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CHUBB & SON'S

TELEGRAMS - "CHUBB, LONDON."

LOCK & SAFE Coy, LIMITED.

July 27th 1896.

Bedford Pierce Esq.
The Retreat,
York.

HEAD OFFICE 128, QUEEN VICTORIA STREET, LONDON, E.C.

Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of your letter of 25th inst. enclosing Postal Orders, for reward & New Chains, which we now send together with your Bunch of Keys.

Your Keys were found by a driver on the Market Bergen, and were forwarded to us by J. Berger. Tourist-Agent 2 Strandgaden Bergen.

Yours faithfully,

CHUBB & SONS
LOCK & SAFE COMPY LIMITED

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Mrs Pierce
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Mrs Hamillin
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D McKenzie
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Miss Peters
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F. E. Woods
20910



Tendens Hotel
Faleide, Norge.

Faleide d. 30/7 -96

Bedford Pierce Esqr.
York.

In receipt of Your favour,
I am very glad to hear that
Your mother now is quite
well and that You will so return
not to Your home.
I am sorry to say that
none of my servants has found
or seen the brooches Key, and
as I have looked round all
places in the rooms Your mother
and You up had in the
hotel but I have not been
able to find them.
If the later should be
found I will send them
to You.
Have a birthful Weather and
a great number of traveller.
Please remember me to Your mother
Mrs & Mr. Richardson from
Yours most respectfully
O J Tendens

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The After-Care Association for Poor Persons discharged recovered from Asylums for the Insane.

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From

H. THORNHILL ROXBY *(Secretary)*,

Offices: Church House, Dean's Yard, Westminster, S.W.

Sept 4 1896

To Dr. Sainsbury

Many thanks for your kind subscription. I enclose receipt
Would your Committee allow Mr. Stiles to remain at the
Retreat if the Guardians of his parish contribute
towards his maintenance. Will you please let my
Committee know? If they will allow him to remain

please let me know to what parish he belongs H.S.R

Came from Birk[d].
Dr. Quin.
Medical Certificate
in Dr.

Don't think Commrs.
would object to.
Sum if £12/6 was
to buy as guarantee
for regular payment
in advance in
accordance with
Rules.

West-End,
Kirbymoorside
30. VII. 96.

Dear Dr Pierce,

All being well I hope to come over on Tuesday 4th, with the train arriving 10 min. before 10. a.m. and will be at the Retreat about 10.30. If this time is not convenient to you another will suit me equally well. Many thanks

for your kind thought
with regard to my lodging
I hardly know if I
should prefer living in
a Friends family but
will decide before we
meet. I will come at
the time stated if I do
not hear to the contrary.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

Mary Harlan

BROOM LODGE,
SCARBOROUGH

29. July 1896.

Dear Dr. Peirce -

I received the enclosed this morning, and having already placed myself under your direction - I thought it best to send it on - as if Dr. Proctor was not in a great hurry, and you did

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trusting I am not troubling you too much -

I am,
Yours sincerely
Kate Daykin.

not want me for very long I might take his later on.

I did not gather, whether you had any idea yourself, for how long you would require me - but of course if it were for two or three months - I could tell Mrs Brocker so definitely - I have just written saying I had engaged to go to York - but would write him definitely when I heard from you - as I did not know whether Mrs Brocker might be one of your patients also -

With kind regards -

BROOM LODGE
SCARBOROUGH

July 31st 1896.

Dear Doctor Pierce -

Thanks for your letter received last night. I hoped you would quite understand I only sent Mr Procter's letter, because I thought you might

Know them —
All being well we go to Lewisham tomorrow (Sat. Aug. 1st) and unless I get any instructions from you to the contrary, I shall leave again on the 8th —
I shall have to come into Scarbro' to gather up my things - and propose coming to York by the 5 Train

Trusting I may be able to do
well, and suit you,
I am,
Yours sincerely,
Kate Day Kin.

should have applied.

Supposing the Committee should entertain my proposal - and the Nursing duties were the only difficulty - I think I could get references from the Doctor who attended my Husband for 6 months when I had no other Nurse.

Of course - I am not so very young now and should be glad of a permanent position - & I think I could satisfy you & I might try the test!

Please excuse

Dear Dr. Peirce -

I hoped after I left you, that you would not imagine that I was feeling the least bit dissatisfied with my work here - because I am not indeed & the Committee decided to keep me longer I would do my best.

But I have always had a wish to have such a position as Gainsborough House - and if I had not been without Mrs. Rountree at the time when the post was vacant before I

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my troubling you but I wanted you to understand how I felt about it —

I am

Yours sincerely

Hatie Daykin

Friday Noon

have visited the "Retreat" seem to think I shall be suited for the work, and also able to give you satisfaction — so I mean to have a very hard try to succeed.

We have had it rather cold here - until yesterday when the weather was perfect - but in real hot weather I think Lewisham would be lovely. With kind regards -

I am,
Yours truly
Kate Dayton.

BROOM LODGE
SCARBOROUGH

Lewisham. 7. VIII. 96.

Dear Dr Pierce -

Thank you for your letter received this morning. In one way, the contents disappointed me a little, though of course one cannot regret the reason.

I am perfectly willing to undertake any work you see fit to give me - at any rate to try

whether I can give you satisfaction in that capacity – Unless you do not advise it – in which case, of course, I should have to write to Mr Procter.

Unless, however, I receive a Telegram from you tomorrow (Saturday) sent to me at Broom Lodge between 12 o'clock and 2 – I shall proceed to York – according to the arrangements made in my previous letter.

As I said before, I am most anxious to take up mental work – and think I could succeed – and that I could not have better experience than in the "Retreat".

Several "Friends" who know me – and also

112, REGENT ROAD,
LEICESTER.

July 23/96

Dear Sir.

I regret to have to inform you that Mrs Catharine Smith the mother of Maria Louisa Smith now in the Retreat has just died. The Monthly Meeting will wish to consider afresh the question of the future Maintenance of Maria — and in order that I may be in a position to speak on the subject; I should be glad to know whether you would be prepared to receive either A. a lump sum of Money down to relieve the Monthly Meeting of all further liability for her future Maintenance for life or B. What interest you would be prepared to give upon a lump sum deposited with you

for the term of her life. That is repayable at her death the interest in the mean time going to you, for her maintenance

We should be glad to hear also how Maria L. South is so far as her bodily health is concerned & what would be her probable expectation of life. That is, should you recommend our purchasing an annuity from the Friends Provident

Remain
Yours very truly
Herbert Ellis

Dr. Bedford Pierce
The Retreat
York.

Age. on admis 13.
Date of admis. 1863

3 Granville Road
Southfields SW
July 24th/96

Dear Friend

Thanks for your letter of the 22nd I am very much obliged to the Committee for their kindness in taking my class at the Reduced Rate. What an opportunity Ours — Kindly Express my thanks to them. It is very kind of them and also you to keep me in this difficulty — We quite coincide with your Remarks about the

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accommodation and ~~poor~~ fully ~~pathy~~ rely on our own Recruit Every Kindness and we are sure he will have a comfortable home. We have been thinking that as it is only for a certainty for 3 months – whether it will be as well to get doctors certificates take – what do you think? The Certificates will cost a Guinea Each could he come as a Voluntary Patient? We are quite willing and ready to do what you think best – and if you think it needful to have the usual certificates to. I will see about them at once

It was only the fact of it's being only for 3 months certain that made me hesitate about going to the cost of the certificates

Again thanking you for your kindness –

Remain
Yours very truly
W. Lucas

P.S. If Shuttleworth will give a certificate and also another doctor at Richmond whom he recommends –

agreable
agreeable
agreable

SUNDERLAND BOROUGH ASYLUM,

RYHOPE,

SUNDERLAND.

July 27th 1896.

Dear Pierce,

I have just returned from town and got your letter.

I think Nurse Janet Burns might suit you.

She is tall, good looking and strong. She is kind to patients.

She was here over a year, and resigned because it was necessary to speak to her about breaking some rules.

Except that she is dressy & likes notice I have nothing to say against her. I do not see why in a new post she should not do well.

I do not know anyone suitable for a Charge-Nurse, unless a 2nd Nurse here

whose short experience
(18 months) would I respectfully
make you think them
unsuitable.

I hope to call on you
as soon as I can do.
I should be delighted to
see you & show you my
place

With kind regards

Yours very truly

Frank L. Olmsted

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The Waldrons, Croydon; 5th Aug, 1896.-

Dr Bedford Pierce, -The Retreat, York.-

Dear Friend,

"Walker Woodward,-"

In reply to Mr Mackenzie's letter of yesterday's date, I quite approve of the proposed visit to Scarborough, and that he may stay there for a month or six weeks as last year.-

Kindly let me know the date of his departure and the address in Scarborough, ~~in~~ as I shall have to give this information to the Lord Chancellor's Visitors, I shall also be making my quarterly visit in the course of the month.-

I am yours truly,

Committee.-

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LOUIS P. CASELLA
147, Holborn Bars.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS
"ESCUTCHEON, LONDON."

London, E.C. 6th Augt 1896

Bedford Pierce Esqr
The Retreat
York.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your favor of the 4th inst., I use the metric system as much as the English for all instruments and put either scales on any of them, but in putting both scales on, the prices have to be increased at the rate of 5/. for each thermometer viz: for the Max.m, Min and 2 tubes on the Stygometer and £1..1/= extra for the metric scale on the Barometer, including the extra scale for its thermometer.

By this post I am sending specimens for recording observations, the prices being as marked on each.

Awaiting the favor of your kind reply.

I am Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
Louis P. Casella

P.S. I trust you will excuse my suggesting it but I notice that your set of instruments is incomplete on account of the absence of a Rain Gauge, a suitable one being No. 87 page 16 of the blue list in copper — 24/-

WEST LAWN,
ECCLES.

Augt. 9th 1896

Dear Friend
D. Peirce.

My Aunt Hannah Payne, of Bolton has written me with reference to a letter she has received from you enquiring if she is willing that her son Ralph should join the party visiting the Seaside this year.

For financial reasons she cannot see her way to consent to the arrangement, but as I have no doubt it is desirable that he

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should have the benefit of the change of air & scene. I shall be glad for him to go, if you will kindly send the account for the expenses of the journey & I will remit a cheque for the amount—

I see from the a/c in 1874, when he visited Scarboro, that the expense incurred was 25/9. & I presume it will not be materially different from this now.

Yours truly

Wm Bradshaw

Dr Bedford Pierce

Telegrams, viâ Stisted.

Pattiswick Hall, Nr Braintree.

13/9 1896

Dear Friend

I gather from your telegram that Mrs Smith is hardly so well as she was a day or two the early part of the past week. Still we are very glad she is so much better as to take food reasonably well with home. I purport coming again on Tuesday morning I have an idea that is the day you consult me but do not know the hour. I fear that unless we can form some idea as to the probability of Mrs Smith's stay with you being for any very considerable period we can say but little as to the payment. If the case must be as far as they can it will still be a very heavy expense

Yours Truly

J. Smith Wm

D. Bedford Penrose

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Holmhurst

Barnwood —

August 19-96

Dear Dr. Pierce

Thank you for writing to me about my husband, I am very sorry he turned so sadly at Scarborough but much hope he will be better again before long —

On Saturday we are

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intending to return to
Mrs Field's House
Weston Road
after our long absence
from it, we felt this
summer we were very
fortunate in being
able to leave Gloucester
for the country.

With kind regards

Yours truly

Annie B. Burt

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESSES,
REGISTER, SHEFFIELD. | TELEGRAM. LONDON.

London Office,
447, Oxford Street, W.

Phœnix Foundry, Sheffield.

Trade Mark for Radiators—SUNBEAM.

14th august 1896

Dear Sir.

In further reply to yours of the 8th, we write to say that Mr Longdon expects to be in York in the course of a few weeks on busi-ess and if you will allow the question of the steam ovens to rest until then, he will call & see Dr Pierce about them.

We are

yours truly

Longdon & Co

per E.W.L.

Mr S. Wedmore.
The Retreat.
York.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESSES,
REGISTER, SHEFFIELD. | TELEGRAM. LONDON.

London Office,
447, Oxford Street, W.

Phœnix Foundry, Sheffield.

4. Sept 1896

Dear Sir.

In answer to your note Mr Longdon will be in York next Thursday afternoon and will then call & see the steam vans. We are obliged to you for allowing this matter to rest so long and regret that so much inconvenience is being caused by the steam escaping

We are

Your obedient servants

Longdon & Co

per E.W.L

Dr Bedford Pierce

York.

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Trade Mark for Radiators—SUNBEAM.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESSES,

REGISTER, SHEFFIELD. | TELEGRAM. LONDON.

London Office,
447, Oxford Street, W.

Phœnix Foundry, Sheffield.

Sept. 18th 1896

Trade Mark for Radiators—SUNBEAM.

Dr Sir

Following up what you said when we saw you last week, we have looked into the cost of the work that has been done, apart from the Steam Chests & what goes with them, & we find that if you pay us £75 it will be well within the value of the said work.

We are, Dr Sir
Yours faithfully
Longden & Co

Dr. Bedford Pierce,
York.

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WEST RIDING ASYLUM,
MENSTON, Nr LEEDS.

18th August 1895

Dear Dr. Pierce

We are now very nearly full, but if you think that it would give the patient you speak of a better chance I would take her for three months. I doubt if the surroundings

in a large place like this would be as pleasant as where she is.

The charge would be 20/ per week, and I enclose one of our undertakings to be filled up.

With kind regards

Yours sincerely

J. Gy. McDonald

that it would be safe and beneficial to let him have that liberty now, in preparation for his return home.

Low Fell

Gateshead Fell Rectory,
Gateshead-on-Tyne.

Aug 18/96.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

I am very much obliged to you for your kind and encouraging letter. Of course what I am doing is a great responsibility and risk; but I have a strong conviction that it will give my son the best possible chance of recovery.

My son's letters are ex-

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seemingly satisfactory, and, from the tone of them, I am sure that he has begun to have a kindly feeling towards the place and all connected with it. Indeed, he has always said that he has been very much better treated at the Retreat than at the Crichton.

I should like to add, that whatever improvement there is in my son dates from his removal last December. When I saw him last year at the Crichton, he seemed distinctly worse; and I was quite astonished at the improvement which I saw in him last June.

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

J. W. Hooper

I do not know what you are doing about letting my son out on parole; but I would suggest

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS—
"COMMON"
SUNDERLAND.

E. J. COMMON & CO.

Eastwood Hall
Gretâ Bridge
25, Fawcett Street, Barnard Castle.

Sunderland

Aug. 21st 1896.

Dr. Bedford Pierce.

Dear Sir

I now enclose cheque for £12/17. this amount agreed upon with Mrs Common, I must apologise for the delay, which is owing to my not receiving blank cheques until this morning.

For obvious reasons I have made the cheque payable to Bedford Pierce Esqr. not Dr. & I must ask you to cash it if necessary, not to endorse it payable to the Retreat.

Again thanking you for the kindness I received all round & with kind remembrances to Dr. Stanwell, Mrs Darley & Bevers

Believe me
Yours Sincerely.
E. J. Common.

P.S. Kindly destroy this bill, & all other traces of my sojourn with you.

You will be glad to know I am practically well again, & getting good natural sleep every night.

I duly received parcel of books today.

Beesbrook 21/8/96

Dear Sir

In reply to Dr Bedford Pierces letter of the 19 Inst to you I would be quite willing to pay the sum you Mentioned 25/- per week and I would ask you to write to Dr Pierce making application for the next Vacancy and when that should occur if they would advise you and send a Nurse to take charge from this to York Of course I would have to accompany them as per Dr Pierces former letter to you

I remain. Yours
Very. Sincerly
John Wilson

C G Clark Esq M D
Beesbrook

Dr Bedford Pierces letter enclosed

particulars you wd like to know I shall be glad to supply them if possible

Yours Sincerely
C. G. Clark

To answer for 7 prox. Sep.

Rossbrook
Ireland
Aug 28/96

Dear Sir

I enclose a letter from Mr John Wilson father of the young lady about whom I wrote you. It is practically an application for her admission into your Retreat. As stated before she was for some little time in Bloomfield Retreat but both her

friends & the authorities there considered it ~~not~~ unsuitable though she was not violent to send her to Ca[stle] Asylum Bloomingdale. The latter advised private care, but this is quite out of the question under her present circumstances. In other asylums over here she would have to pay the full figure which would be equal to that of York while it is doubtful if the treatment would be so good or at any rate so suitable for her case. Her mother died insane not very long since & she is very much like her mother. She has now taken to bed & will not get up. She at one time had the delusion that she was married to a certain young man which led to a good many painful scenes. At present she is left quite too much alone, as there is no one to look after her except the servant who takes her her meals. Her health is beginning to suffer from the confinement. If there are any further

Wittenberg
Egremont.
Cheshire
Aug. 28. 96

Dear Dr Pierce.

I am anxious to obtain a little information for a young friend of mine, respecting the arrangements at the Retreat for taking young patients. The family were left orphans 6 yrs ago I think, or perhaps more.

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the one in question was placed in a home in London for some time - hoping the brain might develop - but this has not been the case and at 18 she is more like a child of 10.

I think her sister's note will best describe her condition therefore I enclose it.

Will you kindly take me direction if it is a case you can help up. and if so what the terms would be. There is some connection with Friends.

Hoping to hear from you soon,

Yrs Sincerely

Jane G. Braithwaite

The sister who only is engaged in a shop in London

TELEPHONE No. 2123.

Weatherhead & Knowles,
SOLICITORS,
AND AT
258, SWAN ARCADE, BRADFORD

H. E. Weatherhead,
PERPETUAL COMMISSIONER.

admitted 13. III. 1889
died 21. XII 1891

Bingley,
7th Sept: 1896.

Dear Sir,

About Dec: 1888 a Mr: Maud from Bingley came to your Retreat & died there on the 21st of Dec: 1891. It would appear that his wife visited him there on several occasions, amongst others, on the 8th of November 1890. On the 26th of Augt 1891 she gave birth to a child which is believed to be illegitmate — We are writing on behalf of the Trustees of Mr: Maud's Father will & shall be pleased if you will give us some information with respect thereto — We shall therefore esteem it a favor if you will give us a letter telling us when Mr: M. came to York. how often his wife visited him & when he died also give any reasons you can adduce to shew that it would have been impossible for them to have had connection at any of the periods — We may say that we shall be happy to pay your reasonable charges for any searches you may have to make in the above matter —

Yours faithfully
Weatherhead & Knowles

The Secretary
The Friends Retreat
York.

