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This letter was read to Miss J. Hetherington
and she declared she had never written
it - that she supposed one of the nurses
had done so. Ed. Nov. 1/05



Mrs J. Hoyle.

Hendon House
Conisbro.

Via Rotherham

SESSIONS



The Retreat

York

May 16th

Alice

I've got into bad company. will you
come & fetch me without any fuss. they take
me to the theatre here & I felt as if I was
going into a bottomless abyss. there's some-
one here calling me a drunken slut &
if the doctors & nurses don't encourage
me in it. I really thought I was never
going to see you again. I shall be thankful
to get out of the place, don't forget please I'm
in the greatest distress.

With love
Flo.

March 2

1885

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March 2nd 1885
Dear Mr. [illegible]
I have the pleasure to
acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of the 1st inst.
and in reply to inform you
that the same has been
forwarded to the proper
authorities for their
consideration. I am,
very respectfully,
Yours,
[illegible]

March 2nd 1885
Dear Mr. [illegible]
I have the pleasure to
acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of the 1st inst.
and in reply to inform you
that the same has been
forwarded to the proper
authorities for their
consideration. I am,
very respectfully,
Yours,
[illegible]

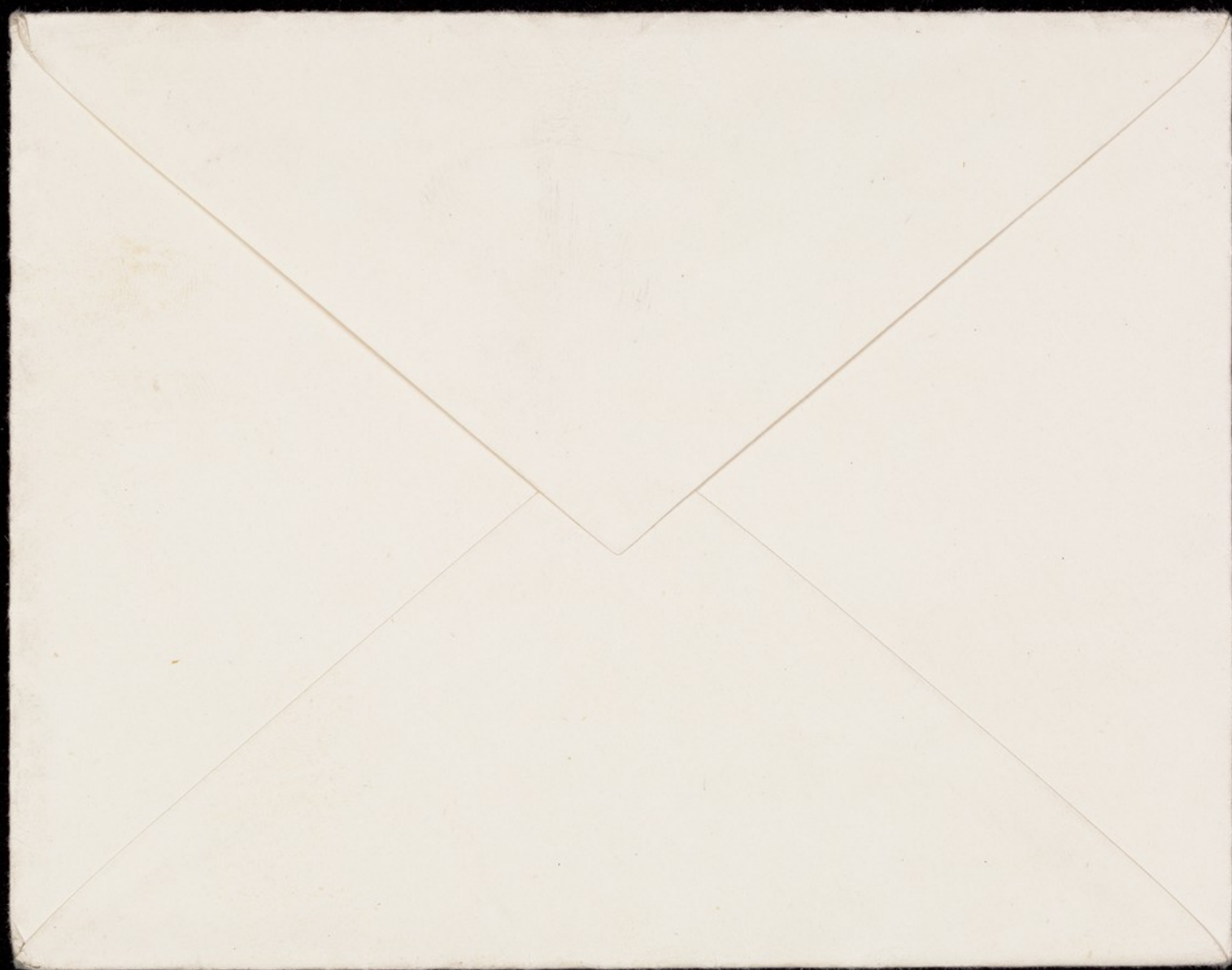
This you see is
addressed to her
Father who died

Mr. Hetherington two years ago.

Aldermansbury

Bradford

Rm Hall
=



W. SESSIONS STATIONER, YORK.

she be pleasant to the lady shop
assistant but not to me. That's the style
now I am just about sick of being
gled about in this way. I was nearly
killed by jealousy through my last
nurse, I don't want it repeating. you
hear! what I mean I say. I don't say
I care for sleeping in a room where
three beds are. I much prefer a small
kind of bedroom to myself. because those
persons that occupy the other two beds,
are very much older than myself & I don't
think its healthy, of course it makes no
difference to either doctor or nurse when I
or how soon I get home but it does make
a very deal of difference to me. I will
have my say, what with all doing me a
dirty trick & Grace the same. & this evening
& scolding going on, I'm heart sick you
talk of absence making the heart grow
fonder. I think being away so long as I have
is quite enough to make me go the wrong way
they look as if they didn't care if I never re-
turned where they come as visitors here. I suspect
its a waste of time & labour this letter but its done
With love, your daughter
Hazel

the Retreat.
Dough
York.

My dear Father.

When is someone coming
to fetch me from this place. I have been
away from my home for so long, I
forget where it is. Did you know
I was taken to a place called Hawk-
sworth, with a nurse called Pycott, &
Mr. Stetherington along with us, well,
I remember us having a small brown
postmortar, with us & the nurse had
the care of it, filled with money. I
tell you since getting into the railway
carriage & reaching our destination,
which in the meantime, speaks vol-
umes, I had such an experience, & I don't
want it repeating. I've never seen that
bag again, & its nearly time I had

It is 'nt as if it was her money she was spending it, not ^{her money} & do you know what she had to do, kneel down to the shop assistant, to tell her where to look it to, did you ever know of such a thing in your life, as if I could not have given her it in a straight forward sort of way. I did think it was funny. And she never will let me know when I am going when I leave here, she's simply stupid. I don't

want nurses with me all my life, but will you get to know please where my money is, its easy enough to say, look a thing, but I want to know from what source ^(I mean the money) it comes from, I quite a right to know, but I find old married people, like to try & take advantage of their young sister, when she's not in good form, its not nice. She never has a good word for me, ~~has~~ hasn't Amy. She need'nt come again

thin bread - & butter to eat, instead of bread + butter an inch thick. I miss oh! so much my nice dresses + the little case I had at home, this cold place is enough to make one sick. I wonder where that money is, the nurse as they call her, always has the best of it. I know you'll be angry when you know, that I've no money to spend, I get so many lies told to me, that I don't know who to believe, I've no freedom, if it was the workhouse I could understand it, but they say its not. The last time Amy came over, she came upon me suddenly, took me into a shop to buy me some clothes, well, she would not allow me to have my choice, is'nt it a shame too bad, so I had to come out having bought what she'd chosen, not myself.



Mrs J. Hayle.
Heydon House
Conisbro.

Via Rotherham





one else, don't let Clarie's affections come
before mine please. I've not even collection
money, so you can tell what a predicament
I am in. I dare say you will have come
from Harrogate by the time this letter reaches
you, but, I can't get on without my Alice.
Without Gracie to depend on I feel quite
lost, because (however nice nurse is, & rather
best she likes) she cannot take her place
will you tell me why I am here, I've not
to earn my living here. When do I live
now that Mannville is let, don't forget
me altogether, will finish with
fondest love to you all

from

your loving sister
Clarie.

P.S. I am very cross all
the same.

Throsenby Hall
Scarbro.

June 9th 1908

Dear Alice.

Will you write to me, dear.
How is it I am sent away like this
into lodgings for a holiday when I
could come & see you, its finishing me
off, I would very much rather come &
stay at your house, I cannot sleep for
worrying, I'd be so delighted dear if
you came & fetched me, its praying
on my mind, the doctor wont say
anything, & he wont let me have any
money, & my dresses are worn thread-
bare almost, its ages since I had any
new ones, where does the doctor get

aren't you Alice. What have I been
send away for, for a whole year, did
Father really die, & have you made
me imagine it. if you have any love
for me at all, you'd come. I dream
about tigers & lions & it is not very
nice, do you think Aunty would
have me at her house, the nurses may
be very kind & all that but I would
rather be safe with you & Jack at Conshie
& I feel certain somebody's discussing me,
& has been doing, they make you think
you're poor, & I feel so uncomfortable.
They can take you for a drive but they
cannot take you home isn't it funny?
I dying for a talk with you, I begin to
think shall I ever see you again, you're
not forgotten me dear, you above every

the money from, because I'm sure
I am being paid for, but who by?
these people are asking me don't
I buy anything, it's not very nice
either, who has it? do you know
Do come as quickly as you can
I have such a lot to say to you.
I had a letter from Rowland
but it seems he says he has no
control over my money, is that
true, perhaps you will enlighten
me on the subject. There are some
very disagreeable people here, let me
tell you that, I shall be thankful to
see any of you. I want to start
& be as I used, to go to chapel regularly,
& know the days of the week, instead of
they are all alike, you are my sister

Dear Amy. It seems as
if she needs some more
clothes, I wish you would
see to it, I saw to her
last yr. With love,
Edith.

The Retreat, York
Sept. 23

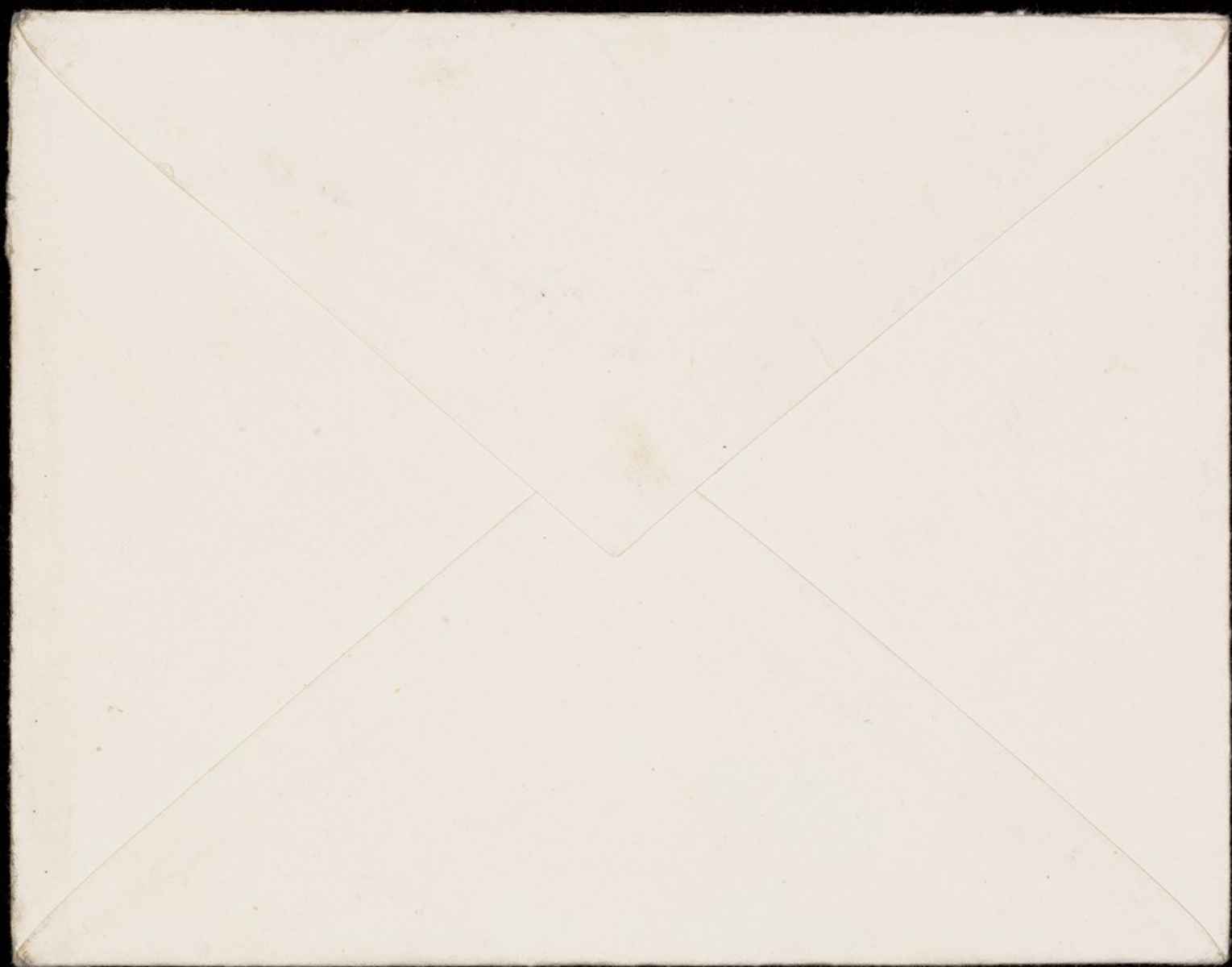
Dear Edie

You really must not neglect me any
longer. I look an awful look. I get no good nu-
trition at all, I shall never get strong. Why did
not you see me at Scarbro', I begin to think you
are all dead & buried, you had better send me
some money I have none & I cannot live
without. Things would have been very different
if Father had been alive, none of you ever
come to see me. I want a new dress
badly, you might order me one from Miss
Hamer's a French grey, & tell her to send
it on, & a pair of gloves & some combs for
my hair, endless array, a new costume
my own is too shabby to go in, it is un-
fortunate you live so far away. You see I
am somehow dependent on the doctor & I
do hate it. If you can enter into
the feeling do so, for I am one of the fam-
ily.

