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Oct. 22 1915

Dear Sir,

D'Arcy has handed me your letter with reference to the items for disbursements in Major Foster's account.

They consist of small out of pocket expenses which could not be included in the fee of 20 guineas. Some were not reported in this office until after Major Foster had left the Retreat.

I might say that no fee is charged for another interview with he had with D'Arcy.

Trusting this explanation will be satisfactory,
I am

Yours faithfully

Wm. E. Waller Secy.

R.C. Foster Esq.

Wm. C. Johnson Secy.

R. C. Johnson

Enclosed is explanation and is satisfactory
for another reference with the fact that Officer
Thompson says that no fee is charged

Major Holt has left the District.

It is reported in this office that after

with the fee of \$1000.00, some was

expended which would not be included

they consist of some out of pocket

for transportation & Major Holt's account.

There are references to the item

Officer has handled our money

Dear Sir,

Oct. 22 1912

LAND & FOSTER,
SOLICITORS.
COMMISSIONERS FOR OATHS.
TELEGRAMS "UPRIGHT, HALIFAX."
TELEPHONE 571.
RONALD C. FOSTER
NOTARY PUBLIC.

13, Ward's End,
Halifax.

21st October 1915

Dear Dr. Pierce,

I have been in Cornwall for the last 10 days, and on my return I found the enclosed note for which I enclose my Cheque. -

As to the two items for disbursements to Sept. 30th and June 30th, these I do not quite understand, as I thought I had discharged all liabilities.

Perhaps you will kindly have the matter looked into and if there should have been a mistake, no doubt

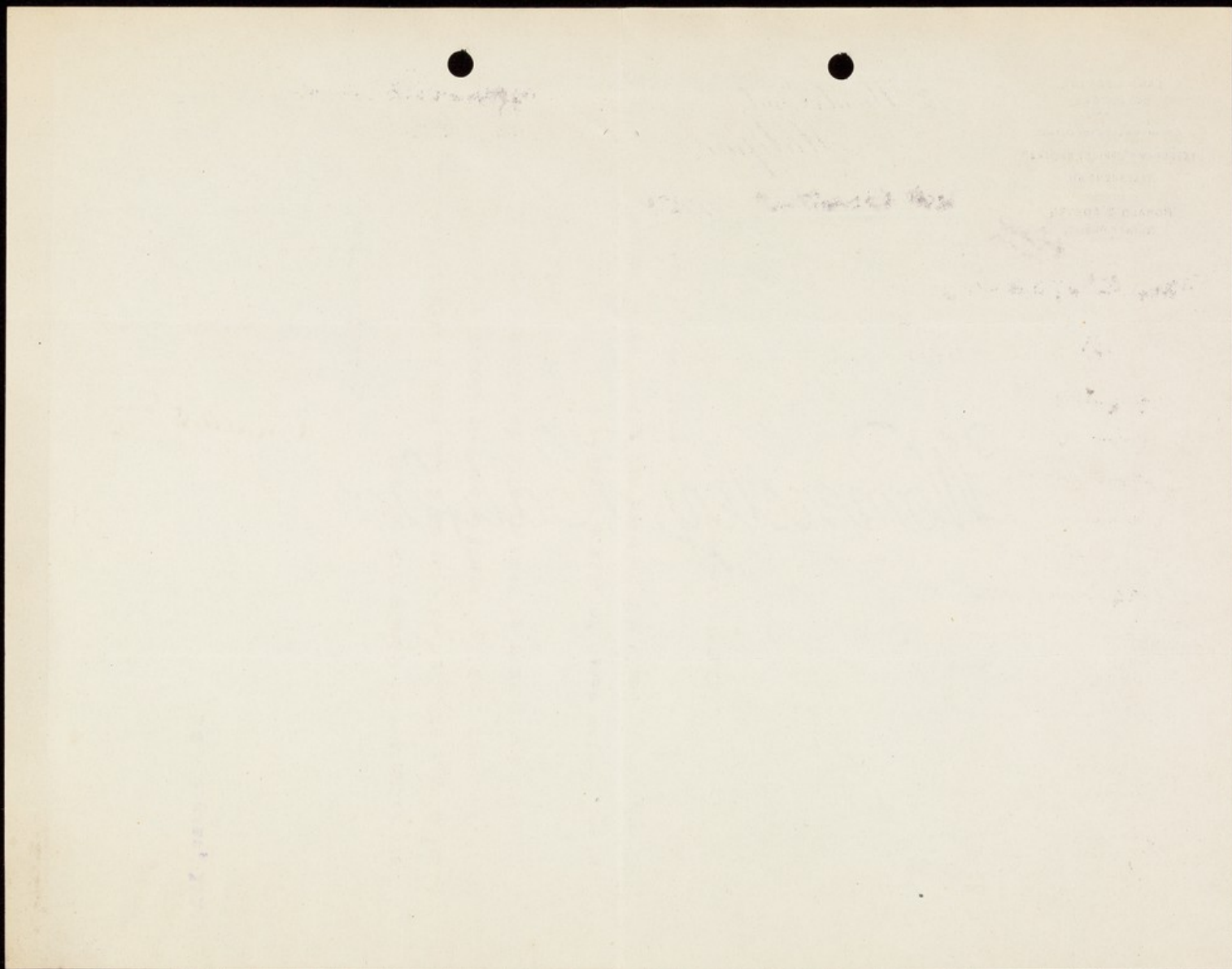
you will instruct your Secretary to return me the amount.

