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THE RETREAT,
YORK

Oct. 14, 1908

Dear Dr. Williams,

A letter I have received from
Mr. Rowse seems to imply that some
one or other thinks Miss Rowse ought
not to have been certified and that
I am also of that opinion.

I send you my reply to Mr. Rowse
on the matter.

Yours very truly,

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THE RETREAT,
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Oct. 14, 1908

Dear Mr. Rowse,

Many thanks for your letter and for the kind expressions relative to our staff. It was a pleasure to us to find that your sister recovered so quickly.

I should be much obliged if you will let me know how you understand that I thought she ought not to have been certified. I certainly never said anything of the kind, nor did the idea arise in my mind.

It would be difficult to find any one more obviously needing care and treatment in a hospital for mental disease than your sister when she arrived at the Retreat. Indded she could not possibly have come if she had not been placed under certificated, and I attribute the rapid recovery to the fact that this course was taken.

I do not think it is necessary for me to write to the Commissioners on the subject, but I have no objection to them or any one else seeing this letter.

It is quite true that I urged the early removal of your sister as soon as she began to show signs of improvement. The reasons for this were that she is a medical woman, and I have patients here who come from the South of England, and it seemed to me highly desirable that there should be no possible risk of the painful circumstances connected with the case being mentioned outside the institution, and for this

reason we kept your sister from all the other patients and
she left as soon as she was better.

You can be quite easy in your mind that the course
taken was not only the only one possible, but was the best
possible one to take in order to promote recovery.

Yours very truly,

W.P.Rowse Esq.

NAT. TEL. 462.

Oct 15th 1908

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19, ELLISON PLACE,
NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

