Hy Green
Bournville
3-III-15

Dear Dr Pierce

We are again having trouble with my son John.
He settled down very steady, up till Sep. or Oct. last at Keldonan at the farm work. when through the war excitement he took part in work for raising funds for the Belgium and Prince of Wales relief funds, which apparently was too much for him, then in Nov he enlisted in the Gordon Highlanders after about two months he deserted ~~to~~ from Aldershot went to Aberdeen & joined the Seaforth Highlanders about three weeks ago he either deserted or got discharged from them & went to Carlisle & joined Lord Lonsdales Sporting Battalion, where apparently

he committed some petty larceny.
I understand the military Authorities has discharged him and handed him over to the civil Authority where he is remanded until Saturday this week. I visited him and also interviewed the Superintendent of Police at Carlisle yesterday.

Will you Kindly post me per return a statement respecting him giving the dates and duration of the three times he was at the Retreat; so that I can put in as evidence of his irresponsibility

I much oblige

Yours sincerely

Daniel Roy

Urgent

If by any chance Dr Pierce is not in residence at the moment, will his deputy kindly send the dates and duration of his stay at "The Retreat" as I shall require it here not later than Friday A.M.

D.R.

23rd November, 1914.

Dear Roy,

The ferns you kindly sent us arrived safely, and we are very much obliged for them. They have been placed in the rock garden at the entrance to the cave, and look very nice.

With kind regards.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

Dr Pierce

KILDONAN,
ARRAN.
8. 11. 14

Dear Doctor.

You will find about 2 doz "Harts tongue" ferns arriving tomorrow: I am sorry not to have been able to get the other kind: they have died out in these islands: owing to the indiscriminate taking of them, it's a shame

May I suggest that if a few of these ferns were put, say by the cemetery between the walk there near the cricket-field & cemetery, they would get used to the ground. I took care to get only those that grew near little Burns & waterfalls. Kindest Regards

Yours sincerely,
John Roe.

as you remarked that nature should be interfered with to such an extent, you need have no such fears in regards to the few I'm sending, they abound here in great quantities: if Mr Rowe will name other kinds it will be a pleasure to me to get them for you: any little thing I can do for The Retreat will give me much pleasure & satisfaction

the bloom was dying on the heather, it was a glorious trip, that trip we took from York to Kirby-Moorside & then to Farndale gives one an idea of the loneliness, nothing but Arran can give one the beauty, it's peculiarly to Arran, the sharp cut peaks of Goat Fell etc & wonderfully lively burns & the Glens, lives in ones memory.
This has been a good season for Farmers, we have the usual farm yard collection of animals also sheep, I may spend another six months here yet, if I had a small farm of my own, it would suit me always, one who has been more or less his own master, finds it trying to be under another, still there is no

Dr Pierce
Dr Mac Kenzie

John Roy.
Kildonan House
KILDONAN.
ARRAN.

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1.11.14

My dear doctors/

Seeing I have been here 12 month and therefore know a little of Arran I thought you might be interested seeing you spoke of Arran when writing as primitive, and of the spirit of the mountains etc. Kildonan is on the south of Arran, our farm going right down to the sea shore, there are hills and one or two mountains behind us, the

sea being pratically on three sides of us, we have a fine view of the Firth of Clyde and Ayrshire coast one way; & Ireland down to Belfast Lough is seen painly on a clear day, we seem to get all the sales going: the most wonderful thing to me being the stillness and intense quiet before and after storm, it's remarkable. There is an inland loch about three miles from here across moorland and heather, a favourite walk on Sunday, it's a walk one enjoys alone because you can then get into the meaning of silence and peace. It is hard to think it possible that Europe is the scene of the greatest of all wars when out on the hills, yet when one comes back to Lamlash — a naval base — and see the battleships with there nets down & teeth (guns) showing you get back to things as they are. A few weeks ago the "Undaunted" — a new light cruiser — went down the Clyde, soon after we heard that she had been responsible for the sinking of a German cruiser: one cannot but have faith in our Navy if they see the battleships & the spirit that moves the men, they are jolly fellow, simple on the whole but clannish. I went round Arran a few weeks ago just as

now in the ordinary course, I promised to write to him if there were any farms about here where he could go to, but there were none suitable, they are mostly just crofters here, to which the Liberal Government have been very liberal indeed.

The Scotch people are still a people who believe that the body should fast: we have no dinner on Sundays: I went to church at 12.30 today we came out at 3 o'clock, it was intimated that the evening service started at 6.30 so you can see we have to miss a meal to attend.

Closing with kind regards to all at The Retreat from yours sincerely.
John Ross.

I doubt discipline is good for people at time especially in my own case; the farmer I'm with is a very nice fellow, we get on well together: there are no young fellows about here, still I don't seem to miss having no company: its is not like ~~York~~ The Retreat with its billiards, bowling green and many other games, not to mention the nice social evening we spent together as a large family with common interests, all bound together by ties which if analysed would be striking to people who do not know the kindness of the staff from the doctors down to the

least of the company. It is very pleasant to look back on, still you will not be surprised to hear that this life is much to be preferred because of the one thing liberty: yet I shall always be grateful for kindnesses received at the hands of many kind friends at York: it will be nice if at some future date I can pay a visit to York, just to see old friends, and how the rockery is going on, also the new bowling Greens & various other improvements. You ought to see the South of Cornwall, Pitten Rocks in particular to have an idea of what a rockery can be when nature takes the matter in hand; there are some rocks there that a Retreat picnic party could have tea on; the plants are all of the common variety you have, all or nearly all in the one at the Retreat: the ferns are lovely there are six kinds which look particularly well, if you would care for a sample it will give me great pleasure to send a few on, you may be full up, but it would be a pleasure to forward them if you would accept them, I've sent some home; the hearts'-tongues I sent home in June have got new leaves on already.

Mr Swain will have left York by

3rd November, 1914.

Dear Roy,

I am much interested in your letter about Arran, and it is indeed satisfactory that you can enjoy the beautiful country, and can appreciate the charm of the mountains and the sea.

With regard to your offer to send us some ferns, this we would gladly accept if it is not a pity to dig them up in Arran. A great deal of damage is done in beautiful districts by the indiscriminate rooting up of flowers and ferns, but if you could divide a few roots of hartstongue and osmunda and some of the rarer ferns likely to gfow on sandstone we should be glad to have them. At the end of the rockery there is now a cave with water dripping into it, and quite a nice place for establishing ferns.

