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Dec. 21-1916

Dear Sir.

I received your letter  
of yesterday enclosing notice  
of discharge of my sister for  
which I am much obliged.  
I must also thank you for  
all you have done for my  
sister while she has been  
in your Institution & though  
we are sorry she has not

been cured of her infirmity  
we have always felt that  
she has been in good hands.  
Dr Easterbrook has advised  
me of her safe arrival in  
Dunfries & we will hope  
that the change of surroundings  
may perhaps have some  
satisfactory effect on her  
conditions. With kind regards

Believe me  
Yours faithfully  
J. Shaw.



St Mary's Road  
Highgate, Hampstead  
Manchester

Dec 18. 1916

Dear Sir.

I have had a telegram from Dr Easterbrook saying that Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup> inst. will be convenient for him to receive my sister & he mentions that he also has telegraphed you to the same effect.

I therefore presume you have



made the necessary arrangements & have let Dr Castabrook know. He did not tell me by what train he would want the nurses to travel by. I have received your letter of the 16<sup>th</sup> inst. enclosing the Certificate & I have completed this & am posting it early in the morning.

Yours faithfully  
J. Shaw.

18 St Mary's Road,  
Higher Crumpsall,  
Manchester.

Dec. 9-1916

Mr Bedford Pierce

York

Dear Sir.

I have heard again from Dr Easterbrook that he can receive my sister at Sturges as soon as you have made arrangements for her to leave. He offers to send a couple of nurses for her & I think this would be the best arrangement, if agreeable to you. If you will let me know what date to arrange for the removal & also <sup>of</sup> any thing else that requires to be settled I shall be much obliged. I presume a compartment will have to be reserved in the train as I take it the distance is too long to be done by motor.

Awaiting your reply,

I remain  
Yours faithfully  
T. Shaw.

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18-2-Maryland  
Robert Campbell  
Manderson





TELEPHONE : 9 DUMFRIES.  
PRIVATE TELEGRAPH WIRE.

Correspondence to be addressed to  
DR EASTERBROOK, who may  
be seen by appointment.

Crichton Royal  
Dumfries.

4th December 1916.

Dear Bedford Pierce,

As no doubt you will  
be aware, Mr. T. Shaw, 18 St. Mary's  
Road, Higher Crumpsall, Manchester, has  
written to me asking if I could receive  
his sister, who is at present at "The  
Retreat", and saying that you had  
mentioned The Crichton to him. I  
replied to Mr. Shaw saying that if you  
recommend his sister to come here for a  
change, I could receive her, and in  
accordance with his wishes I told him  
our rates of board. You might kindly  
let me know what sort of patient she  
is, and whether she requires a private  
bedroom or not. With kind regards,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

*C. Easterbrook.*



4th December 1910.

Dear Ballard Street,

As to what you will

be given, Mr. T. Shaw, 18 St. Mary's  
Road, Higher Crummock, Manchester, has  
written to me asking if I could receive  
his letter, which is enclosed at "The

Refugee", and saying that you had

mentioned The Refugee to him. I

replied to Mr. Shaw saying that if you

recommended him to come here for a

change, I could receive her, and in

accordance with his wishes I told him

our rates of board. You might kindly

let me know what sort of patient she

is, and whether she requires a private

bedroom or not. With kind regards,

I am,  
Yours sincerely,

6th December, 1916.

Dear Dr. Easterbrook,

Miss Shaw is not a very attractive patient; she never speaks and is unoccupied, and is of a sort of sullen disposition. We place her in a room to herself as she is apt to be impulsive and to strike other persons.

She has been here a long time, having been admitted in January, 1903, and the Committee have been obliged to ask for her and one or two others to be removed in order to lighten the work for our staff, who were in danger of being knocked up.

We receive two and a half guineas per week for her.

I recommended the friends of another patient to apply to you for admission. I saw her yesterday. She is a talkative, hyperchondriacal person, seems utterly selfish, and I fear she is now deteriorating mentally. It does not seem to be a very hopeful case. The name is Coburn, and they come from Ossett in Yorkshire.

I hope you and yours keep well.

I remain,

Yours very truly,





29th November, 1916.

Dear Mr. Shaw,

I am sorry to say that Miss Shaw is really not fit to sleep with other patients as she is so suddenly impulsive. ~~Of~~ course it is possible that the difficulties may be less in another Institution, but we have always felt it necessary to give her a room to herself.

If you can fix the date for the transfer we will fill up the certificates and send them on to you. These must be done only a few days before the patient leaves the Retreat.

Perhaps in writing to Dr. Easterbrook you will ask whether he can send nurses for Miss Shaw or whether he wishes us to send her through.

I remain,

Yours very truly,



1918, November 19th.

Dear Mr. [Name]

I am sorry to say that this show is really

not fit to show with other patients as one is so

seriously ill. Of course it is possible that

the difficulties may be ironed out in another location,

but we have always felt it necessary to give not a room

to hospital.

If you can fix the date for the transfer we

will fill in the certificate and send them on to you.

These must be done only a few days before the patient

leaves the hospital.

Yours in spirit to Dr. [Name] as you will

and whether we can send nurses for him or whether

we expect us to send our [Name].

I remain,

Yours very truly,



18 St Marys Rd.  
 Crumpsall  
 Manchester  
 Nov. 27-1916

Dear Sir.

Referring to my last letter; after further consideration we have decided to have my sister removed to the Crighton Institution at Didsbury & I hope that this decision will meet with your approval.