I am glad to say my Brother keeps quite well.
With kind regards,

Believe me,

Yours sincerely
R. M. C. Dr. H.

Dr. Bedford Pierce M.D.
The Retreat
York.



16th August, 1915

Dear Mr. Foster,

I think you did wisely in not using the certificate I sent and I am sure it is quite a good thing for Major Foster to have a longer holiday, for the present position of affairs must be vexing and trying for him.

I enclose a slip of paper which Rowe has handed to me giving the name of the Plant which Major Foster brought here.

Yours faithfully,

1 enclosure.

10th August, 1915

Dear Mr. Foster,

I think you did wisely in not waiting the
certificate I sent and I am sure it is quite a good thing
for Major Foster to have a longer holiday for the
present position of affairs must be vexing and trying
for him.

I enclose a slip of paper which Howe has
handed to me giving the name of the friend which Major
Foster brought here.

Yours faithfully,

I enclose.

and then I am hoping
this will be quite satisfactory.

I have to day sent
off my brother again
to both Yorkstown as
he would only sit
on the boat and do
no good. Please allow
me to thank you for
all your kindness -
With kind regards
Believe me yours very
sincerely

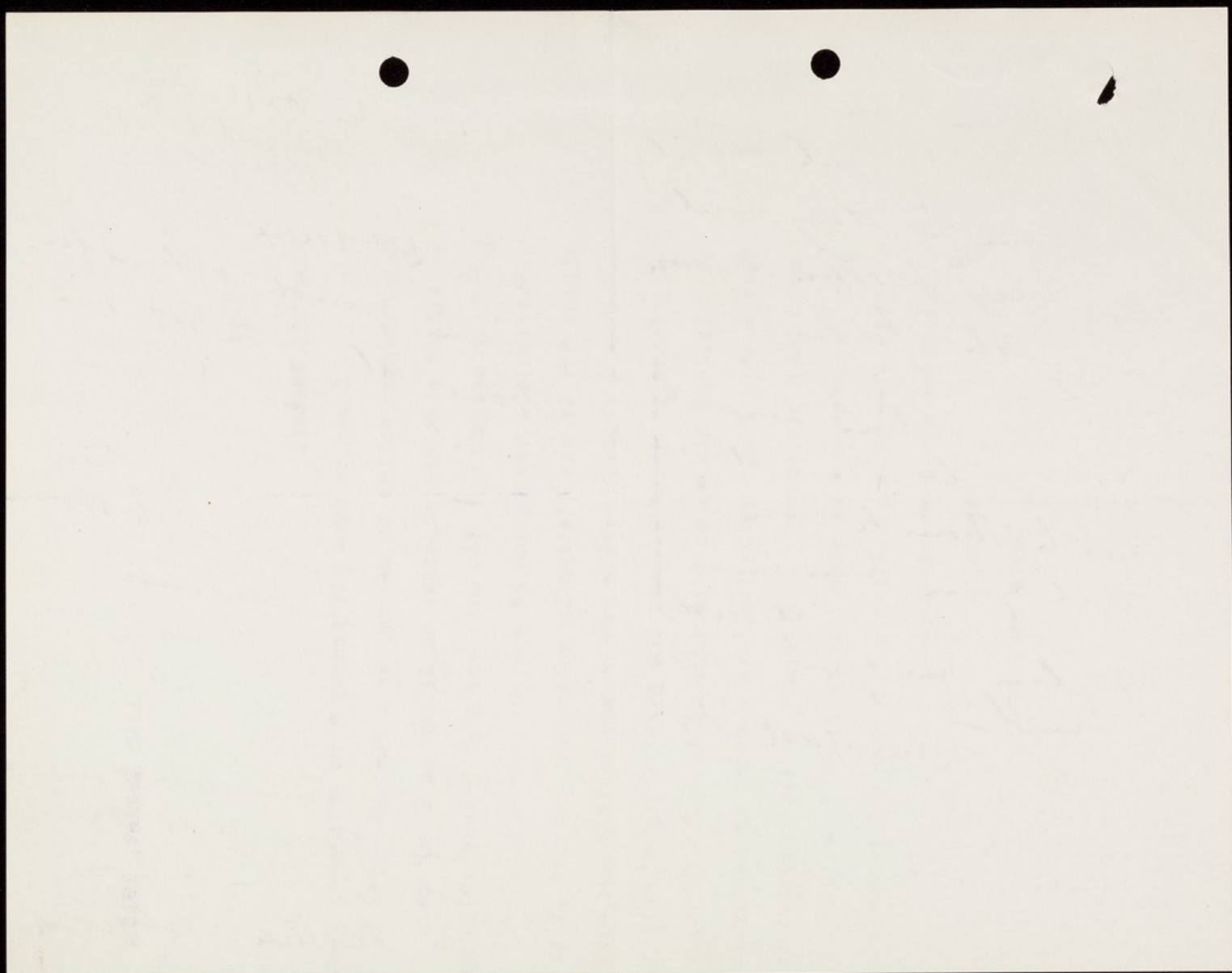
Russell E. Webb

And you please let me
know you for Monday
and I will send the paper

843.

The North River
August 13th - 15.

Dear Dr. Pease
I am much obliged for
your letter of the 11th and
my brother's return
has given me your
certificate and I then
determined not to
hesitate in
this. The hesitation of
speech to which you
refer I had not noticed
nor have I done since.
The time will come
when you will no
doubt have to give
a further certificate



11th August, 1915.

Dear Mr. Foster,

I was in some difficulty this afternoon when Major Foster called to see me, as I was not quite as satisfied with his physical condition as I was on a previous occasion. You will see that I mention in my certificate a hesitation of speech. This was very slight but it was distinctly noticeable, and though it may seem a trivial matter yet to any medical man with experience it would