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Dec. 29, 1913

Dear Miss Clark,

I was very pleased to get your letter, and thank you for your good wishes for the time of year. It is a great satisfaction to hear that you are once again able to take up work. I very much doubt, however, the wisdom of your returning to Malton. Still, no doubt time will show what is the right course to take.

Here we are going on much as usual. Christmas time brings a good many special duties. We are on the eve of the play acting, and as usual we feel some anxiety as to whether it will be a success or not. We had the usual Christmas day party at our house, which I think went off pretty well. Miss Thomasson still remains away, but is better and is looking to come back about the middle of next month.

In our own circle we are very glad to have Marjorie with us, and she is very helpful to us in arranging things for us at this time of the year. She does quite a lot in the intervals between a succession of parties.

With all good wishes for the new year to you and yours.

Yours very truly,

Dec. 22, 1911

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Yours very truly,

1913 or 1914

Chas R. S. Clark Esq.
Rutland House.

Beverly.

Dear Dr. Price.

Will Mrs. Comings and
my thoughts have turned to last
year's old your translation your
I had thought for some weeks past
I was afraid this year you
will miss the help of Mrs. Dr.
Clark's presence.

I have been for the last 4 months
living with my widowed mother
Dr. S. Clark who is now going to
Spartanburg, S.C. I am great-

ly sorry to hear of your
illness. I hope you will be
able to return home soon.
I am very sorry to hear of
your illness.

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my thoughts have turned to last
year's old your translation your

Beverly.

Wm. A. Clark,

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living with my widowed mother
Dr. S. Clark who is now going to
Spartanburg, S.C. I am great-

dear letters that I was in many
 ways there was on the top of it
 for a situation but there was a
 very nice invitation from Mrs.
 J. Y. Allen one of the bridge
 builders (with who I was a
 long time ago when the bridge was
 going) to go to the superintending
 architect. I still hope the
 Society through the whole is so they
 my friends again - with more help
 is the work of masonry and I
 had in the 6 years since will
 then, I have learned it for
 the present.

There is a nice long letter from your sister Maria
 a few days ago telling me all about her illness;
 which goes a long way - I hope better but not yet
 out of this one account.

I hope your

daughter the quite recovered from the illness &
 let go Mrs. Price from Hamilton are
 well.

Please give my love to Miss Ann and if she
 is at home.

This is not more - I think you to reply to it.

July 24, 1913

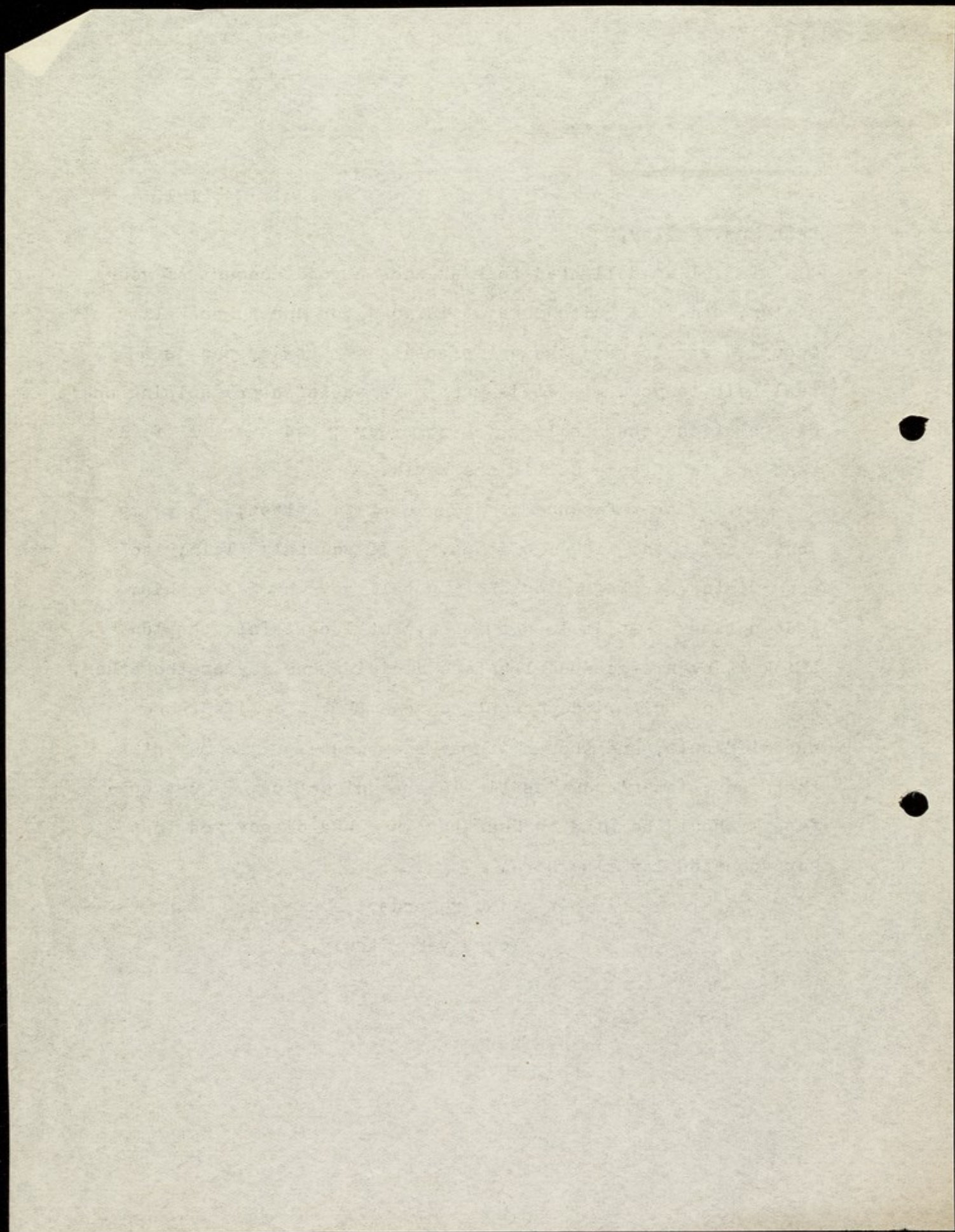
Dear Mrs. Bewley,

I am delighted to hear such a good account of your sister, and I am quite sure it is good for her to be well occupied and to have the satisfaction of knowing she is a real help to you. It is much more satisfactory helping one's own relations than toiling for strangers; and she will feel that she is of some use in the world.

With reference to going back to Malton, I have my doubts as to the wisdom of this. If you talk plainly to your sister on the matter she may tell you why I say this. I do not say that it is not to be, but I certainly should think it over a good deal before deciding one way or the other. I hear from quite independent sources that the life there was difficult, and though it may seem just for the moment that your sister's duties lie in that direction, I must confess I should be glad to hear that she had discovered that her vocation lay elsewhere.

With kind regards,

Yours very truly,



time, & also wish my
brother - she still seems
well & wishes to return to
live with our Aunts in
Tralton - & they wish her
to go back - would you
approve of it for her. She
seems anxious to go back
when the right time
comes, & I think her
illness has taught her
a good deal which will
help her to act rather
differently & to look at life
more on the bright side
than she has done
before - so unless you
disapprove I think it would
be better for her to return
to Tralton. There is a great help

to me here for the present. Yours sincerely
Philip Stanley

DARTM,
RATHGAR,
CO. DUBLIN

July 22nd 1913.

Dear Dr. Price

I thought I would
just like to let you know
that Lillie arrived here
on Saturday last - my
brother came over with
her. She seems very
well & bright - & looks
much better than she

has done for years. & so
the last few years, before
finally breaking down
I think she had let
herself get into a very
low condition.

I am sure we owe
a great deal to you
& to all at the Retreat
& at Throxbury for

Lillie's good recovery.
One or two of our relations
are wondering whether it
would be wise for Lillie
to go back to Malton &
have written to me about
it. I myself don't see
that we can decide any-
thing one way or the
other at present - we must
just wait a little & see
how things turn out,
but if - after Lillie has
been with us some

Castlefield
Marshall Avenue
Bridlington

Dear Dr Pierce

My sister arrived
here all right yesterday &
we are delighted to find her
so well & bright. We hope
to get ^{her} off to Ireland at the
end of the week. She talks
of going by herself but I
suppose that would hardly
be advisable would it?

yours truly
Ch Clark

1913

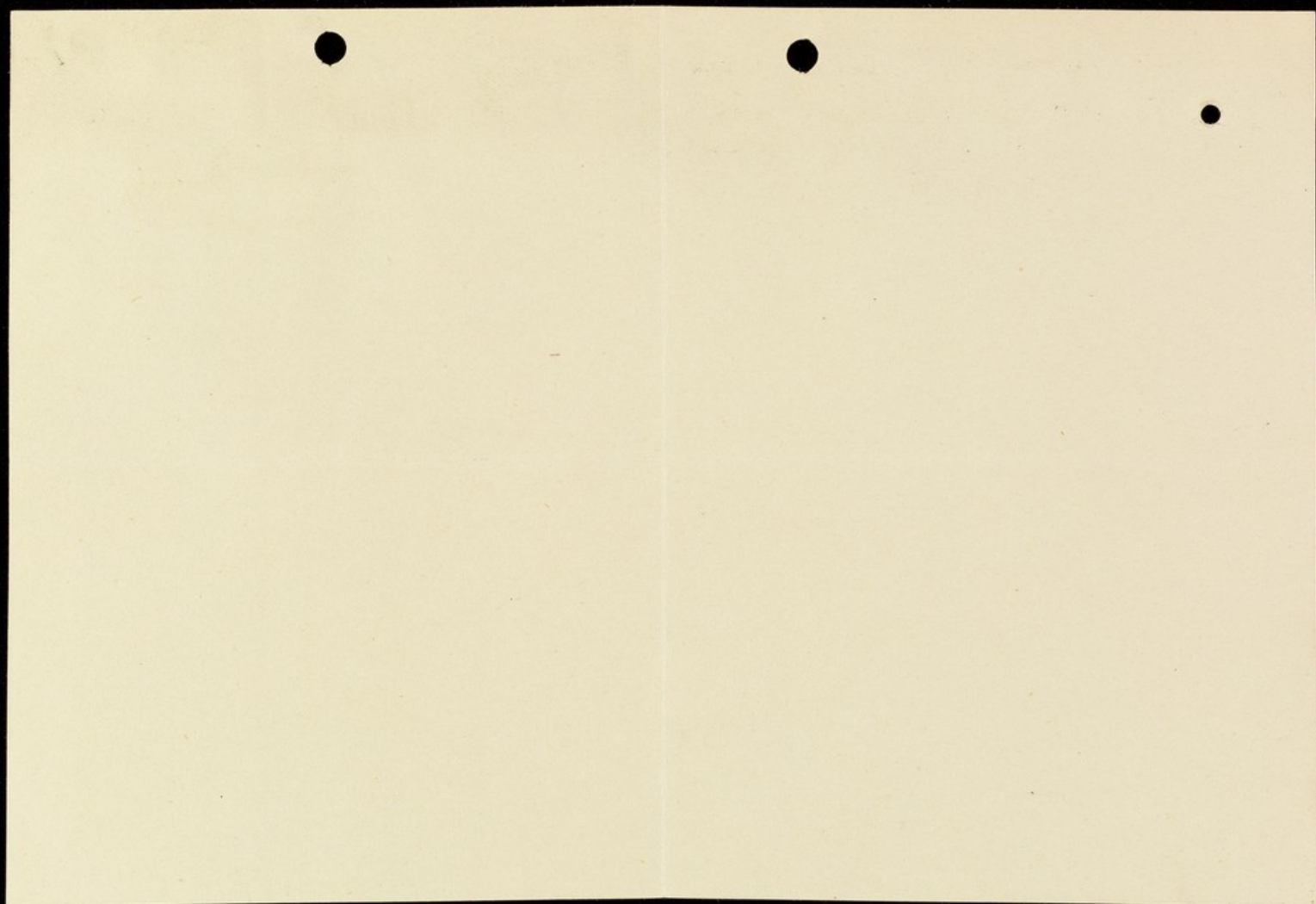
on the Saturday or Monday
following I propose that
Lillie should go to Ireland
accompanied by myself
or brother. I gather from
your letter that this will
be allright but thought
it better to let you know.

I need hardly say ~~but~~ how
thankful we are that
there is now some prospect
of Lillie leaving York & also
how grateful we are for all
that has been done for her
under your care
Yours truly A. Clarke

Castlefield 587
Marshall Avenue
Bridlington
10 July 1913

Dear Dr Purce.