I have heard from Dr Easterbrook that he is willing to accept the case & in giving his terms he mentions certain terms if she is to share a bedroom with other ladies & other terms if she is to have a private bedroom. Would you mind telling me if my sister at present shares a bedroom with others or not. I enclose the form sent me & shall be much obliged if you will fill up as much of it as is required & when completed Dr Easterbrook will obtain the Sheriff's order (page 3) & when this is obtained he will let you know.

I presume I shall have to fill in part of the form myself though I am quite sure of this. You will know what is required. Awaiting your further reply

I am

Yours faithfully  
 L. Shaw

Bedford Pierce M.D.





from mine & asked him to  
leave the matter in abeyance  
until we decide.  
I hope to write to you again  
in a few days.

Yours truly  
J. Shaw.

D. Bedford Pierce  
York.

18 St. Marys Rd.

Crumppall

Nov. 18. 1916

Dear Sir

Since we met in  
Leeds I have discussed with  
the other members of my family  
the question of moving my sister,  
& they seem to lean to Dumfries.  
A friend of mine with some  
experience also thinks that  
Dumfries is certainly the best-  
place.

I have been to Haydock Lodge  
& after discussing the matter



with the doctor there I said  
I thought we should decide  
to move my sister to his  
Institution, but beyond that  
nothing has been settled.

Can you arrange for her to  
remain where she is for a  
few weeks until we have  
made up our minds.

I have written to the doctor  
at Haydock Lodge & told him  
that the opinion of my Co-  
executors is somewhat different

TELEGRAMS:-  
STREET,  
ASHTON-IN-MAKERFIELD.

HAYDOCK LODGE,  
NEWTON-LE-WILLOWS,  
LANCASHIRE.

TELEPHONE:-  
11 ASHTON-IN-MAKERFIELD.

10th November 1916

Dear Dr. Bedford Pierce,

Many thanks for your letter.

I am interviewing the patient's sister today and will certainly remember your advice. If we possibly can we will take her, for a time at any rate.

I am glad to say we are much better situated than we were a year ago with regard to accommodation, having added and improved much on either side of the House, which gives us much more latitude in the selection and classification of our cases.

Mr Schluter, I am glad to say keeps in splendid physical health but he is fearfully deluded, especially about me. The extraordinary thing about him is, in spite of these delusions, he and I are on the best possible terms.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

*J. Curran*



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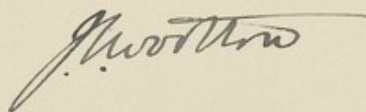
8th November 1916.

Dear Dr. Bedford Pierce,

We have had an application from  
a Miss Shaw, 18, St.Mary's Road, Higher Crumpsall,  
Manchester, who wishes us to take charge of her  
sister, whom she states is at present under your  
care.

I should be very much obliged if  
you could give me any information about her, and  
under what maintenance terms she has been with you.

