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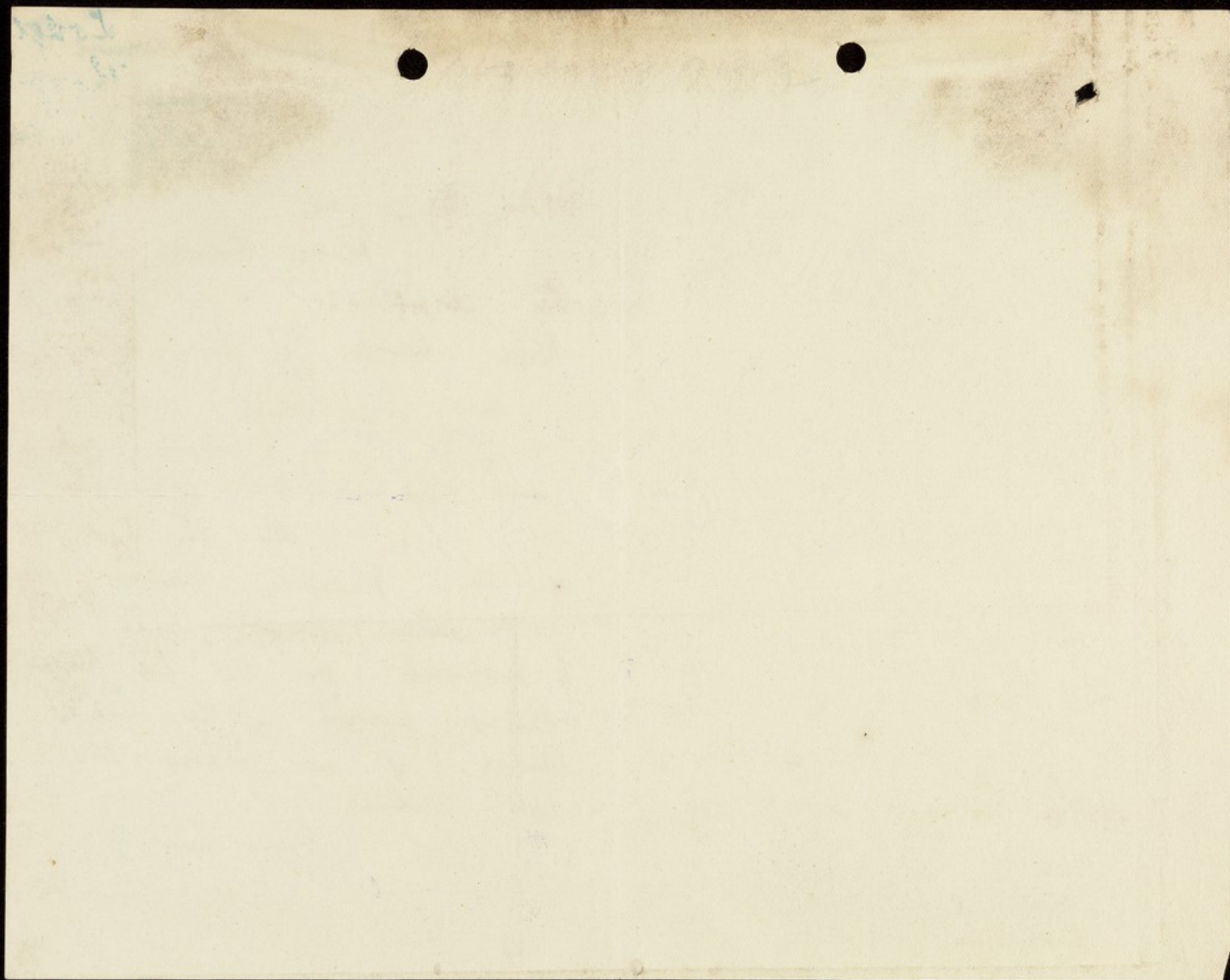
23/6/16

Dear Dr Pierce.

Many thanks for
the certificate & for your
kind words of sympathy.

Mrs Scarborough did seem
to make good progress for
about two months after she
left York & then she had a
relapse. Recently however she
has shown decided signs of
improvement as she has taken
greater interest in her home
duties. I am hoping this
will continue.

Yours very truly
W. H. Scarborough.



1024
7 Marlborough Avenue
Reading
1876/11.

Dear Dr Pierce.

I am making
claim for conditional
exemption from Military
Service owing to the state
of my wife's health & I
find that documentary
evidence in support of my
case should be forwarded
with the Appeal Form
before Sat. next.

If you feel you can
help me, I shall be
much obliged if you will
send me a statement
of my wife's condition while
at York, which I can

hand on to the Tribunal.

Mrs Scarborough is now
at Reading again after
staying about 4 months in
Lincoln & although I have
a nurse for her she does
not make any rapid
improvement. She still is
pessimistic & has the same
delusions about her
eyes but she occupies
herself fairly well with
household matters. The
nurse's idea seems to be
to get Mrs Scarborough to
take up gradually the
threads of her old life
& in this she is having
some success.

Yours very truly
W. H. Scarborough.

Wader Lodge ⁴⁹⁹
Nethorpe St.
Lincoln
Jan^y. 1916

Dear Dr. Purci

I had a comfortable
journey here & have been
feeling fairly well
each day. I do a little
housework in the morning
& then go out with my
husband for a walk.
I have met several
old friends who have
since declared they did

not know I had anything
the matter with me.

I wish I could feel so
but I hope I shall
soon do so.

I know I slept for six
hours on Tuesday night so
I think you will think I
must be improving.

My little girl is very
delighted to have me back
again & all my friends
are most anxious to help me
if I can remain here.

With many thanks for your kindness

I am
Yours Very Sincerely
N. Scarborough

460.
Oddes Lodge
Nelthorpe St.
Lincoln.

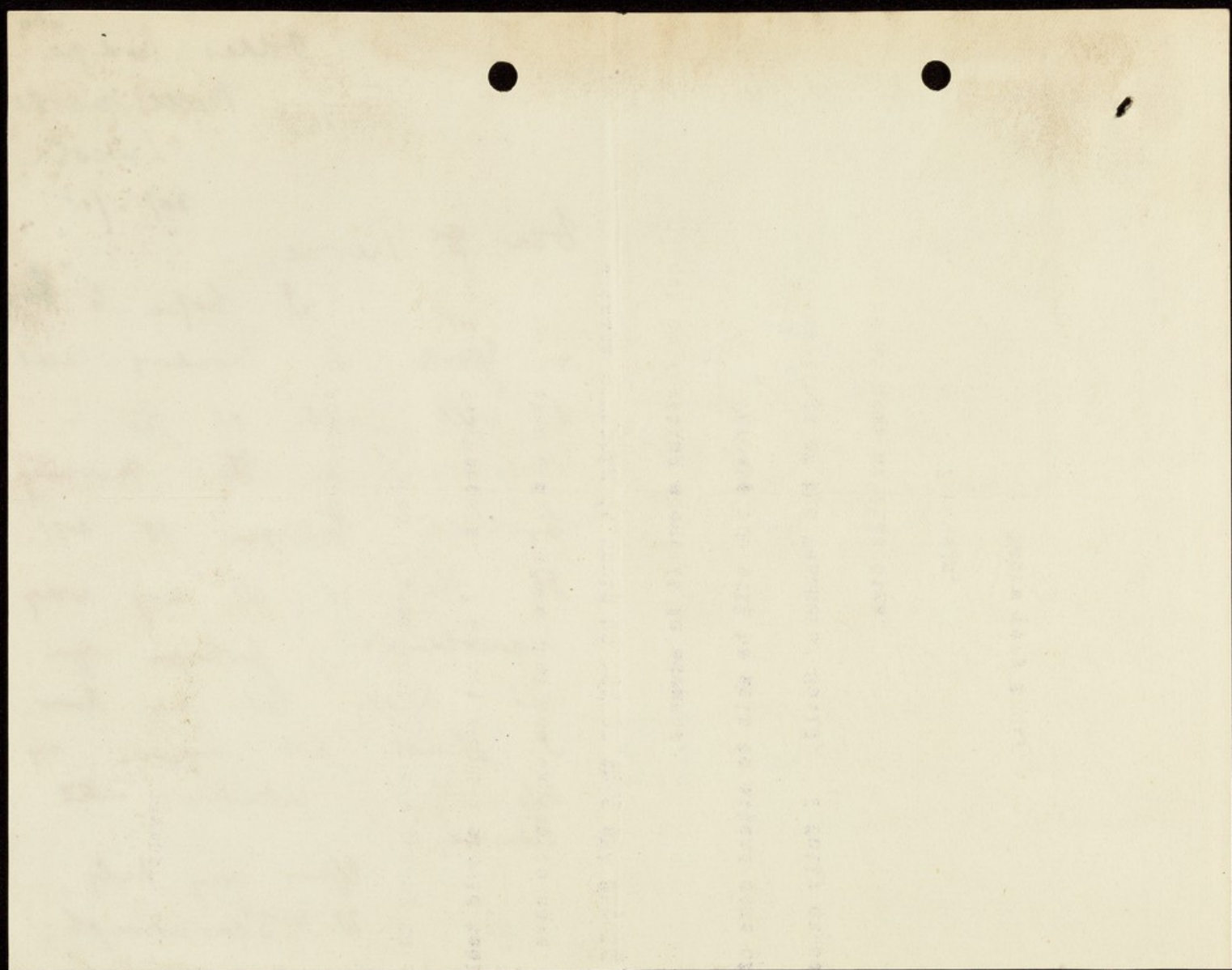
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Dear St Pierce.

