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Dec. 2, 1913

Dear Mr. Coates,

Dr. Kemp has handed me your letter to her.

We are very pleased to hear that there is some improvement, and I felt I must write to thank you for your kind expressions in relation to the staff. It was a disappointment to us that she did not get better here. It is quite possible that the improvement may be progressive and the ultimate issue better than seems possible at the moment.

Yours very truly,



Doc. 101

Dear Mr. Carter,

Dr. King has been a great inspiration to me.

He has shown us the way to a better world.

and I will try to follow his example.

I hope you will also be inspired.

With best wishes to you and yours,

I am, Sir, your sincere admirer.

Very truly yours,

John F. Kennedy

Emily Alice Coakel

93 Lichfield Grove  
Church Road  
Funchley N  
Nov 28th 1913.

Dear Mrs Kemp.

You will be glad to  
hear that my wife has just been  
transferred to the Convalescent Ward  
at the Middlesex County Asylum.

I do remember that ~~your~~ <sup>the shock of</sup>  
your sending her away was the beginning  
of a definite recovery - very very slow.  
but very very steady



When I then met her at Kimp (Mrs.  
She then told me she was sent away "for  
being naughty" and that consciousness  
never left her + helped her steadily up.

And in that queer way that  
under all the mania the real life  
keeps running on - she knew you were  
patient with her. + that she was  
wantonly offending + took perverse  
pleasure in hurting those she could not  
help liking.

She is still full of delusions and  
shattered intellectually but she is her  
own personality faults + all.

except for a reckless generosity and  
perhaps a greater love of dress.

And I am sure that an undercurrent  
of memory (almost but not quite unconscious  
of the persistent (almost inhumanly  
persistent) kindness she met at York.  
was one of the greatest factors in  
restoring her soul to her.

Yours very truly  
C. V. Coates

AND

6, PARK SQUARE,  
LEEDS.

BY APPOINTMENT.

TUESDAY, } 1.30 TO 4 P.M.  
FRIDAY }

TELEPHONE { YORK N<sup>o</sup> 112.  
LEEDS N<sup>o</sup> 391X.

THE RETREAT,  
YORK.

June 10, 1912

Dear Mr. Coates,

Many thanks for writing about Mrs. Coates.

I am glad to hear there is some improvement.

When I heard some time ago from the Asylum authorities the account was not very favourable, and I am sorry to learn from your letter that the delusions continue to be so prominent. I much hope that the favourable view of the case which I formed will eventually be justified.

Yours very truly,



THE UNIVERSITY OF  
MICHIGAN LIBRARY  
ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

93 Leckfield Grove  
Churchland  
Funchley N.  
June 7<sup>th</sup> 1912

Dear Dr Pierce.

I send balance of 10/6 with  
account.

My wife has very slowly improved  
yet I may say steadily improved - I see her  
every fortnight & my hour's interview now is  
not spoiled by any violence & very little  
misbehaviour and she remembers talks of her  
old friends. - The doctors too begin to show  
a gleam of hope in a cure.

It has been much of a comfort to me  
that you never gave up hope of her & yours.



judgment is upheld by the events.

She is however full of delusions & surrounded by all her old friends dead & alive - The dead she loved. (She says are "come back" - &

I remain with best wishes

Yours truly  
C. Coates.

Bedford Pierce M.D.



March 2, 1912

Dear Sir,

Many thanks for your note respecting the nurse.

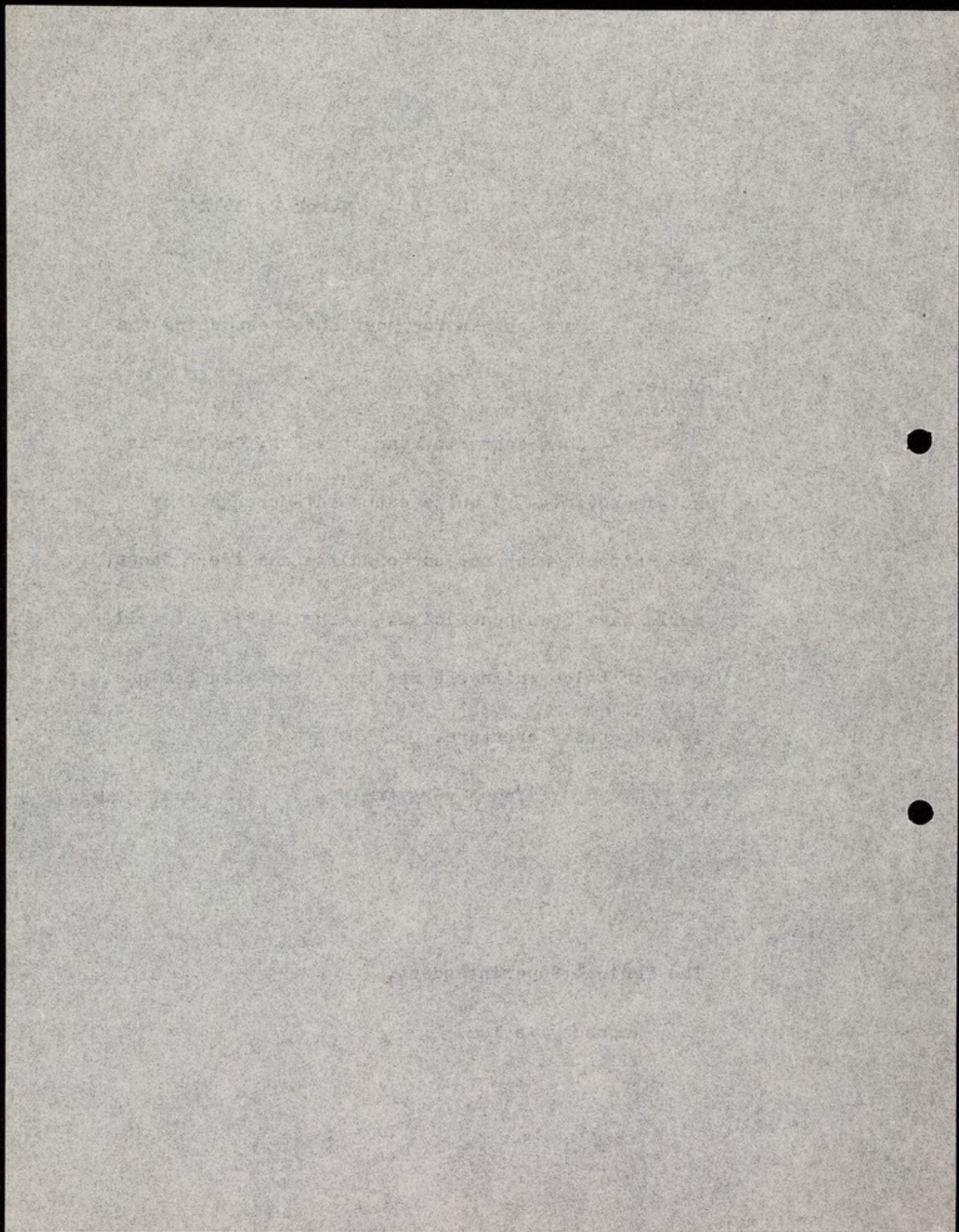
I am sorry to hear that Mrs. Coates has not improved. I quite expected a change from the Retreat, with new surroundings and fresh faces, would have been beneficial. She nearly got well once or twice while she was here, but when bad she is a degraded creature.

Yours very truly

The Medical Superintendent,

Napsbury Asylum





# Barnet Union.

Clerk's Office:

ARTHUR WILSHIRE,  
Clerk.

Barnet, Herts.

1 DEC 1911

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*Ms<sup>rs</sup> Emily Alice Coates.*

DEAR SIR,

Herewith I send cheque in discharge  
of your account against the Guardians of this  
Union.

The amount of the receipt at foot must  
be filled in, and the receipt signed and dated.

No further acknowledgment is required.

Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR WILSHIRE.

*The Secretary  
The Retreat.*

*York.*





Oct. 21. 1911

Mr. ~~Dr.~~ Emily Alice Coates

Cost of Removal from  
~~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. |
|---|-------|----|----|
| Railway fares to Kings X -<br>patient + 3 nurses to London }<br>3 nurses return to York } | 5     | 9  | 8  |
| Taxi - Kings X to St. Albans  | 2     | 4  | 0  |
| Refreshments, Cabs etc.   | 17    | 0  | 0  |
| Fee for nurses accompanying }<br>patient }  | 3     | 3  | 0  |
| Information fees  | 2     | 2  | 0  |
| Maintenance at Retreat<br>Oct 15 to 29  | 2     | 15 | 0  |
|   | <hr/> |    |    |
|   | 16    | 10 | 8  |
|   | <hr/> |    |    |
|   | 13    | 15 | 8  |
|   | <hr/> |    |    |
|   | 11    | 13 | 8  |

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



11/11/11

Mr. J. P. The Cook

Dr. The Retreat

York

The purpose of this investigation was to determine the effect of the treatment on the patients who had been admitted to the Retreat during the year 1911.

| No. | Name            | Age | Sex | Admitted | Discharged | Remarks  |
|-----|-----------------|-----|-----|----------|------------|----------|
| 1   | John Doe        | 35  | M   | 1/1/11   | 3/1/11     | Improved |
| 2   | Jane Smith      | 28  | F   | 2/1/11   | 4/1/11     | Improved |
| 3   | Robert Brown    | 42  | M   | 3/1/11   | 5/1/11     | Improved |
| 4   | Mary White      | 25  | F   | 4/1/11   | 6/1/11     | Improved |
| 5   | William Black   | 38  | M   | 5/1/11   | 7/1/11     | Improved |
| 6   | Elizabeth Green | 30  | F   | 6/1/11   | 8/1/11     | Improved |
| 7   | Thomas Grey     | 45  | M   | 7/1/11   | 9/1/11     | Improved |
| 8   | Sarah Hall      | 22  | F   | 8/1/11   | 10/1/11    | Improved |
| 9   | James King      | 33  | M   | 9/1/11   | 11/1/11    | Improved |
| 10  | Anna Lee        | 27  | F   | 10/1/11  | 12/1/11    | Improved |

The results of this investigation show that the treatment was highly effective in improving the condition of the patients who had been admitted to the Retreat during the year 1911.

