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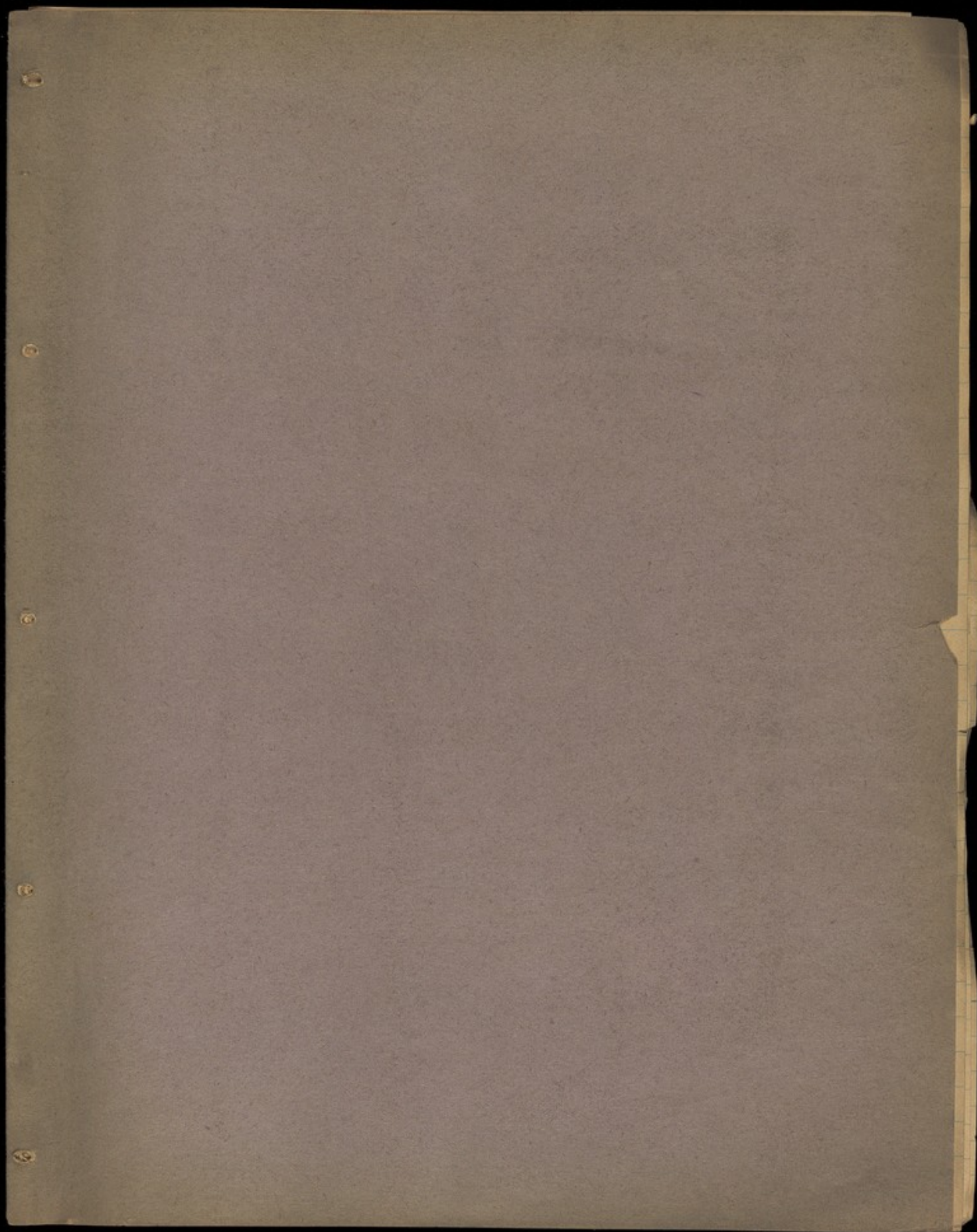
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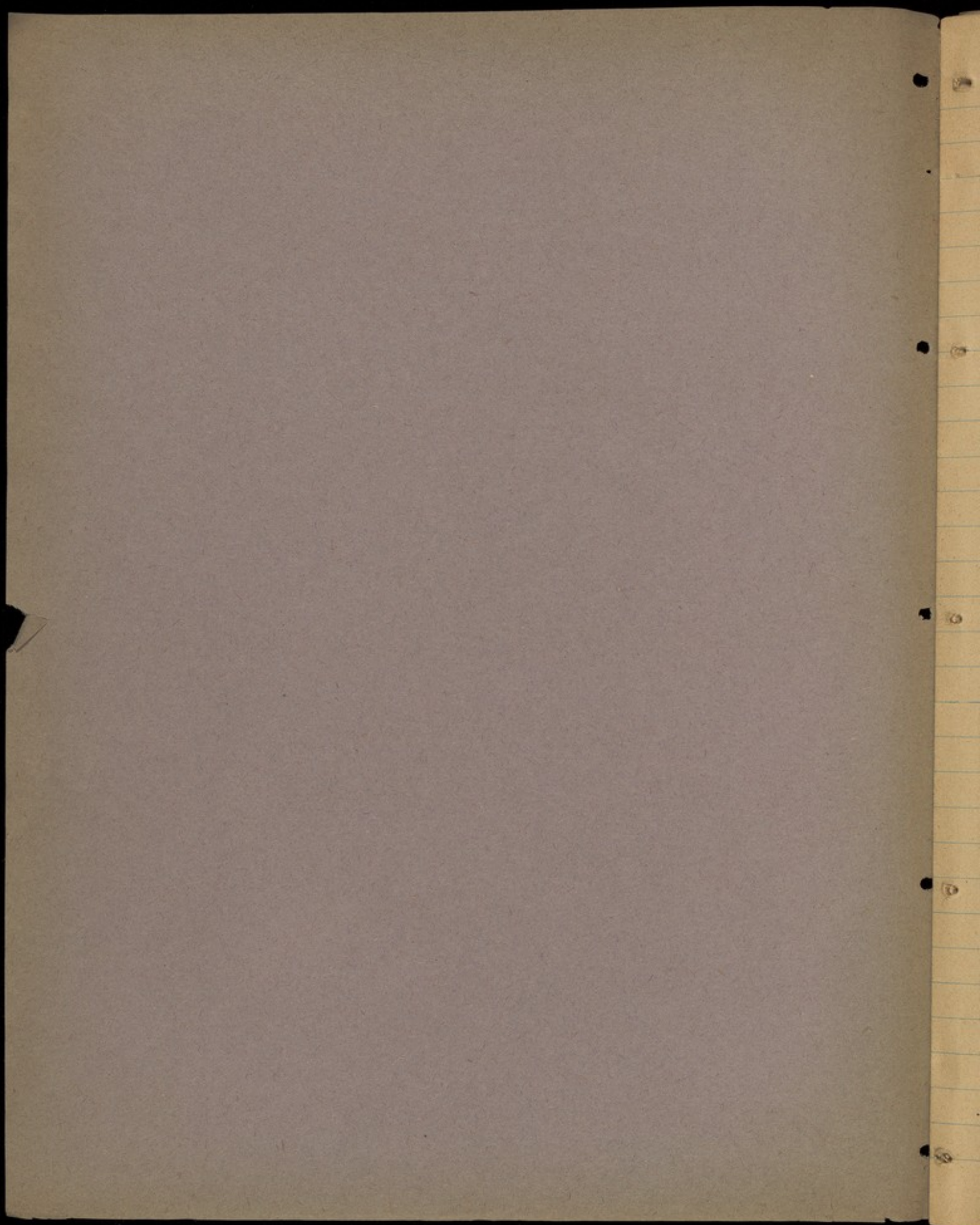
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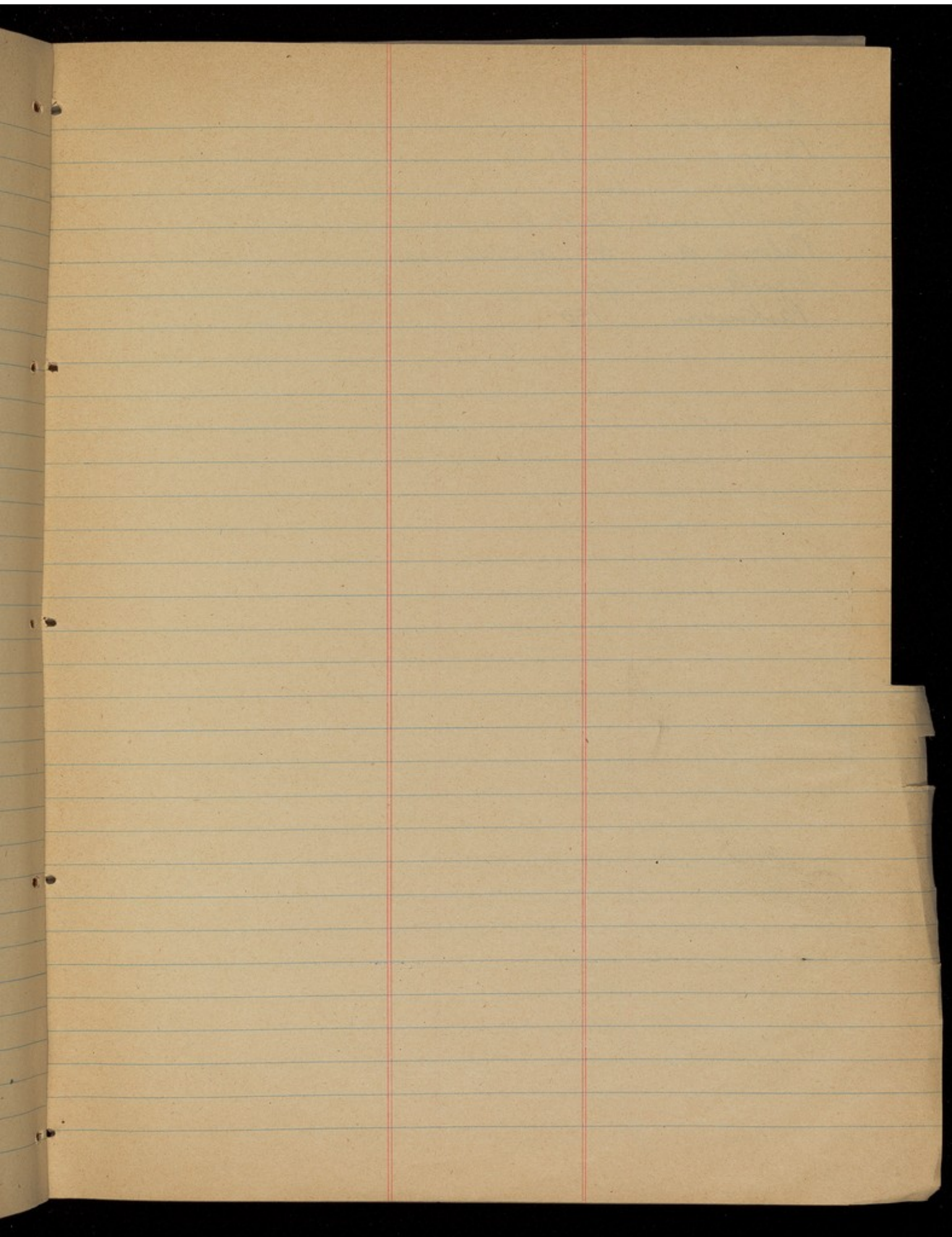
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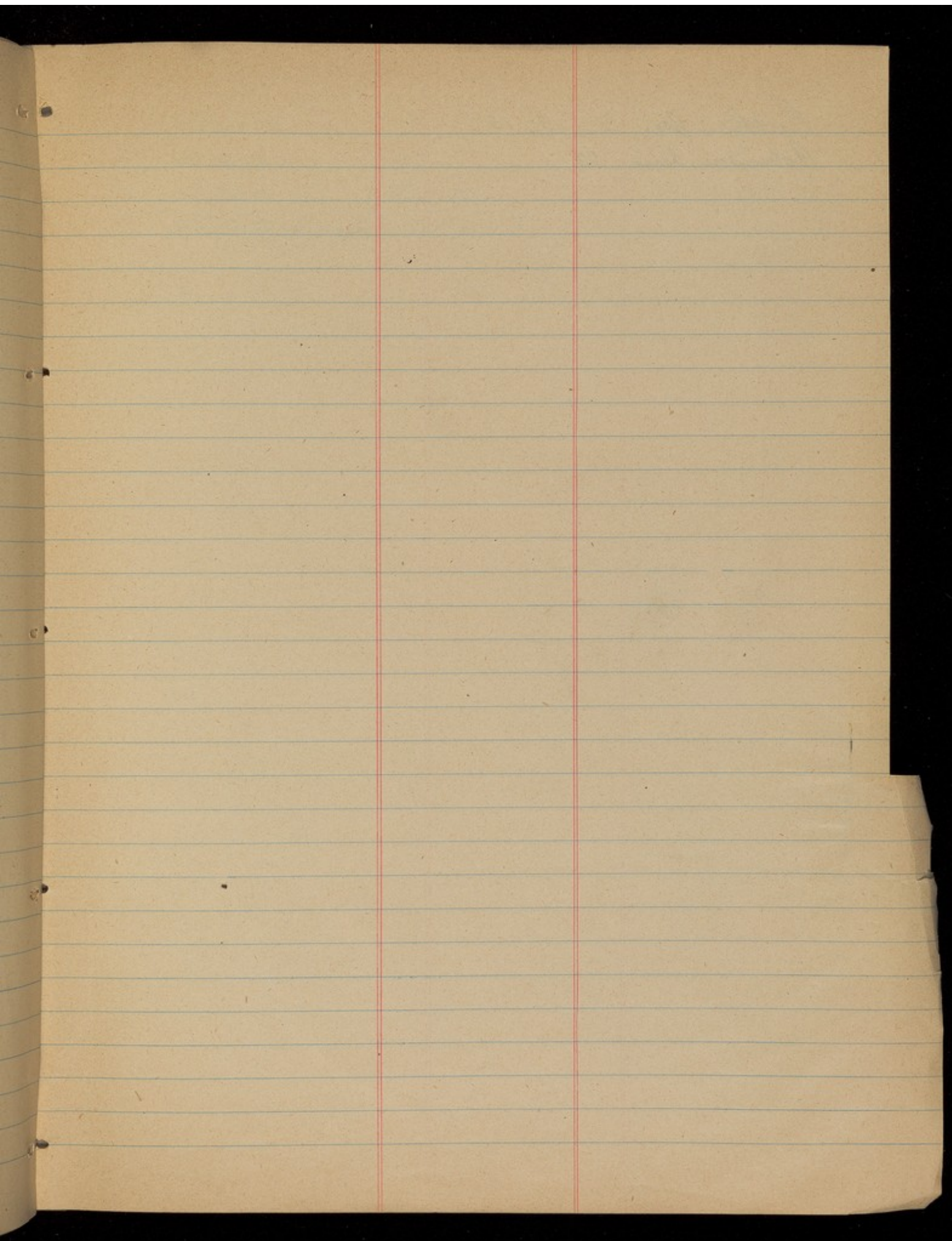
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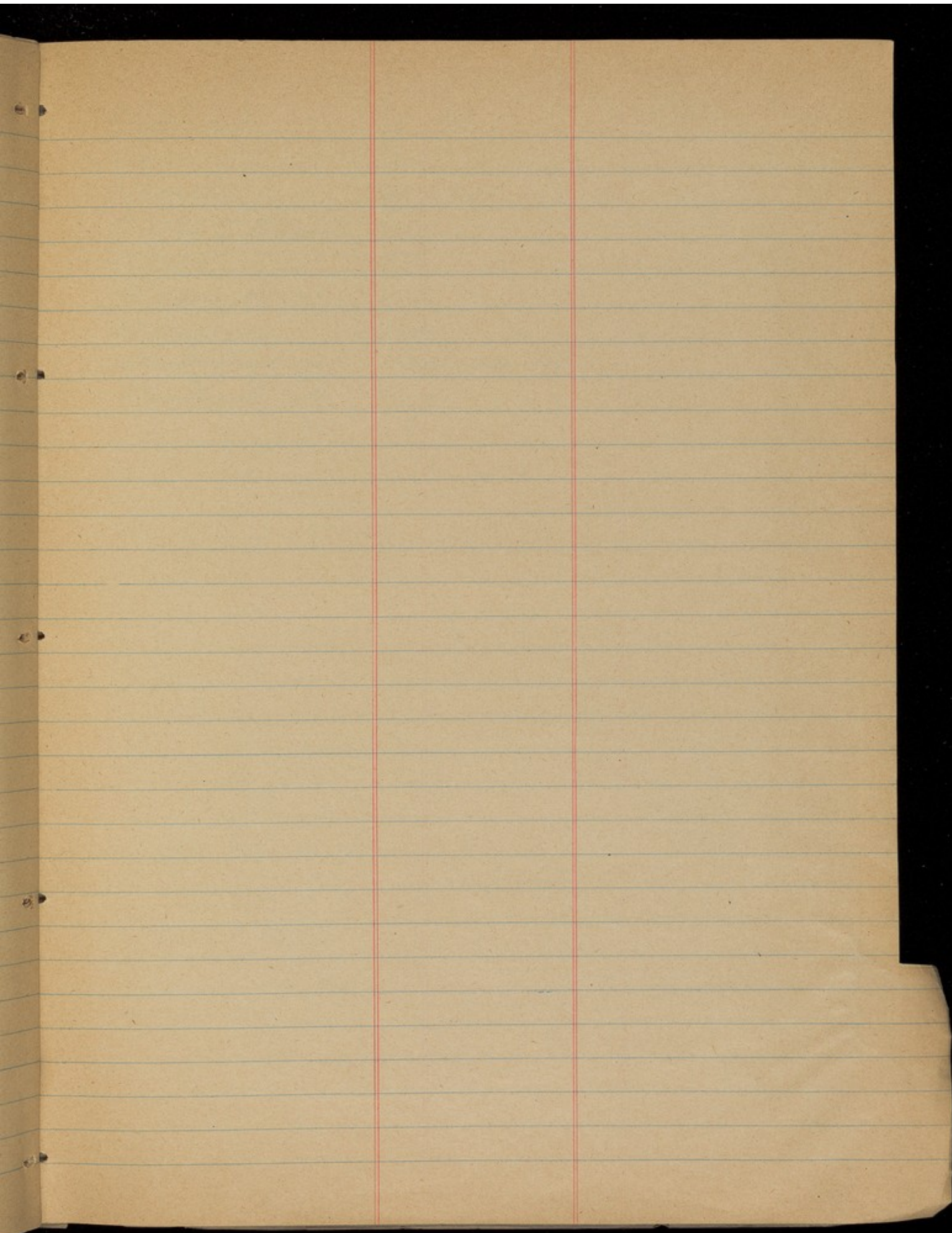
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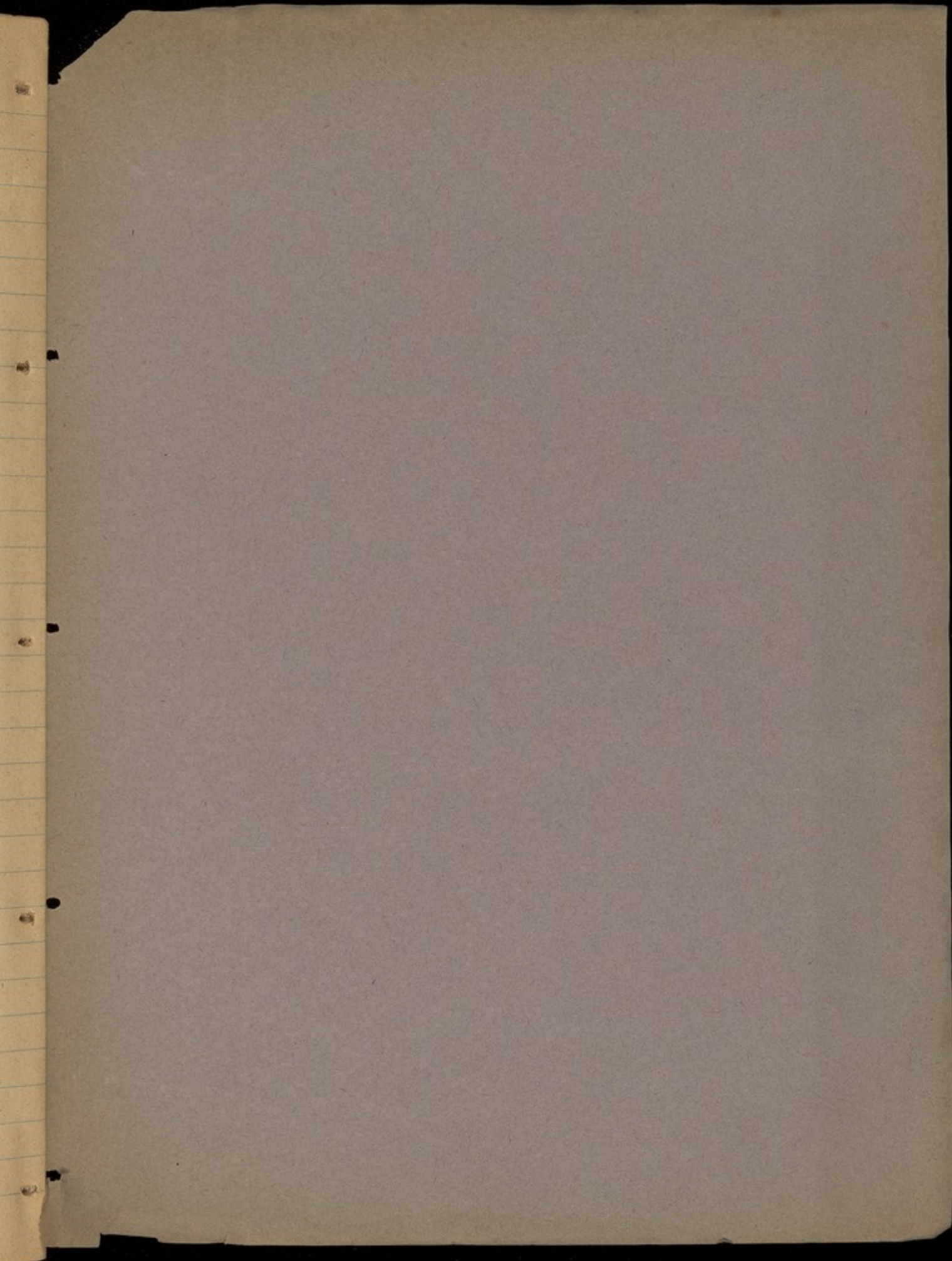
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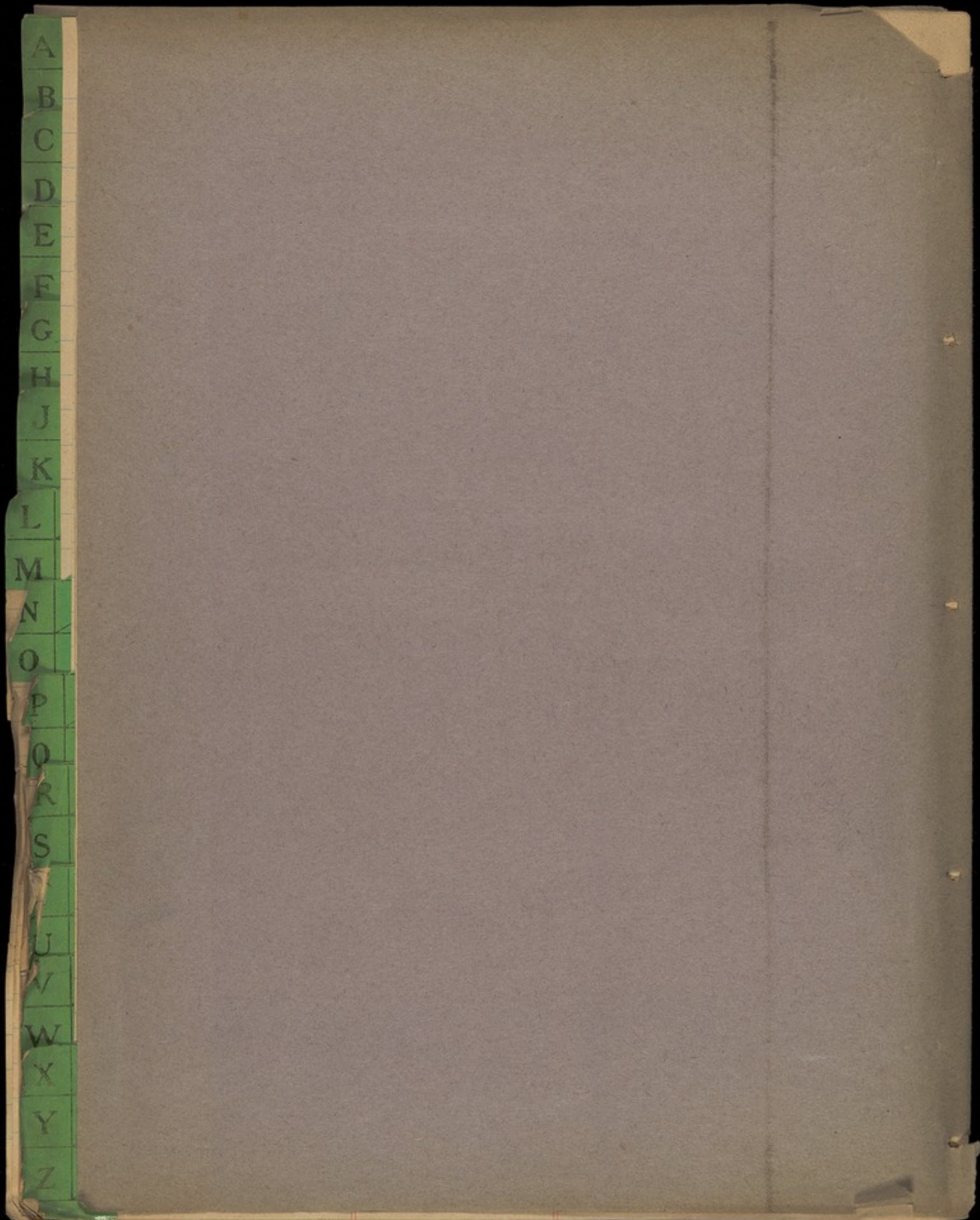


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of thanks to yourself & others
who have the care of our
brother, it isn't that we
do not feel most
grateful & full of confi-
-dence that the best is being
done for his comfort that
is possible.

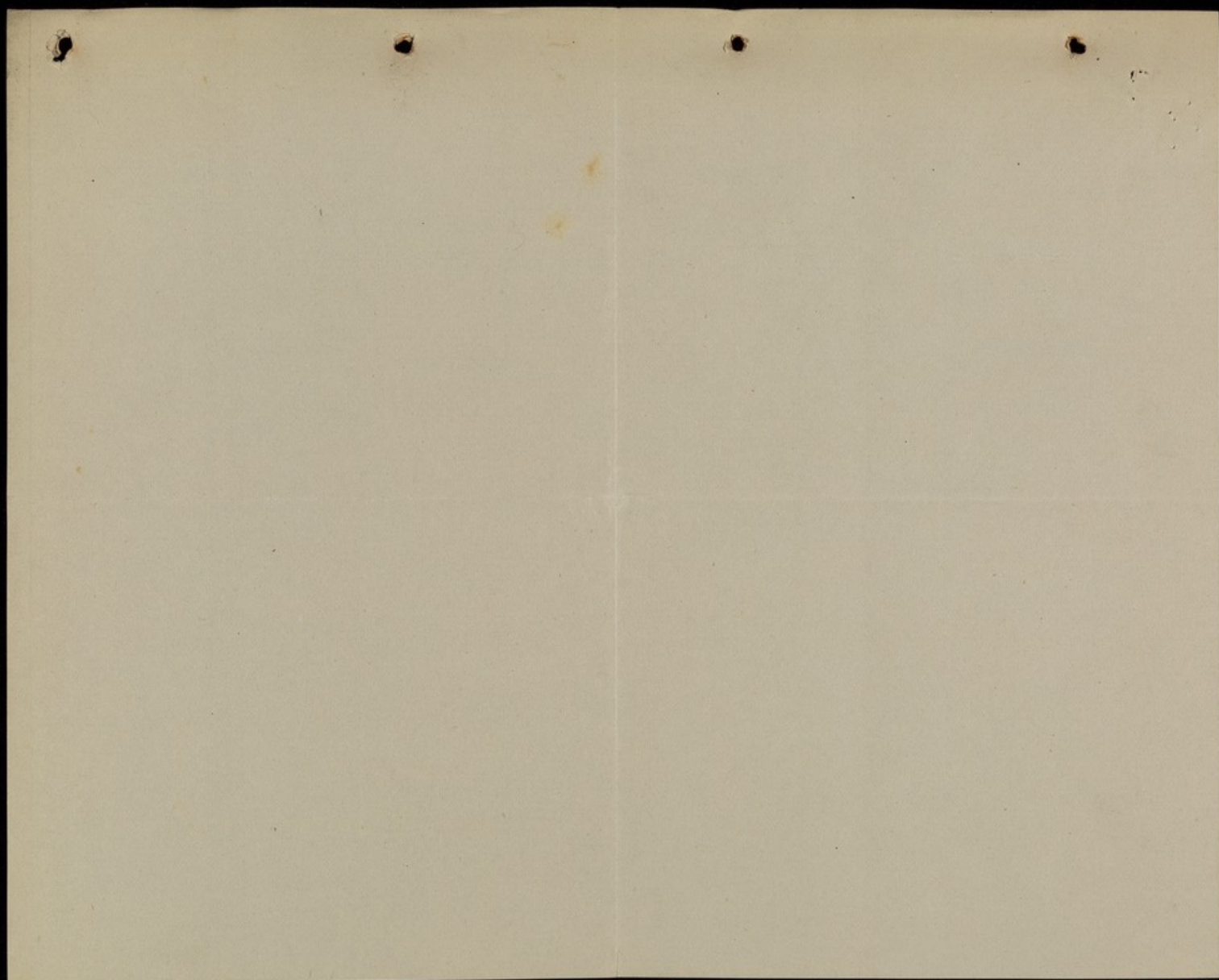
With kindest regards from
both of us to yourself & wife
Believe me

Your sincere friend
Geo. Martin

15 Aubert Park
Highbury. N.
23/1/94

My dear Bedford -

My mother & other
members of the family are
very much indebted to the
Retreat Comtee for their
kind consideration of my
proposal as to payment
also for making it retro-
-spective - and of course
shall be only too glad to
make it 25/- instead of
21/- ^{as long as} ~~as possible~~ ^{can} And if we are not
frequent in our expression



I shall be glad of
further information
regarding monetary
position which I can
obtain at the time of
visiting

Yours faithfully
George Rooke

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Nov 25th / 94
MOORSIDE
SALE

Dear Friend

proposed visit to Redcoat
of John Lutterthwaite &
self on behalf of
Lancash. & Chesh. Q.M.

I considering best
arrangement for above
it appears to me that
we must report to
our Q. M. in April
rather than the Jan'y.
meeting which is only
held ~~one~~ once a year & is

the smallest of the four
Q. No. — therefore if
we arrange to visit York
in March next year
it will serve our purpose
better & we shall have
longer daylight.

Moreover with election
of Guardians & of District
Councils I do not see
my way to leaving home
next month & must
defer our visit as proposed
above.

I am much obliged
for yours Oct. 25th &
the Report of the Report
also other arrangements
as kindly proposed.

As respects Ann Hinder
I must prefer she did not
know of my visit in
any way.

I will write you
again about end of
Feb. I intend

Moose side

Sale 5/12/94

Dear Friend

Visit of J. Lutterthwaite
& self on behalf of
Land & Chest Q. M.

I have a letter from
J. S. in which he agrees
with me to postpone
our visit until March
meaning if you

send your circular
respecting agents to
the Clerk of our Q. M.
before mid. January
the subject might then
be referred to us & be
embodied in our Report
to Spring Q. M.

What agents have you
in Q. M. at present time

Yours sincerely
George Hooke

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Bank Chambers,

Durham, 8 Dec 1894

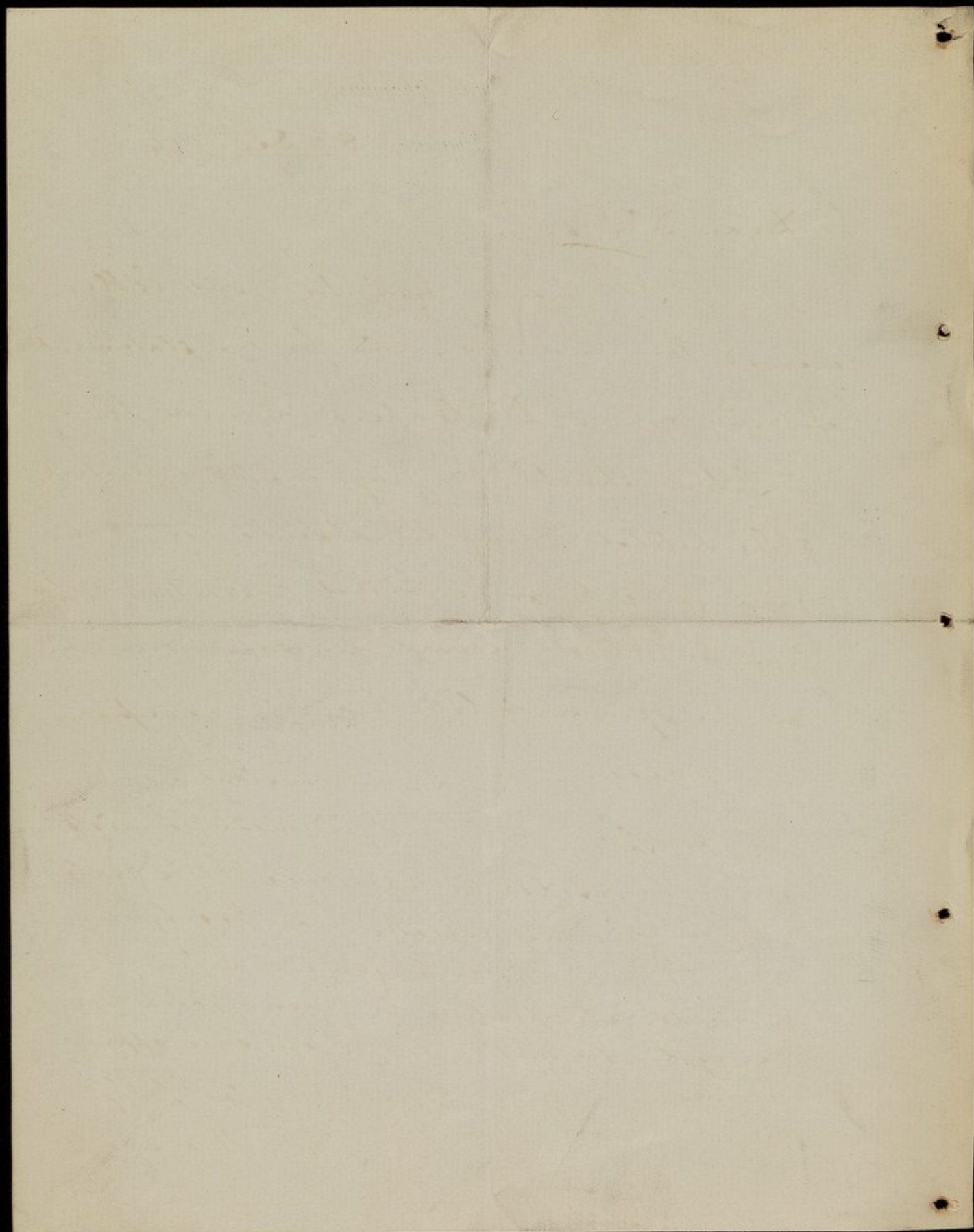
Dear Dr Pierce.

I thank you for your letter received this morning, and for the statement of your own & Dr Baker's opinion that Mr Salvin should be paying £25 quarterly to the Retreat during his absence or by an arrangement for periodical visitation of him from the Retreat, secure the supervision which, in the opinion of both of you, is necessary in his case. I am in constant communication

with Mr Salvin, & in my judgment formed from a not inconsiderable experience, he is quite able to give me directions on the subject.

Whatever the arrangement, I fear it cannot be made retrospective for reasons which when you reconsider the matter will I am sure appear obvious.

Yours very faithfully
P. Glendon Knibb



Nov 16th

GARROW HILL,
YORK.

Dear Mr Woods

In reply to your note
I imagine that we have
a right to 4 ft. from the
centre of the hedge—
We certainly had a right
to that along the lane
which we have already
fenced with iron railings

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Should the Corporation
wish to improve the road
I should be pleased to
meet their office on the
subject.

Yours Truly

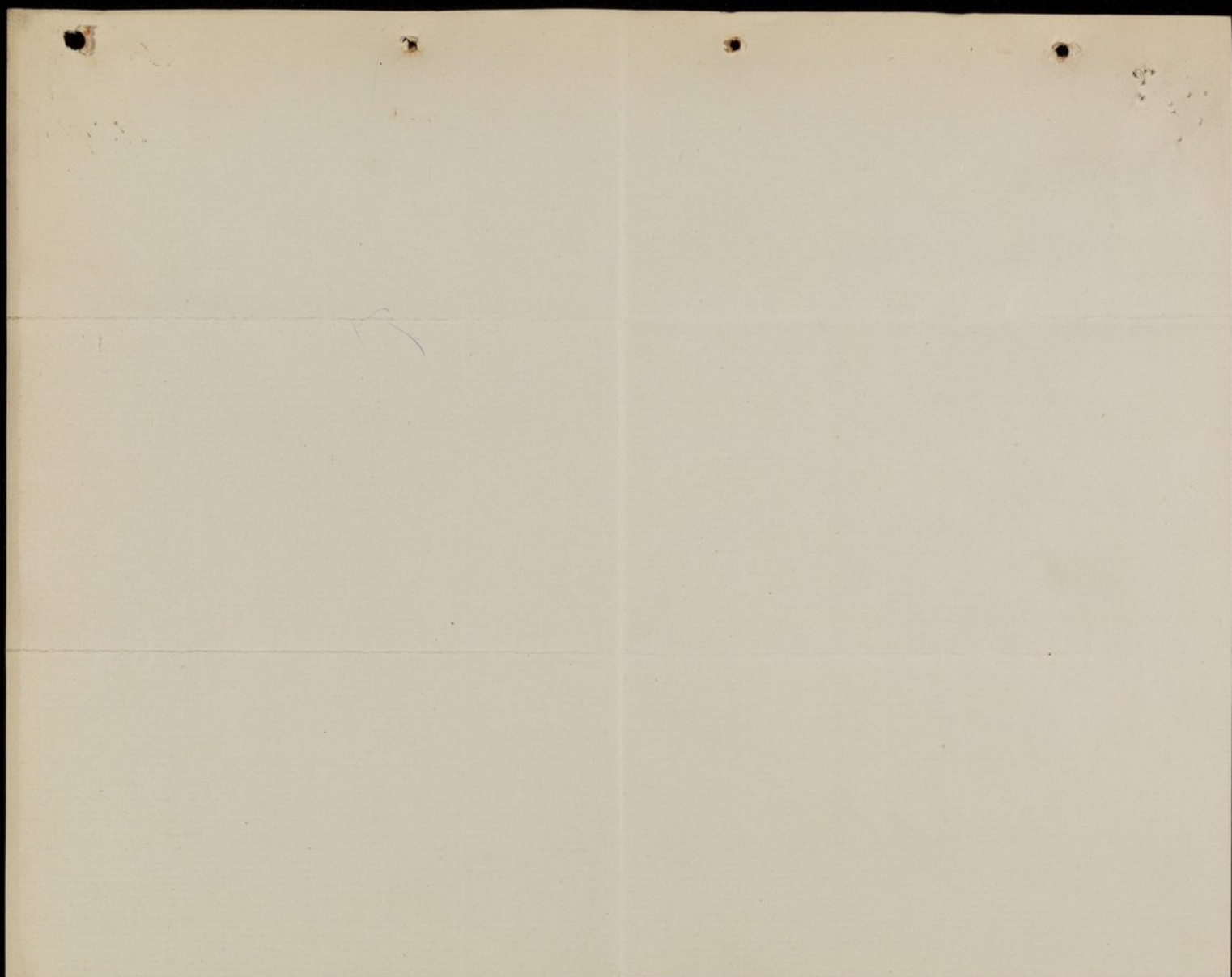
Elmer Ballou

Eccler Dec 1/94

Dear Li

Having carefully
considered your letter I
am still of opinion that
my wife ought to be allowed
to return home. I confirmed
by reading her letter to hand
this morning. Of course she
has eccentricities that will cling
to her; long as she lives.

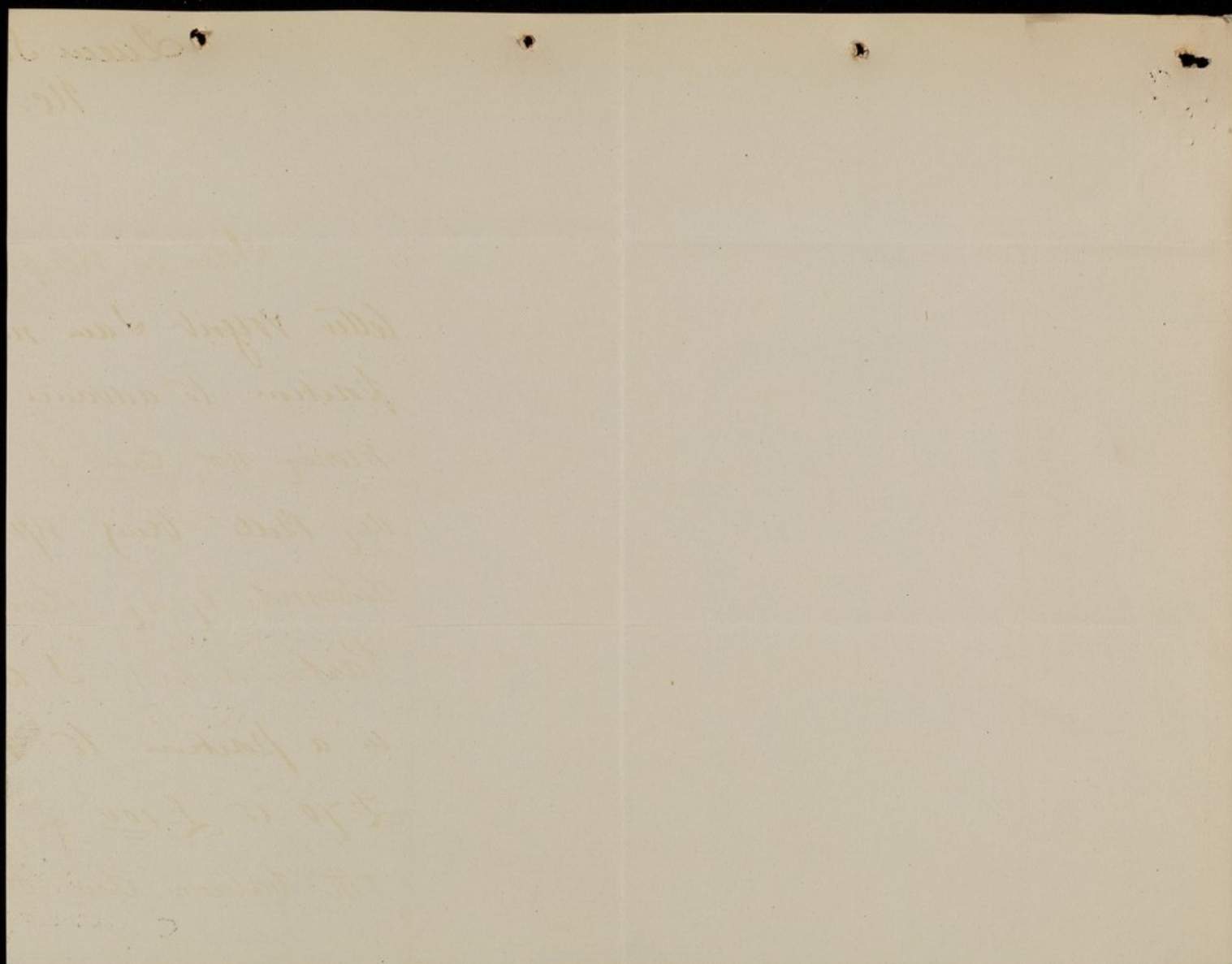
In effect a good many beside
Mrs B are unemployed.
perhaps she feels she has no incentive
to work. I hope a change will
improve that. Her anxiety
seems considerable, & should
not be prolonged. Yours truly
Chas Russell



Belgrave
Leicester 4 Decr. 94

Dear Dr Pierce

Enclosed forward
Cheque for £19.9 in
payment of bill just
received. I was glad to
see it as I wanted to have
the ac fully settled be-
fore the close of the year
And now I wish to thank
you very much for the
nice way in which every
thing was arranged on the
day of the funeral and for
your kindness to my poor
dear child. I feel much in-
debted also to all those who
had the charge of her -
Yours very truly
Joseph S. Snell.



28 Dec 94

Queen Street

Me. 11.12.94

Dear Sir

I am in receipt of your
letter of 17th I am not in a
position to advance any
money nor can I accept
any bills being properly
demanded by me of
Partnership. I will be
in a position to remit
£70 to £100 in January
the balance due out of the
Cotton 2000

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proceed of Mortgage to
be paid off in February
or March.

I much regret causing you
inconvenience, but there are
matters beyond my power
or control.

Yours Dear Sir

Guernsey

Thos. McAllan

Rich^d Thompson Esq

Am. Treas.

The Rhode Is.

C. O. Stanwell Esq^r
The Retreat
York.

9. White Friars,

J. P. CARTWRIGHT & SONS,
SOLICITORS.

CHESTER 8th Dec^r 1894

TELEGRAMS: "CARTWRIGHT, CHESTER."

Dear Sir,

Re Miss Anna Cloak.

Referring to yours of July 28th in this matter, and for which we are obliged, we shall be glad now if you will forward us a copy of the will of the late James Cloak. We take it that Miss Mary Cloak will be in a position to prove the will if necessary. The matter of Anna Cloak has further developed in the payment into Court of the money forming her estate; but it still remains for the next of kin of which Miss Mary Cloak will be one, to determine whether they will contest the will of Anna Cloak; or agree to terms of compromise upon

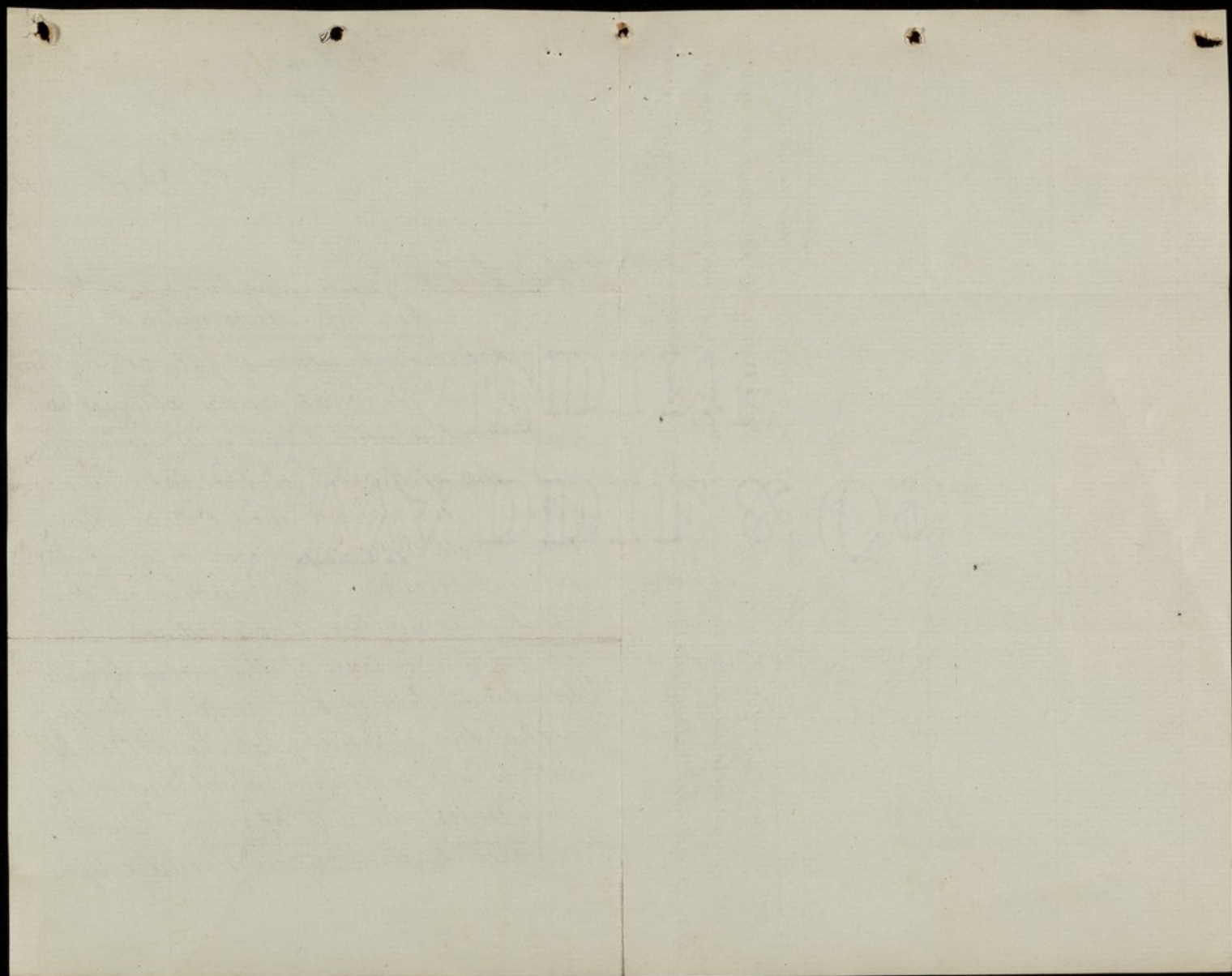
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which points we shall have to communicate with you further; as the expediency of the above information is important to us with a view of ascertaining the title of the parties interested in the matter.

