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Orchard House,
Bishop Monkton.
Havergate - 29th Jan: 1916

Dear Sir,

I duly received the enclosed account from you respecting Mrs Atkinson, which I was somewhat surprised to get as Dr. Pierce told me - when conferring with him about the terms - that they "included everything" - medical fees included. by which, of course, I understood also to include such 'indispensables' as "washing & mending" -

It is possible the Matron may have made some disbursements on nightdresses owing to it being necessary to change some I sent for a larger size, but for this item no details are given.

I will ask you to be good enough to bring this before our Committee at your earliest opportunity and see if you can get them to be lenient with me as to terms etc as I really do not know how to meet these heavy charges made upon me.

Though Mrs Atkinson is convalescent my expenses are by no means at an end as when she leaves

York I have to send her away to the Coast, and
I have to borrow money to enable me to do so.

Yours faithfully,

C. C. Atkinson

The Secretary,

The Retreat,

York.

Majorie Atkinson

Jan. 20 191*6*

Dr. to THE RETREAT, YORK.

The Rules of the Institution require that each quarter be paid IN ADVANCE.

Overdue Accounts will be charged with interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum.

It is particularly requested that a printed receipt, on the Official receipt form of the Institution, be obtained for each remittance.

	£	s.	d.
<i>To Board Oct. 28. to Dec. 31.</i>	<i>52</i>	<i>10</i>	
<i>To One Quarter's Board to Mar. 31st</i>	<i>54</i>	<i>12</i>	
<i>„ Disbursements (as below) to Dec. 31st</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>„ Dr. Stewart's fee (Blood analysis)</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>	
	<i>£ 112</i>	<i>5</i>	

	£	s.	d.
Washing and Mending	<i>1</i>	<i>7</i>	
Stimulants			
Tobacconist			
Stationery and Stamps			
Tailor			
Hosier			
Shoemaker			
Millinery and Dressmaking		<i>7</i>	<i>6</i>
Amusements, Excursions, and Sundries per Head Attendant			
Sundries per the Matron		<i>16</i>	<i>8</i>
Extra Carriage Drives			
Extra Nursing			
<i>Damage</i>		<i>10</i>	<i>6</i>
	<i>3</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>8</i>

br.
less cash
Nov. 29. 25. 4 0
Dec. 31. 27. 6. 0

52. 10. 0
£ 59. 15. 0

Cheques should be made payable to "BEDFORD PIERCE, M.D., or order,"
and crossed "London Joint Stock Bank, F.R. Account."

1st Disbursement to Dec. 31st

3. 1. 8

" Board to Jan. 31st

18. 12. 0

" Drafts

Fee

19. 3

Washing 12. 0
Postage 1. 5
Per Month 5. 10

22. 12. 11

1. 2. 0

24. 14. 11

16th February, 1916.

Dear Sir,

Your letter was submitted to the Committee at their meeting yesterday, and I was directed to point out that Mrs. Atkinson was a very expensive patient. She frequently required three, four, and even more nurses to protect her from injuring herself, and she also needed a great deal of medical attention, special visits for many weeks thrice daily. The Committee, therefore, do not think that any reduction of terms can be entertained.

I enclose a revised account, as the last one sent in included charges to the end of the quarter in advance.

The Committee fully realize that illness of this kind is a very expensive matter, yet it cannot but be satisfactory that Mrs. Atkinson was nursed to recovery.

Yours faithfully,

C. Atkinson, Esq.

*£ 2. 2 of B. Harcourt
of J. H. Thinks that something is due
to be returned*

GLEBE HOUSE

STAVELEY

KNARESBOROUGH

29th Feb. 1916

Dear Sir,

I duly received your letter of the 16th inst: on my return home.

I fully realize that Mrs Atkinson required - as you say - a great deal of nursing but for the most part: this was for the period prior to December 31st when I was paying 6 guineas a week and this period has, as you are aware - been already paid for in two instalments.

I quite understood however from Dr. Pierce that as Mrs Atkinson improved so would the terms be reduced ultimately to the usual ones (3 guineas) and for the last fortnight Mrs Atkinson required, I think, very little nursing (the last week, none at all) yet no reduction to the latter figure has been made in consideration of this fact.

As regards the extras charged in the account I still cannot understand the position, as Dr. Pierce certainly told me - as I have already pointed out in my previous letter - (as some mitigation for the high fees necessary at the commencement of Mrs Atkinson's illness) that they covered everything including Doctor's fees.

And in the face of that statement you will understand
that it was a great surprise to me to find extra
charges for washing & mending etc.

(I may say in connection with this item that Mrs
Atkinson finds that two woollen nightdresses have
been entirely spoilt by the laundry)

I find you have not sent me particulars of the
other charges viz. millinery & dressmaking, 7/6 and
sundries per Mation, 22/6, as requested, and I shall be
glad if you will kindly do so.

I must ask you to be good enough to bring these
points before your Committee as I feel I am entitled
to an explanation; the charges appearing to me to be
irreconcilable with Dr. Pierce's statements.

Yours faithfully,

C. L. Atkinson

The Secretary,

The Retreat,

York.

GLEBE HOUSE

STAVELEY

KNARESBOROUGH

15th June 1916

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 13th re account.

I am not unwilling to pay a fair charge but I have felt that some of the charges made against me were hardly reasonable though I fully recognize the difficulty of checking disbursements made in each individual case and it was, on that account, only natural that I should repeatedly ask for particulars.

The result of our correspondence has not tended to alter that impression as there is still a charge of 5/10 remaining unexplained.

If I may refer you again to your letter of the 6th April you will find the list given therein amounting to 16/6 contains all the items given in your last letter and yet in the account of 17th February (enclosed herewith) you will find two separate charges of 16/8 and 5/10, the latter therefore still unaccounted for; my only conjecture being that it has inadvertently been charged twice over.

I have not deducted the charges for rubber gloves and postage of parcels from the account, referred to in my last letter though I still consider these unreasonable but I have taken the liberty to deduct the 5/10 mentioned above.

Also, as agreed to in your letter of the 23rd March, the fee of 2 guineas for blood analysis and a sum for damage to two wool nightdresses by the Laundry. There were absolutely new and Mrs Atkinson gave 14/6 for each but thinks that one of them can be made use of. I have seen them both and have no hesitation in saying that one is hopelessly ruined.

I therefore enclose cheque for balance £21. 12. 7 which kindly acknowledge in due course.

Yours faithfully,

C.C. Atkinson

The Secretary,

The Retreat,

York.

13th June, 1916.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter Dr. Pierce wishes me to say that if under the circumstances you wish to pay less than the charge, seeing what has been done for Mrs. Atkinson, he will recommend the Committee to accept what you send, but he would like to have the matter settled before the next Meeting of the Committee.

I am sorry if I omitted to account for the amount of 5/10. The items were the following:-

Toothbrush.	.6
Chocolate.	1 .4
Repairing pair of nurse's glasses broken by Mrs. Atkinson.	<u>4 .0</u>
	<u>5.10</u>

Yours faithfully,

C. C. Atkinson, Esq.

Glebe House,

Staveley,

Knaresborough.

18th June, 1910.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter Mr. Justice wishes to be

very kind if under the circumstances you wish to pay him

the sum of £100, which will be paid to Mr. Justice.

He will receive the sum of £100 in the next week, and

he would like to have the money before the next

meeting of the committee.

I am sorry if I omitted to mention for the amount

of £100, the sum was the following.

£100.00

£100.00

£100.00

£100.00

Yours faithfully,

W. H. Jackson, Esq.

11, St. James's Place,

London, W.

In answer to

GLEBE HOUSE
STAVELEY
KNARESBOROUGH

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 9th re Mrs Atkinson's account. I have delayed settling it as I have been awaiting particulars of the items forming "Sundries per Mation" of which only those in your letter of the 6th April to the amount of 16/6 have been given me, leaving 5/10 unaccounted for.

Moreover, as regards these items, I do not think it is fair to charge me for "rubber gloves for nurses 4/7" and "postage of parcels 1/1." In the first instance I might as well be

made responsible for providing thermometers or other nursing equipment and it is not my fault that 'The Retreat' did not possess such indispensables as rubber gloves, and in the second case Mrs Atkinson tells me (and indeed I heard her do so myself) that she repeatedly asked for the remainder of her clothes which were omitted from her boxes: it was therefore purely the fault of the staff that these omissions had to be forwarded afterwards by post.

