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at. 161 Oak Tree Lane,
Selly Oak,
Birmingham.
Sept. 2nd 1913.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

Now that the year's rest & probation is over I feel that I would like to write & let you know how well I ~~am~~ am & quite ready to take up work again. The headaches are now almost a thing of the past & when they do occasionally trouble me the cause is always apparent in events or actions which have resulted in them.

I feel in splendid health & only need to avoid overdoing myself & to be careful about diet, I do indeed feel that I have much to be thankful for & not the least for the result of the kind & careful treatment & attention I received while under your care: nothing I can do will ever adequately express all I want to but I am

glad to take this opportunity of letting you know that I do most thoroughly appreciate all the patience, helpfulness & kind cheery consideration which I met with from every one I came in contact with during my convalescence: including the happy family life & freedom at Throsenby, where I feel I made real friends in Miss Elkins & Sister Hilda.

With kind regards to Mrs Pierce & Miss Hamilton

Believe me

Yours sincerely

E. Josephine Gilmore.

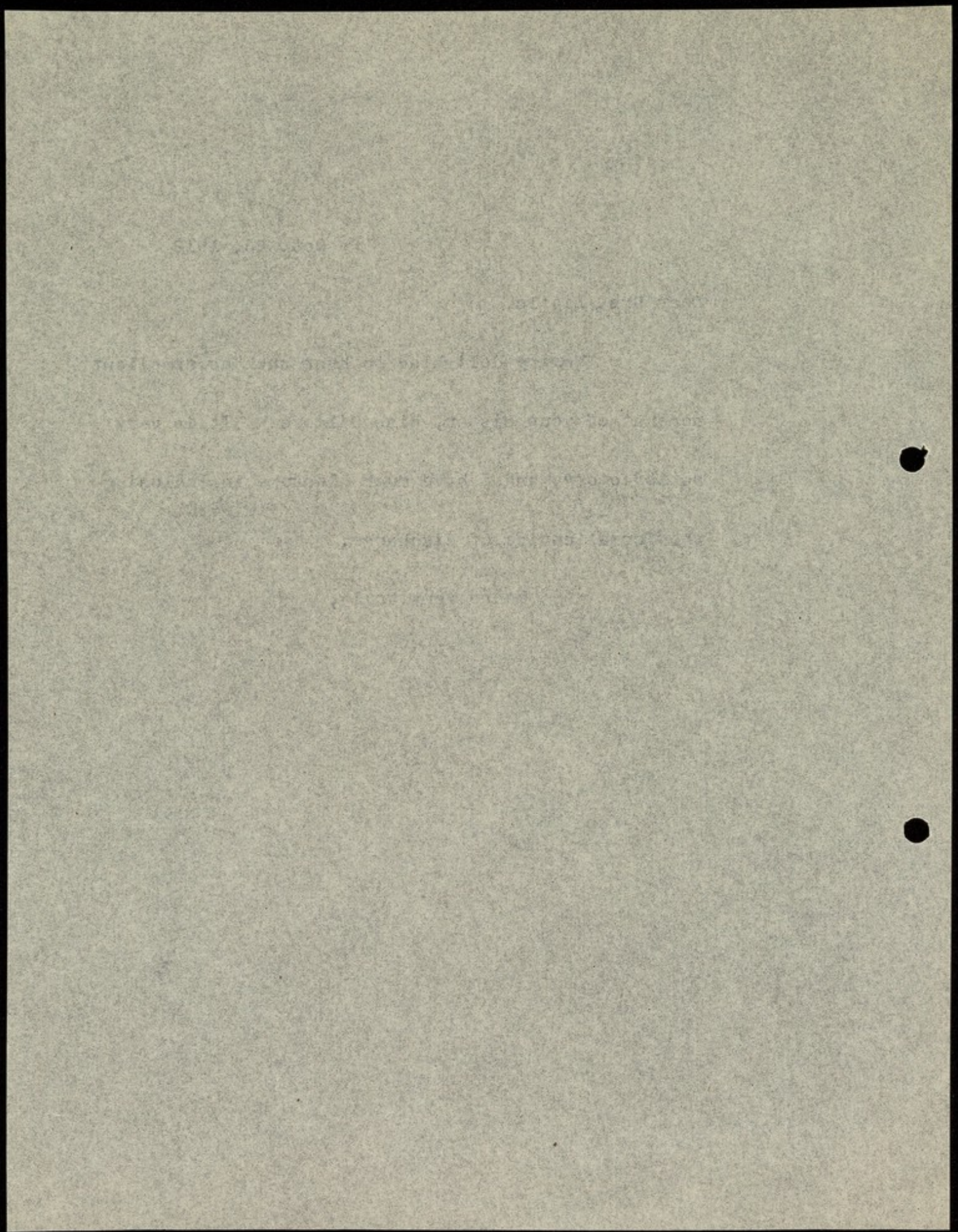
P.S. After Sept. 15th I expect to be in London taking up a course of Secretarial Training & my address will be :- c/o H. J. Martin Esq.,
24 Maresfield Gardens,
Hampstead,
N.W.