Nov 17 1911

Dear Sir, to Emily Alice Coates

The Magistrate's Order for  
expenses in connection with the  
patient was sent with the patient  
to Kapsbury Nylum. We have  
a duplicate copy but that we have  
to keep.

Yours faithfully

Wm E Waller Secy

Arthur Wilshere Esq.



Nov. 17 1911

Dear Sir, the King's College

The Proprietors of the  
experience in connection with the  
patent was sent with the patent  
to the Proprietors of the  
a sufficient copy but that we have

Yours faithfully  
Wm. Robertson

Wm. Robertson



# Barnet Union.

NEXT FORTNIGHTLY MEETING THURSDAY THE \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 191\_\_\_\_\_

*Clerk's Office,  
Barnet, Herts.*

ARTHUR WILSHIRE,  
CLERK.

15th November 1919

Dear Sir.

re Emily Alice Coates  
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I have not yet received the Magistrates Order for expenses in connection with the removal of the above named to Napsbury Asylum. If you will kindly let me have it I will deal with the matter in due course.

Yours faithfully

*Arthur Wilshire*

W. E. Waller Esq

The Retreat

York



15th November 1911

Dear Sir,

re Miss Alice Coster

I have not yet received the  
Registered Order for expenses in con-  
nection with the removal of the above  
named to Westbury Asylum. If you will  
kindly let me have it I will deal with  
the matter in due course.

Yours faithfully

W. E. Walker Esq

The Registrar

York

To the Clerk of the Guardians,  
Frickley.

Nov. 12 1911

Dear Sir,

You have no doubt received  
the Magistrates Order & amount of  
Costs claimed with regard to the  
Removal of Mrs Emily Alice Coates  
to Knapthorp Asylum - £13. 15. 8 -

As a matter of fact the expenses somewhat  
exceeded our estimate as the nurses  
had to remain in London for the night.

This however, I suppose cannot be  
helped - A cheque for the amount  
would oblige.

Yours faithfully

S. E. Waller Secy.



To the Clerk of the Court,  
St. Louis.  
Nov 2 1911

Dear Sir,  
You have in doubt received  
the Report of the Clerk & amount of  
Costs claimed with regard to the  
Removal of Mrs. Cook's Case  
to Federal Court - \$13.12.8 -  
As a matter of fact the expenses incurred  
exceed our estimate as the Bureau  
had to remain in session for the night.  
This however, therefore cannot be  
helped - A charge for the amount  
incurred please. Yours faithfully  
W. C. Walker Sec.



All communications should be addressed to—

THE SECRETARY,  
Lunacy Commission,  
66, Victoria Street,  
LONDON, S.W.

Communications relating to different subjects should be made in separate letters.



LUNACY COMMISSION,  
66, Victoria Street, S.W.

3rd November, 1911.

Sir,

Emily Alice Coates

With reference to this patient's recent removal to Napsbury Asylum, I am directed by the Commissioners in Lunacy to inform you that the Medical Officer of that institution reports that "on admission she had a slight "discolouration over the left eye, small bruises over the "left knee and right arm and slight abrasion on the back "of the hand".

The Commissioners would be glad to be informed how these injuries were sustained.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

for the Secretary.

The Medical Superintendent,  
York Retreat.





Oct.24, 1911 .

Dear Mr. Coates,

We have now got all formalities arranged for the transfer to Napsbury Asylum, and Mrs. Coates will travel to London by the 9.50 train. We have arranged for a taxi. to meet the train at King's Cross and to take her straight away to St. Albans. This seems to be better than attempting to go through by train.

We claim against the Guardians for the cost of transfer, but there will be a small account against you for disbursements etc, which we will forward as soon as the details are completed.

I much hope the change will be beneficial. I, myself, think that there is a reasonable hope that new surroundings and new people will possibly do good. It is a disappointment to us that she has not recovered here.

Yours very truly,





*Middlesex County Asylum,  
Napsbury.*

*St. Albans,*

*Herts.*

23rd October 1911

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of October 21st, and note that you are transferring patient Mrs. Emily Alice Coates to us on Wednesday.

Yours faithfully.

*L. W. M. M. M. M.*

Medical Superintendent.

Bedford Pierce Esq. M.D.

Medical Superintendent.

The Retreat.

YORK.



11 23rd October 11

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of October 21st, and  
hope that you are consulting patient Mrs. Emily Alice Coates  
to-day or Wednesday.

Yours faithfully,

Medical Superintendent

Bedford Pierce Esq. M.D.  
Medical Superintendent  
The Hospital  
New York



Oct. 21, 1911

Dear Sir,

I have today obtained a Magistrate's Order for the transfer of Mrs. Emily Alice Coates, who has become a pauper. She will be chargeable to the Guardians of Finchley.

She is suffering from an attack of mania and is a troublesome patient, ditty in her habits, and inclined to scream. I should expect she will recover in time: this is the second attack.

We propose to send her on Wednesday next, and I suppose she must go through to King's Cross and go out to St. Alban's by taxi.

Yours very truly,

Dr. Rolleston



Oct. 21, 1911

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th inst. in relation to the proposed purchase of the land in question, and in reply to inform you that the same will be forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

The land in question is situated in the town of ... and is owned by ...

I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,

J. H. ...

Very respectfully,  
J. H. ...

Witness my hand and seal at the City of ... this 21st day of October, 1911.

J. H. ...

Very truly yours,  
J. H. ...

J. H. ...

Barnet Union.

NEXT FORTNIGHTLY MEETING THURSDAY THE \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 191 \_\_\_\_\_

*Clerk's Office,  
Barnet, Herts.*

ARTHUR WILSHIRE,  
CLERK.

16th October 1911 *191*

Dear Sir,

Emily Alice Coates  
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In reply to your letter of the 12th inst; it would be better for you to arrange for the removal of the above named to Napsbury Asylum.

Yours faithfully

*Arthur Wilshire*

Dr Bedford Pierce.  
The Retreat.  
York.



10th October 1911

Dear Sir,

Miss Alice Coster

In reply to your letter of the 12th inst; it  
would be better for you to arrange for the removal of the above  
named to Regency Asylum.

Yours faithfully

Dr Bedford Pierce.

The Retreat.

York.

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93 Lichfield Grove  
Church Road

Funchley N.

Oct 12<sup>th</sup> 1911

Dear Sir

I enclose cheque for my  
wifes expenses to date. + refuse to pay  
in the future.

Yours truly

C. V. Coats

for 1911.