after all. When am I coming home &
where shall I go, is a very sorry question
with me is that. you see you're fortunate,
only I won't be treated in this way much longer,
you always say you have something to tell
me, but it never gets said. Are you still
as friendly with the Swains? I shouldn't
be if I were you, it was ever since I met
her in the shop at Grace's with her basket
that I've had trouble, & that's as true
as I'm living here. Do you visit
Maud? seems she is going to travel, I
hear. I wonder if I ever shall, do you
have to dress, put on my hat & coat,
in a narrow poky lobby, it is not very
nice. I don't think anyone will be
more thankful than myself to come
into a private house once more. I
hope some day I shall be able to please
myself like you. Do you know I
think you have sent all my oldest
nightdresses

Dr. Benson

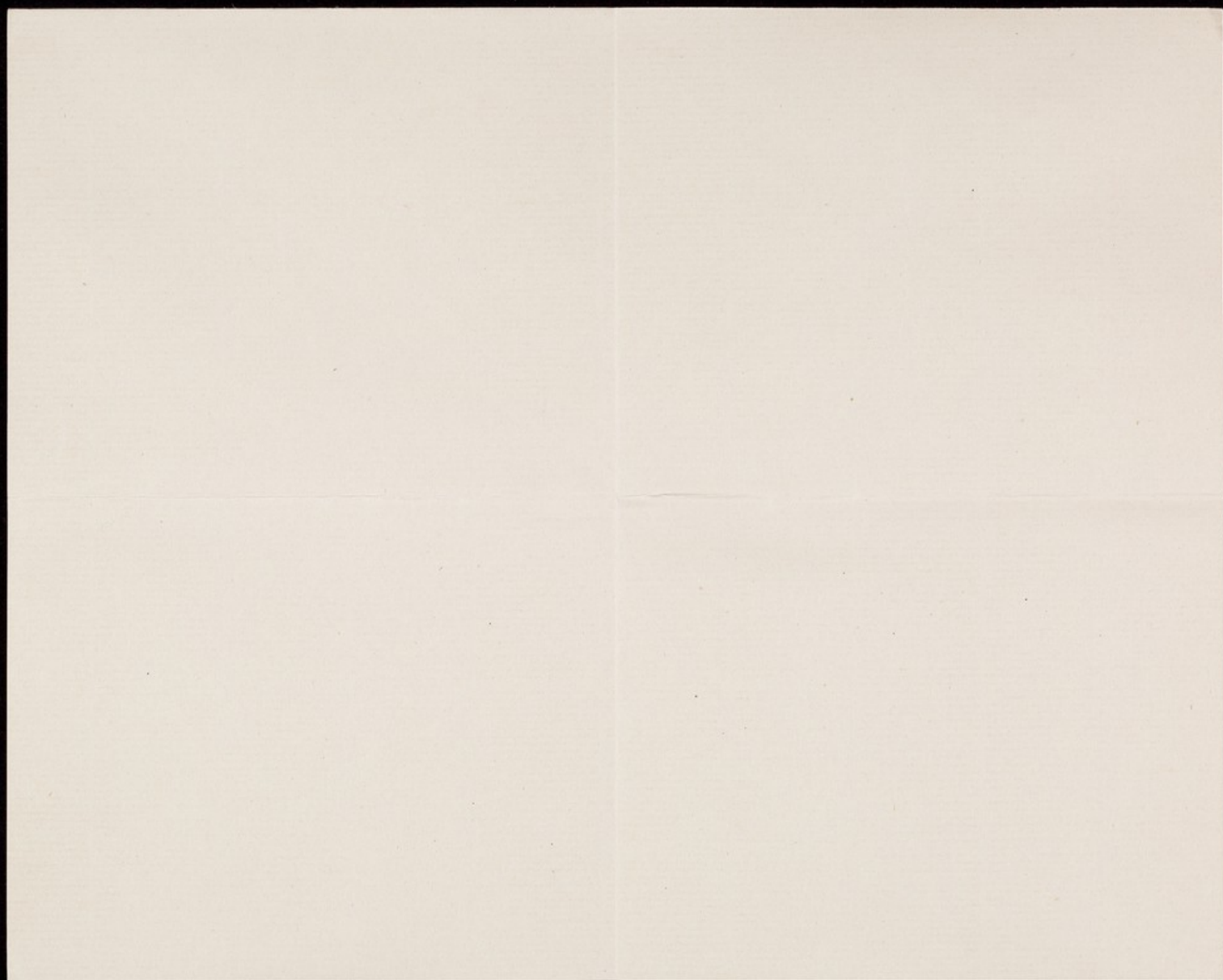
Fruzinghall
Bradford



Oct 27/04

Dr Benson will you bring me away from
the Pekeah. I am commiserate with my people
to do so, I am being illhealed.

Miss Hetherington



To

Mrs Jones

5 Lurey Cliff.

Undercliffe.

Bradford





If I was school I could understand it,
but in not. When shall I get into long
jackets, I am quite old enough.

All being well I am coming to Bradford
to do some shopping, but shall not have
time to call to see you

with dearest love

L. H.

P.S. You never answered the last letter I sent, or
do so,

Oct 19/08

Dear Maud

are you never coming to

take me away. They are insulting me here.
D^r will neither say how I am or anything
else & do you know these nurses take me out
in town expect them to pay for their tea, each
time now its getting too much, what bit of money
I have given me is taken away.

You really must send me some.

How are you.

am I insane yet...

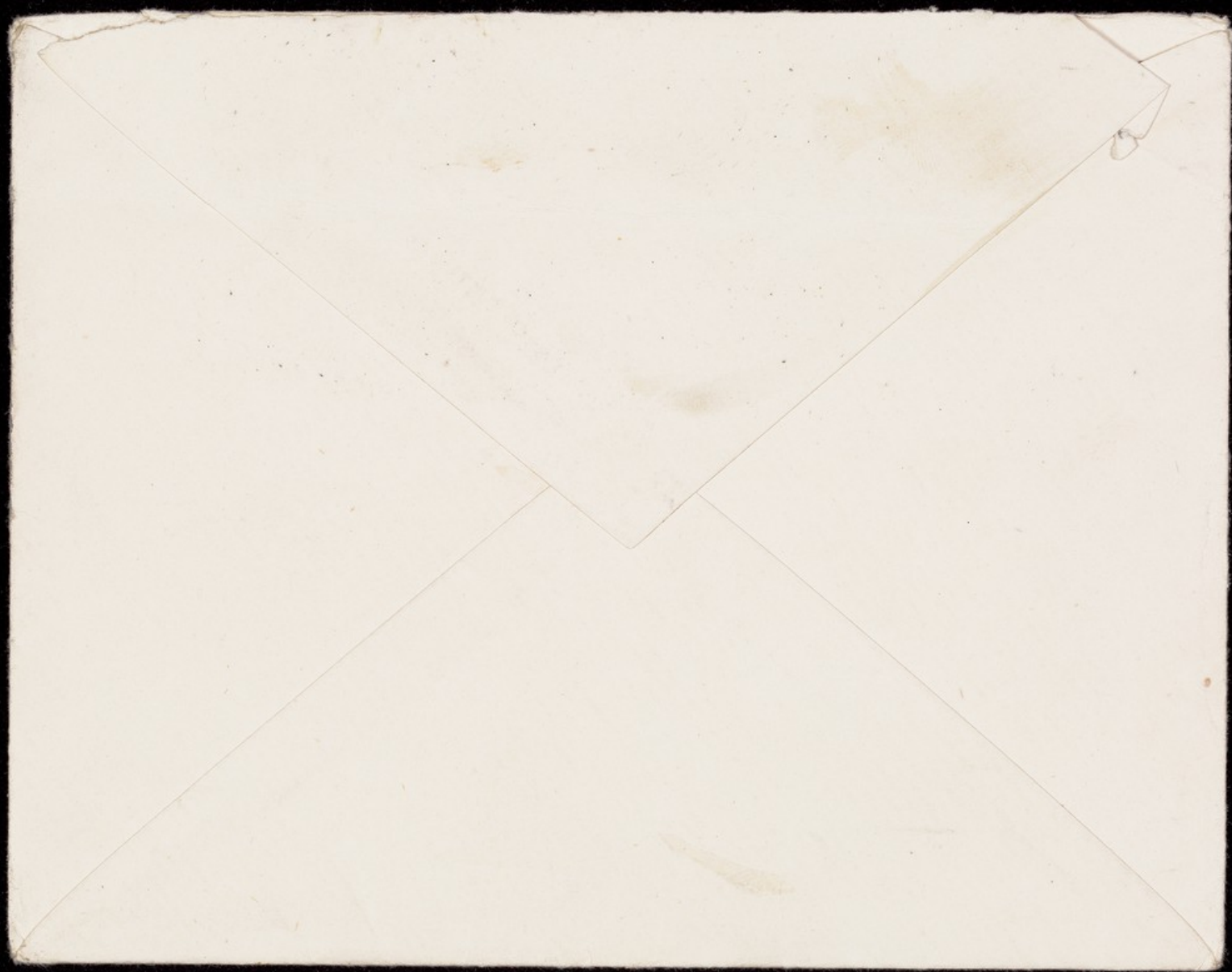
I think you are the most cruel girl that ever lived
for not coming to see me sooner, how do you think
I am to live & why did you take Dad away
instead of me to Blackpool. is your husband
a rogue or what, whose spending the money
that I ought to be, do you know I have had it
stolen, where shall I go when I am ready?
now you send me to Benson's to get rid of

that I like to throw them at the fire back.
Now that night when I called at your house for
a few minutes, you were mean to a degree.
If you'd taken the coals, instead of having
them piled up, like a lot of bricks at the back
of the fireplace (out of the grate), you have
felt much easier.

If you're my sister
you would come to see me,
the next thing will be, you'll be hearing of
me being in lodgings. I hate this place
my life is not my own, actually can't go out
by myself. It ought to be put a stop to.
Did'nt Father leave me some money or are you
the only one who has any? just tell me that.
I suppose Mr. Jones is dead, is my Father,
or is it all a hoax, as I have been made to
believe so. you had better write & say, & re-
member to answer every question I have put
to you. I think I need a holiday as
much as anyone else, these everlasting meetings
that we have here, I'm sick of them.

me I won't have it. I am among a
lot of rogues, I never sleep for thinking
of the knife, its horrid, if you don't know
I've had money stolen from me. You have
everything you want, your hands may
be full, but you must think of me.
Sometimes, why don't you write, I know
you have deceived me for some time
its on your account I suppose I am
here, & why, because you are jealous
of me. I won't be here a bit longer, for
I'm certain the money does not go
in a doctor's bill, because I've nothing
to show for it, do you know Amy came
here & ordered some new clothes, for me
well, for her impudence she has them
all to pay for, so its best to mind your
own business. Why can't I have a
home? I need one just as much as you
do. Edith & R. can't know, I'm so sick
of having letters telling me to be content
(goodness knows, what for?)

Mr. Dobby.
Lyell Street.
Bradford.

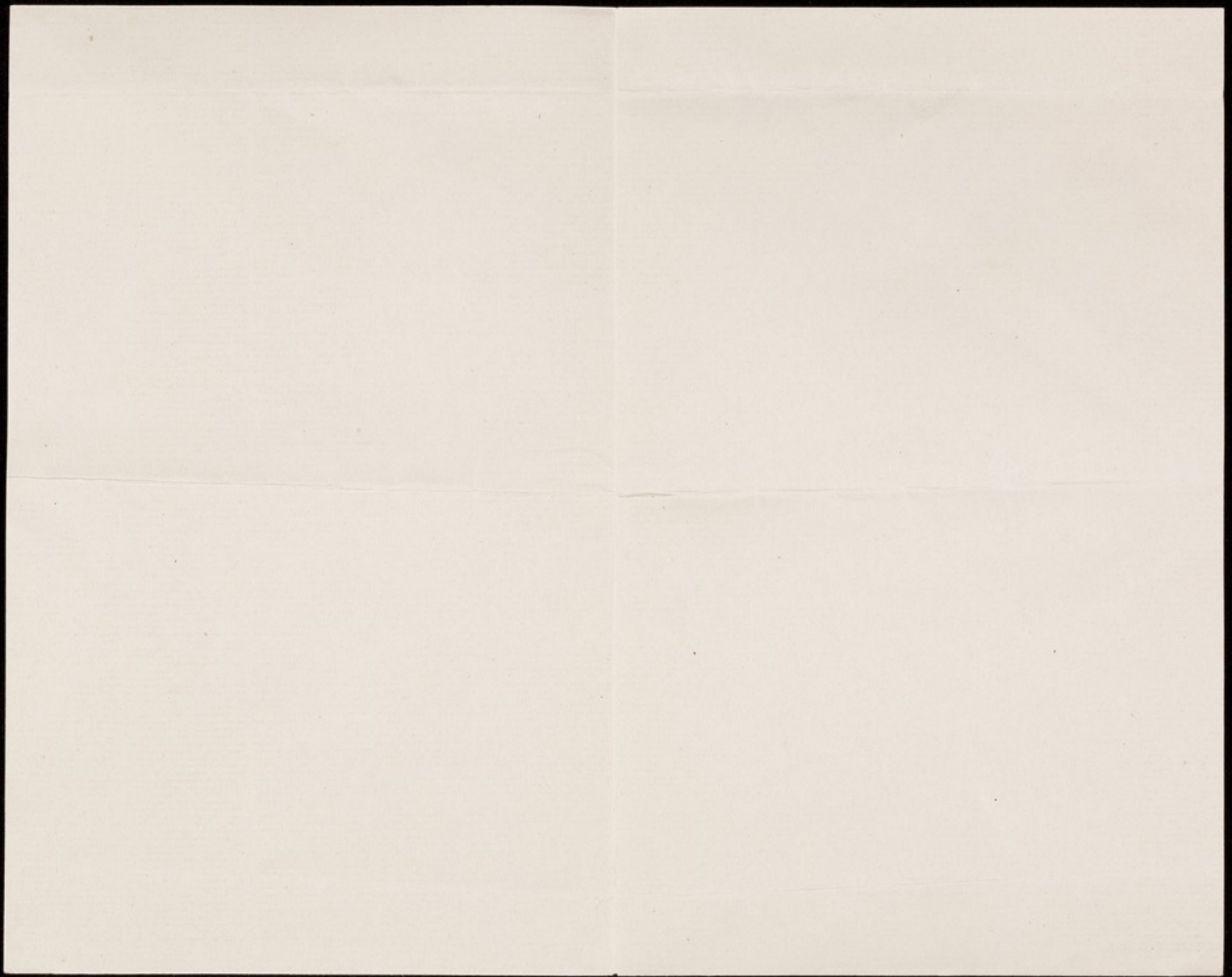


Oct 22/08

Dear Mr. Dobby

Will you get me out of the
Asylum at York. I have been put in here for
no reason whatever. Shall be ever so much
Obliged.

