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David Thomson admitted Nov 12 1881

Male 24 years, single, farmer, established church, Moffide Dumfries, Dumfries and Dumfries, three weeks, yes 24, never and nowhere, three weeks, unknown, not subject to epilepsy, threatenings, dangerous to others.

Nov[r] 12[th] 1881. Dr James M. M[c]Culloch certifies

1. He tells me that people are going to meddle with him and injure him and cut him in the privates; that he cannot sleep &c

2. Other facts (if any indicating Insanity communicated to me by others:

All the above and that he runs away from home; that he ran off to Auchinleck, in Ayrshire and the Inspector there telegraphed to his friends informing them of his whereabouts and insane state

+ Dr Callender

* This patient is suffering from melancholia with the delusion that his friends wish to castrate him: during the past 3 weeks he has been haunted by the idea and on arrival here thought that it was to be done here. On admission he had a depressed and apprehensive appearance but showed no resistance or violence, and seemed to be endeavouring to resign himself to the supposed fate. He slept pretty well on the first night. On examination of the chest the apices of the lungs showed some signs of consolidation & there is Cough and he has been treated some time ago for chest affection.

22[nd] Nov[r] 1881 The patient's delusions continue and they specially haunt him at night. He hears voices — thinks there are people outside the house who are intending to shoot him: sometimes his sister is the attendant: under this idea he sometimes becomes almost frantic & inclined to be violent.

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Dr Callender says,

1. Fancies that his friends have conspired to castrate him

2. Threatened violence with a knife to persons he fancied in pursuit of him. Told me by Inspector of the Poor at Cumnock

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April 1882. Mr Thomson has now settled down to a listless dirty state. He does not show his delusions so readily and though anxious to leave here, says he will not go home and refuses to state any plans he has formed - He makes a great deal too much fuss for him and seems at times semi narcotised by it.

May 8th 1882 Discharged on probation in care of his brother.

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No 1724.

Ann Drummond a Wallace aetat. 13 Admn. 16th Nov. 1881

Female aged 28 years 9th April 1881, married, farmer's wife since Nov. 1875 previously Dairymaid to her Father, member of the church of Scotland, Skelton Pasture Penrith Cumberland since 1875, Comes from Craigie Ayrshire, Slight symptoms past: intense since 6 Nov. 1881. First attack, 28 years supposed cause - overnursing, Hereditary No, Suicidal, Sleep interfered with

Nov. 14th 1881. Dr. Donald Macleod certifies,

1. She has a strong look of suspicion about her, is very stiff in her demeanour, she will scarcely speak on any subject

2. She imagines she sees visions, she gets very excited when spoken to, sleeps almost none, threatened to commit suicide oftener than once

Nov. 14th 1881. Dr. John Borland certifies

1. Talks incoherently is very restless, is very suspicious, speaks with difficulty to no one

2. Imagined the Catholic church had blown up the fire - She is at times violent and dangerous to herself and others.

The following History of this case was ascertained at the time of the patient's admission:- Two years ago last February the first Symptoms of mental derangement were noticed when Mrs Wallace had a miscarriage - at this time she was very restless at night and in the daytime would not a room and stopped herself. She came off and the present attack commenced last February about 9 months after the birth of her last baby which is now 18 mos. old. At the time she sometimes almost slept none at night, she became jealous of her husband and then appeared an inclination to take drink. At this time she was examined by a Doctor who however did not notice much wrong with her. At her father's desire she was taken with her child from Penrith to Kelmarsh when she went on well for a long time: she slept in a room by herself. About 9 days ago

She became worse, one night she did not go to bed at all and roamed about the whole night thinking the house was on fire. She interfered with the would strike. She seemed to be intending to harm herself and frequently asked for a knife. She also put her feet in the fire. At times she thinks she hears voices which do ~~not exist~~ and occasionally gets up suddenly with a cry as though she were in a state of terror.

Naturally she is dazed to be quiet, shy, and reserved. She has a family of 3 the eldest being 4 years old. She has always nursed her children.

April 1882 — Mrs Wallace was noticed one day to be looking rather flushed and she was accordingly ordered to bed. For some days her temperature was pretty high. Her tongue fowl and some frontal headache existed it was feared that she was in for Typhoid fever. After she had been in bed some days Menstruation began and the temperature fell a little. After the flow had ceased she showed some signs of excitement and as she was constipated a small dose of oil was administered followed by an injection as it had not acted. Shortly after dinning the day she had been very violent and could hardly be kept in bed and when her bowels moved she behaved most disgustingly smearing herself and moving anything round her. She was removed from the Infirmary to the basement and a special attendant put to watch her. She continued excitable for some time but becoming quieter she has since been sent back to the Infirmary. Her temperature has fallen and she appears to be recovering.

September 1882 — Since the above date Mrs Wallace has shown no similar symptoms, she is still in the Infirmary but is shy reserved very idle sitting dreaming all day but attempting to do nothing. She is at times visited by a slight intent remains of her then symptoms appearing at the menstrual periods. She attends the dances & other amusements & apparently enjoys them though somewhat stupid in her demeanour.

14th Feb. 1884. ~~Since~~ For the last four months at least Mrs Wallace has been in fair mental health quiet and very industrious, a great help to the attendant in those spelling she is. She attends the amusement and is the object of special attention from one of the Sisters. She is mildly demented. Her bodily health is fair but at present she is looking somewhat pale & anæmic & generally looks low her weight is 9st 10lb. She is at present in the N. hall.

1·4·84. Mrs Wallace continues as described above. Her bodily health is perhaps improving, which probably results from more open air exercise.

10·6·84. Mrs Wallace has considerably improved. She talks much better, and regularly attends the dances.

9·9·84. There is a little improvement in this case; she works a great deal at needlework, and does not seem to lapse into such dreamy states as formerly. Her conversation has also ~~a little~~ more life in it. She has been staying at Kirkmichael & has been considerably improved thereby in her bodily health.

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No. 1725

James Young adm 16th Novr 1881.

male about 40 years, married, retired gas manager, Protestant, Cowan Place Catrine, Ditto, afore days insane, first attack, not previously under treatment, a fast days, 13 drinking, 14 No, 15 No, 16 Sometimes, Private Patient

Novr 14th 1881. Dr David Sloan certifies,

1. He is very restless - very talkative, his ideas are absurd and wandering - his faculties are confused, he is excited in manner, answers questions in a hesitating way, and his conduct is altogether different from what it formerly was

2. From his wife. He is sleepless - unfit for his usual occupations and amusements - has causeless fits of anger - distrusts her and accuses her of a great many absurd offences - On two occasions he rushed out of the house with only his night-shirt on

Novr 15th 1881. Dr Andrew Black Morrison, certifies,

1. Restlessness; incoherent speech; inability to carry on ordinary conversation; suspicions of visitors

2. Left the house during night in nightshirt only Wont believe the correct date of month.

This man is said to have been drinking: he has been in habit of taking stimulants for 7 or 8 years: Sometime he would drink as much as half a bottle of whisky, per diem sometimes much less. He has however taken no stimulant since the attack commenced. He has not suffered from the Symptoms of ordinary Delirium Tremens. His appetite is said to be good.

On admission Mr Young was very restless and confused: he persisted in taking off his clothing Stockings & wishing to warm them & put into the fire: under the influence of a feeling of fear he rushed at other patients and seized them. In the evening he broke the glass panel in his bedroom door

18th Nov 1881 Mr Young continues to be under the influence of a kind of terror, says that he is going to be destroyed He also appears to have hallucinations of the senses of hearing and seeing. There is much confusion of mind with incoherence of conversation.

23rd Nov 81 Mr Young has yesterday and to day been much more Composed

24th Dec 1881 Mr Young in conversation has given an account of his life and recent occurrences which is of some interest and especially his recent experiences in London at home show the nature of his case.

He states that he went out to South America where he acted for several years as for manager: he married & had three children, ~~in the South~~ mainly the Welsh of his wife he came over to this country but his wife died in Scotland the three married a second time. Whilst he has considerable property in South America which has however been much depreciated in value by the late bad times he sought for employment and was engaged by a London firm to get some pecuniary interests in boring and prospecting for a cable shaft to lay a land cable in America. He had been some time in London when he sent for his wife to come home with him: he met her at Leicester & at that time felt himself becoming excited this would be about the end of last October. He states that when at work with another man on the 14th Nov a third came into the room & hung up his bag. A Pudding was taken out of a bag and the man took a piece & handed some to Mr Young who ate it. About ½ hour afterwards Everything seemed dim: after a while he came to himself & for some time he remarked "they quite put me mad". He is under the impression that there was "something" in the pudding which caused the effect. The man seemed to have full command over him.

At this time he associates a D Jack whom he had known in America. At this time he was very much troubled by heat during the night it wakened him up. At that time he thought he still thinks that "they were trying to sink him into a secret society"; in passing along the street he saw all kinds of "peculiar faces" saw the people who were engaged ~~at the~~ with him. On several occasions he thought he was being electrified: once thought three men in a compartment (railway) in which he was were electrifying him

He appears to have had hallucinations of hearing

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hears a great number of Clock ticking & people voices. Further he attributes an intention of initiating him into a secret society. Other ideas that a peculiar appearance is attached to the way in which he held an umbrella.

When he first came he thought that there were three men in his bed: that the bed contained an electrical "Arrangement" which would blow the whole place up: had hallucinations of sight at night. saw his wife Catherine, saw someone kneeling praying at her room; he felt as tho' the room were extending - i.e getting bigger and at this time he fancied he was going to be destroyed.

He shows some glimmerings of what Mr. Jones related to him with regard to which he still believes, He appears to have suffered from delusions hallucinations & illusions; there is some distortion of the right pupil and altogether it is to be feared that Mr. Jones's case wears a very promising ap.

Discharged on Probation 27th Jan 1882

No 1726

Mary Cecilia Boyce admd Nov 16th 1881

Female 23 years, Single, no occupation, Church of England, Ravenstone College: Whitborn, Whitborn and Dumfries, more or less since April, second, 22 years, never, since April intermittent, unknown, not epileptic nor suicidal nor dangerous to others

Nov. 16th 1881. Dr John Charles Douglas certifies,

1. Will not speak unless spoken to, thinks her food is poisoned, hears voices about her at night - the people acting plays

2. The Revd John C Boyce, her father states She sleepwalks - thinks people are plotting against her and that she is in Wakefield

Nov. 17th 1881. Dr Alexander Dallachan Donald certifies,

1. is of a peculiarly excitable appearance, fancies she is on the stage and hears voices speaking which have no reality

This statement was stated by her father to have suffered from a mental attack immediately before her admission. She has at sometime been subject to hallucinations especially of hearing. She has a brother also under Care so that there is probably some Constitutional tendency to Insanity. Miss Boyce appears to be well educated - She likes plays and sings. The hallucinations frequently trouble her during the night & then Cause her to be excited & noisy.

This lady improved in general health but was dirty in her habits and did not improve mentally - She relapsed into a demented state & was discharged somewhat Relieved on 9th March 1882

Readmitted See No 1752.

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No 1727

Elizabeth Kelly admd 19th Novr 1881

Female: 50, single, Protestant, Log Cottage Auldgirth, Dumfriss, 5 or 6 days, second attack, about 35, Crichton Royal Institution, Five or 6 days not ~~epileptic~~ nor suicidal, somewhat unruly

Novr 19th 1881. Dr Thomas Ferguson certifies,

1. She is very noisy constantly calling out, very restless rolling about in her chair, She says the cat has been talking to her telling her about the other neighbours, She sees things which are not present in the room

2. By her sister Helen Kelly: That she has been under treatment before, That she has been very unruly and obstreperous, and that they have had difficulty in keeping her in the house, that she talks incoherently about religious matters.

Novr 19th 1881. Dr Thomas Davidson certifies,

1. She is extremely noisy shouting incoherently - very restless rolling and jumping in her chair, Is troubled seeing objects and hears talking

2. That she has been under treatment before, Is most unruly and violent, and tries to get out at night. Talks incoherently on religious matters.

This patient is stated to have been twice before under treatment in an asylum (The R.I.A.) She is stated to have taken her food well since the attack came on; to have sometimes slept more at night refusing bed; to have attempted to break the windows & to have been desirous of escaping. She has been noisy and very restless throwing her arms & legs about.

This is a case of acute mania: the hair has the peculiar frizzly appearance sometimes seen in such cases and "stares" as the head. She is very noisy and vociferate frequently a single word such as "Hoo" again & again or the pitch of her voice, is very unmanageable and apt to bite, - noisy struggles at night.. - she however takes her food well

Nov 24th 1881 Miss Kelly has now become quiet: she appears to be under the influence of some overpowering fear: what known this she will not

Communicate & restless Restless & indistinct
that it is impossible to make it out

April 19th 1882 Miss Kelly has become rather melancholic, cries a good deal and wishes she had not been such a fool - what her particular folly is she has not stated distinctly. She however seems to be improving.

September 11th 1882 Miss Kelly is not a quiet or industrious patient, assisting in the gallery work + always busy but she is still melancholic + despondent, says she has been very wicked + is sometimes crying. Her condition is evidently one of mild dementia resulting from mania

14. 2. 84. Miss Kelly is still in the condition described in the last report. She attends the Dances but takes no active part.

1. 4. 84. In State Rooms.

1st Nov 84. No improvement.

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No 1728

Robert Howie.

male 73 Widower – Retired – Presbyterian – Hartford – Dumfries – 4 months – second attack Crichton Institution – five days – unknown – no – no – no – Thomas Howie Rodgers Road – Hartford no – none

Dec. 1st 1881 Dr. Thomas Ferguson certifies 1. By himself. He seems depressed & disinclined to talk – his mother sen. constantly sitting in his chair walking up and down the room – says that things all are going wrong – also that he has been under treatment in an institution before Xmas and that Dr Bychis or Thomas Howie: That patient has been odd in his general behaviour – also confirms the statement that patient has been treated for mental disorder before

Dec. 1st 1881. Dr. Alexander Dalle Mac Donald certifies: 1. is visited and examined and is thinks of opinion that he would be benefited by being in the asylum where he has been previously – fancies things are all going wrong 2. His son confirms the above the above statement as to his excitability

This old gentleman is suffering from Melancholia almost pure and simple. He is depressed and when interrogated for the reason speaks about his sins without mentioning anything definitely; he regrets having given so much trouble to his "parent" in bringing him to the asylum when asked what he mentioned by his parent he ~~said~~ corrected himself by saying his 'friend'. (he was brought here by his son). He complains of a feeling of oppression in the breast which may be accounted for by disease of the mitral valve of the heart; he also says he is restless and he is inclined to change his position frequently.

Mr. Howie is a readmission having only left the asylum about a month ago the return of his own accord. He went out & lived with his son in lodgings and went on well for a few days. He however became "vexed" about things; sleepless at night and would not get out of bed till 5 pm. thought he felt himself becoming ill that people wished him from having been in an asylum V.C.

Reported to the Board of Lunacy that "he is suffering from Melancholia with sleeplessness and that his bodily health & condition are unpaired: there is mitral disease of the Heart"

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18th April 1882 — Mr. Howie is rather out of health and in consequence is slightly depressed but on the whole he is keeping pretty well here not having much to think about and being allowed to "dander" about. Part of his malady being probably due to advancing age

September 11th 1882 — Mr Howie is still depressed unhappy. His bodily condition is good but he had been complaining of being unable to pass his water which he said was always dribbling away from him. This statement was doubted there was an enlargement of the bladder & the prostate appeared clinically healthy. To assist the diagnosis a catheter was passed when about 3p of urine came away, & in spite of his statement he was found to pass an ordinary amount, viz full quantities at a time, daily; so that there was evidently a delusion & he at present makes no more complaints on the subject

20th Sept. 1883 — Mr Howie died to day at 2. 20 P.M. from Pneumonia after four days illness.

Died.

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Dec 24th 1881

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No 1729

David MacBrayne Ambrose ad^{m} 23rd Dec 81

Born 3 Aug 1855.

male 26 years old - single - clerk - Presbyterian - Sauchiehall Kirkcaldy Glasgow - unknown - D^{o} - D^{o} - never residere - ~~sunstroke~~ Supposed to be no - no - no - William Henry Ambrose brother residing 9 Grove Terrace London West Kensington. (23 Dec^{r} 1881 - Robert MacBrayne)

Dec^{r} 23^{d} 1881. Dr George Thomas Beaton certifies:- 1. Facies is decidedly insanity observed by myself. Inability to carry on a connected conversation. Lost of memory incapable to apply himself to any of the ordinary occupations of every Day life. Great levity and peculiarity of manner. 2. Other facts (if any) indicating Insanity communicated to me by others. Have been informed by parents with whom he has recently stayed that he has all along shewn great childishness of manner and in his actions.

Dec^{r} 24th 1881 Dr Alexander Dall MacDonald certifies:
1. has an imbecile look and cannot enter into a general conversation - replies to the same answer to any question does not know whether parents are alive or not
2. have been informed he has had sunstroke and since then has been very childish

This case is one of dementia in which the mental faculties are all round much impaired: the powers of thought & reason seem almost in abeyance: judgment is weakened and memory has suffered to a notable extent. When asked in the month of January what month of the year it was he replied 'August' and stated he had recently seen it in the newspapers - He is very childish in his ways & says 'I do thank you' to almost any question put to or addressed to him.
He has spent much of his time abroad since his illness commenced no satisfactory history of the case was obtained.

8th April 1882 Mr Ambrose remains much in the same state sitting habitually on the sofa and seems quite incapable of conversing on any subject whatever.

September 11th 1882 Mr Ambrose is in the same condition, he is quite imbecile; neither talks nor occupies himself in any way.

4 Jan. 1883 No change to record. Bodily health good.
14 Feb. 84. No improvement.
10 6 84. No change.

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No 1730

Louisa Jane Millican adm 23rd Dec 81.

Female aged 38 - married - no occupation - Wesleyan Methodist - Alston, eleven days - second attack - thirty one - Dinsdale Park Darlington - Eleven days - Want of rest and insufficient exercise and food attention to children and household duties - no - no - no - Her nearest relative is a Sister, whose name is Isbella Elizabeth Stagg who is at present in an Asylum

Dec. 23rd 1881. Dr Alexander Dall MacDonald certifies:

1. Facts indicating Insanity observed by myself:- She says that she is engaged to the Prince Imperial of France and is going to marry him and that she has been divorced from her husband

2. Other facts (if any) indicating Insanity communicated to me by others:- Mr Tatters tells me that she has been suicidal for a few weeks and has talked very irrationally on the journey here

Dec. 23d 1881. Dr Alexander Thomson certifies:- 1. Has many delusions - thinks her husband is dead, and that before his death she was divorced from him and is under the protection of the prince imperial of France

2. Mr Tatters - Alston, Cumberland, who brought her here, says her husband is living that she parted from him to day acknowledges divorced

This lady was admitted in a state of acute mania; very restless, inclined to be talkative; noisy at night. She was made to understand to abstain from taking sufficient food: this however was more from morbid preoccupation that from any idea regarding the food. Her delusions were that mostly a identity she maintained that she was French: that her name was Mrs Millican but Stagg that her deputed mother was no relative of hers at all, that she was engaged to the Prince Imperial of France & that she had been divorced from her husband. She nurses she called by French name Mother Annette &. & she desired herself to be called "Madmoiselle".

Janry 23rd 82 Mrs Millican has undergone much improvement: has highly affected manner has quieted down & she is now dining at the Table d'hote

In the beginning of February Mrs Millican had another March. 82 attack of mania but has since quieted down again

Aprl 1882. Mrs Millican after a period of quiet during which she studied his dances & stayed at a convent & made herself generally amiable & com- menced from an acute attack

September 11th 1882 — Mrs Millican since the above entry has never been really well enough for any length of time, sometimes she is excited at others comparatively quiet & sensible but she is becoming certainly demented & so easily led away that a male patient, having by an oversight been left to conduct her to her gallery, was very recently having connection with her, but was fortunately discovered before an opportunity occurred.
She had come to Table d'hôte & was proceeding back to her gallery having been conducted by an attendant to the foot of the one stair leading to the High West, the gentleman in question following & inducing her when she arrived at the top of the stairs to go into the High East, to his bedroom

October 15th 1882 — Mrs Millican is again returning to her excited state & appears to be developing further symptoms of pregnancia -

3 Jan. 1884. — Mrs Millican has for some time been quiet: her mental condition is feeble. She is known as accomplished musician, and was able to play most of the accompaniments at the concerts in November & again on 20th Dec. 83: unless she has music before her her playing is apt to be inaccurate

14.2.84. — Much as before: occasional fits of her temper or rather she is easily irritated and is apt to strike those who annoy her.

1.4.84. — Mrs Millican remains as above. The other day she struck a lady who lives in the same gallery almost without provocation.

10.6.84. — Mrs Millican has been amiable until to-day when she had a fight with Miss Glover, who before the attendants could separate them, gave her a black eye.

20.7.84. — Mrs Millican has gone to Kirkmichael, & has behaved well there joining in all the amusements. Her expression of face is ~~melancholy~~ vacant & her head has a peculiar conformation. Her manner varies from day: she is sometimes excessively polite, at others sullen or refuses to speak

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No
1731

James McDonald Sim adm 3rd Jany 82.

male 20 years - single - clerk in mercantile Office - Presbyterian
6 May 1881 - about one year and a half - first attack - about 18 & 19
Masturbation Dr Yes - probably not Yes - Alexander Sim, 4 Sum-
-merfield, Leith, brother or Mrs Isabella Sim, 4 Summerfield, Leith,
- Mother - no previous case of Insanity in family.

Dec. 20th 1881. Dr James Allan Philip certifies: - that he has delusions - that he is de-
-prived certain rights by his relatives and others, that he is king of
the Irish &c He has erratic tendencies and has shown dangerous violence
and with respect to his Bodily Health and Condition that he is free from or-
-ganic affections, but is debilitated from delusions affecting his sleep &c and
also from prolonged self abuse

This is a typical case of the Insanity of Mas-
-turbation: there is marked enfeblement of the intellectual
powers of the will: peculiar vacillating manner
the features ruddy both eyes straight in the face.
The conversation is rambling - connected in the de-
lusions. He talks in a vague way of being
the King of the Irish - of intending to go to
Glasgow to take a Riot so as to become
well known - of wishing to fight a duel with
a man. There is a feeble, purposeless way
in which he does every thing which is very
Characteristic of his malady.
The chief idea & the only one which he cannot
get rid of appears to be the wish to escape
from supervision; at Morningside he escaped
from the asylum 3 or 4 times on one occasion
he attacked the attendant in a violent manner
in order to accomplish his end.
Special precautions have been taken to prevent
a recurrence of this here but he is ever on
the alert for a chance: When out walking he
is placed specially under the care of one attendant.

April 1882. Mr Sim has improved in bodily health and
appearance - Mentally he is much the same
though if anything he is in a little brighter but
is still possessed of the same ideas. Especially
that he is to be summoned abroad to take some
military part.

Septemb. 20th 1882 — Mr Smith's mental condition has undergone no change since the above report, he is full of delusions but is quiet & harmless, he is however always on the look for an opportunity of escaping. His bodily condition is on the whole good though lately he has been thought to be looking thinner than he did. He joins in the amusements in the Hall appears to enjoy them. He is not so shy & reserved as he was but is decidedly weak mentally.

3/Jan 1884 — Mr Smith is now of very feeble mental power. He is listless and does not speak unless addressed. When asked to write a letter to his friends he willingly complies but covers the paper with lines & figures & scraps of words.

4.2.84. No change.

1.4.84. No change mentally. Bodily health good. He makes no attempt to escape.

1.6.84. Much the same. No improvement.

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No. 1732

Hugh Anderson Gemmel adm 6th Jany 82

male - single - Farmer - Protestant - New Galloway - Carwell Cottage New Galloway - 2½ months - First attack - 34 - 2½ months - no - no - no - Mrs Gemmel his mother Castlesidle Douglas Lanarkshire - No Insanity in family

Jan 5th 1882. Dr Robert Lamby Williamson certifies: -

1 Facts indicating Insanity observed by myself:- Patient Hugh Anderson Gemmel told me he is a member of the secret police and threatened to strike me when I endeavoured to restrain him from going into his bedroom to carry out imaginary duties connected with the police. Patient leaves the house at all hours of the night or day only partly clad in pursuit of imaginary individuals and at other times in answer to imaginary voices

2. Other Facts (if any) indicating insanity communicated to me by others: Fact of patient hearing imaginary individuals talking to him, and pursuing these individuals on the occasions when they have appeared to him as they have done charged people with stealing his sheep on some occasions without any cause that could be elicited or in verification Has quarrelled with his brother some of information Landlady and Brother

Jan 5th 1882. Dr Walter Lorraine certifies:- 1. He hears voices some of which he can distinguish and sounds and noises which keep him awake at nights By sitting quiet he can repeat what he hears the people saying He never sees any of those he hears talking yet he believes in their presence and is somewhat credulous as to what is said by them

2. Those about him say that he hushes at times the people who annoy him in an unnatural (strong) condition He is difficult to restrain when thoroughly excited by the voices

Hallucinations of hearing as described above are the most pronounced features in this case. The patient states that he hears voices some of which he recognises as resembling those of people whom he knows, he considers that these spirits speak to him and as they talk of things which he is thinking of and which may be only known to himself he has come to the conclusion that the people know his thoughts. When left to himself he converses with these voices without however speaking aloud even when he is really holding conversation with anyone he is frequently noticed to be absent & abstracted his attention being really occupied with the said voices

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as these hallucinations trouble him during the night he suffers from sleeplessness.

10th April 1882. Mr Gemmell sleeps better and is less disturbed at night but still suffers from the hearing of imaginary voices. His bodily health is good.

June 12th 1882. Mr Gemmell is quiet orderly in good bodily health, he dances a good deal rejoins in all games

September 20th 1882. Mr Gemmell is in good bodily health at present though a week ago he was such sort of sorts. Mentally he is not at all well he has such delusions as hearing people and insulting speaking them + laughs without occasion, this being supposed to be caused by the hearing of these imaginary voices.

3. Jan. 1884. Mr Gemmell is in good bodily health: his mental condition is fairly good. he has not or does not suffer from delusions. He is rather listless but attends to daily routine.

14. 2. 84. He spends a considerable part of his time in painting in oil.

1. 4. 84. Mr Gemmell continues to enjoy robust bodily health. He is more agreeable than formerly & enters with heartiness into all our amusements

10. 6. 84. Mr Gemmell has retrograded. He is very apathetic He won't engage in the amusements. Says that when he plays bowls, the electricity comes out of the ground & puts a wrong bias on the bowls

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John Gillison act 82.

1793 Readmitted on the following certificates.

25th Jan 1882. 1st Medical.

"In very talkative & excited and in of an excitable temperament.

"Has been very violent for the last night or two & unmanageable, told me by his cousin

2d Ferguson

He is restless and excited - Constantly talking in an ~~excited~~ disconnected way & repeating the same story over & over again"

By the attendant. That the patient has been in the habit of evening times before.

This old gentleman has been sent back after having been out only a few weeks. He is quiet and peaceable here though somewhat doited - There is not much to record about him.

10th April 1882 A short time ago Mr Gillison had one of his violent attacks in which he attempted to strike some of the other patients and attendants and swearing at everyone. He objects that they take away his books or papers from him. He is rather frail and in one of his paroxysms stumbled and fell but sustained only a slight bruise - He keeps his health well

May 19th 1882 Discharged relieved in care of Mr Kennedy. Newlands -

1754

28th Jan 1882.

William M'Kay

2. Male. aet. 57 3. Single. 4 Farmer, S, Established Church of Scotland. 6 Roche, Walthorwanted. 7 do - 8 6 weeks 9 yes 10. 57. 11. - 12 Four weeks 13. none 13 no 14. 15 yes - 19 Robert M'Kay 12 Henry St. New Ferry Birkenhead. No

S. Smith 16 Castle St. Dfr. Carlisle
"Sudden manner, tells me that he is afraid something will happen to him - that life is a burden to him that he might commit suicide
His brother informs me that during the last ten days he has been restless continuously sleeping almost none cannot be left alone, talks of injuring himself & others.

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18th Sept

Dr J Hunter Dyden 45 Brunswick St. Dfr. Carlisle
"His expression of countenance indicates mental disorder, he is very depressed and dejected and admits that he meditated suicide
"His medical attendant granted a certificate of insanity, S Adam informs me that he is rather violent and has to be watched.

Feb. 1882

This patient was extremely depressed on admission had sleepless being very frightened and nervous at night. He tells me that having committed an unnatural crime he knew that he was damned and that one time a voice told him he was damned at another time when going out after some wash at night that a "shape" passed him and told him that he was damned. Altogether he has numerous delusions and is very depressed but is rather reticent there being a great deal of the "canny Scot" about him. He is quiet and orderly in his behaviour.

April 1882

This patient has of late been very much depressed thinks that he has been the cause of murder of people dying, that the house is much changed since he came, that in fact he is a lunatic - He is still very suicidal. One night he got out of bed and made a great noise disturbing all the others. He then states he had seen the devil coming for him

September 30th 1882 M.c Kelley has improved very much lately, having been very sleepless restless he was put on Tinct Opii m XXX at bedtime, he however did not sleep much better appeared to be becoming more depressed & in fact almost imbecile, he was then tried with Tinct of Hyoscyamus m XL at bedtime & he was restless at night & slept little, his draught was again changed to Tinct Cannabis Indic m XX at bedtime & he has slept pretty well since the change whether the medicine receives the credit or not he has improved decidedly, asking days away home but he still retains some delusions which are not fixed & which are usually of the form of self depreciation hence it is suspected that he is still suicidal

February 4th 1883 Discharged on probation in care of his brother

February 12th 1883 Readmitted from probation M.c Mr.c May - No 1795 - He had been hoarding out threats of injuring himself hence I was thought advisable to send him back

18th Sept/83. Mr. McKay is to-day discharged relieved.

Discharged, Relieved.

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William Beattie

2nd Feb 1882

2. Æ. 46 3. Married 4. Timekeeper at Tweed Factory & Presbyterian 6 Henry St. Sanquhar. Appearance 7 do 8 About two months 9 Yes 10- 11- 12 About two months 13 Has been in a weak nervous state of health 14. No 15 Rather inclined that way 16 Not to [illegible] I have seen 17 Present patient 18 - 19 wife residing at Henry St Sanquhar Father & Mother both insane. Father committed suicide.

Dr W. J Carlyle

"From the conversation I have had with William Beattie I consider his intellect is in a depressed state, dwells constantly on the utterly ruined state of his affairs. For some months there has been lowered depression of spirits &c

"His wife mentions that at night he is very restless and sleepless. She has also corroborated the above facts

Dr Gill - Sanquhar.

When seen he seemed to be suffering under Melancholia. Was very nervous and depressed. He told me everything was going wrong with him and his conscience was troubling him as he was blaming himself as cause of his own ruin and that of his family.

Joseph Park, Clerk in Reid & Taylor mill told me that he had been somewhat excited for a short time and wanted to get away from his work with the supposed intention of committing suicide. He had to be watched & guarded after that.

Feb 1882 This patient appears to have fallen off in flesh lately is restless at night very depressed and nervous says that he has ruined himself and lost down his work lately. He is quiet and orderly and there is not much to record about him. His father and another male relative have committed suicide.

April 1882 This patient has recovered to some extent from his attack of Melancholia and is becoming more cheerful and sleeping better.

12th April Mr. Beattie to-day discharged on Probation. He is quiet but still somewhat nervous and easily upset.

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1736

7th Feb. 1882

James Ferguson

2. ch. 364. 3 S. 4 architect. 5 P. 6 Daly, Lithgow 7. Linlithgow

8 Since Feb 80 ch. 9 no 10 34 11. cns. 12 — 13 Abm of Disp

a self in dispense 14 Subject C violent maniacal ejaculation at times

15 ever went into a Room but came out hurriedly. 16 no 18 —

19. Brother, John Ferguson. Solicitor, Linlithgow — no.

D. Spence. Linlithgow certifies

"Found him excited, loquacious, imagining that his brothers unnecessarily interfere with his actions. Saw him early on Sunday last the 5th Current in an excited state and have attended for the space of an hour. He informed me that he thought his friends, conclusive of a considerable of money as a thank offering." into the state

Informed by his Brother that he has delusions such as that he is being poisoned. That one brother wants to murder the other. That a Collier has been guilty of murdering a young lady in Argyleshire Refuses to hear with his brothers sensations. Banned from his body & his and many other such like delusions. Was forwarded to an Asylum

D. Gilmour. Linlithgow

Brothers and in his actions. Declares that they have made many attempts to poison him. He further asserts that his parents into other living bodies and others parents into his.

His brother John Ferguson who states that James seems heir of many crimes among others of attempting to poison him. Brothers and must be in bed at night. Occurs frequently &c &c.

19th Feb

This gentleman was formerly a patient in the institution but was removed last summer by his brothers against all advice and being still governed by many delusions he has had to bring him back again.

He is much the same as previously described and has been refusing food and holds he get with the parents as he believes that the taking of food not only poisons himself but also does harm to others.

10th April 1882

Mr. Ferguson has again been fasting for four or five days. His delusions remain the same and he has a decided taking habit of spitting in all directions

October 8th 18

October 8th 1882

Mr Ferguson continues in good bodily health but suffers from haemorrhage from piles sometimes, he takes his food pretty well though he occasionally refuses a meal or two.

Mentally he has not improved & has many delusions, he reads & writes a great deal & this is usually of a most absurd nature, such as the various ways of throwing off the bad impressions transmitted to him by others, these ways are supposed to be various attitudinising movements & different ways of looking, casting the eyes & holding the hands.

Discharged 31-7-83.

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Mrs Jane Smallpeice.

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9th Jul. 1882

2. 7. 68. 3 M. 4 clergyman wife 5 Episcopalian 6 St Bees Cumberland. 7 - 8 5 day Occ attack. 9 no. 10 37½ an 11. Lancaster. Yorkshire a Cricklade Wilt. 12 5 day 13 Suppression of Menses 14 15 16 No - 17 - 18 - 19 Revd John Smallpeice - Husband St Bees. Cumberland.

Dr Macdonald. Supt. Certifies

"A very excitable and incoherent - answering questions irrelevantly. Her Husband and Dr Ames of Whitehaven inform me that for the last few days she has been violent.

Dr Thompson Dumfries - Certifies

"Acute Mania - raving and tearing incoherently - very noisy - Told by her husband that she was in the Cricklade Institution on a previous occasion and has again become quite unmanageable.

26th Jul

This lady was admitted suffering from acute mania she raves and talks incoherently - dances about - moves her head - and behaves in the usual violent manner. She is also much troubled with delusions, such as that when she is eating her food turns into baby's heads and bunches of flowers and is also troubled with Voices at night. She repined to be fed with the spoon upon a few occasions.

April 1882

Mrs Smallpeice still much troubled with her delusions. She imagining also hears the voices of her children and thinks they are in the house. She is afraid of being put into a table full of burning brimstone. She talks of suicide and has requested to be watched with powers. At times she is pretty well and appears to be a pleasant little body

October 4th 1882

Mrs Smallpeice retains her delusions about her children though of a different form such as that they take the form of birds, she has had violent outbursts of passion lately when she has torn off all her dress & has contracted a love of brandy for which she is always crying, she remains in bed for a day or two, occasionally after she has destroyed her clothing. Her bodily health is fairly good.

3 Jan. 83.

Mrs Small piece is in a rather feeble state: she is becoming demented. Passes all day perched on a chair scarcely speaking & never working. She has occasional attacks of bad temper in which she takes off her clothes.

14.2.84. No change.

1777.81. To-day Mrs Smallpiece's husband visited her. She began to talk a great deal, and was very demonstrative to people, whom she previously treated as entire strangers

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3d March 1882

Jane Little

2. F. aet. 58 · 3. Single 4 Retired dressmaker. 5 Chester of Scotland. 6 London. 7 Clapgate Lanarkshire 8. 3 weeks 9 Third attack 10 56 · 11 Manorhead. Shaw. Middlothian. 12 Spring months of 1880 & 1881 12. Three weeks 13 Not known 14 · 15 · 16 No 19 Janet Little (Sister) Elizabeth D. Langholm

Augt 15th 188

Dr Carlyle · Langholm · certifies

" Fits of excitement, occasionally noisy, restless, suicidal and watchful, with various morbid delusions. Imagine her friends are plotting against her.

" The above facts have also been communicated to me by Mr James Scott and Mrs Scott · Clapgate also by her sister Miss Janet Little.

Dr Anderson · Erkbank · Canonbie · Certifies

" She is very suspicious and very excitable, is quite miserable and makes everyone near her so. Her expression of countenance also, unmistakeably indicates mental delusion

" Mr James Scott & Mrs Scott-Clapgate say after and persistently expresses a wish to die but writes her sister & this writer her, that she is difficult to manage or control and consequently is wearing out her sister who requires to be always on the watch."

10th March · 1882.

This lady is extremely fretful and fretful - says almost continually - is very suspicious. She believes that her affairs and those of her sister are all gone wrong. She is continually asking to be taken home as she must go and see about things. Says she wishes she could die.

She is very miserable and does not like her food until it does not check her without drawbacks

April 1882.

Miss Little has lately been troubled under the idea that she is to be taken out of her bed at night and put in some horrible hole among rats & mice. She is feverish and very tiresome. Has lately been tried at Falls of Clyde but is very troublesome continually saying that she cannot eat and refusing her meals & her medicine.

She will not work or amuse herself in any way and seems quite incapable of doing anything & the most of her conversation is her affliction

question "can I get home to day, I am quite well"

Augt 15th 1862 Miss Little went with Scarids returned much more composed & cool so depressed & gradually getting better was discharged on probation today in care of her sister.

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4th March 1882

Thomas Johnstone

Male - at 59 - Married - Blacksmith - Protestant - Banbord Westerkirk - Banbord Westerkirk - about a fortnight ago — About a fortnight — aware of none No No yes James Johnstone (Son) Westerkirk - he exept one brother who died from softening of the brain.

St Smiths 16 Castle Street Dumfries.

His excited appearance and rambling incoherent speech tells me that several members of his family are continually annoying him. Notwithstanding he states he has been sleeping sleeping and doing a great deal during the last two days

"George Telford informs me that during the last two weeks he has been unmanageable and has several times threatened to injure his son and daughter"

St Carlyle - Langholm

He behaves under violent excitement. Wanders about the house in a ... unsettled state. He has taken a great dislike to his son and daughter in law

12th March Mr Johnstone when brought here was labouring under a good deal of excitement and was incoherent in his statements - Said he had been going about the house all night and appeared to be angry at and jealous of a man who had been employed to carry on his work while he was ill. At night he was very violent and broke his shutter. He was quite [illegible] and will not make any statement whatever except that his brain must have been burned which is drawn from want of sleep. He appears to have had an attack of hasty mania

19th April. Mr. J. continues quiet, rather indolent and appears to have no ambition to leave here, he seems rather weak mentally

27th April. Discharged on Trial

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9th March 1882

Stephen Harding - Voluntary.

The order for this gentleman's admission was signed by D. Sibbald - Commissioner.

This gentleman is 43 years of age - That is married. of not a very strong Constitution - He is a draper assistant - a Protestant (Congregationalist) Resides at 2 County Terrace - Alton - Hants Just Attack - has continued for about a month Cause said to be Anxiety about business affairs His mother was insane.

He is sleepless at night and occasionally starts up in a great fright. He believes that he has committed some great sin against God for which he is to be punished everlastingly and is consequently depressed in spirits. He is also in great fear lest some child should turn up and an attempt made to affiliate it on him - he is morbidly afraid of this and can give no account of it as he does not know of the existence of any such child.

March - 82

18th April

Mr. Harding has received extended parole and seems a little better but rather querulous and upset his draughts ~~which~~ however he now sleeps a little more soundly

June 4th 1882

M.r Harding was today discharged recovered.

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1741. Case of John de Kiros readmitted from probation on No 1717 6th April 82
for William Ainsleigh on probation 29th April 1882.

Agnes Hyslop Gibson

1742 Female - 60 - Married - Retired wife - formerly dressmaker
Protestant - Aberdeenshire - Aberdeenshire - one year and seven
11th March 1882 months - Continuation of first attack - 5832 am. Richardson
Royal Institution - one year and seven months - Female - No - No
- Very intelligible - Name Gibson, Aberdeenshire - Castle Douglas -
No Husband - Her sister Mrs Payne was for a few months
confined in the Richardson Royal Institution.

D. Walter Lorraine - Certifier.
Excitable restless & fidgetty - she cannot sit quiet for
more than a few seconds - slapping her chair & things
about the room.
Her husband says she is most excitable at night - sleeps
none and wanders about the house & downstairs
down & knocking his walls.
D. John Cunningham - Certifier
Her facial expression indicates mental disorder. She
speaks in an absent-minded manner.
She was an inmate of this Institution for a period of
seventeen months and her husband obtained
permission to take her home only on his own responsibility & is very
restless in his manner also restless.

This lady was admitted on Certificate of Emergency granted
by D. Lorraine.
She only left this Institution a week previous to her
readmission her case will be found in Vol XV. p. 227.
She was removed by her husband against all advice
but he was very obstinate and said that perhaps some one
March 1882 within her to speak & at night might prevent her being so
bad but on bringing her back he said that he did
not believe anyone had ever put in such a time as
he had for the last week.
She is in the same condition as formerly described
very restless & excitable - noisy at night - will not
sleep in bed at times on account of delusions that the
bed can not be slept in because there are soldiers
in it - it is upside down &c.
10th April 1882 Remains in the same state of Chronic Mania
October 9th 1882

M. Gibson is a case of Chronic Mania she is very talkative

restless, sleeping well some nights + badly others, she has a delusion of late as her throat being sore while there is nothing to be seen wrong with it She calls the Dr.s patients or by other names than their own + is altogether a hopeless case of insanity. Her bodily health is fair.

