

## **Ladies case book**

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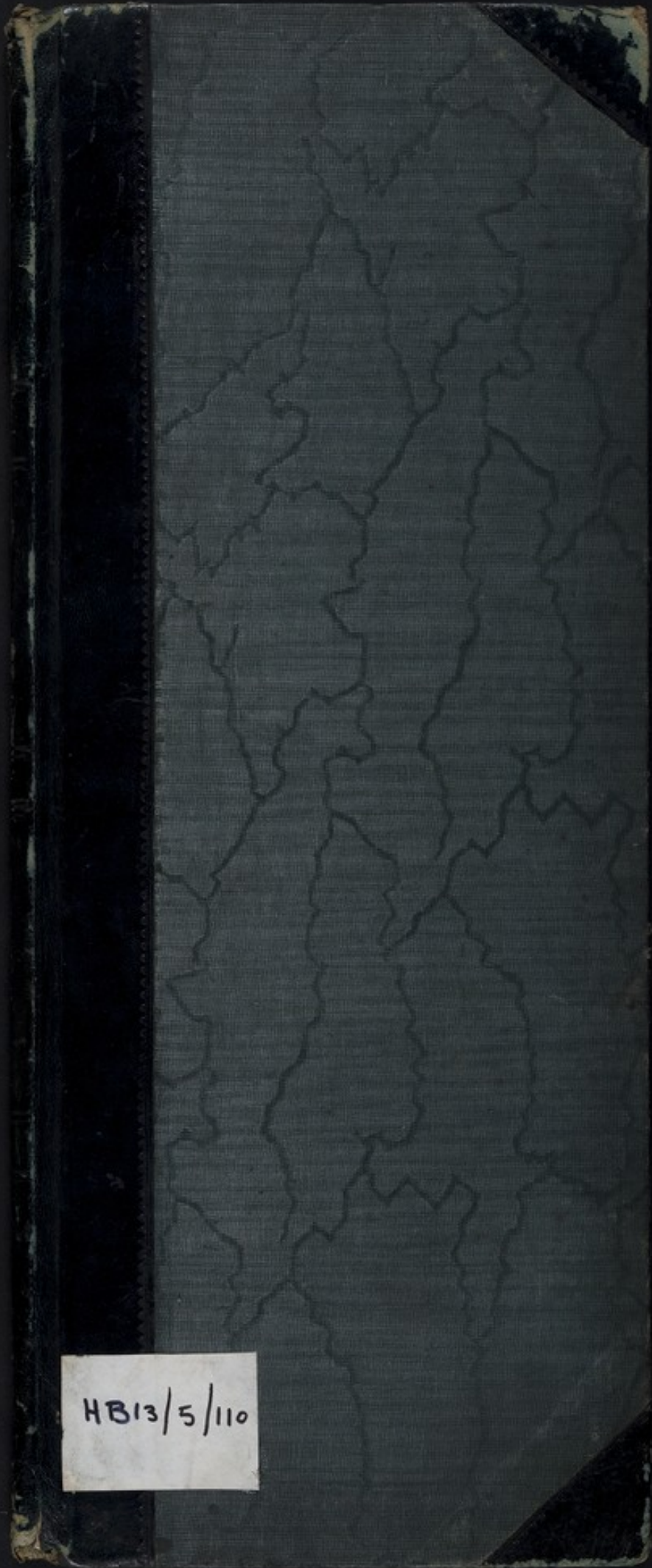
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W. S. Welch Bookschap - Oct. 87  
Admission 11<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1885

This Lady left the island of this City  
 about 7 years ago, at which time her symptoms  
 were very similar to what they are at present  
 being watched. Wandering up & down the Gallies, always  
 expressing a strong wish to get to West but when  
 that is granted it is still the same, cannot stand  
 for five minutes anywhere, even when it has  
 rained she would get up & walk about & pre-  
 dicted, feared that her Sister used that  
 saying with her last left, and gone to Philadelphia  
 had nothing that was to be said with conviction  
 but the country cannot persuade her to be  
 patient at home, having, according to the  
 from any source

25 Sister applied to the back of her head, in the  
hope of removing the swelling of height, she almost  
complained of it her head. I was distressed to-day  
visited by her Sister & she had applied  
great pleasure at seeing her, but she soon  
observed that her head almost distressed as before

April 21st 1864

27 taken on the bank of the creek which we  
spent a day by Dr Fleming who says it is  
a Proboscidea and had no doubt but that I should  
find daily & in fact true & had good water

Walking of United Mail have been continued  
by applicant - both before, and since it was  
refused - but quite its departure & unsuccess  
although still being written; still applying the  
15<sup>th</sup> Walking. Removal to day by the Sea,  
to the other change of this being as you see  
but they prefer taking her to the Sea Coast  
of the Savannah

New Court 10 W. Waller St. 48  
 Adm. West. January 3<sup>d</sup> 1867

5<sup>th</sup>

Symptoms very similar to what they were  
 during his last attack in 1864-5. Very restless  
 & phlegmatic, and occasionally much excited  
 but still the same hallucinations in regard  
 to his knowledge having been concentrated  
 and kept himself Mr. William Weston  
 who said appears much weakened, more  
 debilitated, and he has a very great  
 expression and looks many years older

Since then it is evident, playing  
 around his mind that he is surrounded  
 by Ectopic beings

Mr.

1865

Miss Cynthia Mayleell Oct. 40

Admitted 2<sup>d</sup> March 1865

March 10<sup>th</sup> This is the first attack of insanity  
 of which she first developed about  
 two years ago. The most prominent features  
 of her case, were sleeplessness, restlessness, suspicion  
 of her relatives, and a desire to leave home.  
 She appeared to entertain a strong aversion  
 to her Aunt who had acted as a Mother  
 to the family, & taken charge of the House,  
 and being quarrelsome when first admitted  
 but gradually pleased with the change. Long  
 it was that her feelings were satisfied, & she  
 was so satisfied. - She is much susceptible  
 alone. - Sleeps well, and tranquilly, until  
 the attack and awakes her in the morning,  
 takes her food well. - goes out and  
 walks regularly, when the weather permits  
 and is almost employed in dress, doing some  
 sort of needle work, or reading.

25<sup>th</sup> Much more frequently and violently quarrelled  
 today with one of the Sisters. - felt almost  
 that her own family had been persecuting  
 & that her interest for the last two years  
 had been bitter feelings against them, and  
 still could be reconciled with any of them,  
 although she is fully aware that her situation  
 is in a very inferior state of health. - a  
 little irregular, occasional thins. - stands her  
 opinion upon every one which she lays down in  
 the most unreasonable manner.

April 15 Sent to the house to attend with the Sisters  
 and assist to go up with the other to the

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April 10  
Miss Elizabeth Churchill and Dr. Howard

Having been - sent to the West almost every time,  
and indeed he has been and is still  
in general health, still at home  
when the case seems to be better, but still  
well, taking his food well, and walks  
about a good deal, is gaining flesh, -  
the whole has general health in much

July 31st improved. I was indignant at his  
friends for allowing him to remain so long an  
invalid of this long time - that he is  
perfectly well, wishes to be at home  
& share alike with his sister in his  
father's house "as the greatest himself"

1865

Miss Maria Parker, age 21  
Admitted 6<sup>th</sup> March 1865

March 4<sup>th</sup> This poor young Lady has in great distress of mind, who brought her, and had been for a month prior to her admission. Thinks she has been guilty of unpardonable sin, and that her soul is lost, and feels so comfort, wishes to get out of the world by whatever means, and had attempted to commit suicide with a razor, wishes to get Madras and prison herself. — Cause supposed to be suppression of the menstrual discharge.

The Lady Bath & Cuffing was visited 7<sup>th</sup>, and continued for five nights successively.

14<sup>th</sup> Not quite so depressed, and generally better. The evening she became loquacious in a surprising way, in case of melancholia. Still her mind is greatly distressed, but she is to say the least but recovered at home about a week ago and determined to take care of her own life, and for that purpose she purchased and swallowed 2 large bottles of Seltzer. (She says she has what she had done, and to think wrong and not despair but for it, very gentle & sweet-tempered.)

20<sup>th</sup> Temporal — had the back of her neck rubbed which she submitted to in her usual patient gentle manner, and it was to have relieved her slightly.

26<sup>th</sup> Very well to day better than the first day after her admission. All her delirious ideas quieted, she is happy & cheerful, and talking in the most intelligent manner. She is likewise sleeping well & bright, without the aid of opiates.

at hand & he submitted at first  
 March 28. Much more depressed, all her old  
 delusions have returned, she fears for  
 your state now, the spirit of her past  
 in her delusion and she has a  
 distressed, haggard look about her.

