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47 Grosvenor Gardens
N.W.
London ~~W.C.~~
July 17. 10

Dear Sir

I shall feel obliged if you
will send me an
amended spec for Min EE
Peck. He left the Peck
on or about Feb 17th. If
you will send me the amount

due to that date - I will
New York Charge alone.

Memorandum
W. Fairbank
E. H. Beck

Let to Hampton
Cambridge

March 2, 1909

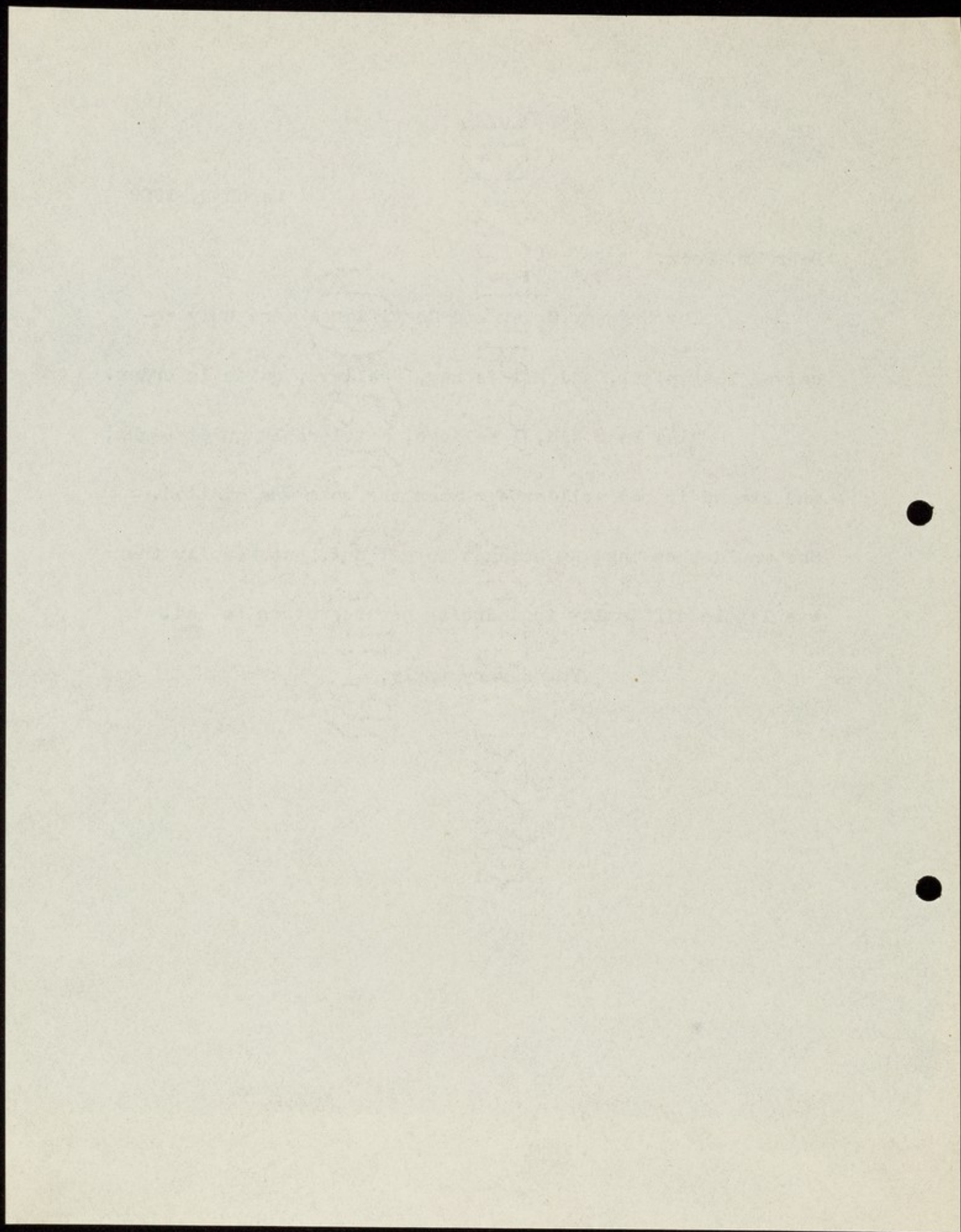
Dear Mr. Peck,

The Urgency Order and Certificate were duly received last night, and all is now, I believe, quite in order.

Miss Peck had, I believe, a tolerably quiet night, and stayed in bed well except when the room was visited.

She would then make an attempt to get out, but happily there was little difficulty in inducing her to return to bed.