Here we go on very much as usual. The war has not made very much difference except in our minds. We are as usual very full. The hockey goes on well, and we lost the first match on Saturday through playing one short.

Mr. Swaine got very much better and went to Canada and so far as we know is doing well.

Dr. Mackenzie joins me in kind regards and good wishes.

Yours very truly,

Relieve

11/IX/13

Dear Dr Pierce,

I thank you for your letter, re. my son, received this a.m. Dr Whitby writing on Aug 6th said he was not being officially discharged but having three months leave of absence, He seems to be fairly steady at present but if he gets into company & excitement rather inclined to talk too much. I think the fact of feeling that he is not free helps to keep him steady. I am hoping to get away to Scotland with him next week & get him settled on a farm on the Isle of Arran the end of this month, I think if he could be made to realize that he must settle at the one place & persist in steady regular work for something like two years it may have the desired effect. I think it may help him if you would kindly write to him on these lines, as I gather from him he is very much impressed with your views and advice. I feel that unless we can get him to settle for a lengthened period a relapse is likely, I think the detachment thereby

be as relieved. I should be very much obliged if you would kindly write to him but not to give him the idea that he is discharged at present.

Again thanking you

Yours sincerely,

Daniel Roy

The Green,
Bournville,
Birmingham

Sept 8
1913

My dear Doctor/ Hearing from Rob Horsman you had returned home I thought perhaps you would allow me to express thanks for many favours received: It has been my privilege —it cannot be called misfortune— to have had three days with you: each one more pleasurable than the previous one: my

2/ father has now allowed me to give up confectionery absolutely, also, to go in for farming as a live-li-hood: this you will agree with. Sheridan once said of a man (he is indebted to his im-ag-ination for his facts— this explains why you had cause once or twice to speak to me: still that was not when normal. There are many acts of kindness and love: (kindness in another's troubles to go down to the credit side of The Retreat account that cannot be shown

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in the balance shut:
— or there would never be
a need to trouble about
finance. the debit of the
same account would be
mostly imaginary wrongs
which time heals. It can
certainly be said in reference
to The Retreat.

The quality of mercy is not strained
It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven
upon the place beneath: it is twice blessed
It blesseth him that gives and him that takes
for you are a happy body
there: I can always look
back upon Friendships never
to be forgotten. Kindred thoughts
deep sympathies. Sympathy in
its true meaning of a feeling
<u>with</u> others: (not <u>for</u> them) the
1st is much the better.

"The Isle of Man" is where
my apprentice-ship is to be served:
then if all goes well I hope to
have a farm of my own near
Birmingham. May I close
here with many sincere
thanks and kindly thoughts
to all at The Retreat.
Kindest Regards to Mrs
Hamilton Mrs Pease & family.

Yours gratefully
Roy.

P.S.
Please remember me to any who
are kind enough to enquire. J.R.

R. J. D. Roy.

Sept. 10, 1913

Dear Roy,

I am very glad to hear you have such kind remembrances of the Retreat. It is not often that patients whose liberty has been curtailed are able to realise that what is done is done for the best. I much hope that you will find country life and hard work in the open exactly what you need. I expect Arran will be tolerably bleak in the winter time, but it is a beautiful place, and if you understand the spirit of the mountains you ought to get on well.

Mr. Hunt, who writes this, joins in kind regards. Cricket is fizzling out, and he hopes shortly to send you the averages and a hockey card.

Yours very truly,

31st July, 1913.

Dear Mr. Roy,

Your son is grumbling at staying on here, and says he is wasting his time. I must say that he is not doing much good. He does a certain amount of work and is obliging, but he is flitting about from one thing to another and I wish it were possible to find him some regular employment away from the Retreat.

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With kind regards,

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Yours very truly,

Reply 5.8.13.

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The Green,
Bournville,
Birmingham.

3/VIII/13

Dear Dr Pierce,

We have now made arrangments for my son to go on a farm in Scotland where I hope to take him within the next fortnight; so we shall be glad for John to come home as soon as convenient. I think perhaps there will be no need for me to come to York to fetch him as I shall be taking the journey to Scotland with him very soon. If you will kindly provide him with sufficient money to cover his expenses home, & charge to me with other expenses due. I will immediately send cheque to cover

I am enclosing a letter which I shall be glad to have returned.

Mr Campbell is Inspector of Poor for the Parish Council of Paisley (who is a great friend of Dr Robb) Mr Bell is his assistant.

They have undertaken with Dr Robb to take an interest in the case and report to us at intervals. I think it will prove a suitable place for my son. We are paying 15/- per week for the home for him. What do you think of the arrangment? Thanking you for all your care and kindness. With kind regards

Yours sincerely Daniel Roy

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M Dr Pierce
York

Dear Dr Pierce,

I thank you for your letter and am very sorry for the delay in finding a suitable place for my son. We are anxious to get something definitely settled before he leaves the Retreat.

Dr Robb is away at Paisley on his holiday and is at the same time trying to make arrangements to get him on a farm there with people who takes cases of this kind, he has written to my son from there, so he may have suggested that three years there would fit him to take up something definite for the future.

Mr Parker J.P. of Stelmersdale to whom John addressed the letter you enclosed to me, is a friend of ours where he spent a holiday some little time before we brought him to the Retreat. John had enclosed a copy of those two photos in a letter to his mother, naturally, in her reply, she asked who the lady was. I have been expecting daily to hear from Dr Robb, in any case, he will be returning soon, when I shall know if he has succeeded in getting a suitable place for him. If he fails I suppose we must have him home until we can find something for him.

With kind regards, Yours faithfully Daniel Roy

The Green,
Bournville,
Birmingham.

16/VII/13

Dear Dr Pierce

I thank you for your letter re. my son, and for the kind interest you have taken to procure a suitable place for him to go.

We are making enquiries, and also Dr Robb who is the B'ville Works doctor, is kindly interesting himself on our behalf, he comes from Paisley and knows some people there who takes these kind of cases, I think on a Fruit Farm so he is writing to know if there is a vacancy with them.

I think it will be best for John to stay on where he is until we have something definite in view for him, do not you think so?