suggest the possibility of serious trouble, and it was on this account that I told Major Foster that I was not quite sure whether my certificate would help him or not. I am not at all prepared to give an unfavourable view, nevertheless I could not rightly give an unqualified certificate of recovery while these symptoms continue.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

11th August, 1918.

Dear Mr. Foster,

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Major Foster called to see me, as I was not quite as
satisfied with his physical condition as I was on a
previous occasion. You will see that I mention in my
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would help him or not. I am not at all prepared to
give an unfavourable view, nevertheless I could not
rightly give an unqualified certificate of recovery
while these symptoms continue.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

would give any assistance
you could to this end
With kind regards
Believe me yours
very sincerely
Russell C. White

825.
The High Seas
Hampstead
August 10th 185

Dear Dr. Peirce
My brother returned
yesterday and I am
glad to say very fit
and well. He has to
be in York tomorrow
and proposes calling
upon you. It may
be necessary for you
to give a certificate
to or for him to
resume his duties.
but he will explain
fully the position.
I told him that
I was quite sure you



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22nd July, 1915.

Dear Sirs,

The questions you ask about Major Foster's recent illness cannot be answered without reservation for the prognosis in such a case is always uncertain. After repeated examination I discovered no sign of grave nervous disease, and I came to the conclusion that he would recover satisfactorily, and I see no reason why he should relapse. With regard to the military duties, if these include the strain of active service I certainly should think it unwise he should attempt them, although it is quite possible he might perform them satisfactorily.

The usual fee for copying certificates is half a guinea.

Yours very truly,

Messrs. James Clarkson & Son.

