clean and moist. It's stool and refused solution at request of keeper. Remained and assisted. The first mouthful rejected but by a little force made him swallow a dose. Shave head repeat solution daily, and continue the other means.

1837 Jan^y 27. Pulse 90. excitable the quiet, and for some time a constant headache. Work dily and keep belly free by solution. Bath head every morning with cold water.

March 29. Still occasionally troubled with his headache, but in other respects has much amended. Mind rather feeble but no maniacal symptoms, and he is this day dismissed.

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No. 1086 Thomas How & Co Widow Master Cotton Spinner. Admitted 18 November 1836.
 Rule 21/.

Previous History. This is the first attack and is of 12 Months duration. Was subject to paroxysms of furious rage. Memory extremely defective. Great agitation, walks about weeping and moaning. Imagines that certain persons have conspired against him to deprive him of his property and have therefore conferred him has threatened to commit suicide but never attempted. Has once or twice broken furniture. In quiet moments bilious and nervous temperament. Temper always violent and irascible. Has lived rather freely, but not intemperately. No bad habits, disease. Exceeding cause, Mercantile misfortunes. Was in Barragal House four months and in Carran one month came from Carran to Asylum. No account of his treatment.

- 3 Pulse soft. Tongue whitish and slightly furrowed. Says Bells has for some days been a little loose, and it appears that he has had Lord loose but scanty stools to day without gripes. Alleges that he has suffered much from severe pain in right thoracic region in consequence of the means of coercion used in St. Dunns and that several deep holes were thereby made in his sides. Admits that pain is now less troublesome and it has probably been altogether imaginary, says when questioned that he has been ten days in the Asylum, having been admitted on Tuesday evening (25th Oct.) Gives account of his family affairs and of his treatment and mode of living with the tedious circumstantiality of imbecility. Tears stood in his eyes in recounting his sorrows and family grievances, bemoaning much that he never hears from his son, says he will willingly remain till I shall have an opportunity of judging whether he is insane or not, gives his hand and solemn promise that he will conduct himself with perfect quietness, and having done so before my visit, his wrist straps have been removed. I fear however that he may soon require them again.
- 12 For a short time after admission and while roused by the novelty of his situation, had rather more possession of mind but has now sunk into greater imbecility. Does not remember that he has ever before seen either me or the Superintendent who sees him daily. His powers of recollecting other recent impressions seem to be almost entirely gone, is still much depressed and given to weeping and wailing as before. Talks much in the airing ground but is not much disposed to betake himself to any employment or amusement.
- 18 Was at dinner when I entered, on rising was much more cheerful and alert than I had yet seen him to be. He at once said that he perfectly recollected to have seen me before, and after a little consideration fearing me to be some of the other patients he remembered that it was in the Asylum he had seen me. Continue treatment. To be taken to the Billiard room.
- 30 Less agitated, but memory about as weak as usual, could not recollect having seen me, and after I had told him who I was on being asked by Mr. Calbraath presently after had again forgotten said he would be glad to see Mr. Dunn, but you know said he that a Brother in the same way, and it may therefore be the more painful to his feelings and therefore you had better sound him first. Continue treatment.
- Dec. 9 Had an interview with his son a few days ago, and at same time with his Sister. His son saw him daily. Since till two days ago when he left town. Since parting with his son he has become much more irascible. At my visit to day he was unusually agitated and expressed great impatience of confinement alleging that he was perfectly able to resume the management of his business. Had entirely forgotten that he has recently seen either his sister or his son. Pulse above 100. Face flushed and forehead hot. Let him have Tepid Bath at 60, and remain in it at least half an hour on going to bed.
- 10 Had a favourable night, and is reported to be much more composed. Repeat Bath, and if much flushed in it cover head with cloths dipped in cold water. Cold affusion to head every morning and keep Bells free as formerly.
- 1837 April 8 Having been much soothed by the Bath it has been continued frequently with benefit. Mind continues a little more composed, but memory still very feeble in regard to recent impressions. Continue attention to Bowels. Bath occasionally &c.
- 24 Having observed for some time past some improvement in his powers of recollecting what was said to him in the course of our repeated conversation I considered the faculty of memory to be in a certain small degree restored, but like a limb long disused he has in some measure to learn the use of it again. I have therefore given a few lines of a Descriptive Paragraph to get by heart against my next visit and he is quite willing to undertake the effort. Being convinced of his utility.
- May 17 Has made many attempts to commit to his memory the few lines given to him as an exercise, but has failed partly I think from diffidence in his own capability, he seems sorry that he

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- cannot get ahead to me a single line. Made the attempt to day for the first time.
- 1837 July 5 Pulse 80 of sufficient strength, and the scarcely irritated not so soft and calm as usual. Tongue slightly whitish in the middle. Thoughts unusually hurried and breaks with considerable vehemence alleging that persons have been calling at the Asylum for the purpose of compelling him to sign away his property in Ireland to the amount of £4000, but this is a falsehood. Eye gloomy, and he is both unusually agitated and irascible. Solid affusions to head, and tepid Bowels freely open by pills or solution of aqua-ammonia.
- 7 So again much as usual. Was at dinner when I entered and seemed to eat with good will. Continue Treatment.
- Aug^t 12 The weather having continued very warm, and often oppressively hot since last report he has for about three weeks past been more agitated and at times even a little irascible. Pulse 83 utter and stronger than usual. Memory for recent occurrences nearly as at last report of it. Mind impressed with his former affairs in business, and with the disposal of his property still blames Mr. Timshaw for disposing of his mill which he says cost him £4000 and he laid out as much more upon it. In another concern had £10,000 and was he thinks worth £20,000 complains as formerly of being locked up here as a mad man and that he never hears of or from any of his children, gets very warm in speaking of these matters and occasionally bursts into tears. Tongue whitish. Give Calomel gr^x presently.
- Oct: 6 Pulse of Calomel answers well when given. No very remarkable change of symptoms since last report. At times indeed he has been more than usually agitated and declaiming strongly against those, especially Mr. Timshaw, who were concerned in the sale of his bottom mill on some points his memory seemed to improve a little, but of late his mind has been a little more agitated and bewildered. He is rather more flushed, and tho there is no evidence of pressure within the head, yet in so obstinate a case I have resolved to give him the chance of benefit from a seaton. Insert a seaton in the neck. Continue other prescriptions.
- 22 Seaton now discharges freely & freely. Has been less disposed to recurrence of his imaginings and agitating impressions owing partly to the addition of a lively associate to his ward, to the same cause may also be ascribed a little more alertness in the powers of attention and especially in the greater facility with which he can transfer his thoughts from the subject of his spontaneous contemplation to any other subject to which I choose to direct his mind. There is certainly less tendency to that state abstraction of thought in which he often indulged, and I am disposed to ascribe this change as well as the greater degree of mental command, in some measure to a diminished influx of fluid to the head in consequence of the seaton. Continue Treatment.
- Nov: 5 Mr. James Reid called on me to state a suggestion of Mr. Dunn.
- 11 At the desire of Mr. Reid and agreeable to Mr. Dunn's suggestion had meetings and consultation with Dr. John Cooper on the following point. A gentleman unjustly obnoxious to Mr. H. having lately had an interview with him he has ever since ceased to call at him. The person against whom he has all along been most vituperated is Mr. Timshaw would it not therefore be advisable that the experiment should be made of an interview with Mr. Timshaw. The force of opinion that the trial should be made. I stated to Dr. C. that there was an evident improvement in memory since I saw was inserted and in other respects he was better, yet more agitated than I have for long time seen him from seeing Dr. C. Continue Treatment.
- 14 A few minutes before my arrival to attend meeting of Committee at 3 o'clock he fell down at the Gallery on a fit of insensibility without any premonitory symptoms having been observed. Discharge of foam or saliva from mouth, the extremities especially of left side were spasmodically affected. Pulse in time of fit said to have been only 70 and very feeble but when I first felt it it was 96 and still feeble and very small. Countenance exhibited sallow paleness, and the redness hue of the cheeks has much diminished. So agitated alarmed and bewildered begging of me to protect him and carry him home to his own house without delay. Tongue pale and over whole upper surface a thin milky fur, as he has had

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Several stools complains of shooting pain of temple of temples and gives head sudden twitches as if from pain when I pressed the temple with my finger, visited the patient again after committal about 2 past 4, pulse and found him quite collected and nearly as composed and sensible as usual. Pulse down again nearly to 70 and quite steady, fuller and less compressible. Hue of face more natural and heat restored. I had now no hesitation to order some Leeches. He had vomited with benefit some greenish and faint on which account I ordered a dose of Gregory's mixture after 8 Leeches to temples, keeping up heat of extremities. After Leeching & Blisters over head if requisite from increase of fever and confusion of mind.

16 Blisters was not applied, not having been judged necessary, but altho he has been walking about the ward I found on examination that he was extremely confused and anxiously suspicious alleging that I must have been sent for to see him and especially alleging the same thing after having been assured and apparently satisfied that I had come in the ordinary course of visitation. Hue of countenance rather pale and there seems to be a collapse of subcutaneous vessels. Pulse 80 small and soft Tongue still of milky hue but less furred. He with some effort recollected Dr Couper's visit but was not quite sure whether it was the Doctor or one of his Brothers that called. I apply the Blisters over the head as formerly, prescribe give half pint warm Butcher meat for dinner.

17 Blisters had acted well and he complained of much smacking from its aggravating that of the seat. Pulse 80 and a little irritable. Skin also warmer than usual from blisters. Mind seems a little more active he not get as before his fit. He was again visited at my request by Dr Couper I had desired the Dr to have a note or verbal notice of any suggestion which might occur to him. Mr Calbreath reported to me that nothing occurred to the Dr but he was of Mercury and iodine meaning no doubt that these might be kept in view. Give Calomel gr i every 24 night till third time taking belly free by his other medicine if not purged by the Calomel. Continue to most irritable parts of scalp or neck.

18 Hue of countenance has become more natural. Pulse 80 Tongue rather more whitish again. No stool or any one stool to day and tonight he takes his second dose of Calomel gr i continue other treatment.

Decem: 15 Pulse 80 small compressible and a little less steady. Tongue again a little furred and milky, says he has of late been troubled with headache, of which he feels some relief by rapidly moving it as if nodding. Is a little more disposed to flushing of cheeks and scalp feels a little hot. Mind rather more unsettled and agitated. At times observed in some abstraction so that I have entered his apartment while he remained in a fixed position, and until I accosted him did not observe me. Give Calomel gr i to night and to morrow night if requisite Shave and apply blister squares to apex of head. Continue other treatment.

25 Pulse 80 small and as usual weak. No flushing. Tongue still a little milky, is more apprehensive and fanciful. Thinks he was sent hither by death and that his friends do not know where he is. Says he was disappointed. Is less disposed to nodding. Mouth slightly affected.

1838 Feb 7 16 After an absence of more than three weeks I this day examined this patient and I do not find any improvement, unless there is a little less disposition to agitation. He still at times practices the nodding of the head. His memory is as feeble as before. He could not recollect that it was longer than two days since I last visited him even after I had given him much assistance to bring it possible my absence to his memory. His health of body however seems as good as usual continue treatment.

Apr 14 Is this day threatened with a return of his paroxysm of high excitement. R^d of Rini ʒij Calomel gr xiii Sumat Station.

May 18 Some benefit by purging, yet he has for a considerable time been raving incoherently and almost incessantly without much exacerbity. Pulse 100 Sleeps ill. Truly kept free by purgery solution.

Give Sol. Mur. Morph gr XXX

23 Is extremely emaciated and restless. Incoherency unusually great. Breathing and other nervous action of p^{ar}ts unusually strong and frequent. R^d Acid Hydrocyan gr i and Valerian ʒi to be given in water and repeated every two hours till the 5th time. No effect on the countenance to be noted.

24 Mr Calbreath reports that in a quarter of an hour after the 5th dose he fell asleep and after the 2^d he slept 3 hours, after the 3^d had a good and quiet night and is to day more calm and much less disposed to talk incoherently. Pulse 80 feeble and general strength declining still incoherent talking but at times remains quiet and silent. Is on the whole evidently losing ground and

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and may very possibly die suddenly from some return of cerebral pressure. Continue treatment and give a glass of wine three times daily, continue the Sol. Cat. Ann. & I. Valerian lately ordered and seemingly useful, give a Quinine pill morning and mid day daily.

June 16

Pavio almost constant in a lower tone of voice seemingly from increased weakness. When I visited the doctor was trying to feed him with a little rice and milk and assured me that he could take nothing else and even but little of that. I found however upon trial that he took from me some of the gravy of minced Collops and then a few Spoonfuls of the Collops themselves, continue freely minced meat.

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Such as yesterday. Eyes unusually suppurated and some purulent discharge from them, has continued to take some of his minced Collops but very sparingly. Bathed eyes with cold water slightly acidulated with vinegar. Continue wine and as nutritive diet as he can be prevailed upon to take.

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Has soon tired of his Collops and took but little of them. Eye relieved by bathing, he having continued to sink was early this morning moribund, and I found him at my visit to be inarticulate. Before I left the Asylum, and about 20 minutes from 5 o'clock he

Died

Circumference of Skull 18 1/2 inches. Nothing remarkable in Skullcaps. Membranes a little florid from vascularity, and adhesion of Dura mater to Skull unusually strong. Considerable aqueous effusions tinged with blood over surface of brain, exterior to arachnoid coat as well as interior, fluid underneath and along convolutions, more rather deeper on surface of Brain About 7/8 bloody serum collected at base. Substance of Cerebrum felt pretty firm, but not morbidly so considering the death was so recent and no appearance of either partial softening or induration, purulency or tumor. Throughout vascularity unusually conspicuous. Ventricles contained not less than 7/8 of limpid colourless fluid, but white substance of Cerebrum in general very vascular like Choroid Plexus was unusually pale, especially considering the general vascularity of the Cerebrum, but of course it was from being bathed in watery fluid. As it descended to the Pons Hippocampus exhibited a considerable degree of granulated structure and from numerous small watery vesicles, but none of them larger than a mustard seed or even so large. Anterior lobe of right hemisphere of brain at its anterior and inferior part and very near the surface exhibited on being cut into a cavity or portion of a cavity distinctly lined with a serous membrane and of size sufficient to contain a small almond but no fluid was observed to issue from this cavity, Cerebrum very soft but not remarkable vascular or in any other respect morbid. Medulla oblongata and Pons natural. Membranes rather florid owing to minute injection of small vessels with florid blood but no remarkable thickness unless perhaps a little along longitudinal sinus, and no ossification or other diseased appearance.

N^o 1087. David M. Farlane Et 28. Single Manager. Admitted 12th November 1836.
Rate 8/6.

Previous History. Has been about three weeks insane for the first time, and no precursory symptoms were observed. He raves on various subjects but particularly of his own riches and longevity, dwelling much on the fortune he is to realize from the lute of a *State Quarry*. He has never attempted or heeded any sort of violence to himself, but when contradicted or hearted, threatens and has occasionally struck others with his hands and on one or two occasions he has broken or destroyed some articles of great value. The disease is said not to be hereditary. Previous to the malady there was nothing remarkable in his manner or disposition, but at times he was prone to indulge to excess in ardent spirits. His bodily health for some time past has been rather declining although he has been subject to any particular malady, its exciting cause can be assigned and nothing has been done for his recovery. Fever was in any form before.

14 Still much excited. Pulse about 80, pretty full and strong. Head a little hot and some flushing of face. Allows himself to be examined very passively. Apply Leeches to head, and afterwards cold blisters. Keep belly free by solution, sicken if noisy or violent and give dr. at bed time with Hydrocyanic Acid.

1837 Jan^y. 25 Only temporary alleviations by any of the means prescribed and the powers of life having been quite worn out by long continued excitation he soon more exhausted his day.

Died.

William Drysdale 45. Married Shipmaster. Admitted
14th November 1836. Rate 8/6.

Previous History. Has been about one year insane for the first time, and precursory symptoms if any are unknown, as he was absent from home when attacked. He now raves in-
different, on various subjects, frequently calling himself the God of Israel, the Saviour &c and
at other times talking with seeming delight of hundreds of ships and cargoes which belong
to him or are under his command. He has never attempted or threatened any serious act of injury
to himself or others, but when threatened is prone to strike those about him, and sometimes to
tear his clothes. The disease is said not to be hereditary. There was nothing remarkable in his manner
or disposition before the malady, but it is said that about two years ago he became insensible and
speechless and continued so for some time until after being bled and some remedies being
administered he gradually became sensible of those around him. The exciting cause is unknown
and as yet nothing very active has been done in his case. It is however stated that about four or
five months ago he was bled to the extent of 12 Ounces, and had the bowels regulated by laxatives
without mental benefit. Never was in any Asylum before.

14 Pulse about 60 small and weak, and he is infatigable and inveterate, on seeing him a second time
after examination, had no recollection that he had ever seen me before. Hallucinations as formerly, he
is in a state of satiation approaching to absolute idleness. Apply blisters over the head. Let him have an
allowance of Butcher's meat and half a pint of porter to dinner, the porter to be repeated at night
attend to bowels &c.

17 Upon after action of blisters became unusually irascible and struck at some of the by standers
as most again ready as at last report but cheeks are not so dusky and colourless sallow, cont

1837 Jan^r 3 Has been quiet and easily manageable since irritation from blisters subsided but very little im-
provement in the state of his mind. The degree of dementia however is scarcely so great, and he is on
application

Relieved

N^o 1089. James M^r. Waters Et 30. Married. Wight. Admitted 21st. November 1836.
 Rule 8/6.

Previous History. Has been about three weeks insane for the first time, and for a week previous to the attack elevation of spirits and falling off of appetite were observed. The prominent symptoms of the malady are great elevation of spirits and occasionally outrage, particularly against his wife, whom he has often attempted to strike: but after a good nights rest and sound sleep he is better next day, at first this occurred every second day but of late at more distant and uncertain periods. He takes principally on business, having sanguine expectations of his great success. He has never attempted or threatened injury to himself nor is he prone to break his industry, but he has frequently ticked at others particularly his wife and her brother if excited or crossed, this not remarkable for any mental manipulation before the malady, and his bodily health was moderately good the exciting cause is ascribed to high spirits in answer to conceiving himself a fortune teller. He was blind, blind and, and truly, purged, with only slight benefit, but never was in any extremity before.

- Nov^r 21. Saline purge, 6 Leeches to temples, Warm bath for catarrhal symptoms after it a draught with Vin. Ant.
 1837 Feb^r 5. Small dose of purging, solution every morning, and high head shaved and cool.
 New but pretty steady amendment and is this day after due probation dismissed.