I hope to be
in York on Monday next
& will call at the
Retreat in the morning
probably between 10 & 11.

If this is in any way
inconvenient, perhaps you
will kindly let me know.
I shall not inform my
wife of my intention until
Saturday.

Yours very truly
W. H. Scarborough.



22nd December, 1915.

Dear Mr. Scarborough,

I am glad to hear that you are coming to see Mrs. Scarborough. I do not think I should tell her more than a day before that you expect to come. I think probably it would be better that she should not be fretting about it in advance.

Perhaps you will be able to attend some of the meetings of the Teachers' Guild. I fully expect to be at home at that time.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

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see Mrs. Scarborough. I do not think I should feel
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not be fretting about it in advance.
Perhaps you will be able to attend some of
the meetings of the Teachers' Guild. I fully expect
to be at home at that time.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

I should like to come one
day in the week after
Xmas. My address from
Dec. 23rd for about a
fortnight will be

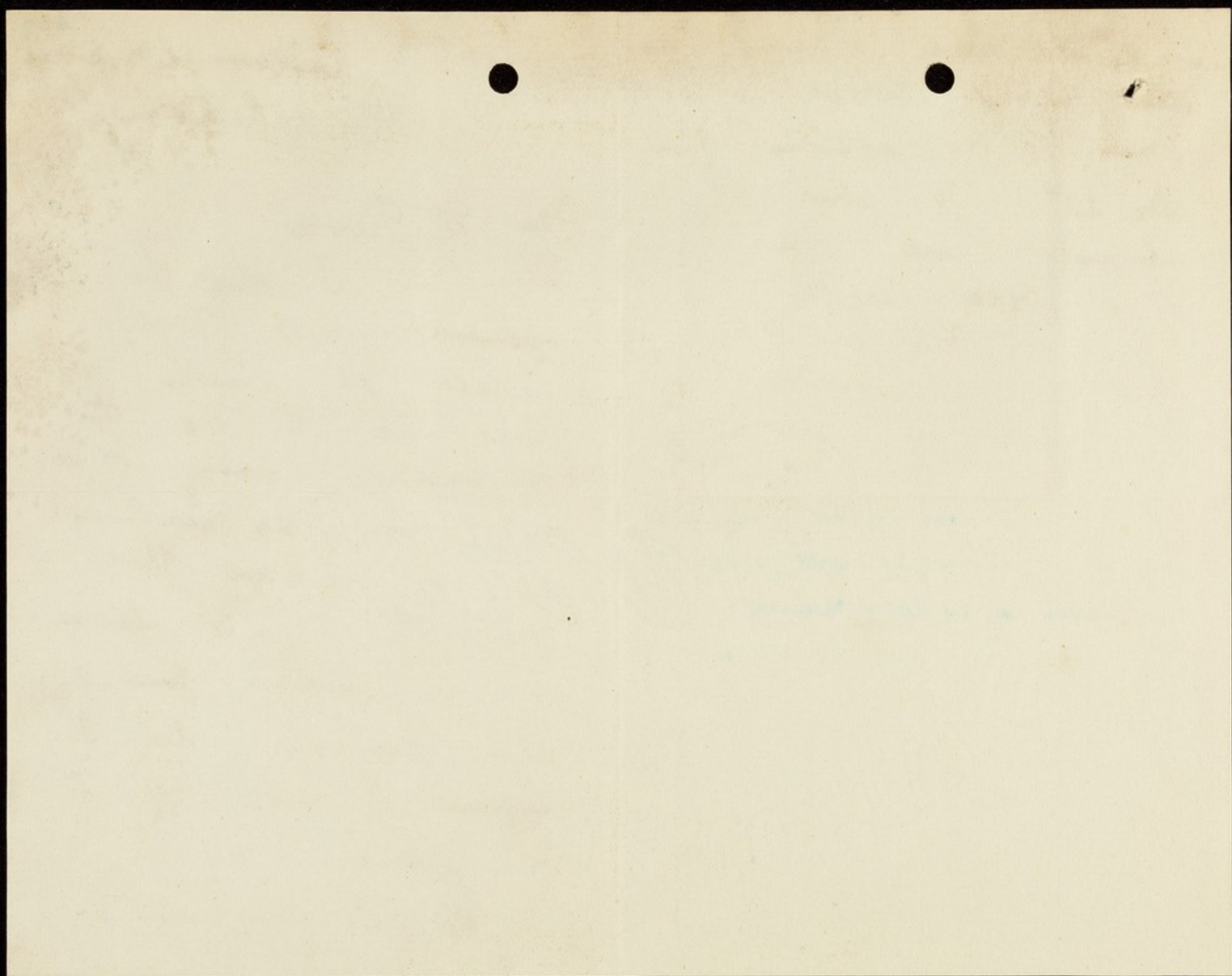
Odder Lodge
Melthorpe St.
Lincoln.

Yours very truly
W.H. Scarborough,

427
7 Hasleborough Avenue
Reading
18/12/15
Dec. Dr. Pierce.

I shall be
spending part of my
holiday at Lincoln &
should like to take the
opportunity of coming to see
both you & Mrs. Scarborough,
that is if you think it
advisable. She seems
to be making painfully
slow progress, but I
suppose I must try to
be patient.

If I may do so.



TELEPHONE 261.

At Home

9 TO 10 A.M.

2 TO 3 P.M.

205, KINGS ROAD,

READING.

Dec 13/1915

Dear Dr. Bedford Price

I am greatly obliged by your
very full & interesting report about
Mr. Scarborough. I have already
warned Mr. S. that his wife's condition
is of such a character & is so persistent
that he must not expect a good
result, but I will have another talk
with him on the basis of your letter.

She has been in an unsatisfactory
mental condition for some 4 or 5 years,

has been warring, getting thin, making
excuses to his friends in the shape of
hospitality etc. & showing no real gratified
but just criticizing them afterwards etc.

He himself puts his power of health
down to the exhaustion produced by the
sucking of his baby but I was not
of that opinion.

With many thanks for

your letter

Yours faithfully

W. H. L. G.

Reading.

20.

24. ix. 75

I quite approve Miss Stanfield's
going to Throxenby Hall tomorrow:
she likes Scarborough.

kind regards

C. E. Stanfield.

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24 SEP 15

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Dr. Peice,

The Rectory,

York.

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Skeldergate Bridge.

York. 9th Aug. 1915.

GE.

Dr. Pierce,

The Retreat.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

Kindly give me particulars of charges to Mrs. Scarborough,
wife of one of the ^{Lighton} ~~late~~ park staff. How long has she been with
us, and is the case expensive and likely to last long? J.E.
Hedgkin writes that Mr. Scarborough feels the outlay a strain on
his funds. He is not a "Member".

Yours sincerely,

W. D. Thompson

Can the terms be suitably reduced?

All our quotations and statements of analysis are subject to the "limits of error"
of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906, and its accompanying regulations.

200 Aug. 1912.

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us, and is the case expensive as likely to last long? J.H.
Hodgkin writes that Mr. Scarborough feels the entire strain on
his funds. He is not a "lender".
Yours sincerely,

23rd September, 1915.

Dear Stansfield,

We are making up a small party for Throxenby, and we thought Miss Stansfield might go there on Saturday for a short time. She got on very nicely there in the summer, and I think the change would be pleasant for her.

At this time of the year Scarborough does not involve you in any additional expense beyond the railway fare.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

23rd September, 1918.

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Saturday for a short time. She got on very nicely

there in the summer, and I think the change would be

pleasant for her.

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not involve you in any additional expense beyond the

railway fare.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

10th August, 1915.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

Mrs. Scarborough is a voluntary boarder. She is depressed and agitated, and is not having any special accommodation except that she needs a good deal of supervision. I do not know how long she will stay. She is the sort of person who is always wanting to be away, but I fancy that they cannot do with her at home any longer.

The case has not been before the Committee yet, but Mr. Stansfield told me that he did not think Mr. Scarborough could pay more than 30/- per week, and I said that I thought the Committee would be willing to agree to a reduction for a short time under the circumstances.