25 Harrison Road,

Halifax.

20th July, 1915.

Dear Sir,
The question you ask about the
report of the committee is answered without reservation
for the committee in such a case is always underlain
After repeated examination I discovered no sign of
any nervous disease, and I came to the conclusion
that he would recover satisfactorily, and I was of
opinion that he should be released. With regard to the
military duties, if he is released the strain of active
service I certainly should think it wise he should
avoid them, although it is quite possible he might
perform them satisfactorily.

The usual fee for copying certificates is

half a guinea.

Yours very truly,

Wm. James Gibson & Son,
25 Mark Lane Road,
London.

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Telegraphic Address: "VIGILANT," HALIFAX.
TELEPHONE NO 11.

JAMES CLARKSON & SON,

Solicitors.

JAMES CLARKSON,
HON. SOLICITOR TO HALIFAX CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.
CLERK TO ELLAND U.D. COUNCIL.
CHARLES CLARKSON,
COMMISSIONERS FOR OATHS.

25, Harrison Road.
(OPPOSITE HOLY TRINITY CHURCH)

Halifax.

21st July 1915.

Dr Pierce,
The Retreat,
York.

Dear Sir,

We thank you for the copy documents enclosed with your letter of yesterday's date. Also for the information as to the visit to Major Foster of two Medical men representing the War Office.

May we ask you whether in your opinion Major Foster's restoration to health will be permanent and whether you think that he will, after having had time to get thoroughly recruited, be fit to resume his military duties. ?

You do not name the fee for the copy documents which we shall be happy to remit on hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

James Clarkson & Son

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Halifax.

19th July 1915.

--Pearce Esq .,
Superintendent,
The Retreat,
York.

Dear Sir,

I am acting for Major Foster who desires me to help him to avoid being superseded in his command and has appealed for a Board of Inquiry.

Will you please send me a copy of the papers under which he was received at the Retreat.

Yours faithfully,

James Clarkson

19th July 1918.

--Pearce Esq ..

Superintendent,

The Retreat,

York.

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Yours faithfully,

Can End
askings
R.S.O

Dear Dr. Pearce
You will be glad I am
sure to hear that my
brother is keeping quite
well. It was blow to
him to receive that
intimation from the
War Office that he is
not fit for service
but I am still in
great hopes that we
shall get that right before
the Medical Board.
He has been troubled
with a cold but this