April 5<sup>th</sup>. Again altered, but continued very  
 well all day, went out walking in  
 the rain (and before breakfast, and  
 she had her hair & dress and she had  
 not been putting it with her fingers and she  
 has a habit of doing "if not watched",  
 when distressed. All was her head, her  
 hair, but the back of her head, the  
 skin was loose, when she had submitted  
 and which she said she had done  
 with a pin, very much, and so  
 grateful, with appreciation of her  
 little kindness shown to her

" 8<sup>th</sup> Continued the Bathing & Capping & night  
 " 10 " continued it for five nights continuously  
 but without the desired result, although  
 she is greatly improved in other respects  
 her mental condition is greatly improved  
 she is much livelier, very cheerful & kind -

" 13<sup>th</sup> Compared her conduct with the  
 history of her life & rather the experience  
 of the past two years, & was being furnished  
 with paper & writing materials and some  
 sent her the little "She is a tale of  
 a Phœnix bird" but after long musing

1865

Helena Garrison, 10 Mt. Vernon Oct 35  
Admitted 9<sup>th</sup> March 1865

Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> Subject of insanity, now first developed  
about four months ago. The case ascended  
him towards the house, and debility after  
the confinement with her first child who is  
at present about four months old. She is  
very depressed, and restless, wandering about  
incoherently. - In the night, but finding some  
imagined that her child is dead, and  
that all who are about her are dead  
except her food, and that it is fed by the  
attendants like a child.

11<sup>th</sup> Refused all food, was obliged to be fed with  
Stomach Pump, which had proved most  
effective, as she now takes some thing.

17<sup>th</sup> offered to her. Had her breast pressed,  
and called with some interest, and kept  
in bed for the last two days. talks continually  
of being supported, thinks that every one  
is dead, or dying except her. - asked her  
if I did not know this person. long discourse  
in her habits, but to be taken of like a  
child, by the attendants. otherwise her bed  
would be in a most disgusting state.

April 15<sup>th</sup> No improvement in her intellect - but sleeping  
is well at night, and still as depressed in  
her habits. if not strictly attended to - loses  
her clothes. had some of Miss J. Robert's Gown  
new fashioned so to prevent her doing so, and  
sent her first through a piece of black  
cotton to be fast lapped into a robe of cotton,  
but to most distressingly be ill-used as before.

1862

May, 1st In improvement, still at the same in regard  
to his health (continually talking of his  
health and family) but the state of the  
atmosphere

Remains by the water to be  
altered, but being far from being well

April

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May

Oct 1

1865

Mr. MacLeod continued from Page 128 of  
 (Father's Book)

March 14 but in general she is much depressed &  
 has indeed greatly recovered.

Appears to be falling into a state of depression  
 April 12 So far, and talking more intelligently  
 than she has done for some time. Said she  
 better to-day and took dinner during the  
 time she was sitting by her, but refused to  
 take her other meals when offered to her, and  
 was again obliged to have recourse to the

14 Stomach Pump. What she has food for  
 thus kept back, in a broken manner, much  
 has wasted - but not attempted to strike  
 for some days, - but is still very depressed  
 occasionally, but after the whole there is no

May 25<sup>th</sup> <sup>improvement</sup> manifestly. I was able to leave  
 her bed and sit up all day, better  
 manifestly, although she has still the great  
 many hallucinations

of life that greatly bother, although far from  
 well, a good deal of nervous instability still.

Oct 18<sup>th</sup> <sup>Continuing</sup> Re-admitted - after staying  
 some time at the Court, she went to board with  
 a clergyman a minister of the same denomination  
 as her late husband; came into Glasgow last  
 week about some business which she  
 required; & came to the conclusion that she  
 would instead her journey up to Balmoral  
 and lay her case before her Majesty - Her  
 symptoms are very much the same as formerly  
 nervous, restless, suspicious, when she goes,  
 she comes about with her too good - again

1865

Mr. Wright's Case Continued

October 14<sup>th</sup> - Day in which an excellent band of  
 16<sup>th</sup> at the call there, appeared & held at times  
 quite late in the night, conducted the singing  
 in. P. 1. White had light "when about 25"  
 under her arm, "that" is the most delicious  
 mass, giving out the whole, conducting the  
 singing, leading the Chorus & singing "as she  
 goes" with the greatest propriety & volubility

Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> - Much excited & very abusive in her  
 language attacked myself & two  
 of Mrs. Henshaw & unforgotten Mary  
 Ann without "forbearance" doing  
 anything more serious in relation  
 "30" to her house - That her back  
 ached & a dose of Opium was  
 administered to her

Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup> - Calm & tranquil but present  
 at a White amongst a number of  
 the other Ladies & conducted herself  
 with propriety

March 12<sup>th</sup> - At times extremely delirious, and  
 occasionally much excited, and noisy,  
 talks a great deal about the men at  
 the White and imagines herself entire-  
 ly overlooked and neglected by them,  
 carries on conversations with imaginary  
 persons, who appear to be located somewhere  
 about the ceiling, as she continually looks upwards  
 while talking to them, and says many  
 "ridiculous things" "Celestial Visitations"  
 Language of rapture, love, & ecstasy.

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May 2

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38<sup>th</sup>

Miss Robert Miller, Oct. 19  
~~Admitted~~ April 1865

April 13<sup>th</sup> That John's malady is supposed to  
 have been brought on by the unusual state of  
 his system. The most serious having been  
<sup>heightened</sup> greatly, but has since abated of them  
 and all forms of suppuration of the breast  
 being little and slowly, almost inclining to  
 become a few days, or has down his head  
 (seems) in his habit, the glow of his  
 face being often disfigured by his excitement,  
 5 Oblivious to pain to a complete suit of coarse  
 clothing, as the constantly attempted to disrobe  
 himself, even to the extent of nudity.

9 Had his back rubbed which has  
 slightly increased his fever his state of apathy  
 still has been extraordinary, and admitted that  
 that religion imagines she has been captured  
 to imagine that, but that she is inspired  
 by the Holy Ghost, says that the  
 Pleasures have been given to her, as we  
 imagine what that she is inspired above  
 all those with whom she is surrounded.

May 20 Miss Martin, had to be removed from the  
 to the Gallies, as a punishment for the  
 insolence shown in which she had expressed  
 herself to me of the Methodist Society.

26 Greatly improved in all respects, and  
 conversing herself with propriety.

30<sup>th</sup> John & Mr. May, expressing the love & affection  
 for him, and proposing that he should take  
 his rest of that, and that he has his wife.  
 being little sleep & dragging the body to rest.

July 5<sup>th</sup> Chas. - "Remained - & day by his Brother's 100 trials  
going down to Mrs. to the school the Henry Lee  
Wagon Hill - do; "Dismissed" off the Book

July 11<sup>th</sup> 1865, J. Stoughton  
Robert Superintendant

Epil.

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Aug 11

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July 14

Miss Parker (Case continued from page 8)

April 28<sup>th</sup> that she would dedicate it to him, she  
 appeared to realize the absurdity of it,  
 and gave up her attempt at authorship.  
 26 A decided change for the better.  
 29<sup>th</sup> That passed during her illness might bring  
 30 about until 30<sup>th</sup> is the morning in sitting  
 up in bed waiting to 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>  
 yesterday, says she has something after  
 her mind, which she has been disordered,  
 but that if she could procure a sufficient  
 quantity of Strychnine to take before her  
 life, she would use it and be thankful,  
 appeared in great mental distress after returning  
 from her walk, and would have dashed  
 herself against the door had she not been  
 prevented by the attendants.

May 11<sup>th</sup> Attempt to destroy herself by drinking Spirit  
 of Wine, which is about as applying the Cupping  
 Glasses, and which she intended had  
 been not for that purpose - "having only  
 tasted her back to have some effect  
 than to another attendant;" Miss Parker  
 seized the opportunity, and called out the  
 attendants, she had offered some of Strychnine  
 had administered, to and out the Strychnine, I took  
 in a liquid state, that given to her immediately  
 was depressing that she had taken the Spirit  
 16 of Wine. Very much better.