January 23rd 1883 Mrs Wilson was today discharged on probation to husbands care.

Ann Sarah MacQueen

1743

2 Female 3 60 5 Single 4 Spinster 5 Protestant
6 Kirk. Lochmaben 7 Kirk Lochmaben 8 3 Months
18th March 1882 9 First attack 10 60 years 11 Nowhere before this
attack 12 3 months 13 Seizure of Brain (Senile)
14 No 15 No 16 No 17 Private Patient 19 Margaret
MacQueen - Kirk, Lochmaben - Sister of Patient ——

Dr Smith - Dumfries - Certifies

"Her rambling incoherency of speech and delusion
She is continually talking & keenly in an excited
manner - States that her food has been poisoned.
Her sister informs me that she is unmanageable
becoming at times very excited and attempting to
injure those near her.

Dr Reid - Lochmaben - Certifies

"She keeps up a continual clatter but does not
speak or act rationally, Alternately crying and laughing
Repeats any word she overhears and gets into a
passion over some simple remark. Says she is not
getting sufficient food - which is a delusion.
Her sister says that they can scarcely keep her
in bed. She always worse at night, screaming as
loud as she can. Pitching the bed clothes about
and sometimes tries to strike those near her.

March 1882. This old lady was quite incoherent when admitted
and very noisy, continually crying out in a monotonous
tone of voice "My boy". "My bed". She is often
noisy at night as well as by day but is
at present so incoherent that nothing can be made of
her

April 1882 Continues noisy and incoherent - demented

June 14th 1882 Mrs MacQueen was taken suddenly ill for a few days & vomited
a black coffee ground material She did not take much in the
way of food & was taken suddenly ill early this morning & when raised
by the attendant & take some fluid food fell back in her arms & died
suddenly, probably from rupture & hemorrhage from a gastric vessel
as she appears to have suffered previously from haematemesis
Died at 5.40 P.M.

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Jane Dickson

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27th March 1882

2. Female. thirty seven years. 3 Single 4 Farmer's sister and Housekeeper 5 Member of the united presbyterian Church 6 Synods 7 No 8. 0 weeks 9 Not had an attack 2 years ago 10 ~~Athome~~ at Home. 12 0 weeks 13 ~~Not known~~ 13 Not known 14 No. 15 Not known 16 yes 17. 18 - 19 Thomas Dickson Not known. 20 —

Dr. Marshall - certifies as follows

"Talks incoherently has delusions as to her clothes with her food is most restless and sometimes becomes violent.

Her friends state that she never ceases talking unless asleep roams about day and night if allowed.

Dr. Cunningham certifies

"She talks incoherently is very restless and excited."

2nd April 1882

This body was admitted in a state of acute Mania - Shouting and dancing about - talking quite incoherently about Ministers and wanting to know if there was "The Houses of God" She refuses food - She has slept at night for some hours with sleeping draughts and is becoming a little quieter - She has menstruated since admission. She has delusions about seeing "things" creeping about -

10th April 1882

Miss Dickson is now a good deal quieter but still restless There is a tumour depression in the left frontal region when compared with that of the right side - She is still unable to talk coherently about anything.

June 11th 1882

Miss Dickson was found to have an erysipelatous swelling of her left cheek which was red, indurated & painful, warm fomentations were applied but she would not keep them on for any time, there was some sloughing & the arm gradually improved again.

Aug 22nd 1862 Mrs Dickson had occasional attacks of excitement with delusion chiefly that "Mr Fox" was in the house or in some room in the hall & she would break the glass in the door with her hand so as to see in there for some many cuts. She gradually improved however & was sent to the asylum from which change she benefitted materially & was brought for the discharged on pro pending probation.

Discharged Aug 22nd 1862 on pass pending probation.

David Crawford - Voluntary

1746

31st March 1882

The order for this gentleman admission was signed by D. A. Mitchell.

This is a case of a certificated patient having recovered and become a Voluntary - See case 1593. Vol XV p. 144

April 1882

This gentleman has suffered of late from dyspepsia & rheumatism but otherwise in fair health. There is nothing particular to record about him.

October 15th 1882

Mr Crawford remains in fair bodily health & condition though sometimes he is troubled with dyspeptic attacks & lately has been bothered with a slight attack of Sciatica from which he is now recovering.

3 Jan. 84.

Mr Crawford is in fair health. He has occasional dyspeptic attacks which are relieved by Tabl. Z; he is at present taking with benefit Hydrocyanic acid & Bismuth. His mental condition is good. He has a room in the H.E.

14.2.84.

No change.

1.10.84

No change

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10th April

William Thomas Crumpton.

1746

2nd April 1882

2 Male - 22 3 married 4 Gentleman. no occupation 5 Protestant 6 Barbadoes. West Indies. 7 Moffat 8 about three weeks under 1 year of intervals 9 no 10 not known 11 never under examination or treatment before 12 about three weeks 13 Intemperance. 14 No 15 No 16 no 17 not ascertained 19 not known 20 none

S. O'Reilly Grange - Certificate

"Gentleman, suspicious mien of people stealing things from him, thinks he is going to get thousands of pounds damages for having been put in the police cells. Fancies he is a great person and of great strength.

"Claims £3000 of Schoolboard - Things which he says were stolen were thrown away by him.

E. Munro certificate

"Running about the streets in an excited state with crowds of children running after him supposing he is being robbed and that people are going to kill him, supposes he is a member of parliament for the county.

Says he is going to raise an action against the post office & Schoolboard for money kept back from him.

2nd April

This gentleman was brought from Moffat about and arrived here about 2.30 A.M. He is rambling and incoherent in his speech - Mistakes people he has not before seen for others he knows - Has excited ideas of himself and thinks that his being brought here is some conspiracy of Mr. Gladstone's to discomfit the Tories. His Father was given to indulging in alcohol so his taste for spirituous liquors is probably hereditary. At one time he says he takes whisky at another denies it. He tells he sky blue and then dun coloured serpent rambles on often not knowing what he is talking about, says he is a great friend of the Duke of Buccleuch and that he has been asked to stand at the next election for the county.

10th April.

Mr Crumpton is of an excitable temperament & has rather a high opinion of himself. He states that while frequenting all the public houses in Moffat he avoided the Buccleuch arms as the "Governor" was staying there. His father is dead & on being asked whom he meant he replied "Bismark" as he was the chief

man in Europe. He wears slippers with the letter C. & a Crown worked on them, the letter he says is for "Cumberland" believing himself to be the Duke of Cumberland - see letter attached.

20·5·84

October 15th 1862

Mr Crumpton is in good bodily health & condition but has not improved mentally. During the summer he took great interest & part in cricket & also dancing a good deal but after any excitement of this kind he is usually worse for some time He was very well for a few weeks & he was permitted to have a parole in the grounds but he was one day seen to be going round with a rope in his hands & he brought a stick into Table d'hôte up his sleeve & altogether showing symptoms of the recurrence of his malady so that it was thought advisable to stop his parole He was one day when out visiting his aunt presented by her with some money which he spent in drink, cabs & other indulgences bringing back with him to the Institution little of his property & was thrown into an excited state for a week.

19·7·84

He is sometimes almost servile in his demeanour to the officials & when this is the case he is usually depressed but he soon becomes excited again, boisterous in his manners, an ardent & loud reader of his Bible, remaining in the balcony of his Gallery for hours reading aloud & declaiming. At Table d'hôte when in this condition he sometimes appears to be in a suppressed rage, talking to himself & by appearances being spoken by imaginary voices. He once accused the Medical resident at Eastwell Park of having "poisoned Mr Simpson" another patient "with prussic acid" which was of course a delusion; & he sometimes sleeps badly at night, talking & shouting for hours. His condition during the last six months has been one of mania with short intervals when he was depressed

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A visit from his friends usually has the effect of exciting him & he was heard in the drawing room after a dance by the Medical resident to remark that he was King of England but he does not now so far as known acknowledge the delusion of being Duke of Cumberland.

3 Jan. 1884.

Mr Crampton is much as described above: he has not for months gone to the first table d'hôte. During November he was at the dances & entertainments but these seemed to excite him & he no longer attends them. After being at Dr Burke's house one Saturday night he became very violent that he put in the padded room at night.

He is at present already quieter. he has a room in the Asylum.

14. 2. 84.

Since last admission Mr Crampton has had two relapses, the 2nd

is still upon him. During that time he has to be removed to the padded room & for several nights he willfully wets his bed.

20·5·84. During the greater part of March and April, Mr Crumpton was a good deal excited. He was removed to Low Ward & quickly improved. He is now very quiet.

19·7·84. To-day Mr Crumpton, who went to a picnic at Kirkmichael was recalled, called one of the Lady patients, much to her delight the Virgin Mary, wanted to kiss everyone's hand & took off his hat to the passers by.

10·9·84. Mr Crumpton is at present in a depressed condition. He sits quietly & does not talk, except when questioned. He has delusions of identity & vision.

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3rd April 1882

Mary Watson

2 Female - 22 years - 3 Single 4 No Occupation 5 Wesleyan 6 7 Fern Bank. Cockermouth 7 Dumfries (16 Call ?) 8 22 Months 9 yes first attack 10 20 years 11 Southport Hydropathic Establishment 12 22 months 13 None known 14 No 15 yes 16 yes 17 Not Chargeable 18 — 19 William Watson 7 Fern Bank. Cockermouth Father None known 20 none

28th April

Letter 15th [illegible]

Dr Smiley Certifies as follows.

"Her excited maniacal appearance, rambling incoherency of speech and delusion. Tells me she saw a cat jump before her which was now in her stomach.

"Her Father informs me that she has lately very much excited and at times unmanageable. She has also threatened to burn herself & attempted to take poison. She has many delusions.

Dr Ferguson. Certifies

"She is variable in her moods, at one time sitting quite quiet & gay & again period on the floor & immediately after talking incoherently and laughing. She states that nobody cares for her and she does not care for anybody. States that she would rather not take any food. In the middle of the conversation she sprang up and rushed out of the room.

"By the attendant. That she runs about excitedly and walks on tiptoes. That she refuses food

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5th April This Lady was very taciturn when admitted but talked in the evening incoherently and in a rambling manner she refused food at first or only picked out portions of what was on the plate, What she rejected she said might have to do with or have the hair of "the cat" on it. She walks as if she was avoiding something and stares into vacancy with a fixed gaze evidently looking at some imaginary object. Her Father states that she has even at times refused food - runs out of the house while at other times she makes out that she cannot move - in fact was confined to bed for some time. She was also violent when at home, throwing things about etc. There is a good deal of hysteria mixed up with this young Ladys insanity. The cat she speaks of is one which she had told her parents she must have swallowed as

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it was in her drawers and the fur could be seen on her shoulders. The ruffles slightly pink above

28th April

Miss Watson still very static in her movements at times refuses to walk - though she can speak quite well. The ruffles occasionally from Neuralgia

October 15th 1882

Miss Watson has lately improved slightly, her walk is better - she sometimes says a few words, usually that she wants to get home - Her mother & father paid her a visit a short time back but she did not behave at all well, being evidently overcome by the excitement; she laughed & cried out in a hysterical manner, though she was better after a little. Her nails are very bad & she has often toothache which prevents her sleeping & causes a swollen face frequently but they are to be attended to soon. She cannot be induced to do anything, she was tried with some crewel work but made nothing of it & her nurse induced her to write some letters home, but there has only been one so far that was intelligible enough to be sent.
She sometimes pretends she cannot eat though when given her food & left herself she eats it all, for this cause she had to be removed from Table d'hote for her breakfast & tea which she would not eat but when given to her in her own room she partakes of heartily. Her dinner she generally eats well at table -

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15th June. 1883.

Discharges Not Recovered on her father's responsibility and Contrary to the advice of the Medical officers

23rd June. 1883.
14.2.84.

Admitted Mary Watson. 1806. Suffering from Mania. No change to record: Very uncommunicative and does not talk - Has a small amount of Grading.

8.9.84

Miss Watson is very weakminded. She remains in a silent state and when spoken to, usually smiles in a meaningless manner: and does not answer: still walks on tiptoe - imagines that she is treading on eats. Her general tone is not very good.

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No 1748

Mrs Helen Johnstone Hyslop (adm) 20th April 1882
(2) Female 33 years (3) Wife (4) lives with her father who is a
Saw Miller (5) Protestant (6) Spotts Saw Mill, Haugh Burn
(7) same as 6 (8) 2 years (9) Has previous attacks (10) 18 years ago
(11) Spotts Mill, Haugh & urr, (12) 2 years (13) unknown (14) No
(15) 716) 1210 (19) James Hyslop, Spotts Saw Mill, Haugh of urr
Dalbeattie – Father – None.

12th April 1882

Dr John Biggart; certifies

I " Has a depressed and vacant look, speaks with hesitancy, will hardly answer questions. Has many delusions regarding herself which she states is all in the head

II " Her sister says that she has attempted to commit suicide and is always threatening it. Once threw herself into water and imagines herself all sorts of things

12th April 1882

Dr W. Lorraine; certifies

I " She has a depressed melancholy look, answering questions with reluctance & hesitancy. She expresses regret at her inability at present being able to act correctly & like other people. She has several delusions regarding herself

II " Her sister says that she threatens & has to commit Suicide and on one occasion lately nearly succeeded in drowning herself in the Mill Race

20th April

Admitted to C. R. I.

October 15th 1882

Mrs Hyslop when first coming under observation was very quiet & retiring, she does not appear to have been strong mentally if one may judge from her present condition; from May until this time she has remained in the same state, quiet & seldom addressed she never into conversation, makes one request to leave or in any other way evinces any change, she knits a good deal or occupies herself sewing. Always coming up to & looking on at the Weekly dances but not dancing herself from inability to do so. Since admission she has shown no suicidal symptoms nor given evidence direct or indirect of the existence of delusions but she is apparently of weak intellect Her bodily health is very fair.

3 January 83.

Mrs Hyslop looks desponding & expresses herself as quite content to stay here & prefers not to go home. She sleeps in the Infirmary gallery and does a good deal of work in the gallery.

14. 2 84.

Mrs Hyslop is very thin but she eats well: there is no change in mental condition

10. 6. 84.

No change

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1749

William Smith admitted 26th April 1882
48 years of age, married, of the Presbyterian religion, residing at 44 Bank St, Kilmarnock has been insane a short time, this is his first attack, the cause of which is said to be religion. His wife Janet Smith, resides at 44 Bank St Kilmarnock

Medical Facts

26th April 1882 John Borland M.D. Kilmarnock
(a) Talks incoherently and imagines that evil spirits are driving him to destruction
(b) His wife says; that he is dangerous to himself and others

26th April 1882 Alexander Marshall, M.D, Kilmarnock
(a) Thinks he has a devil and is dangerous to himself and others
(b) His wife says; quite changed in temper and refuses food.

28th April 1882 Admitted to C.R.I

July 19th 1882 Mr Smith on first admission was very melancholic, his constant cry was that he was a wicked man, he was lost & he was then, sleepless & constipated. Under appropriate treatment he began to rally, he was put on extra diet, porter at bed time & improved very much, he lost his delusions, became an active worker in the gallery & endeavoured to occupy his mind as much as possible which was attended with benefit for he got so well & was fit for parole & was discharged on this day he went at home on probation.

Discharged on probation July 19th 1882

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Elizabeth Ann Musgrave

34 yrs of age, married, of the Presbyterian religion, residing at 15 South View Heaton, Newcastle on Tyne, has been insane from her first attack 18 months. She is said to be melancholic but has never attempted suicide. Her husband Simon Musgrave resides at 15 South View. Heaton. Newcastle.

Medical Hist

(1) Alex. Thomson. M.D. Dumfries.

(a) Her depressed melancholic appearance, says she feels very low spirited so much so that she cannot attend to her house & family as formerly, is restless sleeps badly, fancies some calamity is about to happen & has other morbid fancies

(b) Her husband. Simon Musgrave. says that she has been in a very depressed state for some time, that she believes everything is going wrong; that she is quite changed in her habits, that she is restless at night; & cannot attend to her duties as formerly.

(2.) Hugh Cunningham. L.R.C.P.E & D. Dumfries.

(a) She imagines she is lost both soul & body & she has destructive impulses occasionally

Physical Condition

May 15th Mrs Musgrave. is a thin, spare woman but in good bodily health & vaccinated, when admitted she had a severe cold but this has now disappeared & she has also been an indifferent sleeper, sometimes sleeping well & at other bad little.

July 27th 1882 Mrs Musgrave was today discharged on probation. She improved very quickly, & was sent to the seaside returning very much better in body & mind. Her delusions disappeared & she so far recovered that her husband removed her home to be under probation

Discharged on probation July 27th 1882.

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Samuel Hannah

67 years of age, married, a farmer of presbyterian religion, residing at Lochroan Cronniehall has been insane three or four days, this is his first attack + has existed four days. He is said to be very violent + threatening in his language

Agnes Hannah - Lochroan Farm - Cronniehall.

Medical Facts.

(1) Walter Lorraine M.D. ~~Dumfries~~ Douglas

(a) He talks incessantly + incoherently. He is outrageous when it is attempted to control him. He labors under delusions about the members of his household + particularly his wife.

(b) The police about him say that he is constantly on the move sleeping none + refusing to lie down. He got out naked to the hill where his clothes had been taken from him

(2) Alex. Thomson M.D. Dumfries

(a) Talked some in a very rambling incoherent manner about various matters connected with his household + family; + Barbadoes + Lyon crying

(b) Told by Samuel Brakenridge - joiner + near neighbour - that he has been going about the farm half naked with a cloth round his head, tearing implements, smashing tools implements + throwing all about them. That he is strange + wild in his manner + spirit different from his natural state - wanted to have a carriage + drive all over the country -

Admitted 5th May 1882

This patient is in good bodily health + condition, there were marks of bruises on his arms + there was an old fracture of his left leg seen by myself made + there is also said to be a fracture of his right thigh. There was dullness on percussion over the base of left lung extending well up to the apex. Resultatio. Inspiration prolonged, character tubular, accompaniments mucous rales. Soon after admission he was found to be suffering from a fracture of his left 8th rib, but could give no cause for it.

June 21st 1882

Mr Hannah was discharged on probation to day in care of his daughter

N° 1751

October 15th

No 1451

John Mc Murray.

30 + ½ years old, single, a farmer, of the Free Church, previously residing at Port of Spittal where he was maimed. This is his second attack, he was insane when 29 yrs of age & was healed in the Crichton Institution, this attack has lasted for years now, the cause is unknown. She is said not to be quite right since coming home. His father is Jas Mc Murray. Port of Spittal. Stranraer.

Medical Facts.

1) David Easton M.D. Edin. Portpatrick

(a) He is very restless, his eyes moving constantly from one object to another but never looks in your face. Answers questions very abruptly by yes or no. often refuses to answer at all. Blames his mother for putting a beast into his stomach. That the country would betray him. That the people have an ill-feeling against him. He wants out of the country. At this moment he is very sulky & silent & refuses food &c. He seems to take no interest in anything.

(3) His father Jas McMurray says his nature is changed, very cross & short with his parents. He blames his mother for putting a beast into his stomach & is often angry with her on that account. That he is very restless moves constantly from one place to another & wishes to go to sea & be with strangers. Wanders about the hills & rocks on the shore without any object in view. Answers questions abruptly or not at all. Takes no interest in anything when contradicted he is very excited and angry looking. Jumps on board vessels when he has a chance.

2. Hugh Cochrane L.R.C.P.Ed. Stranraer

(a) Quite restless & answers questions in a very abrupt manner. At times looks at you as if he expected you were going to do him an injury. Says he cannot work at home but would be quite fit for it out of the country.

(8) Mr McCracken who is in charge of him says that a few days ago Mr Mc Murray asked Dr Easton to cut him open as he was certain there was a beast in his inside. His father says he is continually walking about & never at rest. Says he could work if he was in America. Washing himself & changing his clothing frequently during the day.

Admitted May 5th 1882.

This patient is a tall strong young man, with no symptoms of bodily disease or marks of injury. As mental condition he suffers from melancholia but does not appear to have any fixed delusions.

October 15th 1882

Mr Mc Murray has not shown any very marked symptoms of insanity since admission, he is quiet & somewhat depressed, but appears to be a case of mental weakness, he takes no interest in anything & is undoubtedly

stupid, he played at bowling during the summer but otherwise has not interested himself in anything.

March 24th 1863 — M^c Murray was today discharged on probation in case of his father

John McMurray. Discharged Relieved
26th June. 1863.

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Mary Cecilia Boyce

Sc No 1726

23 years of age, single, a clergyman's daughter of episcopal religion previously residing at Rascenstone Stage Whitthorn has been insane nearly two years, this is not her first attack she being formerly under treatment in the Crichton Institution. The present attack has lasted for some time intermittently was said the cause by mental excitability insomnia. Father Rev. Jas Boyce Rascenstone Stage Whitthorn Medical Certificate Medical Facts.

1) Jno Chas Douglas M.D. Glas. Whitthorn

(a) Her Wild look, cannot settle or content herself, will only speak when addressed does not sleep at night is very outrageous at times & offensive in speech

(b) Her father Rev. J. C. Boyce says she is very outrageous at times, imagines the most foolish things her conversation is very unbecoming & quite unlike her usual

(2) Hugh Cunningham L.R.C.P.S.E. Dumfries

(a) She has a vacant appearance of the countenance is listless melancholy

(b) Her brother informs me that she was under treatment in the C.R.I some time ago.

(3) Dr. J. C. Douglas gives also an emergency certificate

Admitted May 10th 1882

She is an unhealthy looking girl, & suffers from incontinence of urine which has an offensive odor, she is slightly excited with delusions & is in a state of mild dementia.

September 9th 1882 Miss Boyce did not improve at all after admission but became more & more indecent, constantly wetting herself, sitting doing nothing the whole day; laughing & giggling when spoken to, failing on the parochial roll she was transferred to the West Riding Asylum - Wakefield by a minute of the parochial board

Transferred September 19th 1882

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Hannah Bennett

32 years of age, married, a Wesleyan, found at Fox Cottage Penrith married at Dumfries, she has been insane about four years having been 27 years of age on first attack, previously under treatment at Morningside Asylum duration of attack 4 years, & it was supposed she caused by leaving home to be married She not epileptic, not suicidal nor dangerous. Her Father in Isaac Brownrigg Fox Cottage. Matterdale end. Penrith.

Medical Facts.

(1) Alexander Thomson. M. D. Edin. Dumfries.

(a) Thinks she is insane when in bed at night, that the bed is of tar poisoned with chloroform that she requires to make it all right to prevent this being done.

(b) Told by Mrs Brownrigg her sister-in-law that she has many delusions about being hurt & that she has been under treatment formerly in an asylum

(2) Wm Smith Kirk. M. D. Edin &c.

(a) She talks almost incoherently. Has decided delusions about Dr Clouston of Morningside asylum (where she has been a patient) & others.

She is excited, restless bordering on mania

(b) She says herself she was a patient in Morningside Asylum.

Admitted May 17th 1882

She is in good bodily health & condition with no marks of injury.

Mentally she is maniacal, & with such delusions as being a relative of the Marquis of Lorne, she is not quarrelsome & does not give much trouble Her delusions do not appear to be fixed.

October 15th 1882

Mrs Bennett has not shown any symptoms of improvement, she is a case of acute mania with delusions that she is "hurt at night", & indistinct delusions regarding Dr Clouston but she is quiet & gives no trouble & has improved in bodily health since admission.

Discharged Recovered 12th July. 1883.

Fanny Green

1755.

40 years of age, married a merchant's cafe + protestant; formerly at Newcastle + married at Dumfries, has been insane 6 months, she was insane before when 38 years of age + was under treatment at Dinsdale Park. Darlington. The present attack has lasted six months + is said to be caused by the death of her mother. Patho. E. W. Challoner. Leazes Crest Newcastle.

Medical Facts

Dr. Jno Smith signs emergency certificate.

(1) Jno Smith M. D. + Dumfries

(a) Her wild maniacal appearance, rambling incoherency of speech + violent impressions + actions

(2) Alexander Thomson M. D. Glasg.

(a) Her wild maniacal appearance + raving, noisy incoherent utterances

(b) Told by the attendants in the institution that she has been noisy excited + raving for the few hours she has been here.

Admitted May 23rd 1882

She is in good bodily health + condition. There are marks of bruises on her arms, legs + left side

Mentally she is in a state of mania + violently excited, exposing herself + seizing hold of the medical visitors if possible

June 8th 1882. Mrs Green has now quieted very much, she was put on a mixture of potass. Nitrate gss + mac. Ferric daily + the excited excitement has moderated. She walks in the grounds with her attendant + has a very good appetite.

October 13th 1882 Mrs Green was kept on the grounds up till within a recent period + it had the effect of exciting her violent excitement, occasionally she had an outburst but much milder than before + A few weeks ago she gradually began to assume a more rational behaviour + just about that time her husband died this had a still more potent effect in removing her from her insane condition, she became more tractable + at the same time more composed + sane altogether, she took more interest in her home + has gone on very steadily improving since then so that not though still somewhat peculiar she is very much improved, she is rational, quiet + desirous to get home soon.

December 1st 1882 Mrs Green was today discharged on probation in care of her sister

~~Mr Hardcastle + Barnsley + Smith~~

Mrs Fanny Green was discharged from the asylum on the 28th Feb. 1883 Relieved. and readmitted 8 July 83. No 1609. page 188.

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Mary Taylor

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A Voluntary patient, admitted into the asylum May 24th 1882 with the sanction of the Commissioners in Lunacy Dr Jno Gibbald. Married lady She is in good bodily health but her right foot shows symptoms of the formation of an ulcer under the inter malleolus of the ankle. The foot is congested & the veins are somewhat varicose all over the foot & leg

June 8th Bandage was applied & an ointment & lotion was ordered which is to be used as the parts are now sore.

Mentally the Lady has shown no symptoms of aberration but she is said to be frightened of her shadow & is Sthenonic nervous melancholic

October 12th Mrs Taylor on the 29th August complained of a pain in the calf of her left leg which was found & be inflamed vindurated from the lower third of the leg to the ankle, she was confined to bed, a poultice covering put on the part on some days then with the aid of lotn applications it improved rapidly but she remained very depressed & miserable & being visited by one of her sons he thought it advisable to remove her home.

Discharged October 12th 1882 Not Improved.

October 15th 1

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Elizabeth Christal or Ferguson

47 years of age a protestant housewife, previously living at Kirkcudbright where she was found & examined, she has been insane off & on for years This is not her first attack having been 43 years of age when first insane & was then treated in the Crichton

This attack has lasted four months & is attributed to the change of life. She is neither epileptic, suicidal, nor dangerous.

Husband Jas. C. Ferguson - 3 St Cuthbert St Kirkcudbright.

Medical Facts.

(1) Wm Johnstone M.D. Kirkcudbright

(a) She is the subject of various delusions, varying from time to time her present delusion is that she would be a martyr to neuralgia if she did not go about in a half nude state.

(b) That she will make her escape to the street in a half naked condition when she can get the chance of doing so.

(2) Jas M.c Culloch M.D. of Dumfries

(a) She has the idea that when she has toothache or other pain she should strip naked or almost naked & go out in public, that boiling water is cold &.

(b) When in pain she does strip naked or almost naked & goes out publicly or sits out publicly. Insists that boiling water is cold &

Admitted May 30th 1882

The patient is in good bodily health & condition with no marks of injury Mentally she is suitable, with the above delusions

October 15th 1882 M.rs Ferguson has improved very much since admission her bodily health is good & mentally she no longer goes about in her nutty ways, she does not complain of neuralgia but has an occasional headache, she masturbates & is occasionally noisy at night.

Discharged. 2.9.83.

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Dinah Nicholson

64 years of age, a farmers widow, belonging to Episcopal church, previously living at Penruddock, Penrith, found unsound at Dumfries, insane 3 years this is not her first attack having been insane when 61 years of age, not previously under treatment. The existing attack has lasted 3 years the cause is unknown, but she is not epileptic nor suicidal but is dangerous to others. Sister-Mary Robinson. Mrs Thuby (?) Grey. Station Penrith.

Medical Facts.

Dr Thos Ferguson signs emergency certificate

(1) Thos Ferguson. M.B. Edin. Dumfries

(a) She is excited noisy ~~blasphemous~~. Says her neighbors have bewitched her leg stared to bewitch her head. Also that she is very friendly with Queen Victoria who has made her president of Egypt & of the East & West Indies.

(b) By her Nephew. That she fancies her neighbors try to do her harm & to bewitch her. By police constable Thos. Nicolson that she has been very noisy & troublesome.

(2) Richard B. Lorraine M.B. Dumfries.

(a) She is easily excited & inclined to talk much. She says that her leg is her only complaint & that it is bewitched.
Says that Queen Victoria is a friend of hers as also she is asked to go to Egypt.

(b) Her Niece says - that she has told her of Queen Victoria visiting her occasionally also that she has been receiving money of late.

Admitted June 3rd 1882

She is in poor bodily health & condition & suffers from a callous ulcer of the size of the palm of the hand on the outer surface of the lower part of left leg. This she says is bewitched & strenuously resists all attempts to dress it as we (she says) will make it worse, when spoken to on the subject she swears & curses at the demonstrator & will not allow any interference. After a struggle poultices were allowed to go on but she always resists interference with it.
Mentally she has the above delusions as to her leg &c. is excitable irritable. There is a murmur over the aortic area heard. Her leg (left) is thickened & congested with venous stagnation.

October 15th 1882

Miss Nicholson is not very much better; she was confined to bed for some months to facilitate the treatment of her leg & with the aid of antiseptics & rest it gradually improved & has now completely healed permitting her to be up for about a month & taking walks in the grounds, she used to swear dreadfully when her leg was attempted to be dressed & persistently removed the dressing as she said we were poisoning the leg by our treatment, these ideas have however

x She is a v good natured creature inclined to be facetious; so that she has improved both in her bodily & mental health.

3/Jan 84. Dinah Nicholson is in fair bodily health. She has very strange idea as to time being 6 weeks behind the calendar. She is on the whole pleasant tractable but swears dreadfully at times & about a good deal at night to frighten away the witches.

14.3.84. No change.

10.6.84 No change.

31.7.84 Transferred to S. L. A.

No 175

Septembr

October 7

№ 1759

Marion Homer

32 years of age. Single, of Church of England pres[ently] residing at Liverpool & Carlton Villa, Weymouth. Examined at Dumfries has been insane about seven years from her first attack, having been 25 years of age when first insane, previously under treatment at home. This attack has lasted seven years & is supposed to be caused by the state of her health. She is said to be suicidal. Father is Mrs Homer - Carlton Villa Weymouth. Her Commissioners have been informed

Medical Facts

(1) Jno. Smith M.D. Dumfries — Dr. Smith gives necessary Certif.

(a) Her restless appearance, delusive ideas & impressions of dissatisfaction towards her father & mother without cause. Tells me that she stole out of her father's house during the night.

(b) Her father & mother tell me that she requires constant watching & that she has violent fancies & imaginations

(2) Alex. Thomson M.D. &c. Dumfries

(a) Her nervous manner & appearance, says & indicates from her conversation that she has morbid fancies. Is irritable restless & admits that when spoken to or controlled by her parents she becomes quite desperate.

Admitted on 9th June 1882

Bodily health & condition fair but suffers from Hay asthma. Mentally she is slightly depressed & has strange ideas about her food &c. She confessed in writing to Dr. Adam that she has long masturbated

September 5th 1882 Miss Homer has not been very well lately & very troublesome over her food refusing pleasing her & ejaculating for long, meal she says gives her a pain in her stomach & latterly all food was declared bad &c. She suffered during the night of the 3rd from diarrhoea with pain in the bowels & on rising the next morning she noticed that her face was distorted — from a paralysis of the right 7th Nerve, affecting the whole right side of the face — There was a swelling & a slight extent of the upper part of the right parotid gland which was tender to the touch she suffered for several days previously to this from shooting neuralgia in the right side of her head with headaches.

October 15th 1882 Miss Homers face remains in very nearly the same condition, it has been stimulated by the galvanic battery daily for a long time & so far there is little or no improvement noticeable she complains of constant fidgetiness & sounds received into the right ear are louder than in the left side but more confused.

It may be necessary to record that blisters were applied over the point of emergence of the 7th & fomentations were applied to the face.

3 Jan 84. Miss Homes is at present in fair mental and bodily health. She is childish & petulant in her behaviour and occasionally manifests her erotic tendencies, so that she requires to be well looked after. She has a room in the O.P.W.

[25 Nov. 83 She was for a short time removed to the Infirmary Gallery on account of a feverish attack characterised by gradual ascension with slight shiverings & profuse perspiration. The temperature remained high for a considerable time with morning remissions. There was tenderness on distension of the abdomen nor diarrhea. Typhoid was suspected for a time but it was believed that the rise of temperature was due to some nervous disturbance and aggravated by the onset of the catamenia.

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On the two subsequent days the morning T. was subnormal the evening temp. still above 100. After that the temp. remained normal and she made a good recovery. The illness has little effect on her general health.

About 6 weeks ago Miss Homes's parents came & wished to remove her but she preferred to remain.]

14.2.84. Miss Homes has for some time had her parole stopped on account of her behaviour towards some of the gentlemen patients and her language in reference to them.

20.5.84

Discharged. Relieved June 9. 1884

1760

Helen Irving

21 years of age, single & housekeeper to her brother belongs to Church of Scotland found & examined at Kirkbean Village; she has been insane five ~~years~~ weeks; the cause is unknown but she is suicidal, not dangerous.

Medical Facts

(1) Hugh Cunningham L.R.C.P. & Edin. Dumfries
(a) She has a vacant look is huddled, melancholic & restless
(b) Her brother informs me that she is very restless & cannot understand what is said to her.
(2) Jno Cunningham M.D. & &c Dumfries
(a) Her facial impression indicates mental disorder. She talks incoherently & is restless in her manner
(b) Has not been able to understand anything when addressed communicated by her brother.

Admitted to Crichton June 22nd 1882

She is a strong healthy girl with no symptoms of bodily disease but she is melancholic & in a condition of Anergic stupor, crying after home.

July 17th she has refused her food for a day or so but was induced to drink milk & has not misbehaved at all since admission

October 15th 1882 Mrs Irving has lapsed into a condition of anergic stupor, she sits all the day with her face in her hands, the saliva dribbling from her mouth & passing her urine as she sits. Her bodily condition keeps fair but there has been no symptoms of the menstrual flow since admission

A. Aug. 83. Discharged Relieved.

1761

Alexander McNee Black

1770, single, a midshipman & protestant, married at Wigtown has been insane about three weeks. This is the first attack & has lasted 3 weeks. Cause is said to be unknown (to a moderate extent). Not dangerous but suicidal. Next of kin Susan Black. 3 Melville Crescent Edinburgh

Medical Facts

(1) Wm Anderson M.B. C.M. Wigtown

(a) Looks very depressed & uneasy. Sits moody with his head between his hands & will scarcely answer the simplest questions. Says he is miserable because he has been very wicked & does not think he would be as soon dead as alive.

(b) Mrs Steele (Mrs E.S. Black) states that he appears to take any interest in any conversation or any surrounding objects & always appears to be left alone. Mrs Sorrie (Mrs Black) says that lately the patient told him that he spoke of shooting himself.

(2) Chas McBride M.D. Wigtown

(a) Pupils dilated. Sits swinging his hands & looks dejected. When spoken to he frequently will not answer. Told me he was troubled in his conscience because of his wickedness & would take away his own life.

(b) Peter Black, his brother told me that he threatened to put an end to his own life by jumping out of the carriage window.

Admitted to C.R.I. on 26th June 1882

June 27th — This patient is a spare boy in fair bodily health & condition but suffers from mental depression. See letters appended.

Sept. 24th 1882 — Since admission M Black has had periods of comparative health mentally he was given parole which he exercised with discretion but after a fortnight he again falls back into his mental depression. He went to the theatre a short time back & thought the play referred to him & his wickedness & came home in a very excited state sobbing & behaving in an hysterical manner & then fell next day into his depressed state again. He fancies that every one knows about him, that he is a notorious character & also imagines that things in the papers refer to him. In his depressed state, he says, when ill, that he thinks he is going to be beheaded &c.

4th Sept 1883 — M Black was today discharged on probation in care of his sister. He has given up his seafaring life & takes to farming which is considered a wise change.

1762

June 26

Sept. 24

March

1882

John Gillison

Male, 82 yrs of age, a widower & farmer, of Presbyterian persuasion, found wandering at Dalestyle - Dumfries, has been insane for years, age on first attack being given variously under treatment at the C.R.I. The present attack has lasted two weeks & the cause is unknown, He is not suicidal, dangerous nor filthy in habits

Nearest relative is Isabella Hastie - Dalestyle - Sister in Law

Medical Facts

(1) Jas M'Culloch M.D. Dumfries.

(a) He is wild looking, talking & acting in an insane manner, hands he is constantly watched &

(3) The above facts & wandering at night, assaulting persons & has been frequently insane before

(2) A. D. M'Donald. M.D. Dumfries

(a) Same Very restless & irritable & noisy as he was on previous occasions

(3) Not been able to sleep at night, wandering about in an insane manner has been in an asylum frequently.

Dr M'Culloch signs Emergency Certificate

Admitted June 29th 1882

June 30th This old Mans bodily health & condition are fair, there is an impurity into the first sound of the heart & the heart is slightly hypertrophied. Mentally there is a demented condition.

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Sept. 29th 1882 M'Gillison has suffered from a whitlow on the third finger of his right hand which on opening rapidly improved.

He is subject to attacks of excitement when he is stupid & noisy at nights.

March 24th 1883 M'Jno Gillison was to day discharged on probation in care of M'Kennedy - Newlands.

1763

July 4th

Sept. 24th

Nov. 26th

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31 Jan. 8

1883 Alex. R.C. Young

This patient was transferred from the Southern Counties Asylum to the C.R.I. on July 3rd 1882

July 4th Mr Young's bodily health & condition is very good, Mentally he is subject to fits of Epilepsy when he becomes irritable & dangerous. There is a cut on the left side of the face but there are no other signs of injury.

Sept. 24th 1882 ~~Mr~~ Mr R. Young since admission has been subject to epileptic fits, when in the post epileptic excitement stage he is irritable & dangerous striking from Cancia ~~no~~ orations & hence has been confined to his room where he lies in a stupid state in bed & this condition usually lasts a week or more when he comes round to his normal state but after three weeks or less he gets another attack or so on. The fits in his case are very severe she remains for a long time in the status epilepticus.

Nov 28th 1882 Mr Young totally cut his hand by striking at an attendant through a pane of glass, who would not give him his clothes for Mr Y. was at that time suffering from epileptic effects were very confused irritable. He cut the left hand & wrist & ~~wrist~~ fingers very severely the bleeding was profuse, with difficulty stopped owing to Mr Youngs violently excited state. A glove was put on to protect the hand from injury.

3 Jan. 84. Mr Young is sick in the room contains irritable and stupid when to attack some one. He is in the L.E. gallery.

31 Jan. 84. Mr Young was today transferred to the S.C.A.

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1864 Helen Barkley Elizabeth Austin.

24 yrs of age, single, no occupation, of Episcopal Church, previously residing in London, has been insane since 1876, the attack has lasted over 6 yrs, previously under treatment at St. Blandford's Asylum also St. Bayley at Northampton. The present attack has lasted five years the cause is unknown, she is of spiritless, suicidal nor dangerous. Father is Jos. Austin of Harcourt Terrace Northampton. none of members of family insane so far as known

Medical Facts

(1) Helen Thomson. M.D. Dumfries

(a) For General appearance, apparent depressed condition reveals unsettled mental condition.

(2) Sarah Smith (attendant) of St Andrews Hospital. Northampton says that she is always in a very depressed condition states little or no interest in anything

(3) John Smith. M.B. C.M. Dumfries

(a) Patients appearance behaviour indicates unsoundness of mind Patient herself in reply to some questions she utters fairly coherent answers. If undressing examination constantly wrestling head seldom raised from bent posture. Seats herself for a minute or two rises in an aimless fashion, only to sit down again in a minute

Admitted to C.R.I. July 4th 1882

July 4th 1882

Miss Austin appears to be in indifferent bodily health, her Menstruation is said to have been stopped for two years, she is visibly looking stouter very much but has no symptoms of disease. Mentally she is depressed & demented, cannot carry on a conversation but answers in monosyllables usually & adds "darling" to most of her answers.

Sept. 24th 1882 Miss Austin's condition remains unaltered mentally though if anything slightly improved, perhaps from association. Bodily she is looking fatter & appears much better.

3 January 84. Miss Austin has improved in bodily health but her vivacity is sluggish. She has cold blue hands and on a Xmas Day she had a fainting turn in chapel. She seems to be getting more & more feeble intellectually. She can do little for herself. She talks to no one & turns away her head when spoken to. She has a bed room in the N.M.W.

14. 2. 84. Miss Austin has since last report had a fainting turn. She improved physically & mentally during the exhibition of digitalis.

10. 6. 84. No improvement has been sent to Kirkmichael

20. 9. 84. Was benefitted physically by her stay at Kirkmichael There has been no recurrence of the fainting

fits during the last six months. She talks to herself in an indistinct voice, especially at night. When anyone has addressed her & is going away. She sometimes says when she sees anyone approaching her "Hows, Miss Austin don't speak"

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Mary Anne McKechnie

64 yrs of age, single, protestant previously living at Lockerbie Johnstone
examined at 36 Buccleuch Street Dumfries has been insane one
month from the first attack, she has never been insane before
The cause is unknown, she is said subject to Epilepsy but is said
to be suicidal + dangerous to others.

