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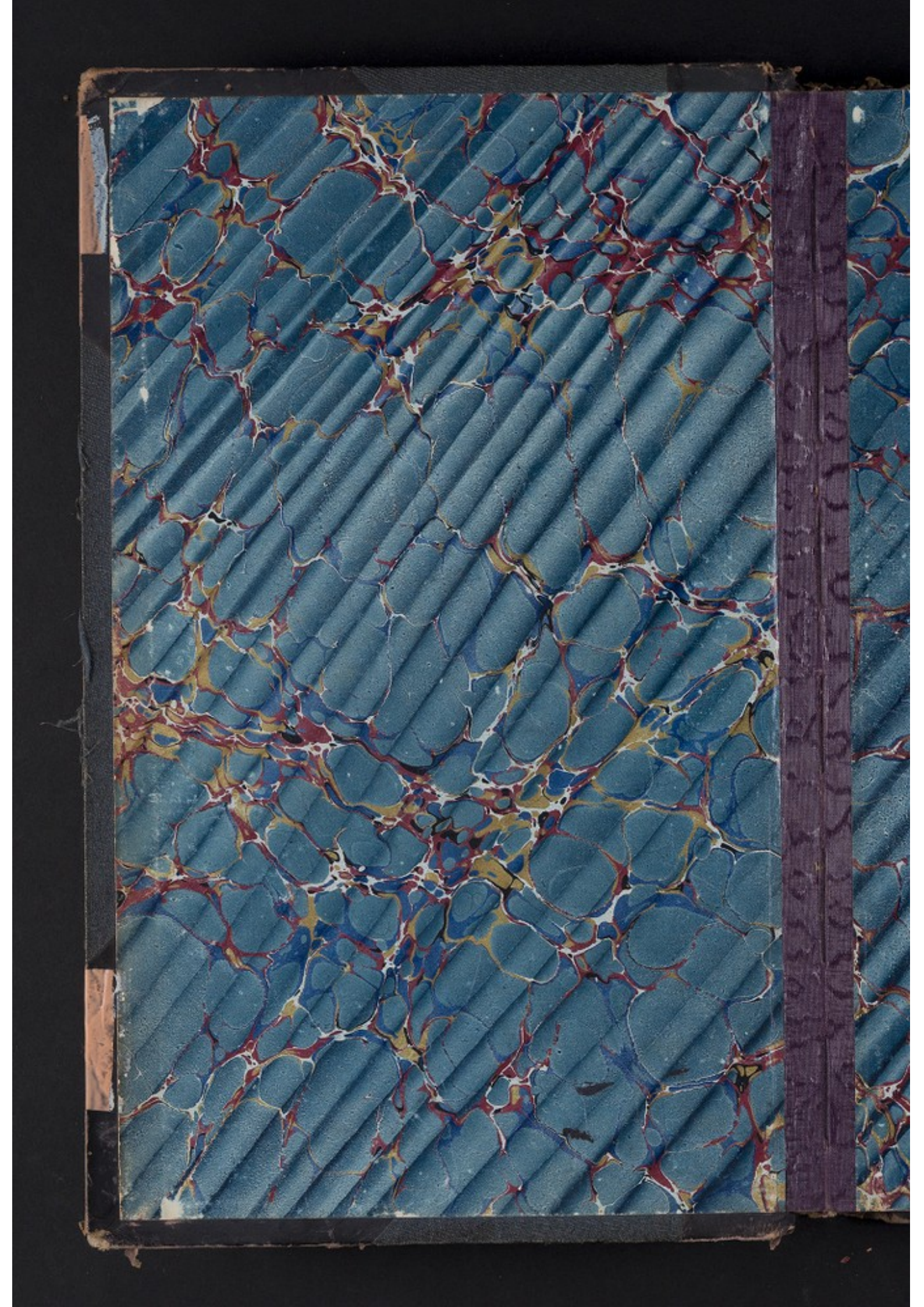
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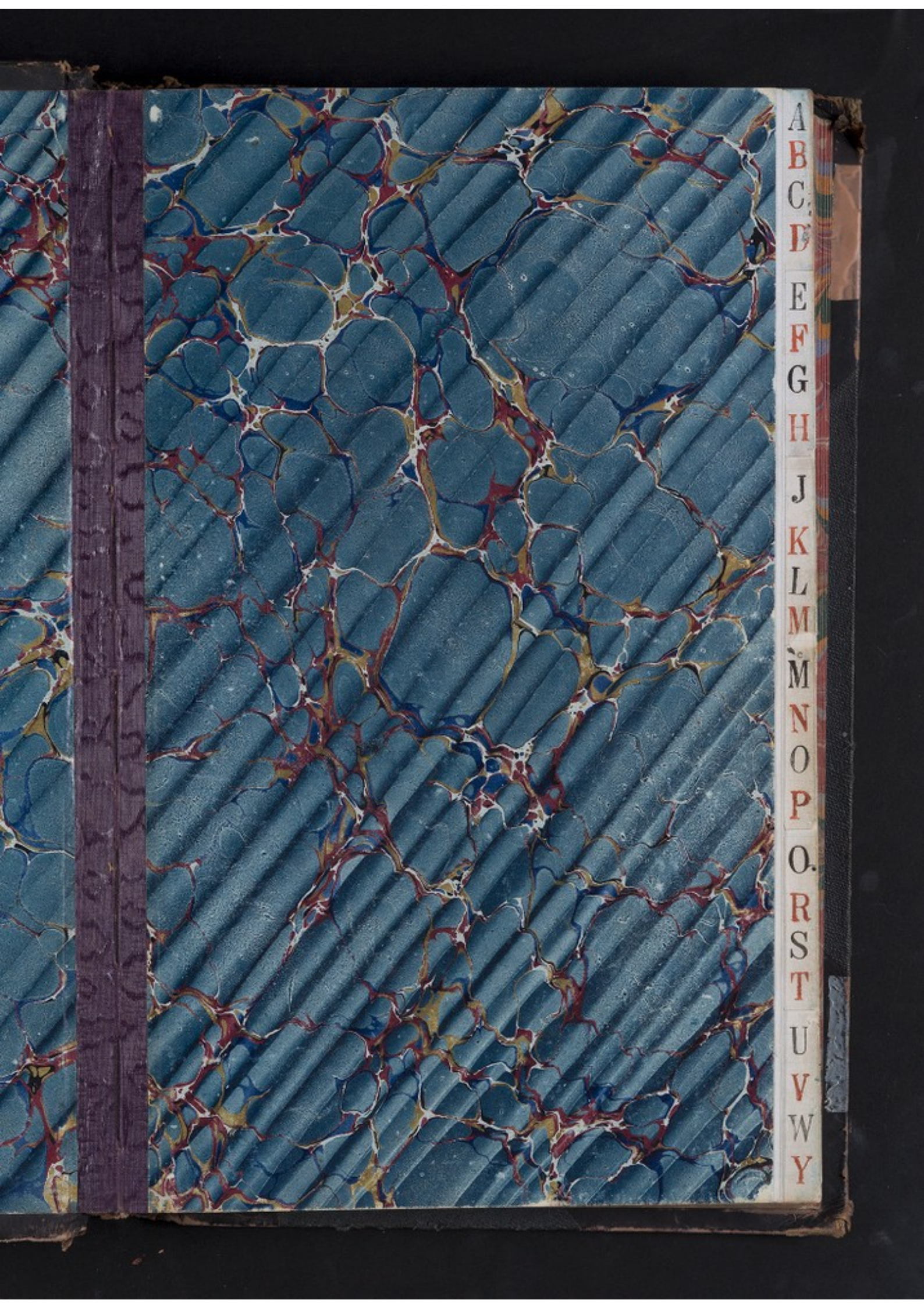
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The history of the patient previous to his admission is now in most cases very difficult to ascertain, the printed questions in use in former years having been abolished by the Board of Lunacy.

The only source of information left, when verbal interview with the patients friends could not be obtained, is the new admission form containing on the first page the 20 statements as to age. social condition etc & the two medical certificates on the second page.

These will be made use of as a sort of Introduction to each case –

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(1) William Munro

Septemb. 21/70

(2) male. 34
(3) single
(4) has been in the army
(5) presbyterian
(6) Allan, Perthshire
(7) Ardavasar, Skye, Inverneshire
(8) cannot say
(9) had an attack in 1859
(10) 21 years on first attack
(11) in 1854, attended by Dr Watt, Tain.
(12) Since 1854 ill
(13) cause not known
(14) cannot say
(15) Do
(16) Do

(19) David Munro, of Allan, his father.

Septemb 3/70 Godfrey A. Maurac M.B.C.M. Skye says: (1) That he regards his parents with indifference & dislike & talks violently & incoherently & is also a dipsomaniac. (2). Was told by two ladies that he insulted them & by a grown up man that he assaulted him.

Septemb. 12/70 L. M. Matheson surgeon, Portree, states: (1) talking incoherently & restless in his movements & filthy in his habits & not answering questions when spoken to.

Decemb. 70 This gentleman appeared on admission & remained ever since of quiet retiring disposition & in no occasion has shown the quarrelsome & intemperate propensities for which not only his parents but even the Poor Board advised his removal in to an Asylum. Of strong constitution & liberal education he served in the army for some time & was even while on service led to habits of drinking which repeatedly indulged soon began to affect his general demeanour as well as his intellectual faculties. He could not be kept at home after returning from the army & showed great dislike amounting almost to hatred for his father. He was sent to board in several places & continued to indulge in strong drinks & to attract the public notice by his extravagant manners & his complete disregard of the most elementary rules of society. No bodily disease could be detected on admission. There was a little restlessness & excitement easily accounted for by the long journey, the sudden & unexpected change to Asylum life. He very seldom speaks except on general topics such as weather, the present war, his own special requirements. He seems satisfied with all that is done for him. eats & sleeps well & never requires the help of attendants. Very fond of outdoor exercise he enjoys his daily walks very much but joins in no amusements whatever. His memory is considerably impaired & he has about his parents & former acquaintances the most erroneous

notions; some of them now alive are dead & some of the dead alive; these ideas are not frequently expressed & are only manifested after close conversation. Still, it is evident that his mind dwells upon them a good deal & that there is great confusion & uncertainty in his recollections. His reasoning power shows the same weakness & although constantly with books in his hands he can say very little about them. He has been up at this time always polite, gentlemanly & is submitting cheerfully to the Asylum discipline. He plays billiards occasionally & attends some of our social meetings without however taking any active part in them.

August 71 — Mr Munro remains as described above. His bodily health keeping strong & vigorous, but the mental condition undergoing no change whatever. On the 12th inst. he returned from a picnic excursion in a very alarming state, almost pulseless, the face livid, unable to articulate a word or to swallow a drop, absolutely powerless & evidently suffering from slight sunstroke. Cold applications to the head, a powerful derivative enema & the administration of stimulants fortunately brought him round in a few days to his usual standard of health. Due to eating forbidden

March 72 — No change of consequence occurred in this patient's case last entry, with the exception of little more irritability, restlessness & desire to change his residence. He has not of late attended to regularly the amusements & divine worship & has on two or three occasions shown symptoms of suspicion for some of his fellow inmates & even struck twice a quiet, harmless gentleman there & thereby he was attracting to him in his ramblings & demanded consideration.

Sept 72 — This patient remains the same mentally, and bodily health good - habits unchanged

March 1873 — Patient remains in all respect the same mentally and bodily - occasionly takes to writing letters - looks at a paper but does not read continuously seldom associates with any one is too busy with his own affairs in his own little world - is proud of making small experiments with the materials of the Court stand he

Sept 1873 — This patient remains the same

March 1874 — Condition remains unchanged

Nov 1874 — Mr Munro has adopted a habit of wearing his clothes outside in: there is no change in the general state of his case

April 10 - 75 — Remains the same

July 17 - 75 — No improvement in his case

1 Dec 18

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24 Nov

April 6th

September 12th 18

March 8th

Sept 6th

May 10th
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1 Dec 1875 Mr Munro has of late devoted his attention to a good deal of curious attitudinising. His physical state is very good, but his mental condition is far from being satisfactory. He is careless in his dress and at times falls off pants of it. He takes his meals on his knees for reasons that are only known to himself. Life, alone affords him no pleasure. He seems to have lost the power of concentration. He is urbane and civil when spoken to attends Service and evidently attends to conversation

1 May 1876 The same appearances are noted in this case. There is no mental improvement The physical health has been excellent since last entry and the patient seems contented and happy

7 January 77. Nothing particular to record concerning this gentleman

24 November 77. Mr Munro continues as described above In walking round the grounds he gives sudden turns round for some purpose or other unknown. He continues averse to conversation

April 6th 1878. Mr Munro remains in statu quo — When questioned as to his peculiar habit — his replies are unsatisfactory & show incoherence of thought: he believes that a particular arrangement of the furniture & pictures influences his bodily condition

September 12th 1878 The same features are present in Mr Munro's case, he conceals the delusion which impels him to pursue his strange conduct

March 8th 79 Mr Munro continues reticent & strange in his ways: he has a severe attack of Lumbago — otherwise he is in fair health

Sept 6th 1879. Mr Munro continues his attitudinising — he opens doors in going out for a walk & returning & he is suspicious & guarded in his answers to questions & refuses to assign any reason for his actions.

May 10th 1880 Mr Munro has lately been coming to Table d'hote — he is still eccentric and strange in his ways: the other day he requested me to preserve him from death — again from the people who annoyed him by recollecting his name" [illegible] Continued to Page 4

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1178.

October 3/70

(1) Mary Isabella Moore

Transfer from the Royal Edinburgh Asylum.

(2) female. 39.
(3) single
(4) no occupation
(5) presbyterian
(6) In Edinburgh Asylum since May 30/69
(7) three years insane
(8) second attack
(9) 28. when first attacked
(11) shock to the nervous system
(12) not epileptic
(13) not known to be suicidal
(14) might possibly be if excited
(15) Anne Catherine Moore, sister of patient
4. Prospect Terrace, Woodbourn Road - Douglas. Isle of Man

August

Sept. 20/70 David Skae M.D, medical Superintendent of the Royal Edinburgh Asylum states that the labours under Chronic Mania & that her bodily health & condition are good

Septemb. 23/70 Arthur Mitchell Commissioner signed the Sanction for removal on this date.

Decemb. 70 From the correspondence with the Medical Officers of the Edinburgh Asylum it is evident, she was there a noisy & troublesome patient, often refusing her food & never ceasing the whole day to complain, accuse & even curse all those about her. A change for the better was evident during the first few days of her admission here; she was taking her food well & although talking a good deal, she always did it with a quiet, dignified tone. But this lasted only a few days - she soon began to see poison in her meals, her worst enemies in the Institution, accused the Officers & attendants of all sort of crimes & in some instances was so loud & so profane in her vehement imprecations that temporary seclusion had to be enforced for the sake of the other inmates. For several days she refused food with great obstinacy; but when artificial feeding was resorted to she promised to take some kind of food herself & for several weeks she took with relish a large basin of porridge four times a day - It is almost impossible to exchange even a few words of conversation with her. She doubts how are as bad as in Morningside, trying everything they can to poison, murder & torment her. She has a really amazing power of declamation; her tongue is at work the whole day long & often a great annoyance to the other ladies. She becomes quiet at once & covers her face with her hands during the visit of the medical officers. She thinks the house full of her enemies & she frequently mentions the name of a gentleman whom she thinks has been the cause of all her sufferings. She sees him in the house, hears his voice & never enjoys a moments peace on account of him -

March

Sept 187

March 18

She constantly refuses all animal food, even tea food. bread, potatoes etc & lives chiefly upon gruel & porridge. Owing to her constant & excited talk she has not been able as yet to join in our amusements nor to attend divine worship. No medical treatment can be followed as long as she is in her present state, her suspicion about poison preventing the administration of tonic course of medicines which might prove beneficial in her case.

August 71. Miss Moore is no better. She refuses still to enter into conversation with the medical officers & their visits through the gallery always cause a violent outburst of strong & abusive language. She does no work of any kind & the few occasions in which she was taken out in the open air, had a general disturbance caused & so great a struggle with the attendants was the result that further attempt was given up; fresh air under such circumstances would be of little use. The idea of poison in her food although still present is not so powerful perhaps as on admission & she has asked herself & taken of late different articles of diet. In spite of it her bodily strength has in no way improved. She has occasionally shown destructive propensities & the locked doors had two or three times to be used, but no sooner was this unfashionable garment on, that Miss Moore would beg for her own clothes & would then hardly attempt destroying them on in earnest. She independently refuses all endeavours made to soothe & comfort her & the fear of awakening keener than ever the suspicion of poison precludes all kind of medical or pharmaceutical treatment.

March 72 Miss Moore continues very much in the same condition. She refuses still to go out & to join in our amusements. Her destructive propensities have been at last subdued by the use of the locked dress. Her fancies about poison in her food, persecutions from enemies following her into her own bedroom & the strong accusations she formerly made about the wilful intentions of the Officers remain as strong as ever. Very little intercourse can be had with her on account of her abusive language & the high state of excitement always produced by enquiries made about her personal comforts.

Sept 1872 This patient continues much the same abusive and destructive. The character of her Mania is peculiar for the frequency of sudden outbursts of violence after temporary periods of perfect quietude —

March 1873 This patient has been gradually undergoing an extensive and important change in physical and mental health anaemia and loss of flesh followed by slight Cough drew attention to the Condition of the Chest. When an

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examination was made advanced phthisis was diagnosed one lung being the seat of active disease tho the usual physical symptoms were not marked -

As the physical disease advanced the mental excitement subsided - The process went on until the patient from one of the most violent in the house became as docile and grateful as a child. Happily in this condition she submitted to treatment, nutritious stimulants Cod liver oil &c were freely given and taken ultimately with benefit - For a time a fatal termination was quite expected but gradually the cough night sweats and other symptoms began to disappear - Strength and plumpness returned -

October

Sept 1873 This Patient happily or unhappily gradually improved physically, got up went out and as far as the lungs were concerned seemed nearly to have recovered her lost ground. as was expected the mental excitement has returned synchronously with increasing strength tho it has not reached the same activity as before and is more paroxysmal in character -

Octob.

Decemb.

8th. Mch. Patient who has been gradually sinking during the last six months died to-day of Phthisis Pulmonalis

1179

(1) William Brodie.

Octob. 13/70

Transfer from Longdale Asylum, Bothwell.

(2) male. 58
(3) Single
(4) millwright
(5) protestant
(6) In Longdale Asylum since April 5/70
(7) Since April 5/70
(8) first attack
(9) 58 on first attack
(11) cause unknown
(12) not epileptic
(13) supposed to be suicidal
(14) not dangerous to others.
(16) Robert Brodie, Carriagehill House Paisley, his brother.

October 2/70 Daniel Richmond M.D states: He labours under deep Melancholy. Dr Fairless, the resident physician says it has a suicidal tendency, and delusions. He complains of an aerial influence which he cannot describe, which will destroy him unless he is removed from Longdales immediately. He takes his food well, and at present has no serious bodily ailment.

Octob. 10/70 James Coxe Commissioner granted the Sanction for removal to this place on the date entered.

Decemb. 30 Mr Brodie arrived in the Institution in a rather low state of health which was chiefly proved by his pale yellowish complexion & a chronic ulcer on his left ankle. From the statements given by the medical officers previously attending him, he has been labouring under chronic melancholia for some time, finding every thing wrong & out of place. He gives decidedly a very dark picture of the place he just left & makes great complaints about mysterious influences of the atmosphere which seemed to contract his chest & paralyze his lungs. He was convinced that death would have been the result had he prolonged his stay at Longdale. He is another illustration of the importance of making changes of residence whenever and should a strong antipathy for a place exists in a patient. They often produce temporary if not permanent improvement: the irresistible fate which doomed him to suffering & death is often left behind: for a time at least & to all appearances Mr Brodie has evidently improved bodily & mentally since admission. The food, the air, the attendance, the medical treatment, everything is of the best kind. He sleeps right round. he eats everything put before him & asserts he could sometimes eat more. He reads, joins in general conversation; is of quiet, submitted demeanour & has never given trouble or offence of any kind. His bodily health is

much stronger; he almost never requires the assistance of medicine. His mind might be brighter still & his countenance more cheerful but there is every reason to hope that he will now follow steadily the path to recovery. His sore ankle still deprives him of one of the best & safest means of exercise in the open air: but it is now healing rapidly & will soon give him complete freedom of locomotion.

September 71 — Mr Brodie has been during the last three or four months in a happy frame of mind & on the whole has continued to improve month after month. He has had a change at the seaside continued which braced up his system & proved beneficial to his bodily health. Quiet, patient & always well pleased, he shows no sign at present of mental aberration & but for his fear of coming into & his morbid sensitiveness when a little out of sorts he might work be awarded as quite recovered.

March 72. — Remains the same —

Sept 1872 — This Patient remains the same

March 1873 — Still remains the same

oct- 1873 — This patient remained so well that he could not be legally detained as a certified patient. Various plans were proposed to provide for his home and future wants but he could not be tempted to leave and so preferred to remain as a voluntary patient. He was discharged relieved

7th October 1873 — October 7: 1873

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William Munro (Continued from Page 3)

Sept 14th 80 — Mr Munro continues almost unchanged; he is frequently threatening in demeanour, suspicious of being intentionally interfered with & persecuted

15th March 81 — There is no change to mind in Mr Gentleman's Case. He still came to take a walk, and goes through the ordinary routine of Asylum life with the same amount of attendance & attitudinizing

April 1882. — Mr Munro remains much the same. When at table he often rises from the table and then after staring at others & walks in. What the meaning of this movement is no one knows. His health remains good

Oct 21st 82. — Mr Munro remains in good bodily health but retains his mental peculiarities, there is no change at all in his case - He attends table & dress & preserves the peculiarities noticed in Mr Munro's case there can be no imputation of recovery as his manners are more those of child imbecility than the confused ideation of chronic Mania

April 9th 1883 — Mr Munro is in good bodily health & condition & has been so all winter, he is however subject to eczema on his back. Mentally there is no change he is shy, quiet reserved & takes averse to conversation

10.12.84 — Mr Munro says that he is King of Great Britain, and that there are a thousand Queens of Britain in the Institution. He is eccentric in his habits and performs numerous curious movements

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1180.

(1) Eleanora Main

October 21/80

(2) female. 50.
(3) single
(4) no occupation
(5) Church of Scotland
(6) Cairn Ryan, Stranraer
(7) Dumfries
(8) two months ill
(9) first attack
(10) 50, when first attacked
(11) nowhere under treatment before
(12) caused by change of life
(13) not epileptic
(14) Suicidal
(15) not dangerous to others
(16) Mrs Moir, Alloa, sister of the patient & Mrs Main, Whithorn, sister.

no insanity in the family.

October 21/80 James Murray McCulloch M.D. Dumfries states: (1) she says she is persecuted & insulted by Sir William Wallace & that he & others instigate persons everywhere in railways, hotels, streets etc to insult, persecute & annoy her, that her soul is lost, that she cannot rest & that no one can do her any good. (2) The same as the above & that she wishes she could destroy herself, that she loves & is beloved by a young minister & that it is a fearful sin, that she scarcely sleeps & is specially at night much excited & raving all kinds of nonsense & delusions.

October 21/80 John A. Ker M.D. Dumfries says: (1) Says that she is looked at by everybody when she goes about, that she cannot get rest. (2) that she is insulted & persecuted by Sir William Wallace, that she thinks she is loved by a young clergyman & that it is a sin etc.

Decemb. 30. This lady is labouring under very acute Melancholia with all the bodily & mental symptoms of this distressing type of Insanity. Her general health is impaired, her body emaciated, the digestive functions out of order, her sleep gone, her anxiety about the present & her dread of the future constant & manifested in her dead, dejected sometimes frightened countenance, in her restlessness in her incessant moaning & crying & in the sceptic shaking of her head when words of hope & encouragement are addressed to her. She is lost for ever, she will never die, & nothing & nobody can do her any good. At other times her insanity assumes the character of real Demonomania - she is not like the rest of human beings, there is nothing human in her. she is an evil spirit & although never distinctly expressed she has the conviction that she is the Evil one. Under these sad & depressing ideas she for several days refused almost every article of food, she could not sleep & frequently

required the administration of medicines. The utterance of her despair were sometimes so loud at night that she had to be removed in the refractory gallery. Hydrate of Chloral was given with great benefit, she slept for several nights from 4 to 5 hours with 20 grs. of this valuable medicine & the bromide of potassium prescribed during day had a soothing influence upon her. She begins to take her food better & she even now & then works a little with her hands. The most acute & strong symptoms are over; she has become accustomed to the Asylum discipline but deep in her mind still lies the conviction of her hopelessness & of the futility of all endeavours to make her comfortable.

August 21. After long & painful struggle with the sad conviction this lady had of the enormity of her sins & the utter despair resulting from it, she became gradually & slowly more composed & her resignation to her fate was cheered up by occasional glimpses of a better state of things for the future. She began then to occupy herself with little works & on removal to a better gallery, she associated with more cheerful patients & the comfort she derived from the daily intercourse with an earnest & zealous christian lady (Miss Atkinson) restored day by day peace to her mind & hope to her soul. She grew anxious to go home & the assurance she had the comfort of feeling that whom exempt when quite better also strengthened her endeavours to get rid of her former enemy. Cheerfulness & hope once more smiled on her countenance.

Octob. 26/71 She was discharged on probation.
April 12/72 and finally discharged relieved April 12th 1872

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1181. (1) Elizabeth Hutchinson.

November 5/70

(2) female. 24.
(3) single
(4) no occupation
(5) protestant
(6) Maxwelltown. Troqueer
(7) Do.
(8) one month ill
(9) first attack
(10) 24, when first attacked
(11) at home all the time
(13) cause unknown
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal (?)
(16) not dangerous to others
(19) John Hutchinson, father
& Terregles St. Maxwelltown.

no insanity in the family.

Nov. 5/70 James Murray McCulloch M.D. Dumfries, states: (1) She says she is lost, hopelessly lost, that she is miserable, knows not what to do etc. looks & acts in accordance & has the look & actions occasioned by Melancholia. (2) Says she is lost religiously; has & does contemplate suicide; is at times violent etc

Nov. 5/70 Patrick Murray M.D. Dumfries says: (1) Takes a gloomy & despondency view of everything; imagines she is lost; feels that she cannot control herself; is restless & excited. (2) Her father informs me that she attempted to throw herself out of the window, & that she goes to the Asylum voluntarily.

March 1871 The above case might well be designated a case of hysterical melancholia – great arbitrarily uncontrolled impulses profound ~~Melancholia~~ Hypochondriasis & suicidal tendencies

The patient has made slow and somewhat irregular improvement which is however progressive –

June 20/71 Improvement in this patient has gone on somewhat irregularly as before she was discharged on probation June 20th 1871

Dec 18th 1871 This patient was finally discharged relieved 19/12/71

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1182. Henrietta Dunlop Sprot

Novemb. 11/70 Voluntary See Case 1147 Vol 13.

The Sanction for admission is dated Edinburgh Nov. 11/70 & signed Arthur Mitchell Commissioner.

25th Jan 1871 The above was discharged recovered 25th Jan 1871

1183. (1) Richard Birrell.

Novemb. 21/70

(2) male. 35
(3) single
(4) no occupation
(5) Church of England
(6) Carlisle
(7) Crichton Institution Dumfries
(8) first attack lasted seven months
(9) not first attack.
(10) 25 on first attack
(11) at Morningside Asylum, Edinburgh
(12) a few days ill.
(13) cause unknown
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others

(17) Mrs Birrell, Earl Street Carlisle, mother
no insanity in the family
Thomas Wright Esq. Solicitor. Carlisle. agent

Novemb. 21/70 William Smith Kerr M.D. Dumfries states: (1) He is an excited, nervous man; talks constantly about himself & his relations, has decided delusions. (2) Dr Malen states that he has been confined before in Morningside Asylum.

Novemb. 21/70 Alexander Thomson M.D. Dumfries says: (1) Very talkative & his conversation is characterized by much incoherency; thinks himself a man of much influence & has great power over women, is excited. (2) Told by Dr Malen that he has been formerly in an Asylum & had been in an excited state when brought here.

25th Jan 1871 ~~The above was discharged recovered 25 Jan 1871~~

This patient has obvious constitutional if not hereditary tendencies - He has been the inmate of an asylum on at least two former occasions - His case is one of mild mania and it is expected that his recovery will be certain and soon

March 1871 The above patient as was expected has gradually improved and is quite likely to recover in a reasonable time -

July 1871 The above patient has quite regained his health he was accordingly discharged recovered July 17: 1871

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(1) Isabella James.

Novemb. 30/70

(2) female. 68
(3) single
(4) daughter of a mercer
(5) church of England
(6 & 7) 36. Cecil Street Carlisle.
(8) has been excitable for a considerable time
(9) first attack
(10) 68. when first attacked
(12) acute symptoms for about a week.
(13) unknown. is believed to have indulged in strong drinks.
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others.
(19) Anne James, sister of Isabella James. 36 Cecil Street. Carlisle. one deceased brother insane.

Novemb. 29/70 William Bousfield Page surgeon Eng. Carlisle states: (1) that she requested me to draw on bankers for an unlimited amount; told me she was about to purchase a very large property; very excited. (2) That she has been purloining largely of all sorts of articles & pawning clothes quite beyond her means to pay; that she believes herself to be the Queen of England.

Novemb. 29/70. Cornelius A. Hall, surgeon Eng. Carlisle, says: (1) Says she is about to purchase Houghton Hall for millions of millions of money. (2) That she is violent & abusive without cause or reason & strikes without any provocation for so doing.

Decemb. 30. Highly excited on admission this old lady was pleased with everything & taking an extra bright view of all her surroundings. She had no end of money & was going to transact an immense amount of business. Her conversation is very extravagant. her ideas unconnected. Although no distinct cause is specified, there is strong supposition that she has been indulging in stimulants & if physiognomy is not a dream of German idealists, the great development of her under lip indicates a strong propensity for the gratification of the palate & an incessant appetite for the luxuries of the table. The word "gluttonous" conveys a very good idea of that unbecoming disposition. After old age, natural irascibility of temper may have been concomitant causes. She enjoys however strong bodily health & is remarkably active & energetic. She could not sleep for several nights & has since her attack given up solid food almost entirely. Hydrate of Chloral was also tried in her case to ensure rest at night & had the very singular effect in her to increase the excitement at first & to produce almost raving delirium. The dose being increased to 40 grs. produced a totally different effect. She sleep coming on without previous excitement. This singular & seemingly contradictory action of Chloral has been alluded to by others & many experi-

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ments on the subject all prove the same truth in the end: smaller doses of Chloral hydrate excite - large & maximum doses soothe - Long personal trial of this most useful medicine enables the writer to add this explanation of the contradiction: small doses never excite subjects who have not indulged in stimulants some times - moderate doses - say from 30 to 35 grs excite habitual drinkers even after a quarter of an hour - large doses above 40 grs in no case produce excitement. no dose whatever small will excite a thorough & lifelong teetotaller.

Miss James cannot be kept in bed during day & is constantly throwing off her clothes - strong shirt with greased butter is used to protect her from cold - She begins to take her food better but is still going at full speed in the land of dreams.

2 May

March 1871 — This case may be called one of senile mania The patient has made considerable improvement in health and habits, The mental condition is radically the same but greater quietude has been secured

Sept: 1871 — This patient remains the same as when last reported

March 1872 — Nothing new to report in the above case

Sept 1872 — There is no change in the above case

March 1873 — Patient remains the same in all respects as above reported

Sept 1873 — No change has occurred in the above case - There is the same variability of temper - the same irritability of ~~temper~~ excitement and incoherence - all of them however are only temporary and fitful for there are frequent intervals of cheerfulness and hilarity

There is a tendency to Opthalmia and ulcers on the lower limbs

March 1874 Nov 1874 — Patient is unable to walk being hemiplegic (right side) Patient remains in the same excitable noisy state - disturbing the rest of the dormitory by her loud talking. She has just been cured of a large ulcer on her leg which long resisted treatment. Any attempt to take off the ~~bandage~~ bandage which constitutes her dinner results in diarrhoea.

1 April 1875 Miss James remains in the same state. She sleeps and still suffers from intractable Conjunctivitis and has recently had a bad "boil" from which however she has completely recovered. There is not much change in her general demeanour since last entry. She walks her room pretty and sleeps soundly.

2 May 1875 Miss James dies this morning from "Brain decay"

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1185.

Novemb. 30/70

William Anthony Fidler.

Voluntary

The Sanction for admission is dated Edinburgh Nov. 25/70 & signed Arthur Mitchell Commissioner.

This patient a case of partial imbecility was a voluntary, as he was thought by his father not to be making any progress he was removed unimproved

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(1) Leitchmano Vurtha Razaloo.

Decemb. 12/10

(2) male. 60.
(3) married
(4) Butler
(5) protestant
(6) Madras
(7) Dumfries
(8) ten days ill
(9) first attack
(10) 60 when first attacked
(11) never a nowhere under treatment
(13) cause unknown
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) dangerous to others
(19) supposed to have for nearest relative a cousin called A. Naransawmy.

Black Town. Madras. none known to be insane in the family.

Andrew David Barrie. M.B. Dumfries, his master.

Decemb 12/10 Patrick Murray M.D. Dumfries states: (1) He rambling & incoherent; imagines that the world belongs to him, that he has a million of money; that her Majesty stands at his bedside. (2) Dr Barrie tells me that he has taken an intense dislike to him & threatened to knock his brains out.

Decemb. 12/10 William Smith Kerr M.D. Dumfries says: (1) He has an excited look, also absent & restless, constantly talking in a rambling manner - has many delusions about his wealth. (2) His master, Dr Barrie & others say he has become greatly changed in his mind lately, that he is often peculiarly violent & love & affection has apparently changed to hate.

Decemb. 10.. Insanity afflicts the negroes as well as the Caucasian races & if similarity of disease or the pathological aberrations of humanity have anything to do in the question of unity of race Mr Razaloo, the only negro insane in Scotland (to my knowledge) is a practical illustration of the universal law that the mind which thinks is liable to err, the mind which reasons may wander or in still more general terms, the organ performing regularly its functions may at any time deviate from the healthy activity. Viewed in this light, the case under consideration is peculiarly interesting.

Razaloo is not a negro. Hindoos are of the Caucasian family. JH.

Mr Razaloo is for a Madras citizen an old man - apart from the mental disease or more truly connected with it as cause to effect is his general enfeebled health showing symptoms of exhaustion & of deficient nervous energy in several regions of his body. Foremost in time & also in volume is an enormous ventral hernia of old standing, several rings, reduced & always reappearing which he himself supports with a very primitive suspensor. His left ankle is affected with chronic ulcer. Scars can be seen on his hips, right wrist some of them evidently having a mechanic origin - others spontaneous. Peripheral circulation is very defective

respiration hurried, the inspiration very short. She is labouring under acute Mania & has for the last few days caused no trouble & anxiety to his mother Dr Barrie. Although attended & devoted to him in much degree as can only be witnessed among negroes (?) he at once & without apparent cause entirely changed. his aversion for Dr Barrie becoming as strong as his former affection. he soon became so violent that three or four men had to watch him. He often threatened to smash his mother's brains. he could no more sleep at night & partook of very little food. — His excitement on admission was not very great. he was a man of great means & offering his hearty & thanked pounds to everybody who would shake hand with him. Confused & incoherent in his conversation he was nothing more of his sentence by the words: "I am not mad sir". When questioned about his health he always readily answered: "all right". no need of doctor here" & if some of the ailments above mentioned were alluded to he immediately would turn the question aside to talk again of his immense wealth & power. He has shown some destructive tendencies & is not very clean in his habits. No course of treatment has been prescribed as yet. beyond keeping him warm as much as possible in his bed & giving him whatever article of diet he may fancy.

May 1/71 Discharged recovered.

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(1) Agnes Jemima Grahame

Decemb. 16/40

(2) female. æt
(3) single
(4) daughter of Writer to the Signet
(6) Gordon Lodge, Reading
(7) 48. London Street. Reading
(8) 3 weeks ill
(9) first attack
(10) 41 when first attacked
(11) nowhere under treatment previously
(13) debility
(14) not epileptic
(15) suicidal during the first week, not since?
(16) not dangerous to others
(19) Thomas Grahame, father, residing at

July

Whiteknights House, Reading, Berks - no other member of the family has ben insane. [The patient was born deaf & dumb]

Dec. 5/40

Edward Wells M.D. Reading states: (1) total change of natural behaviour; the deaf & dumb generally lively, now sullen; a few days since thought she had committed murder & was constantly trying to get out to give herself up to the Police & at present is sullen, refusing food & refusing all communication. (2) Mrs Deacon of 48 London St. the nurse with whom she is placed informs me that she has attempted to strangle herself & that she refuses her food & behaves in many other strange ways.

Dec. 6/40

Oliver Galley Maurice surg. Eqr. Reading states: (1) a restless, unnatural manner, taking no notice of any one or anything, refusing to answer questions put to her by writing on her slate. (2) Mrs Deacon her nurse tells me that she has frequently attempted to destroy herself & that she refuses food, only taking it by force

Decemb. 20

The condition of the patient prevents any information to be drawn from her even by writing questions upon paper, but a letter from Dr. Wells her previous medical adviser gives the following useful data:

"At first she appeared to be suffering from nervous exhaustion, not having "taken a sufficient supply of nourishment & being naturally thin & delicate. "By degrees the shewed symptoms evidencing derangement of the mind and on the 19th "of November she was removed to the care of a skilled nurse as a temporary "measure before removing her to an Asylum. At the time of her removal she "manifested suicidal propensities, having made an attempt on herself by twisting "a handkerchief round her throat, as well as by stabbing herself with scissors. "So far as one could make out (the being deaf & dumb) she fancied she had com- "mitted murder & was anxious to give herself up to the Police. With this "object she was constantly for some days trying to get out of her apartment. "She refuses to take food voluntarily, but makes no resistance to food being "placed in her mouth when she swallows it & in this manner she has taken

& plenty of nourishment. She has generally had good nights under the influence & of hydrate of chloral, taking sometimes 20 & sometimes 15 grs. She has not had & the catamenia since her removal from home in Nov. 19, but they were & reported to be regular previously. She cannot be said to be violent, but is occa- & sionally very restless, tearing her small articles of wearing apparel to pieces. She & was always very thin, and before her mental affection occurred, was even thinner & than she is now. I do not make out that insanity is hereditary in the family."

July 21. This lady remained for long time in the state above described, refusing her food, unwilling to get up or to move about when out of bed & dressed never looking at a book & refusing to answer by writing all the questions sent to her. The feeding with the spoon had to be abandoned as causing always too great a struggle with the attendants & insufficient for the amount of nourishment she required. Artificial feeding with the pipe was resorted to & carried on for months three times a day. A small dose of hydrate of chloral was added to her last meal to ensure quiet & rest at night & occasional doses of aperient medicine were mixed with her food to get rid of the persistent constipation. The mindal preparation did not on any occasion exhibit themselves forcibly, probably owing to the immense nourishing value which she was night & day. And so days, weeks & months were passing without improving in any way the condition of this unfortunate patient. In spite of the feeding she was evidently loosing ground & fears were entertained of a sudden & fatal break down, when again all hope Miss Graham finding one day a bit of the crust of a pie took hold of it, ate it & asked for some more which was at once supplied. It was found that she particularly relished dry food & toast, the outer thin of beef, were served to her & ever since, that is during about two months the artificial feeding has been kept aside & she takes all her meals regularly not only regularly but with real pleasure. Her mental condition improved also in other respects. She is now dressed every day & walking regularly in our grounds. She takes notice of all that is occurring near or about her & has several times tried to work some little fancy work with her hands. She still refuses to write in answer to questions & seem little inclined as yet for social intercourse or private reading. This amazing change suggests an important practical point. Most of the patients artificially fed are not tried enough with a variety of nicely prepared meals. The big feeding bowl is offered to them full to the brim with a mixture very little tempting in either colour or smell. It would be quite worth while the trouble to offer to these patients as often as possible a nice bit of chop or a fish or ham & eg &c.

March 72. The suicidal tendency as far as can be judged seems to have completely disappeared but in its place a state of constant restlessness, incessant moving about & an earnest desire to be off and daily & nightly exhibitions of such as that after trying upwards of eight nights sitting & pacing her attendant in her bedroom without any good result, the bedstead had to be employed & the last steps in it were since the beginning of the year. She continues to take all her meals perfectly well & heartily & enjoys on the whole very good health although her constant exertions are telling upon her appearance & give her a tired worn out look. She will refuse to employ herself in any way & has not yet been at our amusements. The hope entertained at one time that employment, reading &c would give her thoughts a more healthy direction is therefore very much shaken.

Sept 1872 This patient has not improved in any way she is strongly suspected of indulging in secret vice which has probably been the exciting cause of her malady acting on a defective Constitution.

There is no hope of amprovement but deterioration is likely to be slow.

March 1873 This patient remains the same there is considerable difficulty as to her food as she will only eat certain things and as she is quite beyond the reach of advice or inducement her diet is limited in variety and scarcely reaches a wholesome standard

Sept 1873 This patient remains the same - she has had a pretty severe attack of diarrhoea and as almost no food was taken for some days her exhaustion was great and fears were entertained that she might sink. She rallied again however and remains in her usual condition

1st Mch 1874 There has been no change in the condition of the patient since the date of last entry

11 Decr 1874 In spite of every means taken to check a most intractable Diarrhoea the patient has to day expired from the exhaustion caused by the disease

1188 (1) Francis Arthur Fenton

Jan 29/71

(2) Male. 35
(3) Single
(4) Formerly clerk in Merchants Office. Farming in America and lately assistant to a Surgeon
(5) Church of England
(6) Folkestone for 9 months
(7) London
(8) Unwell for 10 years. Has delusions as to food for several years
(9) Yes. first attack
(10) 33
(11) Not been under special treatment
(13) Debility, and constantly dwelling on his own state of Health
(14) Not epileptic
(15) Not Suicidal
(16) Violent at his lodgings about Food
(19) Ann Fenton
Mother of Patient residing at 1 Clifton Place Sandgate near Folkestone. His aunt has been an invalid for many years and has delusions as to her own condition.

Jan 30/71 Patrick Murray Esq. Dumfries states (1) Has delusions about his food: fancies that people put pepper into it, says he has lost the sense of taste. (2) Dr. Gilchrist tells me that he has been ill for a good while and that his friends could not control him.

Jan 30/71 John Smith M.B. Dumfries states (1) Has delusions regarding his food, imagines that pepper is put into his food wherever he goes even in his tea this morning at the Crichton Institution and although he cannot taste it feels after effects (2) The attendant informs me that no pepper was put into his tea this morning.

March 31 This young gentleman of refined manners & very good education, of bright intellect & acute understanding is laboring under the Monomania of Suspicion. It is singular enough that the only feature of it be concentrated upon a single condiment of our diet: pepper. He never dreams of poison being added to his diet, but it is always pepper. Pepper in his milk, in his tea, butter, meat, bread, in every article of food in short excepting boiled eggs. This suspicion is not always so strong but undergoes short periods of remission during which very little indeed calls our patient with the exception of a desire for solitude & private study out ordinary in a young man accustomed as he has been to society & public life. He is a great reader & evidently endowed with very retentive memory as that he can trace far in the past the origin of this miserable persuasion & give very singular account of the causes of his sufferings. With strong emotive propensities & the idea that he has an unusual power & influence over the weaker sex he thinks that some female friends have by foul wishes & to terminate courtship & to come to some definite arrangement with him. To that end pepper was used by them & concealed in his food to stimulate his desires & hasten the consummation he says, they wished to

arrive at. The same parties have heard given instructions in the kitchen department & turned him in the same way by imitating this system.

March 72. Mr Fenton has remained in the same mental condition all this time, the suspicion about pepper being as strong as ever at times & his bodily strength & appetite have often failed on account of the insufficient nourishment. All means of persuasion have been used to show him that pepper could not be & was not put in his food. Offer was even afforded him to prepare with his own hands the food he wished to have, but even the grocers were influenced by the same parties & would mix up with this flour or even the bread pepper. He still has very much retired & continues to refuse all participation in our excursions, games or recreations. He has however contributed but on three occasions & shown in his articles a vast amount of information & a decided ability & cleverness in composing his thoughts.

Sept 1872 This patient remains much the same. He was sent to the country residence for some weeks in the hope that change of scene and society might break the spell which bound him. For a week or two he seemed to get on better but the pepper ghost soon introduced itself even there and he returned the same as to his specific delusion but somewhat improved in bodily health.

March 1873 This patient remains the same.

Sept. 1873 Change to the country has been again had recourse to in this case but with no better success than before.

He continues to be supplied with whatever he asks for in the matter of food, sometimes it is sent in quantity cooked to eat when and as he wishes it sometimes he has the raw materials supplied and cooks it himself.

He has a strong strumous taint, the glands of the neck require constant attention and treatment.

1st. March. 1874 Mr Fenton does not take his food well and has become much thinner during the last six months. He suffers constantly from diarrhoea and piles. His delusion as to pepper being mixed with his food remains as strong as ever.

23 October 1874 Mr Fenton continued on the downward course indicated in the last entry - taking as little food as possible - and slowly but steadily

becoming attenuated, till at the last his bones protruded in a way most painful to witness. It became quite evident that his loss of flesh was not due solely to the delusion-bred abstinence from food, but rather that his delusions, - as well as his attenuation, - had a common zymotic basis - Tabes Mesenterica, disease of the abdominal glandular system: - of the mesenteric glands, causing non-assimilation of the food taken, - of the intestinal glands, giving rise to the diarrhea and various sensations - of pepper in his feet, &c. For some weeks before death Mr Fenton was kept in bed and carefully supplied with nourishment - Beef tea - Milk - Wine - Jelly &c, of which he took a considerable quantity; but all was of no avail - he gradually became weaker, and at last died on this date. He would take no medicines.

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17 July

Jr. J. G. Thorburn

Transfer from Southern Counties Asylum. For previous history see S.C.A. Case Books

The history of this patient will be found in the books referred to & also in the books of this House for the period during which he was an inmate of our Institution. He was re-admitted in the stage of excitement of his long standing & confirmed insanity. His talk was redundant & his writings & pictures illustrative of his particular mental disease unmistakable. The golden of beauty & his untiring hopes are evidently the inspiring fountains from which he draws, represents in pictures, writings, gesticulations & expressions all his imaginative thoughts. It is a pity however that Thornburn is not often associated with them. In his room lays the most heterogeneous materials are mixed together for his allegorical productions. Horses, carriages, palaces, chariots, thrones & crosses are often mixed up with his written labours & give to his graphical sketches an appearance & a result not always in harmony with the subject. The fertility of his imagination is proverbial: rhymes, speeches, pictures, odes are incessantly pouring from his overworking brain & when the time of rest has come & the poor destitute finds himself in his dark & wintry bedroom his fancy is working as hard as ever & one can hear his dialogue going on very late in the night. He sometimes imitates a fish-fork & tries a child's or a woman's voice but on two or three occasions the writer of these lines was obliged to enter his room & ascertain by outer demonstrations whether he was really alone.

1 Decem

24 May

Sept. 1872

March 1873

This patient remains unchanged

No change has taken place in the above case it maintains its character of many years standing as a case of periodical ~~standing~~ mania. In later years the periods both of lucidity and excitement have become gradually less marked so that for some time perfect lucidity & calm recovery has not been attained. On the other hand the maniacal paroxysms are less severe and prolonged.

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1st March 1874

The Patient's condition remains unchanged

The condition of the patient has varied little during the last six months. He is at times violent and very noisy but these paroxysms soon subside

Nov 1874

1 April 1875

Dr Thornburn's condition remains the same.

Dr Thornburn is still at times very stormy and prior attacks he has most terrible battles. His mental and bodily states are the same as on

17 July 1875 The periodicity so marked in this gentleman's case is as marked as ever. He is sometimes quiet and gentlemanly, and presently, stormy and vindictive — The least spark of irritation kindles the mighty flame of his anger and elicits those terrible oaths of which he is so perfectly the master

1 Decem. 1875 This gentleman's condition has not improved He has recently given himself up to writing obscene and disgusting poetry of a most perverted character and tendency. His caricatures are, if not clever, curious and bear a certain amount of talent. His letter-writing imitates Lear and evokes out of his great store of oaths whenever — that are neither refined nor desirable — of the class that are his favourites. His physical condition is very fair.

24 May 76 Dr. Thornburn died this day of Apoplexy after one day's illness

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(1) Henry Hanson

Feb$^{y}$ 20/71

(2) Male - 45
(3) Single
(4) House painter
(5) Church of England
(6) Carlisle
(7) Dumfries
(8) Three weeks ill
(9) Not first attack
(10) 42 when first attacked
(11) Crichton Royal Institution - 1868
(12) Three weeks ill
(13) Not known
(14) Not Epileptic
(15) Not Suicidal
(16) Not dangerous to others
(19) Geo Hanson residing at Evening Hill, Carlisle. Youngest brother from Intemperance died in Australia in an Asylum.

Feb$^{y}$ 21/71

John Smith M.D. Dumfries states (1) His excited appearance, trembling speech and incoherent Conversation (2) Dr Gilchrist informs me that since his admission he has been in a very excited state and that he was previously an inmate of the Crichton Institution

Feb$^{y}$ 21/71

Alexander Thomson M.D. Dumfries states (1) Is in a highly excited Condition, and talks away at great length about wonderful presents he has purchased to send to the Queen &c. (2) Dr Gilchrist and Mr Bruce inform me he was formerly in this Institution; and has been in a highly excited state since his admission on this occasion.

This is a well marked case of Paresis. He had been previously an inmate. His case on the first occasion was noted for the extreme severity and long continuance of the excitement. It was scarcely expected notwithstanding the free use of nutrients, stimulants and oxygen that he could escape exhaustion. He did improve however was discharged and remained at home in a state of quietude if not of activity for more than two years - when he was Readmitted

The Disease as was expected ran its usual course

12$^{th}$ Sept$^{r}$ 1871

and he died 12$^{th}$ Sept$^{r}$ 1871

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(1) Mary Paterson Strang

Feb$^{y}$ 22/71

(2) Female - 29
(3) Single
(4) Governess for about 3 months
(5) United Presbyterian
(6) 48 Jane Street Glasgow
(7) 48 Jane Street - Glasgow
(8) About 3 weeks ill
(9) Fond Attack
(10) 29 when first attacked
(11) No where under treatment previously
(12) About 3 weeks ill
(13) Disappointment
(14) Not epileptic
(15) Not thought to be suicidal
(16) Not thought to be dangerous to others
(19) Margaret Scott or Strang, Mother, residing at 48 Jane Street Glasgow. No other member of Family insane

Feb 11/71

Sh. Wilson M.D 252 West George St. Glasgow states (1) Strange hallucinations regarding unreal scenes and occurrences and conversations which she believes to be real and which she describes with great excitement of manner. These hallucinations chiefly relate to her marriage and to imagined unkind treatment by relatives and friends, with whom she declares her determination not to live any longer.

Feb 14/71

Algernon Wood Smith M.D 5 Hamilton Terrace Glasgow. states (1) Suicidal threats - Hallucinations regarding marriage - hearing voices, footsteps &c which are groundless. An excitable manner bordering on violence (2) Suspicious of her nearest Relatives - Sleeplessness.

Sept 1871

This patient has made considerable improvement - She is a case about which a very guarded prognosis should be given. Her physical constitution still more her mental disposition afford much hope for her future immunity from disease. She is capricious, wayward, variable impulsive, vain. She affirms her mother to be a dipsomaniac - She is clever and talented, writes poetry with facility which is far above the ordinary standard is a first class Pianist and clever with her needle -

March 1872

This Patient continues to improve -

Sept. 1872

Patient continues as above -

Feb 5$^{th}$ 1873

As this patient had reached her normal condition it was not deemed ~~advisable~~ advisable longer to retain her as a certified patient and it was arranged that she should remain as a voluntary - which was effected 6 Feb 1873

April 30$^{th}$ 1873

This patient was discharged at this date. It was arranged that she should go to lodgings at Stirling where it was expected she would gradually get suitable employment as a needlewoman or as a teacher of Music she was only absent a week ~~however~~ when she proceeded to return absent she was admitted May 10$^{th}$ 1873

May 10 1873

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Mary Paterson Strang

Sept 1873 This Patient remains the same

st. Mch. 1874 There is no change in the condition of the patient

Oct 12th 1874 There has been little change in this patient's mental state: irritability of temper, and a certain want of self-control, only, indicate a want of mental stability. At her earnest desire she was today discharged to lodgings in Dumfries, her friends being unwilling to receive her home.

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(1) Arabella Mary Delamour

Feb 25/71

(2) Female. 32
(3) Single
(4) No occupation
(5) Plymouth Brethren (so called)
(6) Dublin
(7) Crichton R. Institution
(8) About 3 years ill
(9) Not first attack
(10) 29 when first attacked
(11) C.R. Institution Dumfries
(13) Irregularity of female health
(14) Not epileptic
(15) Suicidal
(16) Not believed dangerous to others
(19) Anna Edwards formerly Delamour, Mother

34 Anglesea Drive Kingstown Co Dublin.

George Delamour father of patient suffers from Paralysis some years previous to death.

Feb 27/71

William S. Hera Esq D. Dumfries states (1) She is a delicate nervous lady. Has a peculiar absent expression. occasionally excites and laughing at nothing. Tries hard to hide any weakness. (2) When in this Asylum lately she was counted a dangerous patient and is still thought to be so

Feb 27/71

John Smith Esq B. Dumfries states (1) Her mental depression, peculiar manner and appearance and delusions. Laughs without a cause. Tells me that they poison people in the Crichton Institution, therefore cannot eat (2) Was previously an inmate of the Crichton Institution.

Augt 1871

This patient was a former resident but having somewhat improved she was placed under the care of a private family in Maxwelltown - after a brief period of comparative health she became worse and was readmitted -

She is of an amiable disposition pleasant and affable in her natural condition - Her mental disturbance is indicated by restlessness obstinacy and caprice -

Her constitution is very fragile and her general health is more or less impaired - She makes some improvement for a time and then falls back again into her former condition She will not submit to any continued treatment

March/72 Patient remains the same -

Sept. 1872 No change in this case -

March 1873 Patient variable but no permanent improvement has been effected

Sept 1873 No change in the above case -

1st March. 1874 The patients condition remains unchanged

Nov 1874 In statu quo

1 April 1875 This patient is at times apparently reasonable often she has many delusions She believes that her food is poisoned and that the whole household conspire to make her wretched. There is no improvement in her mental health her physical strength is very fair. She is quarrelsome and unfit for Ward duties

17 July 1875 There is no marked improvement in this case general health remains good this day at times complains of discomfort

1 Decm 1875 This Case remains much the same. The patient is never in enjoyment of robust health nor is her mental Condition in any or any improved. She is capricious irritable and often a disagreeable companion, apt to quarrel with the other patients. Self abuse is suspected as the cause of her disordered state which is still very hopeless

1 May 1876 The same capricious characteristics Miss Delamore's Case. She is unbearable at times and often disobedient: has marked delusions of an obscene and gross character and occasionally attacks of irritability. There is no mental improvement. The Physical Condition has remained in statu quo

Feb 20th 77. This patient makes no improvement. She sometimes submits on Bread & water for a few days. She is obstinate & quarrelsome.

October 23rd 77. Miss Delamore remains a patient she still possesses the delusions of old & they are of a kind very painful & uninteresting to her. She is jealous & has been violent to her fellow patients threatening to kill one of them

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(1) Samuel Graham

March 6/71

(2) Male. 52
(3) Single
(4) Farmer
(5) Protestant
(6) Hawhill
(7) Dumfries
(8) About 3 weeks ill
(9) First attack
(11) Hawhills
(13) Hard drinking
(14) Not Epileptic
(15) Threatens Suicide
(16) Not dangerous to others
(19) Alexander Rogerson Graham. Brother (residing at) Hawhill. Lockerbie. No other Member of Family insane

March 6/71 James Thomson Wilson Surg. Edin: Lockerbie states (1) Much excited, restless, and having great dread of doing violence to himself if left alone.

March 7/71 John Smith M.B. Dumfries states (1) Is melancholic. Has imaginary diseases - Tells me that owing to his mental depression he cannot be left alone.

Sept. 71 This patient is a case of Chronic Melancholia passing into dementia after a long continued course of intemperance

The patient is a respectable farmer. The cause of his disease is obvious and his recovery is hopeless -

Jan 30/72 A certain degree of improvement was attained at one time however became non progressive and in the hope of procuring something more proper change he was transferred to Hale own home

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(1) William Milligan

March 7/71

(2) Male. 48
(3) Writer
(4) Established Church
(5) Buccleuch Street
(6) A few days ill
(7) Not first attack
(10) Sixteen when first attacked
(11) Crichton Institution
(14) Not Epileptic
(15) Not Suicidal
(16) Doubtful whether dangerous to others
(19) Margaret Milligan. sister of Patient residing at 9 Buccleuch Street Dumfries. No other member of family insane.

March 8/71

John Smith M.B. Dumfries states (1) His wild and excited manner and refusal to answer questions (2) The attendants inform me that during the night he was much excited. Was previously an inmate of the Asylum.

March 8/71

Alexander Thomson M.D. Dumfries states (1) Excited appearance. Change in manner, and in his usual mode of conversation. tendency to use strong language against individuals and relations with whom he is usually on friendly terms. (2) Told by Mr. Malcolm Dumfries that on Monday night he was in a state of violent excitement and had to be restrained. and by the attendants here that this excitement has continued.

Sept. 1871

This patient has been a former resident more than once His case is one of mixed mania with great irritability and occasional excitement. Obstinacy and ill temper Intemperance is assigned as the cause but in his case it is more likely to be the effect. There is strong constitutional tendency of not also hereditary taint.

Improvement was soon indicated but it was slow and irregular

March/72

Improvement goes on but slowly

Oct 30 1872

The improvement of this patient this show was gradual and progressive. He was at last considered so well as to be benefitted by treatment at home on trial. This was effected 1st August 1872. At home improvement gradually went on and he was finally discharged recovered at the above date

30th Oct 1872

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(1) William McDiarmid Kerr

March 7/71

(2) Male. 40
(3) Suffered to before attack
(4) Merchant
(5) Drink
(6) Established Church
(7) Not Epileptic
(8) Albany Place
(9) Suicidal
(10) Do our Crichton Institution
(11) Doubtful whether dangerous to others
(12) Some days ill
(13) Mrs Sturgeon, Sister, residing at Queensberry Street Dumfries. No other member of Family insane.

March 8/71

John Smith M.B. Dumfries states (1) Has a depressed melancholy appearance Has delusions. Is afraid to be alone and has a suicidal tendency.

March 8/71

Alexander Thomson M.D. Dumfries states (1) Appears melancholy and depressed. dreads being alone and feels a want of self control. has a suicidal tendency. (2) Told by Dr Gilchrist, that he desired to have some one to take care of him, as he felt unable to look after himself.

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This patient made rapid improvement mental and physical under the usual treatment and was discharged recovered on 1st May 1871

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(1) Female. 52
(2) Married
(3) Gentlewoman
(4) Protestant R.C.
(5) Whitehaven
(7) Whitehaven
(8) Eleven years ill
(9) Not first attack
(10) 41 when first attacked
(11) Glasgow
(12) Suffered Cause not known
(14) Not Epileptic
(15) Doubtful if Suicidal
(16) Not dangerous to others.
(17) Frederick Gregory, husband of Patient; residing at Lonsdale Place, Whitehaven - Sister insane.

April 5/71
James M. McCulloch M.D. Dumfries states (1) Jealousy of her husband, jealous of the servants &c in her own house. Excitable and joyous or depressed without Cause.
(2) The same

April 5/71
Hugh Cunningham, Phy & Surg Edin., Dumfries states (1) Her mind pursues one object or train of thought whilst she raves with unfounded apprehension and extreme depression.

Sept. 1871
This patient had been a previous resident - but had improved so much in general health as well as mental condition that her husband on paying her a visit determined on taking her home. The propriety of this was doubted but it was thought fair to give her a trial - She was only absent however a few weeks - Improvement has again been effected to some extent -

March/72
Improvement in this case goes on -

Sep. 1872
Patient continues the same

March 1873
The only marked symptoms remaining in this case is an occasional outburst of ill temper and scolding without any apparent cause -
The patient with this exception is pleasant - tho some what whimsical is quiet and industrious but vain and dressy

29 Oct 1873
This patient has greatly improved in general health and appearance and has no marked indications of insanity remains except what is stated above - Her husband after considerable difficulty was induced to try her once more at home she was discharged relieved 29/10/73

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(1) Robert Hutchison

April 7/71

(2) Male. 25
(3) Single
(4) Clergyman
(5) Church of England
(6) Cambrae Greenock
(7) Paisley
(8) Several hours ill
(9) Second attack
(10) First attack about a month ago
(11) Never examined before. Former attack slight
(12) Supposed cause Liver Complaint
(13) Not Epileptic
(14) Suicidal
(15) Dangerous to others
(16) Rev. Robert P. Hutchison, Father, residing at Winchester, England. An uncle insane after Brain fever.

3rd July 18

April 6/71

Daniel Richmond M.D. Paisley states (1) Maniacal excitement. Requesting to be shot and offers to take Prism. (2) Striking Constable, James Taylor. Leaping over a Window — Rev. W. Richardson Hawkhead.

April 6/71

Hugh Colligan M.D. Paisley states (1) Great excitement. Stands in a Naked position and refuses to be dressed. Telling maniacal expression of Countenance. (2) Constable James Taylor states that he to day attempted to jump over the window of a three story house.

July 21.

Mr Hutchison was admitted in a state of high excitement during which he refused his food for several days. Strong suicidal impulse had him before admission to commit violence against himself & he had on one occasion put his hand in the fire & got hold of a red hot poker which burned severely the fore finger & the palm. Dressings & Lotions could not be kept on for he was constantly tearing them off & for surgical reasons the strong jacket had to be enforced for a few days & the locked bed for weeks. He passed then in the dull, sleepy state which so often follows high excitement. could answer questions only very slowly & seem to take little or no notice of the dressing & cleaning of his wounds. Things however gradually improved & a decided step in advance was made as soon as he was able to get up & to go out in the grounds. No special delusions could then be detected but he had a confused idea of all that had gone before & described in rather hyperbolic terms the sensations he felt in his head. Step by step he began to ask for books & having been brought up in Oxford, showed himself a capital reader of classics. He joined in all our outdoor games, was very fond of long walks, fernies etc but never conversed himself with the animation & spirit one would expect in a young man of his education & acquirements. Always very short in his answers he appeared to take everything quietly & smoothly. The parks in grounds & the first park out of grounds were granted at his own request & on no occasion did he

abuse of them special privileges

Convalescence in this case was completed - It was arranged that he should travel with his father for
31st July 1871 a few weeks. He was discharged recovered on 31st July 1871

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(1) Andrew Purves.

April 11/71

(2) Age 29
(3) Single
(4) Clerk in Bank of Scotland Glasgow
(5) Free Church of Scotland
(6) Glasgow
(7) Maxwelltown
(8) Fully 4 months ill
(9) First attack
(10) 29 when first attacked
(11) Not previously examined and treated
(13) Evangelistic work above his strength
(14) Not Epileptic
(15) Not Suicidal
(16) Not dangerous to others
(19) David Purves
Father of the Patient residing at Maxwelltown. One of his daughters under treatment for some time in Crichton Royal Institution

April 13/71

William S. Kerr M.D. Dumfries states (1) Has an absent vacant look. Great depression of spirits. Says he has lost memory. Can't read newspaper or conduct business. He wishes to become a patient in the House. (2) It is well known amongst his friends that he has been latterly getting weak mentally.

April 13/71

John Smith M.B. Dumfries states (1) His confused and rambling conversation melancholic appearance and incoherent ideas.

Sept 1871

Above is a case of profound but somewhat modified melancholia. The subject of it is an amiable active-minded clever highly conscientious and religious young man. A younger sister has been twice in the house and it is believed this not actually known that there exists in this branch of the family hereditary taint (there is a younger family by a second marriage)

This patient was a banker but devoted much of his time after hours to missionary work. He has admitted misdemeanours in secret vice. These two exhaustive influences acting together are probably the exciting cause of the Malady

Previous to admission he had been several times under private treatment and occasionally sent to hydropathic establishments with however only temporary benefit—

When admitted he was exceedingly depressed with strong suicidal tendencies. Entertained several delusions as to his personal condition as that he had no brain stomach &c

Improvement was gradually tho' slowly effected as it progressed the case assumed a periodical type due mainly it is believed to the depression produced by emissions which

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still harassed him altho he had shaken off the habit in which they originated—

16th aug 1873

He has so far recovered as to deem it advisable that he be sent home on trial which was effected Dec 8/71

March 20th 1872 He soon became worse and returned to the house 20/3/72

Sept 1872 His patient makes slow but regular progress through improvement.

March 1873 Improvement goes on in the above case but still with irregularity—

August 16/73 Improvement at this date had so far advanced that it was deemed advisable to secure for him employment as a preparative for discharge, accordingly he was sent to work in a Bank in town for some hours a day when he went home dined and spent the evening with his family. He was brought back to the house daily & under the care of an attendant, this arrangement succeeded for a few weeks when he broke down with one of his periodical attacks of head ache and depression

He was ten days in recovering himself when he resumed work as before with a shortening of hours

He gave great satisfaction to his employers from his care and attention and seemed in every respect healthy and well and supposed quite safe and trustworthy.

One afternoon however he slipped away from his attendant and was no where to be found. His unexpected abuse of the liberty conceeded to him and his former tendencies gave rise to well grounded anxiety on the part of those who were responsible for him as well as of his relations. He was sought for every where when after an absence of 12 days he was brought back from Larne in Ireland where he had taken lodgings and having sent for some old Irish friends was enjoying himself very happily in utter oblivion of the misery & perplexity he had occasioned

On his return it was thought advisable that he should not return to the house and he was placed under the

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## Andrew Parvis

16th Augt 1873

care of a private medical man at Dunse being discharged relieved 16/8/73

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(2) Female. 53
(3) Married
(4) Lady
(5) Protestant
(6) Age
(7) Dumfries
(8) A few days ill
(9) Fourth attack
(10) Crichton Royal Institution
(11) Suppressed menstruation
(12) Not Epileptic
(13) Not Suicidal
(14) Not dangerous to others
(15) John Sprot, husband, residing at South Park, Age.

April 13/71 John Smith M.B. Dumfries states (1) Tells me that at her home she is constantly disturbed by peculiar voices and that some of her servants do everything in their power to make her uncomfortable by mixing poison with her food and otherwise (2) Dr Gilchrist informs me that for eight months she was an inmate of the Crichton Institution.