Cured.

N^o. 1090 John Orr Oct 30. Single Calendar Admitted 21st November 1836. Rate 15^d

Previous History. About the beginning of the year great elevation of spirits which continued for two months, then fear of his life being attempted by enemies, of a months duration, when furious insanity ensued. Of some months duration longer. At times pretty composed and rational especially when visited by the Doctor at other times rather furious and now depressed and taciturn, fear of imaginary beings who intended to shoot or disfigure him. Has attempted suicide by cutting his throat. Not dangerous to others and never breaks in tears. Choleric. Impatient. Disease not hereditary. No bodily disease. Intemperate use of liquid spirits. Exciting cause. Daily hard drinking, soon before the attack. Sclero purgatives and nine Leeches were used with considerable benefit. Blister to nape of neck. Never in any other Asylum.

24 Was again leeches and bled, moved. Quite calm and answers readily and never extravagantly. Continue treatment

1837 Nov 11 I have had numerous visits to this patient since last report. Attention has been generally paid to the state of his bowels but he has been too fully fed and indeed I do not expect great benefit in so conforming a case either from regimen or Medicines. The moral treatment indeed could not be much observed on account of the weather and from a fear of edge tools if he could be admitted to weight shops or rather lat and blatherie. Half allowance butcher meat

1838 Jan 10 No permanent change at times lively and disposed to lasciviousness. Says he wants a woman and thinks he could do off three or four of them. Has never yet been in a sufficient settled state for any regular employment, and excepting the evening occasionally and to the kitchen in cleaning. He is generally idle. Is said to have been an excellent shadow maker and mechanic. Continue treatment
[No further reports were entered by the Medical Officers till Stark Change in January 1839.]

1839 Jan 11 Is now pretty free from fancies. In good bodily health and very active and industrious. He must however be weak. Continue Omnia

Aug 30 In good bodily health. Merry and industrious. Mind as weak as formerly. Correct in his habits and behaves well. Continue Omnia

Nov 20 Pulse 110. Small though in good bodily health and muscular. Is very industrious. Complains that sounds enter the windows at night and disturb him. Cont. Omnia

1840 Jan 8 In good bodily health quiet and industrious. Mind as formerly. Cont. Omnia

March 1 No change. Cont. Omnia

May 28 A little excitable to day, but behaves well enough in public. Is dancing, singing and making grones in his room. Stops however when he hears any body approaching and answers questions rationally. Mind as weak as formerly. Sumat made per Dec 11 Sol Solen 3 last. Cont. Omnia

June 7 Is now in his usual state civil orderly and industrious. Bodily health good. Mind as imbecile as formerly. Cont. Omnia

July 8 In good bodily health. No mental improvement. Cont. Omnia

Aug 3 Bodily health good. Active industrious and cheerful. Mind imbecile. Cont. Omnia

Sept 27 No change either mental or bodily has occurred since last report. Cont. Omnia

Oct 16 Mind not quite so imbecile as formerly. Cheerful and active. Bodily health good works diligently in the garden. Cont. Omnia

Nov 10 Bodily health good. Mind rather more imbecile. Cont. Omnia

29 No change. Cont. Omnia

Dec 15 No change. Cont. Omnia

1841 Jan 27 Mind as formerly imbecile but cheerful. Bodily health good. Cont. Omnia

March 2 As at last report. Cont. Omnia

April 27 Since last report has been constantly and actively employed in garden work. Bodily health excellent. Mind cheerful and imbecile as formerly. Cont. Omnia

May 21 Bodily health good. Mind imbecile as formerly. Cheerful orderly and industrious. Cont. Omnia

June 1 Bodily health good. Mind cheerful but weak. Steadily employed in the garden. Cont. Omnia

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- 1841 June 21 Thinks he has the charge of the garden, that the gardeners know nothing of their trade having been educated in the sed school, that he knows all the modern improvements and tries to teach them right but they do not mind him. Is a useful worker. Health good, mind weak as formerly. Cont. Omnia.
- July 4 Has continued in good health since last report so cheerful and active as he expresses it "fresh and hearty" works in the garden during the day and plays bowls in the evening mind as last reported. Cont. Omnia.
- 15 This day underwent a special examination by the Physician. Pulse 80 Tongue clean and moist. Bowels regular. Appetite good. Sleeps well. States that on the day he was brought here he was desired to remain at home for the day and was occupied in constructing a machine for boiling beans for horses. Was accustomed to drink a good deal of spirits often 5 or 6 fells a day in fact about a bottle never felt any inconvenience from drinking except on occasion of headache or attack of bile which generally went off after taking some gentle medicines. Two or three years ago was disturbed by spirits who annoyed him several nights, on one occasion he threw the chamber pot at them and at other times he "shook" them off. Wishes to be discharged and thinks he could now take care of himself would drink perhaps two glasses of whiskey a day and one at bed time but could refrain if he felt a hurtful was very active in thrashing people when they machined with him and can do a little in that way yet. His morning sickness was shaking to Mr. Hanvie and this patient thought it was about him seized Mr. Scurry and shook him till he turned pale when he let him go because he saw that he had had enough. If he had resisted would have "been on upon him". Was not afraid of Mr. Scurry. Though he is a stout fellow, says it is very disagreeable when people turn "daft" and disturb others. mind weak though he gives shrewd answers to questions Cont. Omnia.
- Aug 11 Since last report he continued in good bodily health, active and industrious as usual, amusement and occupation as formerly noted. Cont. Omnia.
- 30 No alteration since last report, industrious as usual. The attendant in shaving him cut his leg this morning and he imagines it was done in purpose. Health excellent industrious as formerly. Cont. Omnia.
- Sept 7 Habits occupations. State of mind and bodily health the same as at last report. Cont. Omnia.
- 15 Health good bodily functions natural, mind much in the same state as at last report, so regularly employed making himself useful in the galleries. Cont. Omnia.
- 22 Employed in the garden, and superintends some of the other patients who are working there. Is very active and good tempered. Bodily health good, mental state unimproved. Cont. Omnia.
- 25 As at last report. Cont. Omnia.
- 30 Mind full of delusions. Is industrious, assists in the galleries and works in the garden. Health good. Cont. Omnia.
- Oct 28 Has continued in all respects as at last report. Cont. Omnia.
- Nov 13 Bodily health continues as before. For a few days past he has done no work but walks up and down the garden all the forenoon mind cheerful. Cont. Omnia.
- 24 Pulse 110 jerking. Bowels regular. For the last three weeks has done no work and is rather excitable. Cont. Omnia.
- 30 Pulse 72 Tongue pretty clean and moist. Pulse a little debilitated mind cheerful says he has made a bargain with the keeper Aggie to work in the garden for two shillings a week but has not yet commenced to do any thing. Cont. Omnia.
- Dec 8 In all respects as at last report. Cont. Omnia.
- 27 Bodily health good no mental change during the past year. This is a case of slight, altho incurable dementia.
- 1842 Jan 14 No change since last report. Cont. Omnia.
- Feb 28 No change since last report. Cont. Omnia.
- March 7 Frank and open in manner, imagines a key is been made for the billiard room expressly for his own use and on this account will not enter the room at present altho urged by the clinical assistant to do so.
- 21 Still refuses to go to the billiard room although urged to do so by the clinical assistant he thanked him for the permission however and said he would speak to the attendants on the subject.
- 28 Saw his brother and a medical man two days ago who expressed a wish to give him a trial in the country and have determined to remove him soon. Is cheerful, good humored and industrious.

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- 1842 April 11. No change since last report. accompanied the Clerical Assistant into the billiard room the other evening where he remained a considerable time and made no objection to go on the score of his not having a Rev.
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N^o. 1091. William Snodgrass Et 53 Single Miller. Admitted 23^d. November 1836
Rate 2/6.

Previous History. This patient has been twice in the Asylum before viz from 13th July 1831 till 17th Oct. 1832. and from 11th April till 31st Dec. 1835. On the first occasion he was dismissed cured and on the last relieved. Vide Vol. III. pages 182 and 123. Was on various subjects, formerly mischievous but not on this occasion. Not hereditary sanguine temperament, was labile affected by Dyspepsia of the head but slightly. Exciting cause unknown seemingly gradual from established predisposition. Following said of treatment. Has a double Hydrocele.

21. Mind seems greatly more settled since he was in the Asylum, he is at same time much tranquillized. Has had a Laparotomy. Let the Hydrocele on both sides be tapped, and continue attention to bowels and necessary coercion.

1836, March 28. Mental symptoms have long been quite stationary. Hydrocele as before. He not at present of an inconvenient size and his Brother judging him to be sufficiently manageable and finding that I agreed with him in his opinion he is this day dismissed on trial.

Relieved.

Wm Hugh Brown Et 41. Widower. State Quarrier Admitted 22 November 1836. Rate 86.

Previous History. Became insane for the first time about 12 months ago and this was preceded by depression of spirits and morbid sick and drowsy since his wife's death which occurred about two years since. He now raves almost incessantly upon the subject of his own malady, which he thinks renders him the most miserable of mankind but he is said to have slight lucid intervals occasionally, followed by severe exacerbations but at times in periods. He has more than once attempted to drown himself and on one occasion committed a crime evidently for the purpose of self destruction, he has also attacked his friends when preventing him from going to the sea side, or when confining him to the house, but he is not known to break ties or destroy. The disease is not hereditary, Previous to the malady there was nothing remarkable in his manner or disposition or conversation, and his general health was good. The exciting cause is said to be grief for the death of his wife. His bowels have been freely opened with aperient medicine without any benefit. Never was in any asylum before.

26 Days nothing on the subject on which he was said to rave constantly, keeps one hand at his throat on some imaginary ground and lays himself down on his back alleging that he must always do so. Does not say that there is any pain in his throat or any where else except occasionally in lower belly. Nothing morbid discoverable in neck or action of heart seems natural. The case seems to be quite confirmed in his state of dementia but my want of his language is a great impediment to examination. Apply a blister over his head seven hands and keep belly free.

Dec 9 No immediate benefit evident from the blister, but at my visit to day his behaviour seemed less absurd. He still keeps his hand to his throat to prevent his falling forward but did not attempt to lie down on his back as formerly. Says in Gaelic that he never will get better, and therefore would be as well at home. Continue attention to bowels and put a cord in his neck.

1837 Feb 14 There has been some evident though very great improvement. He is not now so fondly so prone to lie down on the ground and his countenance betokens more steadiness and a little more intelligence, but I never had satisfactory communication with him for want of his language, as he is unable to speak English, so this day dismissed.

Relieved.

N^o 1093. David Bonar 632. Single. Sailor Admitted 2^d December 1836
Rate 8/6.

Previous History: Has been about six days insane but no account can be given of the origin or progress of the malady, except that he is now much composed or bewildered, raving indifferently on various subjects, without any remarkable or prominent illusion. His previous manner and dispositions are uncertain as well as the general state of his bodily health, altho' it is now considerably impaired, and with an apparent tendency to paralysis. The disease is not hereditary. The exciting cause is ascribed to ship wreck, during which it appears he had received a considerable blow on the head from some part of the wreck, altho' no mark remains. Nothing has yet been done for his recovery, and he never was in any asylum before. Shave, purge and secure.

- Dec^r. 2. Excitation has subsided, and he answers pretty calmly to my questions but his eye is indicative of great excitability. Keep still secure give dose of purging solution every morning, and when violent sickness.
- " 16 Since yesterday Cynophiles of face a little fore part of scalp, and at visit his mind quite composed. Pulse rather weak and heat natural, cover with cotton, give Pule 7^o iij every 2^d hour to 4^o time and let him have a little Wine.
- " 18 Became again highly excited, hot and restless when wine was intermitted and he was replaced in straw from which I had ordered removal. But at two days visit Pulse again very small and weak, skin generally cold and especially of extremities, Face much swollen, Apply warmth to feet, repeat wine to half a glass every two hours.
- " 19 Pulse given in the evening and no return of feverish heat, but by inadvertance none given in day Pulse about 80 very feeble and heat rather defective, mind more composed and face less flushed though more swollen and generally irascible. Enquire better and he has had some food, Give some regularly and a Draught at bed time of Solution Mus Morph 9^o XXX Vin Spum 6^o XX M. Attend particular to ventilation and warmth.
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N^o 1094 James Rae Et 30. Married Carter. Admitted 3^d December 1836
Rate 6/6.

Previous History. Has been about 8 days insane for the first time, and nothing unusual it is said preceded the malady. He now cares about religion and his past errors which he seems to view as unshrinkable, and the consequences of any consequence have been observed. He has never attempted, nor threatened, any serious injury to himself or others, nor is he prone to break, tear, or destroy. The disease is not hereditary. Before the attack he was remarkable for excitability of temper, and for five or six years previous to this period he was subject to bleeding from the nose every month or six weeks, but for some time past that he has ceased. The exciting cause is thought to be an effort, but more probably it may be attributed to the immoderate use of fermented spirits to which he has been subject for two or three years past. Nothing has been done for his recovery, and he never was in any system before.

Dec. 9 Allow me to feel his pulse and handle him gently, but is still bewildered and excitable. Pulse frequent though small rather irritable. Considerable heat of scalp. Abstract blood from head by cups and back belly free by solution.

1837 Sept. 29 The usual treatment was from time to time prescribed, and followed up in this case for a long period without much improvement but since the great heat of summer subsided he has been much employed in the open air and has greatly improved. I had feared that he would sink into a state of hopeless fatuity, but within the last month his more palpable delusions have faded, and this day carefully examined him and was of opinion that the propaetionary term of his convalescence had been too short. His mind is still high evidently, and he has not a satisfactory conviction of his former state making due allowance for his remaining deficiency. Continue treatment.

Oct. 25 Has laboured daily and diligently since last report and convalescence proceeds. Continue treatment especially out door labour.

25 Is as formerly reported and his friends being anxious that he should assist in the maintenance of his family he is this day dismissed, but prematurely and scarcely.

Cured.

N^o 1095 David Hepturn 48. Married. Painter. Admitted 22 December 1836.
Kale 4/6.

Previous History. Has been insane for about four weeks and had a similar attack in 1828. About eight days before the present attack, he was observed to be restless and fidgety, and his appetite and sleep much impaired. He now raves on a variety of subjects, but principally on authorship, and frequently indulges in obscene lath. He has not attempted at present to injure himself or others but during the first attack he was both violent and destructive. There was nothing remarkable in his manner, opinions or conduct before the precursory symptoms, but during these he seemed much engaged in some work which he conceived would promote his pecuniary interest. He was temperate and regular in his habits, but for some time past subject to disease of the kidneys. The exciting cause is not well known, but about nine years ago he was considerably injured by a fall down a stair, and he has an Aunt by the mother's side imbecile, on the present occasion he had been under regular Medical attendance and has been removed here from the Town Hospital. He was confined for ten weeks in the Edinburgh Asylum in 1828 from which he was dismissed cured. Dec^r 22 Answered my questions quite civilly and rationally though with something a little wandering in the expression of eye and manner. Two draughts with Sol. Aur. Morph. 6th XXX and 1/2 morphia, purge of Sol. Sulph^{ur}. Magn. Shave head and keep still secure.

1837 Feb^y 20 In the course of eight days after last report was convalescent and has continued slowly to improve. The strength and government of the mind are not yet fully restored, but he is quite composed and so well that if he had the benefit of out door labour for a short time he might be dismissed cured.

March 16 Has continued to conduct himself with the greatest steadiness and propriety. Is quite free from any indication of his late mental affection. Is duly sensible that he was insane and shrinks at the absurdity of his recollected insane impressions. Expresses himself most gratefully of the care, humanity and success with which he was treated. Thinks he never would have got well if he had been subjected to a continuance of the severe treatment he experienced before he came to the Asylum. Speaks favourably of both Doctors but especially of Esquiv. Thinks he would not so soon have got well if he had been Campbell's patient as dismissed.

Cured.

No. 1096 Alexander Granton Et 44 Married Heaven Admitted
31st December 1830 Rate 6/6

Previous History. Has been less or more insane for the last twelve months, but was never so before. He has laboured under great mental depression which has been regularly increasing without either interval or remission. He now raves principally on a wild tale which occurred in his neighbourhood and of which he conceives himself chargeable altho' perfectly innocent the true author having been discovered and punished. He has made a serious attempt to commit suicide by cutting his throat, but has never attempted or threatened to injure any other person. The disease is not hereditary. Previous to the malady there was nothing remarkable in his mental manifestations, although he was by no means possessed of a strong or firm mind and he almost constantly complained of a degree of headache but he was subject to no other bodily complaint. The exciting cause is uncertain. Nothing has been done for his recovery except securing and dressing the wound which he inflicted in his neck, and he never was in any Asylum before. Attend to Bowels and regimen.

- 1837 July 9 Has continued to improve continues to day of some quies and has recently been subject to some Haemorrhage. Rf Tinct Rhiz Zp Tinct Oil of Sassafras to be mixed with a little water and taken frequently.
- 15 Has relieved by last prescription, and being now well in mind and body he is this day dismissed.

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N^o 1097 James Colquhoun At 22 Single Merchant. Admitted 4th January 1837
 Rule 31/6.

Previous History. The disease began two years ago. For several years before the malady began he had exhibited a marked degree of oddity and eccentricity, timidity and groundless apprehensions. He smoked incessantly but was not addicted to drink. No vicious or injurious habits has been ascertained or suspected for some months before the attack he was subject to occasional depression of spirits unusual somnolence, drowsiness in the morning, inordinate appetite, torpid state of bowels and retained secretion of bile. He was very well educated. There is a constitutional predisposition. Nine years ago his mother's sister at the age of 16 became insane and is now quite furious. Nine years ago he fell from a horse back when he was stunned. His head was not injured though the lower part of his face was. This had had no effect on his mind. He raves on various subjects indifferently. His ideas are extravagant and incoherent and he has ruminations and exacerbations at uncertain periods. He has never threatened or attempted any act of self violence, but suicide may be apprehended from the deep depression into which he sometimes falls. He has several times attacked others both with and without premeditation though not in a formidable manner. He is prone to tear clothes but has not injured himself. He is not subject to any disease except occasionally common eruption on the face. No exciting cause can be given. He has been boarded in the country with a family but never in any Asylum. Strong purgatives seemed to be most beneficial. but hair short shorn belly freely and attended exercise when the weather permits ordinary diet and regimen.