Oct. 26, 1912

Dear Mrs. Little,

We are delighted to hear such an excellent account of your sister, Miss Gilmore. It is very satisfactory, and I have much pleasure in enclosing the formal notice of discharge.

Yours very truly,



1690
16 Oak Tree
Lane
Selly Oak
Birmingham

Oct 25. 1912 ✓

Dear Dr Pierce

I am sorry I have
not replied before
this to Dr Kemp's
letter re Miss Gilman

We are all delighted
at Miss Gilman's
complete recovery;
we see no trace

at all of her recent illness, she enters into every thing & takes her usual interest in all around her & I think we can honestly say she has completely recovered.

I should just like to thank you for all the kind interest - you have taken in my sis.

ter's case, she really was very happy during her stay in York.

We have just been moving hence delay in answering letter. My sister is at Leicester visiting her Aunt at present.

With kind regards
yrs truly
Ida M. Sittle

settled down for 12 months or so.
I do not think there are any
real grievances. I don't quite
like this letter!

Perhaps it may be best to
settle her with a companion
in some accessible place.

A line at your early
convenience would help
our decisions this week
or at the beginning of next.

Kind regards from
yours sincerely
R. Fortescue Fox

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✓ 55 Wimpole Street
London W

Sep 17. 1912.

Dear Bedford Pierce -

I know you will kindly
help me with your opinions
regarding our friend Miss
Gilmore - for whom you did
much at the Retreat last
year & the year before.

After leaving you she
went into Cornwall to a cottage
and lived a vivid & excited
amusing life for a time - &
then went to Egypt to friends.

But you know the course of
events - the break down there
(baddish - but not so bad as at first);
return to England this last winter;
stay in a home for some months
with kind & devoted "Sister Elizabeth";
and subsequently she went with
another nurse to Strathpeffer.

She did pretty well at Strathpeffer
walking & playing croquet etc.

After a time she begged to be allowed
to go and work at gardening, for
which she seemed to have a special
attraction. Accordingly I
found a place for her - Studley College
in Warwickshire, under the management

of a remarkable woman Dr. Hillier's
Hamilton, who had such experience
in Afghanistan. I went down to
Studley & arranged matters. It is
a fine house, with young women
students - some who are doing it
merely as hobby or as a means
of leading an open air life. The
routine life & interests would I
hope reclaim her to an objective
way of thinking.

Now she is very restless - &
wants to go off to a cottage -
with a companion. You will
judge from enclosed note to me
what is her real state of mind.
If Dr. Hamilton or some others
had proved quite congenial
(which I fear was not the case)
I thought Miss G. would have