Brothers & Mr McKechnie - Glenmills. Terregles. Both the died in this
Asylum

Medical Facts.

(1) Thos Reid - M.B. Lochmaben

(a) She has a suspicious nervous appearance complains of
various ill treatment of friends, such as delusions. Says she
cannot find any one to help peace has lost the right path +
cannot walk. Has an intention to commit suicide this only
prevented by the knowledge of it being wrong.

(b) Miss Waugh - her guardian - Says that she got into paroxysms
of temper without any cause. Walks away from her house
refuses to give any account of herself, threatens violence to
herself has struck others without any cause. Says she
will give her friends something to annoy them yet.

(c) John McCulloch M.B. Dumfries

(a) Says that she has been robbed, that her nephews
have ill used her, that her head is wrong, is always
hearing strange noises, says she can live only in one place
in Company cannot live there either.

(b) Very violent at times, slaps Millie, wanders away right to
Hull, hates her relations particularly her nephews all which
is contrary to her former state.

(3) Dr Thos Reid signs emergency certificate
Admitted to R.I. July 20th 1882

July 21st 1882 Miss McKechnie is very rational in her conversation though depressed.
Her mental condition is one of melancholia, bodily health fair but
there is a murmur with the first sound of the heart

September 26th 1882 Miss McKechnie some while back was taken with an attack of
diarrhoea for this she was put to bed + given champ of diel + astringents
after these latter had been taken she declared that the medical
officer had poisoned her + that she would never be well again,
continuing in the opinion that he had put her head all wrong as
She appears to have had some slight attack of paralysis + has
been depressed since that time now nearly a month.

January 25th 1865 Miss Melbourne was baptized received

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No 1755

Mary Lewis

46 yrs of age, single, Presbyterian, previously at 3 Gerrefles Street Maxwelltown where she was examined. Insane for several years having had several attacks, & been always weak minded. Under treatment at that ~~time~~ She alleged has been permanent & caused by mental weakness Consent of Jno Lewis the petitioner. Sister ~~not~~ also insane.

Medical Facts

(1) J.H. Dryden L.R.C.S. & P. Dumfries

(a) Her facial expression indicates mental disorder, she is restless excited at times violent & cannot carry on an intelligent conversation

(1) Her Consent states she has been previously in the C.R.I.

(2) R.B. Lorraine M.B.C.M. Dumfries.

(a) Complains very much of her house without cause, says neighbors wont come in on account of her house being so ill furnished she is very excitable.

(b) James Lewis (Cousin) states that she along with her sister assaulted their servant. She has been previously in the Crichton. also that she is very irritable

Admitted to the Crichton Institution July 22nd 1882

July 25th 1882 — Her bodily health is very fair, mentally she appears to suffer from congenital weakness of mind, She is jerky in her movement being thus slightly elated.

Sept 2nd — Mrs Lewis has taken along visits her sister & walks in the grounds she gives ~~on~~ her conduct is regular in her rooms & quiet.

3 Jan 84. — Miss Lewis is in the condition above described. She keeps a room in the old high block with her sister. On account of her quarrelsomeness at table Miss She she sisters sit at a small table in the table d'hote room.

14. 2. 84. — No change: Miss Lewis is tolerably quiet and but for her sister would be quite manageable.

20. y. 84. — The Misses Lewis are at Kirkmichael, which agrees with them as they think their residence there is a preparatory step to their leaving the institution & having a house of their own. They have given up speaking of being 'very languid'.

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No 1767

Elizabeth Lewis

49 yrs of age, presbyterian, single, residing St George's St Manwell Town & there examined, has been insane several years, having had several attacks, & has been always weakminded. Previously under treatment at the C.R.I. This attack has been somewhat permanent, supposed cause being mental weakness, she is not suicidal but is said to be dangerous to the Cousin is Jas Lewis, petitioner & both the brother & sister are insane

Medical Facts

(1) M. Boyden - L.R.C.S. & Dumfries

(a) She is restless & uneasy in demeanour, is irritable & easily excited & very suspicious of those around her

(b) Her cousin states she has previously been in an asylum & her sister & brother are both insane. He also informs me that she has several times assaulted her domestic servants.

(2) R. Blacoume M.B.C.M. Dumfries

(a) She is very irritable, children in the street annoy her by the noise they make. Says the servants & others annoy her seemingly without any reason for such accusation, is discontented with her home.

(b) Jas Lewis, her cousin, says she assaulted her servant, that she is very difficult to control & is always complaining of her neighbours

Admitted to Crichton Institution July 22nd 1882

July 23rd 1882 Miss Lewis is in good bodily health, Mentally she is somewhat excited & complaining without cause. She would not come out of the cab on her arrival & had to be forcibly taken out. She appears to be congenitally weakminded.

Sept 24th 1882 Miss Lewis has not quieted very much, she has parole in the grounds, & she & her sister sit mostly in the grounds near the gate to see if there is any one coming for them. She sometimes complains of her stomach being out of order & that she requires laxative, tonics & so on.

3 Jan. 1884. Miss Lewis is very much as described above. She is rather impudent and petted in her manner. She has a habit of sticking to blake hands with people occasionally.

14. 2. 84. No improvement.

No. 1768
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Mrs C. Hewison. See № 1657

J. H. & H. Hudson

Male, 34 yrs of age, single a Lt colonel in the Grenadier Guards, of Protestant persuasion, previously at Ymuiden House, Roylens, Feltham - London Found in London, examined in Dumfries having been insane at intervals during five years, this is the third attack, having been 34 yrs when first insane, previously treated at Morecroft 1877, Blacklands, 1880, Ymuiden House 1882. The present attack has lasted five months & is supposed to be caused by Sunstroke whilst serving in Ceylon, he is said to be suicidal & dangerous to others. Father is Col. Joseph Hudson, 5 New Burlington St Regent St London. His Maternal Grandmother died at Blacklands after being 3 years under restraint

Medical Facts

(1) Jno Smith M.D. Dumfries
(a) His insane rambling method of conversation & wandering incoherent ideas
(b) Dr Fowler his former attendant informs me that he requires constant watching owing to his extravagant actions.
(2) Alexander Thomson M.D. Dumfries.
(a) His intelligent conversation & manner of talking about himself & his past life.

Admitted to Crichton Royal Institution April 10th 1882

August 11th 1882 — Col. Hudson's health is very good, there are no symptoms of Insanity, he has had an injury to the 1st left Metatarsal bone causing deformity of the foot, he says from getting it crushed by his horse falling on him,
Mentally he has many delusions, some of identity imagining he has seen people, mostly Ladies, before, in other places also on racing subjects, here he imagines many horses belong to him, that he loses thousands of pounds on betting & wins many more thousands &c

Sept. 24th 1882 — Col Hudson continues in much the same condition & appears to be perfectly chronic in his delusions, there is not much change, in fact none, of his recovery.
He is slightly demented & is supposed to hear voices as he sometimes appears to be attentively listening to something & then bursts into subdued fits of laughter. He says he believes in Spiritualism & retains his racing propensities. He has been very troublesome in the way of going into the residents rooms. S.C.A for which he has had his parole occasionally stopped & has been kept in grounds.

3. Jan. 84 Col. Hubbard for some months past been quite rational in his conversation and behaviour. He for a considerable time did the work of the clerk to the house. He feels a good deal at being longer detained here.

29. Jan. 84. As longer detention was considered undesirable only to him getting so much at what he considers unnecessary detention, Col. Hubbard was today discharged, but it is feared that he will soon return to his old habit and find his way into some asylum.

No. 1770

April 15th

Sept 24th

December 24th

No 1770

David Stewart

41 yrs of age, married, a hotel keeper of presbyterian persuasion formerly living at the Commercial Hotel Kirkcudbright where he was found unmarried. This is his third attack having been thirty eight years of age when first insane, formerly under treatment at Kirkcudbright & Aberdeen. Present attack supposed to be caused by excessive drinking. It is said to be subject to epilepsy & is dangerous at times but not suicidal. His wife is Maggie Lynn Stewart 18 Castle Street

Medical Facts.

(1) Mr Johnstone M. D. Kirkcudbright

(a) He is outrageous in his conduct requires constant watching to prevent him running into the street with only shirt or no dress on him, holds conversation with the devil &c

(2) Jno Smith M.B. C.M. Edin.

(a) Patient is a little indefinite in his reply to questions as to whether he suffers from individuals coming round his bed, especially at night. Is very reticent concerning the restraint exercised upon him at home, said restraint I understand, having been necessary to prevent him leaving the house when under.

(b) Jno Lynne (attendant) informs me he was formerly a patient in this institution suffering in a similar fashion from indulgence in alcohol

Admitted to C.R.I. August 14th 1882

Augt 15th — Mr Stewart is in fair, robust bodily health with no symptoms of disease.

Mentally he is suffering from the effects of a drinking bout, he was restless & excited, seeing imaginary objects at his bedside &c

Sept 24th 1882 — Mr Stewart has made good progress since the above entry, he has mentally recovered considerably yet is evidently and at all a man of strong mental power, he was anxious to get away & wrote a letter to D. Smith. Symptoms wishing him examined in reference to his being mad sane, this letter was forwarded to his Solicitor & a paper for his discharge on probation on the wish of his friends but as they refused to take him out on probation the paper was destroyed.

December 2nd 1883 — Mr Stewart was today discharged on probation in care of his wife, but I is feared will return sooner or later, he is of weak mental calibre & unable resist the temptation of drink.

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Elizabeth Ferguson

76 yrs of age, single, occupied as her bro's housekeeper, of protestant persuasia previously resident at Dalgonar Hill Dumfries, where she was found & examined has been insane from July 18th 1882, this is the first attack having previously heated at home. This attack has lasted since the 18th July 1882 is supposed to be caused by long continued Neuralgia She is not epileptic, suicidal nor dangerous. Her Bro lives in Jas Ferguson Tron Church Manse. Barr. Girvan.

Medical Facts

(1) Jas Callendar M.B C.M. Glas.

(a) Labors under delusions, she occasionally fancies she sees the devil Fancies she sees Drumlanrig castle which she says is on fire. Sees many thing which she says are on fire. Thinks the people around her meant to deceive her. Refuses nourishment.

(b) Offers Violence to the people near her. Information given by her brother.

(2) Jno Smith M.B C.M. Edin

(a) Patient constantly wanders in her speech from one subject to another Complains incherently of being a prisoner. Has a delusion that her left eye which is normal at present is deeply injured & shrinks from the slightest touch upon it.

(b) Mr James Brown Medical Student who accompanied the patient states that she is constantly wandering in her mind re the subject of delusions

Dr Callendar signs the Insanity Certificate

Admitted to C.R.I. August 22nd 1882

This is the case of an old lady persistently refusing her food being allowed to have her own way until she is now reduced to a mere skeleton, there is great emaciation, the extremities are reduced to mere bones & one of the eyes the left is completely destroyed, she says from Neuralgia Mentally the case shows the above feature of refusing food, all she will take is cold water, & she gets violent when remonstrated with she does not sleep well at night but talks & quarrels with those around her.

Sept. 1882 It was tried to frighten her into taking her food by showing her the stomach pump & feeding her by means of a Medicine cup through the nose but this had no effect she was then given large nemata tonic & tonic daily of Iron Quina, milk

1872

Eggs Brandy &c this treatment was persisted in until about the tenth of the month, the strength kept up well & she began to take food better taking two eggs daily & bread & tea when left herself.

Sept 24th 1872 Miss Seymour died today at 2-15 P.M., she was removed from the Infirmary to the Lock Ward as she was noisy & disturbing the other patients in the dormitory, shortly after this she had an attack of diarrhoea when the mamala had she stopped this attack lasted for some time weakness her very much more especially so as she did not get the mucosa, the diarrhoea abated considerably but she took no food except spoonfuls of milk some tea & brandy & getting more worse & feeble she died this day

Died Sept 24th 1872

Sept 25th 18

1472

Agnes Milligan

42yrs of age, married, wife of a mason, Presbyterian Church, living & married at Wellsdale Villa Manvillstown, has been insane for 3 months from first attack, it is supposed to be caused by childbirth, it is not known if she is subject to epilepsy but she is suicidal and dangerous Her husband is Thos Milligan Wellsdale Villa Manvillstown. none of family insane.

Medical Facts

(1) Allen Thomson M. D.

(a) Her depressed appearance, says she is possessed of the devil on account of her sins. Swallowed a whole bottle of medicine & admits she did so to poison herself.

(b) Told by her husband that she has been in a depressed state for about two weeks & quite changed in her habits & manners.

(1) Wm Smith Kerr M. D.

(a) She has a vacant look seems in a very depressed state of mind she is the subject of puerperal melancholia & is in a state dangerous to herself & others.

(b) Her husband says he has noticed her getting peculiar lately since her confinement. That he has found her concealing a large knife under her clothes.

Dr Thomson signs an insanity certificate

Admitted to C. R. I. August 25th 1882

Augt 30th Mrs Milligan is a case of melancholia from overlactation, she is suicidal, & says she is bewitched & lives in Her bodily health is fair but she is thin.

Sept 22nd Mrs Milligan has made great progress since admission, she was found to be obstinately constipated when she was put on a good purge, this had a good effect, she slept better at night & took her food better, but she still has the notion that she does not deserve to eat any food. Her husband is very anxious to remove her but was advised to wait the end of the quarter however as he persists in removing her he was recommended to do this on probation & she is expected to leave soon.

Sept 25th 1882 Mrs Milligan was removed on probation

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Evangeline Herries

28 Yrs of age, married Tallraper, a Baptist, previously residing in London — Examined at Castle Douglas, insane for 8 months from first attack which has lasted 10 months, the cause is unknown, not subject to epilepsy and dangerous to others but Suicidal

Her Husband is - Jas Herries. Threave Bank Stage - Bridge of Dee

Her father committed Suicide.

Medical Facts

(1) Jas Nelson M.B.C.M. Castle Douglas.

(a) She says she has given herself over to the devil & wants to take away her own life so as to get to the devil.

(3) Her husband says she has for some months been in a melancholy state of mind & latterly has attempted suicide both by knife & poison.

(2) Walter Lorraine M.D. Edin. Castle Douglas

(a) She believes herself given over to the devil & her continual desire is to go to him

(1) Her husband says she has attempted suicide on several occasions

Admitted to C.R.I. August 28th 1882

Sept 1st 1882 — Mrs Herries is a case of insanity showing hysterical features. She is melancholic, saying continually that she has given herself to the devil & wants to go to him, that she is very wicked & wants to kill herself so that she might go to the devil; asking that if she screamed would she be allowed to kill herself &c

Her bodily health is pretty good but she does not sleep well & there is a slight dullness at the left apex with slight features of affection of the lung tissue.

Sept 20th — Mrs Herries remains in the same condition, retaining the same ideas & notions as to going to the devil &c & asking the same questions daily in a monotonous manner.

Her husband thinks of removing her as he goes to live in London & would like her to be near him if she does require to be in an Asylum

Sept 23rd 1882 — Mrs Herries was today removed by her husband against the recommendations of the medical officers

She was discharged not improved.

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Jane Rogerson
or Boyes.

37 years of age, a farmers widow, protestant persuasion, previously resident at & examined at Johnstone Place. Has been insane about 4 months from the first attack, cause unknown, no epileptic, suicidal nor dangerous. Son is Thos Rogerson. Skenwegg By Lochmaben. Half brother was insane

Medical Facts.

(1) Jno Maxwell Davidson — M.B.C.M. Glasg.

(2) Restless, agitated manner, suspicious looks, fits of taciturnity. Stupidness.

(3) Friends have constantly to watch her. She desires to roam about & has her clothes off. Insists today on burning her stockings. Marches up & down the house, sometimes night & day, watches an opportunity for shutting out of the house.

(2) Jas Maclachlan M.B.C.M. Glasg. Johnston Place. Lochmaben.

(4) Restless & wild manner, wandering up & down the house expressing herself in some way, constantly changing her clothes.

(6) The friend states that she at times very violent & has on several occasions struck her. She sleeps none & is constantly trying to be out of the house & strips off her clothing.

Admitted to C.R.I. August 31st 1882

Sept 1st 1882 — Mrs Rogerson is in a very stupid condition, she walks up & down the wards looking into all the rooms in an aimless way; sometimes stripping all her clothes off. When admitted she had a black eye but appeared in fair health & condition.

Sept 2nd 1882 — Mrs Rogerson does not make much improvement, she is not quite so restless & stupid as she was but sometimes has passed her water on the floor & messed the room. She eats her food well.

2 Jan. 84. — Mrs Rogerson remains as described above. She is still in the habit of tearing her clothes. She is confined to bed. She is in the Infirmary big dormitory.

4.2.84. — No change.

14.3.84 — Mrs Rogerson suffers from an abscess of the ankle which was dressed with carbolic oil after poulticing —

14.4.84. — The ankle is better. Mrs Rogerson is weaker than she has been for a long time.

20.4.84. — Evidently sinking this evening.

21.4.84. — Died at 3.30 A.M.

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No 1475

William Gibson

62 yrs of age, single, a teacher, belonging State Church of Scotland previously residing at Crossford School House - Lanarkshire. Became insane 1 month & ½ ago, this is said to be his first attack having had one when 20 years of age situated at Crossford House, this attack has lasted a few months & is supposed to be caused by excessive reading, he is not epileptic but is said to be suicidal & dangerous to others.

Harriet Gibson Crossford School House - Sister -

Medical Certs

(1) Jas Muir Bromfield Lanarkshire Sept 1st 1882

(a) Violent irritability want of coherence. Thought he had killed me. and said I could put him to death in three minutes.

(b) Sometimes can hardly be held in the house & at times furious at others sullen - Melancholy - Jas Brown

(2) Andrew Lorimer M.D. Edinburgh - Lawnston Glencairn 1st Sept 1882

(a) Not a word of sense could I get from him

(b) Some times can scarcely be kept in the house, at others times very silent & despondent.

Sept 3rd 1882

Admitted to Crichton Royal Institution Sept 2nd 1882

He is in poor bodily health & condition but the heart's action is very quick, almost tumultuous he is constipated & shows no marks of injury. Mentally he is Melancholic with delusions, such as that he is to be beheaded & prevents all movements at night into those made for his execution. He says also that his sister is somewhere about the house &c. She is a case where there has been masturbation practised & sometimes excessively.

Jan 16th 1883

Mr Gibson on the 15th September 1882 was noticed to have a pimple & blister each on his face & neck, & his lips were cracked & cracked, he was then restless & nervous & did not take his food well, on the 16th there was a greater development of the rash, it had spread down to the chest & affected the abdomen there was a swollen condition of the eyelids, the eyes were slightly affected in the form of a conjunctivitis, the lips were cracked & bleeding. The rash appeared first as small, red, velvety elevated spots tending to run together into larger or smaller crescents. There was a deficiency of the sweat & was full of a shiny secretion, on looking at the soft palate there were to be seen spots of a larger or smaller size red & elevated His bodily condition was pretty good, the pulse was very quick, irregular & intermitting. From these symptoms it was concluded that Mr Gibson was suffering from an attack of measles, he was as much as possible isolated & put on a light nutritious diet. It was also very probable that Mr Gibson's mental

Condition was brought about by the poison in the blood acting on an unhealthy brain. The Case went on favorably, the last very profuse, but went on favorably, desquamation was complete from head to foot, on the 25th October there was slight dulness at the bases of the lung, respiration was impaired with evidences of congestion of the lungs existed, the heart's action was quick, irregular & tumultuous & rather weak, poultices were applied to the lungs, at times & digitalis was given to improve the heart action, stimulants were also freely administered Gradually from this there was decided improvement, the case went on favorably though very slowly with the exception of a bursitis on the left elbow which formed an abscess discharged, healing up quickly. On Gibson with the bodily improvement lost all symptoms of mental derangement & becoming steady enough was discharged cured recovered on this day. Jany 5th 1863

Discharged Recovered.

No 1775

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Febry 9th 1863

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No 1786 Johnstone

50 years of age Married, of no occupation, belonging to the Free Church, previously residing at Jervoglen Street Maxwelltown & there found & examined. He has been insane one week but there is no the first attack having been several times in the Crichton for some two or 3 years see Vols. The present attack has lasted one week became is suddenly. He is said epileptic, suicidal nor dangerous.

Wife is:- Janet Johnstone 6 Jervoglen Street Maxwelltown.

Medical Facts

(1) Jas Cunningham L.R.C.P. & S.E. Sept 8th 1882

(a) He is very violent in his manner this facial expression indicates muscular disorder

(b) Has been many times in the Crichton Institution to my knowledge.

(2) Hugh Cunningham L.R.C.P.E. & Sept 8th 1882

(a) He is restless & restless & occasionally gets very excited.

(b) Mr Bruce told me that he has been before under treatment before.

Dr Jas Cunningham signs as surgeon Certificate

Admitted to Crichton Royal Institution September 8th 1882

September 9th 1882 Mr Johnstone is in good bodily health & condition & shows no marks of injury but he is very depressed restless, sleeping badly at nights & the symptoms of Melancholia.

Nov. 11th 82 No 1786 Johnstone was discharged on probation on the 8th Nov but returned back to the asylum today as he said he did not feel well enough to be at home.

Jany 31st 1883 Mr Johnstone was today discharged recovered.

Feby 9th 1883 Wm Johnstone was readmitted today - No 1794

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March 31st

21st August

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No 1853

S. J. Grubbe

This is a voluntary patient admitted with the sanction of the Inspectors. Commissioners in Lunacy. 12th Sept. 1882
Admitted to C. R. I. on 13th September 1882.

Sept 20th This gentleman is apparently in fair bodily health but is very depressed suffering as much from hypochondriasis as from Melancholia he complains of dyspepsia many minor ills which have been attended to. He is also depressed concerning the affairs of his property saying he has been extravagant wasted money generally Cashed Promissory out of one bill.

October 18th Mr Grubbe remains much the same though rarely so depressed as he was. He has obtained parole which he takes advantage of for a daily walk & appears thus making slight progress towards recovery.

March 24th 1883 M. S. J. Grubbe was today discharged on his own request.

March 31st 1883 M. S. J. Grubbe today returned to the Institution as he says he was not feeling well. No 1853

21st August 83 Mr Grubbe was discharged today, he having decided to go to Bridge of Allan.

Re-admitted on certified patient Dec. 23. M. 1842.

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Helen Borthwick or M'Knight.

45 yrs. age, married, wife of an Inspector of Poor, a presbyterian formerly living at Langholm where examined. She has been insane above one year. This is 2nd Asylum attack being about 12 years of age when first attacked & better in Aberdeen Comtee Asylum. Existing attack has lasted one year & is supposed due cause by climacteric change. She is not suicidal nor violent but is said to be dangerous to her husband.

Jas M'Knight. Inspector of Poor. Langholm. - husband

Medical Facts.

(1) W. J. Carlyle M. D. Langholm Oct. 3rd 1882

(a) Occasionally great irritability with various morbid delusions & at times labors under violent excitement, & states great dislike to her husband has threatened him with personal violence

(b) The above facts have also been communicated to me by her husband. Jas M'Knight. She also states that her life has been endangered more than once.

(2) Hugh Cunningham L.R.C.P.E. 3rd Oct. 1882

(a) She has a vacant expression of countenance is listless

(b) Mrs M'Intosh informs me that she has been in an asylum before

Dr Carlyle signs an emergency certificate

Admitted to C.R.I. October 3rd 1882.

3rd October 82. Mrs M'Knight is in good bodily health & condition, emotionally she is excitable & irritable, she is also listless & lacking interest in anything

October 11th 1882 Mrs M'Knight has not made any change since admission but continues in a listless state though quiet & inoffensive so far.

January 31st 1883 Mrs M'Knight was today discharged on probation to care of her husband

Discharged Recovered after probation - 21st July: 1883

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Martha Barclay or Duncan.

50 yrs of age, married, occupied in a boot & shoe shop, protestant, previously living at 92 Dockhead Street. Salcoats. married at Mossmorran Church place Scotland. became about ten days from her first attack, which has lasted 10 days. Supposed cause. Climacteric change with annoyance from business affairs, & slight rheumatism.

Geo Duncan. 92 Dockhead Street. Salcoats. husband.

Medical Facts

(1) R. J. Hunter. L.F.P.S. Salcoats. Oct 6th 1882

she has been in a excited excited state, continually tearing & holding these about her, knocking over chairs & other articles about her & scoring both through the house.

(2) By Mr Morrison her sister-in-law husband. She has been in a restless excited state for the last ten days laughing & singing & talking at the pitch of her voice, knocking with her hands & feet.

(3) R. Allan M.B. & M. Ardrossan 8th Oct 1882

(a) She speaks incessantly in an excited manner, her language being simply a string of words without any meaning or connection.

(3) Her sister Mrs Shaw Morrison informs me that the patient has been in an excited state for the last week to day sometimes laughing immoderately at others weeping in the condition I have described

Admitted H.C.R.I. 9th October 1882

8th Oct. 1882 She is in indifferent bodily health condition, there is a deafness of both ears, with impaired respiratory sounds.

She has a black eye - cheek - several bruises on her arms, and legs. Mentally she is in a condition of acute mania.

Jan 4th to 23rd 1883 Mrs Duncan became very gradually quieter, reason regaining its sway little by little, she began to engage in needlework, when home influences began to bear influence on her, she wrote home & the responses seemed to brighten her, steadily recovering she was today thought fit to be tried out on probation was this discharged

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See Mrs Gypsy's case № 1360

Mary Forbes

Single, no occupation, of U. P. church previously residing at Dornoch Four № Inman, where she was found ~~unmanned~~ She has been insane four weeks, the cause being unknown She was previously treated in the Crichton, she is said suicidal so far as known and dangerous - Not epileptic.
Her brother is W. Forbes - Cyderdale House - Springfield Edinburgh
Address.

Medical Facts

(1) Dr. R. B McBean M.B.C.M. Inman
(a) She is full of delusions - Imagines she cant breathe or swallow, that her throat is grown up with thrones Says she is ~~ruined~~ lost.
(b) Facts similar to above which I have observed myself Fee head she imagined had sunk into her body She imagined she had swallowed her tongue
(2) Thos Gregerson M.B.C.M. Dumfries
(1) She ~~lies~~ about her bed clothes says there is such a weight upon her, as to sink through the floor says she cannot speak. says that her hands & legs are paralyzed -
(2) By the attendant that she has been under treatment in this institution before -

Dr McBean signs an emergency certificate

Admitted C. R. I. Oct. 9th 1882

Physical Condition

She is in good bodily health though rather thin. There are some bruises on her arms & otherwise there are no marks of injury Mentally She is depressed, suffering from a concentration of melancholy into the absorbing notion that she is all changed into bone & therefore cannot perform the functions of life, she is restless complaining but groaning often ~~lamenting~~ the visitation punishing her for her sins. The intellect is otherwise unimpaired & she can talk rationally well though the idea of being all bone is always uppermost in her mind,
Treatment adopted in her case is nourishing diet, distraction from her thoughts as much as possible & lenatives as she is often obstinately constipated -

Dec. 9th 1882 Miss Forbes is slightly better though not much, her bodily health has improved & she mixes more with the patients, she is subject to manifestations of depression.

No 1782

28th August 83 Miss Forbes continues in a very depressed condition. She is often noisy at night. She was taken up to Portpatrick today for the change of air.

2. 1. 84. Miss Forbes is still very depressed. Constantly running herself about and stating she has nothing left but tears. She has no mouth to read and as she has no body she cannot die. She is extremely emaciated though she takes her food fairly. She has a single room in the Infirmary.

4th Feb. Rather quieter, otherwise as before.

20. 7 84 Miss Forbes had a whitlow in her right hand which was opened yesterday, and is progressing well.

15. 7. 84. Whitlow cured.

29. 9. 84 Miss Forbes has been at Kirkmichael for a month. She is still very thin, but eats & sleeps fairly well She does not talk so much about herself as she used to do

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No 1782

Miss Ellen Wilson.

25 Years of age. single of. No occupation, an Episcopalian, previously residing at Seacroft Hall. Nr Leeds was examined at Menston Hydropathic Establishment. The cause is unknown. She is suicidal but not epileptic nor dangerous to others. Her Father is Jno Wilson. Seacroft Hall. Nr Leeds. There are none of family insane.

(1) Medical Facts

(1) Thos Ferguson - M.B. C.M. Menston

(a) She is nervous irritable seems variable in her moods. Says she would like to live on the moors where no one would be near her. Says that her brain is constantly at work & that she cannot control it.

(b) By her mother (1) That about a year ago she attempted to drown herself (2) That at times she is unruly or violent towards her parents (3) That at times she will not speak nor take food.

(2) Jno Smith M.D. Menston.

(a) Her insane appearance & method of answering questions.

Admitted C.R.I. Oct. 19th 1882

(2) Physical Condition

She is in good bodily health & condition. There are symptoms of affection of the apex of the left lung there being slight dullness on percussion & impairment of the vocal sounds but there are no signs of injury to the cord.

(3) Mental Condition. She appears to be a case of congenital mental weakness. Education there is & of a tolerably fair character but one would be inclined to think that such education as she has, must have been the result of a great amount of inculcation & constant tuition. She plays fairly well, though erratic in her performances, on the piano; singing & drawing are among her accomplishments but her conversation is not easy & is uninteresting & childish.

In her gait she is inclined to slouch along in an unfeminine manner. Her face wears almost constantly an expressionless & simply smile & her head is pealed, coming sharply up from occiput & inion to the top in the shape of the monkeys somewhat.

December 8th Miss Wilson has made no improvement since admission although she has become very talkative in the way of refusing to go about or walk in the grounds though some petty jealousy & vicious & has symptoms of imbecility.

2.1.83. Miss Ellen Wilson remains much as before. She is at present tractable enough & dines out twice a week. She goes to Chapel regularly. She is capricious in her food taking little animal food. She occasionally strips herself & also tears her clothes. She fancies she is the wife of one of the officials of the house. She has a bedroom & parlour in the N.E. gallery.

14.2.84 A single room being considered too dull Miss Wilson was removed to the Infirmary about a fortnight ago with evident benefit but she has been very unwell for some little time back.

4.6.84 Miss Wilson has gone to Kirkmichael and seems to have been considerably benefitted by the change in her bodily health

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Mary Altham.

31 years of age, single, of no occupation, member of Society of Friends, living at Dunfallen Home & examined at Dumfries.
This is the second attack, being twenty eight when first insane & treated at York
The present attack has lasted two months & the cause is unknown
It is thought that she is not suicidal, she is not dangerous nor epileptic
Father is Thos Altham - Perish. none of family of father or mother insane.

Medical Facts.

(1) Thos Ferguson M.B.C.M. Dumfries
(a) She is unrelated & restless. If one knits she will not speak & soon after becomes very talkative. Talks disconnectedly & frequently laughs without cause
(b) By her brother Thos Altham - That she has been insane & under treatment before. That she is destructive breaks her things & throws her clothes & is very passionate & violent & strong.
(2) A. D. McDonald M.D. Dumfries.
(a) Is very unrelated, talks incoherently & in a very disconnected way using very strong language quite unnecessarily.
(b) By her brother. She has been in an asylum previously & very passionate & violent to others.

Admitted H.C.R.I. October 3rd 1882

Physical Condition.

She is in good bodily health & condition. There is a murmur with the first sound of the heart best heard in the mitral area
There are no marks of injury.

Mental Condition.

Her mental condition is one of mild mania with a tendency to be noisy.

Discharged "recovered" 30 4. 83.

" Miss Altham was in correspondence with Miss Seagrave in dec. 83 (seems) then to be still well

No 1784

No. 1484

Ann Martin

62 years of age, single, a pensioner of Episcopal church, residing at Baldwin Holm. Delusion has been insane about three months from first attack. The cause is unknown & she is not suicidal nor dangerous nor epileptic

Her brother is Thos Martin - Baldwin Holm Nr Carlisle -

Medical Facts

(1) Jno Smith - M D Dumfries

(a) Her insane appearance & delusions, tells me that she was much annoyed by people coming to her windows at night & that she could not rest in her home but wandered about the Streets

(b) Her brother informs me that she has many delusions regarding her house & furniture, she wanders about screaming & making a noise in an undressed condition.
He states that she has become quite unmanageable -

(2) Thos Ferguson M B & C M. Dumfries

(a) She is sullen in body & mind. Talks in a hesitating & disconnected manner. Says that her friends are unkind to her & that she is never happy

(b) By her brother Thos Martin. That she has got out of bed & gone outside without her clothes.
That she shouts & shrieks at times without cause & makes noises like the cries of animals

& Jno Smith Surgn an emergency certificate
Admitted C. R. I 6th Dec. 1882

Physical Condition. Her bodily health is good but she is in poor bodily condition being thin anemic. She an sinal bruise on her arms chest & legs.

Dec 6th 1882 Miss Martin made an improvement after admission, she remained in a condition of acute melancholia & appeared to be quite bewildered & lost, she was restless at night & slept on two occasions draught as could safely be given were administered, one night the medical resident was called & he on going found her suffering from a scalp wound which had been evidently bleeding for some time, as the night dress was covered with blood & all the hair matted together, & the bedclothes also covered with blood at places, this wound was apparently received by Miss Martin accidentally knocking her head against a sharp edge of the window shutters. The wound was dressed & a sitter put on with her, she remained in her stupid & restless state & did not improve, the wound healed up well, but she got gradually worse, she did not take her food well, though take

No 1485

+light nutritive aid was administered, she was removed to the Infirmary + a special nurse put in charge of her but she got gradually worse + died from exhaustion on the 4th December 1882

Died.

No 1485

Isabella Palmer Main

46 years of age, a widow, of Independent religious persuasion, previously residing at Sheffield, examined at Annan - Last College Scotch St
She has been insane about three months, this not being the first attack, having had an attack previously when 40 years of age.
She supposed cause is religion, she is not epileptic but is suicidal & dangerous to others.
Wm Palmer - Hoods Park. Annan. (Father) A cousin by father's and mother's side was insane.

Medical Facts

(1) Dr McClurgis M.B. & C.M. Annan
(a) She admits having a great desire to poison herself, or destroy herself in some way or another. Inability to give sensible answers to ordinary questions. A vague look & purposeless manner.
(b) She has to injure others & also herself with a view to put an end to her life.
(2) J.H. Ogilvie L.R.C.S.E. Annan
(a) She has a very melancholic appearance, speaks of being utterly lost, that her sin is even greater than that of Judas Iscariot. She has at times a desire to commit suicide. She gives at times confused answers to questions.
(b) Mrs Thomson says she gets very violent at times & tries to injure others then. That she has bought poison with a view to her own destruction.

Dr Ogilvie signs an emergency certificate

Admitted to R.I. November 18th 1882

Physical Condition.

Her bodily health is good but she is thin & in rather indifferent bodily condition. There is a mitral systolic murmur, but no marks of injury.

Mental Condition. Id

This lady is very depressed, & easily upset, she is as above stated suicidal & her appearance conveys that impression. Distress at her sins & woes she readily cries & all natural things are so distorted as to appear to her causes of grief. Her intellect cannot transfer into ordinary cognition that her ills are imaginary & that she is no worse than her neighbours; in this case by improving the health of the body the mind will likely recover itself & become normal, nourishing diet, division & regulation of hours will cause her to improve.

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Febry 6th 1883

Mrs Main steadily improved every day after her admission, with the change from home comforts her mind received a rest which was very beneficial, her depression of spirits wore off & gradually but surely recovering she was today discharged recovered.

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No 1787

Mary Cruchton

24th Sept/

34 yrs of age. single, a lady of no occupation, of Presbyterian religion admitted into Gartnavel April 18th 1882 has been insane about 2 yrs 9 months. This is the second attack the first attack having lasted about five months. She was about twenty years of age when first insane, the present attack having lasted about two years 8 months. Supposed she caused by a business disappointment, she is not epileptic but has been extremely suicidal & is still dangerous.

Robert Cruchton. 13 Hardoch Terrace. Workington. Cumberland & Bothy. Paternal uncle was insane on the father's side.

Medical Facts — Transfer Certificate

Dr Gillooley. Gartnavel Asylum. Certifies

(a) As regards her mental state

She is depressed & somewhat demented, is listless & seems taking little interest in things around her. She was formerly extremely suicidal but there has been no attempt for some time & she is much better than she was

(b) As regards her bodily condition

That they are moderately good.

Order for admission is signed by W. H. Mitchell & she was admitted to the Cruchton November 25th 1882.

Physical Condition

She is in fair bodily health & condition. There is a murmur with the first sound of the heart which is loudest heard over the aortic area. There are no marks of injury.

Mental Condition

She is apparently depressed & remains mostly silent, speaking in a formal peculiar manner & attitudinising somewhat, nodding her head with a bow in acknowledgement of being spoken to & shaking hands very stiffly. It is doubtful if her case often is one of imbecility, with some real cause for action it would not be surprising if Miss C's mind roused from its state of practical inertia, though if she continues for long in her present demented state her mind will likely lose power. It is supposed that the real cause for her behaviour & position is some delusion to which she has not as yet given expression, likely this is one of grandeur. She is listless, uninteresting, she does not long & stands still a good deal, her face has a heavy absent expression, her eyes staring & when spoken to she looks directly at & can smile on you.

24th Sept/83. Miss Crichton left to-day on Probation for a fortnight.

2.1.84. Miss Crichton remains very much as before. She still has a peculiar manner of talking & going. She speaks with a strong accent like Shetlanders. Resides at Low West Valley.

4.2.84. No change.

12-4-84. Discharged on trial for 28 days.

10-5-84 Discharged Recovered.

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No: 1788 Harriet Caroline Groder

A Voluntary Patient admitted to C.R.I. November 24th 1882
The Sanction for her admission was signed by S. A. Mitchell Com. Lun.

Physical Condition -

Mrs Groder is in good bodily health but she has had a paralysis of the left side of her body & the hand & leg of the left side are paralysed, though not completely so. From this cause she is comparatively helpless in doing things for herself such as having dressed or having her food cut for her. She however walks about in the grounds most & takes exercise indoors outside. Mrs G. is tall & stout & full bodied & otherwise healthy.

Mental Condition

There is nothing wrong with this Lady's mind so far as we can consider an ordinary person of the same. Her cause for coming is that having [illegible] nation in the Lunatic Asylums & have not become inured so to speak inseparable from asylum life she desires to spend here the remainder of her days under the shadow of an asylum.

August: 10th/83. For the past few days Miss Groder's health has not been satisfactory. She has had symptoms of an approaching apoplexy which were partly relieved by free purgation & regulation of diet.

17. 12. 83. Pt Groder is in good mental health. Her left side is weak. Her is a spastic contra of left forearm hand evidently from a descending degeneration in spinal cord. Her left leg is not much dragged.

14. 2. 84. No change.

20. 9 84. Miss Groder's health is very fair. She takes regular daily exercise, & has a very good appetite. She has occasional attacks of Bowel Fever, the result of surfeiting, which is usually cured by Pulv. Jalap Co (3j). She is fastidious about her food. & freely criticises dishes not entirely to her taste

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Janet Dalgleish

32 years of age, a single lady who has always lived with her father till his death but never had any occupation. She is a prostitute previously residing at Kilpont, Dumfriesshire found & examined at Dumfries She has been weakminded from infancy but at the age of 22 became somewhat violent at which time she was treated in the Crichton She first attack began about a fortnight ago, the cause being unknown She is not epileptic nor suicidal but is thought rather dangerous to others. Edward Dalgleish - Heaton Chapel Nr Stockport is her brother.

Medical Facts

(1) R. B. Lorraine M.B. Dumfries 15th Dec. 1882

(a) She could not say where she travelled from, saying from Carlisle when it was from Manchester
Could not remember what she had for breakfast today.
Very childish submission smiling when there is no cause.

(3) Mr Robertson says she is violent rushing up & down stairs - has no memory, has been in an asylum before. When visitors are seeing her she claims as her own anything they have if she wishes it.

(2) Wm Kerr. M.B. Dumfries 15th Dec 1882

(a) She is simply imbecile - void of impression. Without interest in anything, can talk of nothing.

(3) Mr Skinner tells me she was formerly a patient in an asylum Latterly she has taken strange fits of craziness.

Dr Lorraine signs an emergency certificate

Admitted to the C.R.I. December 15th 1882.

Bodily Condition.

She is tall flabby looking but full bodied, her face is heavy & with grial want of vitality in the features, she is slow sluggish in her movements but there are no symptoms of disease nor marks of injury.

Mental Condition.

She is evidently one of congenital weakmindedness, the intellect is malformed & uncultivated, Memory is impaired or rather has been always weak, Volition there is but of a weak power, there is little or no evidence of mental ideality in the way of ideation She is listless & decidedly silly, her face wants expression, she cries at trifles but is harmless & inoffensive & capable of performing life's routine.

17.12.83. Miss Dalgleish remains as described above.
She is occasionally peevish & irritable.
She goes to Chapel & attends to weekly Duties.

14.2.84. No change. She occasionally irritable when reproved.

20.9.84. Miss Dalgleish remains the same. speaks very little. smiles meaninglessly when addressed. and remains silent or answers only yes or no. She works a little with her needle.

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Charles Dingwall

A Voluntary boarder admitted to the Carlton Institution on January 5th 1883, the admission certificate being signed by Dr. J. Mitchell formerly a resident here see No. 1710

Bodily. This is an old gentleman, rather thin but otherwise in fair bodily condition, he is troubled occasionally with involuntary movement of his bowels & this causes him great distress.