I have heard
from my sister in Ireland
& she has forwarded
me your letter. Acting
on this I have written
Lillie to join us here
on Monday next which
I understand is in accordance
with your views. Then



with her on a visit to us.
Yes, I am sure Lillie needs
work or occupation & she
need not be short of that
while with me! I am
glad she has been able to
help a little at Throesbury where
they have been so good
to her, she will be very
gratefully of all they have
done for her. I feel we
can never thank you
enough for your kindness.
I do hope Miss Hamilton &
Marjorie are well & strong
again now.

Yours very sincerely
Minnie Bewley.

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DUBLIN

BATHGAR,

CO. DUBLIN

July 9th 1893

Dear Dr. Pierce

I thank you very
much for your kind letter,
which brings such good
news. As far as I am
concerned I am ready
to have Lillie any day, &
if I could I would come
over for her, but I cannot
leave home at present.

As you think it would
be better for her to spend
a week-end somewhere
between leaving Throscently
& coming here I am
writing to my brother
to suggest that either
she joins them at
Bridlington, or that
she waits at Throscently.

till they go home (as you
say she is no immediate
hurry) at the end of next
week & then go to them
at Doncaster for a few days.
I do not like to ask my
Uncle & Aunt in Leeds to
take her in as they
have been ill & ~~are~~
rather unsettled lately.
I think we can easily
arrange for someone to
travel here with Lillie, &
I will try & think of some
suitable cousin to come

I don't like doing. My brother
in Dorothea is going away
next ~~week~~ Saturday for his
holiday for a fortnight so
the house is ^{being} shut up. I feel
rather in a muddle I fear
about my belongings as I see
one in Dublin one in Cork &
one in Dorothea. I should
not like my things to
Dublin of course.

I met some Dublin friends
the other day they said
how well I looked; I am
not to be doing anything
again. I should not care to

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About
July 19¹³

Thursday.

~~Home~~ Tuesday

Dear Dr. Pierce.

I am well & happy
always writing to you, but I
had the enclosed letter this
morning from Mrs. Luff writing
me to her daughter's wedding.
She is marrying my cousin
Joe, Mrs. Rountree's son. I
think the wedding is on 16th
but I am not sure. When I

first read it - thought how
much I would like to go &
see all my Mother's friends.
but then it would be right
towards my Aunt to go & don't
know, & I don't feel my relatives
quite enough already.

Millie writes that I am to go
to her, & Sister says she does
not think I should go at all.
One day I feel I could do any
thing & the day I feel just as
nervous; it is no use my
saying I am not in pain
because I am not; I don't
feel it walking about or

going to bed - in fact I am not
It is awfully good of you to leave me here in
stead of placing me under the hands of Mrs. B. &
Sister are awfully good; if my dearer stops
in P. S.

she has a lot to say, & a lot to say to me
quite happy here, only it is no use feeling
like under my life.

I ~~suppose~~ ^{think} if I am to be in I don't get
know - I have very well in the day except
by going to bed & feeling that I am not at all

I have looked this over with
Sister She says don't go to the
wedding, I think that is
what I really feel. Sister on
the other hand says, go to Dublin
don't trouble to return this
letter.

go to this meeting if I had to
 have a nurse with me, I
 will not go at all if you
 think I had better not; I have
 written saying I was waiting
 for you.

I hope you had a good time
 in Switzerland, and that you
 have much accumulation of work
 awaiting you. I have been
 his daughter here has ships
 run a England Scotland.

With kind regards.

Yours,

Lillian A. Clark.

Rev.

for her to stay a little
longer after the end of
this month. you will
I hope excuse me writing
but if she will be able
to leave shortly (as I hope
she will) we shall have
to arrange where she is
to go etc.

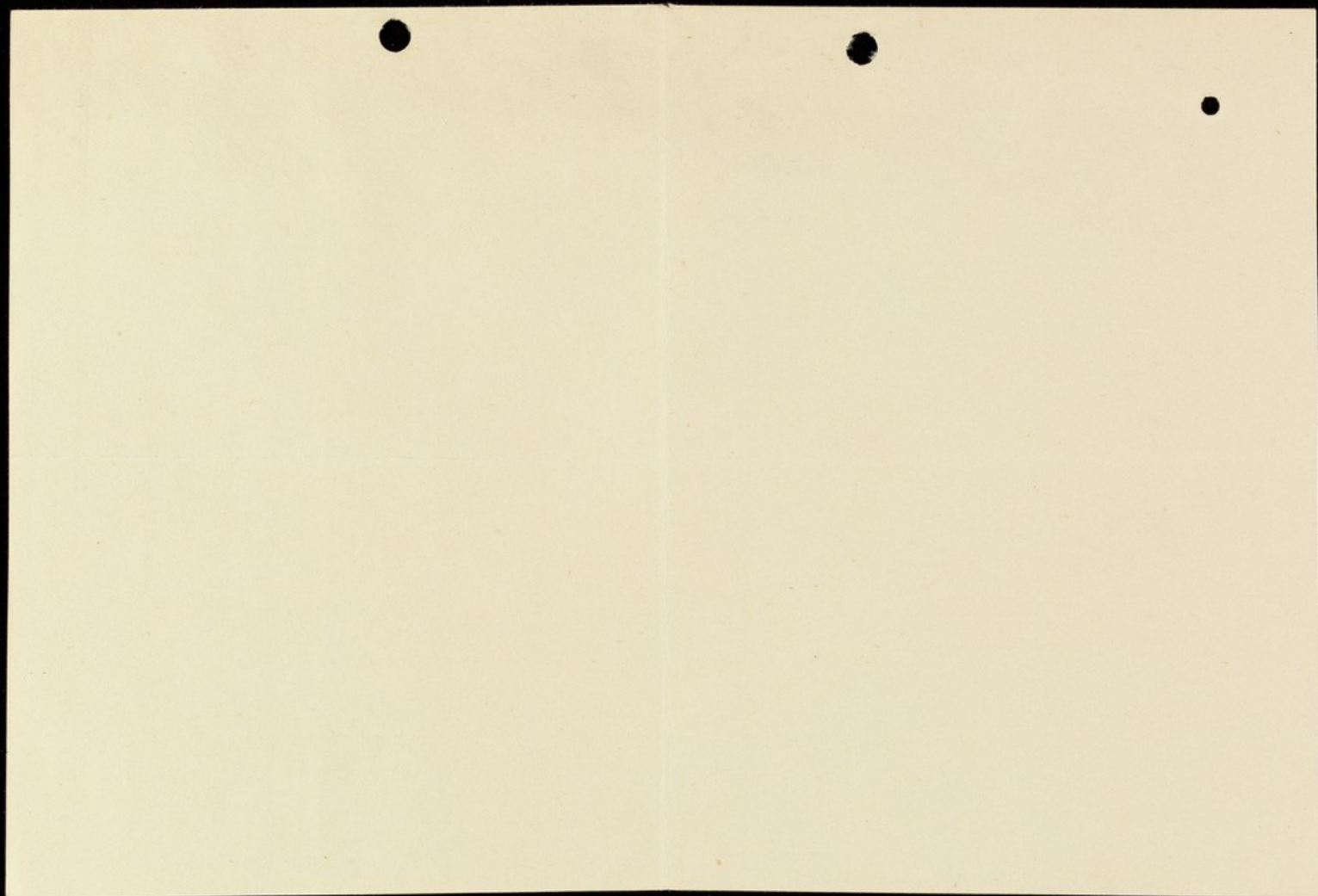
Yours truly

H. Clark

484
3 St. Vincent
Ad
Doncaster
7 June 1913

✓
Dear Dr Purce

I hear fairly
often from my sister
L.A. Clark who is at
Throxbury & she now
writes much more
brightly. I am therefore
writing to ask if you
think she will be able
to leave your care in
the ~~near~~ near future
or if it will be better



Now my poor Aunt is in a
way; this house is probably
going to be sold over their
heads (Alfred Lyford is their
landlord) she is going to try &
see they are not turned out
but I don't know whether they
will do that and I am the one
who has to have helped them
through out of it all. I think
we feel awful.

One thing that makes me
feel I am not ready to go
out anywhere is that when
Mrs. Adams begins grumbling
I get cross; well it is not
good my trying to keep a good

Thorey Hall.
2 Tuesday.

Dear Dr. Pierce.

It is only fair
to you to let you know that I feel
better physically than actually
cycled 16 miles today with
Sister; but I feel miserable
mentally, I don't see much
light or what I am to do.
Millie wants me to go there,
She says there is plenty I can
do to help her, saying so but

I don't know whether it is fair
to her; Miss Thomas may have
told you that Mr. is expecting
another little one in the
autumn so I must trust of
her. Sister Kilda is awfully
good to me & is ever, I
feel quite overwhelmed; I
try to keep in the house with
me I don't feel so fragile
while I am doing it. Then I go
back to the old trouble that
I thought all this on myself
by my jealousy of others &
feeling as though I did not
care about anything. I feel

and into the world again, shall
I be the same? Now in many
ways I have had a hard life &
have worked hard but I don't
not to be let myself get care-
less like that, I have my
self entirely. Sister says
she does not see anything
wrong with me except I
get a bit down; because
I hide my feelings, it is
no good secretly talk-
ing of them. Now know
what control I have put upon
myself in the past during
and family separations.

if I get caddy; I don't think
I can show it, except that
I asked her to go to Sister &
not to me! I was trying to keep
my troubles to myself.

I was so pleased to see
Miss Bowman, she is just
quite charming at L.P., but it
makes me feel even & hypo-
crite.

Sister says stay here till the
end of June then go to "Sister
Millie"; & I don't want to
come back to L.P.

I do hope your daughter is
better, I am sure you have enough
worry without that. I don't

Now why I have told you all
this except that you have been
so good to me. I seem to have
lost confidence in my own
powers of doing right controlling
myself.

Yrs. gratefully

Lillian A. Clark

March 26, 1913

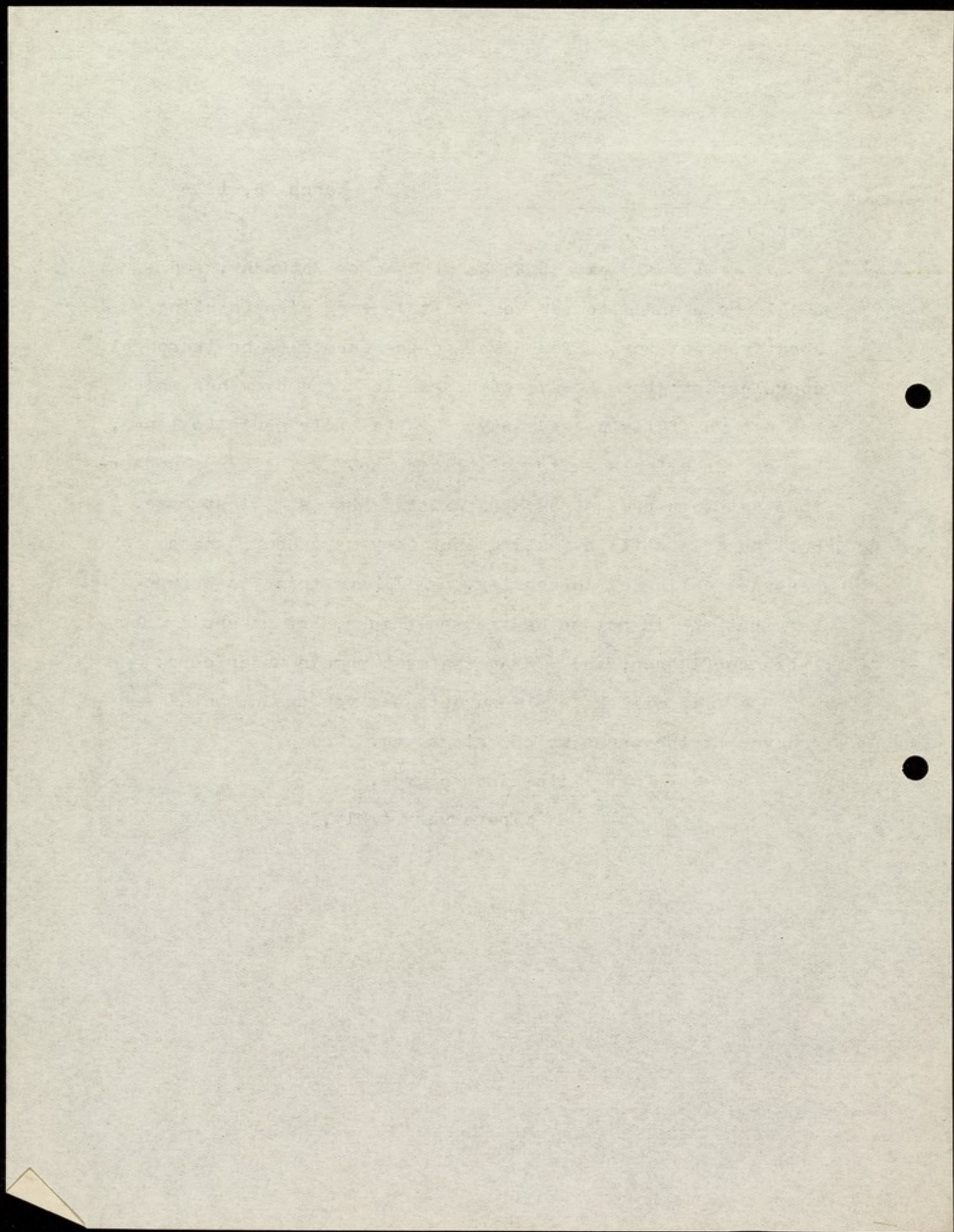
Dear Mrs. Bewley,

I fully expect to be at home on Saturday, and should be pleased to see you. It is very disappointing about your sister. Ten days ago she seemed to be thoroughly convalescent: then a wave of depression came over her which has not yet fully passed away. She badly wants to leave, but says she feels quite unfit to do so. There are no serious symptoms present such as existed when she first came, but there is still a feeling that they may recur and a general feeling of insecurity. I have tried to assure her that she is not so bad as she thinks, but unhappily she lacks confidence, and I fear she must remain under care.

