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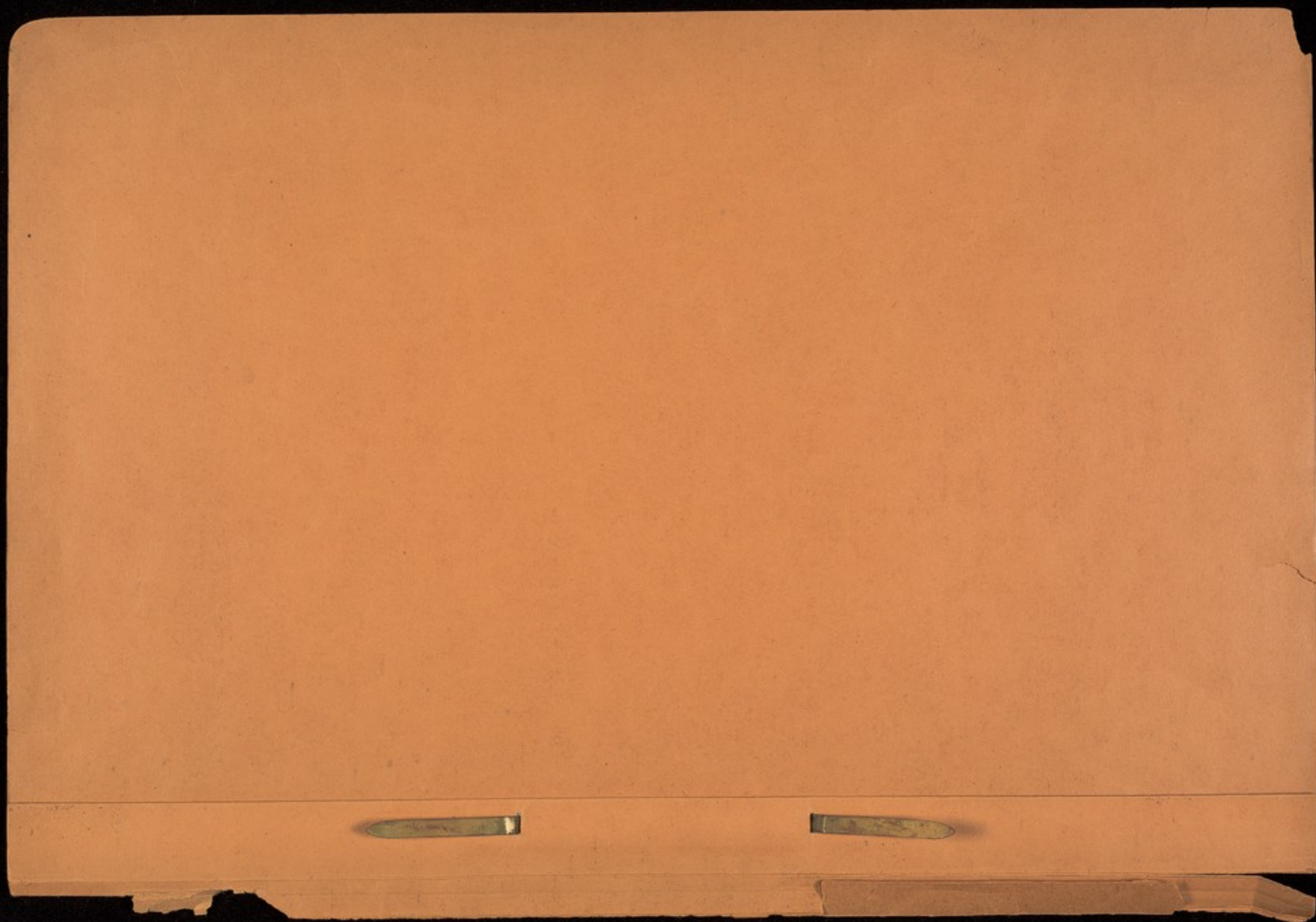
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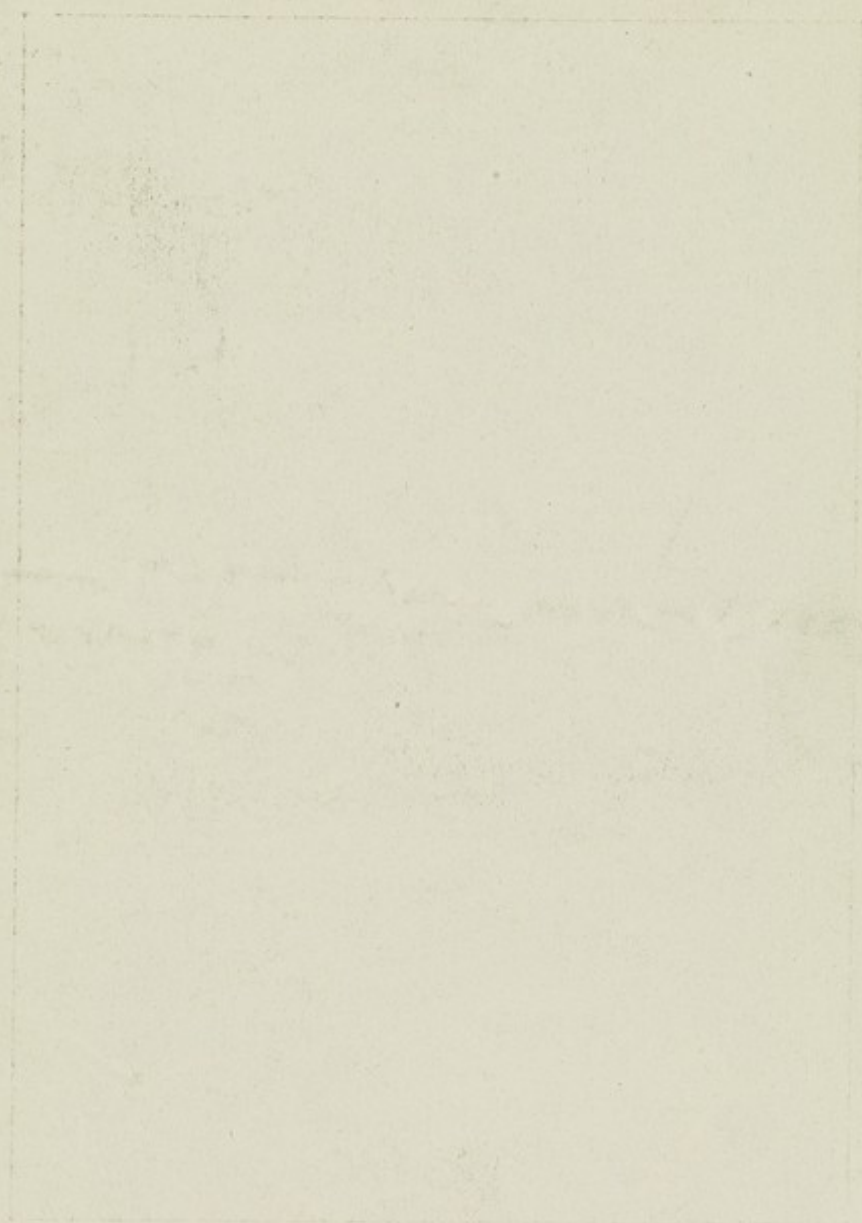


