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WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

8. 7. 07

Dear Dr. Peice

Enclosed  
is cheque in payment  
of account.

I would fair  
hope that my wife  
is on the mend altho  
the old idea comes  
back now & again.

She came across  
the Border last  
week, & saw her two  
boys on Sunday

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she was rather  
upset at night.  
but perhaps that  
result was to be  
expected

Believe me

Yours very faithfully,

David McConry,

Kindly remember  
me to your household  
& Miss Hal.

The children had an  
Easter Holiday & a  
brunch at Roswell  
— but the welcome  
of friends W. & Yellowbees  
only had about a week  
of it & I only 3 days  
It is a very beautiful  
country all round it  
& they did lots of cycling  
all best Regards

Yours as ever  
D. Yellowbees

W. & I went off to London  
suddenly in a car of a  
letter boxman that she  
"fight no longer" but  
must give us & leave this  
beautiful world which her  
wretched state had made  
unbearable to her.

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6 ALBERT GATE  
GLASGOW.

April 27, 07.

My dear Beres I greatly  
sympathise with you  
in the matter of that  
revisé. The public  
do not understand that  
we must run risks in  
testing the recovery of  
patients before discharg-  
ing them and that we  
dare not discharge them  
without such tests. No  
part of our work is more  
grave & responsible  
and an unfortunate



result like those often  
bring us quite unmer-  
ited blame. I hope  
you put that view of  
it plainly before the  
jury, for that our  
efforts sometimes fail  
is inevitable because  
of the limitations of  
human knowledge  
& the uncertainty of  
the manifestations  
of the disease with  
which we deal.

I return Thwaites'  
Report - which is good

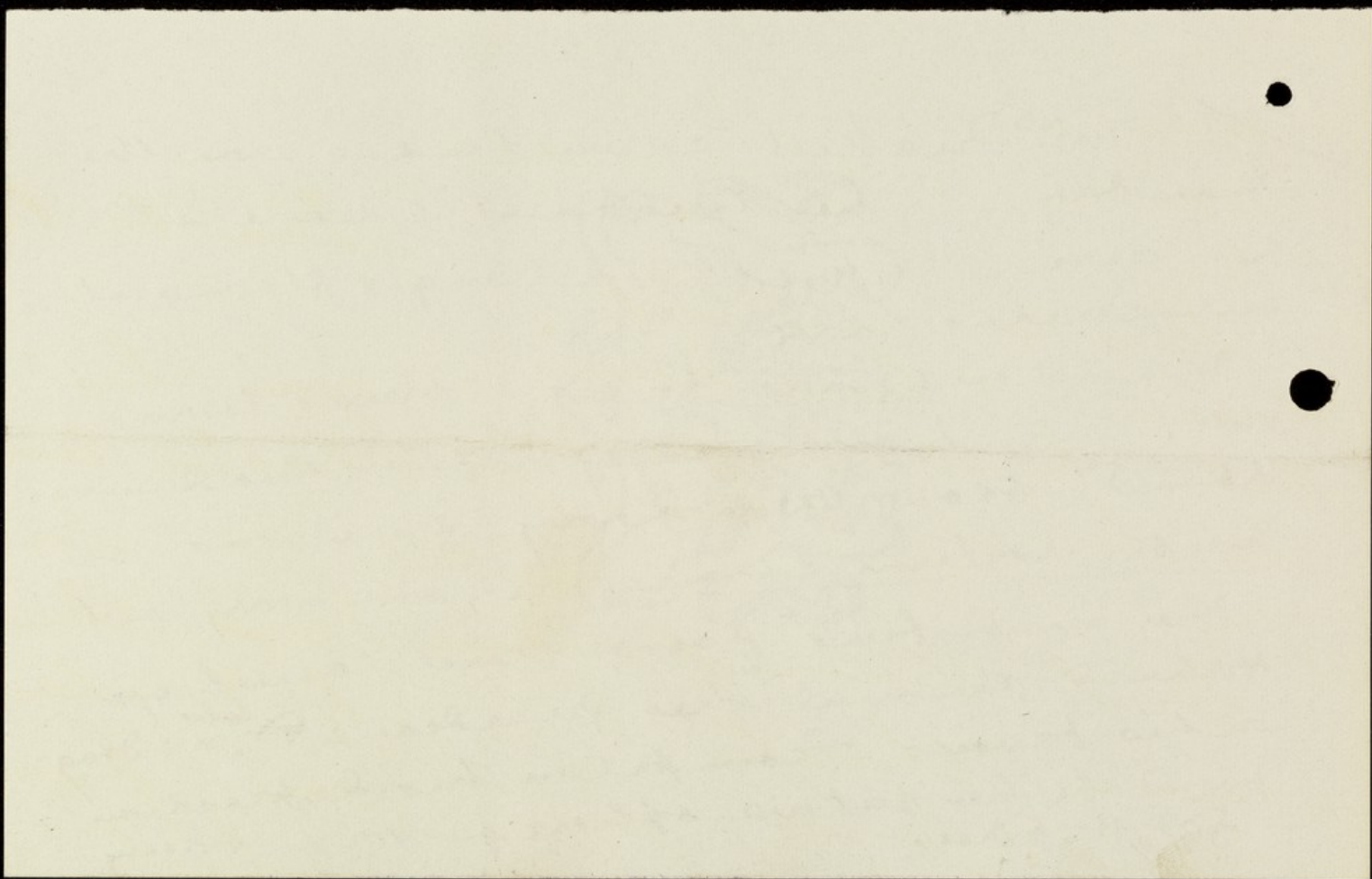
A sensible & shrewd  
that he takes a good  
grip of his work.

He does not give the  
average N. Resident  
— I suppose it is about  
80 and eight night  
nurses is certainly  
a high proportion —  
but I am on the  
right side assuredly

I am glad to know  
of the general welfare  
of your home circle.  
My love to them all.  
We also are well;

W. S. Tuckell came to see us the  
 other day - & her husband's leave - &  
 her own. We had a long & pleasant  
 but serious talk.

He evidently has the old depressed living  
 shell. I believe said that if this summer  
 did not blow this away there was -  
except Arizona care - only one way of it  
 they would find some civil country  
 home & she would be <sup>the</sup> guardian <sup>to be told</sup> of drag  
 on his fancies & <sup>a</sup>compel his depression  
 would be her future sphere of work & duty  
 - God keep her.





could have desired  
I am sure Miss H.  
did all that was  
possible & I feel grateful  
to her.

Should my wife  
desire to have Miss  
Hale back I will take  
the liberty of asking  
you if she is available

With kindest regards  
& many thanks to you  
& yours for all your  
kindness & attention.

Yours very gratefully

David McEwan

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WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

10. 4. 07

Dear Dr. Pierce

I duly recd.  
your last letter about  
Easter time, & was obliged

I enclose a letter  
I recd. this afternoon from  
Dr. V. also Mr. he sent  
me from Miss Hale  
which explains the  
present position.

I saw Dr. V. this  
evening, & I am writing  
Miss H. today to say



my son will arrive  
at Eastbourne on  
Saty. forenoon. in the  
hope that his presence  
may be beneficial  
to his mother & take  
her out of herself.

I will take runs up  
to see them at the  
week ends & I have  
arranged that  
Miss Dalby (a cousin,  
will join my wife  
on 7<sup>th</sup> May & they can  
travel about for a  
little in the hope

that my wife's illness  
may be drawing to  
a close. I am saying  
to Miss Hale that  
she shall be free  
to return to York on  
Saty morning.

I need hardly say  
that I appreciated  
more than words can  
express your kindness  
in letting Miss Hale  
go with my wife, &  
altho' the result  
has not been all I

6 ALBERT GATE  
GLASGOW.

Keswick. April 19. 07.