Yours very truly,



I gladden to say that while
it has been in the your care

I hope that the change may
produce an improvement in
her very sad condition.

Dear Sir

Y^r faithful

Elbert.

59
12. Huntingdon Road
Cambridge. Feb 23. 10

Dear Maria:

I have made arrangements
with Dr. Gilman to receive
my sister at Sealeys Park. &
Yesterday received the
"Transfer from the
Commissioner". I am duly

signed them & am sending
them on to you as requested
by the Secretary General Commission

I shall esteem it a favor if you
will arrange with Dr. Johnson
as to the carrying through
the transfer. I shall also
feel obliged if you will
communicate with my

Iron. In Ru. And Red.

The Herp
Hamp & Wash-
ing顿

before arrangements are
definitely settled so that he may
have the opportunity of
accompanying me etc.

May make his opportunity of
the evening was for you kindness

Feb. 10, 1910

Miss Edith Emily Peck

Sir,

Miss Edith Emily Peck is still of unsound mind and is in a fit mental and bodily condition for transfer to another Asylum. She is not, I believe, suicidal, but is very resistive and refuses food, and occasionally strikes the nurses. The removal will not be very easy to effect, and I do not think two nurses will be sufficient. It is, however, in my judgment, quite a desirable step to take in the interests of the patient.

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

The Secretary

LUNACY COMMISSION,

66, Victoria Street, S.W.,

9th February 1901.

Sir,

I write, on behalf of the Commissioners in Lunacy, to inquire whether Miss Sarah Emily Peck is still insane, and in a fit mental and bodily condition for transfer to another Asylum.

Is this patient either suicidal or dangerous, or inclined to be so?

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

The Medical Officer

John Peck

W. Stanley

for the Secretary.

591
Dec 2. 1909
8, ST PAUL'S ROAD,
CAMBRIDGE.

Dear Alice.

Many thanks for your
letter. I am sorry to hear
such a poor account
of my sister. I have
made an application for her
admission into Bethlem
Hospital with her a poor
as I get a definite reply

Consul & Surge
advised me to get her
admitted into Bethlem of
Crew

Thanking you for your
attention to my poor sister

Yours

Respectfully

Wm. R.

St Pauls Road
Cambridge

Jan. 8, 1910

Dear Moore,

I am surprised Dr. Peck himself did not give you some information respecting his sister. I must confess she is not a desirable patient, though if you can take her we shall be very glad. There is also a reasonable hope that a change of surroundings will be beneficial.

She is a case of resistive melancholia and she refuses food so that regular feeding is required. She can be got to do nothing without muscular encouragement.

The prognosis is doubtful. She has been here since March 1st, 1909. I suspect, like so many patients of this kind, she is far more sensible than appears at first sight, though she has delusions as to the whereabouts of her relatives, often thinking that some of them are in the next room.

They pay us three guineas a week.

Yours very truly,

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OF THE
UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF
THE ARMY
WASHINGTON
D. C.

HOLLOWAY SANATORIUM,
VIRGINIA WATER.

Jan'y 7th 1889

Dear Peice

I have been
asked to admit a
sister of Dr. Peck of
Cambridge who is,
and stands, with you.
Please let me know
what you think of the
patient and if there

be very objectionable
features.