Mental Condition. Mr Dingwall is a case of senile melancholia, at times he is in fairly good spirits & most often of converse in the evenings when he chats pleasantly with Dr Crawley but he is sometimes very confused & irritable, imagines every thing has gone wrong, at these times he remains in bed in the morning, he will not rise & is generally very obstinate, he will hit or smash anything or any that puts him out & is generally acutely depressed, wishes to be put out of existence, the condition of his bowels he avers to be such as to prevent his going out for walks & he is really troubled with them, as before stated, at times. He requires a dose of medicine occasionally in the form of a pill or two & also a sleeping draught sometimes

March 1st — Mr Dingwall has made very little improvement since admission, he gets very depressed at times & obstinate. His health continues fair.

March 28th 1885 — Mr Dingwall was today removed by his friends but decidedly wishes to remain as he came.

1791

Wm Tobie

March 30th 1883

23 years of age, single, a Shipman of protestant persuasion, formd + mumined at Castletonglas, was affected 3 months ago with D. T. this being his first attack + has lasted till now. The cause is supposed the drunkenness. He is subject to epileptic (? decided) fits it is said he suicidal + very dangerous to others.

Medical Facts

(1) Walter Lorraine - Castletonglas certifies 18th Janry

(a) He speaks fact as a weakminded person. He has been under intimate since his attacks of D.T. he has had within three months

(b) His parents say he is often outrageous (at least drink makes him so). He threatens + offers violence to his father + mother when taking up a knife to stab them

(2) Herbert Jas Lorraine - Castletonglas 18th Janry

(a) His memory is very defective on subjects which have occurred lately, he is also subject to epileptic fits which weaken the mind

(b) His mother informed me that he lifted a knife + threatened to stab her, he likewise imagines he is going to ride on horseback + walks about with spurs on

Admitted to Carleton Institution January 20th 1883.

Bodily Condition

Jany 21st 1883

His bodily health + condition are impaired. There is an aortic murmur replacing the first sound of the heart in the aortic area, the second sound is accentuated. There is a slight dulness on percussion at the left apex of the lung + the respiratory sounds are somewhat impaired. There are no signs of injury

Mental Condition

This is a case where the brain power has been greatly lost + perverted under the influence of alcohol, he is weakminded vain + conceited, but is quiet + well at all outrageous. This case will under the asylum care recover but only to relapse at some future date + likely to end his days in an asylum. There have been no fits since admission + there can be no doubt that those from which he is said to have suffered ormd have been caused by alcohol.

March 15th 1883

Mr Tobie has improved very much since admission, he is now quiet but still conceited which appears to be a failing of his. He has had the privilege of ordinary parole for some time + exercises it well regularity + decorum.

March 26th 1883 Mr Tooke was today on his obligants request discharged recovered in the case of his wife Ann

His patients sister was admitted 7.11.53. vide 248. page 234

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1792

Margaret Muir Peden

27 yrs of age / single / a muslin weaver of the protestant persuasion residing at 21 Orchard Street Galston Ayrshire where she was found & examined, She has been insane for 8 days from the first attack, the cause is unknown, she is not suicidal nor dangerous to others. Her Father is Jas Peden. 21 Orchard St Galston No member of family has been insane

Medical Certs

(1) Wm Frew - M.B. Galston - certifies 8th Feby
(a) Talks incoherently & incessantly - Very excited in manner, shifts
(2) (1) Mother says she never ceases talk in an incoherent & excited manner unless when under the influence of sleeping draughts
(2) Hugo H. Hardcastle M.B. Dumfries 9th Feby
(a) Want of healthy control over her emotions, chatters continually & gives the most irrelevant answers to questions
(3) Emergency Certificate Signed by A. Frew 8th Feby 1883

Admitted to the Crichton Institution - 10th Feby 1883.

Feby 9th 1883. Bodily condition

The patient is rather thin & ill looking, There is impairment of the vocal sounds at both apices with slight dulness & that there base there is also slight dulness, but the exact condition of the patient renders detailed examination impracticable
There is a mark below the middle ⅓ of the right clavicle extending down the front of the Chest about four inches caused by a blister. Otherwise there are no marks of injury.

Mental Condition

This a case of acute mania, the patient chatters continuously, she addresses her surrounding individuals but is harmless & inoffensive. There is no cause assigned nor family history of insanity, from her symptoms, a previous history of inflammation of the lungs preceding her attack & the present state of her lungs, it is probable that this is a case of phthisical insanity; the prognosis is unfavorable.

March 15th 1883 Miss Peden has caused slight improvement since admission, she is quite & conducts herself better. Her cough is greatly better but she still is restless & slightly maniacal, at times she sleeps badly at night though rarely. She is pleased with her surroundings, holds "Sunday School" in her ward & about the asylum a grand mania which she wishes her friends become as shown in her letters.

Discharged Recovered.
17th July 1883.

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William Johnstone

57 yrs of age married, presbyterian persuasion, formerly residing at 58 Jerviglas Street, Maxwelltown where he was examined, he has been missing a few days & has been insane since 17 years of age previously treated at the Institution, the cause is unknown. He is not considered very dangerous to others. Wife is Janet Johnstone. Jerviglas Street. Maxwelltown

Medical Facts

(1) Jas Cunningham M.D. &c Dumfries 9th Feby

(a) His facial expression indicates mental disorder. He is known to the Crichton Institution himself.

(b) Has been an inmate of the Crichton Institution several times

(2) Hugh Cunningham L.R.C.P. & Dumfries 9th Feby

(a) He is subject to mental

(b) He has been under treatment in the asylum before

Admitted to the Crichton Institution 9th Feby 1883

16th February 1883 Bodily Condition

He is in good bodily health & condition, with no symptoms of disease the marks of injury.

Mental Condition

He suffers from slight melancholia & is rather weak minded but he joins as he thinks he is not safe to himself outside the asylum.

See case No. 1776.

March 15th 1883 Mr Johnstone is still slightly depressed, he has obtained parole occasionally goes home & spends the day, he joins in any amusement but is rather hypochondriacal.

Discharged "recovered" 15. 6. 83.
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Elizabeth Grieve

60 years of age, single, a Roman Catholic of the protestant persuasion, previously residing at Applegill - Moffat, found wandering at Romancide Cottage Moffat has been insane 18 months, this is the first attack & has lasted two months, the cause is unknown, she is not suicidal nor dangerous.

Her Brother is Isabel Grieve Romancide Cottage Moffat. None of family insane

Medical Facts.

(1) Jas Munro M. D. Moffat. 8th Feby

(a) Fancies she has committed some grave offence, that she cannot take her food for fear she is hearing confessed to unspiritual utterances & refusing to take food.

(b) All the above facts.

(2) Wm Stirling Grange M. D. Moffat. 8th Feby

(a) Fancies herself to be wrong in not having attended an omnibus & refuses to take subject in spite of all attempts engage her in conversation; fancies everything is going wrong

(b) Refusal of food, imagines impending poverty, confusion of thought

Admitted 9th Crichton Institution Feby 9th 1883.

Feby 15th 1883 Bodily Condition

Her bodily health & condition are fair. There are no symptoms of bodily disease but there are several bruises on her arms, sides & legs.

Mental Condition

There is great depression of spirits, she imagines the world is coming to an end, this is the last day, & groans & mutters the same thing over & over again continually, she will not converse, disparages herself in every way, that she is a bad woman. She is constipated & dirty in her habits, says she is all wrong together SOOR. She is restless & sleepless at nights but is slightly better in the evening.

March 15th 1883 Miss Grieve has improved since admission, she is not more composed though still very depressed & thinking she has no right to eat. She has occupied herself sewing which she busies herself with very much, she walks out in the grounds & appears on the whole to be improving both mentally & bodily, the dirty habits appear to have been merely from her acute depression & she is no longer addicted to them.

March 28th 83 Miss Grieve was today discharged on probation

Discharged: 30th June 1883 Readmitted 26 Feb 84. No 1897. pg 278

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1795. Readmission post probation. Mr Wm McKay. No 1794

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Grand Joseph Capes

33 yrs of age, single, Retired Lieutenant R.N. a Roman Catholic, previously residing at 80 Victoria Road, Clapham - London. Found wandering at Orchard Cottage Ruthwell. He has been insane for the first time about 4 days, the supposed cause being Intemperance

Father is Frederick Capes. 80 Victoria Road Clapham - London

Medical Facts

(1) Alex. Thomson M.D. Dumfries 6th March

(a) That he is excited & violent, shouts & talks incoherently hears voices when all is quiet. Thinks at one time that he is about to be murdered & again that he has been wrestling with the devil & risen to heaven

(b) Told by Mr Broadley & Allen an attendant that he has required the restraint of two men to prevent his injuring himself or others.

(2) Hugh M. Hardcastle M.D. Dumfries 7th March

(a) His excited manner, diminution & utter inability to enter into conversation. Difficulty in recollecting past events. States himself that his memory is failing

(b) Dr Calder. House Surgeon. States that he has been violent, requiring restraint to prevent him injuring himself

(3) Dr Thomson signs an Emergency Certificate

Admitted to R.I. March 7th 1863.

8th March 1863 Bodily Condition

His bodily health & condition are fairly good. There are no evidences of disease nor marks of injury.

Mental Condition

This is a case of mania

Discharged

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Isabella Howat

65 yrs of age a widow, Ironmonger of protestant persuasion, residing & married at High Street Sanquhar has been ailing 4 or 6 weeks prior the first attack; cause unknown, not suicidal nor dangerous
Brother Alex. Nicholson. Family Grocer. 3 Hillend Street Edinb. No members of family insane

Medical Facts

(1) Wm May. Surgeon Sanquhar 4th March
(a) She is restless, latterly incoherently; imagines that she has ruined her nephew & that in consequence she will have to wander like a beggar through the world
(2) From her sister & Miss Osborne. She has been unable to settle at her sewing being always in a state of confusion. Other facts as observed by myself.
(2) Jno Howat. M.D. Sanquhar 4th March.
(a) For weeks she has been growing melancholy & complaining of sleeplessness. Tonight she sat rocking to & fro & said that she had been the means of bringing on her sisters illness. She spoke incoherently & chiefly in monosyllables.
(b) She had been very restless & constantly talking frequently stating that she had ruined the whole family (Communicated by her brother)

Admitted to C. R. I. March 8th 1883.

March 9th 1883 Bodily Condition

She is in fair bodily health but is thin & weak looking
There are no signs of bodily disease No marks of injury

Mental Condition

This is a case of Senile Melancholia

Liberated on pass for ~~14~~ 28 days 21st June 1883.

July 2nd Returned from pass & is very depressed.

26th August 83. Mrs Howatt's condition continues unchanged. She often does not sleep well at night.

17.12.83. Mrs Howatt is in fair health. She is quiet and does not do any work. She does not seem much depressed.

4.2.84. Mrs Howat is dull and thinks a good deal about her physical condition. She is always wanting to be allowed to be in bed.

20.9.84. Mrs Howat has not been allowed to remain so much in bed as formerly, and does not complain so much

that she is incurably ill. She is occasionally troubled with diarrhoea, which is easily arrested in her case by diet alone.

30. Oct. 84. Discharged Relieved.

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1798

Margaret Forfar

47 years of age, the wife of a farmer, of the Church of Scotland, previously residing & married at Townfoot of Auchencairn. Has been insane 5 weeks, this is all the first attack, having been 4 3 years of age when first insane but was not treated anywhere. It is supposed she caused by climacteric changes. Not suicidal nor dangerous. Husband is John Forfar Townfoot of auchencairn-Kirkmahoe. Her mother was insane.

Medical Facts

(1) Alex. Thomson M.D. Dumfries 16th March

(a) Excitement, incoherency, suspicions of those around her particularly her husband; thinks she is ill treated by him, even to be murdered by him & I have every reason to believe that such is not the case.

(b) Told by her husband, son & Servant maid that she has been in an excited & unmanageable state for some days & quite different from her usual.

(2) Hugo H. Hunter Castle. M.D. Dumfries 16th March

(a) Insane appearance. Says she is known to me - saw me in Kirkmahoe church - which is not the fact. Entertains suspicions of her husband & the groom who used to live with her. Says her husband used her brutally which I am told is not true.

(3) A. Thomson signs an Emergency Certificate

Admitted to C.R.D. March 16th 1883.

March 17th 1883

Bodily Condition

She is thin but in good bodily health. There are no signs of disease but there are several bruises or ecchymosed patches on both arms, on her knees & on the left hip.

Mental Condition

This is a case of climacteric insanity, she is rather excited, talkative & deluded concerning her husband's treatment of her. She last menstruated in September.

Liberated on pass. 8th June. 1883.

readmitted 2nd October '83. No. 1539 vide page 224.

1801

James Steers, Admitted 17th April 1883

Statement (2) Male - 26 years, (3) Single, (4) Medical Student (5) Protestant, (6) Elgin, (7) Dumfries, (8) 8 years, (9) No, (10) 2 years, (11) Melrose Asylum, (12) One month, (13) Intemperance and sexual excess, (14) No, (15) No, (16) Yes, (17) None (18) Thomas Hunt Miller, Brother in Law, Prospect Cottage, Corstorphine, Edinburgh. Not to my knowledge.

17th April 1883 Dr R. B. Lorraine, 2 Moving St, Dumfries

(a) Has a vacant look - talks at times incoherently thinks he can't go back to college, because he has been away six years. Is very unwilling to say where he has been, and what doing

(b) His Brother in Law says he has been in an Asylum till a year ago. Has been wandering about Edinburgh for the last fortnight

20th April 1883 Dr Thomas Ferguson, 22 Castle St, Dumfries

(a) He is absent minded & stupid looking. Talks in a silly unconnected way repeating the same remarks & questions over & over again. Takes no interest in anything going on around him

(b) By Dr Calder. That he has already been confined for Medical treatment in an Asylum.

This gentleman was under the Writer's care in the Melrose Asylum: As a Medical Student he was rather noticeable for dullness of comprehension and want of ability & he failed to pass the usual professional examinations. He is a case of Dementia & his late fears Chronic: Usually as reported in the letter of his Brother in law Such as attacked he is quiet & amiable in his ways given to slovenly habit and with a number of peculiar & lazy ways occasionally when thwarted giving way to Violence.

Dr Calder's Report on his general physical condition is that it is "fairly good but there is a mitral systolic murmur with the first sound of the Heart. Otherwise there is

no symptoms of disease and no mark of injury.

April 30th 83 Reported by the General Board of Lunacy that "he is demented & that as to his bodily health and condition they are good"

Mr Steers joins in mental the midsummer amusements: he is a Cricketer. He is known very fickle & fond of change continually asking for change of apartment, diet — Medical Book, II.

17.12.53. Mr Steers is now in a state of mental imbecility. He was today out for the first time after convalescence from an attack of enteric fever which was just past its height on 25th Oct. he made a good recovery without any relapse. He has resided in the Infirmary gallery of that block N.E. on

In regard to the attack the first entry is in day book (under care of Mr Stephen) is dated

12.10.53 12 Oct. "Mr Steers has been ill today. He became sick in the morning with retching but he vomited nothing." Castor oil was exhibited with benefit. A 15th Oct reported favourable.

14 Oct. 14th His temperature in afternoon was 102·6 the physical signs chiefly of enteric fever eruption fine tache's proper has been as below.

	14.	15	16	17.	18	19	— 25	26	27.	28	29	30	31.
T.	103·6.	102·4.	better	101·4	99	99	progress favourably	99·2	15	97·8	154	95	97·5
					102·1	101·3		102	102	102	80	99·2	99
P.								pulse	78	96	82	94	82	92	80	84	80	90

14 Nov. 1st

22.11.53. 97·9 / 98·6 / 80 / 84. From the time his Temperature remained normal till 22 Nov. When its record was discontinued.

14.2.54 Mr Steers is well in bodily health: treatment & management is the same as in town

22·7·84 On the 10th inst. Mr Steers escaped and made his way partly by rail and partly by walking to the house of a friend near Edinburgh. An attendant was sent for him & he returned to-day. No motive can be elicited from him as a reason for his running away; and he said on his return that he was very glad to come back again.

8·9·84 Mr Steers' mental condition remains very weak. It is difficult to obtain an answer to a question from him. He lies on the sofa most of the day in a dreamy state, and does not seem to comprehend anything but the most simple remarks.

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1802

Alexander Dalrymple; admitted 30th April 1883.

The statement of this patient's admission papers contains the following particulars,—That he is a male, 50 years of age, married, was at one time a West Indian Merchant, Religious persuasion Episcopalian, the date of his first admission into an Asylum was the 20th May 1879; he has been insane for 8½ years, this is his first attack and his age on first attack was 41½ years, the cause of insanity is unknown, the patient is not epileptic, neither suicidal nor dangerous. (Brother) W. L. Dalrymple Esq 30 Highbury Grove London N. Patient's statement brother is insane.

20th April 83 Thomas Smith Clouston M.D. Royal Asylum, Edinburgh, certifies him a person of unsound mind with respect to his mental state that, "he has been absolutely taciturn for many months, this being the result of insane delusion, that he refuses food, requiring to be fed with the stomach pump this resulting from an insane delusion and that he labours under the delusion that sodomy is committed on his person every night he can't say by whom

(2) "With respect to his Bodily health & condition that "they are weak from his refusal of food".

This gentleman is committed with rather an unpromising history: he has been fed with the stomach pump since the month of June last, he refusing his food from the Resolution he has formed not to take any food himself as long as he is confined in an Asylum as a protest against his "unlawful detention". He further will hold no Conversation with anyone in the Asylum (excepting the Chaplain) and makes all his Communications by writing on Slips of paper. Mr. Dalrymple further proves to possess the delusion that his "Life body" is subjected to sodomy — a delusion which appears rather unpromising as a prospect. His gentleman letters to the writer are attached and these show his state of mind very vividly.

As regards his physical health on admission

7th May 8

11th May

29th May

30th May

1st July. 18

1st August.

the following is the Report "The gentleman has a somewhat decrepit appearance and it is noticed that he is lame on the left side. The pulse is 60 per minute, the Heart sounds are weak and further the blue colour of the hands and feet evidence a weak circulation
With regard to the lungs the only abnormality is some dulness of the percussion note over the right apex.
There is a slight right Lateral Curvature of the spine
He bears no mark of injury."

7th May 83 This gentleman is fed three times daily per Stomach Pumps with fluid Nutritious food & he is steadily gaining strength & a more healthy appearance

11th May 83 Reported to the General Board of Lunacy that "he is suffering from the delusion that he is the subject of indecent assaults: he refuses to take nourishment voluntarily" and as to his bodily health and condition "they are reduced but he has undergone some improvement in strength since admission

29th May 83. Mr Dalrymple began on the evening of this day to take his food and talk like other people

30th May 83 Mr Dalrymple has today received the privilege of Parole in the grounds: he is very voluble in his conversation which is interesting & shows him to be a well informed man.

1st July 1883. Mr. Dalrymple has considerably improved since last report in his bodily health. He walks about the grounds a great deal, & takes his food very well. He appears still to have the delusion of sodomy being practised on him.

1st August. Mr. Dalrymple still progresses favourably. He is a great walker, & gets leave for outside walks often. He very often attends service in Churches in town. He is very anxious to get away. The delusion still remains.

29th Sept/02 Mr Dalrymple is to-day discharged relieved by authority of his brother Mr W.C. Dalrymple, 4 Cullum St. London. He left by the morning train for Liverpool on his way to St. Vincent, West Indies.

Discharged. Relieved.

1803.

30th Mc

15th June. 18

7th July. 18

1803. Robert Hewetson

was admitted on 23rd May 1883 as a Voluntary Patient the Nature of his admission being Signed by Commissioner D. A. Mitchell

This patient is a Country man Sholey his own account has during the last two years been suffering from much depression of spirits: he chiefly Complains of a feeling of much uneasiness about the pit of the Stomach. He is a Bachelor has been living much alone: he was engaged in agriculture at Penport. Otherwise much depressed he appears to be Sent able to transact ordinary business.

30th May 83 Mr Hewetson is a very useful man in the Infirmary Gallery where he is at present and he works away well. He has improved Considerably & much better mentally.

15th June 1883. Mr Hewetson continues to improve. He has been granted parole in the grounds, & walks a good deal.

7th July 1883. Mr Hewetson left the Asylum today — Relieved.

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1804.

Jessie McKenzie.
Admitted: 12th June 1883.

Aet. 33. Single. No. occupation. Protestant.
Place of abode. Whithorn. Wigtownshire.
One week's mania. First attack. Cause unknown.
Her grandmother & aunts were subject to nervous depression.

Medical Certificates: -

No. 1. Dr. W.m Anderson. Shaddock.
"Incoherent in speech - Thinks she is married. Gets up, dances & sings. Cannot name familiar persons. Runs out of the house, talks & gesticulates wildly in open air. Talks almost incessantly. "nursed a dog in my presence & said it was a child."
"Mr. William Gourlay her cousin says she thinks she has had children. (which is not true.) Often drinking flings the dish from her if not watched. Talks pure nonsense generally."

No. 2. To the same effect.

Physical condition: - Impetigo generally, but no definite lesions discovered.

Mental Condition: She is on admission in a state of acute maniacal excitement.

17.12.83. Miss McKenzie is very noisy & troublesome: very mischievous & dirty in her habits.

14.2.84. Miss McKenzie has been very well for a considerable time - since Xmas, being able & willing to help a good deal with the house work. She knits &c.

20.9.

19-4-84. Discharged Recovered.

1807. Alexander Christie – Thomson.

Admitted. 25th June. 1883.

Aet. 27. Single. No occupation. Protestant. Has been insane since 1867. and in an asylum since 1879. Cause supposed to be – propinquity of relationship of his father and mother, they having been first cousins. Two brothers died very young, & one has been an imbecile from birth.

He is a transfer from Marisbank Private Asylum.

Medical Certificate.

Dr Charles James Allan — "He is imbecile; but quiet, inoffensive, and cheerful" and as to bodily health & condition; "both are good."

On admission

Bodily Condition. His face is pale, & his body is well nourished but somewhat flabby, no definite lesion discovered in any organ. He speaks very slowly & with difficulty. he has some difficulty in walking. – He can scarcely dress himself, or feed himself. He was sent to Table d'Hote on the day after admission but made a mess & denies at a side table. His mind is very weak; when asked ~~the~~ what was the year of his birth he replied 1260.

17.12.83. Mr Thomson remains in the same condition His circulation is feeble she suffers from cold hands.

14.2.84. mental condition is before. Physical health improves.

20.9.84. Mr Thomson had difficulty in articulation most marked when he commences to speak. His understanding is weak, only comprehending the simplest of questions. His physical condition is fairly good.

1808.

Dora Kirkhaugh.

Admitted. 27th June 1883.

Aet. 39. Married. Housewife. Episcopalian.
Second attack, of six weeks duration. Has never been under treatment before. Cause said to be unknown. Said to be dangerous.
No known heredity.

Medical Certificate:

No 1. Dr P. M. Murray.
"Talks incessantly and incoherently, fancies she sees God & devils in heaven, says she has had no food for a fortnight

No. 2. Dr Alex. Dall McDonald.
" Is very excitable. Talks incessantly. Has delusions as to seeing people in the dark. especially one with large glassy eyes staring fixedly at her. —

Physical Condition, good. —

Mental Condition. This is a case of Mania. Mrs Kirkhaugh was sent for by two attendants to Lepraria near Carlisle. where she lives with her husband, a farmer. She was found by the attendants, tied in bed, & with a strait jacket on. When brought here she was perfectly quiet, but did not sleep on the night after admission. Her insanity was caused by drink.

26th August 1882 Mrs Kirkhaugh has been in a state of extreme excitement for some time and at last had the effect of reducing her strength greatly. She has to be kept ~~[illegible]~~ in single room during the night, and she is watched by two attendants during the day.

17. 12. 83. Mrs Kirkhaugh is now tolerably quiet but becoming more & more helpless and demented. She is not violent but ~~quiet~~ is quite incoherent & silly. She is dirty in her habits. She has a voracious appetite — Mrs Kirkhaugh was able in June to be at the first class table d'hote & to attend the entertainment.

14. 2. 84. No improvement. complete dementia.

20. 9. 84 No change to record

1809.

20th July

30th July.

30th August

14th April

1809.

Mrs Fanny Green
admitted 8th July 1883.

Age 40. Widow. Second attack. (For first attack see page 90.). Cause unknown. She suffers from Melancholia and is a Voluntary patient. —

Physical condition good. She complains of feeling very sleepy always. Has not much appetite.

Mental condition. On admission she appears to be considerably depressed, but anxious to get well. She gets 3ij Succus Taraxaci c 10 m. acid nitro Mur. dil. thrice daily, and half a podophyllum pill after dinner.

20th July. Mrs Green has improved very much indeed. She is anxious to get home. She drives daily, rides takes walking exercise in the grounds.

30th July. Full Parole granted to Mrs Greene who is now quite well. —

30th August/83 Mrs Green is to-day discharged recovered.

Recovered.

14th April 1884 Re-admitted See Case Book 1884.

1819

Amelia Roy

Admitted 16th July. 1883.

A transfer from Whitehouse Private Asylum.
Age. 60. Single. Presbyterian. 21 years insane. First attack
First admission to asylum, 20th Oct. 1863: not epileptic
not suicidal. Not dangerous. —

Certificate from Dr Thomson, Whitehouse Asylum.
"She is suffering from Mania."
Bodily Health & Condition:
"They are very fair."

Miss Amelia Roy is a Chronic Maniac, she talks a great deal, but appears to be quite harmless & easily managed: Her body is rather thin in condition, but she takes her food well.

1st August 83 No change to report in Miss Roy's condition.
17.12.83. No change to record. talkative and harmless.
14.2.84. No change.
16.6.84 No change. Has always something to say. She talks coherently enough upon some subjects. She eats fairly well

1811

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17. 12. 83.

14. 2. 84.

1811

Agnes Paxton or Bunten—

Admitted 16th July. 1883.

Age. 60. Married. Protestant. First attack of one week's duration. Cause unknown. no known heredity. Not epileptic. not suicidal. not dangerous.

Medical Certificates:—

1. Dr Macfarlane. Kilmarnock.
"She believes that she & her husband were idiots when they were married; that they have lived for 30 years without paying anyone. and that they now owe £40,000 and have not a penny to pay it. — That she, her husband, and two daughters are four idiots, incapable of taking care of themselves.

2. Dr W. T. Gairdner.
"She is under an entire delusion that her whole family including herself are under a visitation of God which has made them idiots and incapable of regulating affairs which she accordingly believes to be in utter confusion. From personal conversation with Mr Bunten & his daughters I am satisfied that this is not the case, so far as they are concerned."

Physical Condition.
She is a large woman, stoutly built. There is a slight yellowness of the conjunctivae, otherwise her physical condition is fair. —
Mental Condition. — She suffers from some excitement & has delusions concerning money matters &c.

20th July. 1883. Mrs Bunten has not improved since admission in any way. She does not speak to any one now and has but a poor appetite—

17. 12. 83. Mrs Barnes remains silent. She is at present in high bed having exchanged rooms with Miss Homes. There is no improvement

14. 2. 84. Mrs Bunten has been out of bed a portion of each day as she has had once or twice previously so has been sent back to the infirmary.

Discharged Recovered 9. July 1884

1812.

Hugh Darling Gibb.

Admitted. 25th July. 1883.

Age 37. Single. Draper. Presbyterian. First attack of six months duration. Cause unknown. He might be dangerous.

He comes from Nebraska. U.S.A. Formerly treated at Lincoln. U.S.A.

Medical Certificate:- Insane appearance & restless manner.

Dr Hardcastle Dempsie. Talks incessantly about himself & one Maggie. States he is possessed of millions of money and owner of untold property.

Dr McDonald Dempsie. 2. "Is very excited and has delusions as to his means. saying he is going to build cottages all over the world - & that he is a poet, lawyer, soldier & in fact everything, but he does not know languages of which he is to learn six in a day."

Physical Condition:- He is very restless & excited & cannot be examined with great accuracy of detail. His pupils are normal & sensitive to light. He sleeps pretty well. He talks & shouts a great deal, & sometimes there is a very slight thickness of speech. The circulatory system is normal. Digestive System. Tongue furred. Appetite fair. Bowels constipated. He is a very heavy smoker.

Mental Condition. He is in a state of mental exaltation. Shouts & sings a great deal. He has delusions of grandeur. Thinks he is very wealthy & distributes his riches in a most lavish manner.

17.12.83. Mrs Gibb dies for some time past has been visibly failing in bodily & mental vigour. He is still noisy especially if his bowels are confined. He no longer writes as he used to.

4.2.84. No very marked change. Eyesight is failing. Still noisy.

4/4/84. Transferred to S.C.A.

12.1.85. Is getting weaker & is noisy at times

1813

2nd August

9th April

17.12.83

2.1.84.

10.1.84.

27.1.84.

3.2.84.

14.2.84.

10.6.84

29.9.

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5.11.85

1813

Revd Henry Arthur.—

Admitted. 27th July. 1883.

Age. . Married. Clergyman. Protestant. First attack. Cause not known. He might be suicidal.

Mr Arthur is a voluntary inmate. He suffers from mental depression of an acute character.

26th Sept/83. Mr Arthurs mental condition has not yet made any marked improvement, but he is taking his food better.

9th Oct/83. Mr Arthur has been more depressed for the past few days owing to his receiving a letter announcing the death of a friend. He is however better this morning.

17. 12. 83. After my arrival here (on 25. 10. 83. ESKLO) as well as for some time previously Canon Arthur was fed four times a day with Stomach tube: each meal consisting of two Eggs, ℥j Whisky, ℥ss Cod liver oil & ad Oi milk. His was often one month generally stopt as he took his food fairly well. He is at present much better, & dines one daily: he takes his food naturally.

2. 1. 84. About a fortnight ago Canon Arthur began to write to his wife. He does not eat as at present to be improving: he is very thin & takes his food rather irregularly. His breath is rather offensive.

10. 1. 84. Canon Arthur has been falling off so much that it has been considered advisable to begin 'garage' again. He is fed four times a day each meal consisting of two Eggs. one ounce Whisky with sugar and salt and made up to a pint with milk.

27. 1. 84. Weight Canon Arthurs dieting has been increased by one Egg at each meal. He has gained 16 lb. since the feeding was begun.

3. 2. 84. Canon Arthur tonight took supper of porridge & milk. he is to eat breakfast & supper as, and take fed twice daily as before. at noon and 4 p.m.

14. 2. 84. Doing well: porridge night & morning Eggs noon and 4 p.m.

10. 6. 84. Canon arthur has gone to Kirkmichael: where he is much improved bodily

29. 9. 84. His mental state is still considerably depressed; he talks little, and seems to be ever thinking of his own sad condition. He takes walking exercise every afternoon & has come to Table d'hôte for the last month.

3. 10. 84. To-day Canon Arthur has been ordered an increase of diet. He takes two eggs in milk with ℥j of Whiskey thrice a day in addition to his usual meals at ~~dinner~~ dinner he has been ordered ℥iij of Port Extra. He has been complaining a great deal of weakness and inability for exertion.

6. 11. 84. To-day treatment by massage is commenced with Canon Arthur. The massage is continued for half-an-hour each time.

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1914 Mary Craig Johnstone, admitted 11th August 1913 26th August

2. abot 36 years. Female. 3. Widow. 4. Farmers widow.
5. Presbyterian. 6. Knocksheen. 8. About eight weeks. 17.12.93.
9. Third attack. 10. - twenty eight. 11. At Knocksheen
in 1875 & 1882. 12. Eight weeks. 13. Monaseginbla.
14. Not ~~subject~~ subject to epilepsy. 15. Not suicidal. 16. Not
dangerous to others. The nearest known relative is 14.2.94.
John McWilliams, Ballieattie, the patients brother.
No other member of the family so known to have 29/4/84
been insane.

Medical Certificates.

1. From James Altham, M.B. (Edin.) states that
she "Walked excitedly about, constantly chattering
incoherent nonsense, - laugh without reason and
keeps moving little articles in the room to different
places for no object"

"Her brother Robert McWilliams states that
she is sometimes unmanageable - has at times torn
her clothes and struck and hit at any person
attempting to control her."

2. From John Morrison M.B. & C.M. (Edin) states
that she "has a peculiar excited look - is very restless,
moving about the room in an excited manner, laughing
and talking nonsense, and speaking of things that have not
happened as facts"

"Her brother John McWilliams says she is at times unmanageable
- pushes about in a restless & purposeless manner - tears her clothes,
knocking the door & walls and is very impatient of restraint"

The patient was admitted on a certificate of emergency
signed by James Altham, M.B.

The following is the report sent to the Board of Lunacy -
Mental condition:- She is in a condition of maniacal
excitement, has a wild expression of face, is very variable in
mood, talks incoherently and is unintelligible, has delusions
regarding the treatment to which she has been subjected, mistakes
the visitor for some one she knows, laughs and exhibits
other emotions ~~without~~ without reason.

Bodily health & condition:- They are good so far as can be
ascertained in her present excited state. The heart's action is slightly irregular but
no murmur can be detected. Her physical condition appears otherwise to be normal

26th August/83	Mrs Johnstone is now less excitable and more manageable. She is much troubled with constipation, - to often requiring repeated doses of strong purgatives to procure a motion.
17.12.83.	Mrs Johnstone is at present fairly quiet though during the last month she had to be sent for N.M.W. & L.W. in consequence of her intemperate language - general maniacal condition. She burned several articles during that time & has to be pretty closely watched.
14.2.84.	Mrs Johnstone is at present in the L.W. She was comparatively well for some little time but has since relapsed and troublesome now upon her.
29/4/84.	Discharged on trial.

1915 Mary Stott. Admitted 28th August 1883.

2. Female. 35 years. 3. Single. 4. Domestic servant.
5. Protestant. 6 Milton Dumfries. 7 Do. 8. Four months.
9. Not first attack. 10 - Age on first attack - 28 years.
11. Home at Milton. 12. About four months. 13. Not known.
14. Not epileptic. 15. Not suicidal. 16 Not dangerous to others. 17 The nearest relative is James Stott, Milton Dumfries. No other member of the family ever showed symptoms of insanity.

Medical Certificates.

From James Callender, M.B, Dumfriesshire:-
1. "Delusions - Religious and other kinds of -. Persistent refusal to take food."

From John Smith, M.D. 14 Castle St. Dumfries.
1. "Has insane appearance & delusions regarding Religious subjects, states that her soul is in hell."
2. "Her brother, Frank Stott, informs me that she refuses to take food and that they cannot manage her at home."

The following is the report sent to the Board of Lunacy:-
Mental State:- She is in a condition of mild dementia. She is dull and mentally depressed, and is slow at answering questions. She has a vacant kind of expression. Her manner and conversation give evidence of mental weakness.
Bodily health and condition:- She is poorly nourished, but there are no signs of organic disease. The pulse is weak, but regular. The tongue is furred, but the digestive system is otherwise in a good condition. There are no evidences of injury.

31.11.93 Mary Stott was on 31.11.93 transferred to I.C.A.
17.12.93. not long after admission she cut her throat across with a knife. There was considerable depression of bodily health in consequence of the profuse haemorrhage that resulted. She is now convalescent vide I.C.A. case book.

1916 John Mc Whirter. Admitted 28th August, 1903.

2. Male, 74 years. 3. Single. 4. Retired Gentleman.
5. Protestant. 6. 2 Walter St. Newton. Appn. 7. Do.
8. One week. 9. Yes. 10 - 11 - 12. As above. 13. Unknown.
14. Not epileptic. 15. Not suicidal. 16. Dangerous to others.

The Petitioner is Mr James Wilson, the patient applied.

Medical Certificates.

From Charles H. Shaw, M.D., L.R.C.P. & S.E. Glasgow, Appn.

1. "Labours under delusions, such as that person is putting his food, that he is persecuted by his neighbours and that he is kept awake all night by their "working upon him". When I saw him to day his dinner was on the table untouched, he said he would not eat it because person had been put into it."

From Robert Blaire Erskine, M.D., L.R.C.P. & S.E. Maryhill, Appn.

1° Restless and uncontrollable, believes that everyone about him is trying to poison him, and says that he is afraid on this account to take food; is of opinion also that his house is surrounded, day and night by people who are plotting to kill him, &c. &c."

2. "Her attendant states that he has difficulty in getting him to take food owing to his dread of its containing poison; that he is restless and suspicious; sleeps very little; and that he has fears of his injuring himself."

The following is the Report sent to the Board of Lunacy -

With regard to his mental state, - He is in a state of Delusional Melancholia. He is dull, depressed, suspicious and mentally confused. He says that people try, by arts which he cannot explain, to disturb him during sleep. He suspects that narcotic drugs have been put into his food by a person in his house. He has the delusion that last night, in this institution, he heard some one read a document opposed to him regarding some of his household grievances.

With regard to his bodily health and condition:- They are good, considering his advanced age. The Alimentary, Circulatory, Respiratory, Nervous, and other systems are fairly normal. There is a malformation of one toe, the result of disease. There is an opacity of the cornea of the right eye, the result of injury. There are no other signs of injury or disease.

John McWhirter was discharged in State case on 22 Nov. 1883. ("improved & relieved")

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John Russell. Admitted 20th August, 1883.

2. Male. 54 years. 6. Single. 5. Protestant. 6. Laughton Hall Mains, Edinburgh. 7. Edinburgh and Dumfries. 8. Gradually since November 1879. 9 — 10 About 50 years. 11 Cotonhill, Stafford. 12. - as above stated. 13. Heartless and cruel treatment by owner of farm. 14. Not epileptic. 15. Not suicidal. 16. Not dangerous to others. - 17. The nearest relative is Mr. James Muirhead Russell, Greenhythe, by Makerstoun, his only brother. This gentleman had an illness for a few weeks somewhat similar.

He was admitted on certificate of emergency signed by Dr Thomson.

Medical Certificate.

From Alex. Thomson, M.D. 16. Castle St. Dumfries.-

1. "The incoherent manner in which he talks about certain love affairs, and the influence of these on the condition of his body."

2. "Told by Dr Rutherford that he was brought here direct from an Asylum in England"

From Hugh Cunningham L.R.C.P.E. 25 Castle St. Dumfries.

1. "He has a vacant appearance of the countenance and believes that a widow in England has a supernatural influence of his life."

2. "Dr Rutherford informs me that John Russell was for about two years under treatment in an Asylum".

6 Dec 1883

The following is the report sent to the Board of Lunacy:—

Mental State:- He is suffering from Melancholia, accompanied with some Mental Enfeeblement. He states that he has suffered much mental depression on account of his leaving a farm in which he had lived all his life. He talks foolishly and incoherently about a complicated love affair with which he, a widow and some other people were associated.

Bodily health and condition:- They are good. He is well developed and well nourished. He is inclined to be plethoric. The Alimentary, Circulatory, Respiratory and Nervous Systems are normal. There is an eczematous eruption on his arms and legs, and on the lower part of his back. There are no other signs of past or present injury or disease.

17. 12. 83. Mr Russell is at present in fair mental & bodily health. He has had his library sent him & also a pony & trap at which he drives frequently.

14. 2. 84. Mr Russell is still in good health: he talks quite rationally but is not quite certain

20. 5. 84.

12. 7. 84.

31. 10. 84.

1. 11. 84.

2. 11. 84.

4. 11. 84.

6. 11. 84.

9. 11. 84.

When he compiles his notes to [illegible]; will refer to his appearance in [illegible]

20·5·84. Mr Russell continues to enjoy good bodily health. He is very contented, drives out daily & attends all amusements. He talks quite sensibly, but his letters show him to be very insane.

12·7·84. Mr Russell has gone to Kirkmichael, where he is enjoying good health.

31·10·84. To-day Mr Russell's parole was stopped. He became very irritable in the evening and insulted most of the people, who came into his room.

1·11·84. To-day Mr Russell is excited and abusive, accusing several people of committing unnatural crimes, and writing letters, making unfounded accusations.

2·11·84. Restless not wishing to see anyone, talking incoherently, refused to come to table d'hotes.

4·11·84. Mr Russell remains angry and mildly excited. He has delusions about large sums of money left him by his grandfather.

6·11·84. Is quieter, and less intemperate in his language, though making accusations against many persons and numerous improbable statements.

8·11·84. Mr Russell is now calmer, wishes to remain separate from the other patients, as he is afraid of being affected by the society of lunatics.

6 Dec 1884 Informed me that Professor Muirhead is guilty of illegal conduct in assuming at the death of Patient's father Mr Muirhead's first title. The second title left Mr Professor Muirhead's father nominally legatee — he got all except two thousand pounds left to each of his two sisters viz. Patient's mother & aunt. Mr Professor says to his sister (Patient's mother) that he owes it to her right by marriage — he means by marrying Patient's two sisters.

Of the two deceased Mr Muirhead's (Patient's uncle) second daughter — but Patient believes that this lady is also the wife of the Chancellor a Bank agent in Edinburgh. Before becoming Mrs Chancellor she was mistress to the late James Turnbull & resides with him. Mr Muirhead's — she has left to her will the Chancellor who marries her and got a good sum of money with her.

The other deceased Mr Muirhead's daughter, Mr Professor's eldest sister & the one Patient always has married. Mr Muirhead was made up to Mr Muirhead Patient was really in love with her. After the funeral Mr Muirhead has placed in an Asylum at Inverness. Patient's father, Brother & sister & Father Muirhead wanted him to go to Inverness & visit her. Mr Professor's father-old Mr Muirhead — then came to Patient & said "John go away to Inverness & put on all right yet". Mr Lastly, Mr Muirhead, was

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1018 Eliza Harvey. Admitted 22nd August 1883.