April 15/71 Alexander Thomson M.B. Dumfries states (1) Has delusions about being poisoned, suspects members of her own family and servants. Hears strange voices and is otherwise morbidly suspicious. (2) Told by Dr Gilchrist that she has been in this Institution before and that she has delusions and suspicions as above.

This Lady was admitted 24 May 1870 and discharged recovered 31st October 1870. She was only a few days away when she was readmitted as a voluntary patient Nov 4th 1870 She was again discharged recovered 25th Jan 1871. Her absence tho' longer was still of short duration for she was admitted again as a certified patient 13 April 1871.

In the above case temporary attacks are spoken of as having occurred previous to her first admission during at least one of which she was placed in an asylum about Constitutional proclivity to mental disease there can be no doubt and it is believed to have its origin in hereditary tendency; as much more might be inferred from the peculiar character of the malady -

From the history of the case it is gathered that the disease has been gradually invading the Constitution of the patient in a succession of waves, each receding wave leaving its impress more deeply than the preceding one.

At first the attacks were slight brief and infrequent gradually they increased in severity frequency and duration.

This has gone on until the intervals of lucidity were obliterated when permanent residence in an asylum became necessary

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The tendency however still exists as indicated by frequent remissions even these are gradually disappearing and the ~~case~~ disease is slowly passing on to dementia

The case is noted for several peculiarities she is remarkable for the pitiful cretinous ~~voice~~ Shriek she passes within brief periods she has an intense affection for animals she believes in fresh air and in addition to the usual sources of its admission she requires that a pane of glass be removed from each window in her rooms. She has extraordinary visions of heaven hell &c. Recounts her travels hither in the most droll way and with the most circumstantial details of persons places and things. At times she dresses most tidely and tastefully at others she is quite regardless of her appearance, at times she is haughty and irritable at others she is kindly disposed and polite.

At times she is loud and denunciatory at others she will sing with the most exquisite taste and expression her own compositions.

Sept 1871 This case remains much the same

March 1872 Remains as above.

Sept 1872 No Change in the above

March 73 Still the same

Sept 1873 The only change in the above case is a gradual diminution of its more prominent peculiarities and a progressive shortening of the remissionary intervals.

1st Mch 1874 No change in the condition of the patient since last entry

Nov 1874 No change of any moment to be recorded.

1 April 1875 Mrs Sprot does visions and has the most extraordinary delusions. She whines and howls in a wonderful manner one day and the next plays and sings delightfully. She is dainty in her habits and very methodical. She often expresses

July 17. 1875 She is very well
Mrs Sprot is in excellent general health. Her mind is
in a state

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1 Decr 1875 Miss Lady enjoys excellent physical health and the pump that Miss says between her and certainty more imaginary than real. She is noisy - harmlessly so - sings and plays beautifully and composes music that few if any can read. News of her husband's death did not much affect her mentally or corporeally. She sees visions and hears voices which do not seem to disturb her much. April 15/71

1 May 1876 There is no change in Mrs Spratt's case. She is still given to unreasonable jealousy and occasionally to hallucinations of hearing. Her general health is excellent. April 15/71

December 76. Reluctant

April 19: 77 Mrs Spratt remains as usual. Consult Heathfield.

October 23rd 77. A short time ago Miss Lady is said to have been declared considerably improved by a great authority on such subjects & it was thought advisable on that opinion to remove Mrs Spratt to a climate & situation more genial in the opinions of those high in authority. Mrs Spratt shewed her improvement by refusing to leave the Crichton where she said she was protected & cared for to go to an unknown land however much it might be lauded. Mrs Spratt still has her delusions & she does the same absurd actions & I am bound to say that I fail to see any material improvement within the last 12 months. 3 July 1871

March 12th 78. Remains much the same

August 24th 78. Mrs Spratt has just recovered from an attack of sickness with great prostration - which has lasted with more or less intensity for six months she is now fairly restored - She still believes her food is poisoned - that Gases are forced into her rooms &c. & is daily in her habits

September 4th 78 Mrs Spratt is discharged today Recd

1200 (1) George Wilkin

April 15/71 (2) Male. 40 (9) First Attack
(3) Married (12) 14 days duration
(4) Medical man (13) Drink
(5) Presbyterian (14) Not Epileptic
(6) London (15) Not Suicidal
(7) Larchhill Kirkmahoe Dumfries (16) Not dangerous to others
(8) 14 days ill (19) Margaret Wilkin, mother, residing at Larchhill Kirkmahoe Dumfries. No other member of family insane

April 15/71 John Smith M.B. Dumfries states (1) Has many delusions. Imagines that he is about to be murdered for having killed his brother - also that he has been dead and is now alive. Talks in an excited incoherent manner (2) Mrs Wilkin his mother informs me that during the last five days he has been quite unmanageable.

April 15/71 Alexander Thomson M.B. Dumfries states (1) Has remarkable delusions. Thinks his body is in Kirkmichael Churchyard and his spirit only stands before us. That he is the wonder of the age - a dead yet a living man !! (2) Dr. Gilchrist informs me since his arrival he has been in an excited state and suffering as above.

This Patient rapidly improved under appropriate treatment
July 3/1871 and was discharged recovered July 3rd 1871

1201

(1) William Johnstone

April 19/71

(2) Male 45
(3) Married
(4) Gentleman
(5) Church of Scotland
(6) Maxwell Street Dalbeattie
(9) Not first attack
(10) 17 or 18 years of age when first attacked
(11) Crichton Royal Institution
(12) A few days ill
(13) Cause unknown
(14) Not Epileptic
(15) Not suicidal
(16) Not dangerous to others
(19) Janet Johnstone, wife, residing at Maxwell St Dalbeattie.

April 20/71 Patrick Murray M.D. Dumfries states: (1) melancholia, great depression & delusions. (2) Has been several times in the Asylum.

April 20/71 Alex. Thomson M.D. Dumfries says: (1) depression of spirits & confusion of ideas, uneasy feelings in the head. (2) Has been several times in the Asylum before.

June 20/71 This patient a frequent inmate was discharged relieved June 20/71

His case is quite peculiar as many such cases with strong constitution at and hereditary tendencies are. It is a strange mixture of mania Melancholia and Monomania exhibiting not only occasionally but almost simultaneously all the prominent features of each.

The patient as a rule applies personally for admission sometimes as a certified sometimes as a voluntary patient.

He is generally very obstinate and is allowed to come and go when he wishes

Discharged Relieved

Discharges Relieved June 20th 71

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1202 (1) Samuel Leonard

April 20/71
(2) Male. 28
(3) Single
(4) College Student
(5) Member of Church of Ireland
(6) Dromtariff Vicarage, Banteer, C. Cork
(7) Dumfries
(8) Eight years ill
(9) not first attack
(10) 28 years
(11) 1863. Trifass Institution, near Dublin
(13) cause not known
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others

(19) Samuel B. Leonard, Dromtariff Vicarage, Banteer Co. Cork Ireland.
No member of his family known to have been insane - a cousin is supposed to have been so.

April 20/71 Alex. Forbes M.D. Auchterarder (Perth) states: (1) Delusion singularity & occasional violent conduct, making his escape very frequently, wandering in the woods & incoherent talking.

April 21/71 Hugh Cunningham L.R.C.P. & Dumfries says: (1) Ejaculation of epileptic character & timidity; he talks incessantly & there is alternate excitement & depression. There is a peculiar wildness of countenance. (2) He has escaped from home and wandered in the woods.

Sept 1871 This is the case of a young man whose history is not well known - There is strong suspicions of hereditary taint; It is a mild case of chronic Mania with restless and wandering propensities and occasional irritability - He is sometimes so well as to take part in the Concerts being a superior Vocalist -
He has been several years ill and is not likely to recover or improve

March 1872 No change in above case
Sept 1872 Remains the same
March 1873 Patient remains the same
Sept 1873 Patient remains the same
March 1874 No change in the condition of the patient since last entry
Sept 1874 Mr Leonard has for some time given evidence of a decrease in mental health, ~~being~~ getting his bed and clothes from time to time. The failure of the administration of Strychnia to improve the condition fortifies the idea that the incontinence of Urine is of cerebral origin.
1 April 1875 Mr Leonard remains as described
17 July 1875 This case remains the same

1 December 1875 Mr Leonard has his ups and downs like most other patients. He is at times prone to destroy glass Chairs and shaken he takes a fancy to. Often he works his bed with his arms but more frequently he is cleanly and gentlemanly. There is no improvement in his physical or mental behaviour

1 May 1876 This case has not improved. Mr L still by an insane impulse breaks glass and clothes and behaves in a manner characteristic of his mental Condition

Dec 10th 76. Mr Leonard is much the same as above described August 1st 1877. On this date Mr Leonard was discharged Relieved & taken to an asylum in Ireland.

1203.

(1) Anne Farr Watson

April 29/81. Transfer from S.C.A. For antecedent history See S.C.A case books.

(2) female - 27.
(3) single
(4) gentlewoman
(5) Church of England
(6&7) 6 Soho St. Liverpool
(8) six or seven years ill
(9) not first attack
(10) 21 years on first attack -
(11) under treatment as Institution. S.C. Asylum & Liverpool
(12) present attack 2 years -
(13) cause unknown
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal (?)
(16) not dangerous to others.
(17) Mary Kirby - 9. Church Road. Seaforth nr Liverpool, her sister.

Feb.y 28/83 John Dickson M.D. Dumfries states: (1) She is exceedingly depressed & melancholic, Vacillates & replies only in monosyllables - is with difficulty induced to eat for hourly in the smallest matters. (2) Her nurse at the Liverpool Hospital informs me that she has been in the condition above described for three months & whenever she is induced to talk she constantly refers vaguely to the crime she has committed. -

March 1874

Feb.y 28/83 Frederick Thomas Roberts M.B. Liverpool says: (1) very melancholic & says she has committed sins for which she cannot be pardoned, lies in bed & will not get up. (2) Miss Storey informs me that she is in a constantly depressed state of mind, whereas she was formerly very excited. Refuses food often & will not get up.

March 1874

July 31. Miss Watson was on admission very much in the same condition as the above described. Of weak constitution & great sensibility she evidently was labouring under the very depressing conviction that no pardon could be given for her great faults & no remedy found to her mental agony.

17 July 187

Sep.r 1871 No improvement is visable in the above case. -
March 1872 Patient is less miserable than she was
Sept.r 1872 Patient is a little more cheerful.
March 1873 Improvement goes on slowly but steadily -
Sep.r 1873 Improvement in this case has gone on steadily but slowly for epileptic symptoms and is now very decided as compared with her condition on admission. At first there was not only great Lethargy but considerable despondency. The despondency gradually disappeared. The lethargy remained. She wished to make efforts but could not, Could not dress, get out of bed, could not walk, Could not go to amusements

1 December 18

Miss A. F. Watson

Could not work, could not read – For a long time reading and work were apparently engaged in but the book lay on her knee and the work made no progress – There were some peculiarities worth noting, she would always sit or stand in the same attitude & in one place and that generally an inconvenient one as near a door or in the way of the traffic of the gallery

These peculiarities still cling to her and she has not yet reached the chapel nor has she been induced to attend the amusements but she is gradually improved in appearance is active and cheerful, walks out regularly and works steadily

March 1874 Patient now attends chapel but still retains some of her peculiarities as to standing in the gallery &c.

Nov 1874 Miss Watson is now a rather flighty and not at all depressed patient. Quite recently she had to be sent for a week to the Low North (Refractory Gallery) in consequence of threats to kill another patient, who, she said, was always praising pain, pain, when there was no peace. On the whole, however, Miss Watson conducts herself with propriety.

1 April 1875 This lady is very excitable. She [illegible] her arm & marks her stamps and scolds in the most pointed manner. For some time she has rebelled and is offensive altho' she manages to keep her seat to supply the peace of the gallery in which she abides

17 July 1875 Miss Watson is at the present time all that could be wished but experience echoes that it is a calm leading to a gale and that very little is required to bring the fury of the storm to its climax

1 December 1875 This lady passes thro' all vicissitudes of temper temporary sanity to temporary madness. She is exceedingly capricious and not easy to manage Her restlessness is unlimited and all her actions both bad or indifferent are due to the pleasure Spirit that she so doubtfully believes in her own peculiar and inconsistent way. Response is bad and

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1204
April 29/71

1 May 1876 Miss Watson is in statu quo. She has occasionally burst out furiously since last entry but she is at present in a calm that is pretty certain to give place to a storm Hereditability is the same as in other religious delusions

~~Nov 30th 76~~
14/12/76. Miss Watson is always in the right. She was depressed when admitted but this was because she was convinced that she was a sinner, but she got over her depression when she became as she is now "perfect". Above is Miss W's account.

Feb 27th 77. Miss Watson is now almost well. She has a pale pass on two conditions 1st she does not go into town 2nd not to speak to gentlemen patients. When in the grounds she is the constant companion of Mrs Harrowes (Volunteer), & there can be no doubt that Mrs Gullemin's companionship has done a great service in bringing this lady to so near mental health.

April 30th 77 Miss Watson goes on probation to Dumfries to day.
July 19th 877. After 3 months on probation Miss Watson was discharged recovered by the authority of Dr Colcleist.

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1204

(1) William Bartholomew.

April 29/71 Transfer from S.C.A. See antecedent history in S.C.A. case books.

This patient has been in both houses, has been an inmate on two or three seperate occasions and has altogether been about 28 years a prisoner of hope –

His present transfer from the S.C.A is due to an increase in his means left by a deceased brother. At long intervals he passes from a state of gloomy and comparative rationality to one of restlessness, querulousness and irritability, sometimes into temporary paroxysms of panphobia – When at his best as he has been lately he devotes himself to artistic work such as drawing portraits copying prints music &c He was an engraver by trade and his work when at his best is remarkable for its beauty and perfection. Two "Chefs d' Oeuvres" which he recently completed are then noticed in last report.

" One gentleman has produced two pen & ink sketches, which we speak soberly in declaring as to have no competitors in existence, They are copies of two of Raphaelles Cartoons "The Lame man at the Beautiful gate of the temple and The death of Ananias and Sapphira, each measures 7 feet 3 in by 4 feet 8 in, They were copied from a common print 2 feet by 1½ feet, which adds to their additional values is the circumstance that in one of them the figures are all exactly reversed in attitude and position, the artist believing that the change would be an improvement –

No one has seen these remarkable productions without expressing astonishment at their artistic merit, especially on learning that they are the products of a common pen & ink"

In his intermediate condition he is much occupied with developing his new semi-scientific Theories which he tries to explain by committing them to paper in a series of cabalistic and astrological signs

Sept 71 Patient remains the same

March 72 No change in above case.

Sep 1872 No change – March 1873 Remains unchanged –

Sept 1873 Patient continues to enjoy good health, his mental condition remains unchanged

1st Mch. 1874 — No change has taken place in the Patients condition since last entry

Nov 10 1874. — Mr Bartholomew has recently been a rather troublesome patient; it seemed as if the Spirit of Mischief had entered into him; he has quite given up all artistic work, and is mainly occupied in tearing down fet-at-able, &c pendants, becoming possessed of bits of rope, scissors, &c - and quite recently raised an alarm of fire in the house - the smell of which was traced to his room, in which he was found apparently buried in the sleep of innocence, while recent marks of burning on the floor showed that by some means he had kindled fire. The locks of his shutter was found morning after morning opened in the most mysterious way, and again the same thing occurred when a new lock was put on. He has had to be removed to the Refractory Gallery.

1 April 1875 — This Patient is in State pro- not improved - he is quite unable to engage in the artistic work he used to delight in merely and others. His bodily health is very good

1 July 1875 — Mr Bartholomew is in his usual state of mental and bodily health - very much disposed to grumble and find fault: he is still incapable of artistic work

1 December 1875 — This gentlemans misdemeanours resulted some time ago in a Surgical injury to his Scalp. which has healed beautifully and left him in his usual state of bodily and mental condition. He is at times disposed to grumble and ill-treat his other patients. he is however not disposed to strike or take vengeance.

1 May 1876 — Mr Bar: is not better mentally His general health is good. He draws but his ingenuity has forsaken him

Feb. 2nd 77. Mr Bartholomew is not improving, he occupies some of his time in drawing, his genius in the way of pictures at present has a tendency towards the indecent.

October 23rd 77. Mr Bartholomew has been coming on very quietly during the last few months he is quite insane

16th November 1877. Discharged Relieved Transferred to Edinburgh Royal Asylum.

Wm Bartholomew was admitted into CRI on December 5th 1856. sent to SCA. on November 11th 1864 Brought back to CRI on 29th April 1871 Discharged relieved sent transferred to Edinburgh Asylum on the 16th day of November 1877.

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1205

May 6/71

(1) Elvira Taylor

Transfer from S.C.A. See antecedent history in S.C.A. case books.

(2) female. 45

(3) single

(4) no particular occupation; of a respectable family

(5) Protestant

(6) Edenb. or Carlisle

(7) b. Lewis Heat. Stranraer

(8) She has been more or less weak in intellect for several years past, but has been worse within the last 3 or 6 months.

(12) a few years

(13) caused to a great extent by the use of ardent spirits.

(14) not epileptic.

(15) not suicidal

(16) to a certain extent dangerous to others when much excited.

(17) Mrs Ann Thomson or Taylor, Lewis St. Stranraer. an old lady, 74 years of age, in an imbecile state from paralysis.

March 14/71

John Argyll surgeon Stranraer states: (1) She speaks in a silly & absurd manner on almost every subject; says she is far advanced in pregnancy, which is not the case & when told so says she was lately delivered while in Scotland. If pregnant at all which is improbable it must only be at an early stage. She lately resided in England & having sold off her furniture has for a week or two past been wandering about on railways without any definite object, getting drunk & throwing away her means. She says she is continually haunted by men & that she went to Paris after the bombardment which is untrue & then gives the most extraordinary names of men to which she gives a description of. — (2) Miss Wilhelmina Taylor her sister states she was out for a fortnight ago to see her as she was quite unmanageable. Among other delusions she has she was on the point of marriage with several persons whom she named; at one time it was one person & then another. She said she expected the birth of a child & that the Dr had told she might expect it all of which is without foundation. There were several feeding bottles about her house & she always carried a bundle of baby clothes about with her when she went from home. Mrs Byers George Hotel, with whom she stood a fortnight ago says Miss E. Taylor had told her she had had three children when she last destroyed; that a fourth lived eight months & that she had killed it & put it in her father's grave; she said she had a form which she wished to sign over to her & she talked in an insane manner on numerous subjects. Miss Thom saw her yesterday when she said she had been at Paris & seen a man's leg cut & he died immediately, (she was not at Paris at all.)

March 14/71

William M'Neil M.D. Stranraer says: (1) She talks in an incoherent & excited manner e.g. she says the five requisites of a lady are: a rope, two nails, 6 pins, a piece of linen & a Venice! She has delusions about being at the bombardment of Paris &c. She says she was in Glasgow last night & heard a Frenchman & a Russian arguing Burns songs & &c. This is omitting being

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in Strawness at the time. (2.) Her sisters say she is quite changed of late, having delusions about being pregnant &c that she burnt out into wild fits of passion uttering fearful imprecations, squandered her money, literally throwing away pounds notes in the street &c Mrs Byrne, George Hotel, Stranraer says she was in her Hotel lately & stayed three or four nights. She told Mrs B. that she had murdered three children & buried one of them in her father's grave (this being a delusion). She made several other statements equally absurd.

Sept 1871 This may be designated a mild case of monomania of suspicion that being the most prominent feature in her Malady it is believed that she is connected with a neurotic if not an insane family—

Before admission there was considerable excitement indicated by leaving her home and travelling about without any proper reason as well as by her speech and manner—

Definite delusions were also entertained as to her relations deserting her, people persecuting her. The excitement and delusions have gradually disappeared or rather are no longer suppressed; there is however an undercurrent of insanity in all she says and does She is very obstinate still declairs that her relations have no interest in her writes and speaks in a most mysterious manner, Her acts and movements partake of the same mystery and are so peculiar as not to be interpreted in the usual way or assigned to ordinary motives.

March 1872 Patient continues the same—

Sept. 1872 No change in the above case—

March 1873 Patient as above reported—

Sept 1873 No change in this case—health good in doubtful—

1st Mch. 1874 No change has occurred in the condition of the patient since last entry

22nd Sept 1874 Miss Taylor was this day sent out on probation to lodgings in Dumfries with Mrs McCourtney.

~~Dec 14th 74~~ Miss Taylor ~~[illegible]~~ was discharged Recovered on the

14 Dec 74 14th December 1874 after three months probation

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May 17/21

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1206. Elizabeth Wood See case 1168

May 17/91 Readmitted probationer. See Vol. page 86 & 87

1207 (1) Robert Wightman

May 20/91 (2) male - 22 - (10) 22, on first attack
(3) single (13) caused by excitement during farm sales
(4) farmer's son (14) not epileptic
(5) presbyterian (15) not suicidal
(6 2) New Mains, Kirkmahoe (16) not dangerous to others
(8) 14 days ill (19) David Wightman, father
(9) first attack New Mains, Kirkmahoe —

May 19/91 John Smith M.B. etc. Dumfries says: (1) His excited appearance, exciting conversation & changed manner. Have known him intimately during the last ten years & on several occasions within the last fortnight have noticed in him a decided mental derangement. (2) His father informs me that during the last fortnight his whole conversation has been regarding cattle dealing, that he has gone to many sales & conducted himself in a very strange way. Has observed a great change in him during the last ten days.

May 20/91 Alexander Thomson M.D. Dumfries states: (1) Talks in an excited & incoherent manner about auction sales & what he has bought thereat. His cleverness as a judge of animals & that he cannot be excelled by any man & has many high flown ideas of himself. (2) Told by George Edgar, a neighbour, who accompanied him home that he has shown excitement at sales lately & purchased in a foolish manner; this has been noticed by many people; has shown a change in manner & habits lately etc.

The excitement of the above patient was hilarious and mischievous rather than destructive and dangerous & slowly and gradually subsided while the bodily condition correspondingly improved and he was discharged recovered on 16th July 1892

16th July 1892

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Sept 1871

Mrs Elizabeth Wood see Vol 13 ~~Page~~ Case 1168

This patient has been a frequent inmate sometimes as a voluntary sometimes as a certificated patient, she is one of those unhappy cases who from the excitableness of their constitution mental and bodily are ever on the verge of insanity and who when assailed by even the more ordinary causes of disturbances in life's path. There are sudden impulses violent temper and weak self control. These have been nurtured into vigorous growth by over indulgence while education was scant or wanting to weaken the vigor of the morbid products — add to these indulgence in stimulants and permanently disturbed functions of the Uterine system and the results are more than explained

The case is remittent the periods being more or less synchronous with the catamenial disturbance during a cycle of attacks and remission the disease may be said to pass thro all the ordinary phases of Mania, Monomania and Melancholia -

When at her best she is a typical case of Monomania of vanity — as indicated by her dress, manner, talk. She soon becomes irritable haughty and querulous, complains that she is ill used by the attendants and neglected by the officers that her food is bad in quality or deficient in quantity or improperly cooked. She then passes into the third or worst stage in which her former complaints assumes the form of temporary delusions declares that her food and drink are tampered with by the attendants her medicine by the doctors &c, It is unnecessary to note the relation of these delusions to gastric derangements

At this period there is always more or less vomiting generally lasting for two or three days during which almost all food is refused. The bowels is probably sympathetic with the Uterine functions which are always more or less disturbed at this period. The Catamenia are excessive, deficient or absent.

This completes a cycle when there again occurs gradual improvement

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Sep 1873
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10 April 1875
17 July 1875
1 Decem 1875
1 May 1876
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December

1206

## Mrs Elizabeth Wood

March 1872 — There is no change to record in this case

Sept 1872 — This Patient remains the same

March 1873 — Patient goes on as usual

Sept 1873 — Patient remains unchanged

March 1874 — Patient's condition remains unchanged

Nov 1874 — No date given.

10 April 1875 — Mrs Wood is off and on as mentioned on the preceding page. Sometimes very thing is right: often every thing is the very reverse.

17 July 1875 — No improvement. Once or twice had to use the Stomach Pump to free Mrs Wood, who persists in finding fault with every thing and every body in the House. She is fat and dreamy and disposed to deceive people into the belief that she is a "Lady of distinction". Her obstinacy and Caprice are unmistakable and clearly point to the wickedness that she possesses onward above her mental qualifications

1 Decem 1875 — Mrs Wood has been behaving for the last two months with more reason. She has got her pencil in the pounds and thinks very highly of it. She is not about tampering with her food still persist and make her very disagreeable and at times unmanageable. She is vain and dreamy fond of finery and of fine proofs of what she supposes to be talent or a "perfect idiom Imperium"

1 May 1876 — There are the same items in this case. Bad temper. Wicked behaviour to attendants and Officers and the same symptoms

February 1st 77. Mrs Wood is going on in her usual course.

~~December~~ October 23rd 77. Mrs Wood has her storms & calms the storms being as frequent tho' perhaps not as violent as formerly.

Under care

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1208.

(1) John Barclay

May 21/71.

(2) male
(3) married
(4) grocer & spirit merchant
(5) Established Church of Scotland
(6 & 7) Castle-Douglas
(8) some weeks
(9) first attack
(13) caused by severe illness & treatment consequent thereto.—
(14) not epileptic
(15) Suicidal
(16) dangerous to others—
(19.) Margaret Barclay, wife Castle-Douglas.—

May 20/71

Walter Lorraine M.D. Castle-Douglas says: (1) conversation rambling & incoherent. violent at times & very suspicious, particularly of the inmates of the house; suspects everything he takes has been adulterated & blames his wife for endeavouring to poison him — (2.) His wife & the other inmates of the house say that he cannot be restrained, he is irritable & he threatens frequently some injury to them.

May 20/71

John Nivison M.B. C.M. Castle-Douglas, states: (1) conversation rambling & loose, wandering from one subject to another, shewing in his personal habits & useless of his appearance, says his drink is adulterated & watered. (2) His wife & other inmates of the house say that he is sometimes outrageous & violent & threatens to injure & even attempts it occasionally.—

27 Oct: 1871

This patients mental disturbance was apparently due to long continued habits of intemperance —

He so far recovered under treatment as to be removed on Probation on 27 ad: 1871. He was placed under the care of his wife in apartments at Moffat —

26 April 1872

The Patient continued to improve and was finally discharged 26th April 1872

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June 12/71

June 3/71.

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4th Sept 1871

1209

(1) James Caird

June 12/71

(2) male. 40.
(3) married
(4) middle class, lately a farmer
(5) Free Church of Scotland
(6) Nursery. Kirkcudbright
(7) 332. St Vincent Street. Glasgow.
(8) six months ill.
(9) first attack
(11) never under treatment before
(13) cause not known
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others.
(19) James Caird, junr. 8. West Princes Street Glasgow, his son. no member of the family insane. –

June 2/71. Hugh Miller M.D. Glasgow, states: (1) confusion of thought, begins a sentence, then turns round & gives a silly laugh before it is finished; has a delusion that he is to grow till he is ten feet in height. (2) by his wife: that he is very restless & unmanageable; he threatens to go out by the window, that he fancies his room is a fold. –

June 2/71 Donald Campbell Black M.D. Glasgow, says: (1) incoherency of speech; defective memory; is unable to fix his attention on any subject & has a fatuous look. I believe patient to be suffering from softening of the brain. (2) by Mrs Caird, his wife: that he has numerous delusions; fancies new buildings in the neighbourhood to be folds; difficult to manage at. –

This patient when admitted was evidently labouring under both brain and heart disease and from his advanced age was not likely to derive much advantage from asylum treatment except that which might be obtained from rest, nourishment and nursing. He died after 3 months residence of Heart disease and paralysis at the age of 71 4th Sept 1871

4th Sept 1871

9h.

1210

# [1] John Inglis.

June 30/71

[2] male. 64.
[3] married
[4] millwright & corn merchant.
[5] United Presbyterian Church
[6] Bonnington Brae. Edinburgh.
[7] Forester Home. Moffat
[8] seven months ill
[9] first attack
[10] 64 on first attack
[11] cause not stated
[12] not epileptic
[13] not suicidal
[14] not dangerous to others.
[15] Eliza Inglis, wife
Bonnington Brae, Edinburgh.

June 30/71 James Monro M.D. Moffat, states: (1) Supposes that all the world is poisoned & that every body is poisoned; that he is a dung heap & is going to explode, refuses to take food.

June 30/71 John Smith M.B. etc Dumfries says: (1) His melancholia appearance & delusions; imagines that everything around him has exploded & that he also with share the same fate. refuses to take food. —

This is a case of profound melancholia with delusions passing into dementia. From its nature and severity little hope is entertained of even temporary improvement.

Some slight improvement was secured in the above case and as no further hopes could be held out his wife decided on removing him to his home under the care of an attendant.

He was thus discharged on Probation Dec 8/71 and finally discharged incurable 22d June 1872.

22d June 1872

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July 4/91

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July 4/71

[1] Isabella McGowan 1st Vol. page

No 680. Elizabeth McGavin. continues from a previous Volume. She was admitted July 3rd 1874 & was then 20 years of Age - Single

March 24th 77. Miss McGavin is very similar to what she is described in the last entry in a previous Volume. Destitution Dirty & altogether unsatisfactory. The vomiting still continues & it would appear that very little of her food given is retained. She is getting very much emaciated

October 23rd 77. The patient is doing perhaps a little better at present, she is now almost constantly confined to bed. The difficulty with the food is not quite so great.

May 4th 1878 Wm. McGavin has for some time past continued in a similar bedridden state; she has been a marked sufferer from chronic vomiting which have caused a progressive debility terminating to day in Death.

1212.

July 6/91

(1) Elizabeth Johnstone

(2) female - 52.
(3) single
(4) house wife
(5) Free Church
(6a) Church Street. Moffat
(8) two months ill.
(9) first attack
(11) not epileptic
(12) not suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others.
(18) John Johnstone, Rae Street, Moffat brother. none in the family known

To be insane -

July 6/91 James Munro M.D. Moffat, states: (1) Supposes that she is entirely ruined & nothing but starvation before her; refuses to take food although she has plenty, for fear of want; going out & lying down & saying she is sorry to die on the spot &c. (2) The above facts & her friends being up with her all night in consequence of wanting to go out & die. -

27th Sept. 18

July 6/91 John Smith M.B. Dumfries says: (1) Her melancholic appearance & delusions; imagines that the world is going entirely against her & that she is completely ruined. -

August 91. A better illustration of genuine acute Melancholia could not be found. Miss Johnstone was admitted in a state of great excitement & anxiety - the main thought being that of impending ruin & death - She was very much exhausted & emaciated by the previous starvation, skeletonness & skin from the bones in her limbs which occasionally broke out & allowed a great amount of suppuration to flow out: she was almost helpless & could scarcely walk a step without assistance - constantly crying & moaning in utter despair her whole frame body was shaken by terror & if spoken to she would grasp firmly your arm & shake her head in a very sleepless - dying way. Fear was the predominant feeling written on every part of her countenance - She had to be watched at night several times for she was constantly out of bed & lying on the floor - Her persistence in refusing food was fortunately overcome by the kind & constant efforts of her attendant & no artificial feeding had to be employed -

Her utter ruin was ever the main topic upon which all her thoughts seem to concentrate but it was astonishing to watch the ingenuity with which all the imaginable causes of destruction were taken up in succession. She was one day in a burning fire & would keep nothing upon her for it only increased the heat of the consuming furnace - next day the watery element was surrounding her on all sides & if a smile of piety is considering as we think with the deepest sympathy for the sufferings

of our fellow creatures it could hardly be restrained when Miss Johnston was found bare footed, with her stockings off & her dress drawn up to the knees in order to cross the mighty river surrounding her.

Hydrate of Chloral (25 grs.) given every night restored soon sound & refreshing sleep, with the reproduction however, of the same delusions & fears every morning; they gradually lost strength however - An abundant supply of nourishing diet every day more readily taken began to tell favourably on her physical health - She is now almost quite well, sleeping without Chloral, reading books & newspapers & giving every one some wise & forcible direction in various questions of domestic economy. Her only wish is to go home where she is sure the wife food her most likes.

27th Sept. 1871 Having made a good recovery the above patient was discharged well 27th Sept 1871

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July 17/21

August 21.

July 14/21

August 21

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## (1) Thomas Wilson.

July 13/31

(2) male. 66.
(3) married
(4) private gentleman, formerly merchant.
(5) Church of England
(6) Isle of Man
(7) Harold Tower, Douglas.
(8) partly 10 or years.
(9) not first attack.
(10) upwards of fifty on first attack.
(11) not under treatment before.
(12) ten months ill.
(13) caused by intemperance.
(14) not epileptic.
(15) suicidal on one occasion.
(16) decidedly dangerous to others
(17) Maria Alice Wilson, wife.

Harold Tower. Douglas. Isle of Man.

Several relatives on his mother's side have been insane.

(August 31.) x July 3/31. George Dodd M.R.C.S.L. etc Cheshire, states: (1) complete aberration of intellect; quite incapable of performing any of the ordinary & necessary duties of life. (2) Threatening the lives of members of his family & also his own; destroying his furniture & deserting his family for weeks; obliged to be restrained by the police.

July 14/31 Samuel Christian Nelson M.D. Sydney Mount Douglas Isle of Man says: (1) sudden change of character, being possessed with delusions, outrageous conduct, endangering his own life & that of others; utter incapability of managing his affairs. (2) Violent & outrageous conduct & extravagance of all kinds.

August 31 x Mr Wilson was listening on admission under great excitement not only due to frequent indulging in strong drink but to the sudden change of surroundings, his removal from his circle of relatives & above all to the uselessness of his efforts for going back to his former life of intemperance & dissipation. On the subsidence of this hysterical excitement & after finding that the best way was to take things quietly Mr Wilson soon exhibited the real symptoms of his insanity consisting chiefly in a very high estimation of his own importance, of his own property & means & of the able & clever way in which he managed to realize in so short an enormous fortune. His ingenuity about his own doings & business of all kinds was really endless & not only in the ordinary field of his previous labours would he constantly come out with striking suggestions of new schemes & plans to realize unprecedented fortunes but his genius pervaded even the medical profession & he was eagerly writing & handing over to the writer of these lines prescriptions of various kind for the cure of all sort of diseases which a good doctor of the worst description could not even be able to decipher. Some other day he would confidentially tell

of some marvellous secret he had for changing the colour of horses, making a white one black, & recovered in less than 24 hours. His power of talking about himself & his great plans & his good fortune was sometimes too much for the patience of his fellow inmates & many of them would be seen in the airing ground running from him in order to avoid a conversation the height of which was always problematic. Therefore jovial, amusing & witty Mr Wilson made himself day by day more agreeable & seemed to reconcile himself very soon to his new position.

His condition on admission was impaired through the constant & foul drinking & the filthiness of his habits, the entire ungainly paraphernalia surrounding him should immediately show if he did not attend with care of himself, his friends did very little to help him. He would for several nights pass his water every where except in the proper place; his bed, any corner of his room were often found not only wet but frightfully dirty. In these respects also the Asylum discipline has been of great benefit to him. The fact that normal relations in the matter have been effected with marked derangement should not be overlooked for the hereditary taint along with the life of excess & indulgence of all kinds he latterly had, the squandering of his considerable means, his advanced age and causes powerful enough to make no doubt the probability of a perfect recovery.

In this, as in most of the cases of Mania of Election the current of cheerful & pleasant thought, the ennui pursuit of living a quiet & steady life are too much & too much depending on the surrounding influences, friends &c to be kept entirely without control or supervision.

This patient commenced a law suit for illegal detention - It was brought before the Sheriff who decided against the pursuer on technical grounds - an appeal was made to the Board of Lunacy - Two medical men were sent from Edinburgh to visit and report - They declared him sane and he was discharged

21st Sept 1871 recovered 21st Sept 1871 -

When the patient was admitted the papers were found to be informal by the Sheriff and sent back to the Sol for Pursuer for correction but they did not (could not) return within the prescribed three days - The Med Superintendent had the alternative of discharging the patient without prohibition or of detaining him illegally from 11 P.M. till 10 A.M. next morning when the sheriffs officer found after this he had alternative to pay a fine of £150

1214.

July 28/71

(1) Jessie Kerr Milne or Key.

(2) female. 35
(3) married
(4) doctor's wife.
(5) protestant
(6&3) Montrose
(8) Ten days
(9) first attack
(10) 35. on first attack
(12) 10 days ill
(13) cause not stated
(14) not epileptic
(15) suicidal
(19) Dr Andrew Key, Montrose, husband. –

no members of the family injured. –

July 29/71 Samuel Lawrence M.D. Montrose says: (1) That the patient is under delusions etc. (2) The above is corroborated by her friends & that she has attempted personal violence

July 29/71 David Johnston M.D. Montrose states: (1) She imagines she is possessed by evil spirits etc. (2) Same as above & has attempted to commit suicide. –

August 71. This lady came in the House in a very low state both of mind & body. She had attempted suicide while at home & made a large cut on her throat with a razor. The extent of the wound nearly from ear to ear was about three inches & deep. The trachea did not appear injured but the process of healing was already too much advanced on admission to allow any precise surgical examination. But the superficial appearances covering the wounds of the neck had suffered a good deal & deglutition was painful & difficult. The general health was impaired by the long period of despondency & despair preceding the attempt to self-destruction, by sleepless nights & the insufficient amount of food taken. To a very great extent this state of deep & acute Melancholia may be connected to puerperal causes. After the birth of a child when the mind heavily laden had for three months the regular catamenial discharge

The above Lady made slow but steady progress She improved much in general health became composed cheerful and industrious. She got rid of all her delusions except one bodily possession by the Devil

Lodgings were taken for her where she was sent under
17th July 1872 the care of her attendant as relieved 17 July 1872

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1215. William Johnstone

Aug. 5/71 Voluntary See Vol. page

Aug. 5/71 Discharged himself not improved 5/8/72

1216 (1) Harriet Gardner Robertson

Aug. 5/71

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|---|---|
| (2) female. 40. | (9) first attack |
| (3) single | (10) 40 on first attack |
| (4) dressmaker | (11) no cause stated |
| (5) Free Church of Scotland | (14) not epileptic |
| (6) Nairn | (15) not suicidal |
| (7) Dumfries | (16) not dangerous to others |
| (8) seven months | (19) Ann Robertson, mother |

no members of the family are or have been insane.

Aug. 5/71 John Smith M.B. etc, Dumfries states: (1) her melancholic appearance & delusions; imagines that her relatives are conspiring against her & that at night the hears noises from unseen objects. - (2) Her sister informs me that during the last seven months, she has been in much the same state as I have above described.

Aug. 5/71 Alexander Thomson M.D. Dumfries says: (1) depressed & melancholic appearance - says she constantly dread something happening to her - hears noises & whispers for which she cannot account. (2) Told by her sister that the above state has existed for several months & also that she is irritable & restless & cannot sleep at night.

The above is a case of mild melancholia in a woman of an amiable but sensitive disposition and of rather delicate organization

She has made good progress general health improving is more composed in manner and sleeping better

4th May 1872 The above patient made gradual but steady improvement and was discharged recovered 4th May 1872

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1217

(1) Thomas Walker King.

August 6/71

(2) male. 45.
(3) single
(4) merchant
(5) protestant
(6) New Abbey
(7) Crichton R. Institution
(8) about a year
(9) not first attack
(10) 42, on first attack
(11) previously here under treatment
(12) present attack only a few hours
(13) cause not known
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) dangerous to others
(19) Charles King Esq.
Invercleigh House Ayr. his father. -

Aug. 9/71

William Rogers M.B. of New Abbey states: (1) incoherent talk, noisy & outrageous manner. Talking, laughing, crying & dancing in rapid succession. (2) Loud, inarticulate cries during the night, talking to imaginary beings. / Information derived from Dr Malan /

Aug. 9/71

Patrick M. Murray M.D. Dumfries says: (1) restless, excited & incoherent in speech, is constantly walking about & will not answer any question correctly -. (2). Dr Malan informs me that he shouts out & screams during the night, fancies policemen & dogs are after him. -

Nov 1871

This patient was previously resident from 9 Sept 70 till 10 April 1871 when he was discharged recovered - He went to reside with friends in Dumfries where he was for a time - He was gradually getting out of health again and latterly went to reside with Dr Rogers at New Abbey. Where he somewhat suddenly broke down and was readmitted 6 May 1871 in a state of great excitement -

Had

Serious cerebral mischief was diagnosed which ~~existed~~ existed for a long period - His previous recovery being only apparent -

June 12. 1872

This case as was expected went on from bad to worse and terminated in paralysis and death 12th June 1872

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August 16/71

Aug. 4/71

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(1) James Maitland

August 16/71

Transfer from Gartnavel R. Asylum, Glasgow

(2) male 40
(3) married
(4) cashier
(5) Free Church
(6) admitted in Gartnavel Nov 1/70
(7) 9 months insane.
(8) first attack
(9) 8y on first attack
(10) existing attack of 9 months duration
(11) cause unknown
(12) not epileptic
(13) not suicidal
(14) uncertainty as to his being dangerous to others.

(15) Janet Maitland, 23. Richmond St. Glasgow
wife of patient. – no relation known to be insane. –

Aug. 4/71

Alexander Mackintosh M.D. Superintendent of the above Asylum states that he is incoherent & delusive & that his bodily health & condition are good.

The Sanction of the Board of Lunacy is signed James Love & dated August 5/71.

This is a case of some standing having been transferred from Gartnavel asylum – His case is noted for some peculiarities. He persists in asserting that he is quite sane and is illegally detained by his persecutors He fasts twice a week but eats largely on the intervening days. He reads his Bible regularly and makes long prayers but is very vigorous in his denunciations and at times swears like a trooper. He is extremely obstinate and eats dresses &c at his own time and in his own way. He refuses to go out. At first after exhausting all possible inducements in vain force was resorted to but he had to be carried out & he lay on the ground till he was carried back again. The affront this offered him was resented by refusing his food and artificial feeding was resorted to. The same process has been repeated but with the same results, and ultimately it has been judged that more harm than good was being done by persisting in the former method.

at one time artificial feeding was resorted to to prevent the anticipated results of fasting but the process was attended with so much excitement and difficulty that it was determined to wait

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## James Maitland

till necessity demanded its repetition. Happily the necessity has not ~~occurred~~ occurred the food he latter on his feeding days is sufficient to keep him in good health and his mental tranquility is secured by avoiding at least one other cause of disturbance

Sept. 1871 Patient continues in all respects the same

March 1872 No change.

Sept. 1872 No change.

March 1873 No change.

Sept. 1873 No change.

1st. Mch. 1874 During the last six weeks the patient has fasted on Saturdays only instead of Saturday, Sunday and Tuesday of each week as formerly. His condition otherwise remains unchanged

Nov 1874 Patient now rarely fasts. General health good.

10 ~~March~~ Feb 1875 Since last entry Mr Maitland has been ordered to take more active exercise. He usually on fine days accompanies the other patients round the ground and seldom or never fasts. He spends a great part of his time reading his Bible and praying. He has not known for the injury that has been inflicted on him by bringing him here and he is still clamorous to get away. He never had a walk or ride with him round the ground when he first began his long walks and found his incoherence and general conversation decidedly apparent. His physical health is very good.

17 July 1875 This patient remains the same as described above

1 December 1875 Mr Maitland's condition is such as no one can describe until he gets into actual relation to him. He has marked delusions about wealth and appearance. Told me that he owned £4000 before he was 21 years old. His belief in the power of prayer is unbounded and he spends much of his time in

1 May 1876

Feb 187

March 16th 7

October

August 24th

September 12th 6

the attitude if not in the very act of prayer
He has been induced to take exercise in
the grounds and allowed for a time more
Contented: his desire to fly away seems
His mental and physical condition remain the same
1 May 1876 There is no event of any great importance to
be recorded in this case. He was fed for
two days with the stomach pump. He
is now behaving in his old quiet ways
Physical health very good.

Feb 1877. Has ordinary parole; he goes occasionally
into society makes up the bore at the next meal
March 16th 77. This Gentleman has parole still & talks a great
deal about being sent here illegally he smokes to
himself & walks about the grounds talking & waving his
hat. A friend called to see him but he came & talked
in such a manner that the friend was glad to retire
from his presence.

October 23rd 77. This Gentleman has come through a
serious illness but is now well again, he
is induced to take his food better but still
takes no animal food at noon, he
is not at all improved in mental condition

August 24th 1878. Mr Mantland still has revelations of the will of the Deity
ordering him to abstain from food etc. - the known he has
been marked lately he has had ordinary parole during the
Summer months and his general behaviour has been good.
He is still resumed Autumn

September 12th 78 Mr Mantland has of late shown signs of improvement, he has
attended the amusements, been on parole & is much more communi-
cative and takes an increased interest in matters generally.
He has still however occasional delusions; among others
he fancies that he is the subject of galvanic attacks the
galvanism he feels operating in his mouth when accosted by
certain persons. He still abstains from animal food

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1219

(1) Margaret Craig.

September 9/71

(2) female. 58.
(3) single
(4) spinster
(5) presbyterian
(6) Bonnyhill Cottage, Johnstone
(7) 9. Willowmeadow St. Paisley
(8) many years insane
(9) not first attack
(10) 39. when first attacked
(11) at Bonnyhill under treatment
(12) present attack of many years duration
(13) supposed to have been caused by a severe injury of one of her feet, which pro= =duced Tetanus.
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) has threatened others.
(17) Mr Archibald Craig, of Gateside, Paisley, elder brother – no other member has ever been insane –

September 8/71

Daniel Richmond M.D. Paisley, states: (1) The delusion that there is a secret society formed against her for the purpose of destroy= =ying her by poison.-

September 8/71

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Malcolm McLaren, surgeon, Johnstone says: (1) She labours under a delusion (( bravo )) that some parties are going to poison her & to avoid them, she cannot be kept at home either night or day.

April 1872

This patient makes steady improvement. General health improved – delusions no longer expressed still speaks with bitterness of her brothers and refuses to exonerate them from attempt to poison her.

Augt. 1872

Improvement of above continues but there is little expressed bitterness against her brothers.

April 1873

Patient is apparently well with the exception of an incontrollable temper and refusal to be reconciled with her brothers. In order to effect a reconciliation it was arranged for one of the brothers to pay her a visit. It failed entirely from her persistent abuse and refusal to abate one jot of her groundless assertions

July 1873

Miss Craig continues as before she had probably reflected on the failure of the former negociations for her removal as she gradually became softened towards her brothers another attempt was made successfully. She was discharged recovered July 31st 1873

31st July 1873

1218 James Maitland.

March 8th 79 Mr Maitland has of late requested to speak to the writer; he seems to be under the influence of delusions but will not Communicate his ideas. When visited by his legal agent he after a short Conversation on the weather begged to be excused, left the room & went into his pantry leaving the Gentleman awaiting his return — which did not occur.!

Sept 13th 79 Mr Maitland continues to be reticent and strange as above.

May 10th 80 This gentleman has again become obstinate refused [illegible] poor in his [illegible] names Glenn as [illegible] ten he has [illegible] several times [illegible] God knows Cu [illegible] afe, attacked [illegible] delusion [illegible] now continue to [illegible] million [illegible] ds of his relation [illegible] really he is [illegible] has delusion [illegible] Necessary. an Engineer's Blue Cloth Cap. Same Style as the Attendants in the Crichton. Wedy. 19 May. 1880 James Maitland. If you Can believe me a brother of the King of Portugal. & a million aire at Rothschilds, please order a gold bead round it JM. Nervous and anxious; he also has delusion that money is put into his food

10th March 81 There is no improvement to record in Mr Maitland's Case

January 1882 Mr. Maitland continues much the same

April 1882 Mr. Maitland has been taken "high" of late considering himself in his own room and only coming when thrown to. his health is fair

Oct 7th 1882 Mr Maitland continues in very good health but there is no improvement in his mental condition, he still retains his delusions of grandeur & wealth, & is subject to attacks of excitement when he uses violent objectionable language

April 9th 1883 There is no change to record in Mr Maitland during the last six months, his bodily health & condition is good but there is no improvement mentally.

1219

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September 9/71

(2) female. 58.
(3) single
(4) spinster
(5) presbyterian
(6) Bonnyhill Cottage, Johnstone
(7) 9. Willmeadow St. Paisley
(8) many years insane
(9) not first attack.
(10) 39. when first attacked
(11) at Bonnyhill under treatment
(12) present attack of many years duration
(13) supposed to have been caused by a severe injury of one of her feet, which pro= =duced Tetanus.
(14) not epileptic
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(17) Mr Archibald Craig, of Gateside, Paisley, elder brother – no other mem

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April 1872

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Sept 13th 79 Mr Maitland continues to the reticent and strange as above.

May 10th 80 This gentleman has again become obstinate refused to go out and thereon the order was given for his removal to the Infirmary — he was carried down as he refused to walk. Since being there he has been carried into the airing Court several times but this treatment has exasperated him considerably — The accompanying paper attached will shew the peculiarity of his delusion.

Sept 14th 80 Mr Maitland delusions continue to be magnificent. He takes of the million of money he possesses in the Bank & of his relation to the King of Portugal. Occasionally he is demonstrative and abusive: he also has delusions that arsenic is put into his food.

1st March 81 There is no improvement to record in Mr Maitland's case

January 1882 Mr. Maitland continues much the same

April 1882 Mr. Maitland has been rather "high" of late exhibiting himself in his own room and only coming when invited to. His health is fair

Oct 1st 1882 Mr Maitland continues in very good health but there is no improvement in his mental condition, he retains his delusions of grandeur & wealth, & he is subject to attacks of excitement when he uses violent objectionable language

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# James Maitland

18 Feb. 84 Mr Maitland's condition is unchanged: he talks wisely and ~~is at~~ reports at any interview with his ~~ge~~ Medicom. He walks in the garden by himself. His bodily health is good.

10. 12. 84 Remains much the same.

1220.
September 12/71

September 11/71

October 20/71

1220.

(1) Elizabeth Buchanan.

September 12/71

Transfer from Laughton Hall private Asylum –

(2) female 34.
(3) married
(5) protestant
(6) admitted at Laughtonhall in March 1869 – readmitted in February 1870 & April 1871
(9) 28, when first attacked
(11) caused by stimulants
(13) threatens suicide
(14) dangerous to others when under the influence of stimulants –
(16) William Arthur (brother) – Morriston House, Cambuslang – no other member of the family insane.

September 11/71

John Smith M.D. states that she is of unsound mind & that her bodily health & constitution are good.

The sanction of the Board of Lunacy is signed James Coxe & dated September 11/71.

Octob. 28/71

This lady although brought here under the formidable escort of our head male attendant & a female attendant was very far from showing on admission anything like excitement or fighting propensities. Perfectly calm & composed she spoke clearly & distinctly on all topics & gave a full and rational account of her previous mental & bodily sufferings. In spite of her florid appearance & stoutness she was suffering then from gastric derangement & had been formerly under treatment for ulcer of the uterus. She could not sleep well at night & had been in the habit of taking stimulants to allay her bodily trouble. Pleasant in her manners, always cheerful in her conversation & pleased with everything done for her it would be difficult if not impossible to note any special delusion or even any trace of mental derangement by personal intercourse – but when her trunks came & the enormous amount of dresses & clothes of all kinds appeared it became evident that the main difficulty with her was to keep the normal balance between receipt & expenditure & that her craving for new articles of toilet was quite beyond her husband's means. All this however must be inferred from a previous knowledge of her history & the extensive proportions of her wardrobe – not from any special request or desire as to personal clothing made known since her admission. The same must be said of her drinking propensities. Far from showing any craving for stimulants she herself requested that the porter given her at first be reduced in quantity & then entirely stopped. From her own account of past sufferings it seems that stimulants were at one time medically prescribed & it may be inferred that the addition of domestic troubles & difficulties has at one time created a necessity for having recourse

to drink with the hope of lessening her bodily sufferings & strengthening her against annoyances & discomfort. At this interval is much suppression & mis-
-fortune from information given by her friends in correspondence or personal in-
-tercourse. Since her admission here she has given daily proofs of her thorough lady like character & has in no instance exhibited such tendencies. Kind obliging & always of good & cheerful disposition she has created around her an atmosphere of comfort, peace & forbearance for which not a few of her fellow companions have derived no small benefit. Her attention to an invalid lady who never leaves her bed has been particularly beneficial & in spite of the many privations forced upon her by her present mode of life, not a word of complaint has ever been uttered. — May 7 1877

March 82. Mrs Buchanan has confirmed the above statements in every detail since our last report. The extension of her privilege to parts out of grounds & the allowance of money have in no way modified our favourable judgment but strengthened it on the contrary. She has joined our musical corps & her talents have been freely used, her help frequently & cheerfully given & general of our concerts. Her cheerfulness & happy disposition of mind have made of her a general favourite & nothing seems to oppose now the wishes of going home soon again. Augt 15/83

July 30/82 Discharged recovered, went home with husband. 10/11/83

1255. August 12/82 Readmitted.

(2) female. 55.
(3) married
(4) gentlewoman
(5) protestant
(6) Glasgow
(7) Helensburgh
(8) six days at present
(9) four years ago - repeated attacks
(10) thirty years on first attack
(11) treated at Saughton Hall & here -
(12) caused by stimulants -
(13) not epileptic
(14) threatens suicide
(15) dangerous when under the influence of spirits.
(16) James Arthur - Barshaw - Paisley brother - no insanity in the family -

Aug. 9/82 J. J. Fordyce Messer M.D. Helensburgh, states: (1) State of great excitement & uncontrollable temper when under the influence of stimulants which she will not resist & is in imminent danger of killing herself through the use of stimulants - (2) Just as above from her husband & from Dr Skene her former medical attendant.

Aug. 9/82 Francis Henderson M.D. Helensburgh, says: (1) Mrs Elizabeth Buchanan is in a state of restless excitement, persistently demanding alcoholic

stimulants to an amount dangerous to life. (2) Her husband states that she insists upon having spirits, reckless of all consequences & that it is quite impossible to prevent her obtaining stimulants with constant forcible restraint.

Recovery was again effected slowly and steadily and it was arranged in accordance with her desire that she should be discharged as an ordinary patient and admitted as a voluntary. This was done May 7. 1873

May 7 1873

She was again allowed money and parole as a test of recovery and power of resistance. Her conduct however occasionally excited suspicion and ultimately it was ascertained as a fact that occasionally at least she was taking stimulants – Parole was stopped treatment recommenced and improvement regained and it was arranged with her husband that she should leave the house and be placed under the care of an attendant in town This was effected 15/8/73 She was readmitted 24/8/73. The intervening 9 days being spent in drinking brandy – Some improvement was again effected and she was discharged relieved on the 10/11/73 to remain with a brother and his wife near London

Augt 15/73

10/11/73

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(1) Margaret Thompson Brewis.

October 2/21

(2) female - 35
(3) single
(4) no occupation
(5) protestant
(6) Morpeth, Northumberland
(7) Crichton Institution, Dumfries.
(8) ~~a~~ with insane
(9) not first attack
(10) 19 when first attacked
(11) treated at Crichton Institution Aug. 25/21.
(12) cause unknown
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others
(17) Mrs Hannah Brewis mother
Oldgate St. Morpeth. Northumberland.

members on both sides of the family have been insane -

October 2/21

John Smith M.B. etc Dumfries states: (1) Her excited manner & appearance, rambling speech & unconnected incoherent conversation. (2) Dr Malan informs me that she was previously an inmate of the Crichton Royal Institution. -

October 2/21

Alexander Thomson M.D. Dumfries says: (1) During the time I saw her, she talked incessantly in a very excited manner & quite incoherently. (2). Told by Dr Malan that she has been in this Institution formerly.

November 2/21

This boy was labouring on admission under another attack of Acute Mania exhibiting almost identically the same symptoms of the former one: notoriously great excitement, bad & incoherent talk, singing, sleepless nights & so on the present occasion the dirty & destructive habits soon were manifested: the last of he denied in every manner & several times detected in her bedroom on account of the disturbance she created in the general sitting room & of her quarrelsome temper. the attack patients & attendants equally [illegible] in spite of her being the goddess of music & possessing no end of means. Chloral was also tried in her case but failed to produce sound sleep. She had seemed a trifling effect, but seemed not to agree with the patients constitution. she was for several hours next day in a drowsy, stupefied state & for a night was prescribed with much advantage.

At on the previous attack the manifestation of large boils on the head seemed to be again the turning point or crisis after which the patient improved steadily & rapidly -

Feb. 23/22

Discharged recovered & after several weeks of quietness & complete freedom from delusion & excitement, after also having given us on several occasions the obliging help of her musical abilities -.

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Octob. 5/41

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1222.

James Lindsay, Voluntary.

Octob. 5/71 The Sanction for admission is signed Arthur Mitchell & dated September 30/71.

Octob. 10/71 All the particulars of this case were chiefly given by the patient himself. He is a farmer in Dalbeattie & has for some time past indulged in strong drinks. Without special delusion or anything striking in his manner & conduct to authorize his being classified among ordinary insane his mind, his general health, his activity have evidently been impaired by the long continued bad habit. He is rather low in spirits & apt to exaggerate his bodily feelings. His digestion is out of order & his sleep very much broken up by nightmare, hallucinations, tinnitus aurium &c. Having come here of his own free will he is quite disposed to submit to medical treatment & follows the rules of the establishment without the slightest objection. His case is evidently one of chronic alcoholism for in addition to the above mentioned symptoms a distinct tremor of the hands & arms can be noticed especially in the morning. He was put at once under plain, nourishing diet, had beefteas twice a day & porridge & milk to supper in addition to his ordinary diet & was prescribed at the same time Liquor Opii gtt ii three times a day. The dose to be increased gradually to 6 grains.

January 72. Mr Lindsay has been steadily improving in his general health & especially also in his mental condition. How much is to be attributed for this to the pure medical treatment (Oxyde of Zinc), how much to the forced withdrawal of stimulants, the substitution in their place of abundant nourishing food, to the rest from business anxieties, to the exercise in the open air, is not easily answered. It is beyond doubt however that the result has been attained, that our patient enjoys now sound sleep, takes all his meals with relish, that the intestinal derangement has disappeared, that the muscular tremor has all more subsided & that a feeling of general comfort & well being is experienced with a desire for occupation & work which were totally wanting at first. His intelligent activity will be gratefully remembered by the gentlemen of his gallery who often have benefitted from his obliging care & of the attendants he was always so happy to help in their arduous duties.

January 31/72 Discharged recovered.

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1223.

# 11) William Johnstone. See Vol. page

Novemb. 2/71

2) male 45
3) married
4) gentleman living on his money
5) Island of Scotland
6 & 7) Dalbeattie
8) several years
9) not first attack
10) 18, when first attacked
11) several times previously in the House.
12) present attack lasted a few days
13) cause unknown
14) not epileptic
15) not suicidal
16) not dangerous to others.

19. Janet Johnstone, wife. Greystone Cottage. Dalbeattie.

Novemb. 2/71 Robert M^c Kerchar M.B. of Dalbeattie says: 1) This morning got very excited, smashed all articles of furniture he could lay hold on. 2) has been confined on several occasions in an Asylum —

Novemb. 4/71 Alexander Thomson M.D. Dumfries states: 1) melancholy, in conversing frequently forgets what he was about to say. 2) Certificate of unsound mind on a previous occasion. Told by Dr Nelson that this time he has a tendency to become excited & violent.

July 8/72

Novemb. 18/71. M^r Johnstone has been several times before entered in these volumes, now as a Voluntary patient, now duly certified, always with the same features of Intermittent Melancholia, extreme depression, loss of energy & confidence, finding everything & everybody annoying & disagreeable, indecision, uncertainty, restlessness, impaired appetite bad sleep, symptoms which all gradually subsided on former occasions after from 1 week to 6 months treatment. The attack presents this time something new: violence, very great irritability of temper, profane & quarrelsome frame of mind. Facts occurred at home & are mentioned in the first of the medical certificates which clearly prove the statement just made. Here, under the Asylum treatment this excitement never exhibited very prominent characters. but the irascibility & morbid sensitiveness were often shown during the first days following his admission.

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March 72. Our patient has not gone the length of smashing furniture here - but as on former occasions grew at first a good deal of annoyance to other patients by his slipshod, his slackening manners & disagreeable temper. This however was not of long duration. He soon resumed his spirits again & obtained the usual privileges he enjoyed formerly of going out in the grounds & beyond walks with the greatest possible freedom. He made good use this time of these opportunities & could seldom be found in the house except during meals. He walked frequently in town, visited

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theatricals, attended political & religious meetings & indeed astonished everybody by his activity & daily exertions. His conversation & manners became more than on any previous occasion lively, cheerful, witty & pleasant & he seemed to take an interesting interest in everything occurring in & out of the place. He was restricted to one occasion on public speaking & had offered his help to conduct a religious worship in our chapel when all at once his enthusiasm, this desire for action broke down suddenly under the appearance of his old, formidable enemy Melancholia. He was found one morning in bed at an hour in which on the previous days he would have been enjoying some country walk & when asked why he so suddenly stopped his good & healthy habits he answered in the dull sad tone of former days that he was going too fast & felt he could not stand it & would be unfitted to remain in bed two days without food after which he thought he would be all right again. The two days elapsed, the depression unfortunately did not disappear, so that the former privileges had to be withdrawn for the present.

July 8/72 Discharged relieved & went home to Maxwelltown with wife.

1253 Readmitted as Voluntary.

July 19/72 The Sanction for Admission is dated Edinburgh July 19/72 & signed James Coxe, Commissioner in Lunacy.

Mr Johnstone was not long in finding that home was not the thing for him & as in many former occasions came back a few days after leaving the place. Nothing occurred, that has not been reported several times previously & although not in any way better he insisted again on going home for months afterwards. Indeed his confinement was merely nominal; having free parole out of grounds he was very frequently visiting his friends living now within walking distance of the Asylum; visited on more than one occasion he stayed with them all night without permission or even intimation.

This patient after going through a course of varying conditions between health and disease discharged himself

28 Jan 1873 unrecovered Jan 28/73

1224.

Novemb. 8/21

Nov. 8/21

Nov. 9/2

Nov. 16/2

1224.

(1) John Blamire

Novemb. 8/41

(2) male. 42.
(3) married
(4) grocer
(5) Church of England
(6) Carlisle
(7) Cumbria
(8) six months insane
(10) 42 when first attacked
(11) nowhere under treatment
(12) about six months ill
(13) cause unknown
(14) not epileptic
(15) two months ago, there was a slight tendency to suicide –
(16) not dangerous to others
(19) Mary Blamire, wife. Ellerslee. Dalston. Cumberland.

Nov. 8/41

Peter Alfred Sullivan L.R.C.S. & L.S.D. (Carlisle) states: (1) his appearance is sudden; he has been excited & screaming. he thinks that he is doom (?) to eternal perdition, that he is the man of sin spoken of in the Scriptures, that he will die in a day or two, that the various calamities which occur to men have been caused by him. (2) his attendant has seen him move his arms violently, and heard say that the Queen's illness was caused by his sins, that the cattle plague was the result of his misdoings.

Nov. 9/41

George Jonathan Hearder M.D. Carmarthen says: (1) He is depressed & melancholic; has hallucinations of sight & hearing. States that he saw the Devil about three months ago & heard his voice commanding several persons to bring John Blamire to him.

Nov. 16/41.

This patient was admitted in a very low state of bodily health. The digestive system was wholly out of order & the number of bottles containing stones, amongst the evidence that he was under treatment for stomach derangement in various forms. He is very much emaciated, sleeps very little & does not seem taking of late the necessary amount of food. On the first examination of his lungs & heart he states that both were diseased & out of place which was not the case. He thought his bowels had disappeared & could not give any satisfactory explanation as to the evacuation which occurred shortly after his arrival. He gave very clear & satisfactory evidence of recollecting the events which occurred before his being placed in the Asylum. but when questioned as to his feelings. conditions. family relations great confusion seemed to come over his mind & an expression of alarm & even terror appeared on his countenance. He is without hope for the future. born to suffer & to endure in this world every kind of perdition; he can expect nothing in the next but constant agony & torment. Suicidal tendency has been exhibited not since admission but at an earlier period

of the attack. He is taciturn, moves & avoids all social intercourse. If however questioned about his state of health he never ends in describing symptoms of disease & abnormal sensations in most of the vital organs. An abundant & nutritious diet was at once prescribed & the bromide of potassium with a bitter tonic ordered three times a day.

March 72. Mr Blamire has been improving rapidly in bodily health. He enjoys now very good sleep & his digestive system has been restored to the normal condition. The medicines prescribed were given up & the food offered him is readily taken. He has grown much stronger & stouter & his morbid sensations & all the delusions connected with them have if not entirely disappeared at least become so dormant & subdued that they are but seldom expressed. The substitution of hope depression, anguish & fear is still there dormant & prevents him from associating with his fellow inmates & taking part in the recreations & social meetings. Evidently his ideas about his future condition his moral misery are still existing. Visited on one occasion by a friend he has shown much interest in all connected with them at home & made several inquiries regarding the health of those formerly associated with them, the state of their business etc a fact rather encouraging for he was at one time so thoroughly absorbed & forward in his own sad & melancholy reflections as to be quite incapable of feeling any care or sympathy for others —

Sept 1872 This Patient continues gradually to improve mentally and bodily —

March 1873 The general health in the above case has quite recovered itself and the mental condition is really improved but their still remains want of mental vigor and general activity otherwise the patient is cheerful and pleasant, and with the exceptions noted is in his normal condition

Sept 1873 Patient remains the same

1st March 1874 Condition remains unchanged

7th May 1874 Admitted a Voluntary Patient after being discharged as a legal patient

26/6/74 Finally discharged Recovered in this date

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1225.
Novemb. 11/71

Paul Johnstone Gillie
Voluntary

The Condition for Admission is signed Arthur Mitchell
& dated: Edinburgh November 8/71.—

Nov. 16/71 This gentleman farmer in Northumberland is married, of 40 y. of age, of strong constitution but considerably impaired, not to say diseased through long continued habit of drinking. When admitted, he was exhibiting several of the prominent symptoms of chronic alcoholism such as tremor of the extremities, want of coordination in the movements of the lower extremities & a feeling of extreme weakness in them, disorder- ed appetite, frequent vomiting, vide mania à potu. — No mental symptoms were then apparent & he could give a detailed account of his past life & employments & answer clearly & quickly to all questions concerning his previous health. He admitted from the first that drink was the main cause of his ailment & said here of his own accord determined to get rid of the bad habit. He stated that for the last seven or eight months he had been drinking daily at least a bottle of whisky & could not get on without it. He described unsteadiness of vision he had experienced from what he calls fainting fits & his brother who accompanied him corroborated all these statements.