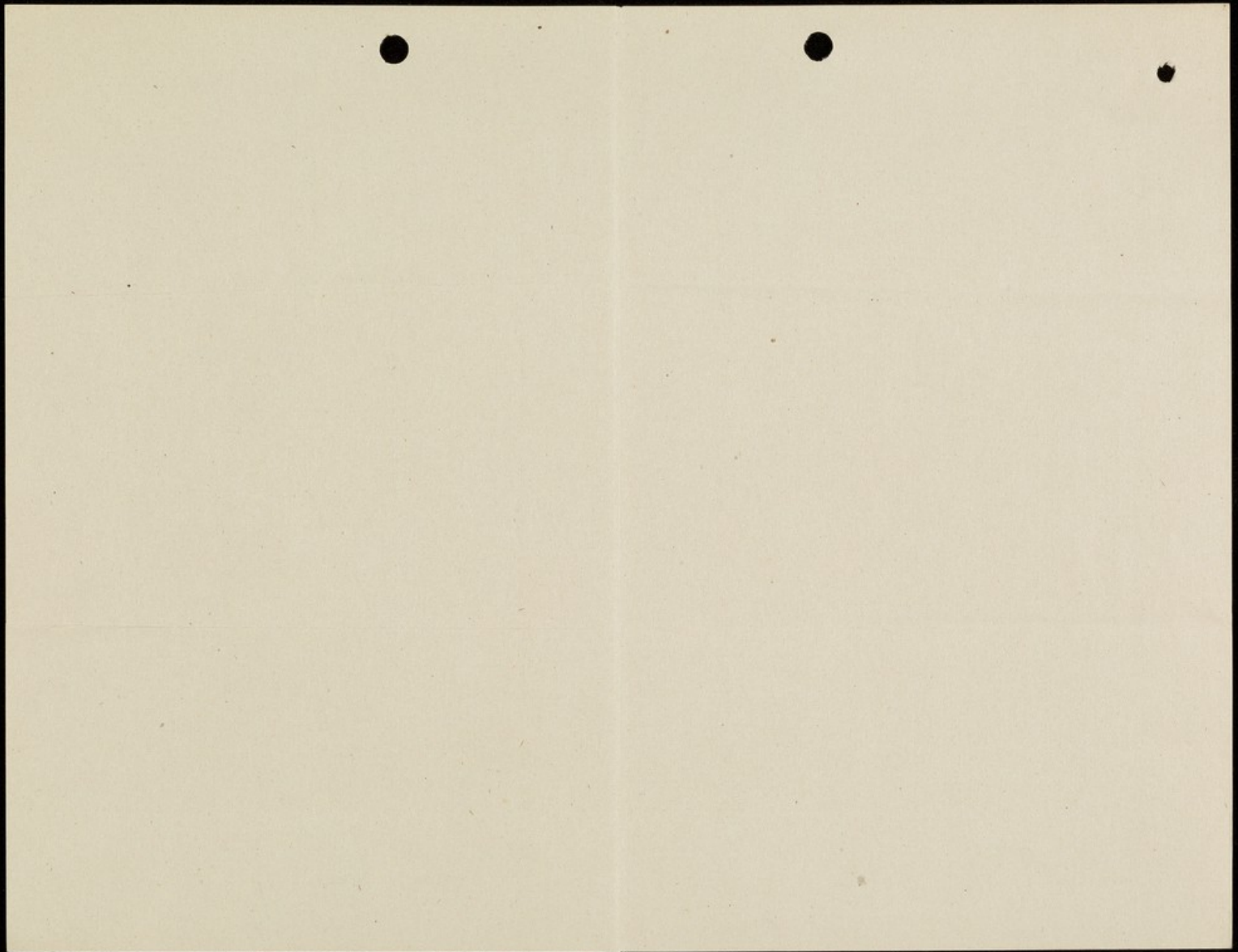
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Kirkhaugh
Selly Hill
B'ham.

July 26th

Dear Dr Perce

I was very pleased
to get yr letter giving
such an encouraging
account of Miss Silmore.
it will be so nice to
have her amongst ^{us} again
so that when we get
settled at Scarborough she
will be able to join us.

Yrs truly
Ida M. Little.