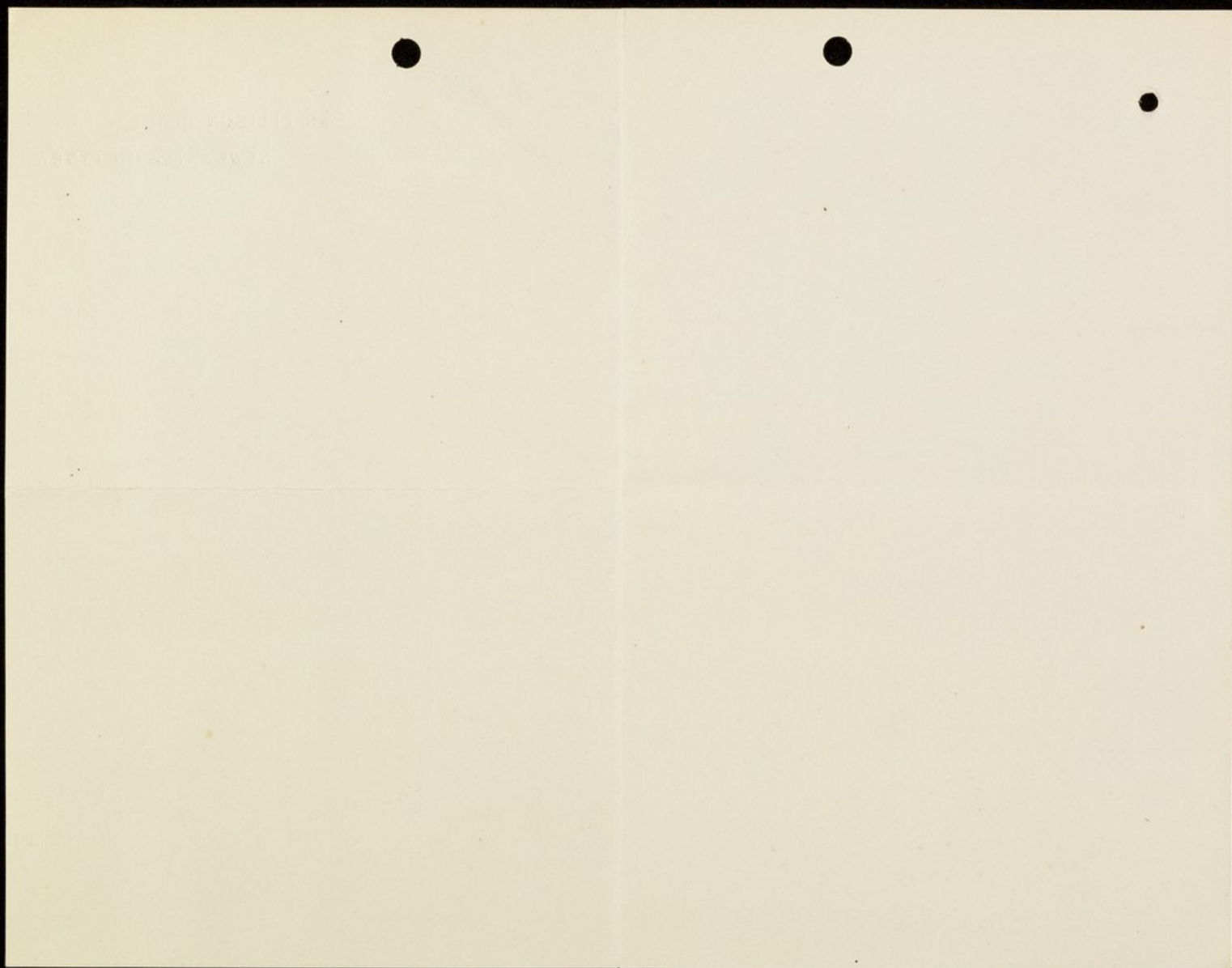
Dear Dr Pierce,

Many thanks for the
copy of your letter to Mr Rouse -
which seems some capital.
Is there anything English people
can be so extraordinarily foolish
congratulate about as certification?
I hardly think however we can
be much bothered here as the
Rouses must see that they
cannot afford to air the faces
of Mr Rouse's illness.

I am

Yours very truly

Edw M. W. Williams



✓ .
Frogmore House
Warford.

Oct: 15 . 1908

Dear D. Price,

Many thanks for your letter
to hand. I understood from my mother
that your opinion was, as per my last
letter - no doubt. She has misunderstood
entirely, on these grounds I wrote you
& trust that you will not think,
that, in my anxiety to see my

trick on as soon as basis as possible, have
expected reason in any way -

I can only repeat my expressions of
sincere gratitude to your staff & yourself
& remain
Yours very sincerely

Frederic D. Drake

You will no doubt be pleased
to hear that my sister is
going on splendidly.
Best for Alice & Mrs. Wheeler
The Astor
York.

✓ Frosmore House
Watford.

Oct. 13. 1908

Dear Mr. Price -

I have to express my very best
thanks to you & your staff for the very kind
attention accorded to my sister.