Kind regards

Yours sincerely

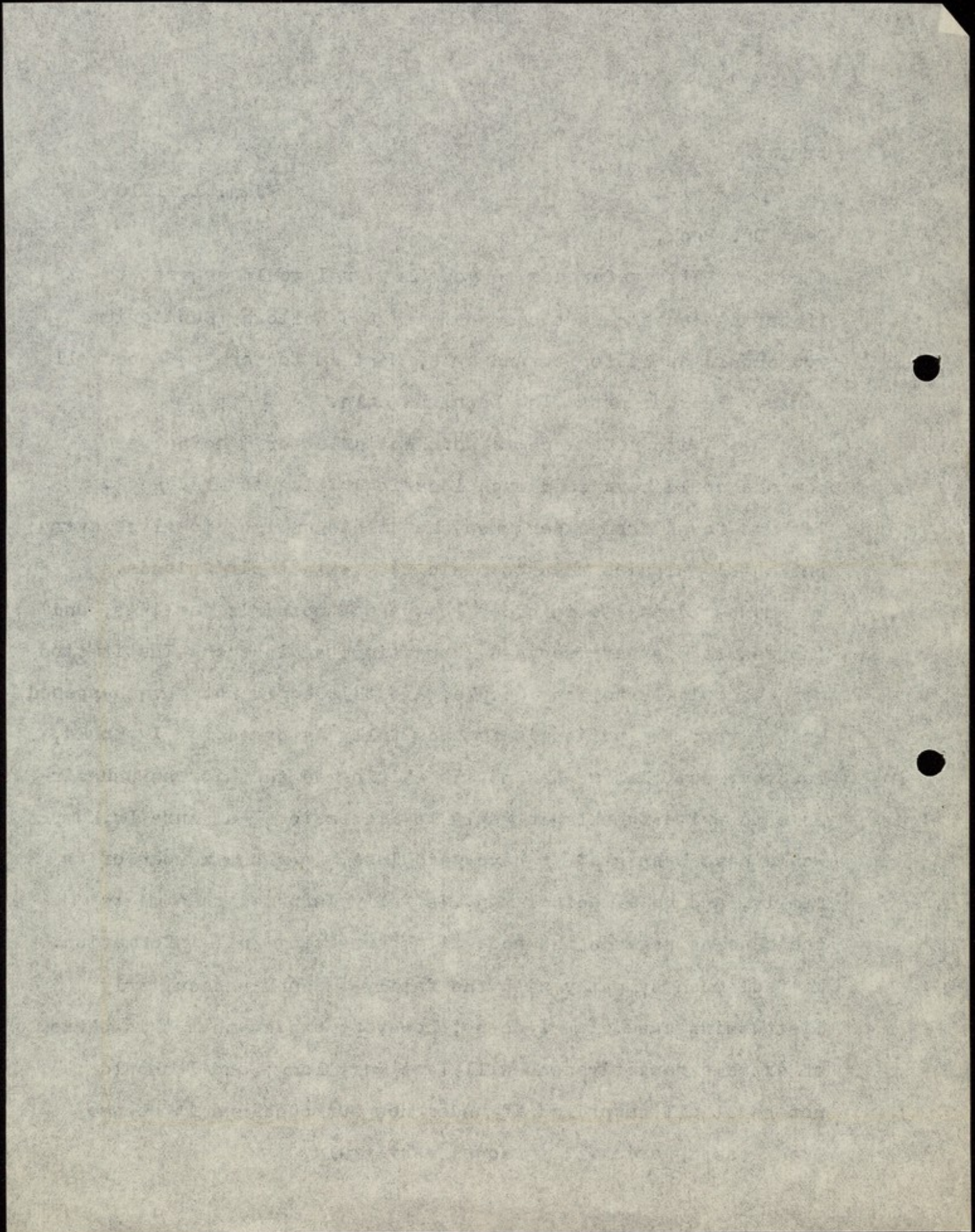
W. S. Moore

Jan. 1, 1910

Dear Dr. Peck,

With reference to your letter I would suggest that if arrangements cannot be made with the Holloway Sanatorium you should apply to St. Andrew's, Northampton or to Camberwell House, Peckham or to The Lawn, Lincoln.

With reference to ~~Dr. Kemp's~~ letter I do not see how she could have said much less in writing to Mrs. Peck. We have found from experience that it is unwise to gloss over patients' maladies when communicating with their friends. I remember doing so in order to spare a mother's feelings, and the result was very serious accusations against the Institution repeated widely to many people; and this could not have happened had we kept the patient's friends fully informed. I should, however, say that we had not been informed that it was undesirable to write frankly in reply to letters or I am sure Dr. Kemp would have been glad to have said less. As one member of the family, and he a medical man, is fully informed that meets the case as regards the necessity for giving full information. We feel much sympathy with the family in such a peculiarly distressing case. I do not, however, expect that this phase of extreme resistiveness will last very long; and I should not be at all surprised if under new surroundings it became much less apparent. Yours very truly,



12 Huntington Road
Cambridge. Dec 3.

Dear Alice.

I have seen Dr. Hyslop
and his Committee has
decided not to admit my
sister into Bethel Hospital, they
give no reason except that she
is not a fit case. I presume Dr.
Hyslop is like that he has
had some correspondence

with you.

I am going to apply to
Hollis's Institution for admission
for her & shall ask them to write back
for any information they may
require.

I know my sister is no
better. I cannot understand why
Dr. Hyslop thought it necessary to
enter into such minute detail as
to my sister's condition when

the writing table - finished
ago. I return to me the
to receive the letter for
such a letter, which caused my
more the greatest distress, she
is a very old lady & has had
liberally spent her all the
most distressing details of my
distress & all that.