My dear Dr Pierce

I had a letter more than half written to you and left home - but it was interrupted & never sent it.

I was to express my admiration of the great day you had made for your division at Newcastle.

Dr. Gladly have joined you but to come here was better than meeting papers & dinner.

The family have been here for nearly a fortnight. The



illness of a dear friend  
prevented our joining  
them for the first week  
I only got here last night  
& we all go home on  
Monday - so do but  
a brief holiday

Miss Hale will tell you  
all abt. W. W. C. I am  
sure she did as well as  
any woman could have  
done single handed.

The choice is between  
force & freedom. The first  
painful & probably unsuc-  
cessful; the latter kinder  
& greatly preferred by her  
husband notwithstanding

right & responsibility  
- which I put plainly  
before him & which he  
fully accepts. So far  
it seems to promise well  
God grant it may prove  
so.

I do hope the 'fine'  
valley consequences have  
disappeared and that Miss  
Hamilton is herself again  
and all your circle  
rejoicing in the coming  
Spring - tho coming  
so slowly.

I feel as if something  
were ~~do~~ wrong. That I have  
not seen you for so long a  
time. Love to the circle.  
Yours ever & affectionately  
M. E. Over

thoughts, upon which she is  
always dwelling when not  
talking to anyone, & as for  
hours <sup>at a time</sup> she will not talk to me  
I feel it I am doing more  
harm than good now by  
keeping someone else  
out of my place who would  
do her more good, being in  
a different position.

She tells me she was just the  
same to her relations eight  
months ago, she would hardly  
ever talk to them but perhaps  
she will be different now.

There are & have been  
some very nice people in

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## Queen's Hotel, Eastbourne.



TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:

"Queen's, Eastbourne."

Telephone No. 2.

C. F. BAUERMISTER  
MANAGER

April 8<sup>th</sup> 1907

Dear Mr. Pierce,

I don't know whether  
you have heard from Glasgow  
that I shall be leaving here  
most likely towards the end  
of this week, & Mrs. Mc. Cowan's  
eldest boy (aged 17) is coming  
to her for a few weeks.



during his holidays & then  
~~another~~ relative will come  
& look after her if necessary.  
I have had one or two letters  
from Dr. Galloway about  
it. he wanted to know if I  
thought it would be quite  
safe for the son to come  
& my opinion upon the  
subject; & I have just sent  
him a letter now to say  
that I think it would be  
a very good thing for her,  
as I am doing no real  
good to her, she looks upon

me too much in the light  
of a guard over her, & reporter  
of her doings etc. which she  
naturally revolts against  
(under the circumstances)  
as I suppose most people  
would do, who were allowed  
as much liberty as she is &  
yet not altogether full liberty.  
It will give her fresh interests  
to take her boy about, and  
give him a good time  
to see him & hear of all  
his doings & wishes etc. <sup>will</sup> &  
take her out of her morbid

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6 ALBERT GATE  
GLASGOW.

Tuesday morning  
Apr. 9.

My Dear Mr McCowan

This from the nurse  
has just come.

It sounds reasonable  
& confirms our con-  
-sideration as to trying  
her with her son;  
altho' there is a degree  
of risk in it, which she  
does not seem to bear  
& which <sup>you</sup> are well up  
to face.

When he has the





another good thing, & I think both he & she would be perfectly safe together, anyway for two or three weeks & from what I can gather from her that is what the time he would be with her, having to return to his college.

I quite agree with what Mr. Mc C. thinks about his wife & an asylum & do not think she would ever leave it if once certified, in fact she used to be in a terrible state at the time of the Commissioners' visit to the Retreat, thinking

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C. F. BAUERMISTER  
MANAGER

April 8<sup>th</sup> 1907.

Dear Dr. Yellowlees,

I was nearly writing to you yesterday evening to answer your first letter, but decided to wait till this morning, & now am very glad as I have got your second and so can answer both at the



sametime.

About Mrs. Mc. Cowan's son coming to her, I think it would be a very good idea indeed, it would give her fresh interests in taking him about, & she would get her to do more than I could being in a totally different position, as you will quite understand it is not quite my place to suggest excursions or boating & I feel it, & cannot do it, but her son of course could, & she would be able to talk to him easily & take interest in all his doings & plans,

which would take her mind off her poor self & her great trouble, & that in itself would be one good thing, then she would not look upon her son in the same light as she does me, namely that I am here to watch over her & report about her, which naturally is very upsetting & galling to her being so sensible in every other <sup>way</sup> but the one.

I don't think she would talk about her delusion to her son, which would be also



different circumstances  
 for a long period I shall  
 feel it more, & shall always  
 take a deep interest in her  
 welfare & long to hear of her  
 or from her, if at any  
 time she cared or needed  
 me I would gladly (if able)  
 go to her or do anything for  
 her, and I do hope she will  
 never have to go into an asylum  
 for it would break her heart.  
 I am sure, so I trust that  
 the course of freedom will  
 prove more satisfactory.  
 I don't think there is anything  
 more to say, except I suppose  
 I shall hear either from you  
 or Mr. Mrs. Cowan which day I

am to leave her. With kindest regards from H. M. Hale.

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they would be certain to certify  
 her, poor dear she used to  
 suffer agonies & mostly  
 for her husband's & children's  
 sake, for she is really  
 a most unselfish woman,  
 & I shall always remem-  
 -ber her with loving thoughts.



& pray for her speedy recovery & restoration to her home & family.

She says if she gets home she will write to me & I tell her there is nothing I should love more than her letters, for two reasons, one because I should enjoy the letters & the chief because I should know she was well & happy if I got them. Of course it will be a great relief to me to go back to York, for idleness is not

conducive to happiness & now that I feel I am doing her no good I want to get back to work, where I am able to do a little good to some of those poor sufferers, but I shall feel the parting most-keenly, for I felt it before I went for my holidays last summer, after being with her over three months for that is when I learnt to love her, & now that I have been with her under



good of Mr. Joseph Rowntree  
to pay half for the nurses,  
they are kind people &  
always seem to be doing  
some kind action.

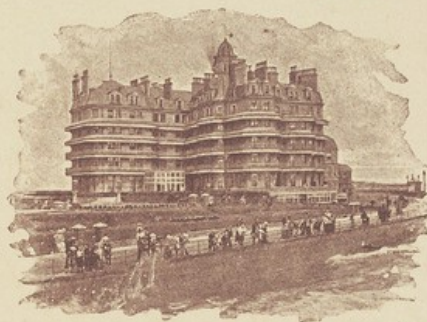
Hoping to hear from you  
by Saturday morning at  
the latest with kind regards

Believe me

Yours very sincerely  
Kilda M. Hale

P. S. Mr. Waller (I think it would  
be who sent my money) said  
something about sending on  
the private nursing money,  
please ask him not to do so  
but keep till my return.

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C. F. BAUERMISTER,  
MANAGER.

March 11<sup>th</sup> 1907.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

I have just had a  
letter from Mr. McCowan  
saying he had written you  
to tell you that I should  
be free to leave here after  
his son New arrives on



Saturday morning at 11-30,  
so am writing to know if  
I can stop in London till  
Monday instead of coming  
right through on the Sat;  
as being Saturday it is no  
good asking for one night.

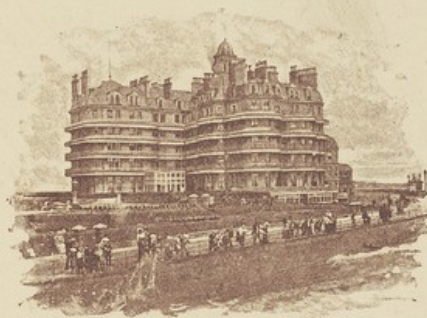
From Mr. Mc Cowan's note  
I see he wants me to stay  
till his son arrives, so  
could catch the 12 train from  
here which gets to Victoria  
2-8. I expect Mr. Mc Cowan  
will make a fuss about

my staying but I shall  
insist on doing so, even if  
I do not actually see the  
son.