- March 4 Pulse 80 Is unusually cheerful and alert saw his Brother to day. Belly free, seems very comfortable and at his ease in the Asylum. As soon as weather which is very bad will admit let him have daily exercise in the Garden. Continue attention to bowels &c.
- 25 Bad State of the weather has prevented Garden exercise but has had almost daily walking in the airing ground and has improved in looks. Behaves quietly and answers questions relevantly but idly. Continue treatment. Garden labour when practicable.
- April 6 Continues to behave quietly and properly. Continue treatment.
- 17 The weather having improved he has been employed in the Garden at times and with benefit to body and mind. Continue especially out door labour.
- 24 Behaves well feeds well and gets fat. Has been a little employed daily in out door labour since favourable set in. Continue treatment.
- May 8 Labours daily in the Garden. Improves a little but slowly. Continue treatment.
- 22 Still improves in appearance and while he is getting stout and rose, there is also a very evident degree of mental amendment, so much in the open air and the operation of Gardening furnishes him with most useful occupation. Reads a good deal when within doors. Continue treatment.
- Augst 12 Has not required any alteration of prescription or moral treatment since last report. He is quiet and correct in his behaviour and had gradually more placid and affable. Has lately expressed a wish for a Latin Author to read in which he may be indulged. Continue other treatment.
- Sept 21 Behaves peaceably and properly. Sometimes assists the keeper at other times amuses himself with Latin classics. Continue regimen and attention to bowels.
- Oct. 8 Has of late been much engaged with Newton's Principia with which he seems much taken up and is unusually affable and communicative. Continue treatment.
- Nov 25 There has been an evident change for the worse in this case within the last 8 days. Incontinence has become meager sleeping and unsettled and has greatly lost the expression of intelligence which it evinced a short time ago. The very changeable state of the weather and perhaps his attention to the Principia &c may have contributed to this event. Continue treatment.
- 1838 April 14 Became excitable imaginary and bewildered in which state of mind he has continued nearly since last report, but otherwise some tendency to improvement is observable. Continue treatment.
- 1839 Jan^y 26 Numerous reports not inverted. State of mind variable and at times excitable. Allevation by cathartic mixture purgatives &c.
- April 1 No great change on the whole less excited. There is however, no appearance or prospect of durable convalescence and he is this day dismissed by desire.

Relieved.

No. 1098 Alexander Muir 45. Married Farmer Admitted 4th January 1837.
 Note 157.

- Previous History.** This patient has been five times in the Asylum before viz from 17th Nov 1818 till 4th February 1824 from 6th Nov 1827 till 2nd Feb 1828 from 23rd December 1833 till 13th Feb 1834 from 15th Feb till 16th May 1834 and from 15th August till 26th December 1835. See Vol I page 487. Vol II page 499. Vol III page 341 and 355 and page 49 of this Volume, on the first two occasions he was dismissed, but in the last three relapsed. His attack has been of three years duration. The present exacerbation began 10 days ago and is increasing. He imagines that he has seen signs and visions in the clouds, that he is surrounded by people who want to destroy him and that he is greatly injured by his relations. He tears clothes, breaks furniture and strikes when threatened. At times he is depressed, his appetite is defective, his bowels slow and his sleep deficient. Nothing has been done on this occasion but confining the patient to the house and for the last 2 days securing him on account of violence occasionally offered to those about him.
- April 17 No great change and is still under the influence of some of his absurd fancies. The expression of his countenance has of late improved and he is gaining flesh. The weather having improved let him be employed in the grounds frequently and attend to Bowls.
- 24 As at last report expresses some anxiety to see his wife in order that he may be informed of his farming operations. Continue Treatment.
- May 22 Improves but slowly. Is not so impatient for his dismissal as he usually is when less fit to be dismissed. Has been more out of doors since favourable weather commenced and is not an unwilling worker when work is to be had in the garden. Continue Treatment.
- June 14 Has conducted himself as quietly as formerly, some sore throat with swelling of external fauces has subsided. Is not urgent for dismissal but remarks that confinement here would become unpleasant in the winter season when there is no outdoor labour. Says he has not lately been in the garden. Let him have out door labour in good weather.
- July 5 Speech and manner more hurried than usual and he is both agitated and excitable. Weather very wet. Has had a dose of purging solution to day. Repeat solution daily and diminish animal food to half an allowance. Garden labour in the middle of the day when the sun is high.
- 10 Highly excited since yesterday when he became so furious as to require to be held to his bed. Complaint of pain under left Scapula which he claims was occasioned by a bruise from the knee of Smith the kitchen in securing him. This dangerous practice was strictly forbid at a former period and at present the kitchen has been strictly examined regarding it and has been ordered never to have recourse to it or attempt to secure a patient single handed. Give purging solution presently to be repeated every morning while high. Apply roller of flannel round chest where said to be painful. Tie a wet cloth round head and if furious after purging, use Sol. Tart. Antim.
- 11 Had a pretty quiet night and sleep is much better. Is now considerably more composed. Has of late been getting very fat and robust and is evidently too plump. Reduce one arm from broad belt. Continue purgatives and reduce diet to vegetable fare.
- Sept 22 Paroxysm has subsided under prescribed treatment, and he has at the various late visits been in a placid and submissive state but the weakness of his mind is not less palpable than formerly. Continue treatment.
- Oct 11 Continues to behave quietly and civilly. Tendency to violence seems to have subsided yet his mind remains in a feeble state and is little to be relied on.
- Dec 22 Pulse 100 small. Behaves very placidly but feebleness of mind with a degree of agitation as before and any improvement is chiefly remarkable in comparison from his former fits of violence. Has improved since last report, and though still fanciful is this day dismissed.

Relieved

N^o 1099 Robert Galbreath Aged 60. Widower Messenger at Arms. Admitted 7th January 1857.
Hall 86.

Description. Five feet seven inches high ordinary habit of body. Eyes bluish gray hair gray almost white over the temples and three front teeth in upper jaw wanting.

Previous History. The symptoms were for a short time before the attack depression of spirits, loss of bowels and bad sleep. The form of the malady is furious Mania with incessant raving. First attack of three months duration without interval and increasing. He fancied that he is Emperor of Russia sometimes of Austria King of Great Britain Prussia Scotland &c. and that all those about him are his officers retainers and subjects. He is prone to strike and kick any one that doubts his word or attempts to thwart his will. The disease is said not to be hereditary. Natural irascible temper. Frequently excited in pursuit of his professional business. Excessive cause irregular living and excessive use of alcohol. Spirits nothing has been done for his recovery and he never was in an Asylum before. Purgs and turpentine are common regimens.

April 8 Has no weakness but takes his food pretty well. Is abnormally fatigued as usual. To have half an allowance of butchers meat and a little porter at bed time.

May 17 Is unimpaired in mind and at visit he was disposed to be noisy and a little outrageous for having his hands secured. Blaming the keeper for this indignity offered to be important a person. Continue treatment.

June 21 Irritability has for some time been subsiding. Continue treatment.

1858 May 22 No great improvement and has generally been noisy and is unable to require restraint. Has in his usual state at an early hour this morning but as reported was attacked about half past seven with a severe spasmodic fit. After short intervals of relief the fit returned twice. Leeches were applied to temples cold wetted cloths to head and warm bottles to feet but without immediate relief. He continued in some time.

" 28 Symptoms have gradually subsided and he is in other respects better since last report. Continue treatment.

1859 Feb 1 Little change less excitable but more disposed to confirmed fatuity. Continue treatment.

" 20 Assists in the wards and behaves well as the still excitable.

May 24 Nearly in the same state since last report. Volent excitation at visit. Still disposed to be mischievous. Continue treatment.

Nov. 23 In a state of morose fatuity with occasional bursts of maniacal excitement. Continue treatment.

Dec. 22 Pulse 80 rather feeble and has fallen off very much since last report. Then over over left scapula inflamed and partially excoriated, also a little discoloration over 7th dorsal vertebra. Has had benefit from a lotion composed of lime water and alcohol. Cont. Lotion. Sumat Indian confection for Libij. Support back by pillow. Cont. Alia.

" 26 Pulse 80 more and frequent some improvement in strength since last report. Still however feeble skin over scapula and back better. Continue treatment.

1860 Jan 20 Bodily health improves. Pulse 78. Bowels free has a good deal in bed. Excoriations nearly well.

Feb 14 Less violent and vociferous than he used to be. Bodily health slightly improved. Some excoriations over sacrum. Bowels free appetite good. Dress and support excoriated parts in the usual way. Cont. Alia.

March 15 Appetite sleep Bowels and pulse natural. Back nearly whole still feeble in body mind as bewildered as before but less of his vociferous raving. Continue treatment.

May 1 Bodily health improved some new excoriations have appeared from time to time on back. Still feeble. Mind as bewildered as before. Refused his porter and has been allowed 3ij of Spirits daily instead. Continue treatment.

" 27 Bedtime daily more feeble. Scarcely ever out of bed. Bowels regular pulse 68. Tongue pretty clean. Right foot sloughing. To be dressed with the warm dressing and the edges touched with nitric acid.

June 6 Some of foot more healthy in appearance and an effort at healing made at upper part. Strength declines superficial excoriations on back corresponding to processes of vertebrae. These are treated with the yellow wash and heat but only to break out again. Mind imbecile but not so intractable as formerly. Seems to be tending. Continue treatment.

June 13 Mind imbecile but quiet and manageable. Foot improved sores on back better. His friends being anxious to have him he is this day dismissed.

Relieved.

N^o. 1100 James Thomson Et 27. Single. Clerk. Admitted 23^d January 1837.
Rate 2/-

Description. Five feet eight inches high full stout make rather handsome countenance with prominent bluish eyes of restless expression and fair hair.

Previous History. The premonitory symptoms were depression of spirits and costive bowels for a few weeks before the malady. The form of the malady is Incurable Melancholia Stationary. First attack of five months duration with remission at uncertain intervals. He believes in the existence of a conspiracy to destroy or at least to injure him. That persons know his thoughts and that some one has put a spell upon him. He is prone to shriek when thwarted and once threw himself into clouds as is supposed with an intention of drowning, but swam ashore. The disease is said not to be hereditary, but he was of retiring sedentary habits which endisposed him to Society, recreation or amusement. Exciting cause supposed to be neglect of having given up a situation in which he had been for several years. Was filled with doubts and distrust with respect to the head, greatly excited and very noisy at admission raving on all subjects without any intermission. Shave head give warm bath and secure properly to bed. A morning meal then belly full with purg. Sol. Readable diet.

- March 4 Pulse 80 rather compressible. Shower bath at first gentle and keep hair short. Keep bowels free by Ric. Sed. & Croc.
- April 9 No improvement and his Demencia has a very confirmed aspect. In great cold in neck continue bed and to be tried as soon as weather will permit at work out of doors.
- 25 Pulse 90 very firm. Torpor of mind unduly wandering of wit and illusion as before. To have warm bath at bed time and keep bowels free with Ric. Sed. Occupation in garden when weather permits and attempt to diet and exercise.
- May 22 Countenance a little more intelligent and alert and has been more regularly and actively employed in the open air. Continue treatment.
- June 5 Removed the chord from neck some days ago and has since become unusually irascible but this change may be partly ascribed to the temperature of the air. The weather having become very warm with a good deal of sunshine. Much one of his fellow patients yesterday alleged that certain evil disposed persons are aware of his intent. Rumsen issues give had a dose purg. Sol. every morning continue spare diet and if necessary especially if he stills again secure me hands.
- July 5 Replies to questions calmly and sensible enough seems more collected and composed and has considerably less apprehensions of abstraction or stupor. Continue treatment.
- 20 Issue discharged again is a little more alert and affable tho still in general morose and but little disposed to conversation. Continue attention to bowels.
- Aug^o 22 Pulse 100 Tongue very white some hallucination. Says his belly is free and that all his thoughts are known to others. Thinks there is still a conspiracy against him but no still sees a mysterious change in the appearance of his associates. Feels as if his mother body were dying when him in bed. Mind seems to get more alert and in some points answers to the purpose. Give twice daily 8 gr. Cal. and Castor Oil 7 gr.
- Oct. 4 Mind wandering and extremely fanciful. Imagines that he is Jesus Christ, the fountain of life and that the Mill like to whom he was attached is the woman mentioned in Revelations who was to be persecuted by the serpent. He himself and her having the power of giving up their bodies to death and at pleasure, returning from again. Says he has been about three times dead, first at the beginning of the world next in the cross of Jerusalem and that afterwards he came shared up and caught him but on all three occasions he just returned life and returned at his own pleasure. Give 10 gr. Cal. at bed time. and as much purg. Sol. in morning as necessary to have Shower bath every morning and keep belly free by Ric. Sed. and Croc.
- Dec^r 25 No Reports inserted. Has been more manageable and mind more alert. He is this day dismissed.

Relieved

N^o 1100. Donald M^r. Kinnion Et 18. Single. Switzer in a Factory. Admitted 27th January 1837. Rate 7^d.

Description. Five feet six inches high ordinary habit of body dark chestnut eyes countenance much features and very dark hair.

Previous History. The symptoms were depression of spirits observed for nearly two months before the malady was suspected. The form of the malady is irascible melancholia with occasional fury & attack. His only hallucination is a particular and ungrounded hatred to his father. He is prone to strike harshly his father with any weapon he meets with. The predisposing cause was a severe cut on the forehead when about 7 years old, and hereditary predisposition he having at present an older sister insane cycling cause unknown. Nothing yet has been done for his recovery and he never was in an asylum before. Dull stupid like and very stubborn at admission. Have had rather give a dose purging solution and secure one hand.

Feb^y 7. 14 Still excitable and sometimes much excited and cannot be relieved from coercion. Belly kept free by solution. Continue solution.

March 26 Violence subsided yet no great improvement. Continue attention to bowels and means of safety.

June 18 Symptoms rather stationary. Continue treatment.

Aug^t 22 Some improvement since last report and he now occasionally assist the keepers in the work of the ward and is free from his former violence. Much agitation and bowels regular. Continue treatment especial attention to bowels and daily employment.

Oct. 15 Has of late been a willing worker readily doing whatever he is desired to do either in the ward or about the grounds. He is now sensible altho he admits with some reluctance of the absurdity and impropriety of his past conduct and says he regrets it. Countenance sleek and manner all indicate great improvement and he may be considered decidedly convalescent. Continue attention to bowels and regimen.

Dec^r 9 Continues convalescent. Continue treatment.

Jan^y 30 Being now well and having steadily the slowly become so for a satisfactory length of time he is this day dismissed.

Cured

N^o. 1102 John Fawcett. 456. Boatwain Royal Navy. Admitted 25th January, 1853.
 Rate 8.6.

Description. Five feet nine inches high, stout make, long strong marked countenance, filled with small peck eyes and hair gray.

Previous History. The prominent symptoms were elevation of spirits for an uncertain period, and an increased desire for ardent spirits. He had a slight attack four years ago. The form of the malady is furious mania succeeded by nervous agitation & attack of few weeks duration and said to be stationary. Subject to rapture but in other bodily complaint, his hallucinations are wholly relative to his former service on board of a war ship and some fancied injustice done him by the Captain of a Revenue cutter in which he last served. He is occasionally prone to destroy windows and furniture and to strike his relatives some of whom he has even threatened to shoot. The predisposing cause are intemperate use of ardent spirits to which he was lately much addicted, some regular state of bowels and want of sleep. The exciting cause was a dispute with one of the officers of the cutter on board of which he was employed. Nothing was done for his recovery previous to admission here. never was in any Asylum before. Surge Shave &c.

April 10 On the course of a day or two after admission the maniacal excitation and illusions had entirely subsided and he became exceedingly civil and serviceable readily putting his hand to any kind of work required of him. He became an active labourer in the Garden and front grounds. He was much intoxicated as well as insane when admitted as if recovery from Delirium Tremens and indeed he ascribes his mental affliction to the excessive use of grog. Eucroation gradually subsided as resorted from the disappearance of tremors of arms, speech &c. aided by horseman in out door work he gradually regained a state of good health and has been free from any symptoms of his insanity or irritation for more than a month past. He is ruptured in both groins but by the help of a truss he is able to labour daily and actively in the grounds without pain or inconvenience. Continue regimen especially out door labour when weather will permit.

17 Has been daily employed in the front grounds since last report and is an active and diligent labourer with the spade and wheelbarrow. continues quite well in both body and mind and seems to suffer no inconvenience from his hernia. and on application of the collector and Controller of Customs a certificate has been granted of his fitness for discharging the duties of a weighing Porter to that establishment. Continue treatment.

May 1 On this day dismissed.

Cured.

N^o 1103. Robert Rodger Et 42. Widower, Weaver. Admitted 9th February 1837. Rate 15th

Description. Five feet eight inches high, spare habit of body, countenance hard and slightly pitted, grey eyes and brown hair.

Previous History. The premonitory symptoms were that for two years previous to the attack, he complained of irregular bowels, want of appetite, unusual depression of spirits, and want of sleep. The form of the malady, agitated Melancholia of six months duration. 1st attack characterized by restless walking, thro his house night and day, crying like a child or exhibiting great tokens of loquacity and frivolous enjoyment. His hallucinations are that he is a lost and ruined man here and hereafter and he cannot walk out without becoming a subject of conversation to all who see him and that he has entirely destroyed his family &c. He has attempted to cut his throat with a razor and there is reason to believe that he has more than once attempted to strangle himself. Predisposing cause nervous temperament and long continued dyspeptic symptoms which were either neglected or overlooked. The disease is said not to be hereditary. Exciting cause unknown. Treatment head shaved and belly freely opened without benefit.

The reports in this case were entered by the Medical Officers.

- March 11 Has been working a little with benefit but the weather is at present so bad that he is necessarily confined to the house and to day he is extremely agitated and unhappy frequently and earnestly wishing that an end were put to his life. Pulse 90 tolerable strength. Tongue flegm clear but
 evening, and remain in the bath for an hour, give afterwards a draught of port wine warmed with sugar, keep bowels free by Pil. c Croton. Secure one hand by day and both by night. Let him have the warm bath at 40 in the
- April 8 Improves. Continue treatment
- May 22 There is now a very marked improvement, he eats and sleeps well and the countenance exhibits the hue of health and the expression of comfort approaching even to cheerfulness. Continue treatment still secure hand by night and relieve while at work or under observation
- June 10 Continues to be convalescent and conducts himself in all respects properly. Bowels regular. Eats and sleeps well. Continue treatment, especially employment in ground
- 30 As at last report, I had ordered the Shower bath, but the use of application has been hitherto neglected in consequence of some mistake in regard to the patient for whom it was prescribed. His friends having wished to remove him to day and to send him to the Sea Coast, I have recommended the use of the sea bath and attention to his bowels by means of the Pills with Croton

N^o 1104 *Murdoch M. Kay* Et 60. Widower. Chilcos. Pensioner. Admitted
15th February 1837 Rate 8/6.