Respecting your reply.

Yours are, Dear Sir

Yours truly,
J. P. Cartwright & Sons



21 Lower Brook St

Spencer 11. 12. 94

Dear Friend

D^r Pierce

I have a letter of the
26 of last Dec from Secretary of
Friends Purged Inst saying he
was that day forwarding Cheque
for £50. to the use of John Briggs

I shall be glad to know if
this has been received & to have
quarterly ac with receipt

I intend to send a parcel
to-morrow of winter clothing for
my family

I shall be much obliged
by an early reply to this.

Yours very sincerely

Alfred Ditt

James M. Smith
October 11. 1892

Dear Sir

I have a lot of
the same for sale
at the same price
as the one you
ordered. I have
also a lot of
the same for sale
at the same price
as the one you
ordered. I have
also a lot of
the same for sale
at the same price
as the one you
ordered.

I am very
truly yours
James M. Smith

The Larches

Beaton Hurley -

Dec. 14th 1894 -

Dear Sir

In reply to your
letter respecting the terms
for my son, I think for
the present, the arrange-
ments you have made
had better continue,
at the rate as I understand
of £. 2. 2 - per week; - should
my son's stay at the Retreat
unhappily be a prolonged

one, I should not be
able to pay so much,
and should have to see
whether a reduction
could be made;

When the doctors have
had sufficient opportunity
of forming an opinion
in his case, I shall be
glad to hear what they
think of it, and his
prospects of recovery or
otherwise. —

Yours sincerely

M. Harepene —

R. L. Fenclate Cheque
for £25. as requested. —



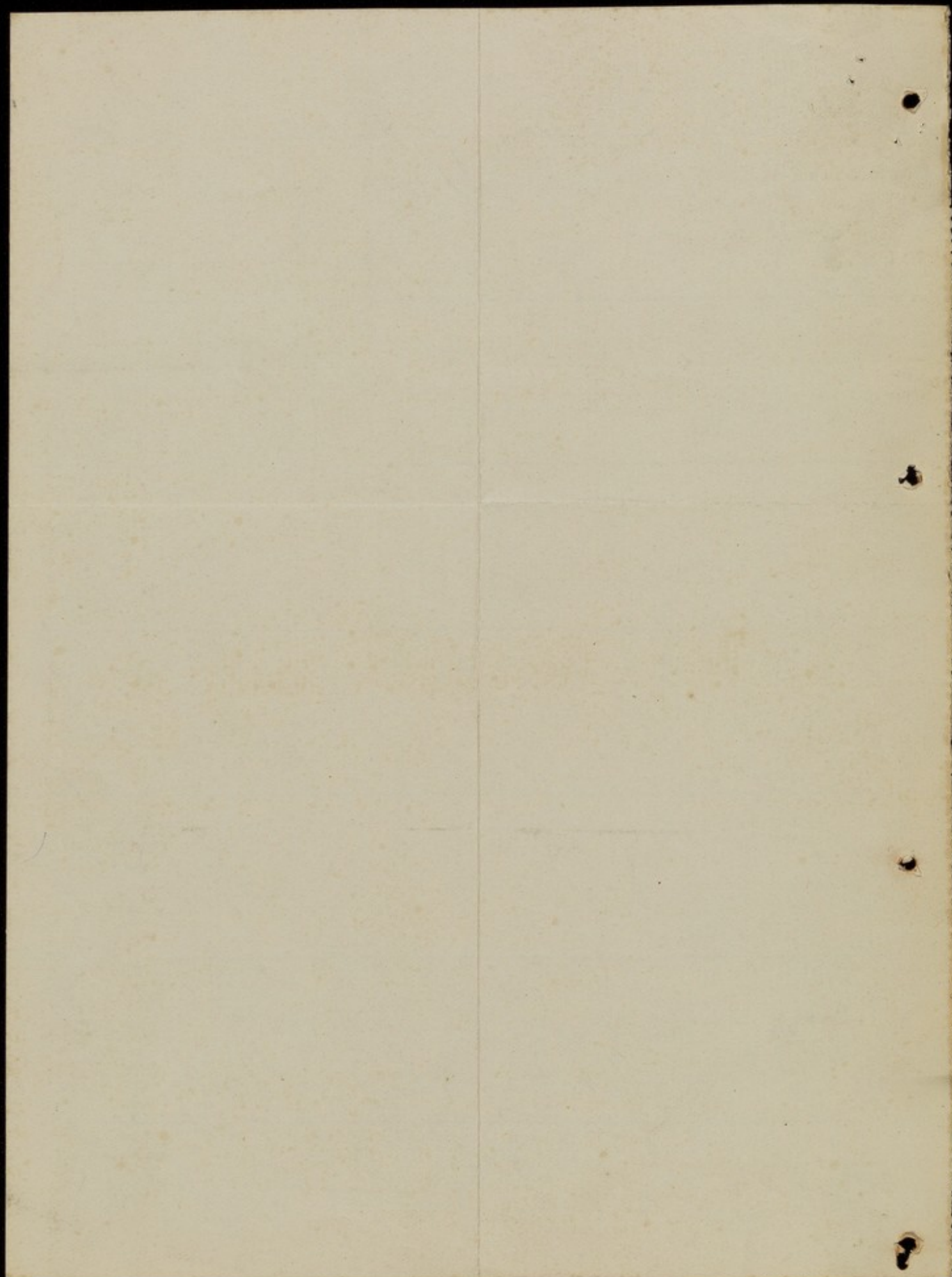
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Walmgate,
York. Dec 12 1894

Dear Sir,

I duly received the correspondence regarding Miss Cloak, and am now awaiting a reply from James Cloak of Nottingham who contributes towards the maintenance of Miss Cloak, and whose opinion in the matter we thought it would be well to have. After hearing from him, I will let you know as to whether or not we propose to take the matter up.

Yours faithfully
Wm Sewell King

Mr S E Woods.



Quarterly in advance
with other necessities
stated in the
guarantee. Please
to say if you the
might come in at
once and oblige.

Yours sincerely
John Leitchlow.

P.S. We don't seem to
understand how to
fill up the top part
of the guarantee.

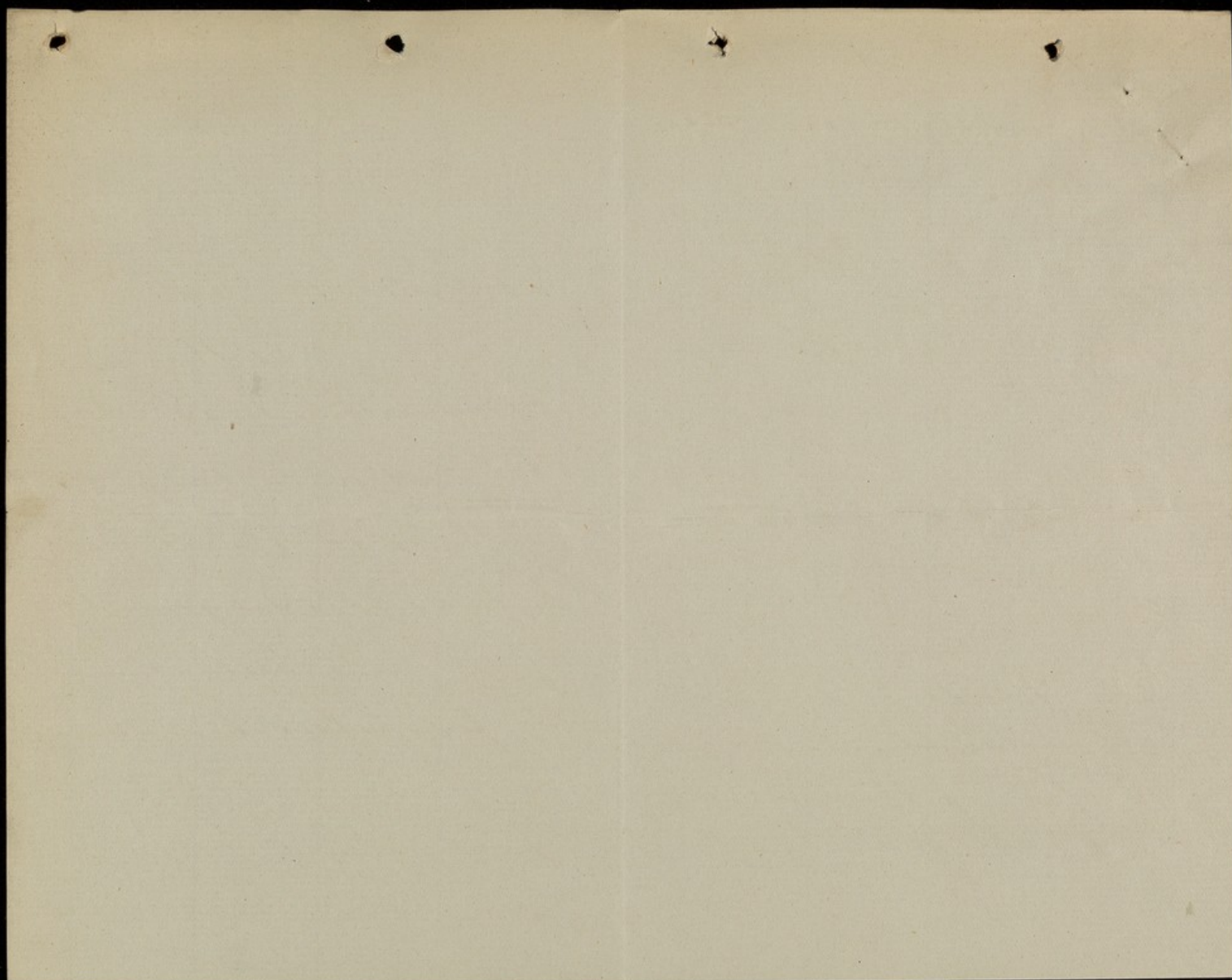
Barnon,

Dove Street,

Via Stockport

Dear Friend, 17/12/94.

As the
committee has kindly
consented to take my
wife into the Retreat,
but as the payment
of 15/- per week comes
so far below the sum
required we will
guarantee to pay 10/-
per week and pay



I mentioned to Mr. Wood that I should not like the terms to exceed the 2 guinea scale, as I am only acting for ~~Witt~~ father & do not know what limit he would decide on.

I suppose you will not object to my writing to you fortnightly for your opinion of the boy's case.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Robt. Muiraid.

Dr. Bedford Peice,
The Retreat,
York.

Corporation's Academy,
Berwick on Tweed.
Dec. 17, 1894.

Dear Sir,

I am obliged to you for your report on William McL. Bormack, my nephew's present condition. I am not surprised to learn that his state is somewhat similar to what it was when I left him. We of course sincerely trust that signs of improvement may soon appear, but we do not anticipate that that will be immediate.

I had concluded from my experience of him

while here, during the week prior to his removal, that he was not ~~exactly~~ ^{intentionally} violent, but that he only needed careful watching at meal times for instance, as he had a tendency to throw things from him from indifference, or a failure to recognise their value. As however he was regaining bodily strength I observed that this tendency was becoming more marked. When he was with us (I refer only to the week of his illness) he suffered from constipation & we had a difficulty to administer medicine. I mentioned this to Dr. Stauwell.

Willie's father & mother

live at Schlusselburg, Russia, and on sending a ^{copy of your letter} to him tonight I mentioned that Dr. Pierce would be probably willing to let him have a direct report regarding his son, if he wrote occasionally for it. If you get a note therefore from Mr. McBoornack you will understand his interest in Willie.

I enclose the form of guarantee filled up as required, and I do not know whether I am right in putting Mr. J. G. Woods' name as Treasurer.

I have not yet heard what the terms are to be for Willie, but

18/12 Dec / 94

Dear Friend

re Agents

Lancash & Chesh Q. M.

I do not know of
any improvement to be
made in list you
propose to send to
Q. M. If the Meeting
desire to add other
names they will be
able to do so - I sh^d
think this is doubtful

MOOREHEAD
2112
I feel sure a warm
interest in the Insult
is in the mind of
Friends of the two
countries

Yours sincerely
George Rooker

Dr Pierce

TELEPHONE, NO. 7



GEORGE MCGUIRE,
TOWN CLERK.

Town Clerk's Office.

York 15th Sept. 1894.

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Will Mr Wood
please bank
cheq 25.
R.I. has
acknowledged
placed to cr of
all accounts
apc

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Dear Sir,

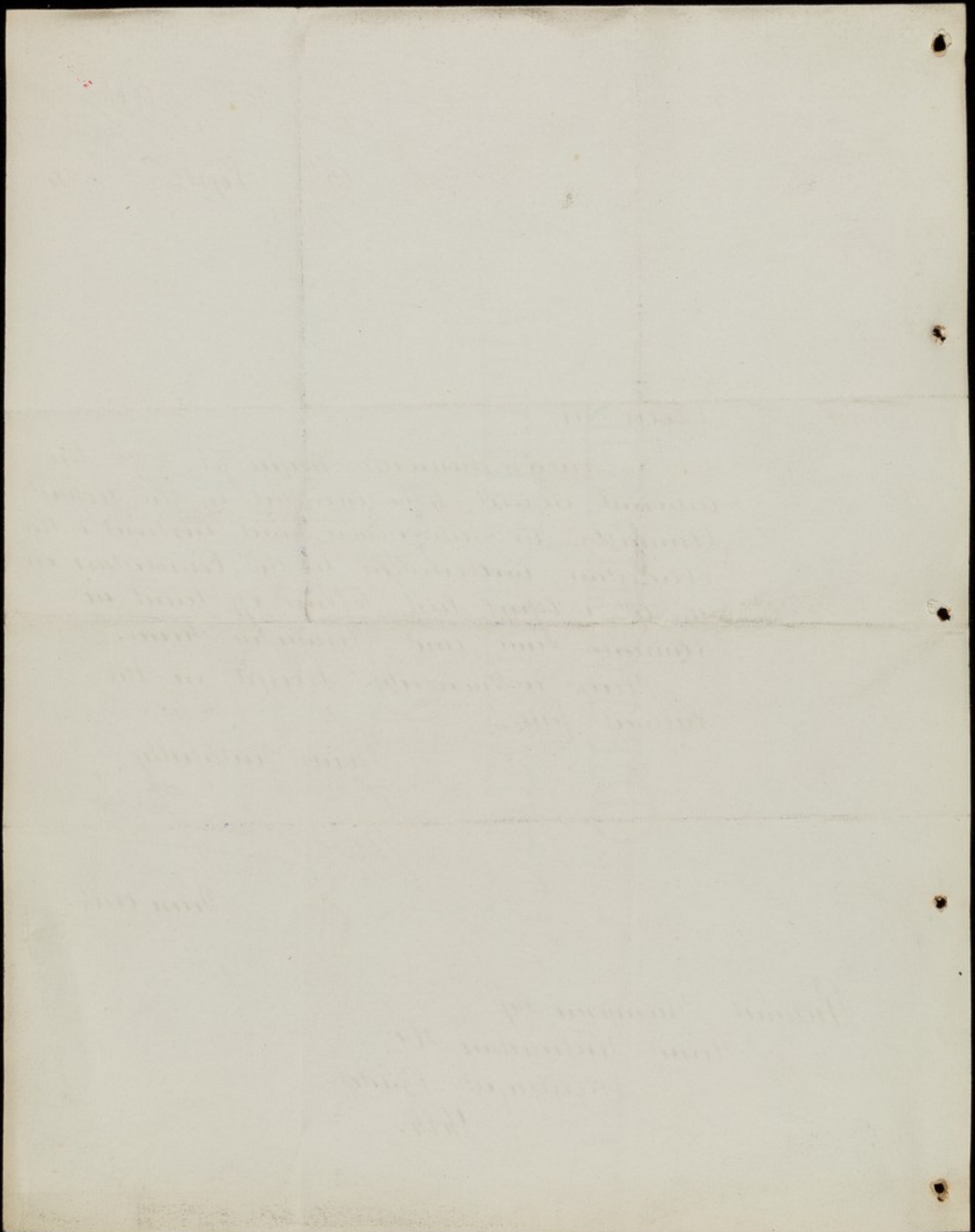
I enclose herewith cheque for £25, the amount agreed to be accepted by the Relief Committee in satisfaction and instead of the obligation undertaken by the Corporation on the 9th of April last to fence off land in Laurence Lane and Westington Road.

Please acknowledge receipt in the enclosed form.

Yours faithfully,
George McGuire

Town clerk.

Richard Thompson Esq.
% Henry Richardson Esq.
Sheldengate Bridge.
York.



HY RICHARDSON & COMPTON
MERCHANTS.

Telegrams.—RICHARDSON YORK.

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Skeldergate Bridge.

SJ

York.

12th October 1894

Quotations subject to reply per return
unless otherwise stated.

Dr. Bedford Pierce,

The Retreat.

Dear Sir,

Referring to the 18th minute of Sept. Committee, I have just had some talk with Mr. J. S. Rowntree, who was present when the matter was discussed in the Q.M. and he tells me that he believes in the old days, many years ago, it was the regular practice for the Quarterly Meeting only to recommend, without taking any responsibility as regards payment, and that these guarantees were obtained separately from the friends of the patients who were the subjects of the recommendation. His view therefore is that all that is now needed is to revert to the old plan. It will be desirable to know, before the approaching conference at Sheffield, whether the above was the case, and if so, why and when the custom was dropped. Mr. Woods may perhaps be able to throw some light on it, and to get out a specimen copy of a Q. M. recommendation, without the guarantee, and a form of guarantee for the same patient separately. J.S.R.'s memory referred to the time when the late Joseph Spence was Treasurer, probably about 30 years ago.

yours truly,

D. D. Thompson

HY RICHARDSON & COMPANY
MERCHANTS.

Telegrams: RICHARDSON, YORK.

SJ

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Speldergate Bridge.
York. 17th October 1894

Quotations subject to reply per return
unless otherwise stated.

Dr. Pierce,

The Retreat.

Dear Sir,

I enclose draft of Joshua Rowntree's and my report read yesterday
re the Y. Q. M. and the guarantees on recommendations, as I should like ^{you &} Mr.
Woods to see it before it is finally signed and handed over for entry on the
minutes. The figures in the third paragraph marked with a red "?" require filling
in. Neither Joshua Rowntree nor I have the particulars. If you or Mr. Woods
would supply them to me, with any explanations that are needed, J. R. and I
will complete the report, which please return ^{to me} as early as convenient.

Yours truly,

Richd Thompson

28 Victoria St.

Manchester M20 9L

Dear Doctor Pierce

I have sent cheque
for £15 - which please put
to credit of my sister's
account, but may
I ask you not to
put into the Bank
till Tuesday.

My business is one
which is so largely
dependent on Quarterly
accounts, that
I am compelled to

15

wait a long time for
my money. I am
glad the prospect of
relief from the strain
has come at last -
& I have it in my
mind to send you
another cheque for
£10 next Saturday &
if possible the same
the week after. If
my accounts come
in at all as they sho.
do I shall easily
manage it.

Apologising for delay
I am
Yours sincerely
S. P. Woodhead

Posted late

especially in cold
weather.

Herewith I enclose
balance £3. 14. 0.
which I think Mr Woods
will find correct

Again thanking
You remain

Yours very truly
Edward West

Rocamoor Villas
Stamwell Rd
Swinton
No Manchester
Oct. 8th 04.

Dear Dr Pierce

I am writing
a few lines in reply
to Mr Woods' letter &
thank you for so
kindly crediting me
with a fee of three
guineas, but should
like just to say I
had no thought of
a fee from your
Committee, either
in offering the
suggestions I did

or in asking for a
few lines of reference
as however you have
so kindly offered it
I am glad to gratefully
accept.

I can quite see you
may very reasonably
object to giving anything
in the nature of a reference
but should be glad
of it, if you saw
no objection, otherwise
of course I have
no wish for it.

I hope the laundry

arrangements are
working to your
satisfaction and
should like to see
the laundry as
rearranged if
near York sometime

My mother
continues on the
whole much better
but is trying at
times, she has a
constant desire
for more fresh
air, which at her
age is not very
easy to gratify.

37 Davenport St.
Bolton 13-10-94

Dear friend

Dr Pierce

I received the
bill for my son's account
yesterday; the amount
being more than I expected
which rather troubles me
and felt I should be most
easy on my friends account
that have made such a kind
effort to raise the needful
help for Jos. benefit to
remain with friends &c
where I am sure it would

be to his advantage

I was surprised to hear
he had gone to Leamington at
the same time pleased to think
it would be a nice change
and to his advantage
as he had not been for 3 years
but why the 1 £ 1/- should
be charged for his maintenance
there as well as what is
paid at the Retreat, it has
never been done before neither
his travelling expense but I
am not surprised at that.

The quarterly account for his
washing & minding used to be
14/6 instead of a 1 £ in this
bill could you make any

alterations if so I should
feel grateful for thy kindness
in doing so as I am for all
past favours. Hoping
you will kindly excuse my
writing I hope myself
Wife and daughter are well
I remain thy friend
Sincerely Hannah Payne

2nd

WAINWRIGHT, MASON & FERNANDES,
SOLICITORS.

TELEGRAMS,
"MASON, FERNANDES, WAKEFIELD"

Wood Street,

Wakefield, 16th Oct 1894

Dear Sir,

re M. A. Briggs

We beg to forward you
enclosed cheque for £20-0-0
in payment of one quarter's
maintenance due 30th September.

Kindly acknowledge receipt -
You will remember that you
agreed to accept £80 per ann:
in this case and that the
payment of an additional sum
of £4-0-0 was left contingent
until the end of the three quarters.

Bedford Place E.C.4
The Retreat
York

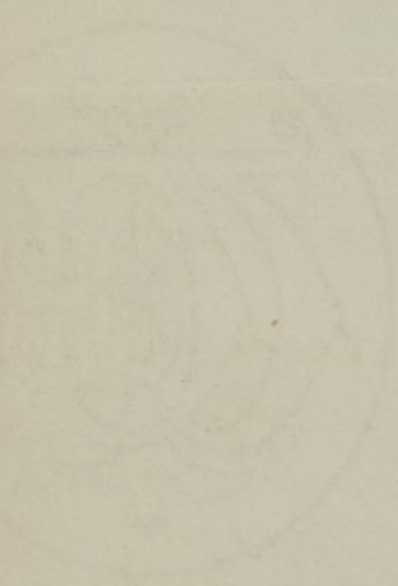
Yours faithfully
Wainwright Mason & Fernandes

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Ans.
15. Oct. 1844

Berkeley

Northford

10 mo 15. 1844

Dear Friend

Some time ago I signed
recommendations for admission
into the Retreat on behalf of
Bedfordshire Quarterly Meeting
for Eliza M. Drewett and
Florence E. Stevens. As our
2. M. will be held on Fifth-
-day next I should be obliged
by receipt of a line to say if
the payments are in each case
regularly kept up.

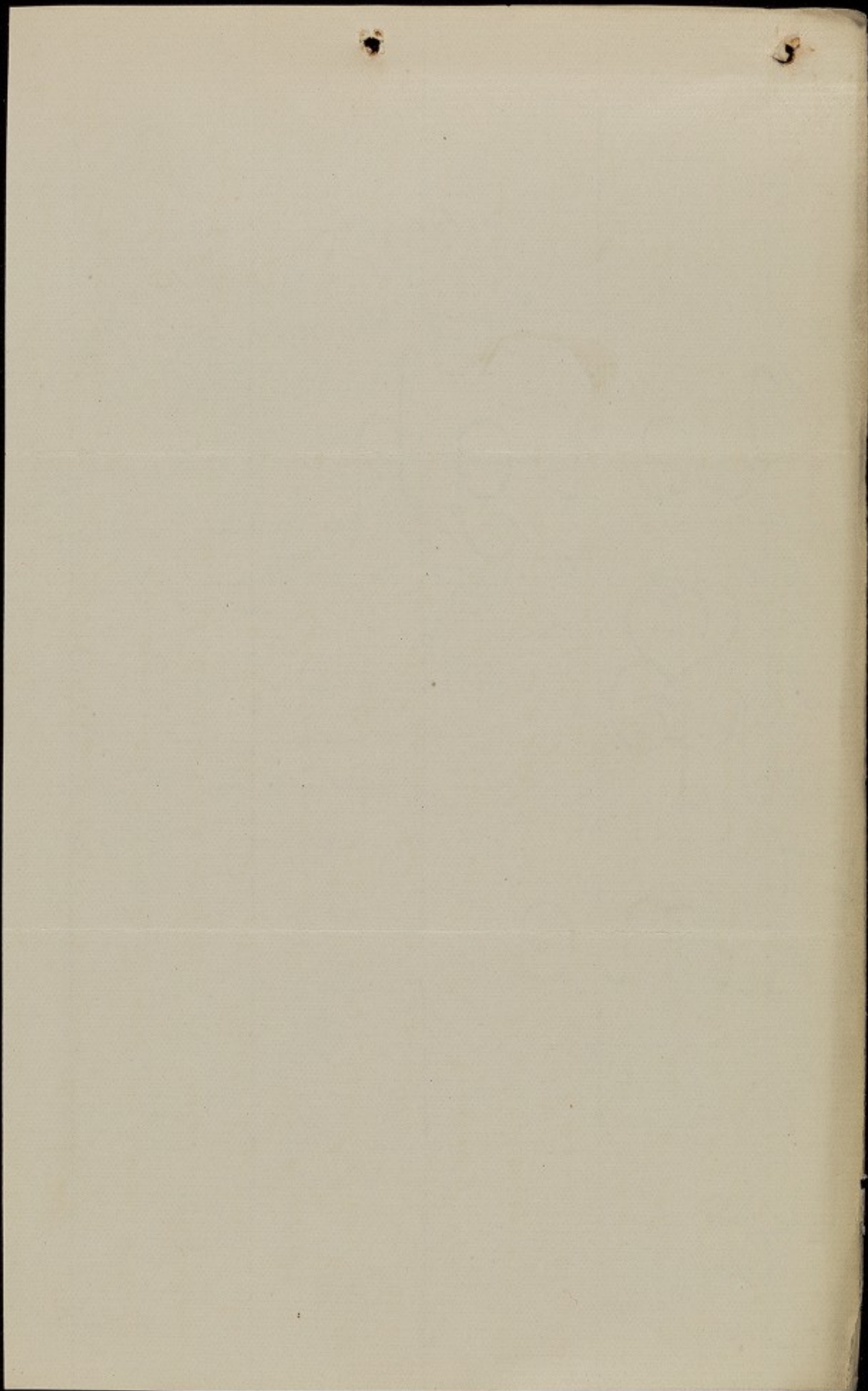
I remain

Yours sincerely

Isaac Robinson

Clerk of Beds. 2. M.

The Secretary of
The Retreat
York.



EDWARD LLOYD.
LL.B. (LONDON.)
—
SOLICITOR.

Central Buildings,
41, North John Street,
Liverpool, 16th Oct. 1894

Dear Sir, re Miss H. L. Perry

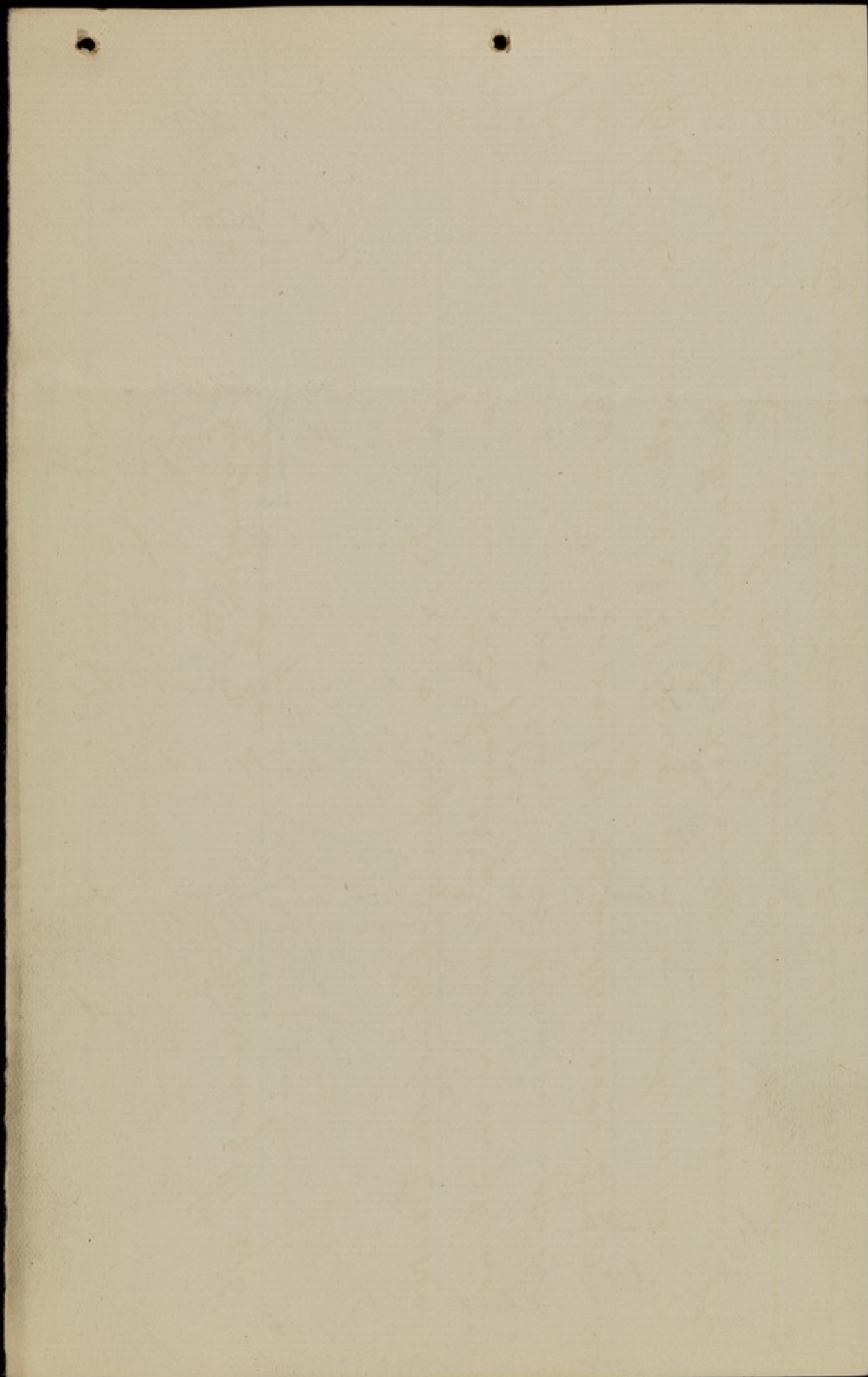
I have your letter of
yesterday and note what you
say. I will remember what
you say in writing to the next
Chancellor's Visitor.

Yours faithfully
Edward Lloyd

S. B. Woods, Esq.

Secy The Retreat York.

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From Edward Fowler, 9 Heathville Road, Gloucester

AGENT FOR THE ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY

FIRE AND LIFE—FUNDS IN HAND, EXCEED £5,000,000

To Bedford Place
The Retreat York -

January 16th 1895

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Dear Friend,

I reply to your respecting Charlotte Gordon
I may just say that the funds placed in my hands
for her maintenance &c have not been enough to
pay your apcs. & I am out of pocket over £50.
When her mother died there was enough or nearly
so to pay all & she left by her will an amount, the
interest of which she considered would be quite enough.
One of the investments from which interest comes was
in consols at 3%, & as Mr. Gordon's decease they
have been reduced by Mr. Goschen to 2 1/4% & will be
again reduced to 2 1/2% - Then again you increased
the rate charged for Charlotte from 16/- to 21/- so
that it has left the income some £20 a year short
what I advanced until some steps to alter the same
could be arranged. An amount left by one of
Charlotte's Uncles to her, remained in the hands of
his Executors at interest in the Savings Bank, as
they were unable to obtain her receipt and that
amount £160 odd I am moving the "Sunny Down"
to give me authority to obtain - so that I can repay
the amount overpaid & have some in hand to make
the £20 or so short in her income each year.
I may say I am simply acting for her, as her brother is in
America & her first Cousins (nearest relations) do not incline
to undertake it. Her sister was my first wife. Yours truly
Edward Fowler

From Country Towler's (Lancashire) Cotton

MADE FOR THE ROYAL RESERVE COMPANY

MADE FOR THE ROYAL RESERVE COMPANY

1882

Wrote to Mr. Calk
a little letter
a line or two -
Calk -

115 New Bond St.

7-1-96

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I am exceedingly
sorry that I have not
been able to find the
balance of £ against
me. I have been very
hard up and afraid
I shall be for some

little time come. I wish
you could forgive me ²⁶
the rest of the debt. I
really undertook to pay
more than I could afford
and it has been a very
hard struggle for me.

Please do not send any
more letters to Lexington St.
I left my situation there last
April. Yours faithfully
T. V. C. Bendall

Wife. a member —

Adm. Cp. 3090. 21/-

Died Aug 27 92. not informed —

Fern Bank, Otley.
14 Jan 95

Mr. J. E. Woods.

Dear Sir,

I enclose cheque for
£54. — towards my brother's
A/c & I wish to know if I
may be allowed to pay the
balance in about 6 months
time & I will agree to pay interest
on it at the rate of 5 percent
per annum — I might send half
of it in 3 months & the remainder
at the half-year end.

My mother has arranged
to pay the A/c in future.

I remain

Yours truly

H. C. Blakey

— H. C. Blakey

Mother is now responsible she has paid
the present quarter in advance

He arrears the brother of patient is
responsible $\frac{1}{2}$ 50 is still owing -

Mr Price

MEMO FROM

The CENTRAL ENGINEERING WORKS

COMPANY, LIMITED.

MANUFACTURERS & PATENTEES OF THE

CELEBRATED "ENGINEER" CYCLES.

AND "ENGINEER" BRAND OF COMPONENT PARTS.

TELEPHONE 95. TELEGRAMS, AGENTS, YORK.

WORKS - 80, Micklegate, YORK, 1891

REC'D OFFICE - Clifford St.

CHARLES BINKS, Works Manager. JOHN HETHERTON, Secretary.

Dear Sir

Referring to your communication with me a few days ago. I think it necessary that somebody should be appointed Committee of our estate. I am not anxious to act myself, but would, do, in the event of not being able to get someone else to do so.

Sincerely
Charles Binks

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W. Edward Croland called about C. Binks &c

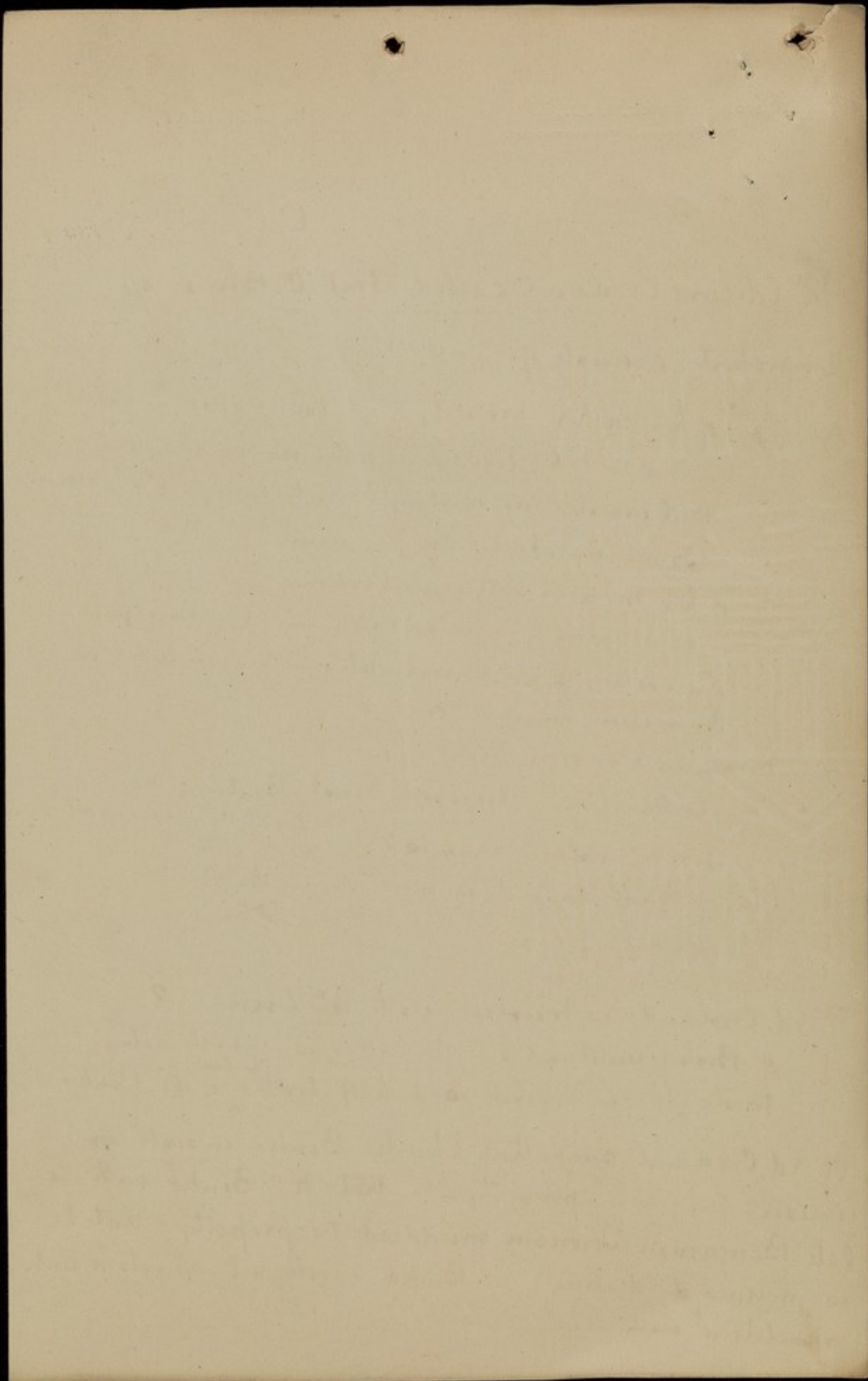
Her property consists of.

- A $\frac{1}{3}$ rd of her father's property - (about £6000 in value)
(This is to be divided whether mother has died,
Well invested in mortgages - returning 5% - & some
Bonns in about £200 per ann.
- B $\frac{1}{2}$ of her mother's settlement money -
£450 about. also invested in 5% mortgage.
She also has some Jarvis Cucklin - this included in
the section marked "A"
- C Money in her own right - in
Lockhart's - Liverpool Invest. Building Socy -
Lond. St. Liverpool -
This W. Croland says is £120.
(but S. Binks says it is more than this)

W. Ed. Croland is Trustee with Wm Dixon (?)
of Bishop Auckland - the latter is not the acting
Trustee. Dixon is a half-brother ^{in law} of the Binks

W. Ed. Croland says that Charlie Binks insists on
realizing the whole property - that Mrs Binks with the
late Benjamin Downson muddled the property: that he
is inclined to distrust the Binks & will not sanction any
expenditure ^{without} legal discharge in proper form.

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JEVONS, RYLEY & JEVONS.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:—
"JAVELIN, LIVERPOOL."

TELEPHONE NO. 5957.

19 Sweeting Street, Liverpool.

3rd Nov. 1894

Dear Dr. Pierce,

Absence from
home has been the reason
why your note has remained
unanswered until now. You
are quite correct in what
you say about Mr. Runk
& Mr. Groeland. He con-
sulted me about the matter

some time ago & I think then
told me that the authorities
of the Retreat usually gave
some indemnity in such
cases or were considering
the matter. I told him that
if they were willing to give
an ~~indemnity~~ indemnity,
he, as Trustee, would be
doing quite right to require
it. Since then I have heard
nothing more of it. I will
speak to him again on the
matter at the first opportu-
nity, if you can meantime

write me any thing which
will be a help to me in
advising him, so much
the better. The money
is, I believe, quite safe.

With kind regards

Yours very truly
Thomas C. Bayley

Confidential

JEVONS, RYLEY & JEVONS.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:—
"JAVELIN, LIVERPOOL."

TELEPHONE N° 5957.

19 Sweeting Street, Liverpool.
8th Nov 1894

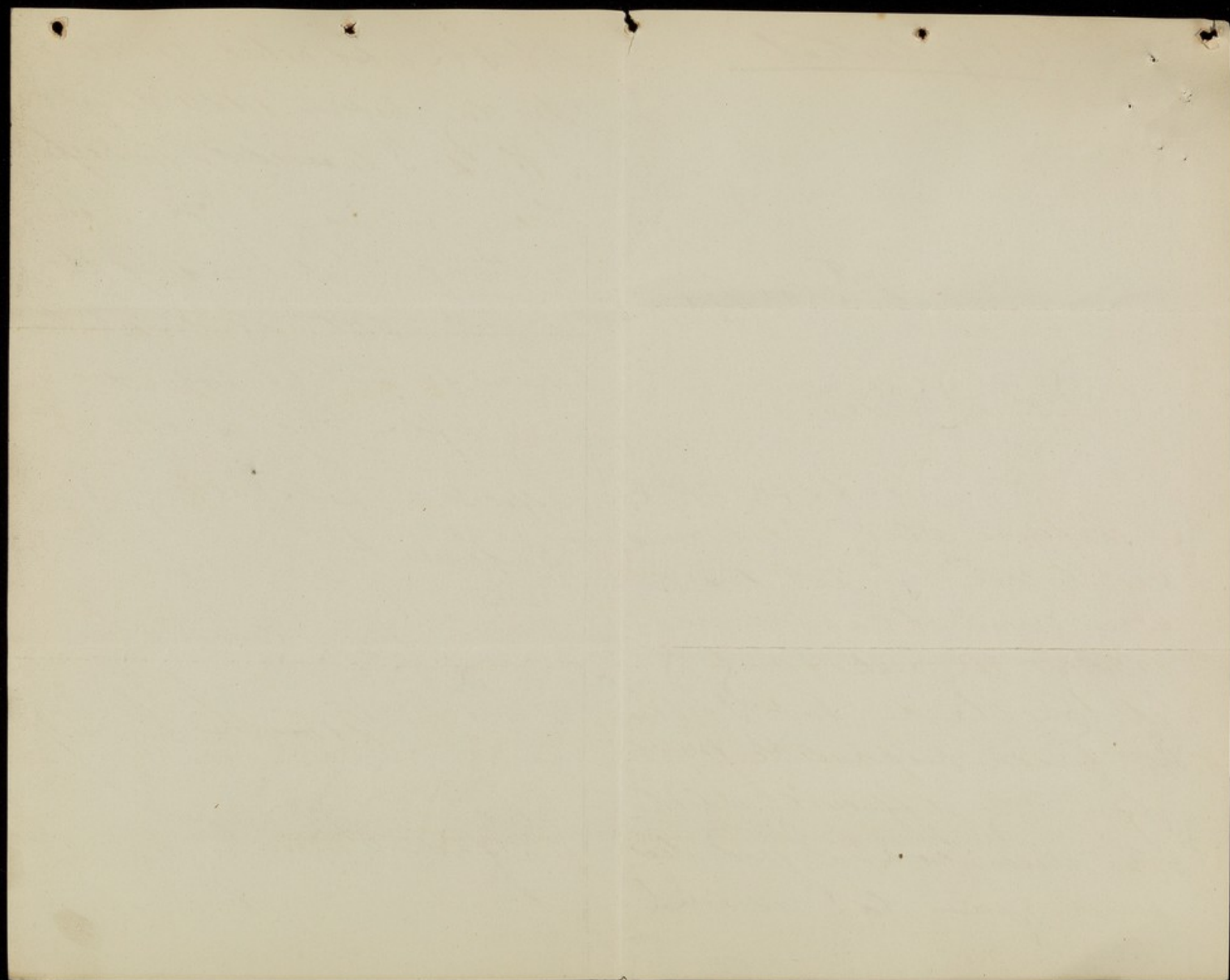
Dear Dr. Pierce,

Thanks for yours.
It confirms what I had feared
was the case viz. that there is
some want of confidence
between the Rinks family &
Ed. Grosland, but I believe
that the person responsible for it
or any difficulty which
has arisen is a good deal
nearer you than us here!

Mr. S. Rinks called on me
the day before yesterday &
I think I succeeded in repairing
here. Any way I hope I am
in the way of bringing about
a better state of things between
them so that I hope we
may before long be able to
effect a satisfactory ar-
rangement.

Yours sincerely
Thomas Ryley

Benford Pierce Esq. M.D.



JEVONS, RYLEY & JEVONS.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:—
"JAVELIN, LIVERPOOL."

TELEPHONE NO 5957.

19 Sweeting Street, Liverpool.
14th Nov 1894

Dear Dr. Pierce,

I have yours & am sorry that Charlie Pinks is so wounded. You can certainly mention my name to him & tell him that E. Crookland is now acting under my advice & I will see that he does every thing properly. I have seen him to day & told him that I was going to write this to you & he quite assented. He has brought me Accounts for Sarah

Pinks I am writing to her father so as to ask him to call to see me on them. It w^d be madness to commence proceedings. They would gain nothing but would fritter away a small estate in costs & expenses & only themselves the losers. It would ruin his sisters. It is true some part of the estate was lost some years ago but the Trustees got a Release & Indemnity for that & the family cannot recover or go behind that now. Property of every description as is well known is now much depressed in value. Proceedings c^d not raise the value of it. They w^d.

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Probably only cause a forced
sale to be made which would
be disastrous & ruinous as
well as expensive.

Yours very truly
Thomas C. Ryker

12 North Road
West Kirby
1-11-94

Dear Mr. Pierce -

I have to-day
been to see the Rev. Mr. Loc
Secretary - He is most willing
ful to help in any way
but fears I shall have to
be appointed legally to
deal with Father's money.
He will however consult
the Society's solicitor & see
if they cannot manage
without law proceedings.

In any case he says it
will not be such a
costly matter. I shall
know by Tuesday next
- then if it is necessary
to take legal proceedings
& the Committee of the Reheat
will not wait - I might
try & get the money advanced.
I quite understood that
my father's estate was being
realized - Mr. Crookall has
informed me - but I shall
have to put that matter
into the solicitor's hands -
also get a statement from
the trustees. I think my

confidence in Mr. Hubbard
is not likely to be increased
by hearing from two sources
yesterday that I had
better look well after my
affairs. Being in a corner
& not knowing where to
turn for a penny he is not
he means to have to handle
other people's - for though
well intentioned he is
weak as far as money goes.