June 4<sup>th</sup> Released to-day by her Mother, left in good  
 spirit, very much delighted at the prospect of going  
 home  
 J. Thompson

Charles H. Hester to Wm. H. Hester Agent for Hester  
Columbia April 22<sup>nd</sup> 1868

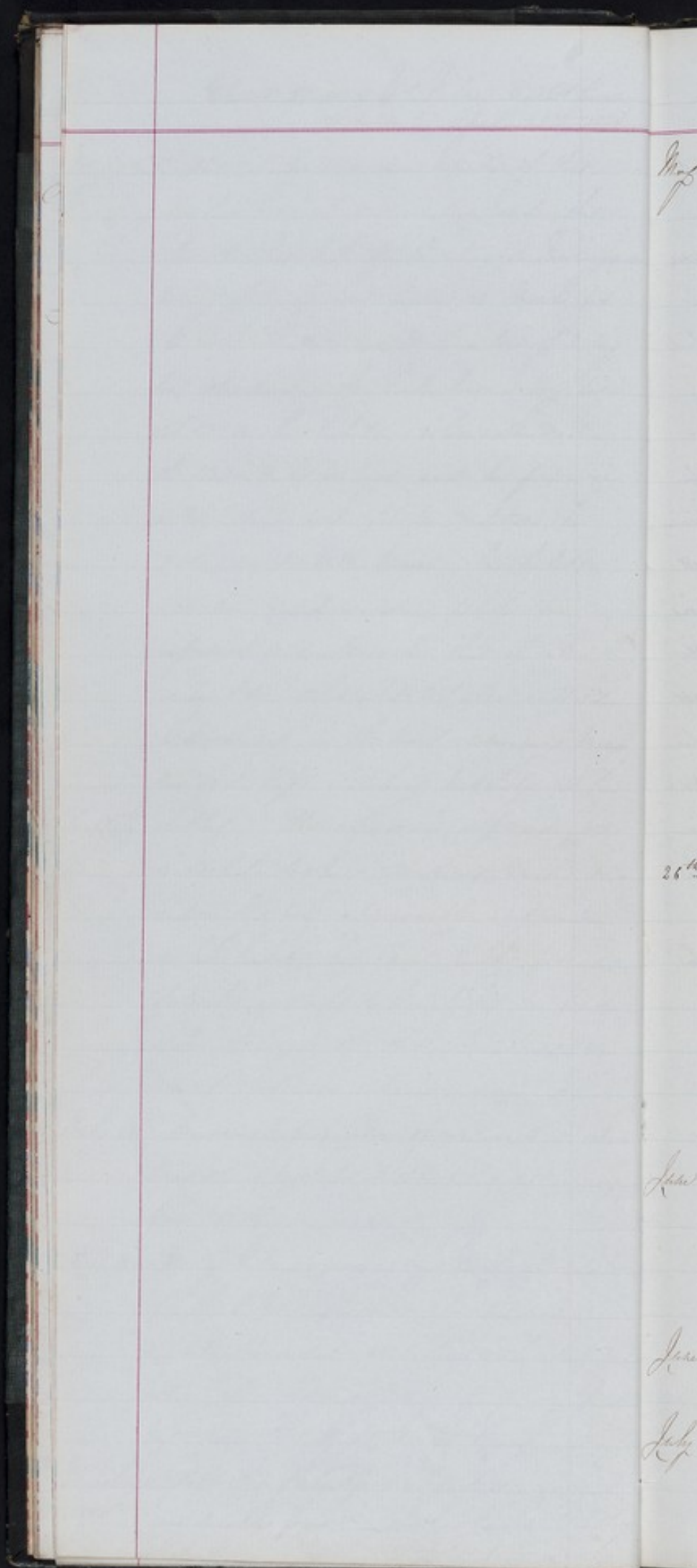
May 1<sup>st</sup> The lady that was introduced of that  
age about 12 years, age and that  
she has been for some time in mourning  
nothing of her former history is known, but  
she was characterized by her hair of a very  
dark standard & she had become very dis-  
colored in her habits, when admitted  
she was at first in doubt, and her person in  
a neglected and filthy condition, her  
clothes covered with vermin, her habits  
also were very disreputable, while her  
expressions were altogether that of a  
villainess, she would not allow a word  
but content in the most abominable man-  
ner and kept clanking buttons at her  
clothes. Her expression improved, not  
to a whole looking, sometimes smiling oc-  
casionally well, also greatly improved  
in her habits, her dress became better  
furnished, - she kept well & took her food  
well, although she still manifested an  
almost insatiable desire.

July 22<sup>nd</sup> Occasional fragments of excitement at which  
times she is brought to Hester & nothing any  
power at times in her staff.

Oct. 15 Greatly better, expression very much altered -  
for the better, relief was to her satisfaction  
& she was pleased & gratified, when better  
in her off - she said I was a good man  
and was very light, to the mind.

March 1868 Left this perfectly sane, indeed for a  
considerable period she had been in the  
Hospital I Wm. Hester





Charles F. Smith, Oct. 46  
Admitted 13<sup>th</sup> May 1865

May 14<sup>th</sup> That Subject passed in his fourth attack  
of insanity. The first took place about  
two years ago, they gave the medicine from  
night to daylight with - each successive attack  
increasing in intensity. The form is that  
of Delirium, but violent and destructive  
in his action. "Look the history of the Cat  
when she first being alarmed here," all dangerous  
to others, talks incessantly "in a loud tone when  
alone," but at once when any one enters her room,  
she becomes more excited, talking and gesturing  
vehemently. Her habits when brought home  
were very degenerate; her bed, which even her  
own father being often in a worst filthy, dis-  
gusting condition, but this is now greatly  
improved in that respect. - Her Polyphagia

26<sup>th</sup> is at times very obvious; - Still very destructive  
and her impulses are so sudden that it is  
with the greatest difficulty they can be  
prevented against, as with the sudden jerk  
of her arm, even when the attendant of standing  
by, she sends the detail of her arm;  
I almost resigned to her.

June 5<sup>th</sup> I found her standing up in bed that morning  
in a state of nudity, and the Chamber,  
Night Dress, & Blanket withdrawn that her  
bed was all over dirt.

June 29<sup>th</sup> That her improving steadily for the last week  
although her mind is still weak.

July 1<sup>st</sup> That out to-day for a considerable time  
being much better, - in all respects.

West South of Cape Cod. Continued

1865

Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> Remained to 1 P.M. improving steadily, but still occasionally a little distressed, a great deal today in the open air & water, & enjoy it much - that being new to me & long a great which she remembered & which seemed to her that at her worst, a striking indication of how much it is necessary, that abundance & all those who are in contact with the infant, should exercise greatest caution, & to have a great amount of self control both in themselves & others.

31 Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> & day with but little gain, gained around in the meantime, and of the latter kind the caution I have now had with which well, gentler & affectionate in her disposition, almost but a sad chastened expression, arising probably from the knowledge that her father is dying like a duck. Walk now her, and I understand the boldest part of her being is it gold.

J. Sturges

8<sup>th</sup>

July

Miss Margaret Lindsay, A.G. 50,  
Admitted 7<sup>th</sup> 1885

That said patient attack came on  
about 3 weeks ago, she had a passing one  
about 15 years ago, which she said it was  
caused by a disappointed hunt in the morning but  
then she had been passing for a long time, and her  
brother it said she had been before

Immediately upon admission, the attack stopped  
it was continued, and a strong attack put upon  
her, and she was taken to the bed, and it  
again gave of the attack; after being  
put into the strong water, the continued condition  
against the door, clapping her hands, throwing,  
singing, and even dancing, all of which she  
discontinued, with intelligible laughing and

8<sup>th</sup> The (unpleasant) condition was, the week that  
continuing attack passed like a storm & gusty  
condition, the floor, her state of mind, even her  
hair, that she had with her excitement, her  
voice and power of mind, and she said, and  
a change of water put on, when she had  
it in the same condition again before winter  
set in winter being still, although she had  
to be held & kept by the attendants, and  
it was quiet.

That showed a patient applied over  
all the head, appeared to have believed her  
thoughts that she was not to bring (and said)  
walked about with the assistance of her

July  
Attendants. Since the last attack came  
on, after the fearful excitement subsided, her  
excitement was, even her hands felt cold after

The Palace of my heart, subsisting entirely  
upon Bread & Wine; - falling apparently  
into a state of (mad); ranting, very obscure, &  
offended. The Doctor arrived that  
afternoon, appeared to accredit his visit,  
but unable to speak although the Doctor considered  
him sensible - knew he in the ignorance of it  
was - visited - but before he could say he was  
and my hand started to take his, as if taking  
a last farewell. What the great did -  
last all night, but quite exhausted.  
The spirit passed about noon, when he gave  
it, that afternoon at five minutes past 11 P.M.

I Stoughton  
Shelton September 1840

Sept.

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Sept.