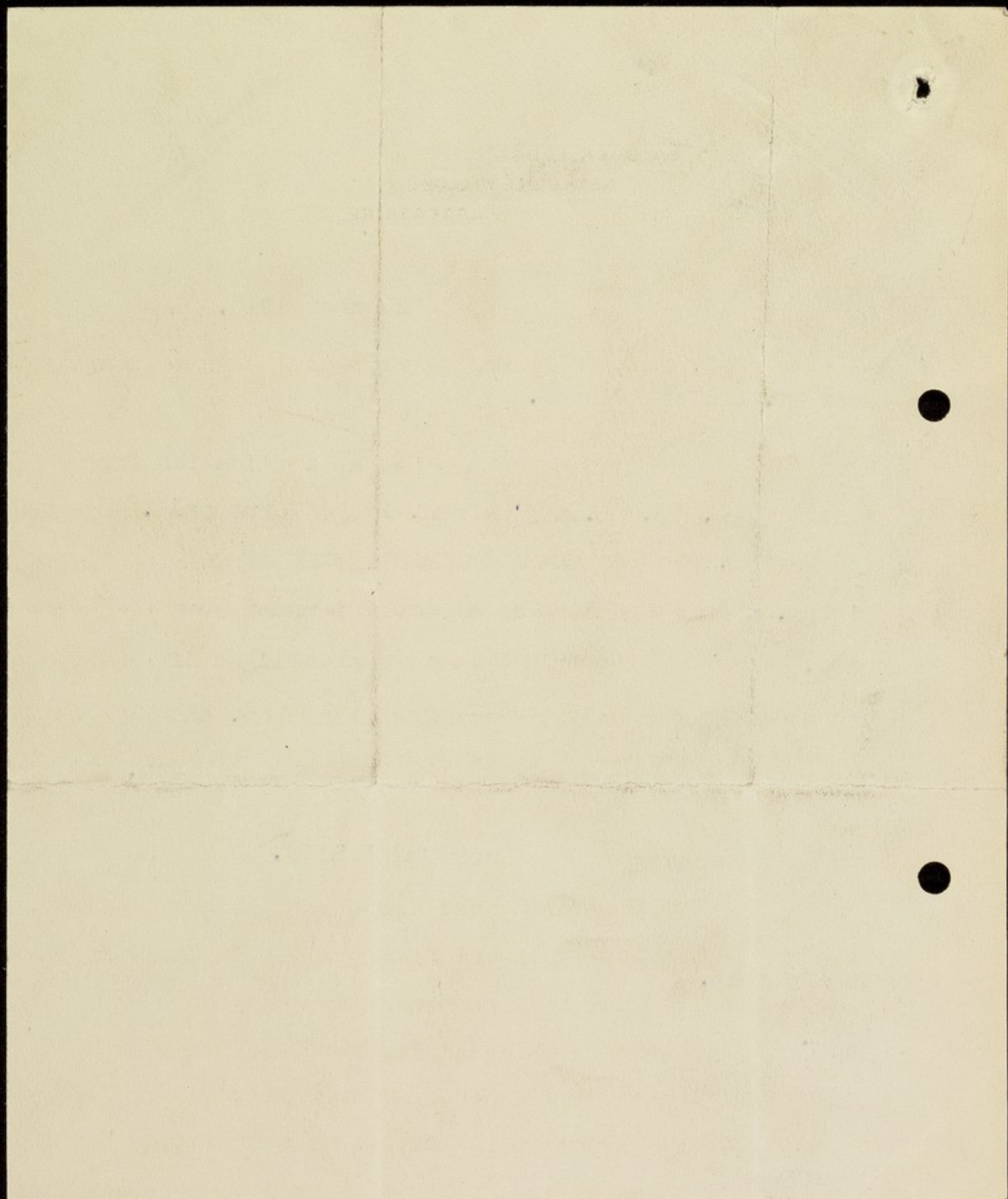
Yours faithfully,



The Retreat,

York.







November 9th, 1916.

Dear Dr. Wootton,

Miss Gertrude Shaw has been at the "etreat for a number of years, and she, with two others, has been selected for transfer, as something must be done to lessen the number of troublesome patients as our staff is getting overworked.

I cannot say that Miss Shaw is a very desirable patient: she never speaks, she is impulsive, frequently striking the nurses, or other persons, and she takes no interest in anything that is going on. She is not noisy, but her habits are faulty. She has a way when she is out in the garden of throwing herself down on the ground, and stupidly resisting anything that is wanted. She has to be spoon fed.

The fees paid here are £2. 12. 6 per week. I think it is possible that the family could pay more if it were necessary, but I do not know for certain.

I hope you will be willing to give her a trial; it is possible that a change might do some good, but I would certainly recommend you not to make a promise for any great length of time, as I think that it is only right that no-one should undertake to keep a troublesome patient such as this indefinitely.

Yours very truly,







AND

6, PARK SQUARE,

LEEDS.

BY APPOINTMENT.

TUESDAY, } 1.30 TO 4 P.M.  
FRIDAY }

TELEPHONE { YORK N° 112.  
LEEDS N° 3877

THE RETREAT,

YORK.

October 31st, 1916.

Dear Sir,

I fully expect to be in Leeds  
on Friday next, and would suggest  
2.30 in the afternoon to see you  
and talk things over respecting  
Miss Shaw,

