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W. & J. PYE,

SUCCESSORS TO J. BIBBY & SONS.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS,  
"PYE, LANCASTER."

TELEPHONE NO 65.

Fleet Square Mills,  
Lancaster.

March 27<sup>th</sup> 1910.

Mr Pinner

The Retreat. York.

Dear Sir

I received your favour & have seen my brother respecting going to Throesby Hall & he is quite favourable to going there for a little time until there is a vacancy at York. He is not insane & his doctor said that he could not certify him as such. He is quite rational & no one would think him out of health except at times he does not sleep well & seems uneasy. He has travelled in America by himself, but for sometime he has been in England, different towns, latterly with my sister in Lancaster, but as she is not very strong, we think the strain is too much for her. He has been entirely free in every way. He has been attended occasionally by Doctor Baldwin, Lancaster to whom you could write if you wish. As soon as you have considered the matter I shall be glad to know & if you are agreeable to him going to Throesby Hall with a view to moving to the Retreat as soon as there is a vacancy, <sup>perhaps</sup> ~~we shall~~

you will let me know when he can go. The charge is 3 guineas weekly & we are willing to pay this with a view to his being sent to the Retreat later at a less charge. Yours faithfully Wm Pye



W. A. J. PYE  
March 18, 1910

Dear Sir,

Many thanks for your letter. We shall be quite pleased for Mr. Pye to come to Scarborough next week. Would Wednesday be a suitable day? I expect I shall be over in Scarborough that evening, and should then be able to see Mr. Pye and make arrangements for him.

I enclose a Voluntary Boarder form for Throxenby.