I heard from Kate today  
and she tells me she is  
very keen on going to Switz-  
erland with your party if  
I will go too. + I have written  
to say I shall be delighted  
to if I may, which she  
seems to think possible  
as not many seniors  
are going, how awfully



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this hotel & she quite forgets herself & her troubles when she gets talking to them, it is lovely to see her, but I have not heard her laugh naturally yet.  
I shall feel the parting very much as we are very

fond of each other although  
her illness prevents her from  
talking to me much, but at  
times she is just sweet &  
most interesting & so kind,  
but I shall be glad to have  
some definite work to do  
as idleness is anything but  
conducive to happiness.  
I know that & now if I  
never did before!

I do not know what day  
I shall be leaving here  
yet perhaps Thursday  
or Friday, when I know  
for certain I suppose I

had better send word to  
Sister Phoebe, but I want to  
know if I can stay one night  
in London instead of going  
right through to York in the  
one day, as I should like  
to see some friends while  
up here, & was not able to while  
with Mrs. Mc. Cowan, but of  
course if you wish me to  
come right through will  
do so??

Hoping you are all well  
with kindest regards?

Believe me

Yours very sincerely  
Hilda M. Hale.



very little difference leaving  
her for the extra hour or two.  
And on Thurs. before coming  
off there was a wire from  
Mr. M.C. saying he was  
coming that evening  
late, & he sent me a few  
lines, written in the train  
to say I was not to think  
he was coming because  
I had left her, but that  
he found he could get  
off & so was glad to come  
earlier & let me off with  
an easy mind, was not  
it kind of him?

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22. Woodfield Avenue  
Ealing W.  
30/3/07.

Dear J. Pierce,  
Many thanks  
for your two last letters,  
& for all the trouble  
you took on my behalf  
to find out from  
Mr. M.C. what he  
wished me to do.  
I had a letter from him  
crossing mine to you



saying I was to do as I thought  
best under the circumstances  
about leaving Mrs. McC. on  
the Thurs. evening or the  
Fri. morning, & although  
I had your letters I had  
decided to go on the Thurs.  
evening, because there  
were no single rooms  
for that night, & Mrs. McC.  
would not share a double  
one with me, said she  
did not know what might  
happen if she did & that  
if I did not go that even-

ing she would have to come  
to London with me for  
the one night, & return the  
next morning with her  
husband, and as I thought  
that would appear odd  
to the people at the hotel  
I thought it best to leave  
her alone for she would  
have people to talk to  
after dinner there, and  
as she always was alone  
from 10. at night till  
9.30 the next morning  
I thought it would make



back to E. but we may only stay a day or two in town & then return, or Mr. McC may have persuaded her to try another place.

She is looking better in the face & her appetite is decidedly better than when in London, but her delusion is quite as fixed as ever it was, but she has taken more pride in her appearance while

at E. & bought some new clothes (which she badly needed) also had her hair attended to after a lot of persuasion. She never could get her to do before.

I wonder if I might trouble you to send me my quarter's money on pay day \$4-10-00 (in a post office order) as I have had to buy a new trunk, so am short



and although I have my  
bank book, thought as it  
was so near pay day  
I would not draw out?  
If not troubling you too  
much I should be glad  
to please send to this address  
as I don't know where I  
shall be next week.

With kindest regards.

Believe me

● Yours very sincerely  
A. M. Hale.

And although I knew  
she would be alright,  
I was glad to think he  
was going earlier.

I am to go up to Victoria  
Station on Monday at  
midday unless I hear  
to the contrary & either  
go back to Eastbourne  
or meet them in London.  
I expect it will be the  
latter as the bedroom  
business will stop me going



and even went so far as to  
buy a lovely evening blouse  
for herself yesterday, & on  
Tuesday last had her hair  
attended to, a thing I have been  
on to her for months about  
and she would never go to  
a shop to have it done, so  
I think she must be taking  
more interest in life to have  
done these two things.  
She seems rather down  
in the dumps this morning  
but that is the after effects  
of the new blouse, no doubt,  
and she will recover later

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"Queen's, Eastbourne."

Telephone No. 2.

C. F. BAUERMISTER  
MANAGER

March 22<sup>nd</sup> 1907.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

I don't suppose  
you will have heard that  
we came down here last  
Saturday, without Miss Halliday  
has seen you?

Mr. Mc Cowan came up to



London last Saturday morn-  
ing about 8-30 A. M. (having  
traveled all night from  
Glasgow) on purpose to take  
us down South somewhere  
and after a very long and  
heated discussion, Mr. McE.  
came to the conclusion she  
would come to Eastbourne  
it being nearer to London  
than the other places men-  
tioned. She seemed to en-  
joy herself till Sunday  
evening, when Mr. McE. was

left; she was simply horrid  
to me the whole time he was  
here, & did not like him to  
speak to me at all, which  
of course he did! On the  
Monday she turned round  
and was quite different  
to me, but I had given her  
a good round talking to  
first thing that morning  
so suppose that had had  
some effect on her!  
She has been better on the  
whole since leaving town,



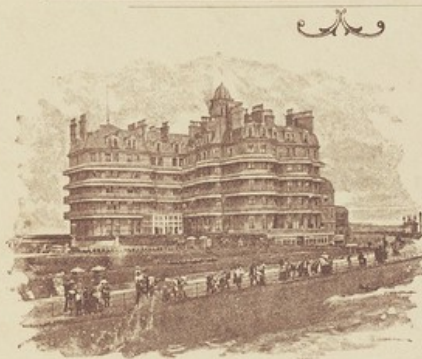
on being back in York then.  
It seems ages since I left,  
and it will be very nice to  
be back and in full swing  
once more for time goes  
twice as quickly then!  
Have you good news of  
Miss Thomasson?

With love to Mrs Pierce &  
Miss Hamilton also Edmund  
and with kind regards to  
yourself.

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,  
Hilda M. Hale.

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on in the day.

The weather has been lovely  
ever since we came the  
sun very hot, but the wind  
is of course very cold still  
which makes it rather  
treacherous to sit out, but  
the people all seem to



and we have done likewise with the result of my getting a bad sore throat on Wednesday, and as it was worse had a day in bed yesterday to see if it would do good, and am glad to say it is better a good deal & I am up again. Mrs. McCowan was kindness itself, and wanted me to see a doctor but I would not, so she went off to the chemists and came back with a

bottle of gargle which I have found has done good. She drove to Pevensey in the afternoon on a char-à-banc & seemed to have enjoyed it very much. Mr. McCowan said when here that he hoped I would stay till May 1<sup>st</sup> when he had promised his wife to come to her (if she was not home before then) & travel about with her, so I suppose I can reckon



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CRANSTON'S KENILWORTH HOTEL,  
GREAT RUSSELL STREET, W.C.

London, Feb 3 1884 1907.

Telegrams: "Everyone." Telephone: 3309 Gerrard.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

I was very glad to get your letters, also one from Mrs Pierce, will you please thank her for writing to me also for sending yours. I did not get them till Monday (I think it was) as they were sent to Brighton before Mrs Mackenzie got my wire to say we had left that afternoon (Friday) for London, so they had to go back to her & then on here, so that I got your second letter nearly as soon!

Also CRANSTON'S WAVERLEY HOTEL, Southampton Row, W.C. (Telegrams: "Robson.")  
CRANSTON'S IVANHOE HOTEL, Bloomsbury Street, W.C. (Telegrams: "Giantlet.")  
AND  
In correspondence with CRANSTON'S WAVERLEY HOTELS, Edinburgh.