Miss Hetherington



Via Rotterdam

at your disposal

Concise

Mr J. H. H. H.

W. SESSIONS, STATIONER, YORK.

The Retreat

My Dear Alice

Thanks very much for the
Birthday gift you sent me, in my opinion
I think it's lovely, + you could not have
sent me anything else I like better. I
was so delighted to get your letter too, will
you write me soon again? You don't
know how ill I have been, or else I think
you would have been to see me often.
It's rather too bad you know, I am dying
to see my sister again. I don't know
whether you are the same, + I get quite
desperate sometimes, I have to wait so long.
Do you ever hear anything of me, or
Arthur, have you still got his photo, I
wish if you had taken it down, if you
would send it me, do you know if he
is married, + has he got back from
India. I would very much like to
know. I never see you to ask so

& she says I'm a home, where we can be I'm so sick of being
here, do come & help me, you must, this life of mine is
wearing me out. ^{you seem to think} I have someone
to look after me here, I have not, I'm beginning to wonder
where I shall go to in the end if you know just write.
Are we poor or are we not. Write at once
etc.

I must perforce write. Are you out of
friends with me yet, as I have written
several times, & had no reply, its not
sisterly, I expect you live in the same
house don't you, I really shall get cross
if you don't come & see me, because
I have such a lot to tell you.

Will you tell me why Grace brought
me here, & did she do right, I have a
letter from her occasionally, but thats
nothing when you want to see them
so badly. Amy is as close as ever, she
came over one day, but it only made me
want to go home all the more, & you
know she takes notice, what do you
think she said that it cost her, coming
from Bradford 4/6, do you believe it?
Its quite time I knew my own affairs
& I don't see why my elder sister
should buy them for me, I was not
at all pleased. I'm so lonely, there
are some days when I feel I must
slip over to see you, its an awful feel-
ing. I had a letter from Mother

Mrs Lucas
C/o Mrs M. Milner
"Hillcrest"

Claremont

Perth

Western Australia



Dear Gracie,

Oct/08

So you are on your way back, I hear.
well, did you go on business, from what you say in your letter, you don't seem to be on your way to enjoying it, I'm rather sorry, because it is such a disappointment when you've made up your mind, but in the first place you went I believe in a hurry, without much thought, I don't think I shall ever forgive you, if you had any consideration you would have asked me to accompany you, whereas I am not out of this beastly place yet, of course it's wearing me out, but that doesn't matter, so long as you get the money. It was so funny, the last visit I came to see you, when Alf arrived, I did expect he would have brought me something from Australia, but I have never seen anything yet. I have been told lately the nurses throw it in my face that I've no money, isn't it mean, oh they are unkind. Maud is the same Maud never writes, neither does Edie so I may as well think I've no sisters & I won't. I'm in such need of a pair of boots, that I dare not go out, & the nurse expects such things. When I had a few shillings in my pocket they actually took that from me, & when I went to ask for it, she threw me headlong out of the room. I often feel like to get up, but when I ask to stay in bed, they won't hear of it, & pull the clothes off my bed. Sleep, I can't get a wink of sleep. Who am I to write to when I want some money to spend, I never know. Why did you bring me here at all, I hate you for it. I shall never love you as my sister again never. You see Maud don't you, she can have everything & anything. I've not a friend in the world, but I won't have these people speaking to me as they do, if I was a pauper they could not do worse. I am taken out driving twice a week, what is it to me, & there is a lecture in the place occasionally, at the finish they say I'm silly, & make you or me believe it. To tell you my candid opinion, I think it's professional burglary, I have come into.

I'm for ever asking myself for some night dresses & I cannot get them.

I never want to see our Alice again, she has been so very unkind. whatever kind of sewing I have she must have it, I'm not rather sick, she's never satisfied.

I have been made to think I am as poor as a church mouse, it's a crying shame, the married ones always sponge. What home do you think you'll come to, when you arrive, because I certainly don't believe you're my sister & shall do.

I have been told I have a bad temper by nurse Jones, is 'nt it a lie.

I shall use strong language in a minute now if they had said it about you I could have understood it because you had to go away to that boarding school, & Father would never allow me, so you must have been unmanageable girl. I would not come back if I were you. If you have not passed Malta, you might spend for me, a sovereign on a lie, I will send it on, if you can't wait.

Goodbye. Florie.

I could understand it if I had to earn my own living, but I have not, you say I'm not a nurse, then why am I here. because as far as my health goes, I should be better if need be at the Seaside.

I really do think you played me a trick. Did you go back to Australia the same time as Alf, or not, I want to know. you see it takes time to answer my letters, but you must have some patience, that that you talk to me so much about.

Did the Dad leave all of your money but me. I just want to know. Maud always was a snark to me.

How did Maud turn out, she was what they call lazy at one time. As I say, I want a small house of my own, after the type of Crofton house, but, I'd want it all to myself, & I'd please myself what I did & go where I like, without having for ever someone to correct me, oh it would be lovely, I should keep it quite select. & I would not be bothered with relations if I had enough of that here.



Mrs J. Hoyle
c/o Miss Nicholson.
18 Promenade.
Bridlington.



The Retreat
York.
Thursday.

Dear Alice.

I cannot endure being here a bit longer, the strain is really getting too, too much for me, you must come & take me away. The nurse says I put my finger down my throat to make myself sick, did you ever hear of such a thing. I cannot sleep at nights, with thinking about Father. I'm afraid it's doing for me, being away from home, so long, can't you come, they are not kind to me & have not been for some time. I am back from Thoresby, where we had so many pinches they would make me go out constantly, when I was never fit, consequence was, I had ulcers & had to be carefully treated in certain parts, but I have not quite got over it, it has pulled me down. If only I could see one home face I would not care but the awful loneliness is appalling, when ye have sisters & they scarcely ever come to see me. From coming there, I have been poorly again since you sent the potty postcard. I think

you ^{can} afford to write a letter, I must have one
of you to see me, or I must come to your house
is there anything wrong? When I feel
ill they never let me stay in bed, I have
nothing I like bless your life, what am I to
do, they things they've called me since I've
been here, filthy & dirty, I wonder what
they'll do next! If you won't attend to
my where-abouts then I send a line to
m^{rs} Horrocks, perhaps she will, only I
will not stay ~~here~~ to die, & there.
Where am I going when I leave here,
other people seem to know my business
better than I do. You can have an
idea what the doctors like when I tell you they
say they don't know that's all I get. They
(the nurses) tell me I want know what
will you tell me what to do, I want to get home
& if I shall ever see Bradford again, & my nice
dresses. A girl was screaming all last night
& kept me awake, do fetch me away with

love
Florence.

Rev. - Smith

ashgrove

Horton Road.

Bradford.



The Retreat

York.

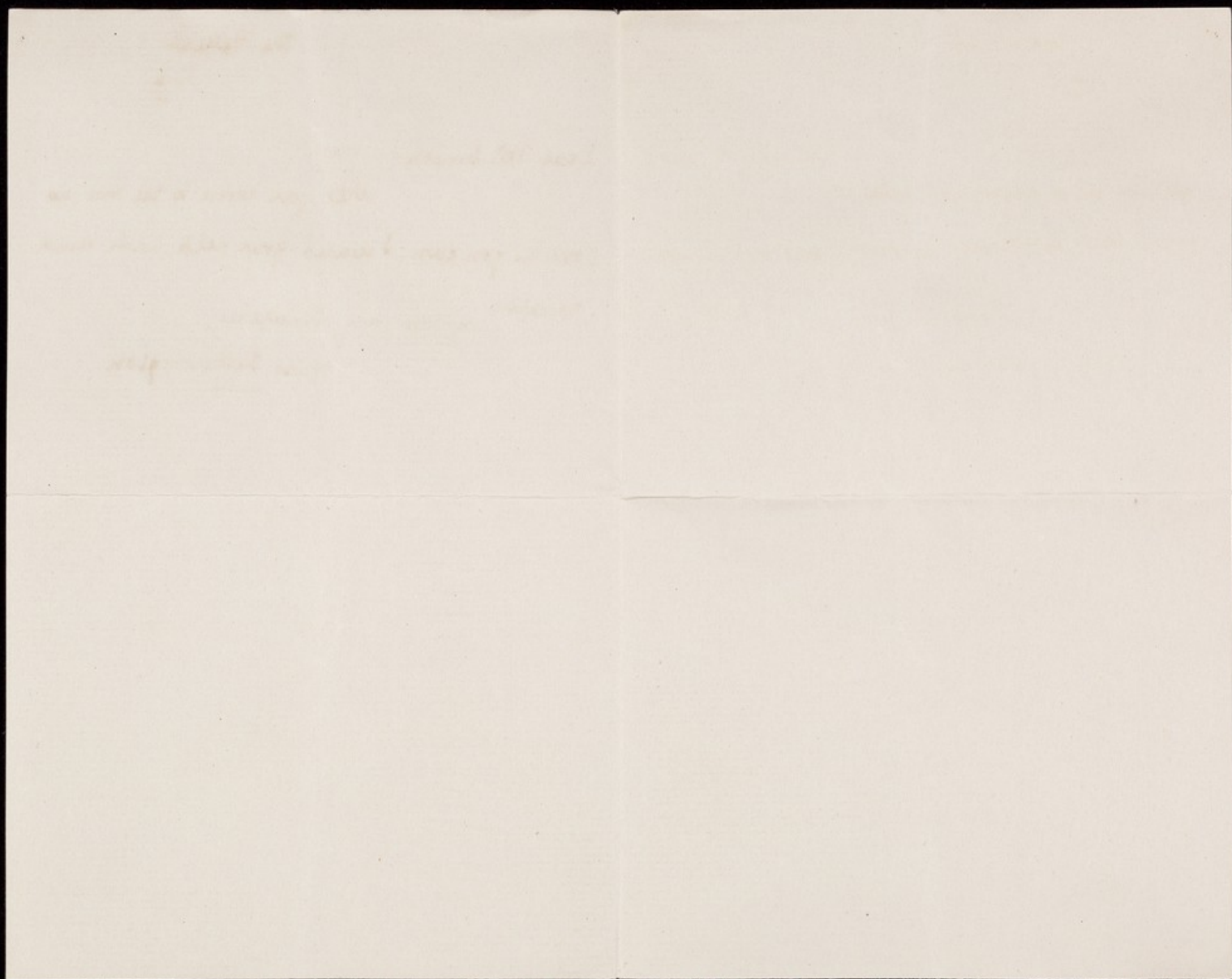
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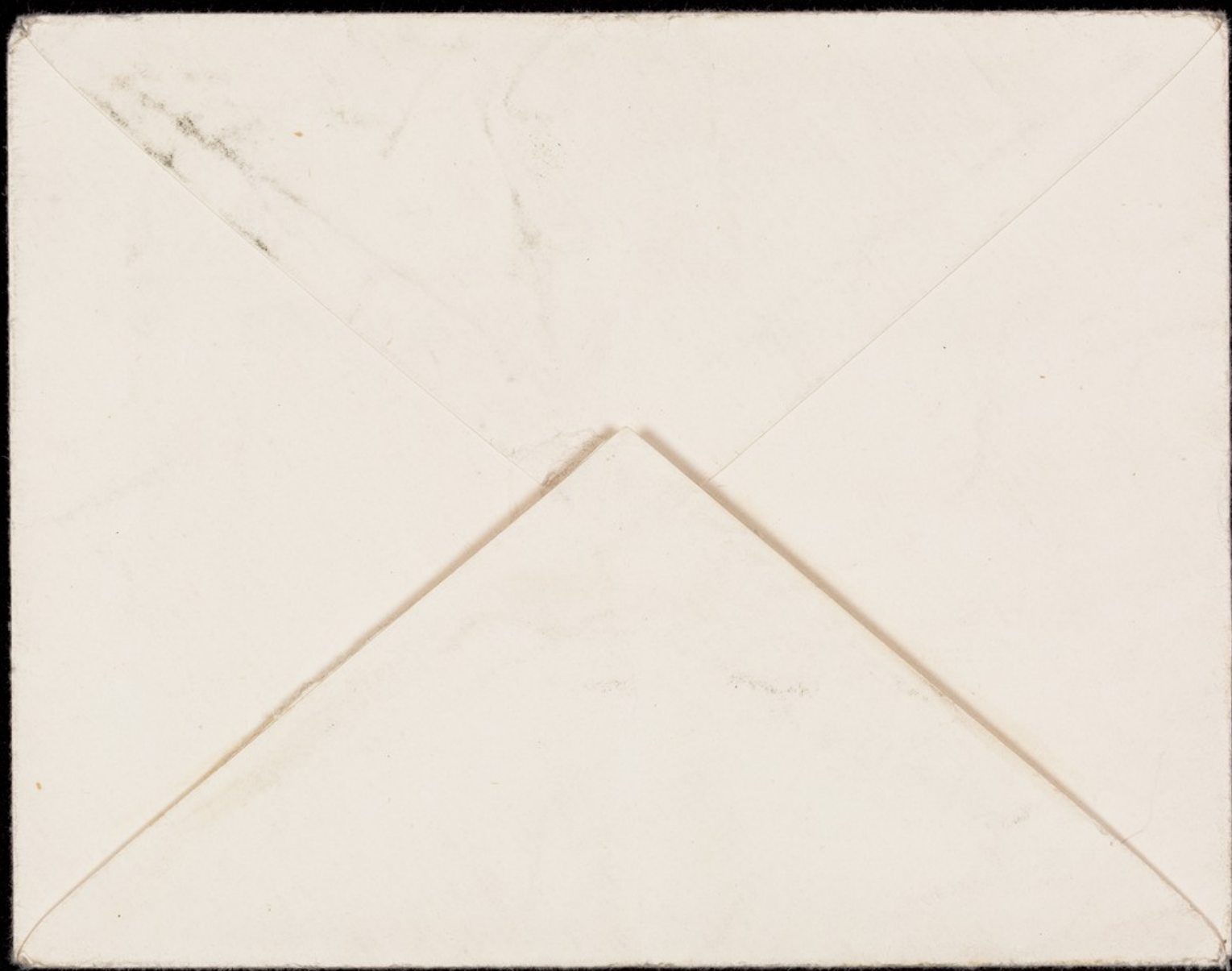
Will you come to see me as
soon as you can. I want your help. with kind

regards yours very sincerely

Miss Hetherington



Miss Hetherington
Mannville Larue
Holon
Bradford
—



STATIONERY
NEW YORK

The Retreat

York, Sept 18th

Dear Maud

I want to come home

Florie

4. 8. 1842

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The General Post Office
Bradford



The Retreat
York.