Description. About five feet nine inches high ordinary habit of body, oblong countenance with remarkable count of right eye. The premonitory symptoms were depression for an uncertain time, defective appetite, slow bowels and want of sleep. The form of the malady is ferocious Mania, with incessant raving, 1st attack commencing about 10 days ago since which time it has been increasing. His hallucinations are that he is Duke of Gordon and has millions of money at his disposal, but has been deprived of his estates by his son and otherwise greatly injured by his relations. His propensities are to tear clothes and break furniture, and when contradicted or thwarted to strike those around him. It could not be ascertained whether the disease was hereditary or not, and other cause unknown. Exciting cause, whilsting his and mispending his pension by his son is said to be the cause. Altered to bowels and as soon as possible occupation.

April 1 Has for some weeks behaved very peaceably and of late has been sensible to the keepers he now smiles at his former fancied wealth and is convalescent.

May 1 Has now undergone sufficient probation convalescence, and is this day dismissed.

Cured

N^o 1105. William Laing Et. 38. Married. carrier. Admitted 17th February 1837.
 Rate 15/-

Description. About five feet seven inches high, ordinary habits of body pleasant countenance hazel eyes and dark brown hair.

Previous History. This patient had been twice in the Asylum before viz from the 12th April till 21st May 1835, and from 18th May 1835 till 7th Jan^y 1837, on both occasions he was discharged. Believed. Bede pages 424-426 & Vol. III. Prominent symptoms on this occasion want of or irregular sleep, loss of bowels and restless uneasiness disposition for an uncertain period. The form of the malady is irascible melancholy of 4 weeks duration. At times without any foundation he imagines people are provoking him when he becomes highly outrageous. His hallucinations are that he hears voices speaking to him from the walls of his apartment and is constantly annoyed by bad smells and tastes from poison put in his food and drink. His propensities are to strike when irritated and some fears have been ascertained of late of a purpose of self destruction. The disease is hereditary his father having been insane and he is said to have had several severe falls on head. Existing cause excessive use of ardent spirits. Has had laxatives without any apparent benefit.

- April 17 seems to lose a little in flesh and complexion at times talks rationally, never free of his delusion of voices address
 May 25 improved in bodily health, his fate has now a healthy hue countenance placid and often lively. Says that the voices seldom trouble him and is disposed to admit that they are often if not always imaginary, wishes to get home and seems to have been led by his wife at a late visit to expect a removal.
 June 2 Having continued to improve and not now betraying any palpable delusion he is this day sent out on trial

Relieved

N^o 1106. *Quentin Pingle* 40. Married, Footman. Admitted 18th February 1857.
 Date 7th

Description. Five feet seven inches high ordinary habits of body with a soft round rather flabby countenance and thickish bluish grey eyes and brown hair. Premonitory symptoms cross humors and want of sleep for a considerable but uncertain periods that followed by restlessness and great anxiety. The form of the malady is Polym. Dur. 18 months duration. It attack. Characterized by unreasonable passion and occasional outrage and these are increasing, but as is said with lucid intervals or remission. He raves on various subjects principally in regard to his wife and children for whose protection and support he has become entirely regardless. His propensities are to strike without any known provocation particularly his wife and children the latter of whom are young and helpless. Predisposing cause except a violent hoarse cough none known. His general health having been in all respects good till of late when he has occasionally been wandering or sleeping in the field all night excruciating cause the loss of money is the only known one. Nothing has yet been done for this patient's recovery, came in labouring under influenza and it would seem unlikely every thing tried was ineffectual and on the

Feb 7 23 he.

Died.

N^o. 1107. James Campbell 6726 Single Engineer. Admitted 22^d February 1837
 Date - 1836.

Descriptions. He is five feet ten inches high, rather stout make, large full dark hazel eye and dark brown hair. Speaks somewhat thick and stutters when hurried. Premonitory symptoms, general restlessness and very unsettled in his habits for a long period and these gradually brought on a state of occasional aberration. The form of the mania is Melancholia, with occasional outbursts. 1st Attack is said to be only a few days duration and during the exacerbations he is alternately trembling and violent. His hallucinations are not well marked or known but they are principally in regard to fears for his own safety or intentions of a dangerous kind entertained against him. He has attempted to hang himself and was cut down in a state of insensibility, has since attempted to go out of a window and sallied to the street for the purpose of fighting. Predisposing cause, there is a hereditary tendency, some members of his family having been similarly affected, and an aunt was some years ago treated in this Institution, and although her relations still remain insane. Exciting cause, abuse of Ardent Spirits to which he is necessarily addicted. Has had cooling purgatives without any benefit. Tick-billy free and milder, usual regimen.

N^o. 1108. Robert Lightbody. Et. 55. Married. Collier. Admitted 24th February 1837.
Rate 1/6.

Description. About five feet seven inches high rather stout muscular habit of body countenance dark and somewhat strongly marked eyes bluish grey and hair brown mixed with grey. Premonitory symptoms more volatile and unsettled in his manner and conversation with irregular appetite sleek and the state of his bowels for an unknown period. The form of the malady is Manic Mania with uncertain remissions. He has been three weeks insane and the disease second in all respects stationary. This is the 2^d attack. on the former occasion he was treated in this Asylum from the 5th March to the 5th Sept. 1835 when he was dismissed, Cured. Vide page 410 of Vol. III. He fancied that his knowledge skill and power are nearly unbounded. Talks incessantly of borrowing, lending and bestowing great sums of money. Imagines that he has the command of armies and can at once destroy his enemies by bomb &c. He is prone to tear his clothes and strike when provoked, and last night nearly killed his wife by throwing at her. He has received some cuts of the head at different times in following his employment, his general health being always good and and nothing remarkable in his manner or opinions. Exciting cause unknown. Nothing has been done but placing him under restraint.

- April 8 Four days ago was working but having become excited is now secured to his bed and is confined to bed. He is allowed to go at large. Continue.
- May 8 Variable but on the whole so excitable and so often excited that he still requires to be secured. Keep head shaved. Belly free by solution and senna when needed.
- " 17 Is out of bed, as he has occasionally been since last report. Now occasionally gives a little assistance in the ward but is still very excitable and prone to tear his clothes. Continue treatment especially any gradual employment.
- Oct. 12 Has slowly but greatly improved since last report. Delusions have not been observed and certainly not observed for a long time past. Has been employed in various ways and his recovery is to be ascribed to this and time than to any other remedy. Bowels pretty regular and he sleeps well. Continue treatment.
- " 20 Continues free from his former delusions and continues to work willingly and to improve. At the request of his friends I this day examined him with a view to his dismissal on the 24th continue treatment.
- " 24 Being now rational and free from any maniacal delusion the naturally a little flighty he is this day dismissed.

Cured.

N^o 1109 James Ridie Et 30. Single Basket Maker Admitted 22 March 1837.
Rate 7/6

Description. Five feet nine inches high slender erect figure oblong dark countenance rather
dark swart dark hazel eyes and blackish brown hair

Previous History. For about six months previous to the attack became depressed in spirits and
complained of a pain in the head from stooping at his work. The form of the malady is insidious. He
suddenly with burst of rage 1st attack of three years duration and the symptoms have steadily
but slowly increased. Thinks every person his enemy and that he is injured while asleep to prevent
which, he lives quite secluded, and during the night shut himself up in a close bed made on purpose.
He has repeatedly threatened by deadly weapons to commit suicide, and to destroy those that he
conceives his enemies, predicting cause not known, except his sedentary and stooping occupation and
secluded unsocial habits which have been of long duration. Very disappointed and unfortunate
in business are the only cause that can be assigned. Nothing has been done for his recovery, he having
refused all treatment

His reports inserted up to this date

1839 Feb 7 14 Has continued to work well and though at times a little pettish behaves quietly.
25 He is this day dismissed on trial

Relieved

N^o 1112 Donald Mc Naughten Et 30. Single Merchant Clerk. Admitted 31 March 1857. Date 1857

Description. About five feet eleven inches high, active muscular erect figure, roundish healthy looking countenance, bluish grey eyes and black hair.

Previous History. The first symptoms occurred about five years ago by depression of spirits and subsidence of temper. The form of the malady is melancholy, obstinate and taciturn. 15th attack of about three years duration, and gradually increasing without as it is thought exacerbations at full moon. His hallucinations are not known as he is obstinately silent and exhibits nothing from which a judgement of the existence of any case be found, but he is said to be prejudiced against his friends. He is much addicted to reading, particularly the Bible. His habits were always rather morose and sedentary, but his general health considered excellent and none of his relations are known to have been insane. The exciting cause is unknown. He was 12 months in Mr. Drury's establishment, from which he was removed as he seemed to be a little better, but it is not known what treatment was resorted to in his case.

[No reports in this case were entered by the Medical Officers till I took charge]

- 1856 Jan 9 Having received a parcel of Chambers Journal and a letter he used them to set fire to the floor which was burned a little, confine his hands.
- " 11 Continues to answer when questioned, but while the mind is less torpid he is again inclined to mischief.
- April 15 Has continued since last report dull and morose, answering in monosyllables when questioned. As his friends wish to give him a trial in some remote part of the Highlands, he is this day dismissed.

Relieved.

The following Notes occur in Doct. Balmain's private Book

- 1857 April 6 Pulse 80. Displays a sallow smile when questioned over 100. Soloworth even night.
- " 8 Pretty calm and less excited, expressed in the eye. Continued attention to towels &c.
- " 17 Pulse 80, and a little irritated. Tongue clean and Bowels free was in the garden two days ago, and again to day, but on both occasions he appeared to get a little excited and to day in a still greater degree. Kept on trying to assault some of his fellow patients with his work tools, there is an unusual scowl in his countenance and more than once in the course of my examination he seemed to hesitate whether he would obey or resist, obliged however in a sickly way, holding his right hand especially the thumb stiffly and awkwardly. Took to himself a good deal in the night yet is not so noisy as to disturb any of his neighbours. He is now within three days of the 20th when the moon is at full. Pulse with solution now and every morning.
- " 20 Solution operated and it has been daily repeated with due effect. Excitement subsided in the bowels being kept open, and he is now as calm as usual. Altho the Moon is this day at full, and he is exercised in the evening gardens. His late state of excitation, three days before full moon might be in part attributable to the Moon shining brightly into his apartment, Darken the bedroom window at night and keep Bowels free by solution, continue exercise in garden.
- " 24 It is now four days past full moon and no excitement, but at my visit is morose and taciturn. Has the Bible at the book of Chronicles open on his knee and keeps his eyes intently fixed on it yet I doubt much whether he is actually reading, allows me to examine the pulse beat & continued to without moving or signifying any aversion, and does not reply to a single question. Continue treatment, and see.
- May 8 No return of high excitement since last report and therefore it is evident that the moon has not had any effect on him.
- " 22 Still morose and silent but no excitement either before or since the 20th when the Moon was again.
- " Continue treatment.
- " 25 Silent morose and obstinate. Hands leaning against the Gallery Door will not be persuaded to show his tongue or to approach the window, yet submits as usual to allow me to feel his pulse and forehead, nothing remarkable in these. Fully bid me a little torpid again no return of excitement.

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- 1837 May 25 Great Purge and Rect Bowels free by the Potted Croton Pil
 June 12 Still silent and sets with Bible open but seemed never to get at the end of the verse on which his eye is fixed, pulse 80 and good although is exasperated with as much indifference as if he was unconscious of my touch
 July 14 No change Continue treatment
 July 19 Still morose and taciturn, a little excited by the heat of the weather and on my approach to day starts from his seat and made his escape from the day room. yet has not betrayed an return of disposition to violence. Continue treatment
 20 Continued to be in the same silent and morose state till within the last two days when he became very irascible and disposed to strike. The moon was at full on the 17th so that on this occasion his paroxysm has kept time with the lunar period. Pulse 70 strong full and regular has a very dogged obstinate look
 22 Has not bled but had the bath with some benefit Is at present as silent as usual. Pulse 70 of good strength at times preaches and with great fluency. Late
 27 Saimon answered well, when bather promised to speak to me next visit but failed to do so. So however a shade less stubborn Continue treatment.
 Oct 6 Still generally morose and silent but countenance more placid and intelligent. seems to take more interest in external objects and in what is passing around him. Continue treatment.
 1838 April 21 The progress of amendment in this case is very slow and not evidently

N^o 1113. John Rodger Et 60. Widower, Labourer. Admitted 31st March 1857. Rate 7/.

Description. Five feet seven inches high ordinary habits of body strong marked countenance with large red nose prominent bluish eyes and strong grey hair.

Previous History. Appeared rather depressed in spirits for six months before an attack of Influenza to which his mental malady succeeded. The form of the malady is mania with imbecility and occasional violence. 1st attack of about three weeks duration, but at times he is so correct that strangers would not judge him wrong; at others he has required the strict jacket but the paroxysm soon subsided. His hallucinations are various but his wish to get married to a widow a neighbour of his own, who he says has five thousand pounds and to buy a great number of horses and carts, are the most prominent. When irritated he has spoken of cutting his throat or drowning himself and when thwarted or contradicted has run at people with a stick or any other thing he could lay hold of. Some years ago he was rather intemperate and for about a year he has complained of a numbness and swelling of his feet he also suffered severely from Influenza about two months ago with extreme debility of lower extremities. The disease said not to be hereditary. The exciting cause a severe attack of Influenza inducing from the beginning great debility. Has had a few doses of purgative medicine without almost any relief or sensible benefit.

The following Notes occur in Doct. Balmanno's private Book.

- April 8 Is disposed to fidget, but behaves quietly, continue attention to Bowels &c.
- May 8 Picking disposition have not been remarkable but suspected of having observed the key of one of the doors lying on the ground and of kicking it aside for the purpose of concealment, well marked delusory character in countenance, keep Bowels free by rather active means and employ in open air.
- X 12 No great improvement is made and does not appear to work a little at his capacity but his mind remain in a very feeble state does not know, does not know where he is but says the people are very kind to him, and give him plenty of food, says he supposes he is at about 8 miles from Glasgow, has some houses and speaks from the ground, supposes that some of the country gentry have built the stables, wishes to get home to his usual work as soon as I shall think him fit for it, has again manifested some disposition to fidget continue attention to Bowels and employment.
- " 17 Has been sitting in the sun face a little flushed, seems to be a little more excitable than at last report. Continue treatment.
- June 21 No improvement. Face disposed to flushing, insect issue in neck continue other things.
- " 28 Pulse 80. Sleep tongue and Bowels better, when asking him a question about his stealing propensities said there was a impulse on his face when asked if he thought this the consequence of stealing, said he thought it was and he was evidently in as feeble a state of mind as to be disposed to consent to whatever was proposed to him and to acquiesce in any opinion, on asking his age he said he was 60, but could not tell the year of his birth, on asking him whether he remembered the Revolution said he did and on asking further said he remembered the arrival of the Highlanders in Glasgow and of the review of them in the Green by Prince Charles. The poor man would have remembered Noah's flood if I had asked him, the friends of the patient had called to ask after him as I understood with a view to remove him as he is quiet and incurable I shall dismiss him if not recovered, continue treatment.
- July 10 No change or any prospect of recovery, face continues to be suffused red fellow patients say that he is not so disposed to fidget as formerly. Continue treatment.
- Sept 30 Have frequently examined this patient since last report and tho at times he has exhibited a little temper he has never been guilty of any degree of dangerous violence to himself or others nor is he given to subduer mischief. In general he behaves very peacefully and has of late been a willing labourer in the ground but his mind is as feeble as ever and he being decidedly incurable he is this day dismissed without.

Relieved

N^o 1114 Alexander M. Naught. Et 30. Single. Assistant Gardiner. Admitted 4th April 1837. Rate 8s.

Description. Five feet seven inches high ordinary habit of body sallow countenance, aquiline nose, reddish whiskers, dark blue eyes and dark hair.

Previous History. This patient was treated in the asylum from 15th July 1831, till 28th April 1832, when he was dismissed cured. Vide Vol. III. page 183. He had a furious Mania 2^d attack of one Month duration. He raves on all subjects, tears and destroys. He has not been treated for the present attack.

The following Notes were found in Doct. Balmannos private Book.

- July 10 In no long time after his admission the excitement abated and generally at night he was quiet and manageable. He not so satisfactory and durable composed as to warrant complete freedom from incision yesterday after a bad & warm weather the thermometer stood at 70^o and the patient as well as several others burst into a state of fury. He continued to be so excited as to require to be bathed down to bed, pulse about 80 and not remarkably heated, no excessive heat nor flushing on the face a sallow paleness of the face.
- " 11 Pulse about 66 quite soft and calm, had a quiet calm night with some sleep. Eye and countenance much improved, no blood, give purging solution instantly and repeat it every morning.
- " 20 Paroxysm has greatly subsided and he is again liberated from his room and behaves peaceably, continue laxative dose of solution &c.
- Aug^r 13 Burst of violence and he is now in a state of the most furious maniacal excitement screaming on the most incoherent absurdities, shaggingly and threatening. Pulse 100 small and compressible no extra ordinary heat and he is all bathed in sweat. Having said to be here, after sitting down on his bed side and talking to him for a little he became more quiet and submissive, agreeing readily to have his head shaved again provided I would attend and see it done properly, expresses much gratification from the affusion of cold to the head. Shave head and give 3rd at night, continue this treatment especially keep head cool by wetted clothes &c.
- Oct^r 6 Since last report I have frequently examined the patient. He was much relieved by last prescription and his paroxysm gradually and soon subsided. Several times after he had improved so far as to be allowed to walk about he became again a little excited so as to require restraint and even confinement. This for some time been quite peaceable and disposed of work a little yet I do not consider him to be satisfactorily recovered, ordinary regimen and attention to Bowels.
- " 11 He is in a very fair state of convalescence as far as observable at present but from former relapse after similar amendment, I have no great confidence in the steadiness of his amendment continue treatment.
- Nov^r 25 Has continued to behave with great propriety ever since last report and he at times a little lively is observed yet I consider him convalescent and I think he may be judged to have been so for a month past. Continue treatment.
- 1838 Feb^r 12 Variable since last report was lately in a paroxysm of high mania which is now subsiding. Imperfect amendment is no proof of convalescence in such cases. Continue treatment.
- April 21 He again more composed and is more rational. He still turned in his answers. Continue treatment.
- 1839 Feb^r 12 Variable since last report, lately in a paroxysm of high mania from which he is now recovering. Continue treatment.
- April 21 More composed and more rational though a little hurried in his answers. Continue treatment.
- May 18 Has for some time been composed but is again flighty and excitable. Continue treatment.
- Oct^r 6 Has continued subject to alternate fits of excitation and depression. Is always affected by the appearance of females, on such occasions he gives way to masturbation and thus brings on a paroxysm.