Manuscript Book 90 Mt. Pleasant Oct 35,  
Admitted July 22<sup>nd</sup> 1865

- This is the first attack, & it said  
it had been brought on by business had  
just broken, which it was about  
seven months old, but in all probability  
there is a hereditary predisposition, as  
he has no blood (which is at present, the  
nature of the disease) to all appearance  
hopelessly impaired." The present nature  
of the case is great weakness. He often  
sits, stands, & talks, singing, & repeating  
passages of Scripture & talks of going to  
the Gallies with the crew of a Spanish  
cutter. Thinking every day with the great  
weakness & weakness - almost lost track  
to his thoughts when he came to bed &  
had, almost to know his pastures, & then  
he would and played - kept the list  
of the whole world and happens to be  
July 18<sup>th</sup> shortest - heat. One day he had  
while walking in the living room - what  
he saw of sea and the earth of the  
Aug 1<sup>st</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> the Ladies. What had been shown,  
& talked with. Listening and more  
" 16 The excitement gradually subsided, talking  
& nothing more extraordinary. Talking back  
" 19<sup>th</sup> begins, more excited, but still sleeping  
much better during the night  
" 28 Very delirious like his father, turning every  
article of clothing that is put upon him;  
cannot find his way out of his bed & has  
Sept 11<sup>th</sup> much better, cannot find his head any longer

1868

Mr. M. L. Lundy and wife

Sept. 13 and had a long walk with him in  
 Oct. 31 the general & Lundy better off  
 and the whole day with her husband  
 Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> - Preserved to day  
 by her husband to all apparent signs  
 recovered. Off the Bank to day  
 at 11 o'clock, Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> 1868

J. H. Lundy  
 Sheriff of the County

Aug 11

1868

Miss Charlotte Elizabeth Feltz Oct 21  
P.M. Oct 24<sup>th</sup> 1885

The cause of that strange sudden incapacity  
is said to have arisen from an accident  
upon the ice while skating along  
with her Brother quite before last, the  
ice gave way & both her Brother & she were  
submerged - however they were quickly  
rescued & although the physical shock  
suffered to be certainly great; there was  
no appearance of any mental derangement  
until the evening of that great - upward  
walking out in the direction of the  
Park with her friend, at home as it  
was in fact, the restoration of the whole  
new came to coincide with her mind, at  
the same moment she - she became hysterical,  
trembling violently, & that with great difficulty  
recovered home & seemed rapidly to lose  
her playful & childish her her manner;  
she was just admitted she that very much  
excited, talking & singing without distinction (singing  
doubtless) without the slightest appearance  
of consciousness but only appeared to have changed  
into the intellect.

Aug 14<sup>th</sup> the intellect. Principles with her  
given to her for supper - some handwriting  
in appropriate teaching, at the last night's meeting  
all night. Several strange complicated  
beginning appearing every afternoon that  
Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> Improving. Not so excitable, & stopping  
herself at times, knitting, sewing, & practicing  
her music. Sleeping well. & taking her food  
with great appearance which; "yes"

Miss C. E. Fulling Case continued

Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> Catarrhal discharge appeared this morning - the first time for many months

19 Mrs. depressed & has slight headache last night & has long physical crying &

20 laughing attacks; - much better today

October 13<sup>th</sup> Catarrhal discharge

16<sup>th</sup> Not so well but slight better for the last three

night looks congested & reddened papilla of

17<sup>th</sup> The eyes much enlarged, - Small Blister

applied to the back

Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> Much better, but has improving steadily

for the last few days - has pleasurable

exercises in the morning

Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> Has been improving steadily for the last

18<sup>th</sup> few weeks, visited by her mother

11<sup>th</sup> quite restored Discharged & day

J. H. Sturges

St. Louis, Sept. 1868

Sept.



Supper & the dinner & (C) & (C)  
himself the three in the bed, her  
language is very fearful at each  
time, appalling & sometimes hushed at  
long and I think he had feared  
to rubbed with blurring & (C) & (C).

Sept 10 Again the Bath that had started  
the 1st the last in it 1 1/4 hours  
12 but without inducing sleep - (C) & (C)  
at last, Sept 16 (C) & (C).

18th Sept to day from 10 past her (C) & (C)  
& the first time in several days  
& nights which she had passed in  
the state of great delirium & (C) & (C)  
22nd excitement. (C) & (C) is (C) & (C)  
of Dr. Wilson from Glasgow, with the  
St. Mark's (C) & (C) being much excited  
caching about in the living (C) & (C), turning up  
flaming by the (C) & (C) & (C) & (C) at  
times (C) & (C). Sept last night from  
11 P.M. till 5 A.M. but (C) & (C) (C) & (C)  
unusually well to day, not talking  
much (C) & (C) (C) & (C) - (C) & (C)  
glazed (C) & (C) (C) & (C) (C) & (C) (C) & (C)  
the (C) & (C) about her children, whom  
she appears (C) & (C) (C) & (C) all a  
& (C) mother's deep affection - Sept (C) & (C) last  
night & was much excited - (C) & (C) (C) & (C)  
night - but her excitement (C) & (C) if (C) & (C)  
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" 10th" being much better for the last three days

conducting herself with great propriety  
although still very delicate - spends the whole  
of her time in doing at the Misses' school

11<sup>th</sup> to be her chief solace. - I received very much

excited - touching the windows, looking  
at the attendants, & seeing the most

13<sup>th</sup> adapted language to her - excitement still

15<sup>th</sup> continued, obliged to put her in seclusion - at  
the last breaking & destroying everything within  
her reach - she has broken 18 plates of glass within

16<sup>th</sup> the last 3 days - What she had again

17<sup>th</sup> turned & rubbed with restraint - She was

last night but all quiet & calm, talking  
quietly quite internally to-day appeared  
attracted of what she had done, and  
has given me her promise, that she will  
not break or destroy anything for the future

21<sup>st</sup> very much improved although occasionally

Nov. 6 slightly excited - Now excited during

getting up & that morning, becoming in her  
habit, but not being in a habit yet the

8 condition - better to-day although still

very delicate - but in seclusion - from her school  
yesterday, until 4 that morning, when she  
was at the school, & she was much  
excited - through to-day

Dec. 14 What has continued to improve

materially for the last week, but is

25 very delicate physically. She is

now all persons have perfect health  
& arrangement and very careful care

1866

Mr. James M. Smith's Case  
 (under appeal)

Jan 8 for her removal. Right to day  
 but at 10 o'clock off the books  
 at the "Circuit" after the  
 31<sup>st</sup> of Dec. I Stevens etc.

Shelby Saperin Vendout  
 He admitted upon the 8<sup>th</sup> of February  
 in a great distress state of melancholia  
 and he has been thinking every one and acting  
 the part of a hyacinth all his life - that  
 he is the best of the women - clothed in  
 "scarlet" of his off in "Revolution"

S. P.

Oct.

Mr. Marshall and  
Admitted September 3<sup>rd</sup> 1905

This Lady has in a state of  
fearful excitement when admitted,  
and continued in that condition for  
several days and nights when at last  
her feelings were most appalling. She  
continually insisted herself that she  
was in a bad state, when left for the  
shortest period - all the furniture was  
removed from her bedroom, so that she had  
nothing but the door to her apartment  
open, the door which was standing  
night & day - that she said at last it  
Sept 15<sup>th</sup> that she had in a convulsion said - Had today  
with stomach pump, at the hospital  
all night, when the hallucinations that  
there was prison mixed with it - another  
strong delusion which she had, is an  
intolerable dread of fire - She  
imagines the building is on fire - &  
she clings to every one in the ward believing  
nurses & children her from the conflagration.  
Oct 14<sup>th</sup> - That her improving being steadily for the  
last few days, being quiet, & gentle in her  
demeanor - sleeping well at night & taking  
her food well, all her delusions have  
gradually fading away - like the phantasmagoria  
of a dream - She is a tiny, fragile  
creature, & her system has been much weakened  
is a consequence of nursing her last baby, she  
is a patient & child of those months  
& that could also, if attacked - her intensity

November 8<sup>th</sup> Light that after the 31<sup>st</sup> ult., to  
all appearances quite recovered. Mentally,  
her general health much improved.  
Resumed after the 5<sup>th</sup> (last) is a  
most depressing state of diffidence - had  
slight fever several nights, would  
not even remain in bed, & was  
about all night long, looking under  
bed, & into corners where the infection  
she had been seated in the House.  
Attempted to keep from a window on  
the third floor after Sabbath evening in  
her "Working dress," but when she  
saw her reflection in the glass  
exhibited strong suicidal tendencies, &  
it is a most depressed, unhappy state.