I remain,

Yours very truly,

T. Shaw, Esq.



THE REINSTAT,

YORK

18 St. Marys Rd.

Crumpsall

Manchester

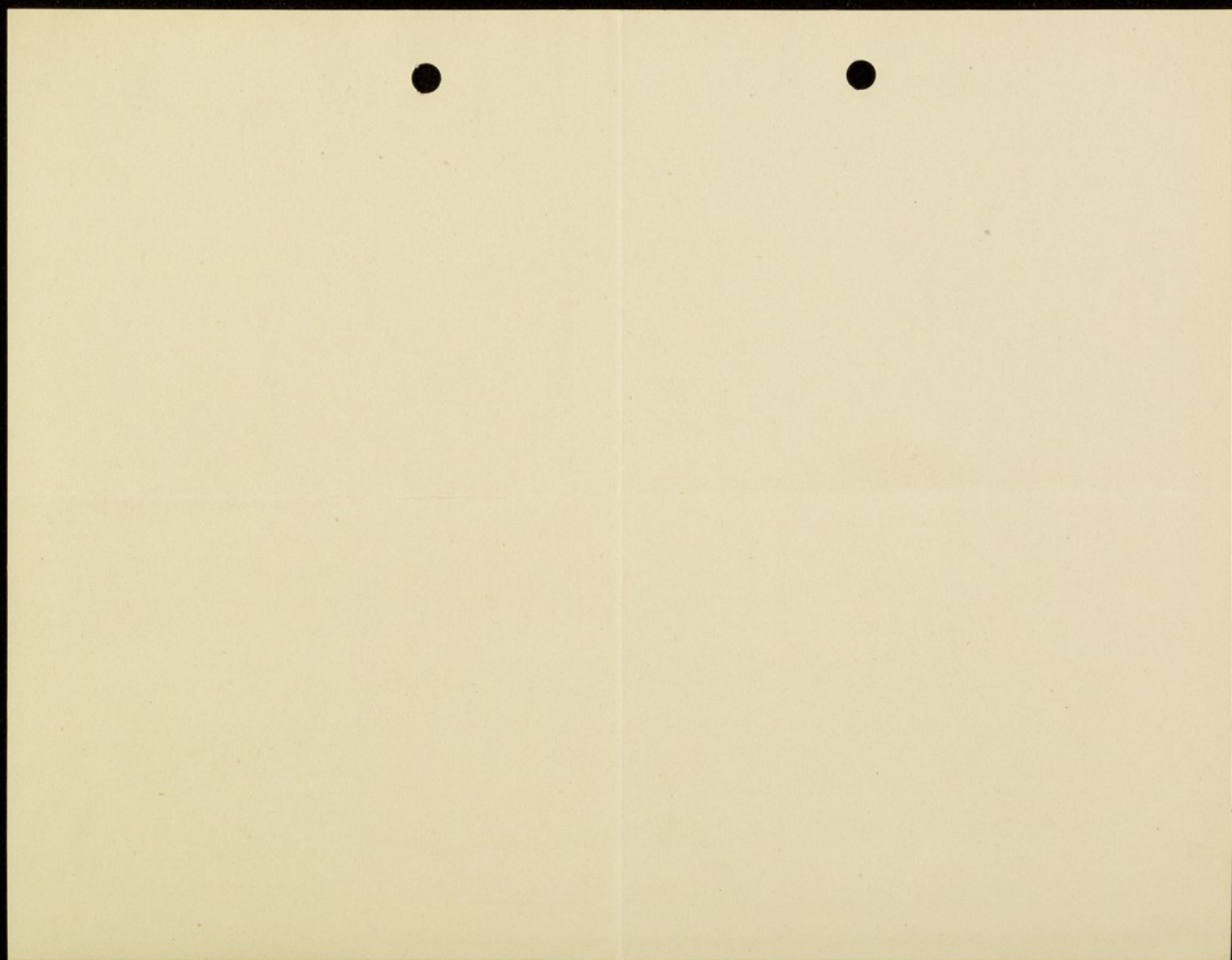
Oct. 30. 1916

Dear Sir I have to go up

unexpectedly to London  
tomorrow so regret I cannot  
meet you in Leeds. If Friday  
will be convenient to you I  
shall be glad to see you at  
about 2.15 or later. I thought  
it best to wire you this afternoon.

Yours truly J. Shaw





Oct. 29. 1916

Dear Sir

I am in receipt of  
your letter of the 27<sup>th</sup>  
inst. referring to my  
sister. Could I meet  
you in Leeds on Tuesday  
at 2.15 p.m.? I should  
like to talk the matter  
over with you & have  
occasion to go to Leeds



that day. If not convenient  
please send me a line  
by return of post.

Yours truly  
J. Shaw.

27th October, 1916.

Dear Sir,

There is considerable difficulty in finding suitable location for patients who are troublesome. I think you would be thoroughly satisfied with the Crichton Royal Institution, Dumfries. It is really a very accessible place, and Dr. Easterbrook is an exceedingly able and competent physician. They have varying rates of payment, and I would suggest that you write direct to them.

You may also consider Haydock Lodge, Newton-le-Willows. Dr. Street, the Medical Superintendent, is at present serving in His Majesty's Forces. I believe they are exceedingly successful there in dealing with noisy patients.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

T. Shaw, Esq.



27th October, 1916.

Dear Sir,

There is considerable trouble in finding  
suitable location for patients who are difficult.

at St Mary's Road  
Higher Cambridge  
Manchester

Oct. 24-1916

Dear Sir

Referring to your  
letter of Sept. 27. requesting  
me to have my sister  
moved I shall be glad to  
know if you can recommend  
any similar institutions to  
which I can apply.

I have tried at the Cheadle  
Royal Asylum but they will  
not take the case & I anticipate



14 St. Mary's Road  
Highgate, London N. 6  
Manchester

Some difficulty in making the  
change. If you will let me  
know where you think she can  
be placed I will do my best  
to induce one of the institutions  
to accept the case.

Yours truly  
J. Shaw.

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St Mary's Ford  
Highway, Crayke Hall  
Manchester

Sept. 29. 1916

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge  
the receipt of your letter  
& will write you fully  
about the matter in a  
few days.

Yours faithfully  
J. Shaw



18 St Mary's Road,  
Higher Oldham,  
Manchester.

20th September, 1916.

Dear Mr. Shaw,

The Committee of the Retreat at their meeting yesterday reviewed the general question of the nursing on the women's side and they found that the number of patients causing the nurses continuous strain and anxiety was unduly large. I may point out that at the present time there is a serious shortage of competent nurses, and the matter is urgent because our present staff is becoming overworked. The Committee therefore, wished me to write to ask you to arrange for the removal of Miss Shaw to some other Institution in the course of the next two months.

Miss Shaw was selected because she is so frequently impulsively violent, her habits are faulty, and her mental state is such that she is unable to appreciate the comforts the Institution provides.

I need hardly say that I am sorry to have to write to you in this way, but there is really no alternative.

I remain,

Yours very truly,



2nd September, 1910.

Dear Mr. Shaw,

The Committee of the Society at their meeting yesterday reviewed the general position of the nursing at the women's side and they found that the number of

patients requiring the nurses' attention is still and is likely to remain large. They also found that the present time there is a serious shortage of com-

petent nurses, and the matter is urgent because our present staff is becoming overworked. The Committee therefore, wished me to write to ask you to arrange for

the removal of some staff to some other institution in the course of the next two months.

Miss Shaw was selected because she is so thoroughly thoroughly intelligent, her habits are family,

and her mental state is such that she is unable to appreciate the conditions the institution provides.

I need hardly say that I am sorry to have to write to you in this way, but there is really no

alternative.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

18 St. Marys Rd  
Crumpall  
7/8/16 Manchester  
Dear Sir

Your telegram &  
letter to hand explaining  
your mistake. Your  
letter did not arrive  
by first post on Saturday  
or I should not have  
wired. I enclose bill



for alteration as requested.  
Please credit me with 10  
cost of telegraphing.

Yours truly  
J. Shaw.

Oak Lawn

Andenshaw

Dec. 30/15

Owing to the death of Mr  
George Shaw I shall be  
glad if you will send  
in your account to the  
year end at once to enable  
me to settle his affairs.

Yours truly  
J. Shaw.

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18 St. Marys Rd.