I remain,

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I remain,

Yours very truly,

570.
Marlborough Avenue
Reading
Aug. 7. '15

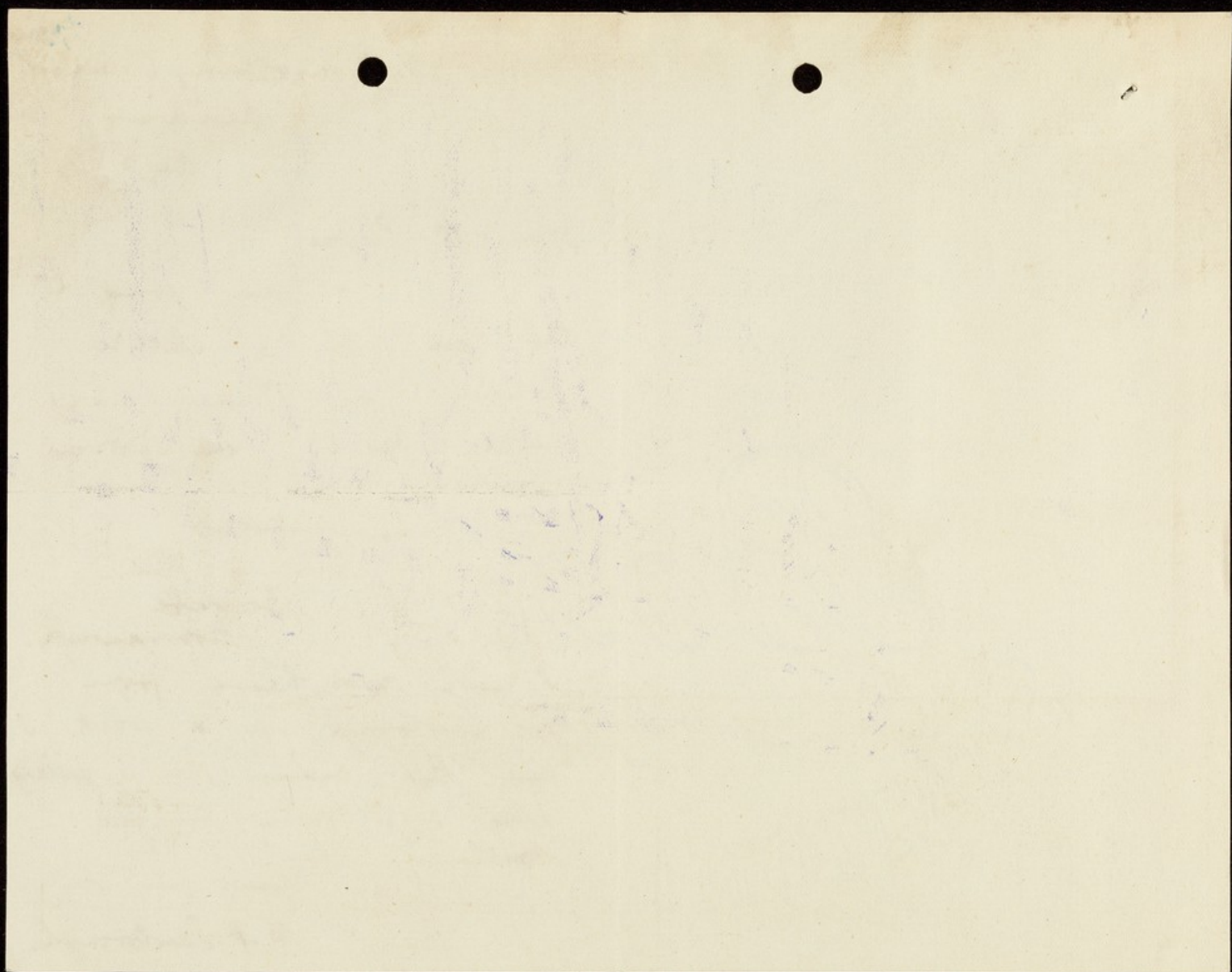
Dear Dr Pierce

I am going to
the sea for a little
holiday on Monday next
until Aug. 23rd my address
will be

Leighamhurst
Florence Rd
Boscombe
Bournemouth.

I have not heard from
Mrs Scarborough for a week. I
trust that means she is settling
down & is giving you less
trouble.

Yours very truly
W. H. Scarborough.



PHONE 261.

At Home

9.30-10.30 A.M.

2 TO 3 P.M.

205, KINGS ROAD,

READING.

July 28, 1915

Dear D. Bedford Pierce

I have seen Mr. Scarborough and
 he agrees with me that if Mr. Scarborough
 should again insist upon leaving it will
 be to his loss to have his car.

With many thanks for your letter

I am yours truly

Johnings Gilford

ROB. KING ROAD,

READING

way. If you will assure
her that you have known
similar cases of eye trouble,
it will, I think, give her
confidence + will help
her. I trust you will
pardon my making this
suggestion but she lost
confidence in Dr Gifford
because she got the
impression that he had
never had a similar case
before.

With many thanks for
your kindness
I am
yours very truly
W.H. Scarborough.

7 Scarborough Avenue ⁷⁶⁹
Reading
28/7/15.

Dear Dr Pierce.

Thanks very much

for your letter.

Yesterday (Tuesday) I
received a ~~lot~~ most
interesting letter from my
wife that her people had
one of a similar nature
but my letter to her
seems to have produced
the desired effect. Today
I have received another
letter from her & the
general tone of it is much
better, & she was evidently

in a much quieter
state of mind when she
wrote it. In all the
three letters she complains
of hearing yells & noises
from the other patients
at night. I don't know
whether there are mere
illusions, but I give you
her statement because it
may be worth.

I saw Dr. Gilford
yesterday. He gave me
the gist of your letter.
I am firmly convinced
that the Retreat is
the best place for my

wife & if she gives
any more trouble, I
suppose she must be
certified. But of course
I only wish that to be
done after all attempts
at reasoning with her
have failed.

In your letter you say
she is much discouraged
& sees little hope of
recovery. The trouble,
as you know, is chiefly
with her eyes. She feels
that no one else, suffering
from neurosthenia, has
been afflicted in the same

26th July, 1915.

Dear Sir,

Mrs. Scarborough has handed in her notice to leave, and consequently she must leave within twenty-four hours.

What exactly is to be done I do not know, but I have wired to her husband saying that she wishes to go to Lincoln.

With regard to the case it seems quite clear that the mere fact that she can leave is prejudicial to her recovery. The doubt in her mind as to whether the right thing has been done, the unwillingness to follow advice, and the morbid selfishness which makes a difficulty directly anything is proposed that she does not like, all prevent her doing much good as a voluntary patient.

With regard to her maladies I must say that it looks to me rather like a serious case, for though she is generally very intelligent she has obsessions and fears in relation to her head and eyes and face which are practically delusional in nature. Her whole mind seems to be monopolised by strange feelings and the conviction that she will never be any better and will be a charge on her husband all her life, and though she has not displayed any suicidal tendencies

I cannot but think that the case is not without danger in this direction. Personally I should have no hesitation in certifying her as of unsound mind, and I believe this is the proper course to take.

26th July, 1915.

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Dear Mr. Scarborough,

Dear Sir,

You will have received my wire. I am sorry to say that Mrs. Scarborough is not willing to stay and has given in her notice to leave. She wishes to be allowed to go to Lincoln to her mother. I do not know what resources there are at Lincoln, but I very much doubt whether she is really fit to be left to herself very much. I have written to Dr. Gilford at some length saying that I think the proper course is for her to be placed under certificates and detained either here or in some other institution. Possibly the Law at Lincoln might have advantages as her own relatives live in that part of the country. The difficulties about certificates is that generally she is quite intelligent and on occasion can brighten up quite well, but there is no doubt as to her unsoundness of mind in her outlook on life and her persistent complaints about her bodily condition. I am sorry she is not willing to stay as a voluntary boarder, as I think we should have been able to do her some good, but the mere fact that she can leave has in itself a prejudicial effect and raises the question constantly in her mind as to whether it is right for her to stay.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

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I remain,

Yours very truly,

20th July, 1915.

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I remain,

Yours very truly,

7 Marlborough Avenue ⁷⁵⁵
Reading.
26/7/15.

Dear Li

I am very sorry that
my wife is giving you
so much trouble.

I cannot consent to her
going to Lincoln to be a
burden to her mother
& sister & if she has
to leave the Retreat,
she must return here.

Please put before
her the seriousness of
her action & if necessary
intimate to her that if

she will not fall in
with my wishes which are
entirely for her good,
she will have to be
compelled.

Pray detain her at
the Retreat if it is
at all possible. I do
not know what legal
forms are necessary before
she can be certified
if it is possible & I must
leave you to act in
our best interests.

Yours very truly
W. H. Scarborough.