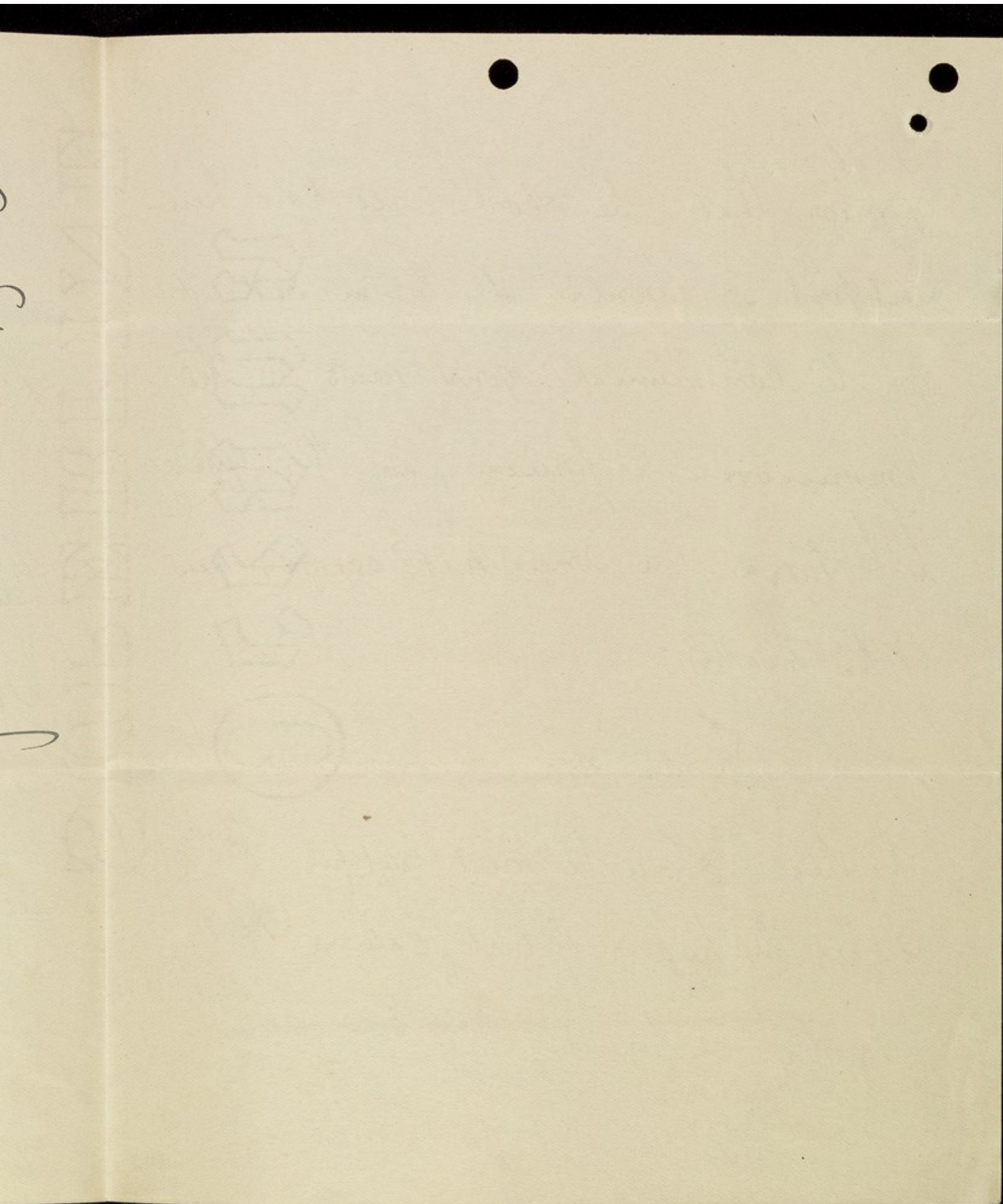
I cannot say how grateful we
are for this -

I understand that you are of

Again thanking you for the
trouble you have taken & the
kindness shown.

Yours very sincerely

Wm. D. D.



opinion that she should not have been
certified. Would it be in order for
you to communicate your views to the
Commissioners in January, as they appear
to be taking a somewhat serious view
of the matter.

Should you see your way to
do this I shall be most grateful, for having
signed the papers of certification, I feel
doubtfully responsible for her future.

Thank You all so much for
being so kind to me; I was
so happy with you at York.
The nurses were really too
good for words to express.

My Mother sends her Kind
Regards. Yours sincerely
Cl: A.P. Rowse.

On Saturday we are leaving
here & I am going to N. Wales
for 14 days.

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(FROGMORE HOUSE,
WATFORD)

Melrose.

Hanrogate. Oct 08.

Dear Mr. Pierce,

I am enjoying myself
so much; and I think if you
saw me now, you would be
proud of what you did for me
at York. I can walk almost
any distance, my right-foot
swells a little - but I have no
pain & the swelling is nothing
much. I eat & sleep like
anything & I feel almost well.

WATFORD.
FROGMORE HOUSE.

