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October 16th, 1916.

Dear Dr. Sadler,

We have unfortunately so many restless chronic patients who are destructive and difficult to do with that I fear we must decline to take Miss Carnelley. She was extremely troublesome for part of the time when with us, and I feel I could not rightly ask our nurses to take her again when we are so short-handed. In fact the Committee asked the relatives of two similar patients to remove them, as the staff was being over-worked.

I am writing to Mrs. Carnelley to explain this.

I remain,

Yours very truly,



October 1941, 1941.

Dear Dr. Sadler,

We have unfortunately no real testless chronic  
patients who are destructive and difficult to do with  
and a test of our decision to take this seriously.  
The are extremely dangerous to the life when  
with me, and I feel I should not try to get out of  
to take out with when we are so much in need.  
In fact the Committee asked the relatives of two similar  
patients to remove them from the staff and being over-

Yours,

I am writing to Mrs. Corneley to explain this

I remain,

Yours very truly,

October 16th, 1916.

Dear Mrs. Carnelley,

I am very sorry to hear that Miss Carnelley is not doing well, and that a transfer from the Grange appears to be necessary.

Unfortunately we are quite unable to take any more difficult cases. In fact the Committee at their last meeting directed the relatives of two patients to transfer them elsewhere as the nursing staff was overtaxed. I am sorry that we are not able to help in the matter.

I remain,

Yours very truly,



October 18th, 1918.

Dear Mrs. Carnell,

I am very sorry to hear that Miss Carnell is

not doing well, and that a transfer from the Grange

appears to be necessary.

Unfortunately we are quite unable to take any

more difficult cases. In fact the Committee at their

last meeting directed the rejection of the applicants

to transfer their cases to some other place.

I am sorry that we are not able to help

in the matter.

Sincerely,

Yours very truly,

Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> 1913SOUTHFIELD,  
BARNSELEY.

Dear D' Pice

In answer to your  
inquiries, with regard to my  
daughter, I am glad to say, that  
she is very much better, in fact  
almost quite recovered.

Yours Sincerely  
Mary E. Carnellay.





Nov. 8 1913.

Dear Madam,

Dr. Pierce's letter with reference  
to the discharge of your daughter  
from the books of the Retreat appears  
to have been carried as he has not  
received any answer. We would  
be glad if you would let him  
know by return whether she has been  
discharged as "Recovered" or "Relieved".

Yours faithfully

Wm. E. Waller

Wm. Connolly



Nov. 8 1913.

Dear Madam,

Excuse me for not replying

to the discharge of your daughter  
from the duties of the Robert of  
I have this evening as he has not  
been very well - He would  
be glad if you would be kind  
to write him when he has his  
discharge as he would be glad to  
hear from you.

Yours truly,  
W. E. Chubb



Southfield

Barnsley

March 9<sup>th</sup> 1912

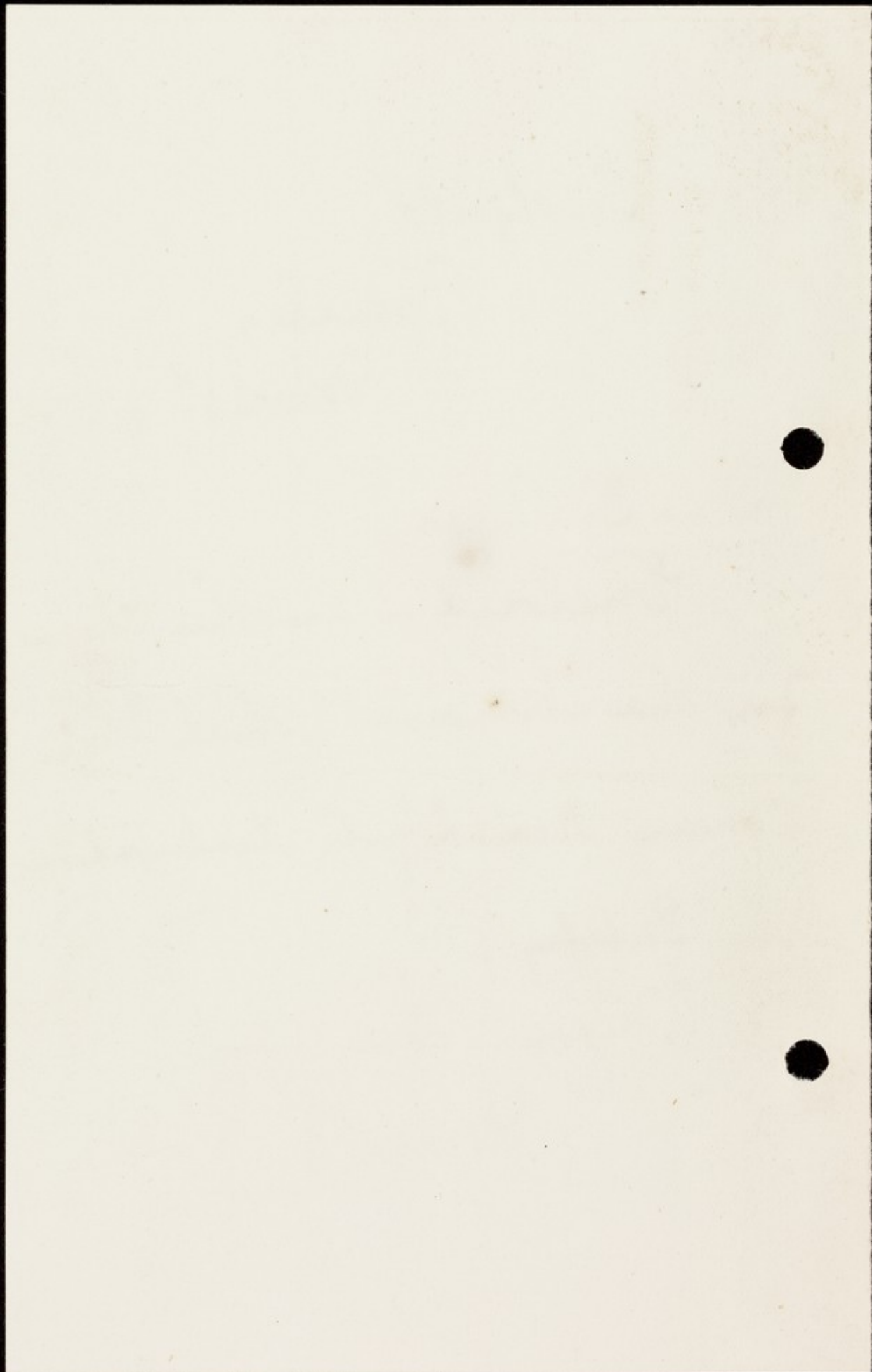
• Dear G. Peice

Enclosed is another cheque  
for the Amount which I hope  
may reach its destination  
in Safety

Yours very truly

• Mary E. Carnelley





that she is, or will soon  
be, well enough to go to  
Throtenby for a change of a  
week or two, she says that  
she thinks a little change  
would do her good

I've been wondering if  
it is good for her to sleep  
so long in the padded room  
it would seem to me very  
depressing

She was quite normal  
when I was over to see her  
With kind regards  
Yours sincerely  
Mary E. Carnell

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SOUTHFIELD,  
BARNSELEY.