Beef tea ad libitum, milk, eggs & 6 glasses whisky were ordered to begin with & nothing worthy of notice occurred till the afternoon of the 12th when at about 4 o'clock a severe epileptic fit, followed in the evening by several others, gave rise to very serious forebodings. The stomach could retain almost nothing & the patient was greatly exhausted. Another severe fit occurred early in the morning of the 13th after which vomiting & excitement set in & increased to such during day that three or four men could hardly manage him. Chloral Hydrate was tried with most success as already noticed in several other cases of delirium a potu. The excitement was only subdued after the 4th dose of 20 grs of hydrate of chloral when a few hours of sleep or rather coma were produced the patient then breathing very heavily, having frequent twitchings of the facial muscles & awakening in a state of maniacal paroxysm. The strait jacket had to be used for several hours & even proved of no use Mr Gillie being of great muscular strength. The bottle had not to be resorted to & large doses of the Bromide of potassium were given frequently. On the morning of the 15th Mr Gillie arose quite and-

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ther man. Delirium has disappeard; he was calm, sensible, rational & expresses himself as if coming out of a long period of semi-unconsciousness. From that hour improvement was noticable almost every day. He could retain food. the mind was clear, the sleep refreshing & only pains on the back & chest were complained of, due no doubt to the profuse & severe struggles which could not be avoided in order to keep the patient in bed during the epileptic seizures & the following maniacal excitement. Bromide of potassium is continued. the nutritious diet gradually increased while the stimulants are day by day diminished at Mr Gillies own request.

Jan 9/72. Mr Gillie leaves recovered to day, after having completely abandoned stimulants for several weeks & considerably improved in his general health. He took part in some of our amusements, playing & reading with much power & effect & by his amiable & kind disposition, his cheerful & witty humour has become a favourite among many of our inmates.—

1256.

March 6/72 Readmitted on this date again as Voluntary, the Certificates being given from Edinburgh March 6/72 & signed James Coxe, Commissioner. In spite of good resolutions & severe lesson Mr Gillie on his return home found a great accumulation of work before him & applied himself to it with perhaps too much vigour & within a few weeks from his discharge he had unfortunately resumed his drinking habits which once more broke him completely down. He was not known to long in having received proper treatment & was admission as bad as on the previous occasion. Several tremors mentis, sleeplessness of movements, bad sleep were the main features of his case. No excitement & no fits occurred as formerly & the digestive system was still working well so that with a few aperients, proper diet & rest he soon gained again health & cheerfulness. A relapse was added however to our previous knowledge of his former life which gives to the case a very uncertain prognosis. Mr Gillie seems to have suffered from a severe fall on the head years ago & his head on the upper part of the frontal bone still shows a large cicatrice.—

July 9. 1872 The patient made rapid ~~recovery~~ improvement under the usual treatment and was discharged recovered 9/7/72

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Novemb. 23/31

Novemb. 22/31

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Novemb. 30/

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## 11) James Drummond

Novemb. 23/71

(2) male - 72 years.
(3) married
(4) architect
(5) presbyterian
(6 & 7) 36. High Street. Paisley.
(8) eleven months insane
(9) first attack
(10) 72 when first attacked
(12) about 11 months ill.
(13) caused by advancing years
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others
(18) James Drummond, son, assessor Town Buildings Greenock
some insane in the family

Novemb. 22/71

Daniel Richmond M.D. Paisley states: (1) loss of memory - insomnia distrust of friends (2) Complaint of memory wanted - strong desire to go out at night at unreasonable hours without being able to find his way home.

Novemb. 22/71

Hugh Collyer M.D. Paisley. says: (1) Incoherency of speech; vacant, childish expression of countenance - altho' perfectly unfit for work is constantly imagining himself in business. (2) Mrs Bell (his daughter) says that he includes going to wander during the night regardless of proper or necessary clothing.

Novemb. 31/71

This gentleman came in with impaired constitution, great restlessness, incessant wandering, inaptness to answer even the most ordinary questions & a constant desire to be up & walking & doing something in his former field of labours although very far from it & with an entire change of surroundings. The greatest confusion as to his past & present, as to his relatives & his own position was present over his mind. His memory is entirely gone & on his very bed with the attendant sitting close to him he imagines he has something to settle, to arrange at once & endeavours to get up at all hours during night. Every thing seems to him out of order, the window in his room is not in the proper place, the door should be somewhere else, the very coats in the fire place are not placed according to his mind; his large picture below should be placed above, the one in the right should be on the left & so on.

He suffers from no special bodily complaint with the exception of general debility & a slight cough which was soon subdued by an ordinary stimulating cough mixture & the insomnia which gave way under the chloral hydrate. In his as in many other cases it was noticed that the length of sound & refreshing sleep was in no way proportionate to the dose given 15 grs. producing as good an effect as 30 grs.

The great restlessness of the first days after admission has quite disappeared, & no difficulty is encountered in taking him to the daily walks in the grounds,

to the various amusements & social meetings as well as to the religious exercises. He becomes very fond & apparently indifferent & unconcerned in all that is going on around him. When drawn from his silence thereby by some question about his health, his wishes &c. everything is right & correct & he is evidently passing in the quiet, apathetic stage of Senile Dementia.

March 72. Nothing new has occurred to modify our opinion of this case. The bodily health continues good & one day follows another quietly, chiefly in the monotonous way in which is certain to fall a mind incapable of realizing clearly the past, of concentrating the hopes for the future upon some definite object & of even realizing & enjoying the present.—

Sept 1872 This patient has gradually attained good general health and and the mind has recovered itself as far as is possible in such a case

March 1873 Patient continues in good health—

Sept 1873 No change

1st March 1874 The Patients' condition remains unchanged

1880 1874 Bodily health: mental condition unchanged

6. April 1875 Mr Drummond's whole history was in Death this day

1228.

(1) Mary Young Stevenson

November 28/71

(2) female - 43
(3) married
(5) protestant
(6) Glen Lane. Paisley.
(8) seven days insane
(9) first attack
(10) 43. the first attacked
(13) cause not stated
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) dangerous to others.
(19). David Stevenson, husband. 3 Glen Lane. Paisley.

January 11/

November 28/71 David Taylor M.D. Paisley states: (1) maniacal excitement, storming and raging - requiring personal restraint -

November 28/71 Thomas Graham M.D. Paisley, says: (1) excitement, delusions as that she is being suffocated by poisonous vapours & that venomous animals are swarming through the walls of the house; virulent. - (2) Her husband states that she has been in the same state for about a week, sometimes exceedingly violent, smashing furniture &c & requiring restraint.

December 71. This lady arrived in the House in one of these violent paroxysms of excitement frequently occurring in hysterical females especially when, as in this case, the attack is connected with puerperal causes. She visits suddenly & unexpectedly broke out in the most acute screaming & shouting her whole frame being almost convulsed with fear & her eyes fixed with horror on some imaginary object of dread & danger. So violent & intense was the paroxysm that the patients present in the room at the time disappeared in every direction & several attendants had to be summoned to prevent the unfortunate patient from smashing the furniture & injuring herself. For several days she would take almost no food & although robust & comparatively healthy she was feeling the after effects of copious & long continued uterine hemorrhage following parturition. Stimulants had to be given freely & her ordinary diet increased with benefit, milk as of which however she could not be persuaded to take much as long as these paroxysms occurred.

Three or four more took place after the one above described, fortunately each of them of a milder nature & yet she was after them in such a state of thorough prostration as to create a good deal of anxiety as to the probable issue - The suddenness of the recovery was as remarkable as the violence of the attack - After a few nights rest chiefly due to the liberal hydrate she awoke one morning perfectly rational & composed, her mind being still a little confused however & her memory failing to put satisfactorily together all the things she had gone through - But from that day: terror, anxieties, screaming vanished away never to return & she began employing

heavily busily in various little works. With the activity of the mind, the intelligent activity of the hand, the heart soon began to long for home affections & surroundings & this legitimate & natural wish was satisfied on

January 11/52 when she was discharged recovered.

1228.

Decemb. 1/31

Novemb. 30/32

Novemb. 30/33

March 32.

1228.

(1) George Campbell

Decemb. 1/21

(2) male. 25
(3) single
(4) mercantile clerk
(5) protestant
(6 & 7) Wigtown
(8) about one year in asylum
(9) first attack
(10) 25. when first attacked
(11) cause not known
(12) not epileptic
(13) not suicidal
(14) possibly dangerous to others.
(15) William Campbell, brother, Wigtown
Had a brother who died about 4 years ago aged 32, subject to deep Melancholy, which led to his death.

Novemb. 30/21

William Cumming M.D. Wigtown states: (1) Restless, roams about from one place to another quite aimlessly. His mind is weakened, has difficulty in comprehending questions and gives irrelevant answers. When answers are correct he takes an unusual length of time to frame & utter them; frequently starts up & looks about him in a staring manner as if he saw or expected to see some one & mutters to himself whilst doing so. He threatened to knock out my brains if I took him for a lunatic. (2.) William Campbell, his brother says that George has assaulted him several times & has threatened to kill him. I believe he has made similar threats against the other members of the family that they have no control over him & are obliged to let him do as he likes for the sake of quietness; that his temper is completely changed; that he sees objects that have no existance, has delusions in fact & talks to imaginary persons; that he is subject to sudden impulses which cause him to rush about from one place to another.

Novemb. 30/21

Fergus Mackenna, surgeon, Newton Stewart says: (1) Very restless, talks & mutters to himself incessantly & seems very excited. (2) Has threatened violence to one brother William, or more members of the family.—

March 22.

This young gentleman of weak & strumous constitution has evidently been for long time past suffering from impaired general health. It appears from his past history that he was engaged in business for some time in North America & whether from influence of the tropical heat or from hereditary taint he is now certainly very much reduced in strength, very pale & emaciated & has on the skin & tumour presenting all the appearance of scrofulous ulcers. His mind has suffered much in consequence. It is impossible at present to have any conversation with him. His vacant expression, his wide staring eyes clearly manifest a vacant & wandering mind. He was long before he could be made to understand the discipline of the House & in every little detail of daily life he manifested

a strong spirit of opposition. He would not rise at the proper time, nor go to bed when the hour came; he refused to walk & when he began to go out would always stop when the others went on or take the lead when his companions were stopping. Very capricious & uncertain in his wishes he refused then & wanted waiting & made several attempts to escape. When in chapel even he suddenly got up in the middle of the sermon, rushed out of the room but was soon overtaken by an attendant. He is giving hardly no account whatever of his past life, of his present thoughts & wishes & spends the whole of his day wandering about the galleries associating with nobody & only saying "good morning" or "good evening" to the medical officers visiting him. His mental faculties are dull & melancholy struck & yet some mental operations of some kind must be going on for he often starts as under dread of some danger, or is found gazing in admiration at some particular object in or out of doors, or walks with determined steps to some particular point, stops & seems to investigate some thing, then comes back smiling. If asked to explain the motive of all these acts a gentleman, he answers with an indifferent & nonchalant tone of voice "Nothing, nothing."—

Sept 1872 — This patient is usually fat and well and sometimes has a cough. He has evidently a tendency to lung disease but on several occasions when he has been examined no active disease has been detected. Medicine he sometimes ~~takes~~ and sometimes refuses. He is quite demented, is sometimes irritable and strikes without provocation.

March 1873 — Patient remains the same

Sept. 1873 — Above remains the same

27th Dec 1873 — Transferred to Southern Counties' Asylum

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1/ Mr. Joseph Sansonby Steel.

Decemb. 7/21

(2) male. 42
(3) single
(4) clergyman
(5) Church of England
(6 2) Dumfries
(8) more or less insane for about seven years
(9) first attack
(10) about 35. when first attacked
(11) at Mrs Burnside, Dumfries.
(13) from overstudy at Oxford
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) do not know
(19) Adelaide Steel, his mother
His sister is now insane.

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December 9/21

Hugh Cunningham L.R.C.P.Ed. of Dumfries states: (1) There is great dejection of spirits, strange behaviour regarding the right of brother chamber attendant, & incoherent & impure discourse.

Decemb. 9/21

John Smith M.B. C.M. Dumfries says: (1) His behaviour & manner=ted, incoherent conversation. Imagines that washing with urine has the effect of preventing attacks made on him by his neighbours.

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March 22.

Mr Steel was known to us for a considerable time before admission as an outdoor patient boarding in town & having a special attendant. Of gentle & quiet manners he had given no cause of fear or anxiety to his friends as to the probability of his injuring himself or others. Dejection of restlessness & greater irritability gradually appeared & one day when he attacked & knocked down his attendant while walking on the public road. Means of restraint & proper accomodation for such emergencies were wanting & more in a private house & he was then admitted as a regular inmate. He had become very suspicious of those usually around him & his best friends were now enemies & persecutors. Although by education & profession of sensible, sober & prudent turn of mind, his conversation has become very obscene of late & his behaviour in the presence of ladies makes him quite unfit for Society. His attendant now living with him at night in his former residence, he had fallen into very strange & dirty habits: drinking his urine, eating his soap, pouring at other times the urine over his head. often out of bed & wandering through his bedroom without an article of clothes. All these however were soon stopped by the presence of an attendant at night. He has never shown signs of violence here; rather the reverse, his aversive propensities often appearing ridiculous & very demonstrative. He was frequently found kneeling & if a lady was seen by him, no matter where, he was sure to rush in her direction & to drop at her feet with imploring gesture

10 April

17 July

1 Decembe

1 May 18

These outbursts have ceased now & he is in every respect quieter if not more rational. His bodily health is very good, his appetite excellent, his sleep sound & refreshing. — Although musical & accustomed to appear before the public he has not given as yet any active help in our recreations. —

Sept. 1872 The improvement of this patient continues any thing beyond what he has gained is not to be expected

March 1873 Patient continues as above

Sept. 1873 No change

March 1874 During the last few weeks the patient has begun to kneel, lie down on the ground or floor and throw somersaults more frequently than usual. A fortnight ago he bruised his left ear severely while executing one of these movements. Otherwise his condition remains unchanged.

Nov. 1874 No change to record. Occasionally there is fluctuations of mind.

10 April 1875 This patient cannot be said to have improved. Of late he has given himself to kneeling and somersaulting on an extensive scale. He eats his best at night and his dinners by day, but his other habits are not apparent.

17 July 1875 Mr Steel has not markedly improved he still kneels and walks and behaves in an insane manner. The failure in his intellectuality are still glaringly apparent.

1 December 1875 This peculiar and unfortunate custom. This mental state has not abit improved nor have his physical failings disappeared. Of a certain extent he has been broken off his somersaulting perversity but another habit of touching people's noses or ears has taken its place. It is to be much feared that this case is hopeless.

1 May 1876 Mr Steele remains in the same mental and physical condition. Beyond a slight attack of Ulceration in the throat there is nothing worthy of note in his case since last entry.

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Decemb. 8/7

Feb 28 77. Mr Steele is much the same condition occasionally gets a little excited & lies down on the mats to rest & tranquilize purposes moves.

October 23rd 77. This Gentleman is at present characterised by his mental lebetude, no improvement Bodily health good. Sometimes ago to oblige his mother rather than in the expectation of his receiving benefit he was allowed to be admitted in galvanic belts Spine Bands. Something caps the belt with no results so far as could be seen.

Decemb. 6/78

August 24th 1878 Mr Steele is in statu quo. Resumes requisite showing little or no interest in his surroundings & evidently for advance in dementia.

September 12th 1878 Mr Steel remains the same passive Demand.

March 8th 1878 There is little to record in Mr Steels Case: he is however more observant than would be at first supposed; slow & dogged in his movements.

Sept 6th 1879 Mr Steele has paid his annual visit to the Country this year. He is stouter & stronger just now, often goes down on to his knees: there is also a difficulty in getting him to take his food.

May 10th 80. Since last entry Mr Steele has been the victim of Drawing, Dress, Concertina & the Master all sent by his indefatigable Mother to rouse his wits: this style of treatment caused much excitement. however tend rather to increase the fundamental Obstinacy & He continues to be dogged. Reserved & strange.

Decemb. 6

March 81

Sept 14th 80 Mr Steele remains much the same

16th March 81 There the same mental lebetude & obstinacy with a tendency to wit habits — no improvement Can be expected.

October 1881 In statu quo

April 1882 Mr. Steel remains in the same passive state. He writes a good deal but his style is so peculiar as to be almost unread able

4/7/1882 Mr Steele is in fair health but mentally he is an imbecile with a tendency to carrying the letter I and in the manner I have well. Social intercourse he avoids by sitting at night

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1230

(1) James Gray

Decemb. 8/71

(2) male. 45
(3) married
(4) grocer
(5) protestant
(6) Gatehouse
(8) his mind has been more or less unsettled for about four years.
(11) medical treatment was several times attempted at home, but without any satisfactory result.
(13) caused principally by jealousy of his wife.
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) dangerous to his wife principally
(19) Matthew Gray, brother Bank Street Dumfries
- none have been insane in the family. —

Decemb. 6/71

James Moffat M.B.C.M. Gatehouse states: (1) His excited manner, his rambling conversation & the exalted ideas he entertains regarding himself. For example he believes & opines that he is the only sane, & only just & righteous man in Gatehouse - that all others are insane and ignorant & utterly beneath his notice - His delusions regarding his wife; these are that she has been unfaithful to him, that she puts some drugs or other abomination into his food to send him asleep in order to get her paramours into the house - that she has sold herself & is completely under the control of these paramours & that notwithstanding (1) all he is preaching to her & the opportunities he has given her to reform, she still remains unpenitent. (2) He has threatened & actually used personal violence towards her. Yesterday evening at 2 o'clock she had to flee the house in her night dress etc. He is foolishly squandering his means etc. -

Decemb. 6/71

J. Nichol Cox, surgeon, Gatehouse says: (1) Incoherence of speech & manner, insane and excited & quite unable to converse with any degree of rationality on any subject - (2) has been abusing his wife without cause & will do her an injury if not taken care of. She has had to leave the house in her night dress & seek refuge on account of his violence.

March 12.

Mr Gray seemed on admission free from excitement, depression or delusions of whatever kind. On closer examination & daily intercourse the main characters of his mental malady became more & more evident. Letters received from his relatives which had been written by him to several parties previous to his admission, showed his deeply rooted suspicion clothed with religious phrases: & bogy & an irresistible disposition to blame & criticize the conduct of his friends & neighbours without the slightest cause. His wife was accused in very strong terms of different crimes, of attempting to shorten his days & the doctors of Dun all worthy & respectable men having forgotten the essential thing & deserving all to be anticipated from the country.

His letters were characterized by what may be termed religious rambling. Instinctively himself as judge of other things he was reproached by inward sense of his weakness and ignorance for unfruitfulness & misusings of various kinds & reminding the Prompter of condemnation in all questions related the inhabitants of Gatehouse & mend their ways by true repentance & to look after their spiritual interests. Dear sister's gentle tenderness & his unfounded suspicions have not been manifested very strongly since admission & although several parts of the gate keys have been opened by his written appeals to conversion & reformation of life he does not express himself too strongly in conversation. He entered willingly on the asylum life, is intelligent & capable of entering into reasonable discussion upon most of the ordinary topics, his main & constant object being now to get his freedom again in order to prove the world that his accusations were legitimate & well grounded.

Sept 1873 — Thos Potter has gained in general health but mental improvement is scarcely to be expected

March 1873 — Patient remains unchanged

Sept 1873 — No change in the above

1st March 1874 — Patient's condition remains unchanged

Nov 1874 — No change to record

10th April 1875 — Mr Gray remains quiet. He will not by any amount of persuasion be induced to go to Chapel "till that Organ is removed" His mental health is in statu quo

17 July 1875 — Mr Gray has recently indulged in other forms of Books and behaves very creditably in his Cornet and Play. He remains as described above

1 Dec 1875 — This fortnight is quiet and inoffensive in fresh physical health but in the same mental attitude. He here goes to prayers. The presence of an organ & the Chapel destroys - to him - its sanctity In every respect - except this he is reasonable

1 May 1876 — The same demure resp and taciturnity characterize a case that has in no way improved mentally or physically

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10th April
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Dec. 78. Nothing particular to record concerning Mr Gray.
April 16th 77. Mr Gray's wife dies a short time ago but his
seems to have had no effect on him either for good
or bad.

December 10th 77. Mr Gray remains in the same condition
of quietness, tidiness, & apathy, he answers
correctly & sensibly when spoken to but nothing
seems to disturb the monotony of his life.
He does not go to chapel on account of the
presence of an organ in it.

August 2nd 78. Mr Gray remains unchanged: for some weeks he has had the
privilege of Parole

March 8th 79 Mr Gray continues to enjoy his parole and has been
very regular in his ways since obtaining the privilege.
He has a good deal to say in a religious tone & ~~often~~
considers the Chapel is "unclean" from the presence of
an organ.

Sept 16th 79 Mr Gray is quiet, penitent & deluded; no incident has
Chequered his monotonous existence since last entry.

May 18th 80 No event of importance occurred in the prisoner's
Case, Mr Gray occasionally writes nonsensical
Comment on the events of the day which
are incoherent and contain delusions

October 1881 Continues as above

10th April 1882. Mr. Gray continues in the same quiet and inoffensive mode
of life. He is on parole and takes his daily walk around the
grounds. He is in fair health

Oct 5th 1882 Mr Gray continues in the same mode & habit of life as before
stated there is no improvement in his mental health & his bodily
health is fairly good.

April 16th 1883 There is no change to record in Mr Gray, during the
last six months his health has been good, he is still on
parole which he exercises satisfactorily. Mentally there is no
improvement, he is suspicious & retains his delusions.

16th Oct. 83. No change. He still enjoys parole: is quiet and inoffensive: refuses
to go to chapel: keeps his delusions quiet for the most part.

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1231 (1) Isabella Mc Callum

Decemb. 31/71
(2) female - 32
(3) single
(4) established
(6) Gartnavel Asylum, Glasgow
(7) Crichton Royal Institution
(8) nine years insane
(9) not first attack
(10) about 23 when first attacked
(11) under treatment at Gartnavel
(13) cause not known
(14) not epileptic
(15) suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others
(19) John G. Mc Callum, brother
Doublelaw by Bellford, Stirlingshire.
none insane in the family.

January 1/72 Hugh Cunningham L.R.C.P.S. etc Dumfries states: (1) There is great restlessness & restlessness, there is rapid & incoherent discourse; she is continually moving about & fancies she is surrounded by enemies. (2) The above confirmed by nurse.

January 1/72 Alexander Thomson M.D. Dumfries states: (1) Restless in manner; vacant & wild expression of countenance, incoherent conversation. (2) Told by Dr Mclaren that she has been transferred from Gartnavel where she has been for several years.

March 72. This young lady inspired for several years in the Glasgow Asylum would have been legally a transfer but for the negligence of the friends who did not provide in time the necessary forms. Her antecedents had therefore to be obtained immediately on her admission.

Of delicate constitution, fair & pale she appears in spite of her young age to have been for long time afflicted with brain derangement. It is absolutely impossible to make anything out of her answers to questions concerning her health & her friends. She seems in constant fear of enemies & danger & moves from place to place in a restless & agitated manner & does not allow gentlemen especially to come near her, less still to touch her. Her mind is a perfect blank; no recollection of the past. absolute indifference for the present & of the future not even the faintest dream, such is the sad state in which this unfortunate girl has fallen into. She occupies herself in no way whatever, is incessantly moving about the gallery & the general sitting-room or sits in a crouched position on the sofa or even on the floor in some quiet hidden corner. She enjoys her walks in the grounds & takes readily all her meals.

Sep 1872 The patient can scarcely be said to have improved since admission. Her general health is good and both from the nature and persistence of the mental malady improvement is not to be expected.

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10 April
17 July
1 December
1 May 187
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26th Nove
August 24th 7
September 12th 8
March 8th

## Isabella McCallum

March/79 — No change has occured in the above case –

Sept. 1877 — This patient remains the same

1st. Nov. 1874 — Patient's condition remains unchanged

Nov. 1874 — The Entry of date March 1874 excellently describes patient's present condition

10 April 1875 — General excitement of a harmless character is at present the most distinct feature in Miss McCallum's mental history. She talks busily and claps her hands vehemently. She is in good bodily health

17 July 1875 — Miss McCallum remains in status quo. She has been visited in another gallery, but her noise and clamour demanded her return to her old quarters where she is at present behaving in her usual noisy manner.

1 December 1875 — There is no marked change in this Patient's case which is characterized by the same cycle of noise and maroon. She has occasionally been visited in a quieter gallery but her disposition to unrest shows itself on all occasions her removal to her former gallery

1 May 1876 — This case remains unchanged. There is no improvement to show as none is expected. Physically she is in excellent condition

Feb 28th 77. — Patient remains the same.

28th November 1877. Miss McCallum is restless & excitable getting into paroxysms of excitement in which she vociferates. claps her hands beats her head & wanders about the Gallery clamouring in a wild incoherent manner. She is very untidy in her habits & would be so in her appearance if left to herself.

August 21st 78 — Miss McCallum remains as described above.

September 12th 78 — No change for the better is to be found in this Lady's Case; on part of her she has been more addicted to the usual boisterous manner.

March 8th 79 — Miss McCallum remains as above described: the restless walking manner — the tenure is the extent of her noisy fulness.

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Sept 6th 1879 Of late Mrs McCallum has become more degraded & dirty in her habits; she is a hopeless case. Her excitement is always vented on herself and she continues to treat her head as vigorously as before.

May 10th 80 There is no improvement to record in this case: - one in which no improvement is to be expected. Mrs McCallum has lately been attending Chapel - there however she is restless & difficult of management. When she attempts letter writing there is marked incoherence

January 15/82

14th Sept 80 Mrs McCallum's case presents no improvement whatever

18th March 81 She is a chronic case in which no improvement is to be expected. She is quiet & talks frequently very degraded in her habits

January 15/82

October 1881 Mrs McCallum continues much the same, occasionally beats her head when excited & rubs with her sleeves turned up.

March 1/82

April 1882. Remains unchanged

Oct 31st 1882 Mrs McCallum continues in a perfectly imbecile condition. She lately had an attack of conjunctivitis from which she has not recovered. Her bodily health is fairly good.

April 16th 1883 Mrs Mc-Callum has been in good bodily health all winter but there is no change in her mental condition

15. Feb. 84. Mrs McCallum's condition shows no improvement: she is quite imbecile and is likely to be kept

13. 12. 84 Suffering at present from a slight cold. No change in her mental condition for the better

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(1) Ann Downing

January 12/92

(2) Female - 56.
(3) widow
(4) Scholastic (?)
(5) Baptist
(6) Benwell Gateshead on Tyne
(8) periodically insane during the last 4 years.
(9) not first attack
(10) 4 q, when first attacked
(11) under treatment at Hightown, Hathershobie & at her own residence.
(12) ill, since July 1891
(13) caused by religious melancholy
(14) not epileptic
(15) query as to her being suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others
(19) Mrs G.T. Brunnell, daughter 21 Collingwood Street - Newcastle on Tyne.

January 15/92 — Alexander Thomson M.D. Dumfries, states: (1) Melancholy, restless; complains of nervousness & inability to sleep at night, & has uneasy feelings in her head - has a want of confidence in herself & in managing her affairs. (2) The above confirmed by Dr Malan.

January 15/92 — Hugh Cunningham L.R.C.P. Ed. etc Dumfries, states: (1) She despairs of her future state, is restless & wants rather be out of excitement than under restraint. (2) Dr Malan confirms the above.

March 92 — This lady of morbidly emotional nature, of delicate constitution & general nervous hyperesthesia did not show extraordinary manifestations of acting beyond great dejection of spirits & abnormal sensations of various kinds chiefly in the head & organs of sense. Her friends however enable us to state from their information on her past history that she has been for several years in a very restless & unsatisfactory state as to her religious convictions & her future life. She was pleased no where & nobody was able but for a short time to comply with her numerous & overdemanding wishes. Going from place to place, trying several establishments & finding nowhere health & comfort she had become more & more depressed & suicidal forgivenesses were constantly expressed during her journey to this place. Her bodily ailments are innumerable & were at first seemingly much increased by the fervour & constant fears caused by the Asylum life & its inseparable atmosphere. Accustomed during several years to obtain all that family affection can procure, to have her smallest wishes attended to, to be studied & attended to in all her even trifling discomforts she was greatly alarmed on finding that her bedroom door was to be locked at night & she has never overcome [illegible]. The dreadful impression of misery & decay ruin & death which it produced on her mind - Many pages

might be filled with the more catalogue of her bodily ailments, some of them real to a certain extent but all augmented & made intolerable to her by that acute morbid sensitiveness of the nervous system & that want of power to endure & resistance to suffering which characterizes her bodily & mental condition. Although musical herself, she could not tolerate the sound of an instrument & the smallest noise seemed to produce acute suffering in the auditory organ. She was incapable even to listen without pain to the sound of the workmen, carpenters & masons who were busy about the premises. The olfactories nerves was affected in the same way & her retina seemed to retain painfully impressions of external objects, such as the gratings surrounding the balcony on which she was walking during the inclement weather. She was suffering from facial neuralgia, from pains in her limbs & complained for a great many of attacks of diarrhoea & whitened digestion. Long, sleepless nights of anxiety & only a variety of pain & torture during day, seemed to be the sad & heavy circle containing her existence.

The use of homœopathic medicines in which she had absolute faith was for a time conceded but with very little effect. Small doses of hydrate of Chloral or bromide of potassium given at bed time calmed & soothed her by degrees & an iron & bitter mixture gradually increased her appetite; her walks & drives in the open air adding at the same time their valuable help in strengthening her constitution. Written & personal intercourse with her friends granted after a few weeks residence opened up a more cheerful horizon & her countenance lost in great measure the mournful & terrified expression of her first days among us.

April 30/82 Discharged recovered & quite sorry to leave the place where she had been at first so much terrified & after suffering & cheerfully going on several occasions her offering & efficient help in our musical performances. The rapidity of the change which took place in her mind & subsequently in her manners, conversation & general disposition was really surprising. She leaves with the best wishes of most of the members of our community for the permanence & steadiness of her recovery.

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1233 (1) William Vipond 1233

February 13/42 (2) male. Eng. (10) 25, when first attacked
(3) married (11) in 1842 under treatment at Wakefield Institution
(4) ironmonger (12) present attack lasted 8 days
(5) Wesleyan (13) caused by excitement from Total Abstinence movement
(62?) Penrith
(8) 10 days ill. (14) not epileptic
(9) Second attack (15) not suicidal
(16) dangerous to others
(17) Ulrick Vipond, eldest brother. Sandgate, Penrith.

February 12/42 Michael W. Taylor M.D. Penrith, states: (1) Violence of demeanour, incoherent & impertinent talking, dancing & singing, threatening to attack others. (2) throwing things about, violence, want of sleep. / by his wife Mrs Mary Vipond)

February 12/42 James D. Robertson M.D. Penrith, says: (1) extreme excitement, says he will dash my brains out. (2) Mr Nanson informs me that he says he believes he will never die.

March 42 This patient who has been formerly here under treatment was on admission very much excited & unable to keep quiet for five minutes. His loquacity was amazing & the rambling way in which he talked upon the most distant subjects prevented any precise information to be drawn from his remarks. He was considerably emaciated partly owing to his great muscular activity without the due support of nourishment & the refreshing sleep to keep it up & partly also to the impaired condition of his digestive system. He was suffering very much from acidity of stomach, flatulence with occasional attacks of diarrhoea following constipation. For several days he created great disturbance among his fellow inmates by his quarrelsome disposition & perpetual propensities as much as by his perpetual motion about the room, leaping, running & dancing from place to place. Wet & tying his bed clothes for sometime he had to be supplied with guilted rugs. In the grounds considerable difficulty was also experienced in keeping him with working parties his desire for motion & his power for executing it far surpassing the strength of the other patients. His loud screaming & attempts to imitate the voices of domestic animals were another marked feature of his mental condition. In his intercourse with the medical officers he was very variable - sometimes excited, abusive in language & threatening in gesture, sometimes silent & sullky & at other times again very witty & humorous in his remarks & showing very quick understanding & a great amount of general information.

April 9th

1233 William Vigord

This patient made a good recovery and was discharged

Sept 5th 1872 recovered Sept 5th 1872

Joseph Brady Steel

April 9th 1883 Mr Steel has been in fair health all winter, except a slight cold & the results of the stuffing process his Orchestra subjects him to. Mentally there can be no improvement Record.

10-18-84 Mr Steel's mother died recently, but the event has made little impression upon him. Bodily health good. Mental condition unchanged.

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February 23/32

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March 8/32

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(1) Henry Paterson

February 23/82

Transfer from Burgh Parochial Asylum, Paisley.

(2) male. 33
(3) single
(4) lithographer
(5) protestant
(6) admitted in the former Asylum Feb. 4/82.
(7) 3 weeks insane
(8) first attack
(9) 33, when first attacked
(11) supposed shock on nervous system
(12) not epileptic
(13) not suicidal
(14) not dangerous to others
(15) Mary Gilmour Paterson
13. Caledonia Street, Paisley. his mother

Feb. 21/82

Robert Falconer surgeon, Paisley states that he is of unsound mind, has several delusions regarding inventions, one of which is to stop a railway train at full speed instantly. & that his bodily health & condition are good.

The sanction of the Board of Lunacy for the transfer of Mr Paterson is dated Edinburgh February 22/82 & signed James Love, Commissioner.

March 8/82

Very little indeed could be said of the mental condition of this patient on admission. He was entirely free from excitement, polite & agreeable in manner & conversation & none of the delusions above mentioned could be elicited. He was perfectly rational & lucid in his answers, even witty in his remarks & afforded another illustration of that fact too often forgotten by those kind & authority, but seldom in the practical field of lunacy that it is not at all times possible to detect & to prove the Mental Aberration & that as for the lightning in stormy weather you often have very little time to talk principles of the disturbed elements, & that you are not present at the very moment you may see the dark clouds & feel the stormy wind, yet you cannot perceive the lightning. So in mental disturbance; the morbid spark may shine, the frantic screaming be heard, the wild delusion pronounced but if not there at the time you may not for weeks or even months have another chance of seeing & hearing for as many instances as dark clouds are kept to back up the distinctive symptomatic of mental perversities & as in the case under notice at present the mind remains calm composed, sensible. The fact was to-day in this instance that Mr Paterson was at once sent to the convalescent gallery & was allowed the very next day to join in all our amusements, to attend the ball, dance, walk etc.

On close & daily examination it was found however that he had certain rather exalted ideas of his inventive power especially in Mechanics & engineering. He refused to attend some of our lectures merely because he thought he knew a great deal more & if asked to give an opinion he would answer with a

Keepers smile that perhaps the audience would not quite be up to this subject. Some further details were given by correspondence with the Brother of the patient. He then resumes himself: "I can not say that I saw any of his friends over the anything about him to lead me to suspect mental derangement until a week ago we noticed him very excited & restless & not going about his business in his usual way, and on the Friday morning he became wild & evidently out of his mind, talking incoherently & on subjects that he never thought of introducing to any of his friends." Some causes are given to explain this sudden change (in the same letter) such as overwork, disappointment, late sitting & over indulgence in alcoholic stimulants.

March 12/72

Only a few days after writing the above a sudden & unexpected change took place in this patients condition. He became quite excited not to say violent & spoke the most absurd language. He thought there were only two men in the world, wrote great many letters in which were illustrated his natural tendencies, his self-esteem & his exaggerated ideas about his mechanical skill. Along with these noisy demonstrations appeared a strong sexual impulse & if not carefully watched he would take hold of the first female coming through the gallery. He writes he had a mysterious apparition of a lady before coming here; she took him by the hand & allowed him to go home with her, but on the moment of entering her door the saddenly disappeared in high flaming way & very forcible demand he had given her to examine. That entrance door of going home makes him very different to manage just now & the case is doubtful in duration is now clear & unmistakable.

After the sudden development of this case as related above the patient passed thro the usual course of a somewhat brief but acute mania making as in most of such cases a rapid and satisfactory recovery. He was discharged recovered June 24/72

June 24th 1872

1235. 11) John Whan 1235

February 24/92
(2) male. 59.
(3) widowed
(4) coachman
(5) baptist
(6 & 7) Orchardton Lodge (Kirkcudbright)
(8) 18 days insane
(9) first attack
(10) 59, when first attacked
(11) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) dangerous to others
(19) Mary Findlay, Edinburgh
Charlotte Reid, Liverpool } daughters.
Janet Mercer, Aldershott
Annie Whan, Orchardton Lodge

February 22/92 James B. Weir M.B. etc Auchencairn states: (1) I have attended him for 18 days or so & his whole conduct, manner & talk betray unsoundness of mind. He is suffering from Diabetes. He shows great aversion to particular friends. (2) Two of the daughters tell me of his great annoyance at particular persons & even at his youngest daughter.

February 22/92 James M'Culloch M.D. etc Dumfries, says: (1) constantly talking in an incoherent, rambling & very excited manner, flushed & with insane expression very positive, self-willed & irritable etc. (2) Betrays spite against his daughters & acquaintances, seldom sleeps, tendency to murder, restless, very excitable & violent etc. —

March 12/92 This patient very excited on admission & talking in the most absurd rambling manner was accordingly examined & no further than no satisfactory examination could be made at first. The symptoms of Diabetes were soon detected in his urine, in his intense thirst but owing to his mental excitement no proper treatment could be ordered & followed up properly. The health of his mouth was very bad from repeated blisters & the internal surface of his lips showed large distension & various ulcers of the capillaries probably due to the repeated & frequent exercise his profession called him to perform. He could not rest at night, was constantly out of bed & walking about the room wrapped up in his blankets. When spoken to he would never give any satisfactory reply to the questions put to him but running off in the most unconnected way his horses, his daughters, the doctors, religious & political questions. He was reported on two or three occasions not to sleep at night & made two or three attempts to entice women into his person during day. His conduct & behaviour & above all his loud, constant & incoherent talking produced much disturbance among the other inmates of the gallery & exclusion had to be enforced for the sake of general peace & comfort.

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John Whan

This Patient laboured under diabetes as well as advanced cerebral disease, some improvement was produced in his general health and mental quietude was secured to a certain extent, The disease under which he laboured however gradually progressed and exhausted the system Dysentery and epileptoid convulsions were the last links of the chain which terminated in death Sept 12th 1872

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Paul J. Gillie, Voluntary
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Andrew Purves
Readmitted probationer See: page 61 of this Vol.

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John Candlish, Voluntary

The Sanction for admission is dated from Edinburgh April 6/72 & signed James Coxe, Commissioner.

This gentleman aged 24, unmarried, of good education, of quiet, retired disposition & agreable manners, had to give up business & seek refuge in this place to avoid excesses in drinking which for a time seemed to have been quite uncontrollable. Of strong & healthy constitution he appeared on admission to have suffered very little as yet from the bad habit. His appetite & sleep were unaffected & no disorder, tremor of the muscular system could be detected nor any alteration in the organs of sense. Indeed he had made an effort already of self reformation but finding the temptation too strong thought properly that the best way of overcoming completely the drinking propensities was to retire for some time from the trouble & toil of business life & so avoid the evil influence of bad example & companions. He has not touched alcoholic drink of any kind since admission & has shown himself on all occasions pleasant, rational & gentlemanly. There is however evidently in his mind a facility to be led by associations & a great want of power of will. He does not exhibit much original thought, & listens with apparent interest to the various conversations held by his fellow-inmates without ever terminating talking one or the other side. Quiet, placid & retired he shows more of the exuberance of mental faculties, of the brilliancy of imagination & of the mental creative festivity which made of his father one of the bright stars of the Free Church of Scotland. It is questionable whether his mind is even very receptive for although a great reader he has seldom anything to remark upon the authors he ought to be familiar with.

His patient under the usual treatment medical and moral soon regained his natural condition and was discharged recovered on 16th July 1872

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April 12/32

R. B. Forsyth Brown. Voluntary.

The Sanction for admission is dated from Edinburgh April 8/32 & signed James Cone. –

This gentleman, a surgeon in the army, was in the Indian mutiny, in the Crimean war & for several years residing in Paris where he studied medicine. His numerous wanderings from place to place, the hardship & fatigue of military life, and an absence almost complete of moral & religious principles laid him open to the innumerable temptations of the army, the Town & the Students life in the gay French capital. Drinking habits were soon acquired & were indulged in more or less for several years back. From information received a few days after his admission it appears that he was an inmate of Vaughter Asylum ne Edinburgh within the last year or two.

Although of powerful constitution his health was on admission very much impaired by his frequent indulgence in alcoholic drinks. Bilious & intestinal derangement had to be attended to & for a few nights narcotics were in demand & once or twice granted to secure comfort & rest. The expensive of Chloral is worth noticing here as it coincides with the assertion frequently repeated in these volumes that this invaluable medicine has only the effect of increasing the restlessness & excitement of those labouring under Alcoholism at whatever period of the disease. When Chloral was suggested as preferable to opiates the patient became greatly alarmed & refused distinctly to take it stating that it made him quite furious – There was great disturbance in the locomotor powers, his limbs being quite shaky. His walk unsteady & trembling as in a man of the extreme old age & his hands could not hold a cup or a tumbler full without spilling part of their contents. He was quite unable to write at first & showed great unsteadiness & want of accuracy in his first games at billiards although thoroughly up in this masculine exercise.

After two or three days confinement to the House he was allowed to walk in the grounds with an attendant, fears being entertained as to the possibility of a fall. He had just been out one afternoon for half an hour & returned to his room apparently all right when the visits of those hours was suddenly called by an attendant to the assistance of Dr Brown who had fallen near the fire place & become

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quite insensible. On arrival he was just coming out of the fit, his face being covered with blood from a long incised wound on the scalp. He was for long time after, in a dreamy state unable to articulate a word & to realize what had occurred. When consciousness was restored completely he stated that he had suffered formerly from the same accident when under the influence of drink. Although the fit could not be witnessed all the time it lasted, little or no doubt can be entertained as to its epileptiform nature & here is exciting a mighty theme for speculation as to the cause of the structural change causing these alarming convulsions.

Fortunately this was the only attack under which our patient labored. The stimulants were gradually reduced to the rate of two small bottles of bitter ale daily & his strength & health soon showed decided symptoms of improvement. He is evidently like many of those people who have seen the whole world over two or three times, difficult to please & constantly requiring special orders & liberties which although in opposition to the general rules of the House, are for peace sake seldom refused. His loquacity is quite overwhelming but his statements & descriptions about people & places have a strong coloration of the French article known better on the other side of the Channel under the name of "le blague". In fencing, shooting, dancing etc etc he is remembered & as he makes frequent use of the high sounding words of the military world his conversation is not always very refined, nor very elegant. His boisterous, peremptorious tone of voice has a tendency to make solitude around him rather than draw friends. near. He ~~has~~. His word cannot be relied upon & he has evidently given more time to his life to the colour & shape of his manufacturable clothes, collars & shirts, than to the proper control of his thoughts & the love of sober, plain & quiet truth. "Beastly", "horrid", "disgusting" & such like are favourite epithets of his, applied indiscriminately to his servants, his meals, his washing, his companions & in such atmosphere the moral qualities of man are not likely to blossom much.

Nov 1872 This patient is one of the worst of the class we have had under treatment, he is restless querulous and exacting to the very uttermost. A sence of justice mercy or truthfulness seems never to have been any part of his constitution. He is nevertheless well informed acquainted with the world, clever in his way and in the highest degree gentlemanly. The treatment has been

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most unsatisfactory - He would for a few weeks
April 12/72
get on very well submitting to treatment and arrangement
as prescribed during which he would make rapid progress
Whenever restraint was removed and he was thrown upon
his own resources he invariably broke down

No change has taken place in the above case
There is the same repetition of improvement, removal of
constraint and failure of self control.

After a somewhat prolonged period of improvement
May 19th 1873 he was discharged relieved May 19th 1873

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April 9/72

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(1) James Herriot.

April 12/72

(2) male - aged 41 -
(3) married
(4) landed proprietor, previously a farmer -
(5) presbyterian
(6) Northfield in the Parish of Coldingham
(7) Coldingham Law
(8) fully a month insane
(9) first attack
(10) 41. when first attacked
(11) treated at Coldingham Law
(12) a month past in present attack
(13) caused by excessive use of stimulants
(14) not epileptic
(15) threatens to be suicidal
(16) dangerous to others
(17) Mrs Jane Eleanor Shiress or Herriot wife, Coldingham Law - Berwickshire.

No member of his family known to be or to have been insane -

April 8/72

James Navin Mc Dougall M.D. etc Coldingham states: (1) Mr Herriot has for a considerable ~~time~~ period been labouring under delusions in reference to his circumstances in life. Has been subject to paroxysms of excitement in which he has threatened the lives of those about him. He is unable to manage his own affairs & speaks incoherently & acts in a way quite unbecoming that of a sane person.

April 9/72

James Cruikshanks surgeon Ayton says: (1) That he considers he is robbed by his friends & servants & that he considers himself in great poverty and unable to maintain himself & family & that he does not believe his property belongs to him. (2.) His servants state that he suspects them & in fits of excitement runs after them with the intention of doing them bodily harm with any instrument or weapon at hand.

Nov/72

This patient is another case in which intemperance appears in the foreground. There is reason to believe however that it is rather an effect than a cause. Judging from the nature of the case and partly from its history for there is no other evidence to found upon. It is believed that the real cause of the Melody is deeply seated in the constitution and that intemperence is but one of its symptoms as it undoubtedly is in many cases. This opinion is confirmed so far by the results of treatment. The immediate effects of alcoholic poisoning having been removed a considerable improvement took place but the real disease was not reached.

In accordance with the above expressed advice of his friends he was sent out on Probation first to our Kennemer residence and then to the continent to travel with his

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## James Herrid

wife and ~~an~~ attendant. The letter against medical advice A few days after he reached the Continent mania reappeared and he was speedily sent home he was discharged Sept 5/72

15th Oct 1872 and readmitted 15/10/72

March 1873 The above case on returning from the Continent was taken home but was immediately brought back to the House in a paroxysm of violent and dangerous mania, Considerable quietude has been secured but he is excitable irritable and the subject of many delusions

~~Sept~~ 1873 This Patient remains the same

1st March 1874 The Patients condition remains unchanged since the date of last entry.

March 1874 Patient continues irritable, violent, and full of delusions.

10 April 1875 This patient has recently been quite impulsive. He has assaulted a blow once or twice to those coming near him and has cause them for the future to give a wide berth. He is again in one of his calm and behaves in a milder way. He eats and sleeps well and enjoys very fair health

17 July 1875 This gentleman is quite capricious in his behaviour. He is quite quiet at times. then storms at imaginary people who come to annoy, and disturb his equanimity. He has the other day attacked one of the attendants without any apparent cause

1 Dec. 1875 His state has not improved. He for a time the same silly crabbed and often behaves badly; he strikes attendants and patients when he is annoyed by his invisible friends who delight to call him a bastard and beat him - he thumps badly. His general health is very fair

1 May 1876 This case remains the same. The imaginary people still bother Mr H. and cause him to swear and stamp.

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March 1st 77 Mr Herriot remains the same as in last report. Linens & stamps 100 oz.

20th November 1877 Mr Herriott since last entry has remained in the same condition. Inventing & attributing imaginary persons, he is a dangerous lunatic to mix with bodily health

August 24th 78 Mr Herriot remains as above; he has delusions - thinks his clothes are not his own - is irritable & violent when any body crosses him.

September 12th 78 Mr Herriot has recently made a violent unprovoked attack on his attendant; he continues to walk the balcony threatening and vociferating - His bodily health is good although he had recently a rather severe attack of dysentery.

March 3rd 79 Mr Herriot remains much as above talks short & fictitious at imaginary people.

Sept 6th 79 There is no change to record in this case

May 10th 80 Mr Herriot is now attending the Salle d'hote where he has thus far conducted himself with great propriety: there is further considerable improvement in his mental condition: his preoccupation with imaginary folk & scenes & events disappeared: he is much subdued and at present not at all dangerous

October 81. Mr Herriot continues quiet and well behaved, he is at times however rather irritable but has not lately given way to his temper

April 1882 Mr Herriot remains tolerably quiet and peaceable - he is in good health

Oct 2nd 1882 Mr Herriot remains in good bodily health & condition, he appears to have his delusions as to imaginary people talking to him as above he swears a good deal: He comes to table d'hote at which he appears himself properly but is irritable.

April 18th 1883 Mr Herriot remains in good health & condition but there is no change to record in his mental state.

18th Oct 83. No change. Mr Herriot is irritable and taciturn; comes to the table & plays billiards a great deal - with an occasional oath: he swears a good deal if he is getting beaten

13. 12. 84 Remains quiet: is very fond of tobacco, which he constantly asks for. Talks a great deal to himself

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1241 (1) Hannah Little.

April 13/82 (2) woman, 29 years (10) 28, when first attacked
(3) single (11) nowhere under treatment
(4) home work on the farm, in fields & house (13) caused by ill health for 3 years, had vomiting & feverishness.
(5) Kirklinton church & a neighbouring chapel (14) not epileptic.
(6) Dalbeath, Kirklinton, Cumberland. (15 & 16) slightly suicidal & dangerous
(8) seven months insane - (19) her mother, Jane Little, Dalbeath
(9) first attack

Query: a female cousin & an aunt supposed to be insane -

April 9/82 Robert Elliot M.D. Carlisle states: (1) Inattention to complete dilapidation & untidiness to look up or at you; no conversation with others (respecting her) could elicit a remark or cause a movement, yet she was fully observant all the time. (2) Her occasional violence, extreme & incredible for one of her slight frame - her all but total sleeplessness, her frequently acquired) occasional poignancy and humour; threatens at other times violence to others & suicide; her destructiveness of clothes & indifference to being seen perfectly naked by any one. (All this information was supplied to me by the mother & the aunt & the two sisters of the patient in the presence of each other and of several other persons, resident in the house.)

April 10/82 William Graham, surgeon, Netherhouse, Kirklinton says: (1) She gesticulates & talks wildly & incoherently & has made an attempt to cut her throat in my presence. (2) Her mother states that she is occasionally violent, destroys her clothes & is indifferent to being seen naked.

Sept. 1882 This patient is obviously a semi idiot - as vindicated by her defective formation and normal mental capacities so far as they can be ascertained thro the hazy medium of mental disease several relations insane.

Good feeding good nursing and careful attention to the laws of health have secured the removal of what may be called the superinduced diseases She is now quiet takes her food readily and submits passively to what she is required to do but speaks none, reads none, works none.

March 1883 This patient continues unchanged and is not capable of further improvement
Sept. 1883 No Change in the above case -
1st March 1884 The patient does not take her food very well and is pale, thin and anaemic. Her condition otherwise remains unchanged

Nov. 1884 to April 1885 No change in this case. Shall [illegible] according to the history of this patient during the past year.

17 July 1875 Miss Little remains the same. She is quiet and harmless. This is all that can be said about her. Her mental powers are in abeyance and neither has taken a fair amount of food. She is happy and industrious working.

1 Dec 1875 This patient is going down hill. She feeds herself but takes very little food this it is supposed is some fault in the Oesophagus. She is a picture of misery and perfectly demented. Her case is indeed hopeless.

1 May 1876 There is no change for the better to be recorded. The same mental and physical peculiarities remain.

March 5. 77. No change in this case.

20 " November 1877. Miss Little remains quiet & tractable. She is a wretched looking diminutive body. Her appearance is altogether that of an Idiot.

September 12th 78 Miss Little remains in the same physical & mental condition. She leads a vegetative life. The intellect & outlook appear to be well nigh obliterated.

March 8th 78. No change to record.

Sept. 6th 79. Miss Little is apparently well. There has been nothing to record in her case in the way of new mental manifestations or physical ailment.

May 10th 80 There is no change to record in Miss Little's case; her life is not even varied by any occasional bout of excitement as is usual in the case of idiots.

14th Sept 80 Miss Little is the same quiet & inoffensive imbecile as ever. She has changed her clothing since last entry.

10th March 81 There is no change to record in this case.

Oct. 81 No Visitors pass

April 1882 Miss Little remains unchanged. On this visit she seemed to be slightly excited but it passed off.

Oct 21st 1882 Miss Little is a quiet, harmless imbecile, her bodily health is good.

April 18th 1883 Miss Little is in fair health & mentally is quiet imbecile. No change to record.

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April 16/32

Feb. 82 Miss Little is as described above a recreatable. quite pleasable without any mental power - apparently.

12-12-84 Miss Little is now at Maryfield House. There is no change to record in her mental state

April 9/32

April 17/32

Sept 1877

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(1) William Menzies.

April 16/72

(2) male - forty five -
(3) married
(4) retired gentleman, never had any occupation
(5) Established Church of Scotland
(624) Seabank House, Portobello.
(8) 6 years on Aug. 2/72 since he was first put into an Asylum.
(9) first attack
(10) forty nine when first attacked
(11) at Sanghton Asylum
(12) present attack has been coming on for a while -
(13) cause unknown
(14) not epileptic
(15) threatens to be suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others -

William Menzies farmer Son - Peterborough - Canada West -

The patients mother was insane -

April 9/72

James Drummure M.D. Edinburgh, states: (1) great excitement of manner leading to the supposition that he is going to use violence; engaged in altercations & statements against parties, one of whom has threatened to prosecute as is evident by a letter shown me - using threatening language - (2) dislike to Mrs Menzies the servants afraid to remain in the house from his violence - his former history, he having been formerly in an Asylum - his desire to get possession of lethal weapons.

April 10/72

Andrew M.C. Prattray M.D. Portobello states: (1) He labours under delusions, is in constant dread of some persons purposing to injure him & for a protection he has been entreating for a dangerous weapon "a man killer" - his excited appearance & manner prove that he is dangerous to himself & others. His language is most improper & very often obscene. - (2) Mrs Menzies says that for weeks he would not speak to her & when he did, his language was most unbecoming. He wishes all evil to attend her. She has threatened to throw herself into the sea with intent to commit suicide. The domestics are in perpetual dread of him.

Sept. 1872

This patient has been under treatment on former occasions, His mother was insane, He is blind. The patient has become more composed and contented but no improvement is not to be looked for. He is talkative and boisterous boastful and sometimes irritable most of his language is absurd or incoherent. He recites with considerable effect and is often employed to enliven our evening entertainments. He is pleased with his achievement but from his irritability and capriciousness, tact and caution are required to get the arrangements to suit him

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1242 — William Menzies

March 1873 — This patient remains the same

Sept. 1873 — No change in the above

1st Mch 1874 — The Patient's condition remains unchanged

1st Sept 1874 — This patient remains and is very likely to remain while life lasts in the condition above described.

1st April 1875 — Mr Menzies is noisy and dissatisfied. He hawks all manner of things beyond his reach. He has even expressed a desire to get a commission in Her Majesty Army and be off to the wars. He has had an attack of Bronchitis which weakened him considerably. He is now free from all the ills flesh is heir to except the mental alienation

17 July 1875 — This case seems retrogressing. Mr Menzies is becomingly noisy and nasty. He spends his patents in tea and other luxuries of which at one period he had several times to be sent to his gallery on account of his propensity to steal and make himself disagreeable to his fellow patients

1 Decm 1875 — Mr Menzies has since last entry made no progress but rather the reverse. He is getting more silly every day and at night talks long and loud to the great disgust of the other gentlemen in the gallery. He is irritable and quarrelsome and fault finding

1st May 1876 — This case is becoming more hopeless the dementia and untowardness increasing and causes Mr M to act in a noisy and defiant manner

Dec 20th 76. — Mr. Menzies remains the same. Seems to shout very frequently

April 12th 77. — No change for better or worse.

20th Nov

Sept 12th 1878

March 8th 7
Sept 6th 187

May 10th

Sept 14th 8
16th March

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April 1882
Oct 21st 1882

# William Menzies.

28th November 1877. Mr Menzies is almost quite blind. He is tartarus, excitable & incoherent. He writes many letters but it is impossible to decypher them. The edges of the envelopes are ornamented with red or other colored paints & silver paper. He is capricious abusive & ~~undoubtedly~~ undoubtedly of unsound mind.

Sept 12th 1878 Mr Menzies is the same noisy, irritable gentleman possessed by an overweening conceit of his great abilities in Shakespearean recitation. He has not the smallest control over his temper. Such is one of the most passionate that could well be imagined. ~~He~~

March 8th 79 No change to record.

Sept 6th 1879 Mr Menzies continues to dispense his maledictions & on the heads of all the officers of the institution: he is however very amiable when quiet but without a moments notice an ebullition of temper may occur.

May 10th 80 The gentleman continues to attack & misuse passion, destroys unto his illegible incomprehensible letters. He is very unstable in his moods, vain of his Shakespearean celebrity.

Sept 14th 80 Mr Menzies remains much the same.

16th March 81 During the last month Mr Menzies suffered from prostration of strength with weak & irregular action of the Heart.

Oct. 81. Mr Menzies continues much the same. He at times breaks out in uncontrollable fits of passion and swears horribly on the slightest provocation. He has a habit of saving some of his stimulants in order to "prime" with for some great recitation. He has lately taken a great dislike to see Dr Bowman about his eyes.

April 1882 This patients condition remains unchanged

Oct 21st 1882 Mr Menzies is in fair health bodily, he however swears a good deal when crossed & often spends part of the night in early hours of morning swearing on these occasions. It is difficult to get him to take exercise & only recently has William Swanney employed parties into positions of the social status.

1243 (1) Margaret Barclay

April 19/72
(2) female - 60 years
(3) single
(4) lady of private means
(5) protestant
(6) Catrine
(7) Do
(8) two months insane
(9) first attack
(12) this attack lasted two months
(13) caused by loss of money
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others
(19) Janet Barclay, Catrine, Ayrshire, sister.

Her mother & a brother were insane -

April 19/72 John Blackwood, surgeon, Catrine states: (1) the inconsistency of her conversation & her decided insane appearance & expression -

April 19/72 David Sloan M.D. Catrine states: (1) a departure altogether from her usual line of conduct. Imagines she is reduced to a state of beggary & other delusions of a similar character - (2) Strips off her clothes at unusual times; is irritable in temper; can't follow her usual pursuits, forgets what happens in a few minutes & general slightishness. - (Derived from her sister & the servant.)

May 72 This lady arrived in a state of great fear & terror at imaginary evils & enemies surrounding her to take possession of her means & her very clothing. When in the admission room she removed her boots at once & put them under a sofa & could give no satisfactory answer as to the reason of such behaviour. The servant who came with her was unable to keep her on a chair, she constantly endeavouring to fall on her knees & to hide herself under articles of furniture. When removed to her bedroom & undressed she could not be persuaded to remain in bed & she was found several times of the night nurse crouching in some recondite corner in order to escape notice. She would not even keep on her night costume & a bedgown night dress had to be ordered for some time - She was equally determined in refusing her food stating at time she could not afford to pay it, at others wildly shaking her head with an expression of utter distress & helplessness. Artificial feeding was just on the point of being used when through the patient & kind exertions of the attendant she was persuaded to take some nourishment with the spoon & she has been fed ever since regularly in this milder & less formidable way - Obstinate constipation of bowels had to be attended to by mixing a few grains of calomel in her food without her knowledge. She is very much emaciated not only from age but from insufficient diet & the depressing anxieties of Melancholia.

Sept 1872

March 1873

Sept 1873

1st March 1874

1st Oct 1874

1st April 1875

7 July 1875

1 December 1875

1 May 1876

She is generally silent & gives herself very little information as to her feelings & impressions. This silence & concentration of thought upon sad & gloomy subjects are in themselves a revelation & leave no doubt as to the diagnosis. Her head offers a singular malformation over the occipital region; it is a deep fossa or excavation around which the cranial formation is greatly increased in thickness. It is no doubt congenital.

Sept 1872 — This patient had gradually more and more resisted the efforts that were made to feed her and it became necessary as a matter of safety to feed her artificially. It has been followed by some physical improvement.

March 1873 — Considerable bodily but no mental improvement has taken place in the above case and the patient has been again induced to feed herself

Sept 1873 — The above patient continued to feed herself for some weeks, out daily and in many respects exhibited greater mental vigor and it was hoped that greater and more permanent improvement might take place. The hope was however vain, she soon fell back and has to be fed artificially as before

1st March 1874 — The Patient has been fed artificially during the whole of the last half year. She refuses to walk out of doors and when taken out by force lies down on the ground until she is carried in again.

1st Sept 1874 — Patient continues to be fed three times a day by the stomach-pump and is in pretty good physical condition.

1st April 1875 — Miss Barclay is fed regularly 3 times a day by the stomach pump a process that gives her little concern and tends physical health

7 July 1875 — This case remains the same.

1 Decem 1875 — Miss Barclay lives by Artificial Alimentation a process that is repeated in her case three times a day regularly. She is in fair physical health with no failure or loss but her obstinate refusal to take food.

1 May 1876 — After a good deal of pressure Miss Barclay was overpowered and took her food with the stomach pump some time ago. She still does so and looks in very good health.

See Yo. Miss Barclay remains unchanged.

April 2nd 77. Remains the same. Taking her food as usual.

20th November 77. Has still to be fed with the spoon Demented. Never speaks, sits or lies still until moved.

April 1st 1878 Mrs Barclay has for some time been declining rapidly in strength she died today

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April 20/82

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May 82.

1244 (1) Agnew Black Bogie

April 20/92 (2) male - 34 years (11) nowhere under treatment before -
(3) married (12) this attack lasted about 4 weeks
(4) physician (13) caused by alcoholism
(5) Established Church (14) epileptic (?)
(6&7) Druid's Park, Annan (15) suicidal
(8) about four weeks insane (16) dangerous to others probably -
(9) first attack (17) Jane Bogie, Druid's Park, Annan, wife -

April 20/92 James M. M'Culloch M.D, Dumfries, states: (1) excited, delusions regarding his wife & affairs etc - (2) sleeplessness, attempt to jump out of the window, threatened suicide, violent etc -

April 21/92 Robert Baillie Maebean, M.B. C.M. Annan, says: (1) great fear & dread of those about him wishing to shoot & poison him - & wishes to kill himself - great sleeplessness & excitement - (2) delusions regarding his wife -

May 92. This worthy & well esteemed member of the medical profession became addicted to alcoholic stimulants after many years hard work in country practice & indulged in the bad habit more or less for the last two years until the symptoms of chronic alcoholism, weakened general health, obliged him to be under treatment. This was for some time carried on at home but under very unfavourable circumstances - he was then attended for two or three weeks by our medical superintendent & one of our best keepers was sent to be constantly with him - Symptoms of real acute Mania & Delirium set in however with great restlessness & excitement - intense suicidal impulse, dread & suspicion of all those around him - He refused food for several days & had to be fed forcibly with the pipe - He could enjoy no sleep & so reduced in spite of the large amount of Chloral given - or rather I feared my on account of this very large amount - Four doses of 40grs each were given for several nights with no other result than to increase the excitement & fury & to produce next day a sense of thorough prostration. In this case, as in all previously under treatment, for mental disorder of whatever form connected with drinking propensities Chloral as several times stated here, is only productive of evil.

Dr Bogie appeared on admission quite calm & composed, rather dejected & resentful & entirely free from excitement. His memory was very much weakened & the history he gave of his previous sufferings, although very minute

& detailed clearly showed that nearly the whole period of the acute excitement under which he had been labouring at home was a perfect blank for him. Close watching night & day was for some time deemed necessary not only on account of his gloomy & sad appearance but of the previous threats & attempts to murder reported of the attendant in charge. Chloral Hydrate was at once stopped & a mild opiate prescribed the first few nights. Aperients were given in addition to regulate the action of bowels & as much beef tea, milk &c he could take were added to his daily diet. Sleep lasting from four to nine hours was secured ever since his admission - there was no return of excitement or even restlessness - he spent part of his days in reading, writing & walking & the only difficulty encountered in dealing with his case was to persuade him that he was not yet fit to return home. He expressed strongly & repeatedly his anxious desire to leave the place chiefly on account of the want of freedom & the restrictions of discipline he had to submit to. We must confess that such rapid & sudden change for the better was hardly anticipated after hearing the alarming & serious accounts of his state of health at home & hope he has fairly entered the way of recovery - His weak & emaciated condition still demands however assiduous care & attention.

April 18[illegible]

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This unfortunate patient another victim of intemperance was under the care of attendants at home for some time previous to admission and was at the last moment saved from death by exhaustion by means of artificial feeding

after admission he was placed under the usual treatment by nutrients tonics & stimulants - made a rapid and good recovery and was discharged recovered June 6th 1872

June 6th 1872

# William Menzies (continued)

April 16th 1883 There is no change in M. Menzies condition. His health has been good all winter, excepting a bilious chill which he sustained by falling over a bucket in his gallery & at the same time damaging both of his teeth. He considers himself far superior in his dramatic recitals, to Keen, Pitchard & Stuart Robson, we on the Thursday evenings with his company. He is also still addicted to lovemaking both to females as fancied & Swears as well as ever. There is no improvement in the condition of his eyes.

1886. Oct. Mr Menzies is like the same silly vain old fool. He has a capital memory and writes occasionally keeps a reflecting in his last work to effect somewhat. He is petulant and irritable [illegible] good but at time; he is almost totally blind.

30.9.84 Mr Menzies died this morning. For the last three days he had been ill but complained of nothing. On examination of the chest, pleural effusion within the right pleural sac was discovered: the temperature was always subnormal, the pulse 110 per min. small & easily compressible, the respirations 34 per min going up to 40 per min: skin cold. The dyspnoea increased up till death. The treatment consisted of frequent nourishment (Egg flip & Whisky, calf's foot jelly) & the internal administration of acet pot & acet Scill. There had been long standing Mitral (Regurgitant) Disease. The compensation had been disturbed causing congestion of the lungs & Pleural Effusion, death resulting

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May 15/72

## David Robertson, Voluntary.

The Warrant for admission is dated from Edinburgh May 14/72 & signed Arthur Mitchell Commissioner.—

This gentleman is a perfect type of hypochondriasis, nervous & frightened for the most trifling functional disturbance. He cannot overcome his fears & anxieties without the use of stimulants an abundant supply of which he seemed to be in the habit of taking everywhere with him. He fancies he is suffering from heart disease, that his lungs are affected & his digestion disturbed by acidity, flatulence &c. He enjoys no rest, his sleep being broken by nightmare & dreadful dreams. He is in perfect terror of being left alone thinking he might breathe his last at any moment & although a night watch was sitting opposite to his bedroom he could not be satisfied until he had a man sleeping in his own room.— The excursions in the grounds with so many patients must worry him terribly & the sight of so many miseries & sufferings of his fellowmen was too much for him. While on the other hand, the Asylum discipline with its irresponsible daily routine & regulations as to food, money allowance, walking &c evidently could not agree with him.—

He very soon intimated his desire to leave & left indeed four days after admission in the company of a brother.—

May 20/72. Discharged not improved.

1246.
May 12/72

May 16/72

May 13/72

June 72.