93 Lichfield Grove  
Church End -  
Trichley N.  
Oct 25<sup>th</sup> 1911

Dear Dr Pierce

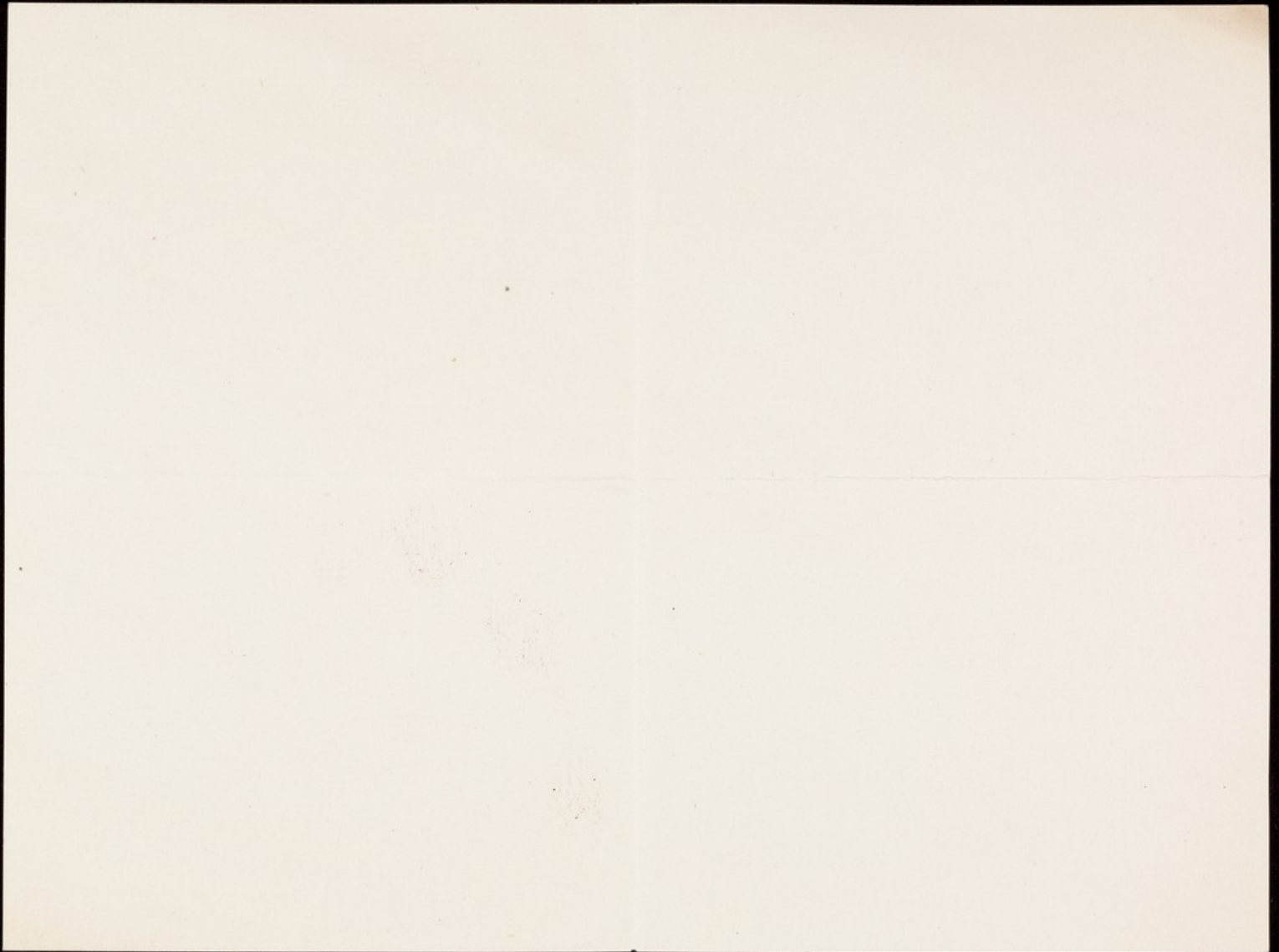
I saw my wife at  
Kings Cross. & liked the look of  
the nurses with her. She knew  
me & did so. surprise me that she  
knew her position & me so well.

I enclose £4. 0-0 to meet the  
extra charges. & the fee till she  
leaves. - The guardians will as you say  
pay her removal send the charge to  
me.

Return me the balance <sup>I am</sup> & accept  
for yourself & your staff my  
thanks for all

Yours  
C. Coates





LUNACY ACT, 1891, s. 19.

Form of Order for Removal of Lunatic becoming Pauper  
in Hospital.

CITY OF YORK  
(TO WIT.)

Whereas *Emily Alice Cooper*  
a Lunatic in the Hospital known as *The Retreat*  
in the said City of York has  
become a pauper.

And whereas *Beaforde Pierce* the Manager  
of the said Hospital has, after having  
given notice to the Guardians of the *Truchess* Union

being the Authority liable for the maintenance  
of the said Lunatic, of his intention so to do, applied to me, a Justice of the  
Peace having jurisdiction in the said City, for an order for the removal of the  
said Lunatic.

Now therefore, I, as such Justice as aforesaid, do hereby order that the  
said Lunatic be removed from the said Hospital to the institution for lunatics  
known as the *Rapenburg Asylum* situate in the County  
of *Middlesex*, being an institution  
for lunatics to which pauper lunatics, for whose maintenance the said Guardians  
are liable, may legally  
be sent, and that the said Lunatic be received therein.

And I do hereby fix the amount of the costs of obtaining this order at  
the sum of *two pence* and the costs of the removal of  
the said Lunatic, in pursuance of this order, at the sum of *seven pounds*  
*fifteen shillings eight pence* making together the total  
sum of *seven pounds fifteen shillings eight pence*

And I do hereby further order that the said total sum of *seven pounds*  
*fifteen shillings eight pence* shall be repaid to the said Manager  
of the said Hospital by the said Guardians  
within *fourteen* days  
after the removal of the said Lunatic, in pursuance of this order.

Dated this

*5/11*

day of

*October 1911*

(Signed)

*J. P. Burnett*

Justice of the Peace for the  
City of York aforesaid.



Office of the Mayor  
City of New York

CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
100 WALL STREET, NEW YORK, N. Y.

Dear Sir:  
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter mentioned therein. The same has been referred to the proper authorities for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
John A. [Name]Mayor

Very truly yours,  
John A. [Name]Mayor

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary

John A. [Name]  
Mayor

Oct. 12, 1911

Dear Sir,

I write to inform you that Mrs. Emily Alice Coates, who has been here as a private patient since July 21, 1910, has now become a pauper, as her husband is no longer paying for her maintenance.

Her address before admission was 93 Lechfield Grove, Church End, Finchley, London N., and, in accordance with the 19th section of the 1891 Lunacy Act, I inform you that I am about to apply to a Justice of the Peace for an Order for her removal to Hapsbury Asylum unless the Guardians themselves arrange for her removal from the Retreat and relieve us of further care.

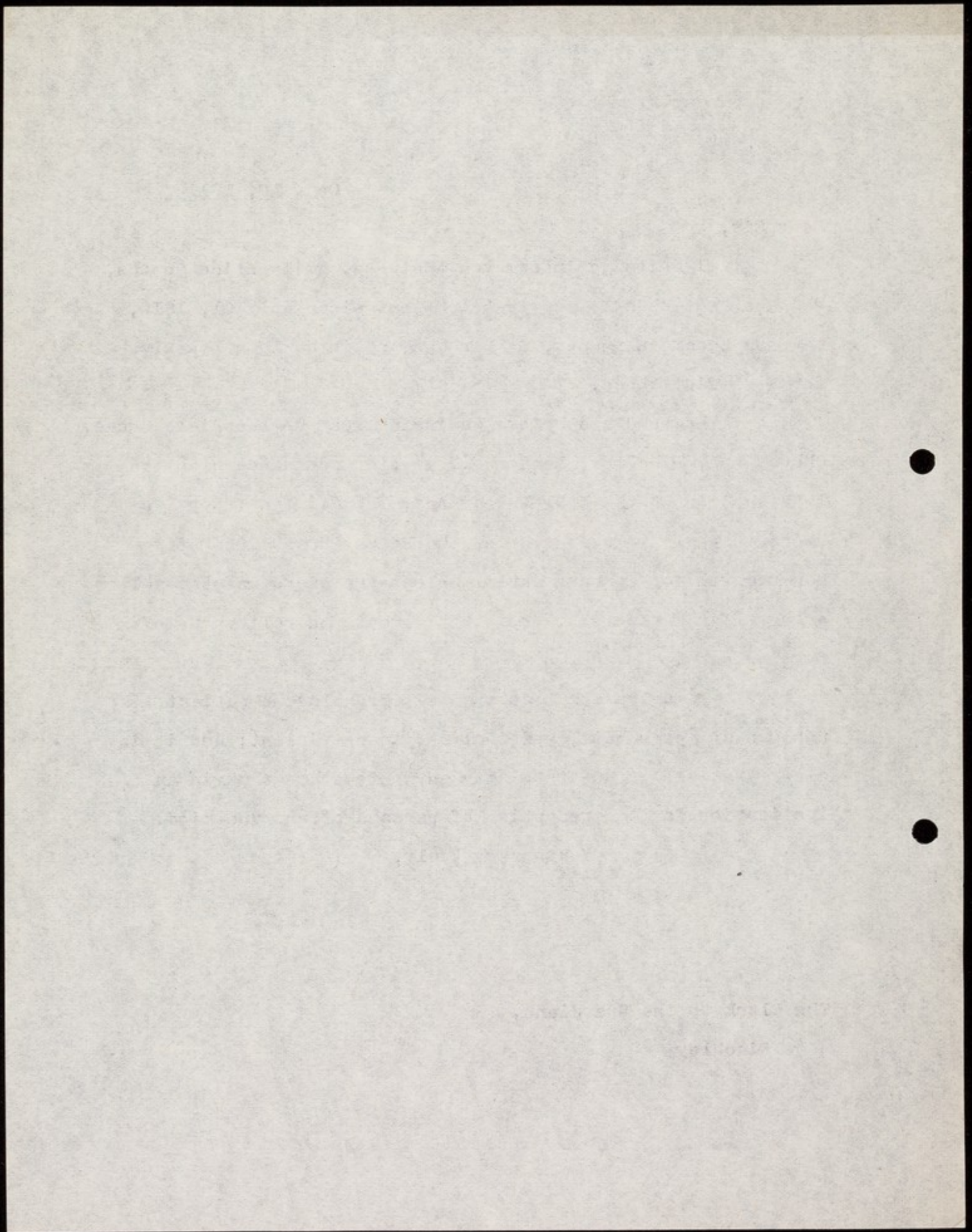
I may remark that she is a troublesome patient, unclean in her habits, and inclined to be violent; and it is clear that she is unfit to stay anywhere other than in an institution for the reception of persons of unsound mind.

Yours very truly,

The Clerk to the Guardians,

Finchley





93 Lechfield Grove  
Church Road  
Funchley N.  
Oct 12<sup>th</sup> 1911

Dear Dr. Pierce

I have decided to put all  
wholly in your hands, & to take the second  
course & refuse to pay & let you put the  
Act in motion as preferably to discharging  
her & having her recertified. It appears she  
would have to stay at least a night in  
my house. - I enclose cheque for two  
weeks of this quarter.