I sincerely hope affairs
will not go into Chancery
it would mean for me the
giving up of my little home
& the sale of my furniture.

I should think less of it
were I able to work - but
unfortunately I am phy-
sically far from strong &
not able to do a great deal.

Yours very truly
Sarah E. Birds

my mother's money as it is
less as much as that in
the Bldg. Socy. As soon as
my father's estate is all
realized + Charlie paid out
I am going to have fresh
trustees appointed. Please
consider what I have said
in regard to Mr. Croeland
as confidential. I shall
be glad to hear from you on
the matter.

With kind regards

Very truly yours

Larab E. Beards

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12 North Road

West Kirby

29-X-94

Dear Dr. Pierce -

I duly received
your letter this morning
- Thank you for writing me.
I decidedly think it would
be best to use some of
the money Katie has in
Building Society as she
is not likely I suppose to
get better + require it -
but I should be decidedly
opposed to Mr. Croeland

Having anything to do with
it - as would also Katie
I know - we have suffered
to much from his mis-
management of affairs
in the past. I shall be
glad to see what can be
done conjointly with Mr.
Sixon - the other trustees
under my Mother's will -
or with someone else who
would not object to help
- personally I should like
Mr. Graison of Lincoln.
Katie has considerably more
than the sum owing to the
Committee in the Adg. Soc?
but I did not think it

necessary to acquaint Mr.
Cleveland with the fact.

I don't quite understand
how I should be involved
if the Court of Chancery were
appealed to. Under my father's
will I am entitled to a third
of the estate which I presume
the trustees could invest for
me in mortgages if I liked.
Katie's portion to be invested
at the direction of the Court.
As regards the money I had
from my Mother that is mine
absolutely + I should have
thought the sum owed to the
Retreat Com^{tee} could have been
taken from Katie's portion of

12 North Road

West Kirby

16-XI-94

Dear Mr. Peice -

The Bd. of Directors

are willing to
hand over the accumulated
interest of Katie's money
- amounting to about
£60 without legal proceedings
The receiving are indemnity
from me - & a document
worded as follows from

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700 -

Sale - - - - -

Received from The Liverpool
Investment Building
Society the sum of £
The said amount to be
applied to the maintenance
of Miss Catherine Binko
who is of unsound mind
& an inmate of this asylum.

Signature - - - - -

Medical Officer

"The Retreat" York.

Will you kindly let me
have this signed by Monday

Morning next. I expect
I shall have to have legal
authority if I want to use
the principal - in the mean-
time you shall have this
money & I will see Mr
Crossland about the balance.

Yours very truly

Sarah E. Binko

12 North Road

West Kirby

7-11-94

Dear Mr. Pierce -

I saw Mr. Mac.

Phair the Secretary of the
Ady. Soc? yesterday & he
told me their Solicitor said
it would be needful for
me to be appointed legally
to receive & use Native
money for the benefit
unless the Board agreed

unanimously to hand
it over to me without.
There is to be a board mg.
to-morrow week when the
subject will be brought
forward - in the meantime
the Secretary will probably
write you to know about
Natie - & they will also
see my solicitor & two
referances I have given.
I hope they will agree to
do without legal proceedings
as they will be costly.

With kind regards
Sincerely yours
Frank E. Birds

BART LODGE, BASLOW,
DERBYSHIRE.

Dec 28.
1894

D^r Sir

Please to send
me your terms for a lady
aged 54. (Demented.)
of limited means -

Yours truly

E M French

The Manager
The Retreat
York

F R C S

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blank

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Blank paper

Blank paper for a card

Blank paper for a card

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PARK LODGE, BASLOW,
DERBYSHIRE.

Jan 14

Dear Sir

Many thanks for
your letter and Photographs
received Dec 20.

The Patient is not fit to
travel this weather. but I
hope to bring her shortly.
I am her Trustee, but no
relation. Would there be

irregularity in the signing

her certificate, with her present
her! attended - ?

She is suffering from dementia
and has been under treatment
at the Asylum Nottingham before.

Yours truly

E. M. French

FRCS

St. Woodley

me. but this is a ^{weakness} ~~reveler~~
of the patient, unless ~~present~~
it is very desirable she should
not be longer in the journey
than possible - So if you think
my plan not very feasible.

Mr Wright must go to Sunderland
to see the patient before signing
the Petition -

Miss Anderson has average income
only to pay you £2.2.0 per
week charge -

Excuse my assurances.

Yours truly E. M. French F.R.C.S.

Park Lodge, Eastlow,
Derbyshire

The Secretary
The Retreat

Jan 24th

Dear Sir

If my ward Miss Edwina
Spalding Anderson aged 57. is fit
to be removed next week. from
Sunderland to York. I purpose doing
so. I have communicated
with the Local Committee
and they inform me that

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if any co-trustee. Mr Reed
H to Wright Vicar of St. Giles
Sheffield. signs the petition
there will be no objection
to myself signing one of the
medical certificates -
It will be inconvenient &
costly. for Mr Wright (as
well as myself) to travel

to Sunderland. to sign the petition
there - Would it be possible
for Mr Wright to meet the
Patient (myself a nurse)
at York - and present
her before a Magistrate
at York. on the way to
the Coppice - ^{Miss A. has no near} relative -
The case is a very straightforward

PARK LODGE, BASLOW,
DERBYSHIRE

Jan 26

Dear Sir

"Miss E J Anderson"

I beg to thank you
for your clear letter of instructions

I purpose going to Sunderland
early next week. and if
the patient is fit to travel
shall bring her to the
Retreat on Wed or Thursday

I am writing to North Eastern
railway re trains and motor
carriage - I shall bring a
nurse & possibly my wife
into the undertaking -

I have ascertained from
the Commissioners that
if my co-trustee signs the
Petition - x I can sign the
need to certificate while
x I am no relation to patients.

regular
her Sunderland doctor signs
the other. so that all
that we shall require to
get signed at York will
be the Magistrate's Order.

as far as I at present
know. we shall arrive
at York at 12.15 on
Wednesday -

Yours truly

E de Wrentham

The Secy
"The Retreat"

From Edward Fowler, 9 Heathville Road, Gloucester

AGENT FOR THE ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY

FIRE AND LIFE-FUNDS IN HAND, EXCEED £8,000,000

To Dr. George Pierce York

January 3rd 1895

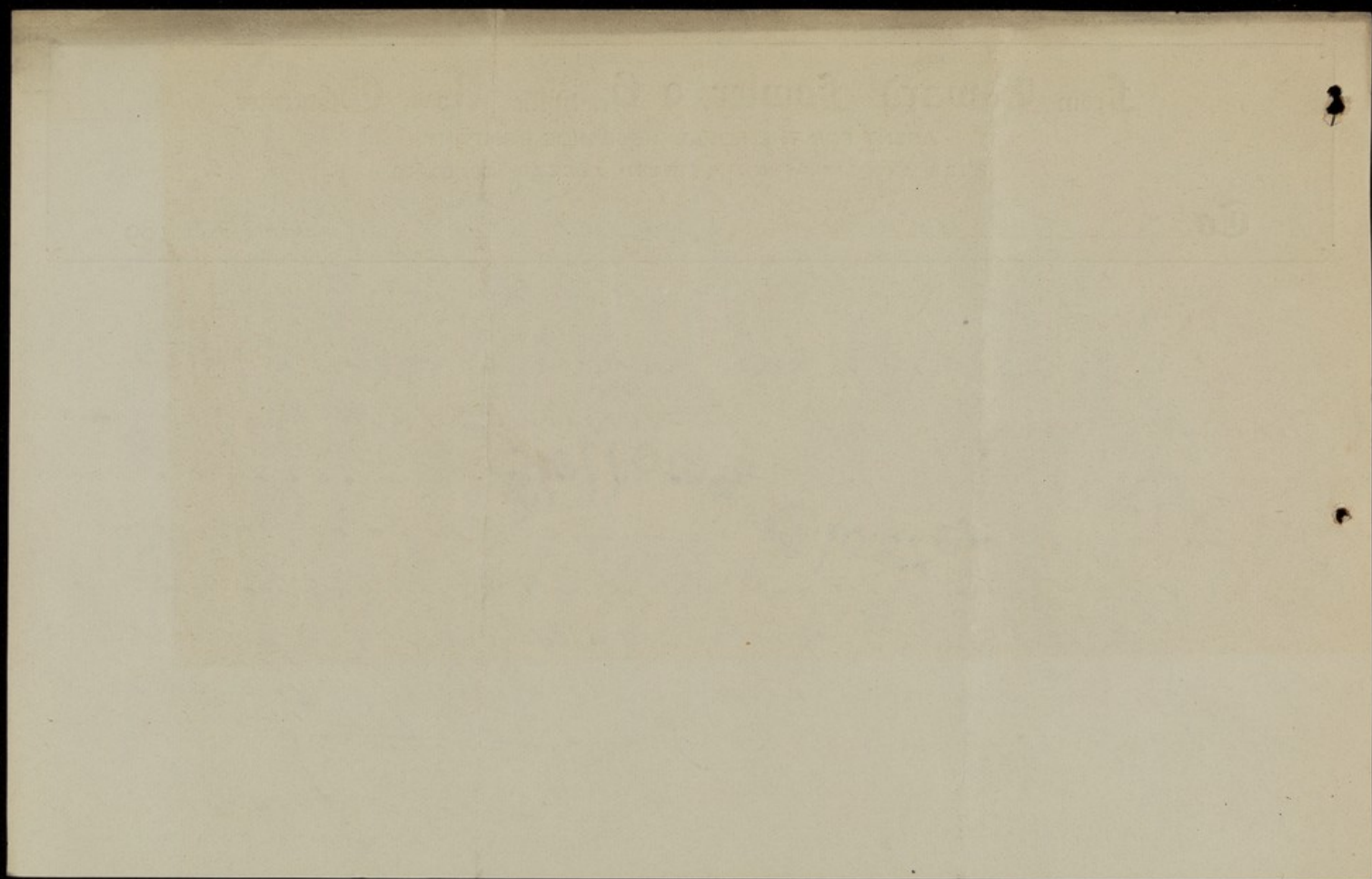
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Dear Friend.

With this please find cheque to pay the of you have sent for Charlotte Dordon amount £15.12.0. I have seen the Secy's letter to Hooker, but cannot say what can be done in the matter. I do not intend to go on paying out of pocket - Will wait & see the result of the application made to the Court & a reply to a letter I am about writing to Charlotte Dordon's broker in America. Please send me the receipt.

Yours truly

Edward Fowler



FROM
SILVANUS DARBYSHIRE
FAMILY GROCER, TEA DEALER & PROVISION MERCHANT,
EAGLE TEA WAREHOUSE,
48, LINTHORPE RD. MIDDLESBRO.

Memorandum.

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15th Jan 1895.
To Dr Pierce
The Retreat
York.

Dear Friend

I have received a letter from Dr Cot of Eccles certifying Mrs Binell to be at present quite clear in her mental faculties; & ready to give me a proper release from my trusteeship, so I am going to pay over her money. Will you kindly send me an account of the clothing obtained for her so that I may remit it to you & deduct the amount. Unless you prefer to let her send it herself.

Yours sincerely
S Darbyshire

3 Hampton Park
1 Redland - Bristol

Dear Sir

As the Disbursements
now come to ¹⁰ must be more
than when my sister
first went to York -
do you think any of

them might be sent
from home - as our
means are very very
limited?

For a year or two
they remained at 11/9
Quarterly - regularly -
but lately they have
increased each quarter
so that we wonder -
as we never receive

details - what has some
of them would not be
cheaper sent from
here. Apologizing
for them troubling you

I am
Yours sincerely
Alice Dale

Jan 25. 95

P.S. The account just
paid is £1.6.3 -
more than double what
it formerly was -

HEATHFIELD HOUSE,
HALIFAX.

January 25/95

Dear Dr. Pease

I quite see the force
of your letter. I should
not like Mrs Walker to have
any inferior rooms. I will
pay the £4/4/0 per week.

Please let your boy return me
the note & I will at once
remmit the amt.

Mrs Walkers letters indicate
marvellous improvement.
I purpose coming over next
week if possibly can.
but have a severe cold.
I am tired of travelling

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this Art is weather.

I fear Mr. Walker will be
put out with both you & to
me. if he does not return
home. but I must be
guided by your advice

Thanking you for your
kindness. Still sympathy

Remain

Yours truly

John W. Walker

from Cadbury Brothers,

TELEGRAMS,
CADBURY, BIRMINGHAM.



LONDON OFFICES,
2, ROOD LANE,

E. C.

PARIS.
MELBOURNE.
SYDNEY.
WELLINGTON, N.Z.



Bournville,

No. Birmingham,

/ No. 4 1895-

ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED TO BOURNVILLE.

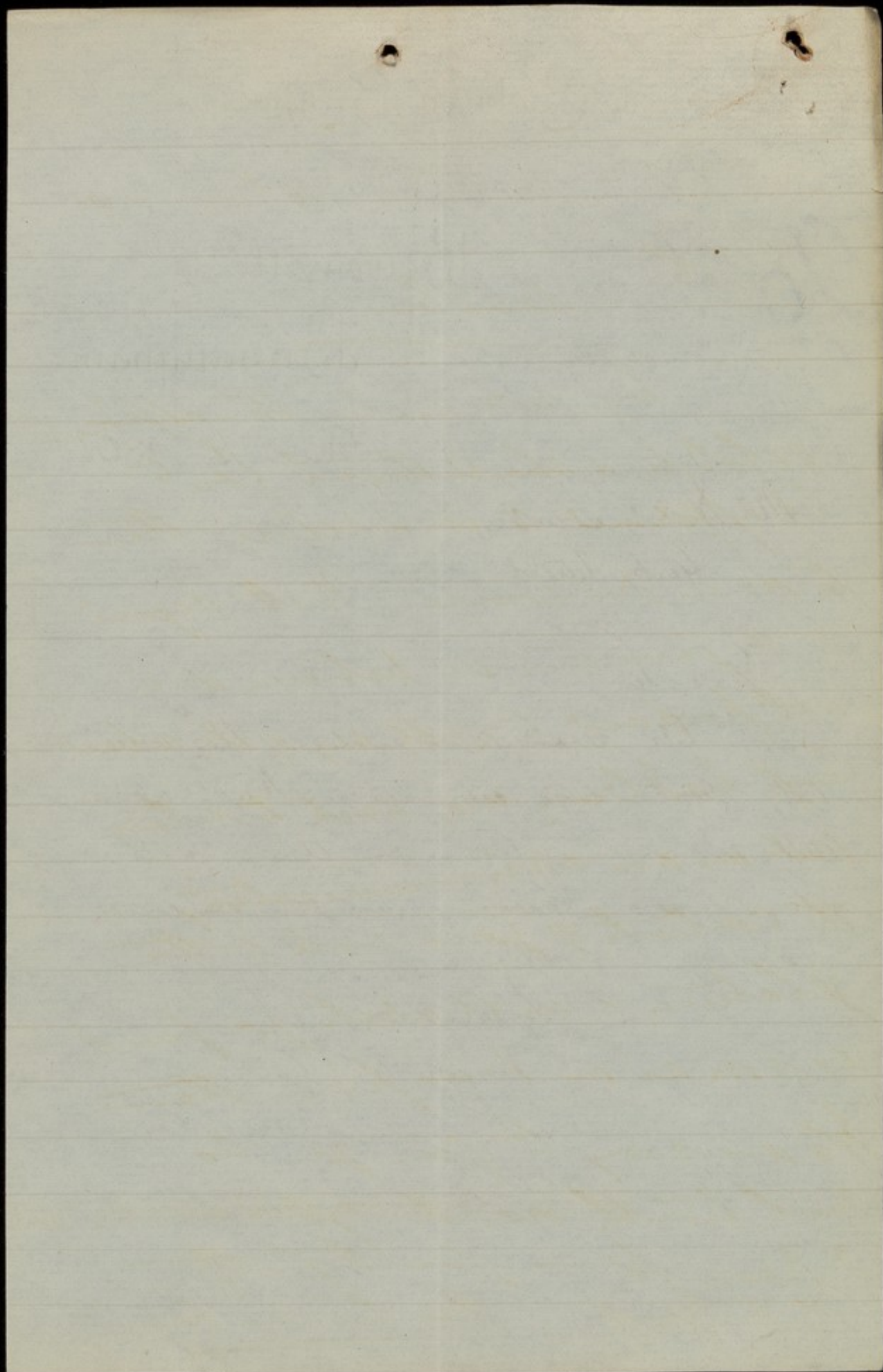
Mr. Wood Secretary
York Retreat

Dear Sir

As arranged I enclose the agreement
only signed and witnessed. Kindly address
all communications in this matter
to Edward Shackray as per enclosed
address. I oblige

Yours sincerely
pro R. J. Cadbury
Barrow Cadbury

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HARLAND & SON,
SOLICITORS.

Bridlington, 18th Jan 1895

Dear Sir Gooding

We now enclose the affidavit
& exhibits & shall thank you to
be affirmed to it & return the
to us in due course. With regard
to the furniture we believe it is
not proposed to sell any of it which
Miss Gooding may wish to retain
but we are communicating
the contents of your note to the
relatives & will write you further
as soon as we hear from the
We are sorry to give you so
much trouble over the affidavit -
Yours faithfully
J. Pierce for Harland & Son
The Retreat
York

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Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the application for a license to practice as a physician in the State of New York. The application is now before the Board of Regents, and it is my duty to inform you that the same will be considered at their next meeting, which will be held on the 15th inst. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, &c.
J. B. Allen

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the application for a license to practice as a physician in the State of New York. The application is now before the Board of Regents, and it is my duty to inform you that the same will be considered at their next meeting, which will be held on the 15th inst. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, &c.
J. B. Allen

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HARLAND & SON,
SOLICITORS.

Dear Sir

Bridlington 16th Jan 1895

Goodbury

We are obtaining the appointment of a Commissioner herein & we enclose a form of affidavit necessary to be made by you. We cannot supply the copies of the Reception Order & of the Doctor's certificates as we have not the originals. Can you do so? or tell us where the latter are so that we may obtain them. If you will be good enough to fill in the enclosed affidavit & add the above mentioned

papers which form the exhibit you could be sworn at once. It is if you will fill in the affidavit & return it to us with the information as to the exhibit we will have it recopied & the exhibit added. When the affidavit is sworn please let us have an account of your charges which we shall be happy to pay.

Yours faithfully
Harland & Son

Dr. Pierce

The Retreat

York

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from Cadbury Brothers,

TELEGRAMS,
CADBURY, BIRMINGHAM.

Bournville.

No. Birmingham.

1. No. 19. 1895



LONDON OFFICES,
2, ROOD LANE,
E. C.
PARIS,
MELBOURNE,
SYDNEY,
WELLINGTON, N.Z.



ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED TO BOURNVILLE.

J. Perce

The Retreat York

Dear Sir.

Mr. & Son of Bridlington
have forwarded your letter re Oak
Furniture etc. and see as difficult
in sending the same, but should like
to consult my cousin Edie and perhaps
it could stand until the more
important matter of the appointment
of Trustees is complete. Would you
kindly send me to this address a
copy of the wording of the agreement
which my father & Uncle signed when

my Aunt Agnes Cadbury was taken to
The Retreat - I am ~~now~~ anxious to
have this soon. If it is not asking
too much I should also be glad
to have a copy of the declaration made
by Mrs. Taylor of Bridlington:

What my cousin has told me fully
confirms my Aunt's attachment to the
Oak Furniture etc in her house & I
hope to write you when we have
discussed what we propose to do. At
present we propose to keep a
considerable number of things, but
hope soon to be in a position to
settle definitely

Yours sincerely
Narrow Cadbury

Dear Mr Cadbury -

Our Sec^y Mr Woods will send you
copies of the documents for which you
ask in your letter of yesterday.

As regards the Oak Furniture
I may say that the matter seems
to be growing to larger dimensions than
at first proposed. Our feeling about the
matter is this that if there are any things
that Mr Cadbury would like to have about
her that would tend to increase her
comfort we sh^d be glad for her to have
them. ~~But~~ We should prefer ^{however} that nothing
of great value or + nothing ^{very} fragile should
be sent, seeing that ~~this would~~ as it
might involve seeing that these would might
be difficult to take care of properly in
any institution of this kind.

There is of course no hurry at all & the
matter can be left ~~out~~ until the business
affairs are settled.

I am glad to say that Mr Cadbury
is settling in quite as comfortably as
we could expect: ~~she is very fairly~~
~~content~~ she seems to be improving
~~under~~ I hope it may not be long before
some of her painful delusions fade
away. We will do our best
to ~~make her~~ ^{engage her} fill up her time
advantageously & when the weather
improves we propose about once a
week to let her drive out for an
hour or two.

Mr Cadbury is asking for painting
materials - we should be glad to
have these for her ^{if you can send them or} ~~I should~~ anything
of the kind that she takes an
interest ⁱⁿ ~~in~~ will be useful.

HARLAND & SON,
SOLICITORS.

Bridlington, 22nd Jan 1895

Dear Sir

Cadbury

We are much obliged
for your affidavit & exhibits. We
have an account of the charges from
the Secretary - perhaps the best plan
will be for you to charge them as
proposed in your letter to Mr. Cadbury's
account.

Yours faithfully

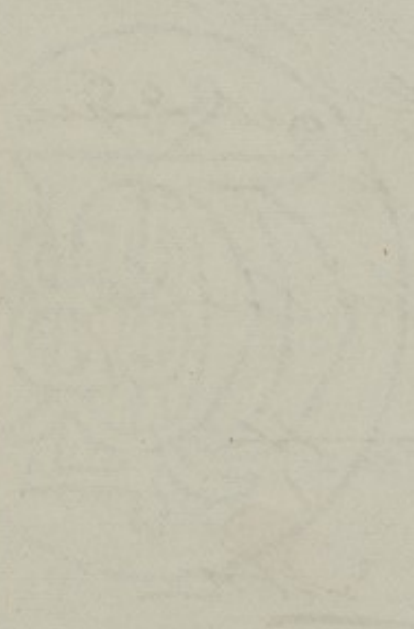
Harland & Son

D. Pierce

The Rectory

York

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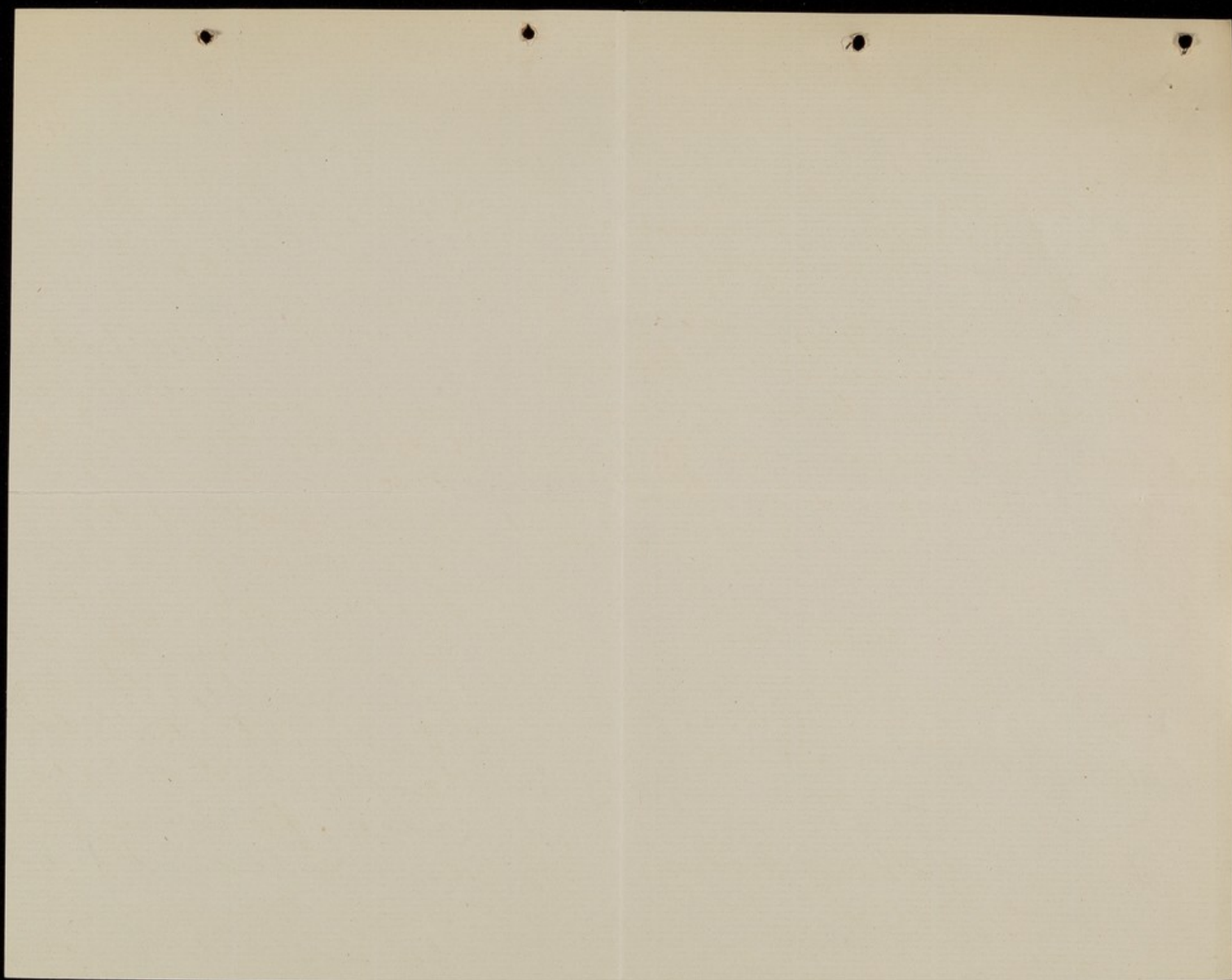
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that train - as soon
as signed I will post
you the necessary
documents (if this
course is in order,
& on his admittance
will you kindly
write my father the
exact terms & he will
remitt you the quarter
fees as required by
your rules - also after
this please address
all communications
to him direct.

S. B. Jackson
Humber House,
Brough. E. Yorks
Oblige. Yours faithfully
Wm. Jackson

66 Morpeth St
Dull Dec^r 24/94
Dr Bedford Pierce
York.

Dear Sir
I duly received
your letter yesterday
the contents of which
I note with many
thanks. As stated
in my previous
letter the nurse
will come with my
brother next Tuesday
by the train arriving
at York at 12.50
so ^{will} you kindly let
your attendant meet



readily understood every
wish that he should be
comfortable, but of course
but of course under the
circumstances desire this
to be done with the least
possible expense. We however
leave the matter entirely in
your hands & to your committee
as we feel sure you will
readily appreciate our position
and we are quite sure my
brother will receive at your
hands every care that
his unfortunate situation
requires.

Yours sincerely

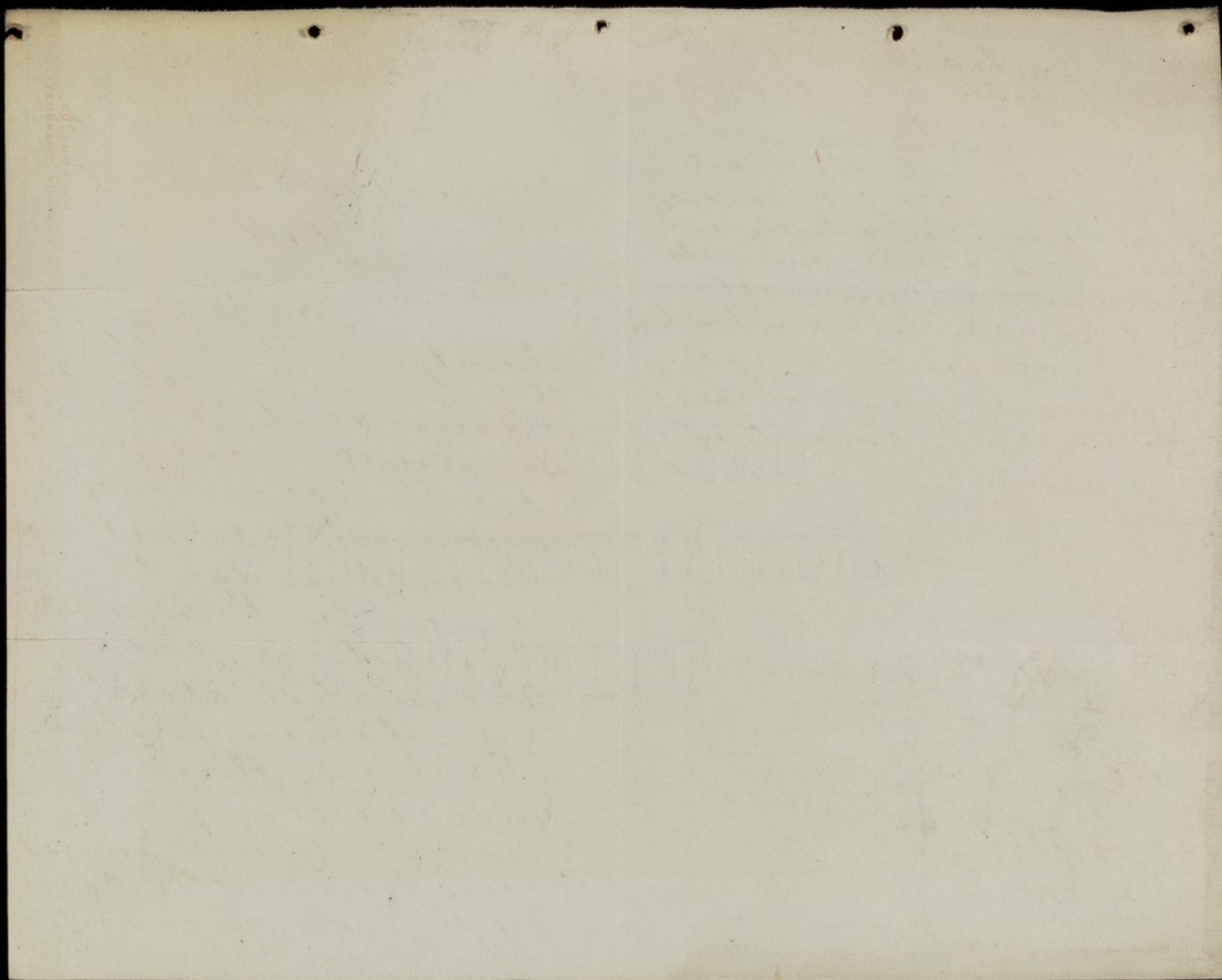
Yours faithfully
Wm Jackson

When I have your
final reply I will
forward cheque.

66 Morpeth St
Hull Jan'y 1895

Dr Beaford, Pierce
York

Dear Sir: My father has
shown me your letter
of y'day from which
I learn that your
committee have fixed
the charge for my
brother at £3/3/- week.
You will no doubt
remember the conversation
I had with you when
last in York about
my father's position
and I fear this rate
will prove a heavy
burden to him unless
your committee can
see their way to modify
it. We have as you will



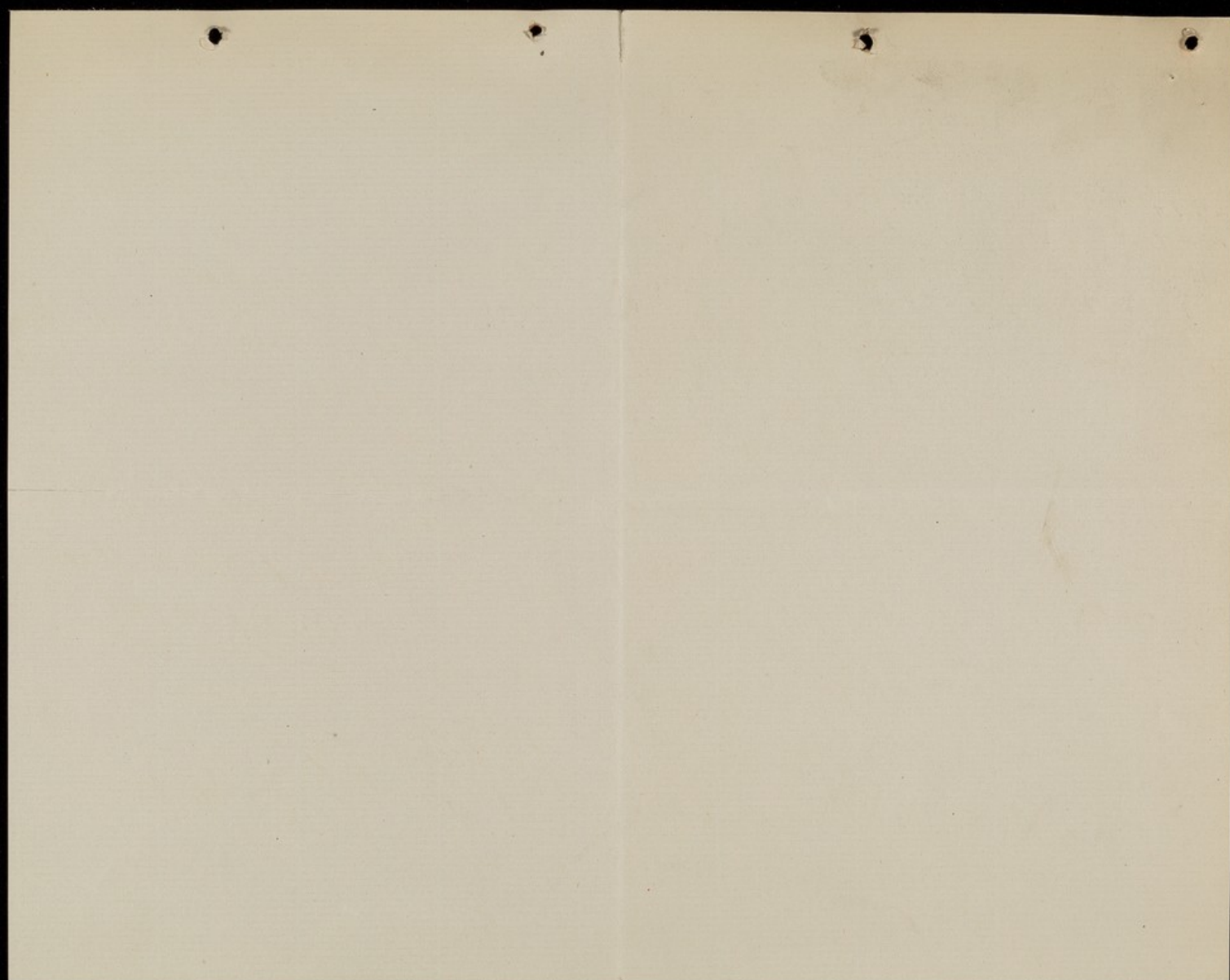
condition to be removed
to a less expensive part
of your Institution
we could then consider
the advisability of
doing so. We at that
time guided by your
advice. Please accept
our best thanks for
your kind cooperation
in this matter.

Yours faithfully
Wm Jackson
Please let me know
when I am to make
the cheque payable

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66. Morpeth St
Sull Jan 24/95
Dr Beauford Dence
York

Dear Sir,
I have your
kind letter of the
19th inst for which
please accept my
best thanks. If this
course is agreeable
to you I propose that
my brother should
remain in his
present quarters
for 3 mos. and if
at the expiration
of that time you
should consider
him in a fit



AND AT
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PHILIP COOKE & SON,
SOLICITORS.

9, BERKELEY STREET,

Gloucester.

Lawr. 21st 1895

Dear Mr & Fardou

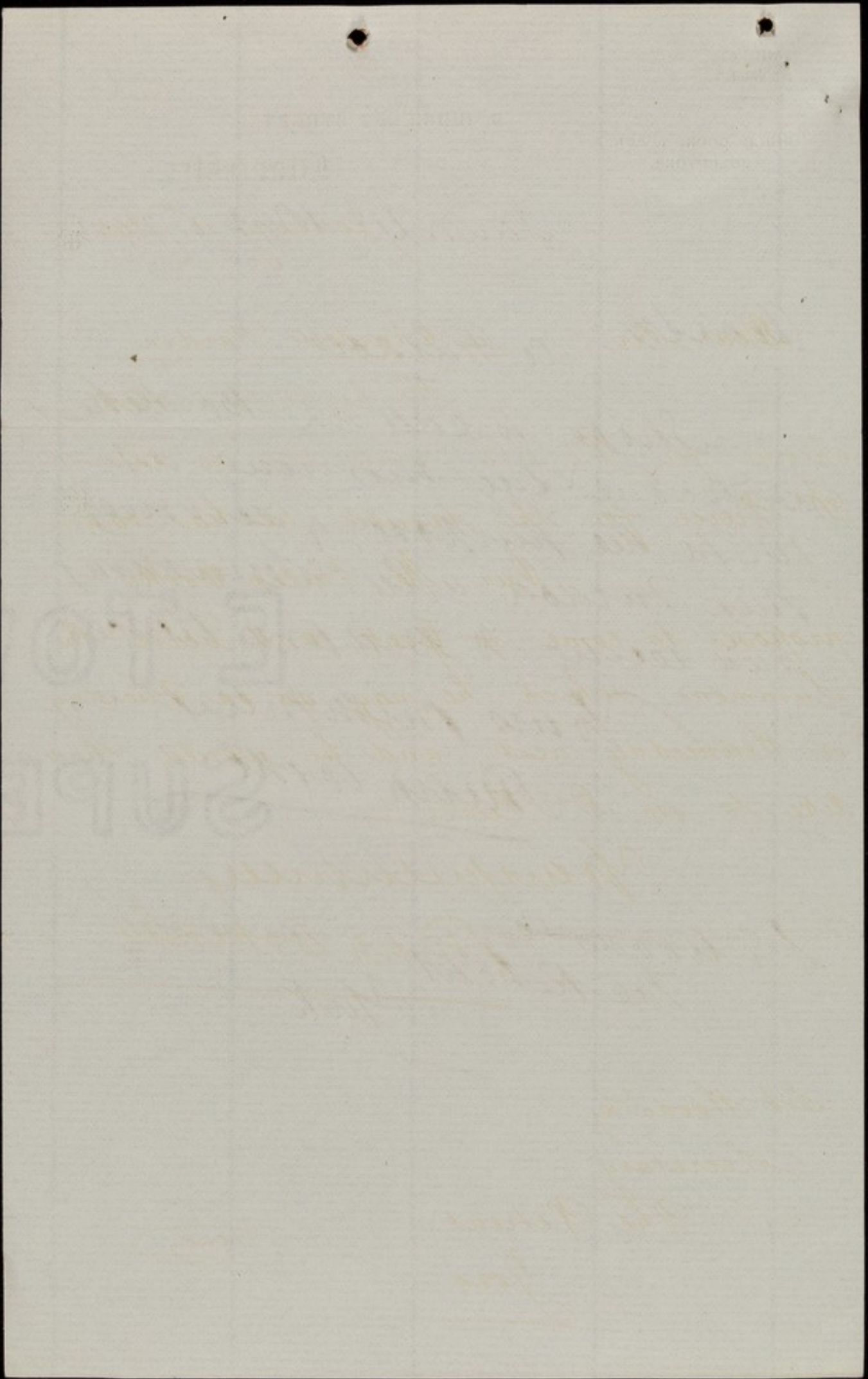
I hope to call at the Retreat
on Tuesday morning at
10. In the purpose of serving
Mr Fardou with summons
and seeing Mr Bedford Pierce.

Yours faithfully,

Philip Cooke

S E Woods Esq
The Retreat York

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AND AT
NEWENT.

PHILIP COOKE & SON,
SOLICITORS.

9, BERKELEY STREET,

Gloucester.

January 18th 1895

Dear Sir re Charlotte Wardon

We herewith enclose
cheque for £1. 1. 0, and beg to thank
D^r Pierce for the trouble he has taken.

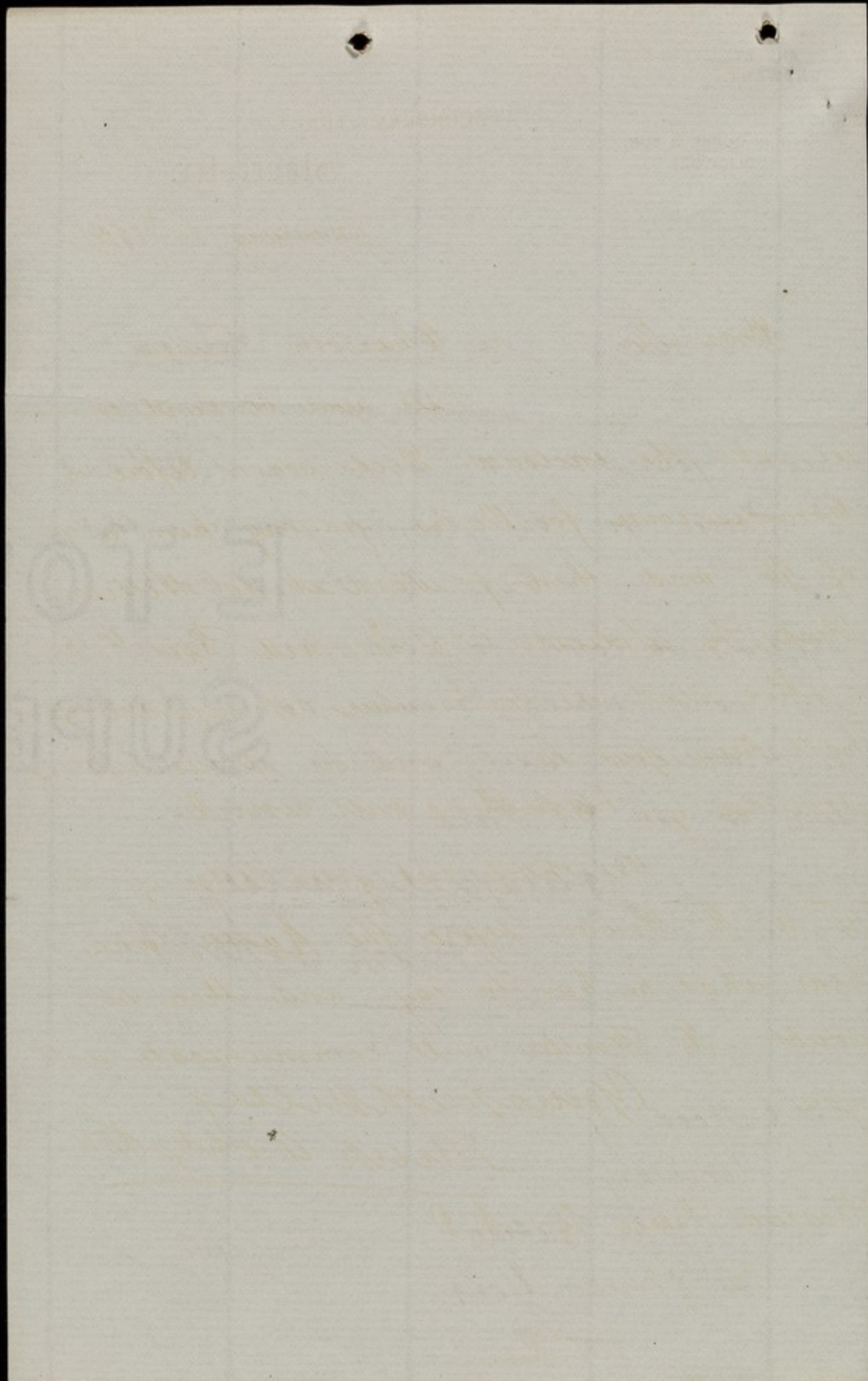
Our M^r Philip Cooke —
proposes to come to York, and serve the
Summons, which he may do on Tuesday
or Wednesday next, and he would then
like to see D^r Pierce.

Yours faithfully
Philip Cooke & Son,

L. E. Woods Esq
Secretary
The Retreat
York

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AND AT
NEWENT.

PHILIP COOKE & SON,
SOLICITORS.

9, BERKELEY STREET,

Gloucester.

January 15th 1895

Dear Sir re Charlotte Wardon.

Will you be kind enough
to make the enclosed Declaration before a
Commissioner for Oaths, paying him a fee
of 1/6, and then forward it to William
Sticks Esq, Solicitor, 35 Bedford Row, London.

Also send us particulars of expense you
have been put to by reason of our having
troubled you. Which we will reimburse.

We shall put your letter of the
14th to Mr Fowler, before the Master, and
hear what he has to say, and then no
doubt Mr Fowler will communicate with
you

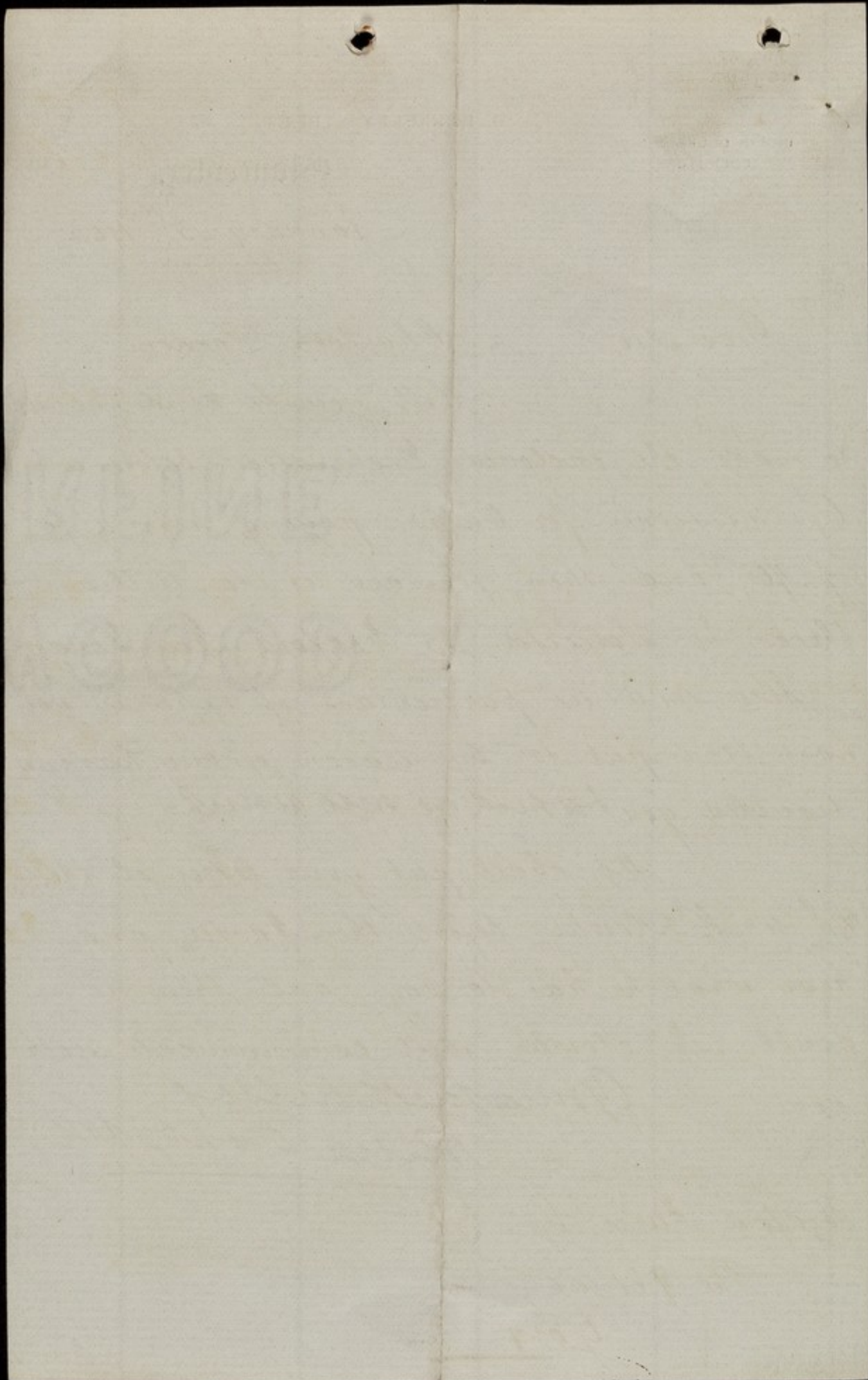
Yours faithfully
Philip Cooke & Son

Bedford Pierce Esq M.D.