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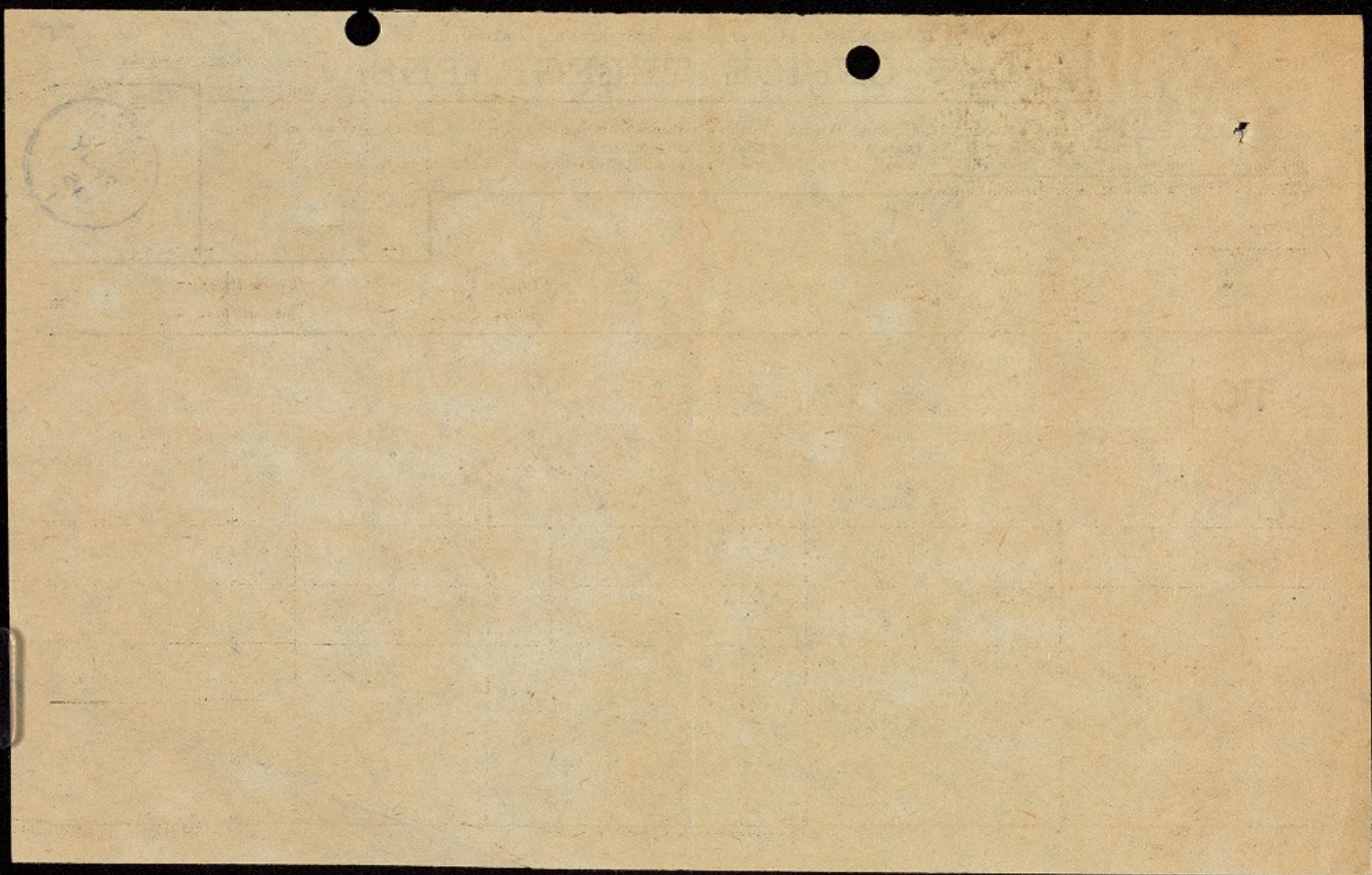
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Pierce The Retreat
York

She must not leave Retreat
am writing Scarborough



but an alteration in the correction
for astigmatism had been
made. On June 23 Dr Gilford
induced her to go to a
nursing home near Reading but
on the 27th she returned home.
Since then she has been variable
but in spite of a few hopeful
signs there has been no real
improvement. She feels convinced
that she cannot get better.
She has described various
feelings in her head as
'screwings' & she maintains,
that although her actual
sight is unimpaired, something
has gone wrong in the
connections between her eyes
& brain. Everything apparently
has lost its brightness

7 Marlborough Avenue ⁷⁴²
Reading
22/7/15

Dear Sir.

Thanks very much for
your reply to my telegram.
Mr Hastings Gilford, who has
been my wife's medical
adviser says that now is
the time for her to come
to York. Consequently I
propose that she comes
tomorrow (Friday) & she will
arrive at York at 4-35.
Dr Gilford says that I
had better not come with
her & is sending her
in charge of a nurse.
He says that he will

write to you to explain the
case. You have I think
heard many of the details
from Mr Stanfield but
perhaps I had better give
my version too. The trouble
arose a year ago. We
had a holiday home child
was taken ill, not seriously
but she gave my wife a
few disturbed nights. The
excitement of the war & the
great fear that there would
be conscription & that I should
be called up to serve
greatly aggravated her condition.
In Sept. I took her to
Brighton for a few days
but the sight of wounded
soldiers kept the idea of

conscription in the foreground.
In Nov. she stayed at
Leighton Park School for a
month & she improved but
now she has trouble with
her eyes. She saw a specialist
in Reading who prescribed
Crookes' glasses & told her not
to use her eyes more than
absolutely necessary. Little
change seemed to take place
for some months & the fear
of conscription seemed to die
down. At Easter we went
to Bournemouth for a fortnight
& she was greatly troubled
with her eyes. I took her
to see an oculist there
who said there was no
disease at all in the eyes

She also complains occasionally
of deafness but she never
asks me to repeat anything
I have said to her.

Perhaps I ought to
mention that she is
subject to constipation.
I have tried repeatedly to
get her to take care
of herself in that respect.
Also her monthly periods
have not been regular ^{lately}
& since I have known
her they seem to have
given her more trouble
than most women.

If you think it advisable
to see me, I could

come next week after
Wednesday but not before
unless it is very urgent
as my end-of-term
duties at school are
somewhat pressing.

With regard to fees
I will forward a cheque
as soon as I hear
from you.

Yours faithfully,
W. H. Scarborough.

You will notice the form
to be filled in was signed
by Mrs Scarborough some
time ago in my presence
& it was due to Dr Gilford

that she did not come
just at that time.

TELEPHONE 261.

At Home

9.30-10.30 A.M.

2 TO 3 P.M.

205, KINGS ROAD,

READING.

Jul 22. 1915

Dear S Bedford Pearce

Mr. Scarborough who is coming to you
 a Saturday has been nervous for 3 years or
 more & inclined to distant mental fancies of
 being delirious etc. About 6 months ago it
 was noticed that she was losing weight
 was still more fanciful & was concerned
 about her sight. She then became
 definitely neurasthenic with a tendency
 to Melancholy. At first the chief
 dread was that her husband might
 have to submit, then she became obsessed
 with the eye trouble - fearing that she would
 become blind. This has been attended to

by oculists, she complains of the stinging feeling
around the eyes. She can't refrain
from incessantly talking about her trouble
though she knows that it is ~~nausea~~ ^{nausea}
which is ~~superfluous~~ ^{the occasion for} for her leaving
home.

I am your faithful
Hastings Wilford

she likes Throxbury Hall, if she
can stay a good time there I believe
it would be a good thing.

Enclose cheque in payment of
the a/c.

With kind regards

Sincerely yours

C. E. Mansfield.

670.

20, UPPER REDLANDS RD.

READING.

13. vii. 15.

Dear Alice,

Thanks for your respect-
ing Mrs. Scarborough, which I have
sent to her husband. I have not
seen him or her since Monday
when we failed to persuade her to
come to York. She was rather
belligerent then.

With regard to my sister I think

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10/1/86

9th July, 1915.

Dear Mr. Stansfield,

I did not reply to your letter as I thought my telegram had practically covered the ground. We can take in Mrs. Scarborough if it be necessary at any time, but we are really very full on the women's side and it would suit us better if it could be deferred for a little while, but I take it that in a case of this kind we must be ready to take her in when ever she has to come. We can admit her without reference to the Committee as the connection with Friends would certainly justify her coming at reduced terms.

Miss Stansfield is at Scarborough now, and is doing very nicely. Would you like her to make rather a prolonged stay if it can be arranged?

With kind regards.

I remain,

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Yours very truly,

Whether you are full up on the
women's side, what length of
notice you would require before
admission, also whether Mrs. S.
could be received before the actual
fee was settled or if you must
wait for some committee to fix
this, when do they meet next, I hope
often.

Excuse my troubling you: he is
terribly harassed & perplexed, as
you will realize.

With kind regards

sincerely yours

C. S. Stansfeld.

648.