2. Female. 37 years. 3. Single. 6. Gentlewoman. 5. Presbyterian. 6. Camowen Green, Armagh, Ireland. 7. Found-lo. - Examined at Dumfries. 8. Ten years intermitting. 9 First attack. 10. 27 years. 11. At home. - 12 — 13. Disappointment of marriage. 14. Not epileptic. 15. Not suicidal. 16 Not dangerous to others. 16 The nearest known relative is Robert Harvey, Camowen Green, Armagh. (the patients brother)

She was admitted at 12 30 A.M. on Certificate of Emergency signed by Dr. Hugh Cunningham.

Medical Certificate,

From Hugh Cunningham, L.R.C.P.Edin. 25 Castle St. Dumfries.

1° "She imagines her brother so married to a man in female attire, and that he wants her to be married her nephew"

2 "Her brother informs me she has taken a great antipathy to her relatives, and that she is often very excited."

From Alex. Thomson M.D. &c. Castle St. Dumfries.

1.° "The manner in which she tells about her relatives - that she has been left by them in a state of slavery and cruelly treated; also her peculiar views as to her spiritual condition."

The following is the report put to the Board of Lunacy:-

Mental State, - She is suffering from Delusional Insanity. She says that a doctor, dressed in women's clothes, pretended to be her brothers wife in order to try to get her to marry his (the doctors) son. She says that her friends wanted to kill her. She states that she slept with a big stone (rolled in petticoats) resting on her head. This, she says, was good for the chronic heart and lung disease which she imagines she has. She says it had had a good effect that she could then laugh.

Bodily health and Condition. They are somewhat impaired. She was considerably emaciated on admission, but she has improved. The Digestive, Respiratory and Nervous Systems are in a fairly normal condition. The Circulatory System is also fairly normal, except that the pulse is rapid, the rate being a little above 100 per minute. Otherwise the physical signs are normal. There are no signs of injury.

17. 12. 83. Miss Harvey is very hypochondriac at present but seems to be free of delusions or at any rate does not express them.

14. 2. 84. No change.

10. 6. 80. Miss Harvey is much the same; she has delusions of identity and is very fond of taking Castor Oil, which she daily demands as necessary to keep her alive

1819. Ann McQ. Cutcheon Admitted 23d August, 1873.

2. Female. 55 years. 3. Single. 4. Resident with Parents. 5. Presbyterian. 6. 1st Admission, West Calder for 11 months previous to 23d August 1873. 7. Daily. 8. 10 days since first symptoms observed. 9. Second attack. 10. Age on first attack - 32 years. 11. Glasgow: Gartnavel Asylum. 12. - 10 days. 13. Domestic Affliction. 14. Not Epileptic. 15. Not suicidal. 16. Not dangerous to others. 17. The nearest known relative is Mr. Wm McCutcheon, address West Calder, the patients brother. No other members of the family have been or are insane.

The patient was admitted on a Certificate of Emergency signed by W. L. Kerr, M. D. &c.

Medical Certificates

From Robert Shaw, M.B., C.M. Daily:-

1. "She has fits of mental depression and abstraction. Does not get natural sleep. Has had a similar attack. Case is one of acute Melancholia, the supposed cause being domestic affliction."

2. "Her Mother & friends substantiate the above facts."

From W. L. Kerr, M. D &c. Dumfries:-

1. "She has an absent look, seems greatly depressed, in fact she is quite a case of melancholia. She will not open her mouth to speak or answer questions."

2. "The attendants with her here say she is obstinate, silent and absent."

The following is the report sent to the Board of Lunacy:-

Mental State:- She is suffering from Acute Melancholia. Her face has a vacant appearance, and she seems to be in a state of great mental agitation. She is very stubborn and resistive, and refuses to speak. There is great difficulty in getting her to take food. She is restless both day and night, and is very untractable.

Bodily health and condition:- They are good so far as can be found in her present state. The pulse was very rapid during examination owing to her excitement and to the resistance she offered. There is the mark of a puncture on the left arm, and there is a discoloration of the skin of the left upper eyelid. There are no other evidences of injury or disease.

23d August. The writers attention was to-day drawn to the fact that there is a pretty large bruise evidently caused not later than a week ago and a bruise on the right side which must also have been caused a week or more

17.12.73

15.2.84

10.6.84

15.9.84

17.9.84

18.9.84

4.10.84

5.10.84

5.1.85

6.1.85

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11.1.85

15.1.85

23.1.85

30.1.85

18.2.85

26.2.85

ago. Her bowels were not observed during the following month, as it was not thought necessary to expose the patients to the inconvenience necessary to see them.

17.12.83 Miss McCutcheon remains without change. She was sent to laundry but could not be got to work. She requires constantly to be fed as she obstinately refuses to take food along the gallery when fed.

12.2.84. No change.

10.6.84. Miss McCutcheon has become more communicative. She sometimes comes to the dance and is well behaved & quiet

15.9.84 To-day Miss McCutcheon refused to take her food and was fed twice with the pipe.

17.9.84 Miss McCutcheon still refuses to take her food herself & has been fed with the feeding bottle during the last two days

18.9.84 To-day Miss McCutcheon is taking her food herself

4.10.84. Miss McCutcheon refused her food yesterday & only took a few mouthfuls at dinner. To-day she was fed with the pipe at breakfast time

5.10.84 Taking her food without the aid of the feeding bottle

5.1.85 Has been again refusing her food, and required to be fed with the pipe.

6.1.85 Fed four times to-day with the pipe, each feed consisting of ℥ij of Port wine, two eggs and a pint of milk.

8.1.85 Has been fed four times a day since last entry: she has resisted to the utmost of her strength, the process of feeding. To-day she is excited and restless, she moaned and cried during the day & spoke to her attendants, a thing she has rarely done hitherto. She has delusions that the house is falling down, and that the food is poisoned. She frequently left her bed during the day, and once attempted to obtain possession of something her attendant was eating, under the idea that it was poisonous. Had a special Attendant at night on account of her restlessness.

11.1.85. Is not so restless to-day, but is weaker. Pulse 120, thready & skin cold, was fed four times, has slight Bronchial Catarrh

15.1.85 Has been fed four times a day since last entry. Is a little stronger, and much quieter.

23.1.85. Feeding continued. Has now 3 eggs. ℥ij of Port and a pint of Milk in each feed.

30.1.85 Fed four times a day since last entry: the strength is maintained.

18.2.85 Is still being fed. The strength is improving.

26.2.85 Still requires the stomach pipe four times a day.

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Samuel Thomas Grubb. Admitted 27th August 1883. 1921.

Mr. Grubb is a voluntary patient. He was previously a for voluntary patient in this Institution, and the records of his case will be found at page 134 of this volume. He left the Institution on the 21st August 1883, and returned on the 27th August 1883.

On returning, his mental condition was worse than it was when he left. His mental depression is greater. He is constantly expressing regret on account of his past actions, and he is very vacillating as to his intentions for the future. He frequently complains that his memory is gone, that he cannot reflect nor do anything. He seems to think his mental and bodily condition much worse than they really are.

He is in the enjoyment of fair bodily health. His pulse is slightly irregular, but no cardiac murmur has been detected.

1st Oct. 1883. Mr. Grubb left the Institution this evening. He left with the intention of going to London by the night train.

Discharged, Voluntary.

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1021. James Brown. Admitted 27th August 1883.

He was transferred on that day from the Glasgow Royal Asylum with the sanction of the Board of Lunacy.

(2) Mah. 37. (3) Single. (4) Corresponding Clerk. (5) Protestant. (6) 15th September 1882. (7) Uncertain. (8) Two previous attacks of depression. (9) Uncertain. (10) Uncertain. (11) Brooding on Religious subjects. (12) Not specified. (13) (Whether suicidal) not avowed. (14) Was dangerous to others. The nearest relative is Helen Brown, 14 Queen Mary Street (off London Road) Mudgetown, Glasgow. The patients sister. No other member of the family so known to be or to have been insane.

Medical Certificate—

Dr Yellowlees, M.D. certifies with respect to his Mental State that "he is obstinately taciturn, will not utter a word but stares fixedly when addressed. This silence is apparently due to divine command for on being sent to the Asylum he declared himself 'Commissioner of the Most High'"; and with respect to his Bodily Health and Condition that "they are average. We deem him the victim of oppression & injustice for righteousness' sake — He is undoubtedly of unsound mind."

The following is the report sent to the Board of Lunacy:—

Mental State.) — He is suffering from Melancholia. He looks depressed, is very taciturn, has only spoken once since admission. When addressed he quickly looks as if quite nonplussed. There is evidently a religious element in his insanity as he spends a large part of the day in reading the Bible.

Bodily Health and Condition. — He is in fairly good health. The Digestive and Circulatory systems appear to be normal. There are a few crepitations towards the apices of the lungs and the breathing is slightly irregular. Otherwise the physical signs of the Respiratory System are normal. The Nervous System is fairly normal. The pupils are slightly irregular. They contract to light. There is slight blepharitis. There are no signs of injury.

14.2.84. No change. Mr Brown speaks as she his friend come to see him: the latter converses freely.

10.11.84 No change. Never speaks.

1822.

1822. William Sharp Admitted 2nd Sept. 1893.
Voluntary Patient. Admitted with the signature of D. A. Mitchell, Commissioner in Lunacy.
Mr Sharp suffers from nervous depression. His health is somewhat impaired, partly owing to a fever which he had at the Cape. The chief symptom noticed is involuntary twitching of the facial & some other muscles.

4th Sept 1893. Mr Sharp has to day left the institution. He has made some improvement during his short stay here, but refuses to stay any longer.

John Russell continued from page 200—
Wm see also his life to follow patient & try & get him to come forward & offer marriage in order to get this money which should have come to patient in a straightforward way. She was set to do a thing repugnant to her nature & therefore she went in vain. Patient says that his Grandfather left a large sum of money - quarter of a million - for his family - which was to have been got through marriage - viz between patient & Maggie Muirhead. Mr Professor is very angry that he did not get this money - which is also unappropriated. After tea one day to patient - "A quarter a million of money & don't know how to lift it!" Patient's Brother said to him once, at a Cattle show at Manchester, after the second week passed "What are you doing here? You have lost £60,000, go home third Class"—
Patient says that his Guardian Bonis the Duncan has the idea that he should get Nanny Maggie Muirhead, & also thinks that he has used her badly. Patient's Brother wanted to marry Maggie & to give patient the younger sister—

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1823.

27. Aug. 1853

5. Apr. 1853

17.12. 53.

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10. 6. 84

1823. Jane Black Wilson. Admitted 3rd Sept, 1883.

(2) Female, about 34. (3) Single. (4) Lady. (5) Protestant. (6) Admitted into Asylum, 18th August, 1881. (7) Fully two years. (8) Fourth attack. (9) About 22. (10) Previous attacks. (11) Not epileptic. (13) Not suicidal. (14) At times dangerous to others. (15)– (16) The relations is her father. The address is: – Charles Gordon Wilson, Carnoustie, Kirkcaldy.

She was transferred to the C.R.I. from the Aberdeen Royal Asylum by the sanction of the Board of Lunacy signed by D. Arthur Mitchell.

The following is the Medical Certificate given by Dr. Aylesbees. M.D.:–

27th Sept. 1883. With respect to the Mental State that "She labours under Recurrent Mania, periods of excitement & of depression alternating. At present she is emerging from the excitement, but still has delusions", and with respect to her Bodily Health and Condition that "they are moderately good."

The following is the report sent to the Board of Lunacy:–

Mental State:– "She is in a mildly maniacal state and has delusions, especially regarding certain love affairs, and that she is slightly hysterical."

Bodily Health and Condition:– "They are somewhat defective. She gives a history of haemoptysis, but no symptoms of phthisis have been found. The state of the Digestive System is impaired. There is slight lateral curvature of the spine, and there is some pain in the region of the upper dorsal vertebrae. She also complains of pain in the left iliac region and left knee. Her symptoms appear to be partly hysterical. There is no sign of injury."

5th Sept 1883. Miss Wilson has written a long letter to her brother which gives evidence of excitement & incoherence.

17.12.83. Miss Wilson has been fairly well ever since my arrival here (25.10.83. ante) She has not had any bad attack of depression though she was for a few days rising in the way of screaming 29.8.83. – 4.12.83. She has still delusions as to her being married and pregnant.

4.2.84. Miss Wilson has been quiet for some time, though she did a little screaming on the occasion of the commissioners visit.

10. 6. 84 Miss Wilson continues to be quiet & agreeable

1824

27th August

29th August

Ft. left 103.

1824 Elizabeth Mary Steven or Hamilton.

Admitted, 5th Sept. 1803.

(2) Female, 54 years. (3) Married. (4) Wife of Mr Thomas Hamilton. (5) Protestant. (6) Australia. (7) Carmichill, Ayrshire. (8) 5½ months (9) First attack. (10)- (11)- (12) 5½ months. (13) Menopause & an attack of Fever. (14) Not epileptic (15) Not suicidal (16) Not dangerous to others. (17) The nearest relative is Mr Thomas Hamilton, Carmichill, Ayrshire, the patients husband.

Medical Certificates.

27th August/03. From A. W. Macfarlane, M.D., Kilmarnock:—

1. "Has fixed delusions, thinks that she has murdered all her family and that she must consequently suffer some horrible death. She lives in constant apprehension that she is to be apprehended by a special warrant from the Queen, and is constantly looking to the window to see if the officers are in view."

2. (by her husband and partner-law, Mr Patrick Hamilton) "That she is in constant terror of being arrested and condemned to some horrible death for crimes & sins of which she has not been guilty."

27th August/03. From W. J. Gairdner, M.D., 225 St. Vincent St. Glasgow:—

1. "She is under manifest delusions as to her having committed sins & crimes for which she is to suffer a painful death: eg. she states to me repeatedly and with great emphasis that she is to be taken away possibly to the Tower this very night and torn limb from limb; that this is generally known in London, but that she herself has it by a prophetic revelation, and she is so sure of it that she maintains it is of no use for me to examine her chest for a cough which she has, or in any way to enquire into her bodily health."

2. "Her illness is attributed in part to a fever of some kind which she suffered in Ayr nearly six months ago. The delusions have grown upon her gradually since then, and the one about the Tower is comparatively recent."

(Husband, daughter, sister in law)

4th Sept. 03. The following is the report sent to the Board of Lunacy:—

Mental State.— She is in a condition of intense mental depression. She is constantly in a state of terror, saying that she is to be torn to pieces by dogs, that she is to be starved, that every one is to have her. She is restless

excited and incoherent. She makes foolish requests for unnecessary articles of clothing with which to meet a future of dreadful suffering which she is constantly anticipating. She has given distinct evidence of suicidal tendency.

Bodily health &c condition — She is in a rather low state of health. She is pale and emaciated and is suffering from Chronic Bronchitis which has lasted a considerable time. Her appetite is poor and variable. There are no evidences of injury.

Though she is stated in the warrant not to be suicidal, there can be no doubt of her strongly suicidal tendency. On the 6th of September (before her suicidal tendency was observed) she contrived to get hold of a knife, and showed plainly that she contemplated suicide. It had to be forcibly taken from her by the attendants. She afterwards said that a box of matches would do.

During the day she is constantly under the care of a special attendant. At night the special attendant sleeps in the same room with her.

17. 12. 83. Mrs Hamilton has not improved much so far. She is still full of delusions of apprehension. She seemed if anything the worse of a visit from her Daughter. She stayed from 15.11.83 till 29.11.83. Since then she has not come to table d'hôte. During the last fortnight she has been kept perfectly quiet seeing only her attendants except during her morning Visit.

14. 2. 84. Mrs Hamilton is much as before: rather quieter on the whole.

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1825. William Johnstone. Admitted 5th Sept. 1883.
Mr Johnstone is a Voluntary Patient. He has been frequently in this Institution, and he only left it a month ago. The previous records of his case will be found at pages 132 and 164 of this volume. His former numbers were 1776, 1786 & 1793.
Mr Johnstone is in good bodily health. He is suffering mentally from slight mental depression. He is eccentric and is very easily excited.
Discharged. 26 Oct. 1883.

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1826 George Augustus Workman. Admitted 19th Sept. 1883.

Age 34 years. Married. Gentleman. Presbyterian.
Date of Admission into Asylum - 1st Sept. 1882.
Length of time insane - about 18 months. This is the first attack. Age on first attack - about 33.
Duration of existing attack - as above. Supposed cause - Masturbation, Domestic unhappiness, Pecuniary anxieties.
Not epileptic. Not suicidal. Sometimes dangerous to others. The Petitioner (Thomas Workman) is his Brother. Address - 4 Bedford St. Belfast. No member of his family is known to be or to have been insane.

The patient was transferred to this Institution from the Glasgow Royal Asylum, the Medical Certificate being signed by D. Yellowlees, and the sanction by the Board of Lunacy by John Libbald, Commissioner.
Date of Sheriff's Order - 2nd Sept. 1882.

Medical Certificate:-

8th Sept. 1883 D. Yellowlees, M.D., certifies that with respect to his Mental State that "he labours under chronic mania with many transient delusions & occasional outbreaks of abuse & even violence"; and with respect to his Bodily Health and Condition that "they are good."

24th Sept. 1883. The following is the report sent to the Board of Lunacy:-
Mental State:- He is in a condition of mental excitement. He is restless and talks and writes a great deal of nonsense, and is inclined to violence. He sometimes makes a great deal of noise when by himself. He has delusions, many of them of a hypochondriacal character. By his own confession his condition is partly due to masturbation.
Bodily health and condition:- They are somewhat impaired. He is well developed but thin and weak-looking. The appetite is fair, but he is subject to diarrhoea. The Circulatory System is normal. Some crepitations are heard over a considerable part of the chest & the respiration is somewhat harsh. The Nervous System is fairly normal. There are marks of an old sinus fistula in the upper part of the chest. He complains of many of the symptoms of masturbation. There are no signs of injury.

17.12.83. There is nothing particular to record in reference to Mr Workman's condition. He has quieted down very much since admission: his bitter remarks this change at his visits. He has been allowed a good deal of liberty. He still has occasional outbursts of violent temper indulging in much bad language but not in physical violence. He has for some days attended table d'hôte but has removed on account of his disagreeable manner of stating theological arguments & on account of his general behaviour consequent on his not being permitted to sit beside a particular lady.

14.2.84. Mr Workman is considerably quieter and altogether better behaved. He has been brought back to the 1st table d'hôte. There is still inclination to indulge in theological discussion.

18.6.84. To-day Mr Wakeman was much excited by the visit of Commissioner Mitchell, whom he used very insulting language to.

20.7.84. Mr Workman has improved a good deal lately. He is not so noisy, and, does not discuss theology with such great vehemence at table d'hôte, since his removal from the vicinity of a minister of like proclivities.

18.7.84 Discharged Recovered

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1824. Elizabeth Grieve Admitted 26th Sept/83.

Age 60. Single, Presbyterian Protestant, Her previous place of abode was Annandale Cottage, Moffat, Place where found and examined do. She has been insane for 9 months. This is not the first attack. Her age at the first attack was 60. She was previously under examination and treatment 8 months ago at the C.R.I. The duration of the existing attack and the supposed cause are not stated. Not epileptic. Suicidal. Not dangerous to others. The nearest relative is Isabell Grieve, Annandale Cottage, Moffat, the patients mother, ~~brother-in-law~~ who is the petitioner.

She was admitted on Certificate of Emergency signed by Dr Munro.

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25th Sept/83. James Munro, M.D., L.R.C.P. Edin. Moffat, certifies:—
1. "Thinking she is lost and seeing monsters coming out of the roof— stripping off her clothes and refusing food."
2. "The above facts— also attempting to set fire to the house— putting a cord round her neck and attempting to strangle herself."

25th Sept/83. Wm D'Oyly Grange, M.D. C.M., Mansfield House, Moffat, certifies:—
1. "Nervous and frightened look, states that she does not remember things she did the day before. Thinks she is troublesome to everyone— Thinks also she is not right in the mind. Been in an Asylum before."
2. "Sees objects in the air— applies everything to her throat"

The following is the report sent to the Board of Commissioners.

Mental State,— She is in a condition of mental depression with occasional outbursts of impulsive violence, during which she tries to destroy things and set things on fire. She says she cannot help these impulses when they come on, and she thinks she is forced to do these destructive acts by some unseen agency who, she supposes must be the devil. She is weak-minded and thinks she is a trouble to all her friends.

Bodily health and condition,— They are pretty fair. She is pale and thin. The Alimentary System is

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fairly normal. The Circulatory System is normal. The pulse rate is 72 per minute. It is regular in rhythm and force. The breathing is slightly harsh at the apices, but the Respiratory System is otherwise normal. The Nervous System is fairly normal. There are no signs of injury.

13.2.04. My friend is dull and at times dirty in her habits. She recently had a shilling a week thumb.

29/4/04. Transferred to S.C.A. (Maryfield)

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1828 Jane Watson Admitted 26th Sept. 1883.

Age 53 years. Single. Lady. Church of Scotland.
Date of admission into Asylum – 31st March, 1881.
Length of time insane – About 9 years. This is the first attack. Duration of existing attack – as above.
Supposed cause – unknown. Not of epileptic. Not suicidal. Not dangerous to others. The nearest relative is Lord Watson, Gilkerbie, Cockerbie.
No other member of the family is known to be or to have been insane.
The patient was transferred to this institution from the Glasgow Royal Asylum. The following is the Medical Certificate signed by Dr. Yellowlees M.D.:–
Mental State:– "Her mind is considerably weakened. She is childishly affected in her appearance and demeanour and she believes that she is frequently annoyed by and injured by several means, especially during the night."
Bodily Health and Condition – "they are good."
The sanction of the Board of Lunacy is signed by John Ebbald, Esq. Commissioner.
The date of the Sheriffs order is 29th September, 1874.
The following is the report sent to the Board of Lunacy:–
Mental state:– She is in a condition of mental enfeblement associated with hypochondriacism. She is full of delusions about her bodily health, especially about her digestive organs, and also regarding the state of her mind.
Bodily health and condition:– They are good. She is well developed and is very stout. The tongue is covered with a whitish fur, and the digestive system is otherwise slightly impaired. The circulatory, Respiratory and Nervous systems are fairly normal. There are no marks of injury.

17. 12. 83. Miss Watson remains in the state above described: constantly calling and asking for a more nourishing dietary, tonics etc and especially for stimulants. She is however restricted to one glass of whisky per diem.

13. 2. 84. As before. Very affable when in a good humour and talk not specially.

10. 10. 84 Very delusional. always imagines that people are stealing her papers and gaining money by their plagiarism

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1829. Joshua Hodgson. Admitted 27th Sept. 1853.

Age - 40 years. Married. Gentleman. Church of England. Resides Place of Close - Carlisle. Found at Carlisle and examined at Dumfries. He has been of insane mind for several years. - Got a first attack - uncertain, many years. Received under examination and treatment at Dumfries. The existing attack has lasted for many months. Supposed cause - Intemperance. Not epileptic. Not suicidal. Not dangerous to others. The nearest relative is Jane Hodgson, his mother, 15 Broad Street, Carlisle. None of the family are known to be or to have been insane.

He was admitted on Certificate of Emergency signed by Dr. Hardcastle.

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24th Sept/53. Hugo M Hardcastle M.B.C.M. 14 Castle St, Dumfries, certifies: -

1. "Stupid insane appearance - Rambling incoherent speech. Tells me he cannot restrain himself at times; and wishes to go to an asylum."

2. "Charles Gray tells me that he becomes very violent at times and is almost unmanageable."

24th Sept/53. Richard B Lorraine M.B.C.M. 2 Irving St. Dumfries, certifies: -

1. "Has a stupid look - says he wishes to go to the Asylum. Thinks his muscles are not the same on both sides, and that that is the cause of his weakness - confesses not to be able to control himself at times"

2. "His attendant says he has delusions and that he is dangerous to others at times when he is excited."

2nd Oct./53. The following is the report sent to the Board of Lunacy: -

Mental State, - He is in a condition of mental depression and partially induced by alcoholic indulgence. He is dull and depressed and easily persuaded out of his desires. He is nervous, and is at times seized with great terror, chiefly in connection with religious subjects, and especially at night. At such times he is noisy and talks in an incoherent and raving manner about his soul being lost &c. He has improved considerably since his admission.

Bodily health and condition, - He is well developed and well nourished and of florid complexion. His general health is good, except that his system is at present deranged by

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alcoholic indulgence, as is shown by the tongue and hands being tremulous and by the muscular tremors generally over the body, pain in the epigastric region, impaired appetite, &c. The heart's action is rapid and somewhat irregular. The cardiac sounds are normal, but rather feeble. The respiratory system is normal. The nervous system is deranged to some extent, as is indicated especially by the presence of ankle-clonus on both sides. There are no evidences of injury.

13.2.84. Mr Hodgson has been for some time cautious refusing to speak to any one except his own attendant: a couple of nights ago on the occasion of his asking for antibilious pills he conversed rapidly & with the assistance of gesture.

10. 8. 84. Still silent: and solitary. Takes plenty of exercise and eats well.

2. 12. 84. Had a contretemps with Mr Willson to-day at table & struck him in the face: he is reserved & taciturn and rarely speaks when spoken to.

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1850 Margaret Forsyth Admitted 2nd Oct 1883.

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Age 47 years. Married, Housewife. Established Church. Previous Place of Abode Auchencairn, Kirkmaiden. Found and examined at the same place. She has been five weeks insane. This is not the first attack. She was 46 years old on first attack. She was previously under examination and treatment at the R.K.A. The existing attack has lasted five weeks. The supposed cause is unknown. Not epileptic. She is said to be suicidal. Not dangerous to others. The nearest known relative is Mr John Forsyth, Farmer, Auchencairn, Kirkmaiden, the patient's husband. Her mother was insane.

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30th Sept/83. Alex Thomson, M.D. &c, Castle St. Dumfries, certifies:—
1st "Seems depressed and low spirited; is changed in manner; finds household cares too much for her and has little interest in them; moves things about without apparent purpose; picks and pulls constantly at her hair."

2. "Told by her husband that she often goes about in a half-dressed condition; tries to do things but can make no progress; thinks every one is turning against her and has much changed."

3rd Oct. /83. W. L. Kerr, M.D. &c., Dumfries, certifies:—
1. "She is dull, depressed in spirits — in fact she is quite melancholic, and this state resulting at her time of life, makes her feel restless and uneasy in her mind"
2. "The attendants say she is very low spirited. She was an asylum patient a few months ago."

5th Oct. /83. The following is the report sent to the Board of Lunacy:—
Mental State,— She is in a state of mental depression. She has a dull, depressed and sad appearance. She moves about in a desponding and listless manner. She says she did not feel able for her household work. She is much inclined to pick out her hair.

Bodily health and condition,— She is in fair bodily health. She is thin and pale. The tongue is covered with a whitish fur. The pulse is slightly rapid, but the Circulatory System is otherwise normal. There is a bruise on the left arm near the elbow, and there

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is an ecchymosis under the conjunctiva of the left eye to the outer side of and near to the cornea. There are no other signs of injury.

17. 12. 83. Mrs Forfar is very restless & restless. refuses to stay or lie in bed; constantly picks at her face & neck. Hæmatoma appeared in left ear-lobe & must go. The blood in it is becoming absorbed.

13. 2. 84. Rather better able to work a little

27. 6. 84. Mrs Forfar fainted to-day. Heart's action is weak and she is very anæmic. Ferr. et Arom Cit mjv. t. d. s was prescribed for her

10. 7. 84. She is still anæmic though she has been taking her continuously for three weeks. Her husband visited her to-day; and the visit has made her restless and very desirous of returning home.

7. 10. 84. Is brighter. is often visited by her relations. is anxious to return home. sleeps eating well & enjoying fairly good bodily health.

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20. 12. 84. At 11.40 pm. Mrs Forfar was seized with severe Angina Pectoris. mjj of Amyl Nitrite were inhaled with immediate benefit. After that she slept four hours.

21. 12. 84. Had another attack of Angina at 8 am. mjj Amyl Nitrite alleviated it: she was much depressed by the fear of impending death, which accompanied the Angina.

1. Jan 85. Liberated on probation for 3 months

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1831 James Steam's Sprague. Admitted, 10th Oct/83.

Age 20 years. Single. Student at Cambridge. Established Church. Parents father Calvinist Edinburgh. Found and examined at Edinburgh. He has been a fortnight insane. This is the first attack. The supposed cause is overstudy. Not epileptic. Whether suicidal — "Yes, supposed or informed from his letters. Dangerous to others. The nearest known relative is Mr Thomas Bond Sprague, Mavisfield, Davidson's Mains, Midlothian, the patient's father. It is said to be doubtful whether any member of the family is or has been insane.

He was admitted on Certificate of Emergency signed by Dr Peddie.

Medical Certificates, —

10th Oct/83. 1. A. Peddie, M.D., F.R.C.P.E. &c, 15 Rutland street, certifies: —

1. "Restlessness, unusual volume of speech, and in conduct, with insane delusions, as to his family being afflicted with worms, as to misconduct of servants, the purchase of a farm, &c."

2. "Variety of facts of a like kind, and indicative of danger to himself or others."

10th Oct/83. J. F. Clouston, M.D. F.R.C.P.E., Tipperlinn House, Morningside, Edinburgh, certifies: —

1. "His speech is rambling, his conduct is threatening, his expression of face is excited and maniacal. He cannot keep to one subject for a minute at a time. He has many insane delusions, eg that he can bring animals to life after being dead."

2. "His father, Mr T. B. Sprague, informs me that he threatened him with violence this morning, and that he is quite unfit to manage himself."

14th Oct/83. The following is the report sent to the Board of Lunacy: — Mental State, — He is in a condition of mental excitement. He is variable in mood, being usually in a state of mental exhilaration, but at times rather depressed. On admission he talked in a rambling and incoherent manner about various matters such as his father's treatment of him, the conduct of certain servants, about his friends and some animals being afflicted with worms. These delusions

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appear to be of a fleeting character. The excitement which he showed on admission has already considerably diminished and he now talks more rationally. He is morbidly anxious about his own condition. His insanity is characteristically that of adolescence, due apparently to his nervous temperament and to excessive mental work.

Bodily health and condition, — He is in good bodily health. He is well developed. He is thin but muscular. The tongue is slightly furred. The pulse rate is 72 per minute. The Circulatory, Respiratory and Nervous system are fairly normal. The pupils are equal and contract to light and accommodation. There are no signs of injury. 24.10.53. Mr Sprague was today made a Quarter patient as 1835.

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2nd November 1853 Mr Sprague

The following is the report made to the board of Lunacy. "This morning at a few minutes past eight it was reported to me that Mr Sprague was in convulsions. I was immediately in attendance and found my assistant, Dr Oliphant, using means to resuscitate the patient who was comatose and still slightly convulsed. The odour of the room declared the cause of his condition and prompt measures were taken and he regained consciousness and was soon out of danger. In his coat pocket was found a half ounce bottle which he said was full of the dilute Hydrocyanic Acid (B.P.) all of which he took. There was also found in his possession an ounce bottle full of Chloroform. He had been reported to the Procurator Fiscal with a view to checking the unrestricted sale of such poisons in Dumfries. On the table of his room a paper was found, on which was written 'I blame nobody. I thank all here for their kindness but I knew that I should never get well; my ignorance on all subjects and weakness compared with almost everyone I spoke to fill me that.'"

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7.11.83. Mr Sprague having passed into an 'elevated' state was allowed out to shoot with a special attendant. 14.11.83. Mr Sprague has been a good deal depressed for some days. 21.11.83. Still very depressed but sang at concert tonight. 25.11.83. Still much depressed. 26.11.83. rather better today. 27.11.83. rather cheerful. 30.11.83. Lively walking about gaily in the middle of the night being sleepless. 4.12.83. Still lively; has a cut still bound. 5.12.83. Rather quieter today. 8.12. Slept badly last night. Depressed today; has been getting more silent since his cut with the hammer, but was till this morning apparently excellent. 9.12.83. Still depressed; visited by his parents. 14.12. Still dull. Visit from brother. 22.12.83. Still very depressed; muttering at times; sleepless at nights & constipated. 24.12. Rather better. 26.12.83. Still dull. 30.12.83. Still dull. 3.1.84. "in his usual". 5.1.84. Beginning to get lively. 18.1.84. Still lively. Has for some time [illegible] been apparently well without depression inspite of his orchitis which kept in bed from 31.1.84 for about a week. 13.2.84. he has been for some days rather excited. He has always in his lively moods shown himself full of wants: asking for all sorts of things.

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1832. David Brown Johnson. Admitted 11th Oct. 1883.

Age 62 years. — Married, Brush Manufacturer and Hair dresser, now retired from business. Protestant. Previous Place of Abode, — Raeview, Lochwinnoch. Found and examined at 3 Mayfield Terrace, Langside. He has been insane for one month. This is not the first attack. He was 60 & 62 years of age at the first attack. The present attack has lasted one month. He was previously under examination and treatment at Gartnavel and Morningside. Supposed Cause — "Cannot say". Not epileptic. Not suicidal. Not dangerous to others.

The nearest relative is Annie Aitken McDonald or Johnson, wife, residing at Raeview, Lochwinnoch.

No other member of his family insane.

He was admitted on Certificate of Emergency signed by Dr Barrie.

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10th Oct. 1883 — John Barrie, M.D. 107 Elmbank St. Glasgow, certifies:
1. "Is very nervous and excited, has delusions, imagines he can cure all diseases, has direct communication with the inhabitants of the unseen world, &c."
2. "His son says he has been in this condition for some time. He has been many times in an Asylum."

10th Oct. 1883. — John Stuart Blackie, L.R.C.P. & S. Ed., 12 Royal Crescent, Crookhill, certifies:—
1. "1. He keeps cows because they are sacred animals, & he will be blessed by having them about him. 2. He says he can cure all manner of disease instantaneously."
2. "1. He is wasteful of money; has no care of it: spent as much as three hundred pounds for snuff boxes. 2. He makes up his mind occasionally to spend a certain sum per day and would waste it in any way to get rid of it."

11th Oct. 1883. — The following is the report sent to the Board of Lunacy:—
Mental State, — He is in a condition of mental excitement associated with uncontrollable impulsiveness and delusions of pride and grandeur. He talks in a rambling incoherent manner and is at times very noisy at night. He has the uncontrollable impulse to break every pane of glass which he observes to be cracked. He has very exalted ideas about himself. He says he is a Physician of the highest order and that he received his training from God, that he

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can reduce people to a few pounds weight and bring them to life again, that there are 366 religions in the world and [illegible] belongs to them all. He is probably conceited about his personal appearance.

Bodily health and condition. He is in good bodily health. He is well developed and well nourished. Examination was difficult owing to his noisiness and restlessness. The circulatory system is fairly normal. The pulse rate was somewhat rapid during examination owing to his excitement. There are rhonchi and harsh breathing over part of the chest. The nervous system is fairly normal. There are no marks of injury.

17.12.53. Mr Johnson has had another very noisy period during the last two months. On this account his correspondence has been stopped during the last month with some apparent benefit. He is today rather excited again. For some nights he slept in padded room on account of his noisy behaviour at night. Relieving Mr Glass of his room 23.11.53.

15th Oct/5

5 23.2 Dr. Mr Johnson has been remarkably quiet for some little time back. Not depressed but as if brewing mischief or to be quiet. He tries to smuggle out letters in all sorts of ways. Inside pepper etc.

12th Oct/5

29:3:83 Discharged Recovered.

18th Oct/5

1833. George Mawson. Admitted 12th Oct. 1853.

53 years. Married, Milk & Farmer. Protestant. Grecian Villa, Cockermouth. Found & examined at Dumfries. He has been insane for one year. This is the first attack. He was 52 years of age at the first attack. He was previously under examination & treatment at home. The existing attack has lasted three days. The supposed cause is 'said to be Heart Disease'. Not epileptic. Suicidal. Dangerous to others. The nearest relative is Mr Ernest Oscar Mawson, Grecian Villa, Cockermouth, the patient's son.

He was admitted on Certificate of Emergency signed by Dr Dryden.

Medical Certificate.

13th Oct/53. Thos. Thomson, M.D. &c. Carlisle, Dumfries, certifies:—

1.st "Insane appearance; Confusion of ideas and incoherent conversation; defective memory; inability to give any satisfactory account of how he came here or who came with him."

2. "Told by Leslie the attendant who brought him from Cockermouth, that he was found in a very excited and violent condition and required several men to control him."

12th Oct/53. J. Hunter Dryden, L.R.C.P. & S.E., 18 George St, Dumfries, certifies:—

1st "His facial expression indicates mental disorder; he is restless and excited and has delusions, such as he is intimately acquainted with Her Majesty the Queen"

2. "Nil."

The following is the report sent to the Board of Lunacy.

14th Oct/53. Mental State.— His mental powers are much impaired. His memory especially is very weak. He is at times restless and noisy at night and talks to imaginary persons. He is suffering from General Paralysis and is at present near the end of the first stage of that disease. He has the condition of speech characteristic of that disease and is in a morbidly excited state of mind.

Bodily health and Condition.— They are impaired. The tongue is covered with a white fur and is very tremulous. The pulse is somewhat rapid and is slightly irregular. The

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arterial walls are thickened. He is suffering from aortic heart disease. The Respiratory System is fairly normal. He is suffering from General Paralysis and exhibits the impairment of speech and fibrillar tremors of the facial and other muscles characteristic of that disease. A large area of the skin is affected with Pityriasis. There are no marks of injury.

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18. 2. 84. Mr Mawson was taken ill 10 days ago and kept up to the mid watch galley but he has rapidly been failing of late for the last few days: there is considerable oedema of the ankles and he has diminished in size: he was accordingly today removed to the Infirmary.

20. 6. 84. Mr Mawson is still weak bodily though there is nothing definite the matter with him except the slight pleurisy. He is very reticent.

27th July. 1884. No change in Mr Mawsons condition. He has for some time been quite free from apoplectic seizures and walks about a little.

10. 9. 84 Mr Mawson is failing; he has occasional attacks of oedema of the ankles and eyelids for which a day in bed usually effects a diminution.

10. 11. 84 Mr Mawson who had been evidently dying since yesterday evening expired this morning.

29th Oct.

20 Nov.

1834. Professor Matthew Charteris. Admitted 19th Oct/53.

Age - Married. Professor of Materia Medica, University of Glasgow.

19. 10. 53. Prof. Charteris is a Voluntary Patient. He was for a short time a patient at Morningside House, near London, and was brought here from there. He is at present in good bodily health. He is stout and well developed. The tongue is covered with a whitish brown fur. The Circulatory and Respiratory Systems are normal. The Reflexes are fairly normal. The tendon reflex is more marked on the right side than on the left. The left pupil is slightly larger than the right. There is some flabbiness and want of expression in the lower part of the face. There are no marks of injury.

There are at present scarcely any mental symptoms.

27th Oct. Prof Charteris was noticed to have been irritable and short in his temper for a considerable time previous this outbreak in Paris. He is at present somewhat reticent in his manner & irritable. He is untidy and dirty in his dress.

20 Nov. Since last entry Prof Charteris has much improved in manner: he is pleasant & affable. During the last six weeks he has occupied himself writing a 'Students Guide' to 'Materia Medica'. He of his own accord gave up the small quantity of wine allowed him at dinner and he has been quite steady during his stay here. He never went to the drawing room or other entertainment but played billiards & chess with some of the other gentlemen. He took a two hours walk daily. He was today discharged Cured.

1836. Rev. Henry P. Cameron admitted 31 October 1883.
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Age. 31. Married. Residing at 9 Sardinia Terrace Glasgow.
Mr Cameron is Parish minister of Milton Chapel Glasgow.
He was admitted as a voluntary patient on the 31st October '83: It appears that since last February Mr Cameron has had recourse too freely to stimulants when feeling tired or depressed. In April last he was advised by Dr Yellowlees to become a voluntary patient in some Asylum, & also by his medical adviser. This however he declined to do.
About two months ago Mr Cameron was married and drank still deeper, indulging in the morning as well as in the evenings. He is stated to have been noisy and violent at home committing unprovoked assaults. He continued to drink up to the time of admission.
On admission his physical condition was found to be good. He is stout and somewhat flabby especially about the face. The organic functions are well performed. There are no marks of violence.
The nervous and mental symptoms are slight. He states that he feels nervous and depressed & that till coming here he was sleepless. He is able to take outdoor exercise and to read.

7.2.83.

After being for some days absent on leave in Glasgow the patient returned with certificate: he was accordingly discharged from registers of voluntary patients & readmitted the same day 4.2.83 as a certified lunatic.
see page 236 of this case book.

13.2.83.

17.12.83

27.12.83

4.1.84.

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20.5.8

5.10.8

1837 Anna Jeffrey Dobie admitted 7 Nov. 1837

Female, aged 28, Single, a protestant, residing at Castle Doyle.
Has been insane for four years: The present is her first recorded attack;
She was 24 or thereby at time of her first attack during which she was
for about three months in the Montrose lunatic Asylum.
The present attack has lasted about one week. No cause is assigned.
The patient is not epileptic suicidal or dangerous.
The Obligant is patients father Andrew Dobie Ironmonger Castle Doyle
The patients sister was an inmate of this asylum (xvi. 163)
She was admitted by Sheriff's warrant signed by David Boyle Hope
& dated 7.11.83. The following are the medical certificates.