My parish is Funchley - the relieving  
office is C. M. Lockwood. 25 Lichfield  
Grove.

With very much thanks

Yours truly  
C. M. Coates

Ans

93 Lechfield Grove  
 Church Road  
 Finchley N  
 Oct 7<sup>th</sup> 1911

Dear Dr Pierce

Claybury cannot take my  
 wife. The Surrey asylum refuses her.  
 Croydon asks a higher fee than I pay  
 now & I am ~~sure~~ if I can borrow it  
 if necessary.

I have seen the local authorities  
 about admission to the Public Institution  
 for ~~and~~ district. - Knapsbury Asylum  
 St Albans & they advise me that the



only courses possible to gain admission  
there are

- ① To cease payment to the Retreat York.  
→ then you could on a Justice's order  
send her to the guardians at Funchley  
+ then they would send her somewhere  
probably Knapsburg
- ② Bring her home + have her recertified  
freshly + then she could go to Knapsburg.

I have seen the Lunacy Commission  
on the advice of the local authority + they  
confirm the advice adding however that  
No ① involving action as a pauper would  
strain the law + custom much. though it  
would be possible (This mention of strain  
was an afterthought it was their first advice)  
No 2. They thought was the proper course  
+ on arrival at Knapsburg my wife  
could next day be made a private patient.

They advised me at the Commission to  
just apply at Bethlehem Hospital - but  
they gave me little hope.

I shall do so tomorrow + if that fails  
may I ask you (unless you feel strongly  
to the contrary) to facilitate me as  
much as you can in course No 2. of  
having her recertified at home.  
Perhaps she may not have to stay more  
than a day at home - perhaps not even  
so long.

Yours truly and with  
thanks for your patience - I did not  
know it had been so great till I heard  
the reports today at the Lunacy Commission

C. V. Coates

Oct. 3, 1911

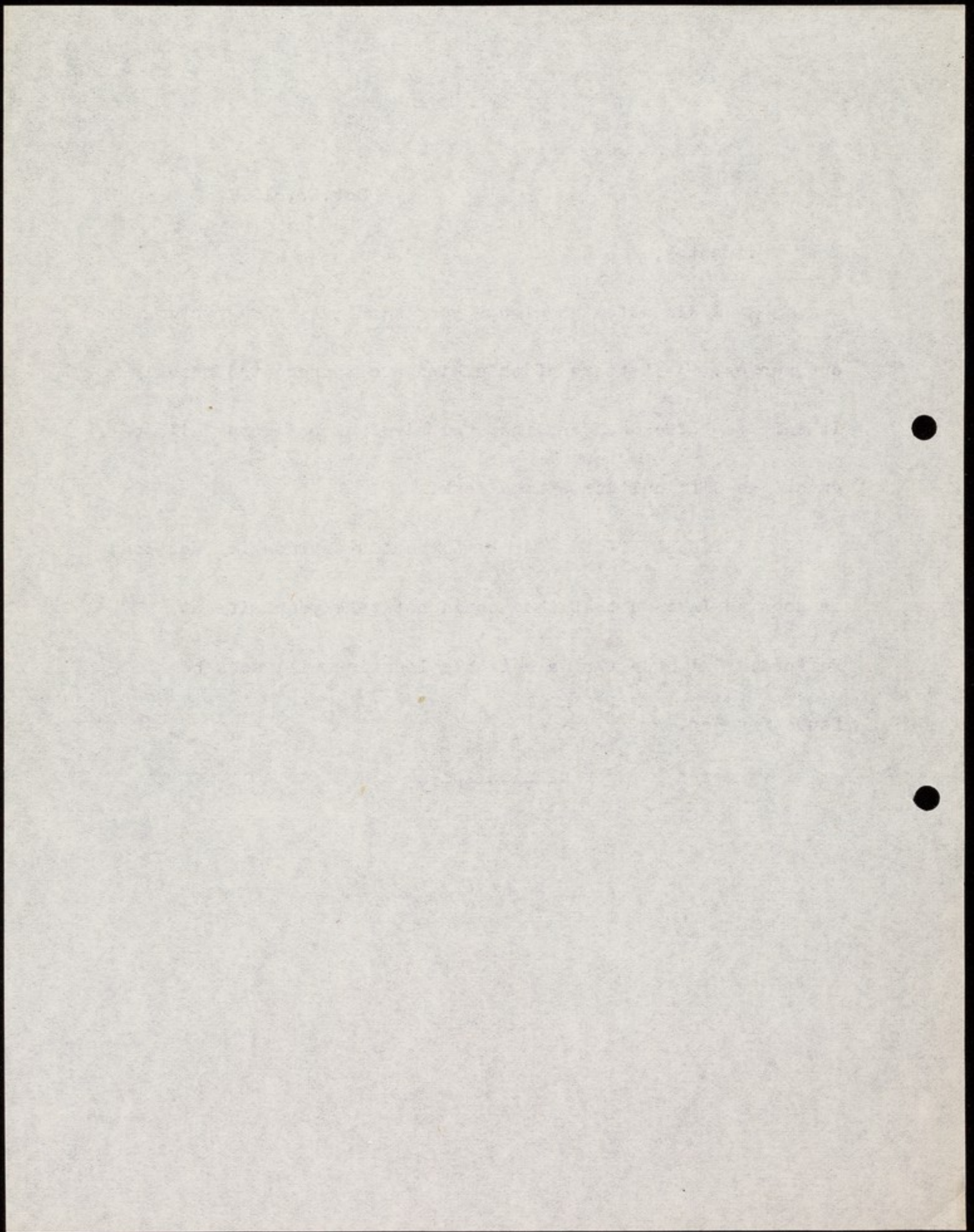
Dear Mr. Coates,

I did not acknowledge your kind letter respecting our nurses. Letters of this kind are appreciated greatly. It only too often happens that relatives of patients fail to grasp the difficulties of the work.

I sent off the forms to the two asylums in question as soon as I heard that they could not take your wife at Fulford. I hope that a suitable location will soon be found for her.

Yours very truly,





93 Lechfield Grove  
 Church Road  
 Finchley N  
 Sept 29<sup>th</sup> 1911

Dear Dr. Pierce

Fulford asylum has refused my wife. - I am proceeding to take steps to have her received in St Albans Asylum (as a public patient if in no other way. - as I fear the other two asylums will do.

Neither of Craydon may also refuse her.

In any case she will be removed from

Yours very truly  
 C. W. Coate





93 Lichfield Grove  
Church Road  
Finchley, N.  
Sept 26<sup>th</sup> 1911

Dear Dr Pierce

If I have not thanked  
you for the trouble & care you are taking  
now ~~have~~ taken in an unthankful case  
put it down to my preoccupation

I write at once as you advised to.  
Sulford - In case Dr Hopkins changes  
his mind will not take her - I send  
papers relative to two asyprisms that



have vacancies.

London County Council say that I live  
outside their limits & pay or no pay  
they cannot deal with me - Middlesex  
can possibly deal with my wife as  
as a "pauper" patient but not as a  
paying patient - but they are not sure  
if they can even do that at once.  
The City is full - the superintendent who  
let me turn out to have friendly school  
connections with me -

If Fulford fails I shall write to.

D. Jones of Woodford Bridge.

Yours truly

C. No. 12

In case these fail you must be  
relieved of my wife anyway - It is best  
for me not to know details of her  
conduct. It is enough that you & that  
sweet spirited nurse I saw are  
overstrained by it. - I hope I will  
not come to sending her in as a pauper  
through the Union but if necessary it  
must be done.

C. No. 12

93 Lichfield Grove Churchland Fuchley N.  
Sept 25<sup>th</sup> 1911.

~~to~~ I will write as you wish to Dr. Hopkins.  
Any arrangement you make will be satisfactory to me

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Yours. very truly  
Hoates



# POST CARD

TO BE USED FOR WRITTEN OR  
PRINTED MATTER.

ONLY THE ADDRESS TO BE  
WRITTEN HERE.



Bedford Pierce M.D.  
The Retreat  
York.

Ans

93 Lechfield Grove  
Church Road  
Funchley N.  
Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> 1911

Dear Dr Pierce

I find neither London  
County - nor Middlesex - nor the City  
of London can take my wife <sup>they are all full up.</sup> at the  
suggestion of the authorities of the  
Institutions I have been to. I have written  
to four other institutions. We find too  
that my recent move into  
Middlesex raises difficulties in the  
Council Offices in both London



and Middlesex -

I expect the replies by Tuesday, at least will write again when they come.

Would it be possible to find a public Institution nearer York - in Yorkshire even to which my wife could go & I could pay ~~so~~. I now I look forward with dread to taking an excitable noisy patient often worse - a long journey to London - & then through London to any of the places I have written to - Could you possibly I know it is a great deal to ask. ascertain a place within reach of York that would take her - I would

accept any arrangement you made. Except that as I cannot pay more than I do without debt. -- if the charge is increased I must have a little time to look round, see if I can raise the money.

I remain

Yours very truly  
C. Foote

Bedford Pierce M.D

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93 Lechfield Grove  
Church Hill  
Fitchburg N.  
Sept 21<sup>st</sup>. 1911.