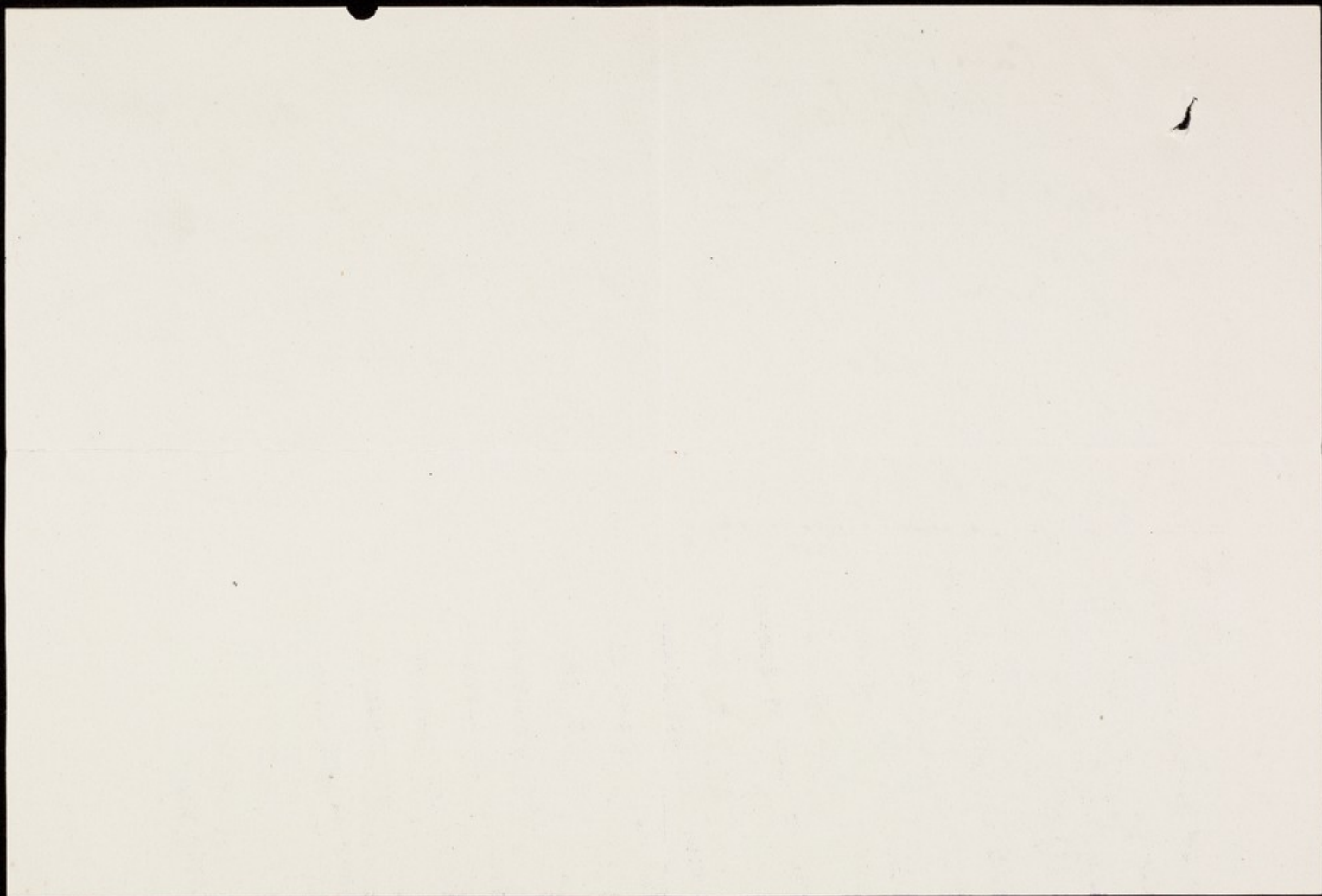
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is much better now
in fact he is wonderfully
fit, but naturally anxious
about retaining his Commission

I had hoped to send
you a few lines, but
have been so busy
as yet, but hope to get
a few during next week.

Again thanking
you for all your kindness
Believe me yours
very sincerely

Ronald E. D.A.



TELEPHONE NO. 470.

12, Park Road,

Halifax.

AT HOME:

2 TO 3,

6 TO 7-30.

EXCEPT THURSDAY AND
SATURDAY AFTERNOONS.

15-7-15

Mr. D. Pierce

Many thanks

for your letter concerning
Mayor Foster - I
not seen him yet but
hear that his appearance
at men was not a

Success -

He was very emotional

and West on meeting
the Q. M.

With kind regards

Believe me

Yours very truly
A. Robertson

10th July, 1915.

Dear Dr. Robertson,

I had a long talk with Major Foster last night and again this morning, and I have also seen his brother. I made it quite plain that he should not attempt any military duties at present and that he should have leave of absence for a month. His brother sees the necessity of this. I also urged him to abstain from all alcoholic liquors and advised him to be very cautious in talking to people when he gets home. They are intending to go away again on Monday. I must confess that he is leaving full early, but I really do not think it would have been prudent to have attempted to keep him longer. One would have had difficulty with the brother now the patient is so much better, and moreover not that he is so clear there is little justification for prolonged detention even though one may feel pretty sure that a longer stay is desirable. I find the brothers are intending to go away together on holiday. I am not quite sure that this is really the best thing, but I do not see how I could have prevented it. I fancy some friend of the family, a stranger, would probably be better.

With kind regards.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

1918, July 10th

Dear Mr. [Name]

I have a long time since I have seen you and
again this morning, and I have also seen you before. I made
it quite clear that we should not discuss any military matters
at present, and that in the future I should like to see you
again. The situation here is very serious at this time. I have
tried to be patient, but all official reports and advice
lead me to be very cautious in talking to you. I have been
told that you are interested in the work of the
I have confidence that you are a very good man, but I really
do not think it would have been good for you to have been
seen with me. The work of the [Name] is very important, and the
position of the [Name] is very important, and the [Name]
not that he is as clear as I am in this. I have been
gratified as well as surprised to meet you here. I have been
a long time in the [Name] and I have been very
interested to see you here. I am not sure
that this is really the best thing for me to do
how I should have preferred to see you here. I have been
telling a story, which probably is better.