If these matters can be adjusted satisfactorily I shall be glad to settle the account as soon as possible.

The Secretary,
The Retreat,
York.

Yours faithfully,
C.C. Atkinson

STANLEY
KIMBERLY

Toothbrush. $\frac{1}{6}$
Chocolate $\frac{1}{4}$

9th June, 1916.

Dear Sir,

I am disappointed not to have heard anything from you respecting the settlement of Mrs. Atkinson's account. There is a meeting of the Retreat Committee on Tuesday, the 20th instant, and unless the account can be settled before that date I shall be obliged to report the matter to the Committee.

Yours faithfully,

C. C. Atkinson, Esq.

Glebe House,

Staveley,

Knaresborough.

1941, June, 1st.

The first thing I noticed when I stepped out of the plane was the fresh air. It felt like I had been in a closed room for a long time. The sun was shining brightly, and the birds were singing. I took a deep breath and felt a sense of relief. I had finally reached my destination. The plane had been a long and tiring journey, but it was worth it. I was here, in the heart of the country, and I was ready to start my new life.

1941, June, 1st.

23rd March, 1916.

Dear Sir,

Your letter was read to the Committee on Tuesday, and the matter was again considered. The Committee did not feel that the charges are unduly heavy in view of the extreme difficulties and anxieties of the case.

Washing and mending are usually extras in the Retreat, and have been so for some twenty or thirty years, and it is therefore not likely that Dr. Pierce could have intended to have conveyed the idea that the terms would be inclusive in respect to these.

With regard to Dr. Stewart's fee for the examination of the blood, the Committee feel that this should be charged as an extra as it was a work that could not be done by the Medical Officers of the Institution. If, however, you feel that it ought not to be charged, the Committee are willing that you should deduct it from the charge.

I may remind you that on the 24th November you signed an agreement in which you undertook to pay for the mending and washing of the wearing apparel of the patient and "all such Sum or Sums of Money as shall be paid or disbursed by or on behalf of the said Institution for any articles of Wearing Apparel, or other necessaries, or extras supplied to, or provided for the said Patient".

23rd March, 1911.

But I may add that if any articles of clothing were improperly damaged in the wash, then I think the Committee would have no objection to meeting the loss so incurred.

I remain,

Yours truly,

C. C. Atkinson, Esq.

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THE HOUSE

STAVELEY

KNARESBOROUGH

27th March 1916

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 23rd re the account for Mrs Atkinson.

I am aware that I signed an agreement relative to the charges etc and if washing & mending were particularly specified I am willing to withdraw my objections to same being charged for.

What I ask is that an agreement made verbally with me should be as equally observed and interpreted in the sense the words used would convey. An arrangement made for terms to "include everything" cannot, I think, admit of two meanings and when, in the face of that arrangement, additional charges are made, the question suggested is, "What is there left for the terms to include?"

"Damage" (an unprinted item in the ap for extras) is charged for 10/6. whatever it may be? But I am not aware that I agreed to pay for 'damage' and I certainly do not think I ought to be made responsible for it.

As regards millinery & dressmaking & sundries per Matron, I beg to say I am still awaiting detailed items of these charges: Mrs Atkinson also is desirous to know what millinery & dressmaking was done for her.

The Secretary,
The Retreat,
York

Yours faithfully,
A. Atkinson

STAVELY
KIDNEYBROOK

Dec. 29 1915

Dear Sir

At the recent meeting of the
Retreat Committee the terms for
Mrs. Peterson were reduced to
4 furs a week - the change to
date from Dec 15. As by the Rules
of the Institute the fee for maintenance
is payable in advance I shall be
obliged if you ^{would} forward a cheque for
the balance \$27.50 before Saturday
so that it may be included in this
year's accounts. Yours faithfully

C. C. Peterson Esq.

Wm. E. Waller Secy.

Dec. 27 1913

Dear Sir
At the recent meeting of the
Robert Committee the terms for
the extension were reduced to
12 figures a week - the change to
date for Dec 15. As of the 1st
of the month the fee for maintenance
is payable in advance. Below is
a list of your ^{weekly} payments a check for
the balance \$17.10 before date
so that it may be included in the
year's account. Yours faithfully
Geo. E. Waller Sec.

L. S. Johnson Cor.

AT HOME : 9 TO 10
2 TO 3
6 TO 7
TELEPHONE 30.

THE CLOISTERS,
KNARESBOROUGH.

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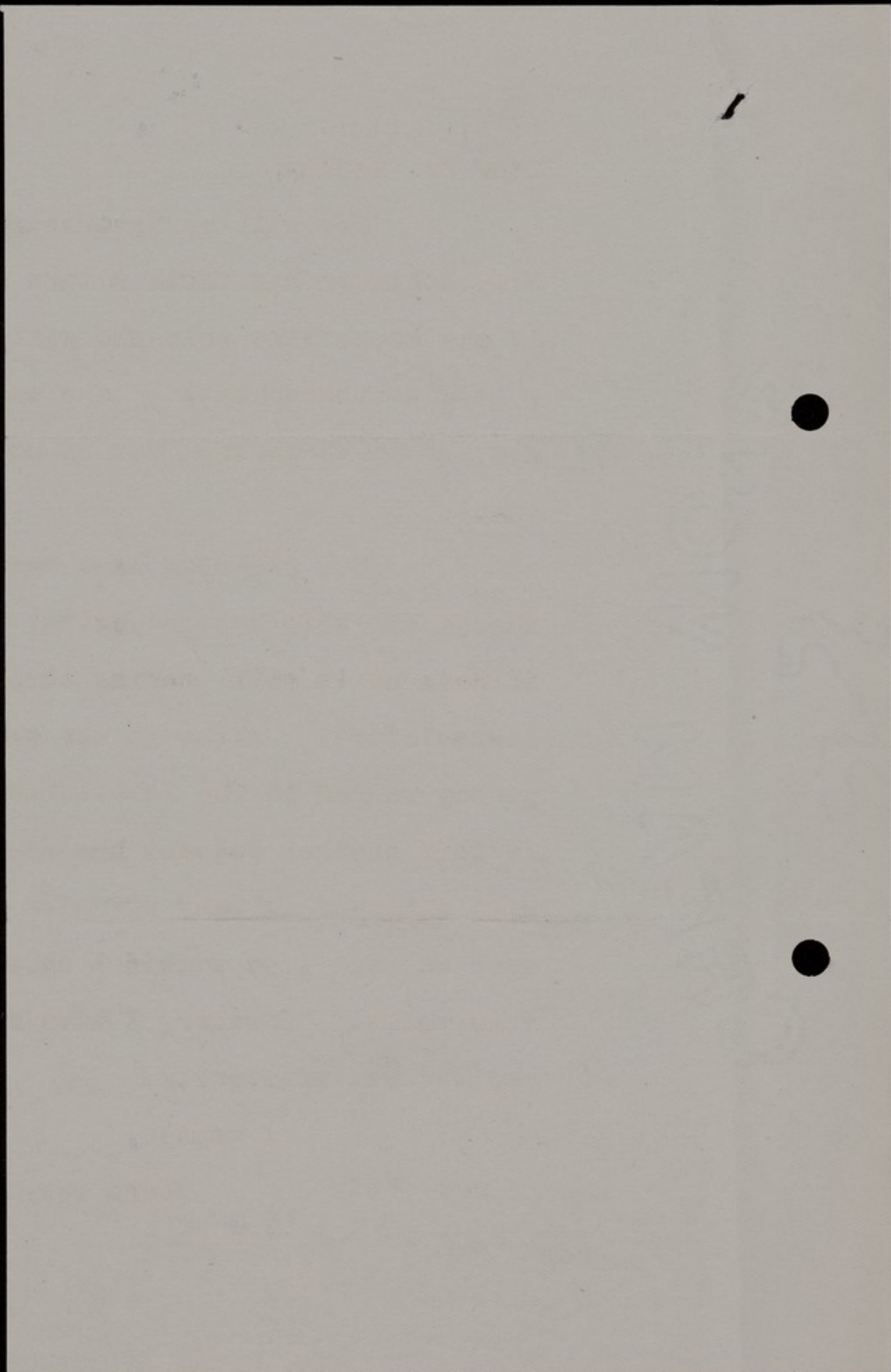
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Dear Mr Perci

Thanks for your letter re
Mrs Alkenson.