Again thanking you

Yours sincerely Daniel Roy

July 11, 1913

Dear Mr. Roy,

I have asked Mr. Ashby at Sidcot, and he is not willing to receive your son as a resident improver. We are, therefore, no further advanced as to what he should do next. Mr. Roy is not giving us any particular trouble just now, though he is perhaps a trifle flighty. Still, he is very much better, and he seems better able to understand his position. He is wishful to take up out-door work of some kind, which seems to me reasonable. I do not think a longer stay here is very desirable, as it is somewhat of an indolent life and the distractions are many.

Yours very truly,

July 5, 1913

Dear Mr. Ashby,

I have another young man here, named Roy, the son of a Bournville Friend, who from time to time has become somewhat excitable and has wandered away from home doing foolish things, but has never done anything of a grave nature. He has been here now some months and at first was restless and boastful, shirking work; but latterly he has been much more steady and industrious, and indeed now does a good deal of work. He is wishful not to return to Bournville and would like to take up gardening or some outdoor work. I wonder whether you would care to have him with you. He will not give you any anxiety, though perhaps he is still a little talkative and flighty. He attends an Adult School here, takes an active part in games, and has had a large measure of freedom for a long time. If you are able to give him a trial perhaps you would say what his father would have to pay.

Swaine unfortunately did not get away to Canada. Just as arrangements were made he has a return of depression and had to come back here. He is still here, though much better again. His future is a very perplexing problem.

Yours very truly,

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YORK RETREAT HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE.

In consideration of the Directors of the York Retreat Hospital for the Insane agreeing to receive Robt J D Roy of as a patient in the said Hospital, I HEREBY UNDERTAKE AND AGREE with Richard Thompson of Dringcote, 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 necessaries, 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 day of 14 - XII - 1912

Name Daniel Roy

Residence The Green B'ville

Occupation Baker

SIGNED by the said Daniel Roy

in the presence of

Witness's Signature, Richard L. Fisher

Address, and 41, Sycamore Road, Romaville.

Profession. Bookkeeper

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Oct. 23, 1912

Dear Mr. Roy,

The Committee at their recent meeting left the q question of terms for your son unsettled, and we were requested to correspond withyou to ascertain how much you could rightly pay for him. I will submit your letter to them at their next meeting, which will not be for another month, but I think you may safely conclude that the charges will be adjusted to suit suit what you can afford. In the cases of members of the Society of Friends there is no wish to press for high fees, and it is the custmm of the Committee to consider each case on its merits.

I cannot report any real improvement in your son's condition. There is a lack of moral tone and a tendency to irregular conduct, which is rather difficult to deal with, and he frequently gets across with the attendants and gardeners by doing things without properly informing them of what is in his mind.

Yours very truly,

21/X/12

Dear Mr Waller

Re. my son R John D. Roy

I am sorry it is impossible for me to pay so large a sum as 48/- per week. I certainly had no idea the average cost per patient was so high.

25/- per week, with the extras seems as much as I can afford, but, I will make a special endeavour to pay 30/- per week, in which case, his personal expenses must be kept to practically nil. I understand he is able to earn enough to keep him in any little extras he may require, and apparently he is physically strong and capable.

If the cost to me must be more than 30/- per week, I shall be under the painful necessity of having him removed. Yours faithfully Daniel Roy

Time when completed

Yours faithfully
Jno. E. Waller Secy.

Oct 21 1902

A. Roy Esq

Dear Sir,

At the recent meeting of the Retreat Committee the terms for your son R. of Roy were under consideration. On the former occasion the fee was fixed at £5 a week which as you are probably aware is only about half the average cost per patient. I am directed to enquire whether you would now be willing to pay the usual lowest rate of £48 a week. I enclose the usual form of agreement which kindly return

Oct. 21 1912

Dear Sir,

At the Annual Meeting of the Natural Commission the issue by you in Flying was made Conditional. On the former reading the fee was fixed at $5 a week which as you probably aware is only what half the Energy cost for Patent. Now should it require further you would have to notify Flying the usual Annual rate $10 a week. Further the usual form of Agreement which I only believe

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22/IX/12

Dear Dr Pierce,

I am not at all surprised that a Doctor who does not know my son, and the actual facts of the case, should have some difficulty in certifying him, as he is so ready with answers and reasons for his actions, although of course, they are often untrue, and generally very much exaggerated, when he gets to his present condition. Re. the 6/- per week story, that was an arrangement we agreed to when he came home from York last year for pocket money only

which he had every Saturday and quite often 10/- instead of 5/-. He of course, providing his clothing, holiday money, the which has amounted to over 30£ in addition to the weekly item, also board &c.
He has never expressed any dissatisfaction to us about the arrangement, so presume it is only an excuse to account for his going away from home, naturally we have been anxious not for him to waste any more than necessary, as we were hoping, if he went on alright for a year or two, to put him in a business of his own, which was explained topped to by him. It seems almost

impossible for me to write all that may be necessary, as to his actions this last three or four weeks, & explain fully and clearly, so I have decided to come to York tomorrow morning leaving B'ham 6-5 arrive York 10-42. bringing letters & papers with me. I should be glad if I could meet the doctor soon then, as I want to get back to Blackpool to get his gold watch & chain back

Yours Sincerely
Samuel Roy

Sept. 18, 1912

Dear Mr. Roy,

I am very sorry to hear of your continued anxiety respecting your son. It is very sad that he has these recurrent attacks of excitement. We can receive him at any time, and I expect before long you will have news of him. Happily he is a strong lad and not likely to come to any harm, though the uncertainty must be distressing for you.

Yours very truly,

N.B.—This form must accompany any inquiry respecting this Telegram.

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Unsuccessful in tracing my Son today

Roy Bourneville

16/IX/12

Dear Dr Perrel

Since writing to you before, my son has, been away from home & we have been unable to get into touch with him, during the fortnight we have had a letter and card one posted at Manchester the other at Blackpool, This morning I have heard from a friend at Skermersdale, informing me that he has been just lately, I think on Saturday last, at Burscough

Bridge borrowed some money from another Baker whom we met at our N. A. Conference. These friends are now helping me & I am hoping to go there tomorrow, when I trust we shall be able to meet him & persuade him to come away with me to York. I hope to be able to get a Doctor there to certify him on the urgency order. From what I can gather he is in a very shabby condition, so I shall take with me a complete change of clothing, & will wire you if we find him in time to bring him tomorrow

Yours faithfully Daniel Roy

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The Green,
Bournville,
Birmingham.