With kind regards,

I remain,

Yours very truly,

6th July, 1915.

Dear Mr. Foster,

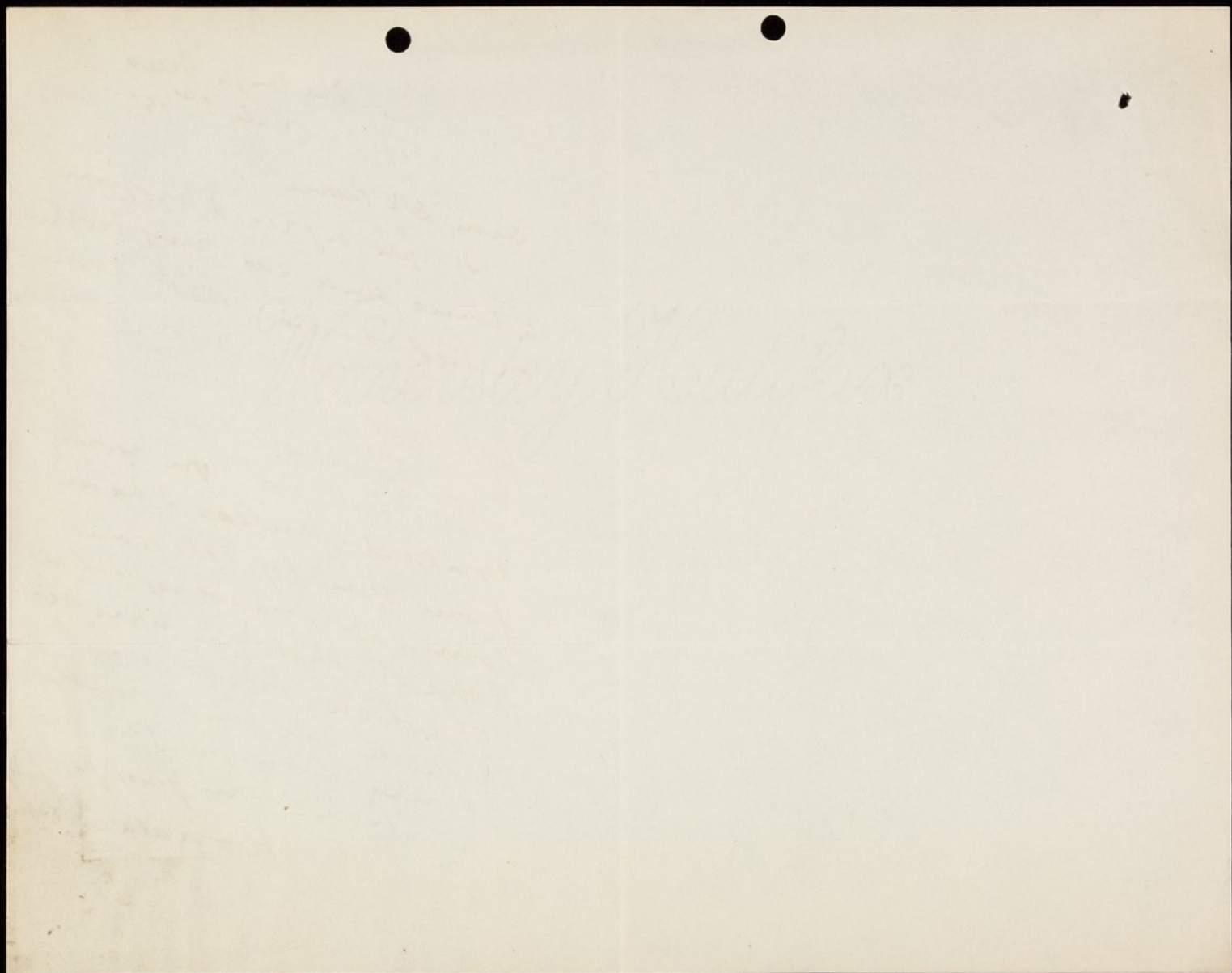
It will be quite right for you to visit your brother to-morrow, and I think you will find him decidedly better. He very much resents having been placed under care, and cannot see the necessity for it. I would, therefore, suggest that as far as possible you decline to discuss the matters which led to his coming under care, telling him that after a time when things are more satisfactorily cleared up you will be only too pleased to explain matters fully. He will, however, tell you that he has done nothing whatever to justify being placed under care, and anything that is said pointing out his excitable behaviour he at once minimises and tries to explain away, and I have found arguing on the subject very unprofitable. Still the central fact remains that he is happily very much better, but you must be prepared for him demanding to go away immediately which is certainly premature.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

The Hathi Trees
July 5th - 1914.