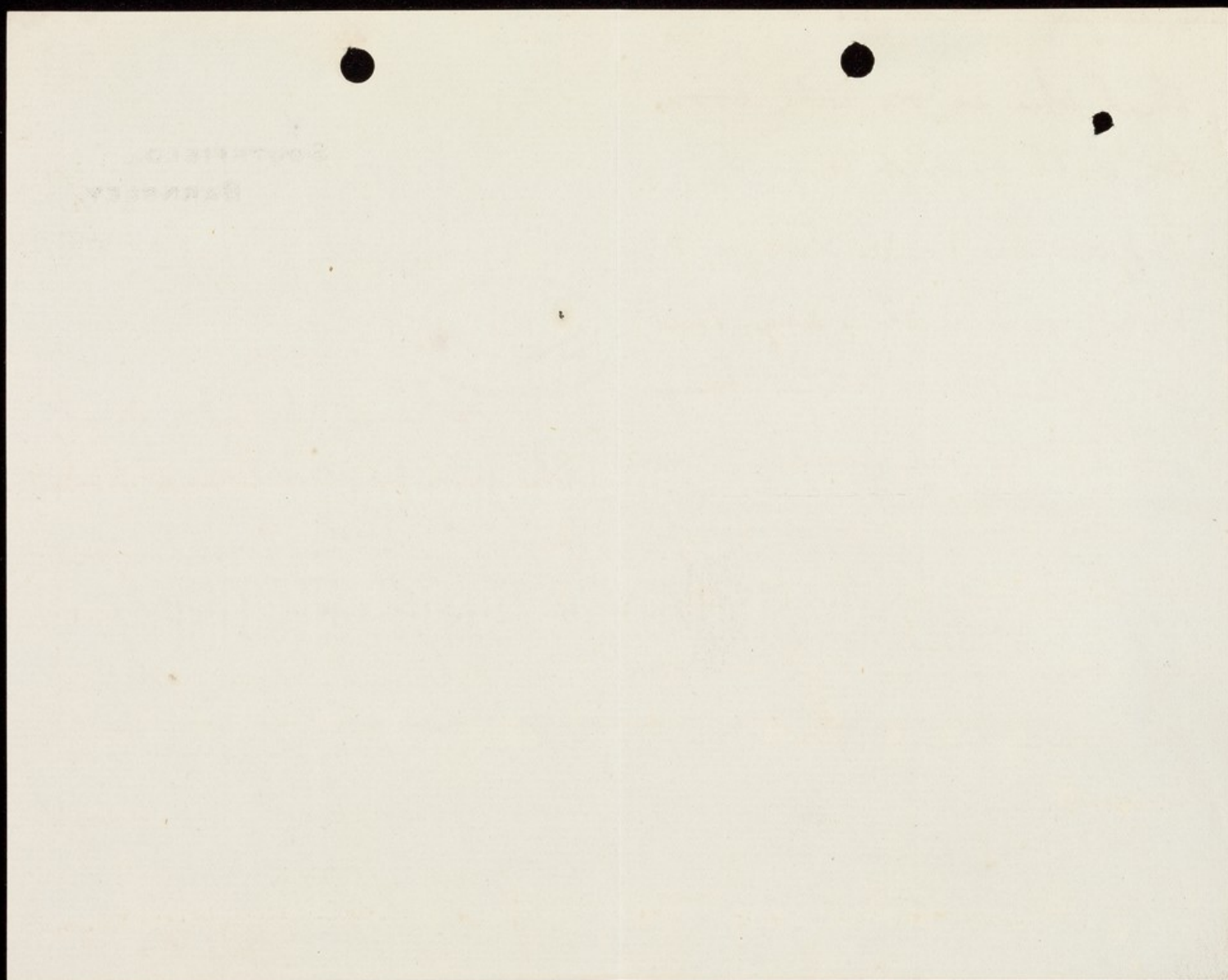
March 7<sup>th</sup> 1912

Dear S. Pierce

I have already sent  
Cheque for enclosed dated  
Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> on the Counterfoil  
in my Cheque book.

I would very much  
like to have a line to hear  
how you think my daughter  
is getting on  
And if you think





Nov. 8 1912

Dear Madame,

Spencer has asked me to  
acknowledge the receipt of your  
letter & to say that we cannot find  
any trace of a cheque being received  
on Jan 12. - it certainly has not been  
paid into our bank - It would  
seem as if it had gone astray  
somewhere - No doubt it was a  
crossed cheque but it might be  
best for you to stop payment at your  
bank -

Yours faithfully

W. E. Waller Secy

Mrs. Connelley.



Nov. 8 1912

Dear Madam,

I have been asked to  
acknowledge the receipt of your  
letter to say that we cannot find  
any trace of a cheque being received  
on Jan 12. - it certainly has not been  
passed into our bank - It must  
be some error if it had been cashed  
somewhere - No doubt of course  
crossed cheques but it might be  
lost by you with payment at your  
bank -

Yours faithfully  
W. E. Allen  
Mr. G. W. Allen



With kind regards  
Yours Sincerely  
Mary E. Carmelley

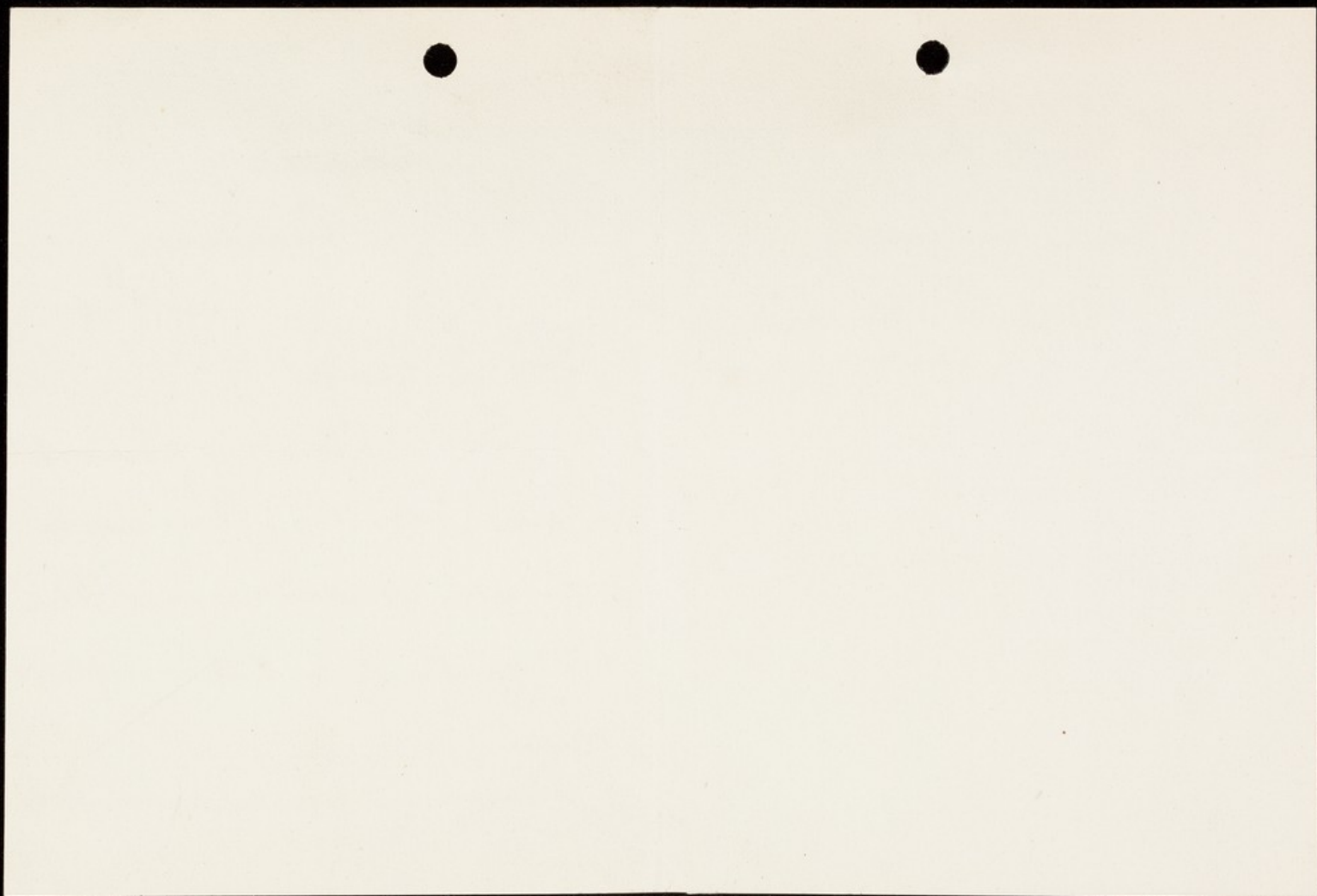
Southfield  
Barnesley  
Sep. 7<sup>th</sup> 1911