It is very nice to feel Mr. McCowan  
is satisfied with what I am doing  
for his wife, and I only wish I  
were as satisfied, for I feel  
dreadfully disappointed about  
her, she is just the same as  
she ever was at the Retreat; in  
fact she was under more control  
there, there she has her own way  
to a great extent. I certainly  
think my being with <sup>her</sup> does make  
her exert herself, also control  
herself to a certain degree, & that  
she would be much worse if left  
alone, of course this is what she  
is always telling me, <sup>she wants to be left alone</sup> only in  
different ways. When she is in  
a nice mood she puts it on the  
plea of my life being sacrificed  
& wasted on her, & when in one of  
her nasty moods, she says she  
cannot bear me near her etc. etc.



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GREAT RUSSELL STREET, W.C.

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and afterwards is very sorry  
she has said so.

Whatever I say to her she only  
tells me the same old story  
about "living in under a lie  
& nothing good can come of  
a lie" so now I don't argue  
with her when she starts  
upon that subject; I tell her  
we shall never agree upon it  
& so it is no good discussing  
it. She has done her very best  
to get me to say I believe it  
is the "Devil" & that there is  
nothing wrong with her  
brain, it seems as if she would  
not mind half as much if  
she could only get one other  
person to believe what she does.

Also CRANSTON'S WAVERLEY HOTEL, Southampton Row, W.C. (Telegrams: "Robart.")  
CRANSTON'S IVANHOE HOTEL, Bloomsbury Street, W.C. (Telegrams: "Gauntlett.")

AND  
In correspondence with CRANSTON'S WAVERLEY HOTELS, Edinburgh.



If change of hotels would do her good she ought to be cured. as this is the fourth she has been in in London & one at Brighton. This is a wonderfully cheap hotel & very clean & comfortable very much after the style of the Kingsley. Thank you so much for giving me the addresses of those two doctors. I will keep them, but trust not to need them.

Mrs. McCowan says she cannot go on any longer after this week she must end it up, by that she means go to Glasgow, & when I say "what good can that do" she says "she is sick to death of the whole thing & feels as if she wd. break down & cannot do it here." She says she has written to tell her husband so, & she hears each day from him. I do feel sorry for him and



CRANSTON'S KENILWORTH HOTEL,  
GREAT RUSSELL STREET, W.C.

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if it is any relief or comfort  
to him my being with his  
wife I will gladly do it; and  
I believe his wife is really  
glad to have me, although  
she is so queer about it at  
other times she is just as  
nice. It is the fact of my be-  
ing at the Retreat & of my  
being here to look after her  
in a way, that is what she  
resents when as she says  
there is no need for it!

I heard from Kate on Tuesday  
she had been at Scarborough  
for the week end she said  
to see if the change would

Also CRANSTON'S WAVERLEY HOTEL, Southampton Row, W.C. (Telegrams: "Robart.")  
CRANSTON'S IVANHOE HOTEL, Bloomsbury Street, W.C. (Telegrams: "Gaullel.")  
In correspondence with CRANSTON'S WAVERLEY HOTELS, Edinburgh.



do her cold good, I hope it has  
+ that she feels better? She gave  
a very poor account of old  
Mr. Stephens who seems to be  
breaking up fast.

Do you think that Mrs. McPown  
may go on like this for some  
time or do you think she might  
be better anytime, she says  
she has been like this for 22  
months now, no change?  
With kindest regards

Believe me

Yours sincerely

Hilda M. Hale.

P.S. Have had no letters from  
Dr. Yellowlees for three weeks  
now, think he must be ill.



6 ALBERT GATE  
GLASGOW.

Jan 23.07

My Dear Rene

That a very good & detailed report from Miss Hale - good as a report I mean, and good as regards its subject.

I wrote to the nurse saying that they were not tied to London and if we were was tired of it there was plenty of scope in South England from Dover to London and - where they could move about. W. We wrote the same thing to his wife; - but he telephoned <sup>me</sup> this morning

that he had got a letter  
saying she was "coming  
home on Thursday"!

Of course I said I was  
out of the question that  
she was not well enough  
— with which he fully  
agrees.

Her letter was  
written before she had got  
his suggestion about  
leaving — so I hope she  
will think better of it.

Yours always  
O. J. C. O. C.

Love to the circle I was very  
glad that Mrs. Pierce liked the  
quaint little tapestry. Would  
rather if I sent some more of  
the Danish line.

I hope Miss Hamilton's  
improves. There is  
some better weather com-  
ing, says the boys. Don't  
let them go home to  
get it. How is the mitiga-  
-tion of bad health or bad  
weather



have to go off & leave her in God's hands. I waited for over an hour before she came to me in the reading room, then she had calmed down & said she was going into the City to meet her husband & see him off, & would I meet her at Piccadilly Circus at a stated time for lunch, so I did & after that we returned to the Great Western Hotel, (where we had moved to on the Sat morning from St. Pancras) & she packed her box & we came down here. She has never ceased to grumble ever since, says it has been the worst step yet & that she never ought to see her husband as she always promises to do things which

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BEDFORD HOTEL,  
BRIGHTON.

TELEPHONES: { NATIONAL 43.  
                  { MUNICIPAL 340.

Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> /07.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

As I told you through the telephone on Saturday evening that I would write you when we got to Brighton or wherever we were going I am doing so but there is very little to tell!

Mr. Mr. Cowan arrived earlier than we first expected, getting to London at 8 o'clock instead of 10-20, as he at first said



he was doing, so that I got off  
to Ealing about 9 o'clock, after  
a somewhat stormy interview  
between the husband & wife,  
all because he wanted her to  
come South for a week or two  
while he got rooms or a house  
ready for her to come to at  
Edinboro'. I knew she would  
not decide while I was in the  
room, so I asked if I might  
go & if they would send me  
word what they had decided  
upon, & when they wanted me

back, so Mr. Mc. Cowan said  
he really wanted to go back  
on Sunday night, but Mr. Mc.  
begged him to stay till the  
Monday, so he asked me to be  
back by 10 on the Mon. morning  
which I did.

When I got back again she was  
upset again & would not let  
me speak to her husband or  
he to me about herself, it was  
most unsatisfactory, he se-  
-ed at his wife's end & said as  
he left me, that "his wife did  
not want anyone of us, or to  
do anything that they wanted  
her to do, but that he would



week.

● I heard from Kate yesterday she said she had had a lovely day on Friday last at Leeds & Bramley & that Miss Himsdale had so much enjoyed her little "outing" also that your rooms were lovely!

I don't think it is any good any-  
one writing here as I expect she  
● will leave tomorrow, as I am  
giving Mrs Mackenzie's address  
22. Woodfield ~~Place~~ Avenue,  
Ealing. W. & she sends them  
on to me when I let her know  
where we are, would you mind  
giving this address to Sister Phoebe

as there may be some letters coming next week for me to the  
Refugeat. With kindest regards, believe me & yours sincerely  
J. M. Hale.

BEDFORD HOTEL,  
BRIGHTON.

TELEPHONES: { NATIONAL 43.  
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are quite wrong) when she  
sees him! She declares she  
will leave here tomorrow  
& go back to London where  
there is something to do &  
see & there is nothing here.  
she does not seem content  
to just walk about, & hates  
the sea she says in winter.  
She does not want to go to  
Edinboro', infact what she  
wants is to go to Glasgow



have a grand burst-up as  
she expresses it, or stay in  
London alone, which her  
husband told her he could  
not allow, she says she  
hates the idea of wasting  
another person's life, it is  
bad enough her own, but  
what I think it really is,  
she does not like to think  
that anyone is watching her  
& knowing what she does  
& where she goes, whenever she

has had an extra bad  
display of temper, she is  
much nicer, so I don't al-  
together dread the outbreaks  
like I used to!