7.11.83. Herbert James Lorraine - L.R.C.P.Ed. resp. Rockpark Castle Doyle. States
"She is continually talking & supposes herself dying. She says she hears the death rattle
in her throat. She has been under treatment before. She thinks that she was at church
on Sunday." 2. "Her attendants & Parents tell me of her constantly talking of
her death & funeral she's great wish to die in Dumfries not home; also
she takes no food being persuaded that her death is near"

John Nivison M. Ed. of Castle Doyle. States
"She keeps up an incessant talking about funerals, says she will die within a
specified time and insists on dying under Dr Rutherford's care has made arrangements
for her funeral." 2 "Her parents and attendant say she will not take
food. keeps constantly talking about her death & funeral; supposes she can't
swallow on account of the death rattle in her throat."

13.11.83. "She is highly excited, talking incessantly occasionally screaming sometimes inclined to be a little
violent. Her talk is quite incoherent. She has had no sleep without Draught."
"She is feeble: her tongue is thickly furred teeth chips covered with sordes. Her T. is somewhat
"raised being as high as 101 the day before yesterday. Her menstrual period has just passed.
"There are no signs of physical disease to be made out."

17.12.83. Miss Dobie continued maniacal for a while & on the 2nd Dec had a quiet interval: then began to
gibber again. The insane eye appeared on the left side still marked on the 13 Dec.
and on night she slightly rest day. They use the blister painted with blistering fluid.

27.12.83. Miss Dobie makes little progress. The blister seemed to have no effect on the hæmatoma which
has not yet subsided.

4.1.84. Weight (6.13. – 5½ in clothes) 6st 4½

13.1.84. As before.

20.5.84 Miss Dobie has not made much improvement. She is
quiet now. Talks incoherently, and seems to laugh
at everything especially her sewing when she can be
got to do any.

5.10.84 Discharged recovered

1839. Rev. Andrew Black admitted 4 Nov. 1883.

Age 48. (49 on 23rd instant) Single
late minister of Presbyterian Church Stratford, London. He resigned his charge about 3 years ago. Mania of religious persuasion in presbyterian
Since resignation of his charge he has been resident in different parts but mostly in Cambridge and latterly in Dalbeattie asylum here.
He pretends he has been insane about 3 years. This is his second attack he having been about 20 yrs at his first attack. 8.11.83.
He was previously under treatment at Bethlehem Hospital London about 7 years ago, and for some months past in Dalbeattie asylum.
The cause is stated as overwork in connection with Church work.
He is not suicidal epileptic or dangerous.
His brother is James Black S.S.C. 112 Lauriston place Edinburgh.
No members of his family have been insane. 9.11.83.

12.11.83. William Marshall M.D. etc states.
"Speaks incoherently: seems normal and determined not to answer any "questions, thinks he is travelling under the authority of the Queen to whom he "expects to be related as he has had of the Princess Beatrice."

14.11.83. James Hunter Dyster L.R.C.P.&S.? states:
"He suspects fire about him, other delusions, such as he is engaged to Princess "Beatrice. He also says that Princess Beatrice taught a class in his Sunday School. 24.11.83.
"He also says he is on very intimate terms with her majesty".
Patient was admitted on Magistrates Certificate signed Jas. Dyster.
J.D. Hopes signed warrant on 15th Nov. 83. 15.2.84

19.11.83. "He is full of delusions, eg saying he has recently seen Prince Consort, and frequently "sees God walking about in the streets. He seems quiet and not at all "excited nor talks quite incoherently".

6.12.83. Mr Black remains as before: he is very obscene in his language but occasionally talks with much intelligence: he seems to have more delusion of identity than ever: he is constantly seeing, he states, various illustrious personages in the house & grounds many of them dead people "restored to life." 28/4/84

15.23.2.84. As before: still blasphemous obscene.

27th July 1884. Mc Black is not so noisy but occasionally breaks out into bad language and has several most elaborate oaths. His bodily health is good, he is very stout & finds warm weather severe on him. He walks daily without a coat. He is now in Mid East Gallery.

2.10.84. No change.

Rev. Henry P. Cameron. admitted 14th November 83.

see page 233.

Henry Pettrie Cameron. M. 31. married minister of Hillhead Parish Church Glasgow a protestant residing at 9 Sardinia Terrace Hillhead Glasgow about a fortnight insane; the present is supposed to be his first attack. The cause is stated as dissipation overwork worry. He has threatened to take poison and to cut his throat. He has been violent to his wife. His father is his informer. Daniel Cameron Cotlandyke Old Cumnock. The petition is dated 29.10.83. The sheriff's warrant is signed 8th Hospl 12.11.83. States he has been similarly insane and committed suicide.

9.11.83. James Christie MD. Glasgow of Hillhead states.

"For several months he has been offensive and his conduct has been insane. When he is under the influence of "liquor even slightly he is violent and dangerous to others. His moral (sic) (mind? morale?) is impaired also "his conduct being such that he is quite unfit to be entrusted with the regulation of his affairs. "Mr Cameron himself tells me that his sensations are frequently so peculiar that he is afraid to commit "suicide. His father Hugh Cameron informs me that a brother suffered similarly and committed suicide."

9.11.83. William Linnart MB. Edinburgh of Bothwell St. Glasgow states

"When seen he is in my presence used very obscene language in the presence of ladies and that in a way "showing that he was unconscious of doing anything wrong. Whether drunk or sober he is almost "incapable of forming a resolution and quite incapable of keeping it.

"His wife Margaret Lawrie Leslie or Cameron of Arden Renfrewshire his brother in law have told me "that of frequent sudden outbreaks of violence and in particular of dangerous assaults upon his wife "and others."

24.11.83. Mr Cameron obtained brandy today to check his diarrhoea, while out driving with Mr Russell from whom he separated in Drumpellier. He returned drunk & his parole was stopped.

13.2.84. Mr Cameron has parole & walk out with Mr Fullarton. He professes penitence and asserts he is going to be "T.T." He is however still rather free & easy with the female servants. He broke down in his sermon which he commenced in Chapel last Sunday night.

28/4/84 Discharged Recovered 28.4.84

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1840 Hannah Sarah Young. admitted 20 Nov. 1883.

7.39. married with four children
a protestant residing at Hawick, where she was found and examined
has been insane for 14 years: The present is her second attack and
has lasted about 6 months. Her first attack was at the age of 25 when
she was much depressed after the loss of her father. She has been under
treatment at Aspatt and during the present attack was under treatment
also at Melrose; where she remained for about 8 months and was discharged
much improved. The attack began a short time (a fortnight or so) before
delivery. She is not epileptic nor dangerous: but she has frequently
threatened to poison herself. She has never, however, attempted anything of the sort.
Her Agent is Walter Young, her husband, miller Hawick.
None of her family have been known to be insane.
She was admitted on the petition of Mr Young (16.11.83) On the Warrant of
Sheriff S. Charles Cowan of Roxburghshire dated 17.11.83.

14.11.83. Wm Turnbull Bernie MB Coq. of Deanbank states
"She said that she was undone, that she had taken medicine before her baby was
"born (6 mo. ago) which had gone into her flesh and was killing her. She was telling
"her relations, and said she was coming to an end. Crying during whole examination.
"Her sister informs me that she says almost incessantly."

14.11.83. John Storey MB Coq of Hawick. States
"With loud sobbing and moaning she told me that she had taken medicine
"which was still in her flesh turning it to leather and tearing her, and that
"she was done for & would poison herself. She kept working on her breast
"with her fingers." "Her sister tells me that she is continually crying and
"bewailing her fate & putting at her breast" and sometimes threatens to
"poison herself."

13.2.84. Mrs Young is slightly quieter: She still bewails her condition and is
quieted only with a Sedative. On admission she was very troublesome
from tearing to undress & masturbate even before the police.

2.5.84. Discharged Recovered.

1841 Jane Morrial Tinning admitted 7th Dec. 53.

This patient is a female aged 22
Single
of no occupation (Farmers daughter.
Protestant
Residing at Hightown of Craigs near Dumfries.
Has been insane about two years (this first attack)
Cause of illness not given in the Statement but is ascribed to "Love".
She is not suicidal nor epileptic nor dangerous.
Her Agent (the petitioner) is Samuel Tinning, farmer at Hightown of Craigs near Dumfries, who is patients father.
No hereditary history is given in Statement but her mothers sister & niece were both insane.
She patient was admitted by warrant of Sir Geo. Boyle Hope.

7.12.53. James M. McCulloch certifies (M.D. Ed.)
1. "Laughs without adequate or any cause, wild and insane expression of the eyes, answers to questions inappropriate & irrelevant &c &c."
2. "She is at times moping melancholy and silent refusing to answer questions to not ordinary questions & to do the most requisite things has been this state for about two years. The facts communicated by parents & brother."
Wm Marshall M.D. Aberdeen. certifies.
1. "Talks incoherently; seems not to comprehend the meaning of any question looks dull & despondent and in a moment laughs out heartily. &c. &c.
2. "Her mother states that she is sometimes very restless at night & inclined to roam about etc".

11.12.53. "She is silent & obstinate, refuses to speak or to take her food.
"She is in fair bodily health; stout & well nourished though somewhat anæmic with systolic murmur audible at base of heart.
(Weighed (the day after admission 8st 4lb. (Clothes weighed 4lb)
5.12.53 } Inclined to refuse her food.

17.12.53 As Miss Tinning has remained silent & listless, in spite of purging with jalap, the interrupted current was applied today, but without immediate result. This faradization was continued till 21st Dec. When menstrual setting in it was considered advisable to desist for a time.

13.2.54 A gradual improvement set in & Miss Tinning could talk and took but is still far from well. She has evidently been 'spilt' on jilted at home.

20.3.84 Miss Tinning was allowed home to visit today & would not come back - two attendants had to bring her back. She is a little better.

Discharged Recovered. 30.4.84

1542. Samuel Thomas Grubbe. admitted 21 Dec. 1883.

male aged 62
married.
no occupation. protestant
prior residence 8 Chesilton Road. Fulham Sw. London.
Not his first attack. First attack at 58.
Previously under treatment at Bloomfield Dublin & in this Institution.
The cause is given as (probably) monetary difficulties.
He is not epileptic
He has expressed suicidal sentiments
He is not dangerous to Others.
His Bondsman is Alexander Alcock Grubbe, patients Son.
No member of his family is known to be insane.
This patient was admitted on 21.12.83 on the Sheriff's Warrant, (Orders certificate).
Signed W.H. Shortt, is dated 22nd

21.12.83 J Hunter Dryden L.R.C.P.Ed. certifies
He is very talkative & excited. At times he talks incoherently & his manner is restless.
"Has had previous residence in an asylum." He also signs the Emergency certificate.

21.12.83. William Merkell M.D. R.C. certifies
"Talks incessantly & seems restless unhappy and discontented. Never "ceases talking about having consulted a private physician and that he "cannot stop here.
"The attendant states that he is quite miserable and cannot "be controlled."
This patient has been several times in the house as a voluntary patient viz 1777. 1800. 1820. He was last discharged on 1st October of this year. He was such a "bore" that he was not read letters except with certificate.

27.12.83. He was reported to the Board of Lunacy as being melancholic, depressed restless and talkative about his mental & bodily states
His bodily health was reported as fair except for a slight cold from which he was suffering.

13.2.84. Mr Grubbe has been improving under discipline and a small amount of judicious talking from Messrs Bodle & Lowsford two voluntary patients in his gallery.

22:3:84 Mr Grubbe continues much the same.

27th July. Mr Grubbe is not nearly such a bore as when he was a voluntary patient as he does not now get so much of his own way.

1 Dec 84

5 Dec 84 Mr Grubbe remains much the same mentally; he is always talking of going away to his wife but can never make up his mind to do ~~my~~ so. He constantly complains of "nervousness" when asked in what way it affects him, replies "Weakness of mind, loss of memory, inability for exertion" etc. He is hypochondriacal, thinks he will catch cold unless he keeps a greasy skull cap upon his head, and that his stomach is weak, though he is inclined to gluttony: he likes to describe his ailments: and says he would die willingly to get rid of his nervousness. He is fond of gossiping and has an impaired regard for the truthfulness of his statements about his fellow patients and attendants ~~about~~ whom he makes reckless & unfounded statements. He frequently asks for stimulants, and when he has obtained one sort, wishes to change it in a day or two for another, which he thinks will do him 'more good' He occupies a room with Mr Johnhill in the H South Gallery

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1843.

Laura Minna Harding admitted 1 Jan 1884.

22·3·84.

19 5/2 · 84.

This patient is a female aged 26 Single
a gentlewoman by occupation: a Roman Catholic residing at
10 Ellison Place Newcastle on Tyne where she was found. She was removed to Durham
She has been insane 3 months (She had it appears been ill for some time before)
She present is her first attack: up till now she was treated at home.
She is not suicidal epileptic or dangerous.
Her nearest relative is Mrs James Harding 10 Ellison Place Newcastle on Tyne
to patients father.
She was admitted on 1st January a Magistrate certificate signed Alex. Dowson.
She is detained on Queens warrant (of R.B. type) dated 2/1 84.

20·6·84.

26 y 84.

1.1.84. Alexander Dowson JP Glasgow &c. certifies
"His general appearance. the surroundings in which she talks about to attend and
the matter."
"Mrs James Harding gives her letter 24 as that for some time past she has (in
all times) violent and unmanageable and at the times depressed."
James Carter Dyster MRCS &c. certifies.
"She talks incoherently and cannot answer questions rationally. She is not sure
of her age or where she lives. Her facial expression indicates mental
disorder."

1·9·84.

26·12·84.

On admission it was stated that Miss Harding has been for sixteen and not quite
herself for that six months. She has been quite insane for three months. There
was no known cause. An order has been issued but two days after this.
for about a week she has not had the clothes changed going to bed at night. She
had for long taken no solid food being indulged in every way & been allowed
to walk in grates ranges &c. without any heat. She has been at times
violent refusing the bell door in consequence of which she has been
on her own legs. She has been for some weeks accustomed to have
her sister Hetty in bed with her & the latter is to come with her.

2.1.84. Miss ~~Harding~~ Harding was so restless that an attendant had to sleep in her room last night.
She has been quiet today but has taken her food badly.

3.1.84. An attendant was made to sleep in Miss Harding's room: She slept well. has
today been quiet has taken a her food better. She was crying in the morning.

4.1.84. Miss Harding has until today been too obstinate to allow of her being weighed.
Weight 6st 8lb. (without clothes.) Height about 5ft. 4½. Quiet today.

5.1.84. Miss Harding is taking her food fairly well. Weight at bed time she was
crying and talking rather incoherently.

12.2.84. Since last entry Miss Harding has been moved to the N.E. gallery in which
however she inclines to stop: She has in consequence for to-day four
days been subjected to general feradisation with a fairly strong current.
She goes to table State. She has today written to her father.

22·3·84. Miss Harding continues much the same - She has not menstruated since admission - She is taking Aloes & Iron.

19 5/2·84. Lately Miss Harding is somewhat improved: she eats her dinner without requiring feeding, and helps herself in the way of dressing herself, a good deal more than she used to do. Since April 10. She has had daily applications of the electric battery which seems to have had a beneficial effect upon her.

20·6·84. The battery was discontinued to day by Dr Rutherford's orders. She was ordered a mixture containing mv of liq Strychnia x 3ij Inf. Quassiæ for a dose.

26 7·84. Miss Harding has again relapsed into a very unsatisfactory state. she is obstinately silent, and sits alone with her head bent, & eyes half shut: and resists movement of any kind. Her temperature is subnormal & her circulation extremely languid. To-day treatment by a warm bath every evening followed by vigorous rubbing, was commenced.

1·9·84. The friction & hot bath treatment did not produce any marked benefit so they it was stopped a week ago.

26·12·84 Miss Harding was visited to day by her two brothers whom she recognized & conversed with. She is brighter, and in better bodily health since last entry

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1844. Rev. Thomas Fullerton admitted 3 Jan. 1854.

1826.

This patient was admitted on Urgency certificate: signed J.H. Dryden 2.1.54.

male. 34. Single. Clergyman of Church of Ireland.
Residing at Newtownbutler Co Monaghan until brought to retreat Armagh.
(His mother's address is Victoria St. Armagh)
He has been peculiar for two or three years: duration of insanity
is not known as it came on gradually.
He has been for 3 weeks in the retreat Armagh where he was sent
as a certified lunatic.
The cause is stated to be over excitement and study.
He is not Suicidal nor epileptic but might strike if excited: tendency
by no means vicious.
His nearest relative is Mr Fullerton his father.
His grand uncle long since dead was insane

21.1.54

1835

24.2.54

3.1.54. Mr Fullerton was admitted about 12.30 pm on Emergency certificate.
J. Hunter Dryden certifies (2.1.54).
"He says he has has to leave Ireland to elude the police who he believes
to be on his track. He also says that he is the confidential adviser of the authorities
at Dublin Castle" "Has had previous residence in an Asylum".

Quite true but not a complete statement.

22.3.54

3.to4.1.54. Dr Smith came up twice to see Mr Fullerton but was unable to certify him.
Mr Fullerton has since admission kept well & talked rationally.
The report sent to Board of Lunacy states he has an excited appearance
and talks volubly" "His physical condition is good".

23/4/54

5.1.54. Mr Fullerton has today discharged as 'not insane' on signing of
certificate of Emergency and readmitted as a voluntary.

No 1845.

13.2.54. Mr Fullerton is less loquacious than before: but is still excited in his
manner & appearance. He appears to be on his guard.
Since admission he has conducted an Episcopal service & Sunday
Evening in chapel introducing various Emendations of his own to the prayer.

22.3.54. This gentleman is still mildly excited. When he commits
his thoughts to paper his insanity is apparent.

29/4/54 Discharged

1846. Rev. David B. hears 20 Jan. 84.

This patient was admitted as a voluntary: he is married F.C. minister of Inverkeithing. He had been depressed and restless for some time, weak in physical health and sleepless at nights. He was a vegetarian of an extreme type and talked of Cats Skin galley &c attended 2nd table d'hôte.

21.1.84. Today Mr Hears received permission to visit a friend in town and did not return. He wrote a note stating the home was sold.

Left 21.1.84.

1835 James Stevens Sprague continues from page 227.

24.2.84. Mr Sprague is still in the most excited state, constantly demanding his liberty &c. (In consequence possibly of the articles?) Mr Sprague has now become amorous and writes extravagant love letters; his liberty which was formerly kept has been a little curtailed

22·3·84 Mr Sprague is very restless continually agitating for discharge, parole, dogs. &c &c.

23/4/84 Discharged Recovered.

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1847. Rev. William Ross. 31 Jan. 84.

The Rev. William Ross - aged 37
married. a clergyman of the Free Church of Scotland
admitted to Morningside Royal Edinb. Asyl. 24 May 83.
Date of Sheriff's warrant 26 May 83
He has been insane about 2 years. The present is the first attack and has lasted about two years.
The Cause is unknown. ill health is suggested as possible cause
He is not epileptic nor dangerous but is said to have expressed suicidal intentions.
His nearest relative and Attorney is Mrs Grace Ross his wife residing at 7 Inverleith Gardens Edinburgh.
He was transferred from Morningside by Direction of Arthur Mitchell.

21.1.84. Th. Smith Clouston certifies
He labours under morbid mental depression and insane delusions of suspicion. believing that the persons about him here are in league against him and trying to do him harm.

6.2.84. He is still in the same condition: Able is somewhat thin in physical tone Appetite and sleep have been promoted.
He appears to be a resuscitator. He is in the high East Gallery and attends the 2nd table d'hôte. He attends the amusements.

14·3·84. Mr Ross has had full parole for some time. He went out for a walk this afternoon & did not turn up towards evening. Nothing was heard of him till next day at noon when we had a telegram from a friend of his who said Mr Ross was away to Aberdeen - attendant John Cumin was at once sent for him and brought him back safely on 17th Mr Ross is now in Low East.

11·7·84 Discharged. Recovered.

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1888. Rev. George Sturrock. 4 Feb 82.

His patient is 50 years of age. married,
parish minister of Cossock, which is his perman place of Abode.
He has been ten weeks insane: and to present to his first attack
the cause is unknown.
He is not epileptic but is stated to be suicidal and dangerous.
His nearest relative is Mrs Catherine Sturrock his wife
Cossock house Dalbeattie.
none of his relatives have been insane.
He was admitted on his Sturrock's petition by Order of Sheriff Substitute.

2.2.82 John Maggat certifies (M.B.Ch)
"Has delusions regarding his affairs. imagines his family is starving
and that he owns his last all to tradesmen and doors."
"Has attempted to drown himself. He attacked his keeper at one time."
Walter Lowrie (Sd.) certifies.
He has delusions respecting his affairs and family matters.
He is melancholy and suicidal.
I am told by those about him that he has attempted suicide and nearly
on one occasion succeeded by drowning himself in the mere Mrs.

13.2.82. Mr Sturrock is still in Redacre condition. His chest is somewhat
pigeon breasted in form. He is very sleepless at nights.

22.3.84. Mr Sturrock has slightly improved mentally. He now
converses a little. He is still sleepless at nights.
Discharged Recovered. 26. June 1884

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1849. Robert Paton. 4 February.

age 75 widower. a weedman and a protestant residing at Kilmarnock. Has been insane for three weeks has had previous attack at the age of 70, but has never been previously confined in an asylum. The cause is supposed to be business. He is stated to be suicidal.

His Son Hugh Paton is petitioner: the warrant is signed by Johnstone 4.2.84.

Donald macleod MD Glasgow certifies.

4.2.84. "He is restless and continually working with trifling objects. He imagines he is ruined and that his means have disappeared. He is expressive of the deepest despair.

"He is sleepless and refuses food, and requires moderate restraint."

Wm Arthur macleod MB Ch Ed. certifies.

"That he is despondent, imagines everything connected with his business is unfavourable to him, and that all is to end in ruin. He believes he is reduced to beggary."

"That he is obstinate and refuses to do anything he is advised to do. He is very restless and continually on the move.

13.2.84. Shortly after admission Mr Paton was visited by a friend and immediately after this he became hostile and refused his food. He had in consequence to be fed three times a day with "Valentine's Mk." After three days

11.2.84 he took his food naturally. On the night of the 11.2.84 his bed was reported wet and his urine was found to be diffing from him.

12.2.84. On Examination his Bladder was found distended and 340 urine were drawn off. no albumen. no blood. Sp. gr. 1020. A full sized Catheter was passed without difficulty, and the retention is probably due to the reflex irritation of haemorrhoids from which the patient suffers.

1.3.84. Mr Paton's mental condition is now satisfactory, but the bladder has not fully regained its power. There is a considerable quantity of pus in the urine.

7.3.84. Discharged Recovered.

1850 William Stone formal readmission 5 Feb. 84.

5.2.84 This patient has been in the house since 14 June 1851 but was today formally discharged and readmitted on a fresh Reception warrant owing to his name having been accidentally omitted from the list of those resident over three years from signature of warrant. vide Case book. XII 107.
As indicative of his present condition the medical certificates may be quoted.
Jno. Ferguson M.B. Ed. certifies
"He is dull and taciturn and declines to talk or only says Yes or No. He has a stupid appearance and seems careless of his dress."
F. Hunter Dyce L.R.C.S.P.Ed. certifies
"He is dull and stupid looking and cannot or will not answer questions. He only answers yes or no and cannot be got to engage in conversation."

27th July 1884. McStone continues dull & silent. He will not answer when spoken to. He takes plenty of exercise, & eats & sleeps well.

10. 1. 85 No change.

1851. Robert Lyon. formal readmission 5. Feb. 84.

5.2.84 This patient has been in the Clinic since 20 Dec. 1876 but was so in the case of Wm Home at the opposite page formally discharged & readmitted. vide Case Book XV. 57.
Mr Lyons present condition is clearly described in the medical certificate obtained for the fresh warrant.
Thos. Ferguson M.B. Certifd
He says that about 7 years ago he was married to the Queen. He says that he ought to send to the owners of the River line of steamships who used to pay him £20 to spend upon joy" He had a bottle in his pocket.
J.H. Dyde certifs. He states he was married to the Queen several years ago; also states that he murdered the Archbishop of Canterbury. His language is obscene & disgusting in the extreme.

27th July 1884. There is no change in Mr Lyons condition mentally. He enjoys good bodily health.

10.1.85 No change

Jane Helen McVicar. Admitted 13 Jul. 1884.

10.5.84. To-day Miss Macvicar was much excited; she was violent and made use of abusive and indecent language.

10.6.84. There is little change in this case. She is at times excited and will strike upon slight provocation. She has the delusion that she is married to Dr Yellowlees. She is slovenly in her dress.

10.16.84. Since last entry Miss Macvicar has not been so excited and restless, but is at times irritable especially about her food. Her bowels are sluggish & frequently require medicine to move them.

1653 Alexander Murray Hughan. 22 Feb. 1884.

Male 38. Married with large family. a farmer formerly.
Residing at Drummuck. Two months insane. First attack.
Cause unknown. Not sp. suicidal or dangerous.
No hereditary insanity.
James Nich. Cox L.R.C.S. Edin. Certifies

22.2.84. He is under the delusion that his wife is continually giving him poison in his food, & also that poison is given to him in medicine, that his body is full of poison. At times he is very feeble and often vomiting in his sleep. His wife states that he is continually watching her & other members of the family in case they poison him. Shows a decided aversion to his friends. His brother states that he walked for nearly two miles during the night on a very wet road barefoot.
Dr. S.S. Reid

22.2.84. He is subject to various delusions among them that his wife is giving him poison and that men are continually talking about the house at night. He is gloomy and in a depressed state.
His brother James Hughan told me that he imagined he was being poisoned by his wife and that he has been subject to various delusions in regard to people being in the house.

22.3.84. Mr Hughan is still very depressed. He distrusts every one about him. Thinks he is kept here as a source of profit to the officials

20.4.84. No better. Will not write home. Is not benefitted nor injured by visits from his wife.

1st June. Mr Hughan is no better. Is quite as suspicious about everybody as when admitted.

27th July. He speaks scarcely any but has a very distrustful look he has pulled a good deal of his beard away by constantly pulling at the hairs. He is no better.

8.9.84. There is no improvement in this case. He distrusts everybody & speaks scornfully of his relations & friends. declares he has no friends. He eats well.

16.12.84 This patient remains suspicious & distrustful of everybody. declares that he is conspired against &c He does a little Gallery work & was employed for a short time assisting the Gardener.

16.1.85. This morning Mr Hughan effected his escape at 6 a.m. when the gallery door was open. He was followed

by attendant Brown, who heard news of him going towards Castle Douglas. He arrived home on Thursday. and is allowed to remain to see if he can possibly do without asylum care.

1884 Newton Livesey. admitted 23. Feb. 1884.

Male 60. Widower. Cheesefactor. Church of England. of Carlisle. Insane one month. ~~first~~ first attack about age of 40. Reported suicidal.
Several members of family have been highly nervous temperament.

25.2.84. A. Macdonald certifies.
Says that he is dissatisfied with the price of food and leaves and that he cannot live over the day. Is very excitable and restless and sleepless. Says that he attempted to strangle himself last night and to injure the attendant.
Dr. Wyatt certifies.

24.2.84. He is restless excitable. He admits having threatened suicide, frequently he is suspicious and distrustful of the doctors.
His ~~Dr~~ informs me that he has threatened suicide also attempted to injure the attendant.

24.2.84 At 3 p.m. his history was found somewhat agreed with by stocking tied tightly round his neck.
& C.B.L. He is very despondent & sleepless. He has since admitted attempted suicide & assaulted his attendant

22.3.84 Mr Livesey sleeps well. but is still very despondent. He continually asks for purgative medicine and is not above prevarication when ~~asked~~ questioned as to the necessity for the medicine - Says his bowels only move through "nervousness" not naturally & ~~but~~ that he would require at least half a dozen pills.

20.4.84. Mr Livesey continues very dull. Thinks he is very ill. About to die in fact & wishes daily to go home or to telegraph for his friends.

1.6.84 Mr Livesey is not improving, still asks for purgative medicine daily asserts that his bowels have not been moved for weeks.

27th July 1884. Mr Livesey is much the same, if anything worse. Says he cant read the bible without cursing it. Cant pray, &c. Is very anxious to get to Carlisle, & telegraph for his friends. Was visited by his daughter a few days ago & was not improved thereby.

6.9.84 Mr Livesey is still very miserable. and has been much depressed about the death of his father about whom he

he says he has many "queer notions" i.e. his coming out of his grave and visiting Mr Livesey at night. Mr Livesey says his brain is on fire, and that it is continually being forced downwards upon his eyes, and forehead; that he has a constant feeling of severe pressure across the epigastric region, whence his queer notions originate & then rise up to his brain; there is no apparent physical cause for this; his appetite is good, though he himself says it is "a false appetite" & that he is not properly nourished by the food he takes. He sleeps fairly well though he denies ever having one wink.

16·1·85. Discharged Relieved

1855

Mary Scott 25 Feb. 84.

1856

Female aged 30 Single. No occupation.
a Protestant. resided at 6 Seabed Berwick. Insane about 2 months.
First attack. Caused by "weakness of system". Heredity is however strongly marked v. pos. Suicidal having attempted to drown herself in a bath.
A sister is in Morningside. Hopeless Dr Sibbald has Copies in his asylum.

22.2.84 Jane Byda M.D. Certifs.
She cannot bring her thoughts together to say, is continually fancying one idea, that she has done something dreadful & is in despair that it cannot be undone is restless & excited.
Her sister who corroborates the above & tells of delusion &c &c.
Mr Byda certifs.
Restless is seen continually walking up & down the room, talks about only one thing; imagines she has done the ruin of the family some great wrong. — Restlessness, picks excoriates her head incessantly; and is very despondent. Communicated to me by her sister William.

22·3·84. There is very little improvement, if any, except in this case. She is very restless & depressed. Constantly moans & cries about her supposed evil doings. She has a sore head through constantly picking & scratching.

26·7·84 There is little improvement in Miss Scott's mental condition. She picks her head less than formerly but continues in a state of great depression, imagines that she is a devil. She has never menstruated since her admission.

8·9·84 Miss Scott continues in the same melancholic state. She regrets that she cannot recall but one day of her past, which if she could do, she would be cured. She is sometimes very desirous of returning home; at others she expresses aversion at the thought of seeing her relatives again. Her general nutritive condition is not very strong.

24/12·84. This patient's friends took her out for a week's trial in lodgings in Dumfries. There was no good effect and she returned today. She is restless and depressed, says she is a devil and unfit to live: and picks her hands & head constantly.

7·1·85 Menstruated for the second time since admission. Flow slight

1856 Catherine Hill or Easton. 18th March: 1884.

Aged 40. Married - of no occupation - a protestant.
Presently residing at Dorset, Ayrshire, formerly at Christchurch New Zealand. First attack of 6 months' duration.
Cause supposed to be family affliction & pregnancy.
no known heredity. She was suicidal -

Medical Certificates:-

* Wm Frew. M.B. 18.3.84. "Very reticent in manner - unwilling and unable to engage in conversation - almost complete loss of memory - She can answer shortly but if she attempts to give a lengthy answer she becomes incoherent - Whole manner listless and unnatural."
"Mrs M.G. Easton (her mother in Law) informs me that she exhibits very unnatural feelings towards her family and herself, altho' she was anxious when she left New Zealand to come to them - Entertains suspicions that her friends wish to poison her, has attempted to do her personal injury. Takes food only under compulsion"

Robt Lyon. M.B. 18.3.84 "She is in bed, very listless in her manner, staring into vacancy - will not answer when asked a rational question, except when asked about her baby of which she was confined 5 weeks ago, she says it is not hers."
"The Rev. M.G. Easton. (her father in Law) states, on asking her for her health she answered "Have you come to kill me" also that she does not recognise him altho' she knew him well formerly."

On admission -
She is very thin and weak. On physical examination the Respiratory System seems normal. There is an accentuation of the 2nd Cardiac sounds at the apex. The pulse is weak. but regular. The urine is highly albuminous, but of normal density and amount. She takes food only under great persuasion. -
Her mental state is as is shown by the Medical certificates. She answers a simple question when repeatedly asked. She is quiet & apparently quite contented. -

10. 7. 84 Mrs Easton is taking a mixture containing Tinct. Lyssoff of Strychn. Tinct Ferri Perchlor. ℥ ss. & in 2ij Infusion Cinchona

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No. 1857.

Revd A. Stewart Willison.

31st March. 1884.

No. 1858.

A transfer from Edinburgh Royal Asylum.

Age. 37. Married. Clergyman of Church of Scotland
First attack of 4 years duration. Cause unknown.
Admitted into Edin. Royal Asylum 6th March. 1882. Neither epileptic suicidal, nor dangerous. His brother is insane.
Date of Sheriffs order. 25th Sept. 1880. ———

Medical Certificate:—

Dr J.S. Clouston certifies — "He exhibits an insane lack "of self control, he expresses the insane delusion that "his mother is an adulteress, he exhibits an insanely "exalted state of mind as to his position, wisdom, and "knowledge, saying that he is always right, and others "always wrong, in the face of plain facts. He is at "times violent and threatening in his language."
& with respect to his bodily health & condition that "they are good".

Mr Willison is a man of splendid physique. His height is & his weight . He enjoys very good bodily health. Mentally, on first acquaintance he seems all right, but after a short period one finds that Mr W. has an abnormally high opinion of himself. He is fond of conversation & likes to introduce subjects on which there is sure to be a difference of opinion, such as religion, politics, woman, &c. when he succeeds in doing this, he states his opinions in a very dogmatic style & in language none of the mildest. — He attends all our amusements, is fond of music, cards, billiards, & tennis.

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27th July. 1884. Mr Willison goes on as usual. He frequently indulges in strong language towards his curator. He plays bowls daily & has recently started golf.

2. 12. 84. To day was irritable and ~~struck~~ pushed Mr Hodgson at the dinner table. Mr Hodgson slapped him in the face. Mr Willison then left the room: and used strong language about those who he thought had not performed their duty when they did not remove Mr Hodgson.

See. New Case Book. I. 131.

Mrs Agnes Johnstone or Dobie.

No. 1858. W 5th April. 1884.

Age. 58. Married. protestant.
This is her first attack: it commenced seven days ago the cause of it being unknown. She is neither suicidal nor dangerous. Date of Sheriffs Certificate April 7. 1884
Thomas Reid. M.D says she is sitting in a dejected melancholic state. refuses to answer any question whatever & keeps moaning to herself, looks suspiciously at everyone & everything. When asked to drink some cold milk, she tasted & was shaking it as if hot which was a delusion
James Dryden L.R.C.S.E. says She is dull & morose & very melancholy & is suspicious of those around her: she talks incoherently & has no recollection of past events.

On admission Mrs Dobie was very violent & talked incessantly. After a day or two she questioned considerably becoming now very despondent about herself saying she was sure she would never get well etc She took her food fairly well, Did not sleep much

April 25. 1884 Mrs Dobie is a good deal better: her deep depression has disappeared & she has hopes of herself now. & wishes to return to her husband.

May 30. 1884 Mrs Dobie continues to improve though she does not have much sleep. She is now very pleasant & takes a great interest in some of her fellow patients who are not so well as herself.

Discharged Recovered.

Mr James Rudge.

No. 1859.

A Voluntary patient. Admitted 5th April. 1884. Sanction by Board of Lunacy dated , is signed by D^r Arthur Mitchell, Commissioner. ~~in Lunacy~~.

No. 1860.

Mr Rudge has for many years been addicted to an intemperate use of narcotics. The number of years he at times states to be 15, at other times 20, & he even puts it at 25 now & then. The quantity of narcotics used, ~~The~~ is also obscure He says he did not take them to excess till within the last few years, but his idea of excess is very different from the general one. He counts 10grs. of morphia rather a small dose, & says he has taken 3j in one dose - He takes a mixture of Morphia, Hydrate of Chloral, & Bromide of Potassium. The dose of Chloral he says he varies a good deal but he often took 80 to 100 grs a day. 13·4·84. 18·5·84. 20·6·84.

~~He~~ Physically Mr Rudge is in impaired health. His height is 5 feet. nine & he weighs stone in his clothes. His hair is dark & coarse & is just beginning to show grey. His eyes are dark & complexion sallow. He is rather stout but flabby. He has a ~~m~~ well marked general muscular tremor, which is always present, & is sometimes very exaggerated indeed. His mode of progression is peculiar, he places his legs widely apart as if he were not sure of his balance, & hesitates a good deal before starting & in doing so makes a number of little steps, leaning on something if possible. He ~~does~~ has great difficulty in picking up any small object. Sometimes he can scarcely feed himself, spills his cup of tea when lifting it to his mouth, cannot butter his bread &c. Mr Rudge's speech is peculiar. Sometimes he is at a great loss to remember a word, often he remembers, ~~it~~ but cant ~~say~~ utter it. Then when at last he succeeds, he repeats the word over & over again, sometimes 5 or 6 times, as if to place it beyond all doubt that he has found the word he wanted. ~~His memory is weak~~ His speech is often thick, just like that of an intoxicated person. & it is when he is 12·10·84. 16·1·85.

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Miss Matilda Tait.

No. 1860. Admitted 12th April. 1884.

age 64. Single. protestant.
First attack. Duration a fortnight. Cause unknown.
Neither epileptic, suicidal nor dangerous.
Robert Erskine M.D. says "She has delusions to the effect that she is going to be married to the Earl of Eglington, believes that the latter sees her frequently, has hallucinations of hearing him speaking to her; other usual symptoms of monomania.

13. 4. 84. She is a stout florid woman in very fair health & complains of nothing in the way of bodily complaints.

18. 5. 84 Miss Tait still retains her delusions about the Earl of Eglington though she is not so pleased with herself as she was upon her admission.

20. 6. 84. Miss Tait has now delusions about the attendants and assistant doctor whom she declares has stolen a diploma case of hers. She has accused the matron & attendants of stealing her clothes, pawning them & spending the proceeds in drink.
Her delusion about the Earl of Eglington continues She always pours out some water in a basin in the dormitory, every morning for him and talks away to him all day. She says she is going away every day and expects him to come for her in a carriage in the morning and for this reason refuses to go out walking with the other patients

12. 10. 84 Is still very delusional. Talks away to persons whom she believes to be in her room. e. g. the Earl of Eglington and tells them to speak to the doctor when he enters and she speaks for them in a different tone of voice than her own.

16. 1. 85. To-day Miss Tait accused the Institutiondoctors of having given the Princess Beatrice poison to rub on Miss Tait's lips. she says this is not an Institution but a building which she has bought for herself She has fallen off in flesh lately

No. 1861.

Mr James Hector Johnston
A Voluntary patient. Admitted 19th April. 1884.

This is Mr Johnston's fourth admission here. He has been a patient & in most of the Scotch Asylums.
See Vol. V. pages 34 · 107 - & 179.
Latterly he has been a boarder in a house in Dumfries with a Mr Gibson who keeps three boarders. Mr Johnston struck one of his fellow boarders, & being threatened with law proceedings he fled & walked all the way to Edinburgh. His agent brought him here & he was admitted as a voluntary patient.
Mr Johnston is 44 years of age & is single.
He is in good bodily health & condition.
Mentally he is very excitable & restless, & irritable.
He is a great talker & an inveterate punster.

19th May. 1884. Mr Johnston's condition is unchanged. Since he came here he has been very active, always running about planning amusements &c. He is very fond of whist at which he considers himself as nearly perfect as may be. He is also fond of billiards and sings a fairly good song. His general behaviour since admission has been praiseworthy.

2. 9. 84 Discharged himself.

13th April

17th April

intoxicated with narcotics that this is a prominent symptom
His memory is weak & he has a marked tendency
to forget the names of persons about him - Thus his
attendant Munro, he calls, Malone, McCoan, &c. another
whose name is McVicar he calls McIver, McLiver, Mc
Allister &c. The night attendant (John Hume) he calls
McEwan, & McWhite, - Mr Grubbe, he calls Guy, Goy,
Gaw, &c. Dr Keay, he calls Kent
He is very suspicious of those about him, especially
of the officials. This is seen by his manner, & also
his letters to his friends. But he is also very suspicious
of his fellow patients: thus a Mr Bell who sat opposite
Mr Rudge at Table d'hote constantly carries on very
peculiar antics, & dis so long before Mr Rudge came, he,
however at once took it into his head that Mr Bell was
threatening injury to him by these antics. Mr Rudge
also fancies a gentleman sitting next him, (Mr Locke, a
most harmless & gentle patient) had a hatred to him
& intended to injure him, Mr Rudge also stated
that the Matron & Chaplain used insulting language
to him, which is not the case. — Sometimes when
sitting in the assistant Physicians room, if he hears
a step he says, "Now what does that person want,
surely there is something wrong, that person may
want to injure me." —

13th April. On admission Mr Rudge had a large quantity of
Morphia & Chloral. He promised not to touch it & it
was allowed to remain in his travelling bag.
He got 30 grs Chloral & 30 Bromide, morning &
evening & after a week had elapsed this was
slightly reduced; suspicions were aroused as he
seemed so contented with this small dose, & without
morphia. He was allowed into Dumfries whenever
he wishes & was often observed in a very
muddled condition shortly after coming home.

17th April. This morning Mr Rudge was not able to come down
to breakfast (which he takes in the assist. Physicians
room.) & was found by Dr Keay almost unconscious
On searching him a large quantity of Chloral
was discovered loose in his pockets & also in
a tin canister. No morphia was found.
Parole stopped.

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Annie Graham.

No. 1862. Admitted: 7th May 1884.

age 34. Single protestant.
First attack; duration one month. supposed cause a love disappointment, she is neither epileptic nor dangerous, but is suicidal.
J. Ferguson. M.D. says. She has crushed out all natural affection, & has no interest or pleasure in anything, or anybody & that sometimes she does not care to live.