Dear D. Kemp

I shall be very pleased  
to hear how my daughter is  
if you consider that she  
is making a little improve-  
ment

Thanking you in anticipation





I had hoped she would  
have been well again  
long before this, after  
she has been well for  
a little time she seems  
to fall back again as  
bad almost as ever,  
however I did think that  
she was looking a little  
better & I do hope that there  
is real improvement begun  
With kind regards  
Yours Sincerely  
Mary E. Carnell

ST LEONARDS,  
BRIDLINGTON.

Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>  
1911

Dear D. Pierce

I am sorry to hear that  
the destruction should  
continue

Of course I am willing  
to pay what you think  
I ought to pay for the damage  
done, I should like a list  
of what I do pay for, as  
my income is limited



St. Leonard  
St. Leonard

Breakages by Miss Carnelley

From Feb. 21 to end of July, 1911

Ventilator in Strong room

,, , Isolation room

Fire guard in Strong room

Chest of drawers (had to be mended) several times)

Destroyed wood work of window

Pulled down and broke fastener of curtain rod

Broke thermometer

,, bedroom chair

,, large branch off mulberry tree

Destroyed ivy in courtyard

Tore two or three Library books

Broke one or two vases and ornaments

Shutter panel on 4th Gallery Strong room

3 chambers

Tore up 3 Strong rugs

,, 2 W.V. night dresses

,, 2 pillow cases

,, 1 counterpane

Destroyed flower plants



Transmitted by the Committee  
From Feb. 21 to end of July, 1911

Ventilator in strong room

Isolation room

Five Grand in strong room

Chest of drawers (the drawers are not locked)

Isolation room

Isolation room

Isolation room

Isolation room

Isolation room

Isolation room

Isolation room

Isolation room

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Isolation room

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if she slept in her own room, where there is more air, poor girl she suffers so from breathlessness & requires plenty of fresh air.

I heard of her pushing up the shutter & putting the clothes out; but if it had been secure she could not have done so.

I fear if she sleeps longer in the padded room she will become very ill.

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SOUTHFIELD,  
BARNSELEY.

May 28<sup>th</sup> 1911

Dear D. Kemp

Since I saw my daughter I have been very troubled about her, she is looking so thin & such a bad colour.

Sleeping badly will account for much, but I think she would have a much better chance in her



I am very sorry to trouble  
you with all this. but  
I feel sure you will  
understand

With Kind regards

I am  
yours truly  
Mary E. Carmelley

which was terribly hot & felt air-  
less when I looked in that after-  
noon, - I thought her sleeping  
there would be detrimental to  
her health, she so often feels  
breathless & requires plenty of air.

I have no wish to find another  
home for my daughter until  
she is well enough to come to her  
own home, - I am very sorry if  
you think I have said anything  
to discourage anyone, I did not  
intend to.

I wrote Dr. Kemp about it.

June 5<sup>th</sup> 1911

SOUTHFIELD,  
BARNSELEY.

Dear Dr. Pierce

When I saw my daughter last  
I was very pleased to see that she  
was looking a little better.

I had been much troubled  
about her since my previous  
visit she was then looking  
so thin & ill & such a peculiar  
colour.

I thought it was the result  
of sleeping in the padded room.



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a few days before my last  
visit.

I do hope she continues  
to improve

I am

Yours truly

Mary E. Carmelley

as soon as the weather is more settled

It seems to me that frequent changes will be good for her

I am afraid I don't quite understand the sentence in your letter

"Whether there is any objection to her being discharged formally as - 'relieved'"

Again thanking you for all your care & kindness to her whilst she was under your treatment.

Believe me  
Yours very Sincerely  
Mary E. Carmelley

Said notice of  
discharge made  
March 15  
30/-  
relieved

SOUTHFIELD,  
BARNSELY.