It will be a pleasure to see you again, but I am grieved at the cause which brings you.

With kind regards,

Yours very truly,



which day I am
coming to York, so I won't
mention it in writing
to her, as you will
tell her if you think
it suitable.

I shall be staying
with my Uncle in
Doneaster.

Yours very sincerely

Susan B. Brewster

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DARTMOUTH,

RATHGAR,

CO. DUBLIN

March 23rd 1893

Dear Dr. Pierce

I am going over
to Doneaster on
Thursday of this week,
& if it would be
convenient to you I
would like to come
over to York on
Saturday morning, to

see you + to see
Lillie. My brother
sent me a copy of
your letter to him
which was very
cheering to us all -
but since then I
have had very
dismal letters from
Lillie telling me

the same old trouble
over again - as I
suppose she has not
been quite so well.
If you will be at
home on Saturday &
could find it convenient
to see me please
do not trouble to
write as if I hear
nothing I will come.
Perhaps it will be
better at present for
Lillie not to know

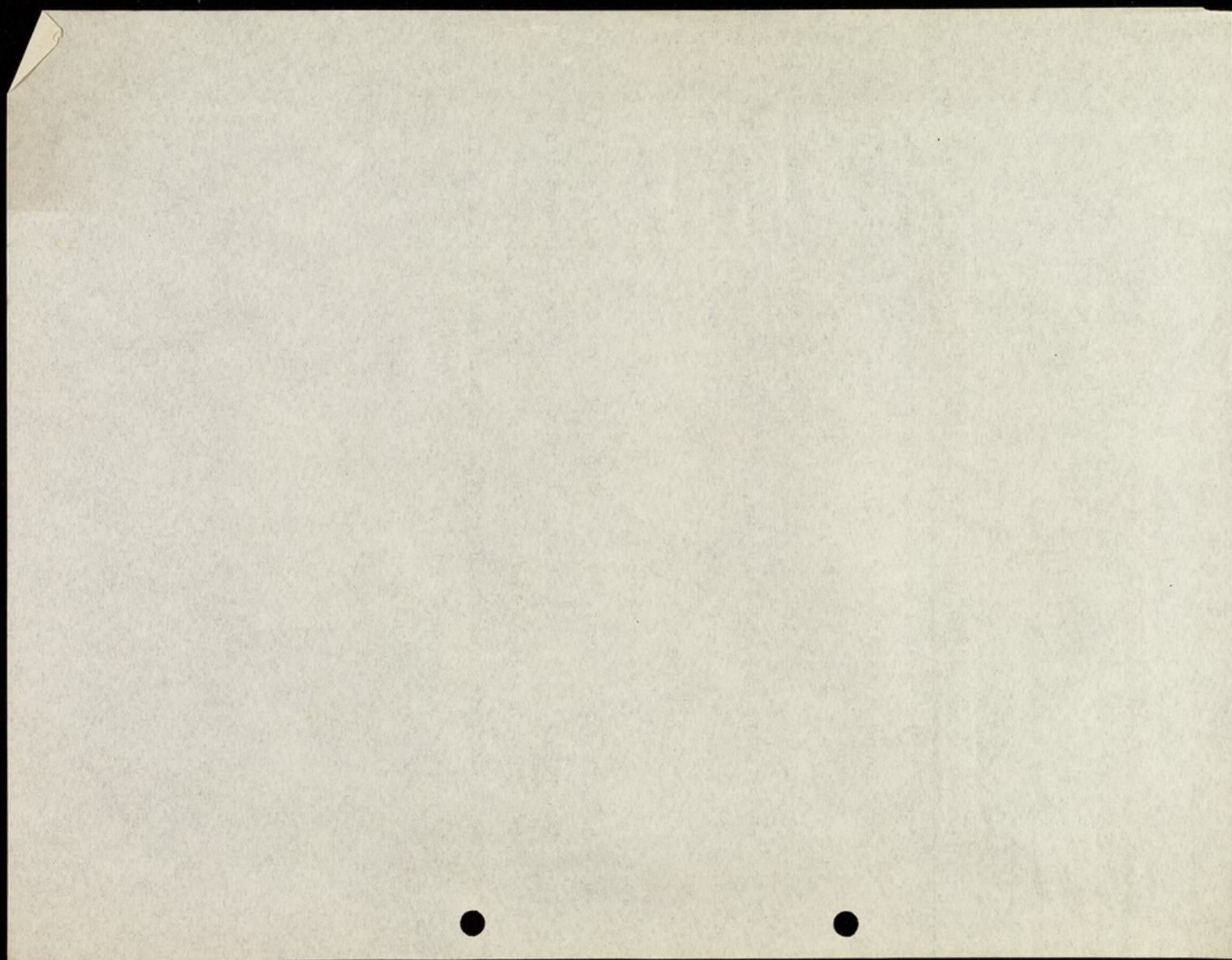
March 14, 1913

Dear Mr. Clark,

We really think your sister is approaching convalescence. She has not yet got back her good spirits and self-confidence altogether, but she certainly is steadier; and it seems to us she is becoming established in an improved mental state. We quite hope that when Mrs. Dewley comes over she will be able to leave us, but I have made no promises in this direction as I wanted to see a little more of her before giving a decided opinion.

As regards bodily health, there is no doubt she suffers a good deal, but the impression on our minds is that the suffering is rather more a nervous and mental condition than due to serious bodily disease. I fully expect that when she gets over the depression much of this trouble will disappear at the same time.

Yours very truly,



by the mail which
leaves at the end
of this week. My sister
from Ireland is coming
over after Easter.
Is there any chance
of Lillie being able to
go back with her?

In her letters Lillie
speaks a good deal
about her physical
condition being the
cause of her present
state of mind. Is this
a fact or not? She
was always rather
given to exaggerating

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J. L. Omond
Rd
Doncaster
13 March 1913

Dear Dr Pierce.

When you
can spare the time
I should be much
obliged if you could
write me as to how
my sister L. A. Clark
is getting on. My
sisters in Madagascar
are of course anxious
for news & I should
like them to hear

any little complaint
she might have & I
think perhaps she may
be that way now.

I hope you enjoyed your
recent holiday.

yours very truly
C. H. Clark.

Retreat on the chance
of seeing her. I have
not written to her.
I should have to go
to the Bank at York
for a very few mins.
directly after getting
to York.

yours truly
G. Clark

J. L. Vincent
Ad
Doneaster
15 Jan 1913

Dear Dr Pierce

I have to be
in York to-morrow
& wonder if my sister
could meet me at
the station at the
train ~~reaching~~ reaching
York at 2.9. If
she cannot get I
will come up to the



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Clark

72
5 Mount Terrace
Malton
Jan 22.

Dear Lillie,

1913

Joe & I hope to be
in York on Thursday of
2nd - he getting in about
~~2.15~~ ^{2.30 PM} evening meeting
begins at 5 o'clock -

We should like to see
you if possible - Could
you arrange to meet
us in town somewhere
& we could then get
tea together at a cafe

Will you please send
P.C. saying what
plan & time you think
best - & we will do our
best to fall in with
it - I should have
liked to come up to
the Reheat but fear
time won't allow.

- Hoping to hear soon
I am with love &
all best wishes
Your loving
Aunt Amy

P.S. He says he would
call for you (if gets off
by ^{this} earliest train -) about
3 o'clock - Say if you
prefer this?

Jan. 1913
Thursday.

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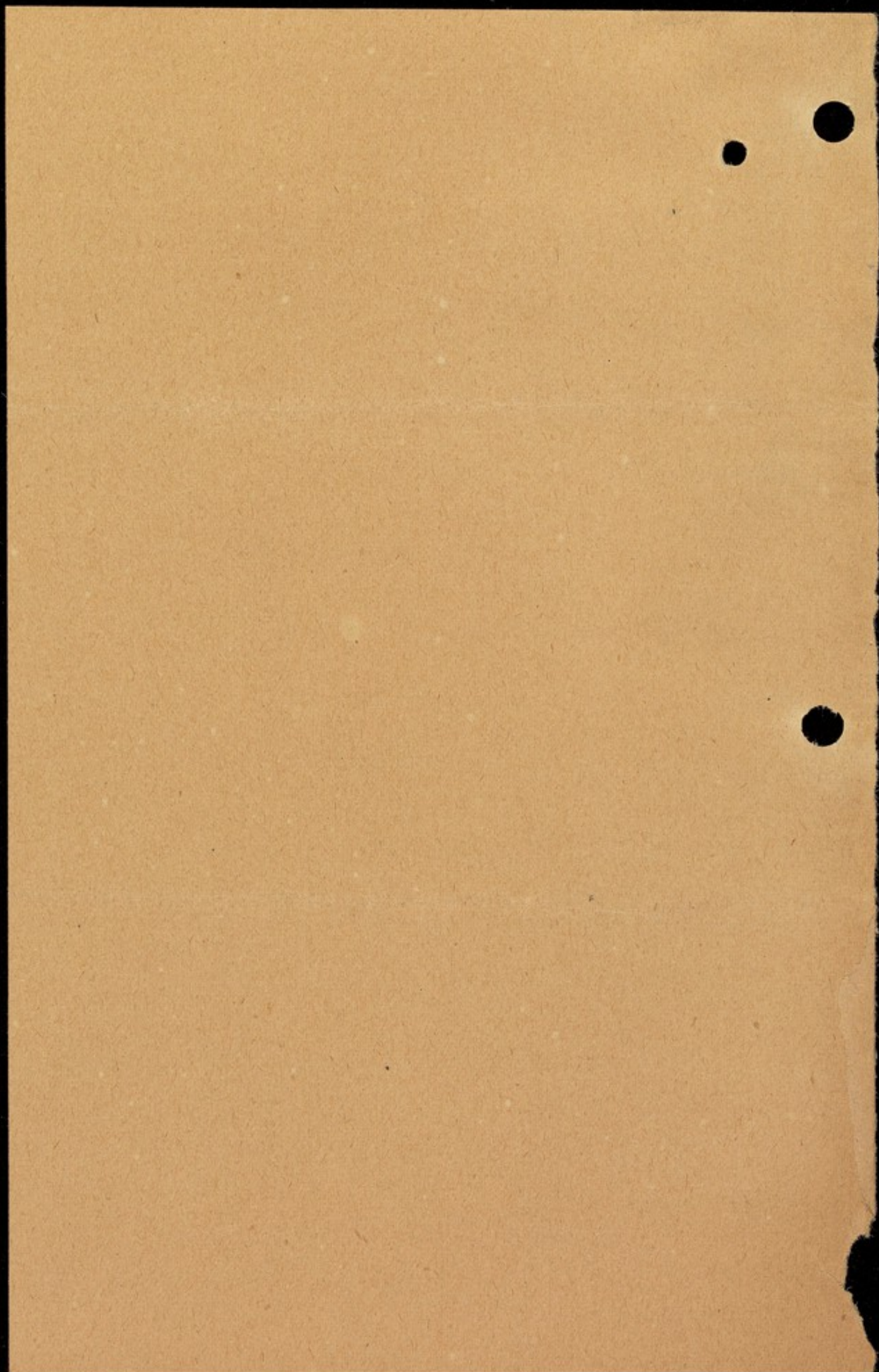
Dear Dr. Pierce.

The enclosed note
came to me this morning; & I send
it for you to see & to say what you
think about it. Of course it might
not be able to be arranged.

I should like to see them be-
cause I should have first hand
about about my Aunt's health.