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Gateman, March 1909



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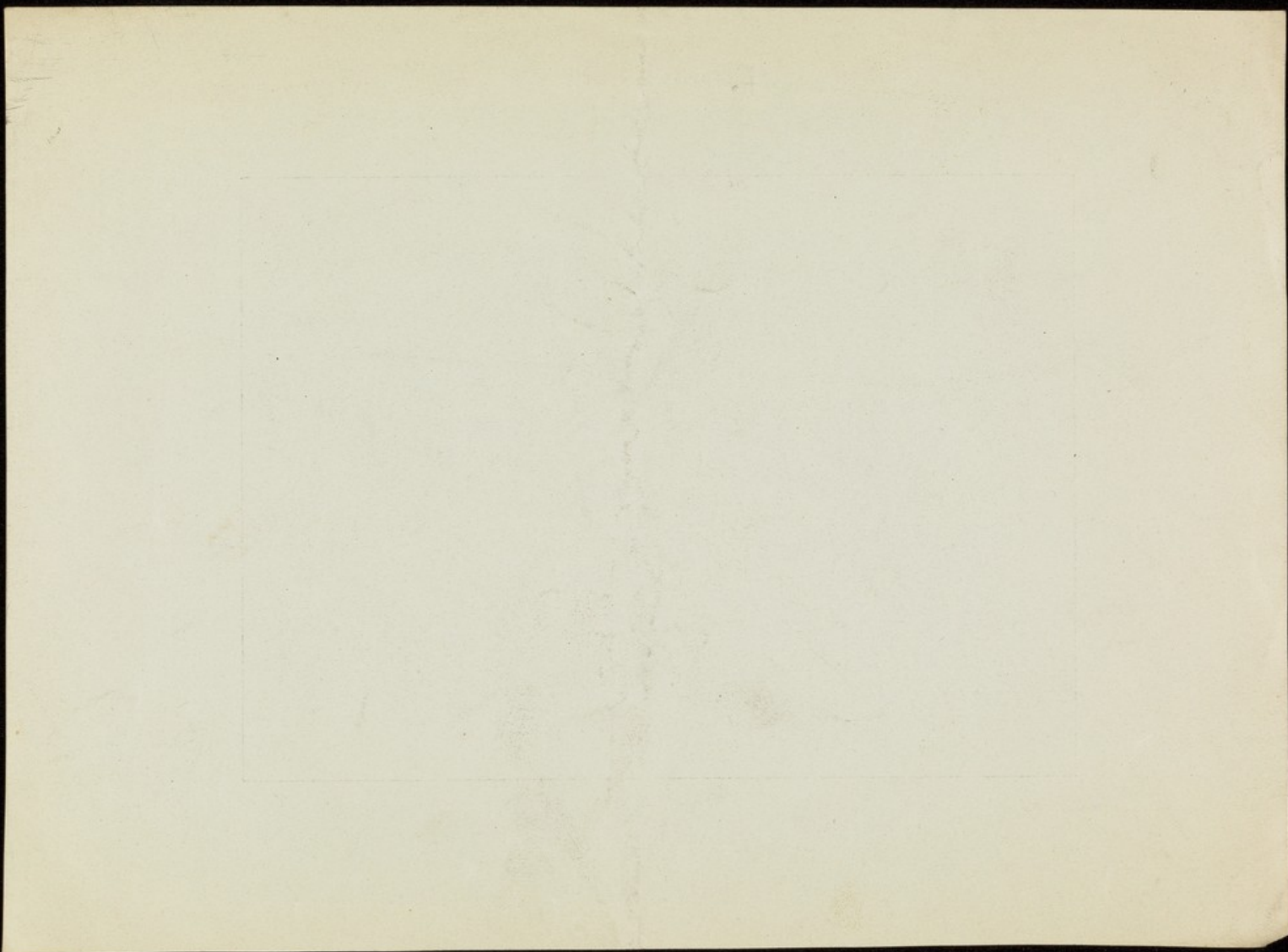