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- Feb. 18 Has been engaged some days in Carpenter's shop being a tolerable workman in this way though bred a Landiner
- Nov. 22 Occasionally attacks of tranquil melancholy from once & which beginning on the 14th current he is now recovering though still in bed. Pulse 70 soft and pretty steady, prone to sigh rather deeply. Sumat. Pic. fated & alio Croquis 3j. ij omni nocte. Continue alia.
- 1840 Jan. 12 Pulse hurried, thoughts remarkably so though he behaves pretty quietly, having witnessed a severe bout of a patient 15 days ago, was immediately seized with a paroxysm which has continued since
- Feb. 22 Is now in his usual quiet state. Continue treatment
- March 1 Has continued well since last report and been useful in various departments, but today having had some vexation from a patient he has fallen into one of his melancholy fits and taken to his bed. Sumat. medicam. calia. usitata utant.
- 2 Pulse 84. Tongue pretty clean and moist. Bowels rather costive. mind dull and depressed. Little or no appetite. Sum. pil. Colocynth. 6. ij. h. d.
- 13 Paroxysm has run its course. Is up to day and cheerful. Employed in attending other patients and assisting the Kippers generally. Continue treatment.
- May 1 Has been working diligently as a Carpenter since last report. mind though somewhat feeble, quite rational. Bodily health good and no apparent symptom at present of an approaching paroxysm. Continue treatment.
- 3 Has today become dull and depressed and gone to bed. pulse 70. languid. Tongue pretty clean and moist. low diet & pil. Colocynth.
- 27 Paroxysm has now terminated and he has been at work since 25th. Health good. Mind at present rational. Quiet and orderly as he always is when in his paroxysm. Continue treatment.
- June 22 Has continued in good bodily health and mental composure since last report. Has worked diligently as a Carpenter. no appearance of a return of his paroxysm. Continue treatment.
- July 2 Another paroxysm has commenced beginning in consequence of his attempting a quarrel between two others and raising his voice. previous language used. Is treated as usual.
- 9 Paroxysm abated. Sumat. omni nocte pulse fated & ol. Croquis 3j. ij. Cont. alia
- 10 The paroxysm has terminated and this evening he is up and in his ordinary state. Continue treatment.
- 24 Since the tenth of this month he has been in his quiet state. Steady and industrious. Bodily health good. but heart.
- Aug. 12 Continues in his usual quiet state, working steadily as a Carpenter. Bodily health good. Continue treatment.
- 22 This morning went to bed saying he could not stand it longer. complains as usual when his paroxysm is on him of being overworked. Tongue a little foul. Bowels constipated. No appetite for food. slept ill last night. & pil. fated 4. h. d. Continue treatment.
- 31 Paroxysm still continues. Cont. Omnia
- Sept. 20 Paroxysm has reached its height and now abates. Bowels constipated. & h. d. pil. Colocynth. 6. ij. & 2. Sol. Sal. cathart. 3j. Cont. alia
- Oct. 1 Little change since last report. & omni nocte. h. d. pil. fated & ol. Croquis 3j. ij. Cont. alia
- 12 Paroxysm has terminated and he is this morning got up and dressed himself. Let him have half diet. Cont. alia.
- 16 Bodily health tolerably good. mind quiet and composed but feeble. Industrious as usual when in his ordinary state. Cont. treatment.
- Nov. 11 Another paroxysm commenced today marked by the usual depression of mind and fanciful notions respecting his health. & pil. fated & ol. Croquis 3j. ij. h. d. p. r. h. Cont. alia
- 19 Paroxysm terminated this forenoon and he has been up in the evening. Bodily health good anxious to be employed. To have light work
- 30 Bodily health good. Has been employed in powdering Medicine, washing bottles and keeping the office in order. Calm and rational though his mind is a little weak. Continue treatment.
- Dec. 15 Bodily health good. Mind as at last report. Employed in the office as before. Cont. treatment
- 14 Jan. 31 Bodily health good since last report. Mind calm cheerful and rational though weak. Employed

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- 1841 Jan'y 31 as usual in the Office. Continue treatment
Feb'y 1 This day without any warning he became depressed and betook himself to bed. Great as usual with latent chill. Quiescent and rest.
" 12 Paroxysm has now terminated and to day he is engaged in his usual occupations
March 27 No return of paroxysm since last report. Has continued cheerful, active and industrious. Bodily health good.
May 1 No return of paroxysm, has been actively engaged in the laboratory and the Carpenter's Shop. Head cheerful but weak. Begins to get somewhat nervous for dismissal.
" 22 Bodily health good. Mind rational and less weak than formerly. Spends his time in working in the Carpenter's Shop and laboratory. May be dismissed at the end of June if no symptoms of a relapse present themselves. Cont. Opium.
June 16 Has continued to be industrious and quite rational, works during the day &c. since last report.
" 30 Bodily health good. Mind quite rational, works during the day in the Carpenter's Shop and morning and evening in the Laboratory. The Surgeon of the Parish has been written to that he may now be removed. Cont. Opium.
July 26 continued healthy and rational till to day and was detained only till arrangements could be made with his parish respecting his maintenance when he left this. Has been anxious about the future and undecided what to do. This morning would not get up saying he felt dull and ill and it is evident that one of his usual paroxysms is beginning. Tongue white, no aphelitis. Bowels somewhat constipated. Pulse 60. Skin moist. Sumat. Mon. Sumat. pil. Nitre & Hydrarg. y & cum melle J. Lemna & Zyp. Cont. Alia.
Aug. 28 No change since last report except that his Bowels have been free since he took the Medicine.
Aug. 2 Bowels constipated. Pulse 66 full. Tongue full and dry considerable moisture of the skin with light headache. Appears confused. 8 hor. Sumat. pil. Colocynth & Calomel y. and repeat two hor. Sumat. Cont. Alia.
" 7 Paroxysm declines. covers himself up with his bed clothes says he feels better but does not consider himself strong enough to get up. considerable moisture of the skin. Pulse 66 full and firm. Pupils dilated. Tongue rather moist. Bowels rather constipated Repeat his Colocynth & Calomel. Continue Alia.
" 11 Bowels kept regular by Medicine. Aphelitis improves wishes to have rice and Malt in which he is to be indulged. says he feels gradually and lightness occasionally, but not so frequently of late and thinks he shall soon recover. Has been taking Quinine with Sitters. Cont. Opium.
" 14 Pulse 72 firm and steady. Tongue more moist but a little white. Bowels kept regular by medicine says he feels too weak to get up.
" 28 continued gradually to improve since last report and this morning got up and dressed himself. Looks really well but says he feels weak and giddy. Bowels regular. Paroxysm has lasted 33 days.
" 30 To day came into the Laboratory and began to occupy himself as formerly, says that he still feels weak but that in a few days he will make himself more useful. Aphelitis, Pulse, Tongue, and Bowels as well as Pupils Natural. Cont. Opium.
Sept. 5 Has been employed in Laboratory since last report and appears to be much better, occasionally mulls to himself. Says he feels nervous and weak. Health improves. Pupils slightly dilated. Cont. Opium.
" 12 Going on well is regularly employed in the Surgery. Health good. Bodily functions natural. Cont. Opium.
" 19 Mind free from delusion. Alert and active in manner makes himself very useful in Surgery. During the latter 4 days has been employed in the Carpenter's Shop making some picture frames for Dock Fleming. Health good. Bodily functions regular. Cont. Opium.
" 25 Is continually employed either in the Surgery or in the Carpenter's Shop. Health good. Bodily functions natural. Mind free from delusion. Cont. Opium.
" 30 As at last report. Cont. Opium.
Oct. 13 Pulse 78 full. Tongue dry and white. Bowels slow. complained of giddiness. Features sharp and expression anxious, dull and disinclined to work. Sum.

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1841. Oct. 14 Bowels have been three times acted on. Tongue clean but dry. Pulse 74. Soft. Has been engaged since yesterday, but is still somewhat dull and depressed, though less so than yesterday, sum. pil. Rhin. & Hydrarg. ij
- 15 Keeps his bed to day and is very dull and depressed. Exhibits all the usual symptoms incident to his paroxysm. Cont. Medica.
- 18 Pulse 72. moderate strength. Tongue brown and dry, depressed and keeps his bed
- 20 Pulse 80 ordinary strength. Tongue pretty clean, skin for the last three days covered with perspiration which exhales a peculiar odour, delirious and fanciful notions continued
- 25 Pulse 66 moderate strength. Tongue white. Bowels regular. Still keeps his bed, in which he assumes a half sitting posture, and has arranged the sheets about his body in a manner somewhat resembling that in which a corpse is laid out, mind more cheerful and active. Cont. Opium.
- 27 Pulse 72. full and steady. Tongue brown. Bowels regular by medicine, does not sleep at night, surface of body of natural temperature
- 30 Paroxysm terminated yesterday. Is now in the state he usually is in during the intervals, quite cheerful and rational in the Laboratory.
- Nov. 17 Is now employed at barkstoppers work. mind weak in other respects the same as at last report. Cont. Opium.
- Dec. 9 Health continues good. mind rational works regularly. Cont. Opium.
- 27 In very good health no symptoms of a paroxysm have been observed for some considerable time. past. During the past year the intermissions have been longer and the paroxysm shorter in duration, although this still is a very unfavourable case yet a recovery is more probable now than at January last.
- 1842 Jan. 14 Health good industrious and cheerful, in all respects the same as at last report. Cont. Opium.
- March 23 Going on well, works regularly in the Barkstoppers shop. bodily functions natural. Expresses a desire to leave the asylum and wishes to commence trade on his own account. Cont. Opium.
- April 29 Has been in his usual state since last report, working in the Barkstoppers shop and making himself useful in various ways until to day when symptoms appeared indicative of another paroxysm, appears confused, complains of giddiness of the head, says his illness has been occasioned by the heavy work he has been employed in at the Barkstoppers shop. countenance anxious, looks dull and depressed. Took aperient medicine yesterday which has freely acted on his bowels, has taken to his bed after his usual manner, pulse 70 moderate strength. Tongue clean and moist. Bodily health good. Cont. Opium.
- May 9 Bodily health pretty good, has again got out of bed and says he feels himself much better, but has not yet returned to his work. answers questions relevantly. Cont. Opium.
- 21 During the last few days has again taken to his bed. Health good. Bowels said to be constipated. Summ. pil. folia C. cl. Cocton. j. opium. noct. hora somni ad tertium usum.
- 26 Bowels regular by medicine, got out of bed yesterday, and when told he should walk about, he replied he should not do so again among so many mad people, still declares it was the hard work in the Barkstoppers shop that caused his illness. Intermit. Medicament.
- June 1 Very much excited to day, keeps constantly singing and talking to himself and has broken his bed in several places. Says he is a soldier, that he fought at Waterloo under the Duke of Wellington enters on a long history of his parents and birth. Talks frequently about Mr. Tom Campbell of Keweenaw who he says always has been his best friend; says Mr. C. is a true conservative and taught him to be one also, declares the Whigs are a damned low set of fellows, but that the Conservatives are gentlemen, pupils deluded. Bowels regular.
- 5 Dull and rational, answers questions relevantly. Has Diarrhoea with slight symptoms of dysentery. Tongue rather foul. Pupils natural. Summ. Pil. Rhin. & Hydrarg. 4. Statim.
- 21 To day exhibits all the symptoms of his former paroxysm. Keeps his bed, is dull and depressed, complains of giddiness countenance anxious, gibberish when in bed keeps a sitting posture.

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- 1842 June 21 refuses to see the Minister of his parish to day who called to inquire about him saying that his brain was too much confused and that he was not at present in a fit state to see any persons. Still heroical in declaring that the progress of his illness was the hard work he did in the carpenters shop and that working with Alex. M. Lorne and other high spirited patients made him much worse. Sleepless at night, but his appetite has improved lately. Pulse 74 moderate strength. Tongue clean and moist, pupils slightly dilated. Bowels regular. Continues.
- 22 still very much excited, for the last two days has been constantly singing in an unknown tongue, complains very much of his fellow patient Alexander Mac Lorne having bruised his foot and declares if he had been told of the damned rascal he would have cut his throat. Says that he must go to Lorne Campbell at Fiddisburgh that he never will get better in this place. Hovers in a reluctant manner about his being a good single and says that he could produce boxes made by himself that could not be surpassed in Scotland. Has rather lost flesh lately but his bodily health is pretty good, pupils dilated. Bowels natural. Cont. Omnia.
- July 4 Has become less excited since last report, but is still confused and refuses to work. Bodily health pretty good, gets out of bed daily but frequently relapses to it. Stating that he feels weak, answers questions relevantly. Appears depressed, but the whole improved since last report. Cont. Omnia.
- 6 Continues to improve both in body and mind, answers questions relevantly, is free from his former and converses rationally. Yesterday returned to his occupations in the carpenters shop. Paroxysm seems to be nearly terminated. Cont. Omnia.
- 11 Paroxysm terminated on the 7th. He is now quiet, industrious and rational as he is in the intervals of his paroxysms. Health improves. Is at present on ordinary diet. Cont. Omnia.
- 20 Last night went to his bed at six o'clock saying that he did not feel well, when asked what was the matter said that he felt his head confused and complained of the work in the carpenters shop being too much for him, said that he thinks he will give it up altogether. This morning when visited was found assisting the attendants in cleaning the gallery, says that he feels much better than he did last night but complains of slight diarrhoea. Pulse 70 moderate, tongue clean, pupils normal, countenance pale. Sumat still fit. Hydrarg. & ole. y. Cont. Alia.
- Aug. 5 Continued to work regular from the 21st till to day when he has again betaken himself to his bed and exhibits all the symptoms of a fresh paroxysm, says that the hard work in the carpenters shop is the cause of all his misery, though he does not do any hard work. Tongue white, Bowels constipated, sumat omnia. Nocte hunc omnia. pit. alterat. y. id. iii. vum. Cont. Alia.
- 10 Still continues in bed, looks thin and unaccustomed, attributes all his complaints to his work in the carpenters shop. Tongue dry. Pulse 78 compressible. S. h. & p. R. h. & p. Hydrarg. y. ad III. vicem. Cont. Alia.
- 18 Paroxysm has terminated. Is employed cleaning the wards, looks cheerful and answers questions relevantly. Has been requested to come and assist in the surgery which he has promised to do. Health improves. Cont. Omnia.
- 31 Has been employed since last report both in the surgery and the carpenters shop, has made several picture frames for the Physicians. Health good mind quite rational. Cont. Omnia.
- Sept 20 Went on well till to day when he became depressed and left his bed saying that he is altogether wrong attributes his illness as he always does when in a paroxysm to his labouring in the carpenters shop, though whenever he is well and able to work, he invariably goes there and assists. In the present instance his paroxysm was occasioned by the accidental breaking of a piece of glass which he had intended to put in to one of the picture frames which he has just completed. He was told it was a mere trifle and not of the slightest consequence, but he took the accident so much to heart that he went to bed and has all the symptoms of another paroxysm. Cont. Omnia.
- 22 Still in bed, depressed and melancholic. Pulse 78 of moderate strength. Tongue dry, pupils dilated. Bowels constipated, says that he will move either the carpenters shop again, but that when he gets up he will assist in the gallery and surgery, answers questions relevantly, but is averse to rise from his bed, saying that he is not strong enough. Sumat h. & p. pit. f. ad 2. Cont. y. Cont. Omnia Alia.
- 30 Paroxysm on the decline, and during the last two or three days he has been up and

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- 1842 Sept. employed in the work of the gallery. Looks thin and pale and his health has evidently suffered since he remained in bed. Talks occasionally about the pane of glass which was broken and says that the Carpenter at present employed is not a skilled mechanic and that Jarvis who was discharged some time ago was a clever workman. Told a long account of the work box which he made for the mattress and exhibits a handle which he says she gave him as a reward for his labour, says that Jarvis persuaded him to change for his work, else he never would have asked the clinical assistant or Miss Vasey for money and he is now sorry he did so. Showed the clinical assistant Mr. Britchard, a suitout which he had given him about 12 Months ago. He kept it in his box and had brushed it and worn it now for his coat. Said that since the time he made him the present he always considered him a kind gentleman. Mind very irritable. Let him do as he likes and employ himself in any thing he pleases. Continue Omnia.
- Nov. 4 Paroxysm terminated about three weeks ago. Since which time he has employed himself daily in the Surgery, says he is resolved never again to return to the Carpenter shop. for he never does so without incurring a relapse of his illness, bodily health good, mind at present free from all fancies and delusions. Cont. Omnia.
- " 28 Still continues well and attends in the Surgery daily, expresses great anxiety to return home. Bodily health good. Cont. Omnia.
- Dec. 27 Bodily health good has had no return of his paroxysm since the first week of October, at present employs himself daily in the Surgery, says he wishes to return home and commence the trade of a fancy work box maker. at present perfectly rational and answers questions relevantly. Cont. Omnia.
- 1843 Febr. 7 4 Employs himself working in the Surgery, and at times at fancy work for the Ladies. continues quite rational. Bodily health good.
- March 19 continues to conduct himself quietly is always industrious, employs himself as formerly, was to day transferred to A. B. Gallery.
- " 21 Has transferred from A. B. to L. K. Gallery on the 10th inst. at which he expressed himself as highly delighted said he would not now speak of leaving the Asylum as he felt so comfortable, that he would converse with the patients up stairs, but that he never could do so when in A. B. Gallery. At present rational and betrays no perceptible delusion. Bodily health good attends regularly in the Surgery and in the private Theatre, and is now in his usual state between his paroxysms. Cont. Omnia.
- " 26 Yesterday afternoon went to his bed saying he felt very unwell, to day betrays all the usual symptoms of his paroxysm returning. Lapses of his power as a writer and also about Mr. Lorn Campbell Rosecrith. Bowels said to be rather constipated. R. P. Utterance of Stalim must 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 to not inclined to converse with any one, blames the hard work he had in the Surgery for his present attack. Cont. Omnia.
- April 3 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 which was the cause of his attack. R. P. Ut. C. St. Cro. y Stalim Symp. Cont. Alia.
- " 9 Remained quiet in bed since last report, until to day when he again became highly excited and smashed several panes of glass in his bed room, talked in a very incoherent manner particularly about Mr. Lorn Campbell Rosecrith and the Duke of Argyll. On this occasion he exhibited a higher state of excitement than that which formerly characterised his paroxysms. To be removed to retired Gallery. Cont. Omnia.
- " 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. Cont. Omnia.
- May 10 Still 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 to day again transferred to A. B. Gallery.
- " 11 Has yesterday transferred from L. K. Gallery where he had been in bed for several weeks. said