Yrs. Sincerely

Lilas A. Clark.



we are quite prepared to pay.
I mention this in case the
fact that she was leaving
(we hope for good) had been
lost sight of in making out
the quarters account.

I hold the account awaiting

your reply

yours truly
C. H. Clark.

we have a great many
things to do in the
past and we must
be sure to do them
in the right way
and at the right time
and in the right place
and in the right manner
and in the right spirit
and in the right attitude
and in the right way of thinking
and in the right way of feeling
and in the right way of acting
and in the right way of living
and in the right way of dying

Eastfield

Marshall Avenue

Bridlington

12 July 1913

Dear Dr Pierce

L. A. Clark

I have had forwarded
to me the quarter's account
for above June 30 to Sep 30.
+ before paying this am writing
to ask if this is correct as
my sister is leaving Ipswich
on Monday. Of course I
quite understand that my
sister has had attention
+ nursing much in excess
of the weekly sum we have
been paying while under your
care + if the money is due

If you will get my
sister to sign that is
if you think fit. We
are all sharing in the
expense incurred by
my sisters illness but
think it only right that
she herself should pay
as far as her income
allows & the enclosed
authority will not be
abused. of course if
it would upset her
in any way the matter
must be left, but you
will decide that.

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3 St Vincent
Ad
Doncaster
14 Jan 1913

Dear Dr Pierce.

I am obliged
for the report received
last week of the state
of health of my sister
L. A. Clark, also the
quarters account which
shall be paid in a day
or two. I am enclosing
you a form which
I shall be glad

I have similar powers
of drawing on my two
other sisters accounts

I take it from the
report received last
week that there is at
any rate some
improvement in my
sister which I hope
will continue.

With many thanks for
all you have done
in this matter I remain
yrs truly
C. Clark

I tried to write very wisely
to her, & told her to try &
think less about her own
troubles & not to bother about
not sleeping, & she would
get well all the sooner.

Now she writes much more
brightly & actually owns up
to sleeping better - so I do hope
you will soon consider her
well enough to come to us. I
think I can find plenty for
her to do to occupy herself!

I hope you are all well &
not too busy. It would
be a great pleasure to me
to pay a visit to the Retreat
but with two young babies
I am kept fairly busy!

Again with many thanks for
all you have done for my sister.
I am yours sincerely - Edw. S. Benson

"naughty parties"
at the Retreat
now - as the
Lower Houses
hadn't all returned
so well!

DANOM

RATHGAR

CO. DUBLIN

Dec. 22nd 1912

Dear Dr. Pierce

I have tried not
to trouble you & Miss
Thomson with letters about
my sister lately because
I know how busy you
are - & my brother has
sent your letters to him
or to me. But I just
want to write a few lines
now to say that when

you think Lillie is well
enough to be left alone
& to leave the Retreat
when I am ready to
have her here, but
unless she could sleep
alone or be left alone in
the day it wouldn't do
for her to come as we
have a deep pond in
the garden. Though I
had been looking forward

to having Lillie here for
Christmas & felt very disappointed
when she was not able to
come - yet it was a relief to
hear she had gone back
with you (& I thought it
very kind of you to take her
with you as you did) as she
had written in rather a
depressed way to us & I
felt uneasy about her.

You have all been very
very good to her at the
Retreat & we feel very
grateful to you - especially
as she must have been
a very trying case at first -
if not all through her illness.

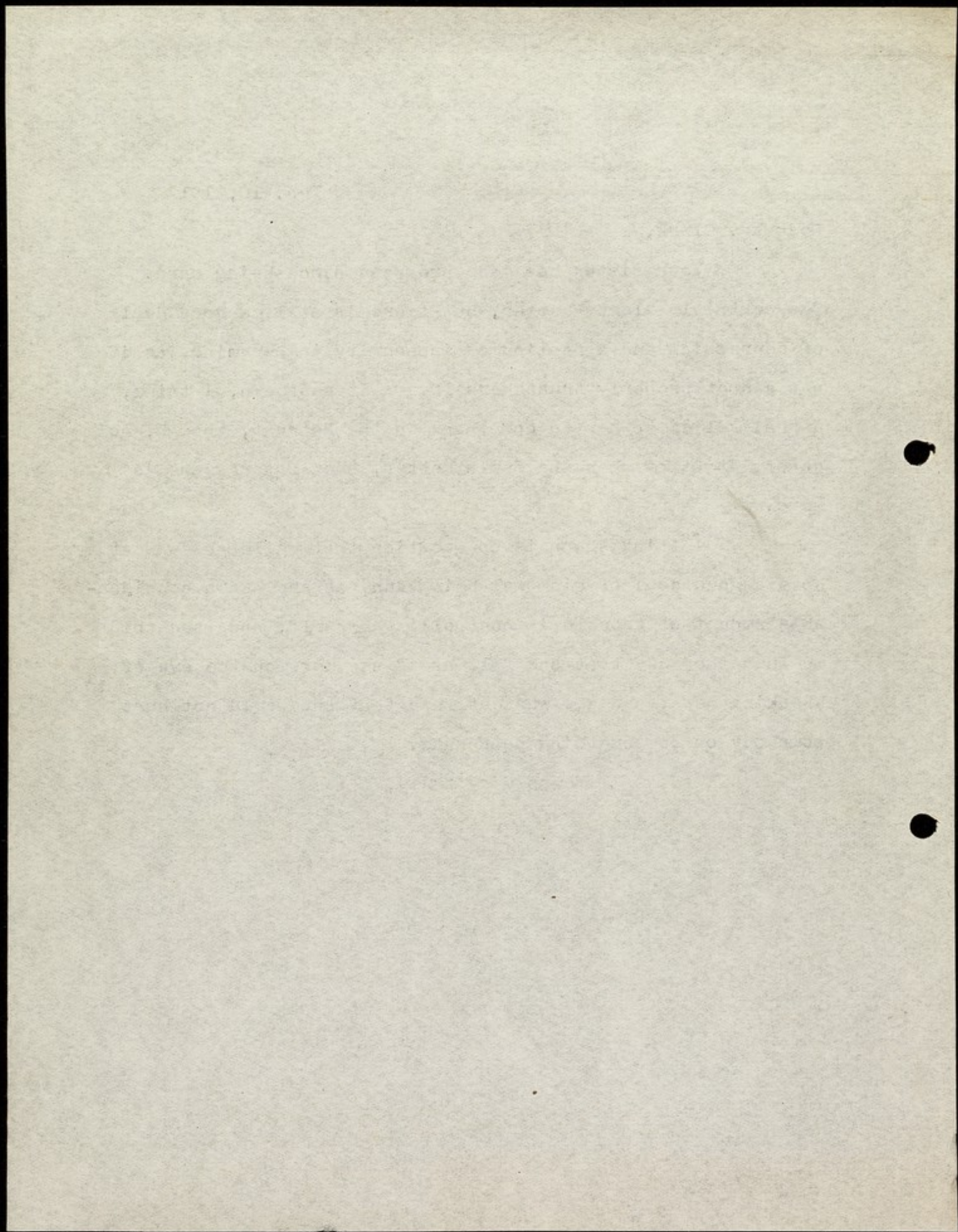
Dec. 10, 1912

Dear Mr. Clark,

Your sister has made progress since being here. She certainly sleeps better, but there is still a good deal of depression and a feeling of insecurity in her mind, as if she cannot properly trust herself. It has been, I think, a real relief to her to come back to the Retreat, though, no doubt, at times when she feels better, she is sorry she is here.

I think there is no question that while she was at home a good deal of risk was being run, as she had a considerable amount of trouble in controlling herself, and she told me the other day that she felt as if she were on the eve of breaking down, and she was not sure that she would not hurt somebody or do something desperate.

Yours very truly,



In one of her letters
she said something
about there being a
chance of her getting
to Ireland for Xmas.
of course that must
be decided by you
but unless she is really
well or likely to be
I cannot see that
the visit so soon
would do her much
good. When here she
seemed to be constantly
wondering to be on the
move to some fresh

1245
J. H. Vincenty
Doncaster
9 Dec 1912

Dear Dr
Purcell.

I have been
wondering how my
sister is getting on.
I do not wish to take
up your valuable
time in writing if
there is nothing fresh
to report so if this
is the case please
do not write

place. When she got
back to York she wrote
saying she wrote she
was away again

What I mean is, if she
is under the impression
she can dodge about
from one place to another
she will always want
to be moving.

However you know
her state of mind
far better than I can
do & I of course leave
it to you. yours truly
A. Clark

Lillie having to be under
care again somewhere
it must of course be
at the Retreat subject
of course to your approval.

I mention this in case
you should suggest
to her the proposal
about the places at London
& Darlington

J. H. Vineyard¹²¹⁷
Ad

Doncaster

28 Nov 1912

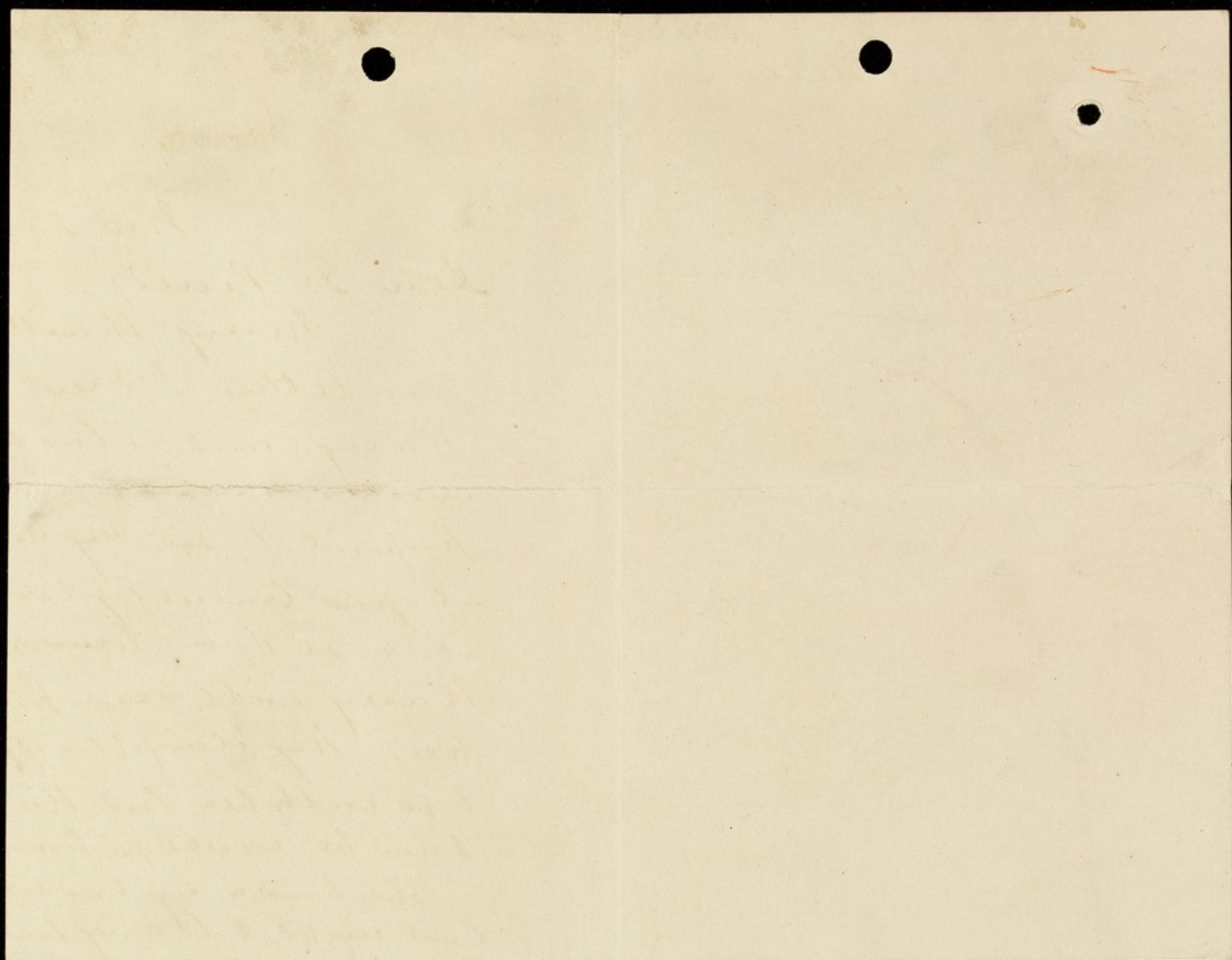
Dear Dr Pierce.

Many thanks
for your letter received
this morning. My sister
& I will be at 6, Park
Square at the time you
mention 4.30 to-morrow
Friday.

yours truly

G. H. Clarke

P.S. In the event of



You will best decide

I am

Yours very truly

Joseph F. Howard

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Briarcliffe,

Doncaster.