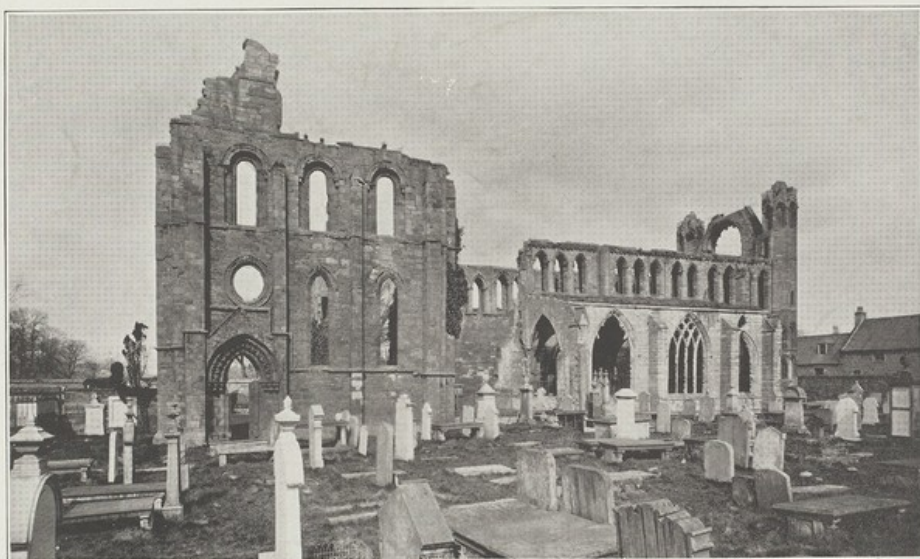




*fine pair*







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TELEPHONE No 69.

ESTABD 1824.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS  
"YORKSHIRE, YORK"



THE  
YORKSHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,

LIMITED.

YORK, 27th July 1909.

Please address all communications to

"THE SECRETARY"

and mark your reply

**Accident** DEPT

Bedford Pierse, Esq.,  
The Retreat,  
York.

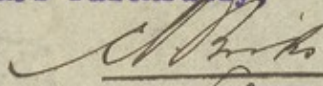
Dear Sir,

Accident 8639 - Wm. Longhorn.

With reference to the accident which occurred to this party on the 3rd March last, we shall now be glad to hear that he has sufficiently recovered from the injuries to undertake his ordinary duties or at least a portion of them. If otherwise perhaps you will be so good as to let us have a further medical certificate as to his present condition and the probable duration of any further incapacity.

Awaiting your advices,

Yours faithfully,

  
General Manager.

*Handwritten initials*



1000 July 1900.

Accident

Bedford Pierce, Esq.,  
The Court,  
York.

Dear Sir,

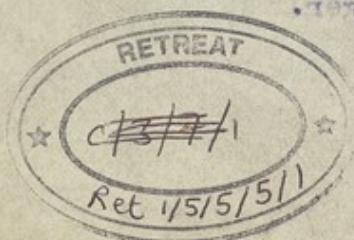
Accident 8839 - Wm. Johnson.

With reference to the accident which occurred to this  
party on the 2nd March last, we shall now be glad to hear that  
he has sufficiently recovered from the injuries to undertake  
his ordinary duties or at least a portion of them. If otherwise  
perhaps you will be so good as to let us have a further medical  
certificate as to his present condition and the probable duration  
of any further incapacity.

Awaiting your advice,

Yours faithfully,

General Answer.



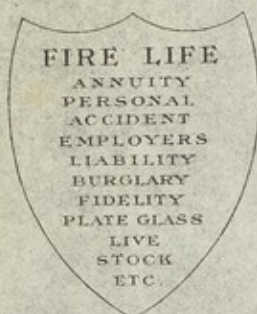


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TELEPHONE No 69.

ESTABD 1824

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS.  
"YORKSHIRE, YORK"



THE  
YORKSHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,  
LIMITED.  
YORK, 8th March, 1909.

*E. J.*

Please address all communications to  
"THE SECRETARY"  
and mark your reply  
**Accident** DEPT

Bedford Pierce, Esq.,  
The Retreat,  
Y o r k.

Dear Sir,

Accident to Wm. Longhorn.

We are duly in receipt of your letter of the 5th inst., and regret to learn of the accident to your Gateman, Wm. Longhorn. We note your remarks that the workman met with the accident on leaving his work.