July 15, 1912

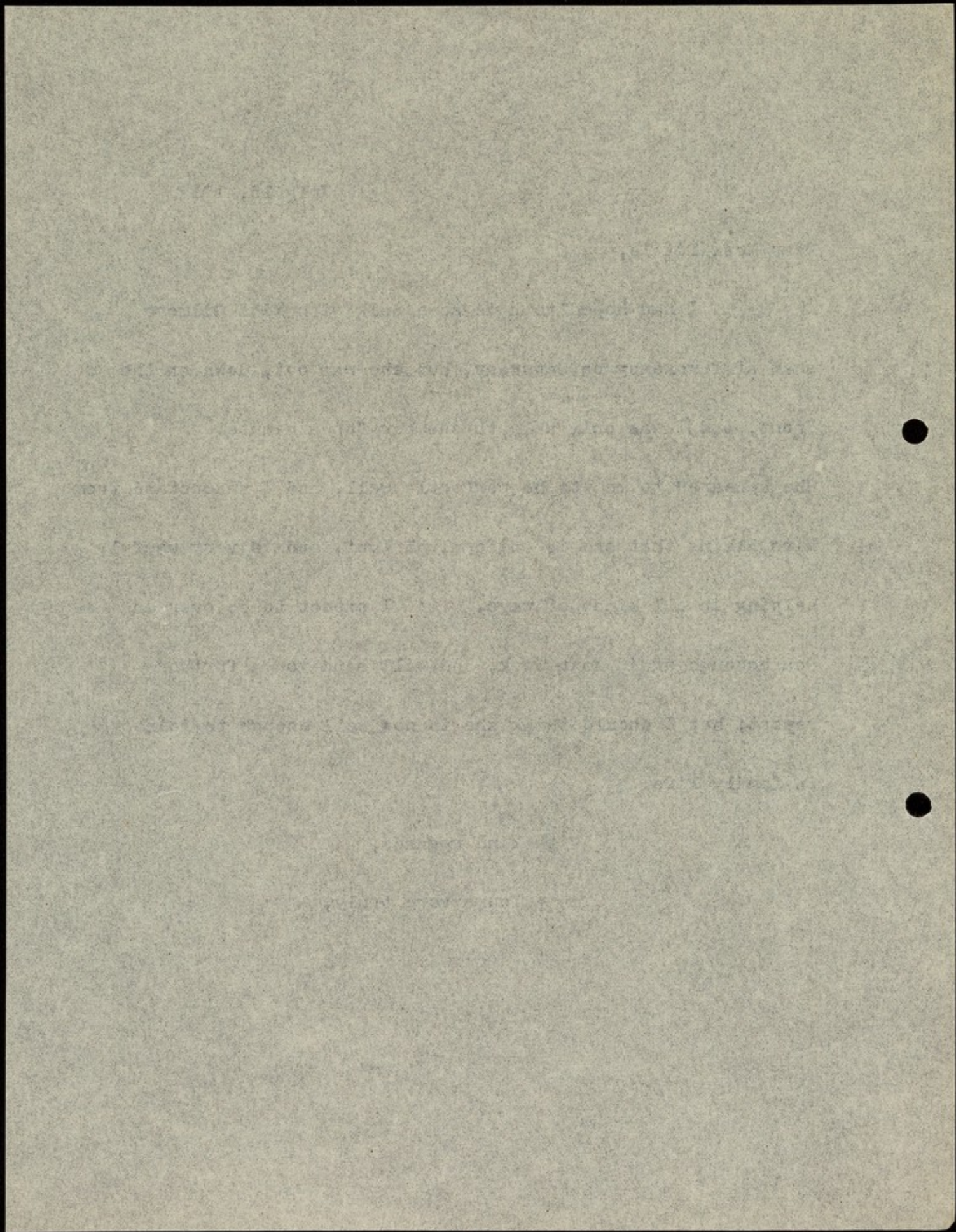
Dear Mrs. Little,

I had hoped to have some talk with Miss Gilmore when at Throxenby on Saturday, but she was out, down on the front, and I was only able to see her for a minute.

She appeared to me to be perfectly well, and I understand from Miss Elkins that she is uniformly bright, and is very useful, helping in all kinds of ways. I expect to be over in Scarborough again next week, and will send you a further report; but I should think she is now well enough to join in family life.

With kind regards,

Yours very truly,



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Kirkhaugh
Selly Hill
B'ham.

July 12th
1912.

Lilmore

Dear Friend
Bedford Pierce

We should like
to know what you think
about my sister's move-
ments after her stay at
Stropenby is over; do
you consider she is well
enough now to come
back to us?

We hope to go to the sea
next month but have

not-decided quite
where yet; & we hoped
Miss Baltimore would be
able to join us.
When I saw her at
Ackworth I considered
there was a great im-
provement since my
visit to York ^{early} in May.
I have just had the
account up to end of
Sept; & we hoped Miss
B. would not go back to
York, but would be able
to come amongst us
again after her stay at
Scarborough

With kind regards
yours sincerely
Ida M. Sittle.

Kirkhaugh

Selly Hill

B'ham.

July 25th,
1912.

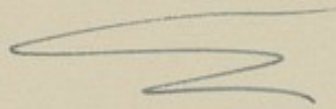
Dear Friend

Enclosed please find
cheque £11. 3. 2 for Miss
Gilmore. I am only
sending $\frac{1}{2}$ the quarters
for board as in all
probability Miss G. will
be leaving Throssenby
about Aug 15th if this

is not right - will you
kindly let me know,

Yrs truly

Ida M. Litch



Dec. 11.

Dear Mr. Little

I am a little disappointed
with your sister's progress.

She is as you say, very bright &
cheerful at times. She takes an
active interest in what goes on &
is often merry. She does a good
deal of needlework.

But she still fails to take
proper interest in life, she admits
that she wishes she were dead,
& that she has no longer any keen
desire to live & do her work in
the world. Still these thoughts

are not so constantly present &
I think she forgets them at times.
There is no deep depression,
indeed I should think this were
more natural if she were extremely
unhappy.

There is still a
good deal of pain behind the
eyes & I have asked Mr. Michael
Deale to come over from Leeds to
examine them & he does, on
Tuesday.

I do not think it
quite prudent for Mrs. Silburne to
go over to Leeds at present.

Mr. Deale has kindly consented
to come for a nominal fee of £2. 2. 0.

I remain

Yours as truly

And Providence

are part of constant presence
 to think the perfect them at times
 there is no deep depression
 which I should think they were
 some natural if the more extremely
 unhappy. There is still a
 part of brain behind the
 eye & I have asked Dr. Richard
 Beale to come over for beads to
 determine them to be on or
 to see that they are
 quite present for them elements
 to look at present.
 It beak has kindly consented
 to carry a covering for the
 -
 from and
 B. P.

