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(613)  
South View Cottage  
Smithfield Road.  
Norwich.

Aug 14. 06.

Dear Dr. Pierce.

I now enclose cheque  
value £ 7.5<sup>0</sup>.6<sup>0</sup>. Balance  
tho enclosed all.

I am pleased to say that  
Mr Rausford is keeping  
very well and in good  
spirits. He often refers

to the very pleasant time  
he had at York and  
Throxbury Hall.

We miss me in kind  
regards by myself and  
Dr Mackenzie.

Yours faithfully  
L. M. Ransford

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argument against any  
steps being taken. (without  
letting him know that I  
have said anything by you). I  
am sure it would be helpful.  
It appears to me that the very  
anxiety on his part to take such  
a position, after what has so  
recently happened does not  
appear quite normal.

I hope he has mentioned  
acquiring teeth. The Polo spoke  
of it in a letter. I hope he may  
have them before he leaves you?  
Will he be transferred to Scarborough  
soon? I have an invitation to  
Bridlington & could go soon if there  
was a chance of seeing him often  
at Scarborough. With kind regards  
to M. Ramsford. Sincerely & truly

P.S. My husband  
is evidently very happy  
& quite contented with  
you.

(447)  
South View Cottage.

Seabrook  
Norwich.

May 5<sup>th</sup> 1906

Dear Dr. Pierce.

I thought I should  
like to write you just to tell  
you how glad I am to hear  
such good news of my  
husband's improvement,  
sent to me through my  
father Dr. Barnes. I am  
a little afraid though  
that his ideas about  
our future and the conditions



of our finances generally  
are a little too optimistic.  
Perhaps, in my anxiety to  
make things easy for him  
I have in writing to him  
always presented the bright  
side of affairs, and  
certainly through the kindness  
of friends, our sales of  
furniture have been  
more successful than I  
ever expected. I find from  
my husband that his  
mind has reverted to the  
incident of the offer of the

J. P. ship which he so decidedly  
declined a week or so before  
he left home. He now  
seems anxious to know  
that. I have written him on  
the subject trying to show him  
how much better it would be,  
under the circumstances, to  
let matters remain as  
they were. Of course I do not  
know how much a little  
he may say by a about this  
or on what terms you are with  
him, but if in any way you  
could put in a word of

As Dr Rogers would not certify  
me to the Lancelotti Commission  
in London. In another letter  
he says. "I have no doubt the  
people & land by a plenty of  
sympathy but it is I think  
who have supplied them with  
cheap ammunition who is making  
under what I shall always  
consider as a wicked & wanton  
outrage. It is not sympathy  
I want but bare justice & that  
I mean to obtain if possible  
of course I know which people have  
only heard one side. I may say  
I have directly consulted & written

90 W. S. Collins Esq J. P.  
The Times. (365)  
Wistich.  
May 14. 1906.

Dear Dr Pierce.

I am sorry & obliged  
to trouble you again about  
my husband, but 2 or 3 of  
his letters lately have worried  
me very much. He seems to  
be very upset about this  
J. P. ship and is wanting



very strongly the fact of being  
sent to an asylum.

Do you think, after all that  
has happened, a man can  
be normal when he writes  
thus. "I have been thinking  
over the S. P. ship, you will  
understand when I asked  
Mr. Dick to withdraw my  
name, I was under the  
delusion that I was on the  
eve of becoming a bankrupt

& more & that I was out  
of my mind, now that I have  
recovered & know I ~~was~~<sup>have</sup> suffered  
from a severe nervous breakdown  
a overstrain it seems hardly  
strange that I should be it  
especially as the breakdown  
culminated in the effort  
I put forward at the election.  
I do not know if my being  
at Fulbourne would be any  
bar but I do not think it should

with others & holding  
now & anxiety of such a  
position as ours now is,  
must bring. It is most  
happy & crying the best of  
the Retreat.

With kind regards.

Yours,

William R. Remond

P.S. Kindly tell this to Perce  
he is suspicious of my writing to  
you I fear.

here, he says he has never heard  
a greater abuse of the lunacy  
laws he thinks it monstrous  
that I no more than the charge  
a letter to certify need over to  
me no wonder I am & the  
sister don't write to me.  
I am returning this letter 3 weeks  
if you have not taken a house  
I shall obtain lodgings, it is  
most important that I see  
Southwell (Langer) at once.  
In a letter to one of his sisters  
he has been more decided about  
taking out actions of assault  
&c. I think I ought to tell you



that we have lived most happily  
together, having our confidence  
in each other & never any  
unpleasantness in any way -  
Naturally he is most kind &  
gentle that this vindictive  
spirit is ~~not~~ quite a new  
feature. His ideas about  
the wrong of sending him to  
an asylum are quite wrong.  
it was imperative to do some-  
thing. I do think the medical  
attendants were unwarranted to  
take too stringent measures in

shepping him down to. But this  
I would never let him know.  
No doubt the ultimate issue  
would have been the same.  
I wonder if you have heard  
any thing of these notions &  
if so you still consider him  
fit to go to Seabrook? If necessary  
& he is willing he must  
prolong the time with you  
for I am most anxious that  
he should be thoroughly retrained  
before he comes into contact

90 Miss Marshall.

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Southlands

Cordogan Rd.

Bridlington.

May 29. 1906.

Dear Mr. Paice.