Dec 30 Light that to-day was tried for a  
black appearance, & better but has  
been more depressed since the time she  
learned that she had to leave.

Jan 3 Thought her to-day was her husband  
to her own & depressed. I took her  
hospitality & seldom after when  
to - had her back rubbed to-day  
6 Still as depressed.

Miss White 'as 24'

Redditch September 3<sup>rd</sup> 1885

Sept 1<sup>st</sup> The symptoms of that Sad & fearful  
and great depression of spirit, arising from  
the conviction that she had committed  
himself - the nature of which he stated  
she cannot define, and that she had  
involved her only sister in the consequence.  
Imagined all that she is being followed  
and watched by detection, and that  
"by some" unaccountable agency she had  
been the cause of late epileptic fits which  
took place lately on the South side.  
Since then she has been in a very bad state  
and sleepless, inclining to get up & wander  
about during the night - taking little or  
Sept 18<sup>th</sup> no assistance. I had to do with the  
Stomach & Liver, at the request all food  
& again after the death - Had her  
back rubbed with blisters & treatment  
as at Redditch - & 3 (Redditch) - which  
the end of the night was  
Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> very much improved in all respects  
Sleeping better - taking her meals  
regularly - had employment but  
"what is done" nothing - although  
she still comes a very disinclination  
& enters into conversation - except after  
me or her recreation, when alone with  
myself - had much difficulty in  
descending her feet, but after all  
I see her, she appears to have suffered  
a severe shock, from the death of

her Father - 'her only surviving Parent' - Sep  
had to leave her left to stand alone,  
& had to see her loss, and feel the  
black in her soul desolate, and solitary  
home - at before that sad event, her  
sister had married

October 25<sup>th</sup> - Cuffed after being in a dry Bath  
for 20 minutes which was repeated for  
three nights successively, but without any

Nov. 23 effect - Greatly improved - her expression  
much happier - which in her manner, & con-  
stantly employed when she does either in  
reading or with some kind of needlework

" 27 Cuffed for four nights successively, but  
with no better effect than last time

Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> Went in with her Brother, & Brother-in-law  
to spend the afternoon with her Sister  
who in the evening highly gratified  
with her visit & left at all depressed as

" 6 I had decided - More depressed than  
she had been for some time

" 20<sup>th</sup> Much improved - has been amused  
by her Brother & child, & I have  
had a letter from herself which  
proves she is continuing very well &  
also one from her Brother-in-law, but

" 28<sup>th</sup> Continuing that opinion - Struck  
off the Hook to-day

I Subscribed  
Superintendent of Ladies

Mrs. Elizabeth Sear "Aug 40"  
Admitted September 7<sup>th</sup> 1865

- Sept. 9 The course of this Subject insanity  
it tends to be religious excitement.  
Sept 10th Mrs. Sear getting out of  
bed & dressing toward the room - laughing  
singing, & shouting alternately in a state  
13<sup>th</sup> of the greatest mental excitement - Water  
applied to the back of her neck, excitement  
greatly subsided - very amiable -  
Continually talking of a man Watson  
whom she appears to be deeply enamored  
- her Sister tells me it was a common  
of these maniacs, being always extremely  
attached to her, which completely unchanged  
Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> her mind at last - Told me to look  
"at the hat often imagined before" that  
the lady had asked to see, to whom she had  
been standing for days, and nights,  
looking at her, the behavior of her  
mother. Some days she is very well,  
quiet, & rational, & at other times she  
conducts herself in the most grotesque  
manner, & herding water and leading herself  
when talking to the N<sup>o</sup>. 100 myself  
Jan 24<sup>th</sup> Had her back rubbed at the hot  
1866 bath more oblation for the last day or two  
fancied she heard voices during the  
6 night. Greatly better, calm, quiet,  
& rational.

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Mr. George "Oct 76"

Admitted September 29<sup>th</sup> 1865

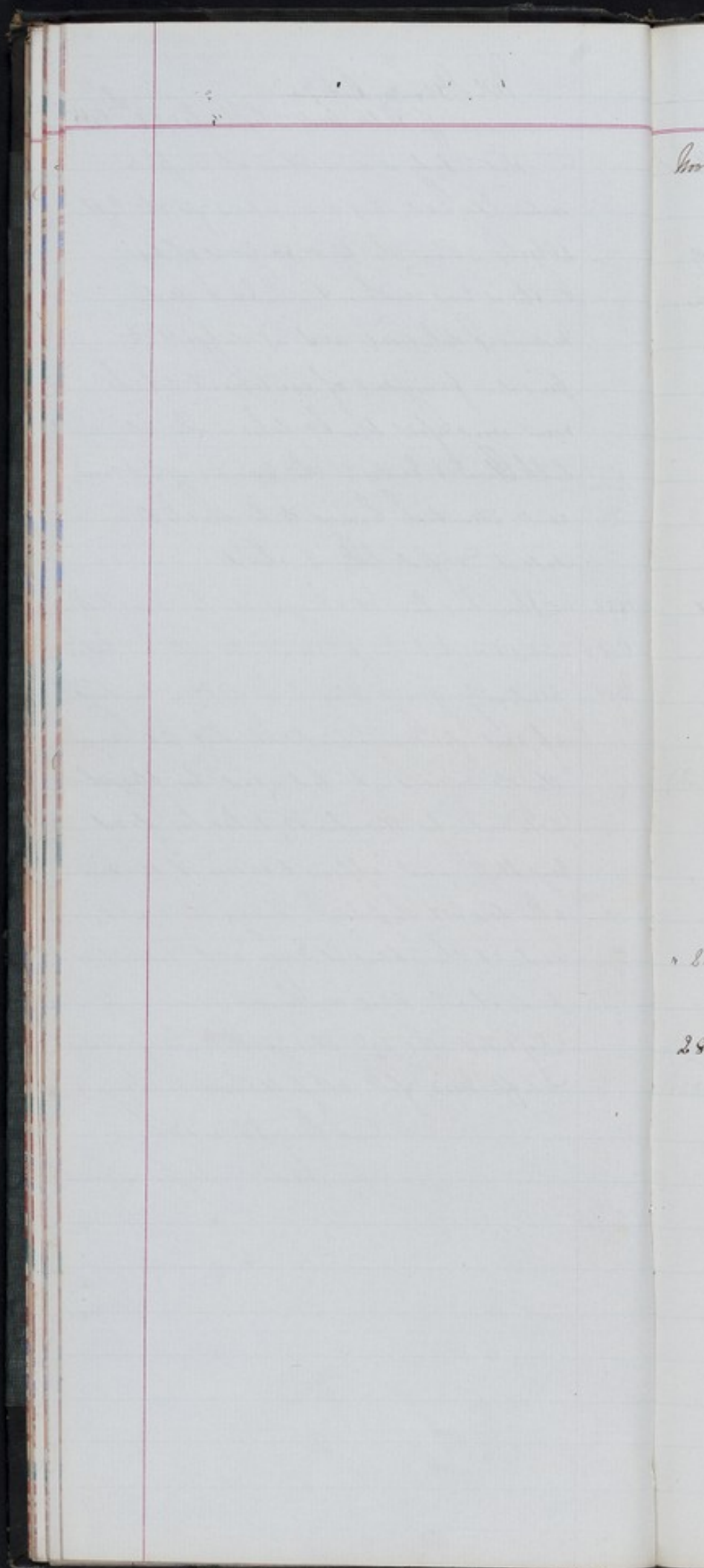
That Lady is in a state of complete  
imbility, and has been insane for the last  
41 years - since she was 35 years of age  
She is very nervous - (Lobes) (Lobes)  
Numerous delusions, and is subject to  
periodic paroxysms of excitement, which  
occur every few weeks, when she is  
talkative & noisy - the eyes are  
and attention having to be watched -  
dressed & fed like a child

1866. She has but no change in her Mental  
condition, but her physical health has been  
gradually giving way - her system breaking  
up, and for many weeks she has been  
unable to rise from bed, and her strength  
sustained by Stimulants, but her food  
very little, and appears to enjoy it, occasion-  
ally does not sleep well during the night,  
and at these times is noisy and talkative,  
and at all times incontinent

Deceased this life at 1.40. P.M. appeared  
to suffer from, felt sleep, without a struggle