I have my sister

with. Can it be recommended
any other place other than
Hollway if you is unable to
obtain admission for her there

Yours truly
Edmund Speck

TELEGRAPH,
"BETHLEM, LONDON."
TELEPHONE,
1483 HOP.
OFFICIAL LETTERS
TO BE ADDRESSED
"RESIDENT PHYSICIAN"

BETHLEM ROYAL HOSPITAL,
LONDON, S. E.

13 . Dec. 1909.

Dear Dr. Bedford Pierce,

From time to time we have sent one of our forms for medical particulars respecting Miss Edith Emily Peck. If you have filled them in and returned them to us I am afraid they have been mislaid. I should therefore be much obliged if you would fill in another one and let us know particulars because our Committee have accepted the patient provided she is medically suitable for us.

Yours faithfully,

W. H. Stoddart

*The Examiners' Rules have been duplicated.
I will send them Round in due course.*

(W. H. S.)

Enclosure

RESIDENT PHYSICIAN
TO THE HOSPITAL
GENERAL HOSPITAL
LONDON
ST. THOMAS'S HOSPITAL
LONDON

13. Dec. 1908.
LONDON, E.C.
ST. THOMAS'S HOSPITAL

Dear Dr. Bedford Pierce,

From time to time we have sent one of our forms for medical
particulars respecting Miss Edith Emily Cook. If you have filled
them in and returned them to me I am afraid they have been mislaid.
I should therefore be much obliged if you would fill in another
one and let us know particulars because our Committee have accepted
the patient provided she is medically suitable for us.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Cook

Mr. Edmund White has been informed
I will send him the case notes
Yours faithfully

Edmund White

Nov. 25, 1909

Dear Dr. Peck,

I think I ought to report that your sister has not materially improved. She has gained weight, looks better, and is decidedly stronger; but the persistent resistiveness and the necessity for forcible feeding continue just as bad as ever. The other night Dr. Kemp was summoned by the Night Nurse as Miss Peck was apparently a little faint. This was when she was quiet in bed. Dr. Kemp found her much as usual on arrival, but once before there has been a similar attack; and we understood Miss Peck to say that she has been troubled in this way before she came here.

I think I ought to tell you that the forcible feeding in this case is no easy matter and Miss Peck struggles against it to the utmost of her strength; Both Dr. Kemp and I think that with a possible tendency to faint this involves a certain amount of risk of which you should be aware. However there has been no sign of collapse so far, either before or after the feeding. There seems to be no other course possible but to continue as we have been doing; and I certainly think it not unlikely that, sooner or later, Miss Peck may recover in spite of this distressing condition.

I am not sure, however, that this might not be rendered more likely if she had an entire change of surroundings; but the effect of a change I think no one can foresee with any certainty.

Yours very truly,

2.12



July 20. 1917.

My dear Sir -
Pardon.

Dear Sir,

I have been in

attendance of you.

I shall feel much obliged
if you will let me have some
impression of my sister's present
condition.

Kindly advise me as

atms. I am here in Camp tent

Aug 8:

Wm

Proctor's

Edwards

3 (unofficial) Air Mail
Holt Finckley &
Los Angeles
June 18, 1954.

Dear Sir:

Under check value of \$47.11.

Which has been over looked. with
the kindly make me out and make.
The previous one has I am afraid
been mislaid. I have forwarded
to the White House away
from home.

Alman. Lyman
Edmund West

131
3 Churchfield Avenue
Rome, N. Y.
Dec 7. 1909.

Dear Dr. Kemp

Many thanks for your
letter. I will return the
certificate tomorrow. I
have been away from home
hence the delay.
I am sorry when such

a had account of my poor
Sister. She appears to have
been much worse since she
came to the Retreat. But I hope
that by this time she is
more settled.

Yours
Edmund

Yours
Edmund

Edmund

Mr. Peck.

8 St Pauls Road.
Cambridge.

Mr. Davis

52 Bedford Sq.
London. WC.

Mr. Peck.

14 Oakdale Road
Streatham
London SW.

Miss Peck

Rowley
Farnham.

Herrn H. J. Beck

Die Verräthe

Hampschweil-

Via Leed

8 St Pauls Road

Centerville. April 14.

Madam

I shall feel obliged if
you will let me have by
return post. The account
for clothing we purchased
for Mrs Beck at my mother's
request. Please make out
the acc. to the "Execution"

the late Langbeek."

Thanking you in anticipation

Yours

very

Edmund Beck

✓ 8 St Paul Road
Cambridge
Aug. 11. 1910.

Dear Dr. Pierce.

I regret to have to tell
you that our dear Father has
died somewhat suddenly.