Oct. 1, 1908

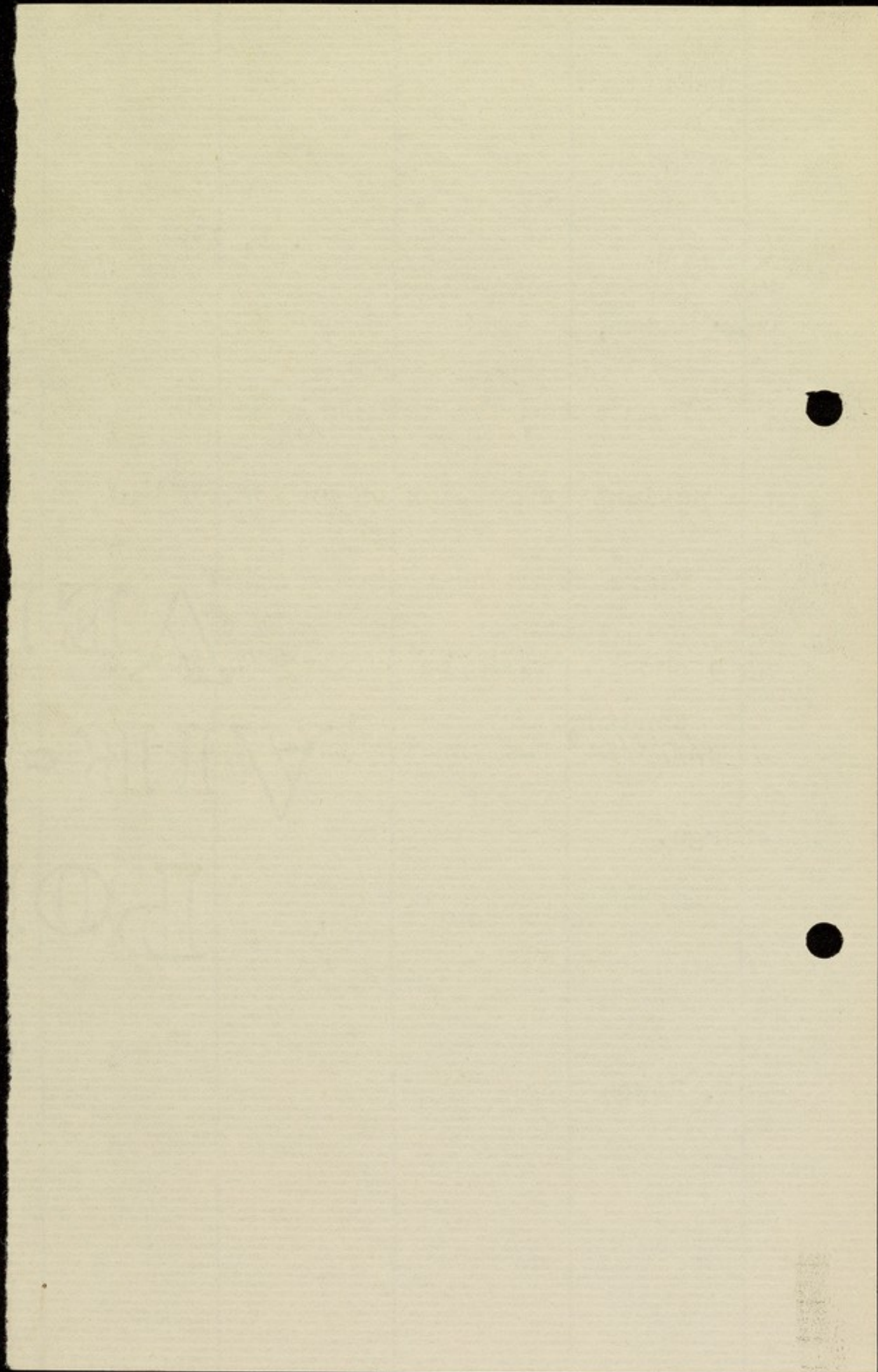
Dear Madam,

I am extremely glad to hear that
the patient is getting on so very well.

There seems no reason why her
name should remain on our books, and I
am ^{sending} ~~enclosing~~ the usual notice of dis-
charge.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Rowse



FRIDMOR HOUSE,
WATFORD.

✓

30th Sept^r 188

Bedford Pierce Esq^r

Dear Sir

In reply to your letter
of the 29th I am pleased to
say my daughter, is getting
on very well indeed. She eats
& sleeps well, and on all
points is quite herself.
She went out in a chair
yesterday, after which we took
in the garden, about 5 minutes
walk from the house.

WATFORD.
FROGMORE HOUSE,

She is feeling quite a little
better, much enjoying herself.
Please accept my very
sincere thanks for all
your great kindness to her.
Yours very sincerely
Mary. E. Rowle.

McBrose
Arrogate

Sept. 28, 1908

Dear Madam,

I have just seen your daughter off, and I think you will be pleased to find her as well as she is. I have told her she will require two months holiday before she is fit for full work. I do not think I have any particular instructions to give except that we think she is still a little excitable, and the best way of combating this is to see that she has plenty of rest in bed and does not get fatigued.

I shall be glad to hear how she goes on; and on receiving a favourable report I will send the usual form of discharge as "Recovered".