March 13<sup>th</sup> 1909

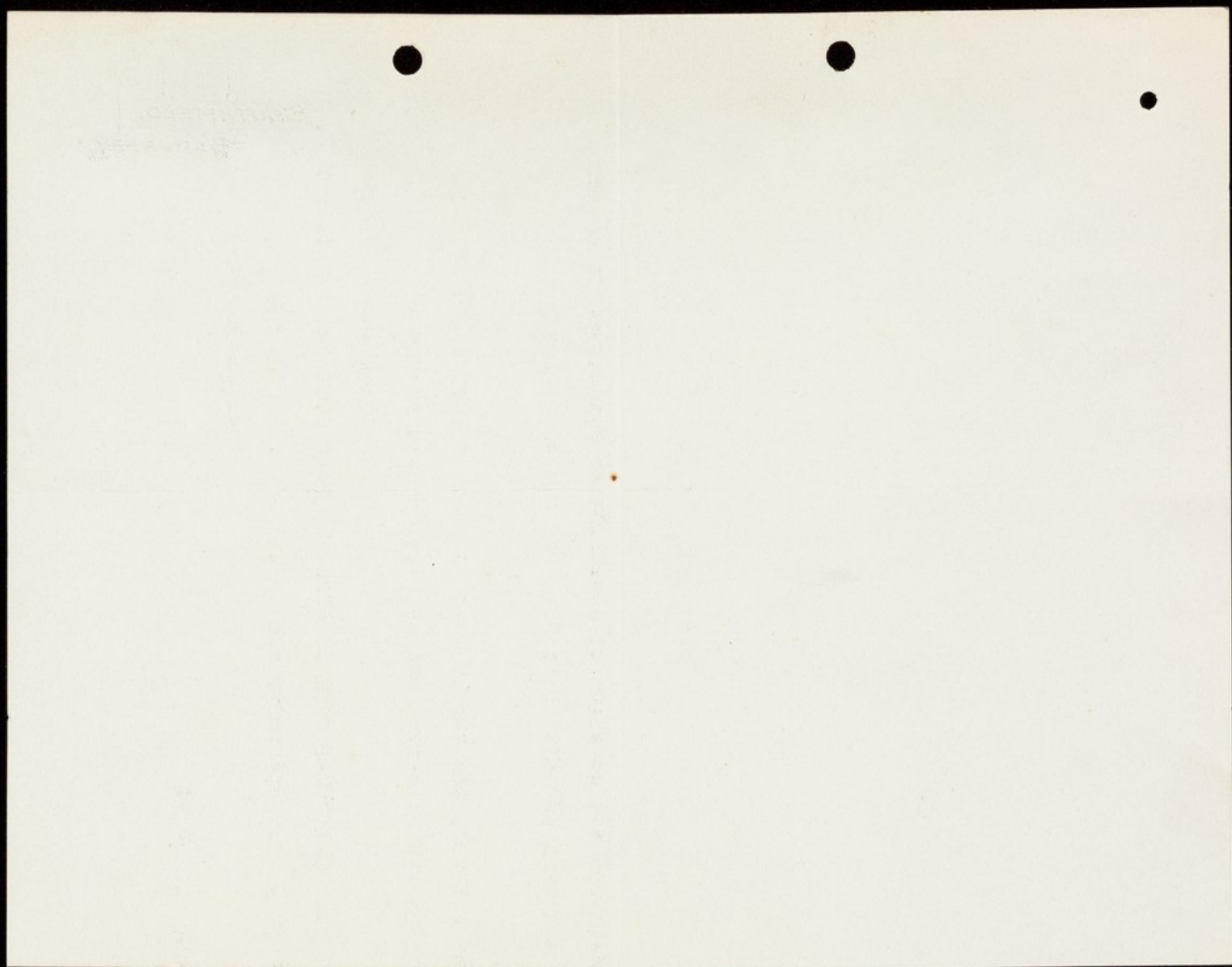
Dear Dr. Pierce

I am very pleased to be able to tell you that Miss Carmelley is quite well, though she is not so bright & does not talk so much as she used to do before her illness came on two & a half years ago.

We have been home from Scarborough a fortnight.

I hope to take her to Morcombe





March 11, 1909

Dear Mrs. Carnelley,

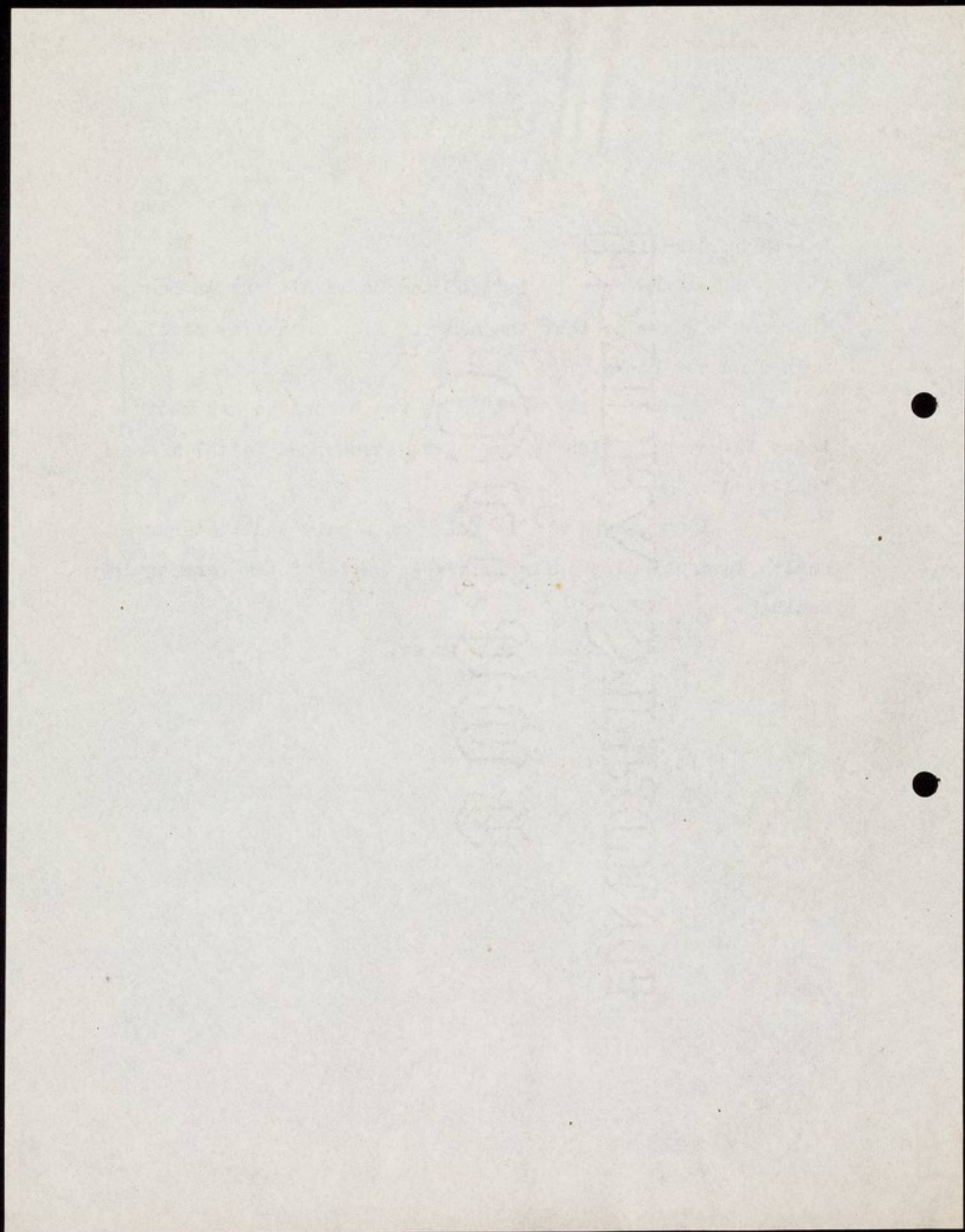
At the recent visit of the Commissioners in Lunacy the remark was made that the name of Miss Carnelley still remained on our books.

I should have written to you before to ask whether there is any objection to her being discharged formally as "relieved".

I much hope she is going on nicely and that her health is continuing satisfactory in spite of the very trying weather.