Dear W. Pierce

I have received your letter of this morning and am making inquiries as to where my wife can be received & will write again as quickly as I know.

Will you advise me as to the ~~proper~~ wisest way to bring her from York. - Could the Retreat



undertake to bring her. Would you  
require me to come to assist.

I am very sorry that your care  
& Dr Kemp's has had as yet so  
little success. & we do see that she  
must not hurt others. But we  
do thank both Dr Kemp & you for  
the patience shown & care taken.  
& no one could be of a sweeter spirit  
than the nurse I met on my visit  
at Christmas

I trust to write to you on Monday

Yours very truly  
D<sup>r</sup> Bedford Pierce      P. Coates



Sept. 20, 1911

Dear Mr. Coates,

I am requested by the Committee to write to you respecting Mrs. Coates's stay at the Retreat.

The fact that she gives so much trouble and seems unable to appreciate the advantages the Retreat affords and is also so very disturbing to other patients leads the Committee to think that a change of surroundings would probably be beneficial to her.

I see no reason why she should not be placed in one of the large public ~~institutions~~. I think it very probable that larger wards where there are more opportunities for the classification of patients than at the Retreat would really be a comfortable for her as the Retreat.

I fully expect that she will recover. She is already able for a short time to behave in a reasonable way, and her general appearance is more intelligent than it was, and I should not be at all surprised to hear that not long after the transfer you will hear that she has begun to recover.

I remain,

Yours very truly,







# Birkbeck College.

FOUNDED 1823.

Breams Buildings,

Chancery Lane, E.C.

Sept 15<sup>th</sup> 1911

G. Armitage Smith, D.Lit. M.A.  
PRINCIPAL.

H. Wells Eames,  
SECRETARY.

Dear Dr. Pierce

I am very prieved to receive the report of my wife and am taking it into serious consideration and reflection.

I should desire to know what sort of Institution you had in your mind and if you had any definite individual place in it.

Yours truly  
C. Hoate





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18/7

My dear Victor,

1 posted  
nearly ten  
penny

1910

The place where we stayed near Woburn Sands was Mrs Crabbe's, Pine Cottage, Aspley Guise.

They were very kind people & good managers. It is quite a pleasant place on account of the Duke of Bedford's woods which are close by.

Another place we have stayed at is Mrs Predding Honor End Farm, Great Missenden. That is a hilly country, but you can get short walks & woods without descending. <sup>It is lovely -</sup> you can feel the day

last year we nearly went for a weekend ago. <sup>we were there for</sup>

to a Mrs Turner, Rose Cottage, Shenley. The <sup>many</sup> accommodation was very rustic, but I expect it would have been sufficient. You could ride over & see it. Go right through the village to the brink of the hill & then turn to the right by a public house.

I hope you will be able to arrange for a pleasant change & that it will do you both good

Yours very sincerely  
Leonard T. Horne

my love  
all yours



C. V. Coates Esq. M.L.

93 Lichfield Lane Grove  
Fitchley N.



J. Griffiths  
87 Hungerford Road  
Camden Rd

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93 Lechfield Grove  
Church Road  
Funchley N.  
Emily Alice Coates. April 13<sup>th</sup> 1911.

Sir

I send cheque for £10. on  
account of my wife. - I regret very  
much that I have to ask you to  
give me time for the rest - till  
May 1<sup>st</sup>. when I shall be able  
to send the balance. - If possible  
if I can it will be sent earlier  
but. all mine excepted the



money will certainly be had  
May 1<sup>st</sup>.

I remain

Yours very truly  
C. V. Coate



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*Selly Oak*

Charges }  
to pay } s. d.

Handed } 3  
in at } 40.00

Received } 3  
here at } 58.00

TO { *Reice Retreat*

*Coates states income probably certified to day*

*Your 300 patient day*

*Harris*

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93 Leckfield Grove  
Church End  
Funchley,  
N.  
Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>. 1910.

Dear Sir

I send the form of  
guarantee executed, with  
thanks for the consideration  
received in my case

Yours truly  
C. V. Coates





93 Lechfield Grove  
Church Road  
Fenchley N.  
Sept 13<sup>th</sup> 1910.

Dear Sir

I thank you for your letter  
of the 8<sup>th</sup> - stating that the Committee  
had for the present fixed the fee for  
my wife at .27/6. a week. for which

I thank them very much. and I trust  
that she may not be so long ill  
that the Committee may be forced.



to reconsider the terms.

The letter was delivered at first  
to another better known Mr. Coates  
in Church End Finchley & only  
received it yesterday. Hence the  
delay.

I remain

Yours very truly  
C. F. Coates.

The Secretary  
The Retreat  
York.

16.7.3

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93 Lichfield Grove  
(Emily Alice (walet)) Church End  
Funchley N.  
Oct 14<sup>th</sup> 1910.

Dear Sir

I send you cheque for balance  
of my wifes acc with you. - as furnished  
three days ago.

|                                  |           |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Board to Sept 30 <sup>th</sup> . | 13. 19. 0 |
| - - Dec 31 <sup>st</sup> .       | 17. 17. 6 |
| Dresses                          | 2. 8. 3   |
|                                  | <hr/>     |
|                                  | 34. 4. 9  |
| Less cheque                      | 15. 0. 0  |
|                                  | <hr/>     |
|                                  | 19. 4. 9  |
| + cheque                         | 16. 12. 6 |
|                                  | <hr/>     |
|                                  | 2. 12. 3  |

leaving a balance due of £ 2. 12. 3. for.



which a cheque is enclosed.

At the same time & as is my  
weekly custom I should like a report  
of ~~his~~ <sup>my</sup> wife's state

Yours very truly

C. Coate

Bedford Pierce M.D.

93 Lichfield Grove  
Churchward

Abund.  
Emily Alice (Waters)

Fruchley N.

Oct 8<sup>th</sup> 1910.

Dear Sir.

I enclose cheque towards my  
wife's expenses. - On Dec 29<sup>th</sup> if she  
is not recovered she will have been  
23 weeks on the Retreat. The Committee  
have with much kindness granted  
me the terms of 27/6 a week.

This for 22 weeks is £37.12.6. - I  
have already paid £15.0.0. This  
leaves a balance of £16.12.6.



for which amount please accept.  
cheque.

With my sincere thanks to the  
Committee.

Yours very truly  
C. V. Foote

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## Statement of Monetary Standing of C. V. Coates

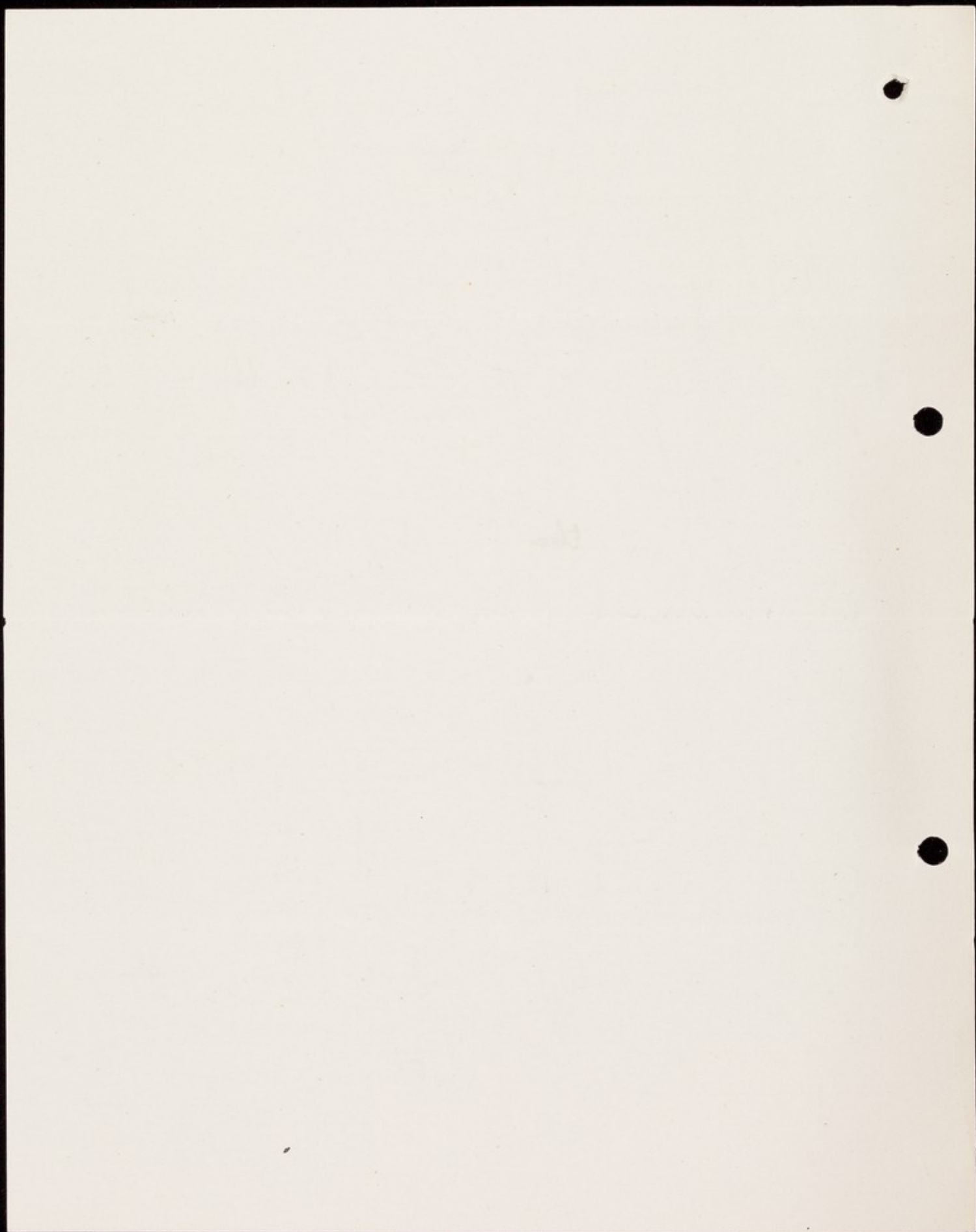
My income is just under £300. made up as follows. £250 Salary as Assistant Lecturer at the Birkbeck College (Maths) about £30 this year £32 as Examiner of papers in the Scotch Leaving School Exam. + £12-£15 from private pupils.