1-IX-12

Dear Dr Pierce,

My son is again causing us great anxiety; we have noticed for some few weeks his becoming more excitable and erratic. Yesterday morning he made some excuse to cycle off and did not return, this morning I received a letter from him (posted at Manchester last night) saying he was getting a situation, which, of course, is impossible for him to hold, even if he does get one. But I expect to hear of his getting to some friends in our business at Skelmersdale who we met at our N.A. Conference and with whom he has lately spent

an holiday. I think it will be best not to allow this wandering to go on for long as it will only end in disaster to himself and very great expense to us. He went on very well for some months and was a real help in the business.

We should esteem your kind interest and advice. I expect we shall experience some difficulty in getting him to consent to examination by Doctor & Magistrate.

Yours sincerely

Daniel Roy

this bicycle, I think he said J Stabler would see to it to whom he mentioned the fact before he left; he is also writing to him

Thanking you most sincerely for all your kindness & advice

Yours faithfully

Daniel Roy

BUNTING'S BOARDING HOUSE,
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THE Y.M.C.A. HOLIDAY HOME.
ENTRANCE: ALMA SQUARE.

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SCARBOROUGH.

PROPRIETOR:
EDGAR H. BUNTING.

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Dear Dr. Puree,

We have come to the conclusion to take John home with us he appears to be settling down quite steady & is, apparently, better than he has been for some years, I trust we shall be led to do the right thing for him & after a few weeks we shall be better able to decide. I presume you will be able to arrange for the packing & sending his clothing

Sept. 21, 1911

Dear Mr. Roy,

I shall be pleased to see you on Sunday next. I think it will be better for you to call in the evening, after the evening meeting, as on Monday I shall have to go to Scarborough. Your son tells me he has secured rooms for you with Mr. and Mrs. Thornton.

Yours very truly,

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PRIVATE [~~OR PAUPER.~~]

LUNACY COMMISSION,

66, VICTORIA STREET, S.W.

19 Sept^r, 1911.

Lunacy Act, 1890, Section 38,

Lunacy Act, 1891, Section 7.

SIR,

Name Robert J. D. Roy

Date of Reception Order 25 September, 1910

I am directed by the Commissioners in Lunacy to inform you that the first Special Report and Certificate required under the above Sections, for the purpose of continuing the Reception Order in this case, not having been received, the Commissioners assume that they have not been duly sent, and if this is the case the Reception Order will expire on the 24th instant, and notice of the Patient's discharge on *that* date should be sent to this Office. The authority for discharge should be given as "by operation of Law, the Reception Order not having been properly continued."

If the Patient remains of unsound mind, and is a proper case for care and treatment, his further detention must be legalised by fresh Order and Certificates, which should be obtained by the date of expiry of the old Reception Order. In case the Patient cannot be re-certified by that date the cause of the delay should be at once communicated to the Commissioners.

A Patient who is dangerous to himself or others should on no account be set at large, and, to avoid any risk, the Commissioners will not object to the examination for re-certification taking place in the Institution.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

A. S. Wild

for the *Secretary.*

The Medical Officer,

York Retreat

Lunacy Act, 1890, Section 38 (7).

The Manager of any Institution for Lunatics, and any person having charge of a Single Patient, who detains a Patient after he has knowledge that the Order for his Reception has expired shall be guilty of a *misdemeanour*.

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The Green,
Bournville,
Birmingham.

19/IX/11

Dear Dr Pierce,

We thank you for your letter re. my son. My wife & I are intending travelling to York on Sunday next; & then on the following day, we could go on to Bridlington or Scarborough & take John with us for a few days before returning home. I presume we should be able to have an interview with you on Monday morning.

Could you kindly advise us on a suitable place for us to lodge on Sunday night - in York? We should arrive 5.22

Yours sincerely
Daniel Tory

Sept. 16, 1911

Dear Mr. Roy,

The time has come when the Law requires a renewal of the certificates for your son if he is to remain under care. I am glad to say that he is certainly better, has more self control, does not talk in such an injudicious way, and is more industrious. The effect of this is that I cannot formally state that he remains of unsound mind, although I must admit that he is slightly weak-minded and still is lacking to some extent in judgment and good sense.

In the absence of the certificate, he must be discharged from our books, but he is quite willing to remain as a Voluntary Boarder. I understand you are coming to see him before very long, and we can then discuss what course had better be taken with regard to his leaving.

Yours very truly,

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TELEPHONE
SELLY OAK 65.
TELEGRAMS:-
"ROY, BOURNVILLE."

DANIEL ROY & SONS,

AWARDED
HIGH HONOURS
ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS
INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION LONDON.
AND OTHER PLACES
FOR EXCELLENCE
IN QUALITY OF BREAD

· PRIZE MEDALISTS & DIPLOMAISTS ·

THE MODEL VILLAGE BAKERY, BOURNVILLE,

M Bedford Pierce Esq.
York

26 - VIII - 1911

Dear Dr Pierce

Please find cheque to cover a/c herewith.

We should be glad to hear from you what you personally think of our Son now; we have thought by his letters that he has shown signs of improvement.

My Wife & I are hoping to come to see him sometime towards the end of the next month, & if you see no objection we would take him for three or four days to Scarborough, we should then have an opportunity of judging his stability. In any case we shall be quite willing to accept your judgment.

Yours Sincerely Daniel Roy

Dr Prince

1st Gallery
29th May
1911

Dear Doctor/ Sorry to trouble you so ~~importantly~~ importunately.

but really Doctor I cannot rest with this shadow over me You are a medical man and must know that it is bad for one: I thought myself getting better: but I am now losing both weight & confidence: Cannot you in some way settled this question: it is very serious heaven know! Still something must be done or you are laying yourself then to heavy a greater charge brought against yourself as this is unbearable.

Will you not for my sake advise father to let me go to another institution I prefer an ordinary asylum a pauper one where I can get a fair trial or justice. I get neither as it is. I cannot defend myself & still consider myself an honourable man I am not a woman & therefore cannot retate any conversation that would really shield you my complete innocence. I have already told you more than my better nature demanded of me but under pressure. Against referring to your kindness I say I appreciate it & may hope your trouble on my behalf will have its really deserved reward may I still remain yours very sincerely

Rd Coy.