Yours very truly,





Kindly lay the matter before  
them

With kind regards

Yours very truly

Mary E. Carmelley

Southfield

Barnsley

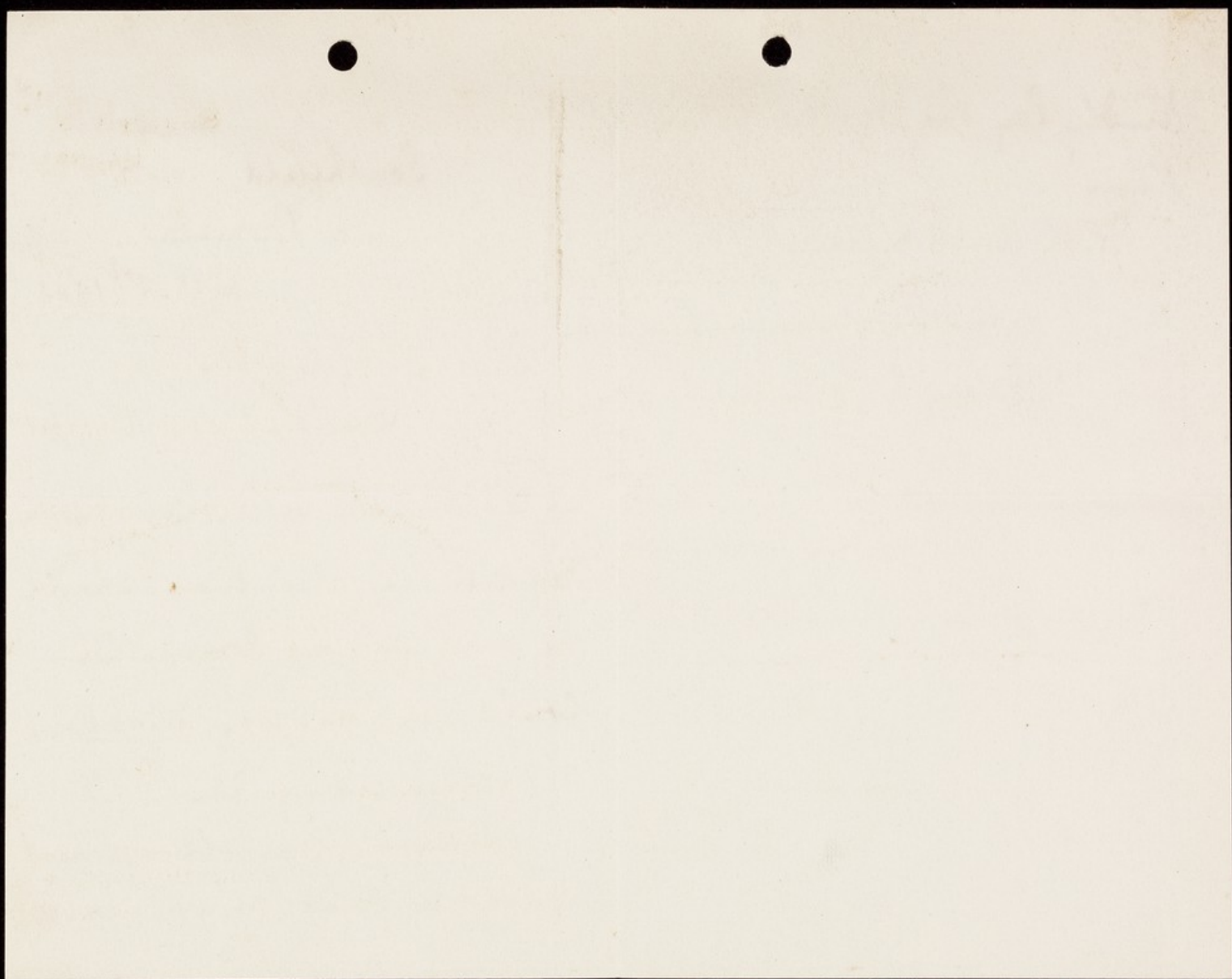
Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> 1908

Dear D<sup>r</sup>. Peice

Now that my daughter  
is so much better & consequently  
requires less attention I should  
be glad if your Committee  
could see their way to make a  
reduction in the fees

Perhaps some arrangement  
might be made if you will





to do so

Will you kindly let me  
know what you think about  
it.

I have written for an old nurse  
who has been with us before.  
I intend us staying some weeks  
with Miss Edwards at Scarboro.

With kind regards

Yours Sincerely  
Mary E. Carmelley

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J.R.  
d.R.

SOUTHFIELD,  
BARNSELY.

Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> 1908

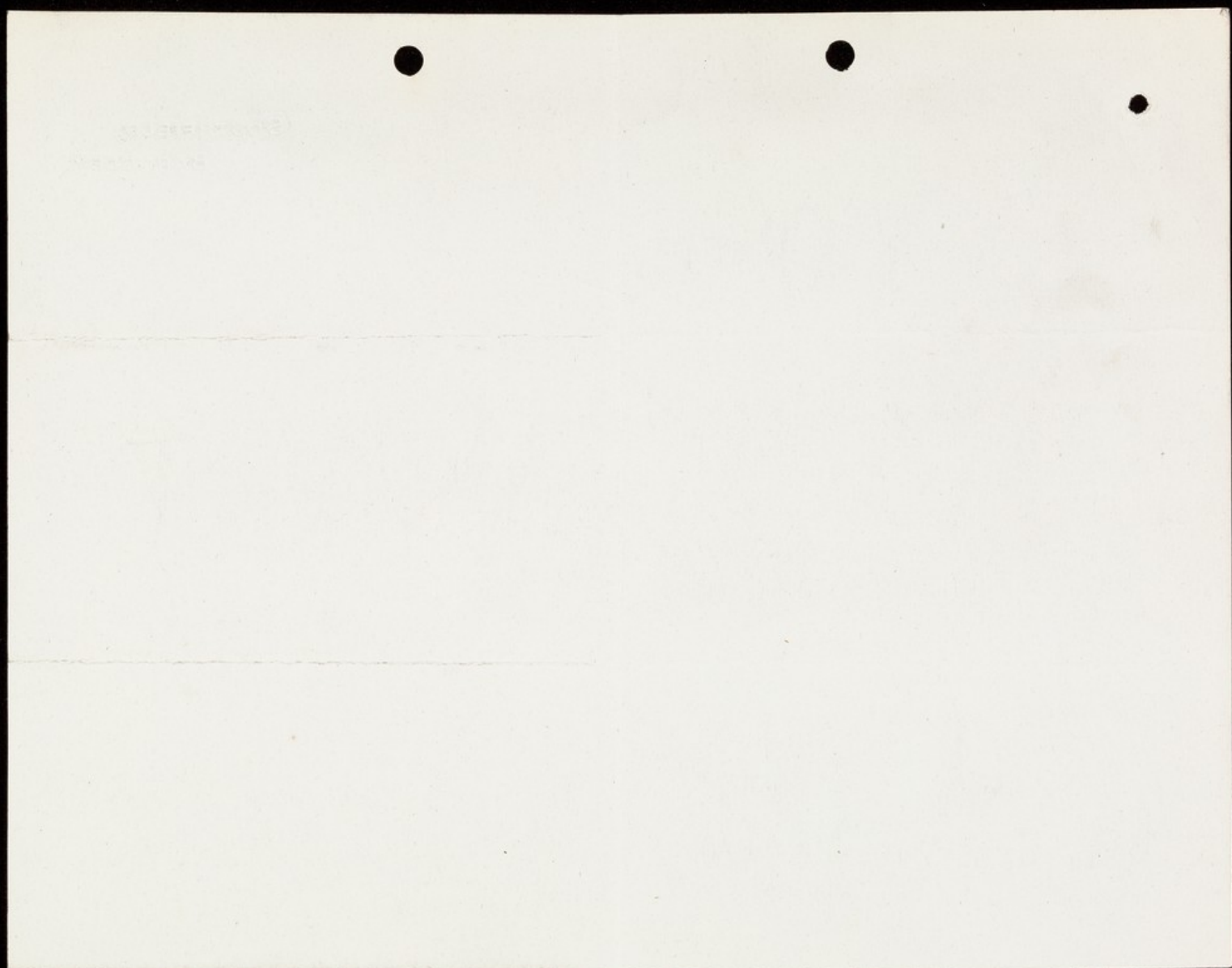
Dear S. Pierce

My daughter has improved  
very much since she went to  
Scarborough

I was over last weekend &  
have taken rooms with Miss  
Edwards

My daughter stayed with us  
from Sunday forenoon till Monday  
afternoon, I should like her to  
come home now & she wishes





35. CHURCH STREET,  
BARNLEY.

OCT 10. '08.