18 Dec 1872

1246. (1) Catharine Wylie or Mc Innes.

May 12/72 (2) female aged 44. (11) under treatment at Crichton Institution, Dumfries & Saughton Hall, Edinburgh - at the first 9 years ago, at the second, last year -
(3) married
(4) wife of a professional man
(5) protestant
(6&4) 1. Garthland Place, Paisley.
(8) three or four weeks insane
(9) not first attack
(10) about 38 when first attacked.
(12) fainting fits, not believed to be epileptic.
(13) not suicidal in present illness -
(16) not dangerous to others -
(19) Her husband (John Mc Innes) is nearest relative - She has a brother & sisters insane -

May 16/72 William Wylie M.B.C.M. etc - Moselle Villa, Largs, states: (1) violent rendunt, loud speaking, constant talking & stringing together subjects & events which have no connection, stating for facts things which have no foundation so far as can be known, such as a story of a recent miscarriage. She shows great cunning & much resentment to those whom she formerly loved. (2) From her husband: that she has disposed of some of the house furniture, & has been making arrangements to send away more; that she interferes with certain business matters such as the control of her brother's house with which she ought not to meddle; that without any just cause she dismissed her companion; that she threatens to insert strange advertisements in the public papers. From her brother: that she has been very violent at times.

May 13/72 Patrick Murray M.D. Dumfries says: (1) Imagines all her bones are broken; is very excited & talks very incoherently. (2) Has been in the Asylum before -

June 72. This lady was very excited on admission, talking loudly, incoherently & incessantly very seldom answering fully the questions put to her but wandering from one subject to another in the most disconnected way. She was full of delusions concerning her own body, healthy but several ribs broken, her back bones displaced, &c &c &c, all of which were entirely imaginary as not only the medical examination could prove but her very lively, witty & cheerful conversation a minute or two after complaining upon her acute agony. Her mind could not follow even for a short time a single topic, but all seemed to be confusion, chaos, plate-mile reminding the ingenius of these ruins of great monuments which although scattered about & broken to pieces still tell of the past beauty & harmony of the building & do with the human mind:

This Lady made slow but gradual and steady progress was cautiously visited by relatives
18 Dec 1872 invited admission and husband and ultimately discharged recovered 18th December 1872

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(1) Mary Kennedy

June 11/72

(2) female - 44
(3) single
(4) spinster no occupation
(5) presbyterian
(6 & 7) Paisley Road - Renfrew
(8) two weeks
(9) several previous attacks
(10) age not known on first attack
(11) Paisley Road - Renfrew
(12) present attack lasted two weeks
(13) caused by drinking spirits
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others.
(17) Neil Kennedy, Park Grove Terrace, Kelvingrove, Glasgow
half brother - Father & mother had a similar blame for drink.

June 10/72

Daniel Richmond M.D. Paisley, states: (1) Taking spirits to an extent which threatens to destroy life - a disposition to shirk a part her means & property. - (2) an ill feeling towards any one who would oppose her indulgence in spirits. / from her half brother Mr George Kennedy /

June 10/72.

Edward Mc Millan, surgeon - Paisley, states: (1) Incoherent language constantly exposing her person, tearing about in the bed & talking loudly. From her appearance I apprehended an attack of convulsions. (2) Agnes Liddle, servant says she almost constantly screams & attempts to injure herself by throwing her body over the bed. She also says that she has a constant craving for spirits.

The above patient indicated by a personal examination an unhealthy constitution and by family history a strongly probable tendency to nervous disease an excessive craving for and indulgence in stimulants whether as cause or effect had exhausted her nervous system disturbed her mind and destroyed self control as described above.

Under the usual treatment she soon partially recovered, While in this condition she exhibited what is not uncommon in similar cases great antipathy to her relatives and unbending hauteur towards the officials and patients.

These morbid feelings however gradually subsided under Continued treatment she regained her natural healthy condition in proof of which she resumed amicable relations with those around her - gave a series of little parties before leaving to her fellow patients and was discharged recovered 1st October 1872

1st October 1872

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(1) John Inches Dickson

June 14/92

(2) male. 58 years
(3) married
(4) minister of the Established Church of Scotland
(5&6) Manse of Kirkbean
(8) three months insane
(9) first attack
(10) 58, when first attacked
(11) not been under treatment
(12) melancholia: 3 months: mania, a week
(13) acute rheumatism. chronic heart. apoplexy. insanity
(14) not epileptic
(15) suicidal
(16) dangerous to others.
(19) James Dickson, Gallander. brother

No insanity in the family.

June 14/92

James M. McCulloch M.D. Dumfries, states: (1) Violent & excited, says he has committed hundreds of murders, that he wants to break his neck, that he will kill his wife, himself etc — that the Devil has got hold of him etc. etc. — (2) Breaks the furniture, attempts to throw himself out of a high window, mountains etc days he has murdered hundreds, that the Devil wrote the Bible & has got hold of him, that a cancer is eating off his arm & chest etc —

June 14/92

Charles Ford M.D. & Thains Riddell, Kirkcudbright says: (1) marked mental excitement, propensity to self-destruction, despondency as regards salvation, breaks out in paroxysms of fury followed by calms — (2) threatened his wife on several occasions.

This patient labours under a combination of serious bodily diseases to which are probably due the mental disturbance. He appears to have had one if not more attacks of acute rheumatism. He labours under a serious heart affection. He suffers from partial paralysis the result of a recent apoplectic seizure —

The form of the mental malady is acute melancholia an excessive craving for stimulants is noted as one of the recent symptoms. an effect probably rather than a cause

Constant watching careful dieting and cautious dosing were soon followed by increasing strength mental & bodily with a corresponding increase in rational and mental composure

On the 31st August he was sent home "On Probation and was finally discharged" recovered 25th Feb 1893

25th Feb 1893

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June 22/72

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(1) Thomas Stewart. 5a Vol XIII

June 22/72

(2) male - 53 years
(3) single
(4) proprietor of land & farmer
(5) presbyterian
(6&7) Gillenbie by Lockerbie
(8) a week insane
(9) seven[th] attack
(10) fifty when first attacked
(11) previously under treatment here
(12) cause not stated
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) dangerous to others

June 21/72

William Maxwell M.D. Lockerbie, states: (1) excited, restless, incoherent. Evidently been using stimulants to excess. (2) His servants inform me that has been attacking the females about the house with criminal intent.

June 21/72

James Thomson Wilson, surgeon, Lockerbie says: (1) Religious delusions; asserting that he is the Lord God.

Nov/72

This patient was discharged "recovered" Jan 30th 1872 after a residence of about two years - He was sent under the care of an attendant to reside with his brother at Trinity, After two or three months absence he returned to his own house at Gillenbie near Lockerbie Morbid symptoms soon began to appear. He resumed his craving for stimulants (In early life he had been much addicted to hard drinking and other excesses but had for years been a rigid abstainer) Violent amatory propensities were developed and theomanic delusions expressed -

Very soon after admission he became calm and self collected no indications of aberration were given in word or deed tho his manner was not satisfactory constrained, ~~repulsive~~ resentful - seemed always brooding over some thing he wished carefully to conceal

Feb 24/73

This patient continues unchanged. As he has frequently requested to be set at Liberty on the ground of sanity and as his brothers refuse to take the responsibility of his discharge two Medical Men were deputed to see him at his own request - They declared him sane and he was discharged recovered 24th Feb 1873

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July 2/72

July 2/72

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Sept 1872

March 187

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Oct. Mch. 187

Nov 187

10 April 187

17 July

1 Decr

1250 (1) Harry Willmott

July 2/72
(2) male - 33 years
(3) single
(4) gentleman
(5) protestant
(6) Lunatic Hospital Liverpool
(9) more than eight years insane
(9) first attack
(11) about 23 years when first attacked.
(11) previously at the Lunatic Hospital Liverpool
(12) present attack lasted more than eight years -
(13) cause unknown
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) sometimes dangerous to others -
(19) Margaret Willmott 14. Stanley Terrace Douglas. Sole of them. sister -
No insanity known in the family -

July 2/72 Patrick M. Murray M.D. Dumfries, states: (1) Vacant expression of countenance, great inaccuracy, cannot reply to any question without a prompting & if prompted will repeat what is said. (2) Mr Harrison informs me that he has been in an Asylum & is at times dangerous -

July 2/72 William Marshall M.D. Dumfries, says: (1) Talks incoherently, does not comprehend the meaning of any question put to him. When asked where he comes from, he answers "anywhere" etc - (2) Mr Harrison informs me that he sometimes becomes violent & dangerous to others - &c -

Sept 1872 This is a case of confirmed dementia He has been eight years ill and was under treatment at an Asylum at Liverpool. History not known -
The patient seldom speaks wanders about restlessly is occasionally irritable when opposed, All that can be done for such a case is to keep him in good general health There is no hope of mental improvement

March 1873 This Patient remains the same
Sept 1873 No Change in the above
1st Mch 1874 Patients condition remains unchanged
Nov 1874 Patients condition is the same as on admission.
1st April 1875 This patient has not improved. He keeps his bed is very incoherent and as mad as a march hare. He groans at one occasionally and evidently delights to exhibit his fisticuffing propensity
17 July 1875 Mr Willmott remains the same as described
1 Decr 1875 This patient remains in the same condition There is no improvement in his mental state his physical one is very fair

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July 10/72

1 May 1876 Mr Willmott is in good physical condition the mental health is and in all probability will ever remain in abeyance.

April 12th 77. Mr Willmott remains the same

Sept 12th 1878 Mr Willmott while usually quiet, is occasionally threatening in his manner, abusive in his language & violent. He is a demente without any prospect of being otherwise.

March 8th 79 Mr Willmott remains as usual

Sept 6th 79 Occasionally Mr W. suffers from abdominal symptoms with a certain amount of general disturbance. Otherwise he remains unchanged.

Jan 22/79

May 15th 80 It appears that the malady in this case is hereditary — the gentleman's father suffering from organic brain disease for some time before he died — There is no change to record in Mr Willmott's case.

Sept 14th 80 no change to record in this case

16th March 81 Mr Willmott is liable subject to the attacks of excitement which are so frequent in Dementia. Otherwise there is no change to record.

Oct. 81. Mr Willmott continues fairly quiet but very seldom excited.

April 1882 Mr Willmott still occasionally excited & violent

Oct 21 1882 Mr Willmott continues in fair bodily health but mentally he is an imbecile in whom there can be no improvement, he is most harmless inoffensive, when he has an attack of excitement which he occasionally

April 18th 1883 Mr Willmott remains in fairly good bodily health but there is no improvement in his mental condition & he is still subject to attacks of excitement when he requires a restraint.

18 Feb 84. Mr Willmott remains quiet and inoffensive: a little capricious but never using violence: does not speak unless addressed

10. 6. 84 In much the same. bodily health is good.

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July 18/72

Hannah J. Pim

Voluntary

The Petition for admission is dated Edinburgh 4th July 1872 & signed James Coxe, Commissioner in Lunacy.—

This Lady was admitted as a voluntary, She was restless querulous, exacting, haughty and obstinate. She had doubtful hereditary tendencies and had had one or more similar attacks of a temporary nature

She has improved considerably—is more composed cheerful sociable and docile

Jan 22/73

Improvement Continued as above and she was discharged recovered 22d Jan 1873.—

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July 11/22

July 15/22

July 11/22

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1252 (1) Robert Pairman

July 11/72
(2) male - 54 years
(3) married
(4) surgeon
(5) united Presbyterian
(6) Biggar
(7) Moffat
(8) a few days insane
(9) first attack
(10) 54, when first attacked
(13) caused by overwork
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others
(19) Margaret Pairman, wife. Biggar
no member of the family known to be insane –

July 10/72 Daniel Kerr, surgeon, Moffat, states: (1) That he is quite confident & in proof of this stated that he had been telegraphing the Queen relative to his making her an Empress. – (2) & from reading letters written by him I could have no difficulty in proving him insane –

July 11/72 John Smith M.B. of Dumfries, says: (1) His wandering, unconnected & absurd ideas & conversation. Tells me that by his treatment man may never depart from this life. –

This patient was noted for his rambling rapid incoherent ideas, He was an optimist was always hilarious and good humoured – The main subject of his conversations were professional that is Medical & Surgical He possessed the "Elixer Vitae" could make man immortal His morbid ideas had a reference to – were probably based upon the previously intense interest he had taken in the so called "Tulloch Cure" His malady was ~~Mis~~probably inducted and it is questionable whether he ever recovered the excitement he was at that period subject to as indicated by his pamphlets Newspaper Articles &c – This is the most probable – as it was ascertained that there was some hereditary proclivity to neurotic diseases –

Under treatment he has gradually & only partially improved – There is greater quietude – he sleeps better takes his food well –

9 Feb 1873 This patient continued much the same ~~ten~~ till the date when he died suddenly –

He laboured under heart disease which was recognised and for which he was under special treatment – In the

afternoon at 4-40 PM he was found lying stretched
on the Carpet of his room by his attendant – The attendant
was in the Gallery and going out and in occasionally
to his room – he must have died very suddenly –

9th Feb 1873

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July 18/72
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July 22/72

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July 22/72

Sept 28/72

Sept 28/72

1253 William Johnstone. Voluntary.

July 18/72 See: page 130.

1254 (1) Grace Fraser

July 22/72 (2) female - 74 (10) 62 on first attack

(3) single (11) treated here before & at Manchester

(4) housekeeper at home (13) cause unknown

(5) united presbyterian (14) not epileptic

(6) Little Isle Farm, nr. Whithorn (15) suicidal ?

(7) Crichton Institution (16) sometimes dangerous to others -

(8) a fortnight insane (19) Mr Gordon Fraser, brother Micklewood, Ringford. Castle Douglas - & Mrs Margaret Caird, sister. -

July 22/72 Alexander Thomson, M.D of Dumfries, states: (1) mental imbecility, confusion of ideas, restlessness. - (2) Informed by Dr Malan that she has been twice in an Asylum previously. -

July 22/72. William Smith Kerr M.D. Dumfries, says: (1) She is weak bodily & mentally, all the symptoms of Senile Dementia - (2) She has been twice a patient in Asylums. -

Sept 28/72 This patient had had several attacks and had been formerly an inmate, Her age 74 and the hyperactive form of Mania rendered her case hopeless -

There was almost constant mental disturbance night and day, some improvement was at first effected by the aid of stimulants and nutriments but it was impossible to sustain vitality in so severe a struggle and at last sank rapidly in an attack of

Sept 28th 1872 Convulsions 28/9/72

1255.

## Elizabeth Buchanan

See: page 121.

1257

Aug. 19/72

August 12/72

1256.

1) William Reid

August 19/72

(2) male - 62.
(3) single
(4) retired silk mercer
(5) presbyterian
(6) Edinburgh
(7) Govanhill - Holywood
(8) four or five years insane
(9) third bad attack
(10) about 58 on first attack
(11) previously treated here -
(12) existing attack about three months.
(13) caused by a fall over a stone stair when a boy
want of sleep, chloral having to be administered every night
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others - threatens -
(17) James Reid, brother. Govanhill - none insane in the family -

Aug. 18/72

John Smith M.B. of Dumfries, states: (1) His peculiarly suspicious manner & appearance & refusal to enter into conversation on any subject.
(2) His brother informs me that during the last three or four weeks he has been very restless, troublesome & at times unmanageable & often talking incessantly on money & other matters.

Aug. 12/72

Aug. 12/72

Aug. 18/72

Alexander Thomson M.D. Dumfries, says: (1) Derangement of the nervous system with physical & mental disturbance - inability to manage his own affairs - Was in the Crichton Institution as a patient.-
(2) Told by his brother that lately he has been restless & unmanageable an attendant been got to wait on him. Told by attendant that he walked in an excited state on the Glasgow road three hours yesterday & accosted a strange gentleman in a gig to tell him about his affairs.

Sept/72

This is a case of well marked hypochondriacal insanity. The patient has had previous attacks and has been once before under treatment in the House.
He is extremely capricious querulous exacting craves constant attention, changes of medicine changes of diet & is in the belief that he is getting rapidly worse in the subject of ever new diseases or is about to die -

31st Jan 1873

He is nottwithstanding improving in general health There is more quietude and more self control -

May 28/73

Mental improvement has gone on pretty rapidly in the above case
He was first placed on parole within the grounds, then beyond the walls which had a good effect. He was discharged recovered may 24/73

May 28/73

1257

(1) Melicent Agnes Smallpeice.

Aug. 19/72

(2) female. 39.
(3) married
(4) clergyman's wife
(5) Church of England
(6) St. Bees. Cumberland
(7) Niton, Isle of Wight
(8) nearly two years & 2 months
(9) first attack
(10) 37 on first attack
(11) treated at Laverstock House, nr Salisbury & The Brook Villa, nr Liverpool.
(13) caused by suppression of menses & family troubles; menstruation returned after 12 months.
(14) not epileptic
(15) suicidal
(16) dangerous to others.

(19) John Smallpeice, St. Bees, Cumberland, husband.

No member of her family known to have been or to be insane. A great aunt of mine was deranged, though not under confinement, but this should not affect her!!

Aug. 12/72

Henry Pritchard, M.R.C.S.E., Fonfield, Liverpool, states: (1) She is extremely loquacious & rambles from one subject to another in the most unconnected way, and laughs the whole time she speaks; her manner is also very flippant & flighty.

Aug. 12/72

Harold Owen L.R.C.P.Ed & M.R.C.S.Eng. The Brook Villa nr Liverpool says: (1) incoherent in conversation, rambling from one subject to another in an unmeaning disconnected manner, untidy in her dress & habits, at times wild, excited & violent to those about her, threatens she will destroy herself, objectionable & determined opposition.

This is a case of so called hysterical mania was at first unsatisfactory and showed little indication of improvement. From the condition of the patient no permanent or systematic treatment could be pursued.

Under a nutritious diet and fresh air the general health began to improve and with that improvement the morbid symptoms disappeared gradually. The patient ultimately made a good recovery and was discharged recovered

31st Dec 1873

31st January 1873

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Aug. 22/32

Aug. 14/32

Aug. 8/32

1258

(1) Margaret Atkinson Black or McEwan.

Aug. 22/72

(2) female - 36
(3) married
(4) Clergyman's wife
(5) United Presbyterian Church
(6 & 7) 4. Hamilton Drive, Glasgow.
(8) gradually progressing for a number of years
(9) not first attack
(10) observed first about 12 years ago previous to 1865.
(11) examined & treated privately at home, in Edinburgh & under medical advice at Bonnie where she was boarded for 6 months, about 4 years ago -
(12) constitutional
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others.

(13) Her mother is Mrs Black, residing at Hamilton for a time.
Her grandfather by mother's side was resident as a patient in an Asylum (Garnet Hill, Glasgow) & died there -

Aug. 14/72

James George Wilson M.D. of Glasgow, states: (1) She is liable to morbid states of mind, temper or feeling. When opposed in her morbid desires there is uncontrollable determination to have them gratified. In conversation she often repeats the same statement over & over again to a very tiresome degree & insists upon being heard. She frequently contradicts especially if such words as "must" or "should" be employed in conversation. She will at times when talking, suddenly run away & lock herself in her room. - (2) Her husband not only corroborates the above statements but also informs me that she possesses great mental incapacity for conducting her domestic duties, one prominent feature being that she seldom speaks to her own children although living in the same house - occasionally writes notes to them - rarely speaks to the servants, but writes her directions to them. Her repetitions of the same statements & tendency to contradiction sometimes frequently for hours at a time & she compels him to listen & thus prevents him from carrying on his studies or attending to his duties etc. etc -

Aug. 8/72

Alexr Munro M.D. of Glasgow, says: (1) She will not speak to her children nor to the servants & she writes her orders, prayers etc. Whenever an opportunity occurs she will contradict more especially if such words as "should" or "must" be used in conversation & if at all familiar with you. When parting from her, she will stop you or pertinently follow you without any regard to propriety or modesty to ask one trifling question which always takes a time before she can say it in her particular form: before she repeats her statement the door must be shut & you must be alone - (2) Not only does her husband corroborate the statements mentioned above but he adds that he does not

get a day's peace from them & the most trifling casual conversation may begin it. Contradicting & repeating questions have continued for hours often a whole night even although she knew he had most pressing & urgent engagements. This she has done to myself often. Mr Mc Swan states that she has delusions from time to time. Years ago she fancied that there was small pieces of glass about her dress - now she is afraid of damp so much so that she is afraid to change her night dress & she asks Mr Mc E. is her clothes damp? Mental insanity leads to confusion in her household affairs & complete want of control -

Nov 27 1872 This Patient was born under the influence of hereditary tendency to neurotic disease - She is of a delicate organization with a highly impressible nervous system - Her disposition and temper were admitted to be peculiar from youth she is evidently one of those cases in which insanity is but an exaggerated state of natural disposition

The peculiar features in her case is a morbid and irrepressible tendency to repeat a question - If told that she has already stated so and so or opposed in any way she becomes excited and demands to be listened to - if allowed to go on the will gradually become calm again but not perhaps till she has repeated the question half a dozen times.

The morbid disposition is seen to pervade her whole character and conduct but its most obvious expression is given above

These tendencies have been combated with great difficulty Their gradual diminution is seen to keep pace with improving general health -

May 1873 This patient Continues to improve slowly in general health and in increased self Control - She was thought so much better as to render advisable a visit from her husband

The visit was made but was followed by Considerable disturbance and a falling back the not to her old position

Oct 31st 1873 The above patient gradually recovered what she had lost by the disturbance occasioned by her husbands visit and continues to make further progress - It was thought advisable to have her

31st Oct 1873 discharged on trial which was effected 31st Oct 1873

28 April 1874 Patient was discharged recovered 28/4/74

1259

(1) James Mc Kerracth.

September 9/72

(2) male - 41
(3) married
(4) hard metal work, having last charge for many years of a large ironmongery establishment.
(5) presbyterian
(6 2) Sea View. Whitehaven
(8) his mother insane
(9) first attack
(10) 41, on first attack
(11) nowhere under treatment
(12) present attack: five weeks
(13) caused by overwork
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others.
(19) Margaret Bradford, Sea View Whitehaven, wife. - No member of the family was ever known to have been insane.

September 8/72

Thomas Francis Fenton M.D. Whitehaven, states: (1) His being unable to give me dates of recent occurrences in which he has been engaged, or to give me the names of familiar persons, places & objects: (2) His being subject to frequent fits of weeping, occasional nervousness - inability to arrange his clothing properly etc. etc / On the report of his wife.)

September 8/72

Edward Mallett M.D. of Whitehaven, says: (1) His inability to answer the simplest questions put to him, such as the names of his attendants His being unable to tell the names of his familiar friends present, & looking to his wife to answer for him. His inability to tell the time by the clock before him. - (2) His wife tells me he neglects to attend to the natural functions of his body; he sometimes forgets to dry himself after washing. He eats what is put before him, if his attention is called to it; if not, he forgets it is there. Seems indifferent to food, eats too much or too little, objects to go out of doors, wishes to avoid places he mostly frequents when well.

This patient when admitted was far advanced in grave cerebral disease. Nevertheless by careful nursing and the aid of stimulants and medicine he made considerable progress became more attentive to objects around him was able to sit up in bed took his food well and rested better at night. The disease however was not arrested in its progress and suddenly in the midst of his improvement he was struck down by a paralytic stroke from which he sank rapidly and died on 1st October 1872.

1st October 1872

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13 Sept 1872

~~Miss~~ Janet Morton. see Vol XIII page 219

admitted Sept. 13th 1872

This patient a mild case of Melancholia and a former insane asylum improved and was discharged

16 Nov 1872

relieved Nov 16. 1872

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Sept. 13/72

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Octob. 2/72

Sept. 20/72

Sept. 21/72

March 1873

1260 Janet Morton

Sept. 13/72 See Vol. XIII page 218

1261 (1) Mary Norman Sinclair

Octob. 2/72 (2) female - 34.
(3) single
(4) no occupation.
(5) Church of England
(6) Usually at Durran Lodge - East Ehen Surrey.
(7) Was first taken ill in South Wales.
Is now at Wyke House Isleworth
(8) Since 20th August last, when first attack came on -
(9) first attack
(10) 34 on first attack.
(11) Has been since 24th August last under medical care at Wyke House, Isleworth, nr London -
(13) cannot fix time of life
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) not dangerous -
(19) James Augustus Sinclair, banker
20. Bonamont Terrace. Aberdeen &
Charles Home Sinclair, Durran Lodge
East Ehen. Surrey - her two half brothers -

No other member of her family ever known to have been insane -
Is said to have had a month ago petit mal -

Sept. 20/72 John Rees Withercombe M.D. Richmond. Surrey, states: (1) She says she is in divine communication with God, that he speaks to her & tells her what to do & that she must obey his commands, even though it were to injure others or herself. (2) She told Dr Sedgeon, her brother in law that she ate no food & could live without, while it is well known she had a very good appetite & partook of whatever came to table.

Sept. 21/72 Wm Frith R. Burgess M.B. at Bethlem Royal Hospital, Lambeth says: (1) Says she is in constant communication with God, that her food has been poisoned, that she has been in a trance, that brandy has been given her to make her mad. (2) by Dr Willett, Wyke House: she has delusions regarding spirits &c. -

March 1873 This patient has made considerable improvement but is still in a morbid and unsatisfactory condition. She is still restless querulous and obstinate and opinionative. When admitted there were obvious delusions which in her improved condition she shows much ingenuity in attempting to explain away. Some weeks after admission she sent for me one day and requested me to send for the chaplain to marry her to a gentleman who was coming from the North of Scotland for the purpose she has had no communication with the gentleman for two years

Her hyper mental activity was first expended in writing letters. Every scrap of paper that could be secured even her

1261 Mary Norman Sinclair

newspapers were covered with writing. Then she took to endless fancy work. She writing and the work were often pursued while she was present in the Hall listening to a lecture or Concert.

Sept. 16/73 No improvement was still going on & as the case it was thought advisable to encourage it by sending her for a few weeks to our summer residence. It was arranged that she should leave on Probation which she did at the above date

16 Sept 1873 She was placed under the care of Dr Smith Dumfries

12th March 1874 Finally discharged from Probation "recovered".

1264

Nov 5 1873

March 73

Sept 1873

1st March 1874

Nov 1874

16 April 1875

17 July 1

1 Dec 1874

1 May 1875

Sept 1

1264 Helen Dunn Morton

Nov 5th 1872 See case 1128 Vol XIII

March/73 This patient a case of dementia has been a former inmate for about two years when not improving much she was removed by her father hopeful that a change might do good.

This hope was not realized and she was readmitted

The case is one of hopeless character.

She is quiet and manageable but indolent and irritable.

Sept/1873 No change in the above case except that her irritability leads her to pick her clothes to pieces

1st Mch 1874 During the first three months of the last half year the patient wore a strong dress, but since then she has worn an ordinary dress which she seldom attempts to tear or injure in any way. Her bodily health continues good.

1st May 1874 Patient's health continues very good: her mental condition remains unchanged.

1st April 1875 Dementia continues. Patient wears a strong dress which is gradually showing marks of patients restless desire to tear and destroy her clothing

17 July 1875 Patient is clothed in her own "things" which she at times destroys but tears. Her mental condition is unvariable her general health is very good

1 Dec 1875 Miss Morton is a perfect demon and can still be she has occasionally lost control over her Splendors and Soiled her bed. Then is unfortunately she still tears her Clothing. In other respects She is perfectly harmless

1 May 1876 There is no change in this case. Miss Morton shows tears and laughs alternately and at seasons altogether is an insane person

Miss Morton was discharged Relieved on 31st July 1877.

1262 James Herriot
Octob. 15/72 Readmitted probationer: See page 175

1263 Jane Atkinson
Novemb. 1/72 Voluntary. See Case 1138. Vol XIII. see page 224

1264 Helen Dunn Morton
Novemb. 5/72 See Case 1128. Vol. XIII. See also p. 221

1265 (1) Martha Brown
Novemb. 11/72 Transfer from Newbigging Private Asylum –

(2) female. 26
(3) bridle
(4) farmer's Daughter
(5) Whitby Presbyterian
(6) admitted in Newbigging House. Aug. 11/72.
(8) two years insane
(9) first attack
(10) 24 on first attack
(13) no cause stated
(14) not epileptic
(15) not suicidal
(16) not dangerous to others.
(19) John Brown, farmer, father
Bogfoot. Biggar.

Nov. 8/72 Alexander Mc Donald Sanderson F.R.C.S.Ed. states that she labours under Periodic Mania & that her bodily health & conditions are good.

(a) The Sanction from the Board of Lunacy to Transfer the patient is dated Edinburgh Nov. 11/72 & signed Arthur Mitchell –

Nov. 11/72. The patient having arrived without the necessary documents for admission a certificate of emergency was granted by the Medical Superintendent – The official papers however arrived by next post as the above entry will prove – (a)

March 1873 This is a well marked case of periodic mania the periods are variable but generally last some weeks. In her excited condition she is restless frequently changes her clothes to pieces and is sometimes inattentive to the calls of nature especially at night. She seldom speaks. In her quiescent for it is not a lucid condition she is very quiet seldom speaks. reads a little obeys orders and attends to ordinary matters

The previous history of the patient relatives or personal is not known it is therefore difficult to form a correct prognosis. It is to be feared however that the attacks will become confirmed and gradually pass into dementia. or rather chronic mania.

Sept. 1873 No change has occurred in the above case

1st March 1874 The intervals between the recurrent attacks are now shorter than they used to be. When a new period of excitement is about to set in the patient either refuses food entirely or takes but a little for a day or two. She is sometimes very violent attacking the other patients and attendants, destroying furniture and tearing her clothing.

15 April 1874 The same cycle of quietude and mania – "folie circulaire" – continues. Physical health good.

10 April 1875 Miss Brown has just passed thro' one of her storms and is fast approaching a calm. She eats well and sleeps well and enjoys excellent bodily health. Her patient has not improved. Her Calms and Storms are as regular as ever. Her general health is very good.

1 Dec 1875 This Case remains in statu quo. Once not long since she refused her food but either hunger or a dread of Artificial Alimentation prompt her to her Duties and she resumed the Routine. Her general health is good She goes thro' her two Cycles of Storm and Calm periodically

1 May 1876 ~~This Case remains the same Pulmonary People still follow the N and Cause Lassitude Lethargy and Stupor~~

23 October 77. Mrs Martha Brown remains in her quiet state at present. much demented.

Septr 12th 78 Excitement alternates with a semi-normal condition in which Mrs Brown is able to attend Chapel & amusements. In the former state she is dirty in her habits

March 8th 79 There is nothing further to record

Sept 6th 79 Mrs Brown's Condition remains unchanged. She is much demented, dirty in habits and Imbecile.

Oct 30th 80 Mrs Brown is today removed "Released" by her friends (Brother John Brown.

1263

## Jane Atkinson

1266.

Nov 1st 1872

Admitted a voluntary nov 1st 1872. See case 1138 Vol XIII

Nov. 12/72

This patient a former inmate who had sufficiently recovered to be placed in the care of private family. after a time she relapsed and was brought back to the house. It is a case of what might be called religious monomania. The prominent features being that she must consecrate herself a living sacrifice to God and that in doing so she must be guided entirely by her conscience whatever the consequence may be. She denounces all amusements &c

As improvement in general health took place her right views became somewhat relaxed at last improvement had so far advanced that it became necessary to discharge her as a certificated patient, she chose however to remain as a voluntary patient solely that she might benefit her fellow prisoners.

Nov. 14/72

Nov. 14/72

March 1873

Patient continues the same and is very useful to her fellow prisoners.

Sept. 1873

No change

1st Mch. 1874

No change since date of last entry

7th Sept 1874

The above patient continues her useful labours among her fellow prisoners - she continues well - The only difficulty is with her exacting conscience which leads her always conscientiously to advise and do many things which are not thought conducive to the general weal - her case might very well be called monomania of conscientiousness

March 1873

Dec 1874

The patient looks well and does well or what she conscientiously believes to be so.

Sept/73

8th February 1875

Miss Atkinson is today discharged recovered

1st Mch. 1874

Nov 1874

10 April 1874

1266 (1) Louisa Caroline Fenwick

Novmb. 12/72 (2) female. 33. (11) at Dinsdale Asylum, previously –
(3) single (12) present attack lasted four years
(4) lady (13) ~~[illegible]~~ cause unknown
(5) Church of England (14) not ~~Epileptic~~
(6) 22. Claremont Place, Newcastle (15) not suicidal
(7) Dinsdale Asylum, Darlington (16) not dangerous to others
(8) 4 years insane (17) from Eliza Fenwick
(9) first attack 22. Claremont Place Newcastle on Tyne
(10) neg. on first attack Sister –

No insanity in the family –

Nov. 14/72 John Smith M.B. etc Dumfries, states: (1) Her insane appearance & refusal to answer all or any questions. (2) The attendant informs me that she has not once spoken since she entered the Institution four days ago –

Nov. 14/72 Alexander Thomson M.D. Dumfries, says: (1) Her depressed appearance and the manner in which she refuses to speak or answer questions. (2) Has been transferred from another Asylum & told by Dr Gilchrist & attendant that she has not spoken since brought here & that in a letter from her sister it is mentioned she has not spoken for months –

March 1873 This patient has considerably improved but it is questionable whether there is much more to be gained When admitted she was very thin and feeble and there was great difficulty experienced in getting her to take her food, now she is much stouter, is really improved in appearance, drives and walks out daily attends Chapel Amusements &c –

Sept/73 This case continues to keep what has been acquired but does not make much further progress

1st Mch. 1874 Patients bodily health continues good. Her mental condition remains unchanged

Nov 1874 Patients bodily health is much the same, but there has been some slight weakening up in mental health.

10 April 1875 Miss Fenwick is very often in a state of perfect silence will not answer questions. She refuses to go out of doors and altogether behaves in a most "fearless" manner. Her health is very fair. She sometimes Complains of headache

17 July 1875 Miss Fenwick since last entry has been removed to another gallery where she seems more cheerful and happy. She talks more and walks more and altogether seems more rational and sane than at last entry. She takes walks in the airing Court beyond which no power or persuasion can lead her

1 December 1875 Miss Fenwick has been twice in another gallery for the purpose of inducing her to take more exercise. The experiment was unsuccessful and she is quite as attached to her bed and making habits as ever. Her mental peculiarities remain, her physical health is very fair tho' at times she complains of headache and discomfort

1 May 1876 Same is no change in this case Miss Fenwick is the same in all respects mentally & physically

21 Dec 76. Miss Fenwick for a few weeks past has been enjoying the pleasures of feeding with the stomach pump. She now takes her tea but refuses every other meal & refuses to go out of her gallery. She is fed ~~with~~ with her pump in the morning & she herself assists by fastening her straps & putting the bag in her mouth. She is becoming quite stout under the above interesting proceedings

April 5th 77. During the exciting proceedings of the New Year Miss Fenwick was induced to take Goose, Turkey & Plum pudding with a little water & so gradually got better & now takes her food like a decent christian woman.

23. October 77. Miss Fenwick is doing better at present goes out more takes her food better

September 12

March
Sept 6th 18

May 10th

16th Sept

September 12th 78 Mrs Fenwick Continues to spend a large part of her existence in bed; when under the influence of any pique she lies in bed Continually; of late there has been no difficulty with her food. No conversation Can be elicited from the lady who expresses the best of her mind by a shake or nod of the head.

March 8th 79 Mrs Fenwick remains much the same

Sept 6th 1879. The lady since a rather severe attack of Bronchitis has been very much attached to her bed. She still Continues to indulge in her peculiar Caprices. It is with the greatest difficulty that she can be induced to change any of her apparel. Such she wears, I am told, till it is ragged with holes. She is very variable in her moods & never speaks

May 10th 80 Mrs Fenwick Continues to have a great objection to Cleanliness: the attempts of the attendants to effect slight reforms in that direction have been the cause of paroxysms of Violence. She has lately been suffering from Cervical neuralgia and abdominal pains and has adopted a peculiar nodding manoeuvre of the head.

14th April 81 Mrs Fenwick is today removed "Released" to undergo a judicial investigation on the other side of the Border at Carlisle

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1267

(1) Joseph Hainsworth

Novemb. 15/72

(2) male - 56.
(3) single
(4) surgeon
(5) Baptist
(6) Farsley nr Leeds
(7) G.N.S. Dumfries
(8) a few weeks insane

(9) first attack
(13) caused by stimulants & narcotics for five years - was taking 1 bottle whisky & 6 ounces Laudanum per day, on the week before admission. 12 ounces Laudanum in 24 hours with the exception of eight months last year.)
(14) not epileptic - (15) suicidal - attempted.

(16) Daniel Hainsworth Farsley nr Leeds, brother
No member of the family insane -

This patient is said to have been addicted to drinking Whisky and Laudanum more or less for four years with occasional brief intervals of voluntary abstenence -

He was gradually getting worse and for some weeks before his admission drank a bottle of Whisky and two ounces of Laudanum per day -

He was put through the usual course of treatment for such cases and gradually recovered his health -

On one occasion after his parole had been extended he got access to the Upholsterers Shop and swallowed a quantity of Methylated Spirits - It produced much physical depression and a severe comatose mental condition - These were removed by aid of the Stomach pump and Stimulants and no bad effects

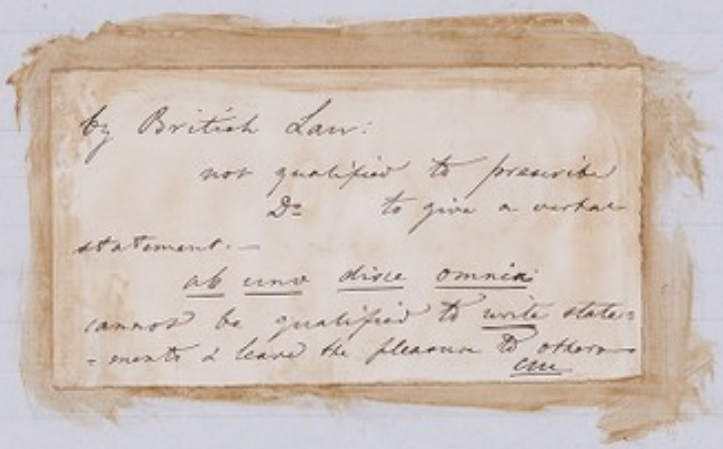
28 April 1873 | poldacured - He was discharged recovered on 28th April 1873

omitted above

15/11/74 | (1) Dr H Cunningham says There is dejection of Spirits a restless eye and tremulously -
(2) Dr J C Brown tells me that he once attempted to cut his throat and is labouring under hallucinations of the senses

15/11/74 | (1) Dr Wm Smith says His peculiar restless appearance and manner of conversation tells me that he once attempted to commit suicide
(2) Dr J C Browne tells me that he has suicidal tendencies and hallucinations of the senses -

28 April 73. | Discharged recovered.


by British Law:
not qualified to prescribe
Dr to give a verbal
statement.—
ab uno disce omnia
cannot be qualified to write statements & leave the pleasure to others
can

1268
Nov 19/72

Nov 19/73

Nov 20/73

March 187

Sept 1873
Mch 187
Nov 18
April 187
July 187

1268 Angelo Durand

Nov 19/72
2 Male 35
3 Married
4 None for Me the last 10 years
5 Protestant
6 London
7 Carlisle
8 Six months
9 For several years at times
10 35
11 not under special treatment was in Dartford poor house 2 months ago
12 Unknown
13 Partly from effects of intemperance
14 No 15 No 16 No
19. J. Scott Elliot of Blackwood
20 None

Nov 19/73
Dr W B Page FRCPE states. That in an excited manner told him that he had come to Carlisle to enquire into the conduct of Mr Tailor who supply the Police with clothes which are paid for by his brother in law and that unless the matter is put right the police will resign right & left
The chief constable of Carlisle told me that he saw him yesterday conducting himself in a very excited manner in the street shouting and waving his hands and handkerchief

Nov 20/73
Dr Patrick Murray M.D. states that he told him that he came to the asylum last night he preferd walking through the clouds to walking over hills - he appeared to be quite "ab agnds". Informed by Mr Bruce that he is quite unconscious where he is

March 1877
The former history of this patient is not known. Intemperance is evidenced on several occasions but whither as a consequence or cause it is impossible to say. Judging from the patients present conduct I am inclined to believe that there has been some degree of mental impairment if not deficiency from an early period. His ideas and knowledge of relations are very limited
He has become more composed and docile and this is probably all the improvement we are to expect

Sept 1877
Patient remains the same

March 1874
Condition of patient remains unchanged

Nov 1874
Patient remains the same.

10 April 1875
There is no change in Mr Durands case

17 July 1875
This gentleman has his old delusions still which proves that we cannot say much in his favour

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1 December 87 Mr Durand's case remains without any improvement. She patient talks the greatest rubbish about Credentials and other equivocal subjects and magnifies his importance to be of exceeding significance. He keeps himself from annoying & other patients with his delusions and is gentlemanly and tidy in his habits. He enjoys robust physical health

1269
Dec 9/72

1 May 1876 No event of importance in this case The same delusions of greatness and pride and extent remain. The general health is very good

Dec 11/72

April 16th 77. Nothing particular to record concerning Mr Gentleman

23 October 77. Mr Durand always behaves in a quiet & gentlemanly manner. He has delusions of an exalted character & shows outward signs of them occasionally by dressing particularly neatly under the impression that he is Prince of Wales or some other important person is coming to see him.

Dec 11/72

March 1873

January 3rd 78. Mr. Durand has given more expression to his delusions lately probably owing to the excitement of the Christmas gaieties. He announces that he is the King of Scotland, that he is about to enter into a matrimonial engagement & that he thinks nothing of beheading people if they do not immediately obey him & for this reason he has been stopped going to the Table d'hôte. He says that he does not intend to leave the Crichton at present because he has arrangements to go away at present.

Sept 1873
1st March 187
8th June 18

March 8th 79 Mr Durand remains unchanged

Sept 6th 1879 The same high notion of his dignity are always cropping up he considers himself Emperor of Great Britain & Pope of a large part of the world. Case Continued in Vol 15 Page 201.

27/8/74
Mr. Thomas

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## Joseph Thomson.

Dec. 9/72

2 Male, 61
3 married
4 retired Draper
5 Presbyterian
6 Colton St. Castle Douglas
7 Crechton R. Middlebie
8 A Fortnight
9 Second attack
10 58 years
11 16 Months ago in C.R.I
12 a fortnight
13 Unknown
14 No
15 Yes
16 No
17 Wm Elizabeth Thomson
Colton St. Castle Douglas

Dec 11/72 Dr William Marshall says. he seems to suffer from a very bad form of Melancholia - complains of being in fear for his life Dr. Nolan tells me that he shows strong suicidal tendencies

Dec 11/72 Dr Patrick Murray Melancholia in a marked degree states that he had come to the asylum as he benefited by the treatment before. Dr Nolan informs me that he has suicidal propensities

March 1873 This patient after a lengthened residence had been discharged recovered, He remained well for about 12 months when his malady came on suddenly returned and he sought refuge in the asylum of his own accord

It is a case of Melancholia with a tinge of hypochondriasis, He is depressed, restless thinks himself ill Craves medicine cannot be induced to drive or walk beyond the airing court, does not sleep well is easily excited about family or business affairs -

He has not made much improvement, when it comes as it is hoped it may it will probably be sudden

Sept. 1873 There is no change in the above case

1st March 1874 No change in condition of patient

8th June 1874 Mr Thomson is considerably better and is still progressing favourably.

The above was discharged on probation. much improved

27/8/74 at this date 27/8/74

3rd February 1875 Mr Thomson has been discharged today recovered.

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1270
Dec 10/72

Dec 8/72

Dec 9/72

July 25/73

25 July 1873

1270

## Fanny Mary Branthwaite

Dec 10/72

2 Female - 40
3 Married,
4 Gentlewoman
5 Church of England
6 Kendal
7 Do
8 Five months
9 Yes
10 40
11 Carleton near Carlisle
12 Five months
13 Depression from Diarrhoea
14 Faint symptoms
15 No
16 No
17 No
19 Rev Thos Scott Rector of Wappenham Towcester Father

Has a sister Insane

Dec 8/72

Thomas Green M.B of London and M.R.C.S. of London says she has a watchful suspicious look, unnatural indecision wandering about the house, unreasonable obstinacy - refusal of food formerly - has been told she refuses to dress and undress, Believes herself accused of some crime -

Dec 9/72

Dr John Singleton. Says The unalterable delusion that persons are in the house Conspiring to do her husband harm The determined belief that her attendants purpose destroying her clothes when she undresses herself -

The above patient was admitted in a great state of excitement which gradually subsided as general health improved - The mental condition in other respects did not improve -

Previous to admission she was under the care of an attendant for some time in a private house under the direction of Dr Clouston of Gartnavel asylum Carlisle She got somewhat better and was tried at home but soon relapsed and was sent to the house - There were strong hereditary tendencies existed and there had been one or more previous attacks

The most marked symptoms of the case were illusions of sight and hearing -

July 25/73

25 July 1873

The above case made no further progress. She was transferred to Morningside to the care of Dr Clouston (Who had first attended her - She was discharged relieved 25/7/73

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1271
Dec 20/7

20/12/72

20/12/72

19th July 187

1271 William Thomson

Dec 20/72

2 Male — 10
3 Single 12 Three weeks
4 Draper 13 None
5 Established 14 No
6 Portland Place Dumfries 15 No
7 Do 16 No
8 3 weeks 19 Joseph Thomson
9 First attack Portland Place Dumfries Brother

No member of the Family is known to have been insane

20/12/72 Dr John Smith says he is excitable in appearance and manner and has insane ideas - his brother informs me that during the last three days he has been quite unmanageable

20/12/72 Dr Alex Thomson says he is excited in appearance incoherent conversation delivered in a very excited and maniacal manner His attendant tells me the excited condition has been present since his admission

No cause was assigned for the mental disturbence in the above case It was probably due to want of aim and occupation in the case of a man who had led an active life but who had retired from business and who had no family ties nor special interests to occupy his attention

The case was diagnosed from the first as likely to prove temporary He made a good and rapid recovery and was

14th Feb 1873 discharged recovered 29/2/73

1272
Dec 24/7

1st May (87

1272
Dec: 24/72

## Robina Findlater
### Voluntary

The sanction of admission is dated Edinburgh 23d day of December 1872 and signed by Dr Arthur Mitchell Commissioner in Lunacy

This patient was admitted as a voluntary. The main reason for restraint being an uncontrollable tendency to imbibe alcoholic stimulants - When admitted there was displayed the usual indications in such cases try to blame every one but themselves - No history was given but her mental characteristics are so marked as to indicate plainly her natural condition and character the key to which are her intense impulsive tendencies with a weak and defective judgment - The withdrawal of stimulants the supply of nutrients and the removal of excitement soon restored her general health and with it the removal of any morbid symptoms induced by previous indulgence placed her in fact if not in a healthy at least in her natural condition What this was was soon ascertained - She became a source of constant annoyance to patients attendants and officers - She was constantly interfering or sympathising with patients in the belief that she could benefit or cure them - In the hope of giving her useful employment if not of securing benefit to the patients her demands in this direction were frequently complied with

These friendly alliances were frequently of short duration a rupture soon took place not unfrequently sudden and violent and the poor patient usually got more than her share of vituperation

Her violent hostility to some of the officers or rather to most if not all of them in turn was very marked and often on the slightest sometimes even imaginary grounds -

She is one of those cases which a single slip in advance beyond the natural condition will place in the category of insanity There is too much ground to fear that this will be her fate

1st May 1873 She was discharged recovered 1st May 1873

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Jan 4th 187

Jan 3/73

Jan/3/73

7th Feb 1873

1273

## John Murdoch

Jan 1st 1873

2 Male. 21
3 single
4 Architect
5 Protestant
8 3 weeks
9 yes
10 21
14 no
15 no
16 uncertain
19 John Murdoch builder
Castle Douglas - Father.

No member of the family known to be insane

Jan 3/73 Dr Walter Lorrane says he is sleepless and restless - talks nonsense and speaks about matters as true which he has only imagined he is very unruly and irritable and uses language at times boisterous - His father tells me that from being a remarkably quiet and sedate lad he has become very talkative and silly and uses language such as he was unaccustomed to use -

Jan/3/73 Dr John Nivison says he is restless and talks nonsence rambling over a variety of subjects in a hurried manner fancies himself at one time Captain of a ship - at another driving a pig - he is unruly at times and refuses to take medicine -

His father tells me that from being a very quiet lad he he has become talkative and determined to have his own way and uses language he never used before -

The history of this case does not furnish any cause for the well marked excitement which it displayed - There had probably been some undetected social vice indulged in which in a young inexperienced conscientious and not very strong minded lad disturbed and overturned the mental equilibrium

Be this as it may he made a rapid recovery and was discharged

7th Feb 1873 "recovered 7th Feb 1873

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1274

## Alexander Mather

Jan 4/73

2 Male. 67
3 Married
4 retired grocer
5 U.P. church
7. 41 Bond St Dumfries
8 2 months
9 Not the first
10 45

11 Examined in Edinburgh some years ago by a Medical man who pronounced his disease to be softening of the Brain
13 Excitement of going to Edinburgh & last a week thought to be dying
15 says himself he has such a tendency
16 No
19 John Mather. New Zealand. Brother

No member of family said to be insane

4 Jan 1873 — Dr P. Murray says he has delusions, thinks it wrong to tear a funeral letter, would like to act as postman to his son is rambling in conversation – His son informs me that he leaves the horse and remains out all night and takes lodgings at different places

4 Jan 1873 — Dr W. S Kerr says He is melancholy. says he is subject to fits and after fits is inclined to commit suicide. He says he thinks he would be the better of being under supervision

His son and neighbours speak of his erratic habits, alling his clothes &c and are afraid of his doing some injury

In this case there is general enfeeblement of the Mental powers a condition which has been present for years but seems lately to have become more pronounced – He wanders about aimlessly and restlessly – has difficulty in remembering or comprehending what is said to him. There is not hope of much improvement

Oct 31st 1873 — The general health of this patient has been reestablished and with a certain amount of improvement – He was

31st Oct 1873 — discharged on probation Oct 31/1873.

This patient was finally discharged recovered 30th of April 1874.

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1275
Jan. 17/7

Jan 18. 187

1275
Jan. 17/73

John Wilson
Voluntary

The sanction of the Board for admission is dated Edinburgh 16th January 1873 and is signed by Sir James Coxe, commissioner in Lunacy—

This Patient- a case of dipsomania had been induced by an erring brother who had previously enjoyed the benefits of the institution and left it recovered to accept of its treatment in the hope of a similar result-. His mind was very much enfeebled by a long course of intemperance and during the first night he became so alarmed at his position that nothing would allay it but immediate discharge— His friends were obliged to remove him. He was discharged

Jan 18th 1873 unimproved after one ~~day~~ night's residence 18/1/73

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1276
Feb. 5/73

Wd. Mch. 18-
12th Oct 18-

1276
Feb: 5/73

Mary Patterson Strang

Voluntary See page 41

The Sanction of the Board of Lunacy for the admission of this patient is dated Edinburgh 31st January 1873 and is signed by Sir James Coxe Commissioner in Lunacy

Wd. Mch. 1874
Rd. Oct 1874

No change has occurred in the state of the patient Was discharged at her own urgent desire & with the consent of her friends residing in Dumfries.

1277

March 21/7

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March 21/73

Ann Woolley
Voluntary

The Sanction for admission of this patient is dated at Edinburgh the 20th day of March 1873 and signed by Sir James Cox Commissioner in Lunacy

This is a case of long standing mental infirmity for which various remedies had been tried in vain

From the nature of the case little hope was entertained of improvement to any extent - The patient was secretive suspicious whimsical and restless - During three months residence the morbid symptoms were modified to a considerable extent especially the restlessness which was entirely removed - She was discharged relieved June 30/73

30th June 1873

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1278
April 15/73

15 April/73

15 April/7

Sept 1873

Ad. Mch. 1874

Nov 1874

1278

# Joseph Samuel Storey

April 15/73

2 Male, 41
3 Single
4 Spirit-traveller
5 Church of England
6 Leeds
7 Crichlin R. Installation
8 above six months
9 yes
10 41
12 six months
13 Drinking
14 No
15 No
16 No
19 Theophilus Storey, Brother

No members of the family known to be insane

15 April/73 Dr John Smith says he has delusions, muttering incoherent conversations and insane appearance. His brother tells me that during the last nine months he has often had delusions and been quite unable to control his actions

15 April/73 Dr Hugh Cunningham. Says he is continually moving about the room and muttering to himself and his intelligence is impaired His brother tells me that when left to himself he cannot control his actions —

Sept 1873 This is a well marked case of Paresis so called paralysis and is due as many such cases are to a long continued course of intemperance. The patient on admission had all the usual symptoms well marked the unsteady gait, the imperfect articulation the nervous lip and the mental optimism. He was however in so enfeebled condition and apparently in so advanced stage of the disease that speedy dissolution was expected Happily by careful nursing, the energetic supply of nutriments and the carefully regulated administration of stimulants he soon began to rally and has gone on since improving

He is now strong and fat and is out daily. His mind is enfeebled to the last degree but he is quiet and he busys himself with small objects, or gapes at more distant ones in a state of ecstacy.

1st March 1874 The patients condition is rather worse. He has become filthy in his habits

1st Oct 1874 Patients condition is the same as when last reported on.

1279
april 16/73

16 April 1875 Mr Storey is as imbecile as ever. He has had an attack of illness from which he has recovered and he now enjoys the bodily and mental Conditions that formerly characterised his Case

17 July 1875 Mr Storey enjoys good general health. His mental health is, and will be, for ever absent.

1 December 1875 There is no Change to record in this Gentleman's history since the last entry His health is good as far as his bony is Concerned. The mental condition remains the same. He has lately taken to distortions and imitations with his mouth the meaning of which is only known to himself. The Case is important as one of unrelated general paralysis

april 16/73

1 May 1876 Mr Storey is ill, is general paralysis breaking up. This is not to be rendered at Coroners any case death of this Lunatic — general paralysis

april 16/73

10 June 1876 Mr Storey died this morning from Exhaustion from General Paralysis

Sept 1873

1st. Mch. 1874

1279

## Alexander Moffat

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| April 16/73 | 2 Male - 64 | 12 Three months |
| | 3 Married | 13 Drinking |
| | 4 Farmer | 14 no |
| | 5 Established | 15 no |
| | 6 Craig Dunsere | 16 yes |
| | 7 Southern Counties asylum. | 19. Mrs Grace Moffat- |
| | 8 Several Months | Craig Dunsere. wife. |
| | 9 Believed so | |
| | 10 64 | |

No members of the family said to be insane

April 16/73 Dr William Scott. says. he has delusions in regard to certain individuals intentions to kill him and that he has a right to shoot them - Other delusions - The Inspector of Poor for Dunsere confirms the above statements -

April 16/73 Dr William Kerr says He talks in a confused rambling way Has delusions about people trying to injure him and that he has to protect himself by fire arms kept loaded and ready to fire. His wife and neighbours are in terror of their lives by him - he often threatens to shoot them -

Sept 1873 This is another case of intemperance ending in insanity. The patient is a jolly farmer of some means has spent a jolly life and now reaps as he sowed -

There has been apparently a gradual diminution of Mental vigour until regulated thought and general Control were lost, Delusions of persecution by enemies took possession of him fire arms were laid for defence and the lives of family and neighbours were thus placed in jeopardy, No hope of radical improvement is expected in such a case. The restlessness and excitement which existed on admission are removed and the general health of the patient is established as far as possible an occasional syncopal attack and a tendency to swelling of the limbs indicates the implication of other organs besides the brain

14. March 1874 Swelling of the legs is still present and strumous sores oc-

occasionally break out on the feet. The patient is very quiet and inoffensive

1280
April 26/75

Nov 1874 Mr Moffat has for some time suffered from an unhealthy cutaneous inflammation of the glands of the groin (femoral), which ulcerated its way to the surface, under (Syr. Ferri Iodidi et Ol. Morrhuae) treatment the inflammation is slowly but steadily yielding.

10 April 1875 An Erythematous blush of the upper lip of this patient Mr Moffat to his bed for two or 3 days. He is again in good bodily health his quietness and inoffensiveness still continue

17 July 1875 Mr Moffat has recurrence of the Erythema but he soon got over it and is now in excellent physical health. His mental condition remains the same

25 April 1875

1 December 187 Erythema has again attacked Mr Moffat and has again left him good health under the [illegible] efficacious treatment He is at present in his usual good temper, takes his food well sleeps well and is both manageable & inoffensive His mind is weak as ever

25 April 187

1 May 1876 Mr Moffat has enjoyed good health since last entry. He is very liable to attacks of Erythema but they readily yield to treatment

Feb 18. 1879 This Gentleman who is detained at the instance of the Procurator Fiscal is in very fair health. He is irascible in temper on some occasions especially if the doors are not left his own way. Had Erysipelas in his legs lately.

1st July 1875

23 October 77. Some months ago 2 medical men came to certify this patient as sane. They found him imperviable. No improvement.

September 12th 78 Mr Moffat's delusions have been more prominent of late; he accuses his fellow patients of stabbing him with bayonets

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Jane Dundas or Hallder

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| April 26/73 | 2 Female -30- | 12 some four months |
| | 3 Married | 13 Not known |
| | 4 Milliner | 14 no |
| | 5 Protestant | 15 Yes |
| | 6 7 Granville St Glasgow | 16 Yes |
| | 7 Do | 19 Robt Dundas |
| | 8 Several months | 7 Raudor Terrace (brother) |
| | 9 yes | |
| | 10 30 | |

None of the family said to be insane

25 April 1873 Dr John Coats says she is greatly depressed and has an uncontrollable desire to committ suicide or murder. She says she is a great sinner and begs that she may be put into an asylum to prevent her doing injury to herself or husband.

Her husband and mother state that for the last four months she has been unsettled and restless and much changed in disposition and temper. says she has an inclination to commit murder or suicide - When walking in the park with a child she stated that she could scarcely resist the inclination to throw it into the Kelvin.

25 April 1873 Dr James Stark. says she declares that she will kill her husband - has a very vacant look - Her mother and Husband tells me she has become unsettled and depressed in spirits - is sleepless and pays no attention to her duties in the house

This patient was a somewhat peculiar case. There were strong almost uncontrollable impulses to commit suicide or homocide while the reasoning powers were apparently untouched.

Her appearance and temperment indicated constitutional if not hereditary tendencies to nervous disease -

She became gradually more composed and acquired greater self control while her general health wonderfully improved

Her husband unfortunately removed her while improvement

1st July 1873 was progressing but not completed She was discharged relieved 1st July 1873

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1281
May 7/73

4th Nov. 187

1279
March 8th

Sept 16th

May 16th 8

14 Nov 81

March 16
Oct. 81.
April 188

1281
May 7/73

## Elizabeth Buchanan

See page 123

The sanction for the admission of this patient is dated at Edinburgh 6th May 1873 and signed by Dr Arthur Mitchell Commissioner in Lunacy

4th Nov. 1874 Discharged relieved

1279

## Alexander Moffat.

March 8th 79 Mr Moffat is in Parole: he usually goes about very quietly but is apt to be quarrelsome and to have delusions and hallucinations such as that some of the patients wound him with knives; at these times he is very excitable and uses his walking stick vigorously.

Sept 16th 79 Mr Moffat remains much as usual: he is still on Parole his physical health has of late been better. He has occasional regressive fancies he has been littered with all kinds of rubbish.

May 18th 80 This old gentleman on the 18th of last month had the following symptoms. at 8 p.m. he fell down stairs & lost consciousness. when seen there was flattening of the left side of the face, numbness of motion & sensation in the right leg confusion of ideas some difficulty in expressing himself — in fact a slight apoplectic attack. Not known passed off on the administration of Aperient. He still continues to be incapable from delusions of identity.

14th Sept 80 Mr Moffat still has delusions — thinks that men are people intending to come & burn him take knives and swords: at one time he thought his case was in the newspapers

March 18th 81 Mr Moffat remains much unchanged

Oct. 81. Mr Moffat remains as above

April 1882. Mr Moffat has been confined to bed for some time. He is not very strong and feeble has been breaking lately. He evidently thinks he is quite as strong as ever but does not object to being in bed. He is very shaky and is still troubled with delusions

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1282
May 8/73

October 22nd 1882 — M'Moffat now remains entirely in bed he is in fair health for his age but has slight discharge from bowels. He sleeps a great deal, takes his food well upon the whole. Mentally there is no improvement.

April 16th 1883 — M'Moffat has lately been allowed to rise in the afternoons & is wheeled to the fireside, has had slight discharge but otherwise his health is fair. There is no change bodily or mentally to record.

19 February. — Mrs Moffat is now quite confined to bed: he is feeble bodily and mentally: he is quite contented so long as he sees anyone near.

2 Oct 84 — died this evening after two days' illness from acute Bronchitis.

6th May 187

6th May 187

Sept 187

1282 — Margaret Rain Christal or Taylor

May 8/73

2 Female, 33
3 Married
4 None
5 Protestant
6 Portpatrick
7 Do
8 Symptoms about 9 months
9 Not first attack
12 a few months duration
13 Second marriage of father
14 Not subject to Epilepsy
15 Not Suicidal
16 Dangerous to others.

6th May 1873 — Dr John Orgill says when I went to the house I found her in a very excited state, talking in a rambling manner rapping at the window and making statements that were manifestly unfounded such as that she often heard cries from parties wrecked on the shore & Her clothes were torn to rags about her.

Her husband tells me that she is often very violent and threatens his life and that of the woman that takes care of her — She destroys furniture and clothes and every thing she can lay her hands on — yelling and making a great noise and disturbing the neighbours. The attendant that waits on her confirms this statement —

6th May 1873 — Dr Robert Stewart Says. Her general appearance and behaviour are indicative of an unsound mind her conduct is at times violent and unruly. In her talk she is incoherent, frequently raving —

Her husband states that she offers violence to himself and attendant, that she abuses the household furniture, and that she is with difficulty kept from wandering abroad in a very tattered condition —

Sept 1873 — This is a case of Mania in a woman of nervous temperament and feeble constitution There is obviously strong constitutional tendency probably hereditary but no history is given

The character of the disease is somewhat peculiar. She will spoil the whole night and part of the forenoon in

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Mrs Taylor

continues wild excitement. When she will quiet down and be rational during the rest of the day.

On admission there was some cough and other suspicious lung symptoms for which Cod liver oil was given nutrients tonics and stimulants were given freely

In a few weeks the cough disappeared strength was increased the paroxysmal mania disappeared and the afternoon quietude and lucidity secured permanently

She soon fell back again gave up the Cod liver oil took her food irregularly and and she is now much in the same condition as when admitted

1st Mch 1874 Mrs Taylor still continues to be excited during the night and on the following morning becoming calm and quiet early in the forenoon. She has become rather thinner of late and is now taking cod liver oil.

Nov 1874 Mrs Taylor continues much as if she might to be put for a very short time an occupant of the Low Worth Gallows, or any other sublunary locality: Cod liver oil, wine, Beefsteak, &c, have been steadily administered but without any particular effect either in regard to her personal appearance, or mental health.

10 April 1875 This patient is very capricious. At times she is perfectly quiet and rational: often she lounges out at the points of her voice bursts of execration and general terms. She stamps and blows out her little person in real cannibish and roars like a trooper. Her mental health is her slow in returning her physical health is fair

17 July 1875 Mrs Taylor is as noisy and formidable with her tongue as ever. Her general health has improved since last entry. She nevertheless distracts her mental composure and obliges her to change

1 Dec 1875 There is no change in Mrs Taylor's case

1 May 1876 Mrs Taylor is noisy and vociferous. There is no change to record.

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May 10/73

Sept 1873

1st Mch 187

2nd Oct 1874

April

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September 12th

March 8th

Sept 6th 187

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Mary Patterson Strang on page 41
Voluntary

The Sanction for the admission of this patient is dated at Edinburgh 9th May 1873 and signed by Dr Arthur Mitchell Commissioner in Lunacy —

Sept. 1873 No change

16th Mch. 1874 The patient is flighty, weak, vain and easily led away into doing or saying absurd things. Her frivolity and the weakness of her judgment render it necessary that she should be detained under supervision of some kind.

2nd Oct 1874 This patient having attained a considerably greater stability of mind was this day discharged to Lodgings in Dunspire — Recovered.

12.10.77. Discharges Received —

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Mrs Taylor
continues from opposite page.

April 16th 77. Mrs Taylor has paroxysms of excitement occasionally coming on with a very slight cause in which she shouts in a very loud voice & uses very foul language & threatens she has to be put in seclusion. To look at her when quiet & calm one would scarcely credit that she has such a powerful vocal apparatus. She is very thin & emaciated.

23.10.77. Just subject to the same excitement as last record

September 12th 78 Mrs Taylor has been noticed to be more frequently the subject of maniacal attack during the summer months than late in the year & she has been of late visited by her husband — which results in the usual paroxysms of mania

March 8th 79 Mrs Taylor remains much as usual

Sept 6th 1879 Mrs Taylor & has for some time been on parole & since having that privilege she has had fewer maniacal attacks than before: in fact the change was

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May 15/73

sudden + very marked. She still however has occasional attacks when she is abusive and shameful in her language & even May 10th 80 Mrs Taylor is still on parole but continues to suffer from maniacal attacks though somewhat less frequently than formerly.

Sept 14th 81 Mrs Taylor's case presents no change
16th March 81 Mrs Taylor still suffers from maniacal attacks chiefly in the early mornings but they are less frequent & prolonged

Oct. 81. Mrs Taylor still occasionally spends many nights and mornings, repeating numerous statements about people connected with the house in a raving, noisy style. At other times she appears quiet & demure.

23 July 11

April 1882. Mrs Taylor remains unchanged. Her equilibrium appears to be easily disturbed. Her language when excited is sometimes most horrible.

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Oct 22nd 1882 Mrs Taylor is in good bodily health & mentally has not had an attack during the whole summer, she is quiet, not offensive, industrious in the way of knitting & gives no trouble. She has parole which she uses with satisfaction & to officers. She was visited by a son of hers lately & this did not upset her. On the whole there is marked improvement in her case since under my observation.

April 16th 1883 Mrs Taylor remains in good bodily health has not had an attack of excitement during the year. She retains her parole & is quiet & inoffensive though apparently her brain is slightly weakened. Mentally she is thus gradually improving.

19 Feb. 84. In the last part of October '83 Mrs Taylor had diarrhœa and depression and at this period the death of her son had no effect on her. However she soon came out of this dull state and has been fairly well mentally. She occasionally has noisy turns during which she gets up in the night and shouts about electric officials, is not very flattering terms.

Her physical health has not been very good: she is troubled with a sort of systematic condition of the face (acne rosacea?) distributed like lupus erythematosus & comes and goes however and is not always present. She has had swelling over the front of the tibiæ also apparently rheumatic in nature.

