

## **Papers relating to Martin Jaffe**

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To his honour  
Tracy Turnurelli  
Master in Surgery  
Whitchall  
5<sup>th</sup> W

From  
MARTIN  
JAFFE  
MD



111 in  
JAffe  
MD



The Retreat  
York 3-8-96

To the Master in Surgery

I thank you very  
much for the information  
contained in your favour  
of yesterday, which I handed  
to Mr Norfolk Howard com-  
monly known as Mr  
Jacob.

I have written twice to  
your honour within three  
weeks - These letters were  
forwarded, Contrary  
to the printed notice  
hung in the Dark Room



point blanc on the  
1<sup>st</sup> & am without  
any reply from  
the Commission  
My sons' Co-trustees  
are Pertram and van  
Praagh of the firm  
of Steadman  
van Praagh & Co 23  
Gresham House  
& Old Jaffe  
my brother care of  
Carlisle St  
117 or 119 Leadenhall  
St



I think your honour  
will be good enough  
to communicate  
thes facts to the other  
gentlemen who are  
both in town & whose  
duty it is (more  
especially Mr Van R  
as he is my solicitor  
to come & see me  
professionally of  
course at my expense  
Kindly send me  
a prompt reply  
Yours truly  
Wm Lubbock



passage on the Arylum  
to my son Dr Charles  
Jaffe 138 Sutherland  
who has an interest  
in my being returned  
on an Arylum as he  
is one of 3 trustees, to who  
he has not commu-  
nicated with - Most  
of my correspondence  
to by Whitehall Pl  
has passed through  
my daughter's hands  
& hardly any of my  
letters have been re-  
addressed - I  
ask the question



on Her Majesty's Service.

Martin Jaffe. Esq<sup>r</sup> M.D.

The Retreat.

a CAPT. NORFOLK  
HOWARD

York.









