

Drafts for part of Baker's Report in the Retreat Annual Report 1875, on improvements at the Retreat

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The second improvement is the Establishment of a
Convalescent Home sufficiently near the Retreat for the supervision
and vigilance superintended by the Physician-in-chief. The
writer believes that after all acute symptoms have passed
away an Asylum is ^{often} ^{generally} not the best place for the further progress and
and consolidation. The patient emerging from an attack of
Insanity - highly sensitive to his surroundings - requires home,
little family-life
little surroundings and ~~domestic~~ removal from an atmosphere
of insanity to domestic treat. when the object of an
Asylum have ceased to be curative & have become
palliative & recuperative.

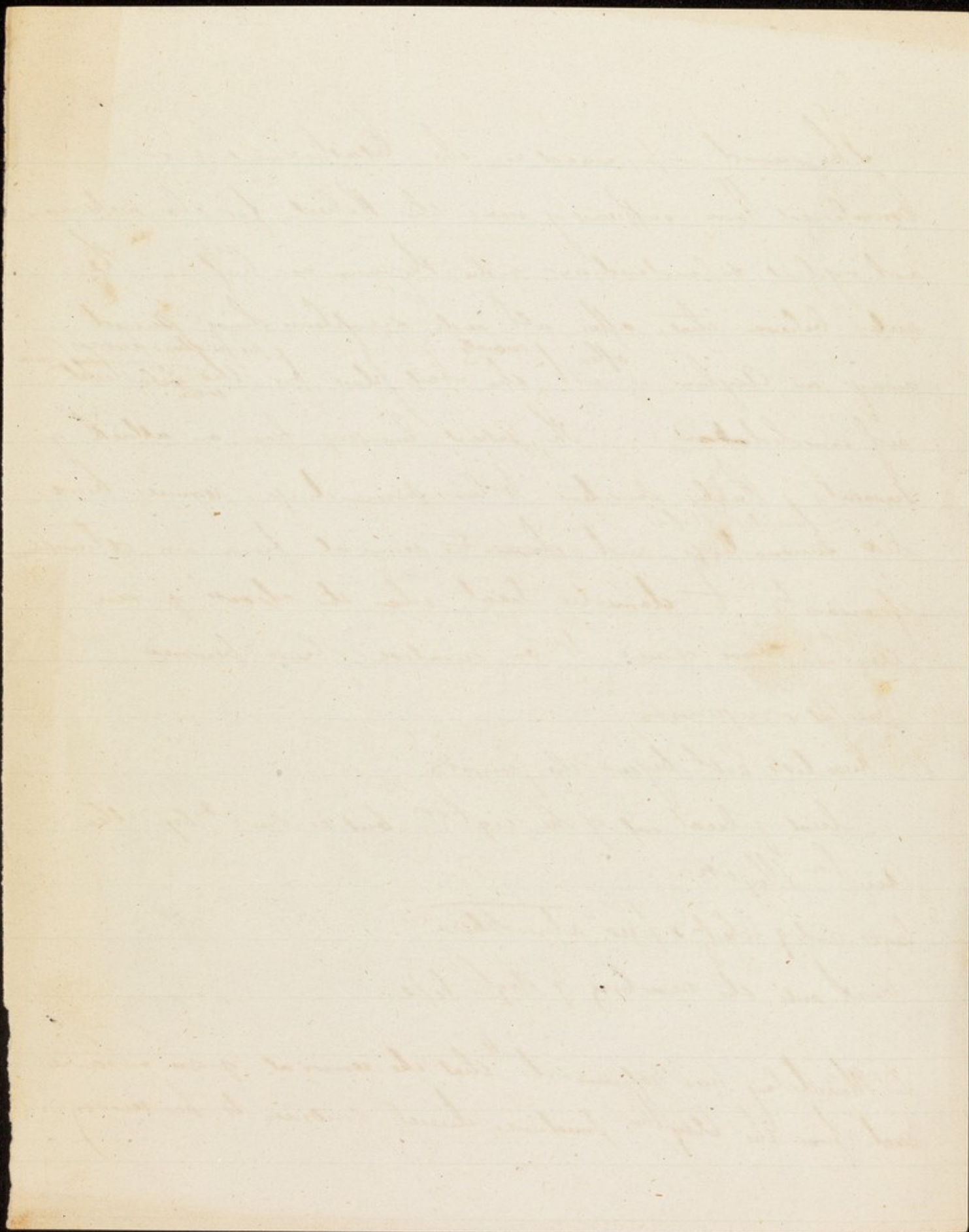
Home-like but beyond the grounds

Just of land out of the Asyl. Cor. but conducted by the
Asyl. Physician.