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TELEPHONE No. 2123.

Weatherhead & Knowles,
SOLICITORS,
AND AT
258, SWAN ARCADE, BRADFORD

R. E. Weatherhead,
PERPETUAL COMMISSIONER.

Bingley,
9th Sept. 1896.

Dear Sir,
re Timothy Maud dec.d -
We are obliged by your letter herein &
wish to thank you for the same -
Yours faithfully
Weatherhead & Knowles

J. E. Woods Esq:
Secretary
Hu Retreat.
York.

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Gartloch Asylum and Hospital

FOR THE INSANE,

GARTCOSH, N.B.

August 30. 1886.

Dear Sir. I have yours of August 28th. The Board appointed Miss Dixon on my recommendation and I trust she will come up to our expectations. There is a very neat dress to do, but we will give her all the help we can. about the date of her coming to us, I now think that the end of the month of September - say the 27th Monday - would do and I would be obliged if you could let her come to us on that date. The asylum buildings are already fully furnished but the Hospital with which we will have more immediate concern are not quite so advanced.

I am.

Faithfully yours

L. R. Orwell

Dr Pearce.

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17, Broomhall Road,
Sheffield. 9. Sept 1896.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

Almost immediately after the last Retreat Committee I left for my holiday in Normandy and only returned this week. So have had no opportunity until today - of ascertaining from Mr Longden & what they have done to put the staircase - in proper working order - To my great astonishment I found they have done nothing beyond white

you one or two letters -
although they state that
tomorrow the two Wrangdens
will call at the Retreat to
arrange with you, what they
ought to have done a
month ago.

I must confess it is
terribly annoying, and I
have told them so -
The inconvenience resulting
from the delay in completing
the other work in the kitchens
to say nothing about the loss
of steam, is most aggravating.

I have today again
pointed out the situation to
them - and the trouble they
are putting the institution
to - I don't know what ~~else~~
more can be done -

With Kind regards,

Yours very truly,

Chas Yeomans

Crown Square
Kirby Moorside

To Dr Bedford Pierce

Dear Sir

having heard from my Aunt this morning. I write to tell you that we think it best to leave it with you as to where my Aunt H. Field should go. as we feel sure that all

will be done for the good
of her. hoping she
may benefit by the
change. I remain
Yours respectfully
F. Bridon

Mrs F. W. Bridon

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8 Craven Terrace
Seattle.
3/9/96

Dear Dr. Pierce,

I am very pleased to be able to tell you Dr Buck reports my husband slightly improved all round. He has been very ill & nurse Coates has been of the greatest assistance. If you could kindly allow him to stay a few

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days longer, we shall be
most grateful to you -
We are expecting Professor
Thompson this evening
he will write to you -
In a letter from him
this morning he says that
Coates can't be spared
long - I do trust this
is not the case, a stranger
just at present, at least
for two days or so might
not manage Mr Thompson
so well - he has taken
to nurse Coates wonderfully

& I am certain he has
helped much, he has such
a nice manner which gives
confidence to both Mr T.
& myself -
with kind regards &
thanking you very much
for your kindness,
Believe me,
Sincerely Yours,
Fanny Thompson.

8 Craven Terrace
Seattle.

6-9-96

Dear Dr Pierce,

Thanks you very much for allowing Mr Coates to stay, he has been, & still is of the greatest assistance - My Husband has had severe bladder trouble, a little more pain the last two days, but I am thankful he has taken more food & is improving. He got very

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depressed; Mr Coates is so bright. my husband looks anxiously for him come into the room after his rest. If you could conveniently let him stay a short time longer. it would be a great help. Professor Thompson was so very busy that I said we would manage. so I am alone, it has been a great strain & I am not able to take the night, as well as day nursing - I will as soon as possible -

With kind regards;

. Yours Sincerely,

Fanny Thompson

Friends' Provident Institution.

A Mutual Assurance Association for the Society of Friends & those connected therewith

Bradford, Yorkshire.

LIFE ASSURANCES.
ENDOWMENTS. ANNUITIES.
ESTABLISHED 1832.

7th of 9th mo: 1896

Dear friend

I have pleasure in replying to your letter of the 5th Inst.-

The "expectation of life" at age 46 is about 24 years by our tables.

Our price for an Annuity of £35 per annum on a female life aged 46 last birthday is £597:5:6. The Stamp Duty on this sum, payable by the purchaser, is £3. We do not make any variation, either one way or another, in the price of an Annuity on account of the state of health of the proposed Annuitant.

A sum of £533:13/- would be repaid in 24 years by an annual instalment of £35 of Principal combined with Interest, the latter being reckoned at 4 per cent per annum. If the rate were 3½ per cent the capital sum would be £562:1/-.

I am
Yours faithfully
J B Tennant
Secy.

Bedford Pierce M.D.
The Retreat
York

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The York Waterworks Company.

TELEPHONE
No 42.

Offices, Lendal Bridge,
York Sep. 14th. 1896.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th. inst., which shall be submitted to my Directors on the 17th. inst, after which date I will again communicate with you.

Yours faithfully,

Jno. W. Watson Jr.

Dr. Bedford Pierce,
The Retreat,
York.

Sept. 15th. 1879

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th. inst., which shall be submitted to my Directors on the 17th. inst, after which date I will again communicate with you.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Bedford Pierce,

The Retreat,

York.

Queen Street.

Newcastle

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Ackd 2 Sept 96

Dear Sir

I am obliged for yours not reminding me but I have the matter well before me but I absolutely have not got round this Rents due at August term but am expecting soon daily

Yours truly

Hugh M'Allum

S. E. Wood Esq

York

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Queen Street
Newcastle.
12 : IX : 96

12 Sept 96

Dear Sir.

I duly received your
letter & regret accordingly
I am unable to fulfil
my engagement but hope
to do so in the course
of a few weeks.
I am sorry to say that
2 House & one Shop
belonging to the Estate

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12 Sept 96

P.S. I am enclosing
Mrs Mc Pherson's
Receipt for £25
on H.A. account
Enclosed

from which my Mother derives her Income Remains under, which is most serious for all concerned, the Rents Remit for August quarter a few days allow only a small deduction to be made among the Tenants consequently I am only now able to Remit £25. but as I am

Glad to say my own Business has been Exceptionally Good & the Returns for the Season Splendid. Shall be £50 this year even Allowing for the Wages Bill which is Difficult position

Dear Standen

Yours very truly

Hugh McCallan

Hugh McCallan

Queen Street.
Newcastle.
14: IX: 96

Dear Sir.

I am duly in receipt of
your of the 12th inst.
I think I can safely say
there is no doubt but I
shall be able myself to
remit you the £50 now
remaining in the course of
the present month.

I am Dear Sir
Yours very truly
Hugh McAllum

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CHERRY BANK,
ILKLEY, YORKS.

14 Sep 1896

Dear Friend
Jos^h Rowntree
I had quite looked
to seeing at the Committee to-
morrow, but the weather &
Circumstances are against
my so doing.
I am desirous of asking that
my name may be taken
off the Committee, not that
I am less interested in the
work of the Retreat, but be-
cause I am so much away
from York that I cannot
give the attention to the du-
ties which they claim. I

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I have felt this from the very first of my being put on a horse which regretted it. There is no probability of it being any different. This winter I expect to be away for some months in the South & may probably not open out Cherry Hill at all this year. If a York Friend is desirable would Mary Burtt. Sarah Richardson Mary Morrell or Mrs Clay now be one of them suitable —?

With kind regard

I am

Thy friend truly

Maria Richardson

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Rowntree & Co.
The Cocoa Works.
York.

Telegraphic Address.
ROWNTREE. YORK.

NATIONAL TELEPHONE Nº 120.

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York 17th. September, 1896

Dear Dr. Pierce,

I received enclosed from the Sisters of W. Miles this morning, and it has raised the question in my mind whether our decision of Tuesday was the right one. I do not think it would be fair for any Members of the Committee living in York (J. S. Gray, R. Thompson or myself) to be burdened with finding work in a case of this kind. If anything is done it should be done by the Retreat as a part of its work, and the thought has occurred to me whether with a man willing to work and who knows Shorthand it would have been possible for the Retreat to have got service in one way or another equal to 13/- a week. If you could find work for him worth 13/- a week, would it not be suitable ~~this~~ to take him as a voluntary boarder at that rate.

Please think this over before the matter is finally settled.

Very truly
Jos. Rowntree

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TELEGRAMS:—"DONCASTERS, SHEFFIELD."

DANIEL DONCASTER & SONS,
IRON MERCHANTS & STEEL MANUFACTURERS.

TELEPHONE N°66.

Doncaster Street,
Sheffield.

Sept. 17 1896

My Dear Sir,

I thank you for your letter of yesterday. Before I signed the order, I arranged with Eliza Maria Doncaster, that she & her sister should undertake that Mrs Doncaster should be visited & that such visits should be considered made on my behalf. - I have also received reports from my sister Mrs John S. Rowntree & frequent reports from Chas. Yeomans who however as a member of the Committee cannot be considered as a visitor appointed by me. - I had some conversation with C. Yeomans yesterday & he recommended that I should not come over & see W. D. personally, but get some York friend to see him on my behalf. - I think C. Yeomans thought that as W. D. expressed himself in very bitter terms about me, to the Committee I might do more harm than good by a personal visit. -

In this & either, I shall be obliged if you will say whether in your opinion I had better come myself or get some other friend to call

Yours faithfully,
Chas. Doncaster

L. G. Bedford Pierce

Telegrams, via Stisted.

Pattiswick Hall, Nr Braintree.

17/9 1896

Dear Friend

Leaving as I did rather in a hurry on Tuesday I did not arrange as to further telegrams I had meant to have seen Dr Hammond but he was called away just as the cab came & Mrs Smith is so much more comfortable & I hardly think it is worth while to send daily wire. Of course in the case of any change for the worse I trust you will not hesitate to wire at once we are always very glad of information & perhaps it will not be asking too much of some one will write not less than twice a week & when writing will you kindly say what you think about another relative, says her only brother, calling here for a few minutes.

I was glad to find so many of the Com[illegible] old friends & acquaintances

Yours Truly

J Smith Mrs

Dr Bedford Pierce

Dorothy has gone to bed, or would unite in messages of affection

Yrs as Ever

D-V

16. IX. 96

Dear Bedford

Last Sunday one of the overseers came to me unofficially to ask me to visit a certain Tom Woodhead with a view to seeing whether he was Compos mentis. On doing so I found a young fellow of 35-40

of weak intellect but giving no definite signs of insanity so far as I could make out.

For years he seems to have been an unsatisfactory character & lately has not been able to make a living & has gone short I fancy of the necessities of life.

To night Wilfred Irwin has been in & shown me a Crowd of letters of which the enclosed are a fair sample. He tells me however that when he has met him, his conversation has been rational enough.

Re advice I gave them was to try & get Allan sent out to Yorkton as a Volunteer, but I thought I would write & ask your advice before proceeding further. I fancy that if you had him under observation for a time, you would soon be able to certify him. I suppose the Letters alone would satisfy the Examiner. Would they?

He seems very amenable, & I fancy could be persuaded to do anything

LYNWOOD.
READING.

16.9.96

Dear Friend
Bedford Place

Will you kindly inform me (as Clerk to Reading Rs. &c) if your reduced terms for "recommended" patients apply to the friend Trobald for whom our Rs. &c pays £32 per year, if any reduction will be made in this charge to us,

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I believe our Dr. Dr comes
under some Spicial arrangement
owing to a sum of money
being left to York Retreat
many years ago from a
Friend of this Dr. Dr on
certain conditions that
we were allowed to send
one or more Patients
at a reduced charge;
perhaps you know if this
is so. Your kind reply will
be esteemed. Very sincerely
W. H. Smith

CRAIG HOUSE,
MORNINGSIDE DRIVE,
EDINBURGH. 16th Sept. 1896.

Dear Dr Pierce

Dr Clouston is at present away on his usual autumn holiday, though he returns at the end of this week. Regarding the patient about whose transfer here you have written, we have accommodation at the rate of £150. We have at present a considerable number of rather bad cases, and as you can fancy are not especially anxious to add to them. However if it is thought that the change may have a beneficial effect and as you say it is of the nature of a trial and that she may be removed should it prove unsuccessful, you may inform the relatives that we shall agree to take her.

Dr Clouston, I am glad to say, returned from his holiday in spring quite restored to health and since then he has been very well. I hope you & Mrs Pierce are well and that your work is getting on well. With kind regards

I am

yours sincerely

Jas. Middlemass

CRAIG HOUSE,
MORNINGSIDE DRIVE,
EDINBURGH. 16th Sept. 1896.

Dear Dr Pierce

I enclose the papers necessary for the admission of Miss Craven as a patient here. The relative can sign the paper where at the places I have marked, but the date may be left blank. The medical certificates may be signed by yourself and any other medical man whom you can get. The Sheriff's signature can be got after she comes here. I should like to have some idea at what hour we may expect her on Monday or Tuesday, and would be obliged if you or her relatives would inform me.

I am
yours sincerely
Jas. Middlemass

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133, Sutherland Avenue,
W.

August 4th/96.

Dear Dr Pierce.

I called at the office of the Lunacy commission and duly signed transfer. The papers from Morpeth asylum are not yet in London, so that I must write to Dr Mc Dowall and get him to let you know

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when the transfer can be executed. On receipt kindly make arrangements.
Subject to alteration, my father had better be accommodated at first in the Gentlemen's Lodge, two rooms with special attendant.

Yours truly
Charles S. Jaffe.

136 SUTHERLAND AVENUE,
W.

August 8/96

Dear Dr Pierce

I am obliged to you for yours of the 5th of August.

I have only tonight received transfer orders from the commissioners Price and have duly posted same by with same post as this to Dr Mac Dowall.

The permission for transfer is granted on condition that Two capable attendants be sent, kindly attend to this.

Enclosed please find, admission notice to be returned to the Commissioners when you receive my father.

I should be glad to have a report from you after admission

Yours very truly

Chas. S. Jaffe

138, SUTHERLAND AVENUE,
W.

Aug 10th / 96

Dear Dr Pierce.

I have received yours of the
Tenth and acted to Dr Mac
Donnell to know if he had
received the official order
for transfer. The reply
was in the affirmative and
consequently the transfer
can now be executed.
The official papers were
only received by me on

Saturday night and immediately forwarded.

I should be glad of a report from you on patients condition after admission.

Yours truly,

Charles. S. Jaffe.

Dr Peirce

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than £2-10 the hundred
at the ordinary tobacconist in
the town, as that is a higher priced
article than he usually smokes.

The only other bit of information as
regards comforts ~~this~~ is that he
may like the use of a painting box,
and that he often takes 'Bovril'
or other meat extract at night.

Kindly excuse this rather
ill arranged letter.

Yours truly
Charles S. Jaffe.

P.S. Of course later, the question of
letters may require reconsideration

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135, SUTHERLAND AVENUE,
W.

Aug 16/96.

Dear Dr Pierce.

Your letter of the thirteenth
of August duly to hand; I
should have answered earlier
but have had an attack of
acute tonsillitis.

As regards your question
re correspondence, letters
addressed here or to Belfast
should be sent off, any

other letters excepting of course statutory ones you had best put aside in the usual way. There are no business matters on hand and letters addressed to solicitors & stockbrokers of course must be rigorously stopped.

The question of stimulants I of course leave with you.

Re Cigars. My father as a matter of fact generally smokes cheap cigars, I do not think it necessary to get them ~~much~~ better than ~~but~~ higher priced

for the present.

I cannot see any advantage in forwarding letters other than statutory ones, or those addressed fully to any member of the Jaffe family and to Messrs Jaffe Bros Belfast Ireland.

I rely on you to give my father as much liberty & exercise as his condition will allow.

Yours truly

Charles. S. Jaffe

Dr E.O- Stanwell.

130, SUTHERLAND AVENUE, W.

Aug 31 1916

Dear Sir.

Your letter of the 28th duly to hand.

I have sent to the Retreat a portmanteau containing a suit of clothes and other things including one box and a half of cigars.

In regards packed tobacco, on the ground of expense

You need place no limit on my fathers consumption, from a medical point of view four ounces of tobacco per week should be sufficient.

— As you say my father requires socks, kindly have half a dozen pairs brought for him at York.

— He also requires a pair of steel framed spectacles for reading, please get an optician to fit him with these.

— My father will not require cigars other than those sent

Northumberland County Asylum,
Morpeth 9: August 1896.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

This morning I received from the Commissioners notice that they have consented to the transfer of Wm. Martin Jaffé to the Retreat. I suppose you have received the papers authorising the change & I will feel much obliged if you will effect the removal. At present I am rather short-handed through two of my attendants being ill and have been much in-

convenienced by the same cause since the beginning of the year. The Commissioners say two efficient & responsible persons are to accompany the patient, & therefore, I suppose, it must be so, though unnecessary. The patient is not violent or troublesome in the ordinary sense, but devotes his leisure to acts of quiet mischief. In his conversation, writing and artistic efforts he is very obscene, so he will require supervision in that respect.

On hearing from you as to the date on which you pro-

free to remove Mr. Jaffé's drill
bearing ready.

With kind regards

Yours faithfully

E. M. Walls

Telegraphic Address "JAFFE, BELFAST."

Jaffe Brothers

Belfast, 15th Sept. 1896

Encl. 2

re Martin Sapp

My dear Doctor,

I enclose a letter received from my brother, which you were kind enough not to open. It contained a letter to Messrs Steadman & Van Praagh, of which I hand you copy, & will thank you to return both to me.

Please let me know if you have any objection to his getting the books he mentions.

I called yesterday at the Bank (London Joint Stock Bank Ltd. Paddington branch) and found there a number of letters & circulars, addressed to my brother. If I understand the matter right, you have got the legal authority to open these letters, and as some of them might contain business communications I would thank you either to ask the Bank to send them to you, or allow

me to ask the Bank to
send them to you.

I remain, Dr Doctor,

Yours faithfully,

Wm Jeffs

Doctor Pearce,

The Retreat

York

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STEADMAN, VAN PRAAGH, ~~CAMPION~~ & ~~SIMMONS~~.

23, OLD BROAD STREET, E.C.

15th. Sept. 1896.

Dear Sir,

re. Martin Jaffe.

I am in receipt of yours of the 14th. inst and have no doubt that it is undesirable that Mr. Jaffe should undertake any business transactions for the present. So far as I know neither Dr. Jaffe, Mr. Otto Jaffe, or I have entertained the slightest idea to the contrary.