I had been wondering
how she was going on
I have not seen Mr A. as
he has been staying at
his mother's

Her patient has evidently
done well lately but
do you think if she
should in course of time
become pregnant again
that the same trouble may
be looked for
Yours
J. Mackay



24th January, 1916.

Dear Dr. Mackay,

You will be interested in hearing that Mrs. Atkinson has taken a turn for the better, and if she keeps like this she will be able to leave in a week or thereabouts. She was fed three times a day for three months, but is now taking food all right.

Mr. Atkinson is a most aggravating man. Though his wife has got better after this terrible illness he is still making complaints and seems dissatisfied. Although she was perhaps the noisiest person we had in the Institution, his latest complaint is that another patient has been disturbing her. Mrs. Atkinson is very effusive with her thanks, over much so, but I am afraid I do not take them at their face value. However, I have no doubt she will recover satisfactorily.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

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I remain,

Yours very truly,

22nd December, 1915.

Dear Mrs. Pulleyne,

I do not think that your visit to Mrs. Atkinson made much difference. She has not taken any food and still has to be regularly fed. She is not losing ground, rather in fact she is/improving physically.

I do not think there is any advantage in your coming over to see her immediately, but we will let you know if Mrs. Atkinson clears up or asks for you. Experience shows that frequent visits rarely help a person who is under care, but we are always wishful for patients' friends to know exactly how relatives are and to see them from time to time. Of course it is quite a common thing for cases of puerperal insanity of this kind to last several months and recovery at the end to be perfectly satisfactory.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

22nd December, 1915.

Dear Mrs. Sullivan,

I do not think that your visit to Mrs. Atkinson made much difference. She has not taken any food and still has to be regularly fed. She is not losing ground, in fact she is ^{rather} improving physically.

I do not think there is any advantage in your coming over to see her immediately, but we will let you know if

Mrs. Atkinson clears up or asks for you. Experience shows that frequent visits rarely help a person who is under care, but we are always thankful for patients' friends to know exactly how relatives are and to see them from time to time. Of course it is quite a common thing for cases of general insanity of this kind to last several months and recovery at the end to be perfectly satisfactory.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

THE RED HOUSE,
HEADINGLEY.

Dec: 21st.

Dear T. Pease

I am very
anxious to know what
effect my visit to Mrs
Atherton on Saturday
had on her. - If you
think it would be ad-
visable for me to see
her again soon?
She drank nearly half
a glass of water - in diff-
they would tell you & I
promised her that if ^{any thing} I
might - I would come
to York, so that I could

see her daily, when she
began to take her food
properly -

Hoped to have seen
you; & me of the doctor,
but had to leave
for my train.

Believe me,

Yours Faithfully
S. Pullenue.

TELEPHONE 1
1597 CENTRAL.

3 CAVENDISH ROAD,
LEEDS.

9 May 1915.

Dear Mr Pierce,

I am much obliged
for your note, I am interested to
hear Mr Telling's view of the case.
I enclose my bill for the workman.

Yours very truly,
W. J. Stewart.

DAVENPORT ROAD
LEEDS

WATERBURY

WATERBURY

5th November, 1915.

Dear Dr. Mackay,

It certainly seems as if we were wrong in our diagnosis respecting Mrs. Atkinson. Telling has been over and was satisfied that it was not specific, and was a case of erythema multiforme. We had noticed by that time that the rash was beginning to fade, and since then both on the face and arms and in the mouth there is a marked improvement, and the temperature has fallen. This view is confirmed by a negative Wassermann reaction. One cannot but be pleased that the diagnosis seems to have been wrong.

The mental condition is not much better, but Mrs. Atkinson was able to understand me when I said that I had heard from her husband and that he was coming over to see me to-morrow.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

5th November, 1915.

Dear Dr. Stewart,

I am much obliged for your report respecting Mrs. Atkinson. This entirely corroborates Dr. Telling's opinion of the case. He looks upon it as being a form of erythema multiforme, and as the patient is now beginning to improve it seems pretty clear that his opinion is correct, so we shall not be sending you any indian ink preparation.

Will you let us know what we owe you for the Wassermann?

I remain,

Yours very truly,

Dr. M. J. Stewart,
3 Cavendish Road,
Leeds.

TELEPHONE 1
1597 CENTRAL.

3 CAVENDISH ROAD,
LEEDS.

4th Nov 1915.

Dear Dr Pierce,

The blood from your patient, M^r A, gives a negative Wassermann Reaction. I shall be glad to report on Indian ink smears when you send them. It would be well to make these from ^{both} the ? condylomata & the eruption (big tiny blister). ~~both~~.

Yours faith fully,

Matthew J. Stewart.

WASHINGTON ROAD

LEEDS

CHURCH OF THE
ANGELIC
GARDEN
LEEDS

CHURCH OF THE
ANGELIC
GARDEN
LEEDS

27th Nov: 1915

Dear Sir,

With reference to the terms for Mrs Atkinson
I have had an interview today with Dr. Pierce and
he has agreed that I should pay by the month - I
therefore enclose cheque for £25. 4. 0 for which kindly
let me have receipt.

I return Agreement duly signed.

Yours faithfully,
C. L. Atkinson.

The Secretary,

The Retreat,

York.

WILLIAM H. HARRIS
STANLEY
KNABBOBLOOM



Nov. 19 1915

Dear Sir,

At the recent meeting of the
Reheat Committee the terms for Major
Atkinson were fixed at \$1000 a
week -

Enclose the usual form of
agreement which please return to me
when completed -

Yours faithfully

B. C. Walker

Sdly.

C. C. Atkinson Esq.

Nov. 19 1912

Dear Sir,

At the recent meeting of the
Federal Committee the time for holding
the session was fixed at December 1

next -

Enclosed the annual report of
the committee which please return to me
when completed.

Very faithfully
W. C. Calkins
Secy

D. S. Atkinson

Name. Marjorie Atkinson Age 35 Date of Adm. Oct. 28. 1913.
Address. Glebe House, Staveley, Knaresborough.
Description. Married - No occupation
Religious Persuasion. Church of England.

H. P. C.

Excitability & sleeplessness after parturition, gradually becoming worse, and increasing to violence & constant delirium. Difficulty in getting her to take food and medicine and keep her in bed. Has sometimes shown suicidal tendencies.

P. H.

Health has been very good. Patient is clever and artistic. No previous mental attack.

F. H.

Father died of haemorrhage on the brain.

Mother. alive and well.

One paternal aunt suffering from senile dementia

more committed suicide.

Abstract of certificates.

Patient raves continually about golden swords & safely pins in the bed - that she is dead, about goo and the devil. She refuses food and dashes it about when offered to her. She is violent at times, strikes the nurses, tears their hair, tries to get out of the window, and asks for a dagger to stick in her heart.



Name Marjorie Atkinson Ward

Date of Exam.

General Bodily Condition

Height

Weight (without clothes)

Nutrition Good

Injuries (if any) None

Deformities None

Head & Neck

Teeth in good condition Hair Fairly good

Trunk

Arms & Legs

Skin Covered with a rash

Complexion

Colour Fair

Tongue Dirty

Respiration Not Taken

Pulse 120

Temperature 100°

Mental Condition

General Appearance Most untidy & wild

Conversation Language disgraceful

Clearness

Orientation

Memory

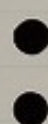
Coherence Incoherent

Delusious Halls. Yes Delusion of identification

Emotional State Crying at times

Complaints None

Conduct Behaviour. Excitable, noisy & inclined to be violent



Patient admitted to the Retreat on oct 28
after 9 P.M. brought in an ambulance &
died on a stretcher Temp 100.5 P 120 Resp
impossible Patient quiet & drowsy, had a
nasal feed & there was great difficulty
in passing the tube (it took 5 to 10 holds)
later on a douche was given (Boric) fluid
returned clear & there was no discharge in
swabbing the patient it was rather offensive
Temp 101 P 120 at 5 A.M. Urine passed 3xxx

The day following, Patient was very drowsy, 29th
simple enema was given with good result
& saline given twice most of it retained
nasal feed twice with great difficulty
Temp 100.5 P 112 Took a little milk by mouth
& then put it out / mouth in a bad
condition done out frequently with disterine
Night No sleep Talking incoherently, &
incessantly very restless, resistive when
attention given. Mouth & face more
swollen. Patient not passed urine & is
troubled with piles