Larger amt. of liberty & finer atmosphere.

breath into the monotony of Asyl. life

Dr. Maudsley has suggested that the removal of an insane
patient from the Asyl. sometimes directly conduces to his recovery



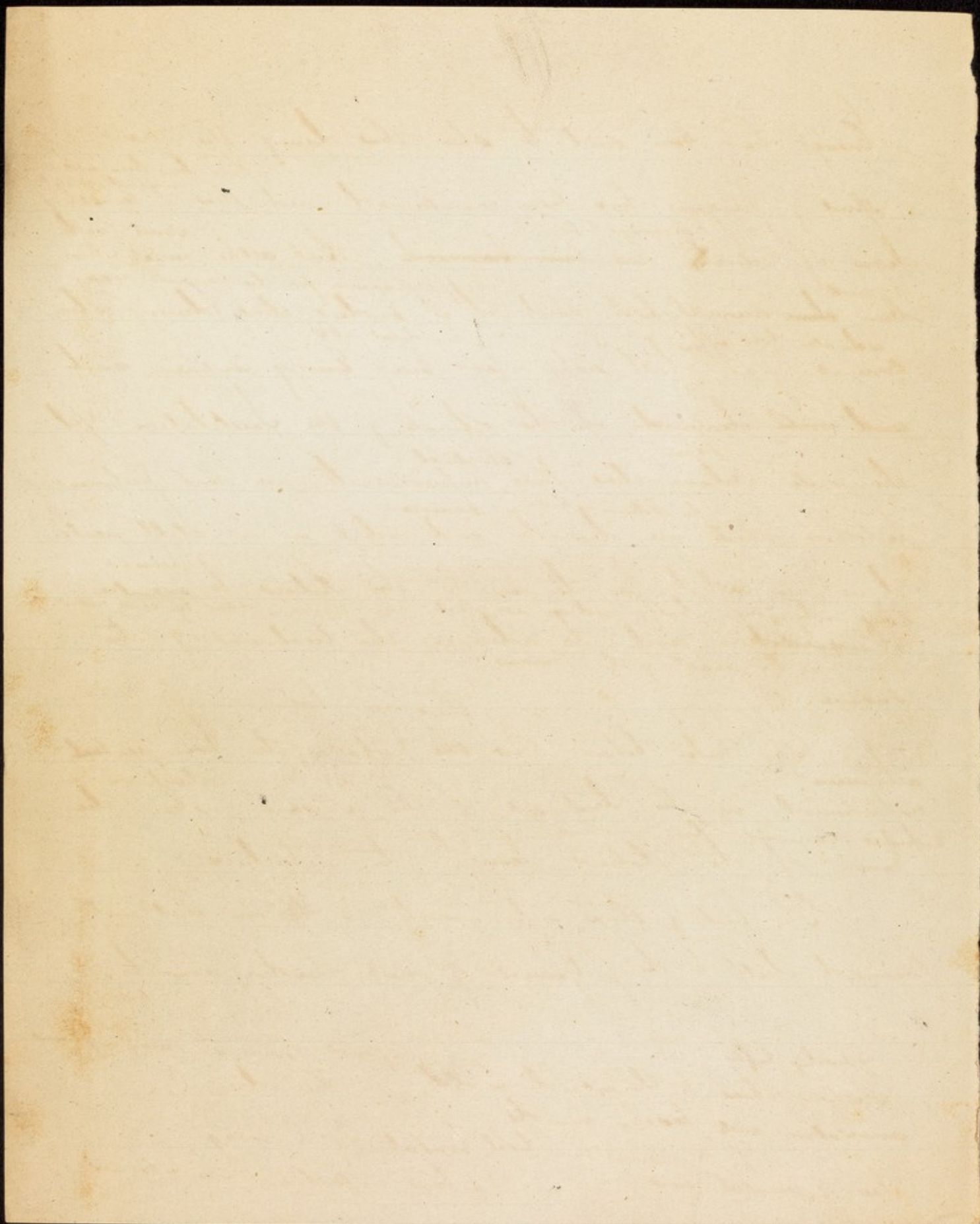
Enough has been said to show that during the year
a spirit of progress has been maintained and that ^{there has pervaded the} a healthy
degree of activity ^{throughout the} ~~has been~~ ^{some good} ~~encouraged~~. But altho' much has
been ~~done~~ ^{not} accomplished and it is ^{the programme for the coming year} evident that during the
coming year ^{adequate has offered} full scope for ^{the indefatigable} every energy is ~~used~~ ^{and}
and ~~will demand~~ of the officials of the Institution yet
the ^{hope} ~~writer~~ believes that these ^{structural} improvements are but preliminary
to others which ^{he believes to be} are ^{necessary} desirable and which in a still greater
degree are called for to enable the ^{forces} ~~Waters~~ to ^{maintain}
keep ^{advancing} ~~the~~ ^{modern research has shown to be} ~~reputation~~ ^{of real service} and to advance the treatment of the
Insane ^{in the best of the means.}