Whitehall  
September 2<sup>nd</sup>

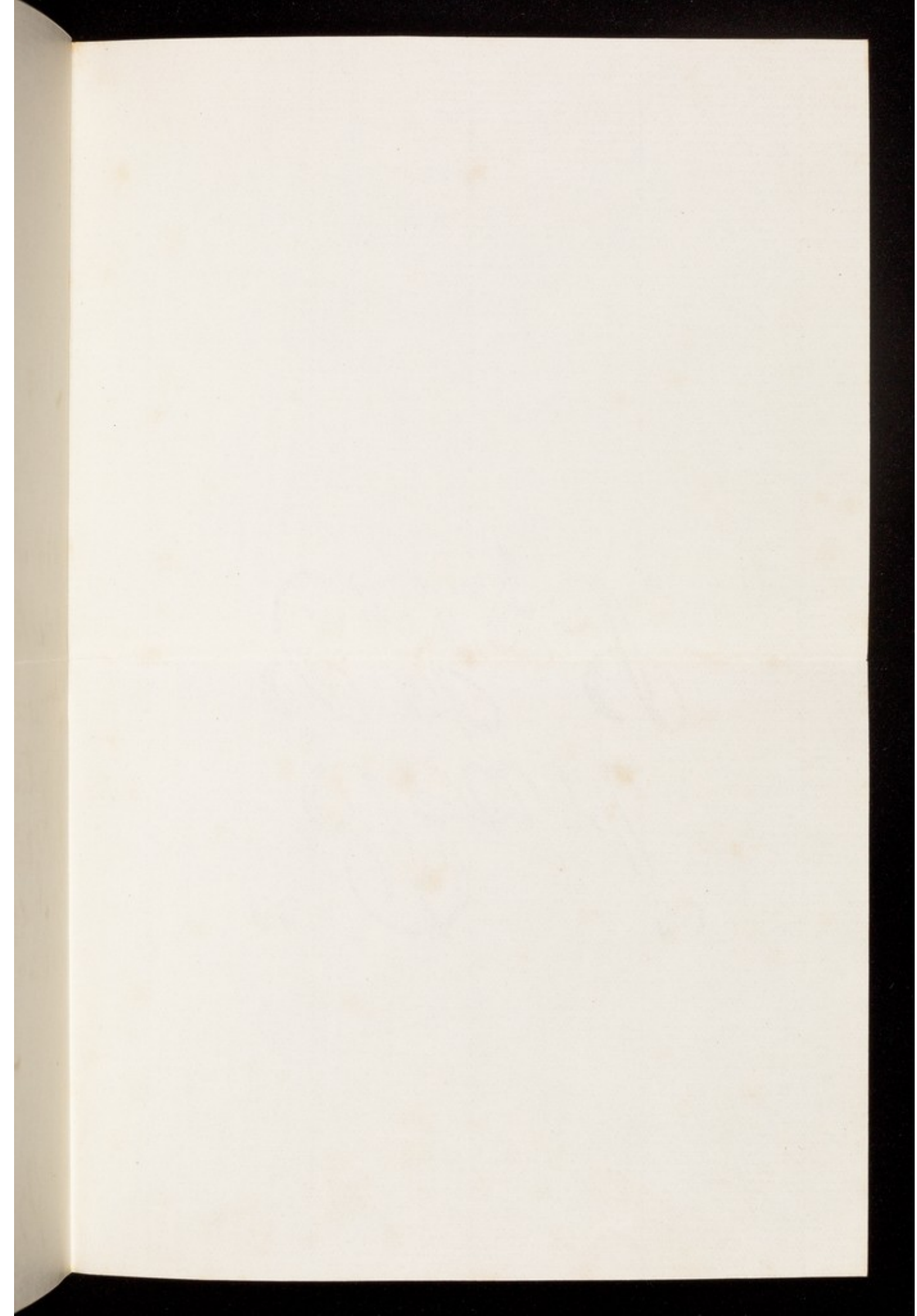
Sir

In answer to your enquiries we wish to inform you that The Son of Mr. Norfolk Howard holds the Rank of a Captain on board H.M.S. Empress of India and that his estates in Ireland return £10,000 per annum.

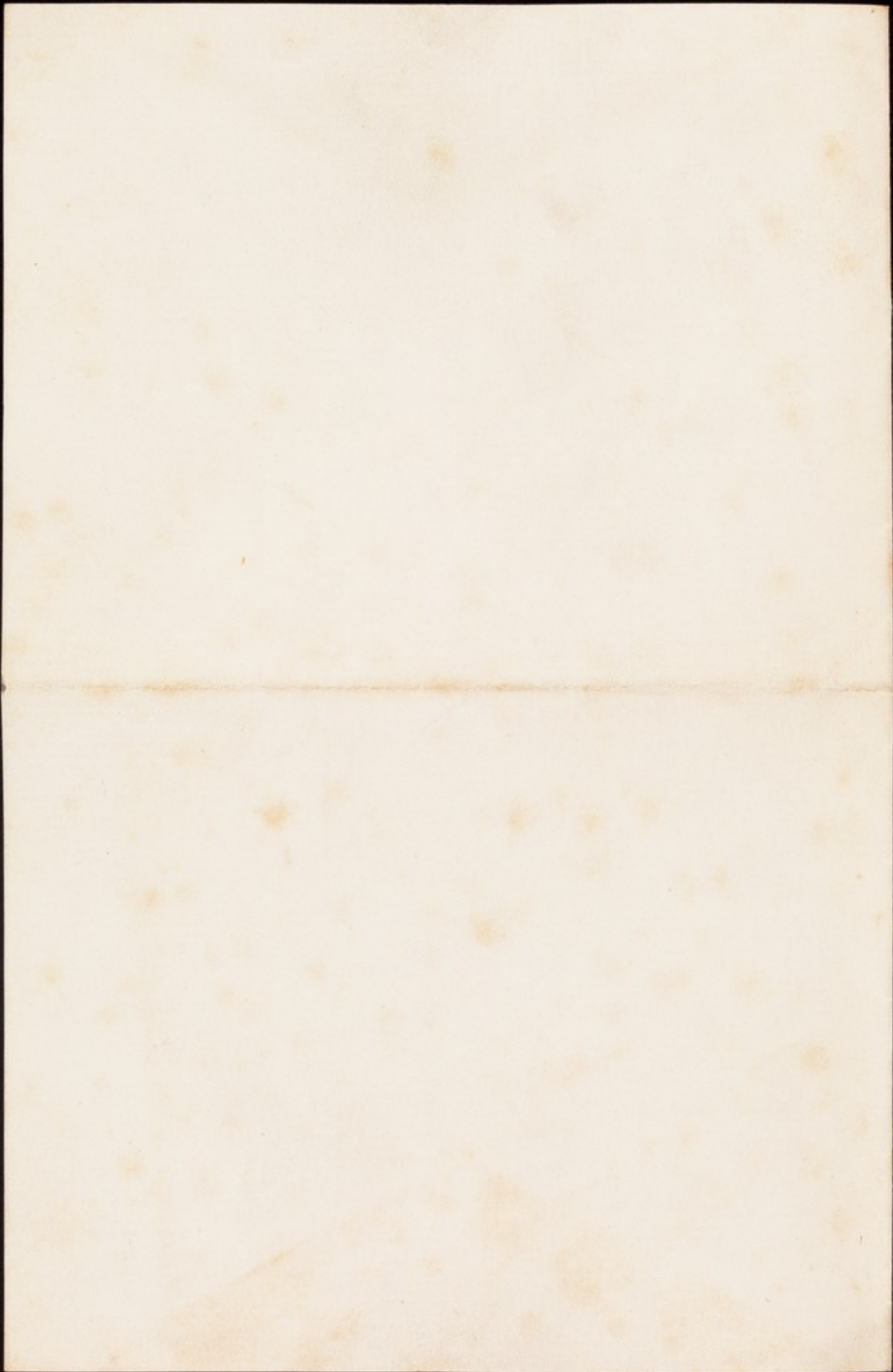
Your obedient Servant  
Tracy Turnerelli.  
Master in Lunacy.