The Rectory

York

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Chaffont-
Anahwaite Bay
J W

2 23 / 4

Dear Dr Price

I am forwarding by
this post. a cheque for £20 on
our. Account. Act - I have not the
bill by me some way it has got.
Miss Laid will you ask Mr.
Woods if he will finally send
another. statement. When this is
acknowledged with date when
the act commenced (£37 &
some odd shillings which I
cannot now remember.) -

We suppose the old barometer
£ 4 - I do not remember the
shillings is for washing?

We are having in the I.W.
some very very cold weather

We are comforted in thinking
that our poor child cannot
with all the care that is given
for the comfort of the patients
suffer from the cold. Though we
fear she must still be in a very
poor case as we have not yet
received a line from her
since her return.

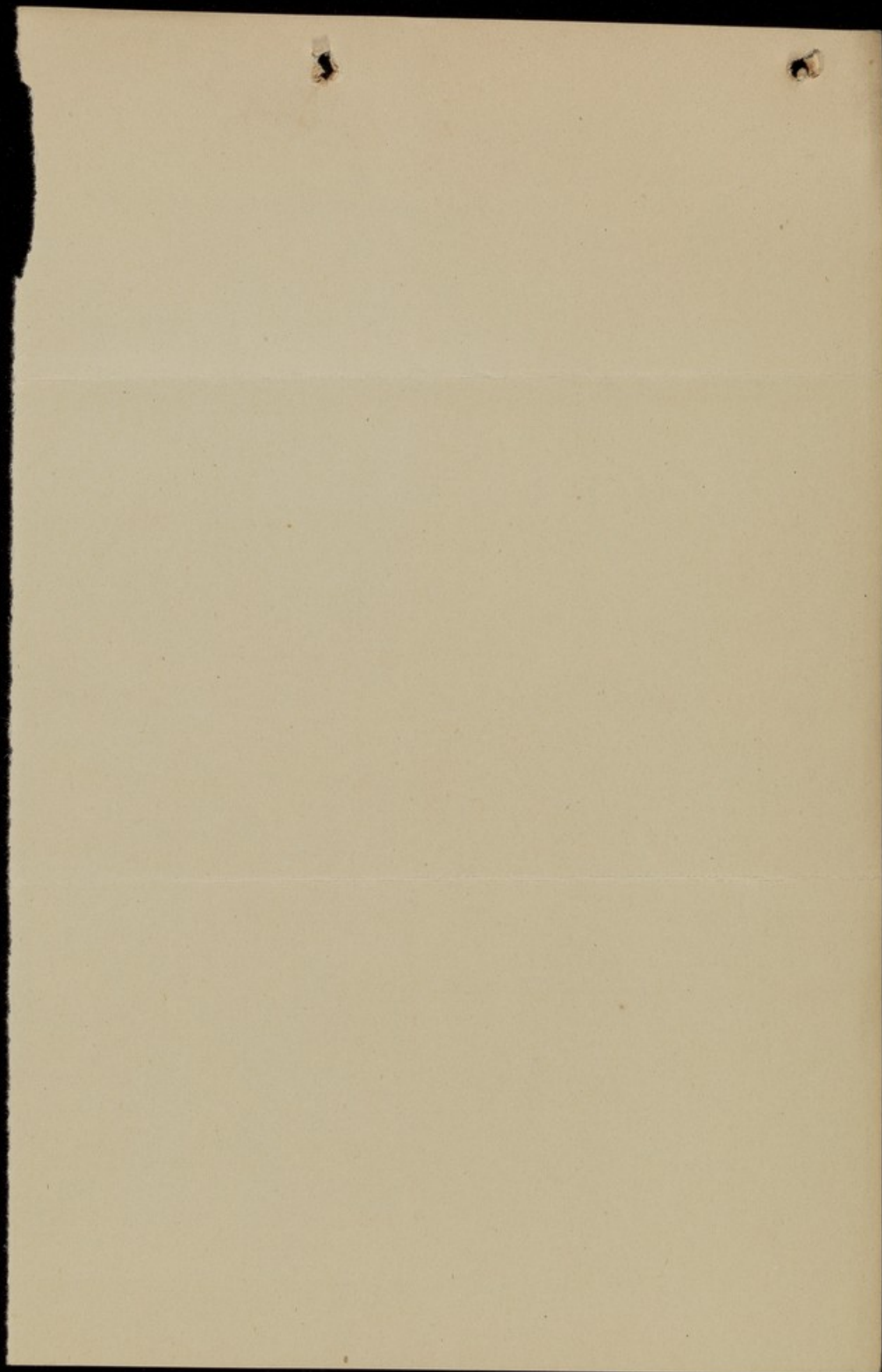
With our kindest regards
Yours sincerely
E. Drewett &

January 31st 1895
18 Birnie Road Oxtou

Dear Sir,

I received your note
of the 29th Miss Parry has no music
as I am aware of But I will
make inquiry and let you know

Yours Truly
John Lloyd



The Manse

Jan'y 24th - 1896.

Dear Sir -

You will be
glad to learn Mr.
Hall is resuming
duties again, &
I earnestly trust
he will continue
to gather strength,
tone, & nerve -
We shall be obliged
if you will remit

in the balance of
our accounts, I
should have written
earlier for it, but
have been pressed
for time during
the holidays.

W. Hall joins me
in kind regards.

Believe me to be

Yours sincerely
Mary A. Hall.

Hazeldean

Henley on Thames

Jan 28th 95

Dr Pierce

Dear friend

I enclose cheque
in settlement of a/c, please
forward receipt to above
address, where I am staying
for a short time, having
sold my Business effects
at Newport Pagnell the
week after the funeral,
your a/c was sent on to me
here, or should have

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sent cheque for return.

Thanking you for past
favours, & with kind regards
Yours

Sincerely 'Yours

Eric G. Stevens

Queen Street.

Newcastle-on-Tyne

15th Nov. 1894.

12th Dec 94

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of
Your long letter of yesterday
& note contents with thanks
regarding the Minute passed
at your last Meeting re
reducing the cost of my
Mother's maintenance owing
to her seriously reduced in-
come, as I previously informed
D.

Dr Pierce a Mortgage,
principally owned by my
Mother is to be paid off
by Mortgages then facilitating
the Realization of their
investments as it could not
have been transferred
without considerable difficulty
I do not however expect
the money will be made
over till the beginning of
next year, meanwhile I
hope to be able to make

a statement in the course of a week
or so, I regret the amount of trouble
inconvenience, I am afraid, my Mother
affair may have caused your distribution
but trust you may also appreciate my
difficulties, I am Dear Sir,

Yours very truly

Wm Thompson Esq
Jms
Sturges & Allen

£ 60

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Jan 94

Oct 94

Nov 94

Queen Street

Newcastle.

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12 Dec 94

Dear Sir

I enclose Bank note
No [✓]₁₁ 61050. for £ 50 on [✓]₁₁
of my Mother.

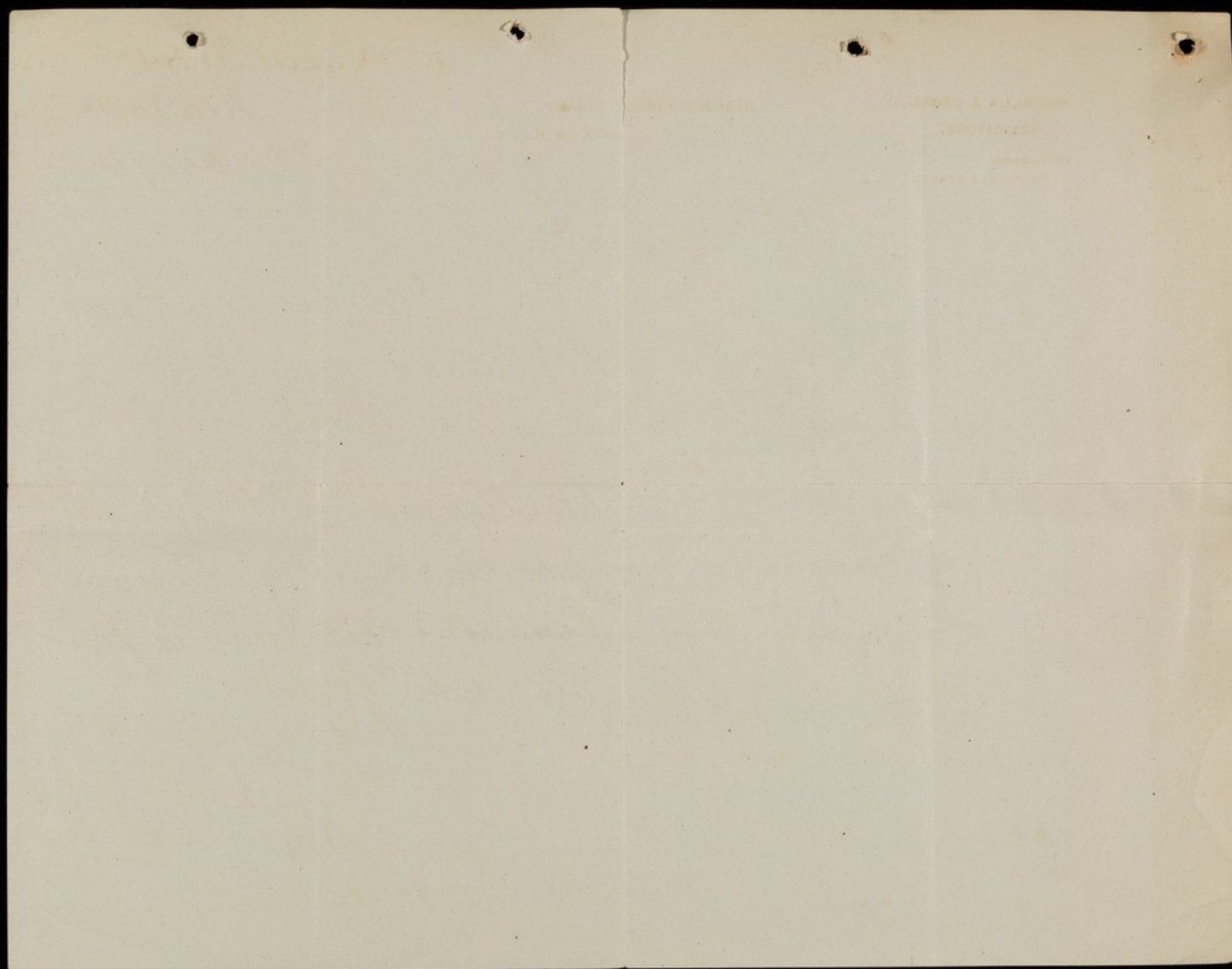
The Mortgage as I informed
your Chairman of Finance
Committee will not be paid
till next year.

Yours truly

Hayward Allen

S. E. Woods Esq
York.

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GUEDALLA & CROSS,
SOLICITORS.

TELEGRAMS
"GUEDALLA, LONDON"

21, ESSEX STREET, STRAND,
LONDON. W.C.

25th Jan'y 1895

Dear Sir,

I have your letter of
the 22nd inst. in accord
with instructions from
Mr. Hugh McCann I am
now sending you enclosed
cheque value £391. 2. 4 on
account of Mr. McCann's
maintenance at your
institution. Will you please

Send me formal receipts for
this

Yours faithfully
Edgar Cross

Rich^d Thompson Esq
Hon: Treasurer.
The Detroit Lock.

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GOEDALL & CO.

SOLE AGENTS

FOR THE

UNITED STATES

21 BEEK STREET, LONDON

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Lucia St. Ne.

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Dear Sir

I hear from Mr. Toms that
he has remitted £391. 2. 4
being proceeds of my Mother's
preparation of Mortgage
after deducting expenses
which are heavier than I
expected.

I now enclose B of E Notes
one of Fifty pounds £50
" three of Ten - " - " 30
making a total of £80.

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which kindly acknowledge
in due course.

As the payment of this
Mortgage now realized, all
my Mother's personal Estate
is absorbed, & only her life
interests remain. Consequently
the reduction of your heavy
charge will I hope be
made retrospective, kindly
inform me if you print
or publish any Accounts
of your Institution

than all the immediate paying, &
on the same ratio, as from what
I hear your charge of £77. per week for
many years is unusually heavy, I
should like now to have my Mother's
account put on par footing & I think
some of the entries should be altered
of considering the charge made
you by Lady
W. S. E. Good.
Mary W. Estlin

Western Bank,
Sheffield.

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S. E. Woods

Dear Friend

Herewith I enclose
Cheque value £45-5-1
in payment of the three
statements received

Kindly forward
receipt for the same
by return post.

Respecting the items
in the Hosiers a/c for
P^r. Albright the Com^{rs}
request me to say

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2/.

that they consider the price paid for the Cap to be excessive, some members stating that they have bought caps for their own use at half the price, and as to purchasing 4 Vests they are of opinion that two are quite sufficient;

The Com^{ee} wish to enter their protest against excessive & unnecessary expenditure

Yours truly
Joshua Searle

W. H. PALMER,
SOLICITOR

AND
COMMISSIONER FOR OATHS.

~~10, ST. SEPULCHRE GATE~~

DONCASTER.

Bedford Pierce Esq. 26 July 1895.
Sir re G. H. Palmer

I forward you my cheque
value £50. 3. 5 in discharge
of the enclosed account and
will thank to return me the
receipt with a further account
of my sons Hester. I am sorry
the payment has been a little
delayed from my having so
many cares upon me having to
maintain his wife and educate
his family as my rents and
dividends do not come in very
well I wish your contribution
could see some way to reduce
his maintenance for I should
feel much obliged.

Yours very truly

W. H. Palmer



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Feb 17. 1895.

2 BELVOIR TERRACE
SCARBOROUGH

Dear Dr. Peirce.

I shall be very
grateful, if at your Board
meeting on Tuesday week
you would kindly lay Miss
Kendall's circumstances
before the gentlemen.

I am very anxious of
hoping that she should

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Stay there another long
in the Retreat, & if the
Board will see their
way to make a reduc-
tion of 100 a week.
It will be a great boon
to her sister. Who is
the widow of a much
respected Wesleyan
Minister, & who is at

present keeping her
daughter at the Retreat
out of her capital.

Bethesda.

Genl. N. A. J. J. J.

John W. Scott

21 Swan Rd

Harrogate

24 Jan'y 1895.

Dear Sir

re C. Bentley

Replying to yours of the
21st inst. I will endeavour to
ascertain if some means can
be found to meet the wishes
of your Committee? —

Yours truly

Samuel Gill.

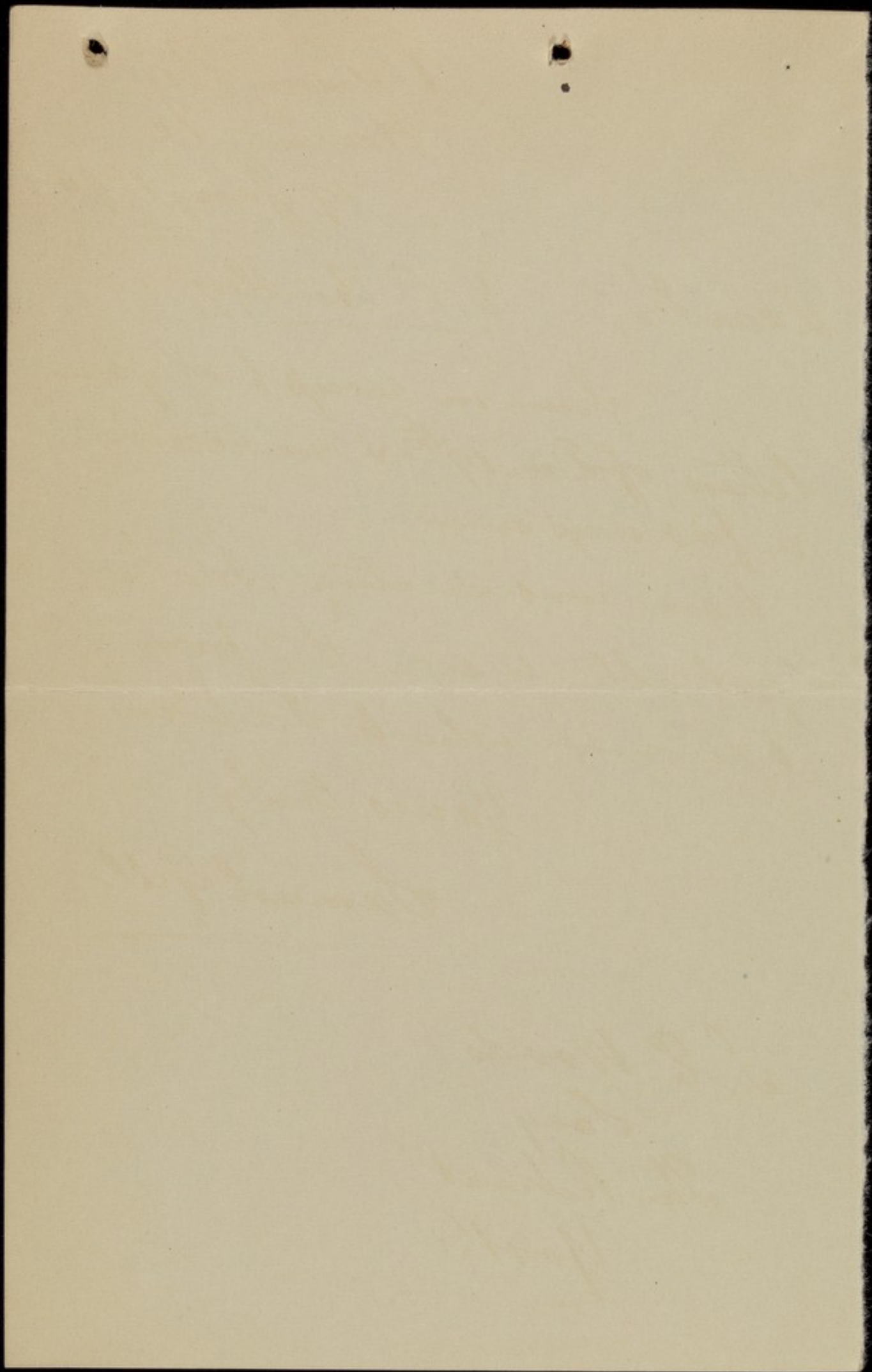
Mr S. B. Woods

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The Retreat

York

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21 Swan Rd
Harrogate
19 Jan 1895.

Dear Sir, Re C. Bentley

I am in receipt of your
letters of Dec. 19th & one received
a few days since.

Upon consideration I do not
feel able to sign the form of
agreement - which I return -

Yours truly

Samuel Gill,

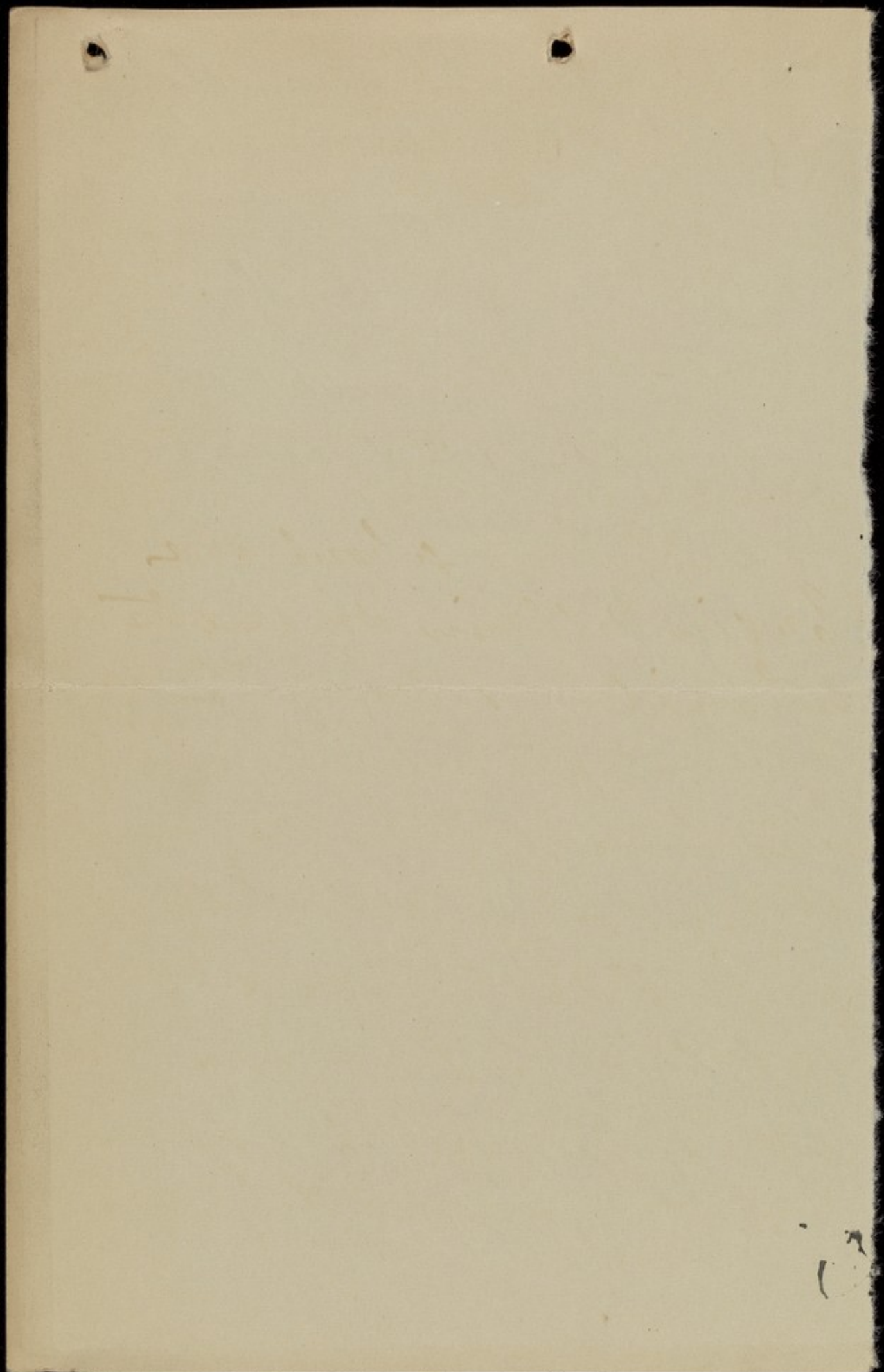
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The Retreat

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A member of our Society
himself. Through his exertions
is, and his father was -
I should be much obliged
by your letting me know
how far you have proceeded in the
matter - If there are
any questions which
or any papers which
would help up will you
kindly send them to
my husband or me.
Dear

Yours sincerely
Wm. Boncaster

W. Boncaster has been in the
retreat before.

Green Bank,
Sheffield.

Jan 27. 1885.

Dear Mr. Pease,

You may perhaps re-
member my writing to you some
little time ago about our
Cousin William Boncaster
whom it was desirable
to get into the Retreat. I write
now to ask if he can be
received as an ordinary
patient at the Retreat
etc. His conduct has
been such, that it is necessary
to put him speedily into
the Retreat.

under estimate and his
family (2 sisters) wish
the preliminary steps to
be taken as soon as pos-
sible - The sisters are in
such a state of health
that the anxiety about
this matter is a very serious
matter for them - and
therefore I undertook to
write in their stead to
you to make this inquiry.
William Bramester is at
present staying in
lodgings at Bramester
and we have asked

A Doctor there to see him
today - We are anxious if
possible that he should
not return home again
but be removed to the Retreat
so I should be glad if you
would kindly tell me on
what terms this could be
done - The two sisters on
whom would fall the
responsibility of payments
feel their means quite
insufficient to payments
other than the lowest
rate if that is possible.
William Bramester is not

Oak Tower
Upperthorpe
Sheffield
13/2/95
To the Secretary of
The Retreat
York

I as Sister and
Trustee for my Brother W^m Doncaston
have signed the accompanying
form at the same time. I hope
the Committee will consider
my Brothers connexion with
Friends (as he is the Son of a Member
as well as Brother of a Member
and never attended other than Friends
Meetings when able) as a suitable
case in which to lower the
Terms which are greatly in
excess of his means independ-
ently of all Extras (which seem
to be very considerable) and
would entirely cripple my,

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income to make up the re-
quired sum which would be a
serious matter to me as I am &
have been an invalid for over
12 months.

Awaiting further commu-
nication I am
Ely Maria Doncaster

Oak Tower
Upperthorpe
13/2/95

My dear Cousin
J. S. Hountree

I am just writing
thee a few lines which I hope thou
will excuse to enlist thy voice
on behalf of my dear Brother
whom we have at last tho' very
reluctantly been induced to send
to Park Retreat as he would not
be comfortable any where and
my health for the last 12 months
has been so run down that some
thing had to be done as I was quite
unable to attend to him.

In a note from the Secretary
he speaks of the lowest terms
for a non-member of our Society as

being £2.2.0 without extra
which seem to be very many and
she in consequence of ill health
has not become a member yet he
is the son of one and the Brother
of another.

I do not know whether thou art
a member of the Retreat Committee
but when I tell thee that Wm's
income and mine put together
would scarce make such an amount
as it is very very limited I thought
perhaps thou might be able to
speak a word for me there.

Cousins D & I are very very kind
in offering to make up deficiencies
but we would much rather not
trouble them if we could possibly
help it.

Wm was at the Retreat for a
short time in 1862 with Uncle
D's influence at £1.5.0 per week.

I am quite sure from Helen
with sympathies with me in
this matter: please will thou
give my dear love to her.

I don't know how you are
faring this very severe weather
there is great trouble in
Sheffield at my rate with
water and gas: and it seems
to continue so long.

With love

I am
Thy affec^d Cousin
Edw. Doncaster

Mount Villas,
York.

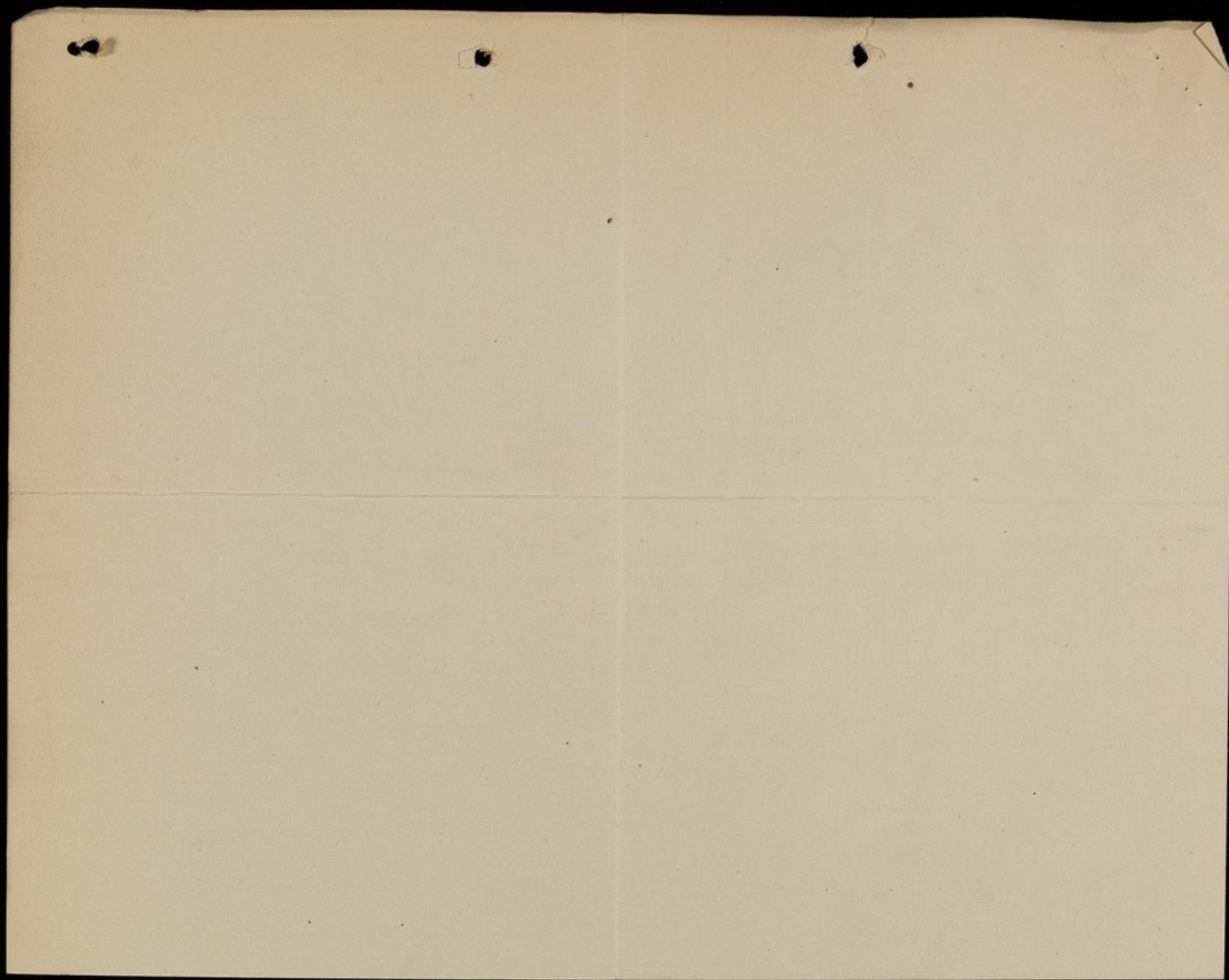
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" 95.

Dear Joseph

I had the enclosed
touching letter this morning.
I did not know that William
Doncaster was not a mem-
ber. He ^{the left} is Daniel Doncaster's
nephew - I rec'd before²⁵
should be again now I think

Dear W. P. Jones affect
I think so, but J. S. R.

suppose it will come 1. Committee on
Tuesday. Keep E. M. Doncaster's letter
by you please DR



Mrs Gray
Oak Tower
Upperthorpe
Sheffield

Dear Friend

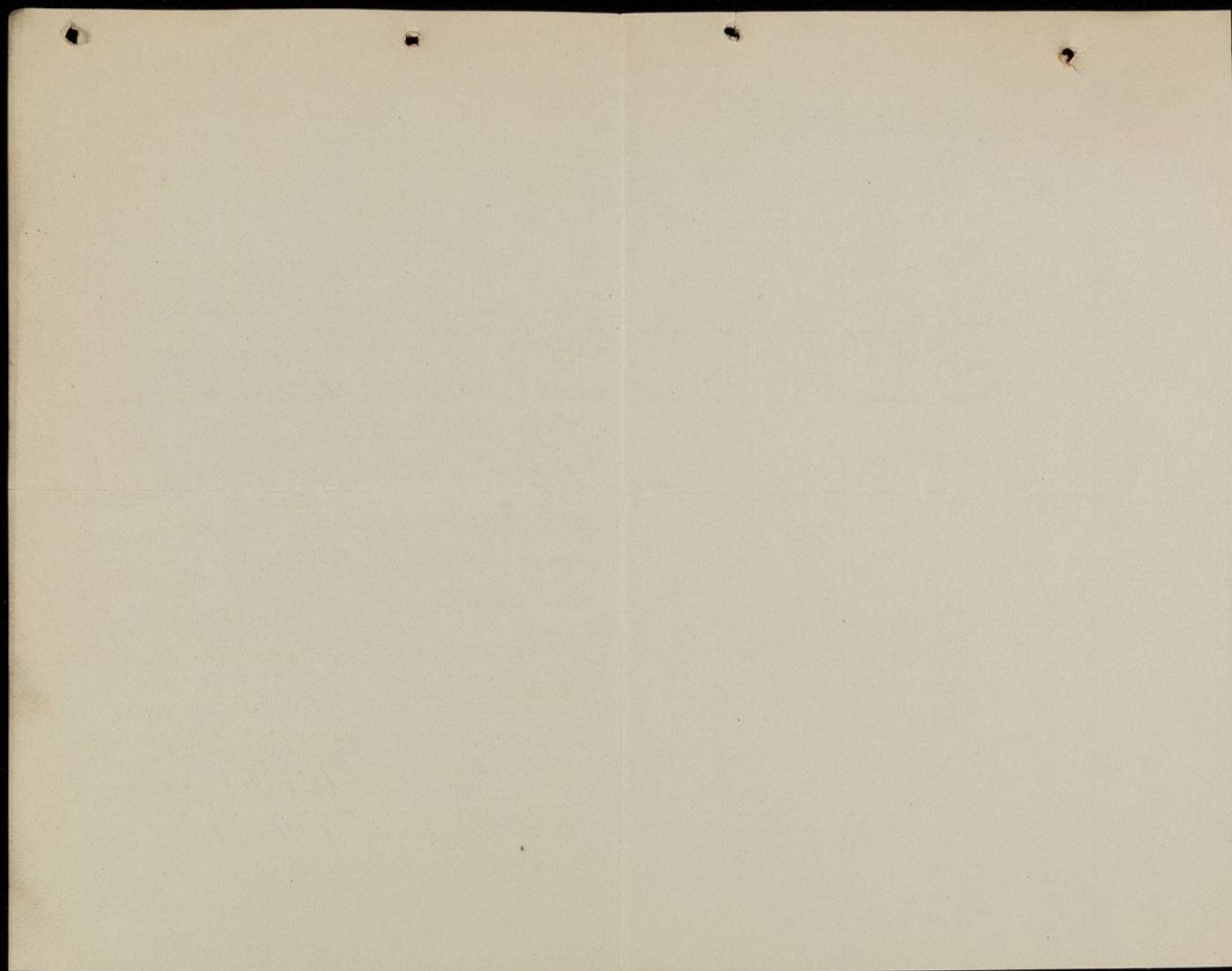
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R. Thompson

As I have heard
from the Secretary of the
Retreat, that the Terms
for my Brother W. A. Doncaster
were fixed by the Committee
at 25/- per week and understand
ing it was to be paid Quarterly
in advance. I herewith enclose
Bank Notes and PO to the
Amount of £16. 5. 0 which I
suppose will be right from
the 9th of this month (the day
he entered) to the 11 of 5 Month
next one Dr.

I am sincerely
C. M. Doncaster

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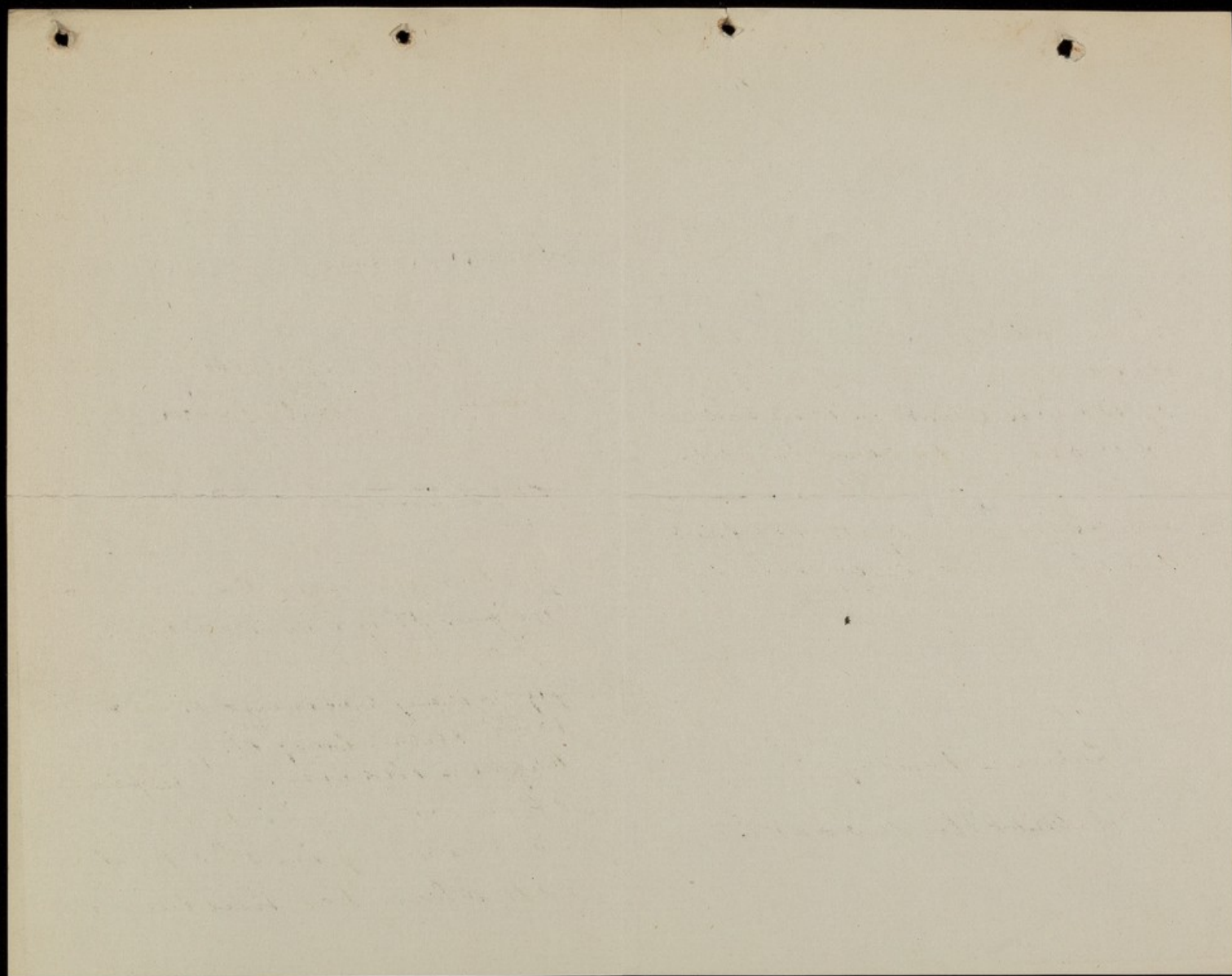


Oak Tower
Upperthorpe
22/2/95

Dear Friend
J P Woods

I am much obliged
for your letter of the 20 inst
informing me of the terms
fixed by the Committee for my
Brother W A Doncaster which
terms I am very thankful
for as I hope to be able to meet
them without troubling any
one further and I do hope he
will be better for the salutary
treatment.

I am very sincerely
W A Doncaster



things will to send her
away or fetches her
home if we are to find
the money.

Perhaps it may be information to them to say that there is a legacy just due to M. A. B. left by her father to herself or her children in case she died before she reached 50. of which Charles Bissell is most anxious to get hold of it, and has been ever since his father in laws death, and it would therefore appear to be his only hope to press for her return home that he might press the trustees for payment.

Thine truly

Walker Hurdworth

50 Kebleman St

Greenwich
Manchester

4th 12th mo 1894

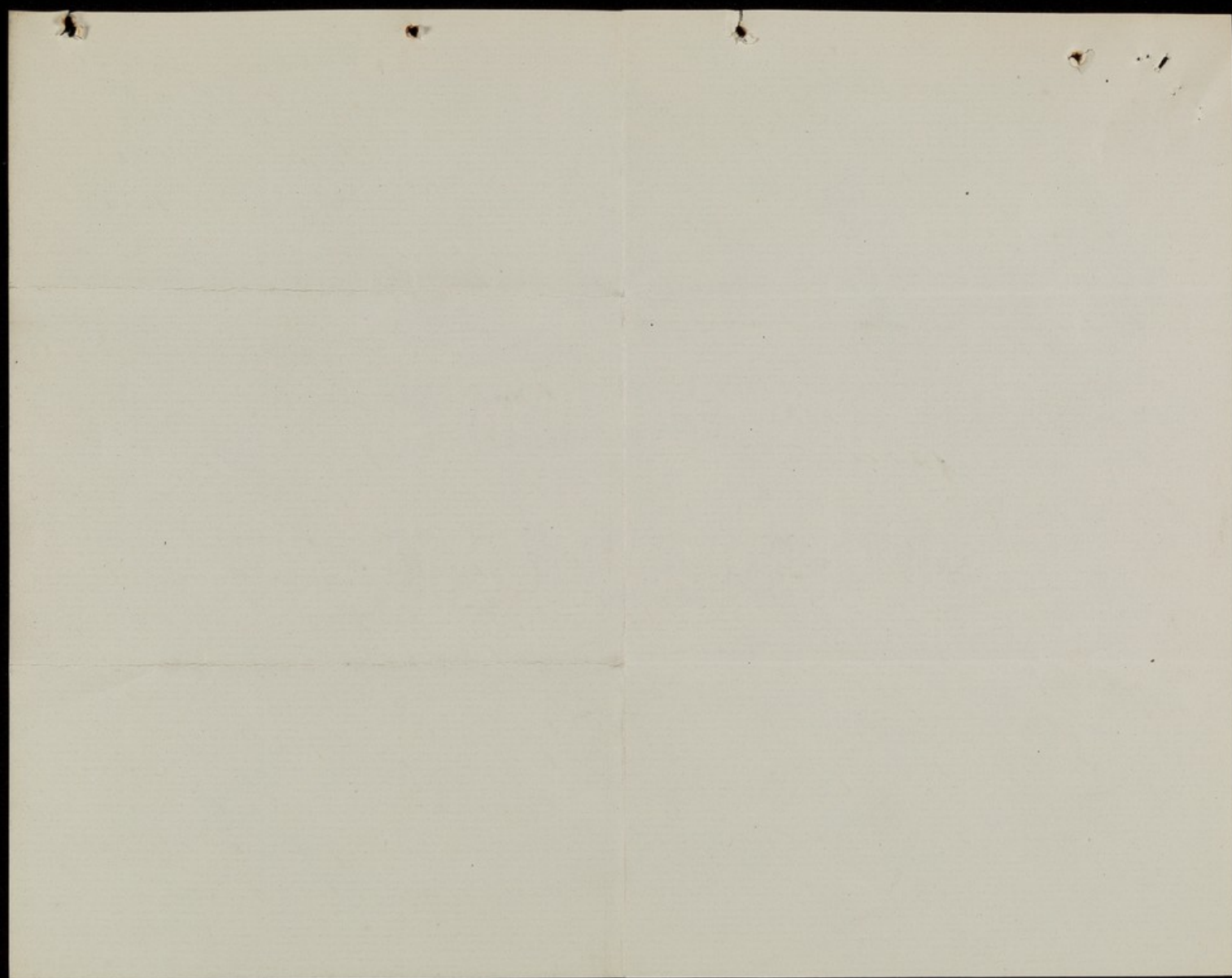
Dear Friend

Beaumont Pierce

Thine of yestordays date
to hand re M. A. Bissell.

I entirely agree with them
that it would be unwise
for her to return home
in her present condition
as per thy view of her.

Our Overseers meet on
fifth day evening next &
will then lay thy letter
before them. I feel
that we ought to have
some say in the matter
as to when her husband



51 Shaftebury St
Eccles Nov. 29/94

Dear Sir,

My wife wishes to
come home & she seems
so much better that I think
she should now be allowed
to do so. would you therefore
kindly arrange for her to
return next week, say
Wednesday the 5th inst.

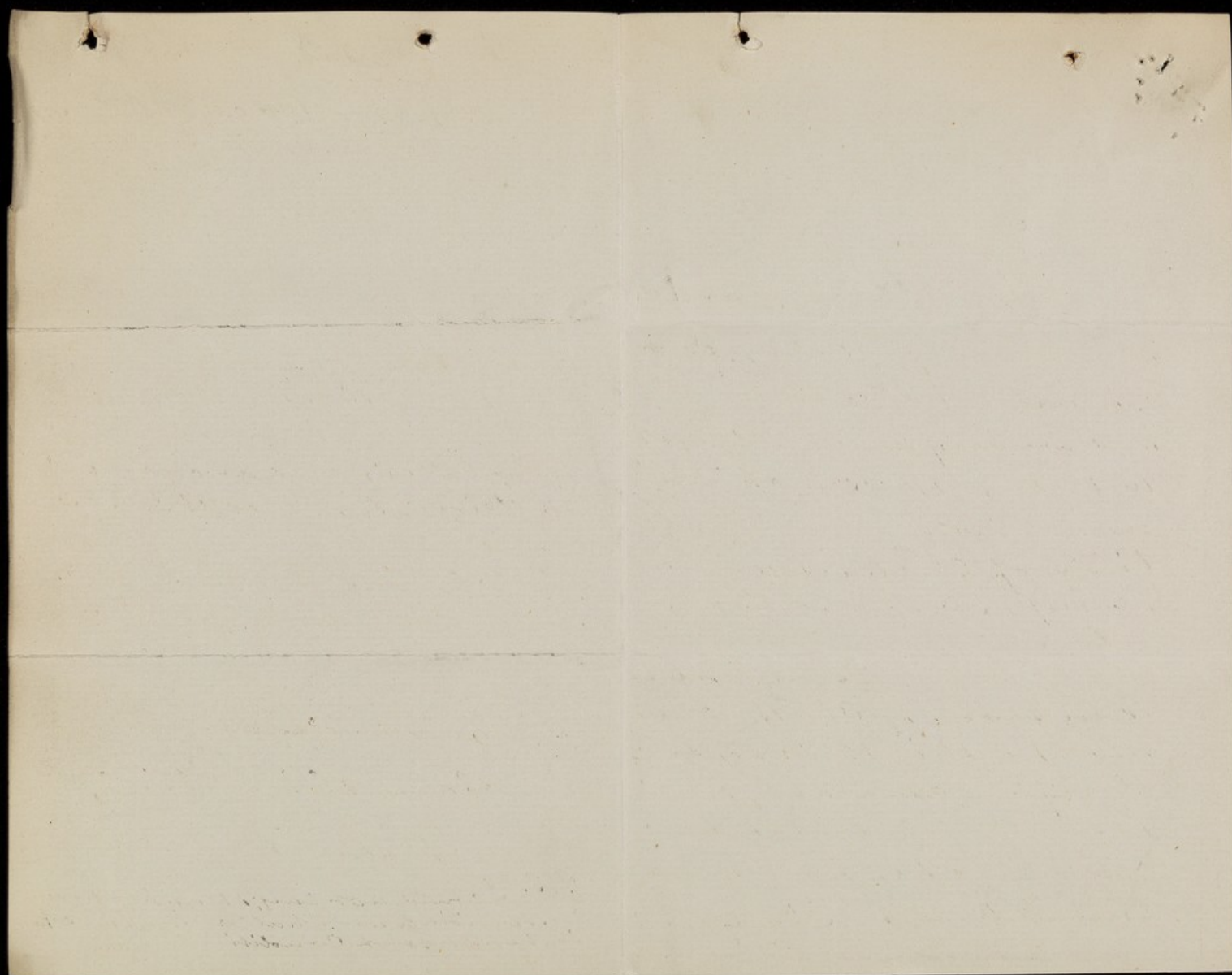
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Yours truly

Chas Birrell

J. Pierce.

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50 Denmark Road
Grosvenors
Manchester
1st 12mo 1894

Dear Friend

Bedford Pierce

Thanks for they letters
of yestrirdays date, Our
cousens met this evening
and are very much in sympathy
with they expressed opinion
in not taking the responsi-
bility of Chas. Bissell removing
his wife should he do so.