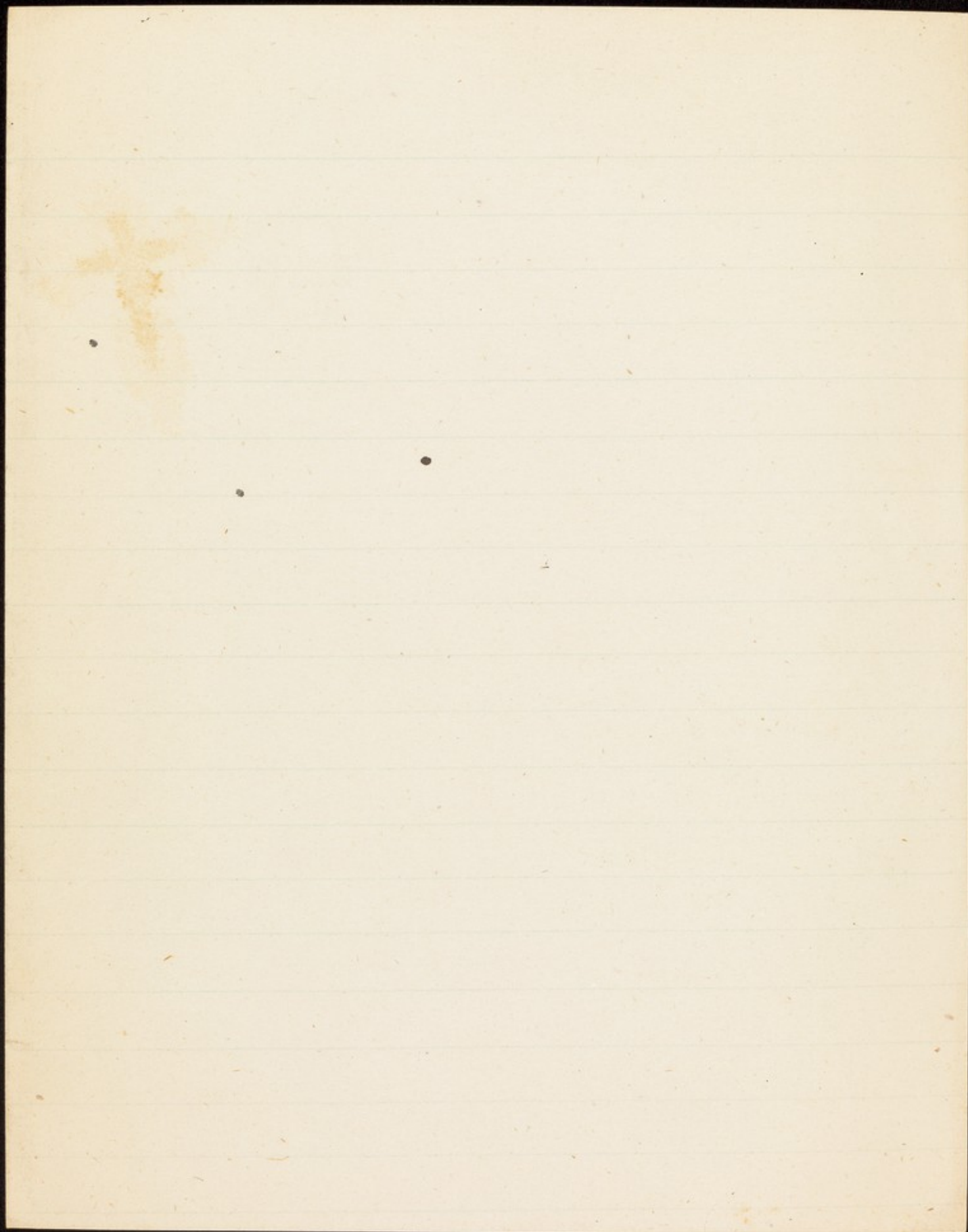
^{there are two}
The ^{advances} ~~Writer~~ believes that ~~the~~ ^{probably} the two greatest
improvements in the treatment of the Insane ^{which is an} ~~modern~~ the
^{expedient manner} ~~his~~ ^{method} ~~of the~~ ^{power} ~~Waters~~ ^{learn to} ~~to~~ ^{introduce}