Yours very truly,

April 18, 1910

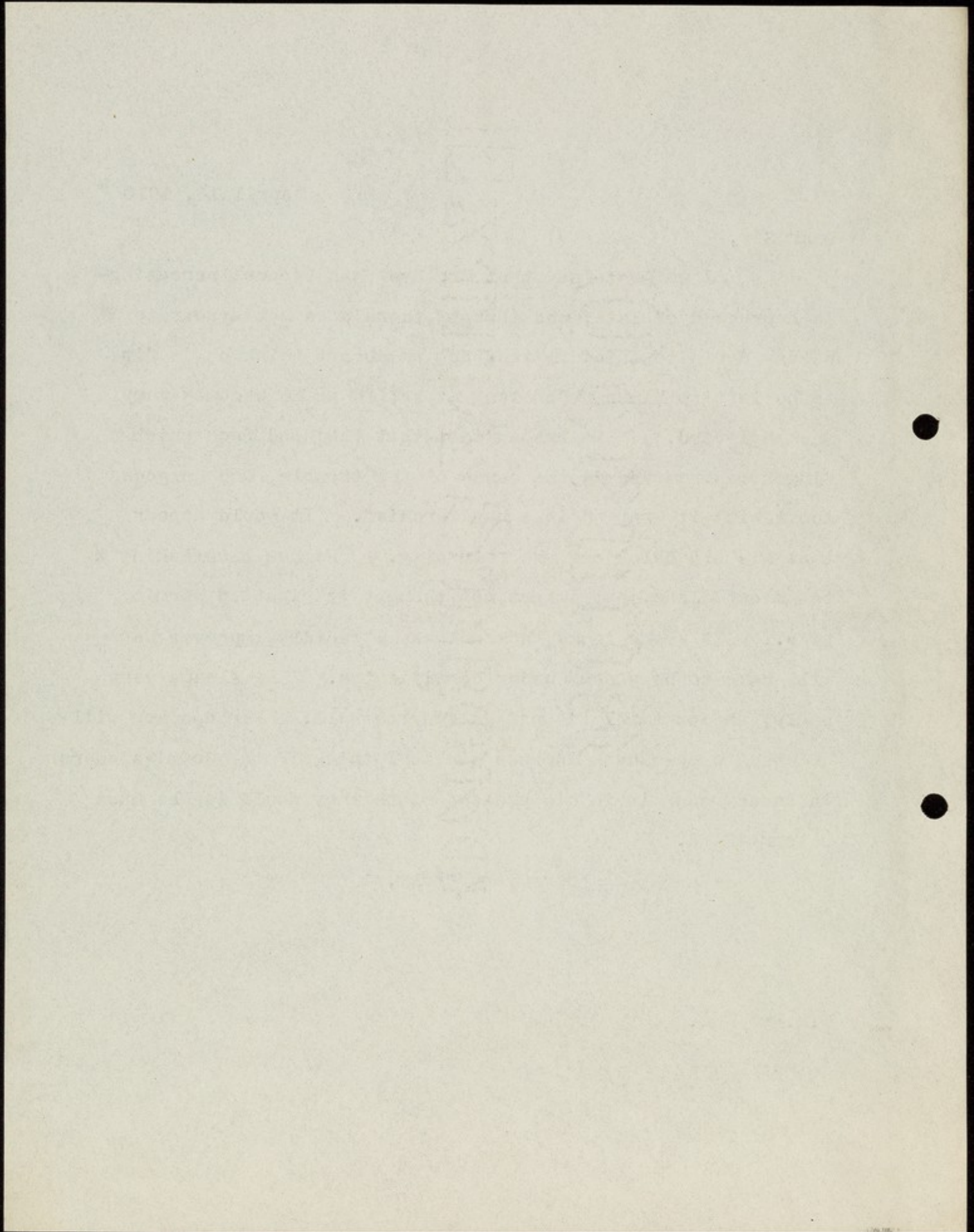
Dear Sir,

I write to say that Mr. Pye has become increasingly depressed of late, and though there does not appear to be any definite suicidal tendency we do not think he is fit to be left to himself for long at a time as he becomes very much agitated. He has an idea that the hand from which a finger was removed is the cause of the trouble, and he goes about with it wrapped in a handkerchief. It would appear that his old delusions are returning. He has been asking to go out alone, but I have not thought it right to permit this.. It seems to me that unless he rapidly improves he will have to be placed under certificates. He sleeps very badly, and certainly is not getting on well. Perhaps you will be able to come over and see him as I think if the Commissioners in Lunacy saw him in his present state they would say he must be certified.

Yours very truly,

W.M.Pye Esq.





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April 19.<sup>th</sup> 1910.

Dr Pierce

The Retreat. York.

Dear Sir

I received your favour & am extremely sorry to hear of my Brother's very depressed state of mind. I am writing to my Brother-in-law, Mr Joseph Bibby, Liverpool tonight & asking him to go over to see my brother if he possibly can. If he can't possibly go, I will go to see him on Friday or Monday, & will then communicate with you or call to see you. I wish you could take him in at the Retreat with a certification if you find it necessary. If we cannot make any arrangements with you, should we be able to get him into Lancaster County Lunatic Asylum as a private patient, or what would you suggest?

I seem to be in a fix as to how to act in the matter. I am anxious to do all I can for my brother's comfort.

Yours Faithfully  
William de Bk





TELEPHONE:-282.

THROXENBY HALL,  
SCARBOROUGH.

April 19<sup>th</sup> 1910

Dear Dr. Peirce.

I have had some  
trouble with the Cook lately  
& to day gave her a  
month's notice.

She is very impertinent  
when I speak to her about  
things - & she is also too  
friendly with the women.



The other three maids are  
quite young & I don't  
think Cook's is quite as  
good influence for them.

There are things which  
I had known before  
I engaged her. I would  
not have done so &  
am afraid it is due to  
my own carelessness

that I did not know  
them.

Mr. Ty. seems about  
the same: he talks  
a good deal about  
his hand & thinks he  
would be better if it  
were cut away a  
little more: he does not  
seem to be alone for  
long together.

Yours very truly.

S. M. Lippincott.



April 20 , 1910

Dear Miss Lippiatt,

It is possible that a relative of Mr. Pye will be coming to see him shortly. Your letter about him certainly gives me some ground for anxiety. Patients of this sort are apt to mutilate themselves, and he, therefore, should not have access to knives, or be left alone.

I am quite satisfied as to your action respecting the cook. Very rarely indeed is it successful to take old servants back again. You will find it not an easy matter to secure a cook at this time of the year in Scarborough, and you will have to look round very quickly. If you do not hear of one I think I should advertise or write to registry offices that you know of in other neighbourhoods. Cooks get such high wages for the season in Scarborough that they do not care to take permanent posts in the spring.