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- 1843 May 11 he was quite knocked up with work and that he was not fit to be up, he is today up in the gallery, and has been out walking, looks very much reduced, and health in a very bad state, say he intends to work again in the course of a few days, but at present he is not strong enough to work with the other patients. To have ordinary diet. Pulse 68 small tongue clean, bowels open pupils natural. Continue Omnia.
- " 14 Yesterday began to work in the gallery, countenance better, but still very weak. Slept well during the night, but complaints of his stomach and head, ordered him the following mixture yesterday and the Pills today.
- " 24 Bodily health improved, takes his Medicine regularly and has been constantly employed since last report, head and stomach better, full of fancies and delusions, and thinks he ought not to sleep in the same room as he has done since he has been down in A B this time, because the patient that sleeps with him has different views and ideas upon religious subjects to himself, takes his food regularly and is very quiet and orderly, Pulse 70 moderate bowels slightly dilated, tongue clean and moist bowels regular, cont. Omnia.
- " 31 Continues in a very weak state of mind altho much improved mind full of delusions, very industrious but at times very quarrelsome bodily health and functions natural, cont. Omnia.
- June 7 This Patient was today removed to the new Institution at Eastward.
- " 30 Since he has been transferred to the country, his bodily health and mind have both been very much benefited, he is now quite rational and works regularly and is very industrious, but cannot bear much fatigue, is very much pleased with the change, and thinks now he will soon get quite well, talks rather rambling at times, but on the whole pretty rational, general health and bodily strength much improved, Bodily functions natural, cont. Omnia.
- July 17 For several days has not been very well, says his head is very much confused, attributes the cause, to be constantly walking backwards and forwards about the house with the carpenter with whom he was working, says his head is not strong enough to withstand so much confusion bowels confined, tongue furred and white, Pulse 74 moderate, Pupils slightly dilated, Submit to: Alterative.
- " 31 Has now quite recovered from the last attack, employs himself constantly about the house and is very industrious, mind still continues very confused and at times talks incoherently, while good, Sleep and Bowels natural.
- Aug. 31 Has worked regularly at his trade since last report and makes himself very useful, Bodily health good and he is at present cheerful and contented, Mind free from all delusions, and he answers questions relevantly, Sleep and Bowels natural, cont. Omnia.
- Sept. 25 Works regularly in the carpenters shop and is at present free from all delusions, Bodily health very good, cont. Omnia.
- Oct. 25 Has worked daily in the carpenters shop during the last month, Bodily health good, is calm and free from all delusions, at present betrays no symptoms of his paroxysm returning, cont. Omnia.
- Nov. 25 Still continues to work regularly in the carpenters shop and has betrayed no symptoms of his paroxysm returning, so at present rational free from any perceptible delusions, and his usual state between his paroxysms, cont. Omnia.
- Dec. 27 Has continued perfectly rational and in his usual state between his paroxysm since last report, cont. Omnia.
- 1844 Jan. 27 Employs himself regularly in the carpenters shop, Bodily health very good, so at present rational and free from any delusions, Has had no return of his paroxysm for several months, so good humored and industrious, cont. Omnia.
- Feb. 28 Continues rational and free from all delusions, works regularly in the grounds or at the carpenters work, Bodily health good, so in his usual state between his paroxysms.

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- 1844 Feb 28 Contin Omnia.
- March 29 No change whatever either mental or bodily has taken place since last report. Cont. Omnia.
- April 18 During the last few days has betrayed symptoms of his paroxysm returning to dull and depressed and refuses to employ himself. Mind full of fancies. Bodily health pretty good. R. Pil. Alterativ. xij sig. Two every night at bed time. R. Bicarb. Soda ʒij. Tinct. Gentian. Comp. ʒij. Aqua ʒxi M sig. A wine glass full twice daily.
- May 15 Has been very dull and depressed during the last month. Is now in the state he usually is during a paroxysm. Mind full of fancies. Thinks he has been overworked in the establishment, remains in bed almost constantly, will not employ himself in any way. Cont. Omnia.
- 31 Still continues in a very depressed state. Delusions formerly noted remain unchanged. Is inclined to remain constantly in bed and refuses to employ himself in any way. Cont. Omnia.
- June 30 Is now rational and betrays no delusions, works at the Carpenter's Shop and is in his usual state between his paroxysms. Bodily health good, appetite, sleep and bowels natural. Cont. Omnia.
- July 21 Continues rational and free from any delusions, works daily in the Carpenter's Shop. Bodily health good. Cont. Omnia.
- Aug 20 In all respects as at last report. Cont. Omnia.
- Sept 18 Bodily health good. Is at present rational and free from all delusions. Employs himself at Carpenter's work and is in his usual state between his paroxysms. Cont. Omnia.
- Oct 16 Continues rational and in his usual state between his paroxysms, employs himself regularly. Bodily health good. Cont. Omnia.
- Nov 13 Bodily health good. Is very industrious and works regularly. Betrays no delusions and is in his usual state between his paroxysms. Cont. Omnia.
- Dec 13 During the last few days has been in a depressed state and remained in his bed. Is day complains of having been overworked in the Carpenter's Shop. Is full of fancies regarding himself and in his usual state during his paroxysms. Cont. Omnia.
- 19 Is again more cheerful and has returned to his work, answers questions relevantly and betrays no delusions. Still rather depressed. Bodily health good. Cont. Omnia.
- 545 Jan 19 Has continued more cheerful since last report. Is at present rational and free from any delusions works daily in the Carpenter's Shop. Cont. Omnia.
- Feb 16 Has been in bed during the last few days and is very depressed. Delusions the same as during his former paroxysms. Bowels said to be slow. Bodily health good. R. Pil. Fat. C. of Cort. V. Sum. ʒij. C. ʒi.
- March 26 Has improved very much since last report.
- April 26 Is at present in rather a depressed state, answers questions relevantly, but is rather confused in conversation, complains of feeling weak caused by overwork in the Carpenter's Shop. Is in his usual state during a paroxysm. Cont. Omnia.
- May 9 Is to day very much excited, abuses Dr. Hutchison for keeping him here and wonders what Mr. Lorn Cambie now thinks of such conduct. Says he is perfectly destroyed altogether and is determined that such a system will no longer continue. Sometimes confuses himself in the Carpenter's Shop, but he cannot at present be trusted. Bowels require to be kept open by alterative medicine. Cont. Omnia.
- June 8 Has been very excitable since last report. At times he becomes very depressed and melancholy. Refuses to employ himself, and is apt to quarrel with his fellow patients. Mind evident weak. Is at present rather confused in conversation. Takes two alterative pills every second night. Cont. Omnia.
- 19 Has been much better since last report. Is at present rational and good humoured. Employs himself daily. Bodily health good. Is again in his usual state between his paroxysms. Cont. Omnia.
- July 7 Continues in all respects as at last report. Is industrious and works daily in the Carpenter's Shop. Cont. Omnia.
- Aug 7 Is at present quiet and betrays no delusions. Employs himself in the Carpenter's Shop. Bodily health good. Cont. Omnia.
- 30 Has been in one of his paroxysms during the last few days. At present abuses every person about.

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1845. Aug. 30 Has been in one of his paroxysms during the last few days, at present abuses every person about the place, says he has been made a slave ever since he came here. Is very irritable. Bodily health good. Cont. Unimpaired.
- Sept. 25 During the last few days was in a very unsettled state wandering about from place to place and from one employment to another, discomfited with every thing and everybody, sulky and quarrelsome, abuses the Medical Officers and particularly Dr. Hutchison for keeping him here all his lifetime. Seems however to have again become quiet and wrought steadily and peaceably in the Carpenter's Shop yesterday and today. Bodily health good.
- Oct. 20 Has been free from any paroxysms since last report, working steadily and industriously in the Carpenter's Shop, is cheerful and contented and converses readily and relevantly on any ordinary subject. Bodily health tolerable. Powers restored regular. Cont. Unimpaired.
- Nov. 16 Is in his ordinary state of health between the paroxysms, works industriously in the carpenter's Shop, converses relevantly and betrays no delusions, clean and neat in his personal appearance, in good bodily health. Appetite sleep and Powers natural. Cont. Unimpaired.
- 25 Being at present in good bodily health and free from all delusions, as his friends insisted on his removal he is dismissed.

Cured

N^o 1115. Thomas Stevenson Et. 30. SingleAdmitted 5th April 1837.
Rate 2/6.

Description. About five feet eight inches high, ordinary habit of body, arched nose, thick bushy eyebrows, complexion and hair reddish fair, eyes bluish grey.
Previous History. He was treated in this Asylum from 27th Nov. 1835, till 25th Feb. 1836 and dismissed cured. Vide. Volume page 488. Unsteady and restless manner, appetite craving for stimulents, costive bowels and unsound sleep are generally observed for two or three weeks before the attack. The form of the Malady is mania 2^d attack with occasional outburst of thirty days duration. His hallucinations are that his relations have wronged him, he knows not how and when in a state of excitement that he is surrounded by danger, he knows not from what. He has threatened repeatedly to commit suicide by poison or cutting his throat, and loaded a pistol to shoot a near relation against whom he had conceived an ungrounded dislike. Indolent and an indulgence in various and intemperate habits for many years past. He has also been subject to hemorrhoids and stricture of the rectum for a considerable time, but no other bodily malady. Exceeding coarse intemperate use of spirit drinks and immoral habits, with he professes to be much under the influence of religion. Nothing has been done yet except attending to the state of his bowels and as far as possible restraining his propensities.

The following Notes occur in Doct. Balmanno's private Book.

- April 8 Unwilling to conduct himself with propriety.
 17 Alleges that his present attack of lunacy was the consequence of disappointment in not receiving a letter which he expected from his brother in England and has repeatedly made anxious inquiry of me about said letter. Thinks himself well enough now to be again dismissed, but it is much to be feared that he would revert to his old habits as soon as he should again feel himself at large.
 24 His improper conduct since last report. He is still anxious to be liberated alleging that nothing but disapprobation of receiving his brother's letter injured his mind. Makes very fair promises and wishes me to speak to his father to remove him.
 May 8 Has continued to behave quietly and to employ himself as prescribed. Has written some letters of late of a very questionable character and from the tenor of which it appears that his mind is not in a state to be depended on. Cont. regimen.
 17 No change still anxious for liberation and proposes great contrition for past misconduct very little trust can be placed in his professions and promises and I have no doubt that if he was liberated he would run the same course as before. Continue regimen &c.
 June 14 As formerly in all respects. I met Mr. Stevenson sent on the Street some days ago. He said it would be quite impossible for him ever to receive his son Thomas into his family again. He would be in the fear of his life if his son were under the same roof with him.
 22 No change. Behavior well and is free from any indication of lunacy. Cont. treatment.
 Sept 7 Has continued to conduct himself properly and is this day dismissed.

Cured

No. 1116 John M. Fie Married. Master R. N. Admitted 7th May 1837.
 Date 1837

Description. About five feet five inches high small make face and nose covered with obstinate eruptions, nose large small greyish lips and grey hair.
Previous History. This patient was treated in the Asylum from 20th September 1835 till 5th June 1836, and dismissed. Guard, Vide Vol III page 143. The present attack was preceded by increased irascibility restlessness impaired Appetite costive Bowels and want of sleep were observed for an uncertain but considerable period before the Malady was suspected. The form of the Malady is traceable Melancholy with bursts of violence 2^d attack, succeeding an attack of apoplexy or coma, which he had about two months ago followed by stupor and paralytic debility to such a degree that he could not stand or even turn in bed. His Hallucinations are, that his wife has been unfaithful at times he admits that this may be merely fanciful and sometime has expressly said so but still it returns has sometimes been afraid that certain persons were watching to take him to jail Is prone to strike when irritated, particularly his wife, has also repeatedly prepared and concealed Daggers and other weapons for the purpose either of injuring himself or others it is thought, predisposing cause Nervous sanguinous temperament natural irascible and fanciful with irregular and intemperate habits of long standing, exciting cause, Jealousy and the excessive use of ardent spirits to which he has been long addicted. Repeated leeching purging and blistering by which he was so much improved that he can now walk about pretty actively.

In Doct. Balmannor's Note Book the following observations occur.

Has of late had a glass of spirits twice a day but he has now so far recovered strength that one may suffice. Let him have a glass of spirits daily and attend to Bowels which are still disposed to be slow.

- May 22 Seems now to be pretty well reconciled to the Asylum takes his food well and behaves peaceably continue treatment and let him be duly watched against suicide.
- " 25 Pulse 100 tongue a little furled and face exhibits little obvious eruptions, liver can be felt enlarged a little but not perceptibly indurated, Appetite pretty good and he is quiet and orderly in his behaviour, cannot understand why his wife should again have placed him in the Asylum and beseeches me to get him liberated continue treatment.
- June 14 Is a little more disordered than usual and constantly under apprehension that his wife is gone to Am continue treatment.
- " 19 Countenance brightened up a little and his feelings are more comfortable, Cont treatment.
- " 20 Improves a little in as just Mind has usual complaints of scanty supply of snuff altho has an ounce. Continue treatment.
- " 30 Mind as formerly, Has of late expressed much fear that his wife left the country or as he says absconded and on telling him down stairs thought I was about to inform him of his wife was much relieved on hearing that I wished to see him merely in order that I might certify that he was alive so that Mr. Fie should be enabled to draw his pension, complains of costiveness Pulse 128 but the weather is warm and he is a little agitated. Keep Bowels free by Calomel R^x and continue other treatment.
- July 12 Warm weather still, but patient seems now comfortable and eruption of face greatly diminished complains of slowness of bowels and of some pain about stomach. Still says that Mr. Fie has deserted him. Give fatal R^x presently and two in the morning keep belly free by the use of them as often as they be required.
- Sept. 21 Pills have been regularly used and have kept Bowels free countenance better and pretty free from eruptions to which he has long been subject. Bodily health improved says less about Mr. Fie having abandoned him and on the whole seems to be in a more comfortable state of mind. Continue treatment.
- Oct. 2 Seems a little duller in spirit but there is no remarkable change. Continue treatment.
- " 11 Pulse 80. Sky dull and heavy and he seems a little depressed, give pills.
- " 21 Has lain down in bed and his pulse and breathing are more hurried and oppressed. Eye

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- 21 unrelieved and excited. Features have more sharpness. Cough more troublesome. Pulse about 100, but no
 22 frothy heat and skin of hands feels somewhat harsh and dry. Give a glass of wine daily in Piquet and use
 the mixture when oppressed or breathless
 23 Restless night, yet cough not troublesome. Pulse from 120 to 130 but fluttering and at times as not to be
 easily numbered. Respiration laborious and oppressed. Extremities coldish and he is evidently sinking. Features
 of Mark and his livid. Give three glasses Wine, 4thly heat. Continue other treatment
 24 Pulse 130 so small and feeble as to require a little spirit to number it, the regular Respiration about 44, and
 laborious. Tongue dry and a little furred. Bowels free. Spontaneously yesterday and to day, general debility and
 oppression increased. To have 3ij wine in the course of the day. 4 glasses are small measure. Keep up heat
 by external warmth
 25 Mr Mac Fie having asked permission to sit up with his husband I readily give my assent to the request
 Mr M. arrived about ten o'clock. Mr M. Fie was still quite sensible and remained so till within a few
 minutes of his death, he continued to sink till 4 o'clock in the morning when he

Died.

This patient having long received the pension allowed to Sailing Masters of the Navy I judged it
 to be the more necessary to dissect the body in order that I might be able to certify as to the cause of death
 from actual inspection of viscera.

Skull Cap rather thick and a little compressed at the sides, but otherwise natural
 Vascularity at Apex.

1857 John Crawford Et 46. Married. Store Porter. Admitted 16. May 1857. Note 8/6

Description. Five feet six inches high ordinary habit of body long coarse black haired countenance snub nose bluish grey eyes and scanty grey hair.

Previous History. For about a fortnight preceding early attack he was unreasonable angry ill-natured and forgetful and restless during the night. The form of the delirium is irascible melancholy with occasional very 3^d attack. Since the beginning of January last, he has been suffering about 8 days ago and in all respects similar to the others which were of short duration. His hallucinations are principally connected with horses of which he is uncommonly fond frequently imagining that there are a number of them in his apartment, and that his wife is one. He has often threatened to cut his throat has struck and kicked others and frequently threatened and attempted to force open and break down doors with a poker. He has had a tendency to paralysis and about a week ago he had a temporary paraplegia. He has also for a long time been irregular and intemperate in his habits. The exciting cause is loss of money by persons of the name of Bird of whom he sometimes raves, and intemperance. Treatment nothing but soothing means, was never in any degree before.

See Reports in in this case

The following Report occur in Dr. Calmann's Note Book

15 Inform me now that he was 8 days in the Town Hospital before his admission to the Asylum says that 2 days after his admission he began to reflect on the consequences to himself and family of being imprisoned in a mad house for life, and by an effort of his resolution he regained his mental control, and all his insane fancies fled. Smiles when his imaginary impressions about horses is mentioned does not recognize any old acquaintance voice in those which he occasionally hears, knows where he is and is quite sensible of the absurdity of past insane conduct and that he was insane when admitted. Pulse 100. Tongue clean but turns a little to the left when protruded. Eyes unclouded and freely turned in its motions set neither wild or prominent and pupils natural, walks actively with some slight unsteadiness in his gait and thinks mudra of left leg not so steady as right and has some little hesitation or stammer in his speech. Remains happy from words and give employment in garden.

17 Has been employed as described with benefit but there is now of course which alleges came on suddenly that it was observed accidentally a few days ago. Pulse slow Tongue but R. Colomet q. v. Salda q. Xc the to be taken 6 mornings daily. Let bed and and be well rubbed morning.

June 28 Pulse 100 but he has been at work in the garden and the weather is now oppressively warm and clear. Tongue clean sleep and appetite good, Leg still oedematous.

No. 1118. John Paterson Et 30. Single Baker. Admitted 22nd May 1837. Rate 8/6

Description. About five feet eight inches high, pretty stout make, well formed, countenance of dejected cast, complexion dark and sallow, eyes dark hazel and hair black.