Crompton

Manchester

25/3/16

● Dear Sir.

Will you kindly note that

I am executor under the  
Will of the late George

Shaw of Oak Lawn

Andershaw & I shall be

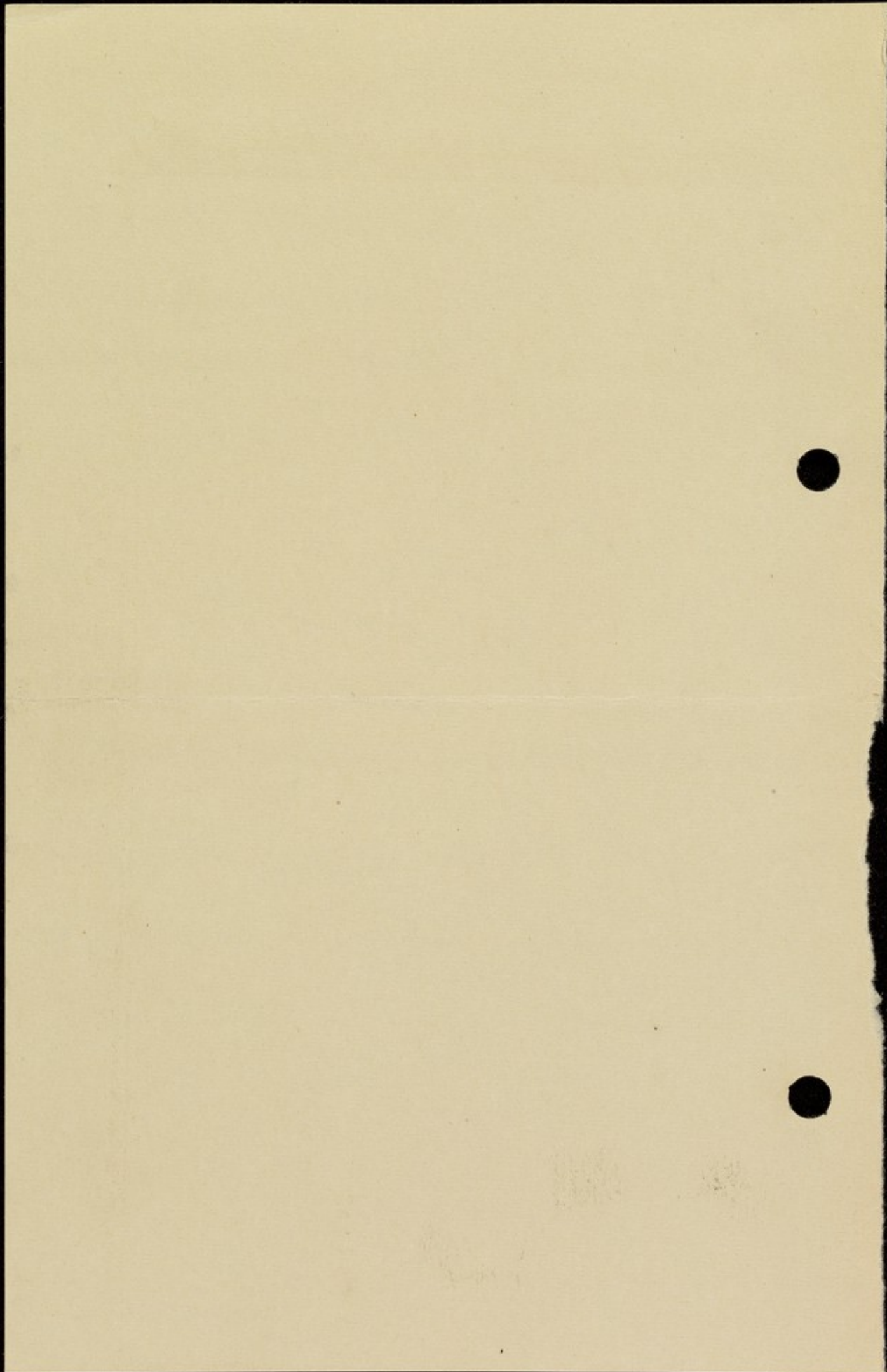
glad if you will address

● any communications re

Gertrude Shaw to me in  
future.

