

Letter to Retreat from Lunacy Commissioners relating to absence of system of night watching at Retreat

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Office of Commissioners in Lunacy,

19, Whitehall Place,

19th June 1856.

Sir,

The Entry made by the Visiting Commissioners at the York Retreat on the 10th instant has been this day read at the Board.

The Commissioners direct me to express to you the satisfaction with which they observe the generally favorable character of this Report, and its mention of the kind and careful superintendence exerted over the Establishment.

I am to add, however, with reference to what is said as to the absence of a

system of night watching, that the
Commissioners think it matter of
much importance that such a
system should be instituted with
as little delay as possible; and in
desiring you to convey this expression
of their opinion to the Governors I am
to add the hope that they will see
the propriety of at once introducing
into an Establishment so well conducted
a practice which has been found

beneficial whenever tried, and which is
now in similar Establishments adopted
almost universally -

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Sir

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