Will you use your own
discretion, in which I have
the most implicit faith, as

If you think it wise to write Mrs. Will
gradually tell her as soon as you can
that the tragedy has befallen the Dearest
one - please to write.

Yours
Edw.

to whether my sister Edith
should be told at once or
whether she said then should
be postponed for the present

I am enclosing a letter for
Edith from my mother & you
know it well, after reading it,
hope it to her. Love with kindest
gives it her yourself.

I should also better in a future of you

would kindly let me know at the
same address how far Edith is.

Yours

Yours sincerely

Edmund & Julia

h.t.

Mch: 29.09.

HAMPSTHWAITE VICARAGE,
VIA LEEDS.

Dear Mr. Pierce.

Will you kindly let me know whether my sister has yet made sufficient progress - and been sufficiently amenable to discipline with regard to eating - to make it expedient for me to come & see her this week?

I think I could manage anyway, except Saturday, but am quite willing to postpone my visit longer if you advise me to do so.

Yours very truly
Herbert F. Peck.

HAMPSTHWAITE VICARAGE

VIA LEEDS

1894

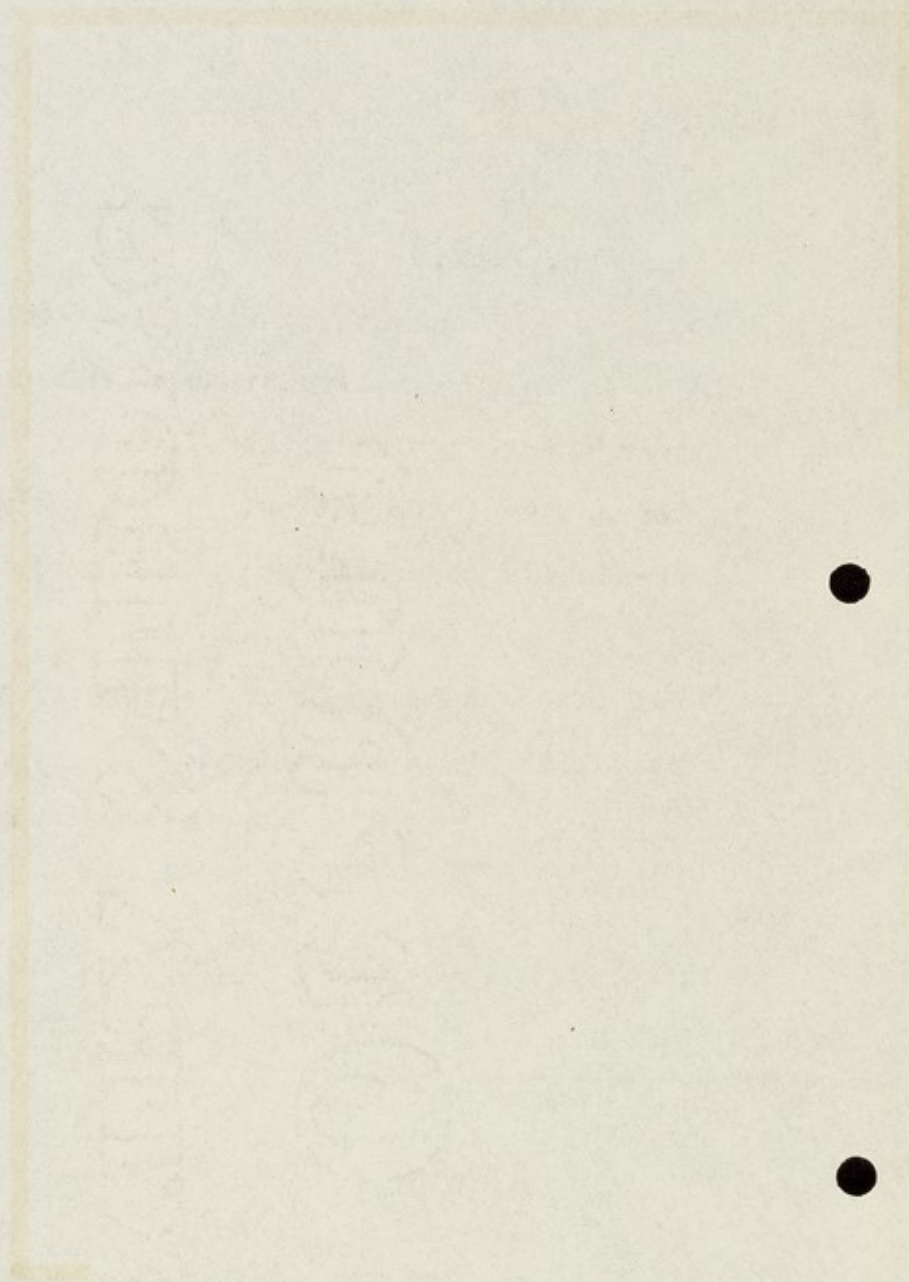
March 30, 1909

Dear Mr. Peck,

I cannot say that Miss Peck has greatly improved. She is in a resistive state of melancholia, objecting to everything, including her food, with apparently no connected thought upon the matter. We think she is improving physically somewhat, but she has to be fed regularly.