Yours truly J. Shaw





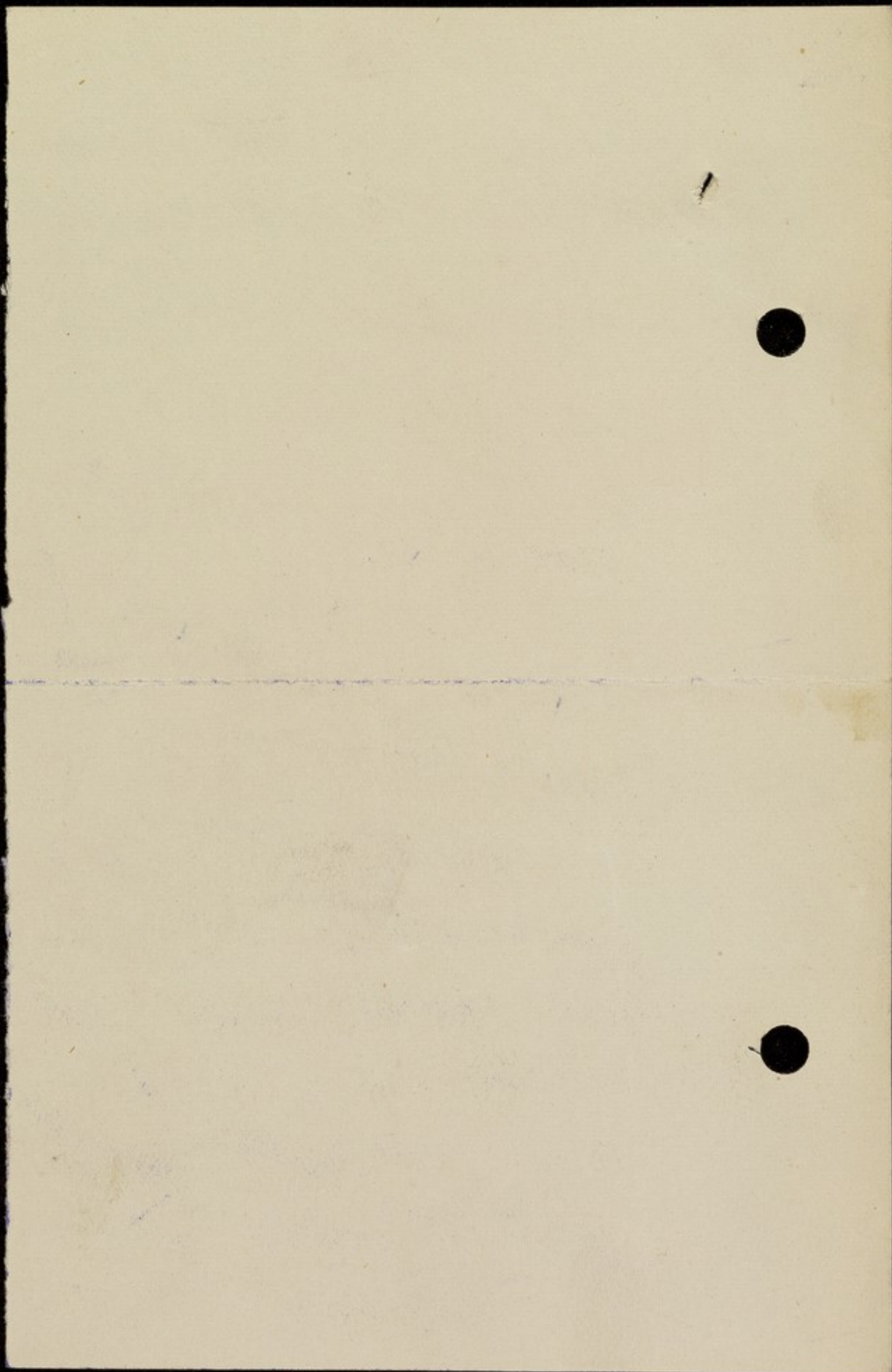
Dear Sir,

I enclose  
draft which please  
cash at the Bank but  
do not pay as it is into  
your ac.

I shall be glad to  
hear of them and any  
signs of improvement in  
my daughter With  
kind regards I am

Yours sincerely  
George Shaw





PAK LAWN,

727

AUDENSHAW,

NR. MANCHESTER.

Dear Sophie

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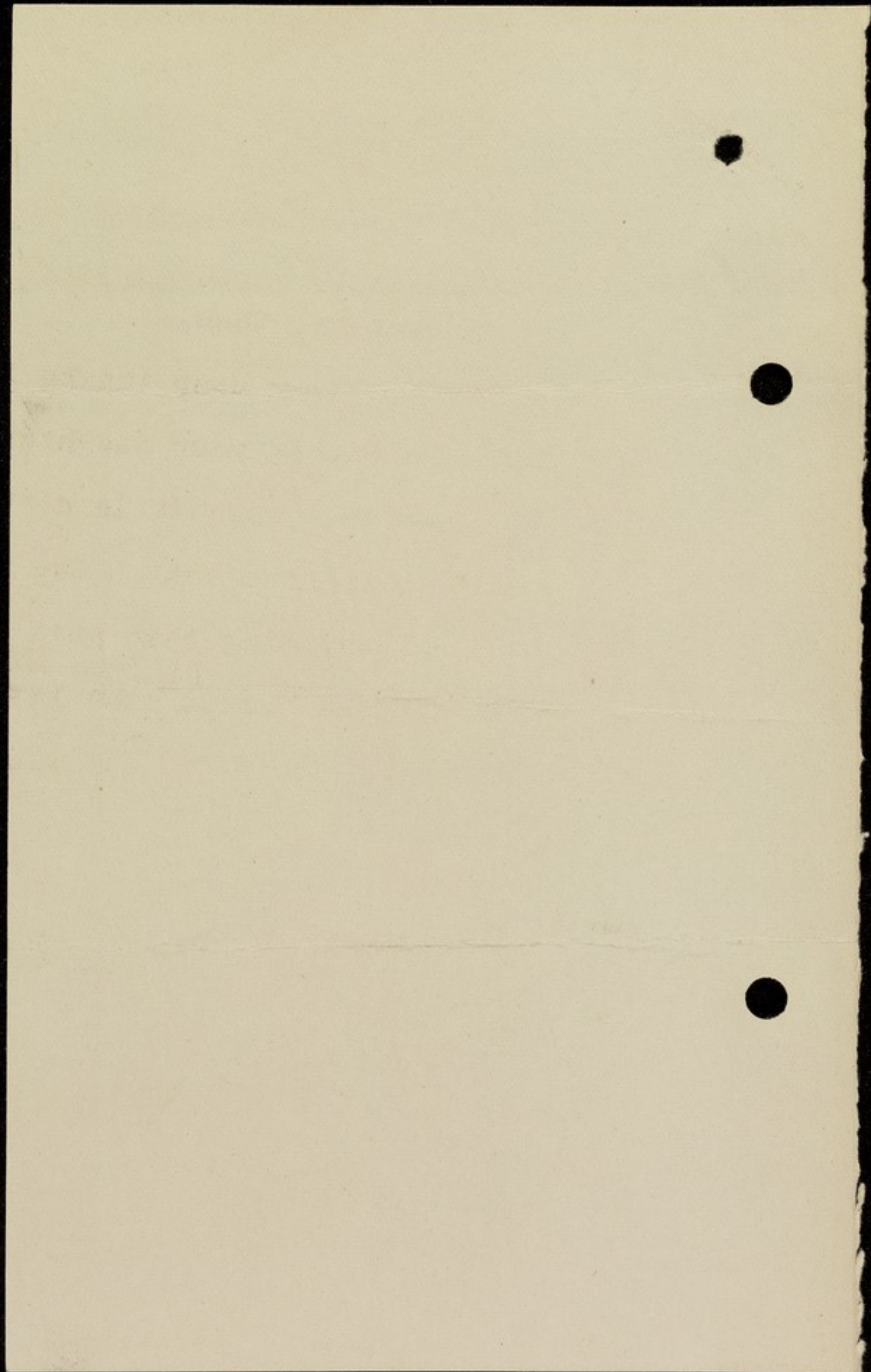
I enclose a