You will understand that had the circumstances of the case not been exceptional it would have been prudent for your daughter to have remained here at least another week or fortnight before leaving.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Rowse

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SPRINGMOUNT HOUSE
WATERFORD

Melrose

Harrogate

Sunday Morning

Sept. 27. 1908

Dear Sir

My daughter wrote
you saying I was coming here
and would write you.
I arrived yesterday, and think
the room will look very nicely
within 3 minutes of the Valley
Garden. Where there are plenty
of seats. I saw from your letter
you wished my daughter to
be married as soon as possible
and I felt too it would be best

WATERBURY HOUSE
WATERBURY
~~Waltham~~ Will you be good
enough to let come one
bring her to meet me at
York Station tomorrow
at 3-15. I will be waiting
for her. I am very thankful
to feel she is so much
better and thank you
very much for your care
and kind words to her.
If there are any special
instructions or advice I
should be so grateful if you
will write me here.

C. of Miss Phillips
Melrose
Harvard

As you think it will be
advisable for her to have
no longer change, I can
only stay here to night
We have a Locomotive for a
month or two.

Yours very truly
Mary E. Bowler

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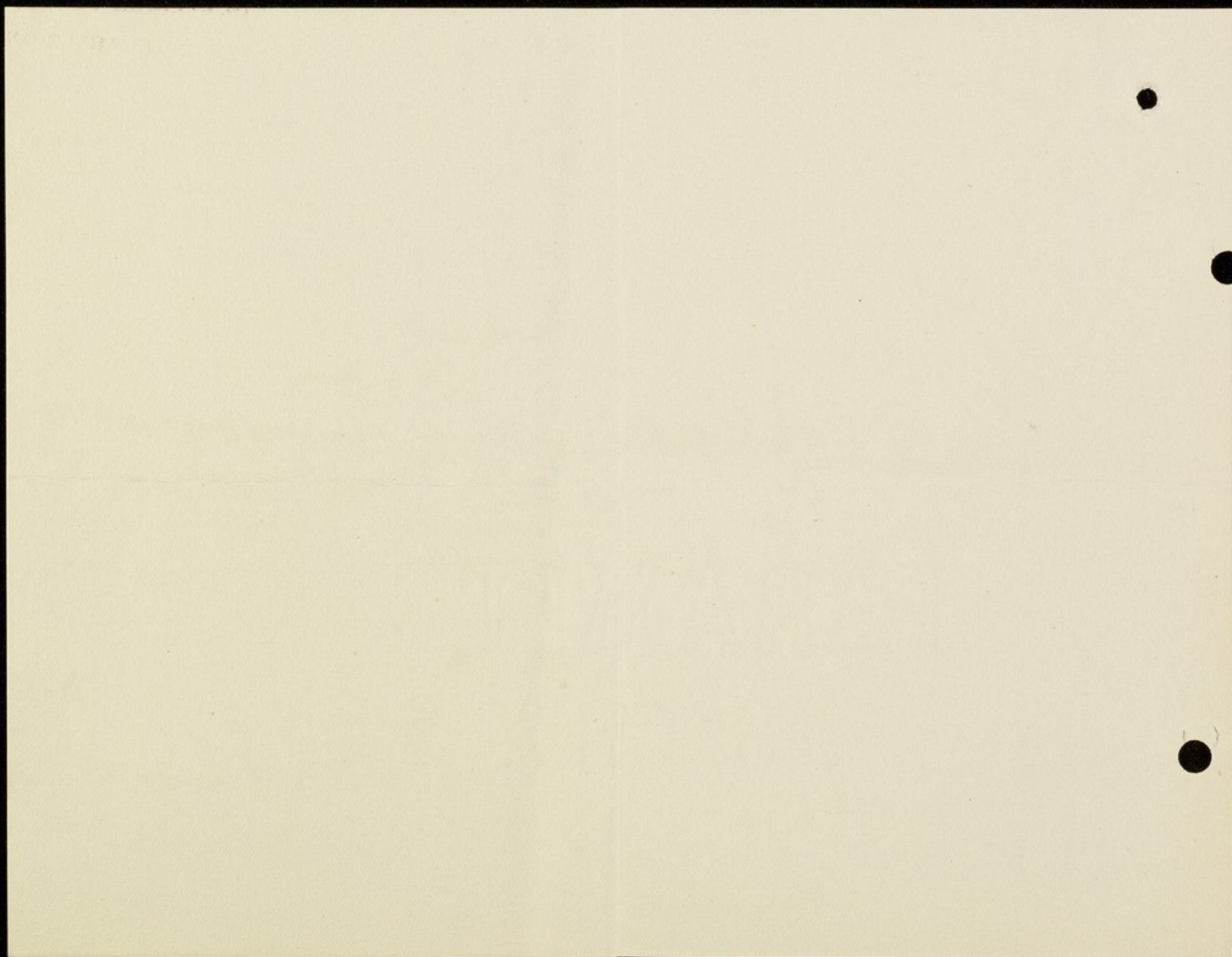
Frogmore House
Wafford
29th Sept