In the circumstances therefore, it would appear doubtful whether the accident arose "out of and in course of employment", and we should feel obliged by your letting us know when the employment of the workman begins and ends. We may say that as a general rule it would be found that a man's employment does not include the time taken up by him in getting to and from his work.

However, we enclose herewith the usual notice of accident form ~~wh~~ which we should be glad to receive back duly completed together with your further advice as to when the injured workman's employment begins and ends.

Yours faithfully,

*Geo. Hamilton*  
General Manager

*Kindly*



JOHN H. HARRIS COMPANY

21st March, 1908.

Accident

Bedford Place, E.C. 4.  
The Hospital,  
London, E.C.

Dear Sir,

Accident to Mr. Longhorn.

We are duly in receipt of your letter of the 12th inst., and regret to learn of the accident to your workman, Mr. Longhorn. We note your remarks that the workman met with the accident on leaving his work.

In the circumstances therefore, it would appear doubtful whether the accident arose out of and in course of employment, and we should feel obliged by your letting us know when the report of the workman begins and ends. We may say that as a general rule it would be found that a man's employment does not include the time taken up by him in getting to and from his work.

However, we enclose herewith the usual notice of accident form which we should be glad to receive from you duly completed together with your further advice as to when the injured workman's employment

begins and ends.

Yours faithfully,

General Manager.



March 11, 1909

Accident to Wm. Longhorn

Dear Sirs,

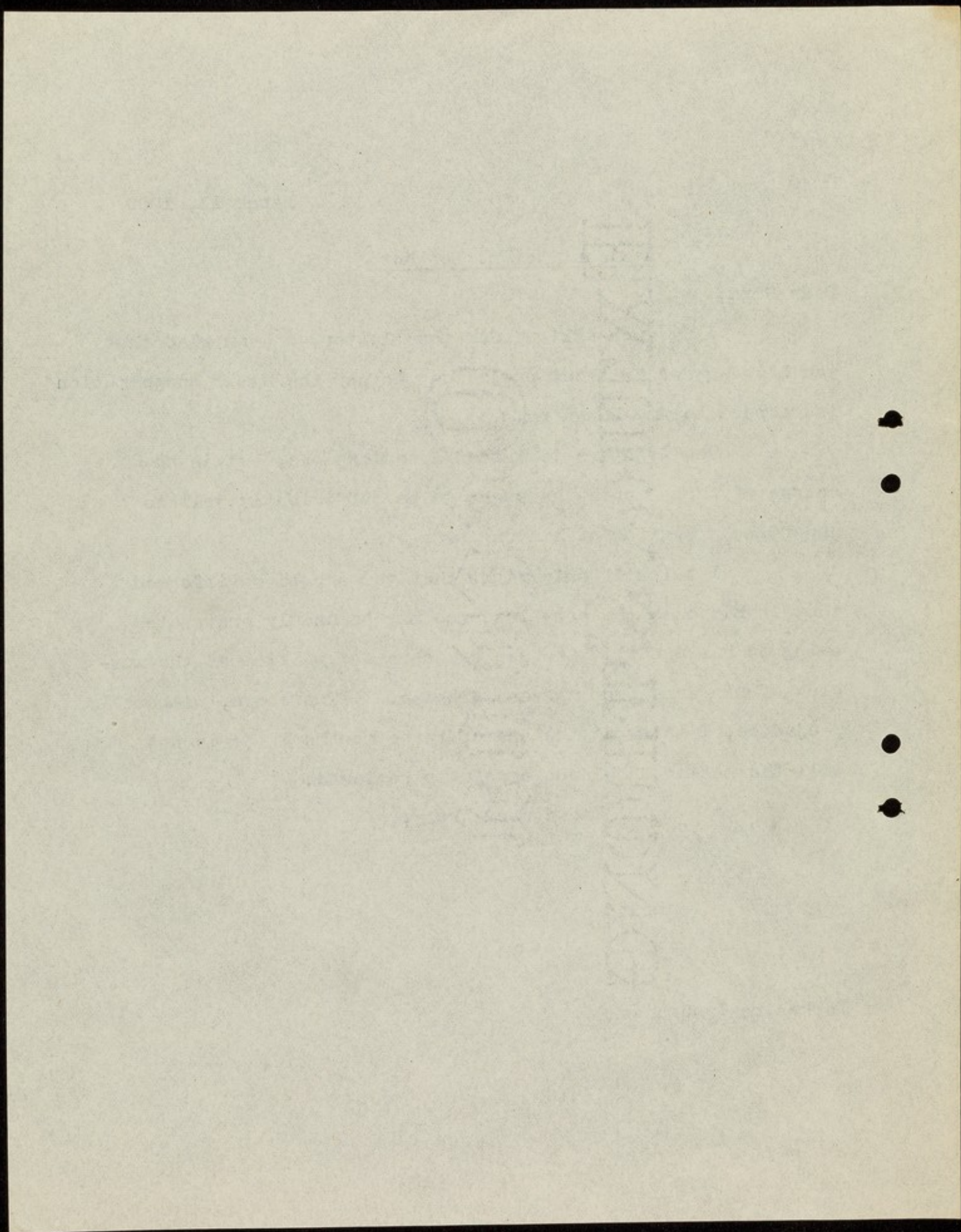
I am much obliged for your letter, and am glad that you have agreed "without prejudice" to pay the usual compensation in respect to Wm. Longhorn.