Nov 28. 1912

Dear Dr. Pierce;

Many thanks for
your letter. I have seen
Harry, and it has been
decided to accept your
proposal to see my niece
at your country house
at 4.30 P. M. tomorrow.
Harry will accompany
her. My daughter offered
to go with her, but Harry
said he would go himself.

She had a very bad night,
last night, & Harry had to
get up to read her to quieten
her. She came in to my house

This afternoon, I seem quite
himself, & talks very
rationally about people
& things, & about her stay
in the Hebrides - But she
told me that she has
felt much depressed at
times the last 2 or 3 days
& has a fear that she
might have a bad attack
again -

She does not look
forward to going back to you
with pleasure; but if you
advise it, she will be
I think willing to go.

She has is coming to stay
with us the week end, & I
shall see more of her

The trouble is if she
wants reading to in the
night, there is no one to
do it, but my daughter

I hope you will be able
to give definite advice

(1) Should she go back to
the Hebrides? If so should
it be my room?

(2) It is advisable for her
to go to see Millie next
week, if she does not go
back?

I think it would be
well if you told her
what you think on these
points - but that of course

go - but she is without experience

I am writing this letter
confidentially to you. I think
you had better not tell Harry
I have written to you -

Mrs. Bone keeps up
well. Her husband says
they might as well sleep in
his back garden, as the will
have all the windows open
following the out door treatment
at the Retreat. Her husband
is profoundly thankful!

Ellice was also at meetings
on Sunday morning -

I am afraid I have written
you too long a letter!

Yours very truly
Joseph F. Clavel

My wife thinks it would hardly do for me
to tell her to tell her to Dublin - it.

1198

Briarcliffe,
Doncaster.

Nov 26. 1912

Dear Dr. Pierce;

I thought I
would write you a line
about my niece, although
I believe her brother has
done so.

She is set upon going
to Dublin to see her sister.
Do you think it safe for
her to go so far? I believe
her brother would go with
her as far as Manchester
& she would of course be
met at the Dublin Ferry.

She got over Edith's death
- well

pretty well - but crying a
good deal at the Station
on Sunday afternoon -

When she comes to our
house she seems nice
& quite herself, but she
gets very low at times &
sleeps badly. Last night
she went to bed at 11.0 P.M.
and at 3.0 she shouted out
for Harry, who had to get
up & read to her. She finally
got some sleep. She looks
pale & thin. She went
with Edith & a friend
a few days ago, but got
restless & had to come out.
She went with Harry's wife
& a picture show of Scott
in the Antarctic voyage

seems when enjoyed it. But
slept very badly after it. Harry
says she talks about going
back to the Hebert but does
not want to do so. She says
some of the nurses troubled
her by talking about other
patients' complaints to her
her.

What do you think is best to
advise her to do? Should she
go to Dr. H. It would be
very awkward if she broke
down there, as he is
busy with her two little
children, and she would be
a long way off if she had
to be brought back. Would
it be well if you sent a
nurse to take care there?

My daughter might perhaps

certainly when Edith was
here & sleeping in the
same room with her
she slept a good deal
& does now I am sure
sleep more than she
is willing to acknowledge.
She is often wondering
whether she ought to
go back to the Retreat
& seems to be under the
impression that you
thought she ought to go
back tho' she says she
does not want to, as
the talk there about the
ailments of others gets
on her nerves. She
is of course fidgety

St. Vincent Rd.
Doneaster ¹²⁰¹
25 Nov 1912

Dear Dr
Pierce.

You will of
course know that my
sister L. A. Clark is
here at present & we
propose that a week
on Thursday she should
go to my sister in
Ireland who is quite
prepared to have her.
She has been very well
(bodily) while here but
says she does not sleep
much better tho

but is very good tempered
& reasonable & willing
to be advised but thinks
that you consider
her condition worse
than we do. I cannot
think there is much
the matter with her
beyond the after effects
of her recent illness.

I of course do not wish
her to return to the
Retreat as I am sure
when she gets there she
will want to be away
again, but I want to
ask you one question

Is there any probability
of any return of violent
attacks as then of course
she certainly should not
go so far away as
Ireland? If there is
no probability of this
I see no reason why she
should not go to my
sister but I should
like that point settling
as far of course as it
possible for you to say.
Please excuse this
rather long letter as I
know you are busy.

Yours truly

H. Clarke

Dublin to our sister ● she soon after
my departure, but of course nothing
will be done without your advice &
consent. My brother, or my uncle,
will write to you about her.

Thanks for your good wishes for
the voyage - I do not feel very
happy in leaving just now, but on
the other hand there seems to be
nothing to be gained by my staying
longer.

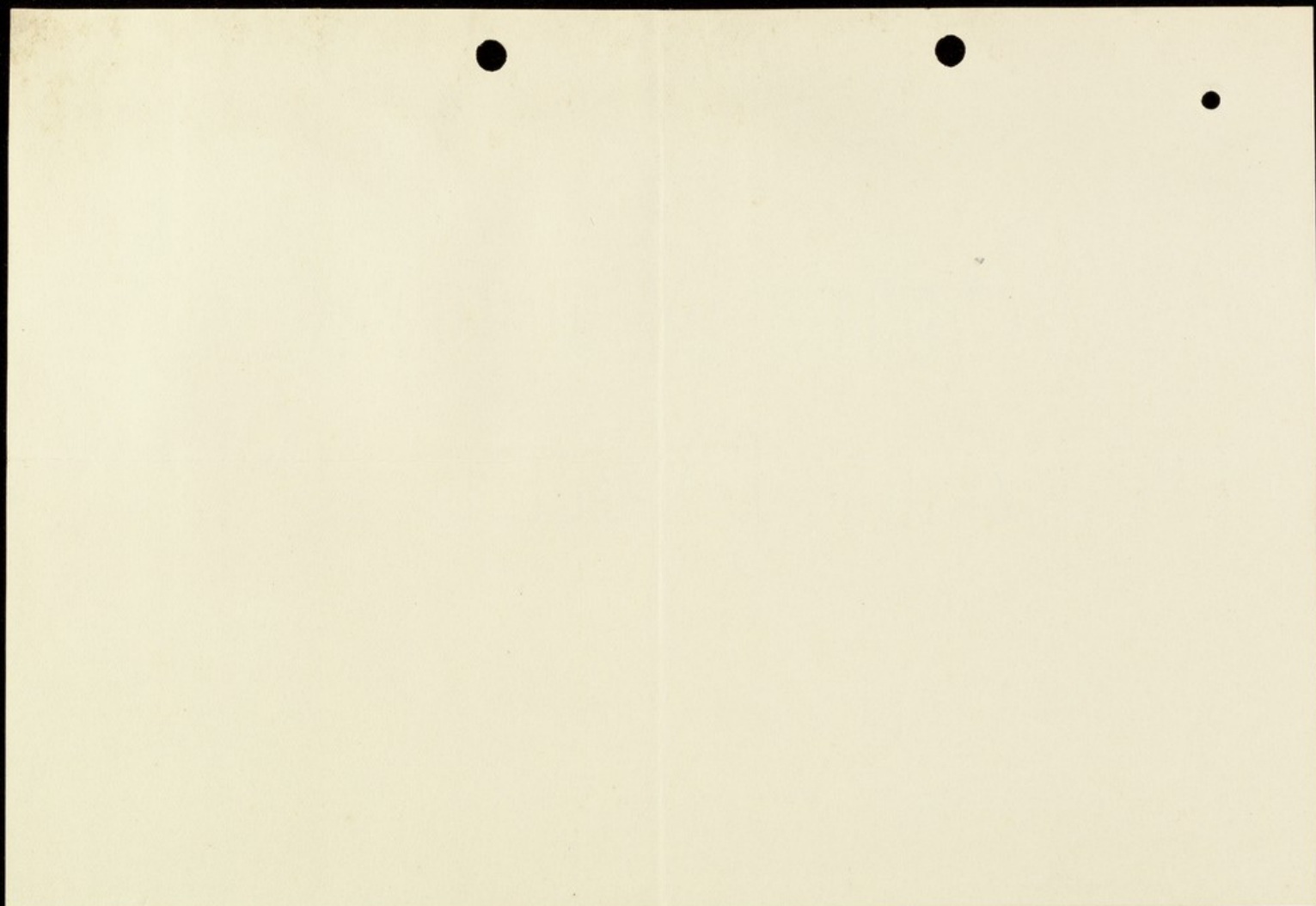
With kindest regards &
many thanks for us all for
all you have done for Lillie,

Yours sincerely
Edith M. Clark

1196
3 St. Vincent Road
Doncaster.
Nov. 21st 1912

Dear Dr. Pierce.

Many thanks for your
letter which my sister gave me
yesterday. I have shown it to
my brother. He will communi-
cate with you as to her progress,
condition, etc. She slept a
little last night, but only
brokenly, with long wakeful
intervals. I do wish this trouble
could be overcome. She seems
very much to wish to go to



p. m. train from Cork to Doncaster.

Should you wish to see me. however
I would of course come up to "The
Retreat"; in that case would you
kindly send me a p.c. to

c/o Miss. Rowntree
Thorncliffe Cottage
Malton.

as I expect I shall have left
Doncaster on Wednesday before
the morning post is in.

I hope Lillie is continuing to
improve, will have no draw-
backs.

My sister here asks me to
send her kind regards to you.

With many thanks for all
your kindness.

Yours sincerely
Edith M. Clark

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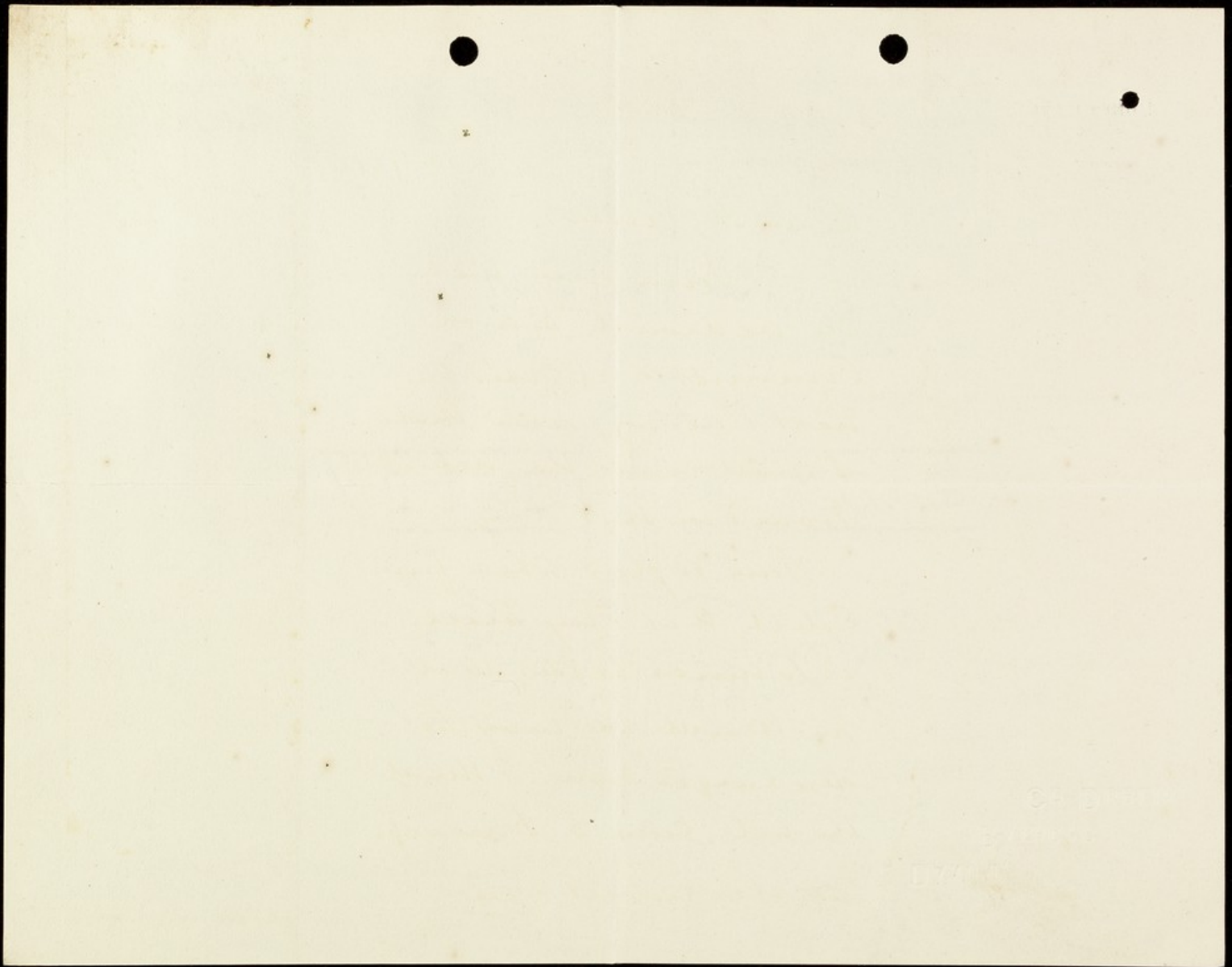
Rathgar. Dublin

Nov. 18th

Dear Dr. Peice,

I am returning to
England to-morrow (to Doncaster)
on Wednesday propose to go to
Malton in the morning, to take
my sister home to Doncaster
with me in the afternoon.