As Mr. Jaffe's Solicitor, and as one of his Trustees, I fear I must insist on your forwarding to me any letter he desires you to send without in any way supervising it. The responsibility of acting on any such letter, or taking, in fact, any notice whatever of it, will rest upon me, but I am entitled to, and would ask you to let me have, same. On the other hand, I quite agree with you that no correspondence whatever should leave Mr. Martin Jaffe for anyone else without the strictest supervision, but you will recognise, that, as his Solicitor, I stand in a different position to anybody else, and that as his Trustee, it will be desirable for me to see any letters in view of future contingencies.

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STEADMAN, VAN PRAAGH, CAMPION.
& SIMMONS.

23, OLD BROAD STREET, E.C.

15th. Sept. 1896.

(2).

I note what you say as to the present state of his health and would be glad if you would let me have a line from you as to whether you think he could safely be removed to another retreat, nearer London, where certain of his friends, I for example, can visit him. I found, when he was ill last time, that an occasional visit from one of his intimate friends did him more good, apparently, than all the medical treatment he ever received. I am so strongly impressed with this point that I would ask you to let me hear from you at once.

Yours truly,

Bertram B. Van Praagh

Dr. Bedford Pierce.
The Retreat.
York.

Yours Sincerely,

23, OLD BROAD STREET, E.C.

17 Septr 1896

Dear Sir

Re Martin Jaffé

We have your letter of yesterday's date for which we are obliged.

Yours faithfully

Sleeman & Newman

Bedford Pierce Esq M.D.
The Retreat
York.

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TATE, COOK & FOWLER.
SOLICITORS.

29, Westborough,
Scarborough.

25th. Sept. 1896

Dear Sir,

A lady Client of ours (a spinster aged 53) has for some months past been suffering from mental depression and nervous prostration and on one occasion took an overdose of Laudanum, though whether accidentally or not it is difficult to say.

She has been staying at Harrogate and Ilkley for some weeks back but now expresses desire to enter your Establishment for a time as a purely voluntary patient.

Will you kindly inform us what are your terms for such patients and under what conditions are they received, (that is,) do they mix with the other patients, and have they any degree of liberty.? Our Client is particularly anxious to know this.

We shall be obliged if you will give us full particulars by return if possible, as our Client seems desirous of entering your Establishment directly there is a vacancy, and we are going to see her at Ilkley early next week.

If there are any formalities necessary before she can enter please send us the papers as it may save time in case our Client decides to come to you.

Dear Sir,

TATE, COOK & FOWLER,
SOLICITORS.

29, Westborough,
Scarborough.
25th. Sept. 1896

If you will kindly post your reply in the enclosed envelope our Mr. Fowler will receive it at his private address.

Yours faithfully,

Tate Cook & Fowler

The Medical Superintendant
The Retreat
York.

25th Sept. 1888

If you will kindly post your reply in the enclosed envelope our Mr. Fowler will receive it at his private address.

Yours faithfully,

The National Superintendent

The Bureau

York.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS
YORKSHIRE, YORK.



ESTABLISHED 1824.

N.B. ALL LETTERS TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY.

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Yorkshire,
Fire and Life Insurance Office,

York, Sept. 30th 1896.

S. E. Woods Esq.
The Retreat
York.

Dear Sir,

314.276 7.8.9.

Your Letter is received - The payment for Renewal of the above Policies may be deferred to Oct. 20th when your next Committee Meeting is held as requested.

Yours faithfully

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:-
"PARCHMENT, LEEDS."

ESTABLISHED 1852.

LEEDS TELEPHONE
No 393.

FROM

Roberts, Mart & Co. Ltd

Wholesale Stationers.

LEEDS & BIRMINGHAM.

ALL INVOICES TO BE MADE OUT NETT.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED "Bank Mills,"
LEEDS

AND TO HAVE THE WORDS
"BOUGHT DEPARTMENT" IN LEFT HAND CORNER
OF ENVELOPE.

Sep 23/96

Dear Sir

As arranged, when I was over at York on Monday, my sister Miss Emily Roberts will be removed to the "Retreat" tomorrow Thursday. As I see by your prospectus that one quarter payment is to be paid in advance, I beg to enclose you cheque value £40-19-0 to cover same, as I understand that a charge of three guineas per week was agreed upon when my mother was over about 3 weeks ago.

Yours truly

John Roberts

S. Bedford Pierce

Roberts. Mart & Co. Ltd

Wholesale Stationers

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LEEDS Sep 26th

Dear Sir

Thanks for yours of yesterday.

I am glad to hear my sister arrived without any difficulty & also that she is to sleep in a room with a Nurse present although I do not think her mania has had a suicidal tendency for at the very least two or three months. However you will see how she goes on & of course we shall be very pleased when you will consider it advisable to give her more liberty. I hope to run over to York in about 2 or 3 weeks

Yours very truly

S. Bedford Pierce

John Roberts

Roberts, Mart & Co. Ltd

Wholesale Stationers

LEEDS & BIRMINGHAM.

"Bank Mills"

LEEDS

St. Leonard's Vicarage,
Malton.

Oct 4th

Dear Sir,

My cook by name Field tells me that her sister has been under your care but is now in Leeds, she is very anxious to hear how her sister is & does not know

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her present address.
so I should feel
very grateful if
you would kindly
tell me anything
you know about
Hannah Field.
Please excuse my
troubling you.

I remain
Yrs faithfully.
Beatrice Gaussen

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SHEPHERD & WATNEY,
CIVIL & ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS

J. SHEPHERD, A.M.I.C.E. M.I.E.E.
*T.S. WATNEY, M.I.E.E. M.S.C.I.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:-
"ENERGY, LEEDS."

71. Albion Street
Leeds. October 1st 1896

Dr Bedford Pierce
The Retreat York.

Dear Sir We are sorry to say it is not possible to use the pushes & indicator wires belonging to the fire alarms for the purposes of a Watchmans tell-tale. Any current sent along these wires would at once pull over the relay & set all the gongs ringing. If your present system is satisfactory (except for the daily attention) it would be doubtful whether it is would be worth while going to the expense of an electrical system, as this would need fresh wires. These fresh wires could of course be run in the same casing & at the same time as the alarm indicator wires & it would be cheaper to do them at the same time as the other work; but it would even then cost a considerable amount.

Yours faithfully
Shepherd & Watney.

RICHD SMITH & SONS.

26. Lincoln's Inn Fields.
~~7. New Square.~~
~~Lincoln's Inn.~~
London.
W.C.

12th October 1896

Dear Dr Bedford Pierce/
re Sarah Benson.

I have to thank you for a certificate dated 10th inst respecting Sarah Benson & as you have hitherto I think only sent me a medical report when you have sent an account it occurs to me that you may possibly be under some misapprehension as to the necessity of my having information in this case as in the case of Walker Woodward to enable us to receive

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dividends & if this be so I may just point out that in the case of Walker Woodward the funds are in Court & we have to furnish evidence of the life of the patient to enable the Committee appointed by the Court to receive the income which the Court directs should be paid to him.

Sarah Benson has not been found lunatic by inquisition & as I am her trustee & her property is vested in me I do not require any certificate such as is furnished to the Paymaster General in the case of Walker Woodward & I shall be quite content with your usual quarterly reports accompanying the accounts.

I hope nothing that I have said in any of my previous letters has led to the mistake.

With kind regards,

Yours very truly,

A de Smith

Dr Bedford Pierce
The Retreat,
York

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS: "KILLICK, BRADFORD"
TELEPHONE No 116.

KILLICK, HUTTON & VINT,
SOLICITORS.
H.F. KILLICK. (NOTARY PUBLIC)
CHAS. J. VINT.
A.T. PARKINSON.
FRANK H. HILL.

Commercial Bank Buildings,
Bradford, Yorks.

8th October 1896

Dear Sir

re Mrs Ridings

Please let us know whether there is any likelihood of Mrs Ridings ever recovering sufficiently to leave the Retreat, as the question of whether or not it is desirable to keep up her residence at Clayton has arisen during the course of the lunacy proceedings & this entirely depends as to whether or not she is ever going to be able to leave the Retreat and to return to her home. If you cannot yet definitely express an opinion on this point - please let us know how soon you are likely to be able to do so in order that we may satisfy the queries of the Master in Lunacy.

yours truly
Killick Hutton & Vint
H.R.

In reply -
No reasonable hope of recovery - or improvement
Must remain here - or ~~some similar~~ Institution - or ~~or~~ under care elsewhere being quite unable to manage herself or her affairs.

Bedford Pierce Esq
The Retreat
York.

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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESSES,
REGISTER, SHEFFIELD. | TELEGRAM. LONDON.

London Office,
447, Oxford Street, W.

Phœnix Foundry, Sheffield.

14. Oct 1896

Trade Mark for Radiators—SUNBEAM.

Dear Sir,

We are much obliged for your telegram to hand & have instructed our man to do as we said in ours of recent date; they ought therefore to be at the Retreat by about 10. a.m tomorrow.

Thanking you for troubling about this matter & assuring you that no time will be lost with the two other chests

We are

your obedient servants

Longden & Co

per E.W.L.

Dr Bickford Pierce
York.

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Bessbrook 22/9/96

Dear Sir

I wired you this morning Nurse can leave on Wednesday Via Greenore will have Vehicle meet on Thursday Edwd St Newry Nurse will stay three days at Bessbrook

What I propose is that Nurse will leave York on Wednesday at 6-58 P.M and catch mail Train at Chester for Holyhead boat for Greenore and Newry when I will have a Vehicle to meet her at Edward street Newry on Thursday Morning. I then propose that she (Nurse) will stay 3 or 4 days at Bessbrook so as to prepare my daughter for the journey to York as she has confined herself to her room and nearly all the time in bed for more than three months I then propose

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to cross over with Nurse and my daughter Annie Elizabeth on Monday or Tuesday 28 or 29 instant to have the different preliminaries filled for her admission to the Retreat

with many thanks for the trouble you have so unselfishly taken in the matter

I remain Very Sincerely
John Wilson

of Mooney about Dr.
Mayer who now
knows she was at
York suggested I
should ask you
whether you thought
to begin work now?
it advisable & I hope
you will excuse my
doing this - We were
at Whitby and Scarboro
for some weeks then
with friends in Notts.
And live a very quiet life
here - With kind regards
Very truly Yours
M. Louise Williams -

22. Gordon Place.
Kensington. W.
Sept. 25. 96.

Dear Dr Pierce.

Any accounts
for me I shall be
obliged if you will
send to the above
address.
My daughter Freda
will tell you about her
illness, and does not.

I seem very strong but
I do look well. The
Complaint of pains
in the head at times
& is very nervous about
having a return of
her illness. She has
decided to join
"Dorhomers School of
painting at Bushey
where we are thinking
of taking a Cottage
till Xmas. It is a beg
village in Herts. or
rather a kind of
Colony of Herkomers
grown up round his
School. I had intended
going to Eastbourne
for a few weeks as I
thought perhaps it too
soon to begin work,
but Mary is very anxious
to be occupied & tired

Saint Andrew's,
Billing Road,
Northampton.

Sept. 18th 1876.

Dear Dr. Peirce.

I ought to have written before to explain my telegram. Such I sent you a few days ago.

A Rev. Mr. Mundy, who had had the care of the Cath. Church here, came here late on Sat-

with her sister Mrs Parker
to come here as a
boarder. I could not
decline her, as I have
both boarders, and she
then asked me to send
for a telegram.

We stayed one night
at an Hotel in the town
and then went back
to London to Consult

Mr Savage.

I then had to hunt
round a place for her
in the house of a Medical
man near London.

We can quite fade on
the female sex, and
almost in the male.
Two hundred and
Eighty in all.

Yours very truly
S Baylen

Mr Perier.

Fernwood,
Abbeydale,
near Sheffield.

Sept 26 1896

My Dear Sir,

I will come over to see William Vincent either next Tuesday or Wednesday arriving York 2.30 & should like to catch the train leaving York 4.20. - I should think one hour at the Retreat should be ample. -

Please let me know whether you have any preference as to the Day & whether one time would be a suitable one. -

W. A. D. has written to me to say he has heard I am coming

I am, My dear Sir
Yours faithfully
Wm. Duncan

I arrive at Liverpool about what day & time he may expect me as he apparently wishes me to meet me. - You would probably see his letter.

I have not replied to it & should think it would be best you write to him & send nothing about my visit till I arrive.

I should like to have a talk with you before seeing him so if the train arrives at the slightest inconvenient to you please suggest some other

MONTPELLIER LODGE,
HARROGATE.

8 Oct 1896.

Dear Dr Pierce,

I want to know whether you can give me any information as to the best way of dealing with my aunt's business affairs — up to the present, I have defrayed her expenses myself, and allowed the sum spent to accumulate as a debt against her Estate, without drawing any of her dividends except £7.10, the rent of her house, which is the most we can get for it though it ought to be worth £15. Dividends on London & North Western Ry Stock

As the matter stands at present I am obliged to do one of two things — either pay myself what is a strain on my income, or lay myself under heavy commercial obligations to find bondsmen for the capital value of her Estate.

If your special knowledge of these matters can suggest a remedy I shall be much obliged —

With kind regards, & thanking you for the kindness which I know my aunt receives with you I remain

Yours truly

F. Lever.

amounting to about £30 per annum must have accumulated since 1892 up to about £120, and would be a help if it could be got at. £40 per annum which I pay her myself completes the whole of her resources —

I will not obtain powers from the Lunacy Commissioners to administer her property, because they insist on having commercial security, in the shape of bonds, for the Capital Value of all her little property;

but I believe there is another method by which, in default of a near relative acting, the Parochial authorities step in and are allowed to draw dividends &c, without completing any commercial securities for the Capital value of the Estate.

If there is any such method available by which her accumulated dividends could be utilised, I should be willing to give an undertaking to provide for any Extra income required to defray her Expenses at the Retreat, including clothing & medical luxuries.

Fernwood,
Abbeydale,
near Sheffield.

Sept. 19 1896

My Dear Sir

I have received yours of yesterday & thank you for your advice. -

I will come over shortly, some afternoon & will let you know what time before. hand.

I fancy I shall be able to manage W.D. - if he need I shall not stay if he was abusive. I believe he would quiet, in order to hear news. & tell me his grievances.

Yours very truly

Edward Sheffield

Dr. Bedford Pierce

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She is cute & will not commit herself if she can help it. She has been at times quite violent & has threatened those about her. If she does not leave home I have no doubt whatever that she will go from bad to worse both physically & mentally ~~[illegible]~~ I think your nurse feels some little hesitation in taking her, but if you find you can not admit her as a patient both Mr Wilson & myself shall be glad if you can take her as a voluntary boarder.

Yours truly C.G. Clarke

Besthook
28/9/96

Dear Sir

The nurse you sent has managed Miss Wilson extremely well. She thinks however, that there will be great difficulty in getting her passed as a patient for a Retreat. Of course, as I suppose is quite usual in such cases, the patient has done for

a stranger with stronger will than herself, what she sd not have done for one with whom she was better acquainted. No doubt her case may be regarded as one somewhat on the borderland between Insanity & Hysteria but any one who has known the history & seen the progress of her case sd not doubt, I think that she is both physically & mentally far removed from her normal condition. She was evidently beginning to drift into the same condition as her mother who was for many years insane & whose case began almost identically as her daughters has done. She has had at one time the delusion that she was married to a certain young man, she sd at times laugh & mutter & carry on as a semi-idiotic boy in meeting. At other times she thought every one who spoke in meetings was preaching at her & that nearly every one was an enemy who was plotting against her.

when I left yesterday
afternoon.
This letter is strictly between
ourselves
With kindest regards
Yours sincerely
M. Wooler.

a bycycle I told her it would
not be allowed & that if she
had lessons it would have
to be in the grounds at York.
I would not take the responsibility.
I am afraid there is trouble
in store, Miss Walker is doing
pretty well as she likes &
is most masterful.
Mrs Smith is ill with a
very bad cold & has not been
able to go out since Saturday
but was a little better

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Morlands
Mirfield
Oct. 16. 96.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

I left Scarbro' yesterday Thursday. I am extremely sorry that Miss Collier took a chill of Tuesday evening & her throat was very bad. I told Miss Collier I would take charge of Miss Walker on Wednesday if someone would bring her

& that I would fetch her if they would let me know on Wednesday morning; to my surprise Miss Walker arrived alone in a cab. I took her back to Gainsbro' House about 3.30 p.m. & saw her safely in & on my return home I met Mrs. Dakin & said I thought it would have been better if Bella or someone had accompanied Miss Walker

to 33 Esplanade. As Miss Collier would not be able to come with Miss Walker on Thursday morning I promised to go for her at 10.15. a.m. to take her shopping but she arrived at 10. a.m. again alone. It may seem a little matter to notice but I see a great deal of trouble & anxiety for Miss Collier & others that have to do with Miss Walker, she will be demanding next to be allowed to go out alone I think she has never done in her life.

I have taken particular notice of Miss Collier this last fortnight & am pleased with the thoughtful & kind way she has shown to Miss Walker & with your support can hold her own with her.

Miss Walker told me she should have lessons on

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7 WEST GEORGE STREET
GLASGOW

6 Oct. 1896.

Lord Overtouns compliments to Dr. Bedford Pierce. Absence from home has delayed his acknowledging his letter, enclosing one from Mrs. Leslie.

Lord Overtoun was well acquainted with Mrs. Leslie's brother, and will be glad to contribute a small amount towards the fund being raised for a Memorial Stone, but he would be obliged if Dr. Pierce would let him know, in confidence, whether Mrs. Leslie is able to carry through any such arrangement, and whether, if so, he ought to reply to her direct.

Dr. Bedford Pierce,
The Retreat,
York.

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HY RICHARDSON & COMPY
MERCHANTS.

Telegrams.—RICHARDSON, YORK.

Quotations subject to reply per return unless otherwise stated.

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Skeldergate Bridge,
York, 24th March 1896.

JWS.

Messrs Bayliss, Jones and Bayliss,

Wolverhampton.

Dear Sirs:-

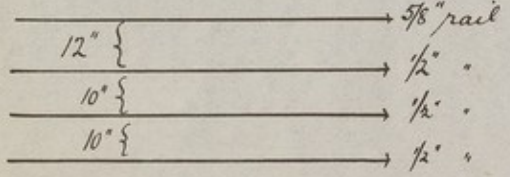
Your list to hand. You can send us 240 yards, i.e. 120 hurdles, No: 17, page 5, 3' 3" high, 4 bars. We will leave you to invoice at 1/5 at works, or 1/8 carriage paid, as is most favourable for us.