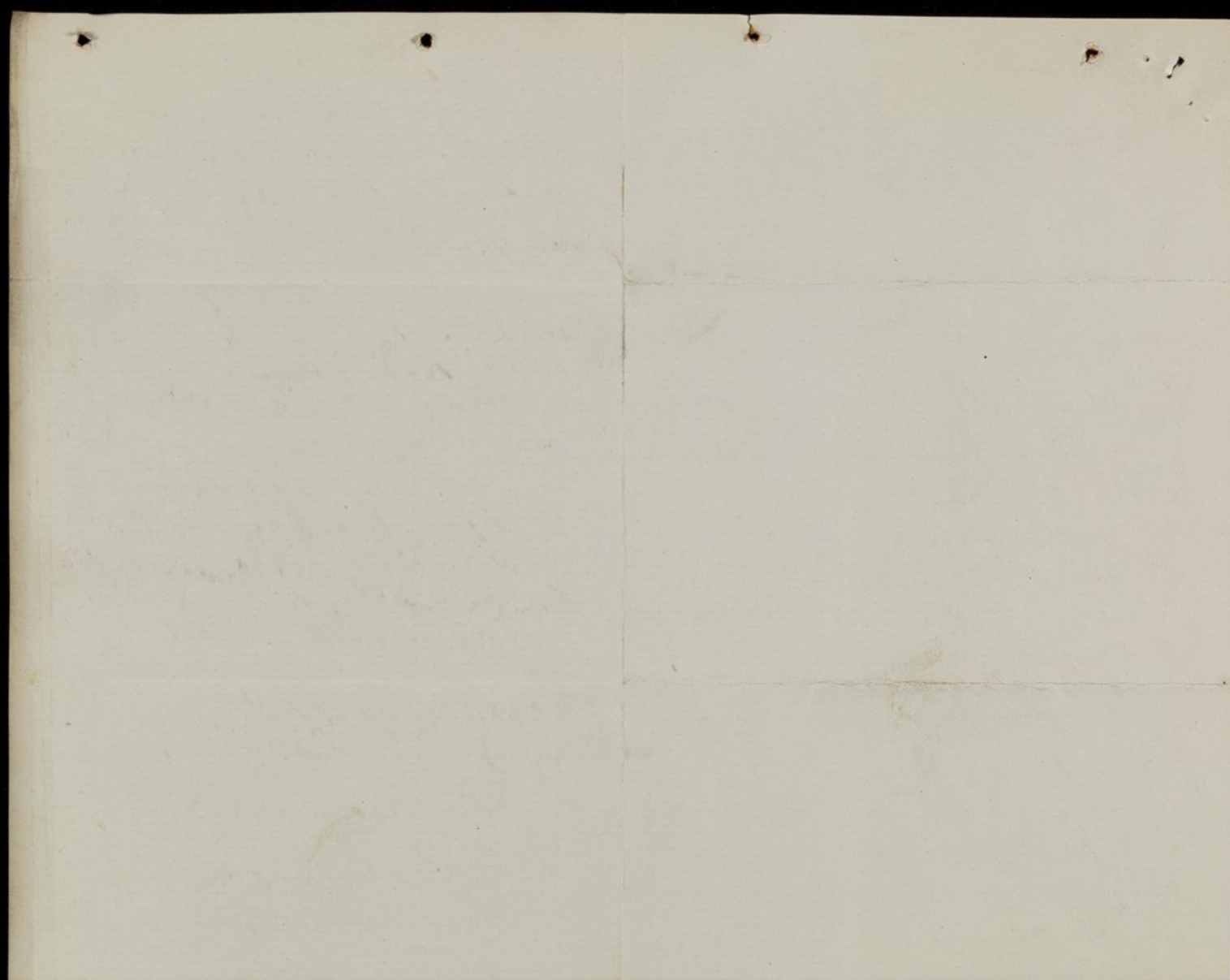
We feel that we can do little
in the matter seeing the law
is in favor of Chas. B. doing
what he thinks best, and
therefore can only make
our protest against his
removing her home at
present time. I have had

a strong feeling that we
must do something ^{more} than
simply thank thee for they
letters, So I went over to Eccles
yesterday to see one of our
member that could not be with
us today, to consult him and
Dr. J. F. Cox who has signed several
Certificates for her removal
to the Retreat as well as being
the Doctor that has attended
the family. he was shown
they letters and at once vol-
untured to go & see Chas. Bissell
and give him a good talking
too showing him the un-
wisdom of the matter and
would endeavour strongly
to dissuade him from
carrying his plan out.

I am thine truly

Walker Mulworth

P.S. I could not say that her home
surroundings are at all suitable for her
in her present condition. W.M.



51 Shaftsbury St
Woolwich Dec 5/94.

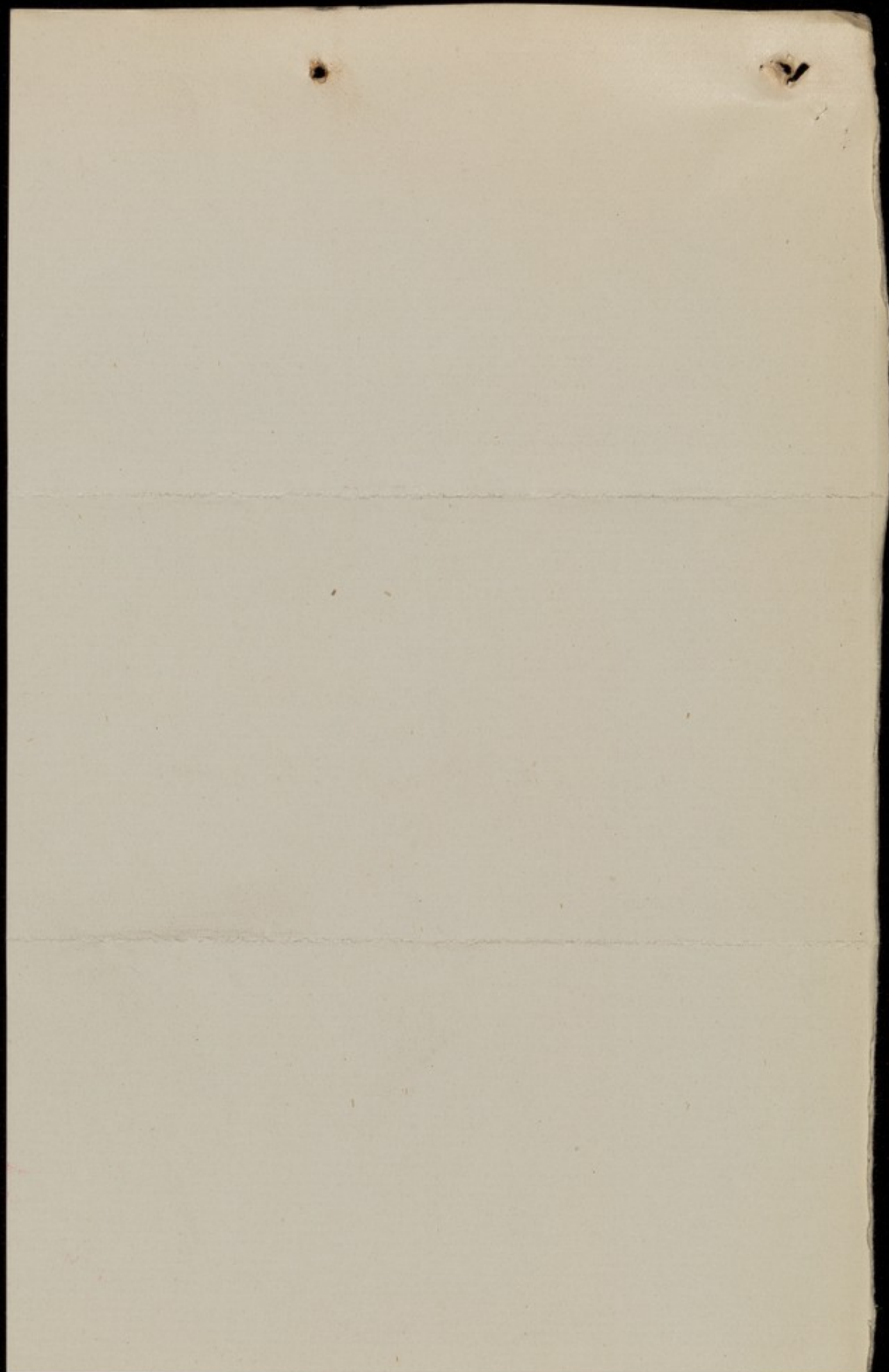
Dear Sir.

It may be as well for
me to add to my note of
last evening. That I have to
hand the clearest evidence of
my wife's mental recovery.

That I have taken advice
in the matter, & request her
return home this week

Yours truly
Chas Pierce.

Chas Pierce



51 Shaftesbury St.
Gecko Dec 4/94

Dear Sir,

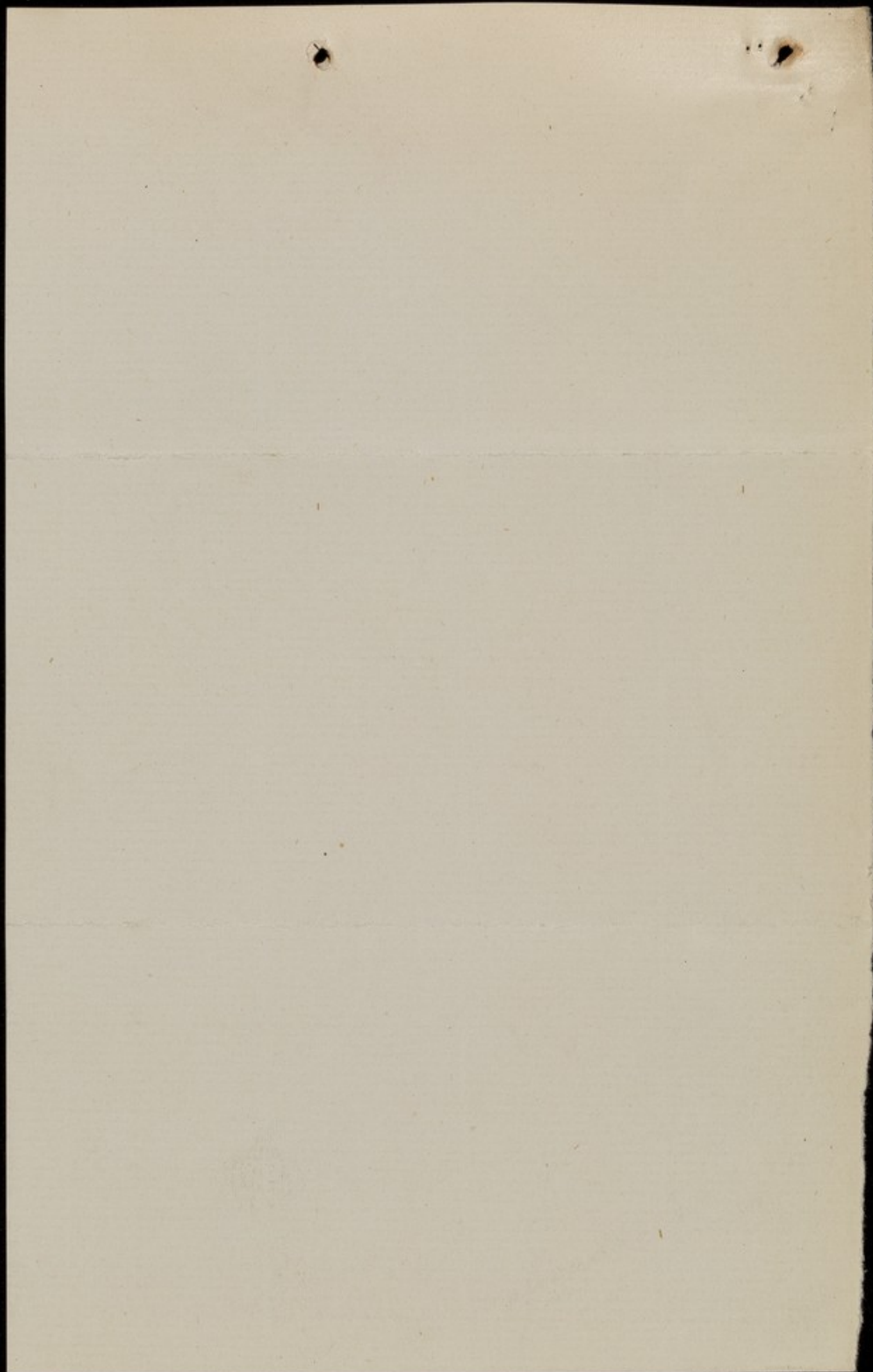
As my belief is that
she is sufficiently recovered
to do so. I must request
you to send Mrs Bissell
home soon as the needful
preliminaries can be arranged.

I am

Yours respectfully

Chas Bissell

W. Pierce



F.J. MUNBY,
CLERK TO THE JUSTICES.

Magistrates' Clerk's Office,
Clifford Street,

York.

8th January 1895

Dear Sir

Re Robert Jackson

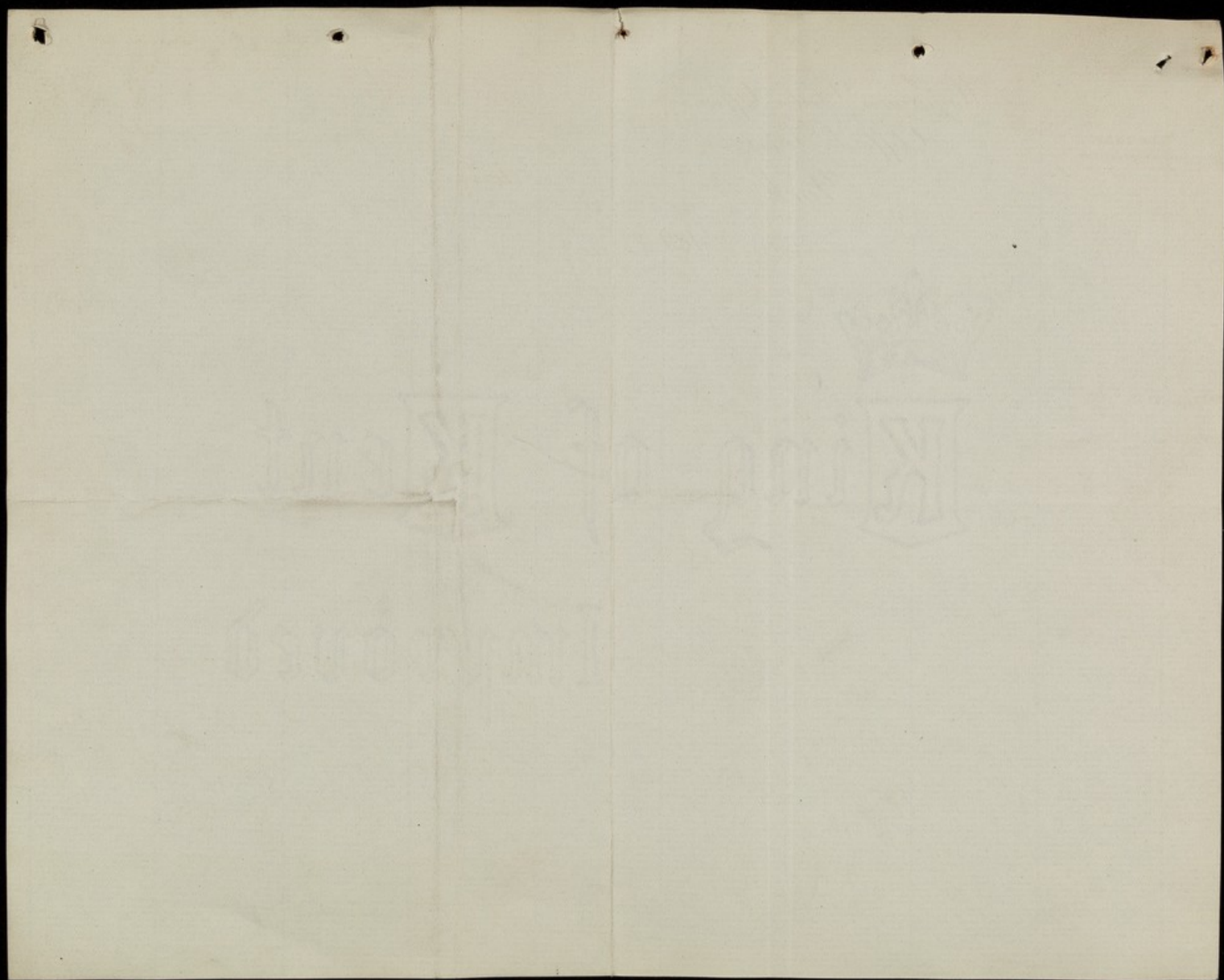
I beg to thank you for
your letter of yesterday, and I
am desired by the ^{Authority} Judicial,
to ask you to inform the Patient
at your discretion that he can
have an interview here with the
Judicial authority, on any
Monday or Thursday, at
12 O'clock. I have further to
ask that you will allow this
Patient the opportunity of
availing himself of this appointment
when you think him well

enough to do so, and if you
can send me word of the
~~doing~~ of your coming it may
save time.

Yours faithfully,
F. J. Munby
FJ 1313P

Dr Bradford Pierce
The Retreat
York

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Marble Hill
St Austell
Cornwall
24/95

Dear Friend

21st Bedford Place

The no meeting
of East Cornwall desire
to place under your
care in your retreat
a warm friend, who
is a member of this
meeting. I should
be glad to hear from
you the lowest terms
on which you can
take such, & also what
documents are necessary

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for obtaining admission
of any other steps
it is useful for the
two meeting to take
on a previous case.
I understand, 10% a
week was paid. but
not having been a
resident here at that
time, am unable to
say. Any information
that may supply
me with, as early,
as possible, will oblige

Yours sincerely,

Edward Fells.

Clerk of East Cornwall.
no meeting.

TELEPHONE N° 46.



Works,
OGLEFORTH
Show Rooms
CLIFFORD ST

From *Wales and Son.*
Carriage Manufacturers.

YORK Dec 15th 1894

To S. E. Woods Esq. Secretary Retreat C^o. YORK.

Dear Sir

We beg to offer the Committee the
Second Hand Omnibus by Holmes, Derby to be fitted
with Lever Brake & New Running & Tyring the hind wheels
for the sum of Sixty Pounds £60 & will allow
£25 for the two old Omnibuses.

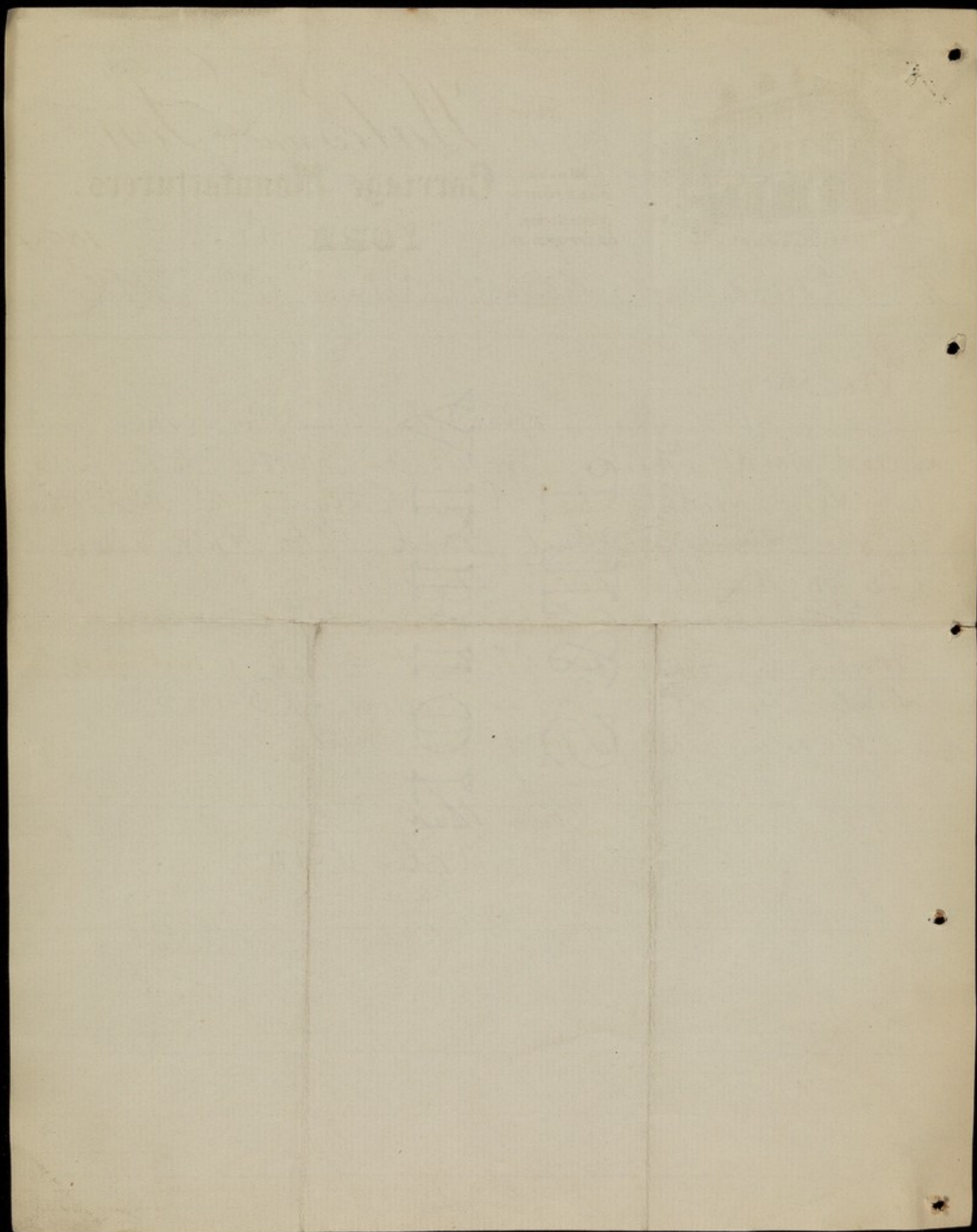
The Coachman also shewed us some old
Harness in Set of old Saddle & 2 Sets of incomplete
Single for which we can allow £3-10-0

Awaiting the favor of your reply
We are

Yours Obedt.

Wales & Son.

P.S. The weight of the Bus is 11½ Cwt.



Dear Dr. Pierce -

My daughter has now for some
time been staying at Braintree.
& she thinks - & I quite agree
with her - that a change would
do her good. It may be right
to mention that when she was
first taken ill at Harrogate,
the Doctors thought she was
out of her mind - a great ~~deal~~
specialist was however
called in, & he at once stated
that she was suffering from
Hysteria of the brain - & that
she would probably be well
in three months. This came
to pass as predicted. He Dr.

Dr Taylor
here, who had attended her for
some years took precisely
the same view. Having had
full proof of your kindness
at the Retreat she wishes to
renew her visit there for a
time. It is however important
that she should have a fair-
sized bedroom to herself
with a fireplace in it - &
the full possession of the key -
so that she should be
treated as a sane person -
& not ^{as} one insane - Would
you kindly let me know
whether you could receive
her under these conditions?

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Scarborough.

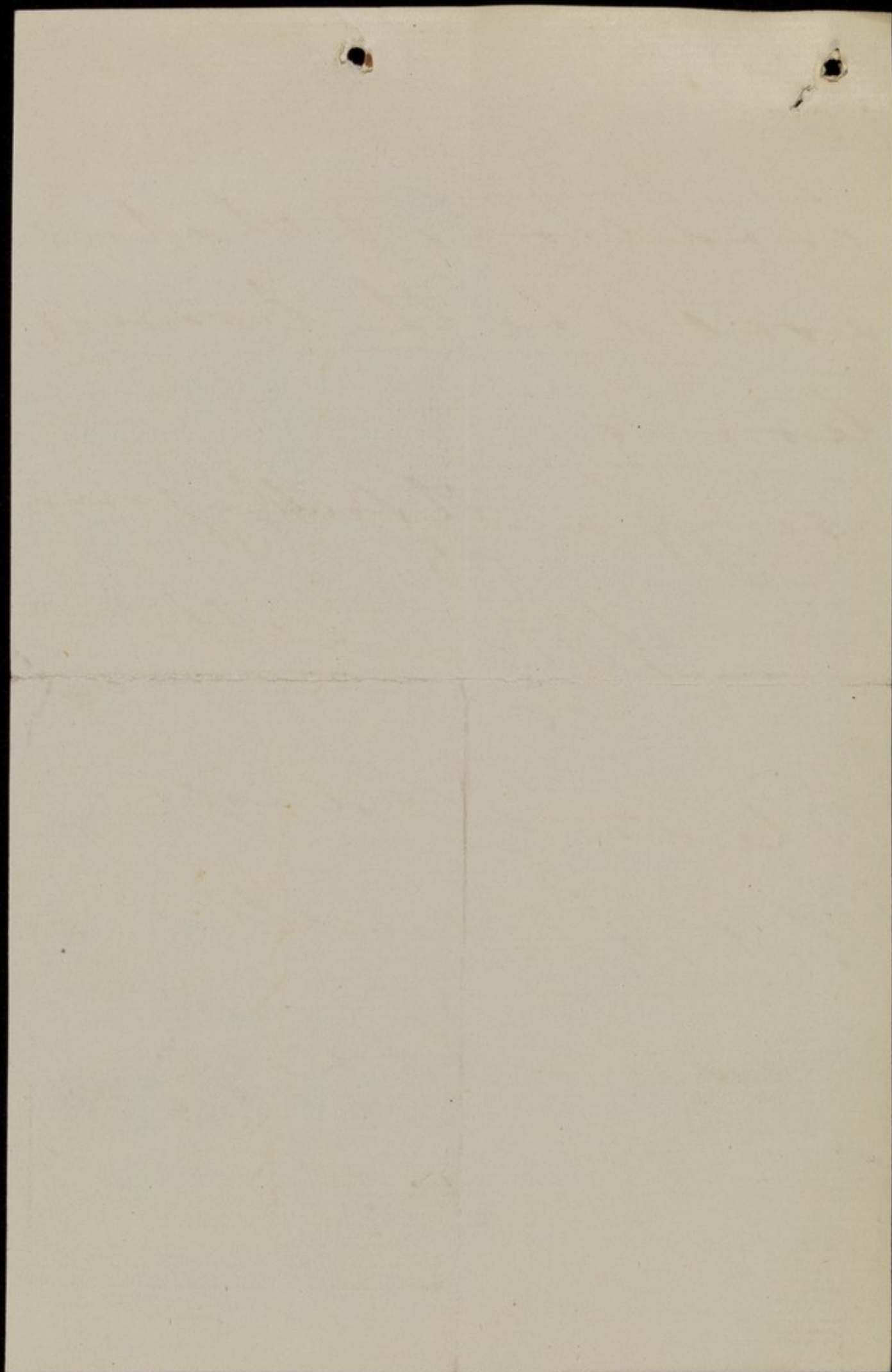
as a broader
conditions, & what
would be the lowest
terms.

very faithfully yours

W. E. Munnell

Please address
Sir H. Perrell
Scarborough

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24 Jan.

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Scarborough

Dear Dr. Pierce.

I thank you for your letter. My daughter in her letter to me, assuming that you would let her have a separate room & the key, said of her own accord that she should be very careful to conform to all the rules of the house, & to your wishes in particular - and whatever may have been the case in the past, you may be sure that in the present she will entirely conform to your views in every thing. Moreover if you should

find that the proposed arrangement
proves in any way inconvenient,
it rests entirely with you to
determine it at once. She
could readily sign the paper
you propose. Three guineas
a week is quite satisfactory.

She will write to you as
regards the day she proposes
coming.

Yours very faithfully

W. Burnell

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EDWARD LLOYD,
LL.B. (LONDON.)
SOLICITOR.

Central Buildings,
41, North John Street,
Liverpool, 12th Jan - 1895

Dear Sir,

Miss H. L. Pamy

Herewith please find cheque
value £53:0:5, being on account
of amount due for Board &c of
Miss Pamy. You will remember that
it was arranged that we should be
allowed time to get our payments
in advance. I hope next quarter
to clear off the balance of £10
left over now.

I am obliged for Report received
kindly own receipt of cheque.

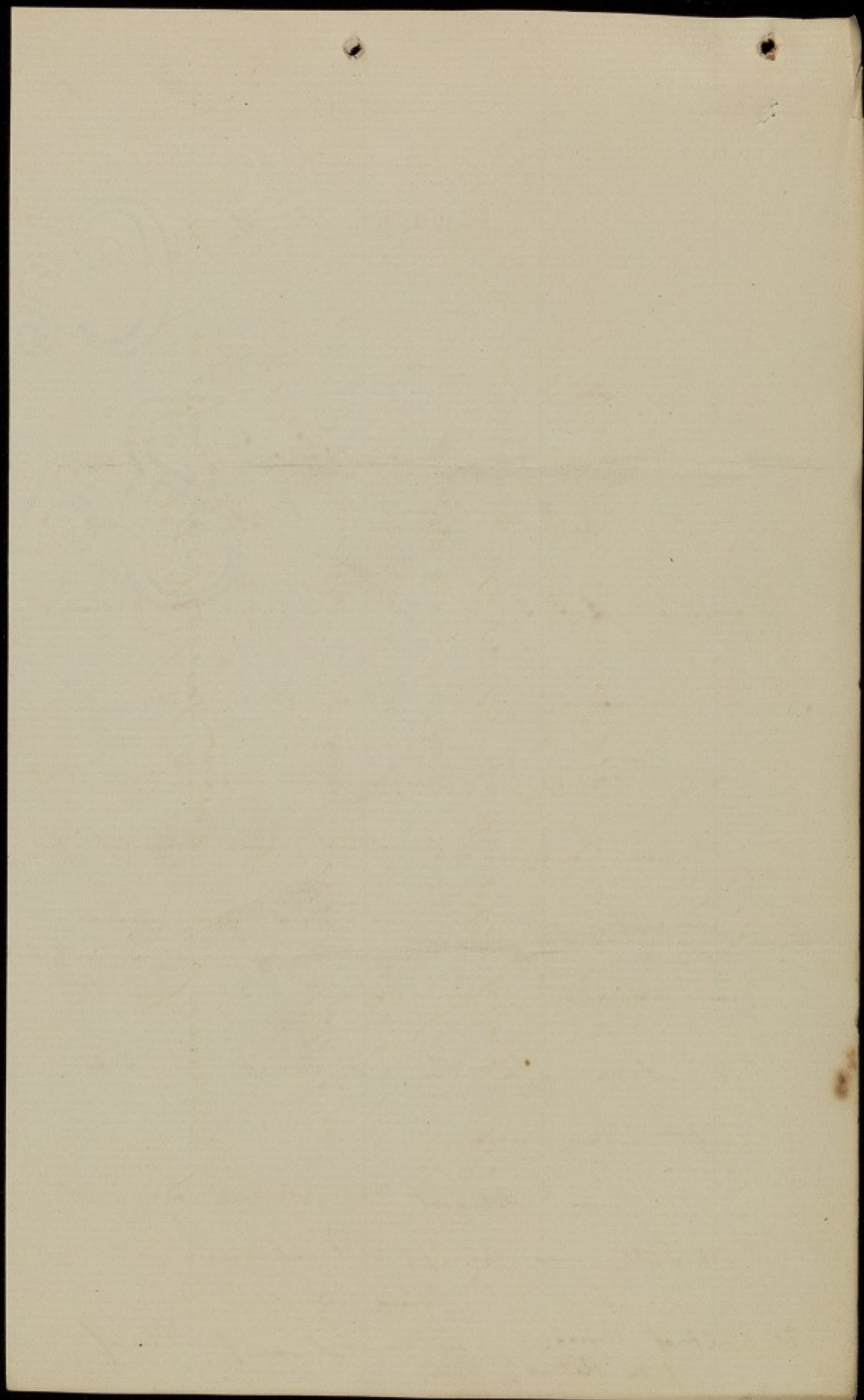
Yours truly,

D^r. Herbert Pines.

The Retreat York.

Edward Lloyd





From Edward Fowler, 9 Heathville Road, Gloucester

AGENT FOR THE ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY

FIRE AND LIFE-FUNDS IN HAND, EXCEED £8,000,000

To Dr Pierce, The Rectory, Jan 19th 1895

Dear Friend,

Mr. P. Cooke the solicitor that has the matter re: Charlotte Daddon in hand, will probably meet on you on Tuesday about the matter & he will be able to give you more details as to the funds that she is interested in & the legal positions than I can in writing - He will I believe be writing you or has done so.

Yours truly

Edward Fowler

THE COUNTY OF ...

IN SENATE ...

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16 Jan'y '95

Dear Dr Pierce

May I trouble you by an enquiry if you have any low rate of terms for a refined person in very limited circumstances. We have a very sad case here of a nicely educated young woman who I fear will have to go to an Asylum.

Her parents are Scotch. He was a washer builder & subsequently a Town missionary, but now a hopeless invalid with no income.

I have had a long talk with our Doctor today who feels very reluctant to send the poor girl to our County Asylum. At present it is overflowing & she might be drafted off, we do not know where.

I am very much

afraid we could not raise
much money for the case, as
there are so many destitute &
deserving. I might say that the
girl's mental affliction has
entirely come on since she had
a severe attack of influenza, &
apparently has not been having
sufficient nourishment to
support her brain powers,
with some reducing symptoms.
There seems every probability
of recovery under wise treat-
ment. I did raise sufficient
for her to go to a young women's
Home under special care at
Starrogate but when she got
there she refused to stay.

You have had experience in
these cases & any advice from
you would be of much value.

as several of us feel very
sorry to see a real bright &
useful young life being sacrificed

I may just add that
your late patient Mrs. Fregles
has repeatedly thanked me
for promoting her stay at the
Retreat. They are at Falmouth
now & she writes much
more sensibly & cheerfully.
With kindest regards,

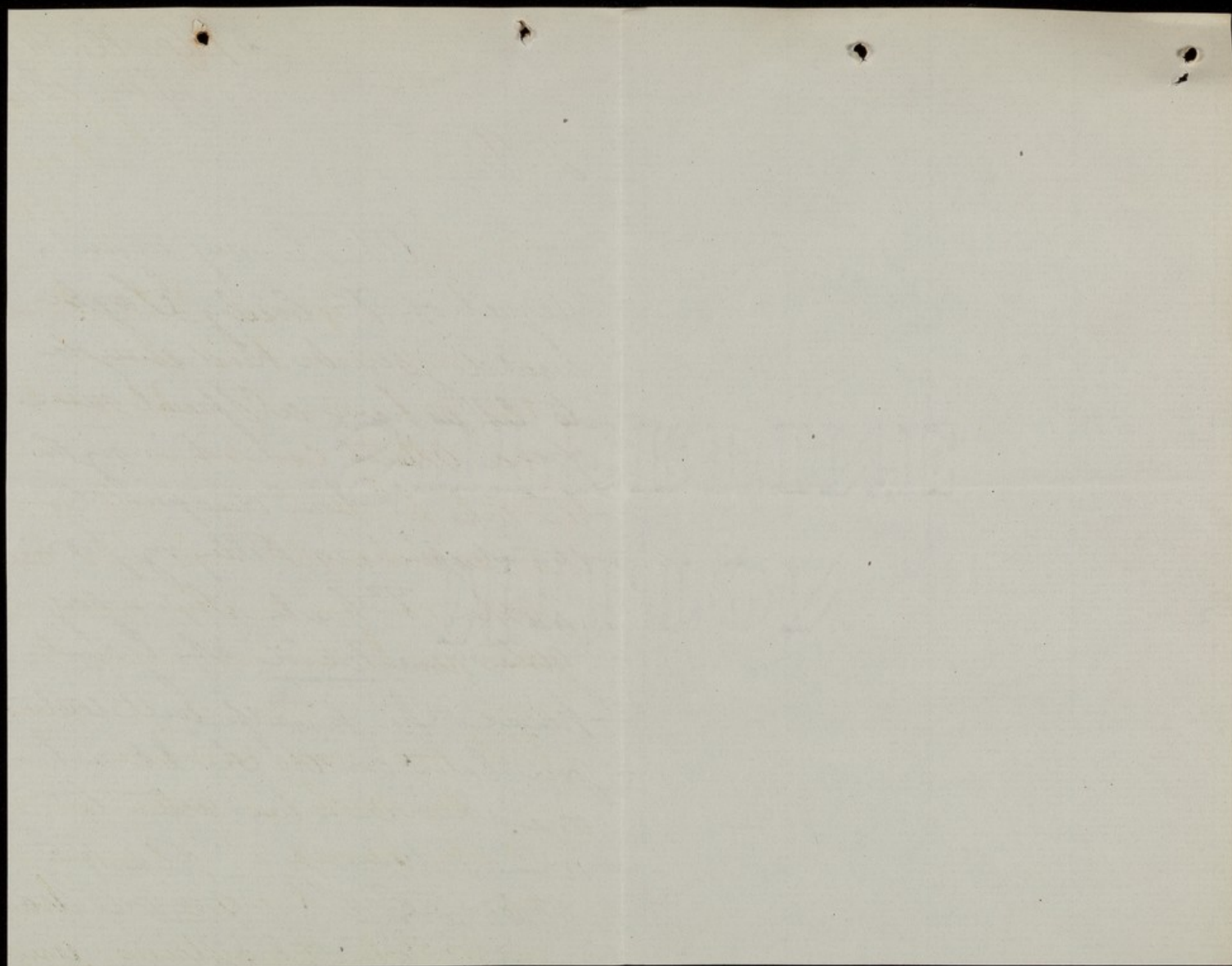
Yours truly
Sophia T. Day
per E. A. B.

37 Castle Rd.
Jan 12/13

J^r. Chi

At the very urgent
request of J^r. Evelyn Taylor
would you be kind enough
to let us have a Special nurse
for a Mental case, it is my sis-
ter who has been disappointed -
the suspense is killing my poor
Mother, J^r. Evelyn Taylor says -
get Mrs Wood at Gairdner
house. He himself will write
you later on. Do Sir let us have
one at once & send return to
above address. Yours Respectfully
J^r. W. Gibson
37 Castle Road
Scarbro. a very urgent case

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Dr. Leale

Jane Page

Dr. Price in Scarbro

on Wednesday

Mr. Gomersall

Cleckheaton

89 Westbro
Scarbro
May 12

Dr. Gai

Mrs. Chapland
arrived here this morning and
we feel greatly obliged to you
for letting her come. — In the
event of my Sister not recovering
in a fortnight, she has been ill
so long now a month, could you ad-
vise as to the best course to be taken
with her or where to get another nurse
that had some experience.

My Mother is getting on in years
is very nervous, it is wearing her life
out. — We are just tradespeople
in moderate circumstances, and can-
not afford to pay an extravagant
price, still should it be necessary to

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remove here to come home would
like to feel that she would be
comfortable — our Father died 6 yrs
ago A Mother & myself are Motherless.
and so as to fully consider the mat-
ter should it be necessary (which I
trust it will not be) would you
kindly furnish us with a schedule of
your charges all inclusive so as to
be prepared to act.

Yours Respectfully
Wm. W. Gilbre

Kindly reply to 89 Westboro

Western Bank,
Sheffield.

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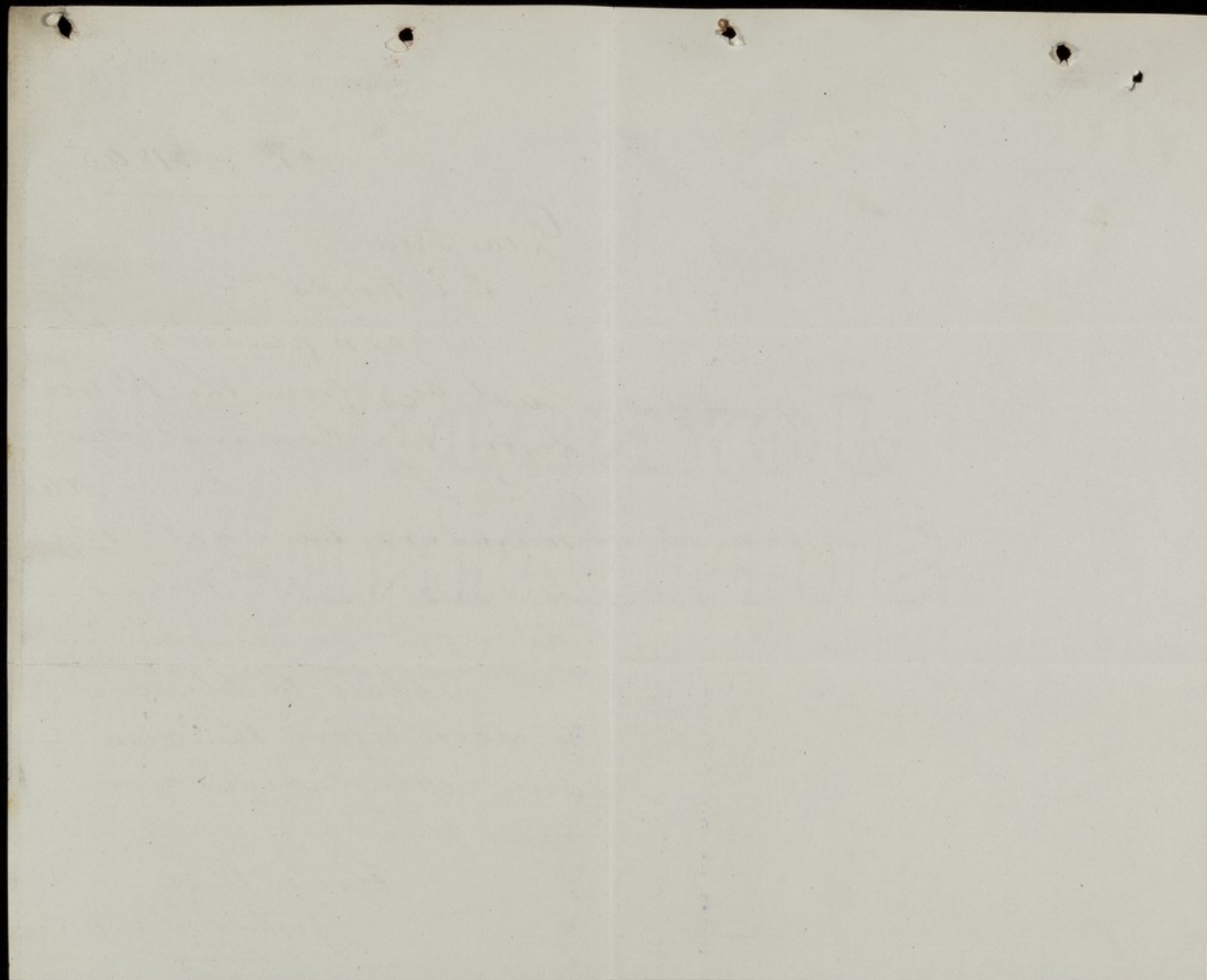
Dear Friend
J. E. Woods

In passing the
last a/c from the Retreat
before the Committee
of this Mo Meeting, the
members thought the
Hosier's a/c for Pierson
Albright an excessive one

I shall be pleased
to place before the com^{ee}
any explanation you
may favor me with

Yours truly
Joshua S. Scarle

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75, PETERGATE,

YORK.

GRAY & DODSWORTH.

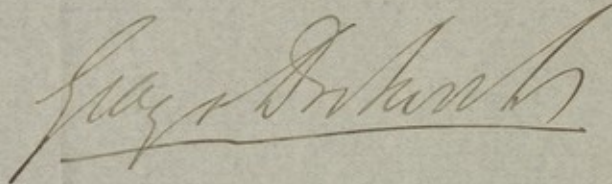
5th February 1895.

Dear Sir,

re Miss Isabella J. Taylor.

It is proposed to remove Miss Isabella J. Taylor from the Retreat to Thornton Dale, where she will be under the care of her Sister, who is as you are aware the Committee of her person. This has received the sanction of the Lunacy Officials, and we shall therefore be glad to know what notice you will require prior to removal.

Yours truly,



The Secretary,

The Retreat,

York.

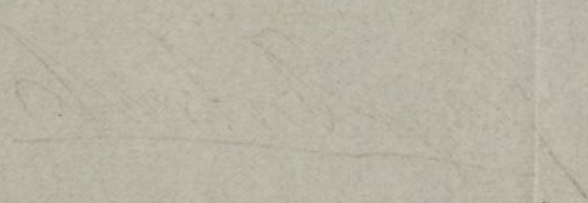
25th February 1933.

Dear Sir,

re Miss Isabelle J. Taylor.

It is proposed to remove Miss Isabelle J. Taylor from the Record to Thompson Hall, where she will be under the care of Mr. G. H. Taylor, who is at present under the supervision of Mr. G. H. Taylor. This has received the sanction of the General Committee, and we shall therefore be glad to know what notice you will require prior to removal.

Yours truly,



The Secretary,
The Prison,
York.

75, PETERGATE,

YORK.

GRAY & DODSWORTH.

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7th February 1895.

Dear Sir,

Miss Isabella Taylor.

Referring to your letter of the 6th inst: we shall be glad to know what legal authority you require for Miss Taylor's removal.

Yours truly,

Gray & Dodsworth

The Secretary.

The Retreat.

York.

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S. Woods Esq
Secretary The Reheat
York

J. P. CARTWRIGHT & SONS,
SOLICITORS.

TELEGRAMS:—"CARTWRIGHT, CHESTER."

9. White Friars,
CHESTER *Febry 1st 1895*

Dear Sir

Ann Cloak deceased

Yours of the 10th December 1894

*This matter is still in negotiation
for a compromise and we shall be
glad if you will send us a copy
of the Will of the late Mr. James
Cloak in order that we may see
Miss Mary Cloaks interest thereunder.
The mode of dealing with Miss
Cloaks interest we will communicate
with you upon hereafter.*

Yours truly

J. P. Cartwright & Sons

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W. & J. WARD
NEW YORK

W^m SMITH & SONS,
SOLICITORS.
W^m SMITH,
CLERK TO LOCAL BOARD
& URBAN SANITARY AUTHORITY.
ALSO CLERK TO MAGISTRATES.

Sydenham Terrace,

Weston super Mare.

6th Dec^r 1875.

Dear Sir

A. T. Palmer
deceased

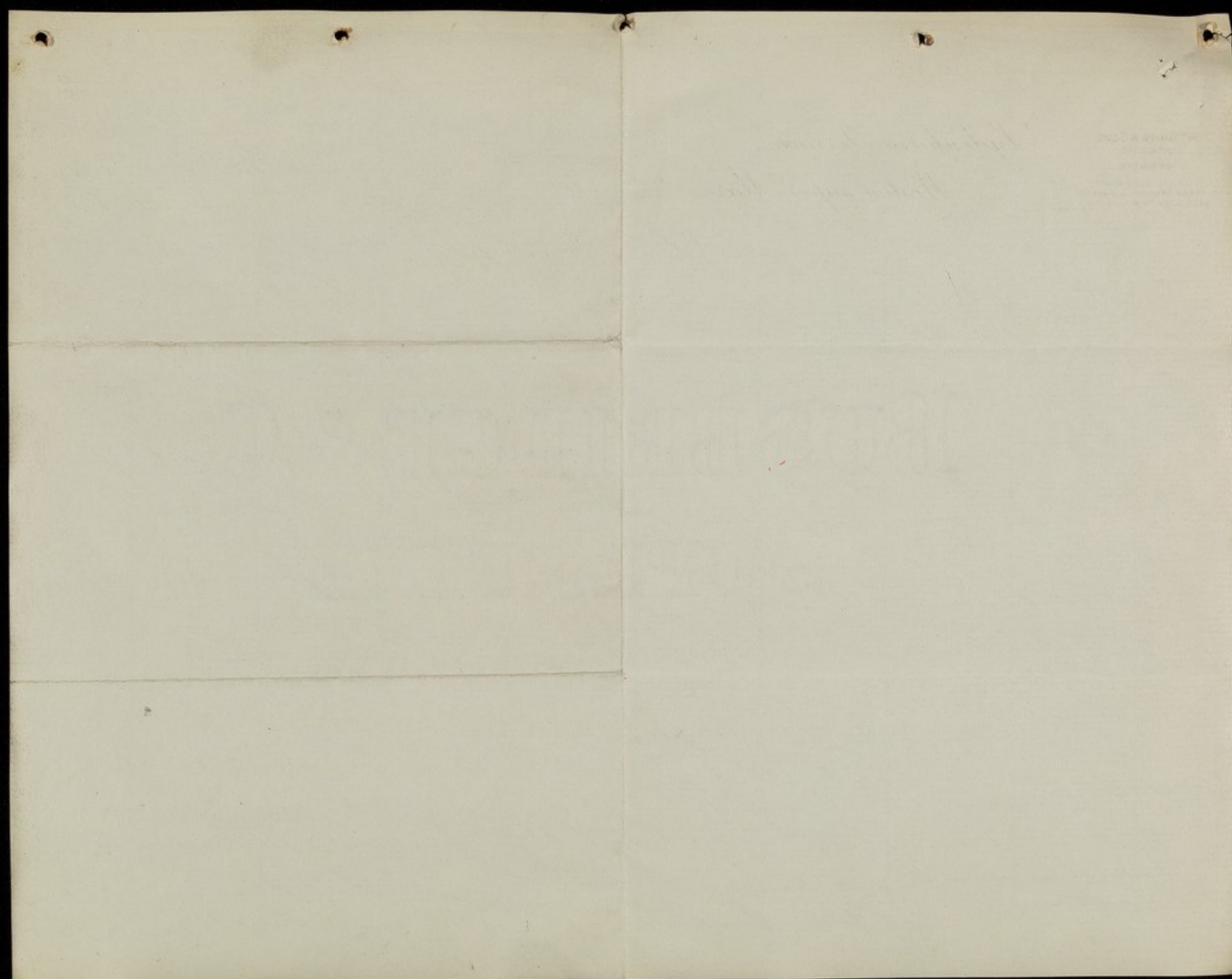
Some time since
Mr. E. M. Brown, one
of the Executors of this
deceased communicated
with you as to the
deceased's liability for
the maintenance of his
daughter in your Reheat.
We are acting for
the Executors and
shall be glad if
you will kindly
inform us the nature

of the arrangement
entered into by the
deceased with your
Committee for that
ladys maintenance,
as we must take steps
to put an end to such
arrangement and shall
be glad to know what
notice is required for
that purpose.