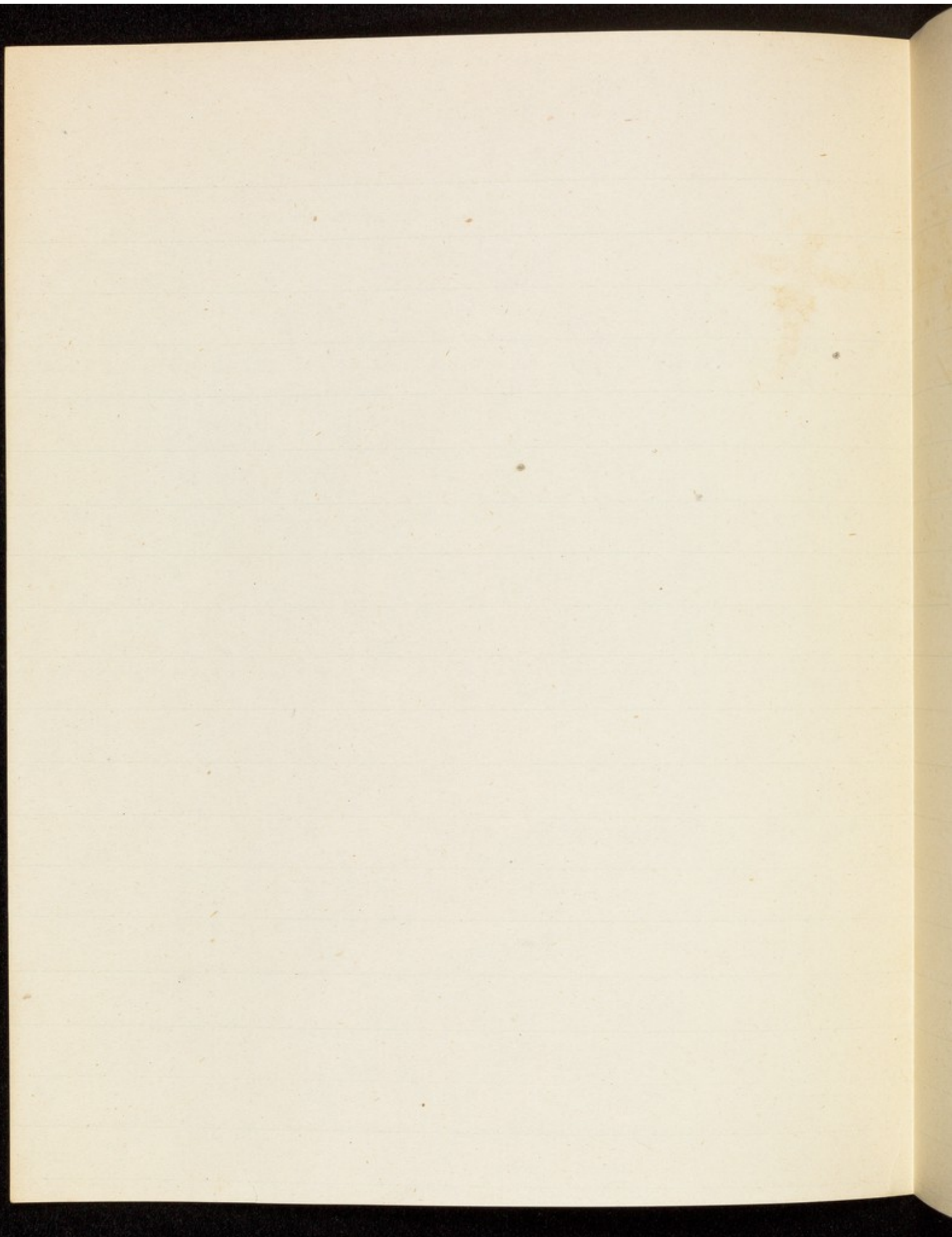
The first of these improvements is ~~the~~ ^{the} one that will
commend itself to the judgment of most thinking minds.

family life
stepping stone to the outside world
association with healthy minds
Every thing ^{likely} ~~likely~~ ^{is} ~~is~~ ^{an} ~~an~~ ^{advance}
place of mental cure ^{a fresh impulse to the advance}

^{Spirit genius in carrying out}
^{this idea}







The second improvement that I desire to see manifested
is the establishment of a small convalescent house ^{supported by friends of the cause in the city} where
the convalescent may have a ^{conducted by} ~~best~~ ^{middle class of persons} treatment beyond
the hospital. The writer believes that there are many cases
where, after the subsidence of ^{all} acute symptoms removal from
an Asylum is the best treat. for such the removal from
an Asylum place of insanity to the larger amount of liberty
and ^{and freer judicious} domestic treat. of a convalescent home is the
most likely path to the ^{further} ~~best~~ ^{beneficial} ~~removal~~ of mental cure