I am now 56 + ~~the~~ my post seems reasonably certain till time for superannuation which may be five may be ten years. I have served the College four years. + shall be entitled to a gratuity (not a pension) of £10 for each year I have served.

I at one time ~~was~~ attempted to have a private coaching Establishment. - I was unsuccessful. + owed over £700. This I have repaid all but £90 due to my brothers in law but in consequence I have no savings

My wife's relatives bore <sup>over</sup> half the cost of ~~the~~ her stay (see my report) of some four months in St Andrews Hospital Northampton. - I contributing £5 a month. - The fact that this help had to be taken has preyed on my wife's mind since her recovery





and I am anxious to avoid taking assistance as much as possible for that reason.

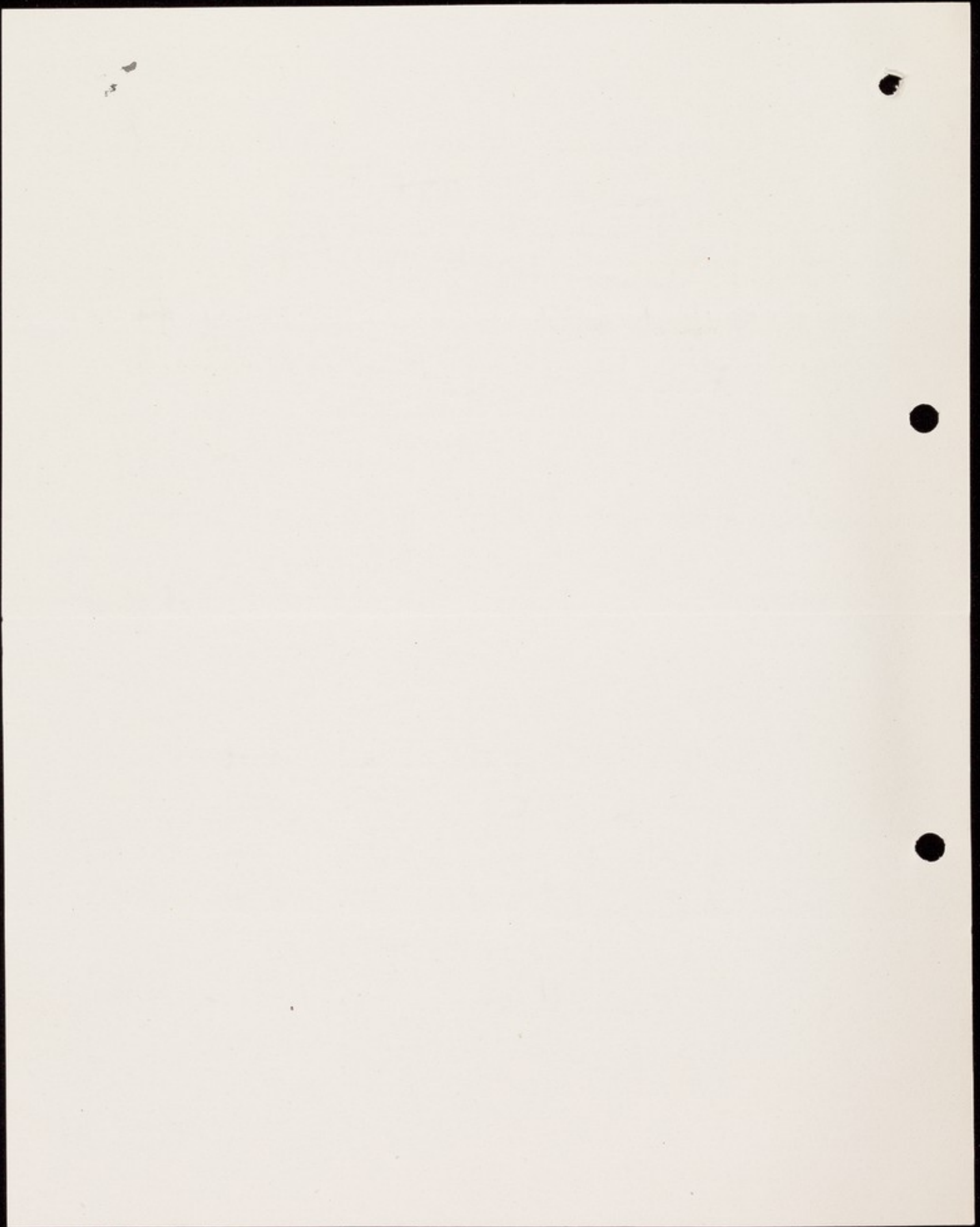
My family at present consists of  
 a daughter of 25 a clerk - whose earnings ~~are~~ <sup>do</sup> not  
 average yet £1 a week. - which are discounted by  
 the necessary travelling to town + the necessary meals there  
 a daughter of 13. - in the Friends School Saffron  
 Walden - at a fee of £30 a year. (extras - not  
 amounting to more than £7 or £9. a year. - She promises  
 well & is already fairly well into the first class.  
 Also myself + my wife

I ought to add that there is a prospect of

- (1) ~~Due~~ to my Univ. standing - of Univ. Examining
- (2) The Head Master of Saffron Walden informs me that  
 my daughter at the school has a fair prospect of a  
 scholarship remitting the fees.

Neither of this will however materialise - if they do -  
 till next year.





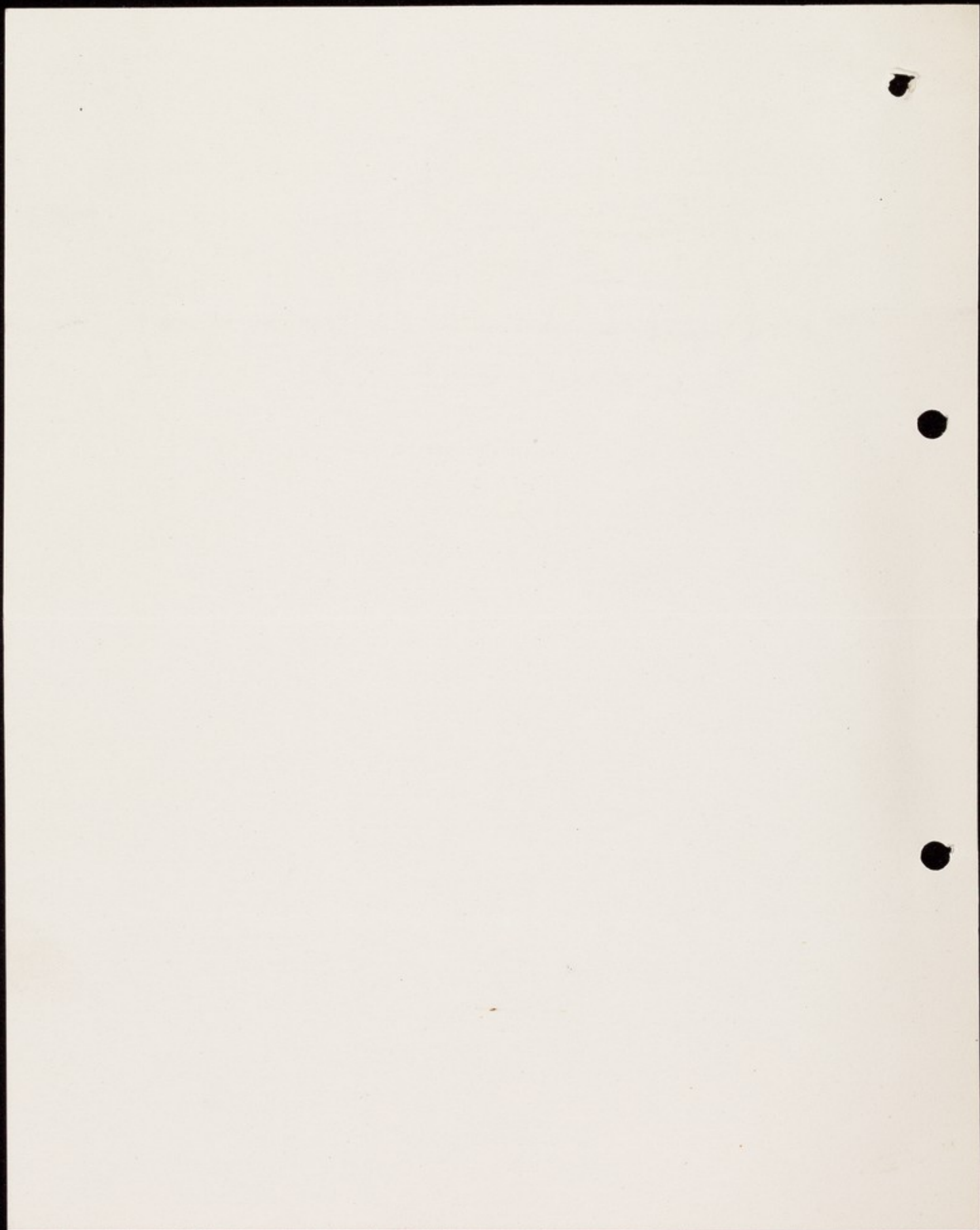
I will need - when my wife comes home -  
to increase my household expenses - by engaging  
a housekeeper - for my wife will not again be  
able to ~~direct~~ work a house - we have just had  
this failure that has sent her to the Retreat.