Yours faithfully
Wm Smith & Sons

Dr. Pierce

The Pines Reheat
York



as she was there on a visit.

I send this as I act as
as clerk in the absence
of Edward Hicks

Yours Sincerely

J. H. Fardlow

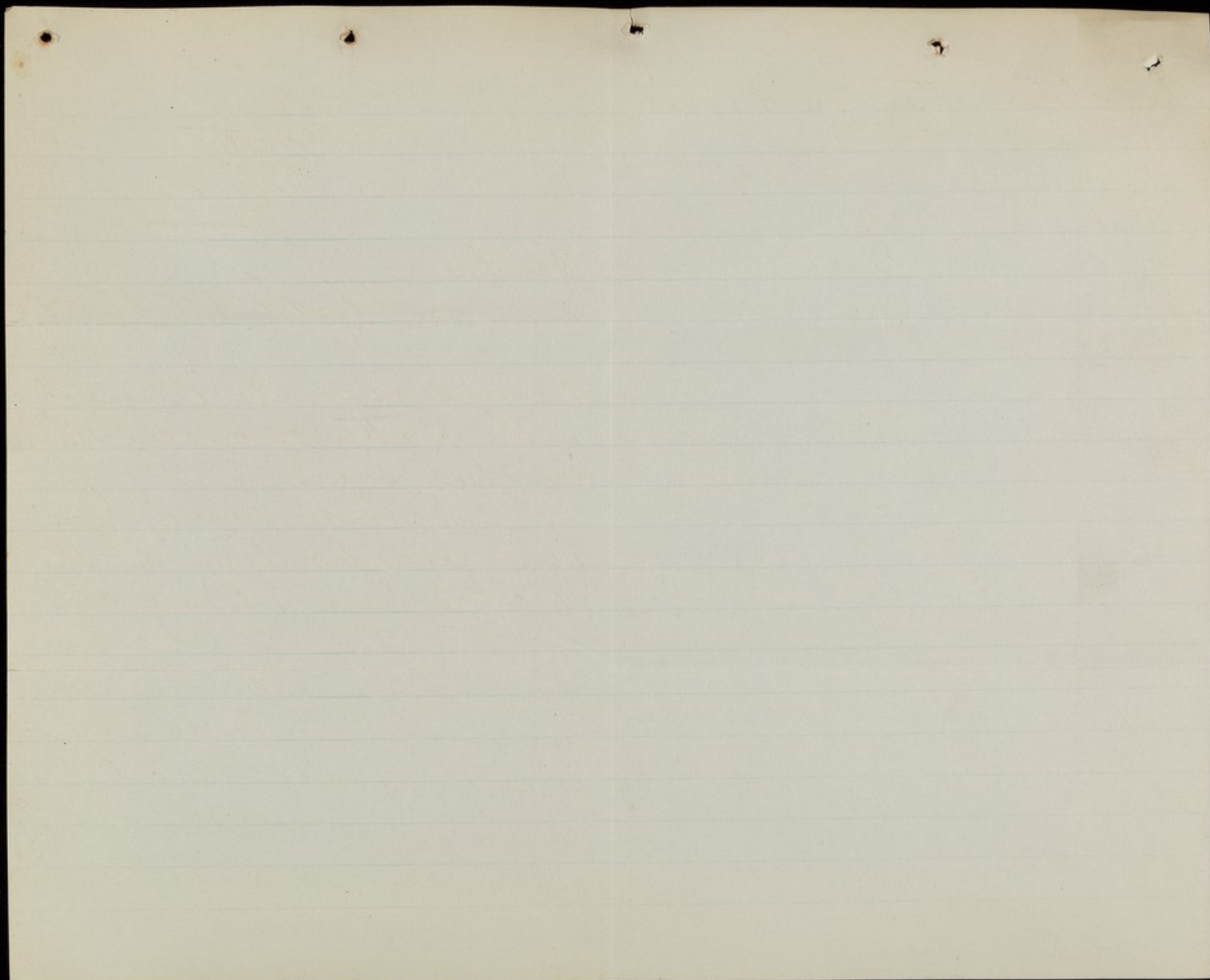
Amster
Feb 6th 1895

Dear Friend

At our Monthly Meeting today

the necessary document
in the matter of Susan Johns
was duly signed

Our clerk is away from
home for a few days - but he
will forward it to thee on
his return with the cheque
for first Quarters main-
tenance - we conclude she
is in your care - we have
not heard of her arrival - as she
went from her Brother's house at
Acton - though she is our member



THE RECTORY,
HATLEY S. GEORGE,
GAMLINGAY.

Feb. 7. 1895.

Dear Sir

no one regrets more
than I do, the delay
wh has occurred in the
appointment of Committee
of my Sister. My
Solicitor writes me that
G. St. P. Harris Esq
London County Bank
Huntingdon.

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has been accepted by the
Commissioner as Committee,
but Mr. Harris has as yet
received no official recognition,
a authority to act.

However he has opened
an account with the
London & Co. Bank in
behalf of my sister, &
I have asked him to

pay you out of the
funds there at his
disposal.

Yours truly
John Pycock.

W^m SMITH & SONS,
SOLICITORS.
W^m SMITH,
CLERK TO LOCAL BOARD
& URBAN SANITARY AUTHORITY.
ALSO CLERK TO MAGISTRATES.

Sydenham Terrace,

Weston super. Mare.

8th Dec^r 1875.

Dear Sir

Re H. E. Palmer

Thanks for yours
of yesterdays date and
so far as the Executors
of the late Mr. A. F.
Palmer are concerned,
there is no desire that
the Patient should be
removed - all they want
is to get rid of the
liability of the Testator
in the matter and we
presume, as the payments
are made weekly a

weeks notice will
terminate the arrangement
as there are no funds
~~belonging to the Estate which can be~~
~~used for the~~ continuation
of the payments.

The Executors have
been in communication
with the Patients brother
Mr. J. E. Palmer, whose
address is 8 Upper Mount
Street, Dublin and we
believe that gentleman
is going to undertake
the liability for his Sisters
maintenance & you may
communicate with him.

Please however let
us know whether a
weeks notice will be
sufficient to terminate
the liability of the Testator
and if so kindly accept
this letter as a weeks

notice to that effect, on
behalf of the Executors
and let us have particulars
of the claim you may
have against them to the
expiration of the notice
Vobis.

Yours faithfully
~~Wm. M. B. Jones~~

J. E. Woods Esq
Secretary
The Retreat
York

THE RETREAT,
YORK.

6 Feb 95

Dear Thence

Mr. Rags

Enclosed a/c does not, as I understand it, quite agree with the Court's order, which seems to contemplate 14,600 as owing up to 31 Dec 94, whereas
$$\begin{array}{r} 31 \quad 5 \quad 5 \\ - 9 \quad 2 \quad 0 \\ \hline 22 \quad 3 \quad 5 \end{array}$$
 is the amt apparently due up to that date.

The annual payment of 488.00 is perhaps made up of 92.00 per yr + 600 estimated disbursements per yr. If this arrangement has been made with the relations of the Court, I

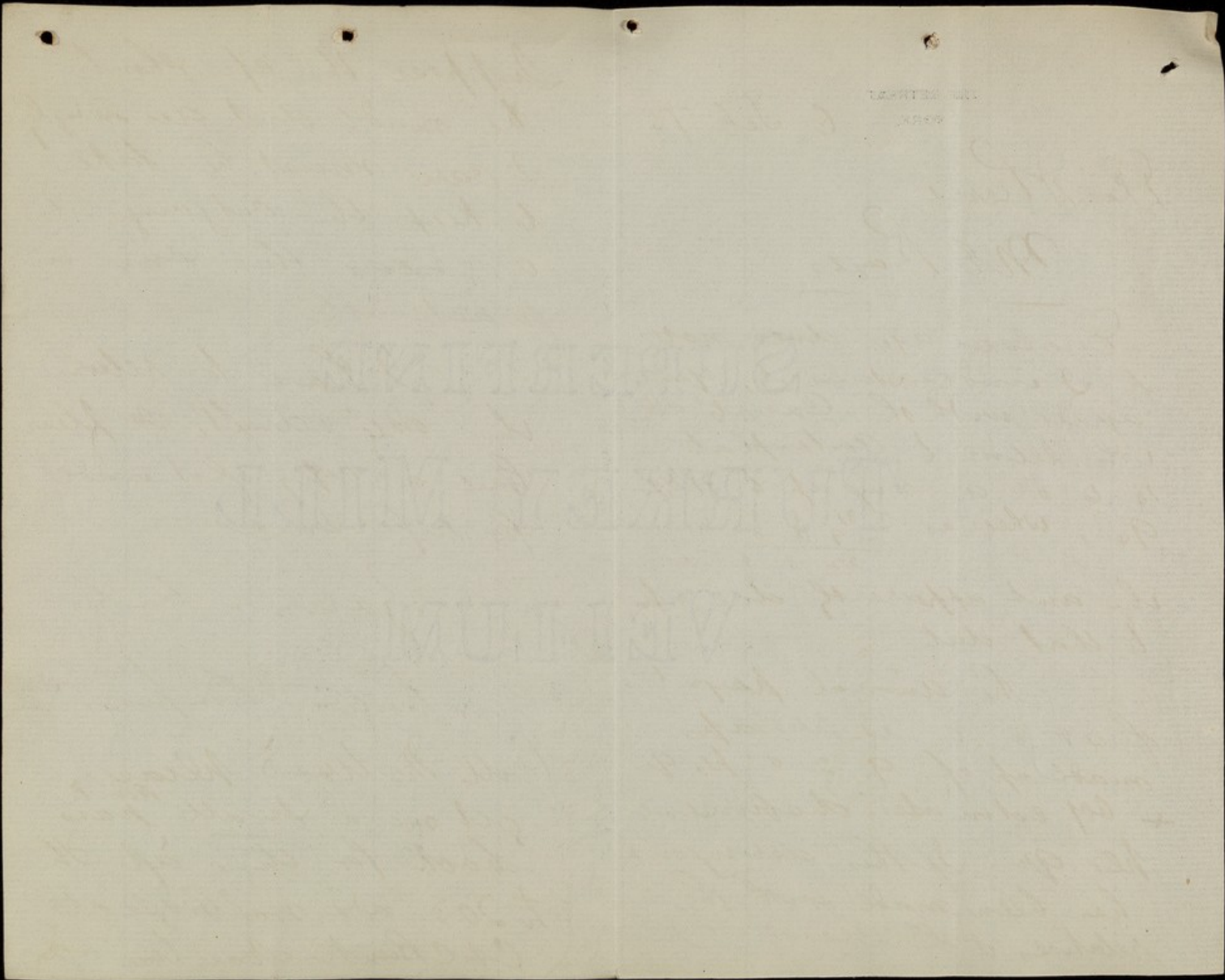
Suppose the a/c should be made out accordingly & care must be taken to keep the outgoings to as near this sum as practicable

I have to return the "ode" draft, so please have a copy of it made for reference

Jarvis & Co
Ruth Thompson

Will Mr Wood please get me a small ^{Bank} pass book for this a/c. The £203 odd was lodged at CSC Bank some time ago

in my name & a separate a/c



From *Cadbury Bros.*
Bournville,
Near Birmingham.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS,
CADBURY, BIRMINGHAM

To *2 Mo 8 1895*
Dr Pearce, *100.*
York

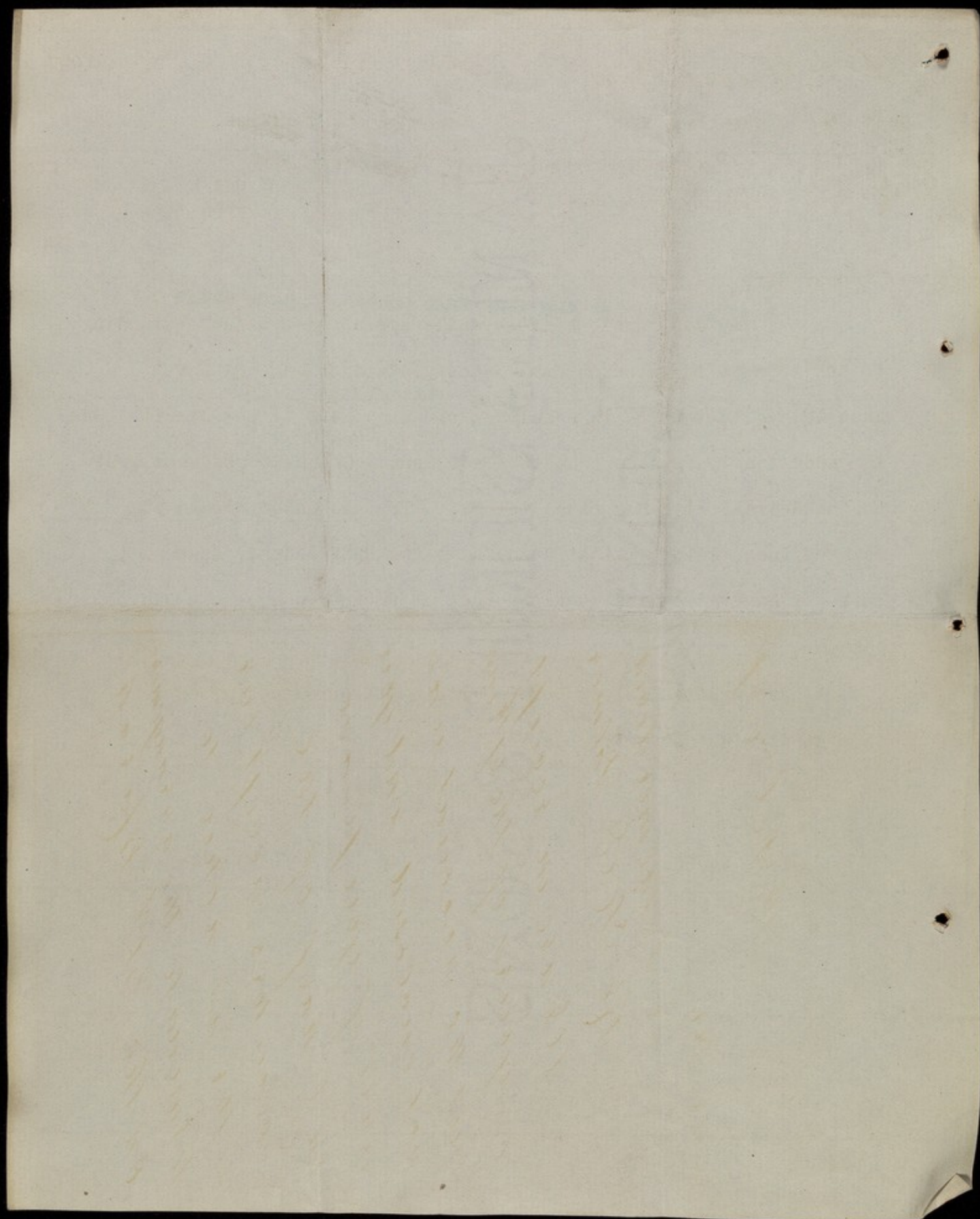
Dear Sir,

My aunt wrote me some while ago about a balance standing to her account in Dumbells Bank, Ramsey, Isle of Man. I have ascertained that there is a balance of about £460 to her credit. She is under the impression that the Pass book & Cheque books were sent to the Retreat with her other things. If this is so, could you let me have them, in order that I may have the Bank balance made up to date. I have given instructions that no further cheques should be cashed.

I have written to you before writing to Bridlington, as I thought it might save trouble, if the Bank books were sent to you.

Yours truly,

Barrow Cadbury



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From *Cadbury Bros.*
Bournville,
Near Birmingham.



TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS,
CADBURY, BIRMINGHAM.

To 2 Mo 11 1895
The Secretary 101
The Retreat
York

Dear Sir,

I am obliged for the four Bank Books & cheque Books
duly to hand.

Yours faithfully,

Barrow Cadbury

The Secretary

The President

Yours

Dear Sir,

I am obliged for the four Bank Books & cheque books

only to hand.

Yours faithfully,

W^m SMITH & SONS,
SOLICITORS.
W^m SMITH,
CLERK TO LOCAL BOARD
& URBAN SANITARY AUTHORITY.
ALSO CLERK TO MAGISTRATES.

Sydenham Terrace,

Weston super. Mare.

11th Feb^y 1875.

Dear Sir

A. T. Palmer deced

Re H. E. Palmer

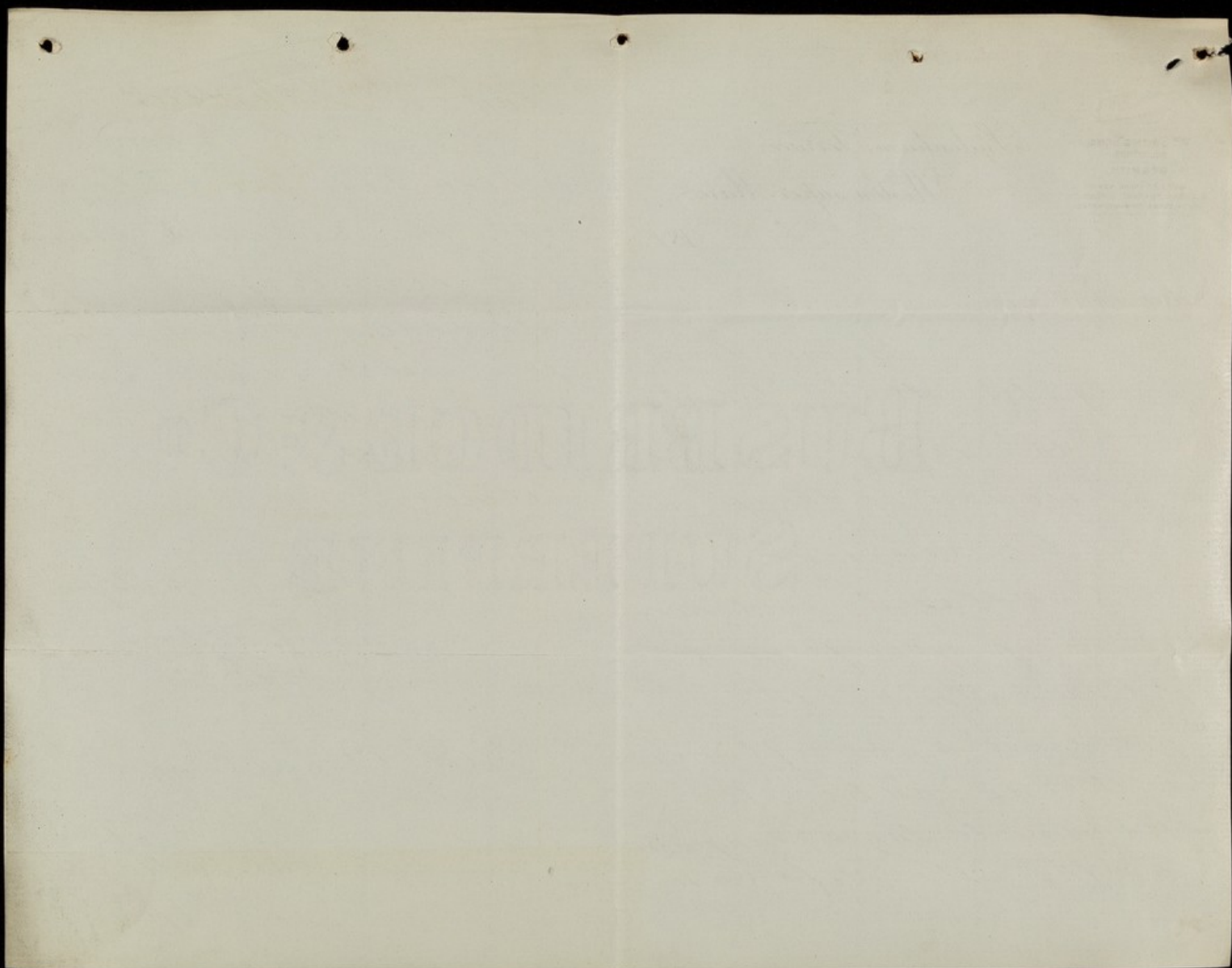
We are in receipt
of yours of the 9th inst
but the account was
not enclosed and you
will if you please,
on behalf of the
Executors, accept our
letter as notice to
terminate the arrangement
on the 31st March

next, the date you
suggest, and from
which date the estate
will be relieved from
all liability, and for
this lady's maintenance
you must make your
arrangements with
her brother Mr. J. E.
Palmer.

Yours faithfully
S. E. Wood Esq

S. E. Wood Esq
Secretary
The Retreat
York

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WM SMITH & SONS,
SOLICITORS.

WM SMITH,

CLERK TO LOCAL BOARD
& URBAN SANITARY AUTHORITY.
ALSO CLERK TO MAGISTRATES.

Sydenham Terrace,

Weston super Mare.

12th Feb^y 1875.

Dear Sir,

Re H. E. Palmer

We are in receipt
of yours of yesterday
dated with account of
of the State of the State a statement
the indebtedness to 31st
March next &c

Yours faithfully
Wm Smith & Sons
S. E. Woods Esq
Secretary

The Rectory
York

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Faint, illegible handwriting, possibly a signature or address.

THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
WASHINGTON, D. C.
20540

North Hill
St Austell
29/1/95

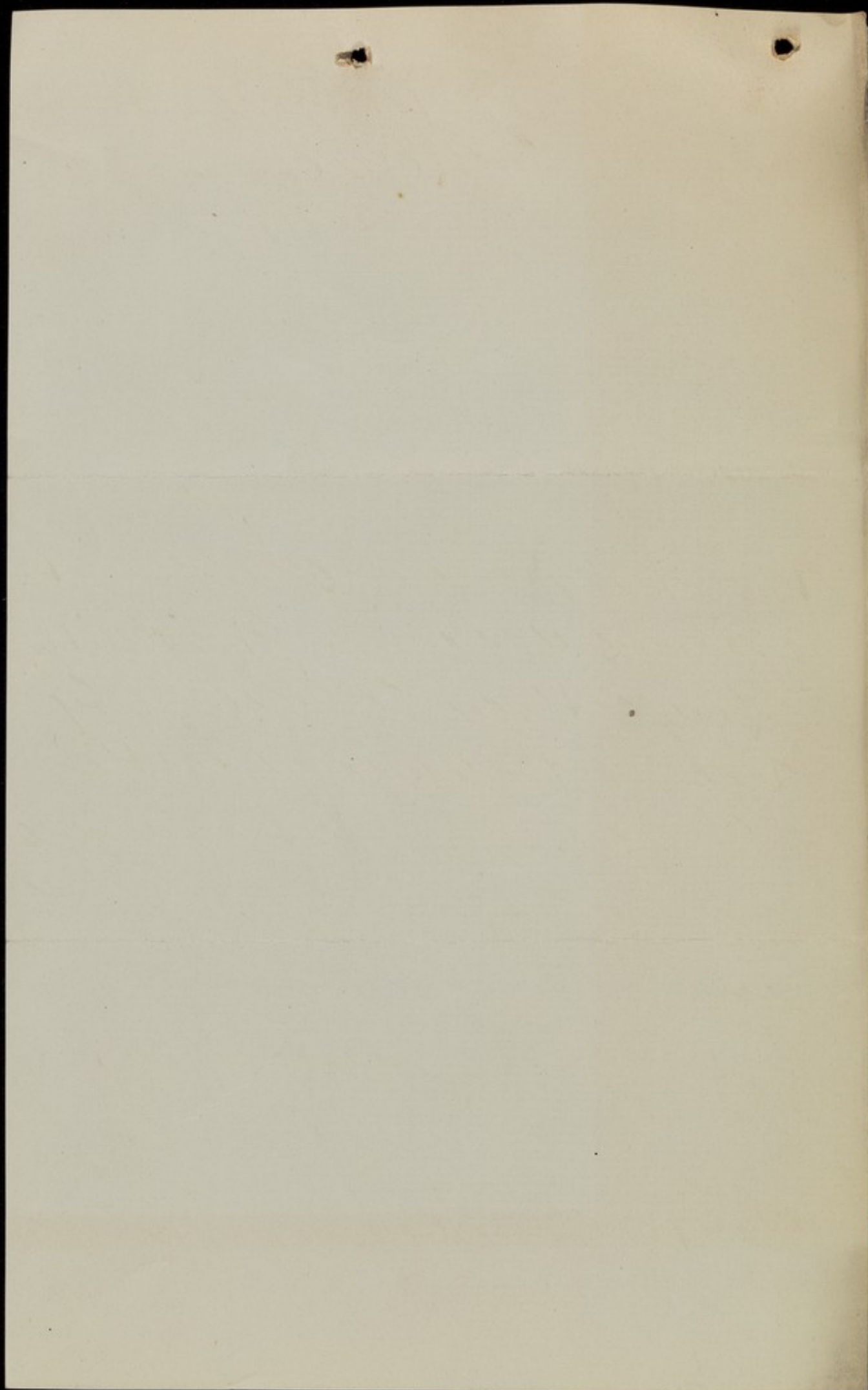
Dear Friend

Dr Beaford Pearce.

Our monthly
meeting occurs next week.
Tapers received from Secretary
shall then be signed by
me. & forwarded with
cheque, for first quarters
payment, in the case of
Susan Johns.

Yours sincerely
Edmund Stiles.

Clerk of East Cornwall monthly
meeting.



Elton House

Gloucester

Dear Sir,

I am returning
to you the form of
Agreement duly signed
& I beg to thank
you for your kind
letter.

With regard to the

Question of terms I
leave myself entirely
in the hands of the
Committee, but if, in
consideration of my
being a member of
the Medical Profession,
the amount could
be fixed at $3\frac{1}{2}$ guineas

a week, as you
kindly suggest, I
should be very much
obliged to the
Committee & I
would undertake
to be responsible
for that sum.

I am, Dear Sir

Yours faithfully

Feb 2. 1895 { J. Dykes Bower

3 Hampton Park
Redland - Bristol
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Dear Sir

Please convey our
warm thanks to
Mr. Bedford Peice
for his kind consideration
of the subject - and

you in future not
changing under the hand
of "Mending" -

It is a great relief to
our minds, and the wife
of course - gladly provides
what clothing is neces-

ary - Thanking you

for your kind note -
I am

Yr. very sincerely
Alice Dell

Nov. 3. 1890

Memorandum.

From JOHN DIXON,
MARINE STORES,
35 and 36, Garden Street, Groves,
YORK.

To Mr. *Jan 30th* 1895
Governor
Quackers Retreat

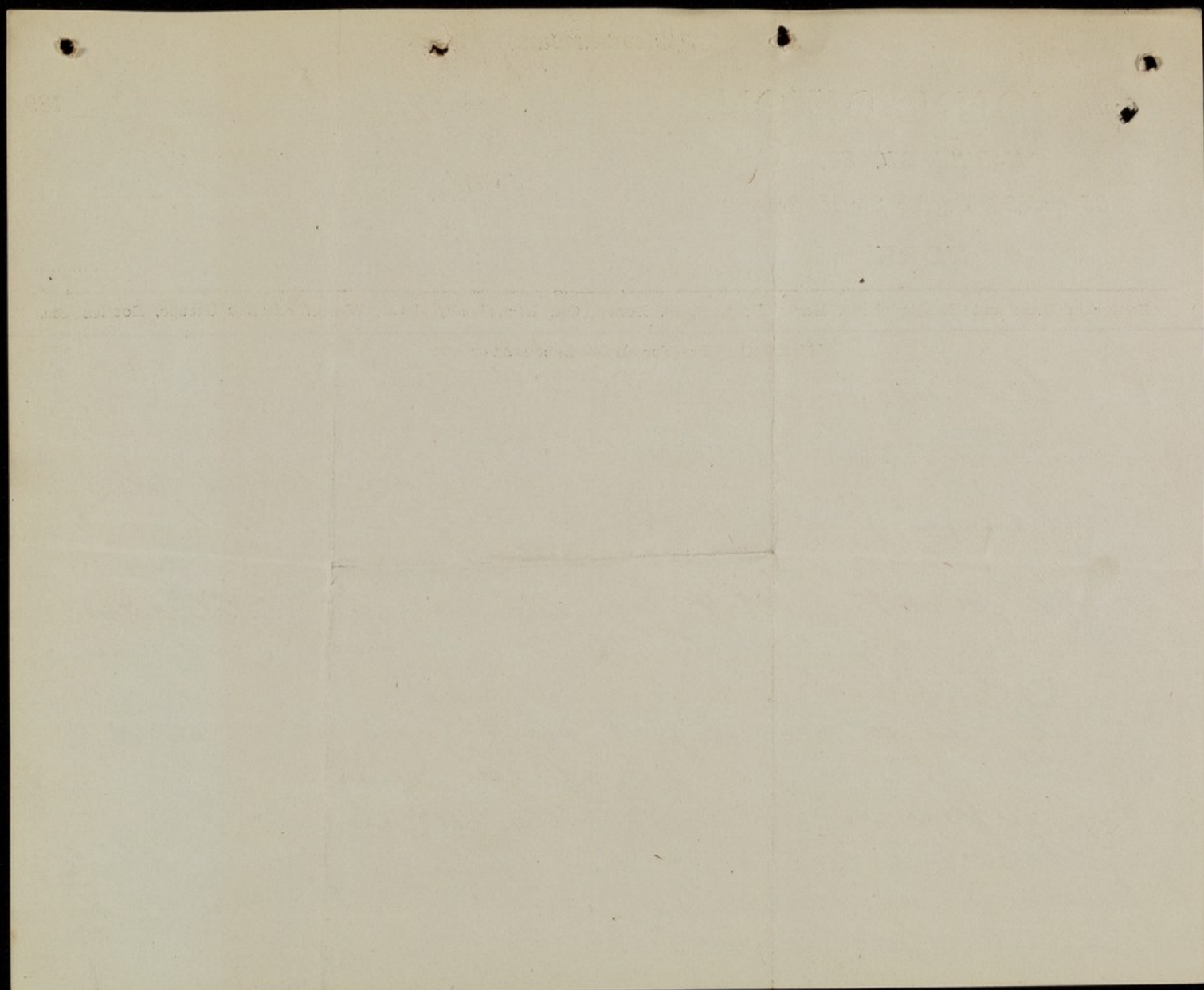
Dealer in Hare and Rabbit Skins, Horse Hair, Rags, Bones, Old Iron, Lead, Metal, Waste, Kitchen Grease, Bottles, &c.

TERMS CASH :—For all Goods bought or sold.

Dear Sir,

57 We write to ask you if you have anything in our way to dispose of such as Rags Bones Iron &c. We could offer you for Rags $4\frac{1}{2}^d$ per cwt White Rags $1\frac{1}{2}^d$ per stone Old clink-iron White or cast $2\frac{1}{2}^d$ per ton. which we can send for at any time when convenient for you. It is a now a good many years since we did business with you. If you require any references please apply to Mr. Benson Skeldergate York as we have traded with him over 20 years. Yours Truly
John Dixon
Awaiting your answer will oblige

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living with his father
10 or 12 years ago & could
be trusted to fetch
& carry parcels.

I shall try if possible
to get the monthly
meeting to continue the
payments to the Retreat

Believe me

Yours faithfully
Y. Stacey Wilson

The Medical Superintendent
York Retreat.

65, TEMPLE ROW,
BIRMINGHAM.

July 20th 1895

Dear Sir

A question has
arisen in Warwickshire
North Monthly meeting
as to the desirability of
continuing the payment
for Campbell Dixon who
is at present in the
Retreat. & I have been

requested to ascertain
some facts as to his
present mental condition.

I should be much
obliged therefore if
you would kindly
let me know in a
few words what his
present state is.

I especially wish to know
whether he continues to be

harmless, fairly easy
to manage & able to
look after himself &
be clearly if for
instance he were to be
taken into the same
household in the
country. Also if he
would be likely to
do any useful work
under such circumstances.

He used to have
sufficient sense to do
simple work when

Ans.

Raddcliffe House
Market Place.

Wakefield, 30 Jan^y 1895

Dr. Bedford Pierce, &c

Dear Sir
My youngest son & I
called at "The Retreat" a few
weeks ago. I did not advise
you of our visit - our arrangements
were made as hurriedly - the same
forenoon; however we were
fortunate in meeting you aft^r
and received courteous attention.

My wife has been at Dr.
Chapman's - "The Grange" near
Rotherham for eleven months - she
is suffering from "delusions" - she

is quiet - harmless - and gives - I
understand - little or no trouble. - Her
^{health} ~~physical~~ - I always has been - remarkably
good. but she does not get rid
of the "delusions." Her age is 65 yrs.
mother of 11 children (seven now
living).

I hoped to have been fortunate
in getting her to your "Retreat" -
eleven months ago - but I threw
little about making arrangements -
and as we were all in great trouble
at the time - it was left for our
Surgery to manage.

Will you kindly say - if
you have opening for my wife -
for me Perm. &c. as rea-
sonable as is possible.

I may say - that I have

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to-day - had a quick - private
talk with Dr. Devan. Lewis.
He knows I am writing to you.

Kindly fine answer at Early
convenience. (The 12 months at
The fringe expires about the
middle of February).

I will run over to York.
and have a talk about the
matter - if you think it ad-
visable - How well Saturday
afternoon do? I could then
give you all particulars.

Believe me
Yours very truly

W. H. Milnes.

as a V.B.

the Retreat. It was objected
that it was not bracing
but when I say you will
or might allow her to go
to Scarborough, my
proposal was approved
& I promised to write you
to know whether there
is a vacancy & the
terms. The price is
a wh. is the maximum
she can pay. I have no
reason to think she
is a member, but no
doubt her marriage
connection wd. allow
you to admit at 3.3.
She is somewhat

depressed & feels sensitive and irritable
I cannot make out that she is suicidal.
Hoping you are very well

Stack Take

Ans.

63 WELBECK STREET
CAVENDISH SQUARE, W.

Jan 30 - 95

Best friend Pierce

a lady has consulted
me, Mrs Wilson,
under the following circum-
stances.

She is 37 the widow
- Wilson who
committed suicide
at Falmouth in 1890
He was a friend
and a brother of
Claude W. the doctor

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at Cambridge Wells.

It appears she married
in 1889 at Falmouth
and her health suffer-
ed & I fancy, her
nervous system was
affected. No doubt
her husband's suicide
in 1890 upset the
mind but she was
not placed under
care till Feb 94
she was at headle
and was discharged

+ Mrs. Francis thinks she was not sufficiently
recovered when she left Chardle

in August of that year
as recovered; she travelled
subsequently and has
not relapsed⁺ but is
feeling herself that
she wd be better if
in an institution as
a Volz Boarder.
Returning to Newell's
was contemplated, but
there are reasons why
it wd be better to go
to another locality.
I have recommended

and hope to be able to
bring the patient to York
at mid day on Thursday.

The Rev Mr Wright my co trustee
of St Silas Sheffield

will meet us at York. and

if I send you a Telegram

that we have started I

shall be obliged if you

will make arrangements with

Mr Munby. In the signing of

this justices order about 12.30

on our way from Station to Retreat.

^{without making trouble} If you can order a London 2

Sunderland Address

Queen's Hotel.

From 8 PM Jan 29

to 8 AM Jan 31.

Park Lodge, Baslow.

Derbyshire.

Jan 28.

Dear Sir

I am obliged

for your letter of Jan 27.

The patient Miss Anderson

is aged 57. Born in the

Coppice Nottingham Jan 1830

to 1888 - Has since lived

alone in lodgings - She

is now suffering from physical

debilitated but is able to get
up & down stairs.

She is not suicidal or
dangerous. is in fact

more a case of mental
& bodily decay. than

insanity. but the ~~Commissioners~~

with whom I have ~~consulted~~
consulted, will not allow
her to remain un-certificated
and she cannot afford
to pay the expense of
care outside an asylum.
I go to Sunderland tomorrow

PART LODGE, BASLOW,
DERBYSHIRE.

large carriage in which the
patient can recline. please
let Mr Wright know where
^{to go for it.}
If he does not hear he
will engage a cab at the
Station. His address is

Rev H H Wright
St Silas Vicarage
Broomhall Park
Sheffield

P.T.O. 11/2

I shall be prepared
to give you a cheque
for your charges on
my arrival.

Yours truly

Edw French

I have two ^{blank} Medical certificates
it would be as well to
send me one more to
Sunderland in case of
any mistake being made
as one of them I have

PORT LOOSE, BASTON,
DERBYSHIRE.

Jan 30.
1895

Dear Sir

The arrangements I
had made for Mr. W. trustee
to sign the Petition for Mr.
Anderson cannot be carried
out since he has met
with an accident -
It will therefore be necessary
for me to sign the Petition
and for you to arrange for

a York doctor to see
Miss Anderson on her arrival
at York and sign the ^{second}
Medical Certificate which
I had intended to sign.
Dr Strachan of 12 Dundas
St. here. has signed one
certificate giving the facts
enclosed -

I am sorry to say Miss A
has shown signs of a
tendency to suicide during

the last 24 hours - This I
was not aware of when I
last wrote.

Hoping the arrangements
now made can be carried
out pretty speedily tomorrow
to enable me to get home
tomorrow night

Believe me
Yours truly

E H French

I shall require the carcase
^{at 12.15 on Thursday -}
You so kindly informed me you had
ordered to Station

Jan^y 30th / 1895.

Dear Mr. Wrench

My Father had
a heavy fall last night
& has sprained his back.
He is rather better this
morning, but is only able
to move in bed with
difficulty. He regrets

Very much that it will
be impossible for him to
come to York to-morrow,
I therefore enclose the
paper unfilled up.

He is very disappointed
as he would have liked
to have seen Min Anderson,
I have of some little service.

He would be very glad
to see you, if you could
call on him on your
return from York, but

Please do not underestimate your self
with kind regards,

I remain

Yours truly,

Elizabeth J. Wright

D. Wrench - of Baslow
Derbyshire
is the trustee for patient from
Sunderland -

Patient's name Miss Anderson

D Strachan has signed one certificate

Make an appointment at D'S Home -
for 12.30 -

or. failing this to take private room
at either Station Hotel
or Mr. Jerris.

a fact &c.

a generally dazed condition -
Fancies she sees a ladder
against the bedroom window,
when there is none -
Fancies she sees the devil in
her room &c &c

b Seale Holling Watson nurse
states.

she wanted to get out of
her bed room and was trying
a few mornings ago when the
nurse came into her room
because she thought there
was a ladder leaning against
the window -

She often spoke to her
of seeing the devil in her
room & wanted Nurse
to drive him out
She told her she had
taken a photograph of
a brooch & swallowed
it -

typed by
Benj. Shadcan

12 Dundas St

Confidential

COUNTY OF YORK.

West Riding Asylum.

Wakefield January 30th 1895

Dear Dr. Isedford Peirce,

A very old & respected
resident of this town - Mr. Milnes
whose wife has for some eleven
months been at a Private Asylum
is desirous of moving her into
a Hospital such as the Retreat
& will write to you this evening
relative to the forms of transfer,
etc. I could not quote your

scale of payments at the
Retreat so could not guide
him as I could have wished.
He has had a large family
to bring up, the circumstances
are such as to only permit of
moderate payments; & from his
description of the patient's symptoms
I fear the case is likely to
prove a protracted one.
He seemed desirous that I
should write to you to this
effect, but I am most anxious
& not to have my name
mentioned in connection with
the matter, as these points are

likely to be misunderstood,
✓ I do not wish to be thought
acting in a manner adverse
to the interests of any private
Asylum.

I trust that you &
Mr Bedford Pease are quite
well & with kind regards,

believe me, Yours faithfully,

W. Brewster

D. Pierce in London

Day terms proposed here 2/2/-

Will undertake removal if wished

Can already

Thanks for reply -

PARCELS TO:
GRANGE LANE STATION,
(M.D. & L. RAILWAY).
NATIONAL TELEPHONE NO.
34 ROTHERHAM.

THE GRANGE,
N^o 8 ROTHERHAM.

5. Feb. 1895

Dear Sir.

Mrs Milnes, whom
it is proposed to remove
hence to you is an in-
curable case - pride
& suspicion - but not
at all troublesome
in other respects. The
husband is the trouble.
as you will probably find
out.

I have advised the

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relatives that I am not
prepared to arrange
the transfer but that
you will carry it out.
I have sent you several
male patients lately &
hope some females
ones will be finding
their way here from
you in course of time.
Mr Milnes must give
a month's notice of
removal so, unless
he elects to pay a

month's notice, Mr Milnes will
not be due at the Retreat until
March 6.

I am faithfully
Yours
Brookley Chapman.

Dr Perce
The Retreat.

Mr M is leaving
in 2 days & will
be here.

Dingwall. 4th Feby 1895

Dear Sir

We have received your letter of yesterday and wired you in reply that it was impossible for Dr Charles F. D. Shaw MacKenzie to pay even the lowest terms mentioned in the prospectus of your Institution which you were good enough to send us. Dr Shaw MacKenzie's relatives are not wealthy and they

cannot undertake to be responsible for his maintenance at the Retreat. If he is serious about subjecting himself to voluntary confinement for six months and your terms can be reduced very much below the minimum of £2.2/- per week mentioned in the prospectus, we shall take instructions on the subject on hearing from you, but we cannot say whether his relatives will be in a position to

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pay even a reduced charge.

Dr. Gillespie of the Jartnauel
Asylum, Glasgow, was good
enough to offer to take
him in there at very
moderate terms, but he has
not seen fit to go there,
and it is very doubtful
whether his relatives will
now be inclined to do any-
thing for him.

Yours faithfully
Duncan Huddleston
Dr. Redford Pierce
The Retreat York.

Acknowledge -

Fear the Com^o will not accept
the case tho D - Mucken is inclined
to stay.

that he has been in the
Crichton at Dumfries. His
father has refused I believe
to keep him further, & I
know that on several
occasions Dr. Fallowell
gave him assistance, but
in the end he refused to
do more for him.

I do not think
that he in the end put
any trust in his promises
or belief in his word,
but in saying this I am

ROYAL ASYLUM
GARTHAVAL
GLASGOW

5th February '95

Dear Dr. Pearce.

Dr. Fallowell
is at present on tour in the
East. In his absence I
have your of 3rd inst.

Chas Shaw Mack

-Kearie was a voluntary
patient here from about 1893.
Since then Dr. Fallowell
has had many communications
about him & I understand

of course not authoritatively
speaking for Dr. Jewell.

I am

Faithfully yours,

L. R. Dowd,
M.B.

Dr. Pierce.
York }

Acknowledge thank -

etc -

through snow drift at
midnight. but was none
the worse for it.

Believe me
yours very truly

E. de Wreath

B. Pierce.

Acknowledged to

PARK LODGE, BASLOW,
DERBYSHIRE.

Feb 5 1897

My dear Sir:

I shall be obliged
if you will let me hear your
opinion re Min Anderson as
soon as convenient.

I shall be curious to know
whether any improvement
takes place under the thyroid
treatment you proposed

No doubt you would inform
me should she get worse
or if you think it necessary
she should be seen by
you or Wright or myself.

I must thank you for the
excellent arrangements you

made for my convenience
on Thursday last. and for
your hospitality to the nurse
and myself.

I attended the meeting of the
Sheffield Medico Surgical
Society at night. and had
a somewhat perilous
drive home over the Moor

• Re Mr Milnes.

PARCELS TO
GRANGE LANE STATION,
(M.S. & L. RAILWAY)
NATIONAL TELEPHONE NO.
34 ROTHERHAM.

THE GRANGE,
NE ROTHERHAM.

10. Feb. 1895

Dear Sir,

Thursday next
will suit me very well.
Master will be the best
Station for your nurses
to come to. It is about
3 miles from here, so
the nurses should get
there about 11. a.m.
and take a cab to
The Grange which

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will ~~leave~~ to convey
them & Mr Melius back
to Mexico to meet
the train you mention
as leaving that station
for York at 2.2. p.m.
(Missland)

I think you had better
send 2 more as I
am afraid Mr Melius
will make objection
to leaving here for
any other place than
home

We will give you more since
dinner whilst they are here.

Sincerely Mrs

Brooklyn, N.Y.

PARK LODGE, EASLOW,
DERBYSHIRE.

Feb 15.
1895

My dear Sir

I enclose cheque
for Miss Andersons account.
I shall be obliged if when
you reply. you will let me
know what you think of her
present condition and chance
of recovery. Should you

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treat her with Thyroid Extract
I shall be curious to hear
the result.

The terms your committee
have granted are quite
satisfactory and will leave
a ^{of her income} ~~enough~~ for her personal
expenses. Please say if

I should send her any
pocket money.

Mr Wendt finds her ward
= who in a very dilapidated
and dirty condition. He is
sending a few clothes by
rail today and will add
a few lines to this for
the Matron

Yours very truly
E M Wendt

St. Pauls' Square -
York. 14. II. 1895.

My dear Friend.

I have received this
letter this morning, and write
to thee confidentially to ask
thy advice about it. but shall
be obliged by its being returned soon
to me, as I ought to forward it to
my Nephew, as Committee of the
Estate, for my dear Brother. -

Of course, one cannot tell what
may have passed between the
Visitor & Charles, when he recently
visited the Retreat, & the Visitor
will not be aware probably, of
the plans practised at Scarborough,
in past years, with Charles's relations,
& friends - & I do not

not know whether my Nephew
is fully conscious of them - but
I sincerely wish to act rightly &
wisely in the matter, not to be
guided by impulsive, or wrong
feelings, either towards Charles, or
his Daughter Ellen, though their
conduct, & his Wife's also, have
deeply grieved me. I believe
Charles's has been, and is ~~is~~ devoted,
& true service, for ^{to my Brother} many years;
probably through the influence &
importunity ^{of} others, he thought
he could serve them, & serve him
also; & I being ignorant of it, should
"know nothing about it" - but in
this, he was mistaken.

Poor Man, he will be now feeling
sadly the death of his Invalid
Daughter, and I would not upbraid
or add to his sorrow, but can only
hope there will be no repetition
of the former practices, and that
my Brother's Rooms & Carriage will
be only used for him, under ~~my~~
their ^{my} supervision, & Charles's
relations have ^{right} delicacy of feeling
from taking apartments in the
same house, when he is there, as
they did last year.
Perhaps it will be better to make
Charles a present. - He will have
expenses just now from his Daughter's
illness & funeral - but if so, what
would be suitable? - it is puzzling.

With love, I am Yours Sincerely.

Elyth J. Dimsdale.