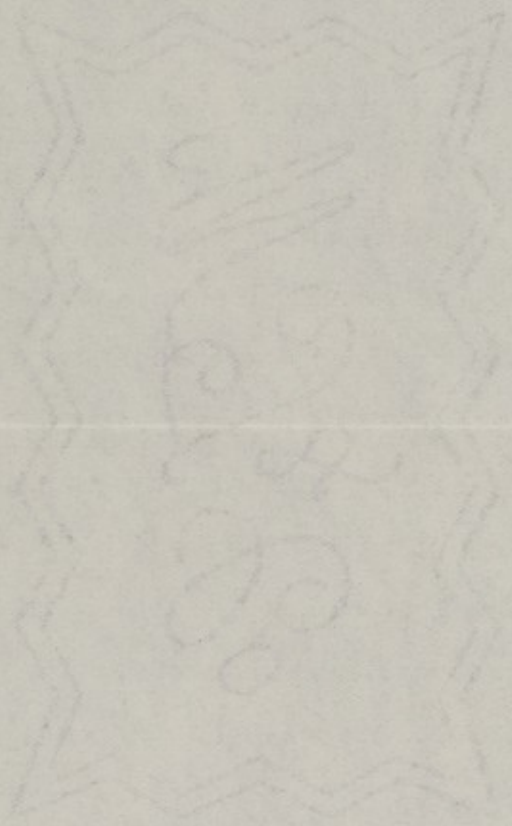
You can send us also, to match, 1 hand gate, 3'3" high, No: 58 page 62, with strong wrought iron standards to bolt to end of hurdles.

Also another hand gate, 3'6" high, pattern No: 50, page 62, with cast iron pillars, and self-fixing bases: 4 bars, top one $\frac{5}{8}$" dia. and the other three $\frac{1}{2}$" diameter; with a space of 12" between the two top bars, and 10" between the lower ones, as it is intended for insertion in some old railings to these measurements.

Address the whole to Dr. Pierce, the Retreat, Heslington Road, York, and invoice to us.

Yours truly,





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Telegraphic Address:
"AFFIRMATION, LONDON."

14. Bishopsgate Street Without.
(And at Ashford, Kent.)
London, E.C.

10mo. 22 1896.

Dear Sir

In reply to yours to hand today we beg to say that as stated in ours of June 23rd. a liberal reduction has already been made by quoting you 3/- for subsequent insertions to the one in error instead of 4/-

We feel we cannot do more than this & having heard nothing to the contrary from you we took it that this was satisfactory to you.

You will note that our terms were very low as compared with 5/- our regular price for page appeals.

We are

Yours faithfully
Headley Bros.

W. E. Wallis, Esq
The Retreat
York.

Memorandum from

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22 Oct 1896

Dear Sir

Since writing you I find the door in question is bricked up but the architrave is intact + the bricks can easily be removed in a few minutes at very little cost. The door on my side is in good order

Yours truly

Dr Price

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account separately
With kind regards
Yours Sincerely
M. Wooler.

THE MOORLANDS
MIRFIELD.

Oct 22nd 96.

Dear Sir,

I thought the organ account was £2-2. but as the maintanance account is sent into the court I could not refer to it without a great deal of trouble

Will you kindly in the future make the pocket money

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Spain.
&c.

Dear Sir,

In reference to the conversation with Mr Mackenzie today, Mr Sarony begs me to say she will have no objection to your breaking a door through on the top floor, but please note that the floors are not on the same level on the Albion Road side of the house, which is where we should prefer you to place a door on floor being about 18 inches above yours.

But there is a door which at present is not bricked up - viz in the dressing room at present occupied by Miss Walker.

I find this has been boarded up & papered - but the architrave &c appears intact - for a few shillings this could be removed & a door with glass door could be placed on your side. We should not require it. In any way the door in question communicates with our large picture gallery on 2nd floor. & I trust this provision will meet all requirements

Yours Truly
Sarony & Co

P.S. Please [illegible]

ALLIANCE CHAMBERS,

BARBER BROS. & WORTLEY,
Sharebrokers
&
Chartered Accountants.

TELEPHONE Nos 58 AND 2026.

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS,
BARBER, SHEFFIELD.

George Street,

Sheffield 30th Oct 1896

Dear Sir,

We are duly in receipt of your letter of yesterday enclosing voucher for Fire Insurance, which we have marked, & forwarded to Mr. Tennant as requested. —

Yours truly

Barber Bros & Wortley

S. E. Woods Esq.
The Retreat
York

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Registered Telegraphic Address—
"KENWORTHY, SOUTHPORT."
Postal and Telegraphic Address—
"LIMES HYDRO., SOUTHPORT."

TELEPHONE (NATIONAL)
No. 80.
Liverpool Sub-District.

The Limes Hydropathic Establishment.

(51, BATH STREET and 22, BOLD STREET),

Southport, 15 X 1896

Dear Friend,

Will thou kindly explain the "?" after the word "Gravestone" in the enclosed account

Friends of the M. M. don't feel that they are authorised to pay a sum like 50/. for a gravestone.

Thy friend truly
Edward Pearson

Bedford Pierce M. D.

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Private

138, SUTHERLAND AVENUE,
W.

Sept 18th. 1896

Dear Dr Pierce

Yours of the seventeenth to hand,
I note your remarks re correspondence
with Mr Van Praagh & Mr Otto Jaffe.
The question of transfer, as you
say, lies with me.
I think you will now find that
the correspondence with Mr
Van Praagh will now cease.
In our profession, doctors some-

times prescribe a placebo and charge the fee, possibly in other professions letters are written in the same way. verb. sap.

Yours sincerely,

Charles. S. Jaffe.

Dr Bedford Reiss.

184 Grove St
Falkner St
Fri. 10/23/96.

To the Committee of York Retreat

Dear Friends

We enclose you orders for £3. 0. 0. towards our dear brother Wm. B. W. Miles, benefit, this being a subscribtion sent from the firm Banks of Barclay Haystoune by Mrs Barclay Tilton & for J. G. B. Bonverie

& their kindness of which we have acknowledged to her. As it is so difficult to get subscribtions could you reduce the terms under these circumstances?

If will you commence
afresh?— me supposing
this amount Mrs Pounds
to pay for fine undertaken at
the rate of 12/ for each;
or six weeks at 10/ for
each if you are agreeable
to this latter.
You will of course
acquaint Dr Pierce
kindly acknowledge
& awaiting
your answer

Yours in respect
Thomas & Harriet Miles.
" — "

The Misses Dr & H Miles
184 Grove Street
Falkner Street
Liverpool

Fri. 10/23.96.

Oct 24

Cove Lodge,
Waterford.

Dear Friend

The enclosed letter reached me yesterday. On referring to the advt it implies that M W M is an inmate of the Retreat, while the letter is certainly not that of an insane person. I feel a little perplexed, perhaps you can give me some information

He has no claim on me beyond the fact that we were at the same school more than forty years ago.

Yours faithfully

T. N. Harvey

Cotswold House,
Evesham.

Oct 22 96

Dear Friend
H. Bedford Pierce

My husband has received accompanying letter - He knows nothing of the matter and thinks it better to refer it to thee - I do not know who the Cousin is to whom he refers of the name of "Burlingham" - Unless it be Frank Burlingham

To thee — as we know nothing of the matter

Thy friend sincerely
Mary M Howitt

of ~~Sheffield~~ who is
my first-cousin-
My husband has
the dispensing of the
"Municipal Poor's Fund"
This may be the
"Benevolent Fund," to
which the letter refers-
but can have nothing
to do with this case-
We have delayed a
little in replying because
we knew a Nathaniel
Miles of Worcester-
was an inmate of
the Retreat - Thinking
his sisters were
living there - Dr.
Reply this morning
is as follows - "Yes
Sisters Caudia & Celeste
are living here - C. Miles
says M. W. Miles is
not of their family
& he does not know
them at all -
We think it better
to send the letter

KENNETT,
TORQUAY.

Dear Sir,

There was an advertisement in last week's "Friend" Newspaper asking for help for Marilyn W. Miles, now in the Retreat. Can you give me any information about his case? & whether if the money (12/6 per week) could be collected, he would be allowed to remain in

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the Retreat-? I enclose the letters I have received on the Subject from his Sisters - & I am willing to give a trifle towards the required Amt - if others can be found who the same fit - is of any use - It is impossible to tell from the letters whether M. W. M. is insane or not - or fit for work could it be found. I may perhaps just mention that the late Dr. Hack-Tuke, with whom I think you were well acquainted was my uncle - & I write to you not knowing who else to apply to in York - I am, apolo-gizing for the trouble I am giving you

Yours faithfully
Miss Priscilla M. Robson

Oct-24.96.

Pierce Bedford, Esq. M.D.

Telegrams:
HODGKIN, DARLINGTON.
National Telephone:—
No. 5836.

ELM RIDGE,
DARLINGTON.

24 Oct. 1896

Dear D. Pierce,

May I ask your kind advice respecting enclosed letter?

One never likes to refuse an appeal from an old schoolfellow, altho' my recollections of this particular one are of the very slightest, but it hardly seems the proper thing for patients in the Retreat to write such letters, as those who receive them cannot know (at any rate without such enquiry as I am now making) whether the writers are properly responsible or no.

GD

In the present case there are two additional questions wh. present themselves, viz. In asking for work does the writer mean that he wishes to leave the Retreat?

& Why does not his own Monthly (or Quarterly) Meeting provide the needful payment?

In any case the help wh. I could (in justice to other claims) afford to give wd be merely of a small & temporary character, so that I do not see what is to be gained by such appeals.

When the help given by any who may respond favourably is exhausted, the present difficulty must inevitably recur.

Under these circumstances I hardly see how to answer the letter at all, unless you are kind willing to give me a little instruction & advice.

Apologizing for thus troubling you, I am

Yours very truly

W. Hodgkin

P.S. Kindly return enclosed letter when you write.

Telegraphic Address "JAFFE, BELFAST."

Jaffe Brothers

Belfast, 18th Sept 1896

Encl. 1

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My Dear Doctor,

I beg to thank you for your favor of 16th inst. with enclosures, which I note.

I hand you herein a letter for my brother and if you find nothing to object to in it, I would thank you to hand it to him.

I will write to the Bank regarding the letters etc lying there.

Yours very truly,

Otto Jaffe

Dr. Pierce
The Retreat,
York

I take the liberty of sending a letter addressed to you for my brother Leo

which kindly hand over to Mr Watkins

Case for my brother

TATE, COOK & FOWLER,
SOLICITORS.

29, Westborough,
Scarborough.

2nd. October 1896

Dear Sir,

re Miss M. E. Smith.

I am exceedingly obliged for your letter received this morning but I do not think it would be wise for me to communicate further with Miss Smith as it might have the result of unsettling her at the last moment, and she might even then change her mind.

Personally however I should think from what you say, that "Belle Vue" would suit her best, but it will probably be best for you to arrange with her when she reaches you to-morrow afternoon and let her choose for herself as I think she is quite capable of doing so, and it will probably please her to give her the opportunity.

I forgot to mention to you that Miss Smith will herself pay the necessary weekly charges as she has her own cheque book and appears quite capable of drawing cheques.

I may say that she told me on Wednesday that she had drawn and cashed a cheque for £20 quite recently so she ought to have a considerable portion of it still in her possession.

I thought it right to let you know this.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Bedford Pierce
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Yours faithfully,

Dr. Medford Pierce
The Retreat
York.

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T.S. WATNEY, M.I.E.E. M.S.C.I.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:
"ENERGY, LEEDS."

11. Albion Street

Leeds. Sept 25th 1896

Dr. Bedford Pierce
The Retreat York.

Dear Sir. We enclose a copy of the specification for your fire alarms, which is we think fairly clear. The system we recommend is to have a push at the various places (13 in all) each communicating with the indicator in the central block, which shews which push has been used. The pushes would be inside wood boxes with glass fronts for breaking the glass the circuit is automatically made. The current then sent through the indicator actuates a relay which puts a powerful battery in circuit with eight gongs. all of which are rung at once & continue to ring until switched off at the indicator board, or until the push is replaced. Two of these gongs are arranged so that they can be used for ordinary purposes without ringing the others. The gongs would be fixed at the Doctors house Firemans bedroom, First Gallery, Lodge, Boiler basement Entrance Lodge, Top Centre, & Head Attendants Cottage. For the pushes & indicators we recommend double wiring (i.e. not a common wire) being used, the wire being of the best quality of vulcanised rubber. For the gong circuit

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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:-
"ENERGY, LEEDS."

71. Albion Street,
Leeds, 189

An earth wire would not be disadvantageous.
With regard to the cost, we find that it would come if done to our specification to about £55: the building is so scattered that the item for wire alone comes to about £20, neglecting labour, & other fittings.

If you wish us to obtain tenders perhaps you will let us know.

We have estimated for overhead wires from the Lodge to the head attendant & from the Doctors house to the entrance Lodge as if the wires were taken underground it would add about ten or twelve pounds to the cost.

Yours faithfully
Shepherd Watney.

The alarm bells would have songs known as "sheep songs" which give a totally different tone to that for ordinary bells
S.W.

5, Spencer Road,
New Wandsworth,
London, S.W.

Oct 14th
1896

Mr S. G. Woods
Dear Friend

I very deeply
regret delay in letting my
boys off. Now so much owing.
There is £35. 0. 0 coming to me
on the 2nd of 11th month which I will
remit. & in 12th month a fourteen
there has been many perplexing
things of late.
In the early part of the year
my wife had to be put under
care and only returned Home
a fortnight ago. I trust the Committee
may see their way to continue my
boys stay at the retreat till the above

remittance are sent.

Sincerely yours
Ry Jotting

against
order
of depos.

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SAM SHAW, C.E.

Union Street,

Dewsbury, 15th Oct. 1896.

Bedford Pierce Esq: M.D.
The Retreat. York.

Dear Sir,

Walker v. Walker.

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your a/c. of the 12th inst. I will forward you sometime on account on receipt of the next order of the Court to distribute.

Yours faithfully
Sam Shaw

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Capt. Bateman Ind.
has been invested
by illness.

Dymchurch
Ashburnham
Oct 15th 96.

Mrs. Bateman encloses
Cheque for the enclosed
Account. She unexpectedly
lets Jones Money
temporarily in the
Summer. which has.

Caused her much
inconvenience but I
have
she hopes to make
good by the end of
the year when
she will be able to
pay her account
at the Retreat
without delay
Mrs Bateman has
been paying each
month to come to
the Retreat to see

MEMORANDUM.

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From

WHITTAKER & SON,

BAKERS, GROCERS,

PROVISION MERCHANTS,

And FLOUR DEALERS,

CLIFFORD STREET, YORK.

Oct 1896

To Mr S. E. Woods

Dear Sir / Owing to the large advance in the price of flour & the still upward tendency of the markets from the 20th of this month we shall be compelled to raise the price of Bread 3d per 4lb loaf to 1/7d per 4lb loaf.

Respectfully Yrs

Wm Whittaker & Son.

SHEPHERD & WATNEY,
CIVIL & ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS.

J. SHEPHERD, A.M.I.C.E. M.I.E.E.
T. S. WATNEY, M.I.E.E. M.S.C.I.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:-
"ENERGY, LEEDS."

71. Albion Street.
Leeds.

Oct 31 1896

S. P. Woods Esq.
The Retreat.
York.

Dear Sir

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter informing us that Mr Edmundson's tender of £5 7 has been accepted.

We will go into the matter at once.

Yours faithfully
Shepherd & Watney
per L. Thorp

BURNGLEUGH HOUSE
HAXBY ROAD
YORK

Nov 18/96

Dear Mr Woods

I am sorry I wasn't able to get up to the Retreat today, I have been very busy.

I have been thinking the matter over as regards taking up a singing class (which I suppose Dr Peile would wish Lise me about) & I am sure I could not find time to undertake it & also the fatigue would be too much for one as I am expected

to appear quite forth in voice at the afternoon Service I have had to give up several like engagements through my throat giving way. when I state I have about 40 pupils in singing, besides S. Mary's Castle Choir Practices you will understand that I have my time fully occupied.

I could recommend Mr Mahlon Firth as a teacher or General of our Militia men would be glad to undertake a class & I would do my best to help Dr Peiriel.

Yours faithfully

A. McCall

me, which rose mainly because of the raising of the rate several years back, was wholly or in part written off.

I trust that the "fairly good" health of my brother does not mean any serious consequence of his illness in the spring. The weather has of late been exceedingly trying for the strongest people.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

J. W. Dixon

Dr. Pierce.

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LUXBORO,
KENDAL AVENUE.
EPPING, ESSEX.

14th Oct. 1896

Dear Friend,

Herewith I have pleasure in sending you cheque value Seven pounds on a/c of my brother C. T. Dixon's maintenance with you. This will leave a balance still owing of £14-15-2. It is over a year I think since I wrote about these arrears. It is a great relief to have the rate lower and I should be glad to know that the balance against

He was at Benjamin Abbott's
School Hitchin when I was
there & I remember him
there as a studious well conducted
lad & am very sorry to find
he has been obliged to go to
the Retreat

Before replying to his letter
I wish to ask if it is true
as stated in the Friend that
Martyn Childs is to be discharged
from the Retreat unless a sum
of £5 weekly is forthcoming
for his maintenance?

I do not know the
circumstances of the case
Is it a bad one & likely
to be permanent in its
character? Jam truly
Dr. Pierce
The Retreat York

S. R. Reynolds Fox

address of the Treasurer.

Kennett
Torquay -
Nov. 8. 96.

Dear Sir -

Thankyou for your letter respecting Martyn W. Miles.
I enclose cheque for £8. 9. which will, I imagine pay for one Quarter, for M. W. Miles in the Retreat, at the rate of 13/- a week.
I hope before the Quarter elapses some other Friends may be

formed to assist-
Miss Gibson, of Hill House
Saffron Walden, has
kindly subscribed
£5 of the enclosed,
& Miss Locke of the
same address £2. 10.
Mrs. Arthur Backhouse
of Lauriston Hall,
Torquay, has promised
£2. 10. part of which
I now send to make
up the £8. 9. - The balance
I still hold for the
next Quarter.
I am yours faithfully
Priscilla M. Robson

Bedford Pierce Esq. M.D.
When you are acknow-
ledging the enclosed
Could you kindly tell
me from what date
this money will begin
to keep Mr. W. Miles?
Kindly excuse my
sending the cheque
direct to you, as I did
not know the name of

AGENCY of the

FRIENDS' PROVIDENT INSTITUTION.