Unless you wish to see me for
any reason. I had not thought
of coming up to "The Retreat", as
I shall not have much time
to spare. I thought Lillie
might meet me at the
Station, in time for the 4.0.



Briarcliffe,

Doncaster.

Nov 15. 1912

Dear Dr. Pierce

I am sorry that
the actworth School
Committee is fixed for
next Tuesday, and that
I must miss the Health
Board on that day.

I am so glad to hear from
Edith that Fny niece
is so much better, that
you think she may be
discharged soon. I think
she will come to Darroch
but it is not yet quite

settled I think. Edith
was here yesterday and
has gone to say farewell
to her sister Mrs Sewley
in Dublin.

She sails a Sunday
week

We are very thankful
that Lillie has so soon
recovered under your
kind care

Yours very truly

Wm F. Clark

Dorchester & Dublin for my school visits. I thought
of stopping at York on my way, ^{Thurs.} coming up to
'The Retreat' if it will be suitable for me to
see my sister there. Later on, a day or two
before I actually leave England, I hope to
come over to Melton, just for the day, &
would call say good-bye to her then, if you
approved.

I shall be writing to my sister to-morrow
after getting your reply - will mention
this to her. if you approve, as she keeps
asking in her letters when I am
leaving, when I am going over to see
her again. I also want to tell her of
the death of an Aunt, to whom she
was a good deal attached (not in
Melton), as I do not want her to see it
first in "The Friend."

We gather from my sister's letters that
she is a good deal better, but the
sleeplessness still seems to be a difficulty.

Yours sincerely
Edith M. Clark

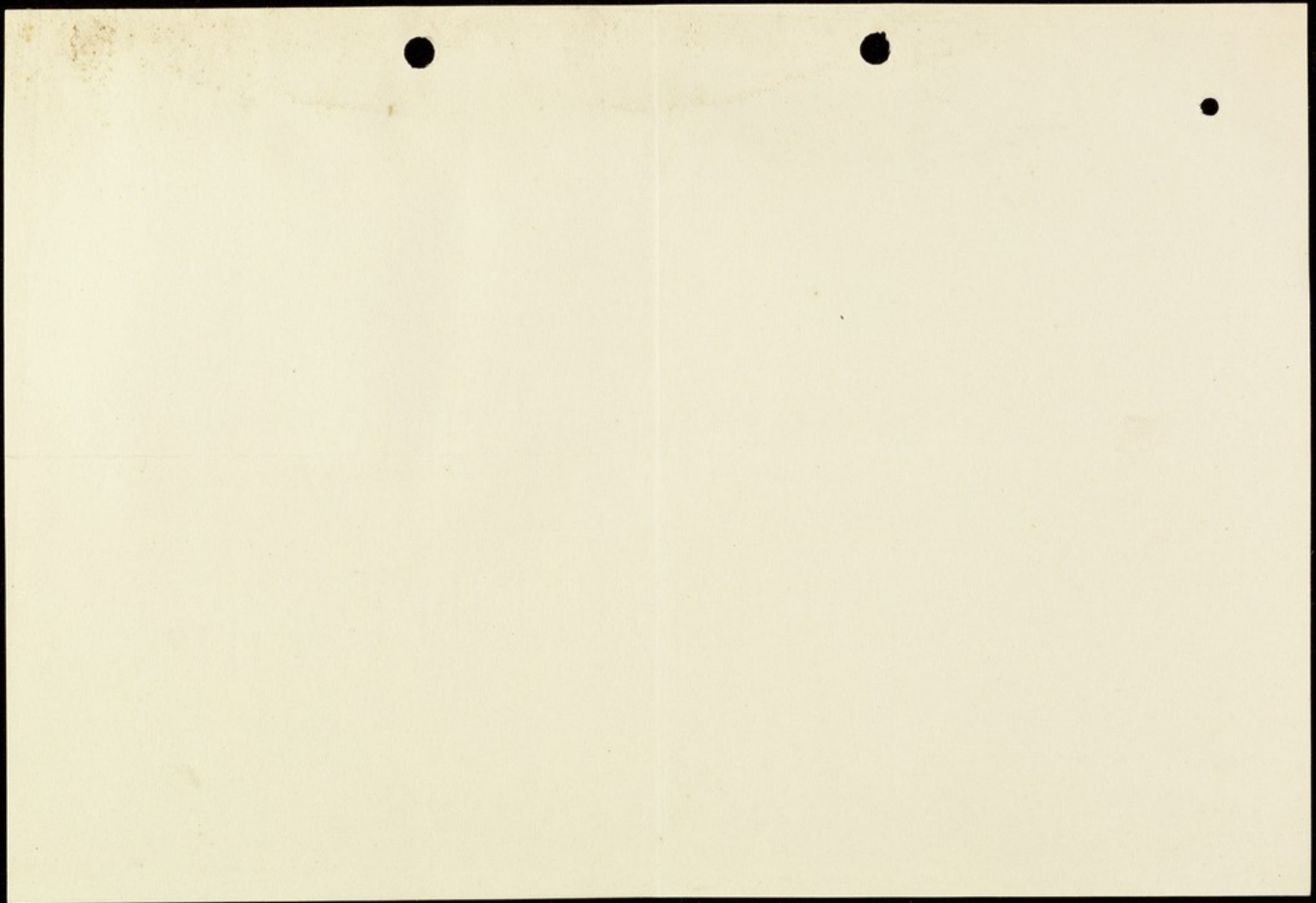
1142
13 Fernside Terrace
Melton.
Nov. 5th 1912.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

I heard from London
this morning that they must know
by first post on Thursday morning
& whether my boxes are to be sent
for the Nov. 27th boat or not.

So I am just writing to ask
whether you see any reason, on
account of my sister's condition,
why I should not go there?

I am proposing to leave Melton
next Tuesday (the 12th) going to



Fern Bank

Grinalford

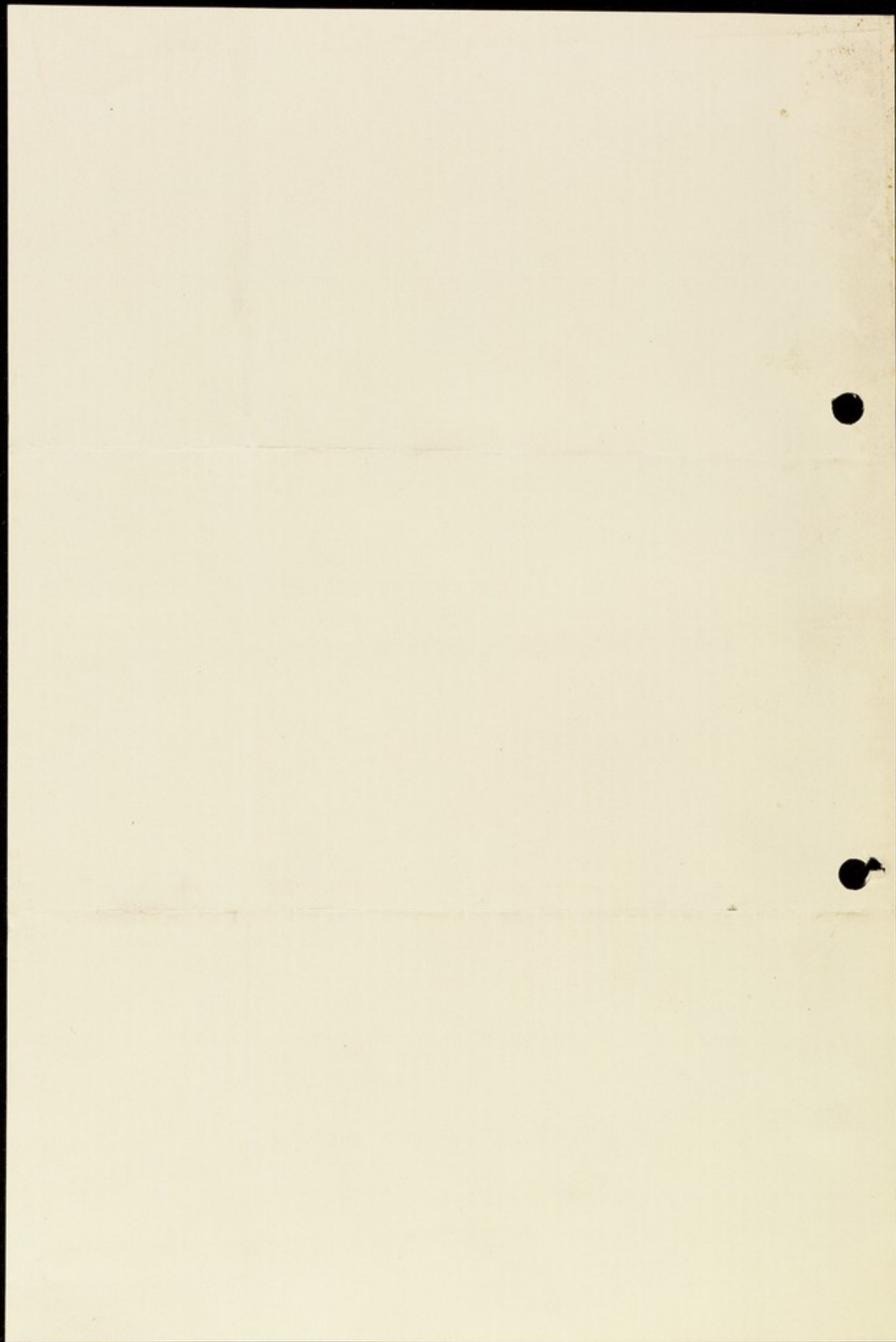
23rd Oct 12

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Dear Dr. Pierce,

I enclose Cheque for £16.5/- in
payment of enclosed account. I am sorry not
to have had a better account of my sister, but
I suppose it is too soon yet to hope for much
improvement. Will it be all right for me
to send her a post card now & then.

Yours truly
to E Clark.



13 Leonard Terrace
Frampton.

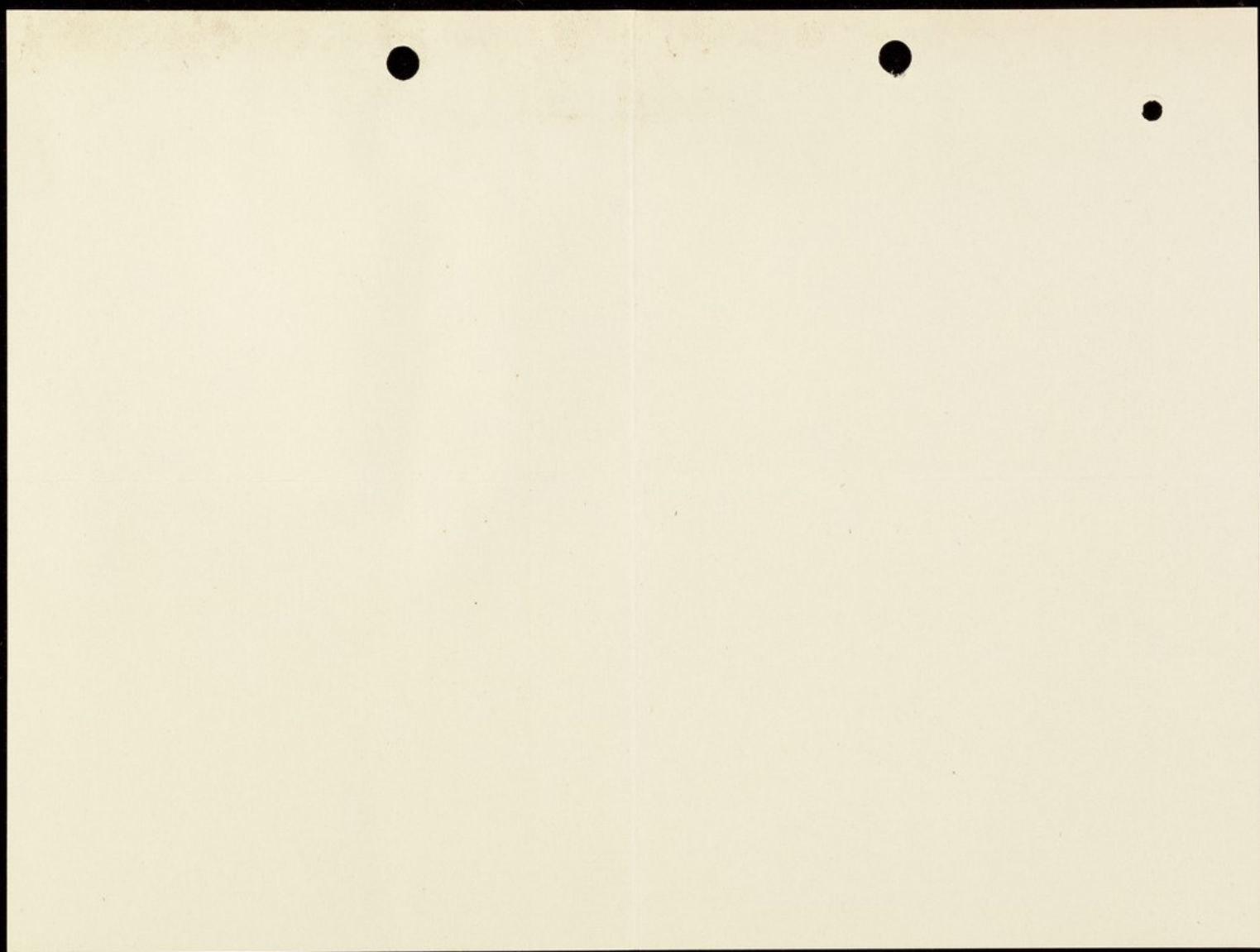
Oct. 22. 1912.