Dear B. Pierce,

I should enjoy  
the lecture very much but on  
the whole think I had better  
leave my visit to York a little  
longer.

I could come next Thursday or  
Saturday afternoons. Friday  
would be rather awkward.  
Thanks for the kind invitation  
all the same

Believe me Sincerely Yours

W. Wallis.



32. CHURCH STREET  
BARNLEY

35, CHURCH STREET,  
BARNSELY.

Oct. 8. '08 ✓

Dear Sir,

Mr<sup>rs</sup> Carmilly tells  
me that you would like to  
see me about her daughter.  
I gather from the report which  
I saw today that there is  
some change for the better for  
which I am very glad.  
I could easily run over & see  
you either next Saturday  
afternoon or next Wednesday  
afternoon, reaching the Retreat  
about 2.45 to 3 p.m.

The intervening days are not  
so convenient for me getting away.



Kindly let me know if either  
of these dates would suit you

With kind wishes  
believe me Sincerely Yours  
W. Wallis.

W. Bedford Pierce.

Oct. 14, 1908

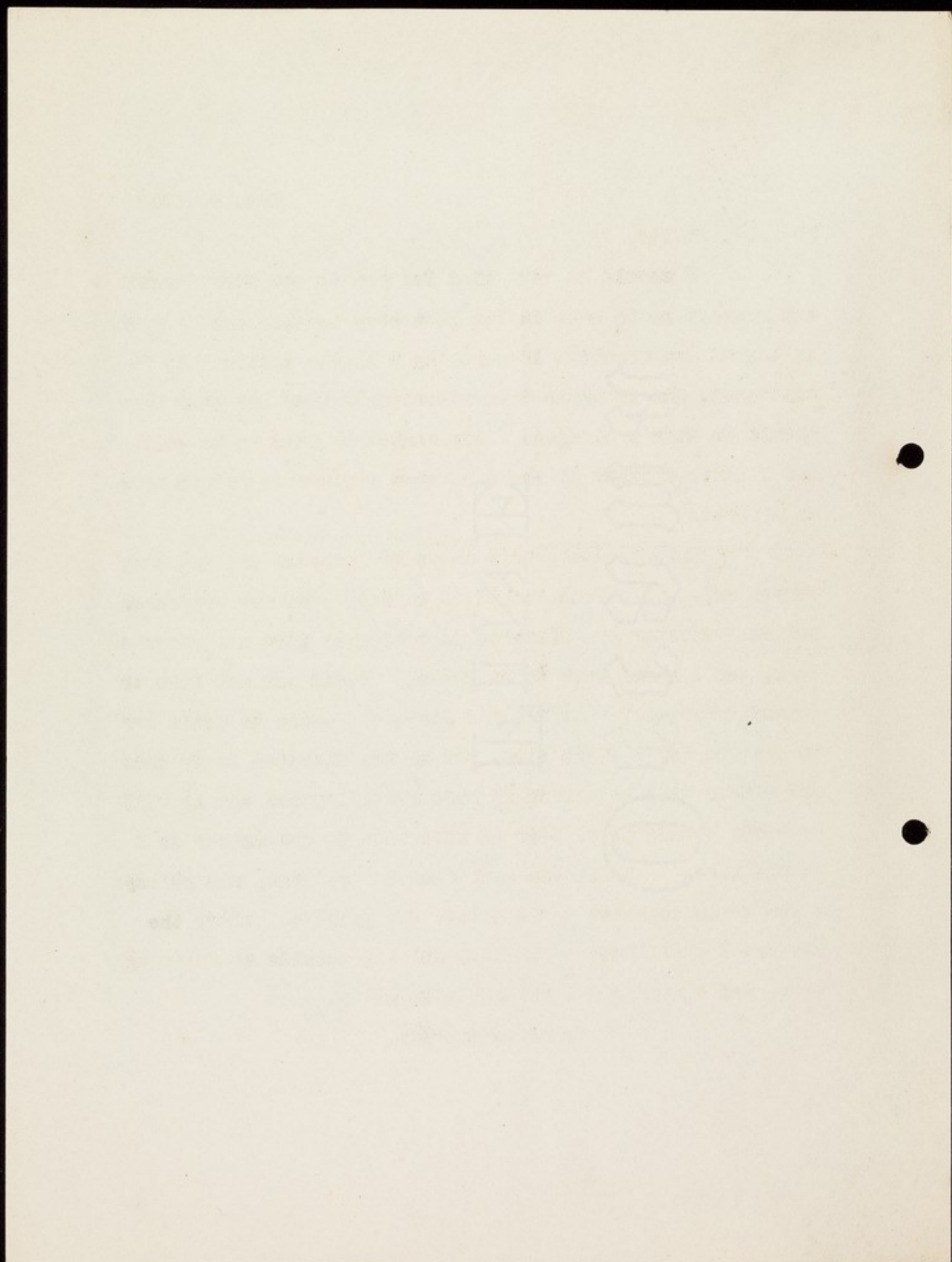
Dear Dr. Wallis,

Saturday afternoon will suit me very well, and I shall be pleased to see you.

Miss Carnelley has been rather depressed lately, and we have been keeping her in bed for a few days, but she is gaining strength, and is on the whole rather better.

Yours very truly,





Oct. 9, 1908

Dear Dr. Wallis,

I should be very glad for you to see Miss Carnelley and consult as to what is the best step to take next. She is a good deal better: if anything a little inclined to be depressed, and it would seem undesirable that her stay here should be much prolonged. She cannot be said to be well, and I doubt whether it would be wise for her to return home at present.

Unfortunately both dates you mention are not very convenient. I have arranged to be away tomorrow afternoon, and on Wednesday Dr. Clouston is coming to give a lecture in York, and I shall have to be there. Would you not like to attend, yourself? After the lecture I could no doubt arrange to see you for a short time, but as Dr. Clouston is my guest and others will be coming up here for afternoon tea it will scarcely permit me to give as much time to the matter as I should like. Still you could see the patient, and perhaps a few words together would answer the purpose. After the lecture I shall have a carriage waiting outside to drive up here, and I hope you will come with us.

Yours very truly,



ОБЩЕСТВО  
БЛАГОУСТРОИТЕЛЕЙ  
ОТЕЧЕСТВЕННЫХ  
ШКОЛ

than when he saw her a month ago, for which I am very thankful.

I do hope the improvement continues

I should like very much to see her, if only for a few minutes.