J. M. Stewart & Co.

Shelton's Dispensary



Mrs. Margaret Brown - Aug 16<sup>th</sup> 1864 - 16<sup>th</sup> Dec 1885

- Nov. 18 Up to admission that George Lady  
that you are in the in appearance, & her  
language intelligible & her attention  
which I gathered - extremely restless -  
Would not remain in bed, & continued  
dragging of the Bedclothes, and frequently  
washed them, as if she had lost something  
went to bed, and about in a short time  
began to think of her that she could  
not feel cold, and that she was the  
one exclusion room, after the furniture being  
all removed, when she walked up, & down  
all night long. - Slept better the following  
night, and her breathing steadily  
improved - her expression is greatly changed -  
much more intelligent looking, & her  
manner, nothing escapes her, & she appears  
quite alive to all that is going on around  
her - March 18<sup>th</sup> to day, expressed  
herself very kindly
- 28 That has fallen back since the 25<sup>th</sup>  
has been restless, had the phlegm, complained  
much of the pain of her head, & is  
extremely delirious - at times her language,  
and actions are very incoherent, almost  
insane - That her head shaves, &  
cabbled with blisters did not want to say  
she is heartily glad to be in bed  
as she has at least ease & her mother  
is very eccentric - she has also  
a cousin who was an intimate in the

Miss Worthing's letter continued

Grandmother's Division of the West House  
for some time, but she has well left  
Jan 1866 is recovered. Great improvement, perfectly  
she is now intelligent & has of passion  
much more intelligent - taking her  
food & sleeping much better  
Subjects removed by her Grandfather  
to all appearance quite recovered  
Discharged "Cured"

M. Shelden  
School Superintendent

(See

Jan  
1866

Elizabeth Ryan or Pitt. Scotland  
Admitted 18<sup>th</sup> November 1865

This is the first attack of insanity, symptoms  
of which first began to be developed about  
3 weeks ago. Admitted she had not  
slept for three weeks and was in a state  
of great depression, throwing her head from  
side to side in much violent distress &  
wailing. She felt all the first hours  
had to be slain for her sin which was  
of such awful magnitude that there  
was no hope of pardon for her  
that attempted suicide would deter  
her by strangulation, tying a ligature  
round her throat & set and then she  
attempted to drink boiling water  
(Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>) Still depressed although her hallucina-  
tions are becoming gradually weaker  
she sleeps very well at night, takes  
her food tolerably, and is employing  
herself when in doors, knitting, & sewing.  
"Very subject to sudden, sudden attacks  
Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> of mania" Much worse, in  
1866 great mental distress, & very suicidal  
had her back rubbed on the 11<sup>th</sup> but  
still continued depressed & miserable  
and her hallucinations have returned  
with increased intensity - She is in  
constant dread of a brown man of  
fear, and night & day she is keeping  
wringing her hands, & bewailing her end  
of her existence - rarely sleeps even  
when under the influence of opiate

Mr. Lindquist's Cat's Antennae

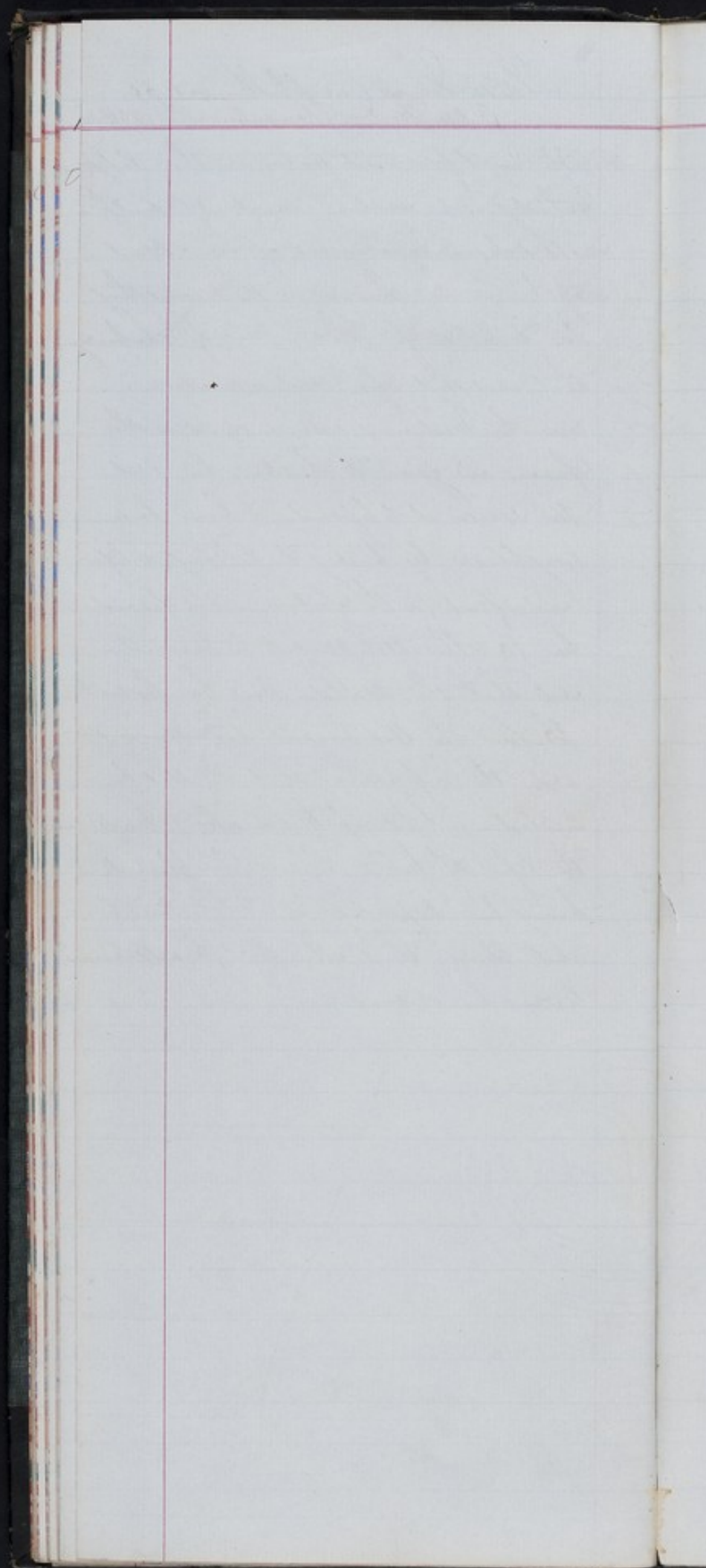
1866

Jan 7

That takes a little good to-day in  
a natural manner, but related  
with the greatest determination for  
several days previous - feel upon  
the 4 & 5<sup>th</sup> with the second sharp

Miss Anne Campbell Oct. 50  
Admitted December 30<sup>th</sup> 1865

The most prominent feature in this Lady's  
malady is a constant dread of death -  
she takes a dancing rod of every kind -  
spoken in her hearing, & that everything  
done to her is for the purpose of accelerating  
that wished for consummation -  
even the medicines administered - she  
fancies and gives to herself her end -  
The disease is supposed to have been  
brought on by leading to believing a life  
had been for the future - she fancies  
her father that going to be married  
and that she would see her home  
Before she was brought here she was  
under the impression that she was pre-  
sented - held up to ridicule & made  
the topic of public opinion by placards  
having been displayed in the street &  
what believes that all her friends have  
become her enemies