The fracture is rather a serious one, but in the course of three months he ought to be sufficiently well to undertake a portion of his duties again.

I think it only right that you should be informed that in his case the convalescence may be unduly protracted owing to his inability to use crutches and wasting of the muscles of his arms from nervous disease. Therefore, without prejudice, I think at the end of three months if he is not well the matter should be carefully reviewed.

Yours very truly,

Yorkshire Insurance Co.





March 11th, 1909

Wm. Longhorn

This is to certify that William Longhorn is suffering from a fractured femur. It is a "T" shaped fracture, above the condyles, implicating the joint. He is under treatment in the York County Hospital.

The accident occurred on the 3rd March, 1909.



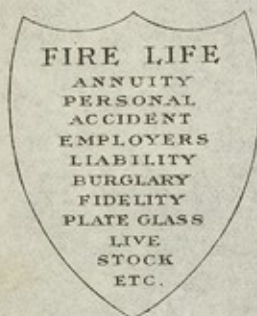


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ESTAB<sup>d</sup> 1824.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS.  
"YORKSHIRE, YORK"



THE  
YORKSHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,  
LIMITED.  
YORK, 10th March, 1909.

Please address all communications to  
"THE SECRETARY"  
and mark your reply  
**Accident** DEPT

Bedford Pierce, Esq.,  
The Retreat,  
Y o r k.

Dear Sir,

Accident 8639 - Wm. Longhorn.

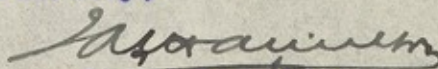
We are duly in receipt of your letter of yesterday's date enclosing the completed claim form in this case.

We note your remarks regarding the injured man's employment and as we do not wish to question such a technical point, we have pleasure in forwarding herewith, without prejudice, the usual authority and receipt form for the payment of half wages during the period of total incapacity.

We trust the injuries sustained by Longhorn are not of a serious nature and that he will recover and be fit to resume his usual duties well within the 3 months estimated as the probable period of incapacity.

Kindly favour us with a medical certificate at your convenience.

Yours faithfully,

  
General Manager.

*Jim*



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Bedford Pierce, Esq.,  
The Retreat,  
Y o r k.

Dear Sir,

Accident 8832 - Wm. Longhorn

We are duly in receipt of your letter of yesterday's date

enclosing the completed claim form in this case.

We note your remarks regarding the injured man's employment

and as we do not wish to question such a technical point, we have

pleasure in forwarding herewith, without prejudice, the usual authority

and receipt form for the payment of half wages during the period of

total capacity.

We trust the injuries sustained by Longhorn are not of a

serious nature and that he will recover and be fit to resume his usual

duties well within the 3 months estimated as the probable period of

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Kindly favour us with a medical certificate at your convenience.

Yours faithfully,

Center.



March 9, 1909

Accident to Wm. Longhorn

Dear Sirs,

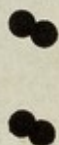
I now send the form duly filled up by Mr. Waller  
our Secretary.

W. Longhorn

I wish to point out that ~~he~~ is paid a fixed salary  
irrespective of the hours he works and that he usually leaves  
work at 5 o'clock in the evening. The accident occurred  
as he was stepping from the gateway onto the public path.  
We still think this case should come under the Employers'  
Liability Acts and be covered by our insurance with you.

Yours very truly,

Yorkshire Insurance Co.





March 5, 1909

Dear Sirs,

Withreference to my fire insurance policy it will be perhaps better to arrange for a new one for an increased amount.

Kindly arrange that the property of my servants and guests is also included, the total value of the policy not to exceed £1000.

Yours very truly,

Yorkshire Insurance Co.

Yorkshire Insurance Co.

Yours very truly,

within the Employers Liability Acts.

I write to you assuming that this accident comes

and broke his leg. He is now in the County Hospital.