Dear Dr. Pierie.

Many thanks for your letter. I am glad to have an improved account of my sister, even though I know there will be very likely be variations in her condition.

No, indeed, we should not think of making any plans for the future without your advice - I hope my letter did not imply that we should!

Yours sincerely
Edith M. Clark.



London. Have to send off them, to go round
by sea to Marseilles. May I ask you these.
You to be so kind as to let me know
before Nov. 8th - (1) if you think there is
likely to be any change soon in my
sister's condition, when I could be of
any use in helping the others to look
after, or make arrangements for,
her; (2) if the thought of my going
is likely to harm her at all, for
in that case I should certainly
decide not to go this year.

I shall be glad to come over twice
in any time that you may send
for me, but shall not trouble you
with inquiries, knowing how very
busy you are, & feeling sure that
you will let us know when there
is anything to tell us. It is a
great comfort to us all to feel
that she is under such good care.

With many
thanks for all
your goodness
yours ever
Edith N. Clark

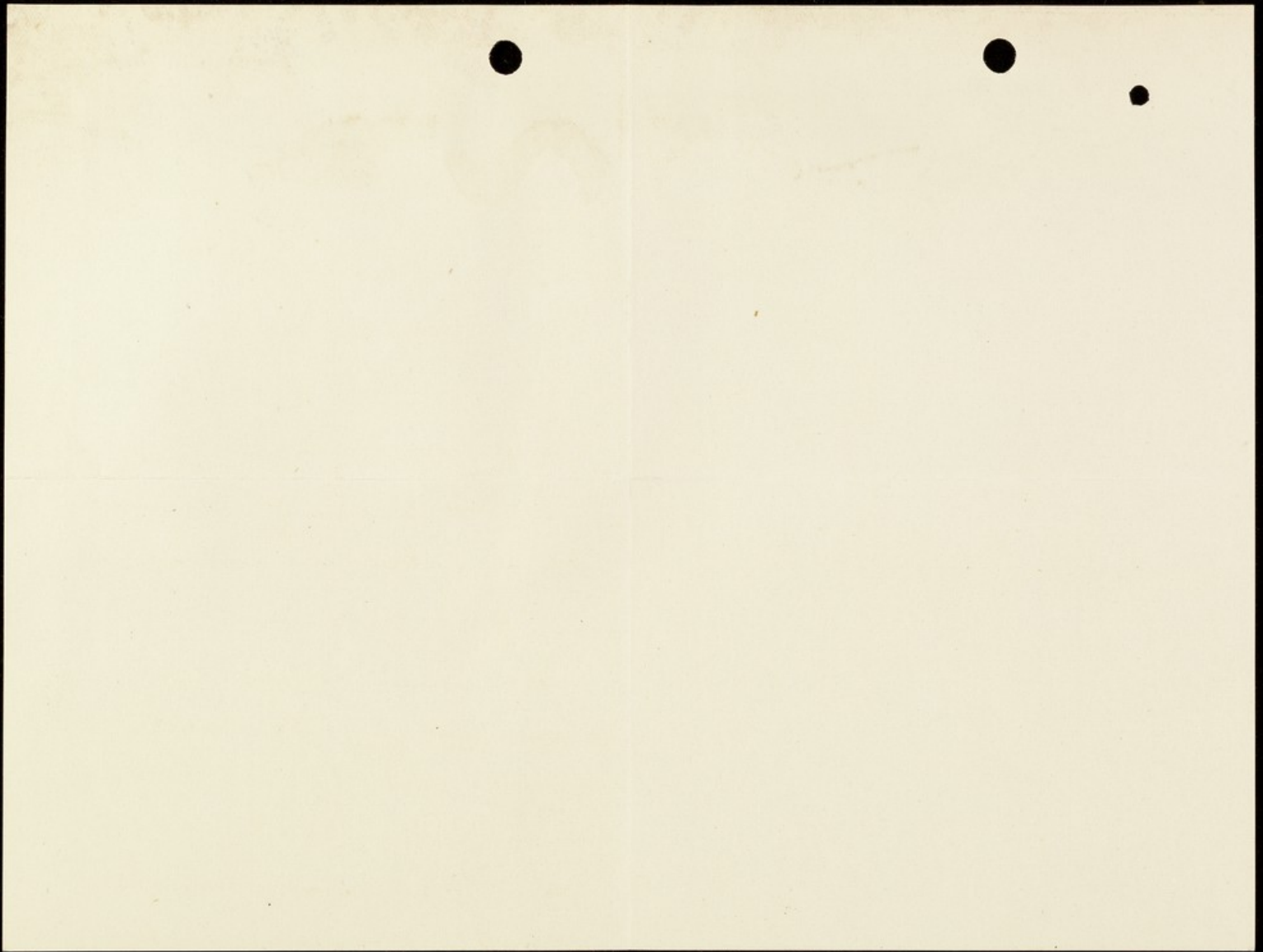
1071
13 Jesmond Terrace
Malton.

Oct. 20th 1912

Dear Dr. Pierce ✓

I am wondering very
much whether my sister was any
the worse for my visit - if she
was more excited after it, or if she
felt better for me at all? I do hope it
did not do her any harm.

I went on to Doncaster on Friday, &
had some talk with my brother &
Uncle. As far as I can now tell,
I look to leaving by Nov. 27. boat
(from Marseilles). Have to
decide definitely by Nov. 8th as
my boxes, which were stopped in



Briarcliffe,
Doncaster.

Oct 22, 1912

Dear Dr. Pierce;

Edith sent us a
letter from Lillie, which
we read with great pleasure.
It was a perfectly sane
letter - told us about her
self & the shelter - and
was deemed to us very
cheerful - We build
hopes in this letter, that
she is now really getting
better from her clothing
attack, & should be so
glad if you can improve
this. I enclose a

letter to her. If you think
it suitable, please let
her have it. But if you
think not, please
destroy it.

All her friends are
very grateful to you and
the Committee for their
kind consideration of
her, in which I join

I am

Yours very truly

Joseph F. Clark

Oct. 21, 1912

Dear Miss Clark,

You will be pleased to hear that your sister is a good deal better to-day, but she does not yet sleep properly, and one cannot be sure that the improvement will be permanent. She is happily, however, able to take a more rational view of things, and the painful ideas are clearly not so insistent. I will certainly let you know before the date you mention what we think. Do not, however, make any plans for the future with respect to your sister until I have had an opportunity of talking over the situation with you.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

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doing this to make herself ill & prevent my
returning to Madagascar this autumn!)
that makes it very difficult for me to
know what to do, as you will understand.

I shall not trouble you with letters of
inquiry, but you will, I am sure, let
me know when there is any change. &
if ^{possible} I may write or come over & see
her?

I have a letter fr. Hettie this
morning. I shall have to write to her
to your care to-morrow - I don't think
I shall tell her where L. is, though
I know she would be quite "safe", &
I have no feeling myself. personally.
but in that way at all, but my
brothers were anxious it should not be
known to more people than was
absolutely necessary.

Yours sincerely
Edith M. Clark

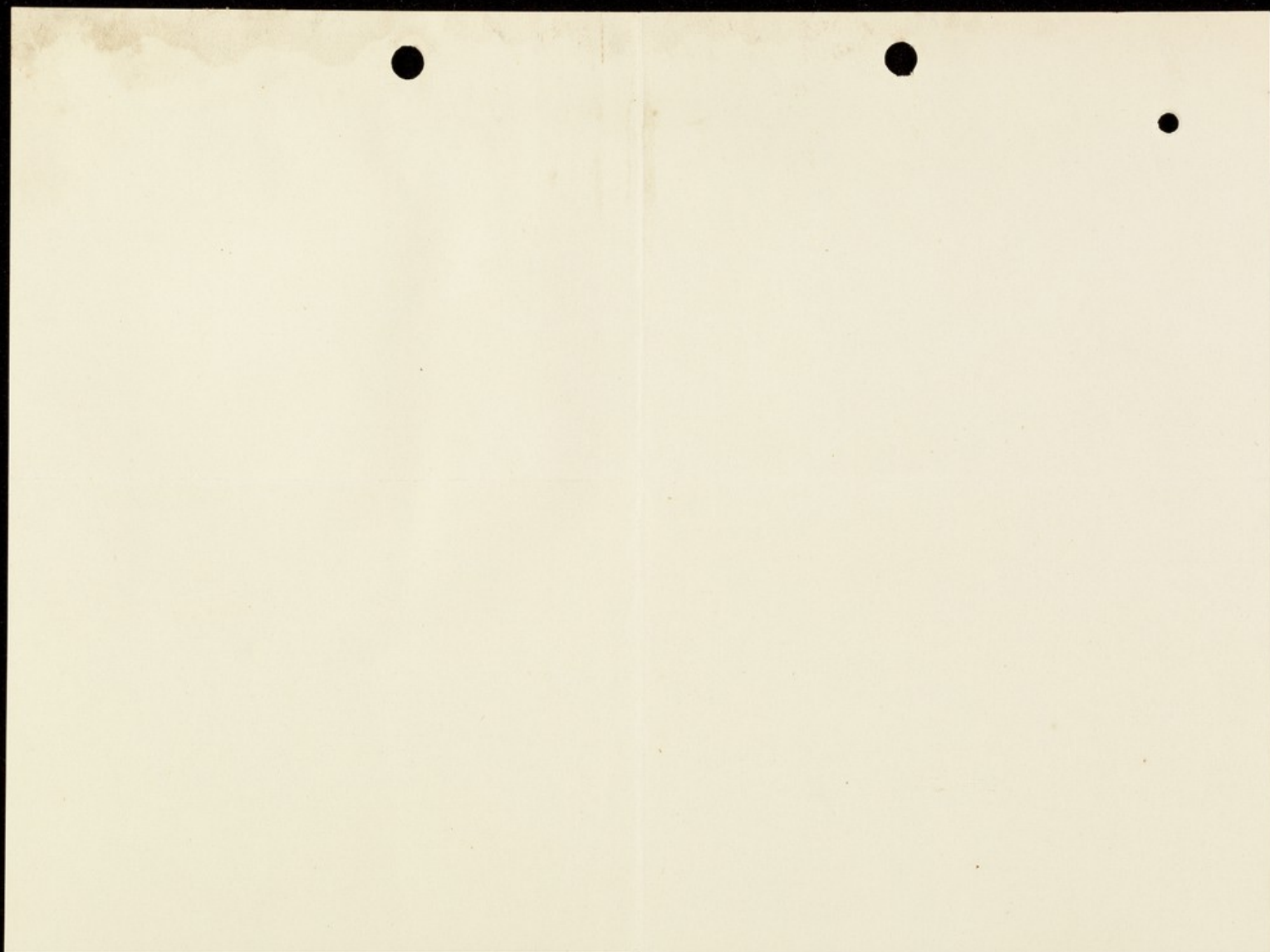
1849
13 Belmont Terrace
Malton.
Oct. 11th 1912

Dear Dr. Pierce

Thank you very much for
your letter.