29, UPPER BEDLARDS RD,
READING.

4. vii. 15.

Dear Pierce,

Many thanks for yours:
Scarborough has not yet succeeded
in persuading his wife to think of
the Retreat: he will urge it again:
he thinks that she would be much
more likely to stay willingly at York
than at the nursing home 2 miles
out of Reading where she was re-
cently.

He would be glad to know

30th June, 1915.

Dear Mr. Stansfield,

Miss Stansfield is going to Scarborough to-day. Evidently she would like to go and seems pleased about it.

With regard to Mrs. Scarborough I will gladly submit an application for a reduction of terms to the Committee which they may be willing to entertain for a short time on account of the connection with the Society of Friends, but it would seem at first sight that a patient who would not stay at a nursing home is not likely to be willing to stay here as a Voluntary Boarder. You will understand that persons who come in that capacity can leave at any time if they wish, and in not a few cases this fact in itself militates against successful treatment. I enclose a Voluntary Boarder form and think that you should explain to the patient very candidly the nature of the Retreat if she comes as a Boarder so that there may be no misunderstanding. I also enclose a paper asking for further particulars of history which perhaps you could get the relatives to send us.

I have been away for a few days holiday and only returned late last night.

With kind regards.

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With kind regards.

Yours very truly,

have had a call from W. H. Scarborough, who has been a nurse at Leighton Park for 13 years. His wife is far from well - the local doctor calls it neurasthenia with a tendency to melancholy.

They have had a trying year - trouble with mares, trouble with Mrs. Scarborough's eyes, & she has had a haunting dread of conscription being robbed of her husband. This fear apparently is gone now, but she is evidently in a weak state mentally & nervously.

With medical advice she went to

599.

29, UPPER REDLANDS RD.,
READING.

28.6.16.

Dear Pierce,

We were very sorry not to accept Mrs. Lewis' kind invitation to tea yesterday, but a short week-end does not allow too much time with one's children, when they are all away at school!

We saw my sister twice, & yesterday afternoon we took our girls to see her; she is very much better, & we had quite a pleasant time with her.

Since I got home this evening, I

a nursing home a few miles outside Reading, but after a few days escaped & appeared at home last night.

Scarborough had called some days ago while I was away & Mr. Stansfield & got him copies of the Retreat papers, The doctor apparently recommends him to try to get his wife to come to you for a time. She is clearly not bad enough to be certified, but might come as a

voluntary patient, & I think you take such.

I know Scarborough's affairs intimately: he is entirely dependent on his Leighton Park salary: I doubt if he ought to pay more than 30/- a week, but his long service at Leighton Park seems to me to give him a strong claim to special terms, even tho neither he nor his wife are friends.

I shall be glad to hear what you think of this: I hope a few weeks of skilled treatment may set Horro. all right.

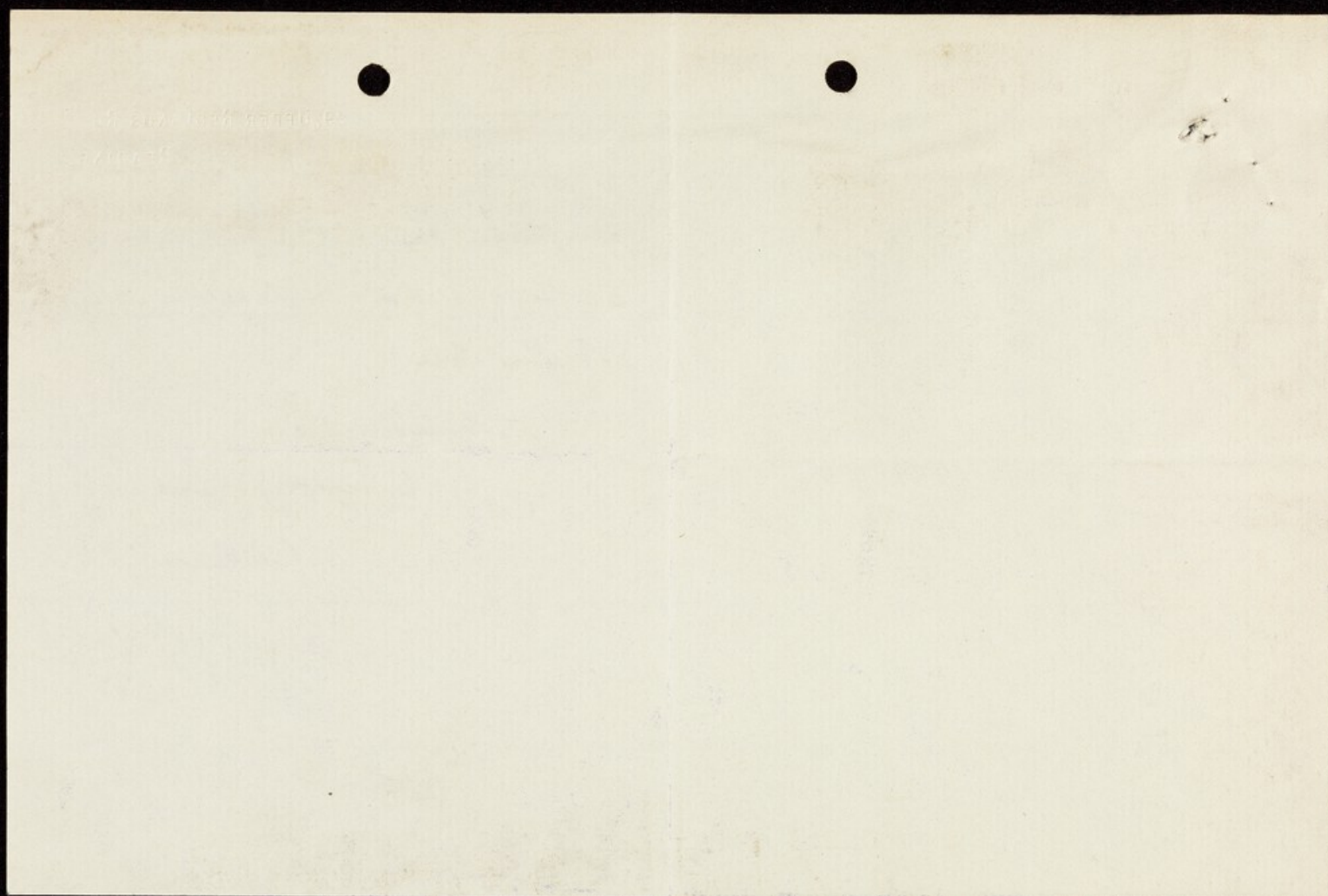
23, UPPER REDLANDS RD.
READING.

They have one little girl about
3 or 4 yrs. old. Altogether it is
a trying case.

With kind regards

Sincerely yours

C. E. Mansfield.



N.B.—The Secretary is instructed to obtain the necessary signatures to the accompanying form of guarantee before the care of any patient is undertaken by The Retreat.

YORK RETREAT HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE.

In consideration of the Directors of the York Retreat Hospital for the Insane agreeing to receive Ellen Scarborough of

as a patient in the said Hospital, I HEREBY UNDERTAKE AND AGREE with Richard Thompson of Mingot, The Mount, York the Treasurer of the said Hospital, to pay or cause to be paid, to the said Richard Thompson as such Treasurer, or to the Treasurer for the time being of the said Hospital, all such Sum or Sums of Money as shall from time to time be or become due and payable for the Lodging, Maintenance, and care of the said patient in the said Hospital, or whilst under the charge of the Authorities of the said Hospital, and all such Sum or Sums of Money as shall be paid or disbursed by or on behalf of the said Institution for any articles of Wearing Apparel, or other necessities, or extras supplied to, or provided for the said Patient, or the repairing or mending and washing of the articles of Wearing Apparel of the said Patient, so long as the said Patient shall continue in the said Hospital, or be under the charge of the Authorities of the said Hospital, and also to pay or cause to be paid the expenses in respect of the Funeral of the said Patient, in case the said Patient shall die in the said Hospital, or whilst under the charge of the Authorities of the said Hospital. AND I FURTHER AGREE to pay interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum on any accounts due from me as above, which shall not have been discharged within Twenty-eight days from the receipt of such account from the Treasurer, Secretary or Clerk of the said Hospital. AND I ALSO UNDERTAKE AND AGREE, at my own expense, to remove the said Patient from the said Hospital within Fourteen days after receiving Notice in writing from the Treasurer, Secretary or Clerk for the time being of the said Hospital, requiring such removal.

WITNESS my hand the 23rd day of August 1915

Name William Henry Scarborough
Residence 7 Inverborough Avenue, Reading
Occupation Schoolmaster

SIGNED by the said W. H. Scarborough
in the presence of

Witness's Signature,

Address, and

Profession.