2 Dec. 11.
 Dear Mr. Little
 I am a little disappointed
 with your own's progress
 and as you are very bright &
 cheerful at times. Beale has
 a strong interest in what you are
 doing & is often very
 kind of remarks.
 But she still fails to look
 proper interest in life, she admits
 that she wishes she were dead,
 & that she has no hope and has
 desire to live & do her work in
 the world. Still there is
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Kirkcraugh
Selby Hill

B'ham,

Dec 1st 1911

Dear Friend
Dr Pierce

enclosed please

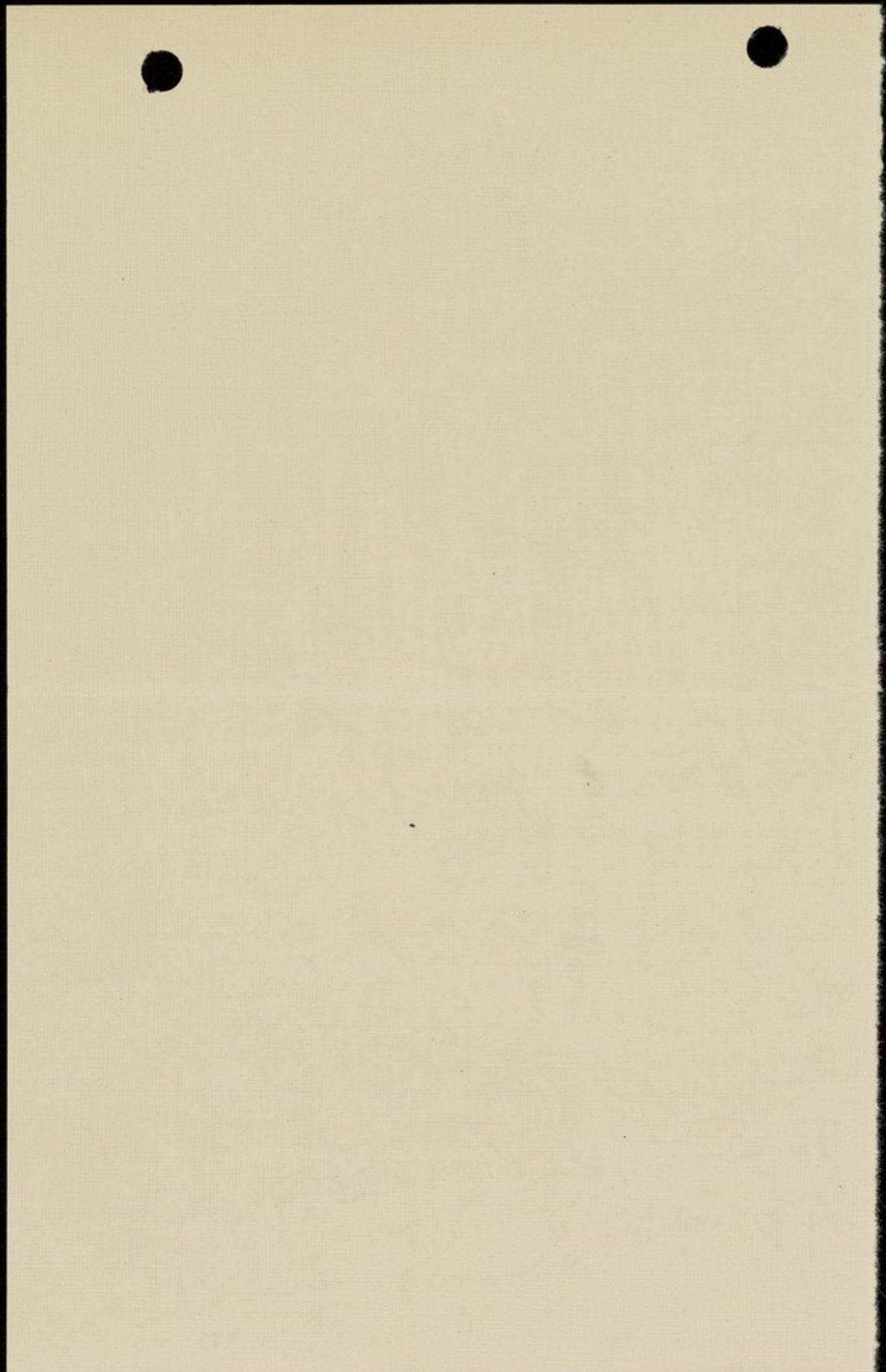
find cheque £13 for 1 quar-
-ter for E. Josephine Gilmore.

If you have time I should so
like a few lines as to ^{what} ~~how~~
you think of the case.