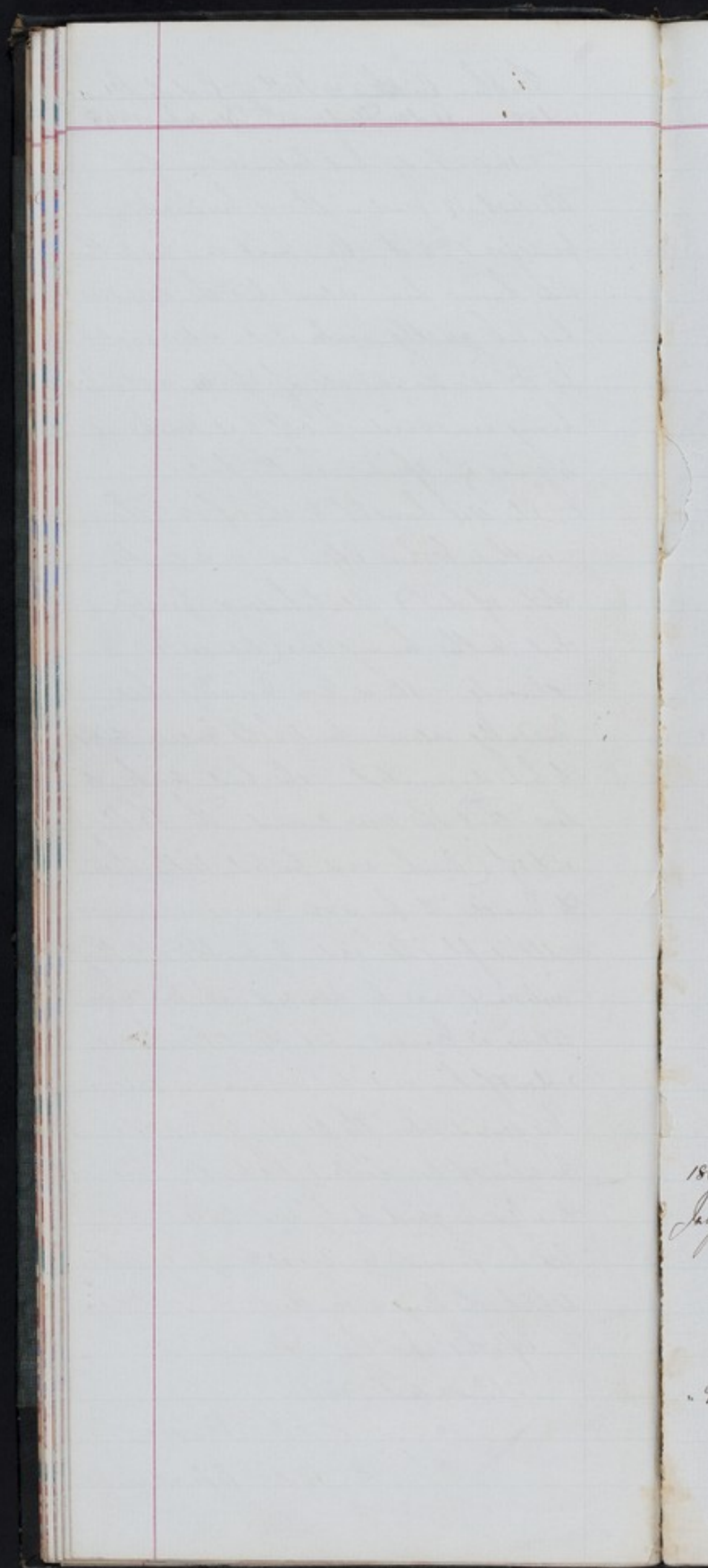
Bethia Arthur W. M<sup>rs</sup> S. L. S. L. S.  
Oct 50. Admitted to S. L. S. L. S. December 1865

That Lady had been insane for  
the last 17 years - she is hereditary  
prone to it - her mind on her Mother's  
side having been insane but the disease  
has been greatly accelerated and increased  
by the influence and of spirits & stimulants  
having accustomed herself to as much as  
a grain of opium in the day  
She had brought to this from the  
rather Police Office in a miserable  
state of dirt & wretchedness, poorly  
dressed, neither having one chance in  
thousand, she is now morally that  
madly insane - her whole nature seems  
to have degenerated - she had taken to  
her that she ever carried the Bible  
out of Church and parted with them  
to ministers to her work being wrought  
she is plausible and hypocritical & nothing  
inherent can be detected in her conver-  
sation or manner - but she is treacherous,  
& deceitful and her insinuating manner  
has gained her the good grace of a  
number of her fellow Ministers, that  
cannot be great deal, and talks well,  
but her Garrisonian leaning is a mark of justice  
which she may not be so fair to share  
left this upon the December 1866

"Discontinued Case"

J. M. Sweden

Shed's Refutation



Mrs. Catharine Macintosh, Oct 24  
Admitted 28<sup>th</sup> November 1865

She could attribute for this Sadie's  
insanity is said to be a disappointed  
in love - She had read the announce-  
ment of the marriage of the one to  
whom she was engaged & very soon  
after symptoms of insanity began developed  
She became sullen, and discontented  
feeling good for days together -  
Wandering about in a restless manner  
with her bonnet always on, that  
the neighbors rarely were allowed to go far  
and wander about at will - reproached  
her friends for keeping her at a distance  
Scarcely out of a window during the  
night, a short time before her confinement  
and that found at the foot of a staircase  
that in her night dress explained - at  
her mother for saying so that she had seen  
the person to whom account she had  
suffered so much walking before the  
house, - So he went about & stayed  
does not sleep well, getting frequently  
out of bed during the night and

1866

January 3<sup>rd</sup> Attempts to starve herself  
She has now a most inveterate  
appetite - a constant craving for food -  
but is sleeping better at night & more  
intelligent explained in her condition  
9<sup>th</sup> - Said to have the same bad feelings  
towards her relatives - at which her  
Sister visited her yesterday she would

1866

Not open to her

Jan<sup>y</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> very much excited last night  
restless & noisy

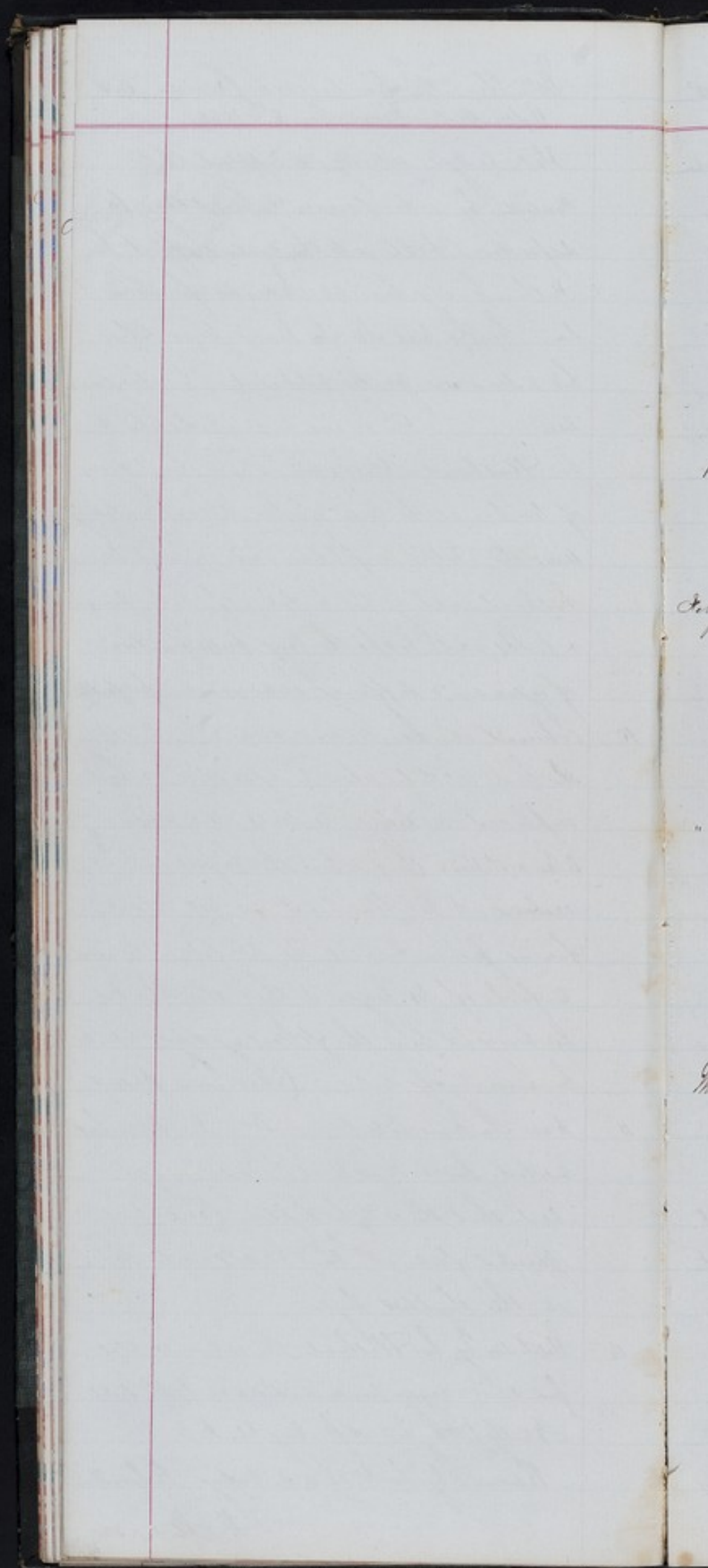
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Mr. Henrietta Henderson & Brother Co.  
Admrs. West, November 6<sup>th</sup> 1866

That said insanity is supposed to be  
caused by intemperance & hereditary pre-  
disposition both as to the cause & effect, her  
father having been an Intemperate for some  
time hence & that also for many years before  
his admission greatly addicted to intemper-  
ance. She claims to great dislike to  
her husband blamed his violent ebullitions  
of temper, as the cause of her nervous instability  
toward the latter completely and account her  
husband as being the victim of Intemperance  
& folly, and looks the very picture  
of injured & suffering innocence - perfectly  
coherent in her conversation. That  
she had insisted upon a separation, & had  
employed a lawyer to draft out a paper  
wherein it should stand that when the papers were  
returned to her husband he got into an  
furious passion, bound he should be made  
a fool of his lawyer, & that she should  
be brought here the following day, which  
he accordingly did, Catman's patent  
has striking extent. Dr. Simpson has  
visited her & says it is a delirium  
and that she is to be kept in bed, and  
prevented from all that might excite her  
in the slightest degree.  
Visited by her husband, who instructs that  
patient in saying accusations on both sides  
Gently & low, but still very low.  
Returned by her husband to day, "Relieved"  
J. M. Sturges & Co.