8. 5. 84. Miss Graham's bodily health is good: she is much depressed and says she does not wish to live: she says she has written several letters home but that she has torn up them all, as they are unsatisfactory she says that she is a puzzle to herself & to everyone

15. 5. 84. Miss Graham was induced to play croquet to-day & seemed for the nonce to forget her troubles. She is not so depressed as she was on admission

20. 6. 84. Miss Graham is not so subject to her fits of depression as formerly, and does not talk so much of the hopelessness of her condition as she did. She is eating and sleeping better.

15. 9. 84. During the past four months Miss Graham has suffered from Amenorrhoea. Her menstrual period for this month falls due next week so to-day grv. doses of Pil. Fer. & Aloe. t. d. s. are prescribed for her with a warm bath every night Some menstrual molimena appeared after the first dose of the Aloes & Iron viz a colicky pain in the hypogastric region accompanied with a sense of weariness and a backache.

18. 9. 84. No result has accrued from the above treatment for Amenorrhoea. The mental depression varies in its intensity at different times, sometimes this lady will become pleasant and forget herself, but oftener she is depressed about herself, wishes that she were dead. Her appetite is poor as she does not sleep well

12. 10. 84. There is little change in this case. She frequently expresses a desire to commit suicide. This month the menstrual molimena were not so severe; no appearance of a discharge was noticed.

20. 11. 84. This patient is more depressed now than she has been for some weeks. She shuns the society of her fellow patients, as she imagines she is the

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Mr. James Rudge.

18th April. Mr Rudge continues all yesterday in a semi-comatose condition from which he could with difficulty be aroused so as to say a word. This morning he is slightly better, but in a very stupid condition. He says he is very sorry. Begs the Assist. Physician not to tell Dr R. & says his drugs have all been taken from him. Had no food yesterday, & says he cant eat today.

19th April. Mr Rudge is not eating & seems much confused this morning. About mid-day he came into the Assist. Physicians room, threw down a tin canister on the table & said. "I am done for, now. I have taken a whole tablespoonful of Morphia. I know I am done for." He was watched carefully all day, but no evil effects appeared. He took some food today.

20th April. It is evident that Mr Rudge has no narcotics now. Today he is very depressed, refuses food, & complains of severe articular pains.

21st April. Mr Rudge is weak today, says he is dying. Pulse weak, slightly irregular, & rapid. He refuses food & complains greatly of pain all over his body. At 3 P.M. a draught containing 4 grs Morphia, 30 Chloral & 30 Bromide of Potass was given Mr Rudge & seemed much better in two hours, but still could not eat. At 9 P.M. the draught was repeated & the improvement was very marked. Mr Rudge left his bed & ate a good supper of eggs, meat, & bread. It is noticed that when the Morphia is withheld Mr Rudge begs for Brandy but if he gets a dose of the former the Brandy is untasted. — He seems to have hallucinations of hearing & sight. Stated he saw a dog in the room when such was not the case. Says he hears people calling him —

30th April. Since last report Mr Rudge has taken his food pretty well and seems in slightly better spirits. Yesterday his room was changed at his own request.

1st May. Mr Rudge is not so well, he refuses his food and his morphia, & demands his liberty. He went down to the gate & tried to climb over, & therefore was confined to his room.

2nd May. — At 4 O'clock this morning Mr Rudge broke 4 panes of glass in his bedroom window

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& Cut his right thumb slightly; when the attendant opened his door, Mr Rudge rushed out screaming loudly with terror & pointing at imaginary beings, who he thought were going to kill him. He remained in a very suspicious mood all day, refuses food & medicine & threatens to strike if meddled with.

3 d May. Better today. Last nights attack was just like D. T's - He is very subject to such attacks he says. He constantly hears voices telling him to do this or that.

4 th May. Last night Mr Rudges gas was turned off at 10 O'Clock, & there was a small fire left in his room. at half past ten he burned a newspaper in the middle of his floor. He was very restless all night. - He says he saw the night attendant standing in his room with a sword in one hand & 2 pistols in the other. He says that when his gas was turned off he heard a voice say, "light some paper." & he got up & did so. He says he feels insects dropping on him from the air. He says he sent for "vomitaries" (emetics) to the asssit. Physician several times today by a man named Professor McCoan (Professor Munro?) & that a rope was let down from the ceiling and about a dozen vomitaries taken from the Professor when on his way to Mr Rudge with them.

5 th May. Mr Rudge burned a book last night, on his carpet before going to bed. Mr Rudge seems to have hallucinations of smell & taste. He says every thing he eats or drinks tastes of alum, and has a peculiar smell which he cant describe.

9 th May. Mr Rudge was today discharged as a Voluntary patient and admitted under certificates & Sheriffs order. The ~~Petition~~ application to the Sheriff is signed by his brother, Joseph Rudge.

No. 1863. The Statement gives the following particulars:— Age 47. Single. Of no occupation for 16 years. Cause of illness - indulgence in drugs. No member of his family known to have been insane. He is neither epileptic nor suicidal & is believed not

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1864.

Agnes Nivinson.

Admitted: 9th May: 1884. 1865.

37 years old single protestant.
Not first attack. Insane for 17 years. Supposed cause "a fever." Neither epileptic suicidal nor dangerous
J. Mowat M.D. says "She lay in bed shaking her head & occasionally vomited without apparent cause. When asked why she did so she said the atmosphere thickened the blood. She then lay sullen & refused to answer.
Anstruther Davidson M.D. says, At the time of my visit she was somewhat morose & sullen & free from the attacks she so often takes Sometimes she refuses to answer; at other times the answers had no relation to the questions asked.

On admission Miss Nivinson was in a very feeble & anaemic condition. There is a general atonic condition of the whole body. She was given a mixture containing Citrate of Iron & Quinine with some Liquor Strychnia on which she seems to be picking up a little flesh 19 July
June 6 1884. Miss Nivinson is getting a little stronger
24. 7. 1884 Miss Nivinson has passed out of her melancholy condition and is a good deal more contented with herself She knits, sews, and writes letters. Her anaemia has vanished to a considerable extent under the use of Iron 21. 6. 95. 7. 8. 9. 18. 12. 8

Discharged Recovered. 31st July. 1884.

Revd James Blackwood.

1865.

Admitted. 13th May. 1884.

A Voluntary patient.

Mr Blackwood is a native of the North of Ireland. He was educated at Belfast & Trinity College, Dublin. He is a clergyman of the Episcopal Church. He resided for many years in Australia, & of late near Newcastle upon Tyne.

His age is years. He is of average height and his body is fairly nourished. His hair is quite grey, & he is bald on the crown. His bodily health is fair. He suffers from an inguinal hernia on the right side. Mentally he is very weak. His memory is very defective indeed. When admitted he had forgotten where he came from. He sometimes speaks of having preached yesterday in Australia. The writer is seen by him every day, yet sometimes when questioned on the point Mr B. cannot remember having seen him.

19th May. Mr Blackwood has quite settled down he is very pleasant, gives little trouble and is easily managed.

21. 5. 84. Mr Blackwood's memory is very bad. He forgets to-day what he was told yesterday. He is quiet and very grateful for everything which is done for him.

25. 7. 84. To-day Mr Blackwood was visited by his brother whom he had not seen for many years. He was considerably excited and restless, but after the visit was finished calmed down & returned fervent thanks aloud to God in the day room of his Gallery for his brother's visit.

8. 9. 84. Mr Blackwood seems to be becoming weaker mentally his memory is very defective, and he is very emotional often bursting into tears over trivial occurrences. He constantly asks for pills and says he will die, if his bowels don't move once a day. He is growing stouter.

18. 12. 84. This patient shows no improvement mentally. Forgets everything he says or does very soon. He has increased a good deal in weight. Is inclined to sleep during the day. Imagines that he has disorders of various of his internal organs E.g. Gravel. Stone etc.

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1866.

John George Douglas.
admitted 19th May. 1884.

Age 36. Single. Custom House Clerk - Presbyterian.
He lives at Hartlepool where he was found. He was examined at Dumfries. He has been 6 years insane. This is his first attack. The cause is said to have been over study. He is not epileptic & is not known to be suicidal or dangerous. His father had a "severe attack of nervousness" produced by over study, from which he recovered in 4 or 5 years.

Medical Certificate :—

19. 5. 84. W. S. Kerr. "Absent vacant expression, imbecile. Talks constantly and quite incoherently."

19. 5. 84. W. J. H. Dryden. "His expression is dull & stupid, he says that he has several times proposed marriage to the Princess of Wales. He also says that he has no friends or relatives alive."

Mr Douglas is a man of low stature and is rather stout. His face is pale, fat & flabby. His hair & eyes are dark. His bodily health is fair.
Mentally he is is very weakminded.

10. 6. 84. Mr Douglas is very apathetic and sleeps a great deal during the day. His appetite is good. He rarely talks unless questioned.

29. 6. 84. Mr Douglas has not made any great improvement since his admission. though he does not mention his delusions.

10. 1. 85. There is no change in this patient. He sleeps a great deal, and takes no notice of what goes on around him.

1863.

not to be dangerous.

The Medical Certificates are as follows.

Dr. W. S. Kerr. 7.5.84. No. 1. "He is restless, dejected, & melancholic, Has delusions and is much troubled with noises in the head. Has been an opium eater for some time."

Dr. MacDonald. 7.5.84. "He is very melancholy and depressed and says he will die if he does not get morphia, at once, from angina Pectoris, which is a delusion. He is a confirmed opium taker."

12th May. Mr Rudge has been a good deal agitated for the last few days on account of being certified. He has the idea at present that he suffers from Angina Pectoris, which he says can only be relieved by Morphia.

15th May. Mr Rudge is much happier now. He walks out daily, sometimes with an attendant, sometimes with a companion patient.

23rd May. Mr Rudge is much agitated about not receiving a letter from his brother which he has expected for some time — Also because he is not to be allowed into town with "Professor" Munro, to whom he has become closely attached — A very trifling cause depresses Mr Rudge very much, & when this occurs he cries like a child, the tears run down his cheeks.

24th July. Mr Rudge went to Kirkmichael for a change on 12th June and returned on 21st July. He has derived much benefit from the change. The quantity of Morphia taken by him now is a grain & a half twice a day. He is depressed & was so when at Kirkmichael. He says he will die very soon, imagines he looks very ill, thinks he is but skin & bone, whereas he looks very well. He imagines people talk about his approaching death, even when at meals with him, therefore he prefers taking his meals alone.

25th July. This morning Mr Rudge told his attendant that during the night he had tried to hang himself with his handkerchief to the gas pipe but finding it too painful he did not persevere. A piece of cord was found on his bed. Though the story was not believed it was thought advisable to have him more closely watched and he has

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been removed to the Infirmary.

26th July. Mr Rudge denies having ever attempted suicide and says he did not know what he was saying. To day his morphia is entirely withdrawn and he gets 3ij Tincture of Coca three times a day.

27th July. He is complaining very much of being harshly treated in being confined, is not taking much food & craves for Morphia. —

28th July. Still begging Morphia or Chloral for God's sake has taken best little food. Pulse normal.

29th — Warm bath 20 min. He is excited today, says he will die soon if Morphia is not given them. Smashed two panes of glass. Slept a little last night. No food.

30th Vomited a little through the night. Slept a little. Warm bath. 20 min. Lies in bed today, refuses food. Pulse 90, not strong. Drank 2 pints of milk today.

31st Troubled with diarrhoea last night, better this Warm bath morning. On entering his room he lay with 20 min. eyes closed, & did not answer when spoken to. Drank two pints of milk when threatened with stomach tube. At 2 o'clock refused to drink. till tube & attendants were brought when he drank a pint of beef tea & ~~2 eggs~~ in it. At 6 he drank under similar compulsion 2 pints milk, in which were 3 eggs & 1oz Brandy.

1st August. Mr Rudge asked for an ordinary breakfast this morning & made a very fair one. He complains of all food offered them having a strong smell Warm bath. which he cannot describe. He had a plate of soup at mid-day, & in the evening made a good supper. —

2nd Aug. Made two fairly good meals today. He still begs piteously for narcotics, for one last dose, after which he will give them up for ever.

3rd Aug. Has a good breakfast. Complains of insects dropping on him from the air or ceiling. also of holes or secret cavities in the walls. desires the room to be kept nearly darkened. Had a good supper.

4th Aug. Progressing favourably. Makes two good

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meals a day - Sleeps fairly well. Is still very discontented but does not crave for morphia so much. This morning the gasalier in his bedroom was found broken and a handkerchief lying beside it. He refuses to explain but he evidently wishes it to be thought that he has been attempting suicide. Has a warm bath every day. & continues the Liquid Coca.

10th August 1884. Smashed a pane of glass today by throwing a tumbler through it. Refuses to speak occasionally. Takes his food well. Had a walk of 4 miles yesterday afternoon.

4 Sept. 84. Mr Rudge complains a great deal of sleeplessness, and declares he hears the clock strike every hour of the night but he is often found asleep by the night watch, though his sleep is broken & never very sound. To-day he went a five mile walk: after he had walked ten minutes he began to say he could go no farther on account of his weakness. He reiterated this assertion for the next half-hour, but afterwards began to walk well & fast and at the conclusion declared he could do it all over again. He says that since he has had no Morphia, his senses of smell & hearing have become extremely acute.

12 Sept 84. This evening Mr Rudge was weighed & reached 11st. 12lbs. He came to the card party & was very agreeable. He is allowed parole within the grounds. One night this week, when he was in bed he cried for morphia and cursed volubly when it was denied him.

14. Sept 84. He has had a slight twinge of gout in his left big toe but it is yielding to Vin Colch & Alkalies, and has almost disappeared

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Margaret Milburn. a Voluntary. Admitted. May 27. 1884.
Sanction by Board of Lunacy dated May 24. 1884 is signed
by Dr arthur. Mitchell.
Miss Milburn's physical condition on admission is
very good. her digestive system is fairly normal.
There is a slight tremor (alcoholic) of the tongue.

June 1. 1884. Miss Milburn is much improved. There are no alcoholic
tremors now. and she bears well the deprivation of all
stimulants. She is agreeable and joins in all the amuse-
ments of the place.

June 28. Miss Milburn's improvement continues. She has taken
sewing class in hand, which is progressing well.

July 25th. Miss Milburn is in very good health & takes a great interest
in some of Mr. Cadby patients. She still continues her Sewing
class.

Aug. 8th 84. Miss Milburn continues to improve. A few days
ago she wished to get away on pass to visit
her sisters for some days, but acting on the
advice of the Superintendent she did not go.
When outside she cannot control herself. On
two occasions lately, at pleasure parties she
partook of alcoholic liquors.

Sept 14. 84. To-day 5 1/2 p.m. Miss Milburn was found in a half-unconscious state
in her room. Her face was flushed, her expression was con-
fused, and speech somewhat incoherent. The pulse was rapid
(about 120 per min) and full. The tongue was slightly tremulous
and white. There was a strong odour, somewhat similar to
that of Brandy (and Wine) but not distinctly that. At 7. p.m. the face
was more flushed. the pulse still being rapid. During the
day she had complained of pain in the occipital & upper
spinal regions. (She says that she suffers from this pain
every three months & has been in the habit of taking Morphia
to soothe it.). She denies having taken anything of a stimulant
or narcotic nature during the day, and a diligent search
of her effects has discovered nothing of the kind.

Sept. 15. 84. To-day this patient is herself again. She says the head-
-ache has left her and she feels quite well again
During the night her sleep was profound, and unbroken

31. Oct. 84. To-day. Miss Milburn discharged herself

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Helen Clark Elliott

Admitted June 6. 1884.

Age 45. Married. Protestant. 47 Rosedale Terrace. Newcastle on Tyne.
First attack: duration three months. supposed cause - change of life.
Is neither epileptic or dangerous to others. is suicidal. An aunt of hers has been insane.
J. Dryden M.R.C.S.L. says" She is very melancholy & despondent & will not engage in conversation: she looks dull & dejected & will not take her food.
Alexander Thomson M.D. says" She is in a depressed & melancholy condition. refuses to engage in conversation or if so only in monosyllables.

7. 6. 84. On admission Mrs Elliott was in a feeble condition; she seems ill-nourished & anaemic; has chest deformity & weak action of the heart. though no organic lesion is at present detectable. She had an attack of Rheumatic fever several years ago. She is very melancholic & is with difficulty persuaded to eat.

30. 6. 84. Mrs Elliott is making a slow but noticeable improvement.

10. 7. 84 Mrs Elliott is eating & sleeping better but has many delusions. she thinks all the people here are spirits & that she is the only bodily being. She believes (falsely) that she is struck by many people, and is exceedingly capricious in the opinions she holds of those she meets. She is taking Strychnia (1/30 dose of the Strych.) and Quassia

8. 8. 84. Mrs Elliott has been suffering for the last three weeks with a carbuncle over the left scapula. She has been confined to bed & is still very weak but during the past week has improved considerably in strength. She was visited by her husband a few days ago. She now gets 2 grs Cinchonidi three times a day & plenty of milk & drink.

29. 8. 84 Mrs Elliott is much better. Up today.

8. 9. 84 Mrs. Elliott has a weak ulcer on the back of the left shoulder. It is treated with Calomel Lotion 3ss to ℥j Aq.

10. 10. 84 Mrs Elliott's back is better. Her mental condition has improved; her delusions are not so manifest, though she is still depressed & likes to be alone. She has been visited lately by her husband. but did not appear to have been benefitted by his visit. she is eating better.

15. 12. 84 Discharged Recovered.

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1869 Alexander Denny Tolmie Admitted June 27. 1884

A transfer from Murray Royal Asylum Perth.
Age 42. Single. Formerly a Clerk. Protestant. First attack
Cause ~~unknown~~. Heredity. Not epileptic but suicidal & dangerous
Dr. A. R. Urquhart says "He is highly delusional in regard
to his health & conduct, that he is subject to homicidal
& suicidal impulses & generally weak-minded
The Sanction by the Board of Lunacy, dated June 21. 1884
is signed by Commissioner Mitchell.
Date of Sheriff's order is April 9. 1867.

28. 6. 84. Mr. Tolmie is in good bodily health. He has two small sebaceous cysts on his head, and the tip of his left thumb is wanting the result of an accident many years ago. He is quiet & contented and likes his new residence and declares that he must now finish "the testimony" which he has laboured at for years. He is very reticent and will not speak to the other patients.

18. 7. 84. Mr Tolmie's mental condition is so far one of repose; he keeps himself to himself and will not converse unless first spoken to. he is fond of reading & declares that the only things he cares for are sober books, sober talk and quiet country walks.

23. 7. 84. Mr Tolmie seems contented. He keeps himself to himself & does not join in any amusements.

8. 8. 84. No change to report in Mr Tolmie's condition

12. 8. 84. Mr Tolmie since last report ~~does~~ has been removed from table d'Hôte & now has his meals in the Infirmary. He jumped up from the table at breakfast one day, in an excited state, rushed out of the room, banging the door, & in passing the door at which stands the waiters table he pushed it & knocked over a couple of coffee urns, milk, sugar &c. His reason for all this is that the ladies at the other end of the table were indulging in prurient conversation. Of course there was no foundation for such a statement.

27 a Mr Tolmie smashed a tumbler with great violence against the floor when spoken

to in a gentle manner by his attendant. He fancied the attendant had ordered him to do something.

8-9-84. Mr Tolmie is allowed to do the work of cleaning his own room, from which he says he derives much satisfaction as it employs him usefully and helps him to live nearer his ideal. At the morning visit he often presents the doctor with numerous cuttings from the newspapers. He then commences to talk about various subjects, such as the history of people he has formerly known, His language is good, and it is rather difficult to make him stop, as when he has finished one short, he starts off at once with another. He never looks at the person he is addressing, but out of the window or on the floor. Outside he walks around the grounds at a very fast speed, as if he were walking against time

12 Dec 84. Mr Tolmie has been quiet since last notice. He spends several hours daily writing his "testimony." He is usually pleasant and talkative but occasionally sees what he thinks is an offensive proceeding towards himself in the daily work of others e.g. he imagines that the washing of dishes, which he hears when his door is open, a pantry being not far off, is done in such a manner as to make him lose his "sanity." He eats well, and takes regular exercise

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John Hector

Admitted June 30. 1884.

A Transfer from Morningside Asylum. Edinburgh.
Age 40 Unmarried. Formerly a Banker. Protestant. Has been insane for two and a half years. First attack. Cause Over-study & Syphilis. Neither epileptic a suicidal but dangerous. Dr J. S. Clouston says "He labours under the following insane delusions viz that the Asylum is an Institution kept up by an Anglo-Indian conspiracy to ruin him, that I give him poison in his food to stupify him & that I allow fiends to be brought into his bedroom at night for improper purposes while he is asleep.
Sanction of Lunacy Board is signed by Dr Mitchell 25 June 1884

13. 7. 84. Mr Hector bears traces of syphilitic blood poisoning: a syphilitic eruption is just disappearing from his skin. Otherwise he is in good bodily health.
Mr Hector still believes that he is visited at night by persons for improper purposes. He is discontented & wishes to be changed from one Gallery to another.

18. 7. 84. Thinks that no benefit to his health will accrue from his further confinement. To-day he refused to eat his dinner

21. 7. 84. Mr Hector is a little quieter to-day. He converses quite sensibly, except on the subject of his "night disturbances". He asserts that last night he was disturbed six times by people coming into his bed for improper purposes. When he awakes they are gone, but return as soon as he falls asleep again. He has still a slight eruption of a papular form upon the fingers of his right hand. He takes gr v. Pot. Iod. & gr XV. Iod. Brom. t. d. s. His appetite is good & he eats well.

24. 7. 84. Mr Hector still complains of people visiting him at night, & demands that this be put an end to.

8. 8. 84. Mr Hector is still very much annoyed by his nocturnal visitors. Complains bitterly of such things being allowed. Says he will act for himself if annoyed much longer.

16. 8. 84. Mr Hector is to-day removed to the S. C. A. for a change & a little work. It is hoped that if he is sent to bed tired every night he may have undisturbed rest.

29. 8. 84. Mr Hector has had hard work daily on the farm since last note. He has taken

John Hector —

20 grs. Iodide of Potassium 3 times a day for the last fortnight — This treatment does not seem to benefit him. He says his food is poisoned — today refused to work. —

8. 9. 84. Mr Hector made a great deal of noise last night, declaring that persons had been introduced into his bed to annoy him. He has made violent accusations against the officials on this point.

10. 11. 84. Mr Hector is now daily employed at work which he does thoroughly. This, however, does not seem to have had the desired effect of giving him restful nights as he declares he is more disturbed than ever by "genital irritation without contact & genital irritation with contact"

11. 12. 84. This patient complains that he is still greatly annoyed at night. He has been ordered 3j doses of Bromide of Potassium

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Alexander Hyder McKenzie

Admitted 2 July 1884.

Dacre Sheriffs Order 25th Feby 1884.

A transfer from Aberdeen Asylum. Age 27 years. Single. A Medical Practitioner. First attack of about 15 months' duration. Cause said to be over study & a weak constitution. Neither suicidal, epileptic, nor dangerous. He is the son of the Revd A.D. McKenzie, F.C. manse Kilmorack near Beauly.

Dr Jamieson Aberdeen Asylum says. "He is liable to frequent excitements with an undue estimation of his physical and mental abilities".

Dr McKenzie seems much pleased at being sent here says it is a paradise compared with Aberdeen & does not give flattering accounts of the treatment he received there, such statements are discouraged as much as possible. Dr McK. has been a Medical Missionary & was in Palestine for some time at work, but illness caused by excessive heat perhaps sent him home & he has not been well since. He now says he is as well as he has ever been, bodily & mentally.

6.7.84. He went to Kirkmichael today.

4.8.84. He returned today. He has derived considerable benefit from the change.

12th August 84. Dr McKenzie is today discharged relieved and readmitted as a Voluntary.

He seems to be improving but he is not quite well. There is a certain want of firmness & decision in what he says and in a slight tremor of the lips in speaking. There is a "something" about him which makes one fear paralysis although no definite signs of it are present.

18. Oct. 84. Discharged himself.

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1872. Elizabeth Hutton

Admitted 7. July 1884.

Age 34. Married. Protestant. 19 Leazes Terrace Newcastle. Has been insane for about 10 days. First attack. Postnatal Overlactation & Anxiety about her children. Neither epileptic nor dangerous but suicidal.

Date of Sheriff's Order 8 July 1884 signed by D B. Hope.

Dr A. Thomson says. "Her general appearance and restless nervous condition indicate insanity; thinks she has ruined herself on account of her wickedness.

J. H. Dryden LR C.S.I.E. says "She is dull & depressed & does not talk rationally. She is very anxious about her children & thinks she has failed in her duty towards them.

13. 7. 84. Mrs Hutton is in an anaemic condition probably due to Overlactation. She is being treated with Fer. & Quin. Cit. Her Digestion is disordered. Otherwise she is healthy.
She is very emotional & wishes to see her children, saying she has not done her duty to them.

18. 7. 84. Mrs Hutton complains of sleeplessness; and is still very prone to cry when she is asked if she is better. She maintains she will never get better, and it would be better if she hadn't been born.

20-7-84 Mrs Hutton is much better & slept better last night. Last evening she was down at the Queens Court & also played croquet.

24. 7. 84. Mrs Hutton's improvement continues. She is sleeping better, & shews a greater desire to mingle with the other patients. She comes to table d'hôte and is quiet & well behaved.

8.8.84. Mrs Hutton is not improving. She complains of constipation & says matter sometimes comes from her bowels. She is to have a colocynth pill occasionally and 5grs. Pulv Nucis Vom. & 8grs. bismuth three times a day.

20.8.84. Mrs Hutton is much better. She was lately visited by her husband.

2. 9. 84. Dr Rutherford has ordered. ℥j of doses of Syrupi Ferri Iodidi and with m̄v Liq. Strychniae t. d. s. Her mental condition is brighter. & she now attends all the amusements.

30. 9. 84. Mrs Hutton is to-day discharged Recovered.

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John Hill

Admitted 10 July 1884

Age 30. Unmarried. Episcopalian. Has been insane for 2-3 months. First attack. Cause probably Phthisis Pulmonalis. Neither suicidal epileptic or dangerous.

Date of Sheriff's order. 11 July 1884 signed by D. B. Hope.

A. Thomson M.D. says "He is under the delusion that he is followed about by people, who pass currents of electricity through him. He hears voices talking to him & many other unaccountable noises"

J. H. Dryden. L.R.C.P. says "He imagines that he is followed by certain persons, who mesmerise him & annoy him by passing currents of electricity through him.

13. 7. 84 Mr Hill suffers from Phthisis Pulmonalis. He has a large cavity in the Right Infraclavicular Region. His thorax is deformed. The Sternum & lower ribs are depressed while the upper part of the chest is projecting. He still hears imaginary voices speaking to him but they are not so frequent as formerly. He is not so much troubled about the electrical delusions as on admission.

15. 7. 84. Mr Hill is more settled, and is very agreeable. He has parole and is for the present a bosom companion of Mr Gubbe, stories of continental travel being a strong bond of sympathy between them. He is not much troubled with his lung affection, & does not cough. He still hears the voices though not so often as at first.

21. 7. 84. Mr Hill comes to table d'hôte and joins in all the amusements he has parole, he is quiet & gentlemanly. He is in the 4th East Gallery.

23. 7. 84. Mr Hill complains that he is very much disturbed at night both by voices & also by electric shocks. He feels the floor of his bedroom sometimes as if red hot.

26. 7. 84. Mr Hill complains a great deal of the voices which have annoyed him almost constantly during the last two nights. During the day, especially when in company and whilst conversing, their frequency is comparatively slight. He takes 3ij of N. Mixt. twice a day for his lung affection.

29. 8. 84. Mr Hill has ceased to complain of the voices. When asked about them he says they annoy him very much, but it is thought they are not so troublesome as they were.

12: 12·84. Mr Hill still complains of being electrified and shocked and of hearing voices. He occasionally becomes excited at night and uses strong language about the officials who ought to, but will not prevent these disturbances. His bodily health continues well, there having been apparently no extension of the lung mischief. He has a capital appetite and takes daily exercise

Brinsley Sheridan Homan — admitted 17th July 1874 — a Gentleman, formerly Magistrate in Australia — from Age when he was visiting his sister & the Husband (Mr Cunningham Govr Belmont House Age) Aged 73. single, known 2 days first attack — Insane Facies — Intellect, incoherent. States that he imagines himself a spirit & the Devil — Physical Examination reveals nothing special

Mr Homan is a gentlemanly looking man of height 5ft 1in & weight 138lb looks scarcely his age. Grey rather sparse — grey — toothless. On admission Mr H is a state of mild excitement, talking rapidly, but quite coherently on various subjects particularly of recent incidents in his Continental Excursions. Went to bed quietly —

18th Passed a quiet & fairly good night — While dressing broke out in a violent paroxysm of excitement, threw the contents of his portmanteau about his room (No 11 Upper Floor) & his valet at the attendants Head. Remained in Confinement Ward. where he passed the day in a state of mild excitement. Ord: Mist: Mor: Ph & Sa.

19th Did not sleep well. Was — mildly excited during the fore part of the day but afterwards became very talkative His talk was of religious subjects entirely. He took his food fairly well. At night he was removed to the Male Infirmary

20th Did not sleep well. In the morning he was much excited and swore and prayed by turns and declared that there had been a man in his bed during the night for improper purposes. He imagined that he saw some people in the room, who were not present. His face was flushed skin hot, breathing quickened. 30 per min. pulse 90 per min. Took his food well during the day. Bowels were moved once. The motions were hard. The Sol. Mur. Morph was stopped as it seemed to excite him.

21st This morning Mr Homan is quieter. His breathing and pulse are still somewhat quickened. His sleep was restless last night and during the morning day he has been taking short naps of sleep. He did not take his breakfast of Tea. Fish & Bread & Butter, but drank half a pint of milk with an egg beaten up in it. ℥j of Castor Oil was ordered him. He is under the care of a special attendant (Brown). In the afternoon he was sent out walking with his attendant. He took no dinner nor tea. He was sent out walking again in the evening He was very noisy and talked a great deal of nonsense. He has numerous delusions of identity. He was discovered masturbating in the morning, and his language was obscene

22nd Passed a restless night was constantly getting out of bed, talked and shouted a good deal. Walked out with attendant forenoon and afternoon. Took no breakfast. a plate of soup, a

Brinsley Sheridan Homan. (Continued)

very small piece of meat, and some pudding for dinner, and no tea. He has been very noisy all day. Bowels moved. Pulse 100. Skin moist.

23·7·84. Slept about 3 hours last night, very restless towards morning. Refused his breakfast this morning. Pulse 95. Skin cool & moist. He is very excited, talking & shouting constantly. Walked out in forenoon. Refused dinner. Walked out again in afternoon. Had a pint of milk with a large piece of bread steeped in it, at tea time. Shortly afterwards he drank another pint of milk & at supper time drank half a pint & had a little porridge. Seems quieter towards bed time and inclines to sleep. Quiet at 10 o'clock.

24·7·84. Passed a very bad night, throwing the clothes off and rolling about constantly. Bowels moved freely. Appears exhausted this morning, not caring to walk or shout, is hoarse. At 8.30 fed with tube, (2 eggs, 1 pint milk, 1 oz. Whisky) Pulse 90 weaker than yesterdays. Fed again at 2·~~30~~ & appears a little stronger & again at 6.

25·7·84. Another bad night, very restless. Appears stronger this morning & drank the feed, Was very restless all forenoon. Walked in the evening (7 PM) & had another feed at 8 p.m. Drank second feed at 2 o'clock—

26·7·84. Passed another restless night. Took his breakfast at 9 a.m. Was dressed but became so noisy and restless that he was put to bed at 12 o'clock, and received half a pint of beef tea with a tablespoonful of Maltine in it. A ½ p. of Maltine is to be added to each of his feeds of Milk, Eggs & Whiskey. Pulse 90 feeble and compressible. Voice hoarse from frequent shouting. Received his second and third feeds of Eggs & Milk at 2 p.m & 7 p.m. Was a little quieter in the evening. Pulse 84.

27·7·84. Slept but little & is this morning much as he was yesterday. Strength keeping up. Pulse 90. Fed with tube at 10 a.m. (milk, eggs, whiskey & Maltine) He cannot be kept covered & is threatened with a little bronchitis & therefore a Cooked dress is to be used today. Had Milk eggs ~~&c~~ etc at 2 and again at 8 p.m. Had Beef Tea & Maltine at 6 p.m. All these feeds were with the tube.

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28. 7. 84. Did not sleep much during the night, but was not so active & restless as during the previous nights. Talks less than formerly Pulse is a little stronger and tongue cleaner. The Bowels moved freely. Was fed by the pipe at 9. 2. & and 8 o clock.

29. 7. 84 Has a better night, & seems stronger and quieter today fed by pipe. at 9. 2. 6.30. and 10 oclock. He is still in locked room with locked dress on.

30. 7. 84. Much the same as he was yesterday. Requires the pipe at every feed —

31. 7. 84. Seems much stronger. Resists the pipe strongly this morning, but wont feed. Slept a little last night & keeps his coverings on better. Was restless towards afternoon evening. Fed as usual. —

2d August. M.r Homan is if anything better today. His pulse is slower 80. per min. & of good characta. He has still to be fed by the pipe & kept in a single room with a locked dress on —

4th August. M.r Homan since last note has considerably improved He answers questions occasionally. Today he took some milk & an egg. in the morning, some beef tea at mid day, & half a cup of tea & a small piece of bread in the evening. He has been removed to a nice room, put into an ordinary bed, and the locked dress discarded.

8th August Not so well this morning, though he had a good night. Refuses food & was fed by pipe at breakfast time. — Fed again by pipe at dinner time In the evening drank a pint of milk with an egg & 1oz. whiskey.

9th. Had a good night. Drank a cup of tea & eat an egg & a slice of bread for breakfast.

11th. Much better today. wants to get up. Taking food well.

17th M.r Homan is very much better. Talks quite sensibly & pleasantly & is up every day. Has a good appetite. Today he is removed to a private room in High North. He now comes to Table d'hote.

10 Sept. M.r Homan is very active. He has parole outside the grounds which he uses freely, taking walks into Dumfries every morning. He considers that he has been wrongfully certified and intends to take legal proceedings against

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1875.

Robert Sutton. Admitted 22nd July. 1884.
Of no occupation but formerly a farmer.
He comes from the residence of his brother Stanwix near Carlisle.
Mr Sutton is a Voluntary Patient.
Age. 47. Single. Ten years ago gave up farming & since then he has lived with his brother.
Medical Facts:- Depression. Says his health has been very seriously injured by salivation with Mercury given for Eczema of the legs from which he has long suffered. —
Physical Condition:

23rd July. Mr Sutton complains that he is a very bad sleeper & has had recourse to Laudanum on several occasions. Last night he asked for a sleeping draught. & 30grs Bromide of Sodium were given. He slept well & this morning slept a while on his sofa. In the afternoon was again found asleep. He is to take plenty of open air exercise & to avoid the sofa.

24th July. Slept well last night without draught.

25th July. Slept well. Is quite contented, & joins with interest in the bowling at which he excels.

26th July. Getting on very well. Sits at 2nd Table d'Hote.

8.8.84 Mr Sutton is very quiet & contented. Seems pleased with the place. He is still very fond of the sofa but avoids it pretty well.

29th Mr Sutton is getting fat. He is much better mentally, more cheerful.

27.10.84 Mr Sutton has been much excited lately by delusions concerning Satan, whom, he avers, comes to his bedside nearly every night. He says God Jesus Christ told him to leave the Institution, and therefore he gave notice to leave.

29.10.84 To-day Mr Sutton was certified. The delusions continue.

1876. William Gray. Admitted 23rd July. 1884.
A Farmer from Muncraig, Borgue, near Kirkcudbright
58 years of age. Single. a Protestant. First attack
of ten days duration. Cause not known. Neither
epileptic, suicidal, nor dangerous.
Medical Facts:- He is very slightly excited, perfectly
coherent. Has a strong dislike to light. Says
all his people at home are either drunk or have
lost their senses.
Physical Condition: Height Weight. He is
a well nourished and powerful man. He has a
foul tongue, impaired digestion and constipated
bowels, Otherwise he is in good bodily health.
23rd July. On admission he conversed most affably and
collectedly about himself, said he knew when
he was & thought it was ~~th~~ right that he
should stay here for a time. He took a
hearty tea & went to bed early & quietly.
24th July. Slept well last night, much better he says than
he has done for a long time. Says his illness
has been produced mainly by a fright caused
by lightning, but that he has not been well
for about 6 months. From his conversation one
would say he has been rather a fast liver,
especially with women. (Pil Hydrarg. & Pil Colocynth.
25th He pills acted effectually & he says he feels better
already. He exercises daily in the grounds and
occasionally plays bowls.
26th The pills repeated today with good effect. Tongue
cleaner. Pulse normal.
27th Mr Gray is progressing very favourably.
30th Aug. Mr Gray is quite rational in speech & conduct.
He comes to 1st Table d'Hote.
8:8:84. Mr Gray's physical health has much improved
His tongue is now clean & his bowels regular.
He gets 8 min. of Tinct Nucis Vom. three times a day.
Mentally he is still considerably off the
balance. He has a decree for spending
money lavishly. Offers to give large sums
to all & sundry.
20·8·84. Mr Gray is quite happy. His mental condition
is not quite normal though at times he is all right.

William Gray: (continued)

He walks out occasionally with an attendant He is fond of going into town. This seems to excite him. Yesterday he called at the Bank of Scotland & lodged a sum of money (£122-18-6) there to be advised to Castle Douglas. He had a long conversation with the Bank agent during which him to invest money for him. He also called at shops & gave large orders, at one place for 3 reaping machines, at another a suit of clothes for himself & one for his attendant.

21.8.84 Today he went to the Railway Station to meet his housekeeper. He was accompanied by his attendant. When starting he seemed slightly excited & rather annoyed at being accompanied by the attendant, he seems to have expected liberty to go alone. When the train arrived & it was found the woman had not come, he was much excited questioned the railway officials, examined the waiting rooms, when remonstrated with by the attendant for entering the ladies waiting room he threatened to strike him, & made him walk behind at a distance all the way home. —

22.8.84 To day without provocation Mr Gray threatened to strike another attendant whom he met in a passage in the house. He is very pleasant to his fellow patients & makes himself agreeable to all save one or two attendants. — Today the receipt (No 301) for £122-18-6 from the Bank of Scotland for £122-18-6 lodged by Mr Gray on the 19th Instant was sent to Mr Gray's nephew & Assignant. Adam Gray Esq. Jr. Ingleston, Borgue, Kirkcudbright.

6.9.84 Mr Gray's memory is very defective especially in regard to names, and also to persons.; e.g. he completely failed to recognize Mr Johnstone, Agent of the Bank of Scotland whom he had consulted with for nearly an hour last week concerning the investment of some money

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1877

Agnes Bunten or Paxton admitted July 25. 1884. Gentlewoman. From Kilmarnock (J. Bunten Nurseryhill Kilmarnock Husband) Age 68. Been insane over a year. Continuation of first attack. Has been here for a year. Medical Facts. Melancholy expression, delusions of impending calamities, sometimes refuses her food, & refuses to speak. Is a Stout plethoric woman of height & weight. Has a depressed expression, and usually sits with her arms folded gazing into vacancy. Physical condition is moderate: there is considerable flabbiness & atony of the tissues & a systolic murmur over the aortic area.

26th. Mrs Bunten passed a fair night. Takes her food fairly well. She is placed in the Female Infirmary. Her condition of mind is one of depression. She only speaks when questioned, & looks suspiciously at the questioner.

27th. Slept fairly well. Eating moderately well. Still very much depressed.

Aug. 3rd. Mrs Bunten is in much the same condition as when she was discharged. Will not speak, sits motionless in her chair, staring vacantly.

Aug. 23rd. Mrs Bunten has had a severe attack of diarrhoea which lasted a week. She is now in her usual state but looks thinner.

29. 84. Mrs Bunten remains silent and depressed. She is not sleeping well at nights. Eating moderately well.

10. 10. 84. There is little change in this lady's mental state. She was visited by her husband lately & conversed with him, but after his departure returned to her apathetic condition.

12. 12. 84. Mrs Bunten is a little better. Her expression is not so dull and she readily speaks when spoken to. ~~but not~~

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1878.

Thomas Rae.

Admitted 11th August: 1884.

A retired master mariner from Kirkcudbright.
Age said to be about 51, but he looks much older.
Marries, to a woman much younger than himself.
First attack of about 2 years duration, but much worse within the last 4 days. attempted suicide a few days ago by jumping into the River Dee=
Medical Facts. Depression, of a religious character, sleeplessness, inclination to solitude, tendency to suicide.

When admitted he was very dull, answered questions slowly, and in a hesitating manner. Eat his supper & went to bed quietly.

12: 8: 84. Passed a restless night. Eat a fair breakfast & then got up. Showed a tendency to mope about the gallery alone all day. Pil Colocynth Co. 2.

13th — Slept better, taking food badly, & seems very depressed. Bowels freely opened.

14th — Appetite a little better. Still a great wish for solitude, dislike mixing with his fellow patients.

20th. Seems a good deal better. Reads a good deal & assists in gallery work- Speaks more freely.

29th Mr Rae is nearly well.—

30. Oct. 84 Discharged Recovered

1880.

William Dinwiddie.

Admitted: 14th August 1884.

Age 76. Single. Of no occupation; was formerly a writer. Second attack, of three months duration. —

Medical facts. Great restlessness, excitement, incoherence. Nothing special about the physical condition except left hemiplegia.

15. 8. 84. Very restless all night, mostly out of bed. Feeding well. Bowels open.