P.T.O.

P. S. I would just like to say how I appreciate Sister Emily's kindness although she knew the harm I am under ask me this morning to play bridge with her tonight: You may wonder why I write it is because I cannot speak: You will wonder at this I mean think seriously when I feel serious it is too much for me

A Lord.

Dr Price

The Retreat
York.
28th 5. 11

After a talk with Mr Darley I would like you to call Albert Child the plumber into your office & question him about his case vis: When in the office or Gate Entrance. I said to him Albert I may joke but I have never in my life suggest to a young lady anything wrong or thought of such a thing when in their company. If you cannot get an answer to this call Eldridge & see if I have not said as much or words to this effect in Plumbers shop. I cannot screen myself from the other charge without getting other people into trouble & that I will not do

Yours Very Sincerely
John Roy.

John Roy.

May 27, 1911

Dear Mr. Roy,

For some time I have been uneasy about the large amount of liberty which your son has had at the Retreat. He has been hanging about, talking to the nurses, and generally exhibiting restless and somewhat flighty behaviour.

But it was only yesterday that I heard that his conversation respecting the nurses had been far from proper. It appears that he has been speaking to several of the artisan members of the staff, and also to the gardener of a neighbour, in a very loose way, if fact, making statements respecting his relations with the nurses, which, though altogether untrue, are serious, and, naturally, cause much resentment. I am, therefore, stopping his parole.

I do not, for one moment, wish to suggest any actual impropriety, but his peculiar lack of self-control has led him to romance in a way which is intolerable. I quite realise that he is not responsible, and am very sorry that I have to give this unfavourable report.

Yours very truly,

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THE MODEL VILLAGE BAKERY, BOURNVILLE,

27 · V · 1911

Mr Pierce
The Retreat York

Dear Sir Pierce,

Thanks very much for your letter dated May 18th. according to your description my son certainly has not attained his best.
We found him exactly as you say, for some time previous to his being worse, on each occasion, but; at his best; he is the soul of honor & truthfulness. He was devotedly true to one young Lady, but, we noticed when unbalanced he had not such special regard, but would leave her to flirt with others. We discouraged her from having any hope for him when he had this last relapse, & she is now walking out with another young man. We hope it will have no detrimental effect on him & if he gets better he may realize it is best for him. I presume it was an oversight; you did not reply to my queries as to whether (according to his request) he may have his bicycle, is it advisable? & also shall we be officially informed, when he requires anything in the shape of clothing?

Yours very sincerely. Daniel Roy

Dr Cure

1st Gallery
26th June
1911

Dear Doctor, It does not seem right to worry you so soon after your vacation my only excuse being an exceptional case.

Dr Mac Kenzie has a letter he will no doubt show you.

If you will look into the matter again it will satisfy me whatever the verdict:

This continual suspence can but retard my progress:

anyone can see I am not what I was before this happened.

my confidence and individuality have disappeared.

I came here of my own accord although you would not have me without a certificate. it is now my wish, and will also be my father's when he hears my case: which he has not done yet: that I be removed somewhere were people understand me, then I can be treated more like a gentleman that a prisoner in the second division.

I cannot be trusted to walk down the corridors or round the grounds without supervision. it as meant my losing 3 hours work and sometimes more each day. it is surely impossible to get better in an atmosphere of mistrust.

I am going at my work until this is settled as it is impossible to do justice to it: really Doctor! one is made unfit for work. On Coronation Day I did not know wether or no I ought to speak to the nurses. So I quietly told them the cause of my parole being stopped: as vilidly as possible: they all seemed sorry for me so I feel much happier than I could have done otherwise. I do not think any one believed the men or surely they would have thought me to corrupt ~~for conversation~~ to converse with.

Trusting and knowing you will give this letter your serious attention

believe me

Dear Dr Pierce

to be yours very sincerely

John Roy.

R. John D. Roy

May 18, 1911

Dear Mr. Roy,

I was sorry not to see you, when you were in York, and talk things over, respecting your son.

There is no doubt he is better than when he came. It is somewhat easier to appeal to him, and I really think he tries to be reasonable. I doubt whether he has really reached his best. He is still talkative, cannot keep steadily at one occupation, talks to the nurses at every opportunity, and is not always quite truthful. He is flighty, and rather boastful. As an instance of his lack of straightforwardness, on two occasions, at least, he has got leave to go to meeting, and gone somewhere else instead. I had a talk to him, seriously, the other day: he promises to be more reasonable, and I am continuing to trust him. He does a moderate amount of work, and earns three or four shillings a week; and consequently does not require pocket money.

I should like to hear from you how this present condition compares with his normal condition, when at his best.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

The Green
Bournville
17/V/11

Dear Dr Pierce

We should very much appreciate your opinion as to the progress of our Son. We thought him very much better when we saw him a fortnight ago & trust he is still improving. We were sorry not to see you personally. He asked us to send his bicycle which he said he could keep there & use sometimes, instead of riding on the brake, is that so? We bought him some socks, & also a pair of trousers to play cricket in. We presume we shall be informed when he is requiring any kind of clothes, which we shall be glad to get for him.

Yours very sincerely
Daniel Roy

The Green,
Bournville,
Birmingham.

18/III/11

Dear Dr. Pierce

Herewith please find cheque to cover a/c. enclosed.

My wife & I are hoping to come to see our Son in about a fortnight's time.

How is he getting on, do you ~~then~~ see any improvement, & are you of opinion that he will get well again?

We cannot judge much from his letters although they seem very reasonable & generally well put together, but a great lack of personal responsibility rather like a child than a man. His predominant idea seems to be the pleasure side of life, instead of personal responsibility for the future.

Yours Sincerely

Daniel Roy

The Retreat
York
Jan 21

My dear Mr Pierce

Just a line to explain to you ~~that~~ the way Dr Mackenzie & Mr Rowe reckon my time sheet. Mr Rowe told me on Saturday that the Dr had told him to put down on the paper the time to represent my work & not the time I worked. Mr Rowe obliged the Dr by putting me down twelve hours instead of 24 hours; which is very disheartening to one who is trying to prove that he is sane & responsible for all his actions. I would not mind if Mr Rowe were competent to judge but seeing he has not been near me this week. I claim he cannot. I enclose summary of work done for which I receive 3/. I do not complain that it is insufficient but it is not what you are prepared to give. I have work honestly incessantly & to the best of my ability from Monday until Friday I give up 2 hours on hockey afternoon as I work to pay off your bill. All I want is justice & to try to let you see that I am a sane & responsible person, that has been my object for the last 5 months.