I fear you will find a visit a distressing occasion, but there seems to be no reason why you should not come and stay with her a short time.

Yours v ery truly,



✓
h. 12.

March: 22. 09.

HAMPSTHWAITE VICARAGE
VIA LEEDS.

Dear Dr. Pierce.

I had the enclosed note
this morning from my sister &
am sending her an open reply
herewith - in order that you may
see what has been said.

I will gladly come over when
you think it well for me to
do so.

Yours very truly
Herbert J. Peck.

HAMPSTHWAITE VICARAGE
VIA LEEDS

3 Churchfield Avenue

✓ North Tuckley. N.

Dec 11. 1909

Dear Dr. Reel

Many thanks for your letter.

I am extremely sorry the doctor

unable to see the Magistrate

order on Monday. I called upon

the Magistrate twice before

unable to get word of him.

Then again that I did not
realize that the rule must
be signed on Monday. Was
on the date of D. Arthur's cert.
Pach 3. or from that of James.

Please get the certificates
signed & return them to & I will
give a separate acknowledgment as
for as I know I have been at

home for some days. Now

I am very sorry to hear that
a bad report of my sister

• I do not think should be
any use for me to come up &
back to her. I do not want
to be in London & not
come on Saturday, or any

• home for Hampstead.

Come on Monday. I am a
letter from him today & I will
he says he will write back.
If he might come early
next week perhaps you would
send him a line. his address
Mr. Herbert Peck.

The Vicarage.

Clarendon Street
Reading.