Previous History. Has been a habitual Drunkard for 10 or 12 years past, was recently furious but is now in a state of bewilderment and stupor. So quite rational when free from the effects of strong liquors. Raves as others in the state of Blue Devils, of black animals creaking over the walls and bed clothes. Has never threatened self violence, so dangerous to others when excited to fury by ardent spirits and on such occasions tears breaks and destroys, nothing singular in the state of the mind originally, but was always of an unsettled roaming disposition and has long been of most intemperate habits, no known bodily disease, Predisposing cause habitual drunkenness. Exciting cause intoxication, no remedies used and never in any Asylum before. Fierce and secure.

15 Pulse 80. Has still animated appearance and complexion pale or rather sallow but he is quite composed and rational and free from any of the imaginary impressions usually incident to the malady, is quite civil and submissive. Is very willing to be employed in any occupations in which he can be serviceable, remove broths and give milkmilk in grounds. Shower bath every morning.

June 30 Has continued to improve and having undergone a sufficient course of convalescence considering the cause and nature of his mental affection he is this day at his Brother's request dismissed.

Cured

Wm. John Young Et. 21. Single. Steam Boat Steward. Admitted 13. May 1837.
Rate 8/6

Description About five feet six inches high ordinary habit of body short round face low narrow rather forehead grey eyes and dark hair

Previous History. Low spirits for three or four weeks. Bowels costive and sleep irregular and broken for a longer but uncertain period. Also about this period seemed to be affected on religious subjects. The form of the Malady is Melancholy with sadness and bursts of violence. The attack of three months duration with occasional remissions and these are at times followed by great outrage. Delirium incurs. Hallucinations. Mind much depressed by fear of eternal punishment. Imagines falsely that he has wronged his master. He has repeatedly threatened and some times struck his relations and those around him without provocation. Predisposing cause Nothing known except that one of his sisters who was insane for about six weeks some years ago may show it hereditary or constitutional. Exalting cause not known except such feelings by some insinuation against a near relative. Treatment Nothing has been done and he never was in any Asylum before.

15 Has been nursed since admission. Is very reluctant to approach me and seemingly afraid. Pulse 120 probably from agitation and alarm. Tongue at tip natural but seems afraid to exhibit more of it. Shave head and neck. Bowels free by solution. Salamat if worst first given and may be repeated if solution require emulsions and Bowels not free.

30 Labour's daily with the usual bright mind is now convalescent. Continue treatment.
Oct: 20 Convalescence proceeds. He is daily more or less emboldened and is a willing worker and with the usual benefit. Continue treatment especially labour in open air.
Dec: 30 Being well and after having undergone satisfactory probation he is this day dismissed.

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N^o 1120 William Rose, Et 33 Married Sailor Admitted 17th May 1837.
 Note 8/6

Description. About five feet eight inches high ordinary stout make but at present rather emaciated and countenance sallow and sunken. Complexion hair and eyes dark.
Previous History. Three months before admission slept ill and became regardless of his family and other concerns frequently in a state of intoxication during the whole day and not taking food. The form of the Malady is Mania from drinking with nervous agitation. 1st attack of 14 days duration at times he became outrageous especially when his inclinations are opposed. at other times he is calm. Hallucinations, Imagines that his wife was walking before him wanting the head, and that in general the persons about him want their heads. He has threatened to take the lives of his children to save them from being shot by soldiers, and has threatened suicide on similar grounds, also broken his breast and heart. Predisposing cause long continued habits of intemperance indulged in by fits, during which he is altogether indifferent to regularities either in sleep or food. Burst a blood vessel of the breast about 12 years ago by which he lost much blood. Excessive use of violent spirits. Treatment, nothing has been done, and he never was in any danger before open bowels, secure and necessary sleep.

The following Report occurs in Dr. Balmaine's Note Book.

19. Slept ill last night but is quite calm and answers rationally. He still depressed and much emaciated says now that he is quite sensible he was deranged in mind when he imagined that his wife or other persons wanted their heads and that his fear of soldiers and intention to destroy his children proceeded from the same cause as well as his propensity to suicide, on enquiry he said he said that he then drank 2 or 3 Lits in a day and that sometimes for a number of successive days not less than six Lits daily. So troubled with flatulency keep belly free by Fated Pill with croton. Let him have shower bath daily.
 May 27 Pulse 80. Ready and improved in strength and swelling of ankles gone and has been daily at work as a sailor to which he

- July 20 Has gradually been improving since last report. Is very servicable in mending clothes or in any other Tailorship in which he is employed. Countenance fresh and manner indicative of convalescence but I have not for some days subjected him to and particular examinations. Continue treatment.
 Aug^r 5 I called in the patient again after strictly admonishing him, made him give me his hand and solemn promise that he would in future refrain entirely from the use of spiritous liquors and as he has been useful and has readily and diligently made or mended clothes for which work we must have otherwise paid a Tailor I authorized Mr. Fairbairn to pay him a moderate allowance of wages and he is this day dismissed.

Cured

No. 1121 Archibald Anderson Et 41. Single, Clerk. Admitted 17th May 1857. Rate 1/8/6.

Description. About six feet two inches high, rather slender make, long countenance (slightly prostrated), of disjunct eyebrows, eyes and hair dark. Chromatopexia. History. From the early appearance and nature of this case nothing remarkable was observed, or at least is now remembered indicating its approach. The form of the insanity is melancholia with occasional bursts of violence. 1st Attack, as he seems to have been prior or less insane ever since his early youth but previous to his confinement his violence was increasing. His Hallucinations are false impressions of religion which led him at one period to mutilate himself seriously and strong but groundless prejudices against his relations and best friends are the prominent & morbid mental symptoms. Persecutions, some years ago amputated his testicles with a Razor, and has frequently threatened violence to others especially his relations and friends. Predisposing cause was brevity of weak mind and he has a Brother who has been insane for a number of years past, indicating a hereditary and constitutional tendency. Spelling cause not known. Treatment before confinement change of scene attention to Bowels and diet &c. was tried without benefit. Since he has been treated for about 5 years in Mr. Durys establishment from which he has been removed from the reduced circumstances of his relations. Ordinary regimen and attention to bowels.

The following Remarks occur in Dr. Palmer's Note Book.

- 19 I had the curiosity to satisfy myself in regard to the reported emasculation of this patient and found that the scrotum and testicles had been fairly cut off. Says that several cuts were required to complete the operation. The blood vessels had to be secured by a Surgeon after the patient had been reduced to a state of great exhaustion. So ashamed of his mutilation King himself says he tells none who do not know of it. That his beard ceased to grow after he had encircled a hyacinth in America, for as there is a slight growth of it which requires to be removed about once a month. From these circumstances I suspect that the patient has long repented of his folly but he still justifies the act of his emasculation. This I suspect was the only proof he gave of actual lunacy. I carefully examined him on the usual impressions of the external senses without detecting illusions or insane impressions and nothing I could lay as in the least irrational, fell from him in the course of our conversation. I would not be surprised to find however that he labours under some delusions which he did not avow. I did not proceed to examine on the usual illusions of the internal senses moral or intellectual or on those propensities and desires and aversions irrational fears or equally absurd confidence and presumption which afford no means of detecting a faulty state of the mind unless palpable Hallucinations or illusions is detectable. In prescribing I had ordered the shower bath as the patient demonstrated exposing him naked before the Nichols London cellusions to head every morning and he may add shunning of neck and back as a substitute for the bath. Let him have daily exercise in the garden or grounds when weather permits.
- May 27 Pulse 76. Complains of flatulent pains of stomach and belly bound. Had a long conversation with him but was not successful in eliciting any proof of lunacy. Keep Bowels free by Purgatives in the dose of one every night or 2nd night as may be necessary and let him have work in the Garden or grounds.
- June 21 No evident change in his answers and in the expression of countenance especially his morbidly relaxed cheek and unstable wandering eye. There appears to be indicated the same indolent habit of thought and forgetfulness as if the conception he was about to express suddenly dropped from his mind, as at first. To be employed in the garden and continue other prescriptions.
- July 25 Was confined in the same state since last report. He was this day at dinner and seemed to be more attentive and composed. Delusions.
- 30 Behaviour as before with the greatest composure and propriety. Remembers the substance of last Sabbath discourse and also that of the text tho he was at a loss for the Chapter and verse.
- Octo. 14 No change could be observed in this patient's case since last report and this day he formed means to make his escape from the Asylum. Masons are at present at work on the two front wings and by means of some of their scaffolding or ladders he got over the wall and his route would

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4. not be traced by the keepers sent after him
 12. has been heard of by Mr. Laird who thinks it advisable to allow him to remain for some time in the Country. He is therefore dismissed.

Uncured.

No. 1122. Walter Hill Single, Painter. Admitted 24th May 1837. Rule 7.

Description. About five feet seven inches high ordinary habit of body, strong countenance with rather prominent nose, and dark complexion hair and eyes
Previous History. The premonitory symptoms, undue elevation of spirits, was observed for about three weeks before the attack commenced after which he suddenly became greatly depressed. The form of the Melancholy is Tragic Melancholy of a few days duration, 2 Attacks; he was treated in the Asylum from 30th July 1836 till the 17th April last (vide page 45 of this vol.) when dismissed he was remarkably well, but soon after his return to his employment his spirits became elevated and he elated. These fluctuations, are probably due to be an entire want of confidence in himself, and an opinion that he is unable to perform almost anything aright and a constant brooding fear of danger. Quoting his former Attack he was extremely prone to tear and destroy his clothes in any way he could, but at present he has exhibited no such inclination. The predisposing cause, has had an Uncle insane and some of his relations have been in a doubtful state of mind he is also of a highly nervous susceptible temperament and at all times subject to mental depression. No exciting cause known in the present reaction except a degree of false shame in meeting his former companions Treatment since admission; he has been pruned and clad with clothes of later.

The following Reports occur in Dr. Balmann's Note Book

- May 28th Pulse 70 rather soft and compressed Tongue very slightly furrowed, a degree of listless depression of spirits but has had belly opened, and been visiting in the Garden with benefit. Disposed to continue. To be employed in garden duty, and to make light fence by Col. Rd.
- 29th Has been employed in the garden but makes little improvement, as yet is very quiet and subservient. Cont. Treatment, especially labour when in the garden or working at his trade which is that of a painter.
- June 21st Is very busily employed in burning the wooden division of Ladies' Garden ground, and is slowly improving. Is very quiet and obedient. Continue treatment especially daily employment.
- July 26th Has continued to labour very peacefully and to work at any employment in the way of his occupation as a painter, was yesterday busily employed in painting a door in imitation of satin or other light wood, and succeeded in a manner like marble and with no small degree of taste. Continue treatment.
- 30th Continues to labour well. Feelings get more comfortable yet he is still a little dull and nervous. Continue treatment.
- Oct 11th Has been daily employed and is a willing worker especially when a painting job occurs seems to be very contented to remain, and surely can not be better. He has not standing of mind for self government. Cont. Treat.
- Nov 16th Very obedient, peaceable and sensible is always ready for any little job in the painting line, seems quite contented with his abode in the Asylum. Cont. Treat.
- 26th Continues to conduct himself properly. Cont. Treat.
- 1838- March 12th Has continued to behave with great civility and quietness. Labouring readily & diligently at any job assigned to him. Is at present busy with the Billiard room which is much in need of his lab. Cont. Treat.
- 24th Has finished the Mosaic partition of the Billiard room in very good taste, but has of late been a little suspiciously anxious for dismissal when informed to day he seemed rather more suitable than material. Pulse 80 and a little irritable but he has been wheedling the expression of countenance, speech and manner not so settled as could be wished. But he is decidedly improved since admission, and his friends having agreed to make trial of him again at Large has this day dismissed.

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- 1838 April 21 Variable since last report, and altho there is at present a promise of Convalescence, it may as formally end in another burst of violence; Cont. Treat.
- July 26 The Course of this patient's symptoms has been just as anticipated and as had been long experienced. He was not long free from a relapse of high mania, and he has had not a few since, generally of 3 or 4 weeks duration, and then an interval of comparative Composure, but never perfectly free from his delusions, and never in such a state as I could pronounce Comatose. Altho he travels sickly when violent, & has lost head and sense.
- Nov: 20 Has for a considerable time been pretty quiet, and has required but little medication. Pulse 90 Says his Wife is in India but is to be home tomorrow at one o'clock; He is of course as mad as ever altho more quiet with it, Cont. Treat.
- 1839 Oct: 18 Has continued for many months in a comatose state affecting keepers and doing any work & signs him; Cont.
- Nov: 20 Still. Mind as absurdly fanciful as before, says his Wife is in the East Indies but that she is to be home tomorrow at one o'clock; Cont. T.
- 1840 March 16 Improves a little and works pretty steadily. Bodily health good; Cont. T.
- March 16 Generally improved and seems to have more command of mind - works well. C. T.
- May 1st Bodily health good. Has not for a long time, belayed any of his absurd fancies though his mind is still evidently in a very unsettled state, works however diligently; C. T. H.
- 2nd Bodily health good. No mental improvement. Quiet and industrious.
- June 23rd Bodily health good. No mental change since last report. Pulse 100 says he is the first born in the world and that he is several millions of years old, that he never sleeps (though he sleeps well). Mind and manner as hitherto as ever. works well. Considerable tendency to obesity. His Wife is anxious that he should be tried at home with her. But there is no such improvement, as would render it warrantable to comply with her wishes.
- July 20th Bodily health good inclines to be stout. Mind as unsettled as formerly, works well; C. T. H.
- August 18th Not affected by recent hot weather. Bodily health good. Mind as formerly; C. T. H.
- Septem: 29 No change since last report, C. T. H.
- Oct: 16 Works irregularly. More fanciful as before, always makes use of large numbers in speaking of anything such as that there are some hundred thousand people in the house, that he is some two or three millions of years old. - that he is to live hundreds of thousands of billions of years &c. Bodily health good.
- Nov: 1 No change; C. T. H.
- 3 Had an epileptic fit this morning at half past 7 o'clock, which lasted 15 minutes, symptoms moderate. Abundant. Capilla. Slight Stomach. Col. going to post-horns less sol. Cathartic 3 1/2 Cont. Alia.
- 11 Has been well purged. Is very stupid.
- 16 Has become more alert in appearance. Is obstinately taciturn. Takes his food cannot be employed. C. T. H.
- 20 After recovering to a considerable extent from the effects of his epileptic fit, he yesterday became very stupid towards evening, and today remained in the same state. Pulse 66 full. Tongue white, will not answer questions and keeps his clothes in a most disorderly state on him. Tongue hot. Abundant. Capilla. Oppressed Respiration. Capilla. C. Alia. H.
- Rev: 8 Blister was applied as directed and produced full evacuation, bowels have been well changed by medicine and he now looks more alert. Habits, Stomach, Mind beautifully. Pulse 84 full. Tongue clean and moist. Sleeps well and keeps his clothes on, S. Ome. Nuclei pil. Rhin. Compf. Cont. Alia.

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- March 17 Colonel grv. at post having two Sol. Lab. with 3 1/2. C. Alin, H.
- 18 Pulse 60 Full. Tongue white, bowels free by medicine. Still stupid and cannot answer a question. Abroad, Capite. Opponent. Mesicater. Capite toto. S. h. S. grv. 1/2. The Sol. Lab. with 3 1/2. Cont. Alin, H.
- 19 Still insensate has been provoked and he has been well purged; Pulse 72. Tongue pretty clean. Much more alert, able to answer questions, R. T. H.
- 20 Much more alert; answers questions relevantly. Bowels free. Pulse 78. Takes his food sleeps well. C. T. H.
- 31 Repeated and stupid seems to be threatened with another attack. Abroad, Capite, S. Sol. Lab. Cath. 3 1/2.
- 11 Returns in much the same state as yesterday is sullen and obstinately taciturn. Sluggish and rests in nothing slight. Breasts increased on being questioned or examined. Pulse 98 of moderate strength, Tongue rather dry a little hoarse and red. Opponent, mesicater. Capite toto. S. Colonel grv. 1/2. Cont. Alin.
- 5 Blebs has been applied and has risen. Bowels have been freely moved, no improvement. C. T.
- 6 Very weak today. Pulse 80 Small and thready. Less depressed and able to answer questions. To have full diet, and a pint of port daily. S. Sol. Lab. Cath. p. r. n.
- 18 Improved considerably after last report, but yesterday and today is more heavy and stupid. Cont. T.
- 20 As at last report, Pulse 104 Tongue clean but dry. Abroad, Capite, Cont. Surgeon.
- Feb 1 Has had no fits since last reports. A large Carbuncle has appeared over left Throat major which is now opened by a free Crucial incision. Opponent, Calophlasmater. Cont. T.
- 8 Wounds made by incisions look healthy, flared and granulating. Bore much less indurated. Bowels very loose. Pulsus, Calophlasm.
- March 14 Wound has now been healed for several days and he has now got up. Bodily health and appearance on the whole improved. Mind which seemed a little improved, while he was confined to bed, gets worse again, runs incoherently and in a loud voice, using often very violent language, and swearing much but not attacking any one. Continues the Pul. Shrug, by which his bowels have been for sometime kept open. As also the alternate powder. Head has shined again.
- 28 Since last report has been very excitable, running incoherently, sometimes in a low muttering voice, and at others with great vehemence and loudness of tone. Of late has even struck some of his fellow patients. To be carefully watched.
- April 29 Still frequently excited, and runs very loudly and vehemently. But has not committed any actual violence of late. Habits not quite so dirty as formerly.
- May 22 Bodily health good, no return of epilepsy since 17th Decr 1840. Habits still filthy, incapable of being employed, occasionally noisy and destructive to clothes, but has not offered any violence to others. C. Omnium.
- June 1 Looks thin and pale. Taciturn but answers questions relevantly. Does a little work. Dist but amiable. Cont. Omnium.
- 19 Bodily health somewhat improved. Mind as formerly. Is today wheeling with the other patients. Cont. Omnium.
- July 8 Has been constantly employed in out door work since last report, and has improved considerably in consequence. Runs less than he did and is in general quiet. Still taciturn though more alert than formerly, answers questions relevantly. Appetite good, Pulse 72 of moderate strength. Habits filthy occasionally noisy during the night. Cont. T.