Have lost sight of all my people, please to
get me home.
Miss Helvington

Oct. 2nd /08

For the
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How has right of all your people been
of our people
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Mr. Sauerbach

Great Northern Victoria Hotel

Bradford

V. SESSIONS STATION

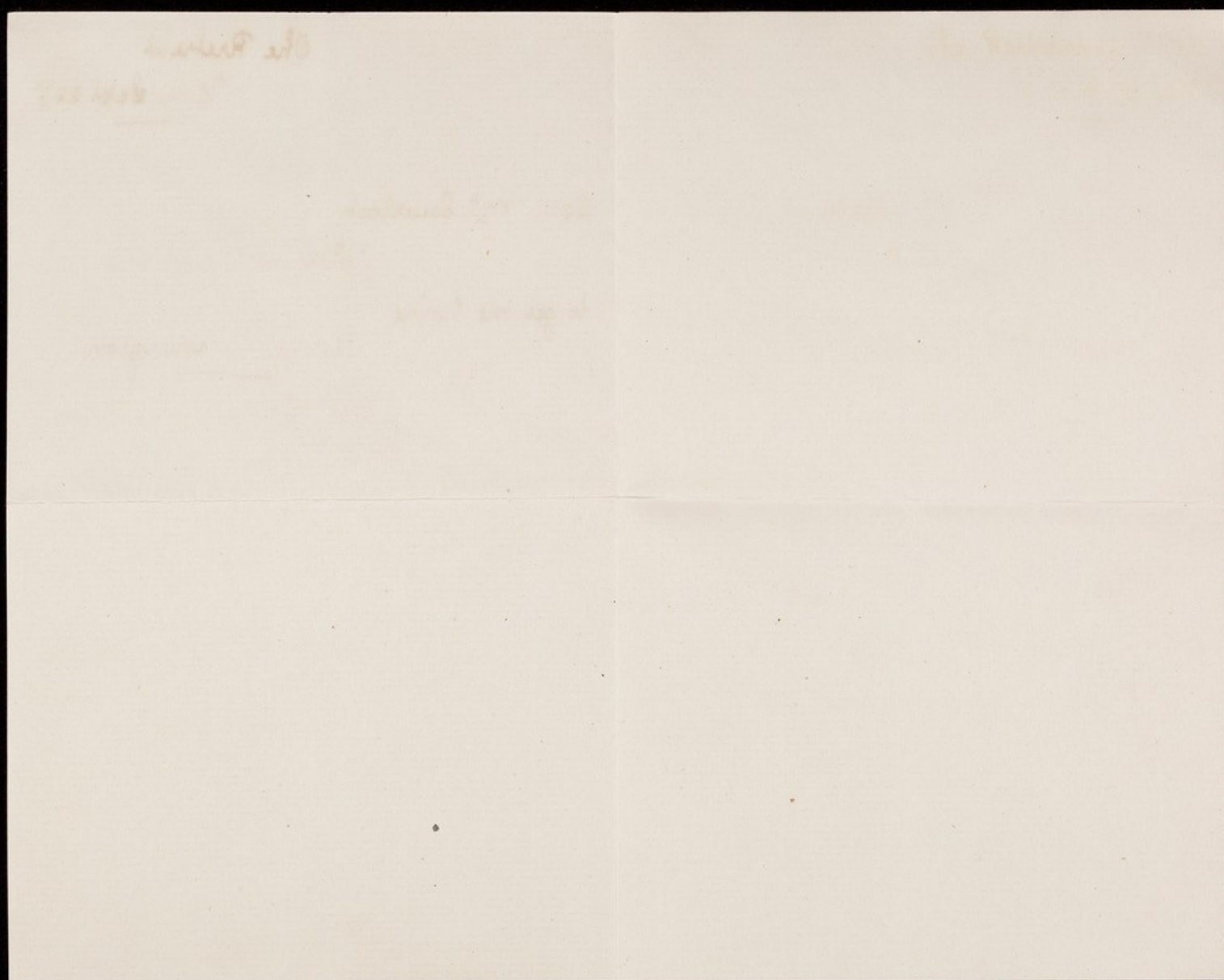
The Retreat

York Sept 22nd 1868

Dear Mr. Sauerbach

Will you be good enough
to get me home.

Florence Hetherington





Mrs Hoyle
Heydon House
Conisbri

W. SESSIONS, S.



The Retreat
York
June 12th

Dear Alice

Will you tell me
where I am going to live, I
have never seen you for six
months, since Christmas, that
is, I really think you might
recognize your sister. I'm going
to skin + bone, don't you wish
ever to see me again? I
would like to come + stay with
you but I hardly dare ask, in-
stead of going into another
home. Will you see about it?
I'm anxious to ~~know~~ about
my money, I get taken out
but I've no money, do you

P.S. Has a nurse been to your home
& made you believe it's me?
because I want to know.

know who has it in charge,
Maud I've never seen since Christ-
mas, don't you love me, when
Edith came she called me bad.
I really don't know what she means
Alf I've never heard of since he
went back to Australia, & now Gracie
has gone, so that I feel all alone,
somehow, these people don't behave
in a nice way, I will not stay.
So the sooner you'll kindly fetch
me away the better. Hope you
are better. with fondest love
I remain
your loving sister
H.L.



Mrs J. Hoyle.
Heydon House,
Gonisbro.
—



The Reveal.

My Dear Alice.

Have you had a nurse at your house & I feel sure you have, who looks like me, because I've been done out of so many things lately, it has made me think, do write & say. So you've been a holiday, & never visited me, I think the person who brought me here should have been sent herself. I can't make the place out, they are mostly old people if I want to sit down I've to get up & walk, so that shows whether I get my own way or not. They are making it very hot for

me at present, you just say why I was sent here it's not doing me any good. I could understand it if that was true, but it's not, when am I going, oh, I have had such a dear sweet letter from Morecombe, I think the very nicest one I ever had, it only came the other day. I shall preserve it, I shall not shew it to you, yours is horrid in comparison, I wouldn't have believed you would have written it. It's so funny how I resented it.

If I were you instead of saying you sorry, you'd be not be able to come, I should send a girl of about my own age, that is if you can spare her, because it's killing me being here. I don't believe in being punished

in this way. Do you know where I was born,
Army keeps putting off the evil day, but I do object
to being here any longer. Do send me some sweet
I am just dying for some, it is not nice when
the doctor is so off-hand time it was stopped.
Hoping you will attend to what I say.

S. Hetherington

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Why don't you write to me often, I know you
are troubled with many but I have no reason why you
should send it on me. You don't seem to like
notice I've moved a holiday this year, I don't
write a bit better for it, you were kind to say so.
Now you have enjoyed it, you off it would cheer
me up. What has Edie promised for, don't you know.

Miss Milward

18 Harehills Avenue

Chapelton

Leeds.

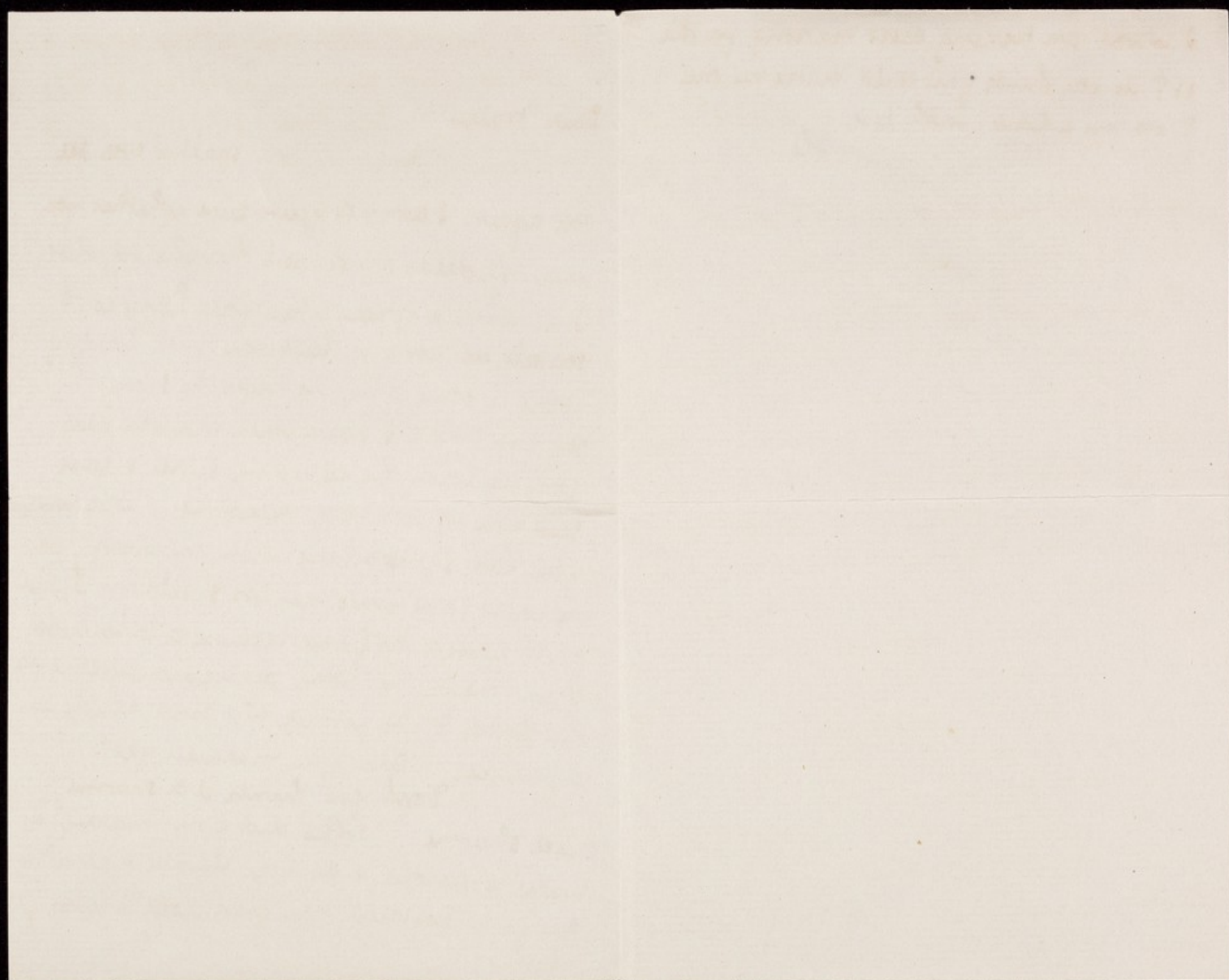


I want an evening dress making for the
26th do you think you could make me one.
Drop me a line with love
D.L.

rec'd Oct 27/08

Dear Millie.

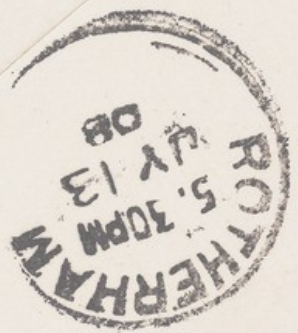
How are you shall I ever see
you again. I am not quite sure whether you
have left Leeds or not, so I thought I'd write.
I do want to know where your home is. I
scarcely ever come to Leeds now, with having
no one to come to see. It's never the same.
So you know I have been brought into
contact with the asylum, since I last
saw you, it's not very pleasant. I know
you can sympathise with me dear, you
do write sometimes but it's so seldom. I wish
you'd write a bit often because a letter does
cheer me. I don't particularly care for
the doctor I am under & it makes such a
difference. Are you married yet?
Don't you think it a shame.
Owed shame. Who did you marry? I
want to know, & do you think you will
ever go to Australia, you often used to talk it
over.





Mr. J. Hoyle.
Heydon House
Gonisho'.

Via Rotherham



July 11th 1908.

Dear Jack.

Will you tell me what to do. I have been brought to Throcentry Hall, scurros, without any money, + a lot of old clothes, they call it a convalescent home. I have an awful smell on me, + I can't get away from it, what am I to do, have you all forgotten me, oh, just to see one home face — you don't know how I wish to come + stay, but Alice doesn't seem to want me, I have some money here, I, will you write to Mr. D. Pierce + ask him, but do come + see me, I can bear the suspense no longer. my sleep is broken + I suffer from nightmare, its horrid.