Bank draft for amount  
of your account which please  
cash in the usual way -

I wish you could give me any  
encouragement in hoping that my  
Daughter may yet recover  
Do you think there is any ground  
for hope of this? I am sorry  
to be so exceedingly helpless myself  
from paralysis as to be unable  
to get over to see her I hope that  
her Sister will visit her before long.

With kind regards I am  
Yours sincerely  
Geo Shaw





13th. May, 1914.

Dear Mr. Shaw,

Many thanks for your cheque. I do not know that your daughter is in any marked degree worse though it is certainly clear that there is no improvement. She takes little or no notice of anything that goes on, and it is therefore impossible to make life interesting to her.

Yours very truly,



1911, 1912

I do not

know of any other

of the same kind

as the one

which is

now in

the hands



448  
Oak Lawn  
Fudershaw  
12/5/14

5 Bedford Pierce  
Dear Sir.

I enclose draft  
payable at York which please  
cash at the Bank. I am  
exceedingly sorry to have  
such an unfavourable report  
as received when you sent  
your stat<sup>t</sup>. of a/c. I do  
hope that an improvement  
may yet be seen. With  
kind regards, thanks to  
you & your colleagues, all  
who have attended to my  
Daughter -

I am  
Yours sincerely  
G Shaw





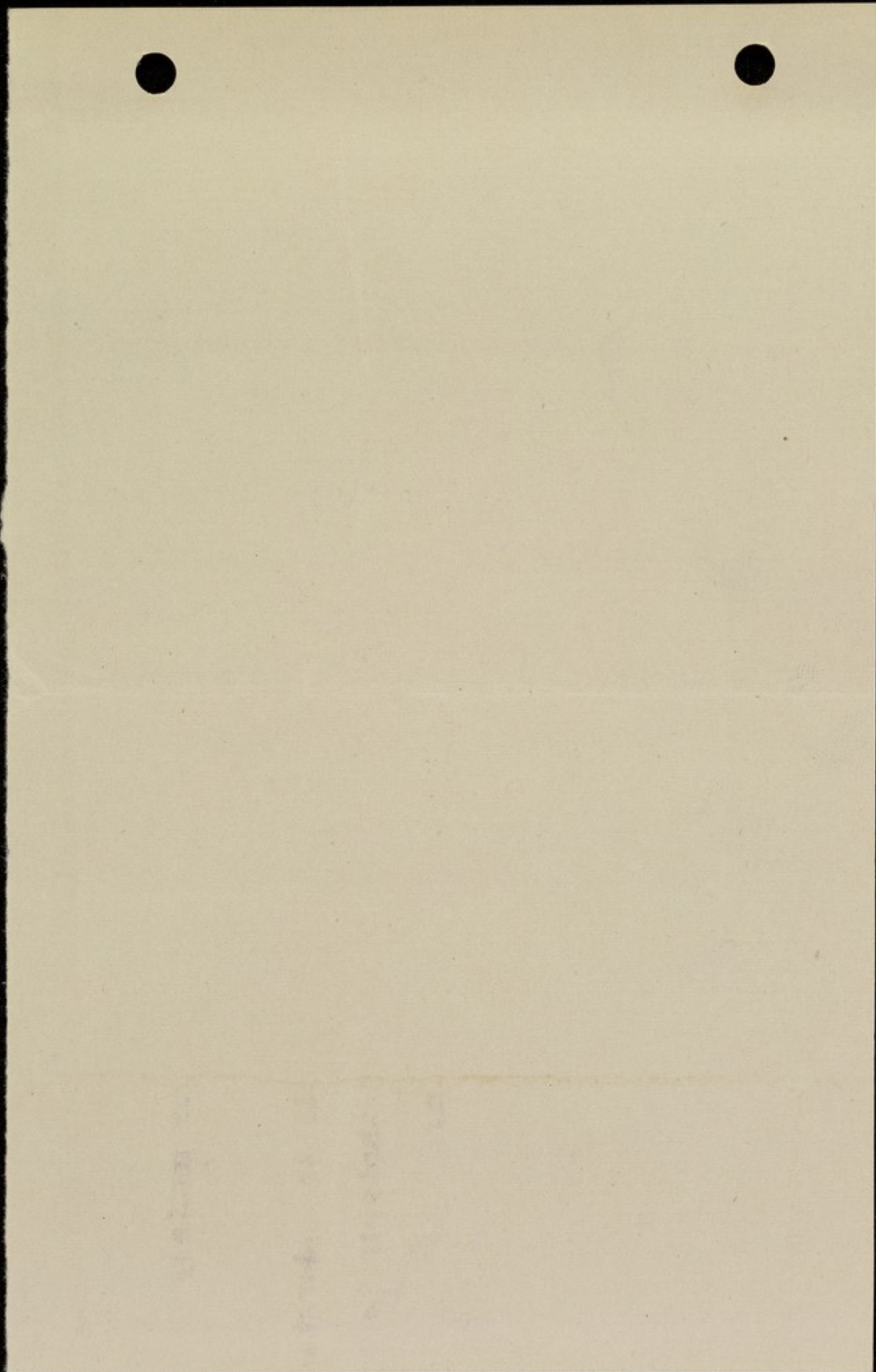
Feb. 13th. 1914.