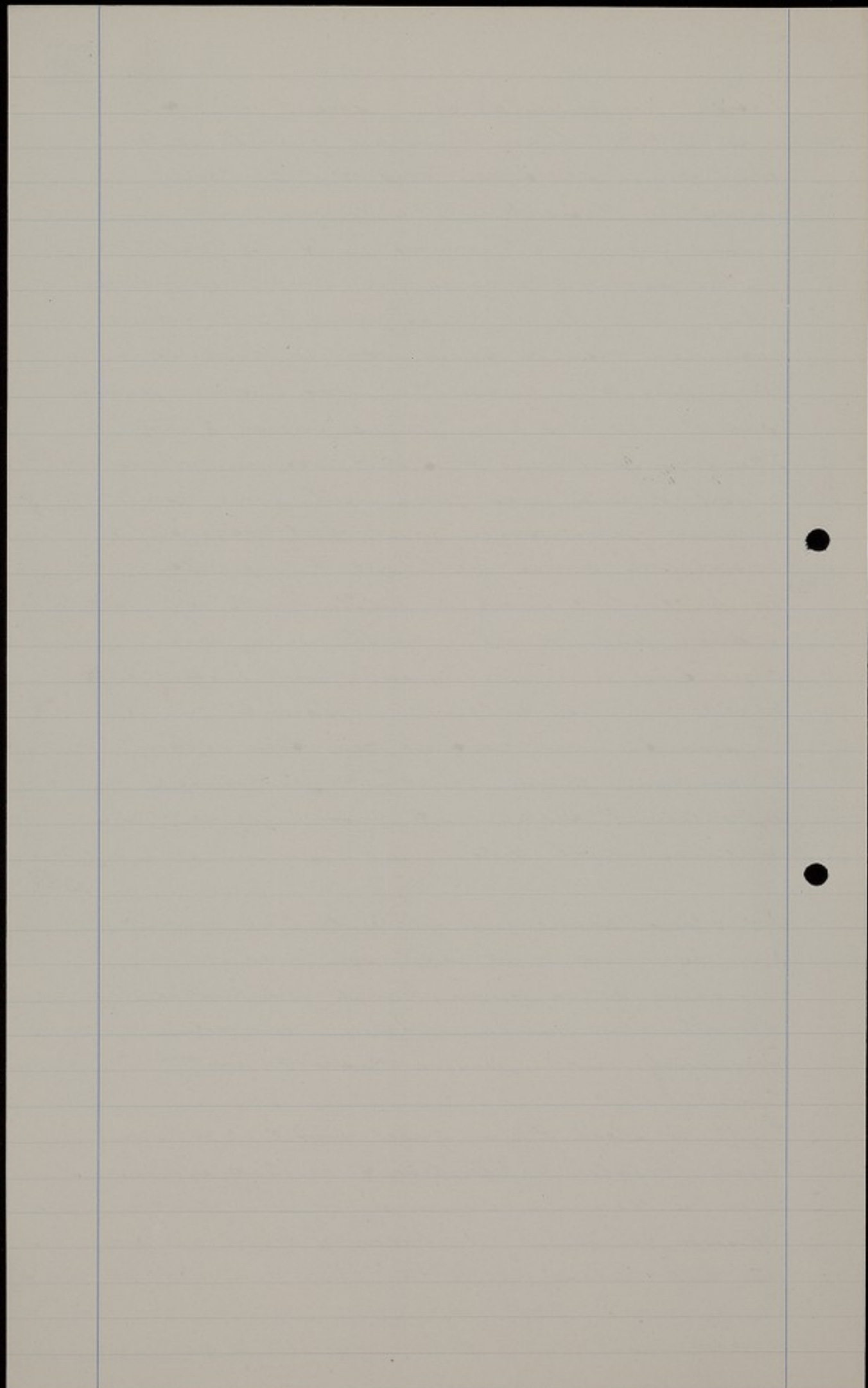
30th

No sleep talking a little. Saline given
3 times most of it retained, was very
resistive when given. Nasal feed twice
mouth very much swollen cleaned
frequently most offensive Patient wet
Temp 101.5 P 112

Night No sleep Fairly quiet until 12.30 A.M.
noisy, restless & resistive & violent since
mouth cleaned frequently. Patient not
passed urine. T. & O. Piece of skin rubbed
off right arm

31st

Patient slept 1 1/2 hrs this afternoon very



noisy when awake & most resistive when
attended to Saline given once nasal
fed twice (Hot & dirty) Temp 101² P 104
Night No sleep restless talking incessantly
all night noisy at times resistive when
attention given Patient hot passed urine
Temp 102² Pulse impossible

Nov 1st

Nov 2nd

Patient had a quiet day but excited at
times Nasal fed twice Saline & Douche given
Temp 99⁸ P 116

Nov 5th

A quiet day Slept 3 1/2 hrs resistive at times when
attended to, Saline given also Douche, Nasal
fed twice, P 2

6th

Very good today had a good 3 hrs sleep
this afternoon. Saline & douche given
will take nothing by mouth nasal
fed twice Temp 99² P 100 at 6 P.M.

Night Slept 2 1/2 hrs excited resistive & violent
until 3.30 A.M. Quiet since no nourishment taken

7th

Most troublesome all day especially in the
A.M. it took two + sometimes three nurses
to hold her in bed Saline & douche given
twice Nasal fed twice taking 5 nurses to
hold her. Temperature & Pulse impossible

Night Very troublesome until 12.30 A.M.

quiet since & slept 3 hrs very violent at 5 A.M.
dreadful had to go into the padded room

8th

Simply awful this A.M. in the padded room
all day (not seclusion) Paraldehyde given in
the feed has been asleep more or less from
12 noon to 7 P.M. & then she started as bad

as ever. Saline & douche not given impossible

Nov 9th Restless & noisy, in the padded room all day (not seclusion)
quieter this eve. Sleeping in her own room
impossible to give Saline or Douche. Nasal fed
twice Right Slept from 8.30 to 10 P.M. noisy &
violent removed to Padded room 10.45 P.M.
quiet at 2.30 A.M. slept from 4.30 to 6 A.M.
10th

In the padded room all day (not seclusion)
has taken no nourishment herself had a
piece of toast given to her, but she just
played with it. Very violent at times
no douche or saline given Nasal fed twice
Right Restless & talking incoherently until
12.30 A.M. Slept 6 hrs no nourishment
taken, wet & dirty

11th
In the padded room all day salines given
twice douche impossible nasal fed twice
not passed urine
Right Restless but quiet Slept from 4 A.M.
to 7 A.M. no nourishment taken

12th
In the padded room all day (not seclusion)
saline given with great difficulty nasal
fed twice, had a bath which took 6
nurses so five she would not get in
neither would she get out.
Right Quiet & restless until 12.30 A.M.
remained in bed & slept from 3 A.M.
till 7 A.M.

13th
In the padded room all day, not seclusion
saline & douche given twice, nasal fed twice
& great difficulty in passing. She subs
had a bath which took 6 nurses.
Right Very restless night noisy at times
slept from 6.15 to 7 A.M. no nourishment taken

16th In the padded room all day. Simply dreadful
to have this to nasal feed twice
Night Restless quiet Slept from 3.30 a.m.
to 7. a.m.

17th In the padded room all day, (not seclusion),
quiet when left alone, most destructive torn
a strong night dress
Night Restless & noisy at times slept
from 3.30 a.m. to 5.30 a.m.

18th In the padded room not very well this
a.m. had some whisky was taken into
the strong room but only remained there
half an hour as it took 3 nurses to hold
her so returned to the padded room
nasal feed twice

19th Night No sleep restless & noisy

In the padded room all day, came out
on the corridor for a short time when she
put her feet into the fire buckets & had to
return to her room. Took 3 VIII of milk
herself & when offered the second time
she tried to knock the cup out of the
nurse's hand nasal feed twice today
Night Restless but quiet, slept 3 hrs.

20th In the padded room (not seclusion) quiet in
the a.m. but noisy in the afternoon.
has taken nothing by mouth nasal feed
twice

Night

Restless & noisy until 10 pm quiet & slept from
3 a.m. to 6.15 a.m.

21st In the padded room all day, noisy, nasal
feed three times, simply dreadful when attended to



22nd

Night Looking pale early night & limp
Restless + noisy since 11 P.M. no sleep

In the padded room until 10.30 a.m.
paraldehyde given was put into the
strong room slept from 10.45 to 4.30 P.M.
woke up as bad as ever taking more
than two nurses to hold her returned
to the padded room nasal fed twice
Night

23rd

Given the A.M. continuous bath given 2 hrs
removed to the strong room slept from
2.30 to 4.30 pm very noisy when awake. Last
to be taken last to the padded room. Nasal
feed three times. P.M. the A.M.
Night Restless + noisy at times slept from
5.45 to 7. A.M.

