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that Alice Manning is harmless -
but I imagine from what the
Lansley told me that she is
in need of personal attention
to herself. The Medical Superintendent
of the Asylum said that she
might be ^{discharged} placed under charge
of a capable woman at some
private house, provided authority
was exercised, but recommended
a private asylum. The two sisters,
Mrs. Jeff of Salisbury and
Miss Clara Manning of Liverpool,
are Alice's only surviving relatives.
Her brothers, who both have
University-degrees, died insane.

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Llanmaes House
on. Laurence-Major
Glasnyaw
13 June 1906

D. Beddard Price

Dear Sir,

I am a stranger to you
except as a subscriber to the
institutions of Theo. Waldman -
and I am a cousin of
Samuel Southall of Leeds, which
will serve as introduction.

I am much interested in
Alice R. A. Manning, for
many years school mistress in
this village and a friend of
mine. She obtained her pension

from the Education Depart.^t
£. 29 a year - and began a little
home near here. Having an
insane brother from an asylum
in Bristol to see what chance
would do for him. This quite
upset Alice Manning mentally,
and she and her brother were
both taken to the county Asylum
Paw Gwylt near Bridgend -
Alice's pension going to the
authorities - for the last nine
months, and she living as do
all, as a pauper, in that
large establishment where there are
900 patients. The brother is dead.

Finding, on recently visiting
Paw Gwylt that Alice can

now talk rationally, and seemed
much improved, - with the
approval of the medical
superintendent & Alice's two
sisters, I write to ask - is it
possible to get her into a
private asylum such as The
Retreat? The sisters would make
up the payment to £. 1 per
week. Should this be quite
below your charges - can you
recommend any Institution,
either in one of the Southern
counties or near Liverpool
to which we could apply.

What are the lowest terms
at The Retreat? I am told

a sister was also mentally weak,
and in view of the Royal
Commission about to make
enquiry into this question, I
mention the fact that the
Father in early life was
intemperate. and tho' he
reformed and was compared
on the "Bristol Mercury" to
an old man, the mischief
was done. I notice that in
the Statistics of Insanity - in
Gloucestershire, the habits of
the father appear never to
be enquired into - yet this,
in our county. I believe to be

the chief source of insanity—
in women.

Apologising for thus troubling
you,

I am, dear Sir,

Yours truly,

Margaret Evans