The last letter I had was a
much brighter one al-
together.

yours truly,

Ida M. Settle,



Nov. 27, 1911

Dear Friend,

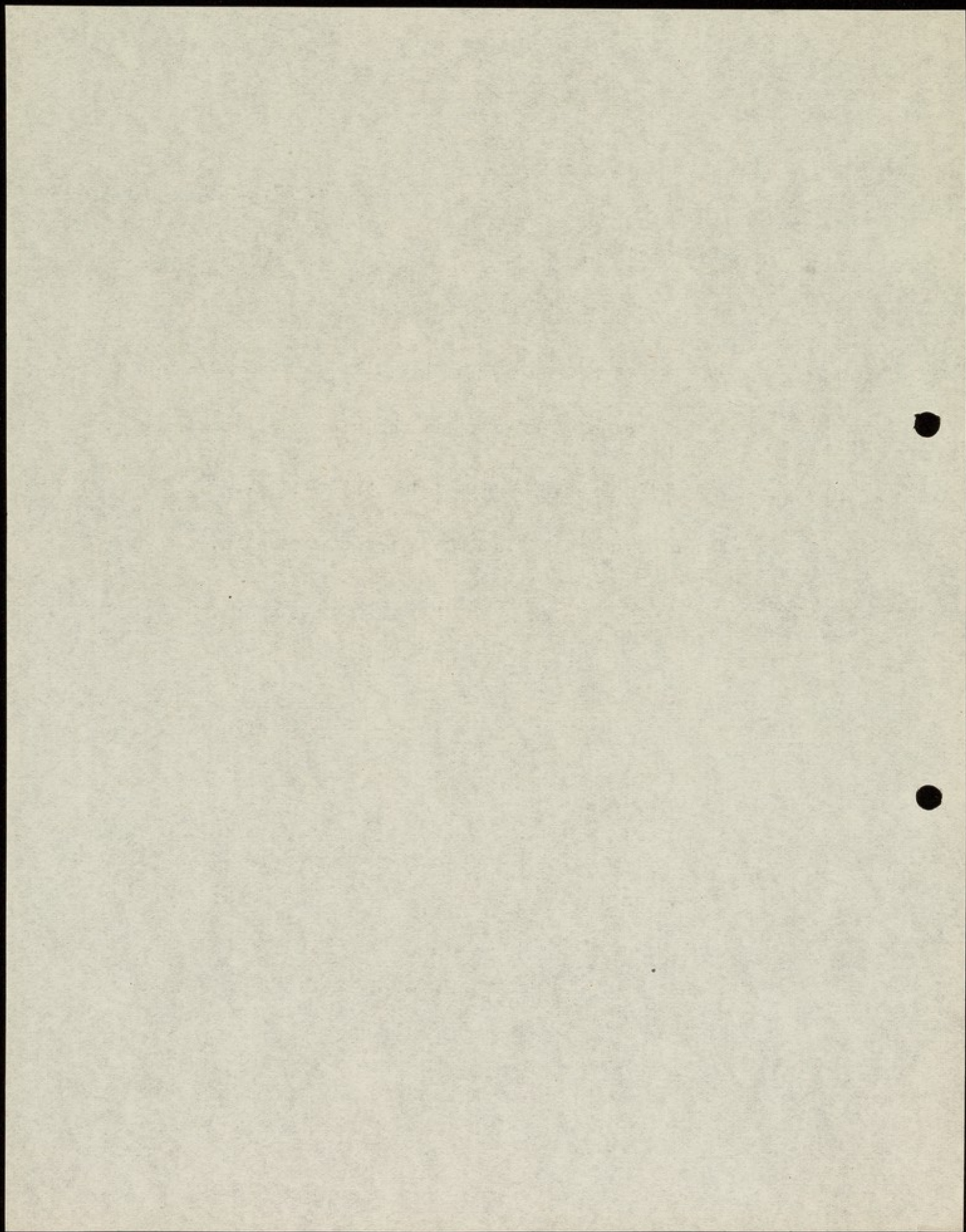
At the recent meeting of the Committee
the terms proposed for Miss Gilmore were 20/- a
week inclusive of charges for clothing, washing etc.
as well as board and medical attendance.

I hope you will find these terms agreeable.

I remain,

Yours truly,

Mrs. Little



Oct. 27, 1911

Dear Dr. Dain,

As requested, I send you a set of forms, and we can receive your patient at any time.

It is rather a singular coincidence that within the last twelve months we had a patient here, a Miss Gilmour, who also tried to commit suicide by inhaling gas through a rubber tube and nearly succeeded in doing so. I hope your patient will do as well as the ~~old~~ I have mentioned, ~~and~~, happily, made a good recovery and is now in Egypt. There can be no connection between the two, as the names are spelt differently, and my former patient came from Australia and was not a Friend.