24th

Continuous bath given 2 hrs remained in
the strong room until 5 P.M. very
restless & violent only slept half an hour
Night Restless fairly quiet no sleep.

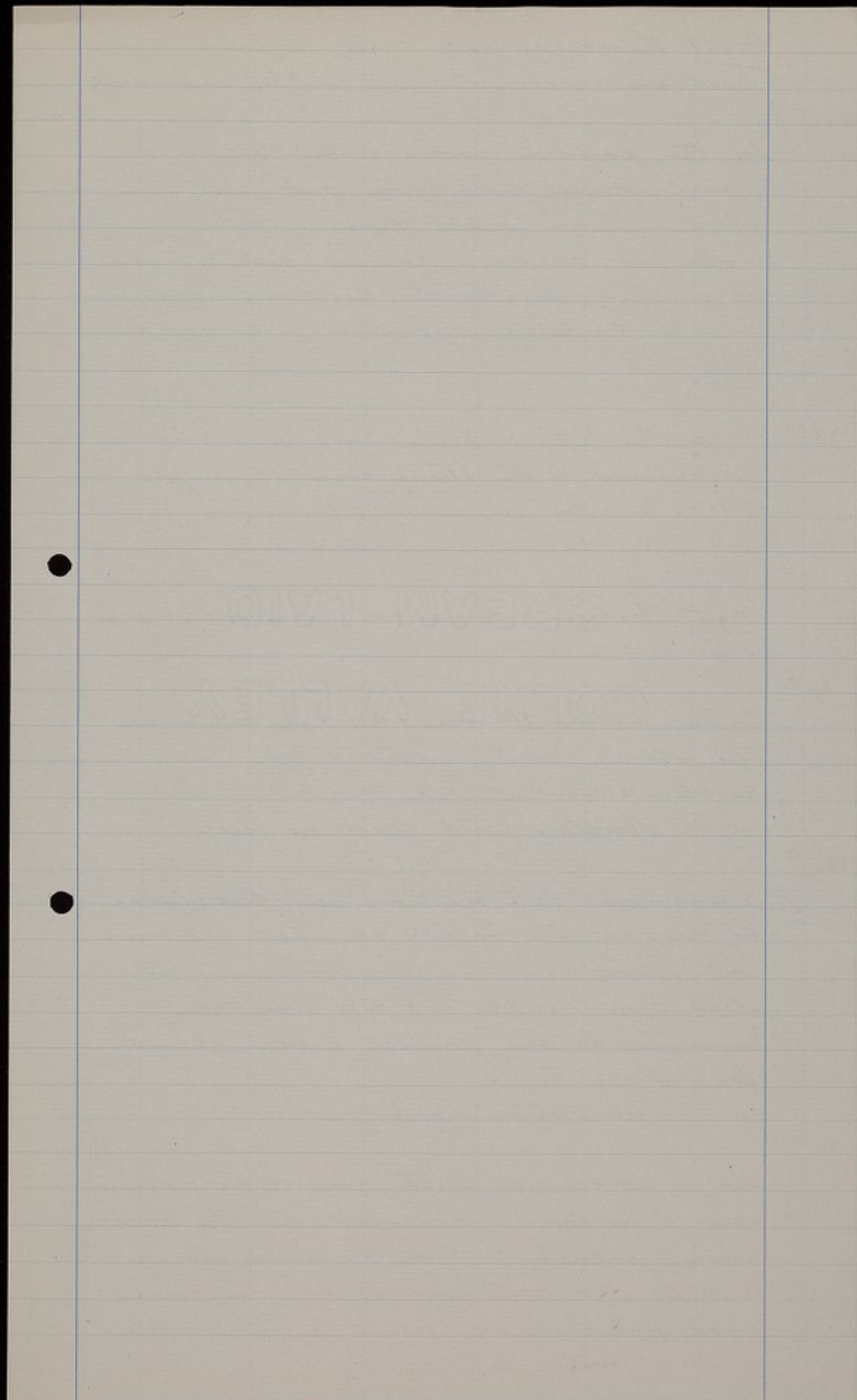
25th

A continuous bath one hour very troublesome
to keep in the bath & splashed the nurse
very much, removed to the strong room
slept from 1.30 P.M. to 5 P.M. was then
removed to the padded room nasal
fed three times

Night Very restless fairly quiet

26th

Had a continuous bath this a.m. 45 min
very troublesome removed to the strong
room paraldehyde given 3ii slept from
12.15 to 6.15 returned to the padded
room (not occlusive) nasal fed three times



27th Night Restless + very noisy until 3.30 a.m.

In the strong room most of the day very excited violent & noisy visited by her husband whom she knew was very restless & noisy. During his visit, Nasal fed three times.
Night Quiet night slept altogether 6 hrs.

28th In the padded room all day noisy & restless. Nasal fed three times

29th Night No sleep restless & talkative

Up & dressed in the strong room, noisy at dinner, but behaved very well, Nasal fed three times

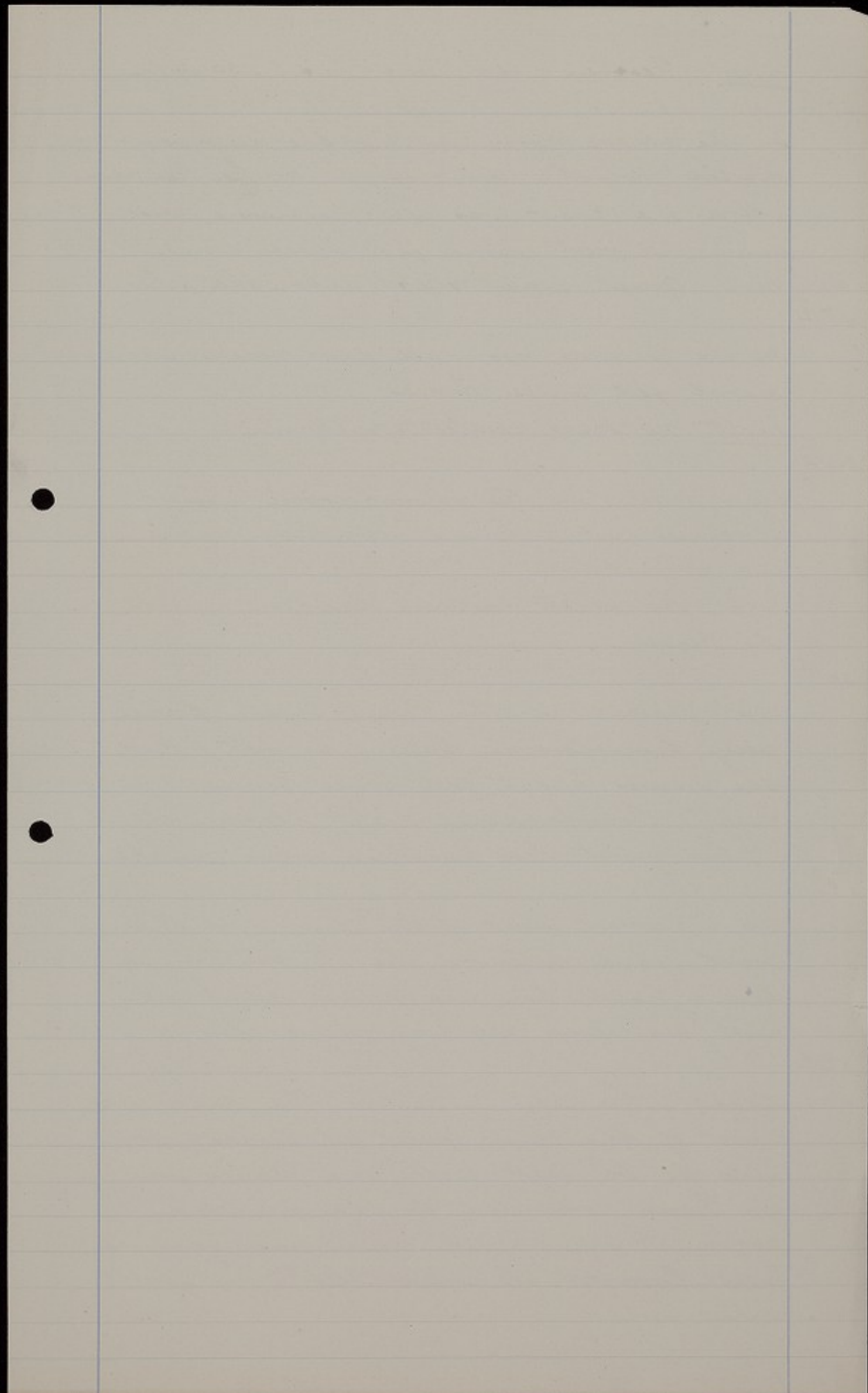
Night No sleep restless, talking quietly to herself