Again thanking you for all your kindness

Believe me

Yours Sincerely

Mary E. Carmelley

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SOUTHFIELD,  
BARNLEY.

Sept 29<sup>th</sup> 1908

Dear D. Pierce

Many thanks for your last letter telling me that there was decided improvement in my daughter's condition. I do hope that she was no worse for having seen her brother, he said she seemed much better



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may see her. it is now  
a month since I last saw  
her

With kind regards

I am

Yours Sincerely

Mary Elizabeth Carmelley

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SOUTHFIELD,  
BARNSELY.

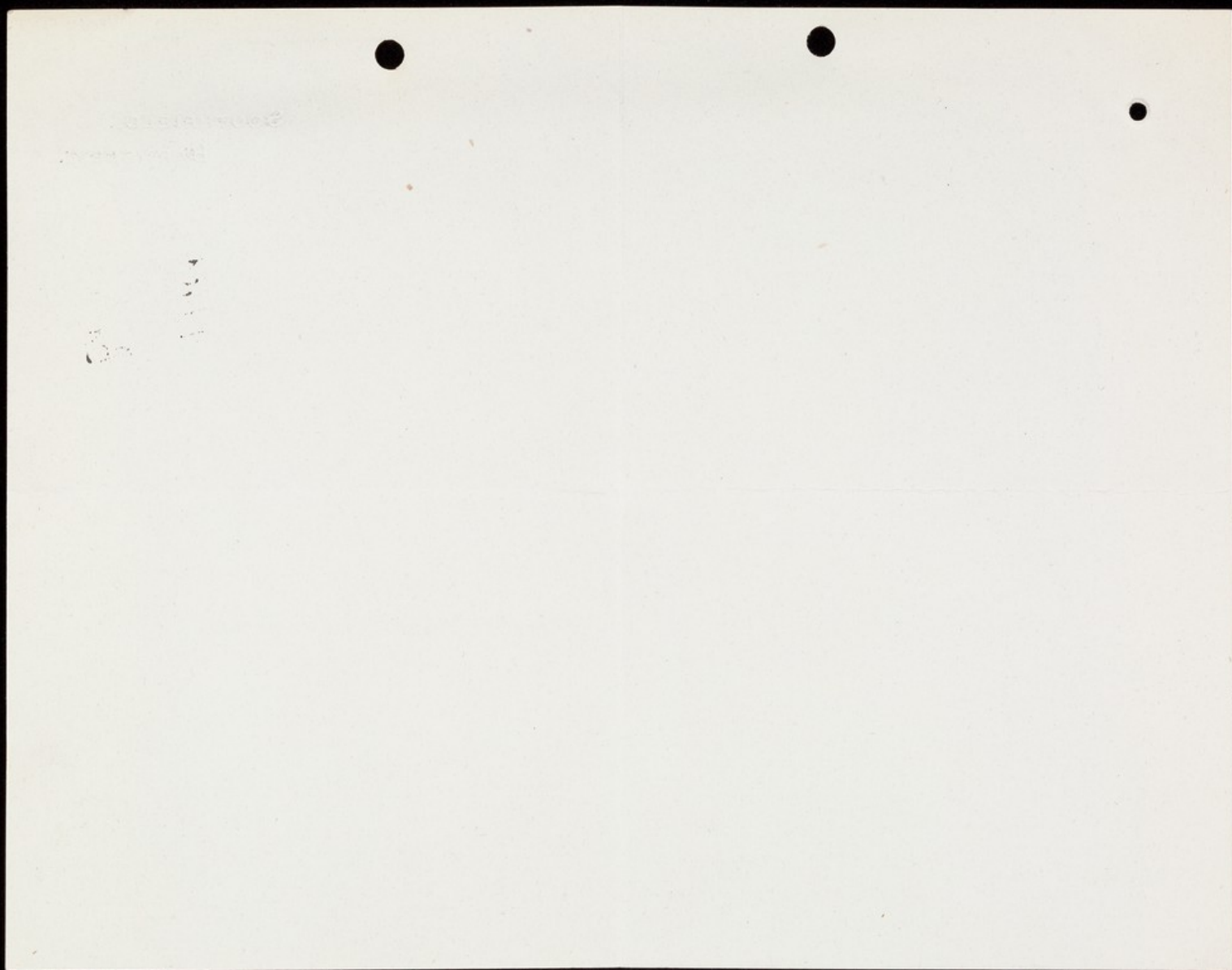
Sep. 20<sup>th</sup> 1908

Dear G. Pierce

Thank you very much  
for writing.

I was very pleased to hear  
that my daughter was better  
mentally & I hope that she  
has improved physically  
by this, & that you think I







Southfield  
Barnsley  
Sep 7<sup>th</sup> 1908

Dear D. Humph

Will you kindly send me  
a few lines to say how my  
daughter is getting on. I am  
very sorry to trouble you so  
often, but think there should  
be some arrangement ~~of some~~

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So that I may hear frequently  
how she is, & it seems I am  
am giving you so much  
trouble, thank you very much  
for your past kindness & also  
in anticipation of a few lines  
again

With kind regards

Believe me

Very Sincerely Yours  
Mary E. Carmelley

P.S.

When I was last in York it seemed  
to me not good for Ethel to be  
lying there without anything to do  
if she should feel inclined, to  
read, or crocheted or have a lead  
pencil & scribble.

I sent her a scribbly block a  
pencil some wool & magazine  
but she seemed to have none  
beside her. I think if she  
could amuse herself with  
any of these things it would  
be a help.  
M.E.C



Aug 10 1908

Dear Madam,

Mr Pierce is away on holiday  
at present so has not seen  
your letter - I have no doubt,  
however, that should Miss Corneely  
require less care & attention than  
appeared likely at first some readjust-  
ment of fees can be made -

Would you kindly send me in the  
meanwhile a cheque or account  
pay for £30 or £35 -

Yours faithfully

Wm. E. Waller Secy

Mrs Corneely



Aug 10 1908

Dear Madam,  
To please is my only wish  
at present to do no more  
you see - I have no doubt,  
however, that should this Government  
require me, I am a competent man  
opposed only at first to my responsibility  
that of me can be made -  
I will do anything I can for the  
benefit of a change or account  
say for the rest -

Yours faithfully  
Wm. E. Walker Esq.

Mr. Conner

I saw her

With kind regards

Yours Sincerely

Mary E. Carmelley

SOUTHFIELD,  
BARNSELEY.

Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> 1908

Dear S. Pierce

I am in receipt of the letter from Mr. Waller in which he says the charge for my daughter in the Home has been fixed at  $4\frac{1}{2}$  quineas a week. I think this charge is high for the accommodation she now has.