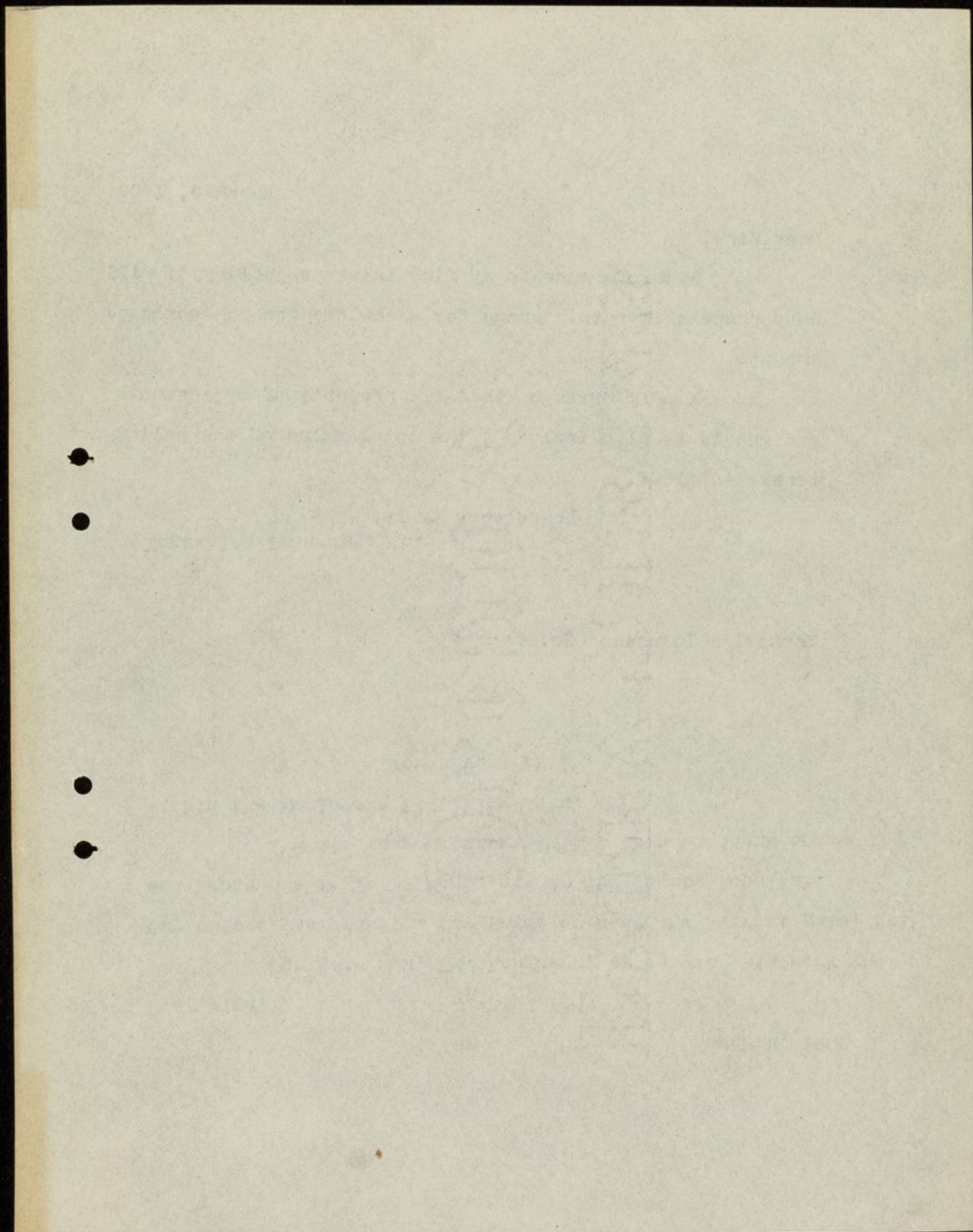
day before yesterday, a few yards outside the Retreat Gate, fell