I remember very well seeing the patient with you at Woodbrooke. I wish we could get further particulars as to how he goes on. It is unfortunate that he has been lost sight of, as it is a particularly interesting case.

With kind regards,

Yours very truly,

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... I have been thinking of you a great deal lately...
 ... and I hope you are well...
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 ... and I hope you are well...

20 Fountain Street,

Belcast.

To
The Chairman of Committee
The Retreat, York.

11th month 15th 1911

Dear Friends

On behalf of my Sister
Emma Josephine Cilmore who is
now at the Retreat, I wish to ask
the Committee of Management through
you, that she may be accepted at as
low a rate as possible. She is not
a member of an English Monthly Meeting
as her Certificate was not sent forward
when she removed to England early in 1910
she has however been a member of our
Society all her life as well as our late
parents. Trusting your Committee will
consider her case as favourably as
possible.

Yours sincerely
Em. J. Cilmore.

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Kirkhaugh
Selly Hill
B'ham.

16 Nov 1911

To, The Chairman of Committee
The Retreat
York.

Dear Friend

I write on behalf
of my sister Emma
Josephine Silmar who
is now at The Retreat.
I wish to ask the committee
to accept her at as low
a rate as possible, her
income only being ^{about} £40 a year.

Owing to illness while
training at St. Thomas's
Hospital, Westminster &
then moving of place to
place during the summer
her certificate was not
sent from Belfast.
She is a true friend & when
we told her where she was
going her answer was
I'm so glad I shall be
with friends.

Trusting the committee
will consider her case as
favorably as possible.

yours sincerely
Ida M. Little

Kindly send all com-
munication to

✱ Mrs A. Little
Kirkcubright
Selly Hill
B'ham

Bournville,
Nr Birmingham.

Nov. 15th. 1911

Dear Mrs. Little,

You have our sincere sympathy
in the trouble about your sister.
I hope that she will be at York
for a short time only. I trust that
the committee of the Retreat will
allow her to go at the lowest rate,
otherwise it will be a very heavy
burden upon your family.

Yours sincerely,

George Cadbury

NOV. 1937. 1011

Dear Mr. Little,

You have our sincere sympathy

for the trouble about your father.

I hope that she will be at last

at a quiet time only. I trust that

the committee of the present will

allow her to go at the lowest rate.

Her situation will be a very heavy

burden upon your family.

Yours sincerely,

H. H. H.

TELEPHONE,
SELLY OAK 129.

658
BOURNBROOK HOUSE,
SELLY OAK,
BIRMINGHAM.

J. Moore
30 Oct 1911

Dear D. Pierce,

Thank you for your letter
& enclosures. We are in a little
difficulty at present with regard to
the second medical certificate. The
patient is now so very sane in every
other respect that it is not easy
to obtain any evidence of unsoundness
of mind. She is, ~~except~~ ^{except} for the
suicidal impulse of last week and a
dread of a similar impulse again,
much more sane than before. Some
months ago delayed cerebration was

P.S.
of the Justice
is admitted
to the Retreat
please say how
she should come
if you or we
so hurried
escort for the
journey
H.P.

most marked but she now answers
questions easily & cheerfully & fairly
quickly. I should be glad to know
from you if you would consider that
it is still best for her to come in to
the Retreat or whether there is, in
connexion with the Retreat, any
convalescent home for mental cases to
which she might go voluntarily where
she would be under ^{the} sufficiently close
watching which her condition requires.

Her brother who will be passing thro'
York on Tuesday will probably call to
see with regard to her admission