I don't know how it is that  
Dr Yellowlees did not write  
to me last week, & as I did  
not hear from him & as  
Dr McCowan was coming  
down, I did not write to him  
last ~~was~~ Friday as usual,  
but will do so on Friday this



but came back at 6 o'clock  
 & went off to bed early & so  
 hope it will be better to-mor-  
 row. Mrs. Mrs. Cowan went  
 out at 1 o'clock & would go  
 to see her married sister  
 (who is at the Carlton Hotel,  
 I expect, but she has not come  
 back yet 4-30. She still keeps  
 the same, hardly speaks some  
 days about ordinary topics,  
 & does not feel inclined to leave  
 London, but perhaps Mr. Mr. C.  
 will persuade her to go South.  
 I hope you & Miss Hamilton  
 are feeling stronger & that  
 Mrs. Pierce & Edmund are well.  
 With kindest regards.  
 from H. M. Hale.

TELEGRAMS: "MIDOTEL"  
 TELEPHONE 4199 GERRARD.

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MIDLAND GRAND HOTEL,  
 LONDON, N.W.

Feb 5/3. 1907



MIDLAND GRAND, LONDON.  
 MIDLAND, MANCHESTER.  
 ADELPHI, LIVERPOOL.

MIDLAND HOTELS.

QUEEN'S, LEEDS.  
 MIDLAND, BRADFORD.  
 MIDLAND, DERBY.

MORECAMBE.  
 HEYSHAM, ETC.

W. TOWLE,  
 MANAGER MIDLAND HOTELS, ETC.

Dear Dr. Pierce

Mrs. Mrs. Cowan  
 told me that her husband  
 was talking of coming up  
 for the week end on Friday  
 or Saturday, but she did  
 not want him under  
 the circumstances, so  
 I said "Oh! don't let me  
 stand in the way of his



coming I will go off to my friends" she did not say anything more except that she "did not want him or anyone in fact;" but as she always says that I took it for what it was worth, & told her that if she did not want to see Mr. Mr. Cowan

perhaps he did her!  
So I thought I would just write & tell you, & ask if it would be alright for me to go to Ealing for the week end if Mr. Mr. Cowan should come up?

I am staying in all day today as I have such a heavy cold, I got it worse yesterday I think standing in the damp to see the King & Queen on their way to open parliament;



to return to the Retreat  
for a little longer.

Would you kindly  
send me a wire to  
the club tomorrow  
forenoon if you approve.  
Should I not hear from  
you, I will understand  
that my proposal  
falls to the ground,  
& you need not trouble  
writing as I know  
your time is precious.  
Trusting your  
cold is better

Yours faithfully  
David McCorquodale

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David McCorquodale -  
Bathurst  
trip did good hope  
you will come tomorrow  
but bad cold  
renders visit  
London doubtful

WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

1861  
27 Dec. 06

Dear Mr. Pierce,

I have just  
been thinking that  
if my wife has  
been the better of  
the week end in  
London, & you thoroughly  
approved, I might  
take her wh again on  
Sat. eve. & return  
on Wed. day forenoon  
thus getting over



New Year day in  
a kind of enjoyable  
way. I only make  
this suggestion if  
you thought it  
would help things.

If on the contrary  
you thought it  
might unsettle  
her, I would of  
course rather not  
come, & just carry

out the original  
arrangement & spend  
Monday evening &  
Tuesday with her  
at York.

I am sending  
my wife a line  
today, but not  
mentioning any  
thing about the first  
proposal as above.

Of course if you  
would <sup>prefer</sup> to have it  
arranged that she was



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WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

19 Dec. '06

Dear Mr. Pierce,

I was purposing  
spending Christmas  
with my wife, if  
you approved, &  
could arrive on  
Sat. evening. Please  
do not trouble  
to answer this  
unless you deem



it advisable for  
me not to come.

With every good  
wish to you & yours  
for a merry time  
& happy New Year

Yours very faithfully

David McCavay



as well as to  
the other who  
were kind to  
my wife.

Yours very faithfully,  
D. W. Corrao

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WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

14 Jan. '07

Dear Dr. Pierce,  
Just a line  
to say that we got  
up safely last  
night, & I think  
Mr. M. stood the  
journey well.  
Now that  
she has got to

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Louisa, I hope she  
will not get  
unsettled & want  
a change.

I hope Miss Hal.  
will keep you  
advised, & if any  
difficulty arises  
communicate  
early with you

I saw Dr. N. this  
afternoon & told him  
all I knew.

His idea is that  
altho' she has  
more control of herself  
still the idea is  
strong as ever. I hope  
not.

I was sorry I  
did not get saying  
good bye to Mr. Pierce



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6 ALBERT GATE  
GLASGOW.

Evening. 07.

My dear friend  
as always

W. M. C. will never  
admit that she was 'insane'  
She did admit to me that  
she has often lost self control  
in consequence of her con-  
-victions as to the moral.  
-law in which she was held  
and that means more  
than she knows.

If she will <sup>tolerate</sup> go with your  
nurse I sh<sup>d</sup> feel more comfort-  
-able than if they found a  
relative; I hope she may  
agree best, but I will be with



Reluctance if she agrees  
at all.

I have said as above  
to her husband who has  
not been talking to me

He spoke of asking if he  
might run up on Saturday  
& put it before her. If he  
goes she will want him to go  
up with her but he sh  
not

[ His uncle was  
overworked in his last  
absence (he is 81) and so  
it after it that he has  
not been out of doors since  
- This bit for you only. ]

I suppose you would  
see your aunt about S.J.  
You would always say

Of course you w<sup>d</sup> warn  
the nurse abt her idea  
of "hiding in London" - for  
her betterness is more  
outward than real. I get.

WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

9 Jan 07.

Dear Dr. Pierce

I am very  
much obliged by your  
letter of y' day &  
think your proposal  
a most excellent one,  
& value it very much.  
I am writing Mr.  
Webb today recom-  
mending that  
your proposal should  
be accepted, & I  
hope all will go  
well.



Dr. H. Andrews

the course.

Yours very faithfully  
Geo. McCombs

WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

7 Jan. 07.

Dear Dr. Peirce,

This is  
merely to inform  
you that Miss Balcan  
is not available, & I  
am sending to my wife  
her reply. I have asked  
Her. Wob. if she has  
any one to suggest, &  
perhaps you might  
discuss the subject  
with her, & be of help.

Enclose her last  
letter which is quite



Let her do self.

Destroy it, & do not  
trouble to answer this

Yours very truly

Geo. W. Brown

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WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

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28 Dec 06

✓  
Dear Dr. Pierce,

I was  
very much obliged  
by your wire &  
pleased to know  
that my visit  
had done good.

I hear this  
afternoon there is  
a snow storm in



London, & a friend  
who was coming  
North was not  
able to reach Boston  
on account of the  
snow.

If my wife  
is still colder  
it might be  
risky going South.

However I  
will come on  
tomorrow due

York at 6.44, & if  
my wife does not  
meet me at the  
Station, I will  
just come on to  
East. Villa

Yours very faithfully  
D. McKim

You can destroy  
the enclosed after  
perusal.

(1036)  
6 ALBERT GATE  
GLASGOW.

Sunday Dec 16.00.

My dear S. Pierce

I got home  
last night after 11 o'clock  
having travelled from  
South Devon since 9.10 am

The ground was white  
with snow for a great  
part of the way - deepest  
about Cheltenham I  
think.

I travelled via  
Bristol as you suggested &  
liked the route. It also  
enabled me to start about  
two hours later - which



Something in December.