Yours sincerely
Emmeline Peck

March 12, 1909

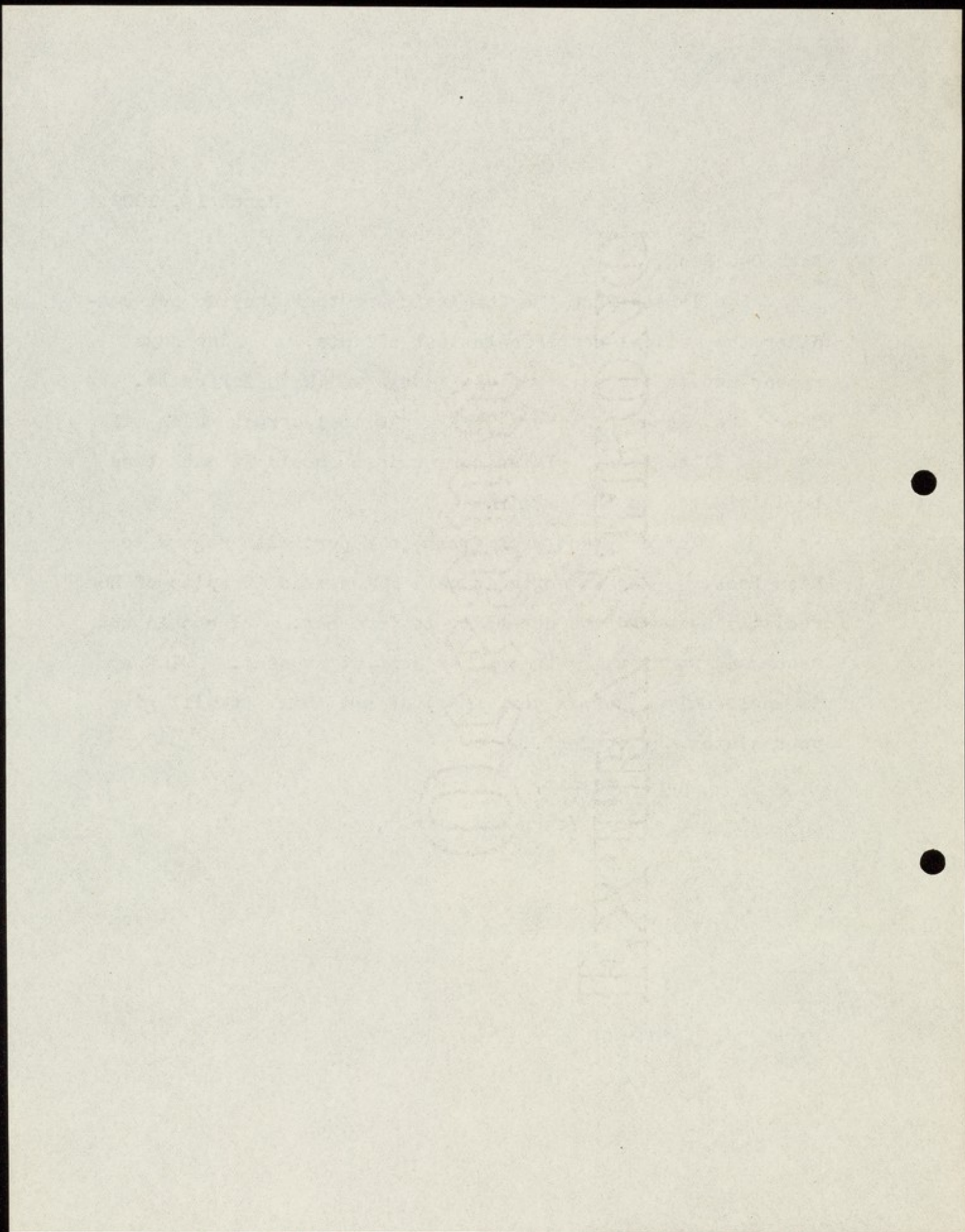
Dear Dr. Peck,

I hear from the Commissioners that they do not consider the medical certificates out of date. Nine days appear not to exceed seven clear days which is fortunate. There are, however, several small clerical errors which will require alteration. These corrections should in each case be initialled in the margin.

There is not much fresh to report with regard to Miss Peck. Her strength is well maintained in spite of her resistiveness and the necessity to feed her. I should not recommend your coming to see her just at present. I fear it would only distress you, and I do not think it will give your sister any comfort..

I remain,

Yours very truly,



✓
Mch: 12.09.

HAMPSTHWAITE VICARAGE,
VIA LEEDS.

Dear Dr. Pierce.

I am thinking of coming to
see my sister on Tuesday next - if
you think it is as well for me
to do so. I propose to arrive in
York at 11.55 leave again, if
practicable, at 2.0 pm.

Will you let me know,
please, if you think it advisable
for me to come.

Yours very truly

Herbert J. Peck.

P.S. I hope this will reach you - but I
wish to avoid addressing anything to
"The Retreat" - if I can - from here.
H. J. P.

HAMPSTHWAITE VICARAGE

VIA LEEDS

March 13, 1909

Dear Mr. Peck,

I incline to think it will be of little use your coming to see Miss Peck just at present as there is no likelihood of her being able to appreciate a visit unless she changes for the better.

Letters addressed to me in York find me quite well, but if you wish to write to Miss Peck it would be perhaps better to add "Heslington Rd."

Miss Peck keeps up her strength fairly well under the circumstances.

Yours very truly,

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

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V.H.K.

TELEGRAMS:— RIPLEY, YORKS.
TELEPHONE: No 016 RIPLEY.

BILTON GARTH,

HAMPSTHWAITE,

VIA LEEDS.

Mar 3/09

Dear Mr Pearce

Enclose Card
for Miss Peck. I was sorry
to hear by telephone this
morning she was so bad.