Dear Sir

My mother has
arranged to take my
sister to Harrogate. she
leaves here tomorrow &
will write to you from
there, to arrange taking
my sister there on Monday

yours truly

A. Rowse

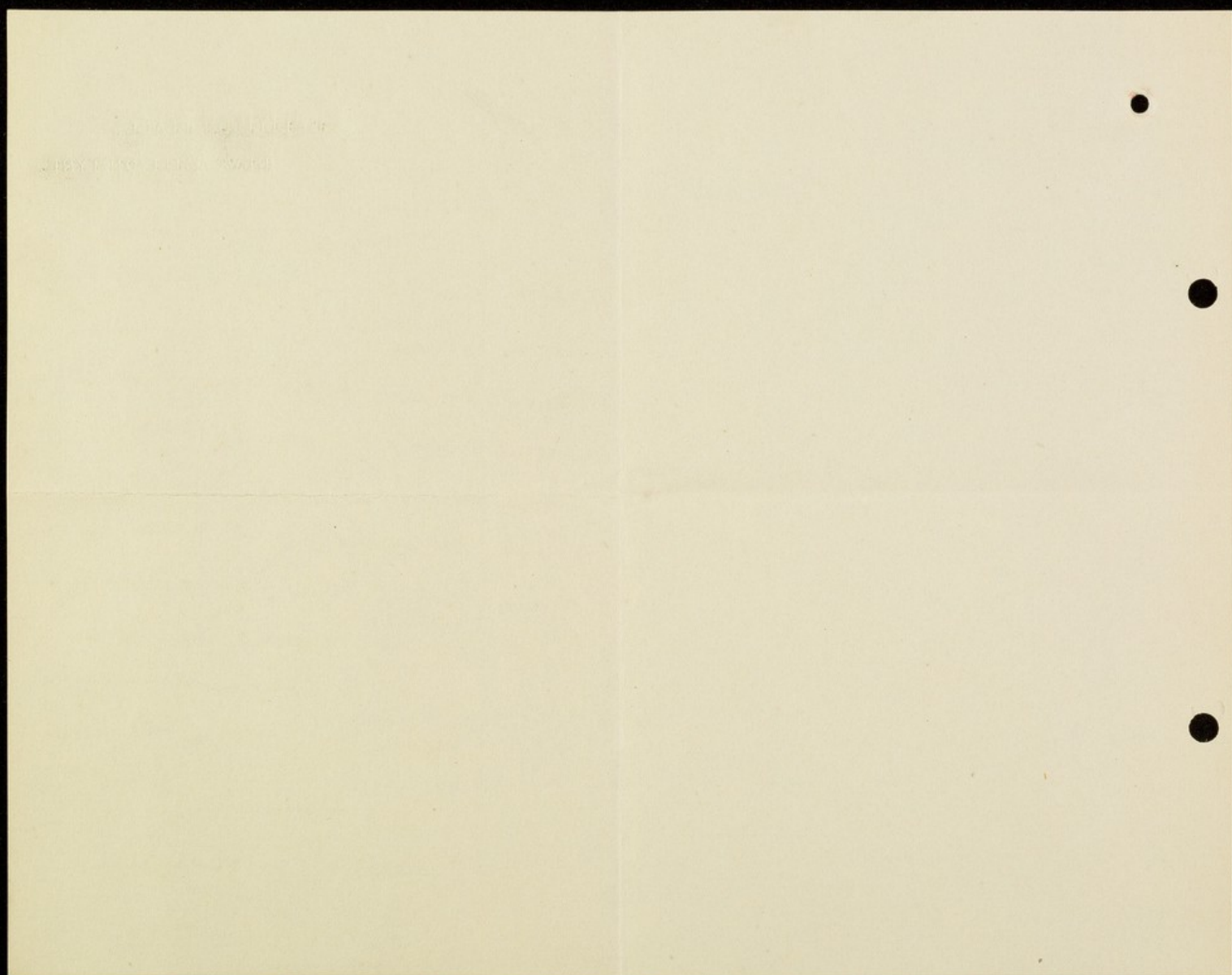


NAT. TEL. 462.