I have been over to  
Scarbro to see my husband.  
and am very pleased to find  
him so well and happy.  
Through the kindness of  
friends it is possible for  
him to remain at



Maxwell Hall for another  
fortnight - after his 6 weeks  
stay is up and he would  
very much like to do so.

I am writing to ask if  
you will allow him to  
do so at the same terms  
as before i.e. £2.5.0 per  
week. Will you kindly  
let me know as early  
as possible & I will  
send cheque on or  
make other arrangements.

Yours.

With kind regards

Yours faithfully

L. M. Ransford

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I agree with you that he must  
have a set of teeth & ought  
to have had them years ago, &  
would have had them but he  
frowned over the extraction of  
the old dilapidated ones.

I should be glad of a quotation  
re a new set & allow his wife  
to decide about it. In Leeds  
or Bradford they could be got  
at a reasonable charge.

I suppose you got Miss Peckover's  
cheque which I transmitted  
to you?

We came here on Saturday for  
a fortnight.

Yours Sincerely,  
J. D. Carnes.

Mr Ranford  
feeling in my way

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12 Lytledeley Terrace,  
Blackpool.

April 30<sup>th</sup> 1906.

Dear J. D. Carnes,

Thank you for your letter  
which came to hand this morning.

In reply to your enquiries  
the pessimism originated with  
Ranford regarding his business.  
& subsequently confirmed largely  
by my daughter. Every body,  
Bank & merchants will be  
paid every farthing & there  
will be no far as I understand  
my daughter ~~has~~ a fair



<sup>sum</sup>  
left in the shape of good,  
bad & doubtful debts.

What has added to their  
satisfaction is the sale of their  
heavier furniture &c, & the over-  
-whelming kindness & practical  
sympathy.

Ransford is C.C. of the Oak of  
Ely, Ex-president of the Citizens  
League, President of the Woburn  
Liberal Club & association.

and always has been, with his  
wife, in active sympathy with  
Mrs Beaton in peace matters.  
My daughter has been a public  
woman in Temperance matters  
politics, domestic economy &

other matters connected with  
the improvement of young  
people's moral & spiritual  
welfare.

Between ourselves my daughter  
blames the Dr who attended  
her - not to the public - she  
says he lost his head in stopping  
her down & roughly & unceremoniously  
with the help of 2 or 3  
men, dragged her upstairs to  
<sup>by his limb</sup> ~~her~~ tamping his head on the  
stairs which she protested  
against at the time - then &  
there. They would never employ  
her again although they have been  
friendly with him for years.  
He is nearly alive to what he  
considers to have been unnecessary  
in having her sent away.

"Fairholme"  
Newton Park,  
Leeds.

April 24<sup>th</sup> 1906.

Dear F. Pearce,

I hunted all over  
Park Square & made no  
end of enquiries, & also looked  
over a Leeds Directory and failed  
finding you. I should have  
handed over the enclosed cheque  
had I succeeded in finding you.  
I had proposed meeting the Parfitts  
to-morrow but finding there would  
be nothing saved by coming &  
returning very late I have just  
wired my daughter to catch  
the first evening train she can  
come by after leaving her



husband with you. I think  
she could catch the 6-15  
leaving York, or at the very  
latest (I think) at 4 o'clock.  
See last month's evening train left at  
6-00 & 6-15 respectively.  
You will kindly hand over a  
receipt to Mrs. Ranford for  
the amount of the Cheque.  
I hope he will be quite well  
enough to go to Scarborough  
soon. Should it be really  
desirable in all the circumstances  
to remain longer of course he  
must do so & another cheque  
handed over at the end of the  
six weeks. This must be left  
to you absolutely.

There is no reason for her to  
discharge the Cat after leaving  
her husband with you at the  
Hall door - as far as I can see,  
as he is perfectly sane & right.

With kind regards, I am,  
Yours faithfully,

J. D. Carnes.

she would not get it  
before Monday morning  
so there is no time to lose,  
In haste,

Yours faithfully,

J. D. Carnes.

"Fairholme"

Newton Park,  
Leeds.

April 20<sup>th</sup>/06

Dear Dr. Mackenzie,

As I have not had a  
reply from Dr. Pearce to my  
letter of yesterday I infer that  
Dr. Pearce is on his holidays  
as I am writing direct to  
you which, possibly, I ought  
to have done yesterday.

I heard from my daughter -  
Mrs Alfred Ranford - by the  
mid-day post to-day. She  
says "Mr Thomas has just  
returned from Cambridge having



San H<sup>r</sup> Rogers & Alfred.  
She former says the order  
for discharge will be made  
on Monday & he considers  
him ready to go to any  
place of rest and quiet.

Alfred himself is very anxious  
to go to York, so we have  
decided that the best thing  
to do is for you to decide  
with Dr<sup>r</sup> Pearce for him  
to come on Wednesday  
next, say for six weeks  
or so at \$2-5-0 per week.

I am to go to Cambridge  
to fetch him on Wednesday

leaving here at 4-40 a.m.  
& leaving Cambridge at  
12-40, the train being due  
at York, I think, at 4-  
20 p.m.

Mr<sup>r</sup> Thomas referred to is  
a Congregational Minister  
& a member of the Western  
Board of Guardians.

If I do not hear from  
you or Dr<sup>r</sup> Pearce may  
ask you to kindly  
let me have an answer  
early to-morrow as a letter  
must be posted at the G.O.  
before 5 o'clock p.m. or