I am afraid I had rather hoped for a
better account, which could hardly
have been expected so soon, I know!

It is decided now that I do not leave
on Oct. 20th, but may go Nov. 24, when
some other (L.M.S.) missionaries go.
If I do not go then it means leaving it
till next year, which I do not want to do,
if possible. My sister seemed to cling to
me so. to feel the thought of my
going so much (she declared in one
of her excited fits that she was only



have written my sister
at Malton or to my
brother in which case
I shall hear from them.

I think my sister at Malton
had better be only told
Lillie's general condition,
as of course she has been
much upset by the terrible
delusions Lillie was subject
to when at Malton.

Please let me know if it
is any good my coming
over. Yours truly

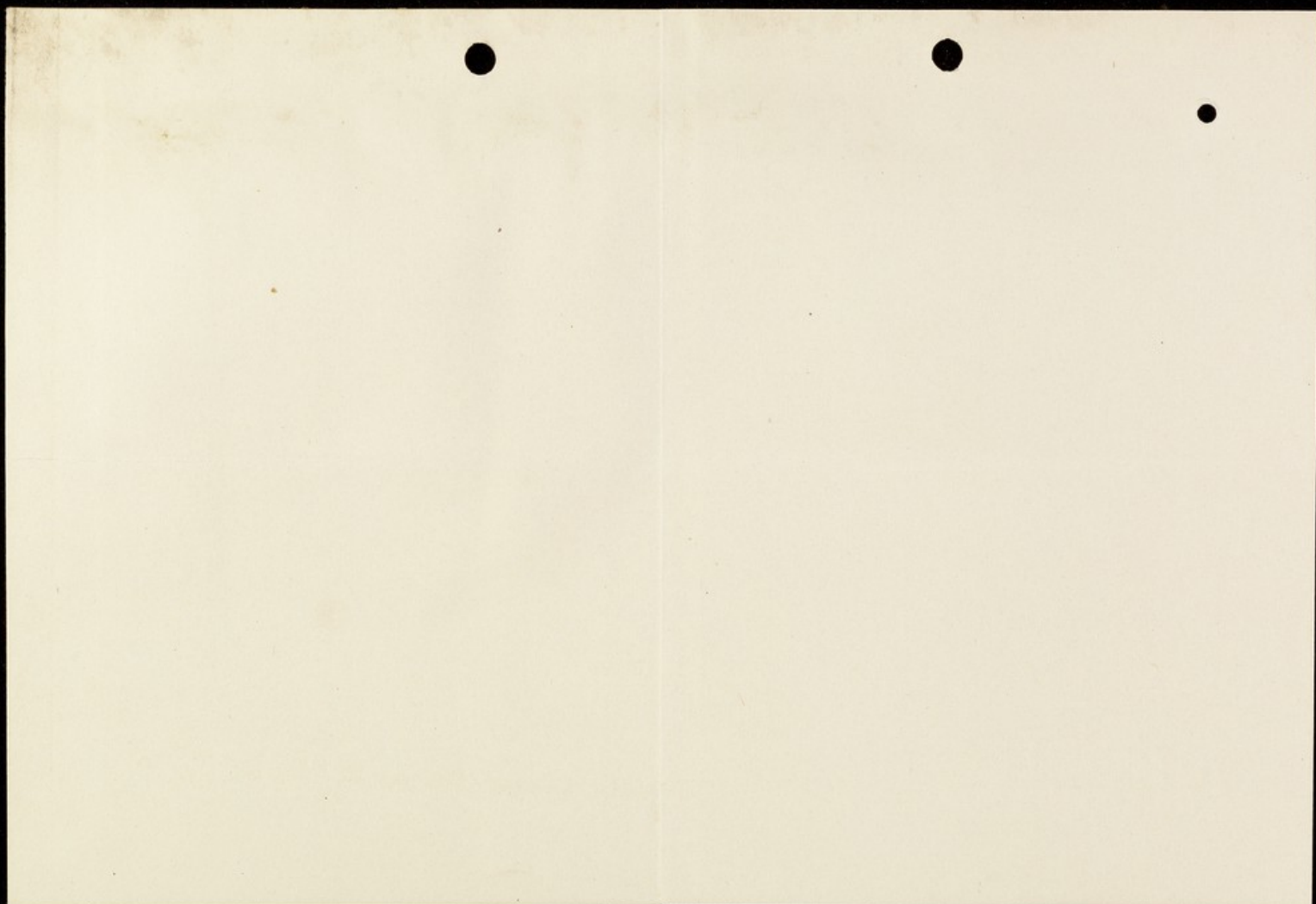
Off Clarke

1042
J. G. Vincent Rd
Doncaster

11 October 1912

Dear Dr Pierce.

I am enclosing a
note for my sister which
you will please give
^{her} ~~my sister~~ if agreeable to
you. I have of course
wondered much how
she has been getting on
& perhaps you will let
me know at the right
time. It may be you



13 Jesmond Terrace
Malton.

Oct. 9th 1912

Dear Dr. Pierce,

My sister has had to go off so unexpectedly, that I fear she has not nearly all that she requires with her - I hope to send some more things in a day or two, & perhaps some one will kindly write & tell me (at above address) what she specially needs. Does all underclothing need to be marked? & am I to send towels etc. for her use?

I am posting to her a little bottle of Eau-de-Cologne, as her bottle of scent was unfortunately left out of her box. There ^{is} no letter in the little parcel.

I am sure you will let me know as soon as you possibly can how she seems to you, & whether in your opinion, it is likely to be a lengthy case. I was to sail for Rhodogassar in less than 3 weeks' time (with your sister Hettie), though I have asked to be allowed to postpone my

journey for a fortnight or a month it is im-
portant that I should have some idea as to
whether my sister is likely to have to stay at
York for some time, or whether fresh arrange-
ments will have to be made for her soon - as
there is no one really able to look after her
but myself (our brothers are very good-in-
deed but of course cannot leave their
business for long), & she seems to cling
to me so.

Excuse my troubling you with all
this, but I shall be glad to know what
you think of her, as soon as you can tell
me anything.

Yours sincerely
Edith M. Clark

Committee. You will then
let us know direct what
they are as Uncle is
rather apt to pay a
big proportion himself
& then let us know what
is left afterwards. Many
thanks for the lunch you
kindly provided to which
we did full justice.

Yours truly
C. H. Clark

1036
J. H. Vincent Rd
Doncaster
9 Oct 1912

Dear Dr Pierce.

Enclose herewith
Statement filled up as
requested. I suppose when
we write to our sister
we had better send the
letters to you to give her.
I have seen my uncle
J. F. Clark & he says the
terms of payment will
be settled at the next



to that effect. She seems at
present quite willing to come.
My brother & I will accompany
her.

yours truly

C. H. Clark.

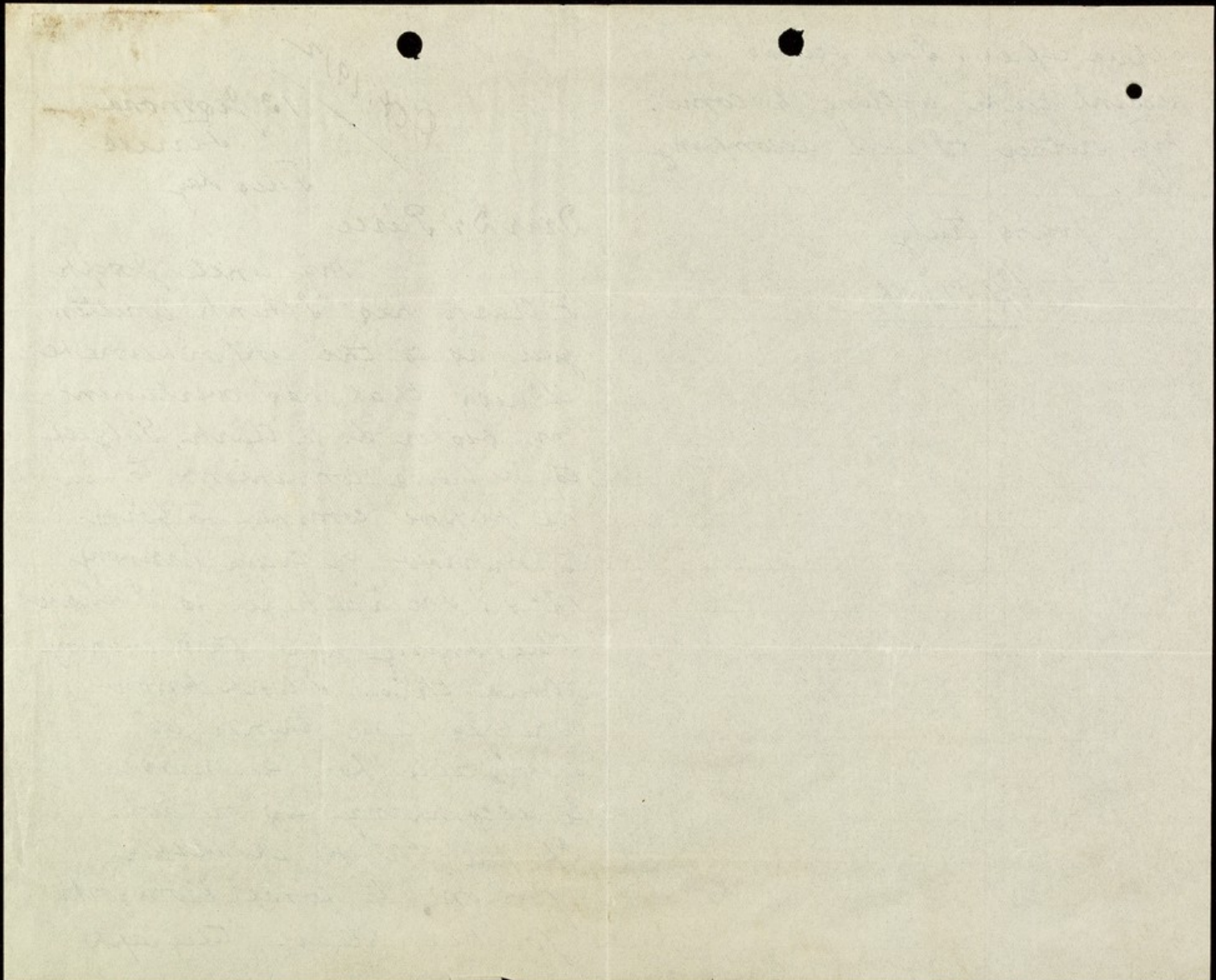
Oct. 19/12

13 Legmond
Terrace

Tues day

Dear Dr Pierce

My uncle Joseph
F. Clark has I think written
you as to the unfortunate
illness that has overtaken
my sister L. A. Clark. Subject
to it being convenient to you
we propose coming to York
to morrow by train arriving
12.4. The Dr here is I believe
telephoning you this evening
about this. I don't know
whether you think it
advisable for a nurse
to accompany us or not.
If you think it better
for one to come from York
for her please telegraph



Meeting & school

Hoping you are all
well -

I am

Yours very truly

Joseph Clark

She has had hardly
any natural sleep for
some weeks -

My wife saw her last
week - (Friday) and
approves of this letter

It would be a great
trouble to her to go to a
County asylum

849

Briarcliffe,

Doncaster.

Aug 4. 1912

Dear Dr. Pierce;

One of our members
Alice Wone, the wife of
a working man also a
member, has been in a
two way case, and to day
has developed rather
suicidal tendencies. The
doctor (Mr. Hay) says
she must be under care.

I write to ask if you
can talk her in -

She will have to come

at the lowest rate. The
man's net income is
about 24/- a week.

I think the lowest
rate is 13/- a week.

I will guarantee
the payment for a time
and expect that either
ourselves or the monthly
meeting will have to
help - I will get a
"recommended form"
signed if you will
send it me. It would

be well if you could
write me early tomorrow
before 10.0 a.m. I

should be glad, as her
husband is coming
up to hear about that
time. He and a friend
of hers would bring her
over -

The Doctor thinks she
would soon recover
as they think it is
due owing to her age -

They are both very
good people, and take
great interest in our

Briarcliffe,
Doncaster.

Oct 8. 1912

Dear Dr. Pierce;

I am terribly
grieved to write & say
that my niece Lilias
Anne (Lilly) of Malton
has become quite
insane. Her sister (Edith)
wrote yesterday and her
brother Harry went over
this morning ~~to day~~
and has just telephoned
me that they will
bring her over to the Hospital
tomorrow. He asked me

to write you a line to
let you know to expect
her tomorrow. With
no doubt you will
hear from Walter

I am writing them
advising to ask you
to send an attendant
to fetch her.

It is awfully sad - and
I fear she is very bad
indeed.

Yours very truly

Wm. F. Claess