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2, SELBORNE GROVE,
BRADFORD.

11/2. 06

Dear Mr. Pierce:

I am delighted to be able to tell you - and I am sure you are glad to hear it - that I now consider my wife entirely cured. Since last Wednesday she is almost like her old self again, perhaps a little quieter - more subdued than usual, but certainly the cloud of depression has left her - but no hope for ever! She refused to go away in spite of all our entreaties

as she maintained that
her place was at home
& she felt happiest there.
I hope I shall be able to
take her away soon and
then we must try to
forget all about these
terrible months except for
the gratitude we owe to
all our friends who
have been so very kind
to us during this trying
time. And foremost amongst
these, dear Doctor, I hope
I may count you and
I want to express to you
my most sincere thanks
for all you have done

to my wife while she
was under your care,
also to Sister Margaret
& the nurses whose devotion
we shall always remem-
ber with a deep sense
of gratitude.

Now I want to ask
you whether under the
Sunday Act my wife
requires any ~~for~~ formal
discharge or whether
it lapses *eo ipso*?

I remain with
kindest regards

Yours faithfully
F. Percy Perkins

Went until I see
you at Leeds.

With kindest re-
gards believe me

Yours very sincerely
Harry Behning

(58)

2 Selborne Grove
Draaford

Jan 9. 06.

Dear Dr. Pierce

Many thanks for
your kind letter. I
was very pleased to
learn that you are
so far convalescent
as to being able to
go to Leeds for a
short time. Naturally
I am delighted to know

that you will go and
see my poor wife.
Under these circumstances
I think it best if
I postponed my inter-
view with you until
after you return.
I shall therefore come
to see you at your
Chambers in Leeds
on Friday, January 19th
at 2.15 unless I hear
from you that to the
contrary. You will under-
stand that they have

been most trying works
for me and it is
not asking you too
much I should
feel most grateful
if you would meet
me a few times
after you have seen
my wife at Throxmby.
On the other hand, if
you have not to be
worried with profes-
sional matters whilst
you are staying in
Leeds I shall
understand it quite
well and I will



N.B.—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 Constance L. Behrens of 2 Saltome Grove Bradford as a patient in the said Hospital, I HEREBY UNDERTAKE AND AGREE with Richard Thompson of Dringate, 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 necessaries, 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 21st day of October 1905

Name Constance L. Behrens
 Residence 2 Saltome Grove, Bradford Yorks
 Occupation Merchant

SIGNED by the said Constance L. Behrens
 in the presence of

Witness's Signature } W. H. Hall
 Address, and } 2 Park Drive, Hutton, Bradford
 Profession. } Merchant

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.