I had a most pleasant week and enjoyed it all - especially, I need not say, the time at the Rehearsal; but you have got into a bad habit of making me "talk" there.

Has poor Mr. Wee been in any degree the better for all my talk with her? - I sadly fear not. Tell me when you have time.

I found here a committee who have the Secretary of the Royal Canine to say that they had already

arranged for all the witnesses the purpose to call. There is no doubt that Clouston will say very much what I would have said.

Please give my love to all your home circle & warmest thanks for all the kindness they show me - down even to the parcel!!

Yours always  
Speerowles

can be easily followed  
from cars see your way  
to the meeting.

Yours always  
D. J. Brown

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6 ALBERT GATE  
GLASGOW.

Dec 5. 06

My Dear Friend

Yours - crossing  
mine. most welcome.

I learned that the Council  
were to issue Rules forthwith  
which will make the English  
Bagalong and now I  
rejoice greatly that it has  
been done!

It is a  
triumph for our cause  
a full vindication &  
reward.

The other  
will follow by & by.

I strongly agree with  
you that with all the



to send copies far & wide  
some to the Scottish Church  
Council - to our colonies  
& to America

Meanwhile I'm going  
to ask a copy from them  
for myself. But as  
members of the "State  
Comm." we might send  
a letter expressing our  
thanks & suggesting  
a wide distribution.

Now about ourselves.  
- many thanks for your  
cordial invitations in  
your foldings! If you

can see your way to  
run up to the meeting  
I will come via Harrogate  
to York arriving - I all  
go well at 6.32 on  
Monday & we will go  
up together next day mor-  
-ning (preferably at 9.50  
and reaches <sup>London</sup> half an hour  
sooner than the 10.7)

If you find that other  
engagements prevent your  
coming to London I will go  
on there from Leeds or Har-  
rogate direct. A message on  
my way back to Scotland.

I am to stay with Mary  
Smith & he rather expects  
me on Monday but that

your kind invitation  
that all we with a  
benignance if I take  
you & you both going  
& returning! Only  
I will make you  
come to the wedding  
I'll take the risk of seem-  
ing to find myself on  
you!

Will you come?  
all best regards to  
the dear circle

Yours ever  
D. J. C. C.

(983)

6 ALBERT GATE  
GLASGOW.

Dec 4. 56.

My dear & dear

I have not had a talk  
with Mr. Mc. He seemed  
to think that if there  
was any change it is for  
the better.

I was  
exceedingly glad to hear  
that she had begun to  
do some benevolent  
work with Miss Ham-  
-ilton.

But why my  
dear fellow are not



you going to the  
Lebanon meeting  
on the 11<sup>th</sup>. I'm  
sure if I go you  
might.

I see there is a train  
(Great Northern) at 10.7  
which gets you to London  
at 2.20 and a train  
from London at 5.30  
which brings you back  
to York at 9.5.

Will it induce you to  
come if I came to  
York via Harrogate  
on Monday night & go

up with you! It would  
be very pleasant to  
travel together.

U.W. - not give us  
much time for us  
we should have  
- tended to see her till  
my return but I & P  
manage this plan  
which will be a return  
ticket to Harrogate &  
home via Leeds as  
usual - getting like  
you a return from  
York to London

It looks like accepting

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30 Nov. 06 (967)

WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

I recd. the enclosed letter this morn. from my wife, & showed it to Dr. V. who thought it was written in the frame of mind he wished to see my wife in, & he was pleased with it. He said it was the best sign he had seen for long. & that



if she could just realize  
her illness she could  
begin to mend. I asked  
Dr. Y. if he thought  
I should this  
week end at East  
Vills if agreeable to you.  
she said he thought  
my doing so would  
do my wife good.

Unless I hear from  
you by wire to the  
above address to the  
Contrary in the morning

I shall just come on  
by the 1 pm train due at  
6.40. in the hope  
that I am not  
inconveniencing you.  
Dr. Y. hopes to visit  
you about the 12<sup>th</sup> Dec.  
either on his way to  
or from London.

I have written my  
wife to say that I  
purpose being with  
her tomorrow evening  
unless I hear from you.  
Kindly destroy her letter  
Yours very faithfully,  
Dorothea

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6 ALBERT GATE  
GLASGOW.

Nov 21 1896

My dear Ferece.

Will you please give this to Mrs Mac. after perusal.

The straight way is the only one with her I am sure

I hope it won't make her suicidal I am sure that is the thought of the back of her mind You will not need for further precautions

I always have the feel-  
ing that if she had a  
good nerve attack and had  
to be treated as an ordinary  
asylum patient I might



bring a bundle her reasoning  
— of, & that the difficulty,  
deobay all like of Reasoning,  
I am not helped yet

Revered  
Bye-bye

It's rather a wonder  
some of our opponents did  
not try to make mischief  
while the papers were  
on the table before Parks  
went.

I do hope they  
will enjoy the Register  
& the talks will follow.

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WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

8. 11. 06

Dear Dr. Pierce,

Dr. Y. only  
returned from Aber-  
deenshire last night,  
I conversed with him  
thro' the telephone.

He says he is not  
going to London for  
the meeting you  
referred to. As will  
not be able to see  
Mrs. Hol. He was  
going to write her



today to try & interest  
himself in things.

After you left on  
Monday evening we  
got on remarkably well.  
in fact I was quite  
cheered.

Spent my wife's  
time today. but so far  
have not heard  
from her. I expect to  
hear tomorrow.

Yours very faithfully  
D. W. Caraway

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WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

(730)  
25. 9. 06

Dear Dr. Pierce

I hope you  
all feel the better  
of your trip to  
Wales.

I trust you  
have a good  
report to give  
me of Mrs. Wot.  
1<sup>st</sup> lect. is



the anniversary of  
our wedding; Mr.  
Web hopes she will  
be able to join  
me here. So do I  
truly, but I fear  
it will not be.

Have you any  
objections to my  
coming to you on  
Saturday evening.  
I would rather not  
come if you thought  
in my wife's interest  
it was better not  
to come.

I have written her  
by this mail that  
I am asking your  
permission, to please  
let her know what  
you decide

Yours very faithfully

David H. Cowan

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CORPORATION 2133

2 Augt.

WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

Many thanks  
for your kind letter.

I think perhaps on  
the whole it  
might be better  
for me not to  
come to York on  
Saturday.



So I have written  
my wife accordingly  
My mother has  
not been quite  
so well, so I will  
first go & see her  
in Dumfriesshire.  
Trusting that  
you may be able  
to give me a better  
repat ere long  
Yours very faithfully  
Robert Burns

that I found 3 or 4  
busy days in Glasgow  
last week already  
tiring! — The cold aspect  
of so much holiday

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TELEGRAMS:  
"CRAY - BLACKLUNANS."

CRAY HOUSE,  
GLENSHEE,  
BLAIRGOWRIE

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Sept. 16. 06

My Dear Renee

Your letter  
followed me here...  
where <sup>we</sup> are still taking  
advantage of all  
the reasonable weather  
for the highlands that  
still remains.

The accumulations  
must have been com-  
paratively recent for  
at the beginning of  
her illness when my



nurse was with  
her she was thorough  
by clears.

Certainly it is wise  
to get - synecologist  
to examine the doubtful  
condition. <sup>Harvey</sup>  
- as you do - that she  
was the remains of  
a little tear in parchment

I saw her husband  
on the 11<sup>th</sup> instant after  
a long interval. He  
seemed to see a little  
improvement in that  
he appeared to recognize  
that there was something

wrong - i.e. some  
clearing; - which she  
had strenuously &  
fervently denied <sup>previously</sup>. <sup>Possible</sup>  
clearing all this as  
- cumulation may  
help her

kindest regards - N  
to all your dear ones

Frederic

Speckles

Glad you've had a  
good holiday. Our  
surveys yet! and it  
has been so long

WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

3 July 1906

Dear Dr. Peirce,

It might  
interest you to read  
the 2 letters received  
today from my wife  
& just destroy them  
after perusal.