I went to Chapel this morning but I felt ill
when I came home, it didn't do me a bit of
good. I am afraid my life is in danger
they don't bother whether I look nice or
naughty, I have not the patience to take
pains over myself. Please help me
out of this predicament, the doctor has
already had me for a year away from
home & I think it scandalous.

With love to Alice

yours affectionately,
Dorrie Hetherington

a nurse in the house, as I want
to know particularly, so good-
bye your loving sister
Flo.

The Retreat
Folk.

Maud.

Do you know you
have a sister or have you
forgotten her, its astonishing
how well you can look after
other peoples, I think its about
time you did come & see me. I
lost all hope, as well as heart
my clothes are worn to shreds
my boots are not fit to go out
in yet you can go & have what
you like, are we so poor as all
that & will you tell me if
Father is really dead, why
had I to go & stay at Bensons
as you know? & will you

know, they kept it so quiet & why did Amy to Saltire. I've often wondered although I don't care to enquire too closely, I hate being here. Tak doesn't come with me a bit. Alf came to say goodbye to me, & what I come to see you? — perhaps you've forgotten. Why the dickens can't I have my money, I suppose I have some, is that that's wrong me. Are you really my sister or you're only pretending to be? Will you ask Alice. Oh but you've quarrelled with her, so it's no good. I've made such a fuss when I came to your house for the few days, about going to Blackpool it's never come off yet. — Will you ask Alice if she has had

wrote & explain, do you remember coming to see me there? Alf promised me he'd take me to Australia. I course I've not heard anything about it since. I don't sleep at nights for worrying, do you live in the country, if so this letter will not reach you, you said something about it when I saw you last, so you're married well & how do you like it, you've never told me, is it such a secret as all that, perhaps you don't want to own me, I've come to that conclusion, if you see Grace you might tell her I'm dying of fatigue. Why has Edie removed, I would like to

Mr H. H. H.
sent this
on 10/10/18

The Pireneal
Govt.
13/10/18

Dear Mother

You really must come
at once, I cannot put up with this place
any longer. I've not enough money to
bring me home, in fact they have
thorow that in my face, where am
I to go, have I no home, Amy
never knows anything. I have
had my throat cut once, I don't
want it to occur again. How
is it I have lost sight of all of you,
someone, whoever it is has set me
against them, I turn against me
too, the continual worry has
brought a nasty pain to my head,
& I don't want it to get any worse

so I'd to do without, what kind of
behaviour do you call that.
They hide my clothes in a cupboard
so that I have a difficulty in getting
them, its about time it was stopped.
I've been kindness itself to them,
yet they still treat me in this way.
Be explicit in your answer to this.
to say where I am to go, when
I'm quite well, its worrying me
to death.

hoping you well I

remain very lovingly

Horie

if you had to mention it to the Doctor
I think he would take more notice of
it than he does of me, because he simply
laughs at whatever I say. I've no faith
in him whatsoever. And another

thing, I cannot do with being here
any longer, it is too long a life.
when I ask about coming home they
never anything to say.

Will you be good enough to write
telling me what to do. They are spend-
ing my money. I feel sure, + I cannot
allow it. I can't get anything I want
for myself. when my head has been
so bad, + I've asked for a cup of tea.
(no we don't make it here.) Now Miss
Thomason, after I asked politely for
a purse of mine which she had
in her possession, got up + turned
me out of the room full bang,
what do you think to that?

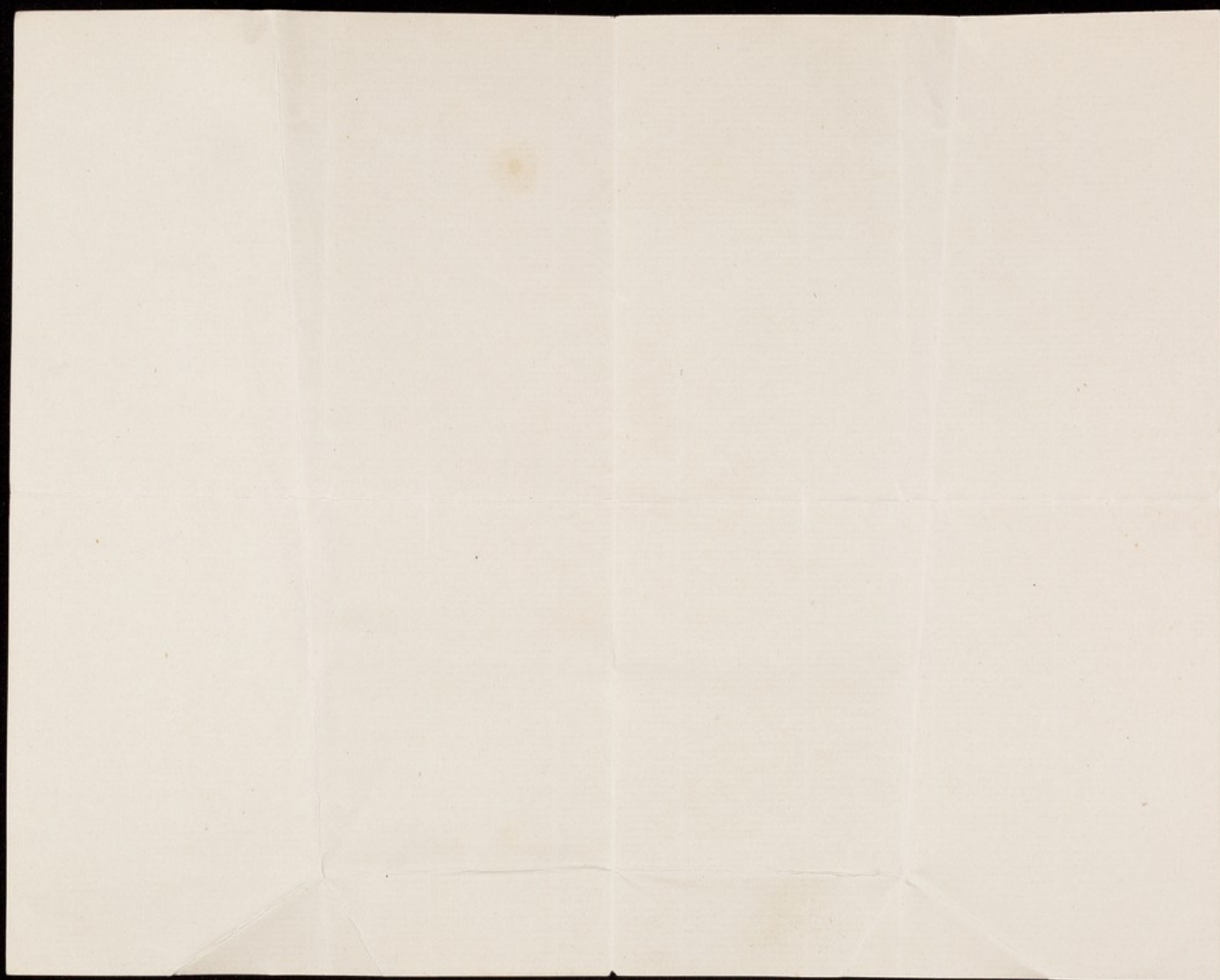
The Beheal

York.

June 19th

Dear Auntie.

Will you kindly send
for me as soon as you can. I've no
Gracie now, & I've not forgotten how nicely
you spoke to me. I'm in great trouble,
I think their giving me opium here,
as I pop off to sleep so in the afternoon
& I am sure it is not healthy. I wish
you'd do something, I'm getting
anxious. I have never seen Maud
since Christmas, isn't it cruel, I
thought of writing to George Gardner.
If you see him, just mention the
matter, as he lives in Bradford.
I shall come & stay with you as
soon as I can With love
from
Florence.



rec'd
June 11/08

Throxenby Hall
Seabro'.
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I've been kept away from home now
nearly a year & I think it's a cruel
shame, do you know I think I'm dying
but I don't suppose you care, but for all
that you had better come, I sometimes
wonder if you are my sister, I begin to
have no doubts now, because none of
you would ever have left me if you had,
& I don't think Mannville is sold either
so don't think you'll kid me, Gracie did
me a dirty shabby kick before she went
away, I'll not forget in a hurry who has
my money, that's what I want to get at

nearly killed me. On the sands there.
The d^r didn't know what to make of it
I've been ill ever since, the sooner you get
the nurse taken away from me the better
because she always says no to whatever I
ask. I'm sick of it. & you can tell Maud
to make her own child's things, she couldn't
write me to the wedding so she shan't have a
dress tell to go to a dressmaker, I'll mind
my own business, brother in laws are
apt to take too much licence sometimes
When I came here I was shown into
an attic as my bedroom & I don't much
care about it. perhaps you'll tell me where
my home is, seeing I have had no settled one
for so long. There is such a disagreeable
person in this room & she will bother me.
I seem to think you are keeping something
from me, am I right? Horrie.

So you needn't come near the place for
I never want to see you again nor Alice
either, & you can tell her so, keep your
new house to yourself, but don't inter-
fere with me, for the future.

I suppose you expect me to say I got
the blue dress, I certainly did but it
makes me feel like a criminal, so
I would like to know where you
got the stuff from, the same with
some of my handkerchiefs, I don't
know yet where they came from &
I would very much rather, just
write & tell me, & Amy won't get me
rooms again at Bridlington. I never
spent such a dreadful holiday as
last year, I think yet she must have
been wrong in her head, the nurse

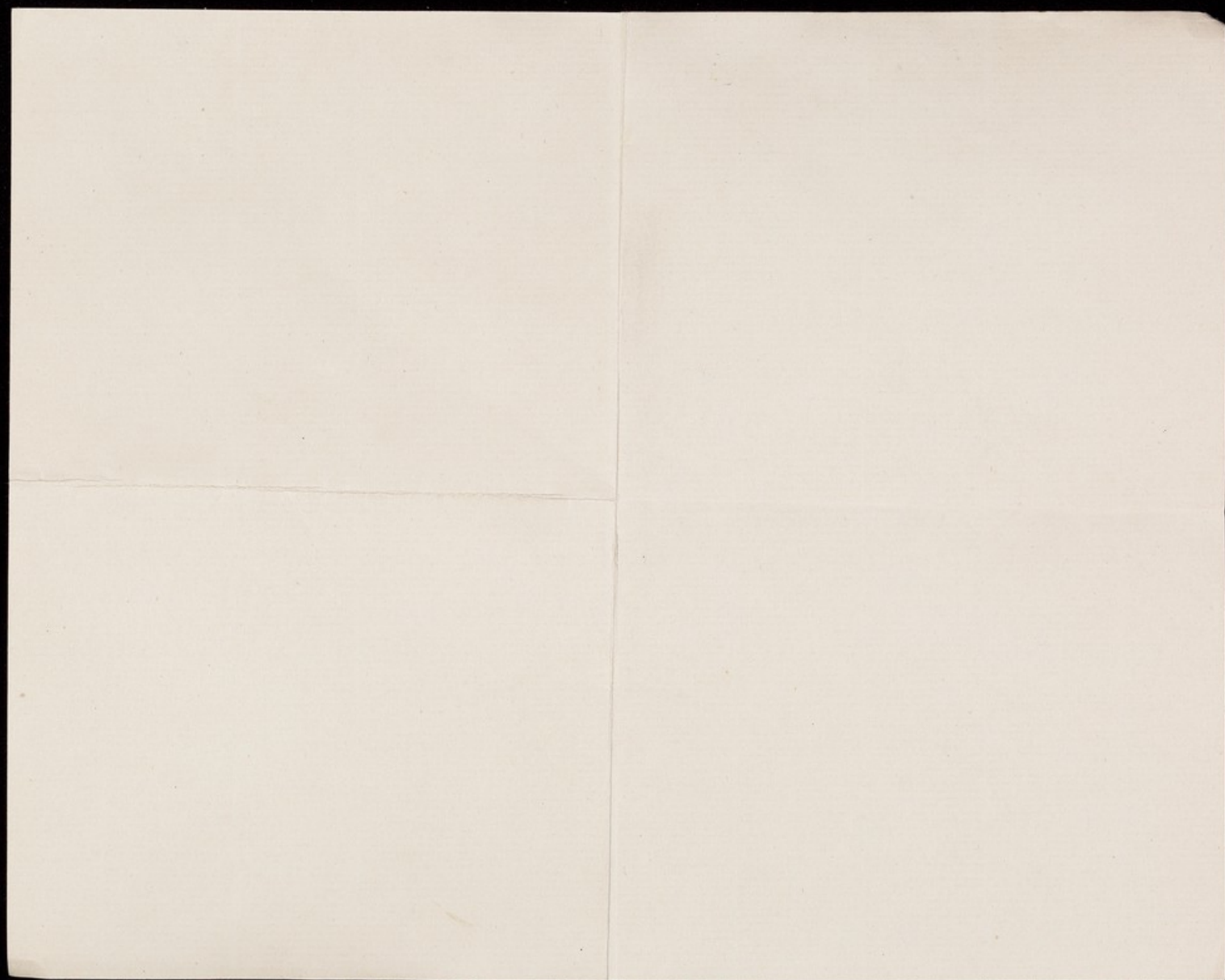
The Retreat.

Sark.

Jack will you be so kind as to interfere, as I am having a good deal of bother about money. Amy, when she comes to see me, will take me into the town, with a nurse, & order me clothes, which I don't want, at all, hasn't she a cheek, & is having them booked to Miss Hetherington, now, how shall I undo the business. the things have come, so shall I send them to Ladbroke, or where, I intend to spend my money, as I like, she says, she came over to look & see what I had, after the shopping she made me go into a cafe, & pay, there, & that Rowland & Jack Nathan, are concerned, now I have had that contradicted.

I wrote Rowland & he said he had nothing whatever to do with my affairs, so someone gets, or tells some some lies, I really, don't think it is Amy, at all, I think it's a person who has just dressed herself up, & pretended to look like my sister. In the afternoon she put 5/- into my hand, now Miss Thomason has actually taken that from me, & besides that she makes herself very, objectionable to me. She will tell me nothing when I ask her, where my home is & as to when I shall be going. How is it.