I think therefore in ~~want~~ offering to pay 35/- a  
week. I spoke without due judgment & reflection

I remain

Yours truly  
W. Coates





93 Lichfield Grove  
Church End  
Funchley N.  
July 26<sup>th</sup> 1910.

Sirs

For the purpose of enabling  
the Committee to decide on the  
amount which I can reasonably  
pay for my wife Emily Alice  
Coates now in the Reheat at  
York. I submit the following  
statement of my financial  
position both good and bad.



and I shall be very glad of as  
indulgent treatment as the  
Committee can conscientiously  
give me

Yours. very truly  
C. Hoate

7th September, 1910.

Dear Sir,

At the Meeting of the Committee yesterday, it was decided that the terms for Mrs. Coates should be at the rate of 27/6 per week, to include washing and mending. It was, however, stated that this should be only a temporary arrangement, and that the Committee may be obliged to review the terms later on should Mrs. Coates require care for a lengthened period.

Yours faithfully,

Asst. Secretary.

C.V. Coates Esq.,

Finchley, N.



THE  
OFFICE  
OF THE  
SECRETARY  
OF THE  
TREASURY

J.R.  
A.R.

Derwent

Squires Lane

Funchley N.

Ans.

~~Dec~~ 8th 1910.

re.

Emily Alice Coates

Dear Sir

I should be glad to  
have a report of the state of  
my wife if she is

quieter or more noisy  
takes food or still refuses.  
~~take~~ ~~need~~ natural sleep or has  
to take sleeping draught.



if she is conscious of her habits  
a tear her clothes + otherwise  
disagreeable.

● I wrote on Thursday but  
since no answer has come probably  
being in great haste I misdirected  
somehow..

I remain

Yours truly  
C. Coates

● Please direct as in letter  
as I am not now at home.

insufficiently clear in his news about  
 his present Church (which  
 Episcopalian) but he was  
 encouraged happily again by his  
 mind cleared - He is a genuine  
 man & often speaks in  
 meetings which he attends more  
 regularly than most friends do.

yps  
 [Signature]

RICH<sup>d</sup> F. & C. L. SMITH.  
 TELEPHONE NO 13861 CENTRAL

26. Lincoln's Inn Fields,  
 London, W.C.

Sent letter to  
 Multisam. Jan 10  
 to my wife 29. VII. 10

Dear Mr Percie

Thanks for yours  
 I might add that Coates  
 applied for membership but after  
 some month's consideration his  
 monthly meetings had declined  
 to admit him as he was not



VERILLUM MOVE



28th July, 1910.

Dear Charles L. Smith,

Your letter will, I think, facilitate the Committee in giving Mr. Coates a reduction of terms; I will see that it is placed before them when they consider the matter.

We are always glad to reduce terms for those who are in real sympathy with the Society, but are chary of doing so when a connection is raked up in order to gain some financial assistance.

Ever yours truly,





REVERSE

OFF

27th July, 1910.

Dear Sir,

Your letter on the question of terms is to hand, and I will see that it is submitted to the Committee at their next meeting.

I cannot report much improvement in Mrs. Coates as yet, though she is beginning to look just a little better. She has refused food almost steadily since admission, and it is clear her digestion is not very good, as a good deal that is given to her is rejected. However, this is rather better than it was, but the tube feeding is still necessary. She cannot sustain any conversation, but evidently recognises people about her.

I remain,

Yours truly,

C.I.Coates Esq.,

Finchley. N.



ОДЕСЬСЬКИЙ

УНИВЕРСИТЕТ

I don't know whether it will  
affect his matter but Mr Coates  
is an attendee at meeting &  
but takes an active part in  
friends' adult school work

Sincerely yours

Yours sincerely  
Cyril Smith

RICH<sup>d</sup> F. & C. L. SMITH.  
TELEPHONE NO. 13861 CENTRAL.

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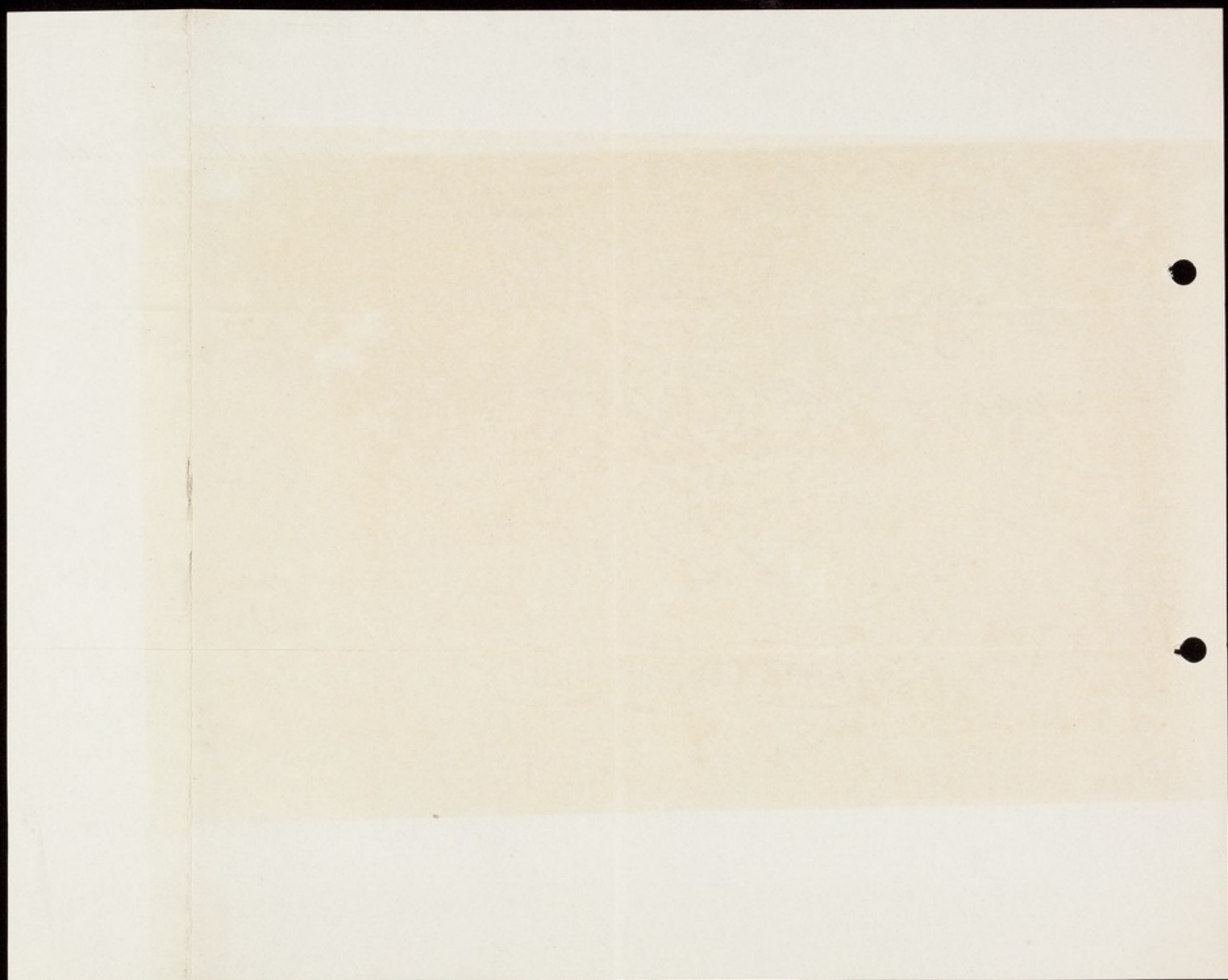
27. July '10

Dear Beatrix Perce

My friend C & Coates

tell me to my great regret  
that he has found it necessary  
to ask you to take care of his  
wife for a few months - I  
hope not long longer





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*4 35*

Received }  
here at }

*4-57* .M.