Yours very sincerely
John Roy

Summary of Work. Week ending 26th Jan

Friday & Sat fire for men's dinner

50 logs of wood chopped into small pieces.

Mon/ 6½ Wood carrying to West Villa, Lodge & Kitchen yard also logs chopped & fire for men's dinner

Tues/ 6 hours 100 logs of wood chopped

Thur/ 6. hour. Logs chopped: fire lighted

Wood carried.

John [illegible]

must do so, especially tobacco as we think so much smoking is bad for him.
Both his mother and I have to work hard & long to make up for the extra burden of expenses.
We trust he is improving in health & not giving much trouble.

Yours sincerely
Daniel Roy.

The Green,
Tournvilla,
Birmingham.

12/1/11

Dear Dr Pierce,

Is there not a mistake in the bill I received this A.M.? enclosed herewith. I understood from your letter, there would not be any charge for tobacco, as my son was paying for it out of money he earned, & he also informed us on two or three occasions that he earned on an average 4/- per week, what does he spend it on? When I made the offer, or rather, said I could not afford more than 25/- per week I had in my mind total costs. We are making great sacrifices for him, if he can relieve us of any neccessary charges he

Jan. 13, 1911

Dear Mr. Roy,

There is no mistake in the account, as your son's earnings did not pay off the back reckonings for tobacco, as when he first came he did not work, but tobacco was supplied. At the present time he says he has no money in hand as he has provided his tobacco for the last month and he sent away some presents for Christmas. He is, however, quite willing to pay off the 16/6 for tobacco out of his future earnings, so I return the account with this omitted.

With regard to the washing and mending, this is the usual charge, and we could not omit it without the sanction of the Committee. There is, however, no objection to reducing it to 1/- a week.

Your son is doing very well. He certainly is not giving us any trouble. He has much enjoyed the parties we have been having recently. He exhibits a little want of balance, and his judgment is certainly not what it should be, but otherwise there is not much to complain of. He goes to meeting by himself on Sundays, and his general conduct is quite orderly, though at times there is a little tendency to larking, which is not unusual in young men.

Yours very truly,

Dear Father

Please send 6/
a cheque will be best to
W Greene
La Vista
Harrogate
I will send it you on Sat.
next. I bought some cards for Xmas
him when he was here please
send at once your loving John

POST CARD

YORK

8. 45 PM

DEC 5 1904

Mr Daniel Roy
The Green
Bournell

The Green,
Lourenville,
Birmingham.

17/XII/10

Dear Dr Pierce

We thank you for your letter re. our son therewith enclose cheque to cover a/c.

Yours faithfully
Daniel Roy

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The Green
Bournville
6/XII/10

Dear Dr Pierce,

I trust my son is not allowed to contract any debts. We do not think there is any need for him to get X'mas cards, the majority of his letters are appeals for something or other.

Yours sincerely Daniel Roy

Dec. 8, 1910

Dear Mr. Roy,

I am glad to say your son is doing better. The excitement is certainly less marked and he is not giving any trouble. He is working tolerably well in the grounds and for the last two weeks has earned 5/- a week.

The Christmas cards you mention were purchased from a patient who has left, and he will pay for them himself out of his earnings, and he also wishes to pay for the two ounces of tpbacco weekly which he has. I do not think this amount of tobacco is excessive, though I quite understand that when he is at his best he does not care about smoking. I do not think anything will be gained by knocking it off against his will.

Yours very truly,

money, he pawns his clothes, or any other device, even stealing to get what he desires.
My Wife & I should much prefer for him to come under your care, rather than anywhere else but I do not think I should be able to afford more than 25/- per week costs.
He is not personally a member of the "Society of Friends", but both his mother & I are, should be glad to hear from you immediately as to whether you can receive him and terms

Yours faithfully
Daniel Roy

46 The Green
Bournville
15/IX/10

To Dr Pierce
York Retreat

Dear Dr Pierce

We find it will be necessary to put my son R. John D. Roy under restraint again, since he left York Retreat, he has spent eleven months in Barnsley Hall Asylum, near Bromsgrove, from March last year to February this year, he went on very well indeed until about six weeks ago, when he began to develop the same symptoms as previously viz. spending his money wastefully in useless things & getting about & unable to settle to work of any kind, when run out of

The Green
Bournville
3/XI/10

Dear Dr Pierce,

We should be glad to hear from you, as to what you think of our son R. John L. Roy.
We are rather sorry to find letters are going from him direct to various "friends" & presume he gets them posted in some way, from the usual course,
Two letters have been received by our friends named Ward of Marple Manchester, & one by Crouch Enfield London, we should much prefer all his correspondence sent to us as it used to be,
Thanking you in anticipation
Yours sincerely
David Roy

Manchester 23/IX/10 514

Dear Dr Pierce,

I am very sorry we have lost sight of my son again for the last day or two, I have got one form filled up by our Dr at home, If I can drop across him I shall get the other forms filled up here & bring him straight away to York I have secured the help of the Police here & at Stockport —

where we heard of him last
so I hope it will not be
long now before we secure
him, he has written to us
but he gives us no address
he seems to wander from
place to place.

Yours faithfully
Daniel T Roy

Bournville.
Nr Birmingham.

Nov. 3rd. 1910

Dear Dr. Pierce,

I will gladly act as guarantor for one year for the payment of Roy at the Retreat. I do not feel it right to go beyond this, as my life is very uncertain, and I do not wish to leave more responsibilities than possible for those who follow me.

Yours truly,

George Cadbury

Nov. 2, 1910

Dear Friend,

You will probably be aware that R.D.J.Roy has returned to the Retreat, having relapsed. His father says he will be able to pay 25/- a week in future for his maintenance. On Oct. 15, 1907 you kindly acted as guarantor for the payments when he was admitted before. May we assume that this guarantee holds good for the present admission?

I remain,

Yours very truly,

George Cadbury Esq.