Every time she comes, or anyone else they just try, to get out of me as much as they can, & I'm disgusted. By return let me know, as I don't want to get into debt anywhere. Sark is a strange turn to me. Hoping you will oblige. From Thosie.





Mr. Hoyle
Heydon House
Conisbrough.

Via Rotherham

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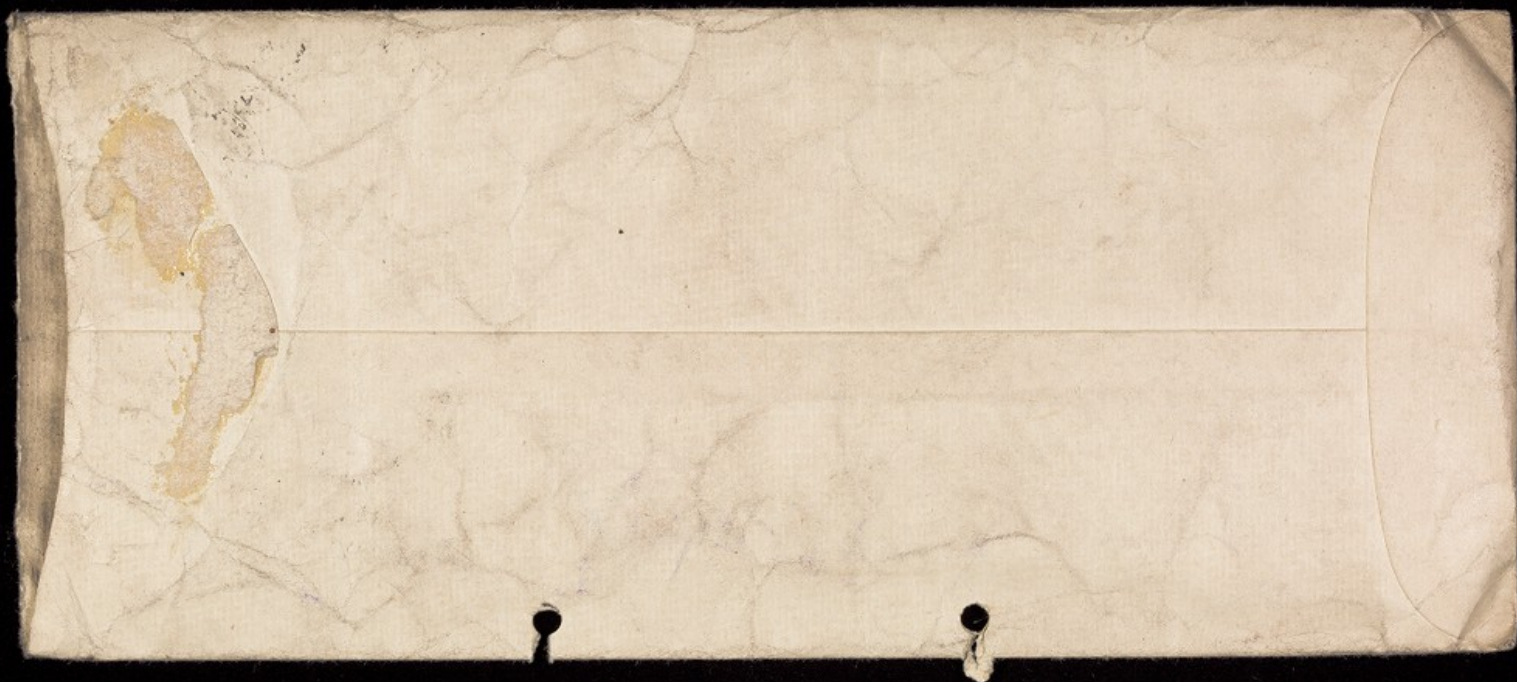
The Retreat.

York.

Miss Hethorn's letters

To be kept.





Friend

Heydon House

Conisbrough

Rotherham

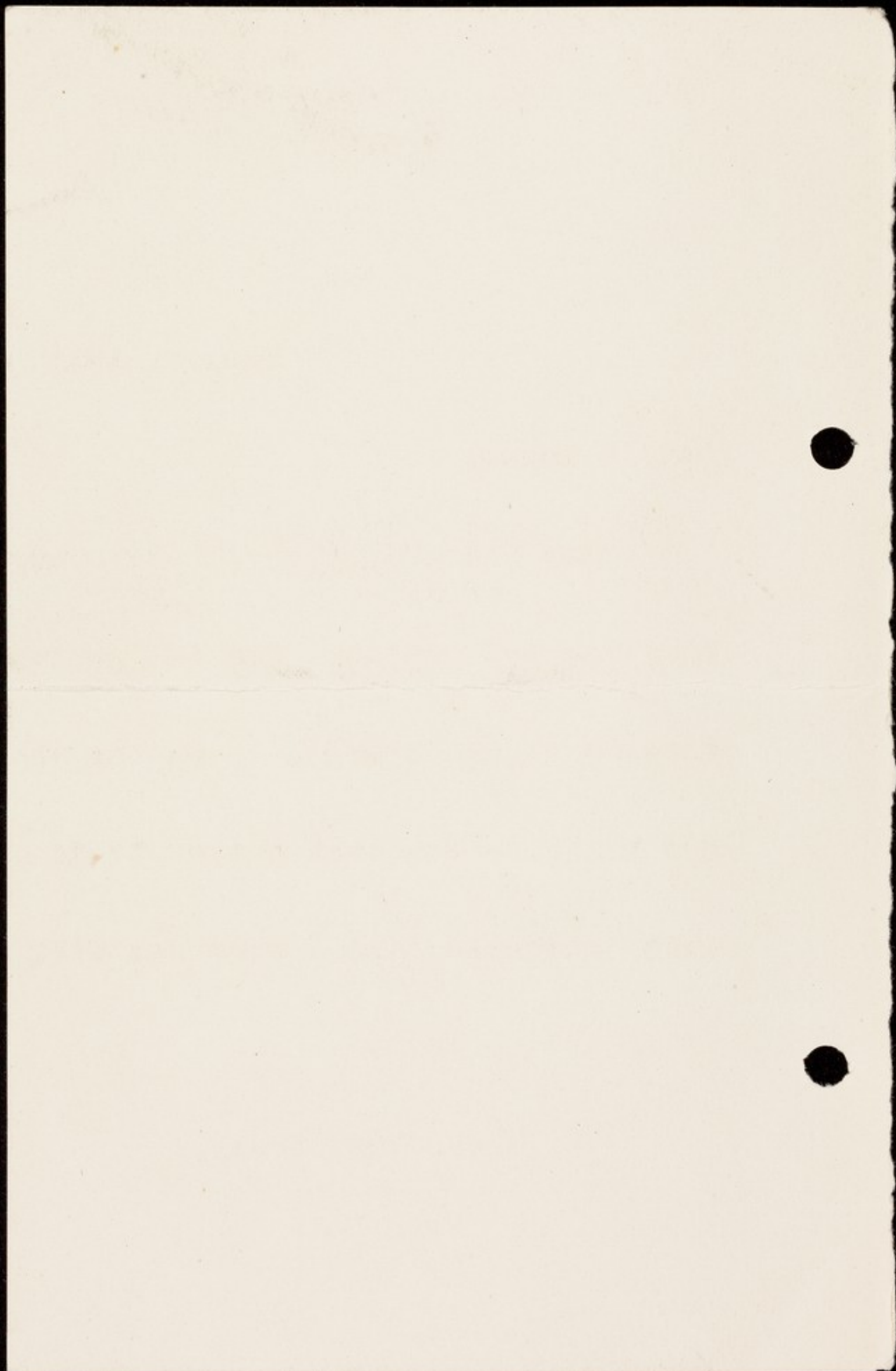
2/2/12

Dear Sir

As we have
settled Miss Herber-
ington's $\frac{1}{2}$ with the
Retreat, we are
sending direct to
Mr. Constanck for
his professional
services.

Yrs truly

(Mrs) J. Hoyle



Nov. 9, 1911

Dear Gilmour,

Miss Hetherington will be ready at the time you mention: she is looking forward to the change. On the whole she has been somewhat better to do with recently, and I hope she will go on pretty well.

Yours very truly,

Scaleshor Park.

Burley-in-Wharfedale.

November 1911

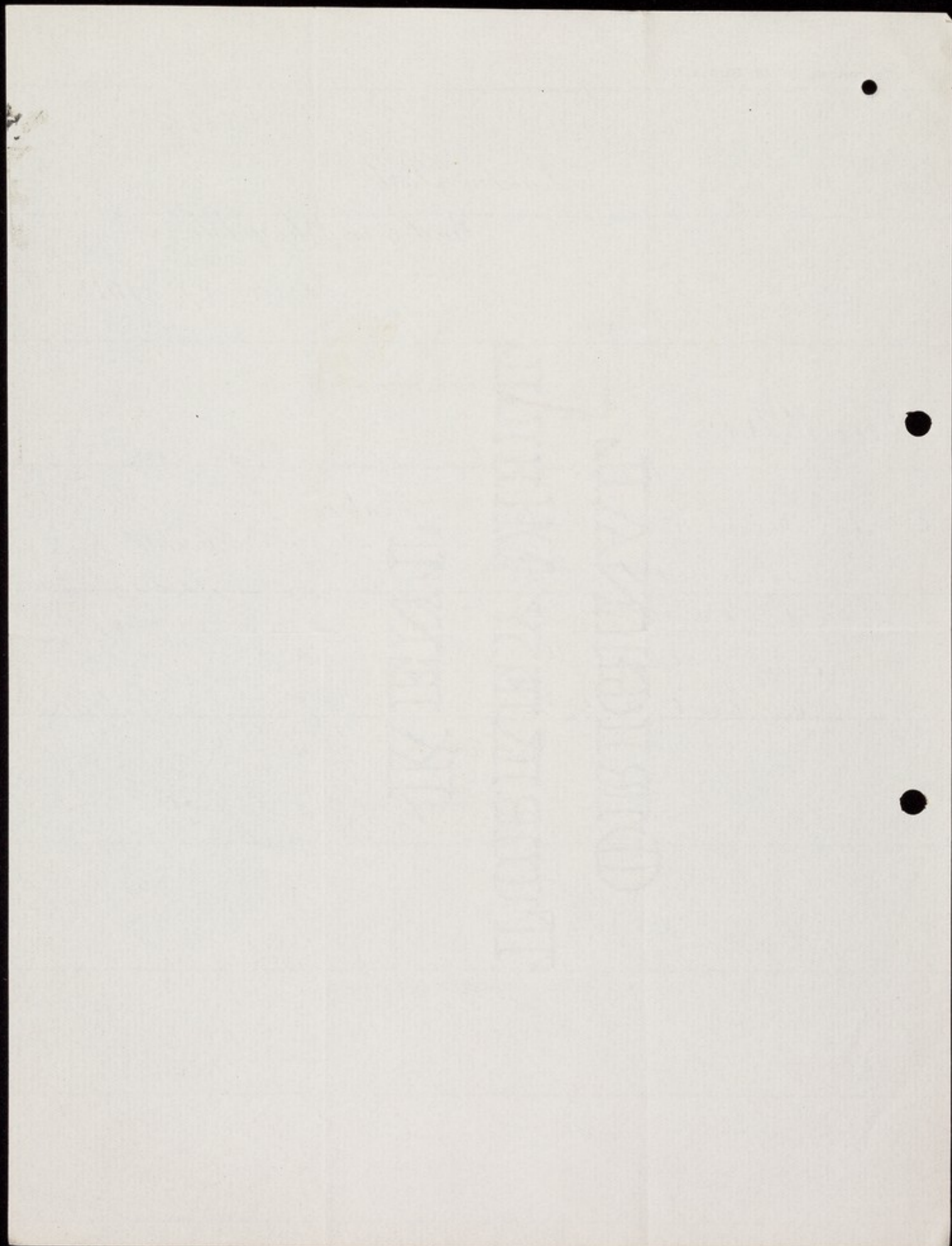
Dear Dr. Pierce,

Have the transfer paper here
for Miss Hetherington. Notice the transfer
must be made before the 11th. I shall
send a motor car for her on Friday
morning about 11 am.

With best regards

Yours sincerely

J. R. Simmons



Nov. 7, 1911

F.Hetherington

Dear Sirs,

We have received the Consent of the
Commissioners in Lunacy and the Order for the
removal of Miss Hetherington.

The copies of the Order etc. on which
she was received will accompany her when she goes,
in the usual way.

I am writing to Dr. Gilmour.

Yours very truly,

Messrs. Gordon, Hunter & Duncan

Nov. 7, 1911

F.Hetherington

Dear Gilmour,

I have the transfer paper for Miss
Hetherington. Will you send for her? She
can be ready at any time.

Yours very truly,

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STORALEE,
SHERWOOD GROVE,
SHIPLEY.

Nov. 6. 1911.

Dear Sir.

As the Commissioners
have now given consent for the
removal of Miss. Hetherington -
& stipulate that such must
take place by the 11th inst.
Will you kindly arrange to
have her removed before that
date.

Your consideration
will be appreciated.

Yours truly,
A. Nathan.

Mr. Purce.

STORALEE
SHERWOOD GROVE
SHIPLEY

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16 SERJEANTS INN, FLEET ST. E.C.

*14, Piccadilly,
Bradford.*

6th November, 1911.

Dear Sir,

Florence Hetherington.

On the instructions of Mrs. Hoyle and Mrs. Nathan, the persons having authority to discharge Miss Hetherington, we herewith enclose an Assent and Order for that lady's discharge. We shall be glad if you will furnish us with a copy of the Reception Order and documents accompanying same upon which the patient was received into your care. It is proposed to move Miss Hetherington to Scalebor Park and arrangements are being made accordingly. You will observe that the Consent to remove expires on the 11th inst., so that all necessary arrangements must be made without delay.

Yours faithfully,

Gordon Hunter Duncan

Dr. J. Bedford Pierce,
The Retreat,
YORK.