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Alexander William Cunningham see page 276

The sanction for the admission of this patient is dated at Edinburgh 14th May 1873 and signed by Dr Arthur Mitchell Commissioner in Lunacy

The above is a former resident. He had been lost sight of for some years. He had got married and was supporting himself wife and child near London by working to various journals. His old enemy pursued him from which overpowered he fled to his former refuge. He rapidly recovered but under the pressure of circumstances has induced to discharge himself too soon & again broke down and again returned to the House. He was discharged returned June 7. 1873 and returned
23 July 1873 July 23/73

Mr Taylor. continued from opposite page.

26 July 74. Mrs Taylor occasionally has noisy turns. She is when quiet very agreeable, except on the subject of her domestic relations. She has parole in the grounds.

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22d May (

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Mary McNaught or Thomson.

May 22/73

2 Female 52.
3 Widow
4 Ballon wife
5 Protestant
6 Glencaple
7 Do
8 about 2 months
9 no but frequently the friends say peculiar
10, 52.
12 about two months
13 not known
14 not subject to Epilepsy
15 Suicidal casts for Poison
16 not dangerous to others
19 Regd McNaught
Brewery St - Dumfries (brother)

No members of the Family known to have been insane

22nd May 1873

Dr McCulloch says that she told him she wanted to drown herself. That there was a blind room down there she would have wandered about the Devil and then become quite incoherent

Her sister and others inform me that she wants to commit suicide by poison, drowning &c, That at times she wont speak for many hours, then will become talkative, violent and incoherent suspects her friends and imagines her brother in law wants to kill her

22nd May 1873

Dr Hugh Cunningham says she is incoherent and wants to drown herself. Her sister informs me that she wishes to get to the water

Sept. 1873

The above is a mixed case of mania and melancholia The patient always "peculiar" has been for some years in a morbid mental condition of variable character. It was only when suicidal tendency began to indicate itself that admission was sought to the house, varied symptoms of lung disease had existed previous to admission and it seems to be a case in which functional irregularity of lung and brain alternate with one another. The patient on admission and for some time after was exceedingly unmanageable restless, undressing herself refusing her food throwing herself on the floor wandering about all night striking attendant and patients suddenly, gradually she with occasional relapses there has been improvement in general health in personal habits and in mental condition.

Sleep is greatly improved food is taken readily she walks out freely and even reads a little. Further

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1285 Mary McNaught-or Thomson

improvement may be expected, but recovery considering the age of the patient and the history of the case is scarcely to be expected

1st Mch 1874 Patient is generally very quiet but occasionally bursts out into paroxysms of weeping and lamentation and asks to be allowed to go home. She often stands at a door waiting for an opportunity to slip out.

This patient was not making further improvement and was removed by her relatives 10/8/74

10/8/74

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May 29/

Sep' 187

1st Mch 187

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May 29/73

Charles Campbell
Voluntary

The sanction for the admission of this patient is dated at Edenburgh 15th May 1873 and signed by Dr Arthur Mitchell Commissioner in Lunacy —

Sept 1873 The above case is a voluntary dipsomania in which as usual no history is given, The only thing known is that there had been repeated efforts at and failures of sobriety, that business had to be given up and health had broke down

The patient made rapid improvement under the ordinary treatment and as is too frequently the case demanded his liberty under the first consciousness of regained health, This is indeed the great difficulty we have to contend with in such cases, Unless in those whose health mental and bodily has been irreparably injured improvement of the general health rapidly takes place and the patient under the influence of a feeling of which he has probably been a stranger for years deems himself perfectly able of encountering society and again battling with life. If yielded to it is almost uniformly a failure The nervous system requires prolonged treatment before it can recover its healthy Condition

The patient in the above case took the advice given and remains in the house in all respects improved and apparently contented —

10 Mch 1874 Mr Campbell has succeeded in obtaining drink more than once during the last six months. He is now recovering from an attack of pericarditis and is under treatment for pirsure of the arms. He has been suffering from gleet since admission

This patient considerably improved in general health and discharged himself recovered 22/7/74

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June 2/7

2 June 187

2 June 187

July 23/7

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## William Ingram

June 2/73

2 Male, 30
3 Single
4 Protestant
5 Architect
6 Kilmarnock
7 Do
8 Three months
9 First attack
10 30 years
12 Three months
13 Unknown
14 Not subject to Epilepsy
15 Not Suicidal
16 Not Dangerous to Others
18 Same address
Kilmarnock (Father)

No mention of any member of the family being insane

2nd June 1873 Dr John Paton says that he labours under hallucinations thinks he has ulcer of the bowels which will be fatal in a few hours and that a portion of the bowels are wanting

His father & brother tells me that he is violent in Language and Conduct - threatens his relations and strikes them and shows suicidal propensities

2nd June 1873 Dr Alex Marshall says he is restless, incoherent. Thinks he has Cancer of the bowels which will kill him in a few hours

His Father & brother say he blames them for being the cause of his illness and that if he dies his brother will die with him

July 23/73 This patient a mild case of hypochondrical insanity recovered rapidly and was discharged within two months of admission. The patient had been nervous out of health for a considerable period and had consulted largely the heads of the Medical Profession apparently without benefit - He was discharged recovered at the above date

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June 12/73

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June 12/73

Elizabeth Hodgson
Voluntary

The sanction for the admission of this patient is dated at Edinburgh 12th June 1873 and signed by Dr Arthur Mitchell Commissioner in Lunacy—

Oct/73

The above patient got another voluntary discomania recovered rapidly her general health and mental vigor and was discharged well october 31st 1873

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1289
June 24/73

21st June 187

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10th July 187

1289 William Johnston see page 131.

June 24/73
2 Male, 47.
3 Married
4 No occupation
5 Free Church
6 Maxwellton Dumfries
7 Glasgow Royal asylum
8 Under one month this attack
9 Not first attack
10 17 years
11 Glasgow asylum since 8 C.R.D. 0/7
12 under one month
13 Supposed Cause not known
14 Not Epileptic
15 Not Suicidal. 16 Not Dangerous
19 Wm Thos R. Johnstone 19 West Side of Glasgow Northern

21st June 1873 Dr Macfarlane says. He is depressed in spirits, in co hevent and labours under a monomania of fear—

25 June 1873 Dr Alex Thomson says great depression of spirits and distrustful of himself, has been several times in the Crichton Royal asylum

This unfortunate patient so frequently an inmate stabbed off one evening at 9 PM unknown to his wife per train for Glasgow. He went to a Hotel passed a restless night and in the morning went off to Gartnavel asylum and insisted on admission, A refuge was very properly afforded him. For three days he refused to say where he had come from at last he gave the requisite information to the great relief of his relatives and was transferred to the C.R.D.

The disease passed thro its usual variety of phases and he

11th July 1873 was discharged or rather discharged himself relieved July 11/73

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July 12/73

12 July 187

12 July 187

Sept 1873

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## John Gillison

July 12/73

2 Male 75
3 Married
4 Farmer
5 Presbyterian
6 Lele Hefs near Dumfries
7 Crichton R Institution
8 a few days
9 Not first attack
10 not known any on first attack
11 Dumfries Infirmary and C R I
12 a few days duration of the attack
13 Death of a sister supposed to be cause
14 Not Epileptic
15 Not Suicidal
16 Dangerous to Others
19 Mr Thos Gillison
3 Dryden Road Liverpool Brother

No members of the family found to have been insane

12 July 1873 Dr Patrick Murray says he is restless and excited his conversation rambling and incoherent states that I am the King of Kings - Has been in the asylum before

12 July 1873 Dr McCulloch says he is restless, violent and very excited raves about harmoniums Churches funerals &c eyes glistening & ferocious, dangerous &c — Has been very violent during the night requiring four attendants

Sept 1873 This gentleman has been a frequent inmate in former years, after a long interval of several years he is again admitted. During these years he has been under the care of the Medical Superintendent as is the case with many other former residents

He has reported himself from time to time repeatedly when ailing and has received advice and when necessary medicinal treatment, occasionly and at distant intervals he has had attacks of depression and lowness of spirits and what is more noteworthy a peculiar form of epileptical attack. His peculiarity consisted in a sudden loss of consciousness which lasted for a few minutes to a few hours. During the morbid period the patient entirely lost all knowledge of surrounding relations and had to be helped and guided in all his movements

The attacks went off as suddenly as it came on and left no traces whatever in the patients consciousness or memory. The attacks were not frequent usually at intervals of months His present condition is that of variable

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# John Gillison

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July 23/73

mania. It can hardly be called paroxysmal or periodical In his worst condition he is rude, boastful, wild extravagant vociferous, obscene, blasphemous sometimes violent but only towards attendants, seldom officers. In his more healthy intervals he is comparatively rational Has talks Knits &c.

In the former condition he is in the opposite extreme from what is natural and even when comparatively well the slight restlessness, feeling of health and disposition to talk are far from his healthy condition Which is that of a remarkable quiet unobtrusive intelligent man

June 1873

14th March 1874 The Medical Assistant was sent for to see Mr Gillison to-day, the attendant reporting that the patient had had a "fit." He had been playing at draughts with another patient when his head suddenly fell upon his breast, and he was immediately led to a sofa. On examination the face was found to be pale and ghastly and the eyes without expression. The pulse was slow and full and the skin moist. There was no perspiration visible on any part of the body. The patient spoke when questioned and when asked how he felt declared he was perfectly well and had no pain anywhere. He put out his tongue for examination and held out his arm for his pulse to be examined. At this time he could not tell what he had been doing when the attack came on. The seizure lasted about an hour and when it had passed off left no objective or subjective symptoms behind. When he returned to consciousness he denied all recollection of what had taken place during the seizure and was not aware that the Dr. or anybody else had spoken to him. He has been subject to these attacks for 7 or 8 years, and an interval of

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14th March 1874

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Alexander William Cunningham

July 23/73

Voluntary.

The sanction for the admission of this patient is dated Edinburgh 22d July 1873 and signed by Sir James Coxe Commissioner in Lunacy—

Nov 1873

This another voluntary dispersonance is well known as a former resident on more than one occasion

In summer he was admitted 15th May and was induced to leave against all medical advice on June 7th—as was quite expected he broke down almost immediately and returned July 23d—

He was soon again restored to his normal state and continues in all respects in a satisfactory condition

He is well educated and talented and contributes daily and largely to the various journals

4th Jan. 1874

Discharged relieved

1292
July 25/73

June 1873

19th Jan. 187

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July 25/73

Charles Clinton Parry
Voluntary

The sanction for the Commission of this patient is dated at Edinburgh 21st July 1873 and signed by Sir Sat Core Commissioner in Lunacy —

Nov 1873 This patient another voluntary despensionine was for years a resident at Natal in africa where he has left his wife and children — He had fallen into intemperate habits and had come home in the hope of breaking them off — Having failed in the struggle he presented himself here in the hope of obtaining the strength necessary to enable him to cope with his enemy which he had hitherto failed to obtain elsewhere —

The immediate effects of his intemperance were soon got rid of by the usual treatment and after a time he was put on parole — He soon broke down —

A second time a similar course was pursued which also ended in failure — He is now for the third time under special treatment and it is quite understood even by himself that the treatment and discipline must be greatly prolonged —

He is a man of extraordinary energy physical and mental and is the possessor of extensive and varied acquirements — He is a first class oxford scholar and occupys especially a high position as a linguist —

The moderate tendency to skin disease and other indications show that we have to deal with a bad constitution as well as habits

19th Jan. 1874 Discharged relieved

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July 30/73

30th July 1673

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July 30/73

Paul Johnston Gillie

Voluntary

The sanction for the admission of this patient is dated at Edinburgh 29th July 1873 and signed by Alt Jas Coxe Commissioner in Lunacy –

This patient a dipsomaniac was discharged October 3, 1873 after a short residence of only two months

He was advised against it but urgent business was assigned as the cause of its necessity – as was half-expected his old irresistable appetite soon returned – He tried to fight still it as he had often done before but in vain as he beat once more a retreat and took refuge in the House only three weeks after his discharge 30 July 1873

30th July 1873. Discharged October 3rd. 1873 – Relieved

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Augst 1/73

31 July/87

31 July/87

Dec/73

Wed. Mch. 187

1294

## Grace Hamilton Bell

Augst 1/73

2 Female, 55
3 Single
4 a Lady
5 Protestant
6 Greenhill park Edinburgh
7 St Ronans Villa viewforth Edinburgh
8 Some weeks at least
9 1st first attack
10 about 30
11 C. of S. Jamaica
12 some weeks
13 Cause not known
14 not Epileptic
15 not thought to be suicidal
16 not dangerous to others
19 Rob. Bell Cyr Sheriff Sub. Fallon W.S. Brother

31st July 1873 Dr William Goldie says her manner is very excited. she talks with great volubility but is very discursive in her narrative of facts. She tells me she has made a formal offer of most of her income to her relations various reforms introduced into the Crichton Royal Institution Dumfries. There as she alleges the patients are dying of starvation. Mrs Laing tells me she says she is about to get married and she is to get her husband knighted

31st July 1873 Dr Rob Omond says she exhausted herself by talking incoherently. She abused violently her brothers, and other relations and friends. She reads me a letter written this day by herself abounding in mental delusions regarding property—

Having formerly given a certificate regarding Miss G H Bell I can state that her insane delusions are now as strong as before when she was placed under restraint—

Dec/73 This patient is another of our former residents

For some twelve months before admission she had passed thro a period of depression which gradually passed into Mania—

Her case is a well marked one of acute mania tho' without violence and with considerable self control It is indeed rather a case of exaggerated mental activity Little mental improvement has yet been effected. Health continues vigorous as she eats and sleeps well and takes plenty of exercise. Recovery may be expected but it will be tedious—

1st March 1874 The mental condition of the patient has improved considerably She is now allowed to walk in the grounds unattended and goes to church in town with an attendant.

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1294 Mrs Grace H Bell

This patient continued to improve but under the advice of the Commissioners she

25/6/74 was removed relieved to Whitehorse Hornsey

1295

aug. 11/7

Aug. 18

8 Aug. 18

Dec. 18

1st March 18

Nov. 18

to April

May 18

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# Kennedy Crawford

augt 11/73 2 Male. 66 — 10 66
3 Married — 12 about 6 weeks
4 Banker — 11 Excitement in manner
5 Free Church — 14 Not subject of Epilepsy.
6 Ayr — 15 Not suicidal
7 Royal Bank Ayr — 16 Not dangerous to others
8 about 6 weeks — 19 Mr Alex Fullarton, Crossflat Paisley
9 First attack — Second Cousin

His father and it is believed his mother were insane —

9 Augt 1873 Dr James Clark. says. Sleeplessness, delusions as to property &c, suspicion, obstinacy inability to fix his mind on anything

8 Augt 1873 Dr James K Watt. says. He is restless suspicious and sleepless, patient believes he is in poverty and that his clothes are to be dispensed with.

His wife tells me she finds him obstinate and unmanageable, sometimes violent in temper and is in constant fear of being apprehended by the authorities —

Decr 1873 This case has more less progress than was hoped for and anticipated. Some improvement has taken place. He eats better and sleeps better looks and feels a little more cheerful but there is no radical improvement. The case is a grave one — Progressive cerebral disease is feared —

1st Mch 1874 This case is making no progress towards recovery. The patient complains of numbness in his feet and legs

Nov 1874 The numbness of patients legs does not resulted in anything serious: he takes his food fairly, but is dull, listless, and melancholic as ever.

1st April 1875 Mr. Crawford never says that he is well in fact it is simply impossible to convince him that he is in comparatively good health. His case is one of pure melancholy. He seldom laughs but frequently sighs. He is very timid and easily managed

7 July 1875 Mr Crawford remains as morbidly dull as ever

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1 Nov 1875 Mr Crawford was to day discharged on Probation he remains at Dr Prichard's private house some improvement has taken place altho he is still a subject for much more

17 January 1876 Mr Crawford was sent out on Probation and lives in the house of the Medical Superintendent where he died to day after two weeks illness from Dysentery

1296
Augt 12/7

6 Augt 1873

6 Augt 1873

1296 George Kirkpatrick Young

Aug 12/73

2 Male - 77
3 Married
4 Land proprietor
5 U.P. Church
6 Glendowne Girvan
7 Do Do
8. Indefinite
9 Has been insane before
10 Age not known on first attack
12 Duration of present attack not known
13 Cause not known
14 Not subject to Epilepsy
15 Has suicidal tendencies he says
16 Not dangerous to others
20 George Young Esq
41 St Vincent Place Glasgow
Nephew.

None of his relations are known to have been insane

6 Aug 1873 Dr Jas C. Wilson says. Delusions as to poisoning, assassination &c. or to his extreme poverty which is not the case —

6 Aug 1873 Dr Forgus Robertson. Says he has delusions as to poisoning and aspirations and causeless suspicions of his best friends besides a dread of poverty the reverse being the case and I have been told of the same delusions by others —

This patient-a very well marked case of hypochondriacal melancholia has only been resident for a short period

He has been ill on former occasions but never under restraint in an asylum - It was his own earnest desire to place himself under asylum treatment and as he was not improving at home it was thought by his friends that some benefit might be gained - From his age and the nature of his malady this was scarcely to be expected - and at the earnest solicitations of his wife and against his own wish he was removed to Lodgings in town under the care of his wife and an attendant and under the superintendence of the Medical Superintendent -

One of his objects in coming to the asylum was to get out of the hands of the doctors according to his own account who had poisoned him with bromide of Potassium and Chloral to which he attributed all his ills and miseries - His pains were agonizing - he had slept none for weeks - He was suffering from suppression of urine his bowels were shut up and inflammation must immediately intervene and he must die in frightful agony - These and many like statements were made as often as he could

secure a listener - The diseases were purely imaginative not to the morbid feelings and perverted judgment in which the originated.

Notwithstanding their existence he looked fairly well got up daily occasionly drove or walked out - and took his food well for a man at his age -

31st oct 1873 He was discharged not improved 31st oct 1873

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Aug. 21/73

21st August 18

Dec/73

1st Mch 18

Nov 187

10 April

17 July

1 Dec 18

1 May 18

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Augt 21/73

## Ann Patterson
## Voluntary

The sanction for the admission of this patient is dated at Edinburgh 20th day of August 1873 and signed by Sir Jas Coxe Commissioner in Lunacy –

This lady has been a resident since May 4th 1856 the date of her last admission. Before that date she had been an inmate for variable periods on two or three seperate occasions – she was a case of periodical mania – The paroxysms were those of well marked acute mania with its usual accompaniments – They occurred at intervals of a month or a few months and lasted for weeks or months –

They had gradually decreased in frequency and violence and ultimately had altogether disappeared – The patient had become so well cheerful and happy that it became a question whether she could longer be legally detained

Her relations made various attempts to have her removed – The Board of Lunacy also suggested the propriety of her removal – She refused to be advised and decided on remaining – She was therefore discharged as an ordinary and entered as a voluntary patient 21st augt 1873

21st augt 1873

Dec/73 This patient continues well in all respects

1st Mch 1874 Miss Patterson is still quite well.

Nov 1874 Miss Patterson continues to enjoy excellent health and spirits.

10 April 1875 This case is doing well

17 July 1875 Miss Patterson continues to enjoy good health. She spends her time in reading books and such other work as her fancy wants.

1 Dec 1875 This lady is in fair health, exceedingly nice and manageable – her mind is clear and her body weak. She is always occupied & cheerful when her infirmity is not at rest

1 May 1876 Miss Patterson is also in good health mentally and physically.

20th December 76. Miss Patterson is in good health, confined to bed, & in her journey round her house she soon forms a kind of half way house, to which it is a pleasure to retire knowing that there, at least one will not be received with nothing but a list of grievances & complaints.

16th April. 77. Continues as usual. Reading novels & working & seems to be quite happy.

24th November 1877 Miss Patterson continues as usual.

September 12th 78 Mrs Paterson remains in excellent spirits; and her appearance of health, considering that she is constantly in bed, is surprising.

March 8th 1879 Mrs Paterson remains as usual.

Sept 16th 1879 This lady Continues to be stout, cheerful & understands She is still addicted to very light literature.

May 10th 80 This lady Continues to be a Voluntary Patient here. She is very well, happy & contented.

Sept 14th 80 Mrs Paterson remains unchanged

10th March 81 There is no change of importance to record in this Case Mrs P. is occasionally unable of her rooms but remains cheerful and chatty.

Feb. 1882 Miss Patterson continues much the same. She has been suffering from a persistent neuralgia of the left side but it appears to be improving

April 1882. Miss P. remains unchanged. apparently healthy & contented ~~but~~

Oct 22nd 1882 Mrs Paterson is in fair bodily health, stout & helpless in the way of continually being in bed, she is easily satisfied, pleasant & cheerful she has suffered from the neuralgia in her leg for some time but it yielded to the application of Liq. Arsenic. Belladonna & Opium Mentally she is very well but is still fond of all kinds of light reading though at the same time she works well with her needle.

April 18th 1883 There is no change in Mrs Patterson's condition. Her bodily health is fairly good & certainly she is cheerful, pleasant & quite contented.

10th Oct. 83. Miss Peterson is as cheerful & happy as ever. She had a game of cards the other evening playing with

N. 7. 84. No change. Happy & contented reading novels & knitting

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Augt 24/73

## Elizabeth Buchanan

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The Sanction for the admission of this Patient is dated at Edinburgh 23 August 1873 and signed by Sir Jas Coxe commissioner in Lunacy

30th Nov. 1873 Discharged relieved

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Sept. 1/73

3 Augt 18

1st Sept 7

Dec/73

1st Mch. 18

10 April

1 July

1 Dece

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## Sarah Little

Sept. 1/73

2. Female. 26
3. Single
4 Farmers daughter
5 Presbyterian
6 Cumstone Parish of Hutton
7 Cumstone
8 Twelve months
9 First attack
10 26
11 at Home under treatment 12 months ago
12 Continuous
13 Not known the cause
14 Not subject to Epilepsy
15 Not Suicidal
16 Not dangerous
19 Isabella Little (Mother) Cumstone. Hutton.

No member of this family are known to have been insane

30 Augst 1873 Dr Jas J Wilson says. absence of reason and memory

1st Sept 1873 Dr McNab. says she is restless and quite incoherent wandering about without object and apparently without memory.

Her Sister informs me that she has been ill for a considerable period and in a condition similar to that in which I have just seen her-

Dec/73 This patient is in a state of dementia She possessed of Considerable physical power She is very restless destroys her clothes is inattentive to cleanliness has no sense of modesty.

The paroxysmic cause is probably persistent self abuse but whether it is the original cause or only the effect of one more deeply seated in the constitution is impossible to say in the absence of all knowledge of her personal history – There is no hope of recovery in such a case —

1st Mch. 1874 Patient remains in state quo

1st 1874 No change.

1st April 1875 Patient is still undergoing no change for the better

1st July 1875 This lady has improved in body but not in mind since last entry.

1 Dec 1875 This Little has a nasty temper and at times incites to kick or otherwise maltreat her attendants

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She talks her poor family but her
occurrences talk and farcical phantasies
have been somewhat removed by
a Course of Codeine oil that
She still continues to take Her
mind is away

28 February 1873. After several months incessant illness
this patient died today.

1300
Sept 26/73

11/9/73

Dec/73

1st March 187

Nov 1873

10 March 18

17 July 18

1 Decemb

1300 William Mc Nichol

Sept 26/73
2 Male, 28.
3 Single
4 Brewer
5 Protestant
6 4 Dec 1869
7 4 Years
8 First attack
9 24 Years
10 4 Years
11 Cause not known
12 Not subject to Epilepsy
13 Not Suicidal
14 Not dangerous to others
16 Robt Mc Nichol (Father) Brewer Stirling.

An uncle on the fathers side was insane

11/9/73 Dr Clouston says he labours under Dementia not being able to tell whether he had been in this asylum a few weeks or a few years, or how many brothers and sisters he has and says the reason he was sent here was on account of temporary chirsteanity —

Dec/73 This is a mild case of dementia the disease being of four years standing. No cause from history not known

Patient is in good health and capable of receiving and appreciating pleasant impressions

1st March 1874 No change has taken place in the constitution of the patient since admission

Nov 1874 No change in patient's condition

10 March 1875 This patient has taken recently to make attentions outside the House as well as inside. He keeps in the old way dull and indifferent

17 July 1875 Mr Mc Nichol moves about in his old ways. He is restless and careless and has little thought of the future. His attendance is still a marked feature in his case.

1 December 75 There is no change in this patients case He talks well and rationally but his general appearance and attendance behaviour mark him as one who lacks the mens sana in Corpore sano. He has once

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o. twice thanks a patient and is altho.
quiet capable of doing mischevous
his mental and bodily health are
in a state yrs

1 May 1876 There is no change in this case
the mental condition remains
unaltered and the physical health
good

June 20th 77. This Gentleman remains the same
His delusions lead him to take up
peculiar positions

October 20th 77 This patient remains in a state of silly
weak mindedness & having also delusions

4 Oct 18

4/Oct 1

Dec 187

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## Charles Smith

Oct 5/73

2 Male. 50
3 Widowed
4 Grocer
5 Established
6 Stevenston Ayr.sh
7 Stevenston Ayr.sh
8 One month insane
9 first attack
10. 50
12 one month
13 Religious Melancholy and supposed derangement of pecuniary affairs
14 Not subject to Epilepsy
15 Twice went into the Tweed River but came out again
16 Not dangerous to Others
19 The relations residing at Stevenston are daughters of the Patient.

None of his relations known to have been insane

4 Oct 1873 Dr Robt Skinner says. The two or three times I have visited him he appeared to be more dull in spirits and not willing to enter into conversation. His sister in law and other friends state that some considerable time since he was visited with a kind of Religious melancholy, that he fancies he has done something and that the Spirits are watching to destroy him and of left to himself has a strong desire to wander away from home and shun society and the fact of him jumping twice into the water within the last month.—

4 Oct 1873 Dr Robt Wallace says. Excited appearance of countenance would hold no conversation, ordered me out of the room.—

Her Sister in law Mrs Gray and Son in law Mr Campbell Banker Saltcoats says She is Sleepless, Restless, Religious melancholy Hallucinations such as supposing he has to undergo some dreadful punishment for crimes committed by him. Has twice within the last month been taken out of the water having gone there with Suicidal intentions

Dec 1873 This patient of whom little is known, is said to have lived a moral temperate life but to have become lately more and more wrapt up in his business in consequence of which he was much isolated from society and to throw very much on his own mental resources. The persistent and increasing stress seems to have been too much for him. The mind at last gave way and indicated its morbid condition in inattention to business belief that he was about to be ruined and attempts to Commit Suicide.

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Charles Smith

Under the usual treatment he has improved considerably but as was expected with occasional relapses.

16th March 1874 Haematoma of the left ear has gradually formed. The tumour was first noticed about three weeks ago, and was at first about the size of a hazel nut. It is now rather larger than a walnut. Patient at first refused to take food, but yielded before it had become necessary to feed him by force.

29th April 1874 Patient's bodily and mental condition has been steadily improving since the date of last entry.

30th April 1874 Discharged recovered J.S.

1302

Oct 7/73

9th Feb. 1874

5th May 18

Nov 1874

1st April

17 July

1 Dec

1 May

2. Dec.

April

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March 8th

Sept 6 hi 7

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William Brodie became 1179.

Oct 7/73

Voluntary

The sanction for the admission of this patient is dated at Edinburgh sixth day of october 1873 and signed by Dr Arthur Mitchell Commissioner in Lunacy

This Patient had been a resident for three years a mild case of Melancholia - He had gradually recovered his normal condition and it became necessary to discharge him as an ordinary patient - He however prefered to remain where he was and petitioned the Board of Lunacy to sanction his remaining as a Voluntary patient

9th Feb. 1874 No change in Mr Brodie's state of health

5th May 1874 Mr Brodie's condition remains unchanged

Nov 1874 In statu quo.

1st April 1875 Mr Brodie enjoys excellent health. He is one of the most troublesome patients in the Crichton Has no complaints and is satisfied with every thing and every body. He spends his time in reading

17 July 1875 Mr Brodie continues to enjoy good mental and general health

1 Decr 1875 This Gentleman continues to enjoy excellent mental and bodily health. There is no event in his history worthy of record

1 May 1876 Mr Brodie continues to enjoy very good health.

21 Dec. 76 Mr Brodie is well has not yet expressed a desire to leave the Crichton.

April 16th 77. Mr Brodie continues well.

November 24th 77. Mr Brodie continues well.

March 8th 79 Mr Brodie Continues a moral - very dogmatic in his opinions & great in elementary knowledge ~~of~~ statistical information

Sept 6th 79 Some time ago Mr Brodie became very depressed & hypochondriacal about himself - in fact a mental breakdown was feared - fortunately ~~he~~ has completely passed off. He has recently become a Parlour Patient.

1303
Oct 25/73

May 10th 80. During last February Mr Brodie again began to suffer from depression of spirits, complaining of Colonic and gastric discomfort: he was restless sleepless at night and disturbed by the idea of impending dissolution. The known estranged forces were communicated with Peter at Bexhill and with them and the interest of the friendly Electrum Mr Brodie has again become less hearty.

Sept 14th 80 Mr Brodie continues as detailed above: he has had no return of depression.

25/10/73

18th March 81 The Dyspeptic old Gentleman continues to lay down the law with the same pernicious satisfaction to himself. He is now in good mental health and his leg is much better almost healed

25/10/73

Feb. 1882. Mr Brodie continues much the same. He suffered from a varicose ulcer of the leg in summer but by taking a little care and rest it quite healed. Then ~~has however been~~ Another small one has however since broken out which causes him some anxiety.

Dec 1873

Oct 2nd 1882 Mr Brodie is in good bodily health & condition, the ulcers on his leg though his doctor says & anxiety have healed, he still wears an elastic stocking with easy shoes & generally takes care of himself. Mentally he is at present pretty well though full of strong intellect.

April 18th 1883 Mr Brodie has of late had a return of the ulcer on the outside of the left ankle which he nurses with much anxious care. He has of late taken to book binding which he carries out to great perfection & affords him interesting source of occupation. He is a very pleasant, agreeable old gentleman, but wants some alleviation of his leg.

January 19/7

18. 21. 83 Mr Brodie is still bookbinding: he is in good health mentally and bodily still dyspeptic and slightly hypochondriac. still occupies with his book binding.

11. 1 84. No change.

1303

## Isobella Marion Christal

Oct 25/73

2 Female, 28
3 single
4 Living with parents
5 Presbyterian
6 Kirkcudbright
7 Dito
8 Five months
9 First attack
10 21
12 Pipe works
14 Not subject to Epilepsy
15 Not Suicidal
16 slightly dangerous to others
19 Robt Christal Father
Hist of Kirkcudbright

She either became in Crichton Royal Institution

26/10/73 Dr Johnstone says. Her rambling incoherent talk almost complete sleeplessness and propensity to destroy things

Her friends state that if not closely watched she would take the street in her night clothes —

25/10/73 Dr McCulloch says. She states that all the persons in her house are crazy in their minds that she cannot control herself that she hears bells all night that she wants to run out in the streets in her chemise. That she cannot sleep or rest. She attempts to run out to the street in her shift only and went so last night, is frequently very violent and unreasonable and requests to be sent into the Asylum, breaks the windows & tears her clothes &c —

Dec 1873 The above case has unfortunately a married sister in the house who has moreover been a previous inmate

This indicates hereditary tendency —

She labours under so called hysterical Mania & however a mild character she looks pale and anxious is depressed and watchful tendency to hysterical crying and weeping

She has somewhat improved and will probably continue to do so. Her future is however far from re assuring & she will die either of brain or lung disease

January 19/74 Patient discharged recovered

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1304
Oct-25/73

1st Mch. 187

2nd Apr. 18

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Oct-25/73

Paul Johnstone Gillis see page 280

The Sanction for the admission of this patient is dated at Edinburgh 21st October 1873 and signed by Dr Arthur Mitchell

1st Mch 1874 Patient is in good health and has so far as is known obtained from stimulants since admission

2nd Apr 1874 Discharged Recovered

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1305
Nov 8/7

Dec 187

1 Mch. 187

5th. May 18
Nov 1874
10 April

17 July 18

1 Decem

1 May 18

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## John Ziegler

Nov 8/73

Voluntary

The sanction for admission of this patient is dated at Edinburgh sixth day of November 1873 and signed by Sir Jer Cox. Commissioner in Lunacy

Dec 1873 This is another voluntary dipsomaniac. He was formerly resident two years and was discharged recovered. He returns after a years absence his enemy having once more gained the victory over him. Like most of such cases he is a very unsatisfactory patient to deal with. He is fidgety exacting & querulous

1 Mch 1874 Mr Ziegler has been suffering from congestion of the kidneys and lumbago but is now better

31 May 1874 Mr Ziegler's condition remains the same

Nov 1874 Mr Ziegler enjoys excellent health now

10 April 1875 This gentleman has had many opportunities of becoming regular but he has unfortunately kept clear of the demon of Drink. There is therefore reason to believe that his self control is getting daily stronger. His health is good. he is cheerful and reconciled to his present abode. Has no complaint. Spends his time usefully and altogether behaves remarkably

17 July 1875 Mr Ziegler goes on doing well. No irregularities in the shape of "bouting" or "spreeing"

1 Decem 1875 There is nothing to report in this case except that if time be the best physician as it has been found to be in such cases there is great reason to hope recovery will in the happy result. There have been no irregularities as far as is known in spite of the fact that Mr Ziegler has unlimited parole and opportunities of gratifying his tastes

1 May 1876 This gentleman is the only one of the dipsomaniacs in the Institution who has not got leave for a very long time.

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23./12/76. Mr Zeigler thinks that his confinement in "dispo" are not treated as strictly as they ought to be & he objects to this being allowed to keep on then some pulling as himself when they come from town in a state of beer, & ~~any~~ petulance, Still under all these adverse conditions he remains at the Crichton, has once been reported "drunk" although he has unlimited parole.

April 16th 77. This Gentleman still continues to have "unlimited parole"

November 26th Continues as usual.

July 30th 1878 Today Mr Zeigler left the institution "Requested" to do so by the Board of Direction: the reason of his sudden Congé has not been "officially" intimated

1306
Nov 22/77

Dec 1877

31 March 187

28th Apr. 187

1306

## James Craik

Nov 22/73 The sanction for the voluntary admission of this patient is dated at Edinburgh 21st November 1873 and signed by Sir Las Cree Commissioner in Lunacy.

Dec 1873 Another unfortunate dipsomaniac also a voluntary He is amiable in his disposition, gentlemanly in manners and of superior abilities took and maintained a high position at School and College. He has shown neurotic tendencies from an early period, even when at School and special mental exertion was always followed by loss of sleep. This peculiarity has haunted him thro life. The discomfort and exhaustion caused by it has no doubt been the main inducement to resort to artificial stimulants for support. He has fought with his enemy for years & for the most part successfully but occasionally yielding and with every fall losing a step in advance till his enemy obtains the final triumph. Improvement will rapidly take place but his future is far from hopeful.

1st Mch. 1874 Mr. Craik has broken down several times since his admission. His bodily health has greatly improved; but always complains of sleeplessness for which he has been taking morphia, chloral, bromide of potassium & cannabis indica pretty regularly.

28th Apr. 1874 Patient was discharged recovered

1307
26/11/7

January 3

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James Carson.

26/11/73

voluntary

The sanction for the admission of this patient is dated at Edinburgh 25th Nov 1873 and is signed by Dr Arthur Mitchell Commissioner in Lunacy –

This patient a former resident is a mild case of hypochondrical melancholia. There is obvious constitutional & not hereditary tendency. The patient is likely to make a speedy recovery following what our experience would declare to be a law viz in cases of hereditary tendency recovery is hopeful but relapse certain –

January 31/74 Patient discharged recovered

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1308

28th Nov. 1

24th Nov. 1

29th Nov. 1

9th Feb. 1

5th May 1

1st Jan 00

15th Apr

17 July

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# John Williamson

28th Nov. 1873

(2) Male – 24
(3) Single
(4) Farmer
(5) Presbyterian
(6) Upper Seunick, Bogue
(7) Upper Seunick
(8) Six months
(9) Yes
(10) 24
(13) Not known
(14), (15) Yes
(16) Rather

Note – The remaining queries have been left unanswered

24th Nov. 1873

Wm. Johnstone M.D. Kirkcudbright certifies as to ~~the~~ his
(1) "his complete change of disposition and habits – formerly active in his habits, now cannot be induced to leave his bed – will not allow his clothes or person to be washed – speaks to no one and occasionally refuses food for some days at a time
(2) Similar to the above"

29th Nov. 1873

James M M'Culloch M.D. Dumfries certifies ~~that~~ he is
(1) "Taciturn, dogged and obstinate; answers when elicited stupid and irrelevant. Won't say why he refuses & nice, wash, perform the requisites and decencies of life
(2) Great change of habits and ~~thoughts~~. Won't rise out of bed. Refuses food and otherwise unreasonable"

9th Feb. 1874

The patient's condition varies very much. He generally takes his food well but at irregular intervals he refuses & eat a particular meal or even rejects food for a whole day. On these occasions the pupils are frequently much dilated, the patient sometimes strikes at the attendants and the gait is shuffling. This condition lasts from one two days and when it passes off the patient becomes quiet and docile. Mr Williamson received a blow on the head when a boy, and his insanity has been attributed to the injury by his parents

5th May 1874

Since the date of last entry patient has remained generally tranquil but his mental condition has not improved

1st Nov 1874

Condition the same as at last entry.

16th April 1875

There is no event in this patient's history worthy of special notice. His weakness with some apparent constancies

17 July 1875

No change in this case

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1 Dec. 1875 Mr Williamson is hopelessly devoid of the means sana in Corpore sano nor can it be affirmed that his general health is robust and vigorous. He is a poor eater and must be known to take a moderate amount of the staff of life. His temper is sometimes such as to cause him to beat Cats and strike out both of passion or humour fortunately for and for between and Mr Williamson may fairly be classed with the harmless inbeciles

17 April 76 Mr Williamson died in the Institution today of Phthisis.

1309

28th. Nov. 1

28th. Nov. 1

28th. Nov. 1

9th Feb. 18

8th. May 1

8th June 18

1309 George Burn

28th Nov. 1873
(2) Male - 52 (11) Newcastle - 10 years ago
(3) Married (13) Unknown
(4) Farmer & Com. Merch.t (14) Yes, four years ago
(5) Protestant (15) No
(6) Tranwell (16) Yes
(7) Tranwell nr. Morpeth (19) Jane Burn, Tranwell, Morpeth
(8) 4 weeks his wife
(9) No No number of family known to
(10) 42 be or to have been insane

28th. Nov. 1873 R. D. Ross, L.R.C.S, Morpeth certifies that
(1) "He is labouring under deep melancholia; has hallucinations & delusions such as this: he thinks he is a beggar when he really is rich. His general appearance and dejection are very marked. He will not speak when spoken to.
(2) Robt. Weatherd one of his attendants states that he put his foot into the fire, and had on one occasion when a servant was chopping a fish's head with an axe put his foot forward so that he might have it cut off — very restless and excitable at times"

28th. Nov. 1873 Matthew Brunnell M.R.C.S. certifies as to
(1) "his melancholy and dejected expression, his apathy and indifference to everything around him. During my examination of him he refused to answer questions or give any account of himself or of the nature of his illness.
(2) His great restlessness, has scarcely slept since Sunday last has tried to injure himself by putting his foot in the fire, and placing it in the way of an axe which one of his attendants was using."

9th Feb. 1874 The patient having refused food from the first has been fed by means of the stomach pump since admission. He never speaks, and seems indifferent to all that is going on around him. His pulse has always been abnormally quick since he came under treatment

5th. May 1874 Patient has fed himself for the last three weeks. His condition otherwise remains unchanged

8th June 1874 The patient now speaks readily and his mental condition has

# George Burns

considerably improved

4th Nov 1874. I have much pleasure in stating the much change in Mr Burns mental condition since last entry. He continued to take his food well, and would enter into conversation when addressed, but he seldom opened a conversation; and he always shrank from entering into the amusements of the house. He read the newspapers in a listless way, but appeared to sit in dull reverie. Probation papers were applied for as it was thought a change might do him good, but the friends having come for him before the receipt of them, he was discharged - Relieved - on this date, and went home this night

Nov 6. 74. Discharged Relieved.

1310

2nd Dec.

7th Feb.

5th May 18

10th Nov 1

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## R. B. Forsyth-Brown

Voluntary.

2nd Decr. 1873 — The sanction for Dr Brown's admission is dated 2nd Decr 1873 and signed by Arthur Mitchell M. D. Commissioner in Lunacy.
A record of his case is to be found at page 172 of this volume.

7th Feb. 1874 — Since his admission Dr. Brown has resolutely abstained from intoxicating drinks of every kind. He suffers much from sleeplessness, headache and rheumatic pains in his limbs. The sleeplessness has been most successfully combated by 40 minim doses of Tr. Cannab. Ind. and has in this and in other similar cases proved very much superior to morphia

8th May 1874 — Dr Brown has broken down once since admission and confesses that he took some whiskey owing to mental worry

18th Nov 1874 — Dr Brown was this day discharged – Relieved: the "relief" obtained cannot, however, be said to be of a very decided character as there could be no doubt in the mind of any one coming into contact with him daily that he in some way or other managed to indulge his appetite for stimulants.

1311

10th. Decr.

7th. Feb.

5th. May

1st. Nov.

10 April

17 July

9 Nov.

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# Harriet Robertson

Voluntary

10th. Decr. 1873 — The Sanction for the admission of this patient was signed by Sir James Coxe, Commissioner in Lunacy, and is dated 4th. Decr 1873.

7th. Feb. 1874 — The history of this case when Miss Robertson was last a patient will be found at page 109 of this volume. Since last admission Miss Robertson's mental condition has varied more than once. Generally she is very cheerful and talks a great deal, but at the catamenial period she becomes melancholic for two or three days, and when in this state she usually imagines she has offended those with whom she comes in contact.

6th. May 1874 — Patient continues to be cheerful and melancholic by turns

1st. Nov 1874 — Patient exhibits the same circle of Melancholia and Mania - both of a comparatively mild sort, the Melancholic state, however, appears to last longer than formerly

1st April 1875 — Miss Robertson has her Menses and Calmer & plasky Afterwards she is depressed and amiable, soon she may be excitable imperious and haughty. Generally speaking there is no Change

17 July 1875 — Her Lady is still unsteady. One week of excitement brings about another of depression and then she goes on

9 Nov. 1875 — Miss Robertson was removed from the Asylum this day - still liable to the same excitement and depressions that have so strongly marked her Case

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10th. Dec.

18th Janry.

19th Janry

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# E. Sharland

10th. Decr. 1873

Voluntary

The Sanction for Mrs. Sharland's admission is dated 10th. Decr. 1873 and signed by Dr. A. Mitchell, Commissioner in Lunacy

18th. Janry. 1874

Mrs. Sharland is a Dipsomaniac. She began to drink ardent spirits in excess seven years ago. Her husband states that she drinks for two or three weeks at a time and that the debauch is followed by an interval of a month or so during which she continues sober. Patient is 29 years of age, has been 14 years married and is the mother of children of whom only two survive. She was in a wretchedly depressed and exhausted condition when admitted, but rapidly resumed health strength and nervous tone.

19th Janry 1874

Discharged relieved

Note.- Patient resumed her former drunken habits a fortnight after her discharge

1313

18th. Dec. 18

8th. Feb. 1

9th. Feb. 1

1st. May 1

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# Anne Woodley

Voluntary

18th Decr. 1873 The Sanction for the admission of this patient is dated and signed by Commissioner in Lunacy.

Mrs. Woodley was formerly a patient in this institution (See page 248)

8th Feb. 1874 Since last admission the patient has been very restless both night and day. On account of her destructive propensities a Strong dress and locked boots were resorted to She has been quieter during the last few days and has ceased to destroy her clothing and the furniture of her room

9th Feb. 1874 Strong dress and locked boots discontinued

1st May 1874 Discharged recovered

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1314

20th Decr. 1

20th Decr.

20th. Decr.

6th. Jan. 18

1314 William Johnstone

29th Dec. 1873

(2) Male – 47
(3) Married
(4) Gentleman
(5) Free Church
(6) Maxwelltown, Dumfries
(7) Crichton R. Institution
(8) A few days
(9) No
(10) 17 years
(11) Crichton R. Institution, Dumfries
(12) A few days
(13) Unknown
(14) No
(15) No
(16) No
(19) Mr. Thos. R. Johnstone
19 West Nile Street
Glasgow

20th Dec. 1873

Alex. Thomson M.D. there is "great mental depression and want of confidence in being able to control his actions. He has been many times here for similar attacks"

20th Dec. 1873

John Smith M.D. testifies to "his melancholic appearance and manner of conversation. Tells me he is suffering from great mental anxiety for which he can give no cause.

His attendant informs me that he has been many times a patient in the Crichton R. Institution"

6th. Jan. 1874

The patient has improved rapidly. He was discharged relieved to-day

1815

26th Decr.

25th Decr. 18

25th Decr. 18

9th Feb. 18

6th May 18

1315 **Peter Blackie McCasland**

26th Decr. 1873 (2) Male - 31 (12) Answered above
(3) Single (13) ?
(4) Educated for the Bar. (14) No
Gave that up and studied (15) ?
Medicine passing with (16) Can't say
Honours but never practised (19) Mrs. M Casland, Mother
(5) ? (6), (7) Garteraig House Garteraig Ho. Lanarkshire
(8), (9), (10) Has been gaining ground (20) None
for more than two years

25th Decr. 1873 J. G. Fleming M.D., Glasgow certifies that "he is morose and suspicious, refuses to enter into conversation; and when he does so it is vague and unconnected - Manner excited and threatening.
I am informed by his mother brothers and sisters that he is offensive in his language often threatening them with violence - will not touch any article such as a plate, knife &c. which has been touched by another - solitary in his habits - mind has gradually become weak and the moral faculties perverted

25th Decr 1873 John Coats M.D. Glasgow certifies that "he has greatly changed in aspect since I saw him 3 or 4 years ago, is sullen and morose, declines to go into a room with me and states he has no wish to have any conversation with me. States that my son, an old fellow-student and friend is his enemy" "His brothers and sisters state he is greatly changed in appearance and disposition. His behaviour is offensive. He objects to have his clothes touched by them, or to use a plate, knife or fork they have touched. He has threatened violence and wished they were all dead at his feet"

9th Feb. 1874 Patient is very taciturn and until Saturday last refused to walk in the grounds. On that day however he went out after force had been threatened in case of refusal. Masturbation is believed to be the cause of insanity in this case

9th May 1874 The mental condition is not improved. The patient is solitary

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## Peter Blackie McFarland

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27th Dec. 1

in his habits, moves, early in deportation and refuses to go out & walk He often takes but little food at meals

1st Nov 1874 Patient takes his exercise daily in the dining room. Continues occasionally to miss a meal, for the alleged reason that the dishes are dirty

7th Feb. 18

10 April 1875 Mr McFarlane persists steadily in his denunciation against the wickedness of having him in "Durance Vile" His behaviour is certainly peculiar. All his language consists of no and yes. Still he is quite capable of exercising his powers in the recreation-room his obstinacy refuses to submit. He walks up and down in his gallery as a decided lunatic unworthy of the confidence of the attendants. He sticks up to this belief and never mixes with the other patients some of whom are voluntary patients and quite capable of keeping pace with his actions and efficient. No power can induce him to take exercise beyond the airing court

28th April

17 July 1875 This patient has got [illegible] in the grounds and has never yet been known to forfeit his privilege by absconding to escape. He is not communicative and very seldom utters voices and voices in his room

1 Decem 1875 Mr McFarlane still enjoys liberty in the grounds in which he regularly takes exercise. He is a tractable inoffensive patient & interest in anything or anybody seldom speaks and only reads when finds that the other patients are in bed in the morning. He complains once or twice of noises that exist only in his imagination. His obstinacy is so well marked and so continuous as to render him disagreeable and distant to the attendants

1 May 1876 There is no change in this case. The obstinacy and delusions of persecution and grandeur remain

Jany 31st 77 Transferred to Montrose asylum on this date

1316

## Grace Thomson

27th Decr. 1873. The Sanction for the admission of this patient is dated 26th Decr. 1873 and signed by Dr. Arthur Mitchell, Commissioner in Lunacy

7th Feb. 1874 The case is a very mild one of melancholia. Improvement began a few days after admission and still continues. Mental disease is hereditary in the patient's family. The patient is 21 years of age and unmarried. Her father is at present a patient in this Asylum

28th April 1874 Discharged recovered.

1314

28th Dec. 1

26th Dec. 1

26th Dec.

6th Feb. 18

8th Mch. 1

8th May 18

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## Elizabeth Underwood

28th Dec. 1873

(2) Female - 36
(3) Single
(4) Farmer's daughter
(5) Protestant (6)? (7)?
(8) Four months
(9) Yes (11)?
(15) Over exertion attending a brother during his last illness and grief
(14) No
(15) No
(19) John Underwood, Farmer, Crofts, Crossmichael, Father

26th Dec. 1873

Walter Lorraine M.D., Castle Douglas certifies that "she is melancholy and depressed - speaks of being in great affliction - with difficulty got to answer any question which is put to her. Her friends say that she is becoming unmanageable, will take no medicine and is subject to constantly recurring fancies and delusions."

26th Dec. 1873

John Nairson M.B. Castle Douglas certifies that "she has in general a melancholic and brooding expression which at times passes into a wild state. In answering questions she wanders from the subject, but as a rule refuses to answer questions at all.

Her friends say she is at times almost unmanageable, that she wants to get out of the house and wander away, refuses to take food or medicine and does not sleep."

6th Feb. 1874

Miss Underwood walks along the corridor backward and forward all day and is constantly on the watch for an opportunity to escape. This evening she elected the attendant darted out at the open door and disappeared in the darkness. Search was made for her in the ground but without success. About five hours after her escape she came of her own accord to the doctor's house and was sent back to the Institution. She has a good appetite, but does not sleep well.

8th. March. 1874

No improvement in patient's condition. She tears her clothing sometimes, and frequently walks about her bedroom all night instead of sleeping.

5th. May 1874

Patient's mental condition is worse while her bodily health has improved. She displays marked suicidal tendencies

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and is watched by special attendants night and day. The desire and the efforts to escape are as marked as ever. It has been found necessary to use a locked chest as she constantly tore her clothing into shreds. 6th Jan 18

8th June 1874 Patient's mental condition mentally is worse. Hallucinations of both ears has appeared. The bodily health continues good. This patient at the urgent entreaty of her friends

4/8/74 was removed unrelieved 4th August 1876

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## Emily Ann Manson

6th Jan. 1874

(2) Female - 29
(3) Single
(4) Gentlewoman
(5) Protestant
(6) 249 Cornwall Rd and Camberwell Ho. Asylum
(7) Camberwell H. Asylum S.E.
(8) Fifteen months
(9) No
(10) 27
(11) Since 23rd Sept. 1872 at Camberwell Ho. Asylum. London, S.E.
(13) Mamelupiration and Hereditary Insanity
(14) No
(15) Yes
(16) Was a formerly but is not now
(19) Emily Manson, Mother, residing at 249 Cornwall Road, Notting Hill, London, W.

29th Dec. 1873

Frank Schofield M.D., London certifies that she "talks in a silly rambling manner - has delusions - accuses her late medical attendant of wishing to take liberties with her - that he gave her strychnine to excite her animal passions. Says she has never been insane - and that her family have done their best to kill her and she has only to thank God for being alive"

29th Dec. 1873

Whitfield Perkins M.R.C.S. &c. London certifies that "though she has been under my daily notice for the last 15 months suffering from Mania at first of a very acute character she denies she has ever been insane, but was placed in an asylum by Mr Freeman who feared that she would injure his practice and also through her family being envious of her happiness in being the friend of God. She told me that the members of her family were more wicked than the rest of mankind and that she herself was free from sin and after her death would be Saint Amy and people would pray to her for her intercession. She said that Mr Freeman put some olive green paint into her tea."

9th Feb. 1874

There is no improvement in the patient's condition since her admission. She is very capricious, peevish, disposed to lie abed of a morning and frequently refuses to walk out of doors. Refuses to attend chapel because it is not consecrated and contains no altar. Says she is a ritualist and regrets that she cannot go to confession. Patient is very maniacal.

## Emily Ann Manson

5th May 1874 Patients condition remains unchanged.

1st Wed 1874 Amy Clamp is rather for the worse.

10 April 1875 Miss Manson is not improving. She is noisy and quarrelsome and has a beast of a temper. Her health is poor.

17 July 1875 This case remains the same. There is good physical health without any mental improvement

1 Dec 1875 This capricious patient is going on from bad to worse as far as mental health is concerned. She dances and sings in the most unladylike fashion and without the slightest imitation or provocation. Her Caprice is unbounded She is a perfect man hater and not too fond of her own sex. It is impossible to think her as ever likely approaching to a state of sanity. She is, if possible, getting worse. Her bodily health is very good

1 May 1876 This lady has recently had an irritation to suppurate which is not improbable but what she may have to undergo unimproved. At any rate there has been no change in her mental state at the departure

9th Feb 18

14 Dec 76. It appears that Miss Manson did not like the quiet habits of her friends, so she ran away from them & being met in dumpies by an attendant was brought back to partake in the gaieties of the Crichton.

4th May 1st Wed

Miss Manson desires to become a Roman Catholic & to that end corresponds with the Board of Lunacy, ending a ring as an endearment but the ring was returned with

10 April

Mentions See last volume. p 16. No 1464

17 July

1 May

1319. Jessie Morrison

16th Jan. 1874
(2) Female - 41
(3) Married
(4) Draper's Wife
(5) U. P. Church
(6) Glasgow
(7) Glasgow and Dumfries
(8) 13 yrs
(9) No
(10) 29
(11) Nice, Marseilles and Bothwell
(12) A fortnight
(13) Not known
(14). (15), (16) No
(19) Mr Robert Morrison, 262. Bath St. Glasgow her husband.

17th Jan. 1874
John Smith, M.D., Dumfries certifies as to "Her appearance of melancholy and mode of conversation and wrong ideas. Informs me that she has been several times under medical treatment in Institutions.
Have been shown a letter from her Father stating that owing to Mrs. Morrison's condition her removal was imperative"

14th Jan. 1874
Alex Robb, Surgeon, Glasgow certifies as to her "Continual talking of nonsense, ungovernable temper and sleeplessness.
Mrs. Morrison has been frequently in Asylums already according to her husband and father

9th Feb. 1874
The patient is very quiet, attends chapel and amusements and spends most of her time in reading or sewing. There is no improvement in her mental condition since admission

4th. May 1874
2nd do 15th do
Patients condition remains unchanged
General health good. no improvement in her mental condition

1st April 1875
This patients mental condition is in statu quo. She is industrious, tranquil, and dischargeable to Lunatic Asylum or Dumfries Asylum

17 July 1875
No Change in this case

1 May 1876
Mrs Morrison remains as unbecoming and harmless as ever. She is in good general health

Jessie Morrison

14 Dec 76. Mrs Morrison is quiet, & duly to inductions
Attends Chapel very regularly but her mental
condition is not improving being simple & childlike

April 16th 77. No change to record in this case

21st of October 1877. Mrs Morrison was discharged to
day ~~Relieved~~ Removed at her
husband & Dr Ellchrist

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1320 Thomas Roy

Voluntary

27th. Jan. 1874 The Sanction for the admission of this patient is dated 26th. Jan. 1874 and signed by Sir. James Coxe, Commissioner in Lunacy.

9th. Feb. 1874 Mr. Roy is a Hypochondriac, and has been a patient here more than once before. He was in a very low state on admission but rewarded rapidly under treatment and is now able to walk about. Eats and sleeps well and has hitherto given little trouble

16th. Feb. 1874 Discharged (at his fathers request) relieved

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1321 Mary Jane Armstrong M Gregor

27th Jan 1874

(2) Female – 27
(3) Married
(4) Confectioner's Wife
(5) United Presbyterian
(6) Carlisle
(7) Cridston R. Institution
(8) Five weeks
(9) Yes (ought to be "No")
(10) 27
(13) Pregnancy
(14) No
(15) No
(16) No
(19) John M Gregor, 11 Tait St. Carlisle, her husband
No member of family known to be or to have been insane.
(20) None

27th Jan 1874

James M. M'Culloch, M.D., Dumfries certifies as to her
(1) "chattering nonsense, restless incoherent insane in short.
(2) As above; sleepless &c"

27th Jan 1874

Hugh Cunningham L. R. C. P. Dumfries certifies that
(1) She is continually talking incoherencies and is restless
(2) Her husband informs me that she is constantly talking nonsense and will not rest night or day."

9th Feb 1874

The above "Statement" is inaccurate in some particulars as insanity is known to be hereditary in the patients' family on the mother's side. Mrs. M'Gregor also was insane for a short time two years ago after her first labour. She is very restless, throws herself upon the floor, rakes up cinders from the hearth and cannot be trusted for a moment by herself. Chloral (gr XXXVI) is administered every night under the influence of which the patient sleeps well. Food has to be given her by the attendant as she will not feed herself. There is retention of urine rendering the use of the catheter necessary daily.

1st Mch 1874

Constipation which was a marked feature in this case has disappeared and so has the retention of urine. She is now taking a mixture containing chloral and K Br at night and citrate of iron and quinine thrice daily. The patient is very restless and talks a great deal.

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Mary J. A. McGregor

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5th. May 1874 — Patient continues steadily to improve in bodily and mental health. The nightly change has been with-drawn and she sleeps well without it. The tonic is still continued. The patient now answers kindly by kind-ness and is much less excitable and more collected in demeanour.

26th. Feb. 18

8th. June 1874 — Mrs. McGregor's mental excitation varies greatly from day to day and even sometimes at different periods of the same day. She may be tranquil in the morning and very noisy and talkative in the after-noon. Occasionally she gets out of bed at night and lies on the floor. The improvement in her excitation is no longer steady.

25th. Feb. 1

18 June 1874 — After repeated progresses and elapses this patient gra-dually advanced, and at last reached her health-point, and was discharged Recovered June 18th 1874.

25th. Feb 1

9th. Mch

5th. May 18

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# Robert Patrick

26th Feb. 1874

(2) Male – nearly 70
(3) Widower
(4) Cooper
(5) Presbyterian
(6) Paisley
(7) Paisley
(8) Nine months
(9) Yes
No member of the Family known to be or to have ben insane
(10) 69 years
(11) As at present
(13) Paralysis
(14), (15) and (16) No.
(19) John Gibson Patrick, residing at Pollokshields, the Patients brother

25th Feb. 1874

James T. Donald M.R.C.S. Paisley certifies as to patients
(1) "loss of memory particularly for words. General confusion of ideas, and at times total incoherence. Special delusions, as that his former friends are now his worst enemies, and are constantly plotting his ruin by means of poison &c.
(2) Are corroborated by Mr. and Mrs. Paul who for months past have ben taking charge of him, during my professional attendance".

25th Feb 1874

Thomas Graham, M. D., Paisley certifies as to his
(1) "incoherence, loss of memory, aphasia, delusions, particularly that he is being poisoned, and that his best friends are now his worst enemies
(2) Mr. Paul states that he is frequently wandering in his habits and restless at nights."

9th March 1874

Mr. Patrick became much excited and very noisy on the night of admission when the attendant was undressing him in order to put him to bed. The excitement which preceded pain alarm soon passed off and the patient has since been quiet and inoffensive, though at times querulous and rather talkative

8th May 1874

Patient continues to be very irritable and querulous and now and then delusions of different kinds crop up. He has had several fits since admission. Suddenly and without any warning except that increased irritability of temper has been noticed his

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head drops, the eyes are closed and the breathing becomes slow and laboured whilst consciousness is either wholly or partially lost. This condition is renewed from in periods varying from fifteen minutes to two hours. Before an attack he generally refuses food for half a day or 2s. 8th. Mch. 1

1st Nov 1874 Patient spends most of the night after the weekly allowance of linen is issued to the laundry in loud lamentations: to ~~break~~ prevent himself being "robbed" it is his interesting custom to secrete his night-cap, hair-brush, &c, up the chimney. Has had no such fit as above described for several months. 8th. Mch. 1

10th April 1875 Mr Patrick remains as described

17 July 1875 This gentleman is fonny on us his old ways he is prone to exaggerate any little feeling that he may experience and make a mortal ouo of — nothing. His general health is fair and his behaviour good 8th. Mch.

1 Decr 1875 This case goes on in the old style much roaming and far complaining of men and Amp his general Characteristic Delusion about bad health and infinite discomfort with scarcely any mind left for anything else and very apparent. The physical state is good 9th Mch

1 May 1876 Mr Patrick remains as described demented and unchanged. 13th Mch

20 December 76 - Mr Patrick remains in the same state his bodily condition is good considering his age. 17th Mch 1

Feb 19th 77 Discharged Relieved. 6th April 1

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# Robert Sinclair

8th Mch 1874 (2) Male – 41 (13) Mental Excitement & insomnia
(3) Married (14), (15), (16) No
(4) Sheriff Clerk Depute (9) William Sinclair residing in Glasgow, brother of the patient
(5) Presbyterian No member of his family is known to be or to have been insane
(6) Portland Pl. Maxwelltown
(7) Lauriston Do.
(8) 14 days
(9) Yes

8th Mch 1874 William Marshall M.D. Dumfries says that he (1) "talks incoherently, [Talks incessantly] on imaginary subjects. Is inclined some nights to roam about all night.
(2) Much the same as above"

8th Mch 1874 Patrick Murray M.D. Dumfries certifies that his (1) "Conversation is rambling and incoherent he imagines that he was out on horseback this morning – that he was in London yesterday with Mr. Henry Gordon, and that he is doing duty for Sheriff Hope.
(2) The attendant states that he is intensely wishing to get out of bed and always talking nonsense".

9th Mch 1874 Hard drinking continued for a long time together with excitement during the recent election has brought on an attack of Mania à Potu.

13th Mch 1874 Patient has still delusions as to being visited by many persons during the night. His bodily health is improving and he eats well. Dr. Marshall says that symptoms of mental alienation have been apparent in this case for some months.

17th Mch 1874 The delusions have ceased and the general health of the patient is rapidly improving

6th April 1874 Discharged Recovered.

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11th Mch.

10th Mch.

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# William Allison Satterthwaite

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| 11th Mch. 1874 | (2) Male – 43 | (9) Yes |
| | (3) Married | (10) 43 |
| | (4) Com[l] Traveller & Draper | (12) Several months |
| | (5) Church of England | (13) None known (Secretary) |
| | (6) London & Cockermouth | (14) No (15) yes (16) No |
| | (7) 22 Spencer St., Carlisle | (19) Mrs George Smith, Fletcher St. Cockermouth, Patient's sister |
| | (8) A few months | |

One full sister and one Step-sister insane

11th Mch. 1874 David Carlyle M.D. Carlisle certifies that

(1) "he imagines that his former bowels have passed by some stool and that he has had new ones to replace them – that he cannot pass a stool in a water-closet – that his motions are composed of sand – that he has lost weight and thought he might be blown away some day

(2) That he is very irritable in temper – threatening to strike friends if they do not agree with him. He also yesterday attempted suicide by drowning. He has often said that he would do such previously"

11th Mch. 1874 Robert Elliot M.D. Carlisle gives the following evidence to prove insanity: –

(1) "Expression of countenance and his irrational explanations to depict his ailment the details being unarranged and often incompatible and at variance with reason and experience

(2) Habits much altered of late, have become dirty and he often fails to respect the common proprieties and decencies of civilized life as to his bodily dress – and that he has attempted suicide".

17th Mch 1874 The patient does not sleep well and has been prescribed chloral at night

5th May 1874 Mr Satterthwaite is melancholy and irritable especially at night when he frequently disturbs the other patients. On the whole his condition has slightly improved

1st Nov 1874 Patient still suffers hypochondriacal: that some basis of his peculiar ill-health exists is evidenced by his spitting some muco-purulent stuff from time to time, but – this appears to

come from the stomach.

10 April 1875 This Gentleman has the most unfavourable feelings and Reservations. He is very much depressed and nervous prone to exaggerate his causes of unfortunes during the last entry

17 July 1875 His Calleathwaite's melancholia continues. He is irritable and disagreeable and has recently broken a pane of glass this also has nature. He is literally fed all day long and finds nothing that can alleviate his harrowing sufferings

1 Dec 1875 Mr Calleathwaite has got hunts pant and evidently much enjoys the amount of person that had implied. He is not so querulous nor so difficult to manage, and his dissatisfaction has to some extent disappeared Then is no great improvement however and it is to be hoped that the pardon fairs will accelerate a happier state

1 May 1876 Mr Calleathwaite remains in statu quo. Very capricious & susceptible of belief in imaginary things which trouble his mind and cause him sorrow and much regret. He is far from the same state.

21 Decemb 76. This Gentleman still complains of the Inmates in his vicinity & of their calling him bad names &c on. He sometimes thinks he will "claim them out" but soon finds that he must feed them as they only call him worse names.

April 16th 77. No change to record. The same delusions.

20th November 1877. Mr Calleathwaite has his delusions as much as ever & of the same character, & they lead him to do odd & mad things, going to bed 2 or 3 times a day & taking up peculiar postures. Taking his food at odd times

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# John Gillison

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a year has elapsed between the last two. The present one has been the first which occurred during the patients residence in the Crichton, all the others having occurred at his own home during intervals of sanity

2d May 1874 Mr. Gillison owing to a paroxysm of maniacal excitement had to be transferred to the Low North ward a week ago. He is now more tranquil.

8th June 1874 Patients mental condition varies very much. For a week or two at a time he continues comparatively tranquil excitement follows which may culminate in mania so violent as to necessitate his removal to the refractory gallery. After a varying period the excitement subsides and he then returns to the gallery from which he has been removed.

11th Nov 1874 Mr Gillison having for fully six weeks remained in a tranquil state of mind, his friends considered that he might be allowed to return home on trial, accordingly he was today discharged on Probation to the care of his wife. Since the time when it was determined to apply for his release on Probation, however, there has been a certain unsatisfactoryness in the case - Mr Gillison has been observed to be rather uncertain in his gait, though he declares decidedly that he is "as well as ever he was"; and he has been much quieter - duller - and wanting in animation: while out with the digging party his movements and efforts became so uncertain that the attendant had to make him cease the attempt.