Harold Preece

33 Marlboro Ave

Free Church Minister

Reading

N.B.—The charge for Board, Lodging and Medical care is payable quarterly, in advance. Disbursements by the Institution on behalf of patients, and other exceptional expenses, are charged in the following quarter's account. A residence of less than a month is charged as a month.

In the event of the death, removal, or discharge of a patient before the expiry of the quarter covered by the last payment, the surplus amount is returned by the Retreat.

А. П. П. П. П.
В. И. П. П. П.
Б. О. П. П. П.

Aug 18 1915

Sir,

At the meeting of the Retical
Committee held yesterday the terms
for Mrs. Lambourgh were fixed at
3/- a week -

Enclosed the usual form of
agreement which please return
when completed.

Yours faithfully

W. E. Waller

Secy

W. H. Lambourgh Esq.

May 18 1912

My dear Sir,
The meeting of the
Committee held yesterday the 17th
for the purpose of
of a week -

consider the usual form of
agreement which shall be
the same as usual.

Yours faithfully
W. H. C. Brown
Secy

W. H. C. Brown Esq

Name. Ellen Scarborough. Age. 37 Date of Exam. 23rd July 1915.
Address. 7 Marlborough Avenue, Reading.
Description. Married.
Religious Persuasion.

H. P. C.

Signs of mental disorder first appeared in August 1914. Fear of conscription that her husband would have to enlist. Was slightly run down owing to illness of child. Had some eye trouble. Is very obstinate and self-opinionated. She has mentioned taking her life on more than one occasion as she feels she cannot recover.

P. H.

Health has been good. She is naturally industrious and persevering. Very fond of housework & sewing. Not fond of out-door pursuits except walking. No previous attacks of mental disorder.

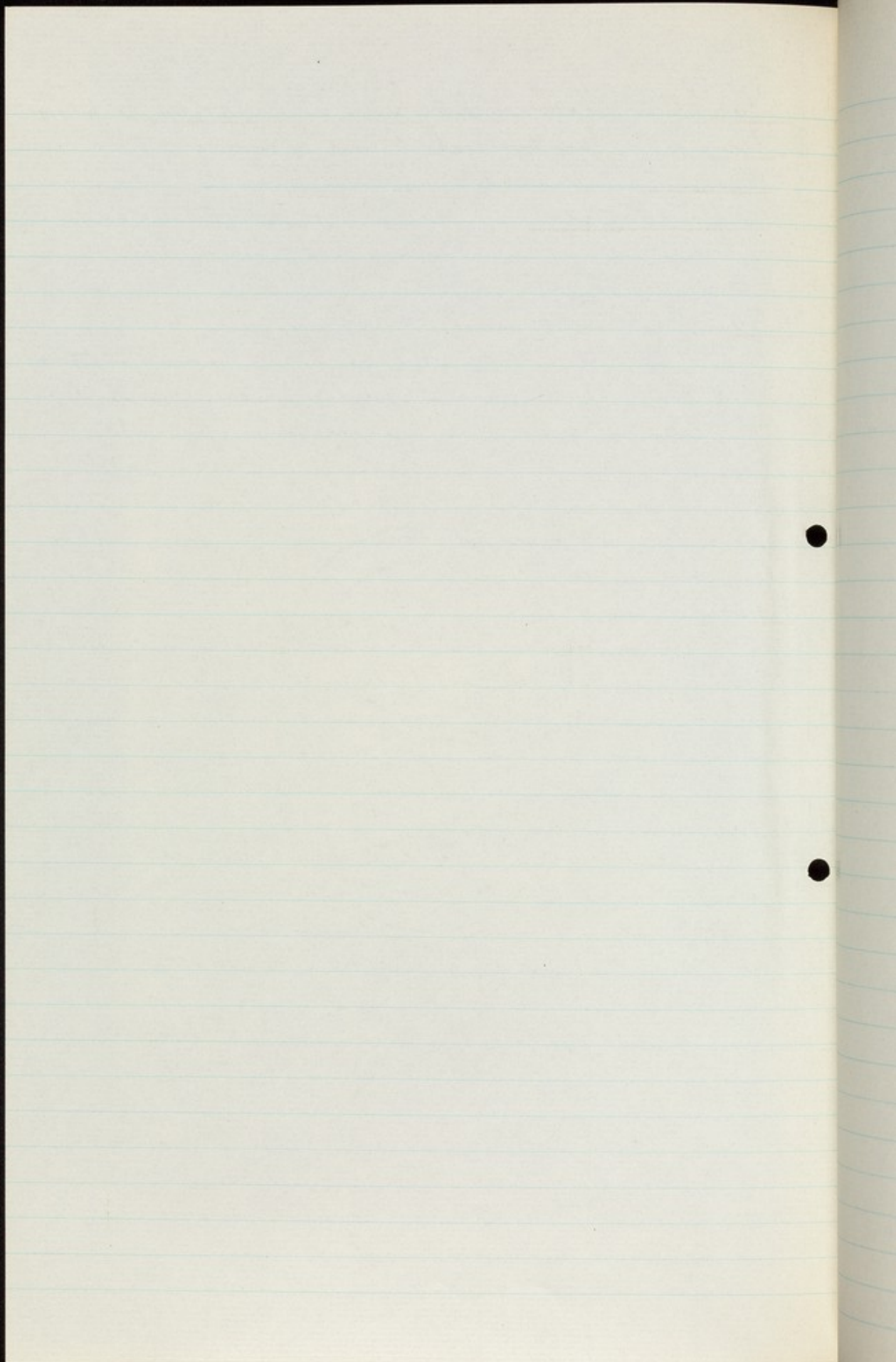
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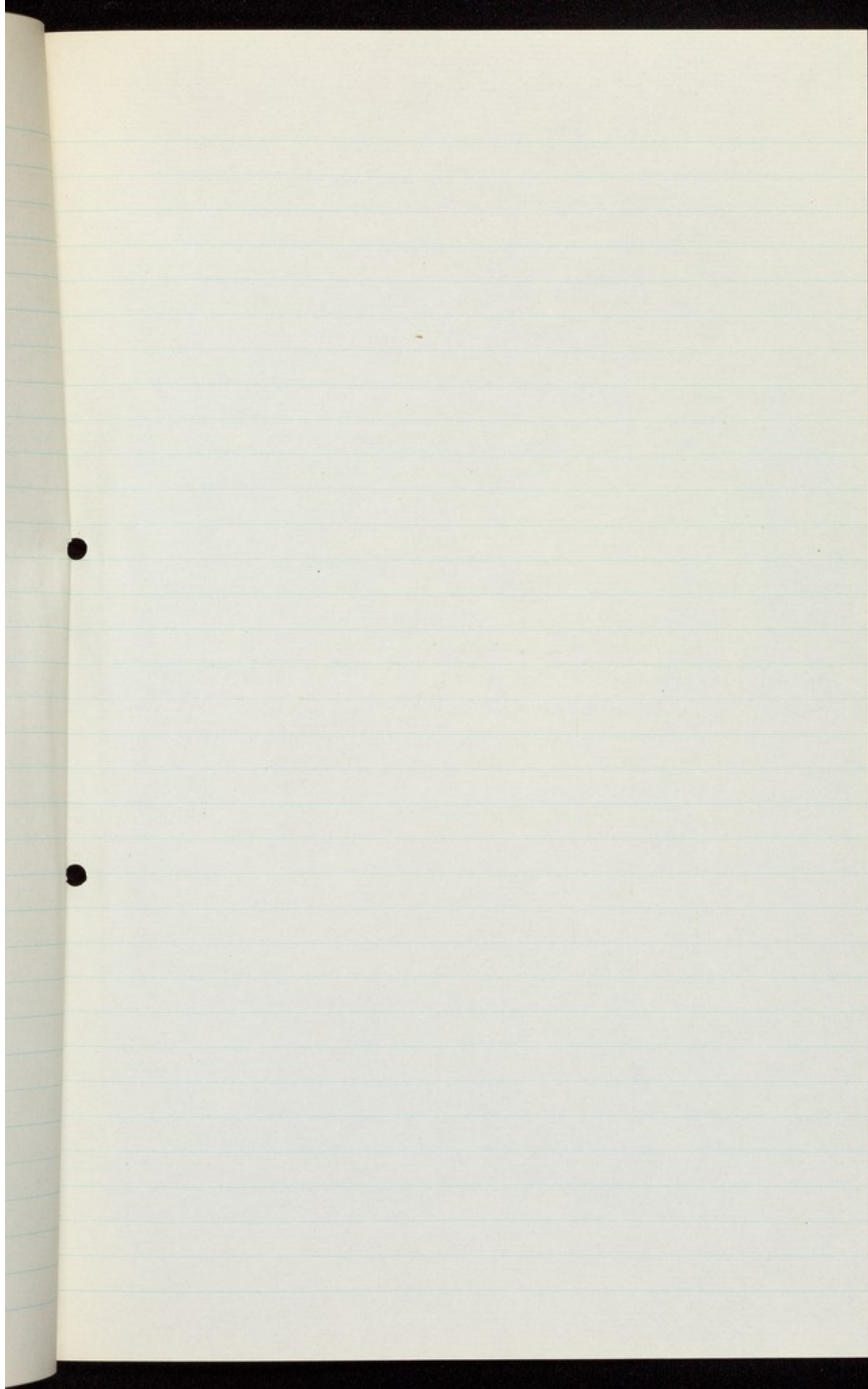
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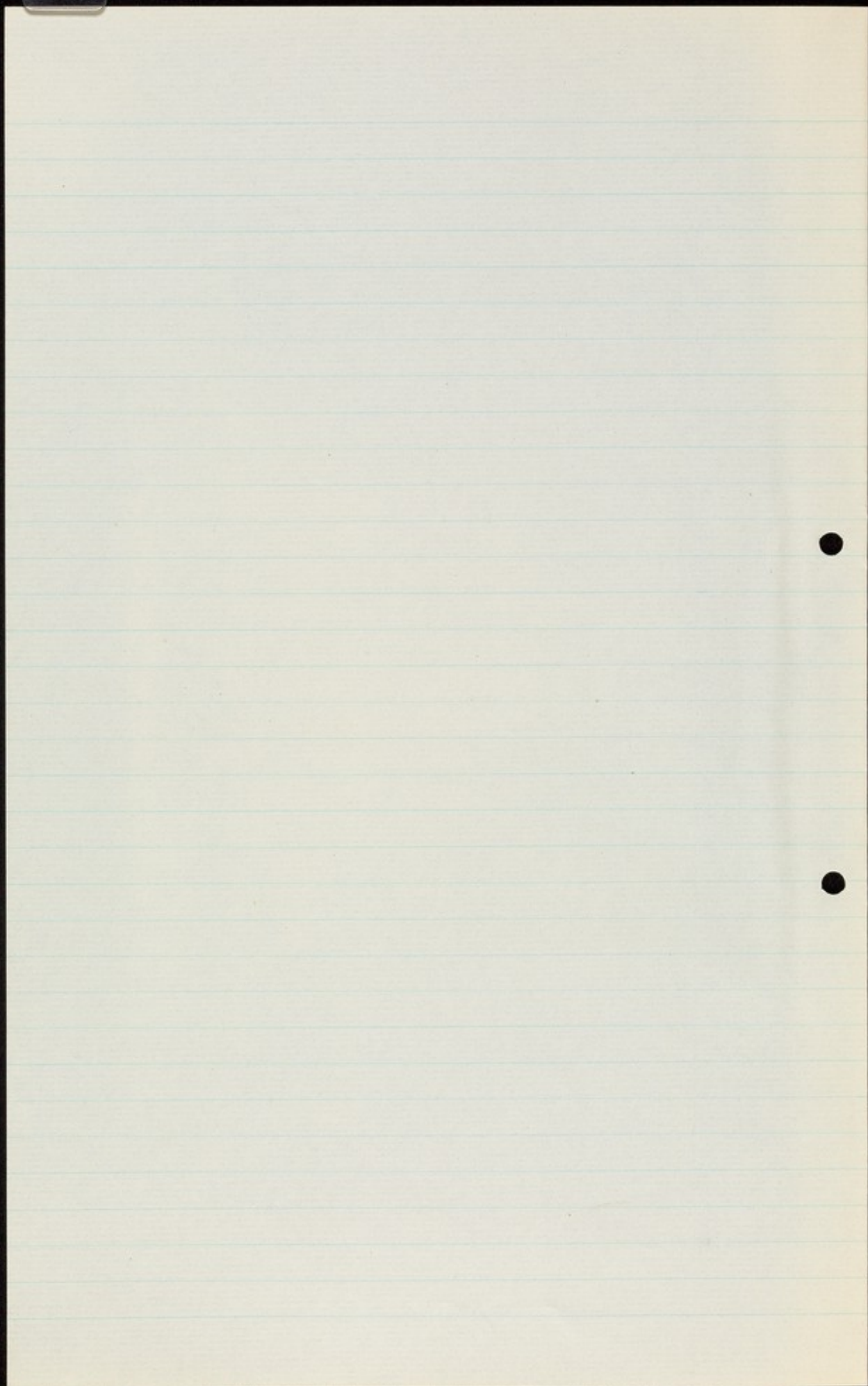
Mother. Health fair. Slightly nervous.