Haydon House
Conisbro
Rotherham.
Oct. 23/11

Mr W. E. Waller

Dear Sir

In reply to
your letter re Miss
Florence Hethering-
ton's Board for the
current quarter of
the Retreat you
will please find
cheque (£20.19.1)
including payment

for six weeks board
& Disbursements to
Sep: 30th.

As you suggest
any balance either
way can be set-
tled later.

Yrs. faithfully.
A. B. Hoyle.

Heydon House,
Comisbro,
Rotherham.
Och: 17/11.

D^r Pierce,

Dear Sir

In your ofc
re Miss Florence Meth-
erington of the 10th
inst, we note that
it is for the Gr: end-
ing Dec: 31st -

As it is proposed
to remove her from
the Retreat in the

Course of a week
or two. will you
kindly inform me
what amount of
rebate will be
made.

Mrs Nathan gave
us to understand
that you said no
notice would be
required. —

Yrs faithfully

Geo Hoyle
on behalf of Exors of the
late George Hetherington

Heydon House
Cornistons'
Rotherham
July 20th

G^d Pierce.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed you
will please find
cheque for account
herewith.

In future will you
please send any
communications re-
Miss Hetherington to
Mrs Hoyle

Heydon House
Cornistons'
Rotherham.

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12th April, 1911.

Dear Sir,

re Florence Hetherington.

The order for the appointment of new Receivers in place of Mrs. Lucas has now been made, but they have not yet completed their security. The security has been arranged and will be completed next week. Until this is done, however, we cannot obtain a Cheque. We shall therefore be glad if you will allow your Account to stand over for ten days.

Yours faithfully,

Gordon Hunter Duncan

Dr. Bedford Pierce,

The Retreat,

YORK.

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re Florence Hetherington.

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next week. Until this is done, however, we cannot

obtain a Certificate. We shall therefore be glad if

you will allow your Account to stand over for ten

days.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Bedford Pierce,

The Rectory,

York.

She may have quite recovered.
I remain
Yours truly.
A. Kathleen.

● Hetherington
STORALEE,
SHERWOOD GROVE,
SHIPLEY.

Dec. 29. 11.

Dear Madam.

In reply to your
letter regarding my sisters
Luth, be one quite appreciable
for her to have the Anesthetics.
Mrs Hoyle & myself are
Co-guardians for my sister.
I hope to come over &
see her one day next
week, by which time

STORABLES
SHERWOOD GROVE
SHIPLEY

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Bradford.*

2nd March, 1911.

Dear Sir,

re FLORENCE HETHERINGTON.

On 14th April last, Mrs. Lucas forwarded to you a Cheque for £47-13-7, in payment of your April Account against Miss Hetherington. Mrs. Lucas is going abroad and is resigning her receivership and for this purpose has to send in her Accounts. She appears to have mislaid the receipt for the above payment and we shall be obliged if you will send us a duplicate of same. As Mrs. Lucas is sailing for Australia at the end of next week, the matter is urgent and we shall be glad if you will let us have the document by return of post.

Yours faithfully,

Gordon Hunter & Duncan

The Secretary,

The Retreat,

YORK.

2nd March, 1911.

Dear Sir,

THE WORKING MEMORANDUM.

On 12th April 1911, Mrs. Jones forwarded to you a cheque for £17-10-0, in payment of a bill account against Miss Hetherington. Mrs. Jones is going abroad and is resigning her readership and for this purpose has to send in her accounts. She expects to have received the receipt for the above payment and we shall be obliged if you will send us a duplicate of same. As Mrs. Jones is waiting for Australia at the end of next week, the matter is urgent and we shall be glad if you will let us have the document by return of post.

Yours faithfully,

The Secretary,

The Retreat,

YORK.

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9 Bateman St
Manningham
✓ Bradford

Dear Sir

Do you think if
I had my Sister
Miss Hetherington, with
me for a week or 10 days
the change would be good
for her & if you think I
could manage her alone,
the letter I had from her
Saturday, is very pathetic
& she begs me to take her
home, please say just

what you think would be
best for her.

Yours Truly
G. Lucas.

D^r Bedford Pierce.
The Retreat
York

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*14, Piccadilly,
Bradford.*

✓
13th July, 1909.

Dear Sir,

FLORENCE HETHERINGTON.

The Taxing Master has taxed our Bill of Costs in the above matter, and has reduced the fee payable to you for consultation and affirmation from £3-3-0 to £2-2-0. As there are no funds other than those in Court out of which to pay the fees, we presume you will return us the guinea overpaid. We are sorry the Taxing Master has been so ungenerous in his allowance.

Yours faithfully,

Gordon Hunter Duncan

Dr. Bedford Pierce,

The Retreat,

YORK.

July 15, 1909

FLORANCE HETHERINGTON

Dear Sir,

I enclose a cheque, £1.1.0, which I suppose must be returned, but before you cash it I think the family should know that the affirmation in this particular case gave me a considerable amount of trouble. I had a great deal of correspondence to look over, and the fee proposed is certainly a modest one. The Taxing Master of course could not know the circumstances, but the matter was taken up at the instance of the relatives, and was no concern of mine. I must leave the matter in this way.

Yours very truly,

Yours faithfully,

G.H. Duncan Esq.

Dr. Bedford Pierce,
The Rectory,

YORK.

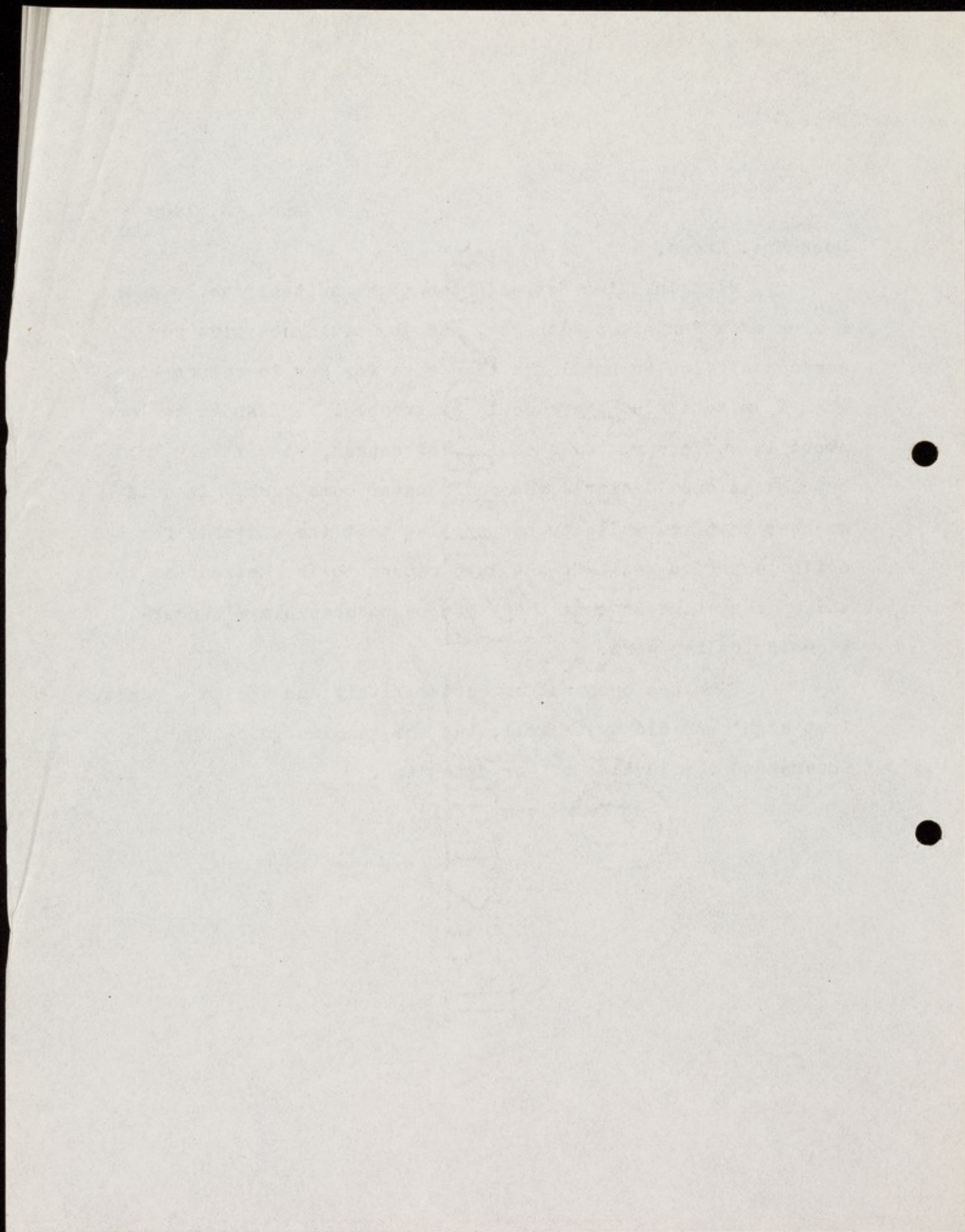
April 23, 1909

Dear Mrs. Lucas,

I think Miss Hetherington might suitably go to spend a week or a fortnight with you, and she would not give you serious difficulty until the time came for her to return here, when I am satisfied there would be trouble. I spoke to her about it yesterday, and she will, of course, very likely go; but she at once declared she would never come back. I would suggest that you write to her stating that the visit is for a definite period and that she must return to the Retreat at the end of that time so that there can be no possible misunderstanding on her part.

She has been rather better lately and was at a dance last night and did quite well, but she remains quite unable to understand the justice of her detention.

Yours very truly,



17, FAIRFIELD ROAD,
TOLLER LANE,
BRADFORD.

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● Dr Bedford Price.

Dr Dr

Might I trouble
you to get Miss Ketteringham's
signature to the enclosed?
I should think she will
do it for you.

How is she
going along? should be
glad to know if there are
any signs of improvement at all.

Yours faithfully
R. Myatt Hall.

ST. PAUL
JULY 1897
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*1, Cheapside,
Bradford.*

11th December, 1908.

Dear Sir,

re FLORENCE HETHERINGTON.

We herewith enclose Affirmation and copy documents, and shall be glad if you will attend before a Commissioner. The fee payable will be 4/6, for which we enclose Postal Order. It might be convenient if, when returning the documents, you sent us a statement of your fee.

Yours faithfully,

Gordon Hunter & Duncan

Dr. Bedford Pierce,

The Retreat,

YORK.

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Chapman

GOVERNMENT OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
ALBANY, N. Y.
JANUARY 1, 1908.

11th December, 1908.

Dear Sir,

THE HONORABLE ATTORNEY GENERAL,

We herewith enclose Affidavits and copy documents, and shall be glad if you will accept before a Commissioner. The fee payable will be \$/6, for which we enclose Postal Order. It will be convenient if, when receiving the documents, you send us a statement of your fee.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Redford Placer,

The Rectory,

York.

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*1, Cheapside,
Bradford.*

8th December, 1908.

Dear Sir,

re FLORENCE HETTERINGTON.

This matter has been delayed by reason of the difficulty in persuading any member of the family to accept the office of Receiver. We have now however got a conditional promise from one of the brothers-in-law, and propose to proceed as quickly as possible. We enclose draft Affirmation for your consideration. If it meets with your approval, please return it to us together with the three documents referred to. We will then have it engrossed and the necessary endorsements placed upon the exhibits and forwarded to you for completion.

Yours faithfully,

Gordon Hunter Duncan

Dr. Bedford Pierce,
The Retreat,

YORK.

22d December, 1908.

Dear Sir,

THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT.

This matter has been delayed by reason of the difficulty in persuading the holder of the family to accept the offer of acceptance. We have now however got a conditional promise from one of the brothers-in-law, and propose to proceed as quickly as possible. We would be glad to hear of your consideration. It is most with your approval, please return it to me together with the three documents referred to. We will then have it expressed and the necessary arrangements made when the exhibits are forwarded to you for completion.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Bedford Prynne,

The Honorable,

W. H.

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*1, Cheapside,
Bradford.*

25th November, 1908.

Dear Sir,

MISS HETHERINGTON.

We are in receipt of yours of yesterday, with enclosure, and will at once push the application forward.

We are in communication with our London Office as to the necessity of a second Affidavit. If this will be required, we will communicate with you again as to the advisability of getting the opinion of Dr. Savage or of a practitioner who has not hitherto had anything to do with the case.

Yours faithfully,

Gordon Hunter & Duncan

Dr. Bedford Pierce,

The Retreat,

YORK.

25th November, 1908.

Dear Sir,

MISS WESTBURY.

We are in receipt of yours of yesterday, with
enclosure, and will at once deal the application forward.
We are in communication with our London Office as
to the necessity of a second Affidavit. It will be
required, and will be forwarded with you again as to the
necessity of getting the opinion of Dr. B. or Dr. C.
provisioner who has not otherwise had anything to do with the
case.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. B. B. B. B.

The B. B. B.

YORK.

the situation. I
should like to see you
again before anything
is settled as to who
she should see

Yours sincerely,
R. Myatt Hall

(948)
17, FAIRFIELD ROAD,
TOLLER LANE,
BRADFORD.

22. XI. 08.

Dr Bedford Pierce
Sir,

Mr Duncan tells me
you are wanting all the
letter re Miss Westington
I can let you have for
tomorrow morning. I
keep under sixteen
which are all I have.
We must do all we can
to make our application
successful this time, at
the same time of course
give the poor girl every
chance to understand

17 FAIRFIELD ROAD,
TOLLIER LANE,
BRADFORD.

916

TELEGRAMS: "LEX, BRADFORD"

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16 SERJEANTS INN, FLEET ST. E.C.

1, Cheapside,
Bradford.

14th November, 1908.

Dear Sir,

re FLORENCE HETHERINGTON.

We are instructed by the Executors of the Will of the late George Hetherington to renew an application in lunacy for the appointment of a Receiver of the estate of Miss Florence Hetherington, who is, we understand, at the present time under your care. An application was made some time ago, which was not granted on the ground that the evidence then available was not strong enough to justify the appointment of a Receiver. Before renewing the application, we should like to discuss with you the evidence which would be available, and for this purpose we should be glad if you would give us an appointment to come over and see you at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

Gordon Hunter Duncan

Dr. Bedford Pierce,

The Retreat,

YORK.