10.5.75 Mr Gillison was this day discharged relieved &

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# John King

is a voluntary patient and a dipsomaniac. The sanction of his admission is signed by Dr. Arthur Mitchell and dated 19th. March 1874

20th. March 1874 Date of admission

The following is a copy of a letter sent to Dr. Gilchrist by Mr King's former medical advisers :-

..... He will probably tell you the nature of the dread and anxiety which he had for two or three years (and which he very unfortunately kept to himself) and which led to sleeplessness and recourse to brandy to overcome it. In his first attack of D. T. he had a short but very violent attack of epilepsy - however he has had nine since though he has had a good many attacks of D. T. and latterly there have been very frequent-four attacks within the last six months. Besides brandy he has taken during the last 18 months or two years large doses of chloral some nights two drachms or upwards in order to procure sleep.....

His attacks of delirium tremens are somewhat peculiar. They always begin by his hearing voices and the conversation he hears is of a sustained and coherent character; his eyesight then becomes hazy and the light becomes coloured. Every second then, the shutting of a door for example will take the form of a voice. He next fancies that there are passages adjoining his room in which people are talking and that they are going to make an attack upon him. When he is convalescent he recollects all the delusions that were present to his mind in his illness and can describe every thing he heard and saw just as well as when he was labouring under the delusions. In an attack he had about a month ago his memory seemed to be somewhat affected, his ideas slipping from his mind as he was speaking and he would stop short in the middle of a sentence unable to go on, but this was the case only for a single day. Lately he has said when depressed that he sees "cobwebs of his eyes"

# John King

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and that there was "nothing worth living for" so that I was really apprehensive that he might purposely take a fatal dose of chloral..... He has an uncle who is a dipsomaniac and who is at present under control.

25th. Mch. 1

5th. May 1874 Mr. King has had parole in the grounds for two or three weeks and goes regularly to prayers and communicates. He sleeps without the aid of narcotics and is at present taking iron and quinine

5th. May 18

8th. June 1874 Mr. King having broken his parole and got drunk has been forbidden to go beyond the grounds

29/7/74 Patient personally improved and discharged himself

21st. Dec., 74 Mr King has again today returned to this Institution. During the time he has been away he has gradually but steadily reverted to his old habits of "boating" evidence of which he has on his arrival. He was slightly in the Spirit. His health has not been so good since he left, and at his own "earnest bill" and the desire or rather advice of his Doctor he has again become a patient in the Institution. Do per cam stock at night he takes in the aid of opium Chloral and other Soporifics. He attributes the return of his misfortune to mixing a good deal in Society

[illegible] Nov. 1

10 April 1

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Jan. 7th 1875 Gradual recovery from sleeplessness enables Mr King to say that he is greatly better. He takes exercise daily in the grounds and is very comfortable in every respect

3rd. April 75 Discharged Relieved.

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James Carson — See Page 308

is a voluntary patient suffering from a very mild form of melancholia. The sanction of his admission is signed by Dr. Arthur Mitchell and dated 18th March 1874

20th. March 1874 Date of admission

Patient has been an inmate on two previous occasions. See page 308

5th. May 1874 Mr. Carson's health bodily and mental has improved considerably since admission. At first Chloral was required in order to procure sleep but this has for a week been dispensed with and he now sleeps pretty well. He is taking Ferri et Quin. Cit. gr v ter die and a glass of whiskey toddy every night

1st Nov. 1874 The Supplement which is the basis of Mr Carson's life (– how much of it is imaginary & dependent on faith not") continues: the normal system has been made but without result; and without a "drought" Mr Carson fails to get a satisfactory night's sleep. Recently Belladonna has been tried, but the results were nil, possibly from the publishers of the ~~warrant~~ at my command.

10 April 1875 Mr Carson is going on very favourably. His wants are not numerous. He sleeps fairly and is altogether [illegible] improved. Discharged Cured

~~Dismissed~~

Discharged Recovered 24th April 1875

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# Lydia Cairns See Vol. XII. Page 166

20th Mch. 1874 (2) Female - 57 (8) Yes
(3) Single (9) 40'
(4) Gentlewoman (11) Not assigned - hereditary
(5) Independent (12), (13) & (14) No
(6) Aug 6th. 1876 (16) Miss Eleanor Cairns, Chorley, Lancashire, Sister & patient
(7) About 12 years
Her brother was several times a patient in this Asylum

12th Mch. 1874 Dr. Wm. L. Lindsay, Murray's Asylum, Perth says that Miss Cairns is the subject of chronic (confirmed) mania with a tendency to abstinence from food. He also states that her bodily health and nutrition is fair.

4th May 1874 Miss Cairns very seldom takes all her meals on any given day. On May she took no food at all. She has many delusions one of these being that she "can expand the circle"

2nd Nov 1874 Miss Cairns requires to be kept strictly in hand or she would resort to habitual abstinence from food.

16 Mch 1875 Miss Cairns is not improving. She still believes that she is a fiend or something of the like one. She certainly is not far wrong if mere destruction and an abdominable will are attributes of that gentleman. Her behaviour varies very much. At times she is quiet and good but more frequently she is noisy and exceedingly bad. Of late her habit has been most apparent so much so that her feeding by the Stomach pump has rather [illegible]

17 July 1875 Miss Stormy Lady continues the same - irritable and excitable as ever. She refuses to fall asleep until some body comes to remove her from her place of "durance vile"

1 Dec 1875 Miss Cairns since last entry has been in a restless fallacy. She has now no Cairns all her bad qualities with her. Her Lunacy is not diminished in quantity or quality. She often refuses to take her food and the question of artificial alimentation is under consideration. Her general health is fair

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1 May 1876 This lady is at times very excitable and very capable of perpetrating acts that disturb the County Asylum uncomfortably. She is quarrelsome & irritable and unjust to officers and attendants She believes she is the devil & he cannot be annoyed at times when she says so. This lady is in Probation

7th April 1

December 16th '76. Miss Cairns still considers herself the devil & philosopher. She is industrious & makes many nice things, imitating trees in cut paper very well. Sometimes a little noisy but always even good natured & generally ends her conversation by saying "but I know I'm the very devil".

7th April 1

April 16th 77. Miss Cairns has for six months past behaved very well. Very talkative. good natured & will lend anything to the ward, but refuses to accept anything. She has parole to go into the grounds to her garden.

7th April 1

November 20th 1877. Miss Cairns is keeping tolerably well & is in the enjoyment of a certain limited amount of parole still

5th May 1

September 12th 78 Miss Cairns still remains as in above entry: She is very industrious and contrary to the general tendency of patients shows a considerable interest in her fellow patients She is however still 'the devil'

20th May

March 16th 79 Miss Cairns continues to be very philosophical and obtuse in conversation: very active and industrious

August 15th 79 Miss Cairns is today discharged on Probation Sent to Dornoch

Jany 31st 1880 Miss Cairns is today discharged Relieved

Pd 1880

10 April

17 July

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# John Brown

7th April 1874

(2) Male – 22 (8) About 3 months
(3) Single (9) Yes
(4) Town-clerk (10) 22 years
(5) U. P. (11) Ayrshire District Asylum
(6) 3 Back Craddon, Paisley (13) Intemperance
(7) Do. Do. (14), (15), (16) No.
(19) James S. Brown, Inspector of Poor, Patients father

No mention of family known to be or to have been insane

7th April 1874

David Taylor M.D. Paisley certifies that the patient has (1) "Various delusions. When he eats he says it causes pain to others and he could live without food. Says his brother has power to mesmerize him, but by inflicting wound upon himself destroys his brother's influence over him."

7th April 1874

John Smith M.D. Dumfries certifies that the patient has (1) "Numerous delusions. Tells me that his body is in the complete power of his brother who does everything through the influence that his body has. He also says that when he takes food it pains others but not himself."

5th May 1874

Mr. Brown in a transient fit of excitement broke two panes of glass. He is improving in bodily health and takes his food better

20th May 1874

Patient broke glass on two more occasions and was in consequence consigned to seclusion for some days. When out walking he is restrained by an attendant by means of a strap fastened round patient's body. Food is occasionally refused altogether or only a partial meal taken at times. Often breathes slow and endangers his life by leaping down stairs.

1st Nov 1874

Mr Brown has now become a peaceful and quiet member of our community: he takes his food well, but appears capable of little mental effort.

10 April 1875

This patient remains the same in all respects

17 July 1875

There is no change in this case.

1 Dec 1875 Mr Brown history presents no remarkable events. He is dull and stupid with great apathy and listlessness amounting to incapacity. He has had a slight attack of indigestion which soon spontaneously disappears. His case is one of no great interest - it being [illegible] assumed as there is not much progress one way or another. She does satisfies with his lot and all that is done for him

1 May 1876 This case is unaltered and uninteresting. Mr Brown has enjoyed good health but has not mentally improved since last account.

April 18th 77. Mr Brown is quiet + takes his food well. There is nothing to record of any interest concerning this gentleman.

November 20th 1877. For more than a year past this case has remained the same. He is apathetic, listless + appears to take no interest in any thing. His general health is unusually good.

September 12th 1878 This is no feature of interest to record in the Case he neither reads nor writes - simply goes through the ordinary routine life of the place evincing no interest in any of his surroundings

March 8th 79 Mr Brown remains unimproved has alone received

September 6th 79 This gentleman is a quiet demented - inoffensive + inactive, but of

May 10th 80 There is no change to record in this Case of dementia - not even a term of excitement to diversify his existence

Sept 14th 80 Mr Brown's life has not been chequered by an - single incident of importance since last entry he eats sleeps walks out + never speaks not even an unintelligible word when excited -

10th March 81 No change in this Case

Dec. 1882 In Statu quo. March 1st discharged Not improved. Transferred to Rosmead

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11th Sept. 18

4th May 1

11th May 1

8th June 1

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10 April

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# Frederic Somes Saxton

8th April 1874

(2) Male - 21
(3) Single
(4) Solicitor's Clerk
(5) Church of England
(6) Sydenham, Kent
(7) Sydenham, Kent
(8) About 12 months
(9) Yes
(10) 20 years
(11) Northumberland House Asylum
(13) Masturbation
(14), (15) No.
(16) Perhaps as during a paroxysm
(19) Edward Saxton residing at Sydenham, Kent, Patient's father
No other member of family insane

8th Apr. 1874

James Thomson Stibbon M.D. London says that
(1) "he states that he is walking round the world and that he is married to the Princess Beatrice. He has also shewn various indications of being dangerous to others

8th Apr. 1874

Hugh Cunningham L.R.C.P., Dumfries states that
(1) he is restless, has a vacant appearance of the countenance and believes himself endowed by God Almighty with supernatural power

4th May 1874

Mr. Saxton is at present suffering from dysentery which began on the 1st. inst.

11th May 1874

The patient has recovered from his illness

8th June 1874

Mr. Saxton cannot be taken to the out door amusements as his language to ladies is obscene

1st Nov 1874

There is no noteworthy change in Mr Saxton's condition.

10 April 1875

Grinning is the only kind of articulation that this gentleman seems at present possessed of. His mental state is not abit improving. His physical state is very good.

17 July 1875

No change for the better to record

2 Augt 1875

This gentleman was removed to a private Medical Mans residence today Relieved

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## Thomas Sinclair

17th Apr. 1874 — is a Voluntary Patient and a Dipsomaniac.

The Sanction for his admission is signed by Dr. Arthur Mitchell, Commissioner in Lunacy.

28th Apr. 1874 — Stimulants were gradually withdrawn, and have now been entirely discontinued. The patient is doing well.

On the second day after admission patient had a convulsive fit which lasted ten minutes and left him weak and exhausted. He states that he had two epileptic fits in one day while "on the spree" about six weeks before the one above mentioned.

8th June 1874 — The patient is in good health and spirits and talks of going home soon.

This patient rapidly improved and was discharged recovered

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28th Apr

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27th Apr

8th June

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# Robert Kerr

28th Apr 1874
(2) Male - 63
(3) Married
(4) Farmer
(5) United Presbyterian
(6) Candholm, Parish of
(7) Kirkpatrick-Juxta
(8) Four years
(12) Four years
(13) Worse since 2 years ago when he got a blow on the head
(15) Threatens to cut his throat
(19) Jane Kerr, Candholm, Par. of Kirkpatrick-Juxta Patient's wife
No member of family known that he or she have been insane.

27th Apr 1874
James Munro M.D. Moffat says that the patient is
(1) "Restless and excited frequently breaking into singing when in conversation - saying he will put an end to himself"
(2) "The above facts as well as threatening to injure his wife and family"

27th Apr 1874
Robt. Thomson Forbes M.B. Moffat says that the patient is
(1) "Restless and passionate - In conversation all at once begins to sing or swear - Threatens to put an end to himself
(2) Has threatened to murder his wife".

8th June 1874
Mr. Kerr is very restless, often excited when he talks and laughs loudly. He is never violent but is almost constantly engaged in making efforts to escape

1st Nov 1874
Mr Kerr is now much quieter, rarely becomes excited, and has not for some time made any attempt at escape.

30 January 1875
The patient was discharged on Probation. Continues to keep quiet and tractable since last entry to the time he was discharged (30 May 1875) He was discharged altogether on the 6 of July 1875 with his condition somewhat relieved

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30th April

30th April

30th April

8th June

31st Oct

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# Cochrane Dalgliesh

30th April 1874

(2) Female – 33
(3) Single
(4) No occupation
(5) Baptist
(6) Cumnock, Ayrshire
(7) Do. Do.
(8) About 12 months
(9) Yes
(13) Religious Despondency
(15)(16) No
(17) Not at all
(19) James Dalgliesh, Patients father
No other member of family insane

30th April 1874

James Laurence M.D. states that the Patient is the subject of
(1) "Delusions of various kinds
(2) That she is the cause of all the diseases of her friends"

30th April 1874

Andrew Black Morrison M.B. states that the Patient has
(1) "Fear and dread of society. Believes she has committed unpardonable sins. Delusions of great variety
(2) That she has occasioned disturbances in society and has given rise to enmity among friends."

8th June 1874

Patient is very taciturn. She attends chapel and sews a good deal. No decided mental improvement has yet been observed but the bodily condition is better.

31st Oct 1874

Up-till about a month ago there was no very noticeable improvement in Miss Dalgliesh's condition. She took little food, saying it was not right for her to eat, and went about saying to the other patients that she was too bad to live. On the beginning of this month, however, on her removal to a new gallery – she began to take her food pretty well, and became less taciturn; and – as time went on – she became a good deal more cheerful, though still disposed to think that everything that went wrong was owing to her. She was this day discharged at her father's request, and against the advice of the Medical Superintendent.

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4th May

2nd Janry

2nd Janry

8th June

1st

10 April

17 Sept

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# William Smith

4th May 1874

(2) Male — 46 (10) 44
(3) Single (13) Not known
(4) Schoolmaster (14) No
(5) Presbyterian (15) & (16) Yes
(6) Fellend (17) Not a Pauper
(7) Do. (18) —
(8) Fully 2 years (19) Isabella Smith or Hope, Sister
(9) Yes No member of family has ever been insane

This patient was transferred from R. C. A.

2nd Jany 1874 Thomas B. Gresson L.R.C.S.? Thornhill states that
(1) "His mind is under the influence of delusions. He believes in some influence acting upon him emanating from people at a distance. His reasoning powers are defective and perverted. His manner corresponds therewith
(2) His sister Mrs. Hope speaks of his very restless state both by night and day — says that he speaks of people "torturing" him who are imaginary — says that she believes he tried to drown himself"

2nd Jany 1874 Robert Shaw M.B. Thornhill states that the patient is
(1) "Melancholic restless and uneasy. I have often observed him to have delusions and although examined at present during a lucid interval I have no doubt that he is insane.
(2) His sister and brother-in-law say that they have heard him threatening to commit suicide and that he once attempted to do so — that he wanders to bed and gets very little sleep."

8th June 1874 Patient frequently gets out of bed at night and lies on the floor under the delusion that he is ordered to do so by two men whom he describes. The appetite is ravenous.

1st Nov. 1874 Mr Smith occasionally misses one - two - or three meals from delusions about the food: this abstinence is fully made up for in subsequent meals. He has a habit of sleeping standing in bed, & on his face.

10 April 1875 Walking has been much as more or less since last entry. Mr Smith is at present somewhat better.

17 July, 1875 No change in this case

1334 John Blamire (Voluntary) see Vol 14 Page 1330 1334 1335

1st May 1874 The sanction of Wm Blamire's admission to this Institution is signed by Dr. Arthur Mitchell at Edinburgh 1st May 1874 — 8th May 18

July 26 1874 Wm. Blamire has this day absconded leaving

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1333 William Smith see last page

1 Dec 1875 Mr Smith's delusions about hybrids and such things are still to manifest at his time when instead of lying down he carefully wraps himself in a sheet or blanket or bolts and stands more like a ghost or what is called such than a living man. His understanding an rational. He continues himself in the best possible and is never doing any unimaginable. — 7th May 18 — 2nd May

1 May 1876 Mr Smith is still full of his delusions about hybrids and other beings of a preternatural character. He seldom sleeps except in a lying great attitude. At present he is in a bad state of health and promises to benefit thereby. — 14th May

14 Dec 76. Mr Smith still has horrid delusions about his body being full of holes & in these holes there is a quantity of filth which he can press out & so on, also other delusions about inventions &c. — 8th June — 1st Nov 1

April 16th 77. Delusions still numerous & of the same kind, delusions that there are numerous creatures English & Irish — who watch him & torment him & that these said individuals guide the Officers of this institution & tell them to change him from one place to another. So that whatever is done to him he shows no resentment because he says it is these people who are instructed & who make us do it. — 10 April

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Rev. Edward Wells Gilbert

(2) Male-52 (11) Cheadle
(3) Married (12) About 3 months
(4) Clergyman (13) Trouble and anxiety
(5) Church of England (14) (15) (16) No
(6) Radcliffe + Kearsley nr Manchester (19) Amelia Gilbert, wife of patient, St Edmunds, Rochdale
(7) ~~Married~~ one sister has been under restraint
(8) 3 months
(9) Yes

7th May 1874 George William Mould M.R.C.S. Cheadle says that patient (1) "Is in a low desponding state – sometimes cannot answer a question put to him – is under the impression that he has committed some great crime"

2nd May 1874 William Stammell M.R.C.S. Rochdale certifies that (1) "For some months he has been in a low desponding state – is gloomy and morose – refuses to answer any questions – has refused food
(2) " He told his wife that he has no child – that he has been visited by his relations though they have not been near him – that he has committed a murder etc"

14th May 1874 Patient will not answer when questioned. He is quiet and docile, takes his food moderately well, but sleeps very little

8th June 1874 Mr. Gilbert sleeps and eats well but still answers only in monosyllables and in a whisper when spoken to

1st Nov 1874 Mr Gilbert has made a little but still evident improvement recently and can occasionally be got to talk a little on politics, & the weather. Catharine good my self.

April 1875 Mr Gilbert is still dull and melancholic altho he certainly has improved. He talks when drawn into a conversation with ease and fluency. At this present moment he is suffering from the effects of cold

17 July 1875 This gentleman continues to enjoy good bodily health. His mental state remains the same. He is dull and distant

1 Dec 1875 Peris Faulkman has very much improved since last entry and promises to get quite well. He talks more and takes an interest in what is going on around him. He has been laid up with Erysipelas of his face since which he has just recovered

1 May 1876 Mr Gilbert is keeping well and promises to attend to the instructions in which he has been as far as practicable since under treatment.

15th. May

7th. May

Jany. 1877. Improving.

June 22nd 77. Very much improved. Is staying at Dornoch Farm.

July 27th 77. Discharged Recovered.

Discharged Recovered July 27-77

7th. May

8th June

28th

1336 Charles Edward Stanley Curwen

13th May 1874 (2) Male - 21 (10) See above
(3) Single (11) With Dr. Bailby Morningside
(4) None (12) Continuous
(5) Church of England (13) Teething
(6) Rockwith, Rughton Head (14) Yes
(7) Near Carlisle (15) (16) No
(8) Since infancy (19) William B. Curwen, Rockwith, near Carlisle, Patients' Father
(9) See above

7th May 1874 Robert Elliot M.D. Carlisle certifies as follows:—
(1) "Preferring to be perfectly naked crouched and folded up into little space — never replies to any remark, but evidently observes although shy and stealthily — is passive rendering no help, but offering no opposition to any one — However he shows no fear or alarm and no antipathy or horror.
(2) Such as occasional paroxysms of destructiveness and almost total absence of ordinary capacity. He is liable to epileptic fits two or three times a week."

7th May 1874 Philip Hair, M.D., Carlisle certifies that
(1) I found him crouched in a corner of the room perfectly naked — would not speak. He could not be removed from his position having his feet and legs securely fixed in the mattress. When removed he seizes his feet with his hands and becomes stiff. His head is depressed upon his breast and eyes fixed on the floor. He is indifferent to all around
(2) He is very subject to epileptic fits. Becomes very destructive and destructive. Refuses food and clothing &c.

8th June 1874 Mr. Curwen has had three epileptic fits since admission. The fits are not very severe and continue but a short time

28th Oct 1874 Mr Curwen continued to suffer from time to time from the epileptic fits above spoken to — sometimes having two in a day, and they seem to have become more severe in character. His mental condition, however, would

appear to have improved considerably - he took his food fairly well, and though occasionally violent was not destructive. Nine days before date - after two consecutive and severe epileptic fits, his pulse was noticed to become considerably accelerated, and he began to refuse his food. Suspicion being aroused an examination of his chest discovered that he was suffering from Capillary Bronchitis, and - from his weak vitality, the worst was precluded from the first. The end justified the prognosis - in spite of treatment he succumbed to the disease on this date.

1833
16th. May
14th. May
4th. May
9th June
1st Nov
21 March

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# William Riddell

15th. May 1874
(2) Male - 32
(3) Single
(4) Farming pursuits
(5) Protestant
(6) Always at Homelake Jedburgh
(7) Jedburgh
(8) About 10 years
(9) Third attack
(10) 23
(11) Morningside
(12) 3 months
(13) Not known
(14) 115 (16) No
(19) None known to the insane

14th. May 1874
John Hume L.R.C.S.E. Jedburgh certifies that
(1) "He looks very excited and talks in a most excited and nonsensical manner. Has taken a great dislike to me and even threatened to shoot me. He says he will be a D.D. in three months &c.
(2) His father tells me he has been very unsettled for some months. Sometimes talks of getting married, sometimes of becoming a Missionary &c."

14th. May 1874
William Jeffrey M.D. Jedburgh certifies that
(1) "In appearance and manner he is extremely excited — talks rambling nonsense — is full of delusions such as that he is an M.D. and has been called to finish Livingstones work in Africa &c. &c.
(2) Has been twice or thrice in an Asylum before this. For some weeks past has been most unsettled."

9th. June 1874
The patient is often very talkative and noisy but never offers violence to any one. He does not sleep well

1st. Nov. 1874
Patient has made very great improvement since last entry, is not either noisy or excited, and will probably soon be put on parole.

31 March 1875
Mr. Riddell left the asylum to-day — in possession of the same sound in Corpore sano. Recovered

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William Smith continues from page 268. 1338

October 22nd 77. Wm Smith has still his remarkable delusion which leads him to do absurd things. makes taking no animal food for deep. Wearing 2 pairs of spectacles. going about with one eye closed &c He is an very nice man. very mad. 20th May 1879

September 12th 78 Wm Smith still remains the victim of a mass of delusions - He supposes his body to be composed of a number of "glutinous threads" which he can break by the pressure of his finger. He also is the subject of persecution conducted by individuals by means of Chemical Agents

March 8th 1879 Mr Smith has lately been taking little or no Animal food: he envelops himself in a mackintosh to protect himself from the persecuting agents who disturb him. He often walks about in an absurd manner under the impression that he is escaping from some violent wind storm. 8th June 1879

Sept 16th 1879 When off the paroxysms of his delusions Wm Smith is an interesting and well informed individual: if left to himself he is the prey of his manifold delusions which continue to exert the same influence over him.

May 18th 80 Wm Smith Continues to the victim of his unpleasant delusions Chiefly of persecution: he is very peculiar about his food and says frequently that the Quality has been Changed to his detriment During the day he lies on the Sofa Watches us or newspapers &c - takes great delight in sweeping Round the pillars and doing other mad actions 27th Oct 1879

Sept 14th 80 Wm Smith Continues to suffer greatly from "Draughts" and does not remain at a great rate to escape Them is crouched in some corner where they Cannot reach him

16th March 81 Oct. 81. Wm Smith remains the same but has been applying to get his discharge and has been seen by two extra mural medical men who have reported to the Board of Governors. No further amendment

April 1882 Still the same See 269 371

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Mrs Jessie Murray

20th May 1874 is a Voluntary Patient. She is married and has had several children the youngest being eleven years of age. In January last she began to feel "nervous" and apprehensive as to the state of her health, the causes being according to her own statement the receipt of a letter containing bad news and a report which reached her ears that a friend of hers who had been "nervous" for some time had been removed to an Asylum. The case is one of Melancholia of a mild type. The Sanction for the Patient's admission has been signed by Dr. Arthur Mitchell, Royal Commissioner

8th June 1874 Mrs Murray complains of nervousness and sleeplessness She says "the words "Cut throat" suggest themselves constantly to her mind and that she is afraid of laying violent hands on those who are about her at times. She has hitherto been able to control the homicidal impulse. Chloral and bromide of potassium in large doses and hyoscyamus seem to have alleviated the condition of this patient

27th Oct 1874 Mrs Murray continued in much the same state till about the end of August. The round of the hypnotics was made without satisfactory sleep being procured, and the patient continued nervous and low-spirited, and – evidencing the mutinous condition of the system generally – she was seized with a distressing irritability of the bladder; this latter complication was somewhat relieved by Uva Ursi and Acetate of Potash. At this time the administration of Liq. Morph. Acet., in calmative doses of ℳ xx thrice daily, was had recourse to, and shortly ~~whether~~ after – whether propter hoc or not deponent saith not – her sleep became more prolonged and refreshing, all suicidal suggestions ceased, she became more cheerful and entered with more zest into our amusements – in short her mind gradually regained tone; and she was ultimately – on this date – discharged Recovered.

# William Smith - Continued

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October 26th 1862 — Mr Smith has been much better of late. he still dodges the bad vapors when Otherwise apparent sitting, sleeps under the bed or other peculiarities also to avoid the Vapors it is supposed. Otherwise he is fairly intelligent well behaved, quiet, polite & harmless. He has passable in the ground extra which he enjoys. His bodily health is good.

April 16th 1863 — Mr Smith remains in good bodily health but there is no improvement in his mental condition he has a liking in him that utters phrases without his sanction, speaking in his hallucinations sometimes when he thinks himself unheard abuses this individual violently for saying things that he does not recall said. He has learned the habit of concealing his delusions

4th June 1864

6th June 1874

19 Feb 81 — Mr Smith has made little progress. He will stand for long periods in and corner quite silent. his conversation is for the most part rational, and he rarely reveals his delusions but he fancies that people speak about him and abuse him. He has permission to

21st Sept 1877

grounds and 3rd weekly alone with Mr Richards outside the gate.

10. 7. 84 — Is much the same. Tells everyone who comes new to the place the story of his courtship, & asserts that he never drank or was dissipated.

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4th June 1874

Charles Clinton Parry

is a Voluntary Patient and a Dipsomaniac.

The Sanction for his admission is signed by Dr. Arthur Mitchell, Commissioner in Lunacy.

Mr Parry was formerly an inmate of this Institution and was discharged in February last. He began to drink again almost immediately after his discharge, and was induced to place himself under treatment a second time as he had become so unmanageable at home that his wife was obliged to place him under the surveillance of the police. The treatment usual in such cases has been adopted and Mr Parry is now quite well.

6th June 1874

21st Sept 1874 Patient was this day discharged "Recovered".

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13th June 1874

6 June 1874

6th June 1874

Sept 2 1873

10th March

17 July 18

1 Dec 18

1340 Miss Christina Scrymgeour

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|---|---|---|
| 13th June 1874 | 2 Female – 49 | 10 about 20 |
| | 3 Single | 11 never in an asylum before |
| | 4 No occupation | 12 Neurotic other people |
| | 5 Episcopalian | 13 Unknown |
| | 6 Edinburgh | 14 No |
| | 7 Resides from Edinburgh | 15 Threatened |
| | 8 More or less since she came to womanhood – | 16 Not certain – |
| | 9 No | 19 Miss S Scrymgeour Cliff Cranfield Wraphy Forfarshire |
| | | 20 Some |
| 6 June 1874 | 1 Dr McLeod says she has an insane expression – general rambling style of conversation and unfitness to keep up a continuous attention upon any subject and great restlessness of manner | |
| | 2 Her want of tidiness as a lady in dress and when spoken to in this or any other matter requiring control – her violent manner using abusive language – on some occasions she has spoken of suicide – | |
| 6th June 1874 | 2 Dr S M Absolon – Says Restless and excited appearance rambling and incoherent conversation in fact unable to sustain a continuous conversation in any subject – | |
| | 2 Informed by Mr McLeod that she is often violent and uncontrolable often indelicate in her manner and has threatened to commit suicide – | |
| Sept 21st 74 | Miss Scrymgeour remains in the state described in her certificate: she is exceedingly flighty, talkative, and restless; and has no power of concentration of thought on any subject. | |
| 10th March 75 | The flightiness of Miss Scrimgeour and her want of discrimination are still glaringly evident. She is in fact badly Conditioned | |
| 17 July 1875 | There is no alteration in this Ladys mental condition Her general behaviour remains as it was. She has a violent impulse that may be felt for her at any moment provocation | |
| 1 Dec 1875 | There is not much to record of interest in | |

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16th Sept 18

Sept. 18

10th March

17 July 18

1 Dec 18

1 May 18

Feb 18

9 June

this lady's case she is capricious and disposed to storm according to the cast of her mind. She has of late burst out into violent fits of unaccountable passion. Generally speaking there is no great change physical health is good mental state is in statu quo —

1 May 1876 This case has not improved Miss S is very capricious irritable and imbecile. Her personal habits very good

Dec 20th 76. In statu quo

April 14th 77. This lady at all times flighty frivolous & absurd, untidy, occasionally varies the monotony by getting into a passion storming babble is amenable to even the mild discipline of the Crichton Institution.

November 20th 77. Miss Scrymgeour remains in the same condition mentally, Imbecile, Excitable,

September 15th 1878. Miss Scrymgeour remains as above; She has the subject of a number of ideas which may be called fleeting & mild delusions — such as that the light of the Gallery — the shutting of doors ~~is~~ cause the attack of facial neuralgia from which she occasionally suffers. She is at all times flighty

March 8th 79 Miss Scrymgeour remains as usual — the facial neuralgia has disappeared

September 6th 1879 This lady suffers from a "vacuum in the left side" whatever that may be! She is permanently flighty; remains much as usual

May 10th 80 This lady continues to be flighty & fitful; although naturally clever her mental perversion shows itself in the manner in which she works to draw & in most of her work.

Sept 14th 80 Miss Scrymgeour continues much the same

10th March 81 This lady is as flighty and changeable as ever

Oct. 81. In statu quo April 1882. No change to record (See page 378)

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## James Campbell Gracie. (Voluntary)

16th June 1874 The sanction for the admission of this Patient is signed by Dr Arthur Mitchell Commissioner in Lunacy and Dated At Edinburgh 11th June 1874

Sept 18th/74 Mr Gracie is an ordinary case of Dipsomania. He is extremely disposed to swallow Medicine, and for some months has been in the way of taking one twice or another "3cs daily."

10th March 1875 Mr Gracie has been repeatedly inspected since last entry. His parole has been stopped and he is now in excellent health

17 July 1875 This Gentleman continued his usual decision for drink since last entry. He has paroles and takes one but he does not abuse it. His general health is excellent

1 Dec 1875 Mr Gracie after a few excursions in the shape of "spreeing" has come to his senses and signed the pledge an act that has hitherto prevented his appearance here in a state of intoxication or incapacity His general health may greatly improve since he signed the temperance; and he seems altogether a quiet and obliging man. May he continue his various Career! So much seem that his sojourn is only of a temporary character

1 May 1876 Mr Gracie is going on satisfactorily and if his case be hopeful towards I doubt - likely to recover from the craving of his morbid appetite that placed him here.

Feb 26th 77 - Gate pass has been stopped - He got drunk & brought drink into the House. It was, he says, because of the new year. April 12th Gate pass removed.

9 June 77. Discharged himself to enter into a matrimonial engagement with his Lady mentioned on page 382.

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1341 James Campbell Gracie (continued)

This very unsatisfactory case like many of his compeers has made several efforts by signing the pledge &c to conquer his bad habits or rather insane tendencies but with the usual negative results not so much from want of sincerity or effort as from want of power

In one of his escapades he came home very helpless had fallen on the road the passages and had bruised his head and face very much. This produced a severe attack of erysipelas which indeed threatened his life -

Had not an attendant been sent to town with him on many occasions he would undoubtedly have returned more frequently in a state of intoxication.

He had a number of kind friends in Dumfries who seem to think the best proof of friendship is to present the poisoned cup -

1342 19th June 1874

18th June 18

20 June 18

30 June 1

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April 16th

19th Feb.

1342 George Learmont

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| 19th June 1874 | 2 Male – 56 | 11 Cochlea R. Castleton Dfs |
| | 3 Single | 12 Twenty hours |
| | 4 Nurseryman | 13 Not known |
| | 5 Established | 14 No |
| | 6 & 7 Dumfries | 15 No |
| | 8 20 hours | 16 Yes |
| | 9 Second attack | 19. Wm Learmont brother Lanarkshire Dfs |
| | 10 – 49 | 20 No – |

18th June 1874 (1) Dr McCulloch – Incoherent, violent – dangerously so
(2) Very violent; shouting, striking and kicking at every person near him attempting to break and destroy furniture doors &c

20 June 1874 (1) Dr P Murray says – He is very excited will not put on his clothes keeps shouting and kicking –
(2) The attendant informs me that he kept shouting all night –

30 June 1874 This patient was admitted in a state of extreme exhaustion and excitement. In a few days the mental excitement passed away and he became rational. It was then discovered that he was labouring under pleuro-pneumonia which had been masked during the Patient's excitement. In spite of the mental quietude, and the usual treatment the disease progressed to a fatal termination on this date. Patient had been an inmate at a former period.

Christina Seymour

Dec 22nd 1882 Mrs Seymour continues in her chronic weak mental condition She walks given to dressing in bonnets and style + colors, but is on the whole quiet + gives little trouble She has passed two calm days in the grounds contented + happy. Her bodily health is good.

April 18th 1883 Has been in good bodily health during the winter but there is no improvement in her mental condition, nor in her mode of dressing, though this has been overlooked.

19 Feb. 84. Miss Seymour is the same as ever. "Flighty" as described in the certificate of admission. She fancies she can play & sing & will not get abandoned hopes of matrimony. She is at times impudent and irritable: in fact she is only just above the N.C. list from the Asylum which she was near on a previous occasion for discipline.

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24th June 1

## Miss Scrymgeour

26. 7. 84. Is as flighty as ever. Still hopes of marrying and severely criticises those ladies, who, she deems, are her rivals in love. Dresses fantastically; imagines she is an artist and wishes to vend her daubs at half a guinea each.

24th June

24th June 18

Sept 26th

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1343 Wm Elenor Brantwaite

24th June 1874 (2) Female — 53 11 Now under Treatment before
3 Married 12 about 3 months
4 Wife of Grocer 13 Anxiety about death of Child and
5 Church of England bad health of her Father
6 Workington 14-15-16 — No
7 Dumfries 19 William Brantwaite (husband)
8 3 months grocer Workington Cumberland —
9 Firsbattock
10 about 53.

24th June 1874 (1) Dr Mc Cullock says — Constantly wandering about — Crying "oh dear" cannot or wont say why, Vacant wild & frightened look, refuses food and seems regardless of consolation —
(2) Very sleepless, takes very little food constantly and purposely in motion — asserts poverty, that her daughter is to die — at times very much excited and almost violent —

24th June 1874 (1) Dr Hugh Cunningham says — she is restless — is very dejected stares into vacancy, and believes that not anything can be done for her Confection —
(2) Her husband informs me that she refuses food, and imagines that her daughter is dying —

Sept 26th/74 This patient cannot be said to have improved since admission. She wanders about the gallery in a peculiar shuffling way — shunning all society — moaning and muttering "oh, dear!" Considerable difficulty ~~is exp~~ has been from time to time experienced in getting her to take food, but at present she takes it pretty well when fed! She has just recovered from a pretty severe attack of diarrhea

3 December/74 Patient was discharged relieved —

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## Miss Helen A Traill

25th June 1874 This is a transfer from Newbiggin House Asylum –
2 Female – 41
3 Single
5 Episcopalian
6 25th April 1872 admitted
8 Not first attack
11 Various Causes –
12 Not subject to Epilepsy
13 Suicidal
14 Dangerous –

16th June 1874 Dr Sanderson says – She labours under Chronic Mania and her Bodily health and Condition are good –
The Sanction for the transfer is signed by Dr Arthur Mitchell Commissioner in Lunacy and dated at Edinburgh 22nd June 1874

30th Oct 1874 Miss Traill one of our most troublesome patients – always asking favours, and teasing every one. Beyond her excitability, mania for writing letters, and ~~excited~~ sham sentimentalism there is no marked feature of Insanity in her case.

10th March 75 Miss Traill is still unmanageable. Her passion for writing letters has not subsided. She is quarrelsome and Complaining; irritable and nasty. Something is always out of Joint in her case. Her wants are so numerous that she has to be denied.

17 July 1875 Miss Traill continues to annoy herself and others by her nasty behaviour. She has lately struck one of her fellow patients and behaves in a very immoral manner. Her writing propensities has not subsided nor have her wants been diminished.

14 Oct 1875 Miss Traill has at last accomplished her object. She has managed to become a voluntary patient – a tribute due to perseverance

do (Voluntary)

Discharged 14 October 75 Made a voluntary patient

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## Alexander Hannay,

28th June 1874

2 Male 80
3 Widower
4 Banker
5 Established
6 National Bank Dumfries
7 Do Do
8 about 4 weeks insane
9 First attack
10 80 years
11 Never under treatment
12 about four weeks
13 Disease of Brain
14 Not subject to Epilepsy
15 Not Suicidal
16 a little dangerous -
19 Peter Hannay Sebastian Cumberland - brother
20 none -

28th June 1874

(1) Dr J. M'Culloch says Frequently babling continuously and unintelligibly for hours; throwing off his clothes, sometimes violent; attempting to pull down and break furniture eyes vacant and wild. refuses to take sufficient food
(2) The same

28th June 1874

(1) Dr R. Cunningham says he is continually talking incoherently and cannot understand the meaning of a single word -
(2) His friends inform me that occasionly he is very violent - and tries to injure those around him. He refuses food -

2nd July 1874

The patient was at an advanced period of life. Acute Mania of mild character and some duration gradually passed into a more severe type, characterised by great restlessness, vigilance, and impaired appetite. An attendant was present with him for some time at home. He was twice visited in order to advise as this being removed to the Asylum: Relations were told that there was no hope for him, and the responsibility ~~rested with~~ of his removal rested with them. He was removed to the Asylum, but - as was anticipated - only lived a few days. He died 2nd July 1874 of Maniacal exhaustion.

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1346 Miss Mary Anne Scaife –

4th July 1874
2 Female – 56
3 Single.
4 No occupation
5 Church of England
6 Edmonton Middlesex
7 Do Do
8 Six weeks Insane
9 First attack
12 Six weeks
13 Mental excitement & bodily fatigue
14 Not subject to Epilepsy –
15 Not Suicidal
16 Not dangerous
19 Grace Scaife – Vicarage
adjoining Edmonton – Sister
20 No member of family known
to have been insane –

29th June 1874 | Dr C. J Morris says She is restless and sleepless and is constantly moaning and wringing her hands and imagines she will be ruined and brought to the workhouse and she fails herself quite incompetent to restrain herself at times and is impressed with the idea that she requires some one to take charge of her.

1st July 1874 | Dr W. J Harnett says very excitable rushing about the house in the greatest of groundless fear gets up in the middle of night crying and moaning jumping on the chairs, Conducting herself in an irrational manner –

17th Aug 1874 | Miss Scaife has since admission made rapid progress, the restlessness soon left her, and she was this day discharged recovered.

1347 Mrs Mary Mc Gregor –

6th July 1874
2 Female – 45
3 Married
4 Bank Clerks wife
5 F. C of Scotland
6 Hawthorn Bank Keswick
7 Do Do
8 5 years
9 Ballarat
10. 40
11 Mornington and Parkside asylum
12 a fortnight
13 Not subject to Epilepsy
14 No suicidal
15 Not dangerous
19 James Murray, Hawthorn Keswick – brother
20 No mention

6th July 1874
(1) Dr Alex Mc Knight says. Excitement of manner and language incoherence of thought. General appearence of diseased mind –
(2). The mother says. Violence and irregularity of Conduct.

6th July 1874
1 Dr R Brown says Incessant incoherent talking impressible –
(2) Her brother tells me. Violent paroxysms of anger without cause –

Oct 26/74
Mrs Mc Gregor continued for about 6 weeks in a state of noisy and incoherent excitement – talking loudly and volubly – and paying no attention to personal attire. At the end of that time she began to improve under the treatment adopted, exercising some self control – she was able to restrain her talkative propensities; and since then she has progressed steadily and rapidly towards mental health, till on this date she was judged a proper subject for discharge on Probation, to the care of Mr Murray – her brother.

Discharged – recovered April 16th 75.

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# David Paxton

10th July 1874

2 Male 27
3 Single
4 Draper
5 Presbyterian
6 Berwick on Tweed
7 Denston Lodge
8 3 Months Insane
9 First attack
10 26 years

13 going to commence business
14 Not subject to Epilepsy
15 Not Suicidal
16 Not dangerous
17 Isabella Paxton
Wife 18 Hide Berwick. Mother
20 No members of family known
to have been insane

8th July 1874 1 Dr Blackett says without apparent cause laughs, ~~laughs~~ (& convulsively) is dangerous and excited at times (especially when thwarted) is taciturn, and incoherent

3rd July 1874 2 Dr J.M. Ridley says Incoherent at times in his conversation; when spoken to bursts into fits of convulsive laughter —
2nd John Lamb says that when asked to go to bed at night he gets excited and becomes dangerous —

Sept 10th 1874 None of the excitement or violence above specified to have been exhibited since admission. Mr Paxton is a simple case of Dementia: takes his food pretty well, and is in fair physical condition.

10th March 75 There is no event in the history of Mr Paxton of any importance since last entry. He is in enjoyment of good health

17 July 1875 Mr Paxton keeps quiet and tidy. His mental state remains the same. His physical health is very fair

1 Dec 1875 We hoped Mr Paxton was going to make a marked improvement. These hopes have not been realized — He remains as dull and demure as ever — taking little or no interest in anything and no more than above. His general health remains very good

1 May 1876 There is no change for the better in this uninteresting mild & quiet case. The subject of it is facile imbecille and almost in good health

Feb 1st 78 No change to record.

September 12th 78 No change to record - Mr Paxton remains settled
& quiet except when the matter occasionally
herself - He appears to be misanthropic and
his face usually wears a cynical expression -
Dementia is far advanced

November 19th 78 Mr Paxton is removed today to the District Asylum
of Melrose - His brother considering the
change might exercise a beneficial effect - the
result is however doubtful

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1349 Mrs Jessie F Laederich

25 July 1874 2 Femal 45 — 12 about 5 months
3 Married. — 13 pregnant mania
4 None — 14 Not subject to Epilepsy –
5 Protestant — 15 very suicidal
6 Liverpool — 16 Not dangerous to others
7 Do — 19. Mrs Laederich
8 Five months — 59 Grove St Liverpool-husband
9 First attack — 20 No members of family known
10 25 — to have been insane –
11 Haydocks Lodge Retreat.

25th July 1874 Dr H Imlach says – first mental depression – often refuses to take meat and takes no interest in her family; calls herself a bad wicked woman unfit to live – Her baby died a few days ago and altho she was in the room all the time she took scarcely any notice of it –
2 She has made various attacks upon her own life some of the marks of which I have seen and she has been in confinement upon my certificate already – Having been taken home by her husband she got worse daily –

25th July 1874 Dr C Wilson says. Her depressed state of mind and great wish to die considering herself too wicked to live and that she states she was a most unnatural mother and a disgrace to Liverpool – If not watched would suicidally commit suicide (2) Having attempted several times to commit suicide and having been in confinement recently

29 Sept 1874 Mrs Laederich after two months deep Melancholia, has awakened up to what (temporary or not) may be regarded as a normal state of mind. Since admission up till this date she continued in a condition of apathy in regard to everything: she sat on a sofa most of the days with her hands placed before her, took her food without relish, was silent till addressed, and then generally answered in monosyllables. She described herself as having no future – as being too wicked to live – never asked about her husband and children. She was placed under special attendance day and night, but in spite of all care she managed to ~~smash~~ cut away and smash a window-cord, with evident suicidal intent; it was fortunately soon found. She bears the

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marks on the of former suicidal attempts – at cutting her throat and wrists with glass, and the head-mind is still her self by leaving-impatiently the rope broke, and she fell to the floor and was found insensible. The Statement accompanying her admission is not correct in so far as it is the case that patient [illegible] committed suicide while temporarily insane. She is of Jewish descent on the paternal side, and the frequent intermarriages within that Communion must be regarded as favouring the development of mental disease. These facts explain the long duration of this attack of mental derangement which was merely precipitated in its origin. Patient was put on Beef tea and milk - had linen vil - and from (as she was rather anaemic).

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2nd Nov 1874.

Mrs Lederlie express's has not been satisfactory:- after a few days lucid interval, she began to be excited a little - and her talk just verged on the indecent - she told the most exaggerated stories of the cruelties to which she had been subjected; still she conducted herself for some time, on the whole, in not an outrageous fashion, and was sufficiently well to go to some of the amusements. As time went on, however, she became more difficult to manage - yielding to sudden impulses - taking up fancies - and constantly warring with the attendants: she has also capricious in her likes and dislikes - both as to persons and things. While in this way - she had a visit from her husband, which the day before seemed to throw her mind still further off the balance. And yesterday, she in a fit of aimless excitement broke out two panes of glass, and threatened the attendants with the utmost violence. She yesterday sprang from the hands of two attendants and broke seven panes of glass - cutting her arms. She was sent at once to the Refractory Gallery with two attendants in special charge of her. She continued all day in a storm of the most violent mania, and tore the dressings off her arms, cutting them (though the wounds were but superficial) bleeding profusely, so that when the reporter was only 6 she was standing in quite a pool of blood - her feet all dabbled with it - and her face and night dress spirted all over: and it was only by the application of the liq ferri perchloridi Fort. and the passing of tapes that the hemorrhage could be stopped. She slept none during the night, and is today noisy and violent as ever - having tried to attack one of the attendants. She also refuses food.

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## James Kerr.

28th July 1874

2 Male. 66
3 Married
4 Farmer
5 Protestant
6 Killeevarren Tyrone
7 Do Do
8 About four Months
9 No
10 15 years
11 At Home
12 about 4 months
13 Not Known
14 Not subject to Epilepsy
15 Suicidal
16 Not dangerous
19 Janet Kerr. Killeevarren Tyrone. wife
No Member known to have been Insane

28th July 1874

(1) Dr Hugh Cunningham says His spirits are dejected – he despairs of his future state and his eye have a vacant look

(2) His Brother in Law informs me that he attempted to hang himself on sunday last –

28th July 1874

(1) Dr John Smith. Says his melancholic appearance tells me that he is much depressed in spirits owing to his anxiety for the future, and that owing to his despair he attempted to commit Suicide on Sunday last which act he says has blasted all his hopes –

1st Oct 1874

This patient is now doing more satisfactorily than was for a time anticipated. About the middle of August he began to refuse his food – the only reason for which he could assign was that ~~there~~ was "no room for it". He was promptly fed with the Stomach-pump, and stimulants were freely introduced into the food. He continued thus fed for six weeks, during which time he had series of boils, and a succession of abscesses for low unhealthy sort on his hands. Under the forcible alimentation he picked up flesh a little, and gradually assumed a more healthy exterior. A few days ago he began again to take his food himself, and he is now a little more rational a conversationalist.

16th March 75

The Pen tells it self unto his Stupid head to eat his Clothing and the result is that he promenades in a tucked dress. He is very humble in other respects and is in fair health

1st July 1875 This patient is often observing on of the occasional bursts of insanity to which he is liable. He is now in his old state and does not undress in the wards that characterize him in his insanity. He suffers from an obstinate diarrhoea

1 Decr 1875 The same cycle of insane actions still characterize his hopeless case The Ken is at present in one of his devouring states to the inattentive loss of his clothes which suffers terribly. He has eaten half his waistcoat and will probably have all his remaining pens & inside in long. He does not appear to swallow the material but keeps gnawing at them for hours together He has been recently in a peculiarly depressed state of mind but he has got rid of it and is now in his usual state of health mental and physical

1 May 1876 There is no change to be recorded in Mr Ken's Case. He seems at unfrequently to suffer greatly from a sort of pseudo dysuria which is only intelligible to himself. He makes it his duty to eat his clothes at the time he [illegible]

April 14th 77. For six months past Mr Kerr has been in the same filthy, listless apathetic, suicidal condition. He continues his disgustful practice of chewing his clothes.

October 23rd 77. This patient is dirty & degraded at present, he continues to eat his apparel

September 12th 78 Mr Ken remains in the same state: his Chewing propensities & degraded habits still continue

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## William Johnston (Voluntary)

28th July 1874 The sanction for the admission of this patient is signed by Dr Arthur Mitchell, Commissioner in Lunacy

" and dated at Edinburgh 27th July 1874

12th Aug 1874 Discharged Relieved

## 1339.- James Kerr (Continued).

March 8th 78 There is no change to record.

Sept 8th 78. When he was last seen duly & degraded: a suit of black moleskin has displaced his tartan & he casts to the fire flannel & flannel which hitherto covered his devastations. He is very indolent in his habits.

May 6th 80 During last winter it appeared very probable that Wm Kerr would succumb to an attack of his pneumonia. He had an inveterate habit of leaving the fire for an opened draughty seat and took cold. The symptoms were of the typhoid type - tongue furred dry tongue - & very low weak pulse - under stimulation he gradually recovered & has been carefully watched since. Mentally he has been subject to depressed habits of late: less talkative inquisitive - answering so. He knows still continues to eat as many cakes & flannels as formerly.

14th Sept 80 to 6th March 81 When I saw him last he was much the same. His habits which are so nearly so frequently degraded as formerly: he still continues to chew his flannels with the same relish.

Mr Kerr continued much the same till the beginning of February 1882 when he began to suffer from his heart and becoming gradually weaker he died on the 18th February 1882

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Alexander William Cunningham (Voluntary)

30th July 1874

The sanction for the admission of this patient is signed by Dr Arthur Mitchell, commissioner in Lunacy and signed at Edinburgh 29th July 1874

Nov 2nd 1874

There is nothing worthy of note in this sojourn of Mr Cunningham in the Institution - for particulars of this case see former entries. He was this day discharged, Relieved.

Nov. 25 /74

Twenty three days absence have brought back Mr Cunningham's misfortunes - as mild as himself. See entry 1371 for readmission

1353 Janet Howie or Parker.

1st August 1874
2 Female – 30
3 Married
4 Farmers wife
5 Presbyterian
6 Crooks
7 Do
8 Two months
9 First attack
10 29 or 30
11 Crooks & Glengell asylum
12 Two months
13 Disturbance with servants
14 Not subject to Epilepsy
15 & 16 not given
19 William Parker Crooks – husband. No mention of any friends being in same –

31st July 1874 (1) Dr W Alexander says general appearance, restless manner and the delusion of having swallowed a horse bell last night administered by a neighbouring farmer and ordered for her by the Veterinary Surgeon –
(2) Destroys her clothes and furniture and breaking away from surveillance by leaping from the windows &c – Comm^d by her father

31st July 1874 (1) Dr John Rowland – says she talks incoherently is restless and destructive and imagines she has been poisoned –
(2) That she has formerly been in an asylum and is dangerous to herself – (Communicated by her father)

1st Oct 1874 Mrs Parker is one of your most troublesome patients – she is noisy, dirty, and mischievous, though not violent. Her physical health is very good.

10th March 75 This patient has made some decided progress towards recovery. She has been taken out of the refractory and placed in the "Convalescent" She is now tidier and much improved in every respect.

8 June 1875 Mrs Parker continues to make satisfactory progress and she was discharged today "on probation"

2 Dec 1875 Discharged – Recovered

May 26: 77 See Case 1526.

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# Ann Ramsay

7th Augt 1874 — 2 Female, 65 — 10 —
3 Widow — 11 In an asylum at Glasgow
4 Tradesman's wife — 12 Three years and eleven months
5 Methodist — 14 Not subject to Epilepsy —
6 Edenton Carlisle — 15 Not Suicidal
7 Do Do — 16 Not dangerous
8 Three years eleven months — 19 John M Ramsay Carlisle (Son)
9 Not first attack — Her Sister is now insane —

3d August 1874 — 1 Dr J. Locke says that she says the wall of the room in which she is at present is her Partition wall. his property and really joined to her house at ck —
(2) Her Son states that she will sometimes talk to a picture in the room as if it was a person —

3d August 1874 — 1 Dr Geo Murphy says she blames some one for giving her poison which has poisoned herself and the walls of her room
(2) Hold conversation with people who are not present —

1st Oct 1874 — There is no improvement to record in Mrs Ramsay's condition. She is extremely noisy, and is in a continual whirl of mischief. She sleeps little unless when "the drowsy God" is aided by drugs — These, however, in her low physical state of health are not resorted when they can be avoided, this place being taken by porter or port wine negus at bed time. Patient is miserably thin in spite of the considerable quantity of nourishing food she takes, and continues labouring under the Chronic Bronchitis which she had on admission.

2 February 75 — Mrs Ramsay died to-day from Hemiplegia of only three days duration

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## Joseph Woof

14th August 1874

2 Male - 23.
3 Single -
4 Husbandman
5 Church of England
6 Underwood House
7 Do
8 Eight months
9 First attack
10 - 23
12 Eight months
13 Fright - 6 Threats by neighbours
14 Not subject to Epilepsy -
15 Not Suicidal
16 Very dangerous to Others
19 Martha Woof - Mother
Underwood House Penrith -
No Members of family known to have been

13th August 1874

1 Dr Thos D. Sanderson says he presents the appearance of a person suffering from dementia and is very suspicious of neighbours and Strangers -
2) His Father and Mother tells me. He has refused to undress and go to bed for more than a fortnight - Sleeps with a Knife under his pillow or about his person - Has recently attempted to injure his parents with dangerous weapons

13th August 1874

1 Dr W. Jackson says he has a sullen look and appears suspicious of every one who comes near him.
2) His Father tells me he ran at him and inflicted an injury with Scissors on his head and several times threatened to strike other members of the family with a poker -

1st Oct 1874

For the first months after admission this patient was very difficult to manage - being obstinate, sullen, and bad tempered. He also refused his food, and required on half a dozen occasions to be fed with the Stomach-pump. Soon however, he began to take his food well, and he continues to take it well, and is rapidly becoming stout, though it is not the Countenance of perfect health. As to his mental condition - there has been but little improvement, indeed not much can be hoped for - it is evident that his brain has always been dulled, and he is a masturbator. He maintains a dull, listless, silence; but is not violent except on some occasions of damaging his clothes.

10th March 75

Mr Woof Reports as described in last entry.

9 July 1875

His Case remains the same. General health good. Inmate in Abeyance

1 Dec 1875

His gentleman has not improved. He is

helplessly imbecile altho' harmless and tractable. She takes his food and sleeps well. There is no improvement in his morbid history. He has lately taken to repeating over the form of the Lord's Prayer. General health is good.

1 May 1876 Mr Woof remains as described. Physical health good. Mental bad.

April 14th 77. Mr Woof remains as above. Never speaks. General health good.

November 24th 77 Mr Woof remains in his usual state of dullness, stupidity & does not answer when spoken to.

September 12th 78 Mr Woof still remains in the same chair silent mood he generally retires to some corner with his face to the wall and if accosted turns away from us in a scared manner. He gives no account of his strange conduct: of late he has been attending Chapel in the mornings.

March 8th 1879 There is no change to record in Mr Woof's case. He is apt to strike out if molested or at those whom he sees not like. His vocabulary, as far as I know, is confined to 3 or 4 words which are not fit for general use in polite society.

Sept 6th 1879 Mr Woof remains much the same.

May 16th 80 There is no change to record in this Asylum case: Mr Woof has been suffering occasionally but not recently. His habits are the same as described above. He is still dangerous.

Sept 14th 80 Mr Woof remains much as usual

11th March 81 Mr Woof has lately made some sudden attacks on other patients in which he showed a good deal of ferocity

Oct 81. Much the same

April 1882 Mr. Woof continued. He is occasionally violent & talks with excitement (see page 488)

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## John Mandwell

26th August 1874

2 Male – 43
3 Single
4 Farmer
5 Church of England
6 Oakshaw Hill Wigton
7 Dumfries & Do
9 Not first attack
10 39-
11 At Crocketford Royal Nr Dumfries
12 about one month
13 Drink & Mental anxiety
14 Not subject to Epilepsy
15 Suspected to be Suicidal
16 Not Dangerous –
19 John Mandwell Oakshaw Hill Cumberland
Father – No member of family has been insane

25th August 1874 (1) Dr Harrison Mitchell says his incessant rambling incomprehensible talking (though he had no liquor beyond part of a glass of ale) lasting during the whole half hour I observed him

(2) His father informs me that he talks incessantly and cannot be made to hold his tongue, like he sleeps – That he is very irritable and excitable – striking his own Father That he has suffered from an attack of melancholy already 4 or 5 years ago and was only saved from Suicide by having been discovered in the act.

25 Aug 1874 (1) Dr Shennan says – Have frequently observed his restless and unsettled state for some weeks past – he says I found him very excited talking incessantly and acting in an irrational manner – he said his Father's name was Gladstone and that he was a good Landlord –

(2) His Father tells me that for the past month he has been very wild and excited and if contradicted or spoken to he becomes violent – restless during the night talking or swearing – refuses to go to bed –

N. of 26th 1874 There is not much improvement in this patient – he sleeps little, and is very noisy, restless, and talkative. He is taking Syp Bromidi Ferrosi in 3ij dilution in die; and H. Per et Chloral Hyd. ää grs xx omne nocte.

16th March 75 Mr Mandwell has decidedly improved altho he is still far off his perpendicular. His bodily health is at present all that could be desired

17 July 1875 This gentleman has greatly improved in every respect

31 July 75 Mr Mandwell was today discharged recovered

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## Edward Shaw (Voluntary)

26th Augt 1874 The sanction for the admission of this patient is signed by Sir James Coxe Commissioner in Lunacy and dated at Edinburgh 26th August 1874

2nd Septr 1874 Edw Shaw entered the Institution while under the immediate effects of a drinking bout, with his nervous system all off the balance: he is a Dipsomaniac. The usual treatment was adopted in his case and with the usual satisfactory result – nourishment was given plentifully, stimulant continued in small and diminishing doses; and in time nervine tonics were exhibited. He has now got over the worst.

Nov 28th 1874 Patient was today discharged – not "recovered", certainly, but "Relieved". It was ascertained that for some days before his discharge that he was from time to time indulging in intoxicants – he having unlimited funds.

Joseph Woof

Oct 20th 1882 Jos Woof has recently been troubled with a cough & the other symptoms of phthisis, he is anaemic, his feet swell a little, he is quiet, & speaks intelligibly to no one, he is quite imbecile but harmless.

January 18th 1883 Jos Woof gradually sank & died to day from the exhaustion of phthisis, after a tedious illness.

Died January 18th 1883

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1358 Margaret Nichol (Voluntary)

2 Sep 1874 The Sanction for the admission of this patient is signed by Sir James Coxe Commissioner in Lunacy and dated at Edinburgh 31st August 1874

3rd Oct 1874 Miss Nichol is a case of Melancholia. She fancies herself "lost" eternally - that she has committed "the unpardonable sin" - and she asks, in a mawdlin way, for something to put an end to herself. Great difficulty is experienced in getting her to take food.

6th March 75 Miss Nichol keeps in much the gloomy desponding state described above. Her case is considered dangerous and she is carefully watched to prevent her doing herself any bodily injury.

30 April 1875 Miss Nichol was removed today Elsewhere

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## Daniel Reid (Voluntary)

5th Sept 1874 — The sanction for the admission of this patient is signed by Sir James Cox Commissioner in Lunacy and dated at Edinburgh 29th August 1874

7th Sept 1874 — Mr Reid enters the house for treatment as a hypermaniac. In addition, however, to the Mental ailment, there is decided Pulmonary disease - there being detectable a Cavern in the right apex, while there is also consolidation and softening in progress in the left.

Nov 1st 1874 — Patient has made marked progress in physical health - has gained weight considerably, - takes his food well - and is little troubled with cough. He takes Ol Morrhuae, and a cough Mixture occasionally, and has Iodine (B) painted on the pulmonary diseased areas.

1 April 1875 — Hypermania is without a doubt the ruling passion in Mr Reid's nature. His passion for whisky is so strong, as to compel him to seek his habit, and for which, to wallow in his excesses. He loves his parole which is a mercy for him.

17 July 1875 — Mr Reid is again in possession of his senses and able to control his insane passion for drink

4 Sept 1875 — This Gentleman left today quietly improved and making resolutions to do so to again no further restraint

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## Marjory Guthrie Gregory -

8th Sept 1874

2 Female 55
3 married
4 Lady
5 Presbyterian
6 Gibbhill
7 Do
9 Not first attack
10 40
11 Gartnavel & Crichton R. Institution
12 Dumfries
13 Weak mind
14 Not subject to Epilepsy -
15 Not - Suicidal
16 Not dangerous - has threatened
19 Fred Gregory Gibbhill Calderbridge
Husband - No Insane members has been

7th Sept 1874

11) Dr Somerville says Great mental excitement shown by her eye speech and general demeanour - shouting and yelling when spoken to and whilst to engage passing into a cheerful song and then back to her howling and calling upon God to behold her dying

12) Threatened to run a fork into her husband. Frequently makes a great noise and shouts and in the midst of this bursts into singing or playing music. Communicated to me by Gentleman residing at Gosforth. Threatened to shoot the maid servants make a great noise banging her bedroom door at night - Comm.d by Housemaid

7th Sept 1874

1) Dr Hugh Cunningham Supt - She is excited and imagines that her nearest relations are her worst enemies -

2) She has been several times confined in Gartnavel asylum and in the Crichton Royal Inst before -

Mrs G. upon re-entering the Institution much in the same condition as she left it.

4th March 75

There is nothing important in Mrs Gregorys case at present - One day passes much as its predecessor did. She keeps quiet until her fellow patients come into collision with her when she summons up her wrath and wreaks vengeance with her tongue. She is as fancy and dressy as ever. Her bodily health keeps very well

17 July 1875

Dr Champ. This lady is keeping in good bodily health her temper is as irritable as ever and her mental state the same as heretofore

1 Dec 1875

Mrs Gregory has made no improvement. She had been busy in her galley and

transferred to the Female Infirmary
when she keeps quiet and inoffensive
She has parole in the grounds and
thinks that she much appreciates
the general health keeps excellent
her mental state and "temper" have
undergone no modifications.

1 May 1876 These same observations and notable
state obtain at large this case
general health very good state
very Communicative

Feb 28th 77. Mrs Gregory is much the same. She cannot
understand why her husband should shut
such a good wife as she is, in an asylum. There
are periods in which she is very
irritable & walks about in a hurried
manner speaking of her husband, always
kindly except in his imputation in placing
her here, these outbursts seem to be temper &
it may be that they are participable in part
at any rate she has no delusions ~~Illegible~~
But it appears that when she has been
discharged & gone home it has resulted in
a "scene", arising probably from jealousy
and she has been returned to the Crichton
It is another case of a person on the Borderland
of insanity who with the slightest cause
becomes unmanageable.

10th December 77. Mrs Gregory remains much same
she is irritable & jealous,

Sept. 12th 78 Mrs Gregory general condition is well described in the
entry Feb 28 77.

March 8th 79 Mrs Gregory remains in status quo.

Sept 6th 79 There is little to record in this case: Mrs Gregory
still being a rather unpleasant Companion as she
continually harps on one string – the egotism
of her husband. She is industrious.

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# John Rae

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| 21st Sept 1874 | 2 Male 55. | 11 at Broome near Annan |
| | 3 Married | 12 about a month |
| | 4 Farmer | 13 Cause not Known |
| | 5 Protestant | 14 Not Subject to Epilepsy |
| | 6 Broom-hp Annan | 15 Not Suicidal |
| | 7 Do Do | 16 No Dangerous |
| | 8 about a Month | 19 Mary Rae, Broome Annan (wife) |
| | 9 Not first attack | Some distant relations have been |
| | 10 Not Known | and are insane |
| 21st Sept 1874 | (1) Dr Sea Lilly says. His changed appearance restlessness talkativeness and paroxysms of excitement and his general appearance | |
| | (2) Told by his wife and family that he has lately become very restless and irritable, talks incessantly and incoherently and destroys his clothes. | |
| 21st Sept 1874 | (1) Dr McEwart says His general appearance restlessness and fits of excitement. | |
| | (2) His wife and family say that he has become rude and ill to manage, talks incoherently and destroys things about the House | |
| 1st Oct 1874 | Patient for some time continued ~~under~~ in the condition outlined by the Medical Certificates, but gradually he began to assume a more composed demeanour, and the excitement wore away under the administration of nourishing food - Beef tea - Cod liver Oil - and Quinine, and he now can join with much pleasure in the Recreations & Games. At the present date he is morbidly quiet and dull, but talks quite rationally, and expresses a natural wish to be back among his family again. | |
| 7 December 74 | Patient, has, this day, been discharged Cured. | |

# Margery Gathare Gregory

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23 Sept. 18

May 10th 80 — There is no change of importance to report in Mrs Gregorys Case

Sept 14th 80 — Mrs Gregory Continues to undergo in the same Querulous Complaint of her husband and is frequently suffers from agreat amount of excitability

Oct 28

15th March 81 — There is no change of importance to report

Feb. 1882 — Mrs Gregory remains much the same - Complains of the treatment she has received from her husband and that her complaints are never listened to. She wears rather absurd Caps and otherwise ornaments her dress with netted work of white cotton of her own manufacture

She complained lately that one of the other patients (a gentleman) stood at her in the grounds and made noises to annoy her. On investigation parties did not bear out her statement as the man in question would never think of willingly annoying any one

18th April 1882 — Mrs Gregory discharged on Probation

Oct 22nd 1882 — Mrs Gregory having made herself unpleasant to her friends when under the Vicissitudes of her temper was sent back to the Asylum on the 29th September 1882 She however shows no signs of her temper when in the Institution, being rather pleasant & on the whole is rather pleasant. Her bodily health is good.