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Dear Dr Pierce

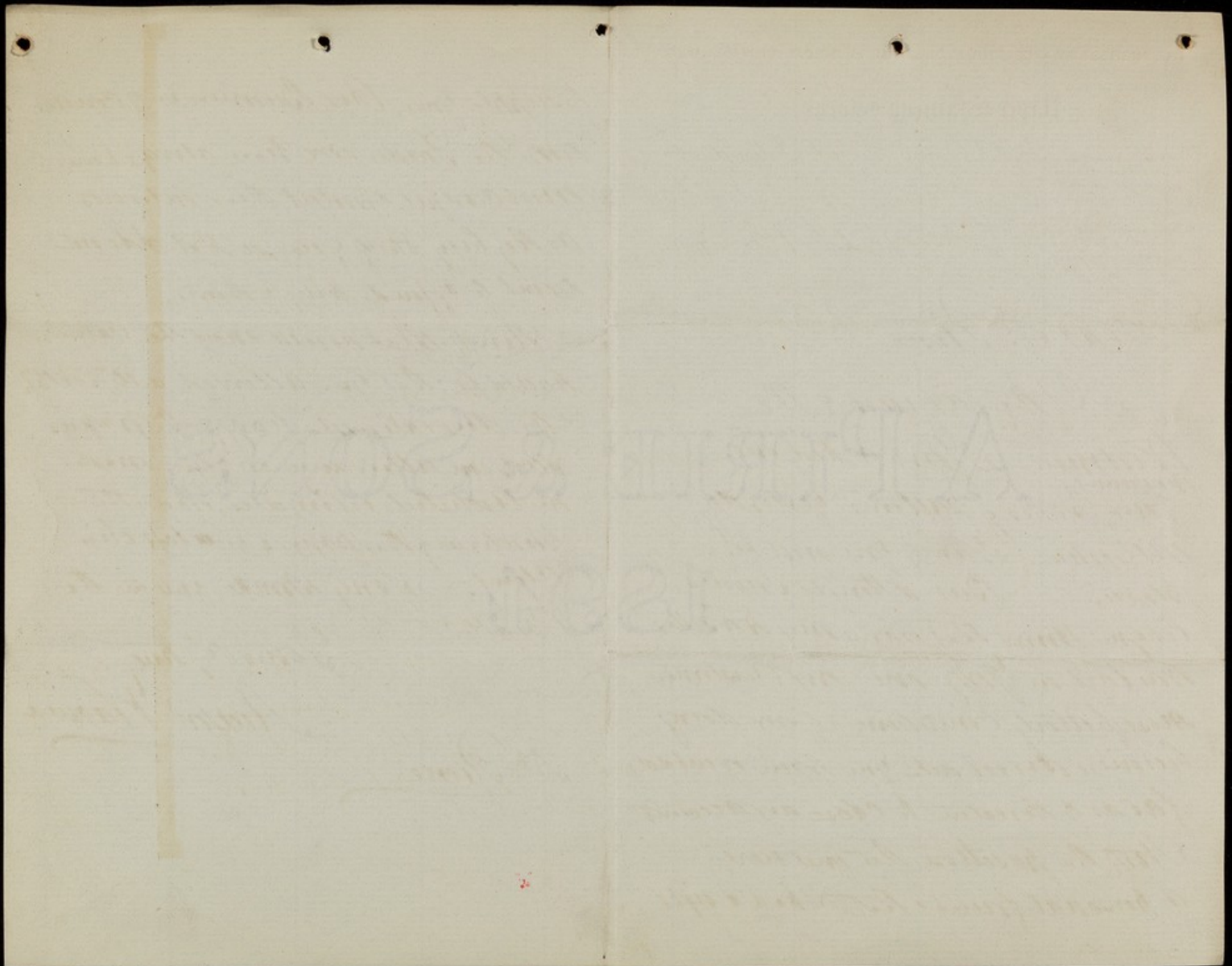
At the request of Mr
Wedmore I forwarded one
^{envelope} four books & patterns yesterday,
with which I think you will be
pleased. But I thought I would
let you know that when my traveller
was last in York one your Customer
most bitterly complained of my doing
business direct with you & now went so
far as to threaten to close an account.
Not the position that you were
a personal friend & that I had a right

to supply you. Our Business is of course
with the Trade & we have always been
most careful to protect their interests
as they buy stock of us, so that I do not
want to offend any of them.

I think what would meet the case
would be: that you allowed a 10% or 15%
to the decorator who hangs the papers.
Such an allowance is often made
in Architects estimates, when the
purchase of the papers is a left to the
Client. - Sorry to trouble you in the
matter

Yours truly
Nathan Warren
Dr Pierce

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I am sending the Laaters
Serms to Richard Thompson
Dringcote Fork today and I
shall be glad if you can let
me know from time to time
how he (~~my~~ Brother) is

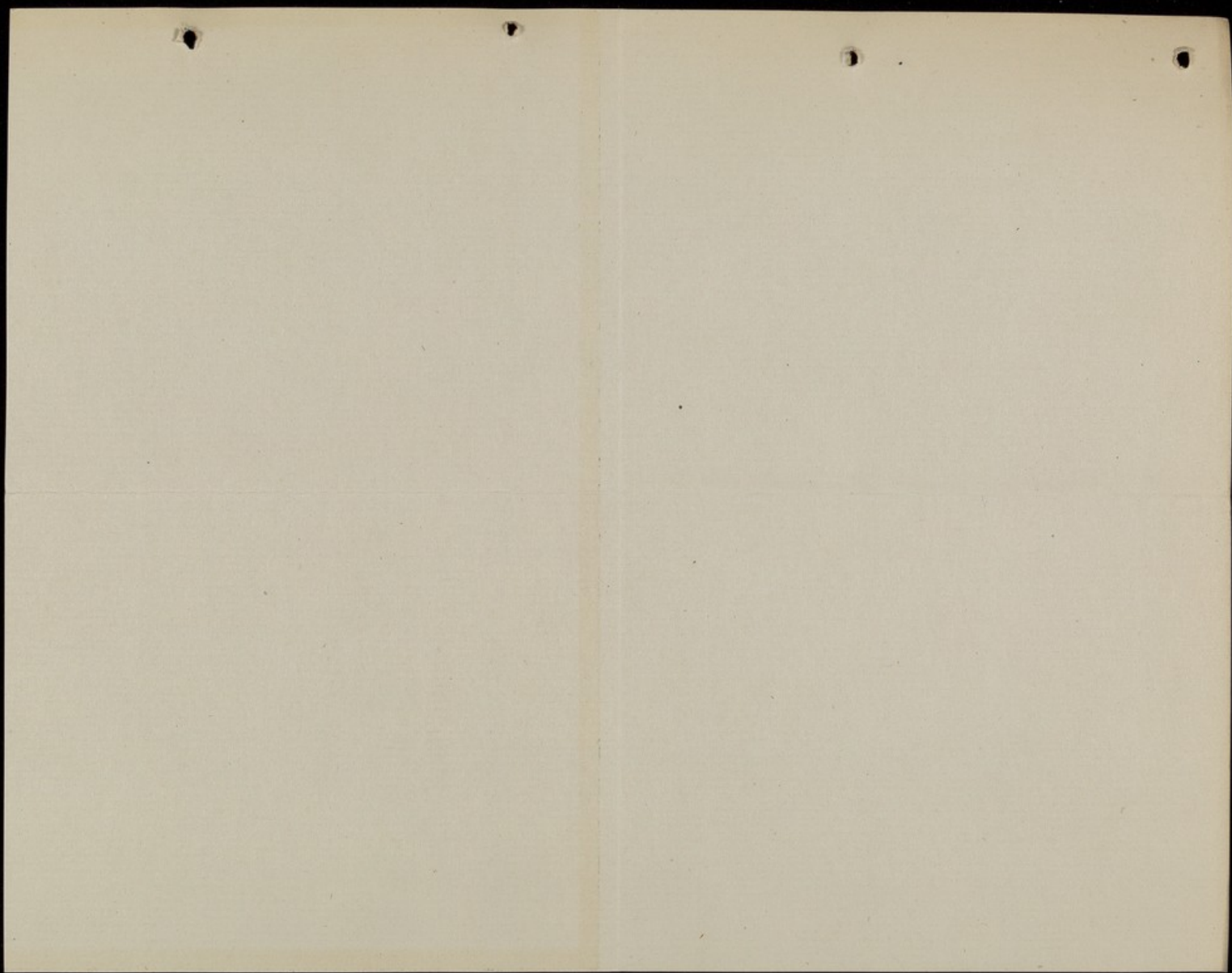
I intend writing to him
shortly unless you think it
best not to do so just now.

Thanking you for your
kindness I am sincerely
C. M. Doncaster

oak Tower
Upperthorpe
22/2/95
Dr Bedford Pierce
Dear Friend

I was very glad to
receive your letter yesterday
morning with the Terms de-
cided upon by the Committee
for my Brother W. A. Doncaster
and it greatly relieved my mind
and I sincerely hope my Brother
will be better for the salutary
treatment he will have at
The Retreat

He has not used his crutches
much in the house but his
manner of clothing himself
has tried us greatly and he is
indeed wrapped up in his
own ailments.



Parkholme
Harrogate. Feb. 24/96

Dear Mr. Pierce.

I understand that
Mr. Liddle has informed
you that my only
brother's common-law and
-den death has prevented
me taking the active
steps which I had intend-
ed taking last week
towards carrying out your
kind suggestion with
regard to my unfortunate
wife - i.e. to take a
furnished house with
suitable garden & down

Mr. Boultbee of Eltham
has got another engage-
ment & D. Liddell has no
answer from Madame
Libri. so if you kindly
favor me with names
of any other ladies suitable
for such a case, you
would greatly oblige &
help me - Pray accept
my thanks in advance.

Yours faith. fully
B. Nussey.

10 a.m.

South and to put her
under the care of some
trained lady & nurse &c &c.
I intend going to London
(Midland Grand Hotel)
to-morrow evening to take
steps to carry out that
plan, but I still have
to wish to see your establish-
ment & have a talk with
you, as we do not know
what may ultimately
have to be done, so I shall
come to York to-morrow
(Monday) and call
^{due 1.55}
upon you between 2 &
3 o'clock, with my
brother in law, Mr. Wynn-
Eaton & go in the evening to London.

Farm
Sparkbrook
Birmingham
To the Secretary 9 March 1895
to the Friends Retreat
York
Dear Friend,

At our last Monthly
meeting here I was appointed
with another Friend Geo. W.
Shorthouse, to attend to a
request as to the appoint-
ment of correspondents,
as I understand it, relative
to suitable cases for the
Retreat should any from
time to time exist in
our Monthly Meeting.

Am I right in supposing
that it is that those
interested in the Retreat
do not wish its advantages

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to be overlooked by the friends of those mentally afflicted?— If you have any printed circular or statement perhaps you will send me a couple of copies for we cannot give in our Report to the Monthly M^s without more information and our Next Monthly M^s takes place next third day Evening.

If one or two Friends in our Monthly Meeting were appointed, if they were occasionally at Monthly or Preparative

Meetings when the clerk at the close of the Meeting asks whether any Friends has any business to bring before the Meeting reminded Friends of the existence of the Retreat it should keep the subject before Members or it might be brought before them annually at the same time that they are reminded to make their wills.

If you let me know what is desired per return I may be able to advance y^r wishes a stage at the Monthly Meeting.
Yours sincerely
Sam^l Lloyd.

From Edward Fowler, 9 Heathville Road, Gloucester

AGENT FOR THE ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY

FIRE AND LIFE-FUNDS IN HAND, EXCEED £8,000,000

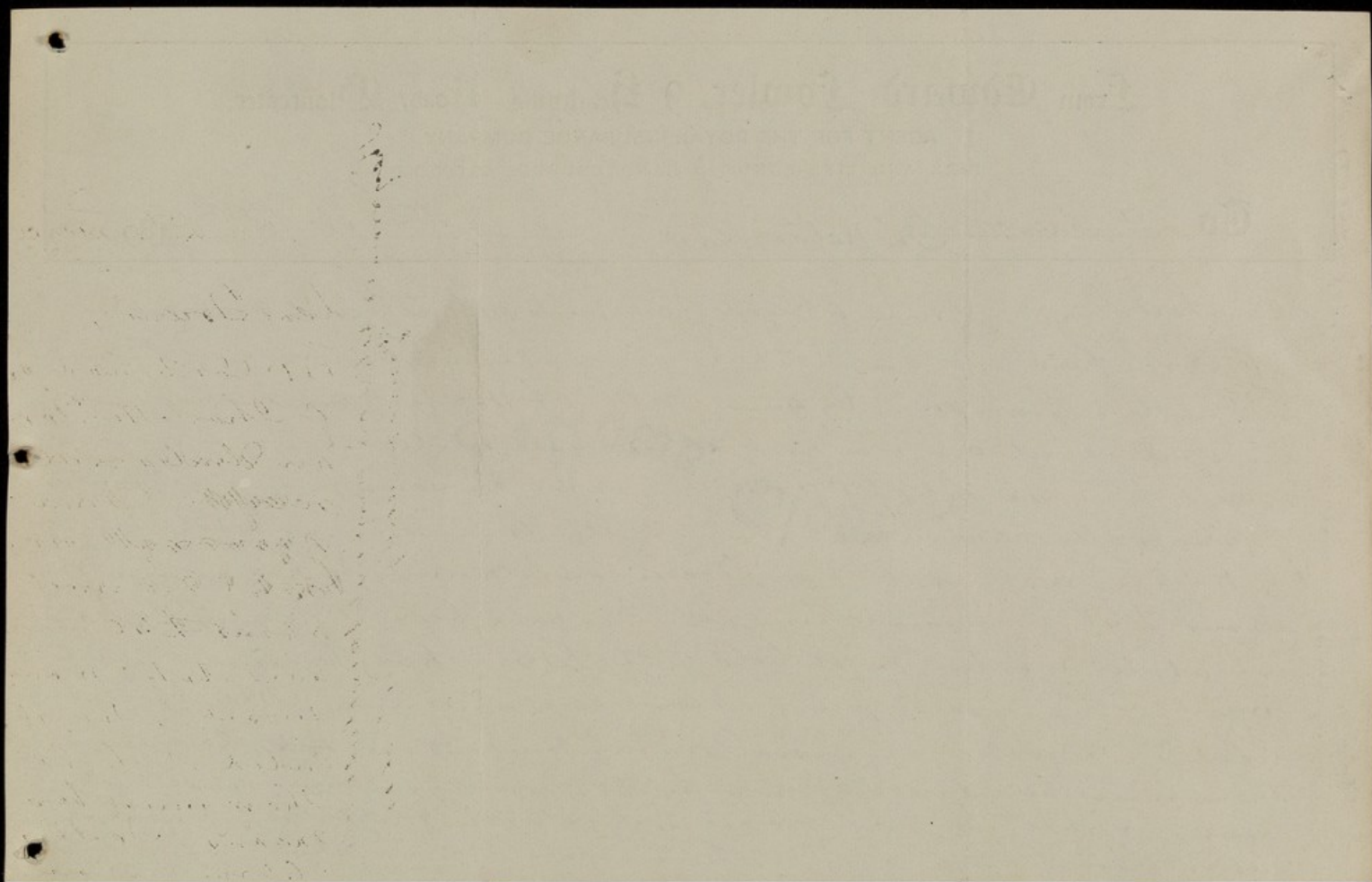
To Dr. Cierce The Retreat York

July 28th 1895

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Dear Friend, I am obliged for yours of the 27th. I had thought that Mr Cooke had explained why I am taking action for some funds of Charlotte Dardons. A sum of about £150 that came to her under an Uncle's will she was not able to use as she could not give a receipt. I am over £50 out of pocket in consequence of the increase of your rate so here I am repaid the law expenses. I hope to have £80 to go to meet your apcs. The income coming to her amounts to about £50 per annum & your late apcs have been £70 a year. I am as I stated wanting to get hold of the £150 to pay the amount due to myself & the extra of yours as long as it will last. When that is ended if the rate you insist on continues to overtake her income there must be a drawing on Capital Money & you know what that means. So I trust your board will take the matter into consideration & let me have an early reply, as she just want to know what is agreed upon.

She says she has in amount to meet all your money Edward Fowler



From Edward Fowler, 9 Heathville Road, Gloucester

AGENT FOR THE ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY
FIRE AND LIFE—FUNDS IN HAND, EXCEED £20,000,000

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To S Woods
Secy Retreat York

Feb 25th

1885

Dear Friend, Referring to your letter of 23rd Ult to
T. Cooke son of this city I have conferred by letter with
Charlotte Dardons brother in America & also with her Cousin
Henry Dardon & we all agree that the rate you think
should be paid viz 36/- per week will be more than can
be done. Charlotte Dardon is a member of the Society of Friends
& is there not some understanding that members are to
be admitted from some Quarterly Meetings at a lower scale than
others & does not she come under this? The money of hers
I hope to get & what Mr Cooke says you about will not
last long even at the present rate & we cannot make
the trustees sell out some of the annuities in their hands
(or what we now get the interest) it is entirely in their
hands to do so or not & then if they did consent every
annuity so sold reduces the interest - so that the
prospect is before me, of having no funds for her keep
& to be removed to a pauper asylum - this I should not
like to have to do - but we may have to do so. I think
your board when they look at the whole matter will be
willing to allow me to continue the payments for Charlotte
at a slight increase on the 25/- per week & that I would try
to do rather than she should have to be removed after being
under your care so many years - If I could see any way
to do more later on I should only be too pleased to help
if funds came to hand - but I must be careful & not get beyond
what is available at present.

Yours truly
Edward Fowler

Copy

Lord Chancellor's Visitors Office

THE RETREAT,

YORK

Royal Courts of Justice, Strand
London W.C.

13 Feb. 1895

Madam

I am directed by the Lord Chancellor's Board of Visitors to inform you that on recently calling over Mr. Dimsdale the Visitor was glad to find that since the appointment of the new Medical Superintendent the Friends' Retreat has been greatly improved & that Mr. Dimsdale is common with the other patients, has benefited by the change. The Visitor learnt that Mr. Dimsdale's excellent attendant has recently suffered from a very serious illness, as he is very useful to Mr. Dimsdale, & as there is a surplus of allowance over expenditure the Visitor has no doubt that you will see he is liberally aided. The Visitor reports most cordially of the great care & attention you give to the patient, & he was glad to have been at the Retreat when preparations were being

made for the annual party which Mr. Dimsdale gives to his friends at the Retreat at Christmas time

I am, Madam
Yours obedient servant
J. M. Wade
Chief Clerk

Miss E. G. Dimsdale
Committee of the person.

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THE GREAT
YORK

SUB-ENGINEER

T. J. BURKE, M.D.

VERMONT

5. Harrison Road.
Halifax. 18th Feb: 1895.

Dear Sir,

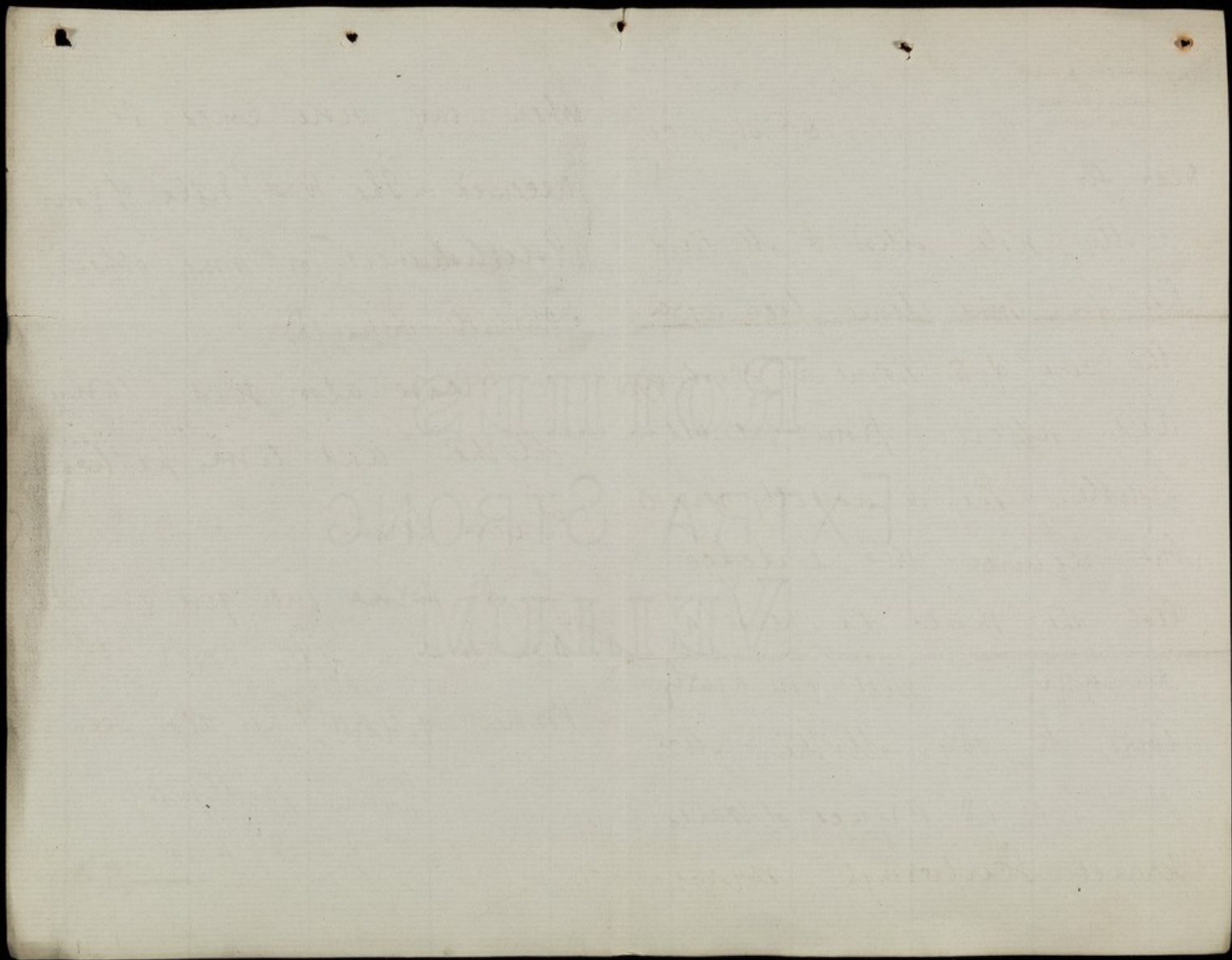
My sister Miss B. M. Hirst
has for some time been under
the care of Dr. Horne at Scarborough
and suffering from mental
trouble. She is usually sensible
but requires to be watched
lest she should do herself
an injury. Will you kindly
write to my Mother Mr
Hirst, at 18 Prince of Wales
Terrace, Scarborough, saying

when my sister could be
received in "The West Villa" of your
Establishment, or some other
suitable department.

Please also send to my
Mother, and to me, particulars
of your terms.

Dr. Horne will give you all
particulars of the case. Dr.
Baker, of York, has also seen it.

Yours faithfully,
J. F. Hirst.



18, Prince of Wales Terrace,
Scarborough.

Feb: 19-1895-

Dear Sir,

I am much obliged
for your telegram and
letter received to-day -
However, before anything
is definitely decided, I
should prefer seeing the
rooms referred to, in the
West-End of the Retreat.
I should also be pleased

To have a personal interview
with yourself in reference
to my daughter's case, which
is a very painful one.

I should also be glad
to have a little more in-
-formation regarding the
terms for receiving patients
at this Institution.

All being well, I purpose
starting to-morrow (Wednesday)
and hope to arrive early
in the afternoon.

Hoping this arrange-

-ment will suit your
convenience.

Believe me,

Yours sincerely,

Mary Swift.

J^r Bedford Pierce.

18, Prince of Wales Terrace,
Scarborough.

Feb. 21. 1895-

Dear Sir,

I regret to say that
my daughter has caught
cold, and is suffering from
influenza, with a temperature
to-night of 104. point-4 - She
has been very poorly and
feverish all day - I feel
extremely sorry that she
should have been seized
with this attack, as I had

quite hoped she would have
been well enough to come
to your Retreat to-day, or
at any rate as early as possible
this week. However, under
these circumstances we can
only wait - until she is well
enough to take the journey.

I shall be glad for my
daughter to occupy the room
that I saw yesterday - facing
the South, bed and sitting-
-room combined; it is very
essential for her to have
plenty of sunshine, and I

think that room would be
so cheerful and pleasant -
for her. and would I trust
be one help towards recovery.

I am reserving this room,
I presume it - will not be
charged for whilst occupied.

Thanking you for your
kind attention yesterday -

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Mary Avid.

Dr Bedford Pierce.



5, Upper Rice Lane,

EGREMONT,

LIVERPOOL,

15/3/1895

The Secretary of Retreat
Park

Dear Friend

Enclosed is cheque value
£40 on ac of Catherine
Binks - which please acknowledge
& oblige - Kindly let me know
how the ac stands now and I
hope in a short time to be
able to pay you over. Please
in future always address me
on money matters as S. L. Binks
has little to do with it - we
the Exors of her Estate have now
arranged to pay over her income as
it accrues

Yours truly

E. Grosland

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HOME

VOLUME 2

3 South View
Spring Road
R. Loddice
Wexham

14-III-96

Dear Mr. Woods.

I had an interview yesterday with the acting trustee who informs me that it is my brother who has been standing in the way of any money being paid to my sister's account. The trustees wished us to give them an indemnity for any money they paid to The Retreat -

My brother refuses to do
this - but I arranged
to give them one & they
will now I think hand
some money over without
my brother's sanction.

I doubt if there will be
enough yet to pay off the
account entirely - some of
the trust money was invested
in the Davis - Boulton business
& some is at present in
the Court of Chancery - but
when the affairs are all
settled I hope there will be
enough to pay what has
been the usual charge for

my sister. I am very much
annoyed my brother is so
awkward about things he
is causing great & needless
for legal expense which we
can ill afford to pay.

Will you kindly let me
know when you have from
the trustees?

Yours sincerely
Sarah E. Riebel

GODFREY WOODHEAD & SON.

FAMILY GROCERS.

ESTD 1831.

TELEPHONE NO 928.

28, Victoria St,

Manchester, Mar 6 1895

Dear Sir:

I am much obliged
for your kindly reminder
re my sister's account
& I can assure you
that the matter has
not ~~has~~ escaped my
attention. I much
regret that there should
have been any delay,
but it has been unavoidable.

I just write to say that
early next week I shall

be sending you a consid-
erable portion of the
amount ~~sent~~

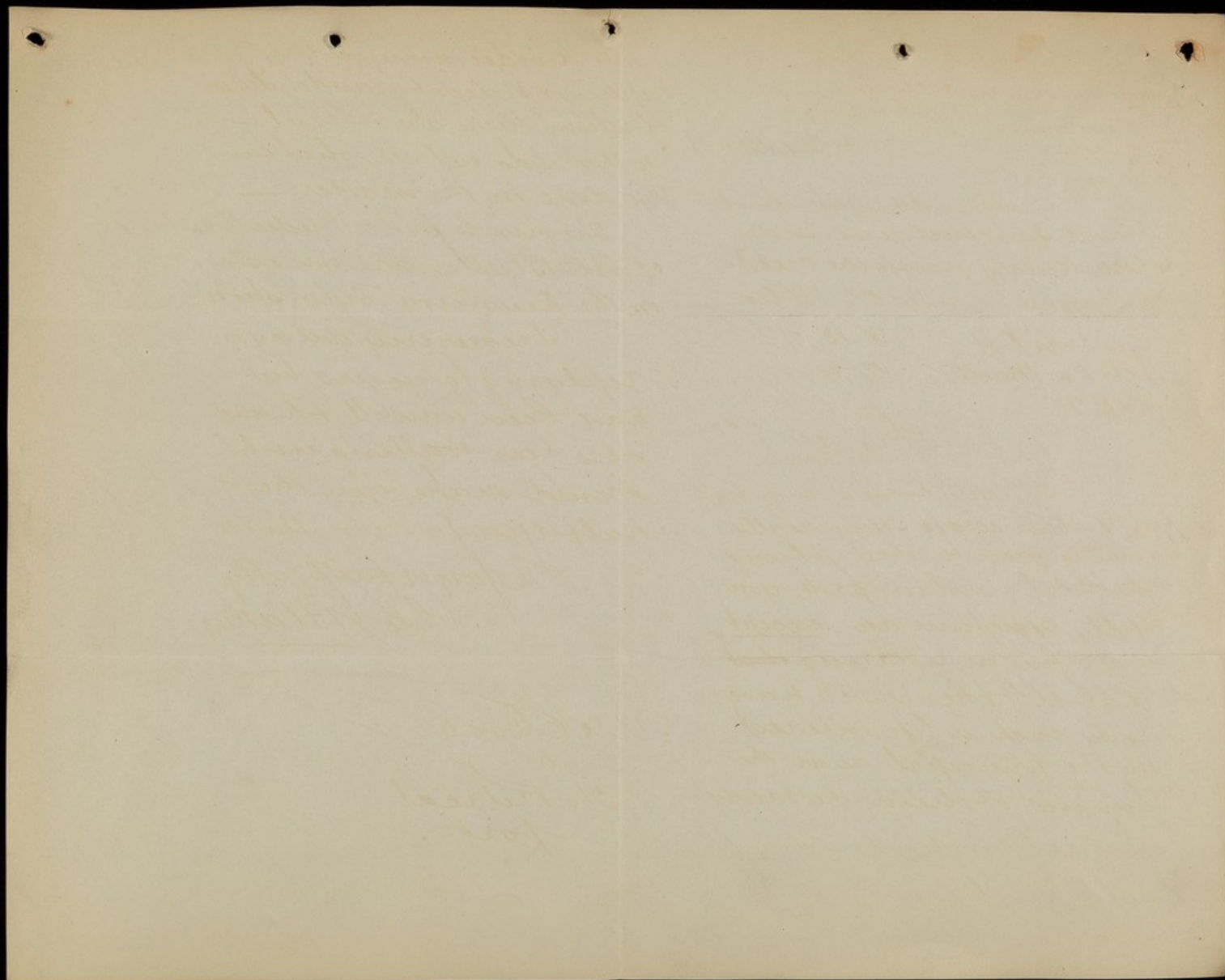
Hoping in future
that I shall be able
to keep nearer to your
terms.

I am

Yours sincerely,

G. Woodhead

D. Woods



3 Encl.

31 Cardozo Road
Holloway
London N.
5 Mar 1895.

Dear Sir,
Yours to hand & in accordance
therewith I now enclose as under
which kindly passes the credit
of Margaret Thwaites & Co. to the

Bankers Dft	3 13 7
Lt M Div Warrt	7 4 0
Lt N W "	4 1 6
	<u>£ 14 19 1</u>

In reply to your enquiry
as to M T's estate I have really
nothing fresh to report, it being
the same as when I wrote you
fully sometime ago - except,
that I find on referring ~~that~~
that M T's sister have
only each a life interest
in the principal, as on the
^{death of the} survivor of them, the money

is to be divided amongst the
nephews & nieces & grandchildren
of whom there are several. -
so that I do not see what can
be done in the matter -

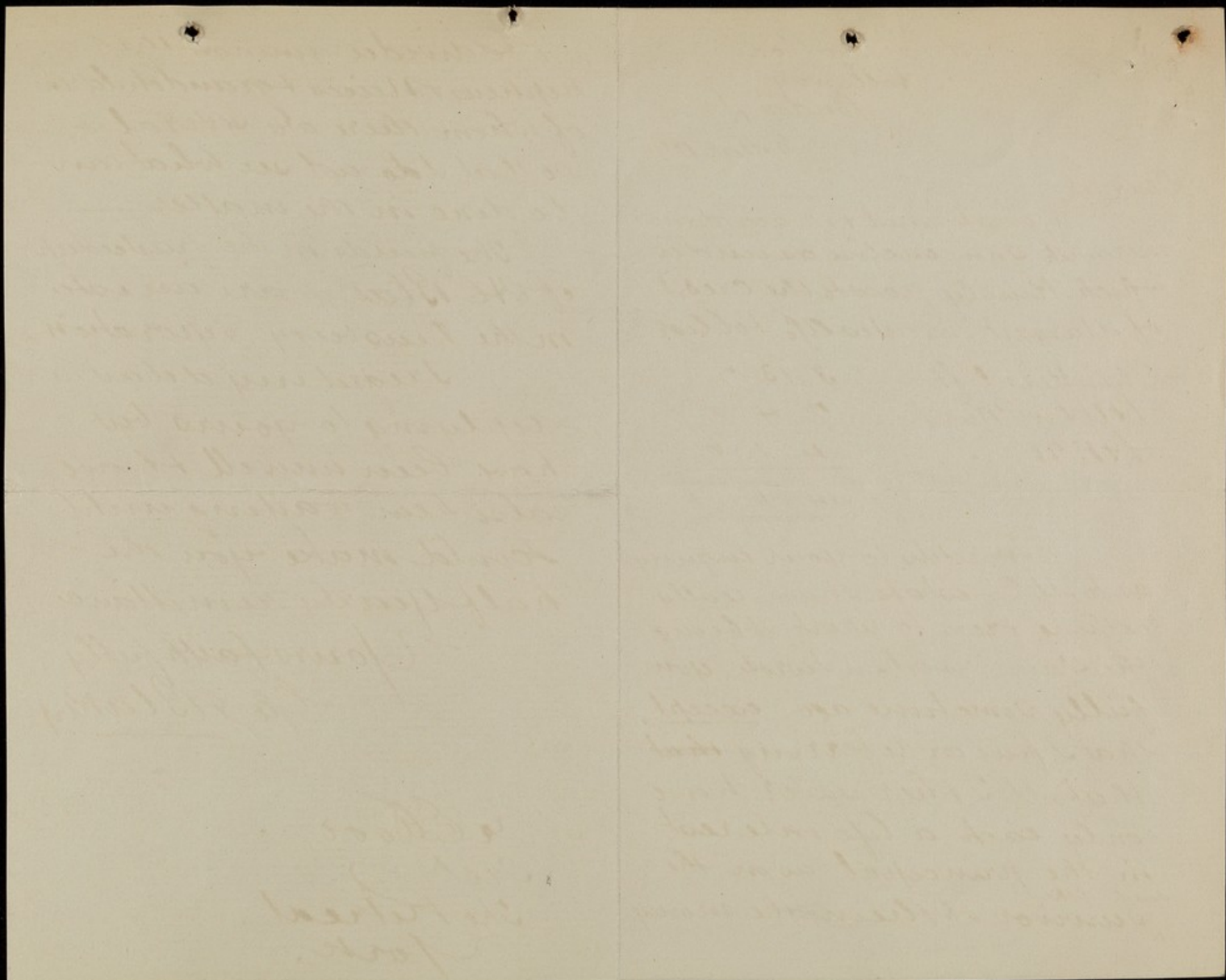
The funds in the trusteeship
of H E Blakely are invested
in the Deuabury Corporation.

I regret my delay in
replying to yours but
have been unwell & have
also been waiting until
I could make you the
half yearly remittance

Yours faithfully
H E Blakely

Mrs Wood
Sick
The Retreat
York.

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ESTABLISHED 1829.

London and Continental Pianoforte Saloons,
35 CONEY STREET, and 35 MARKET STREET,

FACTORY: LONDON, W.
BRANCH: MALTON.

York, Feb 22 1895

Dear Sir/ We beg to enclose receipt for
cheque for which we are much
obliged. & when you are
passing you will oblige
by calling in we will be
pleased to meet you in
any way re. Chafes, as
we should be sorry to
lose your kind &
valued support.

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any time between the
regular visits, to do
any repair or special
thing all at the
fixed price.

However we are
willing to further
reduce our price &
such old & esteemed
customers & being
on the Spot in case
of any emergency
Guarantee Satisfaction.
Yours Very truly
John G. & Son

We might just say that
we would like to point
out that we do not
only ture the prairies
each Quarter, but do all
necessary repair & some
if your prairies are
always needing minor
repairs or new strips
for which we make
no charge either.

We have always endeavored
to do our best for your
committee & have ^{often} come
(I am willing again) at

G. L. MATTHEWS,
SOLICITOR.

2, Bush Lane,
Cannon Street,
London. 12th Feb 1895
E.C.

Dear Sir,

Walker Woodward.

I believe that you have been apprised
by Messrs Richard Smith & Sons of
the death of Mr Henry Neighbour
— the Comptroller of the abovesaid
gentleman.

I am applying to the Court for
a Grant of administration to protect
the estate of the late Mr H. Neighbour
& to enable his business to be carried
on & I am advised that it is necessary
that Mr Walker Woodward should
be served with notice of the motion
in your presence. Tomorrow (Wednesday)
is the last day for doing this
I shall be very much obliged if

you will allow one of your clerks
or attendants to serve him in
your presence with the enclosed
notice in the course of tomorrow

The gentleman who serves it
will then bindly swear the enclosed
affidavit of service before a Commissioner
for oaths & let me have it back
per return of post. — The fee will
be 2/6 to which I enclose 2/6.

Yours truly

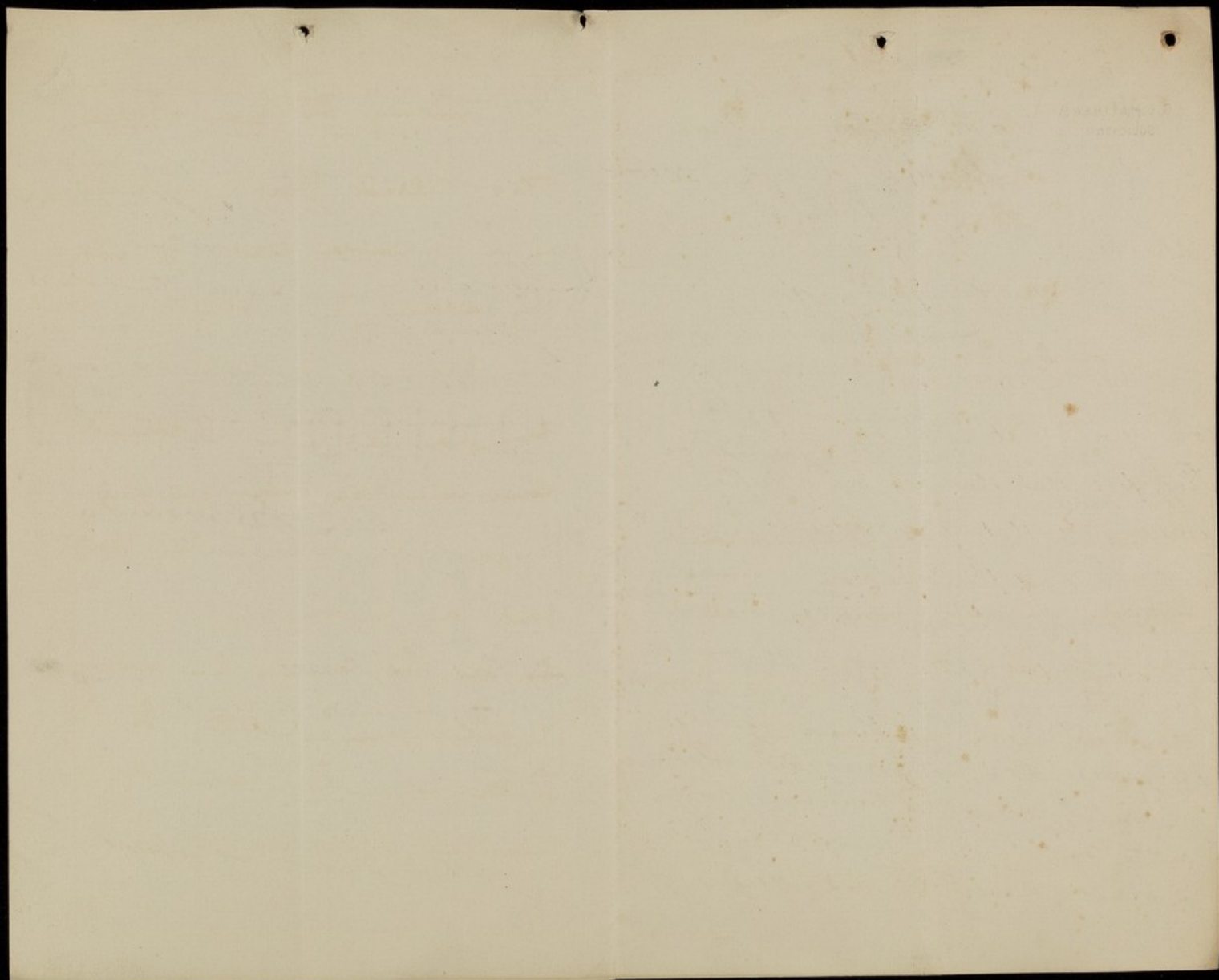
G. L. Matthews

D. Bedford Pearce

The Friends Reheat
York.

N.B. You must not swear

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COUNTY OF YORK.

West Riding Asylum.

Wakefield Feb^y 8. 1895

Dear Dr^r Preece,

I have only this morning received the enclosed (which you will observe is dated the 4th inst.) from Shaw MacKenzie's Father in reply to the note he wished despatched to him. The delay in my receipt of this letter accounts for my

not writing to you earlier. I so called here (James MacKenzie) in a fitiable state to ask my advice - & I strongly advised his becoming a voluntary boarder at the Retreat or some similar Institution. I paid his expenses to York & sent an Attendant with him so as to ensure his arrival; I wrote immediately to the Father whom he assured me was in affluent circumstances. The tone of the letter now enclosed

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does not accord with his
assurances, but I have no
doubt a line from yourself
will set matters right.

I could not take him
in here as we receive no
voluntary boarders & are
at present at our fullest
accommodation: moreover, he
objected to any such
procedure.

With kind regards,
Yours faithfully,
W. F. Lewis

Monday night. July 4th

Dear Sir

I have received your letter
of Saturday last.

I have no doubt you are correct
in thinking Dr. L. F. Thompson
- Mania should be subjected to restraint

but I am advised that the discipline
of an Asylum is better suited to

Responsible for treatment, 40
to for one year, but it is quite
develop, if he will only consent
to remain, until ^{parents} ~~as~~ recovery can
be had. I have rapid off.

I am

Wm. Smith

Christopher Columbus

his case. than the liberty of a
Retreat. Moreover I am not in
a position to provide accommodations
at a higher rate than 40 £ per
annum. If you can receive
him into the West Riding
Asylum. or St Bedard's Place
into the Retreat, I will be

DUNCAN & MIDDLETON.
SOLICITORS.

Dingwall, 9th Feb 1893.

Dear Sir,

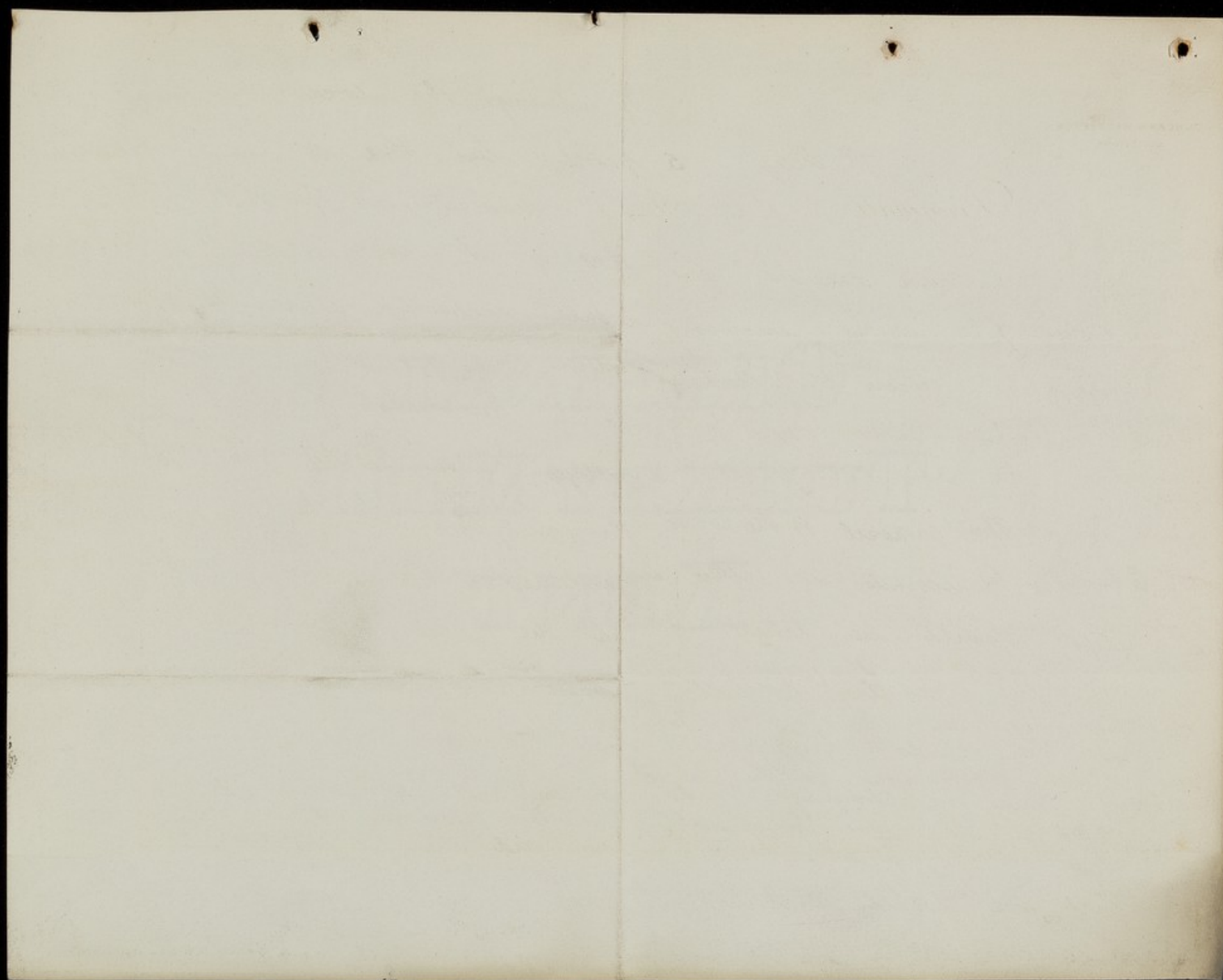
We have received Mr Stanley's letter on your behalf of the 6th instant. We have no doubt you quite understand that neither we nor Mr Charles Shaw Mackenzie's father can undertake any liability whatever for his maintenance at The Retreat and that all we can do is to take our client's instructions on the subject in the event of your being able to give Mr Shaw Mackenzie accommodation on at least as moderate terms

as were offered at Gairtravel. Our Client has had so much trouble with Mr Shaw Mackenzie that we are unable to say whether he will help him again on any terms whatever.

Yours faithfully,
Duncan & Middleton

Redford Pierce Esq, M.D.
Medical Officer,
The Retreat,
York.

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and it may be the threat, extends
its benevolent offices to poor Kalmucks,
failing Sam helps.

I am dear Sir

Yours truly

Chas. F. M. Shaw Mackenzie

Permit me to be at liberty to
show this letter to the Committee.

to Dr Reid Aberdeen to receive him.

NEWHALL,
INVERGORDON. N.B.

Dr Reid consented, but Dr Mackenzie
addressed one of his foolish communications
to Dr Reid, and he withdrew.

Dr Mackenzie then went to Paris
stayed at an Hotel, the Tell the sent
to me, gave out I wished to confine him
in a Lunatic Asylum, and wrote to me
that some sinister motive in wishing
him, to place himself under ^{Dr Johnson's} guard
who had been most kind to him, when
he introduced himself Oct 93 would

circumstances, much the same as when
he appeared before Dr. Lewis;

After he was abused, recent proposed
was due entirely to the letter of Dr. Chapman
he audaciously ~~expressed~~ affirmed there
was some free masonry between members
of the Medical Profession that he knew
all about the letter,!!

I can refer to similar dead-end cases
at other places during past two
years, of course I make allowance

for a brain deranged by intemperance
and I believe ^{now} permanently out of order.

The narration of the sad story, is simply
to engage your sympathy, that you may
if possible induce the Committee of the
Method to accept & back up as I desire
on terms I can meet.

The County Asylum of the Highlands
charges 25¢ per annum.

Gartnavel & the Asylum, have
places as low as 40¢ per annum
though highest charges are [£]400 to 600 ^{per} annum

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in, and what he had done.

Not so time in
declaring my position
which is well known to Dr Mackenzie
but he has taken up the untoward atti-
tude of proclaiming that I am to regulate
my affairs according to the views of his
Requirements, & saying that he will come
upon my estate and do all he can to
amuse, that he is quite able to work
that I kept him from doing so, by not
giving money to go to Leeds where
he was assured of ~~some~~ employment.

I refused to meet my Son, who has
treated me so rudely, it would have been
booked to invite a scene. My Sister said
to Mackenzie, bediamond clothes seized for
debt, and to a Hotel keeper, find his fare
to Leeds & promised it weekly for a fixed
period. My Father saw Dr Mackenzie into
the train at Liverpool, and he should have
reached Leeds on Friday 18th ult., but
from a letter he wrote to Dr Yellow Cress
it would seem he stopped some where and
arrived under influence of some
intoxicants, and on 2nd Inst. presented

himself at the Wakefield Asylum. The
rest you know.

Again, Dr Brackenridge left Hotten on the
17th Decr last, he went to Wick, put up at
an Hotel from 17th to 19th Jan, last, the
Manager has sent the bill to me, spent
what money he received for services at
Hotten, and on 24th Decr. Dr Alexander
a stranger reported, that he was suffering
from severe nervous disturbance, bordering
"on insanity, that he should be taken charge
of & placed under supervision"
My friend Dr Preece kindly wrote to

Private

Monday night,

NEWHALL,
INVERGORDON. N.B.