*[Faint, illegible handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]*







In Lunacy

In the Matter of  
MARTIN JAFFE  
a person alleged to be of un-  
sound mind.

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I BEDFORD PIERCE of The Retreat York in the  
County of York Doctor of Medicine of London University  
and Member of the Royal College of Physicians London  
being one of the people called Quakers solemnly sincerely  
declare and affirm as follows:

(1) The above named Martin Jaffe is now a  
Lunatic registered at the registered Hospital for the  
insane called The Retreat situate in the City and  
County of York and was received there on the 12th day  
of August 1896 as directed by an Order of transfer  
from the North County Lunatic Asylum Morpeth signed by  
two Commissioners in Lunacy dated the 7th day of August  
1896 a copy of which is now produced to me and marked  
"P.1." A copy of the said Reception order dated 31st  
July 1896 under which the said Martin Jaffe was admitted  
into Northumberland County Lunatic Asylum Morpeth is  
now produced to me and marked "P.2" A copy of the parti-  
culars referred to in P.2. is now produced to me marked  
"P.3" A copy of the Certificate of the Medical  
Practitioner relating to the unsoundness of mind of  
the said Martin Jaffe dated 31st July 1896 upon which  
the said Order of Reception of the 31st July 1896  
(Exhibit P.2) was based is now produced to me and marked  
"P.4"



(2) I am the Medical Superintendent of the said Retreat and have been so for the last 4 years or thereabouts and have almost daily seen the said Martin Jaffe in the course of my duties. He has been since admission and is still decidedly of unsound mind and incapable of managing himself or his affairs. I have formed this opinion for the following reasons:- Since his admission to the Retreat he has displayed great want of self-control and on many occasions done actions shewing lack of ordinary common sense. Thus, on one occasion about 8 weeks since he placed a newspaper under the clothes of a helpless patient and set it alight with a match. He has repeatedly turned on the gas in the rooms without lighting it and then complained of the result. He misuses the water closets and complains that they are not clean, he writes a great number of letters making unfounded charges against the medical Officers here, the attendants, and also states that the Medical man with whom he travelled abroad has acted dishonestly towards him. When out for walks he addresses servant girls and other strangers and at the Retreat entertainments he has behaved in an unseemly manner - especially towards the opposite sex. He appropriates articles belonging to other patients and secret them and shews a great desire to possess matches which he cannot be trusted with.

(3) On the 14th November 1896 I had a long interview with Martin Jaffe and found that he still remained deficient in self control, he was very talkative and complained that he has to talk all day here. He discusses the affairs of other patients and complains that they are occupied usefully in the house. He admitted having copied the handwriting of several patients with

a view to communicating with their friends and he stated that the reason why he lighted the paper under the coat of another patient was to shew that the attendants were not properly observant, and he also repeated many charges against attendants which I was satisfied from previous investigation were quite unfounded. He is suffering from simple mania.

(4) On the 30th day of November 1896 I had another interview with the said Martin Jaffe and found that he was in substantially the same condition as that previously described and in my opinion remains decidedly of unsound mind.

AFFIRMED at the City of York )

this 1st day of December 1896 )

Before me, )

John R Wood )

A Commissioner for Oaths )

BEDFORD PIERCE.



"C.S.J.9"

In Lunacy

re Martin Jaffe  
alleged to be of unsound mind.

This is the document marked  
"C.S.J.9" mentioned or referred  
to in the Affidavit of Dr Charles  
Samson Jaffe sworn this 5th day  
of July 1899,

Before me,  
M. Nordon.

A Commissioner for Oaths.

*Dec. 2. 1896*  
*Affirmation re*  
*M. Jaffe*

In Lunacy

"C.S.J.9"

Filed 2nd December 1896

In the Matter of

MARTIN JAFFE

a person alleged to be of unsound  
mind.

Copy,

AFFIRMATION

of

Dr PIERCE.

Steadman & Van Praagh

23 Old Broad Street E.C.