Yours very truly,



April 20, 1910

Dear Sir,

I hear from Scarborough that Mr. Pye is perhaps a little better, but he has an idea that more wants doing with his hand, and I certainly do not think he is safe to be left alone with obsessions of this kind.

If Mr. Bibby can come over to see him I will endeavour to arrange that either I or one of my colleagues goes over to meet him and confer as to what must be done. Unfortunately at the present time the Retreat is quite full on the male side.

Yours very truly,

W.M.Pye Esq.

ALSO THURNHAM MILLS NEAR GLASSON DOCK.

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Fleet Square Mills,  
Lancaster.

April 29, 1910

Dr Sirs

The Retreat York

Dear Sir

I had a letter from Dr Hitchcock this morning & he has a suitable vacancy for my brother & if convenient to you I would like to meet my brother in York next Wednesday & to have <sup>him</sup> certified.

If you would kindly make arrangements for him to be brought to York, as you kindly proffered to do, it would be a great convenience to <sup>me</sup> you. I will write to my brother either tonight or tomorrow & think he will not object to the arrangement.

With many thanks for your kindness

Yours Faithfully  
W. J. Pye



W. & J. PYE

2802-2803 TO J. BERRY & SONS

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS

W. & J. PYE

April 30, 1910

Dear Sir,

Next Wednesday will be quite convenient. I saw

Mr. Pye yesterday and he was certainly no better.

We will arrange that he comes over to York in the morning on Wednesday, and he will probably be staying at 87 Heslington Road, near here, until the formalities are complete.

Unless I hear from you to the contrary we will have the certificates completed before you arrive, so as to save your time.

Yours very truly,

W.M.Pye Esq.

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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS,

PYE, LANCASTER.

TELEPHONE NO 65.

Fleet Square Mills,  
Lancaster.

Jan'y 28<sup>th</sup> 1890.

H. C. Hunt Esq.

The Retreat  
York.

Dear Sir

I received yours of the 28<sup>th</sup>  
& have been in communication with  
my brother in law & he is of the opinion  
that it would be much better for  
my brother to come as a voluntary  
patient providing we can get him  
to consent to try it for say 6 or 12 months.

He is not in any way dangerous  
& has full liberty to do as he pleases  
at present, but we think if he  
could be got under proper care  
& treatment & where there would be  
something to interest him, he would

improve again & make himself a  
useful member of society.

We shall be glad to know  
what your terms would be for  
him as a voluntary patient.

I had better state that his  
income is about £70 per annum  
& remainder would have to be  
paid by his brothers & sisters, so  
that we cannot afford to pay  
a high rate.

Awaiting your reply

Yours Faithfully  
W. M. Pye

Yours as others.

Conclude not certifiable as only  
non-cert. can remain.

If necessary can be cat. here.

Enclose form if required.



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March 19<sup>th</sup> 1910

Mr Pierce

The Retreat. York.

Dear Sir

I received your favour & have made  
arrangements for my brother to go to Scarborough  
on Wednesday. I enclose the form filled up.

If you will kindly send me the £  
I will send Cheque for the month.

Yours Faithfully  
W. M. Pye

I feel sure that if my brother gets under proper  
treatment & gets interested he will become a  
useful member of Society again.



ALSO THURHAM MILLS NEAR GLASSBORO DOCK

W. & A. P. 77 E.

DOCK 2008 TO U. GIBBY & SONS

1111 BROADWAY NEW YORK

BY L. L. LAMBERT

TELEPHONE 1111

Westchester Mills  
Pawtucket

March 12, 1912

W. & A. P. 77 E.

Westchester Mills

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the purchase of the Westchester Mills. I am sorry to hear that you are unable to purchase the property. I am sure that you will find the property to be of great value to you. I am sure that you will find the property to be of great value to you. I am sure that you will find the property to be of great value to you.



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"PYE, LANCASTER"

TELEPHONE N° 65.

Fleet Square Mills,  
Lancaster.April 22<sup>nd</sup> 1910

Mr. Pinner

The Retreat, York.