Awarded High Honours on five occasions for excellence in q[illegible] of Bread.

The Green,

Bournville,

12 — VI — 1908

Dear Dr Pierce

I thank you for your letter received this a.m. & am glad to say that I think my son may be discharged as recovered. there certainly has been a gradual improvement since his return, he has settled down nicely to his regular employment; but he does not seem to be so physically strong as he was previously, & he seems to rather worry about the work in general, i.e. he sees every thing that is being said & done wrong. & although he does not say anything to the men about it; he comes to me with it; Of course all this seems the right thing to do, only one feels that he is sometimes rather unduly worrying about things, & I scarcely know whether to discourage it - the best way to do it; perhaps as he still get stronger he will not notice things so much.

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Thanking you for all your kindness.

I remain yours sincerely

Daniel Roy

The Green,

Bournville,

8 - V - 1908

Dear Dr Pierce,

I thank you very much for your letter received this A.M. and am glad to say that my son has wonderfully improved, steadied down, & took a real interest in his work, only we notice he seems to see everthing that is going on & inclined to worry about things other than his own work, if he imagines it is not going right. Of course, I feel this would be quite right if he was in good health & could stand the strain, he has lost several pounds in weight & has not been so bright & cheerful just lately, & this morning he complained of head-ache when he got up, saying he felt swimming round, so we gave him some opening medicine & are keeping him in bed today, we trust he will soon be better again. I thought by explaining this fully, you would be better able to judge the best course to take. If I may trespass on your valuable time I should esteem a great kindness any advice you may give us.

Yours very sincerely

Daniel Roy

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The Green,

Bournville,

9th XII - 1907

Dear Dr Pierce,

You will be glad to know that John is doing very well, we can see a marked improvement in him, even since he has come home. I am sorry we have not yet succeeded in procuring a suitable place for him ~~yet~~ on a farm I am still making enquiries & have some prospect, but not yet decided, he has been helping us with some out-door work, & also iceing some X'mas Cakes, my wife informs me that he is short of some of his clothes. I will enclose list.

We feel very grateful to you & all friends who has so kindly helped us in the matter.

Yours very sincerely,

Daniel Roy

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The Green,

Bournville,

18 · XI · 1907

Dear Dr. Pierce,

I thank you for your letter re. my son. I think it will be best for me to come up to York one day this week (I think Thursday) have a talk with him, then if we think it advisable he may come back with me. I have had an interview with our family Doctor & we are making enquiries for a suitable place for him. Do you know of a suitable place anywhere? I am sorry we have no friends who are Farmers.

Yours very sincerely, Daniel Cadbury

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS. ..... continued .....

Warwickshire North Monthly Meeting.

Clerk: William A. Cadbury,
12, Sir Harry's Road,
Birmingham.

October 30th.1907

Dr. Bedford Pierce.

We are anxious not to claim any unfair advantage from the institution, and I shall be glad to receive your reply.

Yours sincerely,

W A Cadbury

Enclosure

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SOCIETY OF FRIENDS.

Warwickshire North Monthly Meeting.

Clerk: William A. Cadbury,
12, Sir Harry's Road,
Birmingham.

October 30th.1907

Dr. Bedford Pierce,
The Retreat,
York.

Dear Friend,

Your letter of October 10th. has been passed from my brother, Barrow Cadbury, to me, and I have consulted Henry Lloyd Wilson, and William Littleboy (10 years clerk of this Meeting). We have no recent precedent for cases at the Retreat, and of course no knowledge of the practice with regard to Associates. How the recommendation form got into the hands of the clerk of Bournville Preparative Meeting I do not know. We should be very glad if the Retreat committee sees its way to take this case at the lower figure; the boy is a son of Friends. On the advice of William Littleboy I have counter signed the paper as clerk of our Meeting, and enclose a guarantee from George Cadbury for the payment of Daniel Roy, the father. I do not propose to put ~~the whole of~~ this case before our large Monthly Meeting having consulted a few Friends, if you are willing to accept the recommendation as now sent.

We quite recognise the right of your committee to refuse to take this case as any precedent.

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BOURNVILLE,
NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

November 11th. 1907

Dear Dr. Pierce,

Thanks for your letter with regard to Roy. I do not know that I have ever spoken to him, but his father is a hard working man and it will be a great calamity to him if the son does not recover. I am sure that all possible will be done for him at York. Unless I hear to the contrary in a few days time I will let his father see your letter.

Yours truly,

George Cadbury

P.S:- I have sent Roy letter as herewith.

41 The Green
Bournville 10/X/07

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Dear Dr Pierce,

Herewith please find cheque value Twenty one & five to cover a/c enclosed. We should be very glad to get a few lines from you informing us how my son is & whether in your opinion he is much improved. The last friend who visited him thinks him well enough to be away. I must say that is not my opinion from the last letters we received from him, but we have not heard from him now for a fortnight. Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours sincerely
Daniel Roy

Awarded Diploma, for excellence in quality of Bread, International Exhibition, London.

Ans

~~220 Margaret Road~~
The Green
Bournville,

30 - VIII - 1907

Dear Sir,

I thank you very much for the letters posted on to me, that my son have written. At the onset I had no idea that there had been any trouble between himself & his young lady, but now I find out there have been jealousy on his part the was feeling it very acutely. The engagement was broken off through his own doings. Ever since he has been trying to appear indifferent; although really, judging from his last two letters she is his very life. She is now staying with us for a few days

& has written to him again this evening & intends (if you think there is no objection) to come with my wife & Mrs O'Brien on Monday next to see him. I should like to hear from you by return post, if you think there is any objection, as they would start from Bournville by an excursion train on Sunday mid-night arriving at York early Monday morning, but they need not come on to "The Retreat" until after breakfast-time.

Yours faithfully

Daniel Roy

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~~220, Mairgate Road,~~
The Green
Bournville,

8 - VIII - 1907

Dear Friend,

We have not heard from my son John Roy for over a fortnight & we are naturally anxious (especially his mother) to know how he is, we have all written to him, & also our friend J. J. O'Brien but he has apparently ignored us all.