I have  
written her <sup>today</sup> to say  
that I will be  
only too glad to



Come & see her when  
ever you approve,  
& that she must  
try & earn my visit  
I cannot come this  
week end, as I  
am taking my  
two youngsters  
up to ~~the~~ Kybraikin  
Mts. on Friday

However I could  
come next Friday &  
stay till Monday  
evening. if you  
thought it wise

Yours very faithfully  
D. A. McCarroll

If they don't like our  
"Tables" they are not bound  
to take them but our  
Registers will soon be ob-  
ligatory I hope — and  
then the Tables will grad-  
ually follow!

all best to Mother & Reg,  
to you & yours

as ever  
D. P. P. P. P.

Thanks for samples of  
your paper. I do not  
make out the watermark  
— hence the request.

TELEGRAMS:  
"CRAY, BLACKLUNANS."

CRAY HOUSE,  
GLEN SHEE,  
BLAIRGOWRIE.

July 10 06,

My Dear D. P. P.

Many thanks for  
yours. I hope his  
visit may encourage A  
traveller, but I wish  
we could be more  
certain about his  
future.

I hope to go to the  
annual meeting. My  
feeling is that I should  
not see Mrs. W.B. on  
the way either going  
or returning, and that  
she had better be left



undisturbed in your  
hands. I do not  
intend to go to the  
Brit. Ass. meeting in  
York. We have  
friends staying with  
us here & I shall not  
prolong my absence  
more than I can help.

Of course if you  
think there will be any  
good and served by my  
travelling by York I  
can easily do so, — but  
my feeling is that the  
less fuss about her  
the better unless it  
will do her good.  
What do you think?

I think the "demand"  
of the Scotch Eastern Div<sup>n</sup>  
sh<sup>d</sup> be ruled "out of order"  
the question having  
been already decided  
our Am<sup>r</sup>: Mtg & the  
Court. reappointed ex  
pressly to be carried  
into operation.

I think we sh<sup>d</sup> not  
ask to be reappointed.  
The Regulators are formally  
accepted by the Council  
& their authority will  
establish them in every  
Ayerlyan without our  
intervention. That  
result is our reward  
as a Court, — for Scotland  
& Ireland must follow  
sooner or later, on more or  
less similar lines.



# Hôtel Mont-Rose

Alexandre Seiler & Frères  
Propriétaires

ZERMATT (VALAIS, SUISSE)  
Altitude : 1620 Mètres.

le 23 May 1906

Dear Dr. Mackenzie,

I am glad to say we have been getting on very well indeed since we left you.

My wife has just been like her old self taking quite an interest in every thing that goes on.

In the mornings before she gets up, I imagine she is sometimes a little depressed but if so she does not



give expression to her  
feelings.

We had two days  
sun at Chaumont  
last Saturday & Sunday  
but otherwise the  
weather is perfect

I trust you are having  
good news from Dr. Pease

Yours very faithfully,

David Chaumont



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Dear Mr. [illegible]

I have been

thinking of you very much

and hope you are well

and happy as usual

and that you are

enjoying your

vacation as much

as possible

I am very

truly yours

[illegible]

[illegible]

TELEGRAMS:  
"CRAY, BLACKLUNANS."

✓ CRAY HOUSE,  
GLENSHEE,  
BLAIRGOWRIE.

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left. ob.

My dear Theresa Your  
letter was a great relief.  
She had become quite  
unmanageable but it was  
the only wise course

No. she never was well,  
but had the decision in  
her mind all the time  
they were abroad, tho pained  
about it not to please  
her husband.

The Mesmerism idea is  
bad. I hope she will  
get over it. I am not  
sure that an acute man-  
iacal attack is not clear  
the air better than any  
thing — if we do only



be certain that she w  
come thro it without  
permanent damage.  
— but we <sup>cannot</sup> prescribe (as  
producers) acute mania is  
a means of cure.

My fear is that she  
might bolt for London & be  
lost in hiding there. With  
the freedom that you will  
give, I w<sup>d</sup> not advise that  
she should have much money.

I rejoice in your  
fine holiday & in all the  
good it has done you both.

Let us have a line at  
your convenience please.

Newington wants the  
Statistical Court, contin-  
ued & w<sup>d</sup> have no ask  
for this for another year.

I distinctly dislike the  
idea & w<sup>d</sup> much rather  
wind up in July. What  
thank you?

As ever  
Differences

Kindest regards to your  
Circle. We are - barring  
the headaches - all well, and  
fine friends with no enhance  
and happiness.

P/ Send me a spare sheet  
of your letter paper when  
you write with the water  
mark. I like its smooth  
unplayed surface.

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6 ALBERT GATE  
GLASGOW.

May 6. 06

My dear Dr. Pierce

I don't know whether  
this will reach you before  
we meet tomorrow.

Edw. arrive 2.20  
and must leave at 4.35

If I could have a  
talk with her at the  
Hotel & then with you  
there at say 3.20 we  
could talk to her to-  
gether afterwards

This is assuming  
that you can come in  
to York. If you can't



on your last day we  
starting I will come  
out. Mr. McLowman  
is to meet me on ar-  
rival & will tell me  
what you have arranged  
as to this.

I have two directors  
meetings on Tuesday  
& am chairman at  
both so must return  
home on night.

Don't let me forget  
that I have to speak to  
you about another patient  
whom I w<sup>d</sup> like you to  
take if you can.

Your plan of going  
to meet the storm is  
good but you miss  
the ripen glory of the  
autumn - & its grapes.

I hope you will have  
a very happy & successful  
trip.

Love to the Circle

As always  
P. J. Crowder

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6 ALBERT GATE  
GLASGOW.

mar. 22. 06

My dear Peter

McCowan has  
been here not now.  
He brought me a letter  
from his wife & read  
me one to himself.

I read him yours to  
me.

He both agree  
with you that 'something  
must be done' and  
without delay — if well  
accepted on her part  
then she must be  
certified

We propose to go to



York tomorrow evening  
(Friday) arriving at  
11 pm. Sleep at the Sla  
von Hotel & come out  
to you after breakfast.

I shall have to leave  
on Sat afternoon but  
he can stay longer

Yours always  
D. McCoules

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I still believe Mr. McIlwain will recover all right. The question is what is the history of previous?

Revulsion & homesickness  
surroundings & wants away  
at all costs. Last in  
the least possible to send  
her to your dear brother's  
house with two nurses ??  
She won't feel it to be an Assyrian.  
She makes the very worst  
of everything to her poor husband,  
I am very sorry for them both.

Would it do her any  
good at all if I were to run  
up to see her again? I am  
truly sorry for them.

I'm going to send her  
line to see her husband  
writing.

I'm not  
sure that a good manna  
might not do good & help  
her recovery.

I am drafting this letter in the form of a card - but I can't  
I hope you will come soon - I am  
I carefully review the situation.  
I don't know what to say.

I hope to take a run  
to Tenerife next month  
- a little family party

Our last Div. Meeting  
comes on on the 23<sup>rd</sup>  
I hope we may get the  
delegation motion deleted

All our kindest  
feelings to you all

Yours always  
D. Speer

information - she will be interested  
attempt to understand  
any, + really any  
is distressed at sign of  
is possible. When a person  
is not happy as what  
condition there if it would be best to let it go  
+ possibly prevent me to thoroughly tell to see the  
I can't say. If the words come, see her again  
Also in although the copy of the book the phone  
in his many other  
that doesn't mean to say what she really  
to be used to help her. although she says quite naturally  
I certainly think correct mind - I am - free  
be a reward for the great work  
I don't know what to say.