Dear Sir

I wrote to my Brother in Law, Mr. Bibby. He replies that it is quite impossible for him to go to Scarborough & that "he thinks that neither he nor I can really settle what is best to do & that it would be better left to you & that you had better act as you think best."

I am glad my Brother is somewhat better & I quite think the depression will gradually leave him. I do hope you will be able to keep him at Scarborough until you have a vacancy at York, but if you can't possibly do so, I should be glad of your advice as to what steps to take.

I am wishful not to send him to the County Asylum if it can be avoided, but I shall be glad to know what you think would be best.

Yours Faithfully  
W & J Pye



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PYE, LANCASTER.

TELEPHONE N° 65.

Fleet Square Mills,  
Lancaster,May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1900.

Mr Rivers

The Retreat  
York.

Dear Sir

I received your favour  
 & will meet my brother on Wednesday.  
 I hope to arrive in York about noon  
 & will go right to the Retreat & if  
 you are at liberty I should be  
 pleased to see you for a few minutes.

It will be a great convenience  
 to me if you can have the Certificate  
 completed by the time I arrive &  
 thanking you in anticipation

Yours Faithfully  
W. M. St.



W. & J. P. L.

Wm. Thompson, Will.  
Tombard  
Mar 22 1860

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light

Q. R. 100

I received your papers

and am very much obliged to you

for the interest you have taken in them

and for the trouble you have taken in

sending them to me

I am very much obliged to you

and will be a great comfort

to me of your own kind

and I am very much obliged to you

for the interest you have taken in them

Yours truly

W. M. L.



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TELEPHONE No. 711.

New Inn Hotel, Gloucester.

PROPRIETOR: H. J. BERRY.

May 14. 1910.

Dear Mr. Berry

I am very

pleased to hear of your coming up on  
Monday May 23<sup>rd</sup>. I hope to see you between  
4 & 5 P.M. - Yours truly J. Padfield



GLoucester POST CARD.

8. 30 PM

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*Dr Bedford Parrie  
The Retreat  
Beaulieu Rd  
York.*

July 21 1910

Dear Sir,

Spence is away from home &  
will not be back until the end of  
the week. Your letter has been  
handed to me. You seem to be  
under a misapprehension as to the  
time Mr. Pye was Resident. The  
dates supplied to me are March 23 to  
May 4 past. Besides - so that the  
Charge of 18 guineas was a order -  
Should you desire it, any request  
for reconsideration of terms shall be  
submitted to the Retreat Committee at  
their next meeting & about a month -  
from Mr. Pye. Yours faithfully B. E. Walter.



July 21 1910

Dear Sir,

Please to send from June to  
this date the book until the end of  
the year. Your letter has been  
received to me - for some time  
under a misapprehension as to the  
time the type was received - the  
date supplied to me on March 20 &  
May 10 was correct - so that the  
change of 18 June was a error -  
should be done at any request  
for remittance of some place has  
submitted to the Board Committee of  
their best policy & that a book -  
Yours faithfully & truly  
Wm. W. W.



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Fleet Square Mills,  
Lancaster.

July 14<sup>th</sup> 1900.

Mr. Joice

The Retreat  
York.

Charles

I received the enclosed  
this morning, but really cannot  
understand the charges. My Brother  
would only be at Throsby Hall  
about 2 or 3 weeks & I see the Board  
is £18-18-0. Please be good enough  
to give me particulars, as I must  
submit them to the Family.

As I stated before, my brother  
has an income of only £60 or £70  
for Annam & the charge of £23-5-0  
for only about 3 weeks is a surprise  
to me.

Yours faithfully  
W. M. Pye

The Throsby Hall charges I understood were £3-3-0 per week



1850

My dear Mr. [illegible]

[illegible]

July 14

Dear Sir

My dear Sir

I have

Received

I have had the pleasure

to receive your letter of the 10th inst.

in relation to the [illegible]

and in reply to inform you that

the same has been forwarded to the

proper authorities for their consideration

and I am sorry to say that

they have not yet been able to

reach a decision upon the matter

and I am sorry to say that

it will probably be some time

before a final decision can be

reached and I am sorry to say

that I am unable to give you

any more definite information

7th September, 1910.