Our Gate man, Wm. Longhorn, on leaving his work the

Dear Sirs,

March 5, 1909







93 Hesling Ln Rd

York

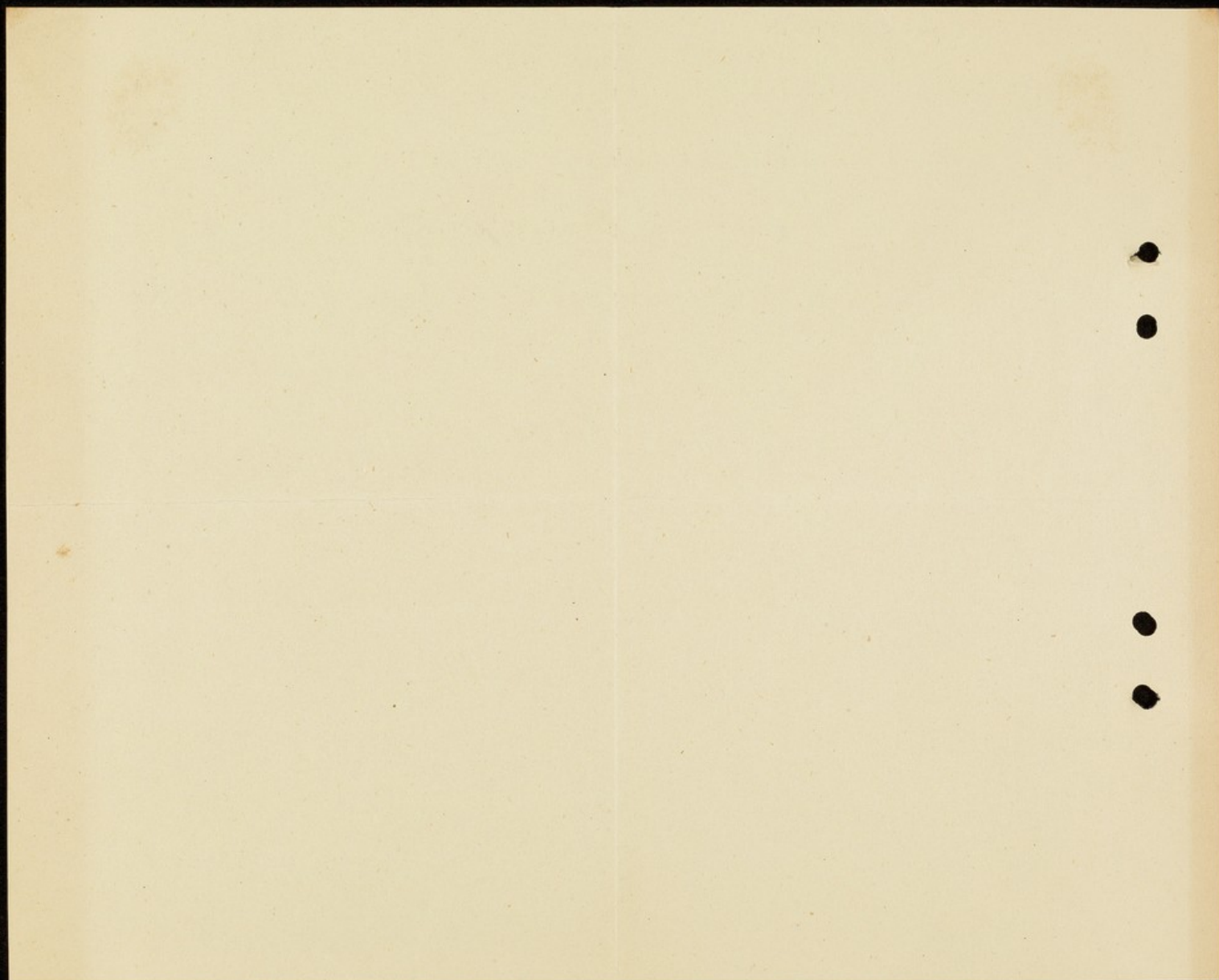
March 5<sup>th</sup> /09

Mr. Miller

Dear Sir

My husband having  
broken his leg just outside  
the Belvoir Gate on his way  
home from his work. I wish  
to make a claim for any  
compensation that may be  
due to me

Yours respectfully  
Selma W. Longdon





Jan. 17, 1910

Dear Mrs. Benson,

Many thanks for your letter. We shall be very glad indeed to have the Canadian butterflies as I think I can get the gentleman who understands them to arrange a case for them unless they are already so arranged. It is very kind of you to be willing to help the museum.

Yours very truly,

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16 East 82<sup>d</sup>

Heaton House

Dear Dr. Pierce

They have a  
few Canadian Butterflies which  
they would be glad to send  
for the Museum. I am sorry  
I can do nothing more  
With kind regards

Yours truly

E. J. Mearns





## Bangour Village

No wall, fence or gate, perfectly open all round to the country except for a fence, just along the line of the railway.

9 escapes in the last 6 months, but all patients are photographed & a description of appearance written out, on admission & these are sent to the police station at once after an escape.

Built-in Villas holding about 60 patients, each patient sleeping & taking food in own villa. The dinners are sent round in a covered van from a central Kitchen. The meals nicely arranged at small tables for 6, no tea urns, each table has a teapot.

Electric light everywhere — All patients bathed in own villa. The Matron has charge under the doctor of all men & women patients. The same with the night-sister. There are 3 Sisters (or Matron Assistants) all trained hospital nurses who visit all villas men & women alike. Two sisters are on day duty, one on night-duty (for 3 months at a time). There is a most beautifully appointed hospital, for sick & senile cases nursed by women day & night. The charge nurse hospital trained. There is an admission block, all new patients are sent there & kept in bed for 2 or 3 weeks, until they are drafted to a villa, or the hospital. They are all nursed in bed out of doors during the day & in the wards at night. There is a charge nurse (trained in hospital) with nurses & 2 or 3 attendants to help. At night the men are nursed by attendants.

The Matron is responsible for the cutting out & making of all clothes & the distribution of the same when needed. She has a magnificent <sup>storeroom</sup>.

There is a large farm with many cows & pigs, giving congenial employment to many of the men, men are also largely employed in the garden, making roads etc & work together in large squads with 2 attendants.

The women do the housework, cooking, sewing, washing

There is a beautiful Recreation room, - used as a chapel, then is a weekly dance. A piano in every villa.

The Nurses Home accommodates from 60 to 80 nurses, there are 12 bathrooms, several nice sitting rooms & each nurse has a bedroom to her self, well furnished with wardrobe etc