Dear Mr. Pierce
If you agree I propose
to come and see my brother
on Wednesday next. From
his letters he is most anxious
to see me and I have written
him tonight that my
visit depends on your
consent. Unless I hear
from you by telephone
tomorrow Tuesday I shall
take it that you have no
objection. I shall also
write to see and make
some arrangements.
Believe me yours faithfully
Ronald C. Doherty



discuss with you what
arrangement can be made.

I hope Dr. Robertson
with you that at the
present time the question
of fees etc is absolutely
in your hands.

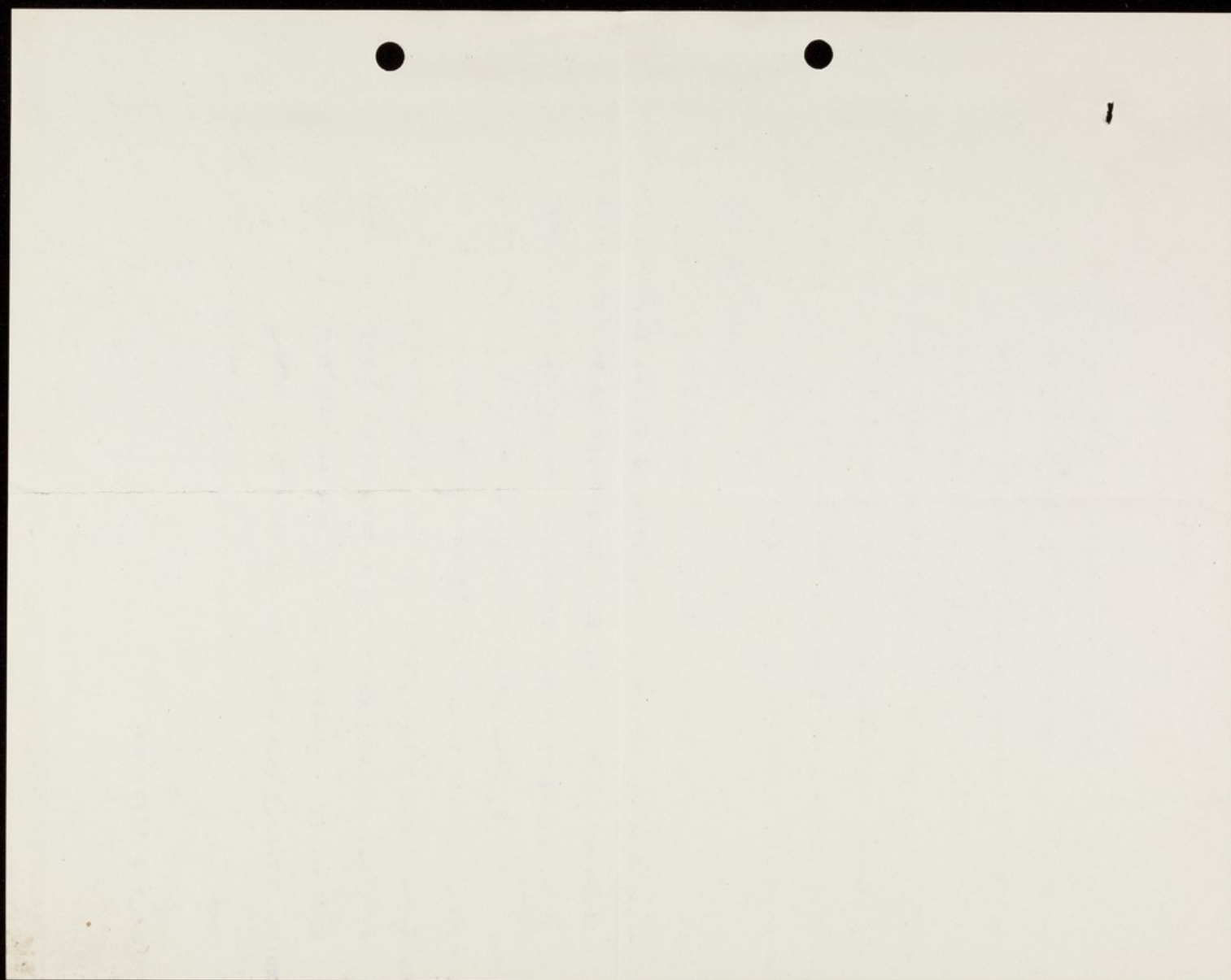
With kindest regards
Believe me yours
Sincerely