16th — Still very restless & unsettled. Three months ago he had a stroke of paralysis affecting the left side. The side is still weak he walks with little lameness. The grasping power of the left hand is deficient, the reflexes are dull & there is impaired tactile sensibility on both sides.

23rd — Mr Dinwiddie is still very restless, he is now confined to bed in the hope that perfect quietness may benefit him. —

29th Still very restless when up for a while yesterday he was continually on the move.

3. 9. 84 Mr Dinwiddie does not sleep well, and is very unquiet, never staying in bed, unless when watched. He moves his hands about continually, and talks very incoherently.

4. 9. 84. There has been considerable diminution of the restlessness in this case during the last twenty four hours. He is calmer talks more sensibly & has slept better.

8. 9. 84. Mr Dinwiddie is still confined to bed; there has been no change in his mental condition since last report. He is still restless, and frequently leaves his bed to walk about his room.

25. 9. 84 This patient is now up every day. He is gaining flesh. His memory is defective. He did not recognize Dr Lorraine (whom he formerly knew) when the latter came to visit him.

10. 10. 84. There is a considerable improvement in this case since last notice. He takes an interest in all that goes on, & speaks very sensibly and rationally on current events. He is frequently visited by his sisters.

14. 1. 85 Has suffered from a slight catarrh of the bronchi during the last two or three days but is now better.

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1881

Elizabeth Brown. - (Voluntary)

Admitted: 19th August: 1884.

Age - Single - a lady of no occupation

Medical Facts:- Depression. anxiety about her health. Sleeplessness Probably abuse of chloral or other narcotics. There is a tumour in the left breast as big as a large egg probably cancerous. The glands in the armpit are not affected. She suffers from dyspepsia & constipation. Pupils contracted.

20th. Passed a comfortable night. Takes plenty of food. Is very anxious lest the doctors should underestimate the gravity of her case.

24th. Miss Brown spends a good deal of each day out of doors. She sleeps fairly well eats well. She is still "nervous", anxious, & depressed. Her breath is very foul, her bowels constipated. She gets 3ss Easton's Syrup of Hypophosphites a day. & a dose of Gregory's mixture occasionally. ———

29th Dr Scott saw Miss Brown a few days ago. He thinks the growth is not cancerous, that it is just an "irritable breast". She is to use a Liniment of Aconite & Belladonna -

11.9 Miss Brown complains of her sleep being much broken. She has had gr XXX of Pot. Brom. at bedtime for the last four nights. She is eloquent upon her ailments, and likes to have something new every day in the shape of medicine to move her bowels

10.10.84 This lady continues much the same. She discusses her abnormal 'nerves' and 'sensations' at all times. with anyone who will listen to her, considers herself the most peculiar case in the world, wishes to try every remedy she can think of from Chloroform dropped on the top of her head to "a few shrewd remarks" made to her before she gets out of bed. Has suffered little pain from her breast. The rubbing of the Breast with Ointment has been discontinued.

10.12.84 There is some improvement in this case. She does not talk so much of the 'nerves of the stomach' to which she used to attribute all her troubles. She has an excellent appetete, but will not masticate her food properly. Takes daily exercise.

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1882

Janet Steel

Admitted Aug. 30. 1884.

age 42 Married. Gentlewoman from Annan. (George Steel, Newington Lodge Annan. Husband) Second Attack. Has ~~been~~ been ill six days. Age on first attack 25yrs. Cause. Overanxiety & Excitement about a bazaar of which she was chairwoman. Medical Facts. Excitement Irrationality of Speech. Destructive Threatening to strike. Hallucinations of Vision

Mrs Steel is a tall healthy gentlewoman; well-developed and suffering from no bodily ailment

30·8·84. When admitted Mrs Steel was in a state of Acute Mania talking incoherently, shouting abuse at everyone, who entered her gallery, and moving about continually.

1·9·84. She did not sleep well, and was noisy during the night. The mania still continues.

3·9·84. There is a marked diminution in the acuteness of the mania. She is more rational in her talk, and is eating fairly well. She is sleeping more.

5·9·84. Mrs Steels attack has passed off, and she now shows herself to be a very agreeable woman, and discusses her illness and the worry which caused it quite sensibly.

10·10·84. There is yet considerable flightiness about this lady & when contradicted on certain points, especially concerning her return home, she loses all her self-control and becomes abusive. When humoured, she is very pleasant to speak to.

22·10·84. Discharged Recovered

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1856

Catherine Hill or Easton (Continued from page 216)

8 · 9 · 84. There is little change in the mental condition of Mrs Easton. She is silent and moody; usually sits doing nothing but will sometimes work at her sewing, when told to do so. Her bodily condition is still impaired though there is a considerable diminution in the amount of Albumen in the Urine (it is now about one sixth). She still takes Iron (℥ℓ Tr. Ferr. Perchlor. t.d.s in Infus. Quass.)

10 - 12 - 84 Mentally there is no improvement in this case. She has been several times confined to bed with oedema of the feet She is now taking milk diet with a tumbler of warm milk in the morning.

1876.

William Grey (Continued from Page 310)

1874

1. 9. 84. Mr Grey was very abusive yesterday to an attendant whom he met exercising a patient in the grounds. He seems of an extravagant turn of mind, and wishes to have everything which he sees other patients have & which he does not own. He went into a shop in Dumfries and ordered a suit of clothes for himself & another for his attendant; then some horses from a horsedealer whom he met in the street. He complains a great deal (especially to his female acquaintances) of the way in which he has been treated during his residence here, though he makes no direct complaint.

2 Sept

2. Oct. 84 Mr Gray, who, since last entry, has been much quieter and more rational, was liberated to-day on probation for six months.

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1874 Brinsley Sheridan Homan (continued fr. page 305

all who were concerned in his confinement. He is very fastidious about his food, & is constantly declaring that he never gets enough, though he eats largely at the ordinary meals & has a luncheon in the forenoon and a meat supper. He is very dogmatic about trifles & irascible and abusive when his whims are not gratified. He addresses memoranda to his attendant on points of etiquette, which he thinks the latter has ~~dock~~ neglected. He has a tendency to repeat the same word four or five times when speaking as if he were not sure that it was the one he intended to use.

24 Sept. 81. For the last two days Mr Homan has been mentally worse. Usually neat in his dress to day he appeared with his waistcoat unbuttoned, his necktie awry, one cuff off and his trousers imperfectly suspended. His speech was rambling and unconnected, sentences about a Memoria Technica jumbled up with stories about his attendants. Yesterday he tried for a long time to fix his coat by means of rug straps to the windows to dry it, saying that was the only possible way to dry it. He wanders about his gallery much more than formerly.

26 Sept 81. Mr Homan is now in a state of considerable excitement. He moves about constantly, and talks & shouts incessantly. His pulse is quickened (100 per min. & strong), his face flushed, & his eyes are always moving, looking in every direction. There is a general tremor of the body & limbs. Last night he smashed a paine of glass. He did not sleep well.

27 · 9 · 81. did not sleep well: would take no breakfast except a glass of milk: talking a great deal, saying he is the Lord Chancellor, & that his attendant is a felon. etc. Was walked out in the afternoon for two hours by his attendant. Drank two pints of milk during the day.

28 · 9 · 81. Still incoherent and restless, throwing everything he can on the floor. Slept badly; ate fairly well.

29 · 9 · 81 Mr Homan passed another restless night. During the forenoon he had a walk. During the day he smashed several pieces of crockery. He talked a great deal of nonsense. He drank two pints of milk with four eggs beaten up in it.

30 · 9 · 81. Mr Homan remains in the same maniacal condition. He refuses to take his food himself, but can be fed with a spoon by his attendant. Passed another bad night.

2 · 10 · 81. Slept badly last night, throws all his bedclothes

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1883. Frances A Broadley (Voluntary)

Admitted Sep. 29. 1884. a gentlewoman from Glasgow (Mark Broadley Esq. 31. Buckingham Place Glasgow.) Age. 36. Single.

Medical Facts.

Physical Examination shows that the patient's general health is impaired. She is thin and ill-nourished.

Miss Broadley is a lady of height 5ft. 2½ins. weight 8st 7. Her hair is streaked with grey. her face sallow, and wrinkled her hands and face ~~covered~~ marked with many circular brown spots.

On admission no symptoms of mental derangement were observed. During the evening she paid a visit to some of the lady patients, talked with them, and played the piano She also eat fairly well.

30.9.84 Miss Broadley passed a fairly good night. In the morning she talked well, and answered questions rationally. She took exercise in the afternoon and was a spectator of the dance.

1.10.84. Miss Broadley did not sleep well last night. She says she did not sleep at all. In the afternoon she went out driving.

7.10.84. Miss Broadley remains quiet and shows only a little mental irritability. She asked two days ago to go home immediately, but this desire was not long continued. She attended the dance this evening, and took part in all the dances, conversing well during the evening

20.11.84 Miss Broadley has been well since last entry. She states she never sleeps at nights. gr. xxx of Chloral were given her last night, but she says she did not sleep.

25.11.84 Is becoming more depressed. Has not attended the amusements says she will never sleep again. Has not been eating well and is thinner.

30.11.84 Miss Broadley was visited by her brother a few days ago and was miserable after he left. regretting that she had not gone with him. Her appetite is poor and she declares she never sleeps. She is always awake when the night attendant comes.

7.11.84. Is still depressed & is eating very little. She says she never feels drowsy at all. & never sleeps. She has been ordered a glass of Portwine at bedtime.

12.12.84 Is a little better. Has two glasses of port wine during the day and two tumblers of milk & a drink every morning. Has been to the amusements this week

Discharged 30.1.85
10.1.85

Ordered ℥j ℈ Tr. Cocae. t.d.s. ante cibum
Is much improved 30.1.85. Discharged herself

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about and walks about his room talking continually of persons and things he imagines are in the room. His strength remains good.

4·10·84 Mr Homan is no better. still very restless and talkative Nee had another bad night Ate fairly well.

5·10·84. Was noisy all day, and in the evening was quite hoarse. Was ordered two eggs in milk with ℥j of Whiskey thrice a day extra Refused his food at night & was fed with the Stomach pipe. Slept badly

6·10·84. Passed another restless day and night Was fed three times with the pipe Got walking exercise morning and afternoon

7·10·84. This morning Mr Homan was very noisy after having a restless night. He was fed in the morning and afterwards was confined in a locked dress in a darkened room (Dr Keay) which had been useful in soothing him in his first attack. In the afternoon he was seen by Dr Murray. He was then much quieter than in the morning, the pulse being slower. In the evening ℥j of Castor oil was given him in his food. the bowels being constipated

8·10·84. Passed a quieter night than usual. The Castor Oil acted freely Fed by the pipe in the morning. Another egg at each feed, has been added. Fed at 2·30 and 9 p.m. Pulse 90. compressible.

9·10·84. To-day ℥ß of Maltine is added to Mr Homan's feeds. He was fed at 10 am 3. and 10 p.m by pipe. Pulse 100. reg. but compressible. Bowels moved twice. Had some sleep during the morning Seen by Dr Murray, Dumfries, who ordered ℥xl of Bromid Ammon. t.d.s.

10·10·84 Was quiet during the night & had some sleep. In the morning the pulse was 120 per. min. feeble & compressible. the tongue dry with a brown fur in the middle line. The Whiskey was increased to ℥viij in the day & another feed of Eggs Milk & Maltine ordered. Fed at 8·30 am. 2. p.m. 6·30 p.m & 10 p.m

11·10·84 Had a much better night and slept after midnight for a short time (1½ hours). Pulse 110 & strong in the morning. He was not so restless and talked unsibly at times recognising the attendants Was seen by Dr Murray. Was fed at 8·30 am 6·30 pm & 10 pm. At 2·30 he drank some of his feed out of a cup & asked for some beef tea which was given him. Pulse in the afternoon had fallen to 100 per min

12·10·84 Was rather worse this morning, repeating the same phrases and over & over again, and struggling a great deal. Was fed in the morning by the pipe. In the afternoon he asked for some soup, which was allowed. At 5. p.m he demanded some mince, which was given him

13·10·84 Mr Homan had a fairly good ~~night~~ night. In the morning the pulse was 110 strong. During the day he rose and dressed himself in his ordinary clothes and came into his sitting room in the High North, where he had his meals.

14·10·84 Did not sleep so well. Bowels moved twice during the day. Eating well. Dr Murray saw him. In the evening talked a great deal. Was put to bed early.

15·10·84 Slept better last night. Took his food well during the day. Was noisy in the morning and was therefore kept in bed during the day. Pulse remains strong.

16·10·84 Had a fair ~~night~~ good night. Was silent in the morning asking to be let alone. Ate well during the day. Bowels moved once.

17·10·84 Did not sleep so well last night. Bowels moved in the morning. Tongue moist and red. Pulse 100. strong.

18·10·84 To-day Mr Homan is much better and in the afternoon got up and dressed himself. He is much more rational, though in a very religious condition, imagining that he has been specially raised up to convert the inmates of the house, asking for the worst to be sent him first.

19·10·84 Last night Mr Homan slept in his own bed & passed a quiet night. He is much better this morning. His voice is still hoarse.

23·10·84 Mr Homan is now convalescent. He sleeps and eats well reads his newspapers and takes exercise when the weather permits.

1st 11 84 Mr Homan remains well. Is anxious to leave. At times he becomes mildly excited and talks rapidly and occasionally incoherently. His memory is not good. He has sometimes a general muscular tremor. Is eating well & takes plenty of exercise with his attendant.

15 1·85 To-day Mr Homan was liberated upon probation until July 15. 1885.

1884

Jessie Stevenson Parker admitted Oct 21. 1884

For particulars of history & state on admission of this case, see New form no 1884.

22 Oct 84 Miss parker passed a restless and sleepless night frequently rising from her bed, and knocking for the night watch. In the morning she was agitated complaining of voices speaking to her & preventing her sleeping. Ate fairly well.

23 Oct 84 Had another bad night. Is emotional & agitated, & complaining that things are being poured upon her head & that she is being poisoned by telescopes.

24 Oct 84 Had an attendant to sit up with her all night. Very restless. Face flushed. Pulse 100. in morning

25·10·84 Very Restless all day requiring constant attention. Had a ~~rest~~ sleepless night. At ~~8 p.m.~~ 8 p.m. a straight jacket was put on & she was placed in a single room in South Gallery

26·10·84 Another restless night. Pulse 90 in morning. Talking a great deal. Took a fair amount of food during the day.

27·10·84 Passed a sleepless night. a little quieter in the morning

28·10·84 Passed a bad night. Restless during the day & did not eat well

29·10·84 Passed a restless night. Talking a great deal during the day. Tongue dirty; bowels confined ℥j Ol Ricini ordered

30·10·84 Slept about three hours altogether last night. Restless during the day and attempting to escape from her attendants on every opportunity. She has delusions that friends of hers are at the door and she must see them.

1·11·84 Had about three hours sleep. Restless in the daytime. Not eating well.

2·11·84 Had slept ~~Slept some~~ at intervals during the night. a little quieter than usual during the day.

3·11·84 Miss Parker very restless imagining that her friends are at the door & that she will not live if she does not see them.

7·11·84. There is some improvement in Miss Parker's condition. She is more rational, and is quieter, but has still delusions. Her appetite is not good. She is still secluded at night.

12·11·84 The improvement in Miss Parker's condition has not been maintained. She is as restless as ever. Thinks that her friends are in town & that they are speaking to her through the telephone. She is eating well.

20·11·84. Still restless, frequently attempts to run away. Has many hallucinations. Sleeps in the other House on account of her restlessness.

1·12·84. This patient has become quieter and more manageable.
She has lost the delusions she had on admission
about being acted on by telescopes. but still imagines
that her friends are outside waiting for her
19·1·85. Is restless and excitable. continually scribbling letters
& telegrams to her friends telling them to send for her and
take her away. as her time is up

Henry Paterson Cameron admitted 22 Oct 1884

For History & State on admission see New form No 1885

23·10·84 Mr Cameron is restless & ill at ease in mind. He is still thinking of his "breakdown" but declares that he knew it was coming, soon, and thinks it is perhaps better that it came now than hereafter.

24·10·84 Is not sleeping well. Eats fairly well. Is convalescing from an attack of mania, and is depressed in mind in consequence of the acts he committed then.

30·10·84 Mr Cameron has quite recovered his spirits, and thinks he has been badly treated by his friends, & especially by his wife, whom he accuses of being frequently drunk and that the cause of his assaulting her was his anger at seeing her in an intoxicated state. He frequently exults that he is a certified lunatic, which he considers a safe prevention against his presbytery taking action against him concerning his behaviour.

11·11·84 Lately Mr Cameron has not been so jubilant, as to his safety from his Presbytery. He is fond of discussing the proceedings which brought him here and though not so convinced that his case will not be investigated by the Presbytery as he was, he repeatedly asserts that he is "quite safe" and that "they can't touch him, as he is a Certified lunatic." When told that medical men might be sent to examine him as to his sanity he said in Mr Rutherford's presence that he could easily feign insanity.

21·11·84 To-day Mr Cameron who had been permitted to go to Dumfries returned late, and smelling of liquor, this he strenuously denied at first having taken any stimulants & declared that any smell there might be in his breath was due to some aromatic lozenges he had been eating. On his way from Dumfries he had entered the grounds of a gentleman residing in the neighbourhood, frightened some people, gone to the house, asked for the lady of the house, & said he had come to hold a missionary meeting there. When asked if he had done this, he denied it. His speech for half-an-hour after returning was upon his relations with his Presbytery etc. He became excited in manner, gesticulating & speaking loudly saying that he had been certified insane by two doctors, that he was safe despite anything that

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1886

George Drysdale admitted Oct 28 1884

For history previous to admission & particulars on admission see New form No 1886

29·10·84 On his arrival Mr Drysdale was quiet, only protesting that it was a mistake to bring him here as he was quite competent to attend to business. He took a hearty tea & afterwards attended the dance. He is frank and gives a full account of his illness, which he considers he is now nearly recovered from. He slept well last night.

30·10·84 Passed a quiet night. Ate well during the day. Is anxious to be taken away in order to return to business, of which he talks frequently, freely with a marked tendency to repeat the same details about it, within a few moments of having mentioned them before. attended the party

31·10·84 Slept well. In the morning when asked how long he had been here, he remarked "About two months."

4·11·84. Mr Drysdale is much annoyed at his detention here. He talks a great deal about his business, wh. he thinks he is perfectly competent to conduct. He eats well & attended the dance in which he took part

30·11·84. The impairment of memory is becoming more marked. He loses his way walking from his gallery to the dining room. forgets the names of his friends & recollects nothing for more than a few hours. Has a good appetite. Attends the amusements.

12·12·84 Often asks when he is to be allowed to return to his business. When asked "How long have you been here?" replied "a week."

Donald M. Stevenson admitted Oct 25. 1884

For history etc see new form No 1887

29. 10. 84 On admission this patient was talking loudly and swearing was in a state of acute mania. He resisted forcibly when entering the door. He was placed in a strong room in high ~~West~~ gallery and after a short time calmed down and slept fairly well. In the morning he was quiet, and though somewhat confused, answered questions as to his health well.

30. 10. 84. Much quieter this morning not talking but walking restlessly about. Came to Table d'hôte and ate well.

1. 11. 84. Is depressed but quite sensible. Is anxious to work at something. Is pleasant and well-informed.

3. 11. 84 To-day Dr Rutherford removed him to the S.C.A. where he is to share rooms with Dr Paton and assist him in some medical work.

5. 11. 84. Has made a good recovery from his excitement and is now returning to his natural disposition (when he is cheerful). Eats very well.

17. 11. 84 Discharged Recovered

1888

Robert Sutton. Admitted Oct 29. 1884.

See Case 1875. p. 307. & new form No 1888

31 Oct 1884. Mr Sutton is in a very melancholic state. He imagines that he is visited by Jesus Christ. several Angels & Satan every night. who counsel with him & advise him what to do

1. Nov. 1884. Passed a restless night. imagines that he has lost the Holy Spirit & that his heart is being hardened by Satan.

2. Nov. 84. Says that last night he was visited by "a presence" which advised him to fly. before his soul was lost." Very much depressed. Not eating very well.

3. Nov. Still melancholic. Sleep. much disturbed.

5. Nov^r Is a little better though he has had many delusions.

9. Nov^r Sleeps badly & is much disturbed by visions & "presences" Wishes much to return home. Has been sent out to to work in the garden.

15. Nov^r There is little absolute change in this gentleman's state. There are days when he is comparatively quiet, and others on wh. he is much disturbed by delusions etc.

1. 12. 84. Is somewhat better. is not so restless as he was, and has not been disturbed so much by the "presences" at night. Eating fairly well

7. 1. 85. Is still depressed. Is hypochondriacal about a few spots upon his skin.

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8.10.84. Passed a fair night. Massage 30 min. in the evening.

~~8 to 84~~ Weight without clothes 7st. 5lbs.

8.10.84. Measurement round thickest part of leg R. 9½ in. L. 10 in.
——————— middle of thigh R. 13 in. L. 13½
——————— forearm at thickest part R. 8 in. L. 8 in.

1.12.84. The massage has been beneficial to this case. During the first ~~fortnight~~ 3 weeks he gained 4 lbs in weight; his appetite became better and he took his food without requiring his attendant to be coaxing him to eat. His dietary now consists of:

31.12.84 Has gained a pound and a half in flesh during the last month. His appetite is somewhat improved

1885

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had been said by another medical man as to drunk being a cause of his breakdown. He again declared that he could feign insanity, & on being asked how? replied "By smashing windows & kicking any doctor out of doors, who comes & seems" Insanity is all humbug. I know all about it"

22·11·84 To-day Mr Cameron is penitent. He admits that he had one glass of whiskey which he says was very bad, and that he went to the gentleman's house, which he denied yesterday. He is anxious that the matter should not be reported

23·11·84 Complains of hearing voices speaking to him. and says he is compelled to answer them

4·12·84 Discharged as not insane. Admitted as a Voluntary

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Agnes Johnstone or Dobie. Adm

See. h. Form 1889.

On admission was very miserable. declared she was lost that her husband was ruined, that she would soon be dead etc.

7·11·84 Slept ~~very~~ badly. Moaned through the greater part of the day, was with difficulty persuaded to eat. Bowels constipated. Moved freely by Colocynth Pills. E T 98 E P 82

8·11·84 Passed a sleepless night, speaking of the House being on fire that she was being poisoned, that everyone was leaving her. Hears imaginary voices addressing her. Eating badly having the delusion that her food contains poison

9·11·84 Passed a sleepless night. Is very miserable and has many fancies. Taking her food more easily. E T 97.8 E P 82

10·11·84. Had two hours sleep last night. a little quieter in the morning. Eating better. Bowels moved by Colocynth pills.

11·11·84. Passed a bad night much troubled by her delusions. Refused to eat & was only persuaded to do so, on being threatened with the Feeding pipe. E T 98 E P 78

12·11·84 Passed a sleepless night. Refused to eat, thinking her food was poisoned. There is no improvement in her mental state. The delusions which are of a most depressing character vary from day to day but there is usually one prominent one e.g. that the house is on fire or that her food is poisoned E T 98·1 E P 76

15·11·84. Mrs Dobie is still sleeping badly. She eats better but occasionally imagines that her food is poisoned E T 98·2 E P 8

18·11·84. Mrs Dobie remains the same, sleeps badly, & not eating well. Pulse 84. Temperature 98·2.

29·11·84. Mrs Dobie was visited a few days ago by her sister in law, whom she imagined had been ruined and would be unable to return home. She received the news of a relative's death, but did not seem at all affected by it. Her sleep is restless & broken.

10·12·84 Was visited to-day by her husband, but did not become any brighter after seeing him. Her delusions still continue to prevent her sleeping much at night.

10·1·85 Is much improved. Recognizes that she has been insane and has had delusions.

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1890

John Prentice Findlay. Admitted Nov^r 12. 1884

See N. Form. No 1890

13·11·84. Mr Finlay passed a restless night being much disturbed by revelations which he thinks he receives from Heaven. He was restless during the day and did not eat well.

14·11·84 Passed another disturbed night; declares that the Day of Judgement will commence at 6 p.m this evening. Eating a little better; walking up & down in a restless manner during the day.

15·11·84 Passed a better night. Is not so delusive. Wishes to go away, and is anxious to return to his business. Ate fairly well.

18·11·84 Mr Finlay is sleeping better & seems to be improving in his mental condition. He is always asking to go home but when refused shows no irritability.

22·11·84 Is much quieter. is eating & sleeping better & takes daily exercise.

28·11·84 Is improving in bodily health; the delusions are not prominent now. Sleeping better well.

10·12·84 Is quiet and does not speak much; is more contented reads his newspapers and works home. Is eating well

5·1·85 Is not so well. is more stubborn and stupid, and is a little difficult with his food.

15·1·85 Commenced to take 3j of Sol Morph. Lt. d. o to day

Is improving both mentally & physically.

27·1·85 Discharged Recovered.

John Anderson. Admitted Nov. 12. 1884.

13·11·84. Mr anderson has not slept well. He is depressed and feels very miserable. He ate fairly well.

14·11·84 Slept better than last night. Is very low about himself; thinks he will never recover.

15·11·84. Had not a good night; but is not so depressed to-night. Is eating well. The Bowels were moved by Castor Oil.

20·11·84 Is somewhat better: he has no distinct delusions but is restless and depressed and afraid that he will not get better.

30·11·84 Continues much the same; is ill at ease, wishes to go home he assists in the gallery work & eats and sleeps fairly well

10·12·84 Is rather more depressed than at last entry. The admission of his brother as a patient into the other house has had a bad effect on him.

4·1·85. Is brighter during the day but in the mornings he is very low about himself. Is eating well.

15·1·85 Is getting better: takes an interest in the topics of the day

30·1·85 Discharged Recovered.

1862

Annie Graham. (Continued fr. pp. 269).

cause of their illness. Her sleep has been restless. She wanders up & down her gallery, & turns away from anyone who speaks to her, often remarking that it would be better for every body here if they had never seen her, as she is sure she has done harm to all with whom she has come into contact.

30 12 84. This forenoon Miss Graham was discovered in her bedroom, whither she had gone a few minutes before, by her attendant, with a handkerchief tied tightly round her neck. Her face was congested and a red mark was left on her neck but no further harm occurred. After this she was very miserable, and cried. mij of croton oil were given and acted freely. She was removed to the female infirmary & a special attendant sat up with her.

1. 12. 84. ~~30 12 84~~ Slept two hours. Depressed & badly.

3. 12. 84. Miss Graham is still very much depressed. Has had a special attendant sitting up with her for the last two night. She herself has slept very little.

4. 12. 84. A straight jacket has been substituted for the special attendant at night. Miss Graham has to be constantly watched as she still expresses suicidal desires.

12. 12. 84. Miss Graham has been restless & dejected during the last week. Her sleep has been scanty & broken. Last night the straight jacket, which she said prevented her sleeping was dispensed with & grs ij of Chloral Hydrate given with the result that she had a quiet night & slept four hours.

16 12. 84. Is brighter & has taken up her needlework again. Sleeping better without restraint or sedative.

25 12. 84. Is quieter & not so depressed.

9. Jan. 85. Menstruated for the first time since admission to-day.

Henry Paterson Cameron. (Voluntary) Admitted 4 Dec 84

New form 1891

5. 12. 84. This gentleman states that voices speak to him at night but cannot tell what they say to him except that he hears what he knows to be fancies.

10. 12. 84. Writes letters to his wife saying that she will hear of his body floating down the river Kelvin. Has again been indulging in alcoholic stimulants in spite of his solemn protestations that he would never touch drink again.

15 Dec 1884 Visited by his mother today - after deliberation will be resolved to go to Glasgow to look after his wife he thought was drinking - Says he comes return next day probably will see - asks if what sort of Board she comes be admitted as a voluntary -

16 Dec Not having returned I called (on my way to Edinburgh) at his home 13 Rokeby Terrace Glasgow at 12.30 pm found him in bed - he got up & dressed & told me that he comes return that afternoon -

21 Dec Not having returned I wrote to him that unless he came back at once he comes be discharged -

23 Dec Brought in a Cab by two policemen, & in a state of intoxication, unable to walk or to speak distinctly - Policeman stated that he was found in lodgings of the Company of two men & two women - When asked who he was, he would not tell, but afterwards gave the name of Jamieson, & said he wished them to take him to the Cricketers. They met Mr Beattie, the Casement Clerk & asked him about him. He informed them that there was no one of that name in the Cricketers - His own name was discovered on his Chamber Key when Mr Beattie told them he resided in the Cricketers - He was taken to the police office & from there sent home by Chief Constable Jones —

5. Jan 1885 To-day Mr Cameron, whilst to Dumfries where he met Mr Howard whom he supplied with drink until he was completely intoxicated. At table d'hôte Mr Cameron shouted out "To Hell with Cinderella" (Mr Finch having just mentioned a pantomime of that name). Mr Cameron was asked to leave the table, which he refused to do. He was removed by two attendants; he resisted and fought with them after they had taken him out of the room, and swore loudly several times. He was removed to the Low East Gallery until the evening when he was allowed to return to the High East Gallery.

8. Jan 85 Discharged himself.

1892

Elizabeth Anderson. Admitted 5 Dec. 1884

New form 1892.

6. Dec. 84. Slept well, but complained of being disturbed at night by people who moved about the room and prevented her sleeping. Wishes to return home at once; feels "quite well"; and says the reason she was brought here was that "people are very wicked". Ate with a hearty appetite.

7. 12. 84. Did not sleep well. Complained of being disturbed by the people mooving about. Her pronunciation is peculiar. She says "dat" for "that" dere for there etc. Ate well.

8. 12. 84. Slept well. Complains of pain in her head over the left parietal region; was noisy at dinner, burst out crying, and said "We are all wicked" several times.

9. 12. 84. To-day Mrs Anderson was very low about herself. said she would never be better and implored to be allowed to return home. Ate well.

11. 12. 84. Was visited by her friends. wished to leave with them. was not benefitted by the visit.

12. 12. 84. Is sleeping well. Thinks that there is some one under her bed, who moves it about & prevents her sleeping.

21. 12. 84. To-day Mrs Anderson attempted to speak at the time of the visit, but although her lips moved, no audible sounds issued from her mouth. In about half a minute she was able to converse. She sometimes calls out loudly; when asked the reason of this, she says it is not she who does it, but that some unknown person causes her to act so; she is excitable & prone to weep.

10. 1. 85. Is at times noisy in the morning; is sleeping well and has a moderately good appetite.

16. 1. 85. Visited by her son to-day. Was a little excited after the visit.

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4671 Margaret Douglas (Voluntary) Admitted 11 Dec 1884.

12. Dec 84. Slept well. Says she thinks that at her last confinement "something", which ded her harm, was put into her tea. She is said to believe her husband unfaithful to her, when there is no evidence that such is the case.

13. Dec 84. So pleasant & contented, converses agreeably, & does not introduce any of her fancies, unless when questioned and then she mentions about her tea being tampered with.

16. 12. 84. So quiet: attended the dance last night. Has shown no mental peculiarities beyond those noted above.

16. 1. 85 Was visited by her husband to-day, whom she received well. J

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4679 James Rudge (Voluntary) Admitted 16 Dec 1884

17. Dec 1884 This patient returned from Harrogate last night. He had recommenced taking Chloral, and said that its ill effects upon him, compelled him to return here. He is irritable and suspicious, and his digestion is disordered.

20 Dec 1884 Is now more settled, and his appetite has returned.

2. Jan. 1885 Became excited this morning at the visit; he is apt to see offensive meanings in harmless expressions, and is irritable and peevish.

14. 1. 85. Went to Edinburgh on pass

16. 1. 85 Returned from Edinburgh.

11. 2. 85 Discharges himself.

4683 Elizabeth Buchanan. (Wol) admitted 20 Dec 1884
See New form.

21·12·84 Arrived at 11·30 p.m. yesterday under the care of attendants Robinson and Irving. She was quiet and conversed sensibly. She slept for three hours and was then awake at intervals until morning. Ate not eat well, and asked for stimulants 3ij of Whisky were ordered for her. Complained at the Evening visit of hearing people ill using a dog outside her room. (which was not the case). She said she would never fall asleep unless an attendant was allowed to stay with her. Attendant Johnstone slept in the adjoining room.

22·12·84 Restless and sleepless during the night: stated that she heard people planning how to accomplish her death. She was visited by her husband during the afternoon. whom she received well. Appetite poor.

23·12·84 Slept six hours, but was afterwards restless. said that she heard her Death Warrant read in her bedroom. Was restless during the day & demanded more stimulants. The bowels are constipated and tongue thickly furred; mxv of Croton Oil given.

24·12·84 Passed a restless night and was noisy at times, thought that she heard the voices of her husband & daughter talking to her. The Bowels moved freely. Appetite better.

25·12·84 Slept badly. In the morning broke a window, and in doing so made an incised wound ¾ in. long on the back of her right hand. There was a good deal of bleeding, at first but this stopped on the sides of the wound being sutured. Quiet during the day.

26·12·84 Had a special attendant at night; restless and excited during the day; believing that her husband and daughter are outside and that they have been injured, says that she heard them calling to her to help them. She ate badly: and tried to leave her gallery several times.

27·12·84 To-day Mrs Buchanan is discharged as a Voluntary and admitted as a Certificated patient. She slept badly was restless and believed that her husband & daughter were speaking to her. and she answers the questions in a loud tone of voice. Had suspicions about the food and refused most of it. Her stimulants which appeared to excite her, were stopped.

30·12·85 Is still hearing voices speaking to her through telephones & she at times is suspicious of her food and refuses to eat.

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Mary Coxon Beatty. Admitted 23 Dec. 1884

See New Form.

24·12·84 On admission last night, this patient was excited, she talked rapidly and at times unconnectedly; she abused her relatives for sending her here, which she said was not the proper place for her, as she was quite sane and all the doctors, who had seen her had said so. she did not sleep well, and was sick in the morning which she states to be habitual with her; she has other symptoms of an hysterical nature. e.g. feeling a lump in her throat and painful sensations in the chest on slight but not on deep pressure. Ate very little. was inclined to talk at great length upon her case, which she thinks is a very peculiar one.

25·12·84 Miss Beatty slept badly. Wishes to remain separate from the other patients. Ate very little. Is argumentative and holds exalted opinions as to her own abilities

26·12·84 Is obstinate and declines to take any food; has only eaten a little bread, and drunk some tea during the day. Is voluble upon herself and seems to think that everyone who differs from her is insane.

27·12·84 Is quieter to-day and eating a little better; but refuses to take exercise, which she does not think she requires. Employs herself with crochet work.

30·12·84 Her appetite is poor. she refuses to go out; says that she can obtain all the exercise, which she needs by walking in the Gallery, but that if she went out of doors it would injure her foot; still irrational and argumentative upon the subject of her insanity.

6·1·85 Excited this morning when speaking of her parents; refuses to take outdoor exercise, says that if Dr Rutherford wishes to be safe, he should write to her friends and say that he will have nothing more to do with her case, as she is not insane.

18·1·85 Is suffering from Earache, to-day. Is quieter and more tractable. Eating better but not taking much exercise as yet.

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Alfred G. Chesshire (Vol). Admitted 29th Decr 1884

See new form.

29. Decr 1884. After admission ate a good dinner; after his friends left he became restless walking often to the different windows and peering out into the darkness as if he saw something, when spoken to he gazed blankly at the speaker, and then turned away, without speaking. He does not appear to understand what is said to him in an ordinary way, at times when a question is repeated once or twice, an inarticulate reply is given. The capression of the face is vacant, the pupils are dilated; the hands & feet are cold. He stands in any position in which he is left and resists any motion of conduction by another.

30 Decr 84 Passed a quiet night; took his meals well, he is anxious to leave any room he is in, and mutters incoherent phrases when he is prevented: he broke a window in an attempt he made to leave his gallery.

31. 12. 84 Was restless during the day; took a few short steps in a certain direction and there remained standing until spoken to, when he went in another direction and looked blankly around. Ate well, & took exercise

1 Jan 1885. At the morning visit was restless and cried out almost incessantly "kill me, kill me". He was afterwards found attempting to singe his beard with a piece of red hot coal. Subsequently he was discovered twisting a towel into the form of a rope. Ate well, & took walking exercise

2. 1. 85 Slept moderately well; is stupid will not speak, nor eat; and cannot be persuaded to come to table, when brought to the dining room by his attendant, stopped at the door & resisted all attempts to persuade to go backwards or forwards. ate a little but requires to be helped by his attendant putting the food into his mouth.

6. 1. 85. Is a little less obstinate and stupid and ate better. Mr Morrison has been placed in Mr Chesshire's room for the sake of his companionship.

10. 1. 85. Is still stupid and will not speak beyond a few words. So eating well & takes regular exercise.

18. 1. 85 Is improving a little eats of his own accord, and at times speaks a few words. ~~Slept upon the floor~~

4684

James Morrison. Admitted 30 Decr 1884

31-12-84 Passed a good night. ate well. Talks sensibly enough on most subjects but shows a decided tendency to self laudation. He declares that he has been unjustly sent here, and states that it was due to some of his relations being afraid that he would ask them to repund him money, which was his, and which they had kept and used for several years. He says that he will be found "of sound mind and sound body," whenever he is examined.

4-1-85 Mr Morrison is lively and entertaining, and has been sent up to sit in Mr Chesshire's room to see if he cannot brighten up a little. He says that he performed some "wonderful changes" in the patients under Dr Clouston's care, one especially to whom he frequently refers, and whom he "cured" in a month, and made him fit to return to his friends.

10-1-85. His patient remains the same, he is inclined to repeat himself frequently, and has an unduly exalted opinion of his own abilities.

17-1-85 Remains the same, seems quite contented with his condition and is lavish of praise towards the Institution, and the Country-house, which he calls a castle.

4686 Thomas Porteous Glenhouse.

Admitted 3rd Jan 1885

4·1·85 Passed a good night and ate well. Is in a state of Dementia: his memory is impaired; he is incoherent in speech and cannot appreciate where he is; thinks that he is going home and that he has broken his journey here. He declares he has seen everyone before but that it was under a different name.

5·1·85. Slept and ate well, is quiet and tractable; talks unconnectedly and is unable to converse for any length of time.

6·1·85 Slept and ate well: has a small book with engravings of a horse and a man, and to them he speaks, remarking to anyone who asks him why he does so that they Thomas and his horse.

9·1·85. Sleeping and eating well. Takes regular exercise. Is quite apathetic and listless caring very little for what is going on around him.

14·1·85. Is contented and has lost the idea that he is only breaking his journey here on his way home. Has a good appetite.

Elizabeth Buchanan

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it as she believes that it is poisoned. The bowels are sluggish & often require purgatives to move them.

N. 1. 85. Is under the delusion that she is on board ship, is difficult with her food. To day her stimulants (2 bottles of beer & a glass of whiskey per diem) have been recommenced. The effect has been beneficial. She is brighter and talks more sensibly.

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4688 William Watson Stewart. Admitted 16th Jan. 1885.

See New form

17. 1. 85. Arrived last night at 11·30 under the care of attendants Smith and Taylor. Passed a fairly good night. This morning he speaks unconnectedly, and cannot give a coherent account of himself. He remarked that he was certain that no doctors nor any asylum could cure his case, and a minute or two afterwards said that this was a nice place and he thought it would soon put him right. He came to table d'hote and ate heartily.

18. 1. 85. Did not sleep so well, states that ~~dreams~~ thoughts of an unpleasant nature prevent him sleeping; he ~~dreamt~~ thought last night that he was falling over a precipice. His speech is more connected this morning, but he has a tendency to change the subject of conversation abruptly. States that he feels that he is bound with cords and cannot free himself. Ate well. Attended chapel.

19. 1. 85. Passed a moderately good night. States that he only threatened to commit suicide to frighten his friends and that he never really had any idea of doing so. Ate well and took exercise.

20. 1. 85. Says that he is in an agony from coming here; he laughs at everything he says; and has the appearance of a masturbator; will not look anyone in the face; skin clammy; inclination to be alone and to sit over the fire. The appetite is good.

21. 1. 85. Slept better. Took exercise. Says that he must get away from here, as it is an agony to him to feel that he is in an asylum.

♀ 4691 Mary Morrine Admitted 20th Jan 1885.

21-1-85 Did not sleep well. as, she said, she was kept awake by the frequent opening + closing of doors. Ate fairly well. Is not inclined to converse. Is depressed: the expression of the face is somewhat suspicious.

22·1·85 Passed a better night. Is disinclined to speak about her mental state. Is suspicious. Ate moderately well.

23·1·85 Sleeps moderately well, but is sometimes disturbed by the noise of people moving about. Is quiet and reserved.

24·1·85 Remains quiet. Does not care to speak on the subject of her delusions. Eats moderately well.

26·1·85 Is quiet reserved. Sleeping well.

30·1·85 Is taciturn and suspicious. The Bowels are sluggish requiring occasional purgation. Employs herself in sewing.

10·2·85 States that she feels better but is disinclined to speak.

4693 Elizabeth Margaret Usborne. Admitted 23rd Jan 1885

See New form. No.

24. 1. 85. Passed a good night. In the morning was depressed but quiet—spoke very little. Ate fairly well.

25. 1. 85. Passed a moderately good night. Expresses her delusions freely. States that her face and legs are all covered with spots and sores, the results of her wickedness, and she is beyond redemption on account of her bad life. Ate sparingly.

26. 1. 85. Slept well. Was very unhappy until she had shown the doctor the "results of her iniquities".

27. 1. 85. Still accuses herself of having committed heinous sins, the results of which are incurable skin diseases. Slept well, but had only a scanty appetite.





