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As the successful Treatment of Insane Persons depends much upon the Information received relative to their Cases, the Friends and Medical Attendants of Patients sent to the York Lunatic Asylum, are earnestly requested carefully to answer the following Queries, and to add any other particulars connected with the Patient's Disorder or Character which may be thought important.

1. Is this the first Attack?—*Answer.*
2. If not, how many previous ones, and at what distance of time from each other?
3. How long since the Commencement of the present one?
4. Has any, and what change taken place in the Symptoms?
5. Is there, or has there appeared a disposition to self-destruction?
6. Or to injure others?
7. Or to destroy Clothes?
8. What defect, impropriety, or false notion marks the Disease?
9. What circumstance appears to have been the exciting Cause?
10. Was there any previous Singularity, or Weakness?
11. Is it known that any of the Patient's Relations have been in any degree deranged?
12. What was the Patient's natural Temper?
13. Favourite Pursuits?
14. Habits, (as to Temperance?)
15. Of what Religious Profession?
16. Have any, and what Medical means been employed?
17. Is the Patient subject to Fits?
18. Or labouring under any Bodily Disease?
19. Has the Patient had the Small Pox?
20. Or Vaccine Disease?

N. B. As the answers to several of the Queries may in many instances require more space than is left for them, the blank part of this sheet is requested to be used, if sufficient for the requisite additions.

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I have to inform you that *may be*
admitted into the York Lunatic Asylum, at *per Week; and have to request your*
attention to the List of Clothes already sent; also that the accompanying Queries, properly
answered, and the blank Certificate filled up and signed by some Medical Practitioner, may be
returned to me by the Person who accompanies the Patient, or if not then ready, forwarded
as soon as possible afterwards.

W. PYEMONT, Steward.

James Kingham North street Bristol
 Thine to my wife (Katharine not Elizabeth) was recd. yesterday &
 has been laid before the Comtee. We having room for the accommodation
 of thy son I have to inform thee that he may be admitted soon as
 we have a person at liberty to send for him which ~~could~~ ^{will} hardly be
 before the 1st of next month. The D.Y. meeting being ^{held at Leeds} the next week
 & the week after the same person will have to fetch a man patient from
 London for whom application was made previously to thee. I am
 requested to say that if more than the lowest ^{4s. 6d.} terms can be afforded
 for thy son's board, more will be expected - After ^{arrangements} ~~the~~ ^{are} ~~made~~
 answered & the Certificate signed thou mayest return it this paper to me
 mentioning at the same time when after the time ~~that~~ ^{is} ~~is~~ ^{has} been specified
 it will suit thee ~~for~~ for the person sent to be at Bristol - he is a

Nephew of mine of which circumstance please to inform Jos^{ph} Allen
 My wife desires to be very kindly remembered to thee

Thine aff. friend

G. J. Briggs 23rd 1820

York Lunatic Asylum.

Steward of the

Mr. W. Pyemont,

Windsor

W. J. Pyemont, Esq.

York Lunatic Asylum, sent to

W. J. Pyemont, Esq.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE.

I do hereby certify, after personal examination of
 that I believe to be Insane, and a fit object for confinement in a house for the
 reception of Lunatics.