Emata-C. Webb

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The Wm. Webb
Halifax
July 3rd 18.

Dear Mr. Webb

I received your letter
this morning, and am
thankful to think there
is some improvement
in my condition.
In action. So day
I am writing as you
suggest that I shall
want to see him in a
few days time, but
shall not see the day
until I hear from you
again. At this same
time I propose to



2nd July, 1915.

Dear Mr. Foster,

I have been away for ten days and I really think there is some improvement in your brother. It is true that he talks a great deal still. He has not lost his strange ideas, and he is quite certain that there has been no justification for him coming away from home. Nevertheless I should say that he is more connected than he was. The random talk is not so continuous and he is better able to give a connected account of anything. He is somewhat dictatorial in his demands, but he accepts the situation really better than one would expect, and he is not at all bad to do with.

He is very wishful to see you and I think it would be well for you to come over before long. Perhaps it would be best for you to write to him and make some excuse for deferring the visit for a little while, and then I think when you come you will see a decided improvement.

Sometime in the course of the next fortnight I must make some arrangement with you about the question of expense as the Retreat Committee meets in the middle of this month.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

and July, 1915.

Dear Mr. Weston,

I have been away for ten days and I really think there is some improvement in your brother. It is true that he takes a great deal still. He has not lost his strange ideas, and he is quite certain that there has been no justification for his coming away from home. Nevertheless I should say that he is more connected than he was. The reason this is not so continuous and he is better able to give a connected account of anything. He is somewhat dictatorial in his manner, but he speaks in a logical way. He is better than one would expect, and he is not at all bad to do with.

He is very grateful to me and I think it would be well for you to come over before long. Perhaps it would be best for you to write to him and make some excuse for deferring the visit for a little while, and then I think when you come you will see a decided improvement. Some time in the course of the next fortnight I must make some arrangement with you about the question of expense on the Rappahannock. I shall be in the middle of this month.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

The Petrar. Ark.

1/7/15. 9.30 a.m.

Dear Sir. I request you to produce to me forthwith
for inspection the authority under which I am
detained here, further, I demand the attendance
at once of a Magistrate here and an interview with
him. I am entitled by law to all the above.

During your absence I have written your Deputy
to Macchongie several times to the same effect
besides several times making the same demands
verbally, and my demands have been ignored.

I also request you to deliver to me

forthwith the remainder of my property, viz, my
chess book, ruby pen, scissors, knife &c, there!
I have also requested S- Kachoupi to hand over,
both by letter and verbally, without success.

Yours truly

Wm. P. H. H.

Major F. D.

Officer Commanding
3rd Line 4th Battalion Duke of
Wellington's Regiment.

S. P. H.

The Retreat

Sah.

that act is being done
for the best. When ever
you think it will be
well for him to see
me please let me
know and I will
arrange to come over
at once. The letters
you enclosed I have
not opened, but it would
be advisable for you
to send me any further
letters he writes. When
you have time to send

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The H. P. Dues
(Talipat)
June 22nd 15-

Dear Doct^r Mackenzie
I was relieved to hear
from letter this morning
and to hear that my
brother is doing as well
as could be expected.
Not having heard anything
since for days I was
naturally anxious
to hear news.
I have also received
a letter from him and
have written in reply

me & here I shall
be any state put, also
if there is anything
you think I can do
to help him in any
way I shall only
be too glad

Believe me yours
faithfully
Amalia C. M. C.

The High Trees

Halifax

15th July 1915.

Dear Sir,

At the request of
Mr. Foster, I beg to acknowledge
receipt of your communication
of yesterday's date.

Yours faithfully
Wm. Lomas.

for R. C. Foster Esq.

Dr. Pierce
The Rectory
York.