~~70 & 71 Bishopsgate Street Within~~ 17 Gracechurch Street

London 16. xi 1896

E.C.

Dear Friend

Bedford Peirce

Re Martyn W. Miles

I brought your letter of 7th inst. before Westminster & Longford Monthly Meeting last Thursday.

Friends however ~~decided that~~ saw no reason to alter the decision arrived at after much careful consideration in 3rd month last, but authorized me to send you copy of part of that minute & accompanying memorandum in reply to the enquiry of the committee of the Retreat. These I append.

As to M. W. his half-brother we have no information -

My personal impression is that this is distinctly a case where friends of the family ~~should~~ might be asked to guarantee small annual sums to make up the charge at the Retreat, rather than the somewhat promiscuous & uncertain contributions asked for by his friends at present.

Yours truly

Wm Ibeny F. Alexander

Clerk West. & Long. Fd. M. M.

15 minute of 3rd month

..... Upon a careful consideration of all the circumstances of the case we feel ourselves unable to reinstate M. W. Miles in membership. The Retreat Committee & M. W. Miles are to be informed of our decision & are also to be informed that we regret that under these circumstances there are no funds of the Monthly Meeting available for providing for his maintenance at the Retreat.

Extract from accompanying memorandum

"His name was taken off our list in 12th mo. 1894 as he was ~~then~~ residing abroad when last heard of & had been lost sight of for several years. This was done under a power to discontinue membership in such cases given by virtue of the joint operation of §§. 13 & 14 of the 16th Chapter of the Book of Discipline."

The York Waterworks Company. 100

TELEPHONE
No 42.

Offices, Lendal Bridge,
York, Nov. 13th. 1896.

Dr. Bedford Pierce,
The Retreat,
York.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 11th. inst., I am directed to inform you that this Company will continue the 5" main on the Heslington Road to past the branch to the Retreat, and fix Hydrants on the line of main as may be most convenient for Belle Vue and the Retreat, on the offered contribution of £25 towards the estimated cost (£100), provided the Retreat will grant the Company the privilege of continuing their main from Farrar Street, over the intervening land belonging to the Retreat, to the Heslington Road. Of course, the Company would be prepared to enter into an agreement to pay a small nominal annual acknowledgement for such privilege.

I need scarcely point out that whilst this would be advantageous to the Company as affording an alternative route of supply to the Lawrence Street District, it would be also advantageous to the Retreat, as by the fixing of a Valve on the main before the branch from Farrar Street a duplicate supply would be secured, in the event of fire or any accident to the main below that point.

Yours faithfully,

Jno. W. Hartley Jeg.

Nov. 13th. 6.

Dr. Bedford Pierce,
The Retreat,
York.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 11th. inst., I am directed to inform you that this Company will continue the 8" main on the Hessington Road to past the branch to the Retreat, and fix Hydrants on the line of main as may be most convenient for Belle Vue and the Retreat, on the offered contribution of £25 towards the estimated cost (£100), provided the Retreat will grant the Company the privilege of continuing their main from Farrar Street, over the intervening land belonging to the Retreat, to the Hessington Road. Of course, the Company would be prepared to enter into an agreement to pay a small nominal annual acknowledgement for such privilege.

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Yours faithfully,

FORM

Memorandum.

JOSEPH LINGFORD,

Bishop Auckland.

To Dr Bedford Pierce
York

11 M 14 1896

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Dear Friend

I have arranged for John Preston
Cammy to the Retreat tomorrow morning and is
to travel by train due at York 11.25 and hope
he will arrive safely and the treatment will
be beneficial to him. John Rigland who wrote

Mr James is away To day hence my waiting as the doctor thinks J Preston should be removed —

J Preston brother will bring the papers with him which we all duly filled up

I am Yours sincerely

Joseph Longford

HENKNOWLE,
BISHOP AUCKLAND. Nov 8 1896

Dear Sir
Mr S. E. Woods:

John Preston of St Helens Auckland – a workingman and a member of Darlington Monthly Meeting is in a bad way – He began with Influenza upwards of a fortnight ago and had a relapse ten days ago, and is now weak physically but violent, and can only be kept in bed by a strong man – The Dr. suggested his being sent to the County Asylum on Friday evening but when I saw him last evening much more he was composed – and as I thought unfit to travel from bodily weakness I have to see the Dr this evening when we shall have to decide on what is to be done –

Preston was in the Co Asylum some years ago and has a great dread of being sent there –

I am
Yours respectfully
J. Bigland

Telegrams to 88 – Newgate St.
Bp. Auckland.

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HENNHOWLE,

BISHOP AUCKLAND.

HENKNOWLE,
BISHOP AUCKLAND. Nov: 13 1896

Dear Mr Woods :-

John Preston

Joseph Lingford has handed me Dr Pierce's letter to him of the 11th which I now own the receipt of -

John Preston's family is destitute - He was out of work for some time, and was relieved by the Monthly Meeting. - Soon after obtaining work at St Helens Colly the Pit was closed, and he was again without employment :- the prospect of getting into debt added to his trouble - His wife is a managing woman, and we hope she may not want relief, but she cannot contribute anything towards your charges - it must all come out of the Meeting's fund - and I now enclose its guarantee for the payment of the same on the form you supplied, and at the rate you inserted, and advised me of in your letter of the 9th -

It is quite true that Darlington Monthly Meeting undertook to pay the Costrate of any patients it might send, but there was afterwards an intimation from you that you were in a position to admit at the lower rate. -

The Treasurer of the Monthly Meeg, R. L. Pratt, 80 Bondgate Darlington, was yesterday authorized to pay the first quarter at the rate of 12/- per week on your presenting the account -

I was very sorry that an engagement in Cleveland on Tuesday rendered it necessary for me trouble Joseph Lingford to make many of the arrangements

I am

Yours respectfully

J. Bigland

The Retreat

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OFFICE OF COMMISSIONERS IN LUNACY,

19, *Whitehall Place, S.W.*,

Nov 21. 1896

Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20 inst. which I will lay before the next meeting of the Trustees I do not, however, think there will be a meeting

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before the end or middle
of January.

I am Sir

Yours faithfully your
Humble Servt
Edward J. Gifford
Public of & Clerk of this
Elliott Chancy.

TELEGRAMS:-"PAPE, NEWCASTLE."

CYCLE DEPARTMENT.

Sole Agent for "COLUMBIA" BICYCLES.



Memorandum.



FROM

W. R. Pape.
North of England Gun Works
36. Westgate Street
Newcastle upon Tyne

To No. 3

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INVENTOR & PATENTEE OF BREECH LOADING GUNS & RIFLES.

WINNER OF THE 3 SUCCESSIVE SHOT GUN CONTESTS HELD AT LONDON IN 1858-1859 & 1866.

AWARD OF THE INVENTORS CUP FOR THE INVENTION OF CHOKE BORING. — 1875.

I dont pretend that a day or two
is of the vitalist importance
and Thesday the 15th would do
alright I have no doubt. But I
particulary wish to have the re-
moval effected with as little delay
as possible

Your obedient Servant
W. R. Pape.

Please let me hear from you again

TELEGRAMS:-"PAPE, NEWCASTLE."

CYCLE DEPARTMENT.

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W. R. Pape,
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To Mr 2

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I think it would be better for my son - but to put it plainly I think ym place is a better one - this I think ym will conclude when I am asking to have him removed to a place where I am going to pay more. of course up to the point of the question

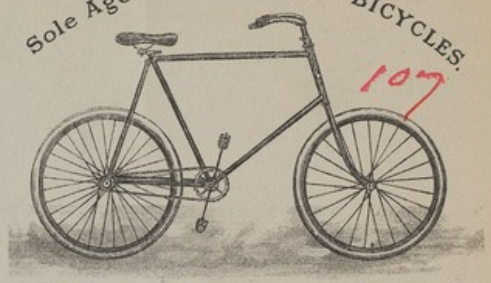
of removal was raised Dr Eastwood
kept informing me my son was
going on as well as could be ex-
pected & was my after I gave
him notice that I was going to
take him away, that he suggested
the same as he has done to yourself
which of course may be perfectly
true - Yrs letter ark arrived here at
5 o'clock this afternoon & I had at
10 o'clock this morning posted Yrs
the necessary papers - at first Dr Eastwood
when I wrote him said nothing against
and asked for some new day & night
shirts, stockings drawers &c to be
ready to go with him which I sent

Pape

TELEGRAMS:-"PAPE, NEWCASTLE."

CYCLE DEPARTMENT.

Sole Agent for "COLUMBIA" BICYCLES.



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Memorandum.



FROM

W. R. Pape.
North of England Gun Works
36. Westgate Street.
Newcastle upon Tyne

To Dr. Bedford Pearce

11 Dec: 1896

INVENTOR & PATENTEE OF BREECH LOADING GUNS & RIFLES.

WINNER OF THE 3 SUCCESSIVE SHOT GUN CONTESTS HELD AT LONDON IN 1858-1859 & 1866.

AWARD OF THE INVENTORS CUP FOR THE INVENTION OF CHOKE BORING. — 1875.

Private & confidential

Dear Sir

Yrs Kind favour to hand for which I am obliged - I can quite understand that Dr Eastwood does not wish my son to change and from the tone of a letter which I this morning received from himself

seems annoyed at my doing so
and perhaps I did not tell him
fully my every reason for desiring
a change - & perhaps it is not
necessary to do so to ym - however
ym can rest assure I do wish it
& think it will be better for my
pon - I quite understand ym remarks
about seaside house - & even 6 weeks
in the summer will be better than
none - a thing he would never get
the chance of a Dunsdale. I fully thought
the matter over, well, before I wrote ym -
and it is not necessary to do so again
as I say there are ~~matter~~ many points I
cried mention if I cared to why -

~~The Cottage,~~
~~Lyncombe,~~
~~Bath.~~

2 Oakland road
Redland
Bristol

Dear Doctor,

My Husband asks me to reply to thy letter, for which he is much obliged -

You will be busy - with the Scuns session at hand - & the attractions in prospect -

We should be quite interested in seeing the plans, if not too bulky for easy posting - One of my

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early memories is – the
Matron, St Pontonby,
complaining that the Architect
of those days, had sadly
failed in the matter of closets,
& internal conveniences –
such as warm closets – for linen –
where hot pipes were available
&c &c – but then – that was
not a day of hot-pipes – but
there were no wardrobes (hanging & shelved)
into the walls in the passages &
close to chimney-stacks, as one
would now contrive, if building
a new house –

I feel very pleased that the Misses Watson's interest in the Retreat is to received – by being asked to join in the Centenary Celebration –

My love please to Hay Wife – & our good wishes for the coming season – to you all

Yours very sincerely
Eliza Pumphrey

10-12-96.

Friends' Provident Inst.
Bradford
24/X/96

Dear Friend

re F. Paull Naish

I am in receipt of your letter of today's date returning all the papers and am very sorry I was not sufficiently careful in respect of some of the details.

I really filled in the papers to save Mrs Naish the trouble. Dr Rabagliati thought I had better do so.

The discrepancy in the dates arose through my expecting to get the Order signed in Bradford.

I hope everything will be all right now. If absolutely necessary I could come over tomorrow if you were to wire for me. Or you might telephone - our No: is 1049.

I regret to say Mr Naish's finances will not permit of his paying £3·3/- weekly, at any rate not for any length of time. I fear therefore that we must make application to the Committee for a reduction of terms. In what way should this be done? His relatives may be able to help a little perhaps.

With thanks for all the trouble you have taken.

I am Yours faithfully

Hy Harris

B. Pierce M.D.
Friends' Retreat
York

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Dixon

ROBERT H. MARSH,
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT.

Telegraphic Address
ANNOTATION, LONDON.

73, Ethelburga House,
70, Bishopsgate St. Within,
London, E.C.

11th. December 1896.

TELEPHONE No. 11,414.

Dear Friend,

re John W. Dixon and Campbell T. Dixon.

In reply to your enquiry of the 10th. instant, I certainly think that this ~~is a~~ case is just one of those in which grant named might rightly be made.

It so happens however that I am in a rather delicate position for giving an opinion, as J. W. Dixon is one of the clerks employ-ed in my Office. It was only comparatively recently that he told me that he had a brother at York, having thought that I was aware of the fact. Though I have purposely paid him a salary considerably above what is known as "the market rate", so that he might be able to keep a home of his own whilst learning the details of a new busi-ness, he is certainly not in a position to do much for his brother after making some small provision by way of life-insurance for his own family, which he is rightly doing. He will certainly be willing to do all in his power in the matter: I was very sorry to hear of his having this additional drag upon him; life has been none too smooth for him at the best.

Yours faithfully,

R. H. Marsh

Dr Bedford Pierce, YORK.

22 Dover Rd
Birkdale
Southport
8 Decr 96

Bedford Pierce

Dear friend

Encloses is Cheque for £12.6.10 in payment of a/c due which I have neglected sending till now. I shall be obliged by the usual receipt -

Replying to your letter of Novr 18. - I am quite willing that you should make enquiries at Whittingham to see if they have room for C. Bentley -

I note the wording of the Retreat Committee's minute that a sum up to 8/- per week is to be allowed for 6 months. I suppose that is the extent

of the time - it is proposed to afford C. Bentley the change as a trial - Does the Committee bind itself to take him back at any time on the present conditions? - I shall be glad to hear from you when you have made enquiries at Wattingham.

Our trip into Yorkshire did us both good - I hope Mrs Pierce & baby are well also yourself.

Mrs Gill unites with me in kind regard

I remain

Yr friend sincerely

Samuel Gill.

The Retreat
York.

Of the time it is proposed

22 Dover Rd
Birkdale
Southport
14 Dec. 96

Bedford Pierce.
Dear friends,

I am in receipt of thy letter of the 11th inst. & understand that at Menstone Asylum, the Authorities are willing to take C. Bentley at the rate of 20/. per week for the six months.

My wife & I have been talking over this matter again in its various bearings – & we have come to the conclusion that it would be unadvisable to remove him from the care of Friends – Owing to his resourceful & active mind

there is difficulty in dealing with C. Bentley which is no doubt trying to those in charge of him but we feel that he is better understood where he is & would be found very troublesome also at Menstone & much more at the mercy of attendants.

We feel your position in a trying case like this is - but we must at the same time consider for the best on behalf of our brother. It has been a serious case for us for over twenty years.

Hoping Mrs Pierce & baby are doing well - With kind regards

I remain
Yr friend sincerely
Samuel Gill.

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West Riding Asylum,
Menston,
nr. Leeds, 10th December 1896

Dear Dr Pierce,

re Charles Bentley.

Bentley

I have brought your letter of the 5th inst before my Committee. I have to inform you that they have decided to take the patient for a period of six months, on condition, that the undertaking for his maintenance here at the rate of 20/- per week is properly filled up. Of course you will understand that the patient being an Epileptic and dangerous to those about him will have to be treated in wards where by far the larger proportion of his fellow patients will be pauper lunatics, and I have some fear that the friends of the patient may raise some objection to his surroundings.

Yours sincerely.

J. Mc Dowall

From

A. SPARKES,

IRONMONGER,

GAS FITTER, BELL HANGER, COPPER SMITH,

HOT & COLD WATER ENGINEER &c.

E. S. & A. ROBINSON LTD BRISTOL.

MALVERN, Dec 12 189

To B Pierce

Dear Friend

In reply to your enquiry re. J. C. Dixon, I think it is a particularly suitable case for relief in the way you suggest. I sent your letter on to G. B. Witherall who knows more of the case than I do, & enclose his reply.

I am Sincerely

A Sparkes.

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Memorandum

From G. B. WETHERALL,

12 mo 11 1896

35, HIGH ST., WORCESTER.

To A Sparkes

Dear Friend

a short time ago. I had a long letter from J W Dixon. Going into the accumulated balance fully and I may state from my knowledge of his means. the Suggested action of the Retreat Com^e would be exceedingly helpfull to J W D^n in my judgment he is deserving of help. The arrears amounts to £25- not long ago I hope you will accord the course Suggested - by Dear

I think the allowance now made together with reduced Charges will only leave him the deficit to repay —

And I find that very little writing tires it so that most of my correspondence is dictated. but I wished to write myself to thank you for your letter.

With kind regards

Yours very truly

Jas: Greig Souter.

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BARNWOOD HOUSE,
GLOUCESTER.

Dec: 11 1896.

Dear Peice.

Thank you for your kind letter. It was a very great pleasure to me to see you & the two members of your Committee at Barnwood and I am glad that we had something to show which interested you.

I hope to stop at York on my way from Scotland next year at holiday time & to go to see you & the Retreat.

My hand regains power slowly

89, WESTBOROUGH,

(Opposite the Londesbro' Theatre),

W. W. GIBSON,
TAILOR AND GENERAL
OUTFITTER.

Scarbro', Dec 14 1896

To Mr Redfearn Senr

The Retreat York

Dr Sir

Under the advice of Dr Sayle we are thinking of trying a change for my sister — doubtless you will remember the case about 18 Months ago — She has been in Scotland 15 Months — will you kindly send your lowest terms of admission — We are paying 100£ per annum now & cannot afford more as the Ab[sent] has nothing in her own right Brother & I as Trustees are allowing it out of the Trust (Father) In the event of us deciding her removal would it be necessary to get any documents from the Commissioners of Lunacy or from any Govern[men]t official in Scotland

Yours Respectfully

Wm W Gibson

Kennett
Torquay -
Dec. 6. 96

Dear Dr. Pierce.

In Answer to your letter of yesterday, I think I have sufficient to pay for M.O. Miles for one more Quarter - viz - from Dec. 31st to Mar. 31st but I can promise no more than I am trying to get more Subscriptions. I

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Am Yours
faithfully
P. M. Robson

Kindly address
Miss P. M. Robson
Kennett
Torquay —
I shall be glad of
the Acct. at the end
of the year & will
then Send Cheque.

reduced terms - Which
I trust will be granted -
should date from the
1st of Janry in the New Year
which is the Commencement
of another quarter. -

Believe me
Dear Sir
Yours very Faithfully
J Hewellow

Dr Bedford Pierce -

Talbgrave
Scarborough -

Oct 10th
1896

Dear Dr Pierce

May I through you
request the Kind Consideration
of the Committee of Manage
ment of the Retreat, - to
the necessity I am under
of appealing to them - for
a reduction of terms in
the case of my daughter
Annie - She has already
been 5½ years in the Retreat
- her Mental Condition is
worse - & we fear that humanly
speaking, the Chances are

Next

against her recovery. —
We wish to make a family
settlement - and to guarantee
a fixed sum for her maintenance
at the Retreat - that is for
her board & lodging - exclusive
of extras & disbursements
& washing - which would
have to be dealt with separately
- It would be a relief
to us - with our diminished
sources of income and our
largely increased Claims -
if the Committee would
consent - to a payment
Quarterly of £8 - instead
of £4 " 2 " 6 as heretofore -
according to our daughter
her same privileges
at Redcliffe as she
has so far had - that is
the associated rooms and
her board. We are perfectly
satisfied with - and thankful
for the attention and kindness
to our child - and as for our
all accounts - No change
would be likely - to be attended
with good results - therefore
we desire She should remain
where, we know she is well
cared for - May I rely
on your good services
in our behalf - and may
I further beg that - the

Morley House
Morley Nr Leeds
11th Dec 1896

Dear Friend

Some days ago I had an interview at York Station with Dr Baker and one of your Assistants with reference to my sister in law Miss Eva Wright who is about 25 years of age.