The first <sup>week</sup> was not I think a  
fair week to judge her by for  
3 months

I suppose when there is  
more improvement & less  
attention required the fee  
will be reduced

Yesterday I went to see  
her & was very pleased to  
see there was some improve-  
ment since the last time

few lines

And thanking you in  
anticipation

Yours very Sincerely  
Mary E. Carmelley

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~~SOUTHFIELD,  
BARNLEY.~~

St. Leonards

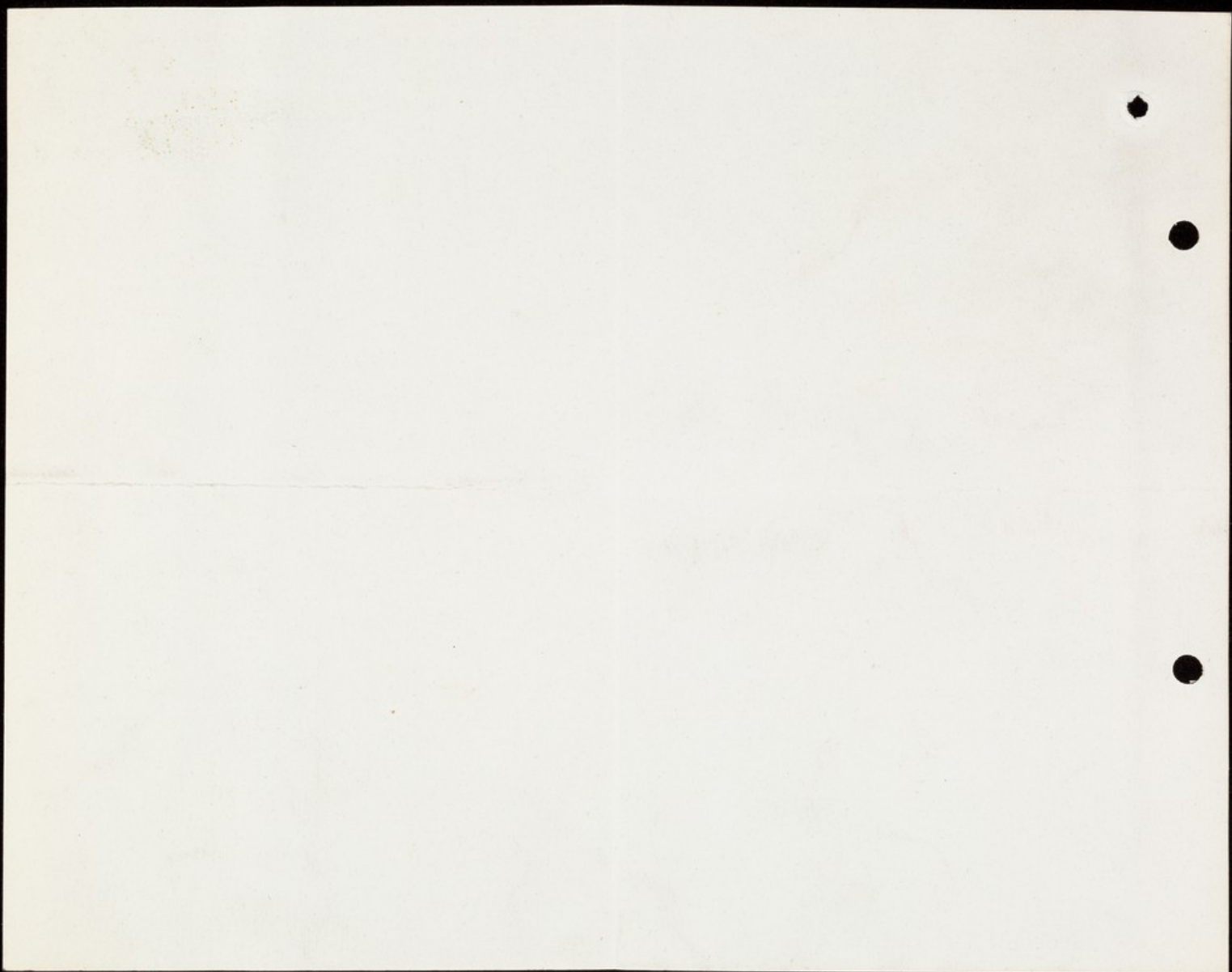
Bridlington

July 20<sup>th</sup> 1908

Dear D. Kemp

I am longing to hear how  
my daughter is getting on  
As she will have been re-  
lieved of Constipation by before  
this I trust. she is improving  
a little & that she sleeps better  
Is she still cheerful  
I am sorry to trouble you but  
shall be very grateful for a





Believe me  
Sincerely yours  
W. Wallis.

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35, CHURCH STREET,  
BARNSTAPLE.

July 12. '08.

Dear Dr. Pearce,

I am enclosing  
the various forms which I believe  
are correctly filled in.  
We hope to bring the patient to  
the retreat tomorrow (Monday)  
afternoon probably about 4.30 p.m.  
Mr. Carnell has decided to do  
without the nurse as the patient  
brother and I are coming.  
Thanks for offering to secure a  
motor for us but as I am  
giving you such short notice  
I think I had better write  
direct to the firms myself



33 CHURCH STREET  
BARNSTABLE

her & fill up the certificate.  
Mr<sup>s</sup> Carnelly thought the  
best way of sending her would  
be in a motor car - preferably  
a closed one.

Could you give me the address of  
any firm in York which lets out  
cars on hire. Also could you  
allow a nurse to come over her  
as Mr<sup>s</sup> Carnelly thinks that the  
nurse & I would manage to get  
her away better than any of the  
family.

With kind wishes

believe me Sir and Mrs

W. Wallis.

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35 CHURCH STREET  
BARNLEY

Aug 8. 08.

Dear Mr Pearce,

Mr<sup>s</sup> Carnelly  
has decided to send her daughter  
into the Retreat at York.  
Unfortunately she has made no  
progress & also has a very  
depressing influence on the rest  
of the family.

Will you kindly forward me  
the papers necessary to be  
filled up.

Perhaps you could fill one  
up yourself having seen her  
recently if not I will get  
someone here to examine

32 CHURCH STREET  
BATHURST



I will make certain on these  
points before I write again.  
I am glad you are not too  
full to be able to receive her.

Believe me,  
Sincerely Yours,  
W. Walker.

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35. CHURCH STREET,  
BARNSELY

Jul 10 '08.

Dear S. Place,  
Thanks for your  
letter this morning with the  
necessary forms &c.  
These are being filled up &  
shall probably be sent to reach  
you on Sunday morning.  
I will then also find out  
definitely about the journey  
to York.

M<sup>rs</sup> Carnall almost seems  
to prefer her son to accompany  
the patient to York  
instead of a nurse but

32 CHURCH STREET

BATHING



July 22 1908

Dear Madam,

The terms for Miss Corneely were considered at the Retreat Committee meeting yesterday & I am directed to say that in consequence of the amount of Special Care required by the patient & also the accommodation which she has, they have fixed the terms at £2 guineas a week -

Enclosed the usual form of agreement which kindly return to me when completed -

Yours faithfully

G. W. Walker Secy

Mrs Corneely



Aug 22 1908

Dear Madam,

The terms for this country have  
members of the Robert Committee  
meeting yesterday & have decided  
that it is necessary of the country  
of which our opinion of the future  
& also the recommendation which the  
has, they have given the terms of  
to be a week -

Because the recent form of  
agreement which they have  
in their committee -

Yours faithfully  
W. E. Adams

W. E. Adams





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 Ethel Carnelley of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ as a patient in the said Hospital, I HEREBY UNDERTAKE AND AGREE with Richard Thompson of Dunstable, 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 Fifth day of August 1908

Name

Residence

Occupation

SIGNED by the said

in the presence of

Witness's Signature

Address, and

Profession.

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.