Dr Pierce kindly said that you would write to us giving us any information, if our son did not keep up his correspondence with us. Thanking you in anticipation

Yours Sincerely
Daniel Roy

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~~220, Maryvale Road,~~
The Green
Bournville,

24 - VII - 1907

Dear Dr Pierce,

Apparently my son is now, in some measure, realizing what he is at "The Retreat" for. I presume you see or know all his correspondence so that there is no need for me to tell you what he writes to me. Apparently he will need now to be closely watched. Am I taking the right course in writing to him, in answer to his letters in the way I do? I only want to do what you think is right; what do you think of him, do you think he will get right again? we are most anxious to know what you really think of him.

Yours faithfully
Daniel Roy

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Chetwynd House,
Selly Oak,
Nr Birmingham.

July 14/07

Dear Friend
Bedford Pierce,

I understand that an application for admission to the Retreat is being made by our friend Daniel Roy on behalf of his Son: and I wish to say, in connexion with that application, that from my personal knowledge of Daniel Roy's circumstances this is a case in which

help is desirable, to the largest extent that the rules of the institution allow. I know the circumstances of the case well, I don't mean of the boy, but of his father. It is, of course, a delicate matter to report on another man's financial abilities. Daniel Roy is a very useful friend in our quarter & we think highly of him.

With best wishes

Thy friend

Rendel Harris

Bournville Village Meeting.

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15th VII 1907

Dear Friend,

When making out the form enclosed I ascertained that I had overlooked – that Robert John Daniel Roy is an "associate member" of the Society.

Yours truly

Kate A. Wilson

P.S. We will write you time of arrival if he comes. His father will come too

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Bournville Village Meeting.

15th. VII 1907

Dear Friend,

I am much obliged for your letter. I understand that the land will probably be certified today or tomorrow morning, and we should like him to leave tomorrow if possible.

Daniel Roy's position is one which renders a large contribution quite impossible: this I know of my own knowledge, and Mr. Randal Harris in writing you to the same effect. I trust therefore that, as the land has never been to any other meeting but those of Friends, your Committee will see their way to receive him at the lowest rate.

If you will send me the form of guarantee I will, after speaking to Geo. Cadbury about it, get two or three signatures of persons who are in a position to undertake this liability.

But I trust you will not let this stand in the way of an immediate reception as it is most difficult to keep an effective watch over the lad at present.

In all probability D Roy & T.J. O'Brien will bring him, and T.J. O'Brien who is a man of independent, tho moderate, means will explain matters fully to you.

May we have a wire addressed to me at 26 Acacia Rd - at the earliest possible moment tomorrow.

Yours very truly
George B. Wilson

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~~226, Bournville Road,~~
THE GREEN

Bournville,

19 — VII — 1907

Dr Pierce
The Retreat
York.

Dear Sir,

I beg to express my thanks to you for the kindness shown to Mr O'Brien & myself when we brought my son to you this week, & Mr O'Brien wishes me to express the hope, in which I unite, that you will speedily recover from the result of your accident: I have had a letter from my son this a.m. in which he says that he is enjoying himself first-rate: he also expresses the idea that he should have a pajama suit, dressing gown & a tennis suit. We are sending, in a day or two, an additional night-shirt: Collars, handkerchiefs, vests, pants &c & of course we will send a flannel suit ~~if no~~ & the other things he asks for if necessary, will you kindly let me know? and will you kindly let ~~us~~ know at your earliest convenience what you think of him? & also whether there are special times for visiting: or could any friend who may be coming to York call & see him any time? He also asks for some cigars, but I am afraid he has, just lately, been smoking a great deal too much. I feel it right to tell you this, as my younger son told me that he smoked no less than eleven cigars besides some tobacco & cigarettes on Sunday last, apparently in my absence he was continually smoking. Mr O'Brien informs me that the Clerk (with the expressed wish of Mr Cadbury & our Bournville meeting members) has signed the form which I presume will be sent on to you. & I must rely on you for instructions as to payment & other necessary items.

Again thanking you, I beg to remain

Yours faithfully
Daniel Roy

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Bournville Village Meeting.

12. VII 1907

Dear Friend,

A member gave notice at meeting Daniel Roy - who is a baker in our village - is in great trouble about his eldest son aged 21.

The lad has suffered with his head from time to time but just of late he has been very wayward strange - incurring expenses without his parents knowledge etc etc - and a few days he bolted to Liverpool - where he went to a friend of the family whose hospitality he rewarded by taking a number of articles which it is believed he has pawned -

Dr Hollinshead the Med. Officer for Health - who is the family doctor advises that he be put under restraint

and his parents have reluctantly come to the same conclusion.

I am quite with Dr Stacey Wilson's consent - to know what would be the terms on which he could be sent at once - if it were found desirable.

His father is by no means well off indeed, at present he is having a hard struggle - but he would make a very special effort to put his lad with you for a few months or more if required

You shall be glad to have an early answer.

I am the Lear your sick visiting Committee -

Yours truly

George B. Wilson

(RA)

Bournville,
Nr Birmingham.

Oct. 15th., 1907.

Dear William,

I will gladly be guarantor that Roy will make the necessary payment, which by letter from George Tuckey enclosed he evidently is doing.

Your attached uncle,

George Cadbury

Enclosures

Only persons who are members of the Society of Friends can be admitted at the lowest rate – vide bye law II paragraph 1.

The Secretary is instructed to obtain the signature of the Clerks of privileged Monthly and Quarterly Meetings to the annexed form, before the reception of a patient recommended for admission to the Retreat, at the lowest rate of payment. (A privileged Monthly or Quarterly Meeting is a Meeting having the right to recommend patients at the lowest rate).

THE RETREAT, YORK.

(date) 19th *of* 7th *month,* 1907

To the Treasurer of the Friends' Retreat, York.

I, the undersigned George Thomas Tuckey

Clerk of Bournville *Meeting,*

hereby recommend Robert John D. Roy

for admission to the Retreat, York, at the lowest or "recommended" rate of payment [which is at present ~~fourteen~~ twelve *shillings per week, but is subject to alteration]; and I hereby undertake on behalf of* Bournville *Meeting, and by its direction, to guarantee that the quarterly payments shall be made as they become due, in accordance with the rules of the Institution.*

George Thomas Tuckey

Clerk to Bournville *Meeting.*

N.B.—The rate includes the charge for Board, Lodging, and Medical care, and 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.

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.

Countersigned
W A Cadbury Clerk of Warwickshire North Monthly Meeting. X. 30. 1907.