She was formerly under the care of Dr Baker for a short time as a private patient but owing to her relatives not being in a

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deductions for repairs loss of rent &c.

Dr Baker can I think tell you of the connection of some members of my family and others with whom I have been closely associated with the Retreat and probably this will be known to some members of the Committee. In view of this I hope as low a sum may be fixed as is considered reasonable.

Will you kindly let me know what this would be and if it be such as the family can afford whether you would undertake the arrangements connected with the removal and whether this could be done before Xmas.

Believe me
Sincerely your friend
R. Borough Hopkins

The Medical Superintendent

position to pay a suitable sum for her as a private patient she was upwards of a year ago removed to Mavisbank.

Her relatives are anxious to have her removed nearer home and would very much like this to be done before Xmas -

Will you please say whether she could be admitted into the Retreat - Dr Baker would I feel sure gladly give you any particulars as to her case -

The question of payment is an important one - She is one of a family of five daughters without father but whose mother is living - Three daughters are married - The other resides with her mother

The income of the family is about £300 per year payable to the mother during her life out of which the payment for the patient has to be made.

It is derived principally from land and therefore is consequently subject to occasional

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESSES,

REGISTER, SHEFFIELD.	TELEGRAM. LONDON.

London Office,
447, Oxford Street, W.

Phœnix Foundry, Sheffield,

November 17 1896.

Trade Mark for Radiators—SUNBEAM.

Dear Sir,

We duly received Mr. Wedmore's letter this morning and as requested at once telegraphed you "that" we expect to send chests on Friday next "this we now confirm. We can assure you that we much regret the chests have been longer in hand than we hoped or expected, but we think we have succeeded in making them such as will give you & the Committee satisfaction.

We remain

Yours truly

Longden & Co

Dr Bedford Pierce
York.

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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESSES,

REGISTER, SHEFFIELD. | TELEGRAM. LONDON.

London Office,
447, Oxford Street, W.

Phœnix Foundry, Sheffield,

Nov. 23rd 1896

Trade Mark for Radiators—SUNBEAM.

Dear Sir

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of your message that the two steam chests have arrived. & have arranged for two men to leave for York by the first train in the morning we hope that they will be able to fix all to your liking. If there is anything that you wish them to do, please tell them so that they can do it whilst there.

We remain

Yours truly

Rougden & Co

Dr Bedford Pierce
York

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82 Horton Road,
Bradford 14. 11. 1896,

My dear Friend,

At the suggestion of our mutual friend J. S. Rowntree, who very kindly took the trouble to call and confer with thee respecting my son Arthur W. Crosby, now a resident boarder at Dunston Lodge, near Gateshead. He is under care as an inebriate, and his term will expire at the end of the year. If he makes sufficient progress, I should like to try him in a comfortable private lodging, at a reasonable price, for another six months, and should be very glad if thou could help me to find a suitable home for him, if it would

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not trouble thee too much
or interfere with thy important
duties. I would also be
glad to know, if my son were
to send to the Retreat, an
application to be received as
a voluntary boarder, if the
rules of the Institution would
permit of it — I am sorry
to give thee any trouble, but
no one knows better than —
thyself how to excuse a parent
placed in so painful a position
by so sad a cause — Favour
me with a line, when time
will allow, and believe me,

Thy Sincere friend,
Henry N. Crossley.

Bedford Pierce M.D.
York.

M.

STEADMAN & VAN PRAAGH.

23, OLD BROAD STREET, E.C.

11 Nov 189 6

Dear Sir

We are making an application in Lunacy with reference to the management of the property of Mr Austin Saffe and the Authorities require an Affidavit by you before proceeding in the matter to shew that he is incapable of managing his own affairs &c. Will you kindly alter the enclosed draft in any way you think well and return it to us by Monday morning with a Copy of the Order referred to in the Affidavit so that we may prepare it for the Commissr to mark it when you swear the affidavit -

Yours truly

Steadman & Van Praagh

Dr Pierce
The Retreat
York

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West Riding Asylum,
Menston,
nr Leeds. 19th November 1896

Dear Dr Pierce,

I have telegraphed you this morning that it will be necessary to remove Hannah Field on or before the 22nd inst, unless you can provide me with an undertaking for her maintenance after that date. She might remain here as a pauper patient provided her Union accept the chargeability. The cost of maintenance for an Out County patient is 14/- per week. I am sorry to hurry you in this matter, but find that her quarter terminates on the 22nd inst, and as you have given me notice that no further payment will be made after the expiration of the quarter I I am unable to take any other course.

Yours sincerely.

J. G. McDonald

Friends' Provident Inst.ⁿ
Bradford
20/X/96

Dear Friend

re F. Paull Naish

I am obliged for the forms received this morning. I am experiencing some difficulty in getting the Order signed, as the Stipendiary Magistrate here to whom I applied said he could not do as Morecambe, where F.P.N. last resided was not within his jurisdiction. I told him I did not think there was any question of jurisdiction, but he would not see it in that light.

I am going over to Morecambe tomorrow and I shall try to get the necessary signature there - but in case I should not succeed would you kindly send me a few lines here saying that the question of jurisdiction does not affect the case if that is so.

I spoke to Dr Rabagliati this morning about a matter I omitted to mention when at York & he said he would write to you on the subject.

We are very anxious to know how F.P.N. is and whether he settled down comfortably. May we trouble you to send a few lines in the enclosed envelope.

I suppose we may write to him.

Yours very truly,
Ay Harris

Bedford Pierce M.D.
Friends' Retreat
York

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Dear Dr Pierce,

Since seeing you at York I have been wanting to send you our business address, which I did not leave with you then, enclosed please find our card.

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I was very sorry to hear that my Father was so unwell shortly after my Mother's last visit, and at the end of hope that he is somewhat better again now. I hope either my brother or myself may be able to come over & see him some afternoon fairly soon, but we had better write you a few days beforehand so that we may know how he is.

With kind regards from my brother and myself, I am, Yours sincerely

Richard Burtt

Millfield House,
York. 19th Nov. 1896

Dear Dr Pierce,

I have written to
Dr McDowall tonight
saying I will pay
£1. per week for H.
Field for ten weeks
longer, which will
give a little more time
for proper arrangement

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to be made.

If you will let me know a convenient time for me to call upon you, I can then tell you how I am advised.

I am sorry I cannot return you Mr. McDowall's letter this evening as all my people have gone to the Chrysanthemum Show.

Believe me
Yours very truly
Mary A. Wilberforce

Friends' Provident Instn
Bradford
23/x/96

Dear Friend
re F. Paull Naish

I got the Order for Reception signed on Saturday and now send it herewith together with the accompanying papers and hope all will be found to be in good order.

I shall be glad to hear from you on the question of terms, and when you write will you kindly send me a copy of your prospectus as I left the one you sent me last week behind at York.

I am much obliged for Dr Makenzie's letter received this morning.

We shall be glad to learn your views on the general prospects of the case (recovery or otherwise) as soon as you are able to give them.

Yours faithfully
Hy Harris

Bedford Pierce M.D.
Friends' Retreat
York

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TELEGRAMS:-"PAPE, NEWCASTLE."

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Your obedient Servant
W Page.

at the £2/2/0 a week terms.
No doubt you will have or can get
the necessary papers from the
Comm of Lunacy White hall
& if sent to me I will sign
& if you will inform me how
long this will take I will write
& give Dr Eastwood notice
I am going to remove him, how
long notice do you think he
would require a week or a month
but I want it done at once as I think
we shall be more comfortable with You

LINACRE,
WANSTEAD RD,
BROMLEY, KENT.

13th Nov. 1896.

Dear Sir

I return herewith the agreement form duly signed; I quite understand the terms £2.2.0 per week will not include clothing and washing; Miss Croxon does not take Stimulants.

I agree to provide

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the necessary clothing upon receiving notice of what is required from time to time.

Kindly say whether you will have a vacancy after next week; so that I may make arrangements with Dr. Phillips for the removal.

I am

Yrs faithfully

R. Bridges

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North Shields,

1 Encl.

26th Novr 1896.

Dear Sir I am in receipt of your letter of the 25th inst for which I thank you.

Mrs Hadaway would not return to the Retreat unless she was literally forced to do so & that would do her a great deal of harm. I must therefore ask you to discharge her.

It is very sad that she should continue ill for such a long time but I hope in a short time she will improve & finally get quite better. Her illness has been very depressing to me.

I dare say all the people in the Post Office know me I did not therefore care to write you this morning although I know they are sworn to secrecy. I therefore enclose the form with Stamp on it

With my kindest regards & thanks to Dr Pierce, Miss Cocks & your good self Believe me

Yours faithfully
GEO Hadaway

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30/11/96

Dear Dr Pierce,

Will you hear this poor man's story and read P Thorp's letter. — Many pudding cake is urgent — but I believe the best thing would be to let the Parish deal with ~~the case~~ — This would result in Bootham Asylum being selected — She must go somewhere at once — She was out of doors twice last week raked. The brother will come on to see the Overseers 7.30 — let me have my views if possible.

Sincerely Yours Conings

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23. OLD BROAD STREET, E.C.

26 Nov 1896

Dear Sir

Your affidavit has been delayed until the application was on the point of being made as the Lunacy Authorities always require Doctors' evidence to be not more than about a fortnight old. We have so much difficulty in finding out what Mr Martin Joffey's estate consists of, hence the delay in getting the Affirmation of Estate sworn which we hope to accomplish this week so that if you will kindly swear the enclosed affidavit and four exhibits on Monday and send them that day we can issue our Summons on Tuesday next.

You will observe we want you to add a fresh paragraph at the end, as short as you please, of a further interview with Mr Martin Joffey and, if so, showing that he is still of unsound mind. Your last interview referred to in the affirmation having taken place a fortnight since. We will of course pay you your

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nonal favs for your humble
in reference to the enclosed

Yours truly

Theodorus Van Wagenen

The Hon
Peter
The Recorder
of York

Nov. 29. 1896

MORLAND,
CHISLETT ROAD,
WEST HAMPSTEAD. N.W.

Dear D. Pierce:—

My brother came here yesterday with Mrs. T. Thompson, and is now with me. We had a walk this morning.

But it is quite out of the question his remaining in my household for more than a day or two — he is so very far from well. Though quite rational at times he is irritable and under many delusions. We dare not

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leave him alone for even a few minutes. I am therefore making arrangements to remove him tomorrow to the care of Dr Graves Benton (Beaconsfield House High Road, Ealing Dean) who, if he cannot take him in will place him under his own immediate supervision with his partner Dr. G. Hope of Grosvenor House, Uxbridge Road, Ealing Dean. I shall myself go the same day to the office of the Commissioners in Lunacy to repeat the transfer & get their sanction.

I do not propose to keep my brother long at Ealing — it is too expensive. If in a fortnight there is no improvement the question must be considered of his re-transference to York. He is looking stronger than he did last week & eats well. So far there is improvement. But the muscular semi-rhythmic twitching of the body indicates trouble somewhere that gives cause for anxiety.

I am, dear Dr. Pierce
Yours sincerely,
Sidney P. Thompson

D. Bedford Pierce

Telegraphic Address—
PHILIPPS, VIRGINIA WATER
Railway Station,
VIRGINIA WATER, S.W.R.

St. Ann's Heath,
Virginia Water

17 Nov. 1896

Dear Pierce

Of course if Mrs Acreson does not improve with you she will have to go to her county asylum. But I am in hope that she will. Otherwise she is such a particularly pleasant useful person

Certainly Barnwood is the very easiest and [illegible] case to manage that one could be. Its fault is that it is in no valley road or a hole. So it gets a bad climate. Here we have the best of climates & the most foolish of buildings. But we make it do somehow.

We have some big cracks on hand now.

But we pay our way decently. We have

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With all good wishes

Yours most truly

S. R. Pankhurst

26 Peterson Road
3/12/96

Dear Dr Purce

I think Mr. E. Bancroft is a little undecided, fearing whether she would settle and also the amount of remuneration she would have. Some of her friends seem to oppose it very strongly, I am of the opinion that she would be very suitable. But I think it all rests with the remuneration. As regards my father signing the power of attorney we should have to contest that he did not know what he was signing, and that it was the excrescences

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of the case that caused us to act as we did, namely, my long illness of six years, and throw ourselves upon the mercy of the court. Our business was not sufficient, we could not draw the dividends without power to do so, we did not know and never dreamt of any second will, knowing that he was not competent to make one. Under the first will which was left all to me with the exception of one legacy of £5-0 we were injuring no one and so we did what seemed right under the circumstances.

This will I could never accept; it is fraudulent and unjust, and a blot upon my father's memory, and treats my husband with such great injustice whom he has spent his all in retaining me to health & in keeping me in health; if he cannot share with me I will have none of it. So if a compromise can not be agreed upon there is nothing but contesting it. We try to leave it as much as we can and not worry about it.

I am with kind regards

yours sincerely

M. A. Edmondson

any average business man that my father is not reasoning rationally.

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely

Charles S. Jaffe

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138, SUTHERLAND AVENUE.
W.

Dec 3rd/96

Dear Dr Pierce.

I regret to hear that you have been troubled by the serious illness of a relative.

As regards the letters you sent me, they are as you know addressed for the most part to Jewellers, and dealers, such as my father met at Newcastle. The danger is that if correspondence

one commences, it will grow steadily, especially if these people think they can make money out of it.

If you think you will be able to prevent difficulties of this kind arising, I do not mind the letters going.

I am not myself forwarding those you sent me, and it seems to me that if you told my father, ~~that~~ think back that it is only waste of time writing letters to Jewellers and pawnbrokers as you in your discretion think they should not be sent and that he is not in a fit state of health to transact business, the bother would probably come to an end.

As regards the order to Court, ~~you~~ I am informed that there is no reason to anticipate any opposition in legal form to the receivership.

As regards the opinion of a Jury ~~to~~ ~~to~~ if it were necessary to obtain one, I beg to differ from you, even the letters I have received this morning show ~~that~~

STEADMAN & VAN PRAAGH.

23. OLD BROAD STREET, E.C.

16 Decr 1896

Dear Sir

re Martin Saffe

The Master in Lunacy has today allowed us to withdraw the Summons for appointment of Receivers that we have conferred personally with the above named we cannot say what course will be adopted but the Master intimated that as he demanded a Jury nothing could be done without an Inquisition.

We may intimate to you that in future we shall act solely for Mr Martin Saffe

Yours truly

Steadman & Van Praagh

Dr Pierce

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The Retreat,

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and ask to give your design and

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Dear Sir.

We received your letter of the 2nd inst, unfortunately our Mr C. F. Longden had gone away for a few days, so are only now able to reply. The best answer seems to be a personal one & Mr C. F. Longden proposes coming over to see you, will you please therefore name a day most convenient to yourself but not on a Saturday & please arrange that the two chests shall be quite cold so that a complete test may be made when he comes.

Awaiting the favour of your reply.

We remain
Yours truly
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80 Station Road
South Shore
Blackpool
13 Dec. 1896

My dear Dr Pierce

Mr Sidebottom has written to say he wishes to come over here for a day. I was afraid he had thin views when he sent me word he could have a day away with-

your consent by speaking
to you or to the
doctor in charge
of the Retreat -
Mr. Sidebottom is in
your case and
you have had very
opportunely - I know
how very violent
he can be, so
if you do give
him leave to come
here, the responsibility
will have to rest
entirely upon you
in every way -
I have not answered
his letter and
shall not do so
until I hear from
you -
I intended coming
over to see him
this month, but
I will not fix anything until I get
your reply -
Believe me
Yours sincerely
E. A. Sidebottom

I do not know if
Mr. Sidebottom knows
this or not as the
family wish it
kept quiet. I have
not told him -
Will - Kind regards
Believe me
Yours sincerely
E. A. Sidebottom

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he is very discontented & grumbling, and wishful to have a change — I do not know if I ever told you that Mr Sidebottom is not the only case in his family, his sister & a brother were affected in a similar way and during the last few weeks his youngest brother has gone abroad in the case of a doctor suffering from attacks of depression when at home

80 Slaton Road
South Shore
Blackpool
17 Dec. 1896

My dear Dr Pierce,

I hope to come over & see Mr Sidebottom either Monday or Tuesday next week, if the weather permits; as I am not strong I could not come if it should be very cold or very foggy, so I write not say anything to Mr Sidebottom until

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nearer the time -
If you refer to my
letter you will find
I stated you had
ever opportunity
not ample opportunity
of knowing about
Mr Sidebottom and
I think you had, for
I referred you to
Mr Humphreys and
& Dr Jake, and
Dr Jake had the
Commissioners report
and also the
reports of the various
doctors under whose
care Mr Sidebottom
had been, for some
years previous to the
his coming
Retreat -
It is because Mr
Sidebottom has been
so much quieter
at the Retreat than
elsewhere that I am
so wishful for him
to remain with you
although at times

Newham Place
Christch
Dec 16. 96

Dear Sir

My Cabman drove into the Station, after the train had left this morning, & the second time he has played me the same trick & will be the last. What makes it more aggravating to me is that every

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My friends, I am
sorry for my punctuality
I hope under the
circumstances you
will excuse me not
keeping the appointment
& trust me that the train
does not go without me
another time if you
can make it convenient
to see me any other
day between Xmas & then.

Yours truly
Edward Richardson

Would you Kindly
telegraph on Saturday
as I should need to
leave Haslemere by
an early train on
Monday.

Believe me
Yours truly
Caroline S. McCarthy

Dec. 18. 1896

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Monday
9 A.M.

High Street
Haslemere
Surrey.