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Sept. 23rd 1908
19, ELLISON PLACE,
NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

Dear Mr. Pierce,
Thanks for yours of the
22nd inst. I am very glad to hear
Mrs. Rouse is doing so well.
You know better than I do what
is the proper course of action now.
I feel Mrs. Rouse should go
away to some quiet place for a
time where she could have
care and watchful. She
ought not to return to Watford
at present for many reasons

Yours sincerely
Edm. N. Williams



FROGMORE HOUSE,
WATFORD.21 Sep^r/08

Dear Sir,

I am indeed delighted
to hear my daughter is so
much better. In my letter
of yesterday to you, I said
another of my daughters
would with your permission
call and see Miss Gwile
on Wednesday. I have
this morning heard she
leaves Harrogate on
Tuesday. I am writing

FRIDMORE HOUSE,
WATFORD.

Asking her to call, if you
could see her, I should be
so much obliged and then
you could tell her the course
you considered the best.

The Nurse had a very expensive
dinner, but we will be guided
by you, if it is not too much
expense. Can you give me
any idea? The only other
thing would be for her to
go to the sea with me or
one of her sisters, and
then return home.

Would it be necessary for
her to have a nurse.
I quite understand ~~and~~
nursing in the ordinary
way? Having just nursed
one of my daughters through
Typhoid. Day and night.

Remain
Yours very truly
Mary E. Howle

Dr. Medford Pierce

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ENDMORE HOUSE,
WATFORD.

J. M. Pierce

Dear Sir,

We have this
morning heard from my
daughter that she is
quite all right, which
I suppose means she has
recovered her mental powers.
I shall be glad to hear
from you if I have
a daughter coming
home from Larropale
on Wednesday next &

WATFORD
BROOKMORE HOUSE

I should be glad if you
will give your consent
for her to call and
see her, and also your
advice as to her future
movements

Please let me hear as
soon as possible

Yours sincerely
Mary E Rowce

yet, but hope that in the course
of a few weeks you may have some
better news for us —

Thanking you for your kindness
both to her & to ourselves —

I am yours very sincerely

Wm. D. Moore

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FROGMORE HOUSE,
WATFORD.

Sept. 10. 1908.

Dr. Driford Price.
The Retreat.
York. —

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find cheque
£ 4-16-0 for two weeks fees for
my sister & at the same time
please accept our thanks for your
letter.

I am very sorry indeed to hear
that there is no apparent improvement

MULFORD
FROGMORE HOUSE

Sept 15, 1908

Dear Mrs. Rowse,

I cannot yet report any mental improvement, but am glad to say your daughter is sleeping well and taking food much better and gaining strength. We quite expect that it will not be long before there is some mental improvement. It is impossible to say, however, how long she will be ill. I can only reply in general terms that in the majority of cases of this kind recovery takes place in the course of three months and when it occurs it is complete, so that patients are able to resume ordinary duties. I should expect in the present case that after recovery a lengthened period of convalescence would be required before taking up the arduous work of the medical profession.

Yours very truly,

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FROGMORE HOUSE,
WATFORD.

Sept^r 8th/08

Mr Medford Pierce

Dear Sir,

I am feeling very very
anxious to hear how my
daughter Mr^s Fowler is, you
will remember Dr Williams
of Newcastle, N. York. Saw you
about her. May I ask you
to let me know as early as
possible. The suspense is
almost more than I can
bear. The relapse was so

PROGORE HOUSE,
WATFORD.

Suddenly I can hardly realize
it, it occurred while I was
sitting up with her, quite
suddenly, so I crush the
case. Mary will be a long
one. I am sending her box
by train tomorrow. Mary
I write her?