1 Sister had a tendency to neurasthenia.

1 child aged 4 in good health.







Name. Mrs. Scarborough. Ward. Centre. Date of Exam. July 26th 1915

General Bodily Condition

Height 5 ft. 2 in.

Weight (without clothes) 6 st. 3 lb.

Nutrition - Not good.

Injuries (if any) Has picked her feet very badly. Also cuts out of her legs, back & head.

Deformities

Head & Neck

Teeth Good.

Hair Good condition

Tongue

Arms & Legs

Skin

Complexion Clear.

Colour Fair

Tongue fairly clean.

Respiration 18

Pulse 88.

Temperature 98.

Mental Condition

General Appearance Best.

Conversation Clear.

Clearness

Orientation Good.

Memory

Coherence

Delusions & Halls.

Emotional State Very agitated.

Complaints Says her eyesight is bad & she is not able to see anything.

Conduct & Behaviour.

August 1st 1915

July 26th

Pt. full of complaints about her room. Continually worrying & very agitated. Gave notice that she wished to leave. Then in the evening begged to see the Dr. & said she was sorry & would remain.

Put her to Dormitory (small) to sleep, which she resented.

" 27th

Found a penknife & a pr of scissors that pt. had hidden away.

Assured as she had no intention of doing anything with them but had hidden them because she was nervous.

Continues to pick herself if not watched very closely.

Feet dressed with Collodion.

Aug 1st

Pt. has been less worrying & has occupied herself with knitting & has played Croquet. She not very willingly.

Is constantly asking if she will ever get better.

Is sleeping badly. (see chart)

" 8th

Condition much the same, but is sleeping better.

6 to 7 hrs sleep reported, but says she has not slept at all.

Is constantly talking about her sight & is sure the nerves are destroyed.

" 25th

No change. Pt. is inclined to be unsocial & will talk only about her own ailments. Has to be made to play games & employ herself.

" 29th

No change. Still very worrying.

Sept 5th

Pt. had a shock yesterday (Saturday) when walking in the Country. became alarmed at a passing Motor Car & fell bruising her face & left shoulder. Was able to walk back with the Nurse's assistance. Pt. was very excited & hysterical on her return & persists in saying she was knocked down by the Car, tho the Nurse says she fell.

Has been in bed since. Fomentations applied to shoulder.

Had a good night (7 hrs sleep) & taken her food as usual.

Declares she did not sleep at all last night.

M^{rs} Scarborough was accompanied by M. Hazleton.

M^{rs} Woodward & M^{rs} Hudson at the time of the accident.

" 12th

Pt. has been up each day since Wednesday. Continues very miserable & complaining.

Sept 26th Pt continues very worrying & deluded about her eyes & ears. Refuses to employ herself or to play games. Is continually complaining. Has had several bad nights during the last fortnight, sleeping only 2 hrs.

Oct 3rd Is sleeping better again. No change otherwise

For Byrnes

Oct 10th Pt still deludes about her eyes. Says she is getting dry as well. Has done a little knitting otherwise no change.

For Byrnes

Oct 17th Pt very miserable & complaining. Refuses to employ herself.

For Byrnes

" 24th Still worrying & deluded. No change otherwise.

" 31st Complaining of neuralgia, but rather better during the week. Has done some knitting & walked in the garden with Mr. Gray (without a nurse). Still full of fancies about herself & is not sleeping well.

Nov 7th Continues much the same. Began to transcribe during the week. First time since admittance.

" 14th Miserable & full of complaints. Very indolent.

" 21st No change

" 28 " " Is sleeping better.

Dec 5th Condition much the same.