Yrs sincerely

At Guy Davis

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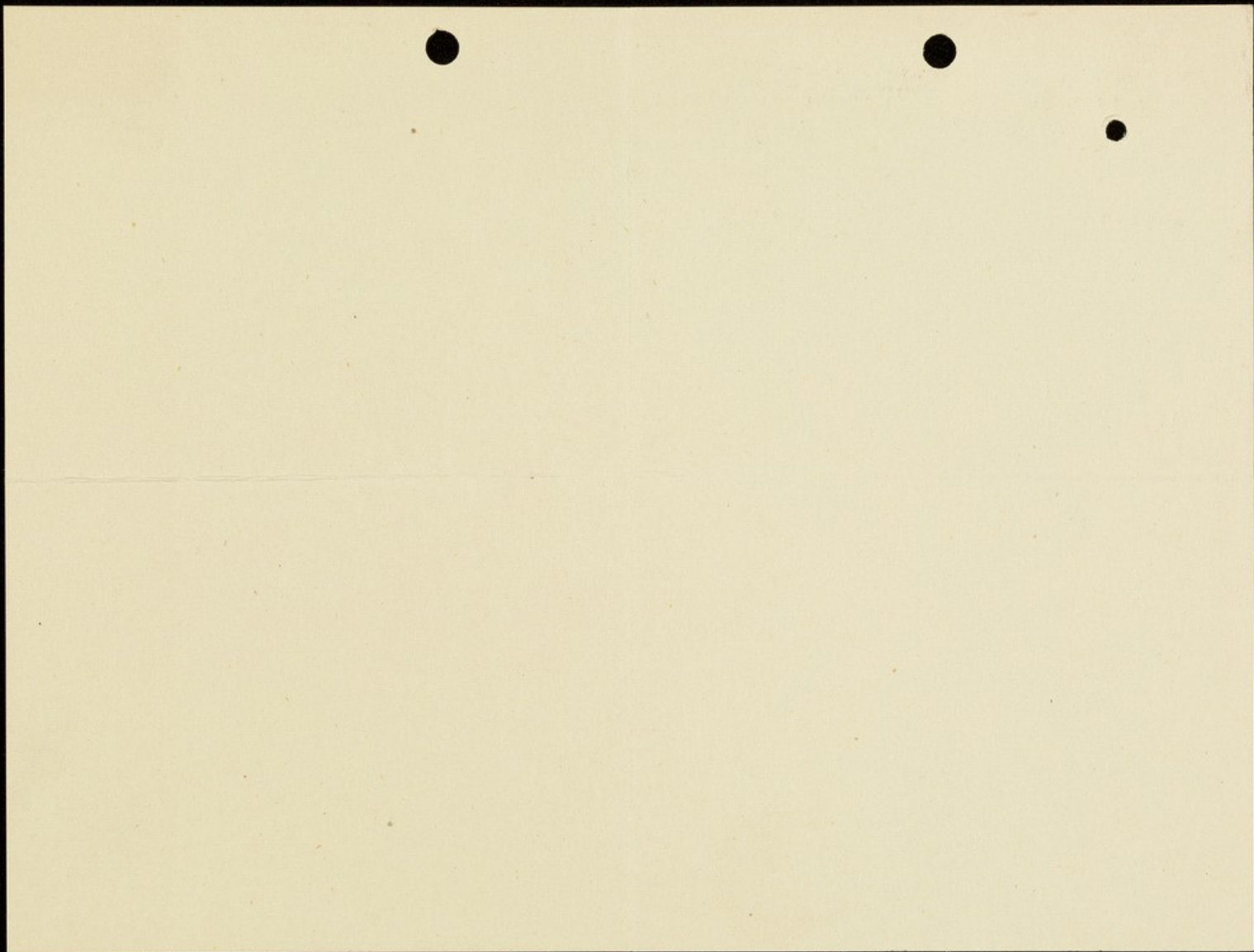
Kirkhaugh
Selly Hill
B'ham.

Thursday

Dear Dr Pierce

I hope if possible to
bring my sister ^{Miss Gilmore} to you to-
morrow Friday 11.47 for B'ham
arrive York 3 o'clock. My
brother W. S. Gilmore said you
would have us met. Dr Dain
has written you re Miss Gilmore
& I am bringing all papers with
me. I will wire if unable to
come Friday.

Yrs truly
Ida M. Sittle.



TELEPHONE,
SELLY OAK 129.

614
BOURNBROOK HOUSE,
SELLY OAK,
BIRMINGHAM.

26-10-1911

Dr. Reginald Pierce,

Dear Sir,

I have a patient, a Miss Gilmore,
a member of the Society of Friends, who
had ~~an~~ ^{an} attack of Rheumatism followed
by Melancholia. She was seen early in the
year by the late Dr. Whitcombe who agreed
with the mental Diagnosis. She was treated
at a nursing home & improved very much
Last night however she attempted to commit
suicide by inhaling Gas through a rubber
tube from the gas fittings into her bed
and her friends wish to obtain
admission for her into the Retreat.

Will you kindly send me the necessary forms & say if the procedure in a case of attempted suicide would be the same as in an ordinary case of Insanity i. receiving order on petition?

You will remember seeing a patient of mine at Wood Brooke Settlement with a very interesting mental condition I was ^{not} able to keep in touch with him as he went from here & subsequently I believe on a mission to India.

Yours sincerely

W. Lewis Davis

641
Triborough,
Gully Hill,
Birmingham.
10th mo. 30th 1911

Dear Friend

I am arranging to
call & see you tomorrow (Tuesday)
afternoon about 3-30 p.m. on my
way back to Belfast, with reference
to my sister E. Josephine Gilmore
whose case Dr Dain of this
City has written you about.

yours very truly

Wm. E. Gilmore

To
Dr. Bedford Pearce.