My son writes me so long.
Dr. Williams told him the
fee would be about 48/-
weekly. is that so?

Anxiously expecting a reply

I remain

Yours very truly
Mary E. Rowe

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NAT. TEL. 482.

Sept 11th 1908 (653)

19, ELLISON PLACE,
NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

Dear Mr. Pierce,

I am sorry to bother
you - but I think some blankets
& an eiderdown were sent with
my patient from Newcastle last
Friday - they belong to the landlady
of the rooms in which my patient
was staying - Could they be
returned either to Mr. Jones
13 Victoria Crescent Sandford
Rd. or direct to me?

Yours sincerely

Edw. M. Williams

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injection. the temperature fell gradually to 100.2 & then to 98. On the morning of Sept 3rd she began to have delusions or possibly on the evening of Sept 2nd the child was nursed until the 6th day.

Only one intrauterine dose was given as described above

Please let me know if there is anything more I can tell you about the case

Yours truly

Edm. W. Williams.

NAT. TEL. 462.

Sept 8th 1908

19, ELLISON PLACE,
NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

Dear Sir,

I ought to have written you some days ago concerning the case of Mrs Rowse but I have been very busy. She was taken down commenced as far as I have been able to find out on the evening of ~~Sept~~ 16th. She sent for assistance during the night when my partner Dr Bentham ^{about 2 a.m.} went to her. Dr Bentham found the Os almost fully dilated. Dr Bentham found that the patient had been administering Chloroform herself (Dr Bentham thought she had taken more than an ounce) & also had given herself two injections

of morphia. For the next 4 hours
there was but little progress at
all. Dr. Bentham sent home,
& other pains were very ineffective
the child's heart sounds poor &
applied forceps at once, & delivered
a living male child. The perineum
was torn & found in three places.
The placenta was very much torn
the pulse was quick during the
labour remained so (about 112)
but the temperature was normal
till the 4th day when it rose to
102° the pulse to 120. The lochia
were normal. The uterus going
down normally but the perineum
had not healed.

^{opiate & water}
I gave an enema with $\frac{3}{4}$ of
turpentine & an enema of
of Creosote.
On the 5th day a thrombus appeared
in the thigh. Until Aug 28th the
temperature fluctuated between 100.6°
& 102° the pulse remained about
120.
On Aug 28th the temperature ran up
to 104° the pulse to 134 the
patient had a definitely soft
appearance. I gave an injection
of 10 c.c. of polyvalent anti-
-streptococcal serum (A.D.H.)
The temperature was 102° next
morning the pulse 120. In the
afternoon I repeated the

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FROGMORE HOUSE,
WATFORD.

Sept 11th 1888

Dr. Medford Pierce

Sir I have a letter from
Dr. Williams this morning
in which she tells me, you
know the details of my dear
daughters sad case. My own
sufferings I do not mention.
Dr. Williams has given me
great sympathy and kindness
May I ask so in favour of you
Can you give me any hope
of my daughters being able

FROGMORE HOUSE,
WATFORD.

to take up her work again
say in three months. only
your opinion of course that
is all I can ask for.

If I had that hope we would
try and keep her practice
up. She is very much loved
by her ~~to~~ patients, and has
a growing practice.

I shall be so grateful for your
answer. Yours very truly
Mary E. Howe

Troymore House

Watford

Sept 16 1908.

Dear Sir

I have the pleasure to enclose
Cheque of £4. 16. 0 in settlement for
my sister to Oct 3rd next -

Trusting that you will have a decided
improvement to report shortly?

Yours faithfully.

Wm. M. D. D. D. D.

To D Bedford Place

The Retreat

York



Sept 17. 1908

Dear Sir,

At the recent meeting of the
Retreat Committee the terms for Miss Rowe
for board to have fixed at \$8/- a week.
Enclosed receipt for cheque & hand
this morning & also the usual
form of agreement, which kindly
return to me when completed.

Yours faithfully

G. E. Waller Secy.

G. P. Rowe Esq.

Sept 17. 1908

Dear Sir,

At the recent meeting of the
Advisory Committee the sum for this year
for board & care fixed at \$7. a week.
I enclose receipt for charges board
his forwarding to the amount
form of agreement, which thing
I have done when completed.

Yours faithfully

W. E. Brown, Sec.

Prof. Brown, Jr.