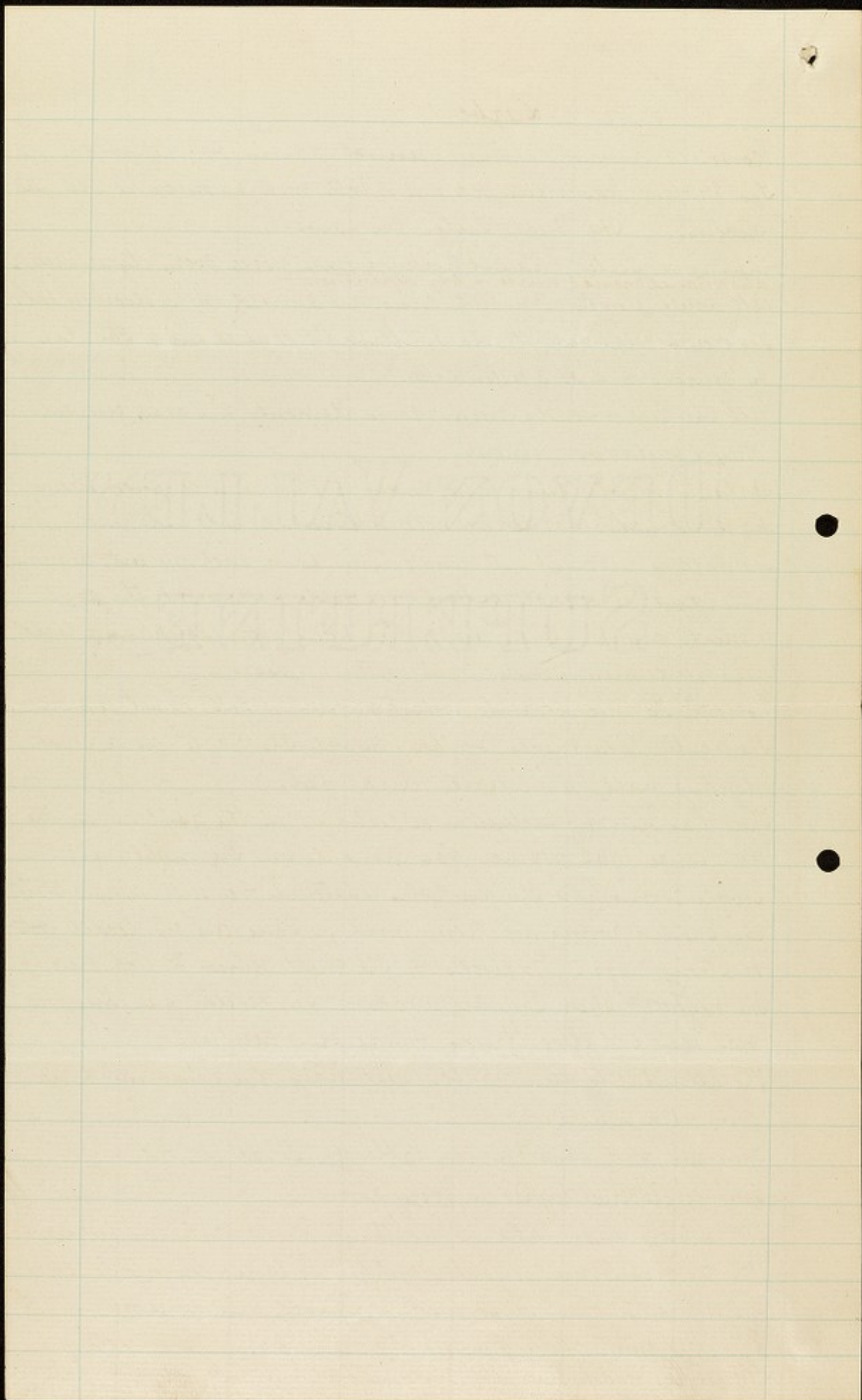




## Larbert

- No wall anywhere that cannot easily be climbed.
- The Matron has entire charge of both men & women under the doctors. The Night-Sister the same.
- There is a Sister (trained hospital nurse) over every department. ~~also a trained mental nurse in every department~~
- All acute newly admitted cases are nursed out of doors in bed.
- The acute men by attendants at night, but during the day by nurses & 2 or 3 attendants.
- All the sick & senile men & some dementos are also nursed day & night by women.
- Patients of both sexes have meals together in a common dining hall & are most orderly & well behaved.
- The Hall is arranged with small tables for 6, each one with a nurse, attendant or sensible patient to preside & serve out the soup & meat, or tea. There are no tea urns, every table has a teapot, also at dinner Cruets, water bottles & glasses.
- Not only the well behaved industrial section of the asylum, but the acute, take meals together, but all the acute in a smaller dining hall similarly arranged.
- There has been no seclusion or restraint in the asylum in the day since 1902 & since 1904 none during the night, all the single rooms have the Key holes fastened over with a brass plate. The padded rooms are never used. There are no locked boots or strong rugs. No clocks for the night-nurses to tick during the night to show they are awake. The doctors say they give very few sedative drugs & those very carefully.
- The attendants wear a very neat navy blue uniform & are seen at a glance.
- There are good sensible bed tables for those in bed.
- There is electric light in every room.
- The Sisters each take 3 months of Night-duty in turn.
- The Nurses Home is just beautiful, so large & comfortable, every nurse has her own room, nicely furnished with wardrobe etc etc & there are many sitting rooms & many baths. The health of the nurses has much improved since they had a Home & influenza almost unknown.







At both these asylums the patients do a great deal of work, the men helping in the grounds & gardens, doing housework, polishing the floors - & the floors are all polished. The women even the demented knit stockings & socks, the more able among the women, do cleaning, polishing, washing, cooking, make all the underlinen for men & women patients - & the women's dresses. This of course keeps them quiet, orderly & occupied.

I enquired how this was managed. The Matrons thought - that all their lives, these people had had to work hard, & when they came to a place where almost everyone worked, they just did the same, it was in the atmosphere.

Also this class of patient looks up to their nurses & try to help them & find it a privilege to be allowed to do special work.

In private asylums the patients often look down on their nurses & consider it beneath their dignity - & soil their hands & say "we pay to be here & need not work," & so miss the healing power of the work they despise.