Sir,

My Mother wishes
me to thank you for
the information sent
regarding the Retreat.
If it will be convenient
for you to see me on
Monday afternoon, I
will come to York by

the train arriving at 4.40
From the papers you
sent us think my
sister would be happy
in the Institution.
My Mother is not in
a position to pay
more than 2 guineas
a week but we wonder
if her connection with
the Society of Friends
would enable my sister
to have a separate bed-
room for ten shillings.
As we do not feel
she is sufficiently
deranged to bear being
put to sleep with others.
If inconvenient for
you to see me on
Monday after noon

134, Osmaston Road,
Derby, Dec 25. 1896.

Dear Sir,

I have to thank you for your letter of 23rd inst. and to say that I shall be very glad to do what is necessary in regard to the certificates on receipt of them from your good selfs. I was guided in the matter by Dr. Bethel of Bridgnorth and naturally considered he would

pleasure of a short interview with you.

Wishing you the compliments of the season

I am dear Sir,

Yours faithfully

S. Worrall

Please keep both the letters we send them in to-day. S.W.

Bedford Pierce Esq
York.

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be quite capable of doing what was necessary.

I have also to thank you for your communication thro' Mr. Stannard, which I received this morning - and for yr kindness in taking charge of my daughters jewelry.

I am not surprised that my daughter should be somewhat unsettled at this season, as it is the anniversary of a very happy time - but I know that in her best moments she has great faith in your institution and most willingly agreed to enter it when I named it to her on Sunday last.

I shall remit to Mr. Woods in a post or two - & hope very shortly to get over to York & have the

a new line of treatment, and it seemed a risk to the patient and an injustice to us to make a change at such a juncture. My prognosis so far as it went was correct. Dr Brown (assistant) and I have devoted much pains to her and she is laying on weight and steadily improving. She is a delusional case with a

BILSTON LODGE,
LOANHEAD,
MIDLOTHIAN.

Dec. 17.

My dear Price,

I am very much annoyed to find that Miss Wrights people have played me false in this matter. I wrote them about a month ago urging them to let the patient remain as she seemed to me to be turning a corner, as had begun

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delusion that we cannot elicit, but which apparently bids her allow herself to expire but forbids violent means to that end. When left to herself, she sits crouched up in bed, & does not eat.

We have her under a modified Wm Mitchell treatment, & are washing out her stomach (for chronic dyspepsia) and we are finding her by the turn. It takes 3 people to dress her, to undress her, to feed her, to give her exercise. But as I said she is improving, and I shall be very much annoyed if these people take her out of her hands & spoil a good case.

I shall write to the mother on the subject. In any case it would not be safe for her to travel now.

Kindest regards & good Christmas to you both

yours sincerely E. R. Wilson

28 Servia Mount
Servia Road Leeds

December 29-/896

Dear Dr Pierce

I send you two night Dresses for my Sister I hope she is improving I have made enquiries about her and have been informed she was just the same, and she needed 2 night Dresses, So I send them, I think if you will kindly send me word Direct it will Satisfy me better as to how she is, and give me your opinion about her I have felt very uneasy about her so please let me know and if she is in need of anything else if you will send me word I will attend to it

I remain yours
Respectfully
Geo Dudding

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65 Lord Street
Birkenhead;
Dec. 31st 95

Dear Friend;
Dr Bedford Pierce;

We were sorry not to have the pleasure of seeing you, but were pleased to find dear Martyn looking so well. W. C. Braithwaite kindly gave me a small present towards an overcoat; I hope the one we have selected will prove comfortable it may want a little alteration the sleeves being a triple long; I also bought

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a pair of boots; as we were limited for time, it is possible they may require altering also but I have no doubt you will kindly attend to dear brother to see about it. (if necessary). —

We took advantage of the quarter-fare, whilst my husband was in work in case of his being suspended work being now rather slack.

Please accept our united best wishes for a very happy New Year

I am

Yrs very sincerely

Mary K. Bright.

SUNDERLAND BOROUGH ASYLUM,
RYHOPE,
SUNDERLAND.

October 16th 1896.

My dear Pierce,

I enclose you a copy of our Rules which have received the sanction of the Home Secretary and also a proof copy of the Regulations and Orders for Attendants, Nurses and other officials

I also send you a copy of our

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intimation of death to the relatives which is sent by the Clerk when he sends the statutory notice of death.

We have had a very bad accident here today by an attendant. A patient who was a hemiplegic and tapping from a general Paralysis ran up the water spouting from the airing court got on to the roof and ascended a chimney stack. Charge - Attendant -

James Anderson – his name is worth recording – promptly followed the patient, got him down from the chimney stack and held him on the ridge of the roof till we could get ladders and other help. With great difficulty we got the patient down unharmed – and the Attendant – only got a few scratches though nearly falling several times. The Attendant – was a good deal exhausted by the effort of the length of time before we could help him.

I have thought – it right – to send a proper account – of the affair to the local papers for fear of a garbled account getting in.

I must get the Committee to reward Anderson, for it was indeed a very brave action.

I get as you may imagine considerably shaking by the event.

With kind regards to you all

Yrs sincerely

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&c.

Dear Sir

Mr Sarony has no objection to your opening out a door on the top storey - but it is not possible to make the opening in a passage owing to the difference in level of our building & yours on the North side of the house. On the South side Mr Sarony could not allow an opening as that would involve coming through into one of the bedrooms.

Yours truly
Sarony

D. Pierce

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Private

MORLAND,
CHISLETT ROAD,
WEST HAMPSTEAD. N.W.

Oct 19. 1896

Dear Dr. Pierce:

After spending the day in my brother's company I feel as if I had some grounds to go upon in offering you some remarks as to his state. Though he is manifestly stronger in many ways it is clear that he is yet far from well, and apparently just at that sensitive critical stage in recovery when much care may be needed. Two things he needed exercise in open air, rest in an easy posture, and plenty of food, to enable him to get up his strength & recover flesh.

I shall hear from my brother William in a day or two how Tom is; perhaps I may write you again then. This letter needs no reply, unless there is any point that you think needs attention, or in which I can do anything for my brother's benefit.

Believe me

Yours sincerely

Sidney P. Thompson

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struck me:— first that though he will not admit it when questioned, there is bodily uneasiness, if not at times pain, in the region of the bladder; secondly that his favourite posture — namely sitting leaning forward on a chair — is one of the worst if any such trouble still exists. Ought he not to lie on a sofa several times during the day? We tried to get him to lie down at my brother's house, but he would not.

The next point is that I am strongly convinced that if it were not for the fear of a return of (1) the bodily trouble (2) the state in which food is refused, he would be much better at home or elsewhere than in the Retreat. In spite of all your admirable arrangements, and the great kindness shown on all hands to him — kindness which some day he will appreciate as warmly as I do — I am sure that the surroundings have a very depressing effect on him.

He was very reluctant — evidently, even to tears — to quit my brother's house to enter the cab to take him back to Headington Road.

I tried to persuade him that

4 Westbourne Park
October 5. 1896.

Dr Pierce.

Dear Sir.

Will you please accept & convey to the Committee my grateful thanks for your great kindness in receiving my Daughter, & giving her more than three months training &c. I

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have highly appreciated
& valued the kindly care
& consideration shewn
her from the highest
Official to the lowest.

Believe me
Yours very sincerely
Jane Kendall

4 Westbourne Park
October 7. 1896

Dear Sir,

I am very much disappointed to find from your letter that there is no prospect whatever of getting a situation for my Daughter. She has done her best to please, her work is satisfactory to herself & all concerned. & I think it is very hard on her & her relatives to have her sent

home like this with no
prospect but the probability
of a speedy relapse into
her former condition.
I feel sure that if the
facts of the case were can-
didly placed before the
committee, that with their
well known kindness &
humanity they would
take her back & the
retreat to continue
work she is so manifestly
able & willing to do, if not
for good, at any rate
until we could advertise
or hear of something
suitable.
I have consulted Mr. Teale
who says he will gladly
write to the Committee
if that will help you, or
my other daughter could
come over & lay the facts
of the case before them
Believe me
Yours very sincerely
Jane Hendeles

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Memorandum.

30th Novr 1896

From
Barber Bros & Wortley.
Alliance Chambers. George St
Sheffield.

To S. E. Woods Esq
Friends Retreat
York

Dear Mr Woods

I enclose you a copy of Sect 101 subsec 1 of the Stamp Act 1891 from which you will see that any acknowledgment of a sum of money of £2 & over requires a penny stamp. As to who may affix the stamp the Act says the person giving the receipt must cancel the stamp before the receipt leaves his hands.

P.T.O.

The penalty for not stamping is £10 and I think it would be well to have the acknowledgments from Scarbro & elsewhere stamped in the future.

Mr Waller will be glad to see the extract from the act as it will I think affect the receipts of the meeting &c &c which he spoke of.

With Kind regards

Yours truly

A Duncan Barber

Stamp Act 1891
Sec 101 subsec 1

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We shall be pleased to allow for carriages, + should not have charged this, but the instrument was cut down at a very fine price.

We are surprised to see you have taken the 10/- off list price, + if it was quoted you @ £115 in our letter of March 2nd it was purely a clerical error, however we shall have to allow it as quoted, but was not intended, as there is very little margin for profit after so big a discount of 35% is deducted.

We enclose price list for your inspection

Yours respty

J Brayshaw

R.J. suggests replying as under Yr quotation of (date) was clearly £110, as you will see on reference to yr letter wh I enclose for perusal & return. But of this was a clerical error we do not wish to take advantage of it & are in yr hands. Await your reply. Re putting the matter forward to the Directors for decision I had of course stated the offer in exact accordance with yr letter. I return yr list

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etc. etc. etc.

Price-List.

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Model No. I C. The Concert-Grand.

Length 8 feet 11 in., width 5 feet 3 in., 7⅓ Octaves from G to G with Duplex Scale, Metal-Tuningblock in the Belted Cuirass-Fin-Plate, Iron-Frame in + Construction, Brass Studs, Inaudible Metal-Check-Action, Strings mounted according to the American System, Kaps-Soundingboard (registered D. G. M. No. 114871), finest Ivory-Keys, Riveted Hammers etc. etc.

in *Black*, Ebonized case . . . . . Guineas **200,**
in finest, speckled *Walnut* case . . . . . Guineas **210,**
in finest, *Rosewood* case . . . . . Guineas **210.**

Model No. II H. The Drawing-Room-Grand (page 3).

Length 7 feet 1 in., width 4 feet 10 in., 7⅓ Octaves from A to C, with Kaps-Resonator-Scaling (formerly registered D. R. P. No. 41417), Kaps-Double-Overstring-Scaling (formerly Patent), Duplex Scale, Metal-Tuningblock in the Belted Cuirass-Fin-Plate, Iron-Frame in + Construction, Brass Studs, Inaudible Metal-Check-Action, Strings mounted according to the American System, Kaps-Soundingboard (registered D. G. M. No. 114871), finest Ivory-Keys, Riveted Hammers etc. etc.

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in finest, speckled *Walnut* case . . . . . Guineas **130,**
in finest *Rosewood* case . . . . . Guineas **125.**

Model No. III C. The Boudoir-Mascagni-Grand (page 5).

Length 5 feet 6 in., width 4 feet 10 in., 7⅓ Octaves from A to C, with Kaps-Resonator-Scaling (formerly registered D. R. P. No. 41417), Duplex Scale, Metal-Tuningblock in the Belted Cuirass-Fin-Plate, Iron-Frame in + Construction, Brass Studs, Inaudible Metal-Check-Action, Strings mounted according to the American System, Kaps-Soundingboard (registered D. G. M. No. 114871), finest Ivory-Keys, Riveted Hammers etc. etc.

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Upright-Grand-Pianofortes.

Model No. IV Aa. The Concert-Upright-Piano (page 6).

Height 4 feet 10 in., width 5 feet 3 in., *overstrung*, 7⅓ Octaves from A to C, with Metal-Tuningblock in the Belted Cuirass-Fin-Plate, Gilt Iron-Frame in ⊔ Construction, Metal-Patent-Check-Action, Screwed Boards, Strings mounted according to the American System, Kaps-Soundingboard (registered D. G. M. No. 114871), finest Ivory-Keys, Riveted Hammers etc. etc.

in *Black*, Ebonized case . . . . . Guineas **80,**
in finest *Walnut* case with dim feather trim . . . . . Guineas **90,**
in finest *Rosewood* case . . . . . Guineas **85.**

Model No. V Ae. The Drawing-Room-Upright-Piano (page 7).

Height 4 feet 6 in., width 5 feet 1 in., *overstrung*, 7 Octaves from A to A with Metal-Tuningblock in the Belted Cuirass-Fin-Plate, Gilt Iron-Frame in ⊔ Construction, Metal-Patent-Check-Action, Screwed Boards, Strings mounted according to the American System, Kaps-Soundingboard (registered D. G. M. No. 114871), finest Ivory-Keys, Riveted Hammers etc. etc.

in *Black*, Ebonized case . . . . . Guineas **70,**
in finest *Walnut* case with dim feather trim . . . . . Guineas **80,**
in finest *Rosewood* case . . . . . Guineas **75.**

Model No. VII Dd. The English Marquetry-Upright-Piano (page 10).

Height 4 feet 2 in., width 4 feet 7 in., *overstrung*, 7 Octaves from A to A with Metal-Tuningblock in the Belted Cuirass-Fin-Plate, Gilt Iron-Frame in ⊔ Construction, Metal-Patent-Check-Action, Strings mounted according to the American System, Kaps-Soundingboard (registered D. G. M. No. 114871), finest Ivory-Keys, Riveted Hammers etc. etc.

in *Black* case with chaste Marquetry-work . . . . . Guineas **65,**
in finest, speckled *Walnut* case with chaste Marquetry-work . . . . . Guineas **75,**
in finest *Rosewood* case with chaste Marquetry-work . . . . . Guineas **70.**

Model No. VII E. The English Incised and Gilt Upright Piano (page 11).

Height 4 feet 2 in., width 4 feet 7 in., *overstrung*, 7 Octaves from A to A with Metal-Tuningblock in the Belted Cuirass-Fin-Plate, Gilt Iron-Frame in ⊔ Construction, Metal-Patent-Check-Action, Strings mounted according to the American System, Kaps-Soundingboard (registered D. G. M. No. 114871), finest Ivory-Keys, Riveted Hammers etc. etc.

in *Black* case with incised and gilt decoration . . . . . Guineas **60,**
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Scarboro 1896

Dear Sir

Mr Sarony desires me to say she will order the door to be opened out & the work completed as soon as the premises or your side are at liberty. I am told the bedroom is at present occupied. Also the plaster in area W.C. shall be repaired

She has no objection to your taking the bath out & putting another in Gymleaue the old one to be replaced.

Yours truly
J. W. Parker

D. Pierce

Could you not give us longer for the alterations - 12 hours is very little - The door will require painting round the skirting &c.

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Parkside
Wilmslow
4. XII. 96

Dear Friend, R. S. Lees dec.
S. E. Woods,

Thine dated Oct 16 states "I will get a cheque for £5.5.3 (the balance due to you) at next Committee" —

As the year is nearly at an end — we should be glad to receive this cheque — that we may have no remnant over in making up our a/cs for the Charity Commissioners —

As I explained — Cheshire M. M. did not feel justified in spending its funds (to the amount of 50/.) on a gravestone

Thy friend truly
Edward Pearson

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Postage 1½ must be affixed to Blackdeln

NORTHOVER,
GLASTONBURY.

Dec 26 1896

Dr Friend

J. E. Wood

Jancine 12/-

Which will make up £15.12.0 for next half year. Which repay in advance trip so the last payment should have been also £15.12 instead of £18.4. If this is so Kindly return me £2.12 & make it straight. Yours truly

John Rowland

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TELEGRAMS:—
"STEADMAN, GRESHAM HOUSE."

23. Old Broad Street, E.C.

17 Nov 1896

Dear Sir

re Martin Saffe

Your letter with draft affidavit of Dr Bullard Pain and other indorsements came duly to hand - Your charge of £3. 3. 0 will of course be paid -

We have seen Dr Saffe and shewed him what you say as to the vacant rooms in the East Villa which will have his consideration but he is now in the hands of the Lunacy Authorities and their directions he must be taken in reference to all expenditure on behalf of Mr Martin Saffe.

Yours truly
Steadman & Van Praagh

A. E. Woods Esq
Sec
The Retreat
York

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He is not confined to his bed.
So you see what a comfort
it is having Coales.
Will you however send word
when you want him back
and I will get another.
With kind regards & very many
thanks
Yrs gratefully
Isabella Cruttwell

Moorland House
Whitchurch. Tavistock
Jany 8

Dear Dr. Pierce

I am so much
obliged to you for sending
Coales which was what
did not expect as he had
not been well. It is a
great comfort having him
as my husband likes him.
The other attendant from
London he disliked extremely
& would hardly ever see him.
Of course I must not

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keep Coates against the rules
of the Institution, but I
should be deeply grateful to
have him as long as you can
spare him. My husband
has been exceedingly ill & so
difficult to manage. He hardly
ever slept & would not take
food & has grown so thin &
weak. and his doctor said
yesterday that he could soon
break down completely if he
could not be induced to
take more support.
He is better this morning
having slept & taken much
in the night -

Moorland House.

Whitchurch

Tavistock.

Tuesday.

Dear Sir.

I am sorry that I cannot give you an improved account of Mr. Andrew's condition. he is very feeble both in mind and body. his memory is completely gone. and he is losing all power over his

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urinary organs etc. all his old fire has disappeared, and he is very much racked by his cough, his right lung is very bad, and his nights are very much broken up. of course he neither eats or takes any medicine. and he is difficult to treat in that respect. but I get on very well with him, although it is exceedingly tedious work, with Dr Anderson's temperament.

Obediently yours.

W Coates

Telegraphic Address—
PHILIPPS, VIRGINIA WATER
Railway Station,
VIRGINIA WATER, S.W.R.

St. Ann's Heath,
Virginia Water

11 Nov. 1896

Dear Peirce

Miss Adela Cockson came here just as a Boarder, got well and was put on the staff in charge of an Workroom She also has a two book Ne Plus. This was when we were quite small. We then got a Matrimonial at an Asylum in Jersey. But the Island was too much & she broke down. She came here again as a partner & Manageress from Bethlem. It was never a wise thing to let her come again

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as the hardware been on the shift. And so she has never got better & asleep for days, & often refused water till again. And lately she has developed strong delusions about some of the nurses. I have for some time tried to get her back to more her, so as to give her a chance. Other than with she is an excellent worker. She ought to improve under your care, & I'm very glad you are going to take her.