30th Up & dressed in the Court Yard twice very troublesome crying, so bite & kick the nurses. Nasal fed three times

Night Comfortable night slept well & was quiet less restless when awake

Dec 1st Up & dressed part of the day & in the Court Yard, later on the 6th balcony in bed & held by two nurses Nasal fed III
Night No sleep talking incessantly

2nd Slept 4 hrs this a.m. on the balcony most of the day quiet at dinner & was able to be left with one nurse for an hour returned to the padded room at 4 p.m. & very noisy since Nasal fed III
Night Comfortable night slept 7 hrs quiet when awake



~~4th~~
3rd

on the 6th balcony most of the day with one nurse returning to the padded room about 4:00 Naval fed III

Night slept 6 hrs destructive early night

4th

on the 6th balcony most of the day with one nurse Naval fed III

Night slept 7 hrs restless for short time

5th

on the 6th balcony as usual, naval fed three times

Night no sleep talking quietly slept half an hour this a.m.

6th

Slept 2 hrs on the 6th balcony as usual naval fed three times

Night slept all night 9 hrs

7th

on the balcony most of the day naval fed three times

Night no sleep noisy early night quiet later

8th

on the balcony rather troublesome requiring two nurses for a short time

Night slept well 7 hrs

9th

on the balcony fairly quiet, had an oyster patty given to her, which she refused to take as she said (it was the body of God)

Night awake but quiet until 4 a.m.

10th

In the strong room all day, sleeping in sheets & blankets in the padded room

Night slept comfortable all night



11th

out on the balcony most of the day, in the padded room later nasal fed three times
Night Slept well since 11 P.M.

12th

on the balcony most of the day, sleeping in the strong room on the 5th fl.
Night Quiet comfortable night slept from 10 P.M. to 7 A.M.

13th

on the balcony as usual nasal fed 3 times. Visited by her husband who she knew but could not get a sensible word out of her
Night Slept about 4 hrs restless & quiet

14th

As usual + fed 3 times
Night Talking & restless early night, slept 4 hrs

15th

in the strong room all day, has one or two fresh spots on her head & body
fed III times
Night Slept about 5 hrs at intervals

16th

on the balcony nasal fed three times
Night Slept about 5 hrs

17th

As usual
Night Slept about 7 hrs

18th

As usual + fed three times sleeping in the padded room
Night Slept about 5 hrs restless

19th

As usual & nasal fed three times
Night Slept about 6 hrs.

20th

on the balcony most of the day, fed III times

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GREEN LAID

21st Night Quiet comfortable night

As usual, fed III Denis

Night Much the same

22nd

In the strong room all day very excited
& noisy at Denis fed III Denis

Night Slept 7 hrs

23rd

on the balcony all day most restless it
took one nurse all her time to manage
her, most destructive, fed III Denis

Night Slept about 5 hrs

24th

In the strong room all day visited
by her husband was very noisy all day

Night Slept about 5 hrs

25th

on the balcony + in the padded room

Night Quiet night

26th

Much as usual

Night 5 hrs sleep

27th

In the strong room all day wet frequently

Night Restless slept about 3 hrs

28th

on the balcony noisy at Denis

Night Slept well

29th

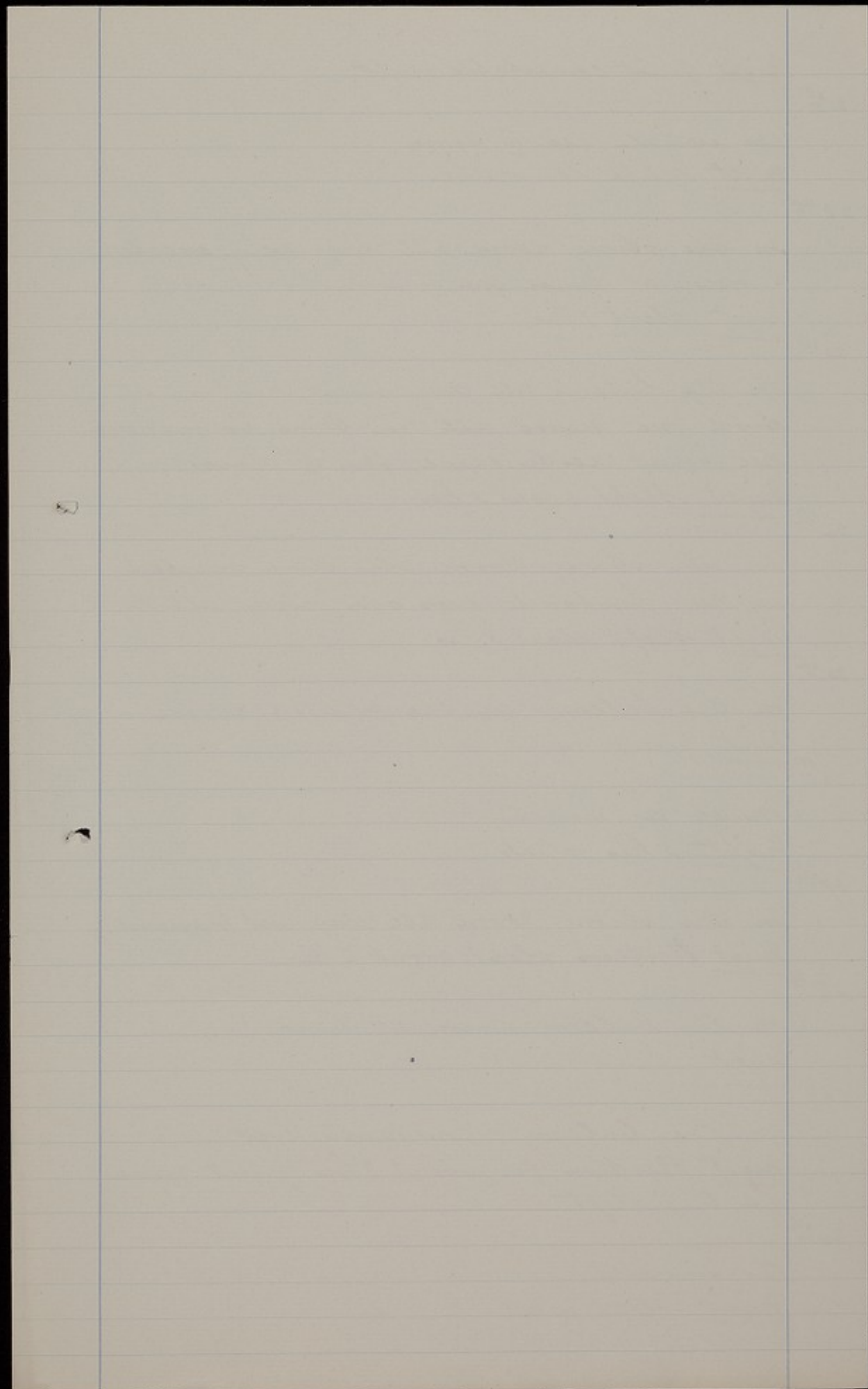
on the balcony + constantly wet

Night Restless for about 3 hrs quiet since
1 a.m. + slept

30th

As usual

Night Slept well



31st

In the strong room most of the day very noisy nasal fed III dinner

Night Slept well all night

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In the strong room all day most noisy Night Slept well & quiet all night

2nd

on the 6th balcony most of the day noisy nasal fed III dinner

Night Slept well all night

3rd

on the 6th balcony most of the day not quite so noisy nasal fed III dinner Night Slept well quiet

4th

Quiet day nasal fed III dinner

Night Slept well not so resistive when attended to

5th

In the West Villa shelter most of the day, slept two hours since she came in, was in seclusion 1 hour this a.m. Night Restless & resistive when attended to

6th

In the shelter part of the day also in the strong room nasal fed III

Night Restless early night slept soundly after 1 a.m.