14th November, 1908.

Dear Sir,

re MORTIMER HATHINGTON.

We are instructed by the Executors of the Will of the late George Hathington to renew an application in January for the appointment of a Receiver of the estate of Miss Florence Hathington, who is, we understand, at the present time under your care. An application was made some time ago, which was not granted on the ground that the evidence then available was not strong enough to justify the appointment of a Receiver. Before renewing the application, we should like to discuss with you the evidence which would be available, and for this purpose we should be glad if you would give us an appointment to come over and see you at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Balfour Prior,

The Rectory,

York.

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Dear Sir,

re MISS FLORENCE HETHERINGTON.

The writer, Mr. Duncan, will call upon you in
your rooms at Leeds on Friday next at 3.30 as appointed
by you.

Yours faithfully,

Gordon Hunter & Duncan

*Application in Lunacy -
Sec. D - 116.*

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Dr. Bedford Pierce,

The Retreat,

Y O R K .

Handwritten:
Dear Sir,

GEORGE HUNTER & COMPANY
201 N. 10th St.
PHILADELPHIA, PA.
JAN 10 1908

12th November, 1908.

Dear Sir,

re MISS FLORENCE WINTERBURN.

The writer, Mr. Brown, will call upon you in
your rooms at Leeds on Friday next at 3.30 as appointed.

Yours faithfully,

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Robert Pierce,

The Herald,

N. Y. C.

17, Fairfield Road,

Manningham,

Oct 11 19*08*

Mr.

To Geo. Hetherington's Exors.

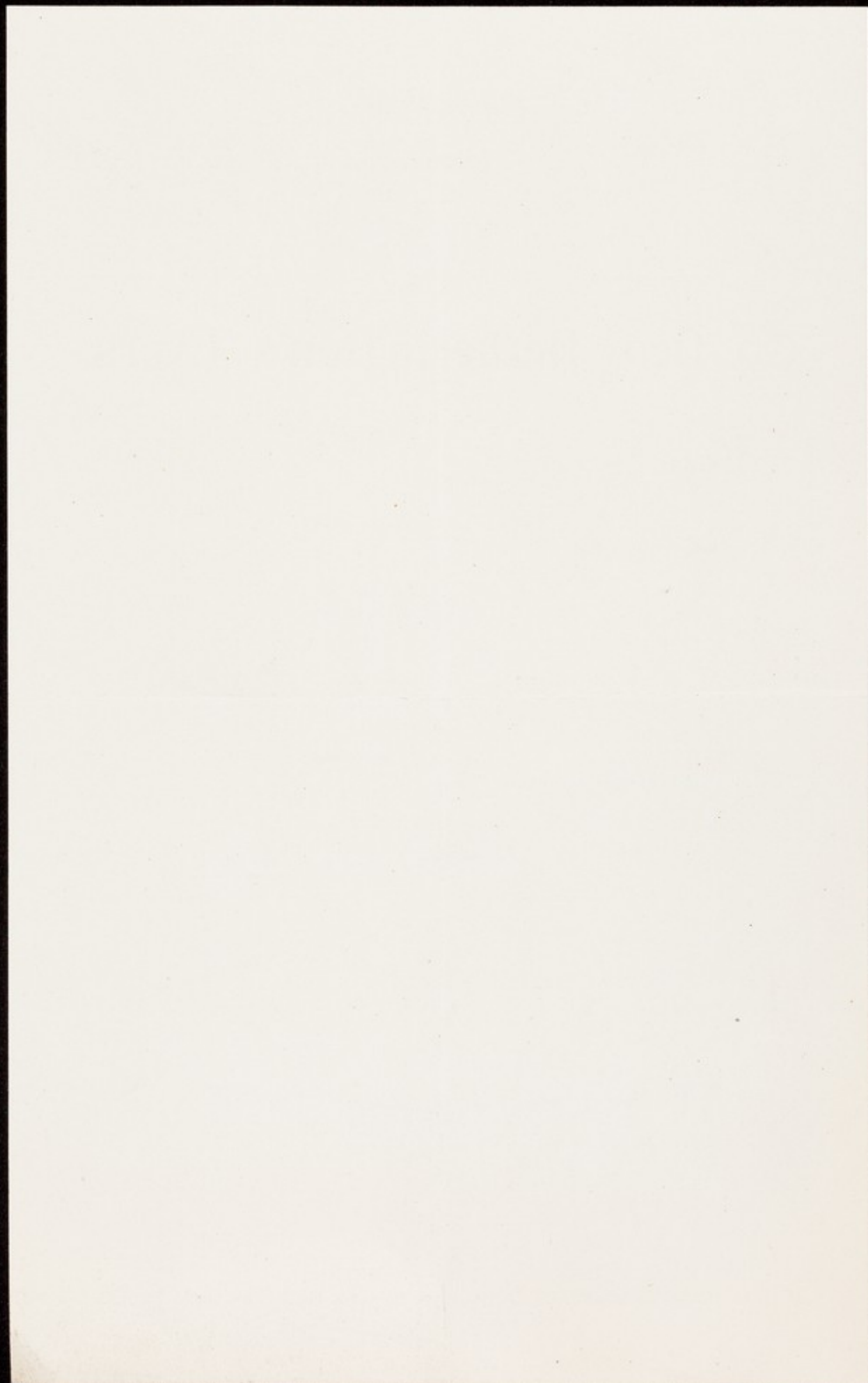
*Kindly send the
receipt to me*

Yours

R. Myatt Hall

£

Please make Cheque or P.O. payable to Geo. Hetherington's Exors.



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Thompson Road
Clonmont W.A.

24 May 07

Dear Sir,

Yours of 6 April & in reply
I beg to thank you for the information
contained therein. I am extremely
sorry your report is so unfavorable.
I pray that a great improvement may
take place shortly under your care.
I cannot understand the why & wherefore
of my sister's present condition.

My sister, Mrs Lucas is paying a
visit shortly when I hope she
may be able to tell us that which you
find difficult to explain in a letter.

I am obliged to you for the annual
report which I found very interesting.
We have no like institution in Australia
our asylums are all conducted by the
various State Governments.

I beg to remain
Yours faithfully

John C. Herington

Worcester Mass

October 1864

My dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the report of the Committee on the subject of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours truly,
J. B. Thompson

Rose Cottage,

413

Askrith, Otley, June 23/08.

Dear Sir,

We are now staying at the above address & should be pleased if you'd kindly note the change as we stay there until the end of September.

Mrs. Jones recd. your letter, also one per (my wife) same post from her sister. She was very sorry indeed to hear such a disheartening report but I do not feel it would be wise to allow her to come to York in her present condition. I thought perhaps Mrs. Lucas might have told you we are expecting a little baby at the end of next month but she cannot have done so. Under other circumstances we should have been to York several times since our last visit. I am writing Miss Hetherington for this post & if you think it unwise to let her know what I say (please open the letter) please let me have it back - then we shall know your opinion on the matter.

What is your candid opinion as to the poor girl's prospects so you really think there is a chance for her?

Thanking you for the kind treatment we all feel she receives at your hands with regrets at our inability to come over

I remain,

Yours truly, A. D. Jones.

W. Bedford Pierce.

P.S. - I have put the above address on Miss H's letter as being a small village the whole community would know of any postcard she might send us.



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Nov 5th 1907.
H.K.

9 Bateman St⁹¹⁵
Mannigham Lane
Bradford

Dr. Bedford Pierce.

Dear Sir

Will you kindly let
me know, if you think my
Sister, Miss Stetherington, is making
any progress towards recovery,
I thought I could see a decided
improvement when I saw her
a fortnight ago last Saturday.
She was glad to see us & said
so, a thing she has not done
for a considerable time, how
is her general health?

Do you think it ~~is~~ wise
for some member of the
Family to see her often? we
have not done so, thinking
it might unsettle her.

Yours Truly.

G. Lucas.

R. Myatt Hay 45 Duckworth Grove
Bradford ~~Piece~~ not in Leeds today
Pierce 45 Duckworth Grove
Bradford

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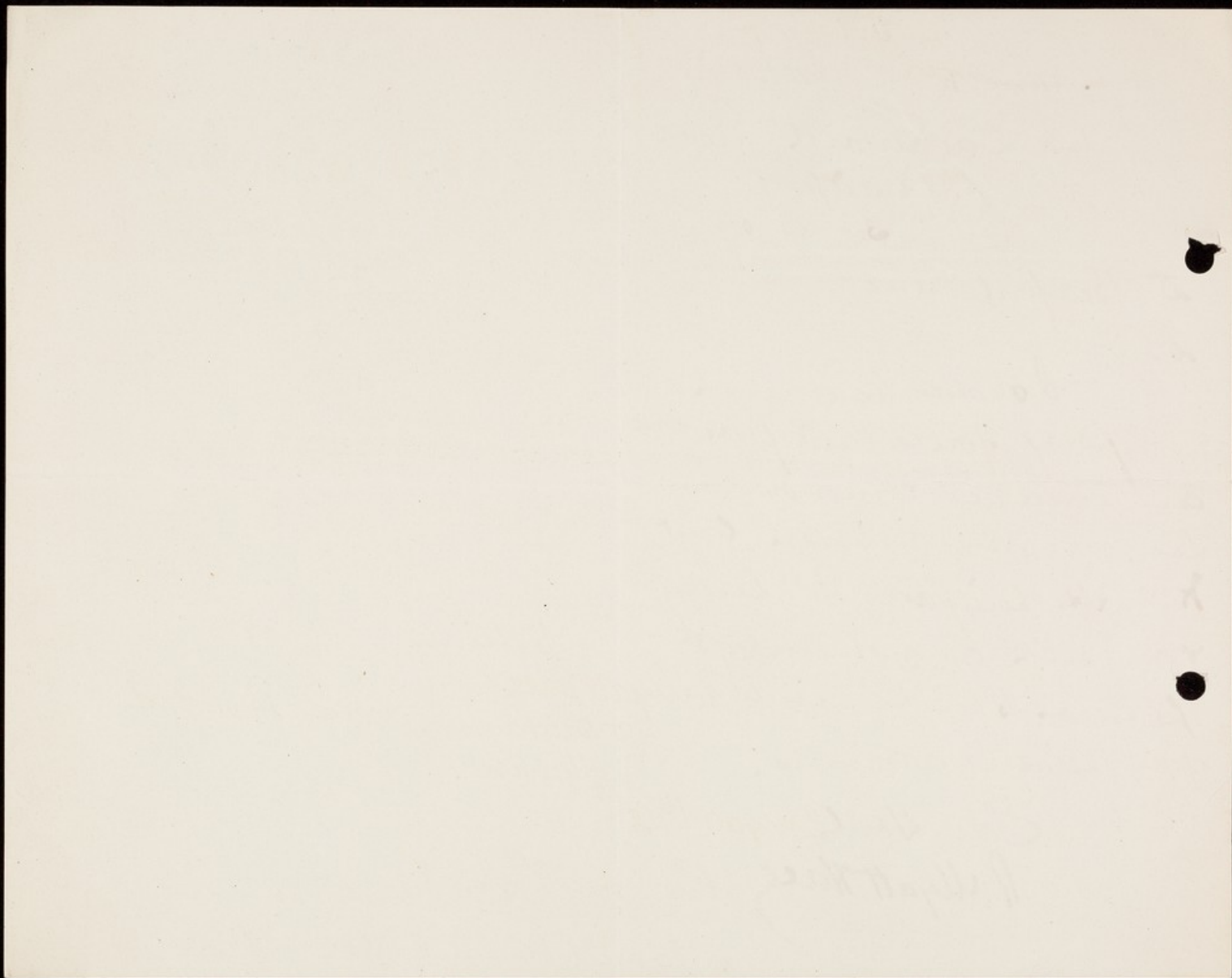
Dr. Bedford Pierce.

Dear Sir

I should be much
obliged if you would give me
an interview tomorrow in
Leeds, as my sister in law
Miss Hetherington. Mr Lucas
& my wife do not wish to
be across her unless
you think it advisable.

Yours Truly.

R. Myatt Hay



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 Miss Florrie Herkington of 16 Richmond Road Bradford as a patient in the said Hospital, I HEREBY UNDERTAKE AND AGREE with to the terms of (63/-) three pounds three shillings or per week with Richard Thompson Treasurer of the said Hospital, to pay or cause to be paid, to the said Richard Thompson

as such Treasurer, or to the Treasurer for the time being of the said Hospital, all such Sum or Sums of Money as shall from time to time be or become due and payable for the Lodging, Maintenance, and care of the said patient in the said Hospital, or whilst under the charge of the Authorities of the said Hospital, and all such Sum or Sums of Money as shall be paid or disbursed by or on behalf of the said Institution for any articles of Wearing Apparel, or other necessities, or extras supplied to, or provided for the said Patient, or the repairing or mending and washing of the articles of Wearing Apparel of the said Patient, so long as the said Patient shall continue in the said Hospital, or be under the charge of the Authorities of the said Hospital, and also to pay or cause to be paid the expenses in respect of the Funeral of the said Patient, in case the said Patient shall die in the said Hospital, or whilst under the charge of the Authorities of the said Hospital. AND I FURTHER AGREE to pay Interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum on any accounts due from me as above, which shall not have been discharged within Twenty-eight days from the receipt of such account from the Treasurer, Secretary, or Clerk of the said Hospital. AND I ALSO UNDERTAKE AND AGREE, at my own expense, to remove the said Patient from the said Hospital within Fourteen days after receiving Notice in writing from the Treasurer, Secretary or Clerk for the time being of the said Hospital, requiring such removal.

WITNESS my hand the 19th day of September 1907

Name R. Myatt Hale

Residence 45 Duckworth Grove. Bradford.

Occupation Manager.

SIGNED by the said R. Myatt Hale.

in the presence of

Witness's Signature

Address, and

Profession.

Grace Lucas

16 Richmond Rd. Bradford

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.