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11/3 1906

Dear Dr. Pierce,

I was sorry I did not see you tonight, but as the weather was so stormy when I left my wife I just kept the cab & came back to the Hotel.

On the whole I think Mr. W.B. is a shade

better, not quite so 190  
opinionative, & was talking quite freely about the children, & how delighted they would have been if she had come home with me.

I think she feels being so closely watched & kept under lock & key as if in a prison, so when you think it prudent you it might be worth trying a little relaxation in that line but you know best. I told her my return was dependent on what benefit she derived from this visit



A motor drive 2 days  
awoke might help sleep.

Yours very faithfully  
David Holman

19 Feb. 06  
WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

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Dear Dr. Pierce

I am obliged  
by your letter of  
16<sup>th</sup> inst. & trust you  
may be able to  
give me a good  
reply ere long

I understand  
Dr. V. goes South on  
Wednesday & will  
see her Ht. on Saty  
morning



Kindly arrange to have  
the goose room for  
Mr. Del.

I take this opportunity  
of sending you further  
£50 to Mr.

I am not anxious  
to come to York till  
you think it is  
prudent.

Yours very faithfully.

David McCoram

30<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 77

WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

Dear Sir,

Referring to  
your letter of 17<sup>th</sup>  
my reply of 18<sup>th</sup>  
inst. I hope you have  
now got back feeling  
the better of your  
change.

Be so good as  
say if you think  
I should take a run  
up to York on 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan'y  
or would it be better  
for me to postpone  
my visit till later.

You might  
let Mrs. McEwan  
know what you decide.



Yours faithfully  
David McCarry

Dr. Belfast Press

some little time and  
after the birth of her  
first child: it was also  
melancholic & despairing  
in type but she did not  
seem herself deeply possessed  
and amid all her self  
accusation & deprecation  
never spoke of any mas-  
-turbation in girlhood  
which is the bag in which  
she hangs all her horror  
room now.

There  
is possibly truth in her  
confession but its effects  
are wild imaginations as  
she asserts them.

Let me leave alone  
when you have "had it  
out" with her. She is  
terribly handicapped poor  
soul by having had her  
own way all her life.

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6 ALBERT GATE  
GLASGOW.

Feb 2. 06

My dear & Dear

Mr McCowan came  
to see me last evening  
utterly distressed & un-  
-happy about his wife  
& by her letters. He  
told me that he had  
got your permission to  
go to see her this week  
end — but his own  
tone is so far from  
firm that I feel sure  
he w<sup>d</sup>. be utterly upset  
by her entreaties & w<sup>d</sup>ght



might possibly even  
yield to them; and  
I thought you would  
not mind if I advised  
him to wait a little  
longer before he availed  
himself of your per-  
-mission

He is in a peculiar-  
ly difficult position  
at this moment. He  
& his uncle are the  
sole partners in a marine  
insurance & shipbroking  
office. His uncle is  
nearly 80 and his neph.

. now is the more needed  
— so a breakdown in  
his health is the very  
serious

I had the life example  
in advising a delay of  
at least one week, or  
perhaps two that if  
it gave you more  
opportunity of personal  
dealing with her; as  
your lack of necessity  
been absent almost since  
she came.

I advised him to send  
you the letter <sup>how his wife wrote</sup> he read to  
me as a free revelation  
of her condition

Her first illness was

and perhaps that is God's way of changing this sad fate & making her a better woman than ever. She has 3 fine children & a very devoted husband - whom I suspect she rules.

They have been married nearly 15 years. She avows that she has no affection for either husband or children - which is not true.

I hope you are coming to Wakefield. - I should like you to be - I would like to see you on Saturday the day after the meeting on my way home.

I hope you & all the household are well now.

Yrs as always - Dy



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1<sup>st</sup> Feb. 08 (74

WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

My dear Sir,

I am obliged  
by your letter of  
y. day, which I  
showed to Dr. V. &  
he seems to think  
that it might be  
better for me to  
delay coming South  
for a week or so, &  
asked me to send  
you the enclosure too



letters which I got  
this morning from  
my wife, one of  
which she has  
arrived today. Of  
course I shall be  
delighted to come when  
you think Mr. Hob. will  
be the better of my  
visit. I have been  
writing pretty regularly  
& propose writing her  
perhaps twice a week.

I shall always  
be glad to hear from  
you when convenient

I have left Blackwood  
now, & my town address  
is 9 Park Circus Place  
Glasgow.

Yours very faithfully  
David Mc Cormick

I would like all  
my letters to come to  
the Western Club & they  
will be called  
for regularly

8<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1906

WESTERN CLUB,  
GLASGOW.

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Dr. Bedford Pierce  
York

Dear Sir,

I am obliged by  
your letter of 17<sup>th</sup> inst. &  
note the terms of board  
which is quite satisfactory  
When I saw

Dr. Mackenzie he said I  
might come see Mr.  
Hub. on 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb. & told  
Mrs. Hub. of this arrangement

In her letters to me  
she writes about my  
coming on that date & I  
will gladly come, but  
you must advise  
me whether you consider  
it prudent for me to  
do so, & that it will not  
unsettle her.

Yours faithfully,  
David M. Cunningham





Except pitifully & meagre only  
She is grey & 'livery' and  
tells her husband that the  
kidneys are all wrong. I  
told him that treatment was  
impossible unless she was  
under observation & control  
& that it was neither right  
for her, for him nor for me that  
this should go on.  
He has had a miserable  
time of worry & anxiety thro'  
out her illness.

I think she will recover  
under your care; — tho' I  
rather think that an actual  
committed suicide

Altho' I address this to you  
of course, I will go to Dr  
Wackenzie. He will do all  
that's right.

I omitted to say that her 'unforgiv-  
able sin' was masturbation in  
youth. She will not seek to con-  
ceal this fact I think. Yours ever  
I will write if any change of circumstances

6 ALBERT GATE  
GLASGOW.

Jan. 8. 06.

My Dear Dr Pierce

I do hope you are all  
enjoying it has been a deli-  
cious holiday time for you all!

This poor lady about whom  
I spoke to you before has at last  
convinced even her husband  
that she must go home to  
get well. I earnestly urged it  
some time ago.

I do not know whether she  
will agree to go as a voluntary  
so I will send a certificate of  
Emergency with her husband in  
case duress be used. Hope she  
may accept the position without  
it — but she is a strong willed  
powerful woman & has never  
been thwarted & knows not how  
to yield. A calamity indeed!



She had a similar  
attack about 14 years ago  
after the birth of her  
first child. It took  
two confinements since  
without any trouble

became depressed about  
spring of this year when  
furnishing a new house  
& had been somewhat upset  
by her father's death within  
a year before.

Intellectually that she is  
certain that she is now en-  
tirely handed over to the Evil  
one & cast off by God. She  
resents the idea of illness &  
says she wishes it were for  
them she believes it could  
help her. But no human  
being has ever been so utterly  
in Satan's power.

She strikes sticks & defies her  
nurses - for she needs no  
nurses - so that the nurses  
had to leave as she only in-  
jured her.

Now she is  
so exasperated & more depressed.  
- & in her despair she seri-  
ous if a good opportunity offered

She said to her husband that  
he had better put away his razors  
I have insisted that she  
must go either with her own  
consent or without it

She will need two nurses  
at first I suspected for a little  
and a night nurse. They  
can pay at the rate of £500  
a year; or even more if  
needed (£600)

Her husband brings  
her & they sh<sup>d</sup> arrive at York  
at 6.45 & drive straight out.

I have been trying to treat  
her but seldom see her &  
she will not take medicine

She is about 45 & approaches the climacteric