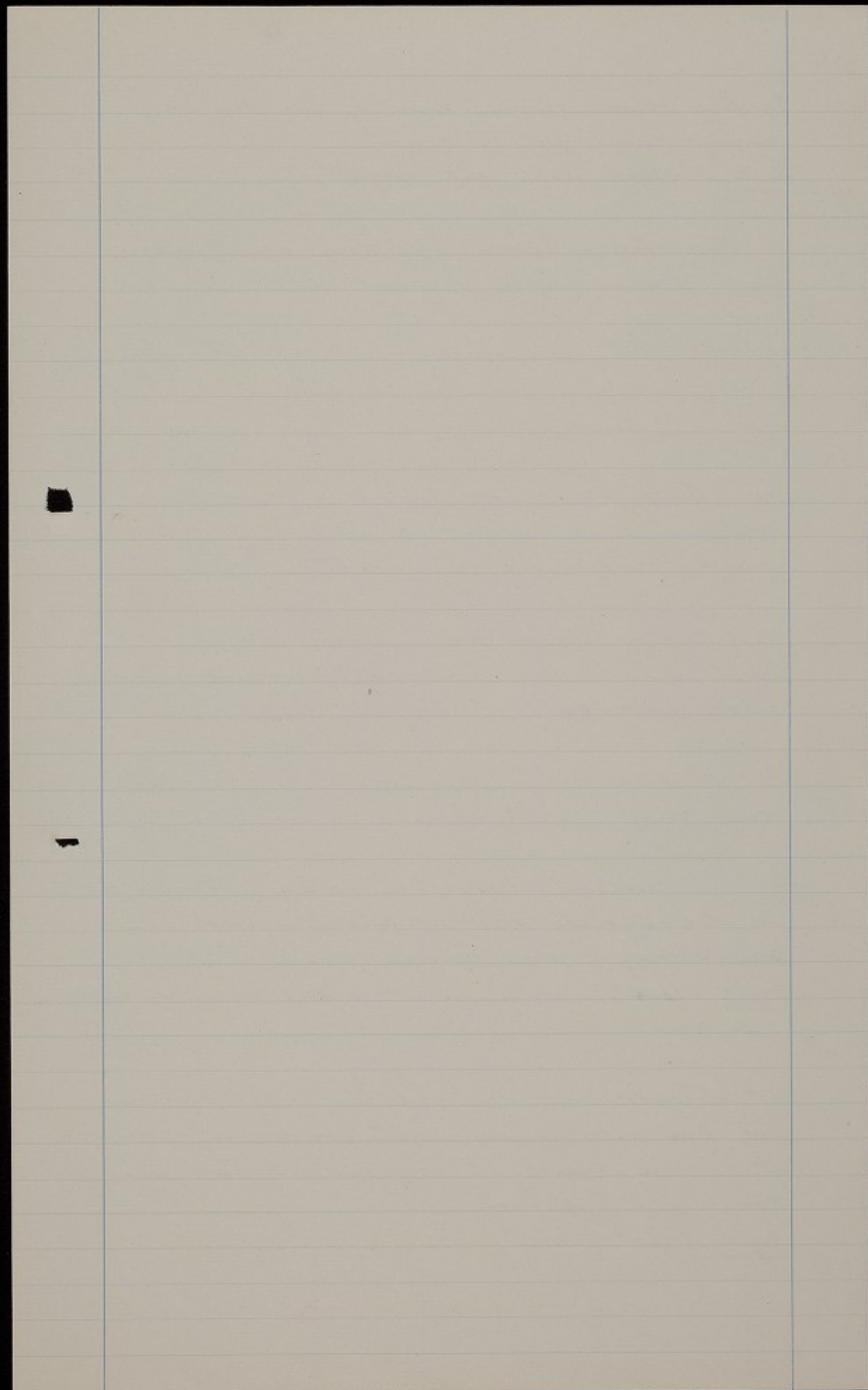
7th

No attention in the shelter most of the day has been tried with food but refused it as she said it consisted of worms nasal fed III dinner

Night Slept well after 1 a.m.

8th

In the shelter most of the day nasal fed III dinner



Night slept well after 11.30, took cold water only

9th

In the strong room part of the day has taken a little chicken, roast & sea also chocolates, (was singing tonight) Nasal fed III times

Night slept well refused nourishment

10th

but in the shelter most of the day Nasal fed III times

Night slept well 3x of milk taken & a biscuit

11th

In the strong room all day, very sensible at times has taken OT of milk

Night slept well OT of milk taken bread & butter, insatiable this a.m.

12th

Sensible at times visited by her mother who had tea with her in her room has taken her own food & is sleeping in the strong room

Night slept well taken OT of milk

13th

In the shelter most of the day sensible at times has taken her food fairly well

Night inclined to be depressed early night taken milk OT

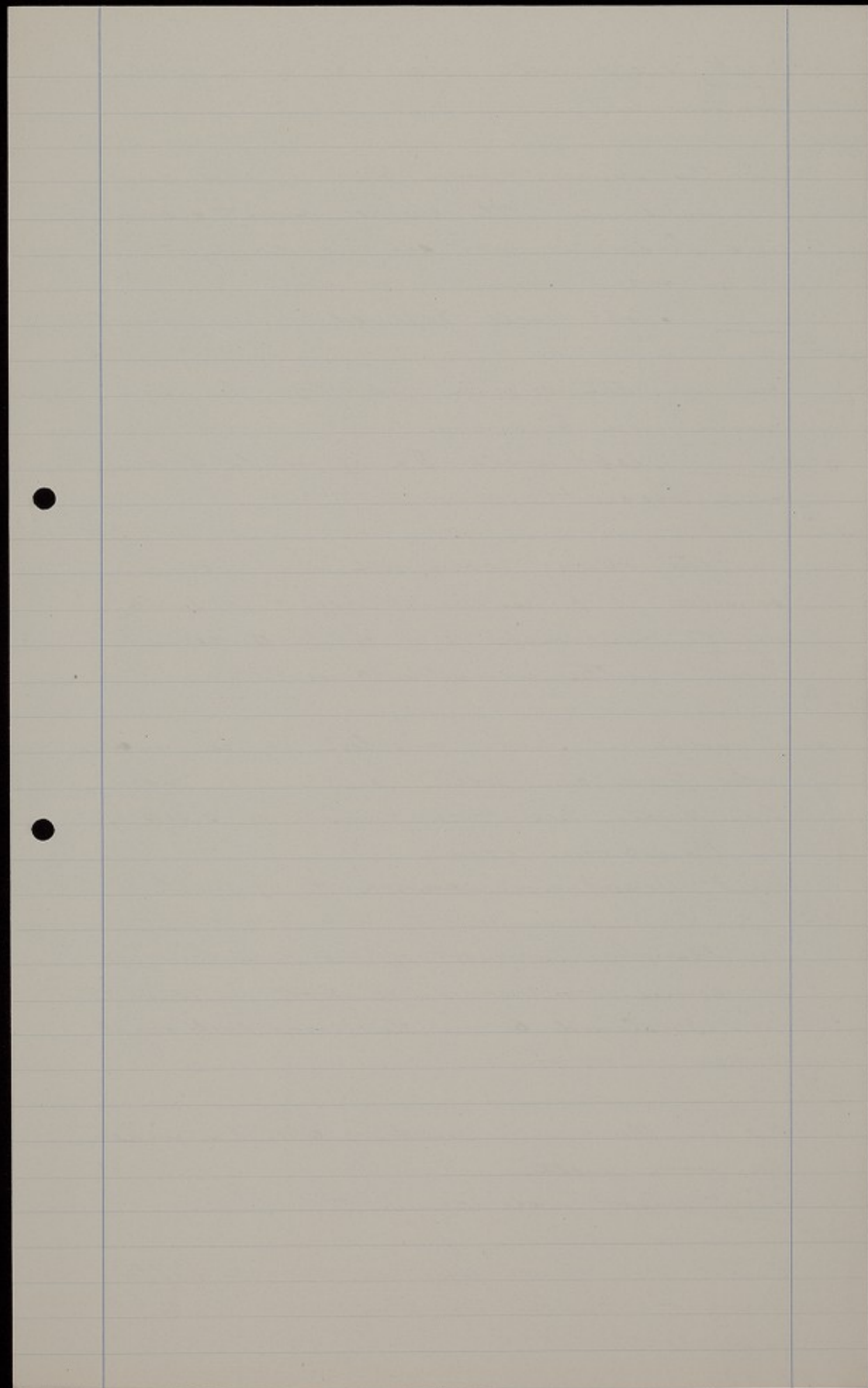
14th

but in the shelter most of the day taken her food well

Night slept well milk OT

15th

Rather troublesome this a.m. but better tonight & taken her food well wrote two letters



17th Night Appeared nervous early night 4 1/2 hrs sleep.
A very good day, still a little confused
visited by her husband & had sea with
him at the Decca & went round the
grounds alone with him (Weight 5 st 11 ^{lb} 4)
being the first time of weighing
Night Slept about 5 hrs at intervals
confused & calling out at times

18th
A good day
Night Slept better hot milk given (wet)

19th
A good day went up to prayers this
a.m. Visited by Mr. Atkinson went into
the City alone with him returning for
sea, also had dinner with him in
the visitors room.