With all good wishes

Yr. v. truly

S. R. Chilcott

J. H. SIMPSON,
SOLICITOR,
COMMISSIONER FOR OATHS:

Bond Street.
Dewsbury.

14th Dec. 1896.

Dear Sir/

re E. V. Walker.

I observe that the next quarterly account is due on the 31st inst. Will you be good enough to have the account made up & sent to me about the 22nd inst. Mr Woolers yearly account is prepared immediately on the expiration of the year & this item must of course be included.

Yours truly
John. H. Simpson.

D. Peirce
The Retreat
York.

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I owe you a Commission
Dr. Southey –

In haste
Believe me
Yours sincerely
E. A. Sidebottom

80 Station Road
South Shore
Blackpool
28 Dec. 1896

My dear Dr. Pine,
I am writing to
ask if you will let
me have a copy
of your report to
the Commissioners
that you read to
me last Monday,
since Mr. Sidebottom
has been with you
there have only been

the enclosed bill
quarterly reports, and
I should like some-
thing more detailed
Dr Seidel Storer tells
me he is no worse
for my visit -
I thought he looked
in better health than
when I saw him
in August and he
was not so irritable
but he was very
low spirited
himself - As we
left York Station my
old servant who
has lived with us
twenty-one years
said "it would not
be long before the
Master had one of
his stars, if he was
at home" - and I
am sure she was
quite correct -
As soon as I have
time to look over
my papers I will
send you one or two
letters from Dr Luke

our assurance that it is our wish at all times to do our best to serve you.

Yours respectfully
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S. E. Woods Esq The Retreat

Sir

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter and have to express our regret that you have been put to any inconvenience on account of the delay in forwarding Invoices.

We have taken the matter up with the parties in fault and trust you will not have occasion to complain again.

Please accept our thanks for your courteous letter and

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it would appear to me necessarily exclude the reception of impressions - at any rate - I should shrink from - any change wh: would emphasise the gloom & monotony - of an already deadened life. I hope you may be able to get poor Annie to [illegible] any of the entertainments you know - & when the weather permits she may get out for drives. Should you be in Scarboro' - I need not say how much I shd like to see you & shew you her paintings - She was also very musical & fond of literature - but she has passed away into realms of darkness. With kind regds & love. Truly C Howorth

WEST PARK HOUSE.
FALSGRAVE.
SCARBOROUGH.

Dec 21st. 1896

My dear Sir

They to thank you committee through you for the Concession they have made in response to my request - in respect of reducing the terms for the board lodging & Care of my daughter from - £34-2-6 a quarter to 30£ commencing from Jany 1st 1897. - I need not say that the reduction will be somewhat of a relief

although - I should have
been more thankful
had the Committee thought
fit - to agree fully to my
proposal. Thank you
very much for your
kind letter - & your
willingness to bring the
matter forward on my
behalf. As regards
my daughter's accommoda-
while I have full confidence
in any arrangements you
may make for Comfort - I
must express my wish
that she may not be
removed from the
old
Well-known to the Asylum
building - There is a
cheerless aspect in the
latter - wh: I thought
depressing - whereas -
Wells-hill struck me
as very much the opposite.
I cannot help feeling
as regards the sad
condition of the patients -
that cheerful surroundings
& sunlight - go far towards
brightening it -
That chronic and
imperturable state which
is so marked in many
cases - & strikingly so in
my own child - does not

ALEX. CORDER & SONS.
ESTABLISHED 1856.

TELEPHONE 343.

TELEGRAMS :
"CORDER, SUNDERLAND."

21, FAWCETT STREET,
SUNDERLAND.

Nov 16 1896

Dear Friend

I Enclose a cheque for my wife's c/c as Enclosed and regret the delay. I have consulted my brothers and also my son Herbert respecting the charge made at the Retreat & they all Consider the present rate beyond my present means as my income is less than it was and the calls upon it are much greater I wish to have the matter placed before your at its next meeting

Yours Truly
Alex Corder

Dr Pierce

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OLIVER'S MOUNT SCHOOL,
SCARBOROUGH.

Dec.r 14. 1896

To
The Committee of the Friend's Retreat,

On each of the occasions on which we have visited Gainsborough House, we have found everything in a satisfactory state.

Since the new door was finished, and Miss Walker's appartments re-arranged, the house has been in perfect order, clean and comfortable.

It is not easy to have much conversation with the patients, but both Mrs. W. S. Rowntree and myself were present at an 'At Home' last

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week, when all seemed to enjoy themselves very much, and to appreciate the trouble Mrs. Dayton had taken to give them pleasure.

To-day it was delightful to see them looking so happy over their flower-making, and able to forget themselves whilst following Nurse Appleton's instructions.

If other visitors can be easily found, we shall be glad on our own account, and think it must be good for the patients to have a change.

Mary Walton

and for Anna Mary Rowntree.

It is a serious undertaking for me to come to you now. a long drive over rough roads to the Station & back at night then the long journey but am looking forward to it and hope I shall not intend Ellb

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Lee Rule
Upper Clapton
4th of 1st mo 1st
1894

Dear Friend

I am doing my best for my dear son under exacting circumstances and wrote my son Ellb respecting book I sent to him I am reading some you doctor gives no evidence of any hope of change in him

I have been hoping as he got older he might be very different— no doubt the attendants will use what entitate I send according to his own discretion he will no doubt like his friends Thomas Jones Watkins the Doctors J C McKenzie whom I know seen and time happiness in the coming year with kindest regard E Blakey

Copy

The Medical Staff and the Inmates resident at the Retreat bestow their thanks to Mallin Jaffé for his urbanity & cheerful manner, may he bring sunshine & increment wherever he may go

York 21-12-1896

Bedford Pierce Esq
C.O. Manwell
Ch Bro Chas 2nd

J.E. Frood
Secretary

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NEWLANDS HOUSE,
TOOTING BEC ROAD,
TOOTING COMMON.S.W.

3rd January 1897

Dear Dr. Pierce

Pardon me for inflicting the name of Jaffé upon you, but I think it is important to learn what (if any) foundation exists for the following.

M. Jaffé has told me that he received a written testimonial from Jowett and the inmates of the York Retreat, before leaving there a copy of which I send you. M. Jaffé has written out this address in illuminated letters and has requested me to get it framed for him.

M. Jaffé is a very troublesome patient and I am obliged to keep

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a strict watch upon him to prevent mischief, and thanks to the important information you sent me about him, I have known how to deal with him so far.

Yrs truly

Faithfully yours

Edward Hall

work only he seems
to like - As to selling
the original tools I
shall see no objection pro-
-vided he hands the
Proceeds to you to pay
Sundry Accts - As
regards this Box &
Tools if the Coasters
think it safe for him
to have them - Kindly
enclose the P.O.O. order
to Harper & Co - If not
please retain them to

Derby 31st Dec 96

Dear Sir

Yours received
and asking for more
tools and sends the
enclosed letter & description
of a Bore existing 2/6
& also stating he can
sell the first at the pr-

I immediately wrote
to you to beg you not
discourage him in this

& I will write my opinion
on acct of the court, he must
be patronized at present as the
trade he commands.

We have received
very rare specimens of this
work & we much admire

With kind regards
Yours truly
Smith

W. Wood Esq.

J. H. SIMPSON,
SOLICITOR,
COMMISSIONER FOR OATHS.

Bond Street
Dewsbury.
6th Jan.y 1897

Dear Sir/

re S. V. Walker

I am in receipt of your letter of the 4th inst & note its contents - I return Miss Walker's letter, enclosed in yours, & am obliged to you for giving me an opportunity of seeing it -

Will you be good enough to send a certificate to the effect that Miss Walker is alive? If is necessary for Mr. Wooler to make an affidavit each half year certifying the fact that she is in esse in order to receive certain dividends on New Consols -

Last half year she happened to be visiting Mr. & Mrs. Wooler having personally seen her had no need to trouble him for the certificate

Yours truly
John. H. Simpson

Bedford Pierce Esq M.D.

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Telegrams via Coggeshall

Pattiswick Hall, Nr Braintree.

24th 1894

Dear Friend

Yr recipe has sent me statement of a/c. between myself & yours. satisfactory with cheque value. This I have received & returned I do not quite understand how it is made up but take it to be correct & at the same time wish to express to all connected with the Man our great sense of the kind care & attention which

Mrs Smith send what an invalid You will be glad to hear she is keeping very right well -

Sincerely Yours Truly

J Smith

Dr Bedford Pierce

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He is a splendid servant & of a loving disposition.

Hyde Park Road
Leeds
Janᵛ 12/97

Dear Sir,

Your reply to my
Enquiry re Wᵐ H Leaty
came duly to hand this Evening.
He & his wife came to see me
within ten minutes of ~~his~~ its arrival,
& he asked me ~~if he could be~~ any Enquiry
if he consented to ~~him~~ it would be be
allowed to withdraw voluntarily.
I gave him to distinctly to
understand that he would

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not be allowed to do so.
His employers, one of whom I have just seen, have agreed to allow £2-2-0 per week for him for 3 months should it be necessary, & in addition to this to allow his wife £1 for herself & children — so kindly send me on the necessary certificates for his admission in the way you suggest. I read your letter to Mr. Mariner the Senior partner of the firm (Lawyers) & he falls in with your views as being desirable, & they will use their influence with him to voluntarily come to you at your Earliest convenience.
His wife will accompany him. He has an insane fear of dogs & has had for a long time a horror.

Yours faithfully

L. D. Eames

P. S. He will emotionally tell you everything of the past as to his impulses.

The Grove,
Duffield Road,
Derby.

16th Jan 97

Dear Dr Pearce

I enclose cheque for my dues &c for the next quarter in advance.

As there is no Report enclosed

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with respecting his present conductor. It takes to me and there is no change.

I am glad to see he is interesting himself in Worksop — I shall be glad if he continues to do so, only I should wish him not to go too fast in his

cents for same - When
you find it convenient
I shall be glad to a line
from you respecting my
Mines future -
With kind regards
I enclose you a Cryst
& hope you are
I am dear Sir
Yrs Truly
W. Smith

Jan 4. 16. 94.

KENNETT,
TORQUAY.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

Thankyou for Mr. W. Miles' Acct. received yesterday. Iam glad to see Miss Williams has kindly interested herself in his case, & been able to collect £3. 2.

I enclose cheque for the Amt. required.

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£5. 16. 7. which I
shall be glad to have
acknowledged when
convenient -
I have still a little
money over, towards
the following quar-
ter - Hope to get a
little more to add
to it - Love yours
Sincerely
Priscilla M. Robson

10 Nov 96

R.T. replied urging £50 by 17th Nov. or if this impossible £25, as a/c will be then reported. Com.ee not willing to allow a/c to go on as now

Queen Street
Newcastle.
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10 Nov 96

Dear Sir,

I very much regret to think you have had to write to remind me of my engagement. I know I can & must pay them every day & cannot be daily worry & anxiety.

If I had the funds available I should remit at once but I am not

in a position to draw upon my own funds earned in my business etc, & unfortunately my Mothers circumstances have been so circumscribed lately that I have been unable to carry out what I had hoped but will do so shortly I hope you will kindly have patience a few

May 9th Received the Packet of Mary Ryan per Pharaoh Captain Wain, Master

Thanking you

I Remain

Yours truly

Hugh McElligott

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Queen Street
Newcastle.
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Dear Sir. 23 Dec

I am writing to you
to say I am fully mindful
of my engagement but
hope to pay the Account
& Rents for last quarter
from Estate my Mother
devised her proportion &
income has turned my
badly indeed owing
principally to unlet

R J recpd 23 Dec 96

Sorry expected remittance not sent

as now getting locally in arrear again I can only ask Comrades to Continue their 1/- per qr Compromise & you carry this for Xmas keep the agreement.

Please send by 13 Jan the 25 bal. on Any instal. & 75 Nov. instalmt 100 in all

If so R.J. will ask Comrades authority to let Feb 75 stand over till Mar.

Homes & our Shops, on the other hand I am glad to say my own affairs have shown a Marked improvement this last quarter & I shall personally be in front the beginning of the year when I shall have much pleasure in Remitting

I am Dear Sir

Yours very truly

Hugh McAllister

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Queen Street
Newcastle.
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Dear Sir,

Many thanks for your Herald yesterday.

I have pleasure in Enclosing Bank Note for £2.5s.

I hope when the November Rush Comes on to Newcastle you will send Instructions to me immediately. Unfortunately we have 2 horses & 1 shop still unsold.

Yours very truly

Hugh McCallum

Rich[d] Thompson Esq
Cork.

1894

14 Nov 96

R.J. ack^d - saying he would report to Council & wd recom^d 3 or 4 wks extension of time on ~~W~~ the understand^g that H.M.C. remits further on receipt of Nov. rents

21 Nov 96 RJ wrote

£25 Reported to Council
Copy of minute of Nov. enclosed
If satisfactory am't need by
Dec 7. I will omit case
but kindly send by then

Queen Street.
Newcastle.
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11 Feb 97

Dear Sir

I am in receipt of your
Night you have had to
write again but I was
only waiting a few days
to see if I could
include a further cheque
with the Enclosed which
is for £88 : 9 : 4 which
kindly place to credit
of my Mothers account

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Call Mr Wood
Please bank
this cheq &
send Mr McAllum
the usual receipt
Mr Wood has asked him to send the
11.10.8 to make up to 100
by Tuesday and the
not be required to
this reduced to Rs 90 if 10 must

than is Entirely my own
Money, I regret to say
that there are still
Stones which have come
from which I am partially debarred

Yours Dear Sir
Yours very truly
Stephen McAllum

Rich.d Thompson Esq
The Retreat
Ootacamund

22 Dover Rd
Birkdale
Southport
8 Janv. 97.

Bedford Pierce
Dear Friend

Replying to thy letters of 16th ult^o & 6th inst – I may say that we have come to the conclusion that it will be best for Charles – Bentley to remain under your care – Altho' as you say a change would benefit him – yet that would be but a temporary help.

I am sorry to have kept you waiting so long back I think these changes should not be undertaken in a hurried ~~manner~~ manner –

Yr friend sincerely
York – Samuel Gilb. –

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44 22 Dover Rd
Birkdale
Southport
16 Feb. 97

Bedford Sirs,

Dear friend,

Enclosed is Cheque for £11.5.6 in payment of this quarters a/c - I shall be glad of the usual receipt - I'm afraid you cannot report very favorably of C. Bentley his last letter to us was an abusive one - My wife has not been well for some time & has not replies to it -

Hoping you are well

I remain

Yr friend sincerely

Samuel Gill.

The Retreat
York

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3 South View
Lyening Road
West Kane

8-1-97

Dear Mr Peirce.

In reply to
your letter of the 6th we
are about changing the
trustees - Mr Emerson
Charles & myself to be
the new ones - we shall
no doubt be able to
make some satisfactory
arrangements then.
No one will feel more glad
than I to have affairs
settled.

Yours very truly
S. E. Peirce

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Telegraphic Address—
"FURNACES."

SPRING STREET,

HUDDERSFIELD.

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Bedford Pim M.D
The Retreat- York

Dear Sir/

I enclose herewith cheque value £13/0/8 in payment of the current quarters a/c for the maintenance of A.E. Noble-

Kindly acknowledge receipt & send all future communications to this address until further notice- This is in consequence of the death of my late brother J.J. Brook

Yours truly
E Brook

13 Heywood St
Cheetham
Manchester 18/1/97

The Secretary
York Retreat.

Dear Friend -

I have been urged, for a time, to lay the case before the Committee of the Retreat - tho I have not felt clear as to where the regulations come in and have been careful to give no hasty encouragement.

An aged friend - a widow - Elizabeth Hodgson of Heaton Mersey - has had a son, by a former

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husband, under your care - nearly all, or at any rate most of his life - You will know how long. His name is Leonard Aaron Thompson. - I presume, with some diffidence, that he is with us as a "recommended" patient as he pays 15/- a week. Eliz Hodgson - like so many others - has been sadly crippled by "Jarvis Conklin" &c. and every £5 is of double cost & value to her - compared to 4 years ago.

She therefore asks me, if it is a possibly open question to allow her to keep this son with you for a temporarily less payments - in the hope that there may be some salvage for her - from either Wat Kins or Jarvis C. when settled up.

Yours sincere friend

John Galsworthy

13 Heywood St
Cheetham
14 of 2 — 1897

Dear Friend
Dr Pierce

I am indebted to this for thy very explan-atory letter of the 12th re - Leonard H Thompson.
I have waited till to day - to talk to Eliz th Hodgsons (She pays) - Cousin Joseph S. Hodgson.
But as he is not at Md. - I feel I must make some reply. H. is - I see - quite plain that it cannot be settled by your committee Md of the 16th. In the

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first place - I do not think L A F. is a member of the Society at all - tho there may have been peculiar circumstances which led, originally, to his being admitted as a "recommended" patient.

As regards the question of defraying a portion of the payment I do not wish to be hasty - but do am not at all sure that I could recommend the Committee - to allow that to be done - but will report further.

At present my opinion is, that if this son of Eliz. th Hodgson - is a "recommended" patient - who can be admitted, - even for a time, for 12/- that is the only possible way of relief, in the case.

If I get any more light, as I say, I will write.

I am
Yours sincerely
John Addinson

Millfield House,
York. 3rd. Feb. 1897

Dear Dr. Price,

Thank you for your letter, I have written to Dr. Macdowall today telling him that I cannot be answerable for the maintainance of H. Fields at Meadow after the expiration of the 10 weeks, which

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I believe will be on the 7th or 8th inst. - at any rate I began to pay on the 23rd of Nov.

I do hope she will be allowed to stay there - I am sorry I have not been to see her but I have had cold upon cold, so that I have been out very little.

Of course I shall be very glad to assist in providing clothing for Hannah, & am pleased to hear she will be able to wear her own.

With kind regards,
Believe me,
Yours very truly,
W. A. Wilberforce.

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West Riding Asylum,
Menston,
nr Leeds, 4th February 1897

Dear Dr Pierce,

Will you kindly let me know if the Guardians have accepted the case of Hannah Field, and if they wish her to be treated here as an Out County Patient. If not, as Mrs Wilberforce has written to say that she will no longer be responsible for Miss Field's maintenance I hope you will take steps to remove her. It would be well if the Guardians would accept the chargeability from the date on which Mrs Wilberforce ceases to be responsible.

Yours faithfully.

J. G. McDonald

Medical Superintendent.