TO { *The Retreat York*

*Received leave to send my  
wife with thanks my income  
from all sources is £300  
almost not quite I should  
be glad to see a reduction  
in terms of the committee*

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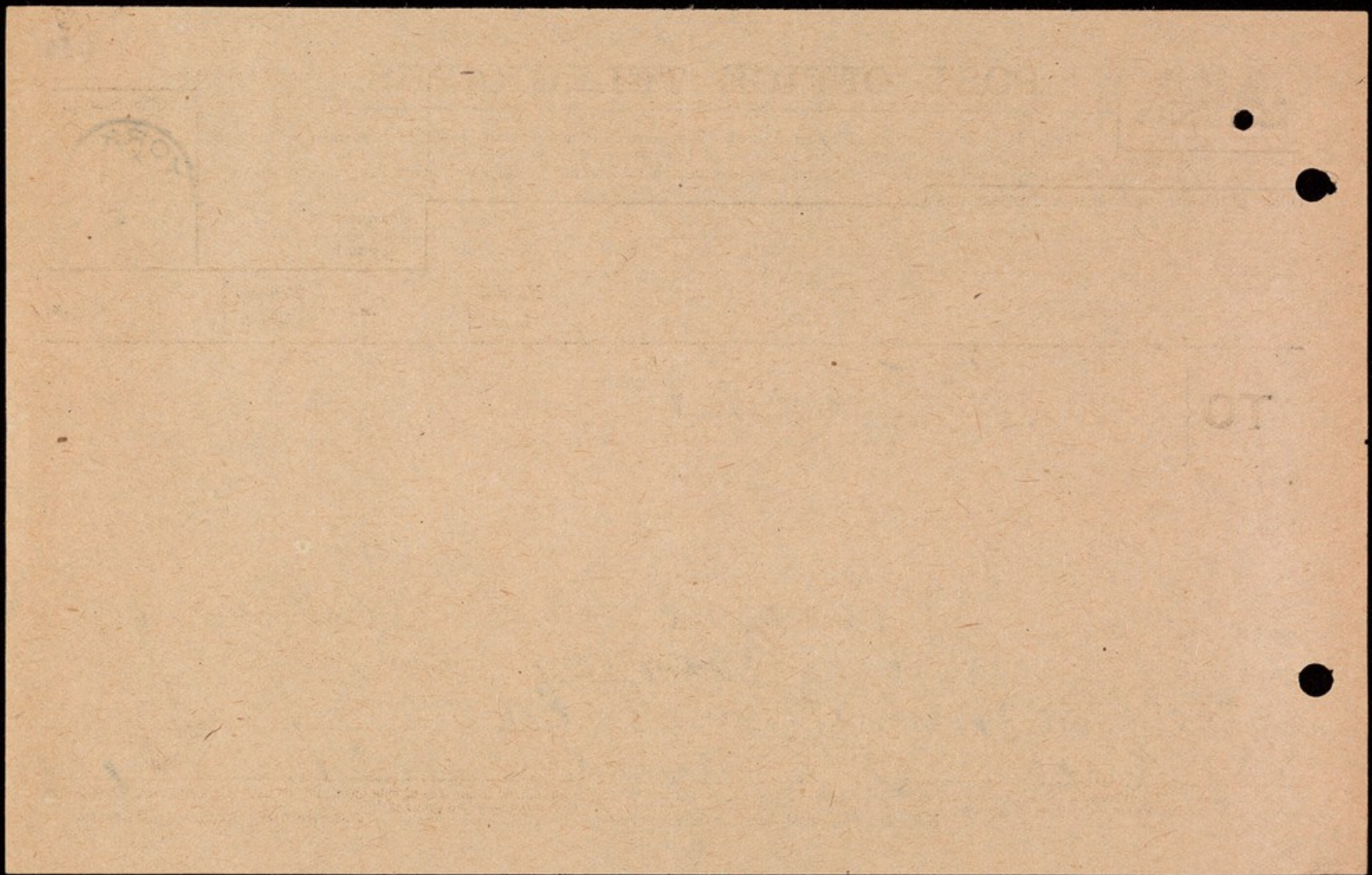
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TO { Retreat (2)

can see their way as  
my children are few after deduction  
to 35 weekly would meet  
all my wishes but if  
the committee decide not to  
reduce I will meet the

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| Handed<br>in at } | .M. |
|                   |     |

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| Received<br>here at } | .M. |
|                       |     |

TO { Retreat (3)

Charge anyway

Coates 93 Lichfield  
Grove Trenchley

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• can receive patient anytime  
conveniently after hours

~~Form~~  
Purse

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*Finchley*

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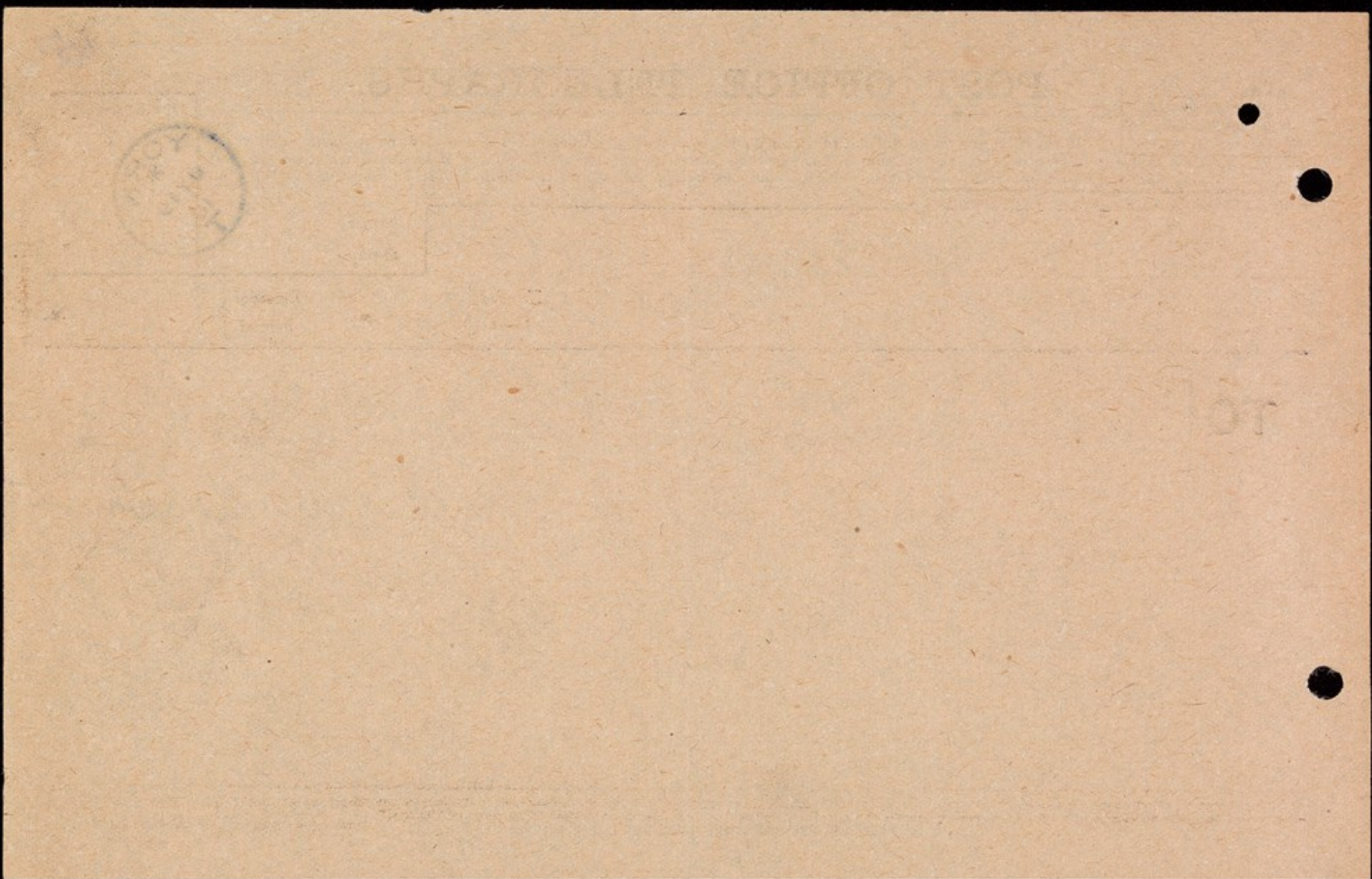
*The Retreat York*

*Please send all necessary documents*

*Coates 93 Lichfield  
grove Finchley London*

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Chetwynd House,  
Selly Oak,  
NE Birmingham.

July 18/10

Dear Bedford Pierce,

I hear this morning  
from C. V. Coates, an old  
friend of mine, and an  
attender of Westminster  
Meeting, that his wife  
who was under care for  
some time at a private  
asylum in Northampton is  
showing signs of returning  
trouble: (it was acute  
mania, in one of the  
gluttest and sweetest



of souls). Coates is very  
reluctant to let her go  
back to Northampton, and  
wants to bring her to York.  
But he does not know  
anything about the rules  
of admission. He is not  
a member, having been  
declined by Westminster  
& Longford meetings (on  
military grounds, I fancy,  
but am not sure).  
I am passing through York

on the way to Norway at the  
end of the week, and  
could easily come on a  
day earlier (Friday) and  
consult thee about the  
matter. May I have a line  
from thee on the matter?

Thy friend

Rendel Harris

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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 Emily Alice Coates of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 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 24th day of November 1910

Name C. V. Coates

Residence 93 Lichfield Grove Churchland London N.

Occupation Mathematical Lecturer

SIGNED by the said C. V. Coates

in the presence of

Witness's Signature } Emily Russell -

Address, and } 93 Lichfield Grove -

Profession. } Housekeeper -

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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