I hope she will recover
I thought her case hopeless

Kind regards

Yours truly

Mrs. Ashby

BILTON GARTH

HAMPSTHWAITE

VIA LEEDS

THE CHAIRMAN, BRISTOL - YORK
11.12.1901

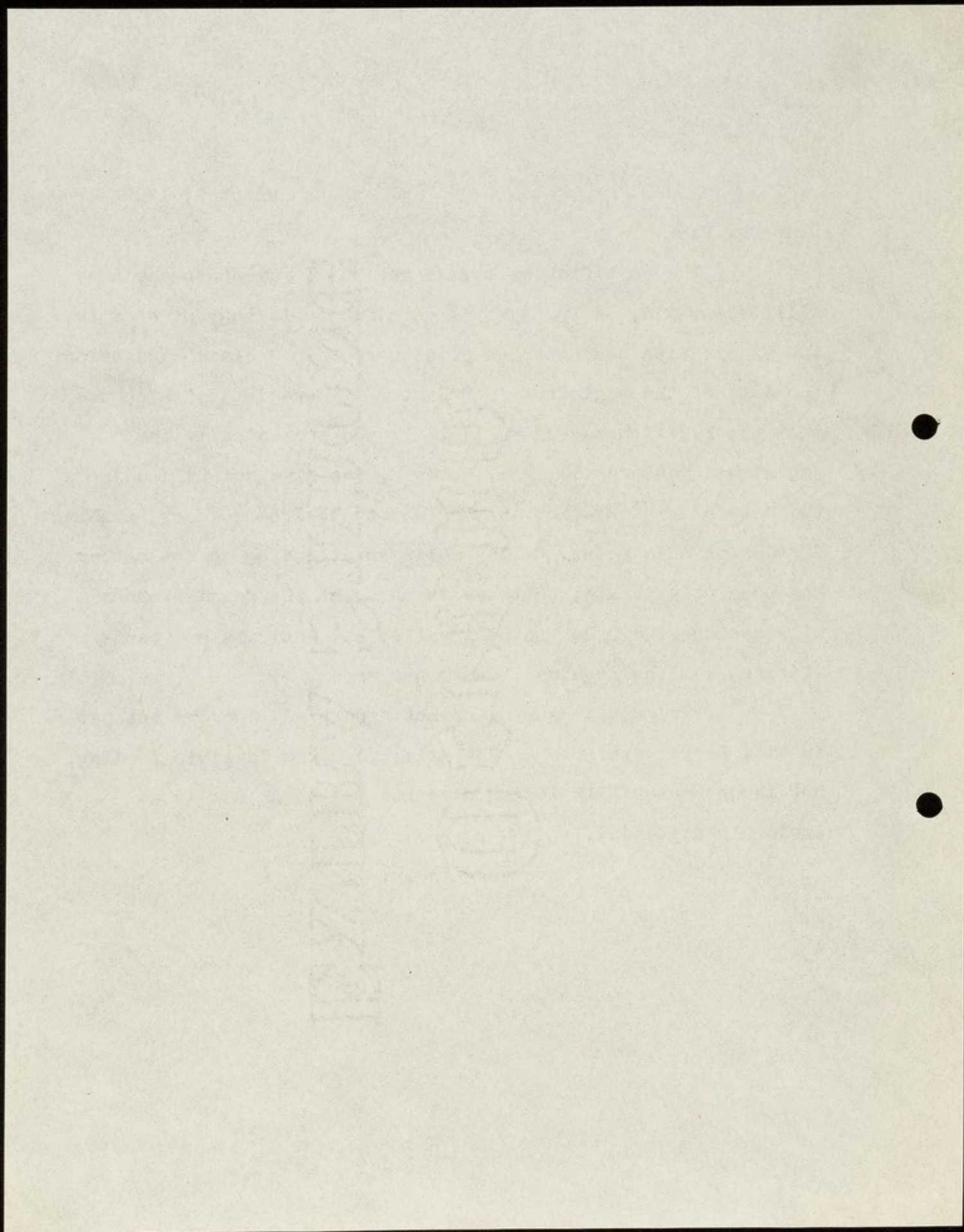
March 9, 1909

Dear Mr. Peck,

The certificates have come, but I regret to say they will be invalid, as Dr. Ashby's certificate is now out of date, the examination having taken place more than 7 clear days before the date of the Magistrate's Order. There is just a chance that the Petition may be valid if it was presented to the Magistrate yesterday. As, however, you have not filled in the date of presentation to the Magistrate I cannot say anything further on this point. The delay in attending to the matter has been unfortunate, as there is no doubt the Commissioners will declare the Order to be invalid; and entirely new certificates will be required, and a new Order.

I regret to say we cannot report any improvement yet in Miss Peck's state. She still requires forcible feeding, but is not materially losing strength although she is so seriously depressed.

Yours very truly,



V

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 Edith Emily Peck of _____

_____ as a patient in the said Hospital, I HEREBY UNDERTAKE

AND AGREE with Richard Thompson of Dringate, The Mount, York the 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 10th day of March 1909.

Name Edmund Peck
Residence 3 Churchfield Avenue, North Finchley
Occupation Inspector

SIGNED by the said Edmund Peck
in the presence of

Witness's Signature } Frances Marianne Peck
Address, and } 3 Churchfield Avenue
Profession. } N. Finchley
 Nil

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.



Mar 2nd 1909

Dear Sir,

I enclose the usual form
of agreement which please return
to me when signed & witnessed -

Yours faithfully

Wm. E. Waller
Sect.

Edward G. Peck Esq.

Mar 2 - 1907

Dear Sir,

I enclose the annual form
of statement which please return
to me when required to be returned -
Yours faithfully

W. E. Chas. Esq.

Edward J. Cook Esq.