Miss Helen M. Thielow, Oct 20  
Admitted January 7th 1884

The Cause of this young Lady's infirmity is  
supposed to be the altered state of her system  
brought on by excessive (strenuous) work. She is  
very nervous, athletic and occasionally much  
excited - talks incessantly, sometimes in a very  
perpetual, and obscure manner very slight changes  
in her habits and also dietetics, turning  
her clothes so. back of back blood, and  
is worst sleeping better at night - takes her food  
very well. At times her appetite is almost

Feb 7th <sup>Domestic</sup> Is was a great deal in the  
open air, walking about constantly when the  
weather <sup>partly</sup> got out in the shade after breakfast  
and only came in for a short while for  
Lunch and Dinner

" 25th She had taken a prolonged Bath, the  
last time she remained in it about 4 hours  
at a temperature of 96 deg. "Cold Water"  
cloths being applied to her head during  
the time, but without the effect of relieving,  
or soothing her

March 7th Occasionally, her nervous, not so athletic  
during the day, and is upon the whole improved  
in all respects, although but slightly so

1868

Mrs. Elizabeth Martin 'a. 53'

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This poor Lady was brought to the Appan  
while her Husband was lying in bed.  
She had always been pious, and as  
a further proof of her life had an  
intimate for some months of a  
private Institution in England,  
upon admission, she had much visited,  
in plain of what of her, and wished  
to walk in the Palace amongst other  
things she said her Husband's body  
was in the Casket of the Monks Church,  
and that she had been born again  
at 4 o'clock when she came into  
the Palace she started back suddenly  
at sight of a Canary bird, exclaiming:  
transmigration, and that she hated  
all animals, except man, but walked  
up and down the room in an excited  
manner all night.

11<sup>th</sup>

This morning she said the Holy  
Trinity had sent her here, but that  
she had instructed her Sonnets to  
send for the Church Body Guard, &  
accompany her Husband's Body to the  
Globe, that he had the Spirit said,  
that God had taken his head, and  
that He had sent future him, and  
made him a Monk to do his divine  
chord.

13<sup>th</sup>

Reported that after midnight there were  
two Sauts at close through the roof of

her room, and a ball and by her presence  
 and the Epistles James & John, and expected  
 to see her Husband as an Agent of light,  
 but he did not appear - except that  
 she looked all the events of the last  
 Episcopal Church, as a sacrifice to God,  
 15<sup>th</sup> Says she had numerous violations  
 while at Wrentham, 'Bate' and therefore  
 was unfulfilled - it was revealed to her  
 who was to be her Husband was better,  
 and the Company constituted it  
 a spiritual guide;

27<sup>th</sup> Was all the pictures taken with their  
 faces to the wall - the of these pictures  
 representing the wishes of the King, she  
 said that her Husband was unfulfilled in  
 the balance - and appeared in great  
 mental distress in consequence, the pictures  
 were removed at her request;

7<sup>th</sup> May During the month of March, 1838,  
 and the Medical Officers of the  
 the Holy Epistolic Church;

21 Said that her Husband died,  
 she heard a great noise, when  
 she discovered she had the presence  
 of her husband, and wished all,  
 that she had heard it again last  
 night, and that would be a  
 trial to show how she could do it;

31 Says that as far back as 1828, her spirit  
 was in heaven, and she had given

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whorelous of him in the body, but  
right she felt she had more than body,  
that the Master's spirit had taken  
possession of her - that watching all  
her actions, and at present she was  
unable to move her hand - no record  
of it being held by him: - she is in  
great mental distress, from being what  
she supposed to be her Master's body  
walking about with her Master in last  
life, and wishes the power to be kept  
out of sight.

June 7. Great restlessness, and inability to walking  
about gradually, working, work, and  
late into the evening, being once with her  
Master's, which could, and abusive  
language;

June 4. Very quarrelsome and states an amount  
of suspicion, and has a great deal of  
rest but to state the best of the (A.)

" 29. Much in the same state as last night,  
dances out a great deal, showing in  
her actions, and most difficult to  
place, or to stop;

Sept 16. Patient has been much better, and  
is able to go into the House, and  
that she must remain there, and  
what it has been to her;

" 28. Very abusive in her language to  
Dr. Macdonald, and that  
Dr. Sinclair has threatened her



That Mr. Bates' phantom was in a corner of his room, satismally.

Called out loudly & her attendants  
one night after Jones & her, & ask  
if she did not know the shadow of her  
lacking against the windows, and the hair  
signs hair means.

I saw two great dogs, which seemed  
 upon a sand in the middle of the  
 (Victim) Island, she brought a male  
 into the Palace, out of her own  
 kitchen, and upon it a cake, which  
 she had been there during the  
 time the others were at Church, and  
 was ornamented with white paper in  
 form of suns, at the four corners,  
 and roses upon the top, so that there  
 seems it had the Bride cake, of the  
 French, likewise the other ladies &  
 examine it, and then it was cut up, and  
 distributed amongst the remaining boys  
 solemn, and deeply serious, and spirit  
 malice, the whole proceeding at something  
 quite symbolical;

March 5 Had been very uneasy for some days  
past, throwing white mud in the ground;  
After this very distressing happened without  
any return or relief of illness

Miss Mary Bennett  
Admitted 29th Oct 1864

She had brought to that physician  
from the Glasgow Royal Infirmary,  
where she had taken up her abode  
for about a month, alleging as her reason  
for doing so, that she thought that <sup>there</sup> was  
no use of being an actual patient  
at it, unless she was to derive some benefit  
from it, because towards the end of that  
time, she became much excited, and  
the symptoms of her insanity which is  
here denoted became so uncontrollable  
delirious, that she was brought in there:

At the time of her admission, and  
for a long long period afterwards,  
she was extremely delirious, and was both  
difficultly persuaded to take food,  
and she would eat nothing except  
what God told her to take, that she  
spoke to her, and she had something:

When about after admission, she became  
suddenly excited in the morning while  
dressing, smashed six panes of glass,  
and cut her head, attempted to  
bite the attendants, & beat them down:  
Soon after that time, she frequently showed  
great disinclination to take her food,  
threw the dishes from her, in which  
it was served, and sent one of them  
through the window, was fed for the  
first time with the Homoeopathic Purgative  
on the evening of the 29th November, from

That time while the middle of  
June of 1869, she was again the scene  
by means of the Strong's Plunge,  
the two months of March, April,  
and May she was quiet, although  
still subject to occasional, some paroxysms  
of delirium. She had long insinuated,  
fancied there was something pleasing  
around her and that she had  
power over the living, and the dead;  
assisted by a large felt believed  
when she took the living down, as it were  
down & let the "Devil" out, and  
redress the "Holy Ghost".

Now when she had a little more, she  
required two attendants with her during  
the day, and also at night, as she had  
attacked the night nurse, and struck  
her several in the face; so a more  
able time she refused to walk, and  
when taken into the room (and, tried  
to throw herself upon the ground, and  
if allowed, would have put the General  
into her mouth; also attempted to tear  
the buttons of her own dress, or the  
attendants, trainings, &c. with her teeth,  
and would have strangled them,  
screaming at the time like a spoiled  
child that she had prevented from  
doing so; was extremely restless, and  
excited, striking, kicking, and biting her

Went to see, Malouise Parth  
had tried taking the excitement, but  
nothing proved so efficacious in soothing  
her, as the Medical Room, and all  
inducing sleep during the night. It has  
given her especially for her, and had  
her passed the uncalculated height.  
In the past six months she had  
been quiet, and quite unengaged,  
walks out a great deal daily, and  
when in doors, passes her time at the  
piano, as she appears perfectly  
free of pain, and needs it greatly  
and easily.