April 18th 1883 — Mrs Gregory remains in good bodily health & condition, she is constantly lamenting her confinement. She retains her parole which she exercises satisfactorily

26. 7. 84. — Mrs Gregory has been changed from a dormitory to a private room, which with separation from a quarrelsome patient has made her pleasant & quiet

27. 9. 84 — Mrs Gregory died to days after a weeks illness from Acute Peritonitis and Enteritis.
For the P. M. Exam. see P. M. Book

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## William Johnston (Voluntary)

23 Sept. 1874 — The sanction for the admission of this patient is signed by Sir Jas Coxe, Commissioner in Lunacy and dated at Edinburgh 4th September 1874

Oct 28-74. — The circumstances of Mr Johnstone's present admission do not differ from those of the many previous occasions on which he sought refuge in the Institution, and his mental condition is the same. A certain querulous intonation in speaking gives the clue to that disorder of mind which is not very evident, nor pronounced. After a months sojourn in the house he discharged himself on this date - Relieved.

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24th Sept

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# Robert Hally

3rd Oct 1874

(2) Male - 36
(3) Single
(4) Engineer
(5) Presbyterian
(6) Stretton House, Church Stretton, Salop.
(7) do do
(8) 13 years
(9) Yes
(10) 23
(11) Englishtown House, Stretton House from 25 Aug 1866 till present time
(12) 13 years
(13) Over study
(14) & (15) No
(16) Occasionally
(20) None

J. R. McIntosh M. D., Church Stretton, certifies: — that he is very
23rd Sept 1874 apathetic - memory very defective - does not recollect when he came here or where from - says his brother resides in Perth which is not the case - avoids all society - sleeps by himself - cannot enter into any conversation - and does not recollect anything he has read - occasionally raves and swears without cause and when no one is near him, &c"

(21) "James Jenkins, head attendant at Stretton House, informs me that he is occasionally violent and that he does not sleep well at night."

24th Sept 1874 Rich. Wilding, M. R. C. S. E., Church Stretton, certifies: - (1) "I find him quite incapable of enumeration, and defective in memory of important events connected with himself, especially as to the time he has been at Stretton House - and cannot tell his own age within a few years even."

20 March 75 Mr Hally has not improved. His health is marred by the presence of Haemorrhoids that often calls forth the assistance of the doctor's interference. He is harmless. Keeps also it was thought once that he attempted a fellow patient. He returns Weather

17 July 1875 His patient is doing well as regards the physical part of his frame is concerned his mind remains unchanged still

1 Dec 1875 There is no event of any importance in Mr Hally's history. He has not improved nor has anything worthy of record occurred in his case since last entry. He often

suffers from haemorrhoids but is in all other respects in good bodily health. I cannot say half so much about his mental health

1 May 1876 The same dullness and mental obtuseness obtain in this case as when last reported to. There is no material change.

April 16th 77. This Gentleman remains as usual. He is quiet. Talks very little. Appears to delight in frolicking the Calling flower.

October 22nd 77. This patient was allowed to sleep in a dormitory but there having arisen reports by his fellow sleepers that he got out of bed & wandered when Whilst asleep, it has been deemed advisable to put him in a separate room He is stupid & quiet.

September 12th 78 Mr Hally conducts himself very quietly during the day. Has been known often to rise at night. He states that there are Curtain explosions which affect him then when however he attempts to account to them he lapses into incoherence

March 8th 79 Mr Hally remains much as usual; a visit from his friends failed to have much impression on him

Sept 6th 1879 The gentleman's dementia remains unchanged: he occasionally strikes out but is not unusually violent. He is subject to fits.

May 10th 80 Mr Hally remains much the same; he holds an occasionally Cad; he takes little interest in anything but his pipe.

14th Sept 80 Mr Hally is the same unchanged demented.

11th March 81 There is no improvement to record in Mr Hally's case.

Feb. 1882. Mr Slater pro

Oct 22nd 1882 Mr Hally is rather anaemic from the drain of haemorrhoids & debility but is

April 18th 1883 [illegible] Mr Hally is in fair health & is visited with fits. His dementia [illegible]

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Oct 7th 18[illegible]

Sept 25th 8[illegible]

to his family

17 July [illegible]

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## Charles Richardson

Oct 7th 1874 — Transferred from Hallowes Private Asylum, Musselburgh.

(2) Male - 18 (8) Yes

(3) Single (12-13-14) No

(6) April 17th 1872 (16) Mrs Mary Richardson - Mother -

(7) From Birth None

Sept 25th 1874 — Thos. R. Scott, M.D. certifies "with respect to his mental state that he has been imbecile from birth: and, with respect to his bodily state, that it is good."

Sanction for the Transfer signed by Sir James Coxe, Commissioner in Lunacy, and dated at Edinburgh 26th September, 1874

This patient is a long-printed imbecile: his legs and arms are contracted and undeveloped: and he has a weakness of the spinal column which renders him unable to sit or stand unsupported. He enjoys his food-meat, with which he has to be fed.

Feb. January 1875 — This patient remains the same. Often he roars out as if from pain but the meaning of the unmeaning roarings who can tell?

17 July 1875 — (Patient remains the same

Mr Richardson is one of the most unfortunate writers we have in this Institution - he is worried by his pen - or by trying to more Human Beauty to be liberated from his place of Incarceration and if he does not succeed it is not because his motives humanum does not deserve a better reward. He is certainly very "cracked" At this date to and date Mr Richardson is "Natural"

March 1876 — This Idiot remains in every respect the same. There is no mind in a most distorted body nor is there any evidence of the least intelligence. Hunger seems to be the only sensation that excites him to any thing like natural for he usually roars in anything but musical notes at meal times, with a desire for food some attempts in his unnatural sounds. She has suffered somewhat from her bones, but by

Albumen to stretch Membranes then, an
better and two Annual life he had
appears never to be entitled to
2 May 1876 This "peak of return" has decreased from
the Asylum and places in his old quarters
2 May 76 Its chances not improved

Robert Scally.

19. 2. 84. Mr Scally remains as before. He was for a considerable time much
troubled with piles which bled very freely. This was very quickly checked
by 1/20 Drops of Hamamelis Virginica. His mental condition is
passive. He walks and is quiet during the day occasionally noisy at
night

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## John Sproat

Oct 11th/74

(2) Male - 25
(3) Single
(4) Farmer
(5) Protestant
(6) Auchenpasset, Twynholm.
(7) Auchenpasset "
(8) 4 years
(9) Third
(10) 21 years
(11) Several times - under Dr McCulloch
(12) 9 Months
(13) Constitutional (?)
(14-15-16) No
(19) Mrs Jean Sproat, Auchenpasset, Twynholm — Yes.

Oct 13th/74 — Patrick Murray, M.D. Dumfries, certifies: (1) that "he says he has no relations except Japanese friends - that he is living under a cloud of fire and has a seal upon him. (2) The same as the above."

Oct 11th/74 — James McCulloch, M.D., Dumfries, certifies: (1) that "he says the Angel Gabriel is on the well, that he is ten inches high and kissed him (John Sproat) above all things - that he was surrounded by the German Armies about a month, & made greater than Bismarck." (2) "Sleep deficient and often dangerously violent."

Nov 28th 1874 — Mr Sproat has since his admission given no evidence of his insanity with the exception of his delusions: he has on no occasion been violent - takes his food well - and talks rationally on all subjects apart from those delusions. His general health is very good.

to 1st April 75 — This patient is keeping in excellent bodily health, but his mental state remains the same. He has given evidence of this malady once or twice in a most glaring manner. In general he is quiet and inoffensive.

17 July 1875 / 1 December 1875 — Mr Sproat's Condition mental & bodily remains unchanged. There is no improvement to record in his case. The patient's obstinacy has employed a few weeks ago by his refusal to go to bed without having certain articles. He besides being noisy and surly at times, writes indecently. Quiet and better behaviour, however, characterize his case more than insubordination or misdemeanour.

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1st April 1876 This case is a very peculiar one. The patient very seldom originates or continues a conversation but readily and rationally answers a question put to him. His conduct is quiet and gentlemanly and he seems to have no wish to be elsewhere than where he is, a cursory examination of him in his ordinary placid condition would elicit no proofs of insanity, at rare intervals however without any apparent cause or precursory indication he becomes somewhat excited during which he gives expression in mild but incoherent language to morbid currents of thought which are probably seldom absent. Not expressed.

1st August/76 This patient remains the same in all respects

Oct 19th 18

November 24th 77. Mr Sproat remains in the same condition of listlessness & apathy.

February 8th 1878 Mr Sproat is removed to day to the Royal Edinburgh Asylum of the authority of his Obligant "Relieved"

Jan 19th 18

1366 Mrs Sarah Charlotte 7 of

Oct 20-1874 — as a Voluntary Patient. The Sanction for her admission is signed by Sir James Coxe, Commissioner in Lunacy, and dated at Edinburgh - 19th October, 1874.

It was originally intended that Mrs 7 of should enter the Institution as a certificated patient, but at the time of her admission it was found impossible to grant certificates - an examination by medical men she conducted herself in a perfectly rational and collected manner; the only weak point in her mental health was that she did not seem seriously to realize her position, and that she made hasty discontented about trifles. She consented however to stay as a Voluntary patient.

Oct 29th 1874 Mrs 7 of - after a day, or two of more than usual quietness today, broke out into a fit of Acute Mania in which she broke several panes of glass, thereby cutting her knuckles pretty severely. Her language is reported as most obscene and profane, but the reporter has not heard anything improper pass her lips. She is very much excited, threatens to kill herself, and great difficulty is experienced in keeping her from the window from which she addresses the gentlemen outside in most improper language. She is very capricious in her appetite, and occasionally refuses to take a meal. The treatment recommended by our former medical advisers has been carried out - hip-baths - Ung. Morph. Suppositories night and morning - and the administration of Pot Lupuli and Syr Bastonii, and the regulation of her bowels: which she takes Cod liver Oil from time to time, and her food is attended to.

Nov 19th 1874 Mrs 7 of has continued in an excited state since last entry and is very disturbed. The wound on the knuckle of the first finger of the right hand was trivial, but patient touched the hand about and would take no care of it: the result was that in a few days deep-seated pain - extending up the arm - and increased pulse gave indication of deep-seated inflammatory action. Poultices, fomentation and sedative lotions were applied, and the various means suggested by Dr Scott (Consulting Surgeon) adopted, various incisions being made to free matter - but without avail, and the probe passed in now detects dead bone. This morning patient during a momentary absence of her attendant (- it should have been stated above that owing to

a previous attempt at suicide by swallowing Laudanum, Mrs
7 & since admission has had a special attendant morning
and night) got out of bed, and mounting a chair, tried to burn
the hair off her head; in this attempt she was partially
successful, and besides inflicted a slight burn on her forehead,
which was dressed with Carbolic oil and Wadding. ~~Pat~~ The primary
administered medicines cannot be given, but Bromide of Potass
is being exhibited in gr 20 doses ter in die. Patient also gets Claret
- a glass twice a day, and beef tea thrice daily. Pulse to day 104.

13 January 1875 Mrs Day has been, this day, discharged cured.

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## Andrew Veitch

Oct 2nd 1874

(2) Male - 35 years.
(3) Single
(4) Mole Catcher
(5) Protestant
(6) Caroline Street, Langholm
(7) do do
(8) Six months
(9) Subject to depression of spirits annual years.
(10) Twenty six or twenty seven years.
(11) At Langholm
(12) Two or three weeks
(13) Unknown.
(14) No
(15) Yes - made an attempt to drown himself, Oct 2nd 1874.
(16) Not until the last two days.
(17) John Veitch - Father -
No other member of the family have been known to be insane.

Oct 2 1st/74. William Carlyle, M. D, Langholm, certifies that ~~for two days~~ he "attempted suicide while suffering from long continued and increasing mental depression, accompanied with many delusions.
(2) For two days has been very excited, has got furious, & would destroy articles in house and injure his relations.

Oct 2nd/74. John Smith, M. D., Dumfries, certifies to "his delusions, confused ideas, and insane appearance: Tells me that he has attempted to commit suicide by drowning, thinking that he was acting according to the laws of Scripture.

13 January 1875 The patient remains much the same. He constantly asks forgiveness for imaginary crimes, and in the Examination of his entrails keeps and trails "His appearance is still against him", but his behaviour as far as actions are concerned, is in his favour.

17 July 1875 This patient is sorrowful and joyful at stated intervals. The depression is however, the most marked and he is far from being well. His bodily condition is very good.

29 July 1875 Mr Veitch was removed from this Asylum to-day recovered -

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Bessie Aldroyd (Voluntary)

5th Nov 1874 — The Sanction for the admission of Miss Aldroyd is signed by Sir James Coxe, Commissioner in Lunacy, and dated at Edinburgh Oct 30th 1874.

Miss Aldroyd since the age of 25 (she is now 57) has been subject to periods of Melancholia of a mild sort - or, in her own words, "to be in a low way". The first attack occurred after while taking care of her father who was insane: She was very fond of him, and devoted herself to taking care of him in those intervals during which he could at all be trusted outside of an Asylum. During all those 30 years she has had attacks of "lowness", lasting for six or eight months at a time, and with intervals in which she feels quite well: She entered the Institution in one of those intervals.

1 April 1875 — This patient has made marked improvement and is at present in very satisfactory state of mental and bodily health. There is a great diminution in the melancholia and she is at times capable of enjoying cheerful company She is a very nice lady and pays little or no trouble to her attendants Her parole has been extended to the town and she now goes in and out at her own discretion

30 April 1875 — This Aldroyd has discharged on this day "quite well" Recovered

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Catherine Mary Butcher

17th Nov 1874

Transferred from Westermains Asylum, Kirkintilloch.

(2) Female - about 33 years.
(3) Single
(4) Middle Class
(5) Church of England
(6) 4th October 1873
(7) 14 Years - with intervals of Sanity
(8) Not
(9) 19 years
(11) Novel reading
(12-13-14) Not
(16) Her mother - Mrs Henry Butcher lives with a niece at Whitehall farm, St Saviours, Jersey; but of weak intellect.

17th Nov 1874

R. P. Stewart, M.A.L.S.S. certifies "with respect to her mental state, that she is subject to periodic fits of excitement, during which she is delusive and very troublesome; and with respect to her bodily health and condition that it is very good."

The Sanction for her admission is signed by Sir James Coul, and is dated at Edinburgh, November 16th 1874.

20th January 1875

Miss Butcher has intervals of storm and calm both being very baneless. She is at one time Queen of Spain and Sexual &c. reforms at another Catherine Mary Butcher and nothing more. When the storm rages she indulges pretty freely in "blue talk" which is her patent fault. Her health (bodily) is very good.

17 July 1875

This lady is subject to the old irritability of temper and mental aberration. Her general health is good. She is jealous irritable and excitable

1 October 1875

Miss Butcher improves somewhat since last entry and we have hopes of her returning to propriety. She has become broken lower recently and had to be returned to her former quarters from which she has been promoted. She is again quiet and in possession of as much liberty as most patients. Her general health is good albeit she often looks anaemic and careworn. She carries out of policy

Catalina

1 May 1876 Miss Butcher has made enquiries since last entry and now behaves rationally and conducts herself

7 June 1876 Miss Butcher was this day discharged "Recovered"

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## William Graham

Nov 24th 1874

(2) Male - 45
(3) Single
(4) Merchant
(5) Protestant
(6) Rosendrum, Canonbie
(7) Crichton Royal Institution
(8) A few weeks
(9) ~~Hereditary~~ No
(10) 40
(11) Crichton Royal Institution - 1869
(12) A few weeks
(13) Hereditary
(14) No
(15) - (16) - Yes

(17) Ann Graham - Sister - Rosendrum, Canonbie. A brother and sister in Asylum at present.

Nov 24th 1874

John Smith, M.D., Dumfries - certifies "his melancholic appearance and manner of conversation, confused ideas, and suspicions of those around him doing him bodily harm.
(21). "Dr Adams informs me that he came of his own free will to the Asylum, and that he was previously an inmate of the Institution."

Nov 24th 1874

Patrick M. Murray, M.D. says: "Melancholia - imagines something is hanging over him & destroy him; will try not to commit suicide, but says it will be difficult to do."
(24) "Has been in the Asylum previously, and has come in at present of his own accord.

20th January 1875

Mr Graham is himself again. He has so much improved that his discharge, at his own request, is recommended."

23 January 1875

Patient left this day in possession of the mens sana in corpore sano. Discharge Received on January 25th 75.

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Alexander William Cunningham (Voluntary)

25th Nov 1874 The Sanction for Mr Cunninghams admission is signed by Sir James Coxe, Commissioner in Lunacy, and dated at Edinburgh, November 24th 1874.

28th Nov 1874 Mr Cunningham was discharged only on Nov. 2nd: he reached his home intoxicated, and was never seen the whole of his three weeks absence. On admission he was in a most wretched state, would persist in getting down on all-fours and crawling about, and was in fact delirious & unable to recognise the Officials of the Institution - and seeing all manner of horrid creatures about him. The delirium pure and simple soon passed off, and with a copious supply of nourishment, and a regulated allowance of stimulant, he has made speedily rapid recovery from the immediate effects of his excess.

24 Feby 1875 Mr Cunningham left the Institution this day relieved

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25th Dec 13[illegible]

[illegible] January [illegible]

17 July

3 Sept [illegible]

3. 9. [illegible]

Mrs Laedwich - continued from p. 393

28th Nov 1874 The height of the storm has passed away, and it has for some time been judged sufficient that an special attendant with Mrs Laedwich; she is no longer violent, but is very mischievous and dirty in her habits. The expression of her face has changed so completely that one can scarcely believe that she is the same lady as the Mrs Laedwich of two months ago - all the feminine in it seems to have died away. She tears her clothes, and exhibits the most entire disregard not only of toilet, but of the common decencies of life. She now takes her food well; but for some days after last entry she would only take it when all the preparations for forcible alimentation had been made before her. She sleeps little at night, and chloral draughts in the doses which are judged prudent with due regard to her physical health has but little effect.

20th Jany 1875 Mrs Laedwich is harmlessly noisy, sleeps little at night; takes her food; wanders over the Continent of Europe in imagination; and in the daily, accompanied by her attendant, in reality. Her general health is good. Two or three days ago she has refused to eat beef under the impression that it is poisonous. Once or twice she has tried to evacuate over her Sphincters and Pulled her hair formally speaking there is not much change since the last entry.

17 July 1875 This lady has greatly improved in every respect so much so that she now takes part in our amusements, pictures, &c she is almost if not quite well in mind and body.

3 Sept 1875 Mrs Laedwick left the Asylum on this date in possession of excellent mental and bodily health

3.9.75 Discharges Recovered.

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1372 Mrs Mary Wilson

11 Decr. 1874 as a voluntary patient the Sanction for her admission being signed by Dr Arthur Mitchell Commissioner in Lunacy and dated the 8th of December 1874 She is admitted to Infirmary

20th May 1875 Mrs Wilson has considerably improved in every way since the commencement of her residence here. She complains occasionally of wandering pains (Rheumatic) in her back &c. In all other respects the improvement is very manifest

2d March 1875 Since the last entry Mrs Wilson has steadily gone on improving. Her general bodily ailments are not so callous nor is her general health so precarious. The Rheumatism which her was and often but the pains are not so severe nor so continuous

17 July 1875 Mrs Wilson is progressing very favourably — She has not been irregular since her admission & and we have reason to believe that the old enemy is becoming less strong.

20 July 1875 Mrs Wilson left the Asylum to day discharged

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## Revd John King (Voluntary) vide p. 347

22/12/74 Dr Cullen Whitehall Commissioner in Lunacy signs Mr King's Sanction for Admission which is of date 3rd December 1874

February 24. 75 Since last entry (see page 347 of this Vol) Mr King has once or twice become impulsive and has shown a propensity towards his old habits of Intemperance His general health is very good but his Mental soundness is a thing of the past.

April 3. 75 Mr King was discharged today cured

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Dec 22/74 Rev.d William Brown

(2) Male - 56 (9) Injury to Head
(3) Married (10) No
(4) Clergyman (11) Yes | 13 Said to have fired a pistol while shot his head
(5) Church of England (12) No
(6) Blaydon-on-Tyne (14) Elizabeth Brown
(7) Carlisle His wife
(8) Three Wks Blaydon-on-Tyne

Dec 22/74 Stewart Lockie M.D. Carlisle, Certifies — (1) I have seen him in a condition of Clonical poisoning and he admitted having taken the poison himself — I have seen wounds on each temple, in the neck, and one wrist which were self inflicted by a pair of Scissors — (2) His wife has informed me that he has taken some Lucifer Matches, and that he is occasionally in a condition of Hypochondriacy

Dec 22, 74 Philip Brown Doctor of Medicine, Blaydon on Tyne Certifies — (1) That he saw "Clonical punctured wounds on the head and the arms which he admitted were done by himself" (2) "One of his male attendants told me that he — the Rev William Brown — requested that on his walks he should not be allowed to go near the River as he might destroy himself in — that he felt inclined to do so"

20 Jany 1875 Mr Brown has improved very markedly since his admission. He sleeps well, takes his food and food; and reconciles himself manfully and cheerfully to the Laws of this Institution He is one of our very best patients in every sense of the word best. The Vertigo that he complained of on his entry, has subsided altho' at times he still suffers from a slight headache

17 July 1875 Mr Brown's depression or active brain disease has made him as tame as Cæsar's He is in tolerable bodily health but manfully and happily

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January 2

1 Dec 1874 — Little some improvement has actually taken place in this case time is still too much for much more. Delusions of persecution and exaggeration are now less apparent and it is evident that there is some organic mischief going on in this case the letters that Mr Brown receives from us ago could not accordingly to his estimate have been written by his wife nor could the letters that he forming are be any other than pieces to his body. Even the new chapters that he receives and points has an different from those he used to get. Some delusions still to a certain extent exist altho they are not quite so apparent. Mr Brown is subject to colds and sore throats but he is at present in his usual health

January 25

28 Jany 75 — This gentleman improves mentally and physically and was at the instance of his wife discharged relieved.

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January 27 — John Thorburn

(2) 30 · Male — (8) Yes
(3) Single — (12) Since Nov. last
(4) Clerk — (13) Doubtful Masturbation
(5) United Presbyterian — (14) No
(6) Thomaser — (15) No
(7) Since Nov.r last — (16) Yes
(19) Alex.r Thorburn – father — (19) No

January 25 75 — Davie Dalton, Doctor of Medicine and Licentiate of the Royal College of Surgeons Edinburgh Certifies "that he is dull, answers Questions abruptly and in a monosyllable sometimes one answer contradicting the other. His features suddenly change from smiles to frowns, his language is incoherent remains in one position long without moving to another abruptly when Questioned the Revd (3) John Thorburn his brother states that he talks often incoherently becomes restless when contradicted and threatens violence attacked his father in his bedroom and regards him always with hatred and jealousy – told him to drown himself and he would do the same – sometimes he laughs immoderately – then frowns"

Jany 25 · 75 — John Ogilvie Licentiate of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons Glasgow Certifies (1) "He has abusive language to the members of his family and is violent in action towards them – Laughs vacantly and without cause – is obstinately silent when spoken to and declares to his sister that he will murder her all quite contrary to his natural disposition & habits (2) His brother Mr James Thorburn states that he is very frequently laughing vacantly speaks incoherently He is very cross and difficult to manage, uses violent and abusive language quite contrary to his natural disposition – Corroborated by his father Mr Alex Thorburn and his sister Miss Janet Thorburn"

April 6. 75 Mr Thorburn has since much of cautiousness and obstinacy and we hoped would be much continuing improving: he has, however, again relapsed into his former attendancing and obstinate habits

1st July 1875 This patient remains in the state described

1 Dec 1875 Mr Thorburn has made considerable improvement since last entry. His bodily health which is never very robust has considerably improved under a course of Cod oil and Iron. His mental state is much the same but is sufficiently good to enable him to take an interest in music to which he is fondly devoted

1 May 1876 Mr Thorburn's case goes on without much change to himself. He has had a comparatively hard attack which has given place some time ago to mental aberration and delusions he imagines immediately without cause and reason in an unfounded and absurd manner

Feb 28th 77. Mr Thorburn is not improved, he dances & behaves in a very silly manner.

June 9th 77. Weight. Grs 8. 6
Clothes 8
St. 7. 12 lbs.

June 9th 77 Otherwise Cod liver oil & Iron as his bodily health seems to be ~~deteriorating~~ getting worse. His mental health is in abeyance & likely to remain so.

24th November 1877 Mr Thorburn remains much the same he goes about twisting around & chasing in a very quiet manner

September 12th 78 Mr Thorburn is now far gone in dementia, he is however the victim of delusions which influence his conduct materially he has lately been stripping himself on the ground during his walk

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January 30 — Alexander Fraser

(12) Male - 34 — 8 3 days
3 Married — 9 yes
4 Farmer — 12 2 days
(5) 6 Neil Mackellon ... 13 Habitual use of intoxicating liquors
7 Cultivation. Accustomed to Hard Labour Epileptic fits
15 No Hereditary Obstructions 19 Gordon Fraser Husband father whose wife was at one time an inmate of this Institution

January 29. — John Rivers MB and CM of the University of Edinburgh Certifies I "He has a wild expression of countenance talks in an incoherent manner, wandering from one subject to another and at times is obstreperous fancying himself in strange places and trying to get free from them I his friends say that at times he is so obstreperous and violent that it is necessary to use restraint

January 30 — Patrick R. Murray R.D University of Edinburgh Says I "first and marked incoherency, cannot answer a single question put to him I cannot make out to understand anything he says II Mr Fraser informs me that he is at times very violent

March 18 — From the state of mental incoherence mentioned in the Certificate upon which Mr Fraser was admitted as well as from an attack of Delirium Tremens from which he suffered shortly on his admission he gradually recovered and was today discharged at the desire of his father.

~~May 7th~~ — This patient was admitted 29th of January 1875 & discharged 18 March 1875 recovered.

# John Thorburn.

1375

March 8th 1879 — Mr Thorburn goes through a great deal of attitudinising & dumb scriptorial movements with his hands. That together with stamping down and looking his clothes and when rarely knocking the furniture about seems to be his Chief amusement. He rarely speaks. Occasionally he has been violent & attempted to thrash another patient.

Sept 6th 1879 — There is no change for the better to record in Mr Thorburn's case: he is as described above.

May 18th 80 — Mr Thorburn has now given up the attitudinising trick described above and is much quieter the demonstrative movements still continue. The change of Conduct followed a change of his residence from one of the higher Galleries to a low one.

Sept 14th 80 — Mr Thorburn is the same in almost every respect except that he is now quieter than formerly. He seems to have delusions of persecution and has occasionally attacked those who were sleeping in the same dormitory as himself.

16th March 81 — Mr Thorburn Continues as described above

Feb 1882 — No change to record

Oct 22nd 1882 — Mr Thorburn is in the same condition as above noted, he is somewhat apathetic to playing with his fingers & the attitudinising movements, he had an attack of diarrhoea lately that pulled him down but he is now better though his health is not good.

April 6th 1883 — Mr Thorburn has not been in good health of late, all taking his food well & looking weak he was removed to Infirmary Gallery, remains in bed all afternoon & got on when dressed, he is looking better. Mentally there is no improvement in his case.

19.2.84. — Mr Thorburn is in fair health: he has been for the last four months at least back to the life. He rarely can be got to speak. He is quite quiet.

28.4.84. — No change in Mr Thorburn's condition

1875 January

July 5.

July 5.

April 6th

17 July 187

1 Decr 18

1 May 18

28 July 18

1875

January 7. Euphemia Ross Graham or Broadfoot

2 Female 57 8 about six months
3 Widowed 9 yes
5 Portstand 10 37 years
6 Sand Bank 5 fathoms 13 Unknown
7 Sand Bank 5 fathoms 14 No
15 Yes 16 Yes by a Catholic Priest 19 No

July 5. 75 James Froggat M. Orcha Catches 1" Imagines her friends had forsaken her - that her Minister preached against her - that she had done and said something the nature of which she could not determine - thought her boy a devil and herself a friend sent from Hell - tried me to give her a dose to hasten death by the way and has tried several times to take away her own life At present has a great incoherence of mind & actions - turns herself on the floor and strikes herself against anything near her and swears terribly after Clothing &c

July 5. 76 William Johnstone MD Catches 1" From her incessant and incoherent talk &c &c
2" That she attempts to take her own life"

April 6th 1875 This patient cannot be said to have much improved since her admission. Her general health is keeping fair but her mental health has not improved She sleeps well and takes her food very much better than on her admission

7 July 1875 This lady has gained bodily but her mental condition is not at all satisfactory nor is it likely to be

1 Dec 1875 This case is one of the below dementia Bodily good health Continues as do exhibit the hopeless state that is mentioned above Occasional sleeps and eats well

1 May 1876 No change for the better Remain Unfortunately Good General health

26 July 1876 This patient has removed by her brother - Discharged - Relieved -

13

July 12 72

11 Feby 18

6 April 1

15 May 1

July 12 75 Robert Bell

2 dead 44 years 10 – 44 years
3 Widower 11 Husband
4 Shipbroker in Liverpool 12 ten days
5 Presbyterian 13 Reverse of fortune
6 Liverpool 14 No
7 Parliament Mews 15 No
8 Ten days 16 No
9 First Attack 19 William John Bell
his son aged 11 — Liverpool — None

11 July 1875 Medl. Cert. by Dr Donald Med Edin Licentiate, LRCSE LRCPE Certifies 1" that in opinion he has convales the whole mild that he is very sick and very careful to much so as to walk down stairs 2" his Secretary says that he was subject to Error and Otherations for the last ten days"

Walter Corrie Med Edin and LRCSE Certifies 1" Subject to delusions – such as being very sick and has power of conversing the most 2 His Secretary who kept his house + children past safely, but subject to delusions of a like nature to what I am myself –

6 April 1875 Mr Bell keeps pace with the circumstances mentioned in the above medical certificates. For the last few days he labours under the belief that he ought to go to Stock Yards. He wears a black dress and behaves in a very capricious manner

15 May 1875 Mr Bell procures from Dr to move and to deny the opinion from Journal Analysis

1879

22. Feby 1

6. April 18

18 May

1379 William Johnstone

22 May 1875 Sir James Coxe Commissioner in Lunacy signs the Admission papers of this Patient the date is 22nd day of February 1875

6 April 1875 Mr Johnstone has greatly improved. His cheerfulness has returned and his melancholia almost disappeared he has his ales and downs, moves, and may at any time work himself into the belief that he is "very ill indeed"

18 May 1875 Mr Johnstone left the Asylum today relieved

1380

11 March

12 March

14 March

16th April

26/4/78

1880

## Henry B. Harris

11 March 1875 (2) Male age 66 — 11 Yes he does sometimes
3 Married — 12 A few days
4 Retired Staff Commander R.N. — 13 Not known
5 Church of England — 14 No
6 N. Berwick Cumberland — 15 No
7 Crichton Royal Institution — 16 No
8 A few days — 17 Has Harris left the Asylum for London
10 No — 20 None

12 March 1875 Patrick H. Murray M.D. Cathpic. 1. Commitment to be insane rambling and totally unintelligible states that he has been in the Navy 109 years &c
2. Much the same as above

17 March 1875 John Smith R.N. Cathpic. 1. His manner of speech and rambling statement

10th April 1875 After days residence has made a great difference in the mental attitude of Mr Harris. He is now quiet and harmless without a trace of the former symptoms & habits on his arrival. His home Catholic him well and he causes little trouble to Drs or Attendants

26/4/75 Mr Harris left the Asylum today recovered

1381

16 March

10th April

17 July

1 Decem

1 May

Feb 22

16 March 1875 John Henry Hampson - Sol.r
Admitted on the Authority of Sir James Coxe Commissioner in Lunacy who has seen in Edinburgh on the 16th day of March 1875 brings with him a history of Syphilis, intemperance a "shock" and of Suicide. His Medical Man says "he has had Syphilis in his youth of which the tongue has still most decided traces" "has been addicted to use of Spirits" had an attack of hemiplegia last May which for some time entirely removed his recollection of names, places and circumstances but he is at times incoherent and delusive. Says that he has been "cured all together"

10th April 75 Mr Hampson is getting about under an impression he likes the institution and is altogether a "jolly" free and easy sort of gentleman full of vivacity and sprightliness

17 July 1875 This gentleman, has recovered completely from an impression He is therefore happier and altogether a better man

1 Decr 1875 Mr Hampson has gained greatly since last entry. He is in excellent physical condition gentlemanly in his habits and demeanour but disposed to be querulous and "soft" he talks much & exercises in the grounds in which he has been He has been attacked periodically since his arrival here and promises to do well before he leaves

1 May 1876 Mr Hampson has not indulged in drink since his residence here. He enjoys very good health and attends gymnastic drills and humorously alleges he promises to do well

Feb 21st 77. Mr. Hampson is as above described - very silly & seems to be easily persuaded to do anything. He has unlimited parole & attends Table d'hôte - seems quite content to remain in the C.R.I because his friends wish it.

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I H Hampson.

May 17th-77. Discharged. Relieved.

1382

March 4 · 75 — Mary Janet Dalgleish

2 Female 25 years — 11 Perfect Imbecile
4 No occupation — 1½ From 3 — 4 months
5 Protestant Orchard — 13 Family affliction, death of Brother &c
6 Perfect Imbecile — 14 No
7 Perfect Imbecile — 15 Yes
8 3 to 4 months — 16 Yes
9 First — 19 Robert Dalgleish Perfect Imbecile
10 25 years — No member of the Family has been or is insane. The patient is not a pauper

18 March 1875 — Thomas Lyon M.D. Certifies 1. Since the death of her brother three months ago She has been the subject of religious melancholy fancying her soul to be lost and uncertain on those about her to be insane but assimilates fairly to them. 2. Be several occasions has fled or attempted to flee from her attendants in order to commit Suicide or do herself harm

18 March 1875 — Andrew Skinner M.D. Certifies 1. When I first saw her about three months ago She was labouring under deep religious melancholy thought She had "sinned away her day of grace" and that there was no hope for her today She will scarcely answer a question when put to her. 2. Her statements confirm to those stated and impress me that on such occasions She has a tendency to commit Suicide

6 the April 1875 — This Patient a day or two after her arrival alarmed us by symptoms of what seems a grave Cerebral disease. Dietetic and Medicinal treatment drove fast her all restful again and she is now altho' pretty depressed in much better health

17 July 1875 — Miss Dalgleish has greatly improved, and were it not for a visit from her father and brother She would now be a new being. She goes to Church, plays Quoits and acts rationally.

1 Dec 1875 — Frequent and visits of Relatives are decidedly injurious in this Case Miss Dalgleish being

much depressed after each visit from relatives or friends. She has done much to mend her considerable impairment which has been attended by depression. There is nothing worthy of record in her case since last entry. She is now in very robust health

31 January 1876. This patient left the Asylum today on probation much relieved

20 July 1876 Discharged — Recovered —



March 19. 1

16th April

17 July 1

20 July

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March 14. 1875 Miss Mary Gilchrist is a voluntary patient the Sanction for her admission being signed in Edinburgh on the Seventh of March 1875 by Sir James Coxe Commissioner in Lunacy

15th April 1875 Miss Gilchrist is getting on very favourably the melancholy is passing away and she is now much more agreeable and tractable

17 July 1875 Miss Gilchrist is getting on slowly - She is nervous and ever will be. Her bodily health is very good

31 July 1875 Sept. the Asylum to-day received

1384
March 31.

25 March

17 July

1 Dec

1 May

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13824
March 31. 1875 Agnes Malcolm.

2 Female 41 years 9 32 years
3 Single 10 About nine years
4 Flax Spinner's daughter 11 Not assigned
5 Free church 12 No
6 3rd March 1874 13 No
7 Never 9 years 14 No
8 Yes 16 Mother Mrs Robert Alexander

Malcolm Chapelshade Works Dundee

25 March 1875 Dr Aveston Edin Asylum Certifies "She is unsettled in mind & very excitable. She is in general bodily health"

17 July 1875 Miss Malcolm is dissatisfied with everything and everybody. Her mental state remains the same but her bodily health has vastly improved

1 Dec 1875 Dissatisfaction continues and probably will ever continue as the most marked feature in this Lady's Case. It is conjectured that the most copious pleasures would not content her. The most sumptuous comfort. Her physical health is good her mental state is in statu quo

1 May 1876 Dissatisfaction with everything and everybody is the great feature in this Case. Fancy is a keenness to intensity and quite a genius for imagination and humour that is perpetual torture to Miss Mc Case is not a good one.

12/12/76. Dissatisfied. Complaining at every thing & very anxious for a change. Good bodily health.

April 16th 77. No change for better or worse.

October 77 Discharged on Probation on the fifth of October 1877.

Mar 1878 Miss Malcolm's Probation was renewed up to the 4th but on July 2nd 1878 Miss M. was readmitted into the Asylum Institution

Janry 16th 79 Miss Malcolm has the same exaggerated idea of the importance of her intellectual powers & delights

talk of the "Field" to which her mind would rise
when it was not mysteriously Compressed into very
narrow limits.

May 10th 80 Miss Malcolm Continues in State quo; she
has a considerable Craving for stimulants

Sept 14th 80 Miss Malcolm Continues to wear the fashion here
with a style of Coiffure that is truly remarkable
– she still bears of the "fullness of her life"
if it were not "Crushed" by the effects of
the Cruelties Prostitution

10th March 81 There is no Change in Miss Malcolms Condition

Miss Malcolm remained in good bodily health
throughout the summer and went about a month at
the seaside with some of the other ladies.
Though very boastful of her former condition & life
she was extremely good hearted and valued highly
any little attention. Latterly she had been much more
cheerful & more rational in her dress and manners though
still pining for a free life & rational company.
She died from ~~data~~ Intestinal Obstruction on the
12th October 1881 evening of the 12th October 1881

Throughout her illness Miss Malcolm bore up well & in her
the Asylum has lost one who will be missed by all
who knew her & had experienced her many acts of kindness

1885
5th April
5th April
5th April
30 April

1385

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| 25th April 1875 | Mrs Sarah Mary Catherine Van Schoorne | | | |
| | 2 | Female | 59 | 11 years previously under treatment |
| | 3 | Widow | | 1/2 Four Months |
| | 4 | Gentlewoman | | 1/3 Unknown |
| | 5 | Protestant | | 15 No |
| | 6 | Homeless | | 18 No |
| | 7 | Langton St Dennis | | 16 Yes |
| | 8 | Seven Months | | 17 None |
| | 9 | No | | 19 Edgeworth Holsteinlow Langton House Castle St Dennis Hants |
| | 10 | 59 | | |
| 25th April 1875 | Charles Douglas Bowdich Hall Stock & Cattle Dr. III | | | |

"That she has been poisoned: that she is surrounded by enemies. She is violent under control (2) She imagines the house to be filled with animals & birds which have been thrown down the Chimney"

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| 26th April 1875 | Thomas Drummond Vanderson M.B. states | | | |

"Imagines that her friends and medical attendants conspire to poison her. Alarms her neighbours by shouting "murder" in the street. Has violent inclination towards her niece & then checks herself. Constantly wishes to visit friends who are absent. Ill for four years and under constant treatment eight years"

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| 30th April 75 | Mrs Van Schoorne progressed so very favourably towards recovery that she was this day deemed fitt to be sent home. She was therefore this day discharged recovered. | | | |

1386

16 April 1[illegible]

9th April 1[illegible]

[illegible]th April 1[illegible]

17 July 1[illegible]

12 Oct. 1[illegible]

16 April 1875 Miss Daphne Sarah Bousfield

3 Female 20 years of age 11 Northern
3 Unmarried 12 Irish
4 Lady 13 Scottish and Irish
5 Episcopalian 14 Ho
6 Ashbrook 15 Ho
8 Dwelt 16 Ho
9 First 19 Charles Edward D. Bousfield
10 Do Boston Ashbrook Rd Landowner Ireland

9th April 1875 W. Hamond MD States (1) General Incoherence
16th April 1875 A Thomson MD Cataplexia (1) Incapable of Conversation. Lies in bed moving her hands Constantly and muttering incoherently (2) Told by Dr. Hilditch that she refuses food and appears to be fed artificially

17 July 1875 Miss Bousfield has lucid intervals and promises to improve. At present, better under better than she was, there is much room for amelioration

12 Oct. 1875 Miss Bousfield personally got better and was this day discharged perfectly well in mind and body.

1387

April 7.

12 April

12 April

28/6/75

April 17. 1875 Hugh M'Naught

2. 30 9 First attack
3 Single 10 —
4 Draper's Assistant 11 —
5 Protestant Presbyterian 12 3 months
6 Resident at present 13 Hours
residence at Hunton 14 No
7. for 4 months 15 No
8 3 months 16 No
19 Relations No other member of family been affected

12 April 1875 J. Reed Cox Surgeon Certifies "Being his regular medical attendant I have since for some months that he has been gradually approaching a state of imbecility. He is unable to understand ordinary conversation and can answer few questions intelligibly. Speech very much impaired and power of reason almost gone" & "All other senses does not seem to know his nearest relations has to be constantly watched. Cannot dress or undress and has to be fed like a child"

12 April 1875 Answers of Applicant M'R Clk says "Inability to comprehend or to answer the simplest questions Q. Could not tell his own name & has spoken to stand up — had to be shown by actions what was meant" 2° Sir Matthew Hopkins informs me that he will stand in the same position for hours. Passes urine and faeces involuntarily and has registered to be treated like a child

28/6/75 Mr M'Naught went on from bad to worse till he ended his history this day at Asylum Died of Chronic Paralysis on 28th June 1875

886
19 April 18

17 April 1

19 April 18

17 July 18

2 Aug. 1

886

19 April 1875 Gilbert Chas. A Stuart

2 Male 29 years
3 Single
4 Formerly Scotch army
Lately a merchant Student
5 Protestant
6 High School Bellevue
7 High St Bellevue
8 Six months at least
9 Yes
His half Sister No insanity here, or found in any other members of his family. None

10 29 years
11 Boarding kept at home
12 6 months
13 Intemperance
14 Epileptiform attacks manifested themselves recently
15 No
16 Threatens
19 Mayt Street High St Station House

17 April 187 Dr. Jarvis says: he is dull of perception of impaired memory in Mediation (2) Slight Confusion with Dr Dewar during an Epileptiform Convulsion

19 April 1875 Alex: Duncan M.D. Certifies: That Mental debility. Various forms of Aberrant Ambitious Imagines he has all manner of ideas Monomania and Intemperate Control and he is at times destructive and even violent. Lately subject to Epileptiform Convulsions 2. None

17 July 1875 Mr Stuart has had a few "Lapses" on his admission but none for a long time. He appears still to a small extent suffer from Somnolency + Hypochondriasis. Has found of Drugs and Stimulants and accordingly Capricious

2 Aug. 1875 Mr Stuart was this day discharged recovered

089 2nd April 1875. Elizabeth Halliday

2 Female 28 — 12 past time 4 months last
3 Married — been 3 months
4 No occupation — 13 Not known
6 26 High Street — 14 No
8 Town W&R — 16 Yes
9 Blind
10 Twenty three
11 Has been post at Brunton Lodge
Removed to Gateshead Last time at home

14 April 1875 — Charles Nattrass Certifies I. She is very Excitable and Abusive to her Parents — refuses to answer when spoken to by Child or Parents — refuses to cook for the Family — Destroys the Clothes by tearing them — Breaks Windows and Furniture — Locks herself in her Room and Barricades the Door — Violently ill-treats her Husband & Sister — States that she forgives Everybody and Nobody all night and Screams very loud — Refuses to let them all in — Runs out of the House naked — Threatens her Husband's Life — Refuses to take Food or Medicine — Refuses to let the Doctor come near her — Refuses to let the Parish Doctor see her — Refuses to be comfortably Nursed in her Parents House

14 April 1875 — Morley Douglas Certifies She is very Excitable and Abusive — Said she had 2 pounds in a Purse but had not — She was Cruel to her Sister Jane that she could not help her Sister from Crying — Refused to go from the Door to Enquire after the Affairs of her Husband — Left in the Room alone she Played in a Manner by Beating on the Piano in the Table Drawers Twenty Times as fast as Natural — I. The Husband States in addition to that recorded by Dr Nattrass that Last night he dressed some Wounds on his Legs Cut & Put on by his Wife and that She threw Ornaments at him

17 July 1875 — There is no Improvement to record in this Case
1 Dec 1875 — Mrs Halliday's Case remains the same She is Excessively Passionate to Members that She once or twice behaves in Ordinary Manner to Others

to her attendants. She thinks nothing of taking up a Chair or any other object and swinging it at the heads of those around her. For this reason she was removed to the "Low Wards" Her bodily health is very fair

1 May 1876 This is a case of Chronic Mania that makes little or no progress towards recovery. Physical health is very good

8/12/76. Still very incoherent. Physical health good.

April 12th 77. This lady seems never to have a lucid interval At times she is very excited & violent, Striking & breaking Glass &c &c. For some reason or other she delights to be called Mrs Thompson.

5 Sept 1877 Transferred to the Southern Counties Asylum

1879
2 April 18

20 April

7 July 18

7 Sept 18

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2 April 1875 Jemima Borland Bill or Lan

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| 3 Farml 25 | | 13 puerperal |
| 3 maid | | 14 do |
| 4 Wife of Art Engine | | 15 do |
| 5 Protestant | | 16 do |
| 6 Acton Middlesex London | | 19 Wm Bell Jnr St- |
| 7 Both St Dumfries | | Dumfries Father Alive |
| 8 3 months | | |
| 9 yrs | | |
| 10 25 | | |
| 11 3 months | | |

20 April 1875 Jas McCall admitted 21 Apl 1875 Letter bill was an Epileptic Idiot Constantly talking about Suspicions and watching the door & pilfering mechanically & Walk and moaning for 2 Refuses food at times Very violent Thinks food is Poisoned thinks Heart Sheard her pound can be killed Refuses to go into Chair as she says it Must run over thousands of human beings

26 April 1875 Dr Randall admitted 21 Apl 1875 Melancholy Leans about her Room in perfect Retirement Suspicious of all those Come to enter her Room &c &c Her chief Hobby that Can refuses food Is always in fear of anything being put into Bread to make Insane or poisoned &c &c

9 July 1875 Mrs Lean has greatly improved altho she has Yet delusions about men and things - Is artificial feeding has long ago been discontinued and is now robust and very active

7 Sept 1875 Mrs Lean got steadily better and was this day discharged Cured

1391
28 March

27·4/

24/4/

17 July 1

1 Dec 1

1 May

2628

Oct 6

September 1

March

1391
28 April 1875 John Jackson Esq

2 Male 55 years — 11 Newbiggin
3 Single — 12 Swine Cattle
4 Imbecile none — 13 Leases from a Mr Jonathan
5 Church of England 14 No — 20 of Apprentices, Labourers
6 Bede Lodge Lent from Newcastle — 19 Same County Esq
7 Bede Lodge 15 No — Brother
8 Frontbitten 16 No — None

27.4.75 John Nicholson Stanley Certifies (1) Natural deformity small underdeveloped brain incapable of self preservation and inability and want of attention to his natural wants

24/4/75 Dr Cunningham Certifies (1) Small deformed head says that he had always a wish to marry but the girls would have nothing to do with him owing to his peculiar habits He has an unsteady tottering gait (2) Said to be uncleanly in his habits

17 July 1875 This gentleman is cleanly and healthy His mental status is such as it was, and ever will be.

1 Dec 1875 No great improvement can be expected in a case like Mr Esq's with the exception of a cold he has been in excellent health since his last entry He is upon manageable and harmless nature with no malice bias toward any one or nature in particular

1 May 1876 No mental improvement when any can be expected Physical nature very well

26/28 7 7. No change to record either mentally or bodily since last report.

October 15th 77. An amenable imbecile concerning whom little can be said.

September 12th 78 Mr Esq Remains as above — He is occasionally noisy at night
March 8th 79 Mr Esq Remains much as above described: he is occasionally addicted to masturbation

1392

May 5

September 6th 78 — There has been a Physical failing of late without any particular malady to account for it. He occasionally shows homicidal tendencies & has once or twice lunged a fellow patient by the throat.

May 10th 80 — During the last winter there was a similar downward physical tendency but that has now been quite recovered from. Mentally there has been no change to record; he has been quiet & harmless of late.

Sept 14th 80 — Mr Eno's brother the owner of James Eaton of "Eno's Fruit Salt" states that his brother's Condition was caused by a fright to his mother when she was in a state.

5 May

Oct March 81 — No Change in Mr Eno's case

Feb 82. — No Change to record

April 10th 82. — Mr Eno has suffered from a mild attack of Typhoid fever, he is now convalescing slowly

Oct 22nd 1867 — Mr Eno has not recovered from his typhoid attack, his feet & hands are deformed in curious contractions of the fingers & toes & turning out of ankles & wrists apparently caused by rheumatoid arthritis though there is still much essential joint deformity. Mentally there is no change, he is quiet & harmless.

5 May

April 16th 1868 — Mr Eno is in fair bodily health & there is no change to record, Mentally he remains a harmless, quiet imbecile.

19 Feb. 84. — Mr Eno is just the same as before in regard his mental condition. He has two large warts on his head. His hands and his feet are much deformed.

26. 7. 84. — There is no change in Mr Eno's condition

6. 12. 04 — The atheromatous cysts in Mr Eno's scalp were lately successfully removed. His mental health is unchanged.

5 May

June 5

1392

May 5. 75 Andrew Stewart.

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| 12. whole Corpus | 11 None-notorious |
| 3 maimed | 12 Slave trade |
| 4 Auctioneer | 13 Family trouble |
| 5 Protestant | 14 No |
| 6 Buccaneer & Dumpee | 15 Not known |
| 7 do do | 16 No |
| 8 Slave trade | 17 Not a pauper |
| 9 Slave trade | 18 No Chargeable |
| 10 60 years | 19 Serge Steward son of patient Auctioneer & Dumpee |

No insanity in family - None

5 May 1875 W. Marshall M.D. Certifies "I talks incoherently, imagines that he is appointed as one of Dr. Kenealy's Agents in this Country and supplied with any amount of money to carry out all matters connected with him &c &c 12. His wife states that he has been attempting to use a fork on his throat & while under the impression that for doing this he is to be so &c &c

5 May 1875 P.M. Shuman M.D. states 11. States that he writes leading Articles for the Englishman (Dr. Kenealy's) that they are admired by both Houses of Parliament and that Her Majesty has written to him complimentary him about them. 2. His wife informs me that at times he is very violent that he attempted stabbing a fork across his throat &c

June 5. 75 M. Stewart incoherence and incessant talking and restlessness & excitement & haveler him so much that he died on this day.

1303
6 May
5 May
6 May
1st July

1303

6 May 1875 Thomas Roy. (Names not filled up.)

5 May 187 Arrears Merchant MBCM Catholic V. Estate Board self respect Ef walks about the town in a very

Duly State and keep money from anyone he works
(2) Says refuses Appl to vote with article of that supporting and voted town but pattern

6 May 1875 Solicitor Thompson LRCPE & LRCSE Catholic V. Has

appearance being that of a person Cackling

Something mentally "2" He threatens to burn

the house. Says he will kill his father. Also

has been having Plate and other articles

17 July 1875 This patient was in the asylum only a day or

two this time misunderstanding of his relatives

He has not had time to improve. He was

discharged on the 8th day of May 1875

1874

21 May 1875 Mrs Sarah McMinnor Gray

(2) Female 49
3 Widow
4 Mooor formerly Grants wife
5 Free church of Scotland
6 & Maxwell & Maxwellsown
7 & Glenyellhead do
8 2 Days
9 Yrs
10 49
12 2 Days
13 Son of Henry & Dumfries
14 No
15 No
16 No
19 Matthew Gray
79 Eight Galashiels
Son
No

21 May 1875 Dr. Smith Dumfries Asylum 1. Has continued wilfulness and refusal to answer questions is constantly walking up and down the Room saying nothing and attempting to tear her Clothes 2. Has not informed me that since yesterday morning she has refused to take food or drink and has been in the state mentioned above

21 May 1875 Dr Stevenson States 1. Perfect wilfulness and refusal to speak 2. Is peculiar appearance 3. Told by her daughter Jessie Gray that she has been in a peculiar state for sometime has very restless last night and would not lie in bed and refuses to take food

26 June 1875 This Lady went on so favorably that she was discharged Cured on this date

1895
25 May

26 May

26 May

17 July

August

1875

25 May 1875 John Alexander Ker

2 Male 42
3 Single
4 Doctor of Medicine
5 Church of England
6 Dumfries
7 Crichton Royal Institution
8 2 years
9 Insane
10 40
11 Nurture
12 About 2 years
13 Not Known
14 do
15 do
16 do
19 Alice Ker Mother No

26 May 1875 Dr Smith Dumfries Calefers 1. Slow incoherency of Speech and Appearance of Insanity. 2. Dr Murchison informs medical Case he was admitted he has been very low and

26 May 1875 Dr Thomson State 1. Refuses food and has delusions 2. Holds by his mothers hand he will neither eat nor allow her to take food as it would kill her Has been quite unmanageable for the last few days

17 July 1875 Dr His Case is hopeless. She is far from being well. Has her own Passes her urine and faeces in bed and is altogether one of worst Cases in the Asylum

August 7 Dr Ker died today The supposed cause death being Exhaustion from Brain disease & Diarrhoea.

1396
26 May
30 May
17 July
Sept 22
1 Dec
1 May
31 May

1396

26 May 1878 James Hector Johnston (Transfer)

2 Thirty Eight
3 Single
4 Student
5 Presbyterian
6 1st January 1874
7 Three or ten per 18 years
8 not first attack
9 about 20
11 not known
12 not subject
14 occasionally
15 James Stewart Johnstone who is at present residing in Melbourne Australia

30 May 1878 Dr Howden certifies that "he is liable to attacks of excitement when he is restless and sometimes violent"

17 July 1878 This gentleman is at times excitable but to the extent of occasioning annoyance to his neighbours. He is prone to speculations about his own doings and abilities. His health is very good

Sept 24. 78 This man's peculiarity of temperament was exemplified today in a Cowardly assault with a billiard Cue on another patient. It is perfectly evident that an Asylum is the proper place for such a man and that however long he may be in Society there is too much and probably will be Incarceration about time

1 Dec 1878 There nothing bad in this gentleman's history since last entry. His bodily health is very good his mental is state quo

1 May 1879 No change in this case continues case

31 May 1879 The utterings of this patient is unintelligible He has filed himself into one obscure corner of the Asylum Grounds - Elgin Asylum - He was discharged on this date unimproved - but restless

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|---|---|---|---|
| 7 June 1875 | 1397 | John Allan | |
| | 2 | Male - 61 | 10 - 61 |
| | 3 | Married | 11 — |
| | 4 | Merchant & Farmer | 12 4 months |
| | 5 | Protestant | 13 Mr. Patterson & Lawrence Binny |
| | 6 | Bank Nova Scotia Cornwall | 14 No |
| | 7 | Confirm Royal Institution | 15 No |
| | | & Café Coffee | 16 yes |
| | 8 | About 4 months | 19 Mrs Allan |
| | 9 | Priest | Bank Nova Scotia Cornwall |
| 8 June 1875 | | Dr Cunningham Lunatics | None None None |
| | | 1. Refuses to answer questions put to him - in fact he cannot be got to speak to at all - his dull heavy looking indicating mental depression 2. Said to be very dangerous to those coming near him. Dr Lynch Lunatics 1. | |
| 9 June 1875 | | "His melancholy appearance inattention Of speech and refusal to answer Questions 2. The attendant informs me that since his admission he has scarcely spoken a word and at | |
| 1 July 1875 | | times refuses to answer questions This gentleman is a pathetic and sorrowful He is not and at times dirty in his habits He takes his food well and sleeps tolerably | |
| 2 Dec 1875 | | Mr Allan has not improved. He is perfectly demented and incapable. Dirty in his habits and quite unlike his former state of activity and tidiness His physical health is not satisfactory and altogether the case is not a favourable one He takes his food and sleeps fairly | |
| 2 June 1876 | | This gentleman was visited to day "not improved" and contrary to the advice of the Medical Superintendent. His wife desires that he is better at home - will soon find out her mistake | |

1876
8 June 1875

William Watson
Male 67
3 Married
4 Retired Merchant
5 Protestant
6 Preston
7 —
8. 4 months
9 First attack
12. 4. hours
15 Right Temporary
16 No

19 Ruth Margaret Watson
daughter of Elizabeth
Watson his wife
No Death, Insane Delusions

7 June 75 Dr Lorraine Certifies 1. Subject to various delusions - such as that he is in a vast and desolation - that his Letters from Hotel boy are for him - writes and destroys 2. Constantly speaks about matters which have no existence

7 June 75 John Kinnear Esq B.C. Certifies 1. He is restless fancies that his Letters from and for him - that he has not paid and Cannot - some suffering that he is in want - at times he has a vacant absorbed manner 2. His letters show that he is in a wasting state of agitation about things which do not exist and if opposed flies into fits of being obstinate

17 July 1875 Mr Watson has not improved since his arrival at the Institution - he is full of delusions, is dull and listless - he suffers at present from an attack of diarrhoea

2 July 1875 - Mr Watson died today from Diarrhoea

1399

16 / Seine

13 Nov

2 Dec

16 May

1399

16/June 1875 David Thomson is a Voluntary patient the sanction for his admission being signed at Edinburgh on the 12 Inst. by Dr Arthur Mitchell Commissioner in Lunacy.

13 Nov 1875 Mr Thomson is in ill health. is a martyr to rheumatism and its complications. He is very prone to exaggerate his sufferings and often prefers to lie in bed to which he has been confined for the last week altho' there is nothing very marked in his case. He is clean and gentlemanly in all his attainments, with the exception of his exaggerated ideas of his bodily ailments, easy to manage His melancholia has not improved and is probably tied with his strictures

2 Dec 1875 This case remains unchanged. Unhappiness and mental discomfort are too apparent by little persuasion Mr Thomson can induce to leave his bed during the greater part of the day

18 May 1876 Mr Thomson gradually fell into an asthenic condition which ended his unfortunate history on this date

1400
19 June 18
18 June /
18 June /1
11 Sept- 1

1400

19 June 1875

## Mrs Margaret Kellock or Shaw

2 35 years
3 Married
4 Domestic
5 Presbyterian
6 Daily Apprehensive
(Now Thornliebank Asylum)
7 Thornliebank Glasgow
8 3 months
9 Yes
10 35 years
11 Temporarily under treatment
12 3 months
13 Death of child
14 No
15 No
16 No
17 Private Patient

18 June 1875 Dr Logan Certifies 1. Answers Questions confusedly and little past observation, says that every thing has gone wrong and expresses a desire to be taken away anywhere and manifests the Symptoms generally pertaining to melancholia 2. Since the death of her child 3 months ago has been much depressed and occasionally much excited. Left the house on four days ago by a window thereby placing herself in very great danger and constantly attempts to evade her attendants

19 June 1875 Dr Fiddes Certifies 1. Depression. Confusion of Ideas. Speaks little and only in reply to questions put to her. 2. Her Friends state that she has attempted to make away and on one occasion escaped from the house by the window in her night Dress.

11 Sept 1875 This lady was a picture of Melancholy more or less during her period of stay in the House She improved however and the intervals of depression became longer and less frequent at times even cheerful Her husband removed her to his home today Contrary to the advice of the Medical Superintendent

Discharged Relieved on the 11th of September 75

1401
28. Jan

29 Jan

29 Jan

13 Nov

1. Dec

1401

28. June 1875 — Elizabeth Jane Coulthard

2. Female 26 years — 9. yes
3 Single — 10 26 1/2
4 none — 11 Northerner
5 Church of Scotland — 12 18 months
6 Clarencefield — 13 unknown
7 Carlton Royal Hotel — 14 no
8. Eighteen months — 15 no
16 Somewhat — 19. Father William Coulthard Clarencefield. None

29 June 1875 — Dr. Cunningham Carlisle. 1. Her appearance is what usually termed in insane persons. She talks staringly and incoherently and is extremely childish in her manner. 2. Said to be violent at times, threatens violence to her sister but at times she is quiet at others time very excitable.

29 June 1875 — John Smith Carlisle. 1. Her appearance and demeanour has a vacant childish expression. Tells me that when at home she was continually annoyed with her relatives and constantly quarrelled with insane persons. 2. Her brother states that she has been at times very excitable and sometimes dangerous to others.

13 Oct. 1875 — Miss Coulthard has gained somewhat but there is considerable room for improvement. She seems satisfied with very body and everything is listless and apathetic. Quite careless of the future. Generally speaking there is not much improvement to record.

2 Dec. 1875 — Miss Coulthard's condition has not improved since last entry. Her memory is very much marked. With the exception of a perpetual laugh and an enlarged submaxillary gland her personal health is very good.

1 May 1876 No marked change. General health to remain improved but mental condition no do. There remains that same imbecility and irritability

Dec 8th 76. No marked change.

April 5th 77. Miss Coulthard is childish, very apathetic, & her bodily health is average.

October 15th 77. No marked change. Untidiness, apathy & imbecility are the chief traits in this patients character

September 12th 78 Mr Coulthard remains better & apathetic; she appears known to have a considerable amount of insane cunning and has great delight in parleying from her fellow-patients

March 8th 79 No change to record.

Sept 6th 79 Mrs Coulthard's case for the last year has presented no feature of interest: she is passionless, careless about her dress and indifferent to everything.

May 6th 80 The lady is apathetic and unable unwilling to apply herself to any useful industry. There is no change to record in her demeanour

Sept 11th 80 No change to record

7th March 81 Mrs Coulthard has fallen & injured from some stairway (cause) on the neck for which she has been treated. Mentally she remains unchanged

Feb. 1882 Mrs Coulthard is in fair health, has been attending the weekly dances but is so apathetic that it is difficult to get her to dance properly

April 1882. Much the same

2nd October 1882 Mrs Coulthard had recently a slight ulcerous sore on submaxillary gland on the left side which has now healed, her bodily health is fair but mentally she is imbecile with no hope of improvement

April 5th 1883 Mrs Coulthard is in good bodily health & condition, mentally she is a quiet, harmless imbecile. There is no change to record in her case.

18th Feb 84 No change.

Feb 7
2 July 1

1 July 83

2 July 83

13 Nov

2 Dec

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|---|---|---|
| 46 7 2 July 1875 | Joseph Douglas | |
| | 2 Male – 71 | 11 Fairlands Asylum – N B |
| | 3 Widower | Discharged from there – Members |
| | 4 Farmer | to town – he being a |
| | 5 Almondsbury England | private patient |
| | 6 Fairlands Asylum for about 7 years | 13 Family Admitted |
| | 7 Resident | 14 Ditto |
| | 8 About seven years | 15 Do |
| | 9 Continuous positive sent to Fairlands | 16 Question – Dr has not |
| | | injured any one 19 A table in Fairlands |
| | | Asylum at present – Called Manpower Complex |
| 1 July 1875 | John Luxdale Surgeon Calstock – 1 A mild expression | |
| | of face, an excessive and marked volubility of tongue | |
| | an unusually persuasive manner Second delusions | |
| | for example distinctly stating that Mesmerism | |
| | is a new invention for rolling hair 2 Persons | |
| | to wish to commit some crime by shooting a | |
| | person to be sent to prison Committed | |
| | from St Johnsville – Said he had no money | |
| | for Clothes has always been robbed & persecuted | |
| | persons of doing so | |
| 2 July 1875 | R H H Knight Visit Calstock 1 He fancies | |
| | that he has been robbed of everything that his | |
| | Money Clothes &c have been wasted by letter from | |
| | home He says that he is constantly hearing | |
| | the voice of "Jack Rogers" whom at home | |
| | to sleep or do anything & Mr Robert Patterson | |
| | tells me that he is unsettled in his habits | |
| | rambling and incoherent in his talk and difficult | |
| | to manage | |
| 13 Nov 1875 | This gentleman continues in the state described in | |
| | the foregoing Medical Certificate – He is mesmerised | |
| | and bothered in other ways at stated intervals | |
| | and often noisy at times is unmanageable & restless | |
| 2 Dec 1875 | This case remains in all respects the same | |
| | Noisy and quiet alternate repulsive & | |
| | they have gone and will probably do till the end | |

1403

9 July 18

1 May 1876 Mr Douglas has not made any mental improvement. He is still memorised and ruddy affected into a personage he calls "Jack" His general health is and has uniformly been good

18 Sept

Janry. 14th 77. No improvement seems.

5th day of November 1877. Mr Douglas still has his delusion that "Jack" is the cause of his troubles & that he was always a healthy man till "Jack" made his appearance. He is quiet Heart's action is irregular & there is an Aortic Systolic murmur The feet are blue & coldish

September 12th 78 Mr Douglas is still the victim of the pranks of Jack — there is no improvement to record.

March 8th 79 Mr Douglas is the same doated old man; he talks to himself aloud and often recites against his persecutor "Jack" especially at night as a feature of his case that has caused his removal from one sleeping apartment to another. Sometimes he appears in a state of abject terror of his imaginary foe.

Sept. 13th 79. Mr Douglas remains the same

May 16th 80 There is no change to record in the old gentleman's case except that he is failing physically with his advancing years. He is as obstinate a bore & is as much troubled by "Jack"

Sept 12th 80 No change to record in this case

Oct 10th March 81 Mr Douglas rarely complains of "Jack" now — and the delusion has disappeared. He is still very obstinate, noisy & difficult to manage. His bodily health is visibly failing

19th June Mr Douglas gradually sank and died on 19th June 1881

1403

9 July 1875 — Mrs Annie Fowlis Vivian (Voluntary) was admitted on this date the sanction of the Board of Lunacy being dispensed at Edinburgh on the 9th day of July 1875 by Dr Paterson Deputy Commissioner in Lunacy.