Dear Sir,

Your letter appealing to the Committee for some reduction of terms was considered at their meeting yesterday. I am requested to point out that Mr. Pye, during the part of his stay at Throxenby Hall, caused a great deal of anxiety, and needed continual supervision, which caused a considerable amount of trouble there, seeing that Throxenby Hall is not adapted for nursing patients of this kind. The Committee, under the circumstances, agree to allow a reduction of 3/- per week, and I therefore enclosed revised account.

Yours faithfully,

Asst. Secretary.

W.M. Pye Esq.,

Lancaster.



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July 27<sup>th</sup> 1910.

W. E. Waller Esq.

The Retreat  
York.

Dear Sir

I received your favour & am extremely sorry I made a mistake in the time my Brother was resident at Throsenby Hall. I asked <sup>one of</sup> my Brothers before I wrote & he said he thought he would be there not more than 3 weeks.

The charge of £23-5-0 for even 6 weeks is very heavy indeed, considering my Brothers financial position & the help I am able to give & I hope if your Committee can see their way to reduce the amount I shall be very glad.

Awaiting your decision

Yours Faithfully  
W. E. Pye.



This patient  
has particularly anxious  
+ 3 or 4 weeks certainly  
does not ~~meet~~ <sup>cover this</sup>  
latter part of his stay.

P.S.



Dec. 29, 1910

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter, we can receive Mr. Pye as a Voluntary Boarder, & the terms are just the same as for certified patients.

We conclude your brother is not certifiably insane, as patients who are cannot remain as Voluntary Boarders.

However, if it should become necessary to have him certified later on we can arrange to have this carried through here.

I enclose the usual form for signature by a Voluntary Boarder. You will see from it that a patient can leave whenever he chooses after giving 24 hours notice in writing.

The terms are fixed by the Committee of Management and their next meeting will be in the middle of February. If you should decide to send your brother here your letter will be submitted to the Committee then.

Yours sincerely,

H.C. Hunt  
Pres. Sec.



I enclose the names for  
signature and Voluntary  
You will see from it that a list  
can leave wherever he chooses  
after giving the names of the  
in writing.

The time is fixed by the  
Committee of Management  
and their next meeting will  
be in the middle of February.  
If you should decide to visit  
your brother here your letter  
will be submitted to the Committee  
then.

Yours very truly  
H.C. Hunt  
West. Va.

Jan. 24. 1840

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter, we  
can receive Mr. Dyer as a Voluntary  
Boarder, & the time we first the  
same as for other patients.

We conclude your brother  
is not certified insane, as  
patients who are cannot remain  
as Voluntary Boarders.

However, if it should become  
necessary to have him certified  
then we can arrange to  
send him through here.



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Jan'y 24<sup>th</sup> 1890.

The Medical Superintendent  
The Retreat  
York.

Dear Sir

I should be glad if you  
would kindly send me a prospectus  
of terms &c for your Institution.

I have a Brother whom we  
are wishful to get into some  
private Institution where he will  
be quiet, & where some interest will  
be taken in him. He was quite  
out of his mind about 18 years ago,  
& he was then taken to Lancaster Asylum  
as a private patient. He recovered  
& has been quite free for the last

16 or 17 years. Recently however he has  
given us anxiety as to his condition  
& as he is living with a sister, we  
think the responsibility is too much  
for her & ~~the~~.

I have been recommended  
by a "Friend" to write & get particulars  
from your Institution.

I do not know whether you  
take any but Friends, in the Inst<sup>n</sup>  
but we ~~do~~ not belong to that  
Society, although our brother did.

Awaiting your reply  
Yours Sincerely  
Wm Egt

Encl<sup>os</sup>.

Stamped Envelope



Jan. 25, 1910

Dear Sir,

Dr. Pierce has handed me your letter to answer.

The terms at the Retreat vary according to the accommodation and nursing required. The lowest rate is 48/- a week.

I enclose a Report from which you can gather further particulars.

The Retreat is not maintained exclusively for friends, and we have a vacancy at present, and could receive your brother at any time.

Yours truly,

W. H. Pye Esq.