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- 1851 July 22 Still occasionally noisy during the night, especially a little after going to bed, but when in the gallery with the other patients works well in garden and does much less than formerly. Still somewhat fatigued during the night though much improved in this respect. Bodily health good. Cont. Ominia.
- Aug. 11 Head continued to ache since last report. Habits much less fatiguing, though he is still rather noisy at night. Cont. Ominia.
- 17 Tongue rather full, pulse natural, pupils dilated. Appetite good. Breath offensive. Works regularly in the garden is very tedious. Looks thin and unhealthy. Cont. O.
- 30 Health has improved since last report though he looks worn and thin and is unhealthy. Works regularly in the garden, mind very weak. Bowels open. Tongue a little white. Breath not now offensive. Cont. Ominia.
- Sept. 10 In all respects the same as at last report. Continues to work in the garden. Cont. O.
- " 17 Mind weak and fatigued has discontinued working and wanders about in a morose and careless manner. No improvement in health looks thin and sallow. Cont. Ominia.
- " 21 Has again resumed work and is employed wheeling. Health and mental state as at last report. Cont. Ominia.
- " 30 In all respects as at last report. Cont. Ominia.
- Oct. 11 Pulse 70. Habits pretty correct, with the exception of occasionally wetting his bed at night. Cont. O.
- " 20 Pulse 70 moderate strength. Tongue clean and moist. Pupils natural today is more excited than usual takes short turns backward and forwards muttering much to himself and frequently clapping his hands. Cont. Ominia.
- " 27 Pulse 72 small and feeble. Tongue dry and white. Pupils dilated. Bowels and sleep natural. lies quiet at present. Sum. of pit. Rhin. & Hydrarg. second of: note at luncheon.
- Nov. 8 Pulse 72 Tongue clean and moist received an accidental blow on the nose from one of the patients. Works as usual. Cont. O.
- " 20 Pulse 72 Tongue white, pupils dilated a little mutters much to himself, mind weak, works regularly and is good humoured. Cont. O.
- " 24 Pulse 66, Tongue rather dry and furrowed, says he does not sleep at night. Appetite and bowels regular, health good. Cont. Ominia.
- Dec. 3 Pulse 70 full. Pupils natural, looks stout. Tongue dry and white. Sum. of pit. Calomel. & Elix. Op. Cont. Ominia.
- " 11 Health good, but mind still very weak. To be dismissed. Cont. Ominia.
- " 27 Health has improved (rather) during the last four or five months. Mind is still in a state of miserable dementia.
- 1852 Jan. 30 Works regularly and is good humoured. Mental change. Health good. Cont. Ominia.
- March 23 Since last report has on the whole conducted himself pretty well, occasionally mutters to himself. Health good. Cont. Ominia.
- April 4 Pulse 78 moderate strength. Tongue clean and moist. Appetite sleep and bowels natural, does a little work. No mental change.
- " 23 Health continues good, works and behaves himself quietly, no improvement in mind; mutters to himself as before. Cont. Ominia.
- May 9 In all respects the same as at report. Cont. Ominia.
- June 20 Since last report has been in his usual state of health, mutters to himself, mind very weak does very little work, and that only occasionally. Is good humoured, but very reluctant to answer questions. Cont. Ominia.
- July 14 Pulse 75 moderate strength. Tongue clean and moist, pupils dilated, has been for a few days excited, constantly muttering to himself in a low tone of voice. Resists examination and refuses to work. Cont. Ominia.

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- July 11. Tongue clean and moist but hoarse. Bowels regular. Pulse 64 small pupils dilated. answers questions rationally but very laconically, mind very acute and expeditious. Const. benign.
21. Health as usual. Tongue has the same hoarse appearance, pulse 70 pupils dilated, at present more excited than at last report. Abund. Copious. Copious about Aug. 7. Anterior.
30. No change since last report. Const. benign.
- Aug 9. Has improved considerably since last report, health now pretty good. Habits filthy. The patient having determined for economy to remove him to Warren this day dismissed.

Relieved

No. 1124. *Dugald McShraich* Married Aged 50. School Master. Admitted 5th Decr. 1837

Personal Description. Five feet 7 inches high, ordinary habit of body, long thin countenance, high nose, light blue eyes and grey hair.

Previous History. Depressed of spirits both before and general dyspeptic symptoms affected him for an uncertain but considerable period before insanity appeared. The malady is melancholy, with irritability, and occasional bursts of violence. First attack of six months duration without any remarkable remission, and the symptoms are becoming more obstinate. These hallucinations are principally that he is in a dangerous or dying state, and labours under great apprehension that he may be buried alive by his family or relatives. Of his propensities nothing more is known except that he considers about nursing in a depending manner on what he conceives his hopeless condition. Of the predisposing causes, nothing is known beyond his dyspeptic complaints, as there was no peculiarity of manner, habit or situation that could be considered as such. The exciting cause was anxiety of mind from losses and losses which he has met with ten or fifteen years past. In the way of treatment nothing has been done beyond giving purgatives and blisters without benefit. He never was in any Asylum before.

The following occur in Dr. Balmanni's Note Book

- 1837 June 7th Very peaceable. Answers when questioned but is on the whole morose and silent. Keeps belly free and good employment whenever it is practicable.
- Aug 1st Has continued to be in a very stationary state ever since last report. Behaves very quietly, and is silent and dependent. On examining the abdomen, several spots of some pain, especially about 2 inches below the umbilical border, but I do not detect any enlargement of the liver although he said he had often felt pain at the right about ribs. The lower abdomen was considerably inflated and he complained of flatulence and anorexia with slowness of belly. To have felt. Fat every night 6, but and let him be employed at any little work to which he can turn his mind.
- Sept 1st Less flatulence and distension of belly and seems a little more alert.
- 1st I this day carefully examined the patient as to the state of his mind. He has been improving for a considerable time past, and he is more quiet, sensible of the fallacy of his former insane impressions, viz. that he was to be buried alive for his wickedness, and conceived to eternal misery for his sins. He still gives to previous mental abstraction, and an unsettled state of thought, as indicated by the expression of the eye. Due by his disposition to pace the floor. Whilst I was talking to him, I advised his wife to allow him to remain in the end of the month, but that, especially the past few days.
- 2nd The patient having lately seen his daughter a girl about 14 years of age, who had come from home recently to see her father, and by him quite unexpected, he was much agitated at the time, and for a short while afterwards, as reported by Mr. G. but today he is in his usual state, or indeed rather less peaceable and depressed, has been ascending in the garden.
- 26th Has been pretty actively employed of late, continues free from illusions, and seems less liable to fits of abstract musing. His mental health is not yet sufficiently established and confirmed, but being quite rational, and his friends having had time to effect several. He is though still a little prone to previous melancholy musing, this day dismissed.

Cured

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- 1827 June 13th Pulse 80 Says he slept as well as he was wont to do with his draught and feels better today. Is disturbed in this sight. Feels himself very comfortable in his present quarters and quieter than he would be in his own house. "At the request of Mr. W. George Warden, I this day Certify that the patient was insane and incapable of managing his own affairs. I therefore for the same effect to his Brother's law Agent two days ago."
- 14th Sleeps well and Appetite improves. Talks quite rationally on all subjects on which I have conversed with him, except that of the voices he imagined he heard in the night, and his Brother among them. I still as much under the delusion as formerly, takes daily exercise in the grounds. Is
- 17th Pulse 70 improves in strength and fullness. Appetite good and sleeps well on porridge & Stew. His bodily health, strength and bulk improve. Converses quite rationally on various subjects. Conversation rational or nearly so, but still asserts that he heard from 40 to 50 voices, talking aloud in the night for several nights after coming to the Asylum. Thinks still that his Brother's voice was amongst them, but is sensible as to this when last questioned upon it. Admits that he might have been mistaken in this point. This day attended Mr. Atkinson to be accompanied by Mr. W. George W. Atkinson's own Agent. On returning from the Asylum I met Mr. Atkinson who told me that Mr. W. George was to be at the Asylum at 3 o'clock. I previously sent Mr. W. G. to Mr. Atkinson and therein stated that as we could not make fish of one and fowl of another, and as Mr. Atkinson had chosen to make it known that Mr. W. G. was to visit, Mr. Atkinson's Agent Mr. Webb should also be admitted if Mr. A. should wish this.
- 19th Pulse 80 of good strength. Sleeps well on his porridge and ale. no dreams nor imaginary impressions but still believes in his former fancy of having heard the voices of numerous persons, and among them that of his Brother. Yet again admits that in regard to his Brother's voice he may possibly have been mistaken. Saw Mr. Atkinson today and she remained with him about two hours. His Pulse may be a little higher upon that account. Spent much time on former said by his Brother to have been occasioned by his wife having thrown a tea saucer at him and that it was shattered by Mr. Atkinson. Mr. A. said on the contrary that it had been inflicted on England & denied by a Surgeon there, and that it was done by a fallen servant. A small excoriation on the left temple the effect of a small wound inflicted within the last 12 months by a blow of a tea saucer thrown at him in a moment of irritation by his wife.
- July 1st Pulse 70 Sleeps well on his porridge and strong ale drinks more than on any former occasion. The nocturnal disturbance to which he imagined he had been subjected for some nights after admission and in other respects improves. Converses rationally and actively on all other subjects. - Post Trent. This day permitted Mr. Webb the patient's Brother's law Agent, to have an interview with the patient in my presence for an hour, when I was obliged to go away leaving John Smith the keeper in my stead. The main object of Mr. Webb's conversation appeared to me to be to reconcile Mr. A. to his Brother's views, and to keep up the unpleasant feeling between Mr. A. & Mr. W. G. before I left the room. I found that the patient's Pulse had risen to 100 and he was evidently less composed.
- 5th Pulse 70 and he is quite composed giving rational answers to all my questions, yet still under the impression that he heard the nocturnal clamours for some days after his admission.
- 10th continues in as favourable a state as at last report.
- 14th Had a long conversation with the patient and was satisfied that his late imaginary impressions had left his mind or existed only in a very slight degree. At times some of his answers were a little suspicious, but on the whole I judge him to be fairly comatose. Since last conversed with him he has been at his Farm accompanied by Smith the keeper of his ward, and he gave a very sensible account of his farming matters. Mr. Benson a relative of the patient's was on a former occasion accompanied the patient to his farm and reported to me that he had tried to tempt the patient to take some spirits in opposition to my commands, but Mr. A. utterly refused to partake of the intended liquor pure or diluted. Mr. Webb Warden Agent for the Patient told me that he had made the same experiment with the like result, Cont. Trent.

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1. I have repeatedly visited the Patient since last report, and have found him to be as last stated. I saw him on the 30th ult. in the Ward and at Chapel his conversation and deportment were in all respects correct. This day Mr Atkinson called to consult me about assuming his husband's place in the Asylum. His wife was that he should go to his Farm and come to Town only once a week, so as to satisfy himself how the business of the Farm was doing, but that she would not consent to allow him to live on the same household as her until he should have given satisfactory proof of being able to conduct himself properly, and that her best Customers had particularly told him that they would leave the house if he should return to it.
2. Had a long conversation with him at the desire of his Wife. The enclosure will shew that he should leave at his Farm and come to Town, perhaps once a week to manage books and take the business of the Farm was proceeding. To this he would not consent: but as he would visit some of his friends till the beginning of August when he would return and take up his abode in the Inn, we agreed to three weeks probation, Part 3.
3. Came to be obstinately resolved to assume his place and functions in the Inn but still agreed to take his farm in the first enclosure and after having remained there a short time, he proposed to visit some of his relations or friends at a distance, especially his Brother in Ireland, & on his return he is determined to take up his abode at the Inn. Mr Atkinson having judged it proper now to give him a trial of emancipation I have executed the necessary order. He has been free from his most obstinate and endless for long past his only delusion being since the 16th of last month a period considerably short of the usual term of probation but before his delusion left him he had been so rational on all other points that if he refrain from stimulating liquors, I have a reason to expect he will continue well, he is therefore this day dismissed.

Cured

- Aug 6th. Notwithstanding apparent regret and contrition for past misconduct and the fear of promises of amendment, he was no sooner liberated than he at once plunged as I was informed into his former dissolute habits and mode of life. After riding furiously to Ardara and back again to vote for the Members of Parliament, he landed on a Mr Runkle's brother.

No. 1126 James Adie Married, Waler & Bleacher. Admitted 12th June 1837

1837 June 12th Personal Description. About 5 feet 8 inches high, large round ruddy countenance, but with a decided embelish expression, eyes prominent of a light greyish colour, and sandy hair.
Previous History. He was observed to be restless and unsettled in mind for many months before the first attack, and immediately before the present he became careless of his habits and inattentive to his own comfort. The form of the malady. Is Mania with embelish and a degree of femininity.
 2nd Attack of 4-5 weeks duration with occasional remission at convalescent periods. The first attack which occurred about 12 months ago was in the form of. Melancholia, Tachycardia and continued for 2 or 3 months. His hallucinations are chiefly about fishing, and of his success as a fisher. Catches fishes 40 or 50 feet long, Lays the great Butcher in Sells. Takes of beer 3 or 4 times a day in Odor. 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Personal Description About five feet 5 inches high slender delicate make with long body and short thighs and legs giving the appearance of a tall man when sitting eyes brownish grey, complexion and hair fair.

Previous History. For about 3 months he was forgetful of recent occurrences available in temper any course, very wakeful, and sometimes sleepless. And for the last portion of the period he has begun to refuse his food.

The form of the malady is manifestly raging in melancholy with irascibility. 1st Attack of eight weeks duration. But with two short lull intervals at uncertain times during which he was quite rational and aware of the insane state in which he had recently been.

His hallucinations are that his stomach has been eaten away in consequence of having washed a sore leg with salt and water in his Urine, and that he has been dead a thousand years, and frequently expects a horse to carry by body to Gorbals Church Yard.

The Hutchinsonian cause was an insupportable temperamental and they increased by embittered general health from 6 months confinement with a severe sprain during and after which he drank ale very freely, intemperance during his hours of relaxation had a frequent obstinate refusal of Food. There had no treatment as to form considering him self dead refused to take medicine therefore unable to swallow. There was in an Asylum or place of confinement before.

— The following Reports occur in Mr. Balmanno's Note Book. —

June 18th Gave a glass of Wine in Regus presently and let him recline for an hour in bed. Then gave an enema. Commenced at bed time a draught of Porter. In the morning Calomel gr 8j.

22 Has recovered since last report takes his food regularly, the milk as yet with great Appetite. Pulse 90 and quite distinct. Regular and the soft of tolerable strength and fullness. Still complains of pressure of Epigastrium, but nothing of morbid formation or change perceptible to the touch. Is considerably less agitated and excited than at admission and his feelings are comparatively comfortable, he talks so comfortably that I did not choose to touch on the subject of his delusions, and he did not spontaneously advert to them. Likes his Wine but is not so fond of his Porter. Enema answered and Calomel brought away several stools. Pulse has since been regular. Continue Wine and as nutritious diet as he can take and due attention to bowels.

29 Is in good spirits. Is walking about the ward and has been daily in the open air. Complains still of some pain in the region of the Stomach and alludes to the loss of the Organ. Pretended to fall in with this fancy but explained to him the regenerating power of the living body and assured him that altho there was a very evident want of Stomach yet that part of it had actually been regenerated and felt under my hand as he might be sensible, from having now taken his food daily, and that I had no doubt the whole Stomach would in time be regenerated. He was anxious to get to Town to see his Son. He also was desirous of a ride in a carriage, thy thought being a little more hurried and flighty than usual. Advised by Son who called on me and to see him till late. Schenke gave him my appreciation for so doing. Cont. Treat.

July 11th Improves. He requested him to write by remarks on last Sunday's Sermon.

11th Was unable to give any account of the Sermon, even to say where was the Text. But what was remarkable he gave me some account of the sermon which had been preached on the preceding Sunday on "The one thing needful" as exemplified in the Conduct of Mary contrasted with that of her Sister Martha. The last Sermon was on our duty to God, and the subject matter derived from the beautiful Text "Bless the Lord O my soul" &c. thy Sermon was remarkably clear concise and impressive. thy former was good but prolix and tedious the patient appeared to me to pay equal attention to both.

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- 1857 July 17th Improves in bodily health yet mind still in a feeble unsettled state. Having desirous to
 to get home and taxed me with breach of my word for saying that he would probably be
 indulged with his liberty in the course of 2 or 3 days. I reminded him that this was quite an
 indefinite time and that our rules required two months of convalescence before we could
 discharge a patient cured. Cannot recollect anything of last sermon or even the text from
 which it was preached, even tho' I presented a portion of it to him. Considering the fact that his
 memory was a little surprised that he could recollect what I had said to him and which
 was said at the time of his confinement. Text. Text.
 Very calm and composed makes some pertinent remarks on his fellow patients improves in
 bodily health.
- Sept. 26th Mind still rather feeble altho' even in this respect he has improved since last examination
 and being quite rational and free from delusions he is dismissed.

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 14. 2. Was this

No 1128 Alexander Neven Married States 60. Engineer Admitted 21st June 1857

Personal Description. About five feet six inches high rather large head and face with a marked expression of imbecility, hair brownish grey with upper part of head bald and greyish eyes.

Previous History. For two years before he became insane, was observed to be in low spirits and occasionally forgetful and confused in ordinary matters. In other respects his health was good and his habits sober and regular. The form of the malady is mania with imbecility and irascibility. 1st Attacks of about 6 weeks duration and the symptoms are increasing without intermission or remission. His hallucinations are that he is a deity; abnormally granting large sums of money to all around him, with whom at the time he may be pleased, and that he is capable of constructing every description engine, in the utmost perfection. He endeavored to kill one of his children, and break his legs and destroy, so as to have become a lecher to his whole neighborhood. Of the predisposing cause nothing is known except that several of his near relations have been insane, and there are two daughters of a cousin so at present, and it is said his head was injured about 15 years ago, but not to what extent. The exciting cause was disappointment from having failed in constructing an engine greatly to the loss of his Master. Nothing has been done in the way of treatment and he never was in an Asylum before.

The following Reports occur in Dr. Balmanno's Note Book.

- 18th June 21st Prizes and keep belly free
 July 8th Answered any questions tolerantly and seemingly correctly. Has become more manageable and is free from personal restraint to be faced with a little work in the wards as soon as he shall be sufficiently composed. Cont. Diet.
 10th Examined again today and found patient more stupid and and it now appears to me that the mental defect is too great and too long established to admit of great amendment. Continue attention to bowels and regimen.
 11th Is obtuse a little more excitable weather has of late been very warm the generally cloudy. Cont. Diet.
 Nov 20th Has gradually sunk into a state of hopeless fatuity. Is so stupid as to be incapable of inflicting injury either upon himself or others and is therefore no longer a proper Patient for this House.
 Dec 2nd Was this day removed from the Asylum and is described

Uncured

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