18 Sept 1875 — Mrs Vivian improved somewhat during her residence and was removed by her husband to take with nursing treatment

14 Oct
18 July 18

19 July

19 July

13 Nov

2 Dec

1 May

14 Oct

18 July 1875 Mrs Mary Robertson

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | Female 62 years | 11 | None |
| 3 | Widowed | 12 | Six months |
| 4 | Home Keeping for herself | 13 | Sons living |
| 5 | Presbyterian | 14 | No |
| 6 | Saline | 15 | Yes |
| 7 | Do | 16 | No |
| 8 | Six months | 19 | William Robertson Saline Son |
| 9 | Died attack | | |
| 10 | Fifty one salary | 19 | Brother |

19 July 1875 Dr Marshall Certifies 1 Talks incoherently, seems always restless - imagines that she is detained here for some unknown cause 2 delusional as to people coming to see her home &c 3 Her female attendant informs me that she continues restless the whole night and always trying to get out to

19 July 1875 Dr Smith Certifies 1 Her delusions incoherency of speech insane ideas 2 Dr Henderson informs me that she is homicidal

13 Nov 1875 Mrs Robertson is delusional - She fancies she has no brains - and in affirmative sense she is not much wrong - no wonder that legislation has been passed into her and that she is not like any other living women She does not eat well nor sleep well altho she has recently improved in both these respects

2 Dec 1875 Mrs Robertson's case has not improved nor her hallucinations diminished She says she has no brains (she is not far wrong) no head no stomach and that the body that contains her soul or carries it is not the one that died so some time ago

1 May 1876 This lady has the most absurd delusions among others that all the food she takes goes to her head She is thin and emaciated and the idea of artificial alimentation has once or twice been in consideration

Jany 14: 77. Mrs Robertson is improving Takes her food better & is in a better bodily condition

July 19th 77. Discharged Relieved

405
28 July

1405
28 July 1875 Walter Crawford
2 Male 22
3 Single
4 Mercantile Clerk
5 Church of Scotland
6 Could read
by Maycock
8 One month
9 First Attack
10 22 years
13 Orderly of
Brain work
14 Yes
15 No
16 No
19 The Rev. James
Crawford married
of Carluke by Maycock
Father

24 July 1875 John Cunningham Simpson Epileptic & Melancholic Questions — Looks wretchedly his manner & appearance denote Cerebral disease 2. Is a subject of Epilepsy He is very violent at times and dangerous to himself and others

24 July 1875 Dr Stephen Thomson Simpson Epileptic 1. His general look and general appearance coupled with his marked incoherent conversation 2 told by Dr Sellers that he is an Epileptic has been violent and that his mental faculties seem to be giving way

13 Nov 1875 This Gentleman is much troubled with at times violent fits that he cannot help his body and mind dreadfully. There is no improvement.

2 Dec 1875 There is no change in the Crawford case He is still troubled with those Epileptic fits as when he came to this Asylum. His physical health has improved and he takes his food somewhat better and looks less "daft."

1 May 1876 This Gentleman has not made much improvement He is still suffering from fits and is of a violently inclined

31 July 1876 He has to day exchanged — released —

1406
5 to Aug. 75

Gilbert C. A Stuart a Voluntary patient was admitted on the 5th day of August 1875 the Sanction of the Board of Lunacy being signed by Sir James Coxe

13 Aug. 1875 This patient has absconded & -discharged-

No 7
5 Augt 1875 Letter A. Appelbe
was admitted to day as a voluntary patient
her caution for admission being signed
by Sir James Coxe on the 27th ult.

13 Nov. 1875 Miss Appelbe promises to be a credit to the
Institution. She has of her own accord given
up the tea that is supplied at dinner
as well as the stimulant that was
thought proper to be continued on her
admission. Her bodily health is good

2 Dec. 1875 Her Lady Continues an Abstainer from
the Cause of the misfortunes. Her general
health is very poor as is her mind
Clouded. It is to be hoped that the
Natural and the restraint of the Asylum
will make her forget her craving for
her former intoxicating Liquor

1 May 1876 Miss A. has now been over two Months
and indulges in her favourite indulgence
For the last three months she has
behaved better. Her general health is very
good

6 Sept 1876 Miss Appelbe was to day discharged
"relieved"

1408

20 Aug 1

18 Augt 1

19th Aug

20 Aug 1875 John Aird

2 Male
3 Married
4 Farmer
5 Church of England
6 Settle Brongleton Via Carlisle
7 Settle Brongleton
8 Nineteen months
9 No
11 About January 1874 at Hyde Manchester and Confined at Cheadle
12 Nineteen months
13 accelerating causes drink but also worrying & family disgrace
14 No but had one of his fits during illness
15 Yes at times strong hereditary way
17 Not a pauper
19 Rachel Aird Hyde Manchester Mother of Patient Aird She has been given but not under restraint A brother is permanently in care under restraint in Lancaster

18 Augt 1875 Dr Dobson Cockermouth Certifies 1. He says that he takes no interest in his family or his farm. Believes the Clergyman of the Parish is his enemy and Cannot bear to be Sent to an Asylum Says that he has strong temptation at times to Commit Suicide and believes he would be better dead Himself an attempt has been made to poison his food (2) His wife States that he has many delusions that he thinks Spies are Set to watch him She was told by him that he intended to Purchase Poison but was dissuaded to do so that he does not settle down to any occupation and is restless & sleepless at night

19th Aug 1875 Dr Whitehead Certifies 1. On seeing him in bed this morning at 9 A.M. Observed that his eyes were very much congested and that there was a slight nervous twitching of the left-arm He stated that he had been up but that he could not undertake any work as he felt-ad altered in it He answered reasonably 2. His wife states he slept much last night and has slept very little for nearly a week He drank a gallon of water and complained he never had a dry mouth Is very depressed and that he studied previous to his Removal for the Asylum how he could commit Suicide by cutting his throat with a razor and drowning himself in the Cistern at the back of the house

2 December 18[illegible] This gentleman has gently improved in Mental and physical health he is an invaluable man in his calling and tells the Lunacy & the Medical Superintendent accepts the Attendant in their work He labi and sleeps well and will probably get home when it is deemed he is fit to join his family circle

1 May 1876 After a long period of good mental health Mr H. has recently given way to delusions and meandering he often complains from sick headache but in all other respects he is in good physical condition.

Feb 23. 77. Very well at present. Has ordinary paroli

June 20th 77. About 2 weeks ago Mr Hird had an attack of mania lasting for 3 or 4 days, he soon got over it & is now quite to his physical health

15th December 77. Mr Hird who is usually of irritable & taciturn, has occasionally attacks of excitement lasting for a few days in which he is restless & violent, he has one of these attacks since last entry

September 12th 78 Mr Hird has had a threatening of an attack which has known not developed: he is very irritable and would strike out if annoyed.

March 8th 79. Mr Hird has lately emptied a jug of water over a gentleman who sleeps in the same room with him. He is taciturn usually, but is usually amiable disposed to the Ladies. He is a very useful man and very diligent.

Nov 6th 79 Mr Hird is to day discharged Relieved he is removed by his friends on account of financial Considerations

Mr Hird subsequently returned. Ward XVj

1879
28 May 1[illegible]

30th May

30 Aug

2 Dec

26 April

28 Aug 1875 Andrew Waugh

2 Male 42 11 Not previously under treatment
3 Single 12 Twelve months
4 Merchant 13 Not known
5 Protestant 14 No
6 Aberdeen 15 No
7 Castleton Royal Institution 16 No
8 12 months 17 Peter Waugh
9 Second Attack Merchant
10 Thirty two years Lochgelly

30th Aug 75 Dr M. Donald Cattle 1 He is melancholic depressed and has no appetite - face up ~~up~~ burning in appearance in opposition to advice of relations 2. The attendant here says he has to be fed by force since he came in & is very melancholy

30 Aug 1875 Dr M. Donald Cattle 1 Heir very despondent and melancholy restless and sleepless arising from failure in business as alleged by him but which is not the case 2. Appears fond and has been fed by force since admission and has refused to be isolated from everyone

2 Dec 1875 Mr Waugh has got much better and promises to improve still further. She has been transferred to another gallery where he has more advantages and privileges He is quiet manageable and inoffensive takes his food well (does not do so at first) and sleeps well

26 April 1876 Mr Waugh was this day discharged recovered

1410
30 Aug
23 Aug
24th Aug
27 Sept

30 Aug 1875 Margaret Douglas

2 Female 60 years
3 Single
4 Nova
5 Church of England
6 Resides Cumberland
7 Island's Asylum Cobalt
8 4 years & some months
9 Yes
10 56 years
11 Island's Asylum Cobalt
12 4 years & some months
13 Monday previous
14 No
15 ~~Yes~~ No
16 Yes
19 Joseph Douglas brother Nova

23 Aug 1875 Dr. McLaren Cobalt certifies Chronic violent raving & rational incoherent

24th Aug 1875 Dr Campbell Cobalt Certifies Violent Active, Incoherent Conversation personal untidiness She hears Voices without apparent Cause in any hand voice

27 Sept 1875 Miss Douglas who suffered from heart disease died somewhat suddenly today

14 11 / 2 Sept 1875

Joyce Mere

2 43 male
4 Married
5 Lupton
6 Protestant
7 Castle Douglas
8 2 months
9 First

13 Dissipation
14 Not subject
15 No
16 No
19 Joyce Mere
Castle Douglas

1 Sept 1875 Dr Lorraine Cataplexis. Subject to delusions amongst others he fancies he has discovered means whereby he is to revolutionize the world & may make the National debt. May be that man has been an Enema & cold cloths round every morning. & his wife says Nothing takes apparently about him, which bears no existence He talks of going to New Zealand pursuing research & education

1 Sept 1875 John Rennie MB Cataplexis. Subject to delusions. Fancies himself a Great Physician & Surgeon in Medical Science & his wife says that he is unable to look after himself and talks about matters but does only in his imagination

2 Dec 1875 Dr Mere has gained greatly in Physical health and Comfort and has not had a return since his admission. His mental state is characterized by the Optimistic that are seen in general paralysis He has many delusions of a humbug kind and has lately given himself to drawing and painting at which he is a proficient

1 May 1876 This gentleman is excessively "silly" & talks in a full of optimism and a cheerfulness in his every conversation. He has got stout physically but his mental health is in abeyance

1412

8/12/76. Dr Skene has been troublesome lately. Being the Emperor of the World he considers he has a right to strike anyone he sees when he comes in contact He is getting quite violent.

Jr 67. 26th-77. This is a typical case of General Paralysis. If asked to turn round quickly he is unsteady on his legs He is becoming quieter & more stupid. Pupils unequal. Lips, tongue trembling & all the signs of a G.P. His letters are very typical specimens of his disease Extract from letter.

"I will two cases as evidence of assertion a young who was suffering from weakness, sleepless no appetite. An antagonist of mine attended her for many weeks and the thing was during like a lighted taper when in desperation the parents consulted me I saw when I first visited the patient that she had been truly mistreated by the medical attendant and she would have sent young lady bourne whence no traveller can return He drugged in drugges to meet the heart was hardly audible when the stethiscope was held on cardeac region".

April 13th 77 This case is going on rapidly to its certain End He seldom speaks is Stupid, & Defective / utter. Signs his name thus "Jrgor Skene" or "Jrgo Skene" but almost always omits one of the other letters.

May 6th 77 Last night Dr Skene had 2 or 3 of the convulsive attacks that occur so frequently in the course of this disease. He is better again to day-

June 20th 77 No convulsions since May 5th. His memory. Can scarcely speak Beginning to get dirty

October 1st 77. This patient is still a little excited at present he has been for some time past & consequently seems a little better.

Sept 12th 78 Dr Skene has of late been quieter - does not destroy clothing his downward course is not rapid

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18 September

15 Sept 18

16 Sept 18

2 Dec

1 May 18

1412

18 September 1875 James Reid Reid

2 Male 36
3 Married
4 Maclo... Ironmonger
5 Methodist
6/10 Vaccine Penance Complete
8 Nine Months
9 Yes
12 9 months
13 Religion
14 No
15 No
16 No
19 Joseph Reid Brother
21 St Vincent Crescent Glasgow — None

15 Sept 1875 Dr H L Reid Certifies 1. Tells me that he has committed the unpardonable sin that Christ has forsaken him and that he is doomed to eternal punishment. He sits in a dull state paying no attention to what is going on around him 2. His brother Josephs tells me that he sits in the above mentioned state day after day and walk after walk and takes no interest in his work

16 Sept 1875 Ellen Duncan MD Certifies 1. He states that he has committed the unpardonable sin and is before the mans throne that he is to be transported by a Spirit to France and is to be subdued for Ever. That he is beat eternally. He take no interest in his business 2. His wife tells me that he takes scarcely any interest in his Family having formerly been a very affectionate husband and father

2 Dec 1875 This gentleman's gloomy notions about being hopelessly lost and unpardonable still continue and depress him very much. His health is fair however and there is reason to hope that he may by and by improve and get over his melancholia and his blank beliefs

1 May 1876 Mr Reid has not improved. He is still full of delusions and gloomy views

He believes that he is both eternally and one of the eternally doomed
He has recently had a bad attack of Bronchitis, but is now tolerably
4 July 1876 Mr Reid has removed on this
date in better conditions mentally
and physically
497.76 Discharged Relieved 4th July 1876

1413

1413
4 Sept 1875

# Ann White

2 Female 53 years
3 Single
4 Sister of Farmer
5 Church of England
6 Palace Row Bracknell Berks
8 5 years
9 1st attack
10 4 & 8
11 Fairlawn Asylum Cubicle for last 3 years
12 5 years
13 Unknown
14 No
15 Yes at times
19 Moffat Downs Rottenrow Isaac White Palace Row Bracknell Berks

7.9.75 Dr Campbell Fairlawn Asylum Certifies I Visited ward in pleasant manner. Can scarcely answer simple questions coherently is with difficulty made to take sufficient food & at times violent and attempts to injure herself as before, Others

7 Sept 1875 Dr M Lauren Certifies I states that she has tried to destroy herself and that she feels miserable cannot tell what day of the week month or year the present time is has a suspicious and ill expression of countenance

2 Dec 1875 This case remains unchanged. She has not in any way shown her determination to commit suicide since she came to the Asylum and is quiet harmless and demented. She sleeps and eats well but her appearance is not that of robust health or that to which one might expect to find anything serious. She is constantly dejected and a picture of misery

1 May 1876 Miss White has passed three & seven years and is at present in a somewhat asthenic condition. She is physically better however, but the mental state remains unchanged

April 77 Physical health very fair. Mental condition not improved. ~~October 77. Bodily health unimproved~~

Ann White.

November 20th 77. Mrs White has lately been confined to bed owing to physical illness & her bodily health is at present poor. She is quiet & passive & there is much dementia.

Octobr 25th 71 Mrs White has for some time been losing strength rapidly: there was marked Consolidation of the left lung with emaciation expectoration and all the usual Symptoms of Phthisis. Mrs White died today

14/67 20 Sept 1

15 Sept 1

15 Sept 1

2 Dec

14/17 20 Sept 1878 Jane Dodd

2 Female Aged 60 years
3 Widowed
4 None
5 Church of England
6 Removed near Burkenhead
7 73 Grantley Place Liverpool
8 Formally living on forging tickets
9 Yes
11 At Boundary Place Liverpool
12 Is quiet & very violent

13 Epileptic fits
14 Yes
15 Yes have observed it
16 Yes particularly if any weapon be at hand
17 Wife Debby of Liverpool
19 Jane Dodd 73 Boundary Place Liverpool Lodging House Keeper as far as I can learn has been insane

15 Sept 1878 Thomas Crompton MRCS Certifies 1. Has delusions on Several Occasions accelerated by incoherence of Speech - Epileptic fits Threatens Violence to other Persons 2. Has assaulted and threatened various Persons Quite incoherent in Speech and actions It is Quite unsafe to leave any Weapons about (Communicated by Son in law)

15 Sept 1878 George Dodd MRCS Certifies 1. - Same Delusions Perceptions & understands Quite Some Violent and Dangerous Propensity to do to any one attempting her Quiet excitement in Speech Epileptic. All these facts I have observed for upwards of 6 months 2. Her daughter Louisa lives Continually Combining this Person all night howling and making most powerful & Extraordinary noises and disturbing the neighbouring families

2 Dec 1878 Mrs Dodd has continued to enjoy good & unusual health since her admission to the Asylum She is at times noisy and uses uncommon oaths of no elegant quality and offending no ordinary of former appointment - An improvement on her demented state can at her age be scarcely expected

1 May 1876 Mrs Dodd is in very good physical health. Her dementia remains.

5 Dec 76 Mrs Dodds physical health is very fair for her time of life. Mentally she is much the same

April 2nd 77. Mrs Dodds bodily health is not so good as formerly she is getting much weaker. No improvement mentally.

June 1st 77. Mrs Dodd's bodily health is getting worse She is confined to bed there can be no doubt formerly in spite of what had been said

Died.

Sept 77

22nd September 77. On this date Mrs Dodd died of Cerebral disease Dementia & Exhaustion

14 Sept

23 Sept

25 Sept

25 Sept

2 Dec

1415
23 Sept 1875

William Dixon

2 50
3 Married
4 Draper
5 Church of England
6 Bolton
7 Longtown
8 6 years & 6 months
9 Three Months
10 4 & 4
11 Prestwich pat. 6 times at present
12 Three months
13 Not known
14 yes
15 no
16 Violent in August
18 Sept 23rd 1875
19 his wife Mrs Jessie Dixon Longtown Cumberland

23 Sept 1875 Aeneas M'Aulay Surgeon Carlisle
Labours under a variety of delusions
fancies his food is poisoned and that
his wife has designs on his life
(Communicated by his wife) Subject to
Epileptic fits has threatened to take away
the life of some of his relations

23 Sept 1875 Dr Smith Dumfries Certifies to his present
appearance apparent deficiency of nourishment
& delusion fancies that his food has been
mixed with poison by his wife & the
publishes of the same as himself

2 December 1875 This is a bad case. The subject of it being unmanageable suspicious and difficult to attend. Often breaking out in violent fits of passion and threatening danger and destruction to every body around him. Sometimes he is very quiet and manageable but more frequently hastily disposed. He is one of those who deny his lucid intervals even when he is and that the consolation from home for his malady is what he does not have from his family. There could scarcely be a better subject for an Asylum

1416

13. Oct

1 May 1876 There is no improvement in this case Mr Dixon is still delusional and often refractory. He does not take his food is constantly tampering with and occasionally abstains in view of this delusion from some meals

1 Oct

April 2nd 77. This case is improving. The fits are slightly less frequent, altho' at the time of the fits he is irritable & suspicious. He will take no medicine either for the fits or anything else, he does some work in the Gallery.

October 2nd 77. Epileptic fits occasionally, Both hands & Feet Mal.

2 Dec

Sept 12th 78 Mr Dixon is still the subject of fits at intervals of a few days - There is the usual instability and weakening of the intellect

March 8th 79 Mr Dixon continues to suffer from epilepsy; the fits being usually one in 7 days

1 May

Sept 6th 1879 Of late Mr Dixon has not been subject to the epileptic mania from which he suffered formerly: There is the same suspicion & irritability but he has taken medicine occasionally to regulate the Bowels. Circulation is very slow - He is known continues to employ himself by working in the Gallery.

Oct 22

Feby 1st 80. Mr Dixon has for the last few days been restless and irritable and it is now found that one of the fingers of the left hand is diseased: Erysipelatous inflammation has extended up the left arm with exquisite tenderness at the slightest movement. Has been treated & prescribed for nourishment & stimulants with Iron - The local application of Cotton wool -

April

The inflammation gradually has passed off

19.

May 10th 80 Mr Dixon is mentally much as usual;

Sept 14th to No change to record in this case

11th March 81 Mr Dixon has lately suffered from suspicion - that the people intend to kill him - The result of his epilepsy - Feb. 1882. In Statu quo. Continued must have

10. 10

13. Oct 1875 Alexander Wm Cunningham a voluntary patient was admitted on the above date the Sanction for his admission having signed by Sir James Coxe and dated at Edinburgh 12 Oct 1875

18 Oct 1875 Author, consisting of the heirs of Lord Commissioners of Queen's Royal Institution, to the above sanction of the Board of Lunacy has been received on this date and a new Sanction obtained which is signed by Dr Mitchell Commissioner on the 18th October 1875.

2 Dec 1876 Mr Cunningham has not become unquiet in any way since his arrival here. He is now in much better health and busy writing for the press a work for which he is well qualified.

1 May 1878 Mr Cunningham discharged himself on this date.

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## Mr. Wm Dixon

1st April 1882 Mr. Dixon remains in much the same condition, usually quiet with occasional fits or attacks of epileptic excitement

Oct 27th 1882 Mr Dixon continues in same condition, his circulation sluggish but health good. Usually he has epileptic fits & after these usually an attack of excitement lasting a few days when he yells out "murder" when touched & complains of a pain in his left side without cause or injury.

April 16th 1883 Mr Dixon is still subject to epileptic fits & is quite imbecile & subject to attacks of excitement. His bodily health is still good & he has lately become very shaky & unsteady in his gait. There is little or no change in him during the past six months.

19. Oct. 84. Mr. Dixon's condition is unchanged. He still has fits and occasional periods of excitement during which he cries out at night: his mind is becoming more vacant.

16. 10. 84. This patient has lately had a number of severe epileptic fits, which have completely prostrated him. He is now better able to go about as usual

1417

14 Oct 18

2 Dean

1 May

1417

14 Oct 1875 Helen ✓ Traill, Voluntary, was admitted on the 14th Oct- 1875- the Sanction for her admission being signed by Sir James Coxe Commissioner in Lunacy

2 Dec 1875 It is exceedingly evident that the bodily ailments to this Lady has been misunderstood and misapplied. She is far more difficult to manage than when she was a Cataleptic patient and delight to annoy the other Patients by letting them think she is insane and irresponsible. She latter part to upset entirely the former Idea as insanity is something that she not understand. It is known an insanity of action more than of expression and partakes of manifestations that are both wicked & unusual

1 May 1876 Miss Traill left the Institution to day Relieved

1411 Gregor Skene

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March 8th 79. D. Skene has had no convulsive attack for some time and in his case the malady is pursuing a very slow course. He is apt to be restless & noisy at night; gathers up all kinds of rubbish as D. Stewart do. He is further occasionally dirty in his habits.

Sept: 6th 79 There is remarkably little change to report in D. Skene's case: He continues much as above noted.

May 10th 80 D. Skene has attached all his fellow Ps in the institution but of late there has been some evidence of failing powers with increased stupidity and inability to co-ordinate his movements & his habits have also been less satisfactory.

Sept 14th 80 D. Skene is gradually declining in strength: he cannot utter an articulate sound

10th March 81 The failure of physical power has been very marked in this case of late: there has also been an increased tendency to be noisy. Special care is required to prevent them. Suffering from bed sores.

D. Skene died on the 8th Jan 1882

1418
23 Oct 18

23 Oct-18

23 Oct-

2 Nov

1418

23 Oct 1875 Elizabeth Mary Blackstock

2 Female 45 years in May 1875

3 Married

4 Wife of Teacher - formerly Foreman

5 Member of Church of Scotland

6 Parkendaught - formerly Dunbar

7 do

8 Letter from Same Schools of Cowie over Each Lunacy

9/11 January 1875 -

11 Nurse

12 One week

13 What is popularly known as the Nerve Ache

14 Nerves

15 Yes only during the last two attacks

16 No

19 John Blackstock Schools Parkendaught Husband of Patient Nurse

23 Oct 1875 Andrew Shephard Certifies 1. Expresses himself strong Religious Delusions I have heated her for a Suicidal Record of her Attempt 2. She has been supposed otherwise attempted self violence

23 Oct 1875 - John Shand Med Certifies 1. Religious delusions and Idea of Suicidal attempts at Home & Person generally - 2/ By her husband that she attempted to Commit Suicide by throwing herself out of the window why Lethal weapons - Also seen by Dr Shephard

2 Nov 1875 This is a very bad case in which little or no improvement has taken place - The Patient an hour and a half after admission jumped out her right eye which now presents a horrible wreck She refuses her food and has therefore to be fed artificially three times a day. Assistant is employed to prevent her injuring the other eye As she is entirely ignorant of the Importance of doing herself injury

1 May 1876 This lady continues as incurable as ever. She has made no improvement mentally or physically and requires the constant vigilance of an attendant to keep her from destroying herself

10. Dec 76. Mrs Blacklock is moving around bodily. Occasionally restraint is necessary to prevent her injuring herself. & she is constantly watched by an attendant

Feb 25th 77. Mrs B. has not required the strait jacket for about 2 weeks past during the day but she has to be carefully & constantly watched

1 October 1877. This lady still requires constant watching & occasionally some form of restraint to prevent self mutilation.

5th of November 77 Mrs Blacklock is worse again at present, requiring her food owing to delusions, & very suicidal, for Trying to put her head into the fire, she wears the Camisole at present constantly from the fear that she may force out the remaining eye.

Sept 12th to 18 Mrs Blacklock Remains in the same suicidal Condition She has not required feeding with the Stomach Pump for some time - She still has delusions about Spirits "& words" - & retains the hallucinations of Vision

March 8th 79 Mrs Blacklock remains much as usual

Sept 6th 1879 There is considerable improvement to record in Mrs Blacklocks Case. Since last entry she has occasionally attended Concerts, has practised some of her old pieces on the Pianoforte & has walked out almost daily in the Grounds. She still has reminiscences of her suicidal impulses but of late the Camisole has been much less worn, on some one or two a day sometimes not at all

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25 Oct 1876 Ann Dudley Todd

2 Female 4 years 10–25 years
3 Married 11 Burgh Lunatic Asylum Paisley
4 Domestic Duties 12 Edin Works
5 Protestant 13 Methodist
6 41 High St Paisley 14 to 15 Thrashers
7 41 High St Paisley 16 do
8 3 months 19 Jane Todd 41 High St Paisley

23 Oct 1876 Dr Taylor Certificate 1 Rather violent in her movements – repeats all the domestic duties she has been frequently an inmate of the Paisley Burgh Asylum

23 Oct 1876 Dr Richmond Certificate 1 Depute and dull and has been frequently an inmate of the Asylum 2 She drinks to excess and speaks of giving away with family

2 Dec 1876 Mrs Todd behaves tolerably well about the ward at present when she becomes noisy and ungovernable and incapable of doing injury to herself and others. Her physical health is good and she is now a little quieter altho there is still much room for improvement in this respect. Her mind is unclouded with religion to a great extent and it is sometimes that attendance at Chapel during an Episcopal divine service was the exciting cause of her present stormy behaviour.

1 May 1876 This is another destructive patient She has on several occasions torn her clothes as well as the bed clothes She is violent and mischievous when excited and from her being unmanageable or suicidal

29 Sept 1876 Mrs Todd got parcel, letter and pass discharge "received" on this date

# Elizabeth Mary Blacklock

1418
Nov 7th 79 From the preceding date the Camisole has been discontinued its place being taken by Gloves of Chamois leather which are tied on during the night these are found to afford sufficient protection without Causing the Cramped position or interference with respiration inseparable from the use of the Camisole

May 18th 80 Miss Blacklock has been walking out for some time regularly in the grounds when her however been little improvement to record of late. The depression is intense in the mornings and at that time Miss Blacklock is very difficult of management and noisy. She takes her food very well also the stimulants (2 glasses of Sal Volatile daily)

Oct 1st 80 Tonight Miss Blacklock sleeps in the first time in an Iron bed for several years and really slept very well

March 16th 81 Miss Blacklock has continued to occupy an Iron bed since last date and sleeps well. She has also taken her food well and without trouble feeding at one time although there is very definite improvement in her case

Jan 1882 Mrs Blacklock continues much the same. She sometimes very restless at night. She walks

April 1882 daily in the grounds and has been taking her food well. She has not of late been scolding so much as she used to but often hints at suicidal attempts. asking for a pistol - & to be allowed to go down to the river &c

Oct 22nd 1882 Mrs Blacklock is still sickly looking & her health is apparently not good, she eats her food pretty well and sleeps pretty soundly at night & occasionally takes a walk in the grounds. Mentally there is no improvement she is suicidal & depressed & wishes to be killed &c

April 18th 1883 Mrs Blacklock remains much the same, she is thin & not in good health Mentally there has been no change during the winter. She has been entirely discontinued for a long time. see page 487

14 20 20 Oct 1

26 Oct

26 Oct 1

2 Dec

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| 14 20 Oct 1875 | William Johnstone | |
| | 2 Male – 30 years | 16 yrs |
| | 3 Married | |
| | 4 Gentleman | |
| | 5 Church of Scotland | 19 Janet Johnstone |
| | 6 Dalkeith | residing at Maxwell St – |
| | 7 Cochlearhead Institution | Dalkeith |
| | 12 After days | |
| | 13 Unknown | |
| | 14 No | |
| | 15 Yes | |
| 26 Oct 1875 | Dr Smith Certifies 1. his appearance melancholy and refused to answer questions 2. Dr Johnstone informs me that he absconded to Comrie since morning has been several times a patient in the Institution | |
| 26 Oct 1875 | Dr Thomson Certifies 1. his appearance and melancholic condition has often had suicidal attacks and been treated for same in this Institution 2. told by Dr Johnstone that he came to his (Dr J's) house this morning to be put under treatment and when left he spoke and absconded again immediately into it | |
| 2 Dec 1875 | Mr Johnstone improved rapidly and was contrary to the advice of the Medical Superintendent removed by his wife to whom there was little much ado as Mr Johnstone disapproved She is very likely to be back to this old quarters again and again the treatment to which he has for years resorted. | |

Mrs Blacklock continued from previous page

26. 7. 84 Mrs Blacklock has made no improvement mentally She stands upright for several hours at a time and even in chapel she will not sit down. Bodily health is fair

28 Oct 1875 Elizabeth Underwood

2 Female 28 | 10 36 years
3 Single | 11 Was Confined previously
4 Farmers daughter | in Carlton Royal Institution
5 Church of Scotland | 13 Anxiety & grief
6 Coffi Committed | 14 No
7 do do | 15 No
8 2 years | 16 No
9 First attack | 19 John Underwood Coffi
Castle Douglas Father

Walter Lorraine M.D. Certifies 2. She thinks and says the whole night and her friends Command & Menace her. She laughs occasionally immoderately without any observed cause. 1. Violent and outrageous he has imprisoned in her room. She has been Confined in the Carlton formerly for same attack and has now recovered.

Oct 26. 75

25 Oct 75 John Dinsan M.B.C.M. Certifies 1. She is restless and at times outrageous accuses her friends and others in an abusive manner. Bladder and Catheter as Compared with former melancholy state. 2. She is restless and keeps shouting during the night-hours at times is taken out of the room apparently

2 Dec 1875 This seems to be a persistent chronic case of religious melancholy passing into acute and now chronic maniacal behaviour. Miss Underwood is very wasteful dashes from her clothes, sheets and does in short very mad things. She does not markedly attack her attendants but she has repeatedly thrown pieces of bread and butter at the latter. Her bodily health has improved since her admission. She was fed artificially for a day or two after Gained

1 May 1876 This case remains unimproved - The general health keeps up well under a continued excitement

14 Dec 76 Mrs Underwood is not improving. Excitable -

March - 77. Excitable. Noisy at night. General health keeps good

1 October 77. Nothing to record. A chronic Lunatic with her became bar, she is noisy both day & night, mischievous, restless & incoherent.

September 12th 78. Mrs Underwood Remains as above - She has of late been some tendency towards dirty habits

March 8th 79 Mrs Underwood never sleeps in bed but removes the bed clothes to the floor of the room. She is not at present destructive but is very mischievous and when strangers enter the Gallery makes every effort to reach them. She is in a condition of Chronic excitement.

Sept 6th 1879. There is nothing further to record in this patients case; she continues as described above. Occasionally she does a little sewing.

May 10th 80 Mrs Underwood has been walked out more regularly under her daily 2nd in the Grounds for the whole appears to be better of the extended exercise: She is however still mischievous & troublesome; Noisy at night

Sept 14th 80 Mrs Underwood Continues much as above

10th March 81 There is some improvement to record in Mrs Underwood's case She now walks out quietly & without Restraint Cannot be Struggling & fighting and is less inclined to be mischievous

Feb. 1882. In Statu quo

April 1882. Mrs Underwood is still mischievous she snatches at whatever she can & is especially desirous of getting the key of the Gallery door. Her health is good.

Oct 2nd 1882 For some days back Mrs Underwood has been quite unruly, crying, kicking & striking at those about her, smashing windows & requiring to be kept locked in her room most of the day & when released smashes the water closets & is altogether unfit to go out.

April 16th 1883 page 495 Mrs Underwood is in fair health but mentally she is still a chronic maniac takes her walks daily visits the attendants & takes care of her, as she is still suitable & [illegible] to [illegible]

1 Nov 1

1 Nov 1

1 Nov 1

2 Dec

1 May

1422

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| 1 Nov 1875 | Williamina Mein | | |
| | 2 Female 36 yrs | 13 Congestion of | |
| | 3 Single | the liver & jaundice | |
| | 4 Spinster | 14 No | |
| | 5 Presbyterian | 15 No | |
| | 6 The Colony Blackheath Hill Pensby | 16 Has communi- | |
| | 7 The Cottage Blackheath Hill Pensby | cated with her | |
| | 8 3 months | relatives | |
| | 9 First | since admission | |
| | 12 Three months | 19 Mrs Elizabeth Hamilton | |
| | The Colony Blackheath Hill Pensby Cottage. None | | |
| 1 Nov 1875 | Dr Richmond Certifies 1. Restlessness sleeplessness nervous tremors Constipation and incoherent talking 2. Shaking her clothes and attempting to throw herself from Window | | |
| 1 Nov 1875 | Dr Paton Certifies 1. Confused imperfect memory in conversation passing quickly from one subject to another quite incoherent and some of them of Considerable old date & others quite recent very perfect Mania 2. Restless resp excitement sleepless & violent at times | | |
| 2 Dec 1875 | She paid and destructive excitement from which she passed suffering on her admission Yielded to treatment and she is now quite quiet and manageable in enjoyment of Privileges such as out- many of our Lady Patients possess She was once or twice subjected to Catheterization and behaved at first very improperly All this passed away however and she is now in a good State of Mental and Physical health | | |
| 1 May 1876 | Miss Mein is intermittently mad She is at times dangerous and dangerous General health very poor | | |

1423

Dec 10th-76. Miss Munn is at present quiet & sad, & deeply grieved at her condition. This is a case of Folie Circulaire

Feb 25th-77. At the new year Miss Munn was in her excited condition & truly presented a devil. Biting Breaking windows &c &c. Now she is quiet again & is in the high work gallery & attends Table d'hote

April 7th-77. Miss Munn has been quiet since last entry. She is now in good bodily & almost perfect mental health, but it is doubtful how long she will last. 16-4-77. Still keeping well.

April 24th-77. Miss Munn's friends have decided to remove her & she is Discharged Relieved.

April 30th-77. As a matter of course Miss Munn has returned to day & is evidently just on the eve of acute Mania. Her case will be found in the next volume No 1523 & page 77.

7 Nov 1

5 Nov

5 Nov

8 Dec

1423

7 Nov 1875 Anthony Allsop

2 Male 39 years
3 Single
4 Merchant
5 Protestant
6 Buenos Ayres South America
7 Living 4 Castle Douglas
8 10 days
9 Has an attack in South America
Of which time from which
he partially recovered
10 29 years
11 Buenos Ayres
12 Own work and
anxiety also business
He has drunken habits
14 The present attack
was ushered in by
convulsions of an
Epileptic character
15 No 16 No
19 Samuel Allsop 66 St Vincent Ascent Sanguinaria

5 Nov 1875 Walter Lonsdale MD Castleton 1 He is subject to delusions
He fancies himself among Lions which happened long ago
He fancies he hears people talking about and blames them
about not letting him apply His memory is nearly
wholly gone for matters belonging to the present
2. His sister and brother-in-law say that he is
sometimes rather fractious about the noise he hears
also at times he does not know them or knows his

5 Nov 1875 Solicitor 26 Castleton 1. He is subject to
delusions fancies that people are in his room
annoying him & maltreating him for some days
and gets undressed into them 2. His sister
and brother in law say that at times he is
fractious — does not know where he is and
that his memory is gone except for things that
happened long ago —

8 Dec 1875 This gentleman was in the last stage
of Phthisis on his admission and
gradually sank till he today ended
his mortal Career
Died of Phthisis Pulmonalis.

14 24
20 Nov: 1

1 May 18

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Oct

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Mar

Sept 6

14 24

20 Nov 1875 Miss E M Ross a voluntary patient was admitted on the 20th November 75 the sanction for her admission being signed by Sir James Coxe Commissioner in Lunacy at Edinburgh on the 15th Nov

1 May 1876 This is a characteristic case of morbid and melancholic history. There is apathy bitterness and insane demeanour. The patient is helpless has been wanted nervous energy. Lately she has done better and goes out to chapel and plays a little on the piano - She is quiet and inoffensive and constitutionally peny and weak

8/12/76. Miss Ross still a voluntary patient, knows she can leave after 3 days notice but has no desire if people would only let her be quiet in bed or on the [redacted] couch

April 5th 77. No change to record.

October 22nd 77 Miss Ross is a voluntary patient still she is quite aware of her position as a Voluntary patient. She is depressed & apathetic

September 12th 78 Miss Ross remains in the same state Condition. She interrogated she either gives no answer at all or a monosyllable as a rule of late has more disinclined for dress - She now rarely plays on the piano or sings does anything in the way of amusement or work

March 8th 1878. Miss Ross continues to be apathetic & disinclined for any social intercourse or amusement

Sept 6th 79 A friend of Miss Ross' brother-in-law Mr Dickson from Edinburgh affords an opportunity of learning the unfortunate Lady's early history.
The gentleman informed us that Miss Ross had had an excellent general education and was proficient in Music and several languages: she was also an adherent of the Catholic Apostolic Church.
Having considerable literary talent she contributed

several magazine articles of the journals of the C. A. Church which were considered by her Co-religionists to be unpleasant ment. At the same time she was extremely passionate and despotic in her will and was considered by her set as "inspired". The secret known of the Lady's hyper-active mental energies and of the signs of mental alienation which were shortly beginning to appear were explained by the discovery of the fact that she was addicted to Chloral. The despair of her religious friends can scarcely be realised — when they found they had mistaken Chronic Chloral tipping for "inspiration".

May 10th 80 Miss Ross continues to be silent & unapproachable depressed & listless; she has recently been induced to give up the habit of spending one day per week in bed on the occasion of taking the purgative which is necessary to cause an action of the bowels

1st August 1881 Miss Ross was to day left - liberated. She has for some time been attending the dances in the Hall as a spectator and has always been most agreeable. She has been allowed parole beyond the walls for some time. She at present intends remaining in the neighbourhood

1425
26 Nov

26 Nov

26 Nov

1 May

28 July

1425
26 Nov. 1875 William Maitland Thomson
2. Male 28 years 12 Fully 2 months
3 Single 14 Clerk 14 No
5 Church of Scotland 15 No
6 Liverpool 16 No
7 Dundrennan 19 James Thomson
8 Fully two months Dundrennan Kirkcudbright
9 First Attack Kirkcudbright brother None

26 Nov 1875 Dr. L.B. Wm Certifies 1. General demeanour Conversation with me &c. He suspects his friends of tampering with his food and always wishes to wander away to look for some persons who is unknown to his friends

26 Nov 1875 Dr Hugh Cunningham Certifies 1. He has a vacant appearance of the Countenance, great depression of Spirits and an inability to answer questions 2. His brother informs me that he wandered about the houses in the Village without any purpose

1 May, 1876 There is no improvement in this patients case. The same apathy and want of energy characterize it as on admission. He has expressed a desire to get away and has once or twice attempted to escape. He is lazy and melancholic and stands at vacancy all day long.

28 July 1876 Mr Maitland has today removed by his brother when although still needing improvement, he was marked by better.

1426

5 Dec 1875

# William Johnstone

2 Male
3 Married
4 Gentleman
5 Church of Scotland
6 Dalkeith
7 Carlton Royal Institution
9 No
10 7
11 Carlton Royal Institution
12 a few days
13 Unknown
14 No
15 Yes
16 Yes
19 Janet Johnstone
wife living at 6 Dewar Pl
Gt Maxwell St Edinburgh
None

7 Dec 1875 Dr Thomson Dumfries Certificate 1 He is melancholy and depressed. Has been often in this Institution 2 Told by his wife that he came home from the Carlton Institution a few days ago but became restless and uneasy and has object to return

8 Dec 1875 Supt Cunningham Surgeon Certificate 1 He walks continually from one end of the lobby to the other is melancholy and gives answers to questions 2 Dr Sclater informs me that he was in the Asylum before

27 Jany 1876 Mr Johnstone improved and was discharged on probation today

29 Jany 1876 This gentleman's case was principle by his readmission after two days trial on probation

27.1.76 Discharged on probation Readmitted on 29.1.76 His case is continued after readmission under No 1439.

1424

9th Dec 1875 David Reid Junior Volunteer
The sanction for the admission of this ~~Lady~~
Gentleman into the Institution was
signed by Sir James Cove and dated
the Eighth day of December 1875—

2 May 1876 Mr Reid suspended during his
residence and discharged himself
on this date.

1428
10 Dec

7 Dec

6 Dec

16 Jan

1428

16 Dec 1875 — Margaret Elizabeth Dunbar

3 Penance — 11 Months at St Lowry's
4 Gentlewoman — West Malling Kent
5 Church of England — 13 not known
6 Tunbridge Wells — 14 do
7 do — 16 Not Known
8 11 Months — 19 Helen Dunbar
9 not known — 3 Richard Duncan Tunbridge Wells Kent

7 Dec 1875 — St Lowry Catches 1 Remains she is one of the Elect children of God and can do no wrong. She is excitable Letter important & dictatorial. Will not submit to the slightest contradiction or opposition has exceptionally tiny hands and her feelings are sometimes beyond her control. Thinks it always an exaggerated importance regarding any matter of interest Fond of emulation and sympathy. One hour she is complaining of pain of head or abdomen & up hourly afterwards the head thinks she is normal will see her manage sick and down stairs &c

6 Dec 1875 — St Platt Catches 1 excitable in her manner rambling and incoherent in her conversation Knows she is under the more especial direction of God and that her relations have a design of keeping her confined Keeps the hours & rules She will sit 7 hours and yet her attention has since during her whole time of my connection with her. No appearance of cancer. 2 Mrs Elizabeth Biddulph the Lady Superintendent reports she has she will Complain of violent pains in her legs one moment and will almost immediately run up and down stairs sometimes without purpose has realizes more of her position and is very excitable and egotistical and is irritational in general

16 January 76 — Miss Dunbar now discharged recovered but she remains on the Registration as a voluntary Patient

Margaret E Dunbar
For continuation of case see No 1438
1437.

1429

2 Dec 1875 Margaret Thomson M'Queen

2 Female 48 12 6 weeks
3 Married 13 Dispensaries
4 Wife of Aerated Water 14 Yes
Manufacturer 15 No
5 Presbyterian 16 No
6 33 Castle St Edin. 17 Not a pauper
7 33 Castle St 19 Mr Duncan M'Queen
8 6 Years 33 Castle St Edinburgh
9 First Attack Husband Wine Merchant
10 48 Of patient have been in asylum
11 Not personally known to examiner Yes in March at Perthshire Asylum

2 Dec 1875 Dr Jamps Stirrat Certifies 1 Her manner and appearance are those of an insane person She is restless excited and in Conversation incoherent 2 By her husband and Dr Robert Moir - that she has been for some time in the same Condition and has numerous delusions Fancying attempts to poison her and otherwise destroy her life but she is also a confirmed Hypochondriac

2 Dec 1875 Dr Robert Moir Certifies 1 Violent and excited manner incoherent and rambling talk Hallucinations of sight and suspicion of those about her Suspicious attempts made to poison her &c &c

1 May 1876 Mrs M'Queen has improved and again relapsed into her silly and incoherent ways She is again better but soon will Her general health quality improves since her admission

31/10/76 Mrs M'Queen left the Institution to day to return to Edinburgh to her friends, being discharged recovered.

495.

Elizabeth Underwood.

19 Feb. 84. Mrs Underwood has for some weeks now been kept in Asylum: in the late autumn she was walked out by relays of attendants and set in the sitting position held in her chair by two attendants. When the weather became too cold and wet for regular outdoor exercise she had to be kept in confinement. She is as violent as ever, not apparently wickedly attacking anyone but clutching and opening what so- she does however occasionally attempt to bite and tear. She goes at once for visitors or any cookery. She is fed in her room with a horn cup & metal dishes; three attendants are required as she lays hold often and prevents their getting away. She has a ravenous appetite & seems never to be done but is always found crouching behind the dish with the bread cloth huddled about her. She is very much emaciated but possesses her strength in a wonderful manner. During the last two days she has had diarrhea & is not quite so bright as usual but it seems to be a mere passing disturbance.

This lady's case is a most remarkable one - such furious mania sustaining for so long without destroying the patient. Days have little effect in quieting her.

29. 6. 84. Miss Underwood died to-day at 7.40 p.m. of Pneumonia after an illness of four days

1430
31 Dec

3 Feby

1430
31 Dec 1875 John Muir (Volunteer)
The Sanction for this gentleman's
was signed by
Commissioner Hill, Lunacy and
dated

3 July 1876 This patient has answered fully all
that has been done for him and he
discharged himself unrecovered on this date

14 31

31 Dec

27 Dec

27 Dec

1 May

15th

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May

14 31

31 Dec 1875 William C. Howard

2 Male aged 44 | 11 · 1 Nelson St. Edin
3 Married M | 12 Ct Novelties
4 Musician | 13 Alcoholism
5 Episcopalian | 14 No
6 Edinburgh | 15 No
7 Holland. House Musselburgh | 16 No
8 Ct Novelties | 19 Margaret
9 First of long duration | Howard-wife
10 about forty | No

27 Dec 1875 Dr Lovett certifies 1. Labours under dementia with loss of memory 2. The above observations corroborated by Dr. R. Pringle Hollendo House

27 Dec 1875 Dr Fowlis certifies 1. Labours under delusions. Loss of memory 2. Dr Dr Pringle Hollendo House corroborate the above statements

1 May 1876 This is a very Cantankerous gentleman uncertified with insanity & remarkably abusive and low. His mental health has not improved but his physical has by a very great deal Cantankerous at times.

15th Dec 76 No change to record either for better or worse.

April 16th 77. This Gentleman is a little better being less cantankerous & more sweet in his habits. Has a hernia but objects to being touched or looked at. Swears a little. Has a cough

May 19th 77. This Gentleman was rapidly loosing flesh & as he has a cough it was necessary to remove him to the Infirmary Gallery about 3 weeks ago. He says that he feels quite well & objects to his chest being examined. From his amount of Sputum, loss of appetite & a momentary examination of chest right apex there can be no doubt there is pro advanced Phthisis in both lungs. He is being treated with Iron, Cod Liver oil & Extra Diet

Obit

June 2nd 77 Died today of Phthisis Pulm.

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7 Sunday

1 May

31 July

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7 January 1876 Mary Hunter Campbell a voluntary patient admitted on the 4th January 1876 the sanction for her admission being signed on the 3rd January 1876 by Dr Allen Mitchell Commissioner in Lunacy

1 May 1876 This lady has behaved admirably since her admission. She passed this A most severe illness for which see Bulletin Mrs C. for 1 July 1876 and is now well and doing well.

31 July 1876 Mrs Campbell got on remarkably satisfactorily and was this day discharged Recovered

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Isabella Maxwell

8 Sanuary 87

2 Female 32 years
3 Single
4 Presbyn
5 Presbyterian
6 Scotland Ennis Killeen
7 Do Do
8 3 months
9 Just

13 Mental Steam
14 No
15 Sometimes
16 No
17 Not a Pauper
19 Barbara Maxwell
Mother Scotland Ennis
Killeen Garvagh Antrim
— None

7 Sanuary 87

Dr Dobbs Certifies 1. Puerperal — Chronic Amenorrhea — labours under delusions believes part of her body decay — also that her mother and sister are dogs 2. Chronic mania and Insanity

7 Sanuary 87

Dr J.R.B. M'Lead Antipsic. 1. Great excitement and restlessness of manner. Mania of delusions regarding husband and her friends 2 Complete change of demeanour habits of thought and action

1 May 87

This case is not a bit better. The mania depression continues and the general symptoms are unaltered the habits and delusions still hold sway in all other respects she has fallen off markedly

Dec 21. 87.

Resp. Maxwell is much the same condition exempt that she is rather straighter & inclines to lie on her face instead of in bed.

March 5/88.

Much the same, lies about the floor, says she is a dirty rag & wishes to be "thrown out"

October 23rd 88.

Remains the same. Constantly lying flat on the floor & if disturbed repeats her old idea that she is a dirty rag On the March 21st 88. receives a scalp wound which is entered in accident Book.

September 12th 77 It is very gratifying to be able to record a marked improvement in this Case - She has given up the matters and now sits on the sofa - and applies herself industriously the Whole day to some kind of work. Mrs M. has also been reading - she shows a considerable Amount of intelligence in Conversation

March 17th 79 Mrs Maxwell to day discharged having made a most satisfactory Recovery

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John Alpes Holdsworth

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| 10 January 1876 | 2 Male 20 years | 14 | No |
| | 3 Single | 15 | Yes |
| | 4 Nothing | 16 | Yes |
| | 5 Church of England | 19 | Revd. G. R. |
| | 6 Gloucester | | Holdsworth Gloucester |
| | 7 Helenstreet | | Asylum |
| | 8 3 years | | Gloucestershire |
| | 9 First attack | | |
| | 10 17 years | | |

9 January 1876 Dr Meeson Antipsychotic / Great mental depression and delusions - fancies people looking at him in the street - manner very reserved and peculiar - suicidal and homicidal
2. Mrs Holdsworth states that he attempted to assault the servant to whom he has without reason taken a dislike

9 January 1876 Dr. F Hurdacon Antipsychotic / Restraining and medicating on his manner - states, believes that he believes people outside him are out to injure him - has delusions 2. Has attempted to commit suicide and has threatened the life of another

1 May 1876 This gentleman remains dull and clothes without taking interest in anything or anybody. He is occasionally suitable and at times is violent & uncontrollable so that he has recently assaulted with another patient. The case is uninteresting in all its details and the subject of it little more so

June 6th 76. On the 28th of last month Mr Holdsworth attacked a voluntary patient without provocation, & struck him in the back. He has since been very much ashamed of his deed & himself & does not wish to be out of doors because he is afraid the other patients will strike at him. Dec. He is to have a special attendant.

See Accident Book.

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April 2nd 77. Mr Holdsworth remains an inmate of this Institution. He has been quieter since last 2 mos but there is not any improvement in his mental condition

October 15th 77. Mr Holdsworth has remained quieter, he is occasionally irritable & has a great aversion to any person who coughs much. He is a whining pitiful creature & will probably spend the whole of his life under restraint

Sept 12th 78 Mr Holdsworth remains in status quo. He has a malicious delight in striking one of his fellow patients; he is very irritable and treacherous & most determined in his antipathies. There is however no delusion — he talks some what in drawing & reading

March 8th 1879 Mr Holdsworth has had a severe attack of depression in which he refused food absolutely and was fed 2nd & 3rd daily for several weeks. He further constantly shifted himself of his clothes — refused to go out, spent most of his time kneeling in prayer. He appeared to follow this kind of conduct as a kind of penance.

Sept 6th 1879 Mr Holdsworth Continues, barring from depression; he has the impression that pictures are Contrary to the spirit of the 2nd Commandment & tore out the engravings of the Apostles from his Bible in that respect. He takes off his clothes, unless watched & states that he is "in the Image of his soul".

December 13th 79 Mr Holdsworth Continues tolerable. He religious notions generally Characterising masturbatic insanity; he tears his gloves because they are the images of his hands — strips off his clothes — he has however taken his food better of late.

May 10th 80 Some time ago Mr Holdsworth informed me that the Devil appeared to him in the form of a woman at night & he is very religious — refuses to shake hands because he considers it to be Contrary to the scriptures — He says he maintains to be the proper salutation!

Sept 14th 80 Mr. Holdsworth's case is not a hopeful one

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17 January

10 January

10 January

29 April

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17 January 1876 William Wright Bennett

2 Male 31 years 10 30 years
3 Married 11 Wickham
4 Agent 12 9 months
5 Wesleyan Methodist 13 Overseer
6 Wickham 14 Do
7 do 15 Do
8 9 months 16 Yes
9 Yes 19 John Alexander Bennett
Wickham father of the above — Niece —

10 January 1876 Philip Brown MR Certifies 1. a generally excited Manner & Conversation: absence of mind: loss of memory — self contradictions — & confusion of ideas 2. Sleeplessness restlessness attempt to change his wife just now management of business matters Saying Cheques wrongly (communicated by Thomas Bennett his brother-in-law.

10 January 1876 Thomas Price Blackett Surgeon Certifies 1. erratic excited and at times incoherent in conversation says he hundred thousand pounds is nothing and that he will never rest content till he has as many millions 2. Mary Bennett his wife informs me that he has threatened her with violence and that he is very excitable sleepless and restless

29 April 1876 Mr Bennett made [illegible] recovery and has discharged receiver subsequent date

See case 1472.

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18 Jan

John Alfred Holdsworth

6th March 81 There no improvement in Mr Holdsworth's case he is dangerous apt to strike hard when an opportunity offers. He is a typical case of insanity & masturbation

4th Dec 1881 At about 5.30 pm today Mr Holdsworth escaped in passing from the Low back to the Low North Gallery thro' the airing Court. Several parties went in pursuit and Mr Holdsworth's coat was found near the river which proved to be a ruse to cause the idea that he had drowned himself. He spent the night exposed to a very cold & wet night but was brought back to the Asylum on the following day at 11 am. And with careful nursing he has not suffered apparently from the exposure. He stated that he has gone "to fight the English".

The attached letter was written at a farm house where Mr Holdsworth went in the morning

April 1882. Mr Holdsworth some time ago made another attempt to escape but did not get beyond the grounds. He is in fair bodily health but has not improved mentally. He expresses great fear lest the police or others should come & hunt him or drown him. He can at times hardly be kept off his knees or from touching his ground with his forehead as a salute to some one approaching him

Oct 22nd 1882 There is no improvement in Mr Holdsworth's mental condition, he is impulsively dangerous as ever, he is depressed & religious in his tendencies. His bodily health is fairly good.

April 6th 1883 Mr Holdsworth was today transferred to Murray Royal Asylum Perth Board at a lower rate. There was no improvement in his condition.

Transferred April 6th 1883

1436

18 January 76 Mrs Margaret Buchanan Voluntary.
The Sanction for this Lady's admission
was signed at Edinburgh on the seventeenth
by Dr Arthur Mitchell Commissioner
in Lunacy

Discharged a few days after her
admission this some misunderstanding
Quite her Relatives

Discharged Relieved on the 31st January 1876

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26. January 76 Margaret Elizabeth Dunbar - voluntary -
The sanction for this Lady's admission
is signed by Sir A. Mitchell
Commissioner in Lunacy and
dated the 25th January 1876

22 Feby. 76 Documents received. This Lady remains
at St Luke's Castle St Dumfries
For history see case 1428.

This Lady having after admission given no very
decided indication of insanity - unless some degree of
depression hysteria and hypochondrical anxiety - viewed
as such an arrangement - was being made for her discharge
She consented however to remain as a voluntary patient
till her relations had approved of the step and had agreed
to carry it out. After staying for a short time under
the care of a Medical man like town she joined her
relatives on a short travelling tour and returned with
them home

1438

26 January 1876 Eleanor Graham
2 Female - 81 or 82 years
3 Widowed
4 No occupation
5 Member of the Church of England
6 Lady Vicarage Spilsby Lincolnshire
8 Has been gradually losing her mental faculties for a year or two
9 Yes - 11 Never under restraint before
10 Not known 11 No 12 No 13 Sometimes violent
14 Sarah Cain Spinster Present Edmund Bland Daughter - None -

27 January 1876 Dr H Cunningham Dumpies Caltpe 1. She is bedridden will not answer questions and imagines that she is in Cumberland

27 January 1876 Dr Murray Dumpies Caltpe 1. Senile Dementia memory impaired; 2 restless and irritable cannot tell how long she has been so - 2 From papers I have read I find she is at times violent, saying to knife &c

29 April 76 Mrs Graham died in the Asylum on this date of Senile decay & Dementia.

This old Lady a case of Senile dementia in her 82 year was brought to the house from the south of England which but for the peculiarity of the case might have seemed a harsh if not a cruel proceeding -

She was very excitable and irritable and old as she was was powerful active and vigorous thanks to an unusually vigorous constitution mental and bodily. This rendered her quite unmanageable at home. She gradually sank however from old age combined with exhaustion from her irritable and diseased condition and died on 29 April 1876

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29 Jany 1876 William Johnston was sentenced after two days trial in probation

14 May 1876 Discharged absolutely

See case 1426

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29 January 1876

George Moran

2 Male 52 3 Married 4 Farmer
5 Protestant 6 Edmondhill Parish of Annan
7 Edmondhill 8 about a week 9 Fair
10 Nobrlene 11 about a week 12 religious
excitement 13 No 14 No 15 No
19 Wife of Patient. Has brothers in Southern
Counties Asylum

29 January 1876 William Ewart Lupton Certifies 1. His general
appearance & acts manner are much excited -
rambling talk on religious matters
2 Relatives state that he is very busy manage
and has been for several days rambling
and talking incoherently

29 January 1876 Dr Little Certifies 1. His acute appearance
raving talk and general appearance
2 Told by neighbours that he was attacked
by great excitement raving & jumping about &c

2 February 76 This patient made a rapid recovery and
was to day discharged from the Asylum
in full possession of his senses - removed
at the instance of his wife who wants
him there in the possibility of a relapse
otherwise mentally in her husband's care &
a family failure

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2 Feby 1876 Margaret Anna McCullagh
2 Female age 42 years
3 Single 4 No Special occupation
5 Presbyterian 6 Bangor in Ireland
7 Dromore - Gransebury Hotel
8 First - symptoms exhibited 3 years ago
9 This past attack continues for the above period
10 About 37 years
11 Under treatment at Home during the first of her attack
12 About five years as stated above
13 Resided with Mother who first noticed unconsciousness and from this heard the Usual Symptoms of Malone 14 Not subject to Epilepsy 15 When first attacked she threatened to take away her life. This was at Communion & attacks but has not been repeated 16 Not dangerous 17 Not Dangerous
18 Nancy McCullagh her mother is a widow in Bangor in Ireland. No members of the family has been insane

2 February 1876 Hugh Cunningham Bangor Antrim Ireland 1. She is depressed and retires and avoids to be in the presence of other men or women. 2 Her brothers suppose she attempted to commit suicide about ten days ago and cut about her body and throat

2 February 76 Dr McDonald Antrim 1. That she suffers many alone becomes very excited & she is subject to outbursts of passion when crossed even after people and even the idea of meeting people excites her 2. I have been told by her brothers that she thinks her mother and brothers are hostile to her without cause and that she must not come miles from her home without hurts or harm without every minute about 3 days ago 3 Suicidal attempt 5 Was dep

1 May 1876 This boy is quiet and inoffensive a misanthropic idea prevents his associating with the other patients and tends to retard a hopeful recovery.

March 26th 77. Mrs McCulloch has improved a little, she associates more with her fellow creatures, goes to chapel &c. Her bodily health is fair. Is in the High Work (50)

August 1st 77. — Discharged Relieved. Transferred to an Asylum in Ireland.

1442

6 May 1876 George Wm Harrower (Voluntary)
The Sanction for this Gentleman's admission
is signed Sir James Coxe Commissioner
in Lunacy and dated this 31st January 1876

1 May 1876 This Gentleman behaves admirably since his
admission and has never been irregular
on any one occasion tho' he has had
most ample opportunities of imbibing

December 8th/76 Mr Harrower has never broken his parole
during his residence,

April 5th-77. This patient continues to do well

Discharged Recovered on the 31st
of July 1877.

1443

19 February 1876 James Millican Thomson

2 Male – 67 11 Dont Know
3 Mason 12 Three weeks
5 protestant 13 Count Clay
6 19 Academy St Dumfries 14 —
7 Do — Do 15 No
8 3 weeks very ill 16 No
18 Not Chargeable by — Thomson at present in Craiglockhart Institution (removed)

14 Feby 1876 Dr McCulloch Certifies / his usual appearance his looking melancholy patients and complaining loses all his excrement in bed or on his clothes throws it about or throws it in his hands &c &c 2 the same and that he has been three times insane and that it is doubtful hereditary &c

14 Feby 1876 Dr John Cumming Certifies / his very appearance denotes mental illness he is nervous taciturn and very pallid in his habit he tells answers for questions 2 his family by father and one brother have been insane and confined in an Asylum he often says that his soul is totally lost this is the third attack of said mental illness

28 April 1876 This patient made some progress during his residence in this Asylum His wife visited him today

Discharged Relieved on the 28th of April 1876

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2 March 1876 Thomas Hodgson

2 Male 30 years 12 2 days

3 Married 13 Ex catamenia Attended Lying

4 Brewer 14 No

6 Colleton Bridge Carlisle 15 No

7 Carlton Royal Institution 16 Yes

8 21 Days 19 John Hodgson father

9 Yes Mrs Hodgson resides 26 Bower Carlisle

2 March 1876 Dr Cunningham Carlisle V. He with usual manner greetings and struck the attendant violently when being medically examined and drew blood. Has unclean appearance & he was violent at home and threatened to kill all his family and himself.

4 March 1876 Dr Smith Carlisle V. Violent appearance Conversed in an excited manner about his friends and those with whom he has lately come in contact Tells me that Dr Kerr of Carlisle mixed something in a glass with the object of poisoning him 2 Dr Mundell visited me that day & admission he has been violent and excited

1 May 1876 This patient has rapidly improved and with the exception of a slight lapse of memory left-out of Asylum this day

29 July 1876 Mr Hodgson's improvement continued and at the instance of his father he was discharged recommended to take Decare 1501

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Decare 1501 when a full account of this patient will be found.

1445
3 March 1876 Jane Anderson Craig
2 Female aged 63 years 3 Widowed
4 Widow of Farmer 5 Presbyterian 6 Carlisle
7 Resident for many years 9 Yes 10 Worse
since Christmas 11 Never in an Asylum
12 Many Years 13 Secretary Retrospection
14 No 15 No 19 John Craig Carlisle Son in
law Son. Her sister was insane. None
6 March 76 Dr John Cumpston Certifies 1. She has touch
peculiar expression of countenance which we find
in insane persons. She says she is a petrifaction
skeleton and has no stomach and has not
slept for three months 2. Will not take
her food, stands on all fours like a bull Heart
4 March 71 Dr Smith certifies 1. Her delusions imagine,
that she has no stomach or bowels - that the
food she takes is of no use to her body
She is a petrified skeleton and will never
die
1 May 1876 No improvement when none is or
can scarcely be expected. The patient
is said to have been an Opium
eater for years. She has the same
absurd delusions - is dirty and
troublesome. Physical health
has improved
Dec 28th 76. In status quo.
April 6th 77. Has the same kind of delusions & in fact there
is very little change to be seen in her.
October 15th 77. Mrs Craig has lately been worse than usual refusing
food & being fed. She has her usual delusions
been sleeping, no stomach &c in fact by her own account
she is like some of the very low forms of animal life
having neither bowels stomach nor bowels. Bodily
health is getting worse

April 30th 78 Mrs Gray is discharged today Relieved

1464
3 March 1876 Helen Bell or Spearing
2 About forty 3 Widow 4 Formerly Catholic
5 Protestant 6 Lenghelan 7 Poor 8 Sometimes
9 Yes 12 Sometimes 13 Dipsomania 14 do
15 do 16 do 19 Mrs Bell Foster Daughter

2 March 1876 Dr Mercer Certifies 1. Dipsomania. Description as to shelter or not. She is Clothed and has delusions as to Infernal Cancer 2 by Rev John Hamilton Armadale Manse Reported unable to take care of herself. Has exhibited abstemious for almost nothing

2 March 1876 Dr Henderson Certifies 1° She is a confirmed Dipsomaniac 2° That she is perfectly devoid of sense of shame and is quite unable to take care of herself Communicated by Mrs M'Falane Parkhead Cottage Armadale
The Hamilton Armadale Manse.

1 May 1876 Mrs Spearing is quite well and very different from what she was on admission She has not indulged in drink or delusions in any but a rational way since the poison of alcohol has left its empty in her system.

31 July 1876 Mrs Spearing was discharged today in full possession of physical and mental health.

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5. March 76 George Dawson

2 Male aged 35 9 First attack
3 Single 11 Nowhere
4 Engineer 13 Melancholia Hypochondriasis
5 Church of England 14 No
6 Roebank Interman Terrace 15 A slight tendency
Whitehaven Cumberland 16 Not known except
7 Whitehaven but believe hereditary
8 Say 18 Months suffering 17 a revolver
under Heaven delusions 19 Aunt & Cousin Dawson
his father & mother living at Roebank Interman
Terrace Whitehaven. His maternal grandmother
suffered from similar delusions. Some

6. March 76 Dr McDonald Dumfries Certifies 1. He fancies
that he cannot live in this Climate without frequent
fires or Plumbers, is Hypochondriacal, talks very
long words wen to the danger of his own life
without any Cause that he ayries from onto
phosphates entirely 2 His father says he
is violent at times and has threatened him frequently

8. March 76 Dr Cunningham Certifies 1. He is depressed
in Spirits says that his blood is poisoned
and that he cannot live in this country
2 Can informed that he has dreams conceals
and that he was only prevented from jumping
into the sea at Whitehaven by the interference
of his attendants

1 May 1876 This case has not improved. Dawson
is low Dense Restlessness and apathy.
and great eagerness to run away—
where he does not know

20 Dec 76. No improvement or last entry

Feb 26. 77. This gentleman is improving a little but is not
he will improve more

20th of November 877. Mr Dawson is quiet, apathetic thinks
the desire to run away does not appear to be
so great. he writes a letter occasionally but

George Dawson. (continued)

16 March

since last entry
Gives no reason for it, On one occasion he was
a little excited demanding release, but it past
off in the course of 24 hours. It is to be pre-
sumed his present condition may pass with
a condition of excitement. There is no physical
disease but he occasionally requires tonics

July 1st 78 Mr Dawson is discharged to day Received by order of
the Medical Superintendent.

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16 March 76 Cyprie Lloyd

2 Male - 60
3 Single
4 Merchant
5 Admits of Confinement
6 Confined Royal Institution
9 1 W.C.R.
9 Fust
10 60 years
12 one week
13 Has work mainly about business

14 Do
15 Sober & Steady
16 Do
17 G.C.
Lloyds Club
East India
Union Club
14 St James Gaz
Times
Brothers in C.R.I.

16 March 76 Dr M Donald Confirms - I he says heard for several weeks past in the Streets that Lloyd was coming to the Castle and that the Officers on duty will be sent from for better days of this Institution for the good they are doing
2 Dr Gilchrist has informed me that he has found out a new mode of Telegraphy between York and the Castle and that I shall hear from him to the same effect

16 March 76 Dr Humphreys Confirms I. he believes that the Case was entered in the Course of the 12 last months that his health was caused from his close attention to his Business, and that for was speaking to him in London
2 His attendant informs me that he talks Continually

1 May 1876 Mr Lloyd has remained unconfined but he calls his Telegrams from Heaven and otherwise absents Communicates physical health is my forte.

8 Dec 76. Mr. Lloyd attends Table d'hote but still keeps up his telegraphic system with God.

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