Night Slept well

20th
A good day went down to the dentist
this afternoon & then went over to E. Villa
to sea with a nurse

Night Slept well

21st
A good day had sea in the visitors
room with her mother

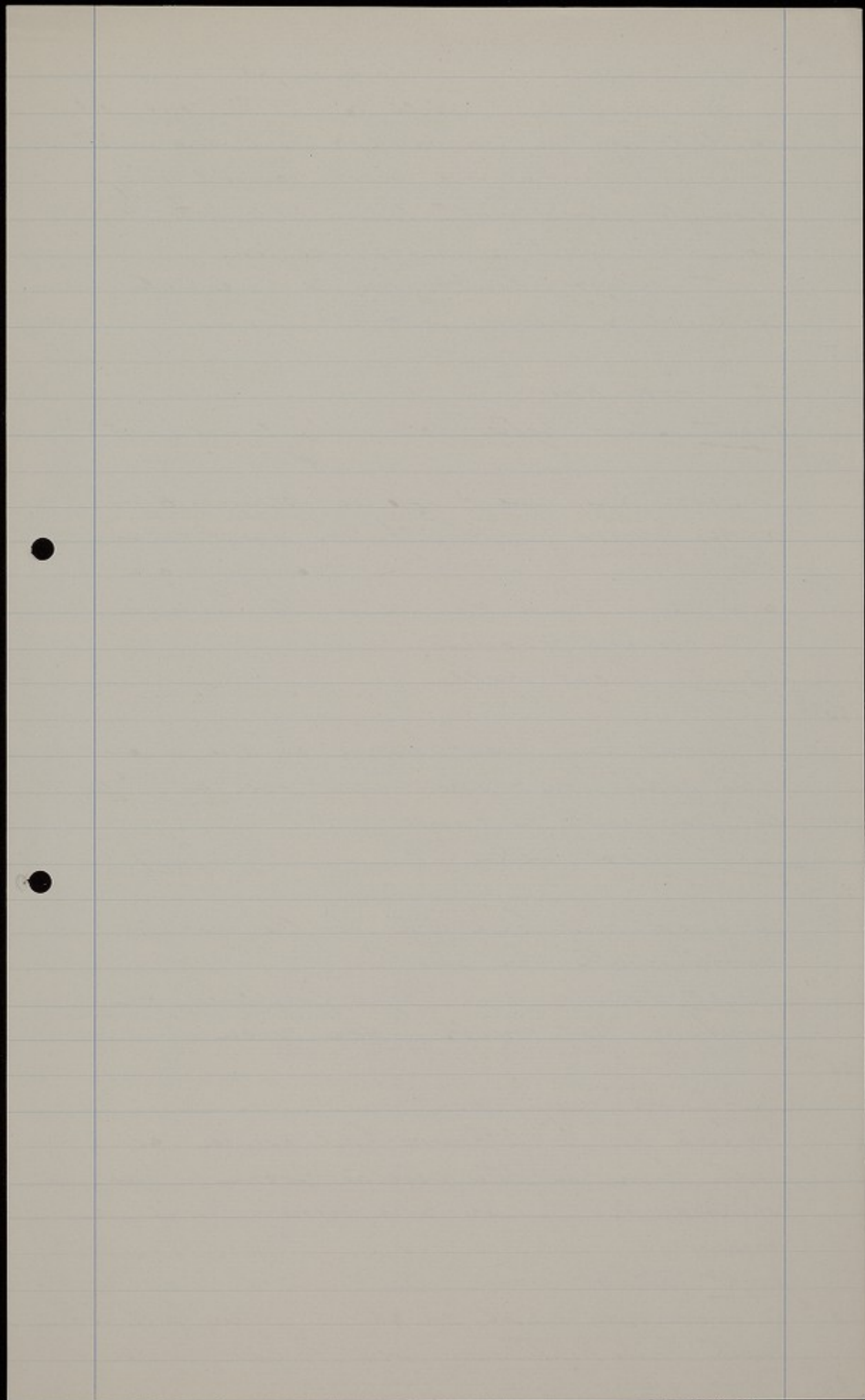
Night Comfortable night, confused on
waking, hot milk + sea given

22nd
A good day spent mostly on the 9th
visited by Mr. Atkinson had dinner + sea
with him in the visitors room & has
started to go to the dining hall for
meals

Night Slept well all night

23rd
A good day mostly on the 9th gallery had sea
with Miss Matthews + went to the meeting

24th
Transferred to the 9th gallery.



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25th

Mrs Atkinson very busy writing letters all morning: said it was most difficult to collect her thoughts: Played cards on the centre in the evening.

26th

A quieter day, confused at times. a very good appetite. Visited by her mother.

27th

writing letters in the morning, shopping with sister Hannah in the afternoon & to the concert in the evening.

28th

A quiet morning: visited by her husband in the afternoon and to Miss Whitworth's party in the evening. Seemed excited and tired after the party.

29th

Mrs A. did not sleep until 5 a.m.: Had breakfast in bed & slept later:

30th

Spent a quieter afternoon & evening Very busy with correspondence morning & afternoon. To meeting in the evening & writing later. Weight St 8 - lbs 11.

31st

Mrs Atkinson discharged grace The Tretreat to-day.

D. Martine





The Secretary is instructed to obtain the necessary signatures to the accompanying form of guarantee before the care of any patient is undertaken by The Retreat.

YORK RETREAT HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE.

In consideration of the Directors of the York Retreat Hospital for the Insane agreeing to receive Margie Atkinson of

as a patient in the said Hospital, I HEREBY UNDERTAKE

AND AGREE, with Richard Thompson of Spring St., The Mount, York the Treasurer of the said Hospital,

to pay or cause to be paid, to the said Richard Thompson as such Treasurer, or to the Treasurer for the time being of the said Hospital, all such Sum or Sums of Money as shall from time to time be or become due and payable for the Lodging, Maintenance, and care of the said patient in the said Hospital, or whilst under the charge of the Authorities of the said Hospital, and all such Sum or Sums of Money as shall be paid or disbursed by or on behalf of the said Institution for any articles of Wearing Apparel, or other necessities, or extras supplied to, or provided for the said Patient, or the repairing or mending and washing of the articles of Wearing Apparel of the said Patient, so long as the said Patient shall continue in the said Hospital, or be under the charge of the Authorities of the said Hospital, and also to pay or cause to be paid the expenses in respect of the Funeral of the said Patient, in case the said Patient shall die in the said Hospital, or whilst under the charge of the Authorities of the said Hospital. AND I FURTHER AGREE to pay interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum on any accounts due from me as above, which shall not have been discharged within Twenty-eight days from the receipt of such account from the Treasurer, Secretary or Clerk of the said Hospital. AND I ALSO UNDERTAKE AND AGREE, at my own expense, to remove the said Patient from the said Hospital within Fourteen days after receiving Notice in writing from the Treasurer, Secretary or Clerk for the time being of the said Hospital, requiring such removal.

WITNESS my hand the 24th day of November 1915

Name Charles C. Atkinson

Residence Glebe House, Staveley,

Occupation Nil Knaresborough

SIGNED by the said Charles C. Atkinson

in the presence of

Witness's Signature,

Address, and

Profession.

Charles Butler

Stanley Victor Knaresborough

Clerk in Holy Orders

N.B.—The charge for Board, Lodging and Medical care is payable quarterly, in advance. Disbursements by the Institution on behalf of patients, and other exceptional expenses, are charged in the following quarter's account. A residence of less than a month is charged as a month.

In the event of the death, removal, or discharge of a patient before the expiry of the quarter covered by the last payment, the surplus amount is returned by the Retreat.



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