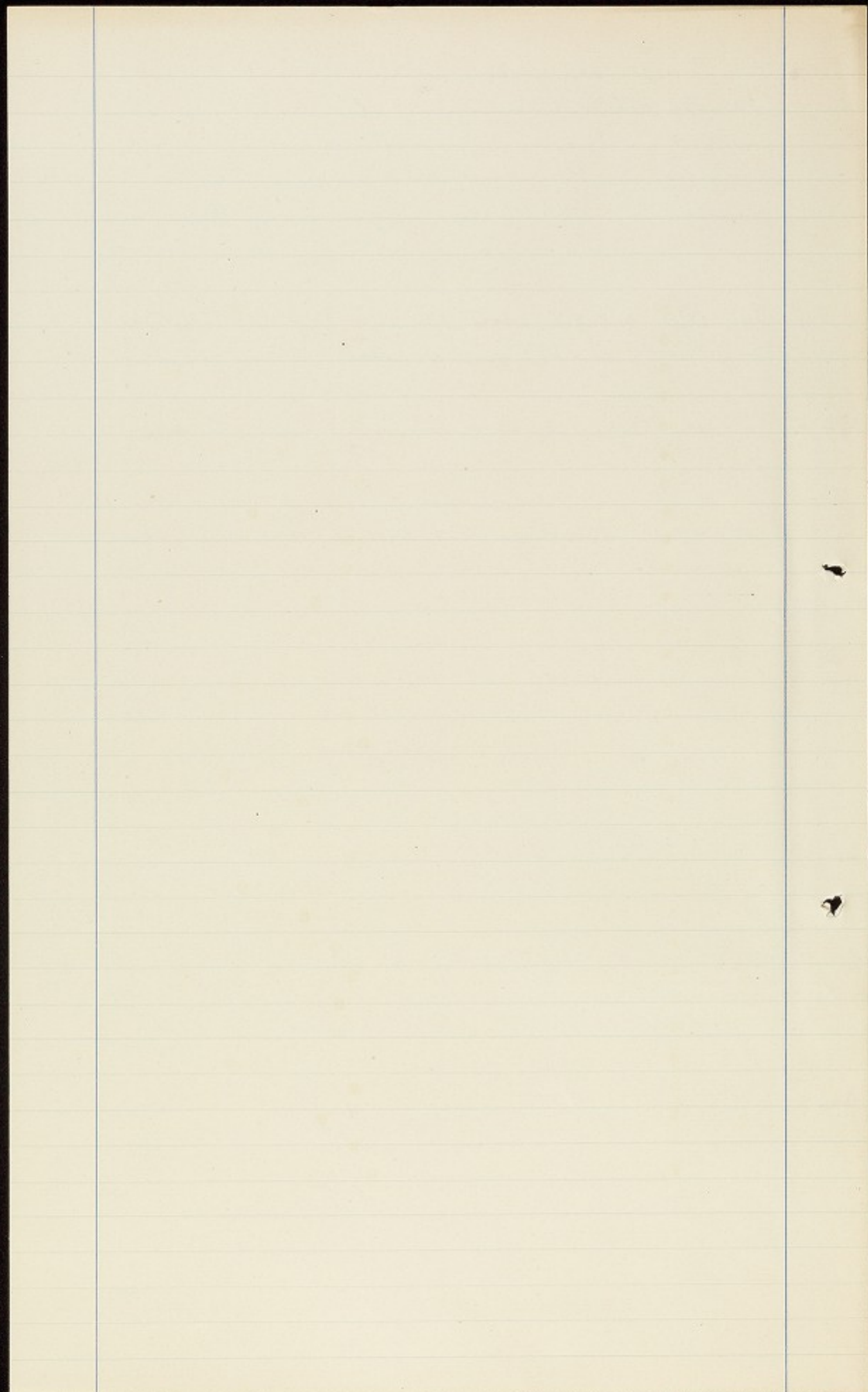
For Byrnes

Dec 27th No change. Very miserable & complaining. Does a little knitting occasionally. Eats & sleeps well.

For Byrnes

Jan 3rd Pt left the Retreat with her husband.

For Byrnes



Name *M^r Scarborough*

Age

Ward *Centie*

Admitted *July 24th 1915*

Weight on Admission

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Diet and Treatment Ordered.

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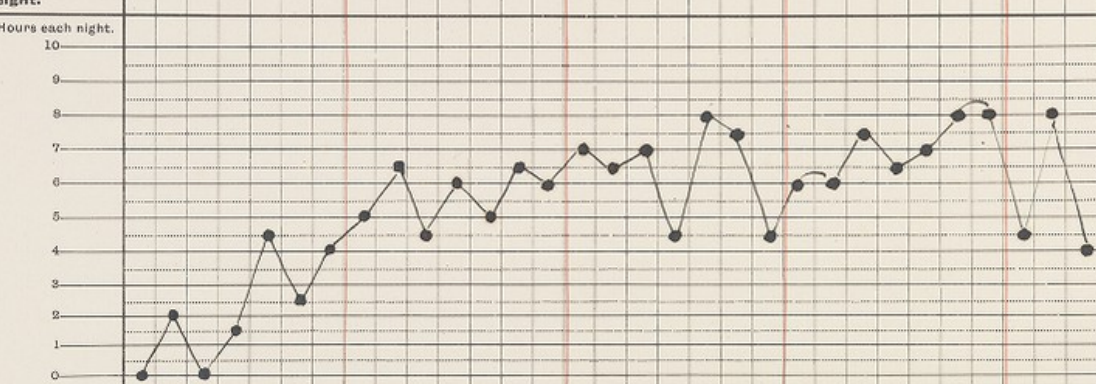
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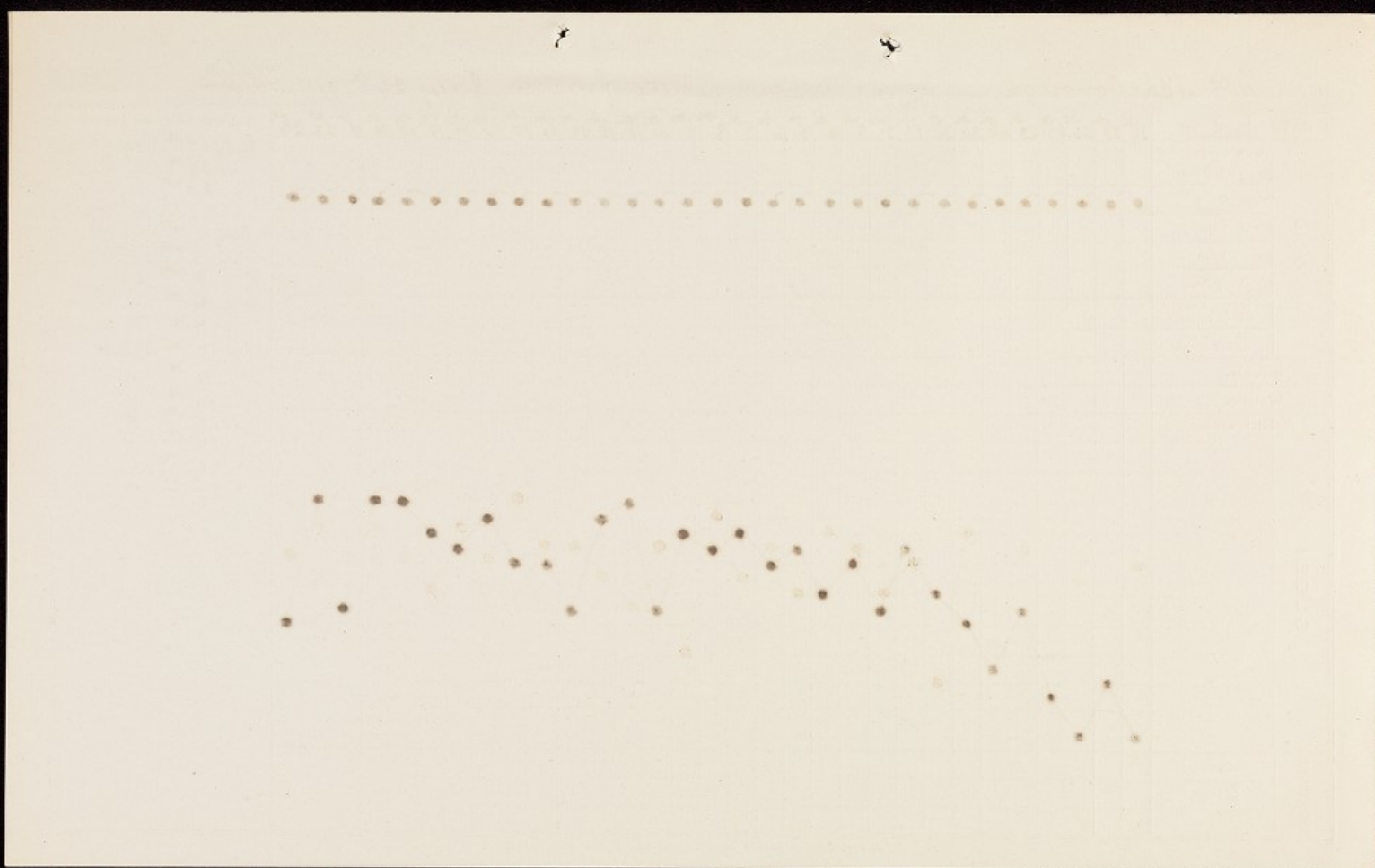
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Name *Wm Scarborough*Age *Aug*Ward *Centre*Admitted *July 24th 1915*

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Name *M^{rs} Scarborough*Age *90*Ward *Centre*Admitted *July 24th*

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Name *Mrs Scarborough*

Age

Ward

Centre

Admitted

July 24th

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