Bedford Preece Esq,

Dear Sir

It is very much to be regretted
that Dr Beren Lewis & not Dr Brackenridge
took Retreat, apparently relying upon
his statements of the treatment he considered
he was entitled to receive and of any ability
to pay. I do not know what actually
happened. Dr Lewis scribbly informed me
of his hypothetical interview with my
son, of the Patient's condition he was

Feb. 11th 95

NEWHALL,
INVERGORDON.N.B.

Monday night.

W. S. Woods Esq

Secretary, Retreat.

Dear Sir I am obliged for your
courteous letter of the 9th Inst.

I am sorry Dr. Brown Lewis did not
refer to me before sending Dr. Mac
- Kenzie to the Retreat. No doubt he
intended for the best, and he certainly
acted kindly in allowing an official
of the Wakefield Argyle, to accompany,

It is quite impossible for me to
do more for my unhappy Son. than
I have offered to do, my resources are
limited, and my Son cannot expect
better treatment than I can afford.

Dr. Beran Lewis should not have
accepted the exaggerated statements
of my Son. which I am quite
unable to contradict.

I have kept the Guarantee form
until I hear from you.

I am dear Sir

Yours faithfully

Wm. H. Shaw Mackenzie

July 11th 95

March 12th

My dear Dr. Pease

I am obliged for your
letter of 9th Inst. which arrived
last night, and thank you for
the loan of the Retinal for
Kundorp shown to my Sec.

I wish he had remained

longer, in the hope that the
 influence of the good men
 who supervised the Retreat might
 have induced him to consider
 his ways. I have now little or
 no hope at all. This improvement
 no one could have been more
 kindly treated than has Dr
 J. H. by you, & by Dr. Bellows.

- Recd. & I can only pray the good
 seed has been sown, & may get
 bring forth good fruit.

I believe in addition to thanks
 I am indebted to Dr. Bellows

4 Weeks at 7.7	2 5	2 5
1	22	2 2
		6 5.

and enclose cheque.

Believe me to be

Yours truly

Chas. P. M. Howard Mackenzie

he would fall under the Parochial Authorities
St Mary le bone, London, in which he was born 21st
Oct 1860. I duly registered therein. He has no sister
Dorothy, nor has he in the whole course of his
life resided less six months, nor at any time longer
than 3 weeks or thereabout.

I gratefully accept the offer of the Committee to allow
Dr Mackenzie to remain one month, at a charge of 21^s
weekly, and after that time expenses at rate 42 weekly
but the length of time I consent to allow him to remain
will depend upon your report, & may write as proposed
by as I have written to you.

I am dear Sir

Yours truly

Wm Henry Mackenzie

Wm Henry Mackenzie

July 22nd 95

NEWHALL,
INVERGORDON N.B.

Dear Sir. I am exceedingly obliged to the
Committee of Management for the kind consideration
they have shown to Dr Mackenzie, and about whose fees,
withhold they prevent the President of the Retreat, the
Society of Friends. My thanks also are equally due to
you and I hope you will back with me if I may
still further upon your good nature, which you have
encouraged me to do, by asking what you can do
with Dr Mackenzie upon his leaving the Retreat.
I confess I do not know, I believe Dr Mackenzie
is an incurable, apart from divine influence,
and sent the two persons compulsory confinement -
- out of such persons that nothing can be done

If admitted to an asylum, as a Voluntary Patient
he would not remain after
the paragon had passed away. In Oct 98, he
was received into the Garmersel Asylum, by Dr
Gillmore, who offered a place 120 lbs per annum
for half payment, his wife sent out the letter of
Dr Gillmore, which was the first intimation I had
of that occurrence, and I at once proposed to pay his
expenses for two years, to supply books to study anatomy
and keep up his medical attainments, in hope
that when he left that asylum, he would be in a
position to find employment, and I was well
by result. I paid 42 lb to Dr Gillmore and even
since Dr Mackenzie has boarded, that he failed
to do them. There is the spirit that still

moves him.

I have a large family dependent upon me. I am
obliged to deny my invalid wife & daughters all
luxuries, keep no carriage, use horse, am sensible to
maintain the position in the family. I might have held
that the responsibilities of my family were less, and my
estate more ample. Dr Mackenzie throws all this
yet he goes about boasting that his father was a
Judge (in India) & was a large estate, and can well
afford to maintain him.

He has been repeatedly told by me, that he has not ac-
-quainted to use any name, not to give his address
does not to pledge my credit in any way. Not-
withstanding he will not be advised. What can I do
without hope, without means,

If Dr Mackenzie can be restored to health.

TRAFFORD HOUSE,

HUDDERSFIELD.

8 Feby 95-

Dear Friend

As soon as I
got your reports. I called
on those Drs that I knew
best in our neighbourhood,
and left the four smaller
reports or prospectuses -
and by return of post-
received the enclosed. As I
said when you wrote me some
time ago. If you mean to
keep the house full, you
should send Medical men all
over the land the prospectuses

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and so keep the institution
before the public. If you
will send me 15 or 20 more
reports I will see that our
Medical men get them.
You are quite at liberty to
make use of the enclosed
in any way you think
best.

Yours sincerely
E. J. Woodhoad

last account since I sent
the cheque for £66. odd - & it
is low much. As soon as I
hear from you I will have
the matter seen to. When
you last sent me the account
of the balance due I at once
forwarded it to the trustees
& they said it should have
their immediate attention.
I must regret the affairs
are not yet settled as I
am anxious to have a change
of trustees.

I remain

Yours faithfully

L. E. Richards

Please note new address.

3 South View
Spring Road
Rhosddu

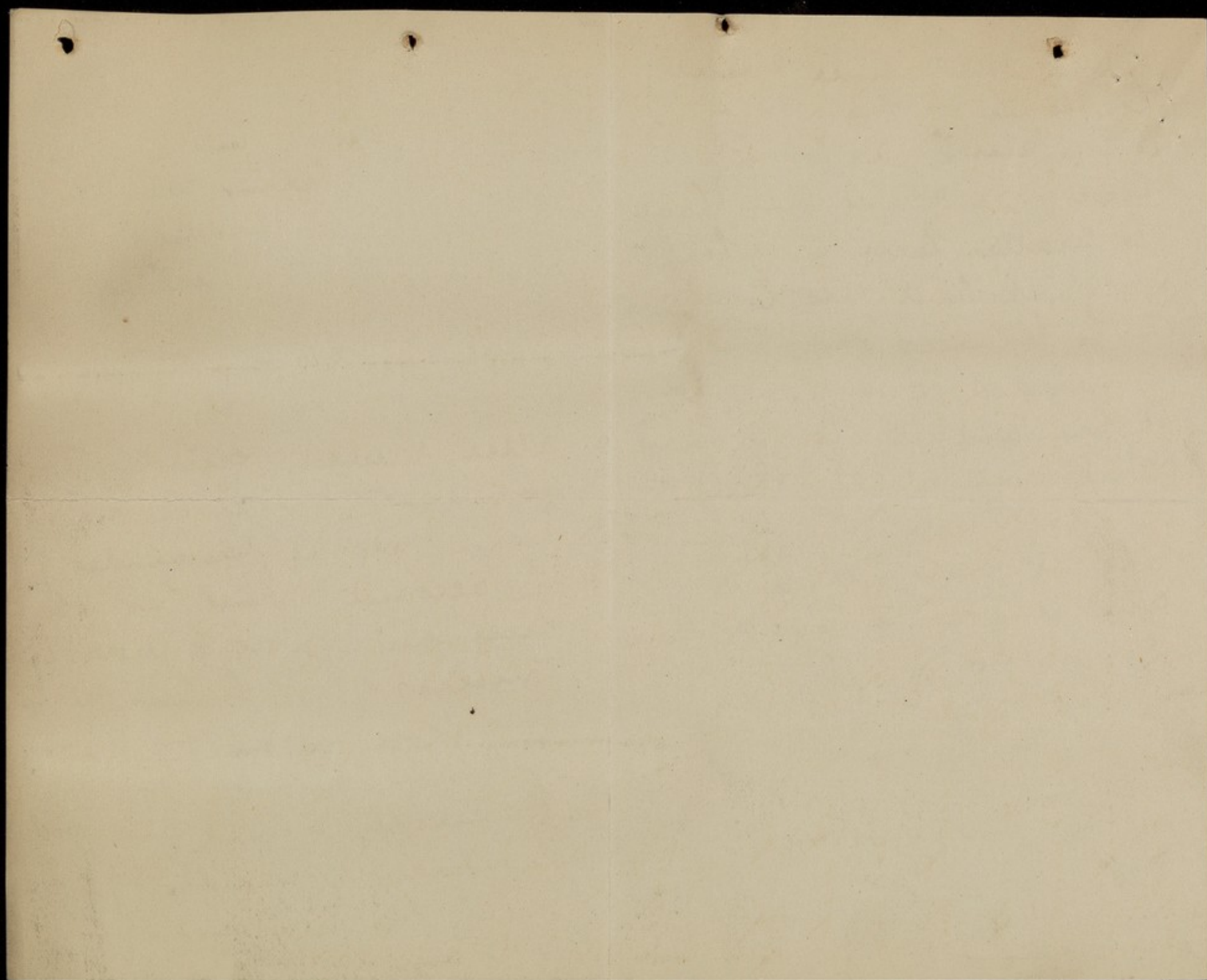
Wrexham

8-III-96.

Dear Mr. Woods -

In reply to your
letter received yesterday I
feel much astonished that
nearly all the remainder of
the account owing has not
been paid off as I know the
trustees of my father's estate
have some money due to my
sister in Lanc. - may I ask
you kindly to send me word-
ly release if possible - if any
money has been paid towards

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26. Lincoln's Inn Fields.

~~7. New Square.~~

~~Lincoln's Inn.~~

London.

W.C.

11th March 1895.

Dear Dr Bedford Pierce,

re Walker Woodward.

You are aware that Henry Neighbour the Committee of the person & estate of the above died on the 21st ulto. so that a new committee will have to be appointed. No anxiety need be felt as to the payments to the Reheat as nearly the whole of W. Woodward's property is in Court but I should be glad to know up to what date the Reheat has been paid & whether there is any out standing claim up to the present time.

As far as is known the only next of kin of the Lunatic now living are second Cousins vizt. Edward Sturge whose father was a first Cousin of W. Woodward's Father & the four Children of the late Jan^{ry} Grubb who was a first Cousin of the Lunatic's Mother & of these your correspondent Mrs.

Kenway is one.

I much fear it will be found that the estate of the late Henry Neighbour is very small even if it is solvent & this I think depends upon whether his business can be sold as a going concern. One of the trade creditors is making application for a Grant to enable this to be done & I am about to make an affirmation in support of the application the trade creditors having asked me to assist the private Solicitor of the Proposed Administrator.

We have been told that the late George Neighbour always persistently refused to give to his Children any information whatever as to his parentage and family & until your letter of 3rd instant written after a conversation with Walker Woodward came to my hands through Mrs Kenway I had received no information from anyone that the late George Neighbour had left any relations except his Children -

The information supplied by Walker Woodward as to the Children of Sarah Gray is erroneous

inasmuch as Sarah Gray died without issue having been we believe the third wife of John Gray whose descendants are the Children of a previous marriage.

Will you kindly take an opportunity of speaking to Walker Woodward about the family of George Neighbour & if you can obtain any information whatever as to his supposed brother David or the Children (if any) of the latter & as to his supposed sister Elizabeth who Walker Woodward thinks died in infancy we shall be very glad to have it.

It may be supposed that George Neighbour had some substantial reason for his reticence but what that reason may have been it is perhaps needless now to conjecture - It certainly seems strange that the only information which is apparently obtainable should come from a person in the position of poor Walker Woodward.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:

"WAKESON, SHEFFIELD."

NATIONAL TELEPHONE No. 312.

25, BANK STREET,
SHEFFIELD.

19 March 1895.

Dear Sir,

We received Mr Mackenzie's Reports of the 16th & 18th inst and were just writing him in reply when your telegram announcing Miss Parkinson's death came. We have seen one of her Trustees who wish the funeral to take place on Thursday at 11 o'clock.

We expect Mr Parkinson, Mr Martin and Mr Handley the late Miss Parkinson's three Trustees and our Mr Philip Kenyon Wake will be present. There may be another relative or two.

We wired you as soon as we could obtain instructions and on the next side we send copy of our telegram which we now confirm.

The family wish the same arrangements making for Miss M A Parkinson's funeral as were made for the funeral of her

Sister Miss Hannah Parkinson in Decr 1884.

We will defray any expenses the Institution may be put to in connection with Miss Parkinson's illness and funeral.

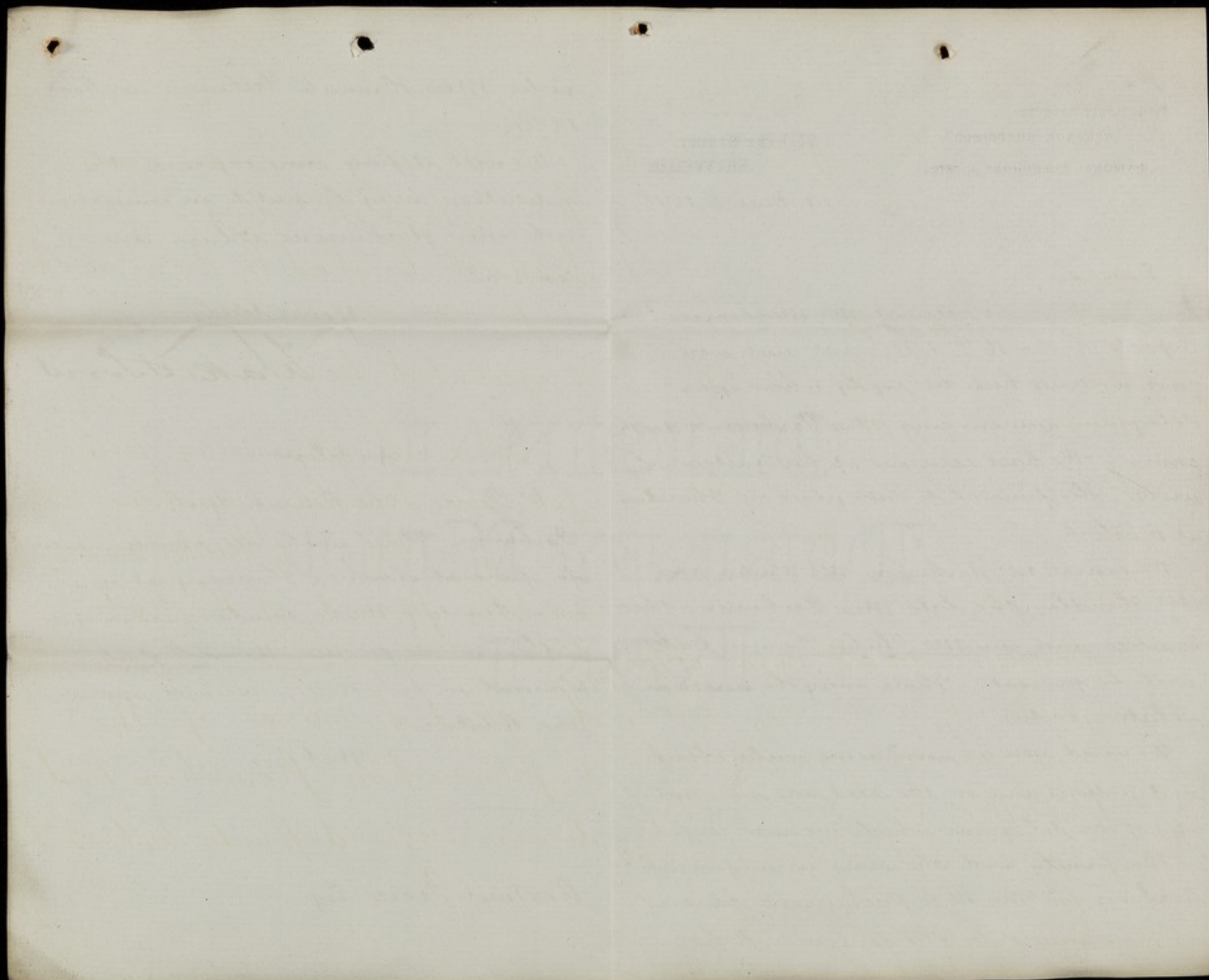
Yours truly
Wake & Sons

copy telegram

Dr Price. The Retreat. York
Parkinson. Please make all arrangements for funeral eleven on Thursday at your own Cemetery. Make similar arrangements to those made for Miss Hannah Parkinson's funeral in Decr 1884. We will apprise the Relatives.

Wakeson

Bedford Price Esq



you have obtained will be
very useful and I can well
understand you have had
great difficulty in learning
as much as you have

With kind regards and
many thanks

I remain

yours very truly

A. C. Smith

Dr. Bedford Pierce
The Beheat York

RICH^d SMITH & SONS.

26. *Lincoln's Inn Fields.*

~~17. New Square~~

~~Lincoln's Inn~~

London.

13th March 1895.

Dear Dr. Bedford Pierce
re Walker Woodward.

I have to thank you for your
favor of yesterday's date received
this morning and am glad to
hear that you are about taking
a holiday in Egypt and hope
you will derive much benefit
from the change. In the meantime
I do not expect to have occasion
to trouble you and I do not
think you need take any

steps with reference to the
Committeeship of your patient.

We informed the Master in Lunacy
at once ^{of the} death of the late Henry
Neighbour and have since been
in communication with him
and quite expect to be able
to propose some other one of
the next of kin as the new
Committee.

I believe that some of the
Sturge Family are as nearly
related as the Grubbs but
that there are no next of
kin nearer than second cousins.

All this we will consider and
if I should have occasion
to write to Mr Edward Grubb
I shall be glad in doing so to
refer to your letter as having
suggested his name.

Thank you very much
for the trouble you have taken
in questioning Walker Woodward
as to the family of the late
George Neighbour. I should
be glad of course if the
information from him had
been more definite but what

Railway Station
Ryde

W. H.
Jan 4th 95.

Dear Sir

Re Clémentine Watkins deced

Your letter of 23rd November 94. reached me a few days ago and I am replying by first mail leaving Re My claim is the sum left to the children of M^{rs} Watkins. Owing to the distance I am away and the great expense I am unable to further the matter as rapidly as I would like I may as well say at once that I cannot abandon my claim under any circumstances as I am quite certain that I shall ultimately establish my claim without the shadow of a doubt. I always understood that it was merely a question of asking you. my mother the late M^{rs} Watkins mentioned that that was all that would be required and as I had almost completed arrangements for her joining me in the Colonies did not ask for any particulars. I am also aware that she left a Will and an Inventory of her personal effects and some other documents re the legacy in the hands of some gentleman who called on her just prior to her last illness and am in hopes of putting my hand on the person; Why they are now withheld is a mystery that puzzles me. I feel almost certain that the Committee of the Retreat must have all the particulars of the case in their possession. I am very sorry that the matter has been delayed and would be very thankful if the matter were settled. It seems that the Trustee must always be liable to me as there is only one way for them to deal with the fund and that is as directed and I am the only child living. Even if I am not in possession of all the facts of the case surely they will see that no injustice is done me in this matter. What I wanted to know was the

date and place the payments were made the last to Enoch
and the first to Whitehead. I may say that there is not
the slightest shadow of a doubt as to my identity I have
always borne the name of Benson. My mother wrote so
positively on the matter that I am quite certain proof
does exist.

Yours truly

R. W. B. Whitehead

commonly known as

R. W. Benson.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:
"DRAWBRIDGE, SCARBOROUGH."
NATIONAL TELEPHONE: No. 18.

W. DRAWBRIDGE,
SOLICITOR,
AND
OFFICIAL RECEIVER IN BANKRUPTCY.

74, NEWBOROUGH STREET,

SCARBOROUGH,

22nd Feb'y. 1895

Dear Sir,

Clement Jackson is desol

I send you herewith
copy of a letter I received from
R. H. Benson, on the 18th inst.
I have also forwarded a copy to
Mr. Joshua Rowntree but have
not seen him upon it as yet.

There seem to be no chances
open to the Committee in this
matter

I am amicable arrangement
with Benson for the withdrawal
of his claim on payment
of an amount to be agreed
upon

Y^{rs} For the Committee of the

O. E. Woods Esq

of the Reheat. to pay the money
into Court under the Trustees
Relief Acts and leave Benson
to prove his legitimacy and
his title to the Fund.

If the latter course is adopted
the cost incurred by the Reheat
will no doubt be ordered to be
paid out of the Fund.

Your Committee will no
doubt consider the matter and
instruct me as to the position they
think of adopting when I will
communicate with Benson.

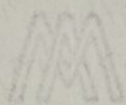
Yours truly
W. Drawbridge

J. E. Woods Esq
The Reheat.
York

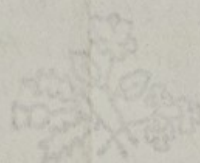
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VELLUM



THE NEWBURY STREET
LONDON



lady-like Christian girl,
about 25, & only about
the last six weeks has
shown any real signs
of derangement: in
talking nonsense ~~etc~~ &
continually harping on
the one subject.

We think change of
Scene & Occupation would
^{probably} cure her very quickly.

April 7. 1895
THE WOODHOUSE
BESSEROCK CO ARMAGH

Dear Dr. Prase,

I don't know whether
you will remember attending
me at Westfield College
some years ago -

I want to write &
ask you what are the
lowest terms, you could
take a girl at the

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Rebelle - She is a
Friend, in whom we
are much interested -
Her father keeps a
small shop in our
village at Benshook.
They naturally
+ have very little money
to spare.

Her mind has been

unhinged we think mostly
through a love affair. She
has been a trying one.

Her mother has been
an imbecile for many
years, & lives at home
with them, so we are
more anxious to save
the daughter ~~if possible~~ ^{if possible} in time.

Annie Wilson is a
very sweet refined

THE WOODHOUSE
BESSBROOK CO ARMAGH

We have tried to get her
into a private lady's house
but it is too expensive.

The girl has been an
earnest Christian worker
for some years & her
work has been blessed.

Would you kindly
tell me, on what
terms you would take

her. & if you could
take her at once -
next week for instance.

With you forgive me
for taking up so
much of your valuable
time, but I thought
I could rather write
direct to you.

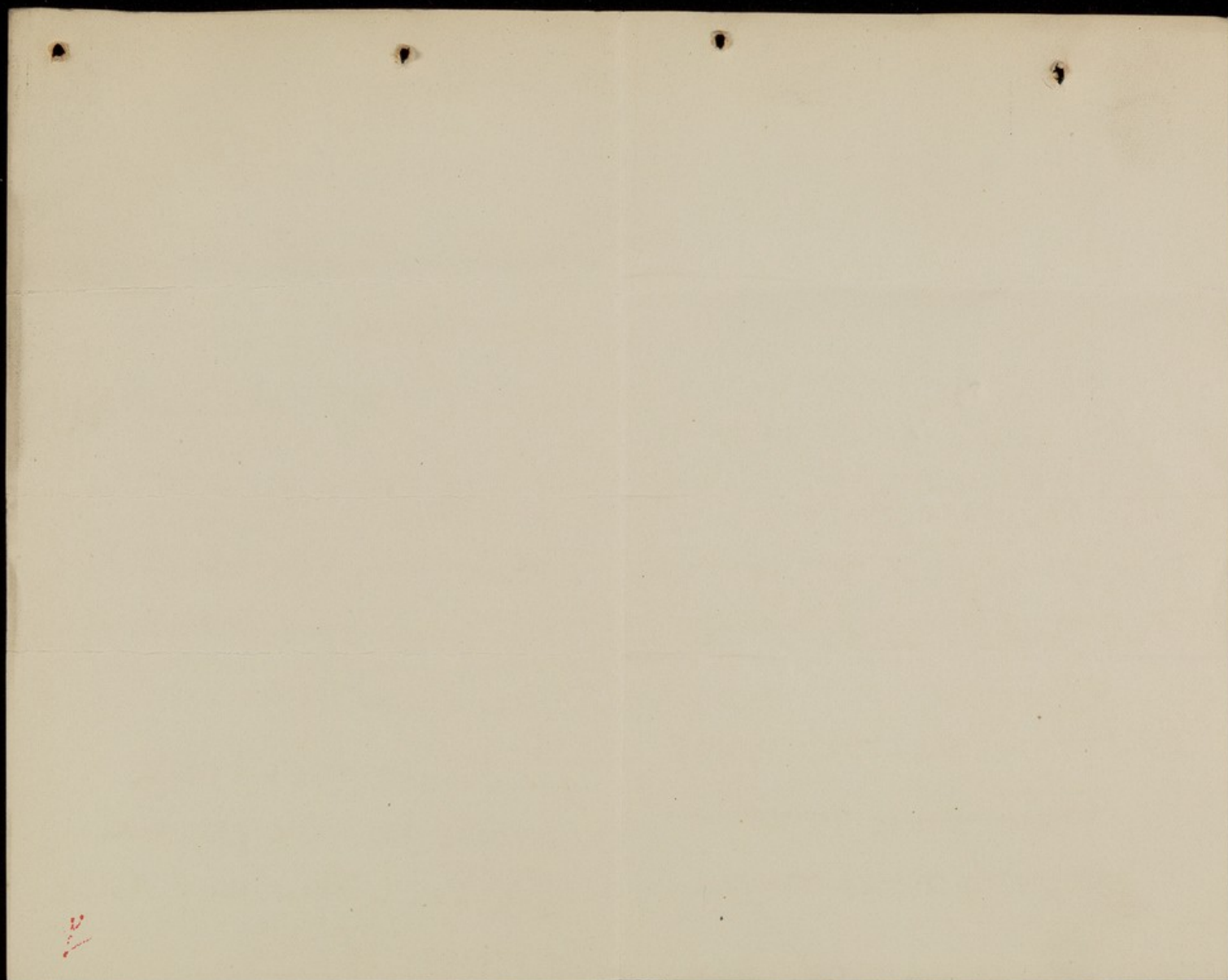
Believe me
Yours sincerely
Alice J. Richardson.

Lee Sule
 Gibraltar
 Halifax
 18th of 4th mo 1845

Dear Friend

The Committee have
 kindly considered to reduce
 the weekly charge for my
 son's care and should they
 consider to reduce charge
 for Scarborough visit
 it will be well for me
 With best Thanks & Kind
 regards I Believe
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~~Place sent Quinlan~~
~~account from here~~
 While yet from mark Chapman
 Since writing him the
 account has been come
 service of 23, the £52
 is to be sent after
 8/3



Sunday April 11 - 1895

Dear Mr Woods -

I did mention this matter at Mr. Pickard's request at the end of March the October Committee only a few members remained and no definite action taken. If you like to say ask Mr. Pickard to pay it and say that I will bring the matter up again asking on his behalf for some return do so for it is very unnecessary to have such

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arrears outstanding for
so long a time -

I received a letter account
yesterday from Mr Thompson
of your invalids and hope
they will continue to improve

Mr Thompson was very
unwell had to go to his
house to see him. He en-
gaged a new Coachman and
to commence duties May 1st -

I have not bought you
another Can the weather
is so fickle there was danger

of its getting wet and you can feel of his
effects of improvement

Yr truly

J. J. Thompson

FOR TELEGRAMS,

"C. GRAY,

SOLICITOR,

LEEDS."

57, Albion Street,

Leeds 10th May 1895
(Friday)

Dear Sir,

re Miss Tycock.

I have a letter from the Rev^d John Tycock this morning stating that he has arranged with the Committee of your Institution that from 1st April last the charge for this lady's maintenance &c shall be £3.10.0 per week. Will you please inform me whether that includes everything, that is every item of cost whatever attending her presence at The Retreat? Is there anything more to be paid for clothing and incidental expenses, and if so how much? I must also ask you to state the arrears due for this lady on 1st April last.

Pray understand that the above information is to be forwarded to the Lunacy

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Comrs on their express requirement, their
right to look into every matter of detail
connected with the estate, expenditure
and indebtedness of a person of unsound
^{being undoubted} mind, and they have required that the
annual outlay in respect of this lady
shall not exceed her annual income
which at present is \$190, or a mere
trifle more or less. I may add that
there is a small capital fund out of
^{will be paid} which any arrears at The Retreat and any
debts owing by her at the time of her
removal to it, that fund representing
her savings out of about the same amount
of income for many years before that
event and while she was living in a
befitting manner at Scarbro.

Your reply by return would greatly
oblige.

Yours truly

The Secretary
The Retreat
York.

Chas
J. [unclear]
her Committee

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75. PETERGATE,

YORK.

GRAY & DODSWORTH.

18th April 1895.

Dear Sir,

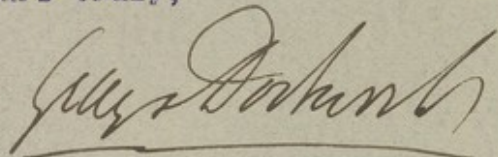
Miss Isabella Taylor.

We enclose herewith cheque for £64:8:2 in payment of the amount due for maintenance herein up to the 31st: March last. We also enclose the accounts, which please return receipted.

With reference to your charge for interest on the overdue account we must ask you to strike this out, as the Lunacy authorities will not allow the payment.

The arrangements for Miss Taylor's removal have not yet been completed, and she will therefore remain at your institution for the present.

Yours truly,



The Secretary,

The Retreat.

York.

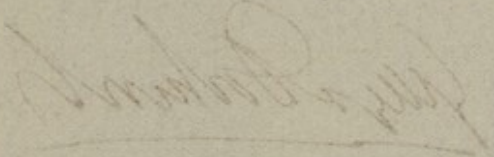
17th April 1955.

Miss Lavinia Taylor.

We have been very sorry to hear of the death of your father, and we are sure that you will find comfort in the thought that he has passed on to a better world. We are sure that he will be missed, but we are sure that he will be missed.

With our warmest sympathy to you and your family, we are sure that you will find comfort in the thought that he has passed on to a better world. We are sure that he will be missed, but we are sure that he will be missed.

The death of your father is a great loss to you and your family. We are sure that you will find comfort in the thought that he has passed on to a better world. We are sure that he will be missed, but we are sure that he will be missed.

Yours truly,


The Secretary,
The National
York.

TELEPHONE NO. 885.

31, Darley Street,

A. H. WADDINGTON,
—:—:
HOMŒOPATHIC CHEMIST.

Bradford, March 30th 1895.

Dear Sir,

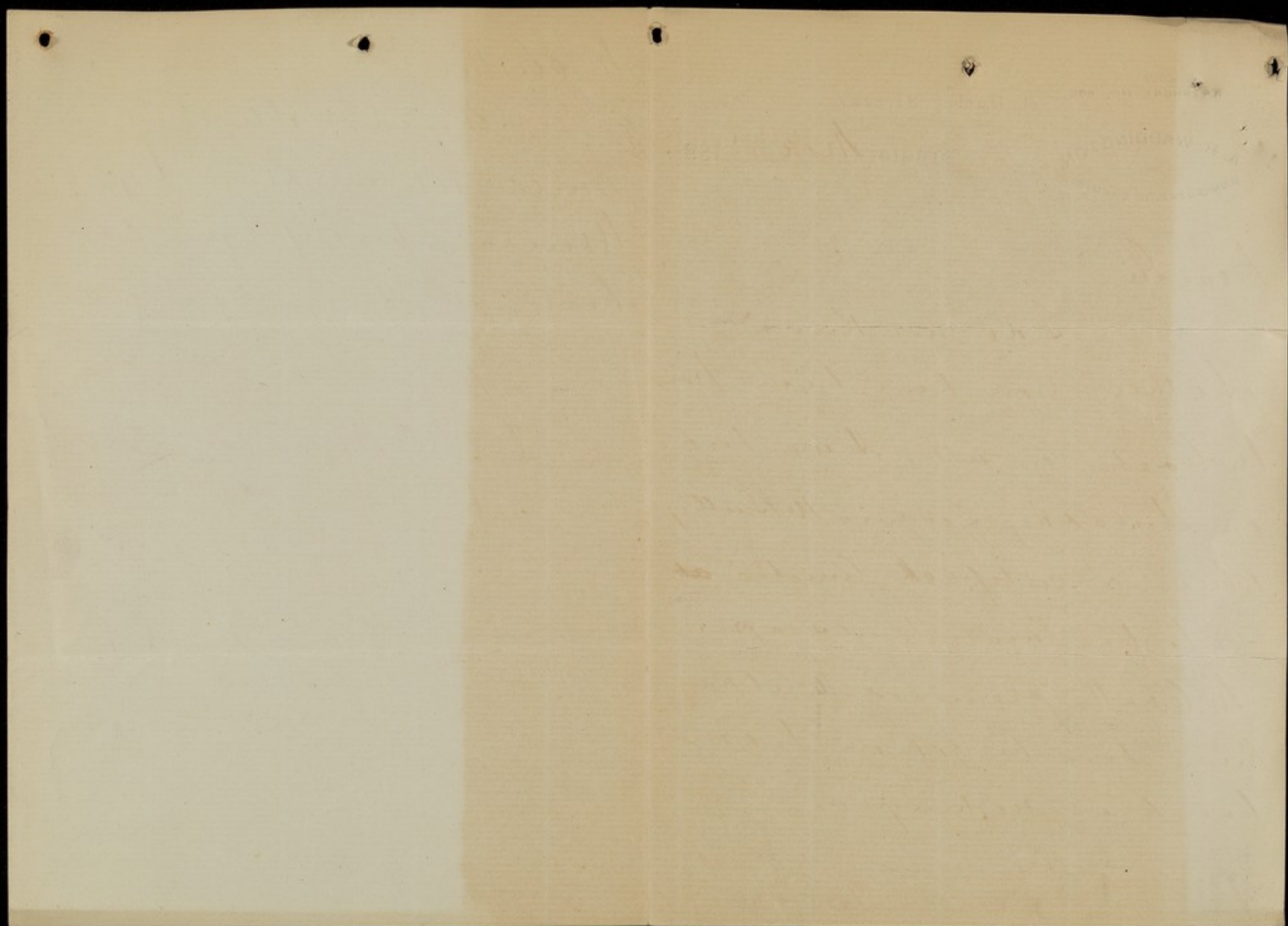
I do not know whether you have heard from W Coates or not. He was here on Thursday seeking W Bentley who is a certified lunatic at who has made his escape.

W Coates promised to let me know how he got on but we have heard nothing & cannot find out anything about.

W Bentley,

I should be obliged if you would let me know by Monday post if you have heard anything from either.

Yours sincerely
Alfred H. Waddington





HILL & SPOTTISWOODE, London.

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No. of Telegram.....161

Office Stamp.

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Charges }
to pay }

£ s. d.



Handed in at the

Bradford

Office at

5.25pm

Received here at

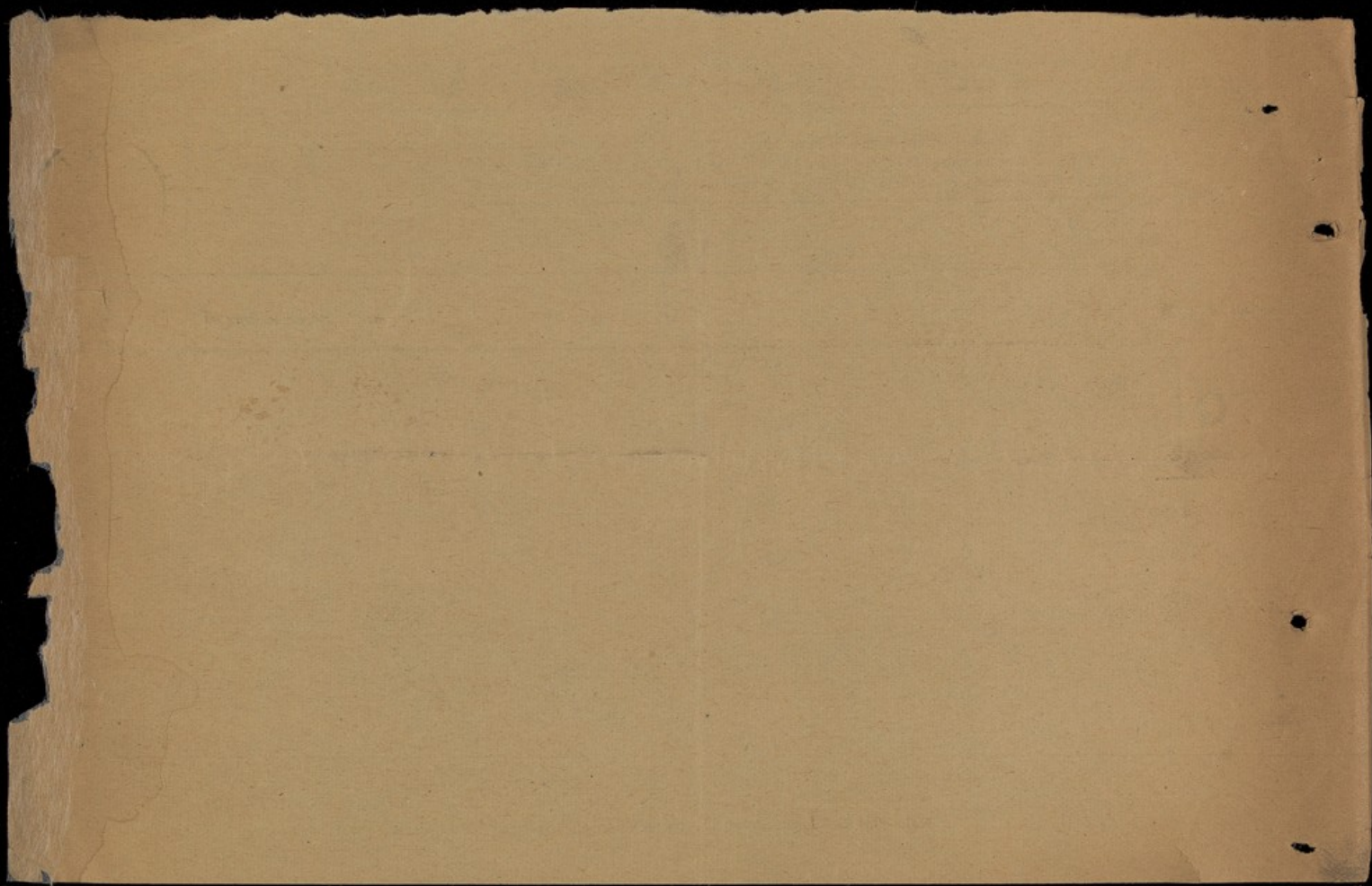
5.29pm

TO {

Reply to Pearce. Retreat
York

Have you heard from Coates
and is patent with you
Waddington Manningham

N.B.—This Form must accompany any inquiry made respecting this Telegram.





STRA & SCOTTISWOOD, London.

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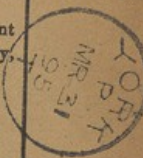
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Send in at the

Bradford

Office at 8.0 p.m.

Received here at 8.14 p.m.

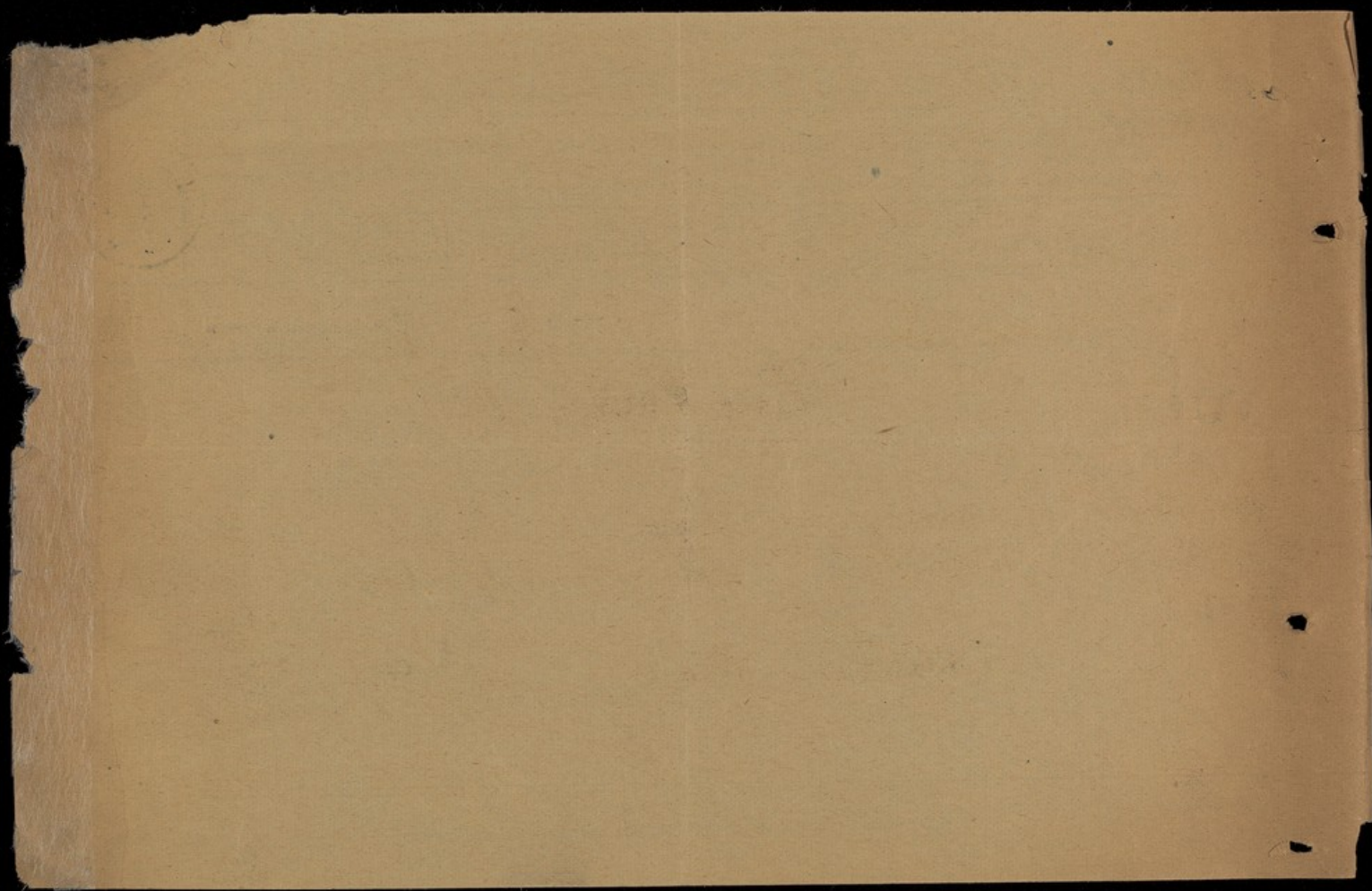
TO {

Reply Paid Dr Pearse Retreat
York.

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Telegram received by his son
last night from Colton abbey
without senders name saying all
safe leaving last night &
would wire again which we
hoped was from Coates no

N.B.—This Form must accompany any inquiry made respecting this Telegram.





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to pay }

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Dr Rearse (2).

further
allowed
time

wire
patient

has
to

~~leave~~
escape

attendant
afsecond

Waddington

Manninfram.

N.B.—This Form must accompany any inquiry made respecting this Telegram.



Have no further news of Carlos or Patrick.

I think he made a
grave mistake in
letting JH Bentley go
out of his sight when
he should have stuck
to him like glue.

Coates came over
here in a very
innocent way on
Friday expecting to
find his patent who
had told him he
was coming here.

Since Friday we
have no communication

Telephone 4656.

Consultation Hours

Morning 9-10.

Afternoon 3-4.

2, Marlboro Road,
Manningham,
Bradford.

Mar 31/95.

Dear Redford

I am awfully
disappointed with
the way in which
Coates has managed
JH Bentley's business.

He seems to me
to be a fast master
in the art of how
not to do it.

Is he a reliable man?

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from Coates at all
and J H Bentley has
entirely disappeared

Coates has the
papers but what
he is doing I cannot
tell do you know
him as a reliable
fellow for J H B has
money with him
& would bribe any
attendant who could
be got at

The strangest thing
of all J H B's father
cashed a cheque

for him to £ 60
although the day before
he had signed his
papers certifying him
as a lunatic. I
hope you will soon
have him under
contract with a
freer hand than you
had before as J H B
boasted to me of his
having fooled you
very nicely last time
you had him in your
charge With best regards
Yours very sincerely
Charles Waddington

2. You know your man (165)
who whilst he is
possibly kinder to
any one else is a
terror to his wife whose
dread is that he will
find his way home before
you man has a chance
of leaving him. If
he does I certainly
could not answer for
the consequences for
which no one could
be held responsible. //
but his custodian...

I have no doubt you
are taking all the
necessary & avoid
Costs, indiscretion
and it will be a real

satisfaction (knowing
that the escaped bird
has been safely secured
until such time as
he recovers -

March 27th 1895

Dunby Dale.

Wednesday.

Dear Sir

I found Mr B-

in a mixed up state. He is
in the habit of taking chloral
regularly. he objects very strongly
to my being here. wants to see my
credentials etc. Mr Wood and
someone else. was holding him in

bed a couple of hours on the
Monday night. he has used
violence to Mrs B - recently,
she has left here. I have not
seen her. I have been over to
Mr Woods, and Mr Bentleys.
father, and Mrs B - herself (with
the Woods) are going to have a
consultation. with a view to
him going away somewhere
for a time. so if they decide

to send him to York. I shall
wire you. the consultation
takes place to day (Thursday)
I arrived here safe. and am quite
well.

Obediently yours
- W Coates

be near if we get hold of
him. I shall wire to you
immediately.

Obediently yours
W. Coates

of Mr J Wood.

Denby Dale.

Because the morning the
only envelopes I could get. 16

Mar. 30th 1895

Dear Sir:

I am writing this
from Penistone Saturday. we
did not get the J P's signature
until Friday morning. in
the meantime the bird had
flown. if they had only
got the Papers made out on
Thursday. we should have
been in York now. of

course Mr B- is certified
now but he has cleared out.
I have had a nice chase after
him but without hearing
anything. The Mr Woods have
helped me a lot. in fact they
have done everything. Mr B-'s
wife, his father, and his brothers
in law would not have any-
thing to do with the affair. I
was both at Bradford and

Huddersfield on Friday but
made nothing out. so we are
giving out that I have left.
Denby Dale. and I have come
over here. to Penistone, which
is only four miles away.
and if either of the Mr Woods
hear anything about his return
they will send me word. but
I am going over to night again
(Saturday) on foot. and lie
quiet at Mr Woods. so I shall

High Plains.

Denby Dale.

Tuesday.

Dear Sir.

I am writing you.

giving as far as possible particulars
of Mr Bentley. The two medical
certificates were signed late on the
last Thursday night. Mr B - leaving
here early on the Friday ^{morning} ~~night~~. and
going to his father at Dewsbury. his
father and he leaving Dewsbury either
on Friday night or Saturday morning

and they arrived Botton Abbey on
Saturday morning. having luncheon
at the Devonshire Arms. then left
immediately. from there we have
lost all trace of them. I did not
receive the certificate with the
magistrate's signature until Mr B-
had left here some time. Mr B-'s
father is the party who has signed
for Mr B- to be sent to York - Mrs
B- refusing to have anything to
do with Mr B-'s affairs in any
shape or form. she wishes me to

stay here. Mr John Wood advised
my coming to York to see you. I
thought it better to write you, I
should like to hear from ^{you} as to how
long the certificates hold good. as
Dr Wilson and myself are not quite
clear on the point. and what my
duties are from now?

Obediently yours

W Coates

Heslington

Jan. 28th / 1895

Mr. Woods

Dear Sir

Replying to you
concerning the price of milk.
We will supply milk of the
best quality at 9^d per gallon
for the next 12 months, if that
will meet the mind of the
Committee. Hoping to have
the continuance of your favour.

We remain yours truly

J. V. L. Amery

Heslington

April 30th 1895

Mr Woods

Dear Sir

We are sorry to hear that the charge of 9² per gallⁿ for milk is not satisfactory. We will therefore make a further reduction to 8⁷/₄ per gallⁿ for the winter months and 8²/₂ per gallⁿ for the summer commencing May 1st to Nov. 1st.

Which we think will compare favourably with other establishments in the city.

We remain yours truly
J. T. L. Somers
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