Dear Mr. Shaw,

I enclose the report  
of the Sister in Charge which  
will give you full particulars  
of your daughter's health.

Yours very truly,





114.  
Oak Lawn  
Tudersham  
6/2/14

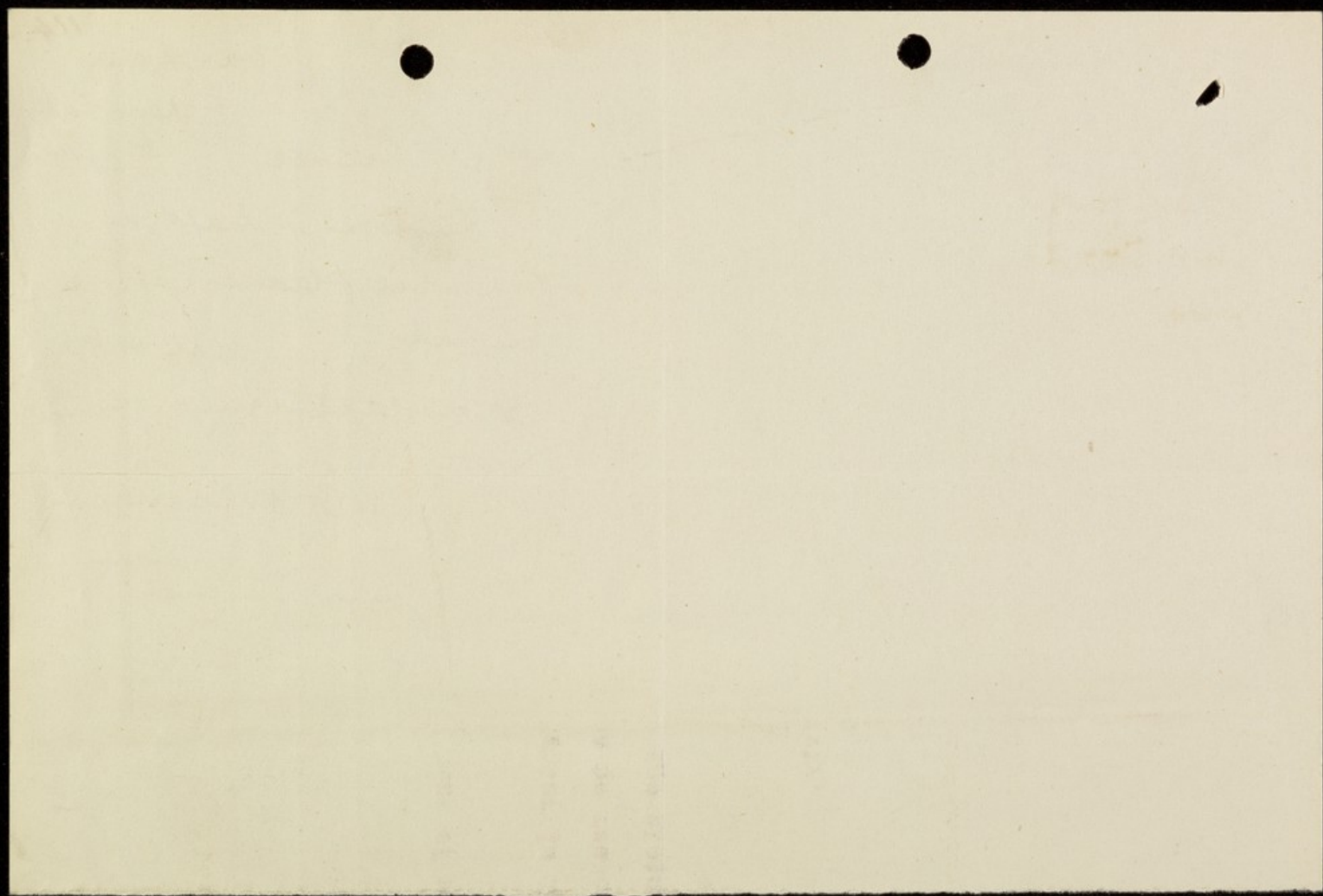
Dear Mr. Pierce

Enclosed is draft on  
York which please cash as  
usual. I shall be glad  
to hear better news of my  
daughter.

With kind regards

Yours sincerely  
Lam  
G. Shaw





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## **Death of Mrs. G. Shaw.**

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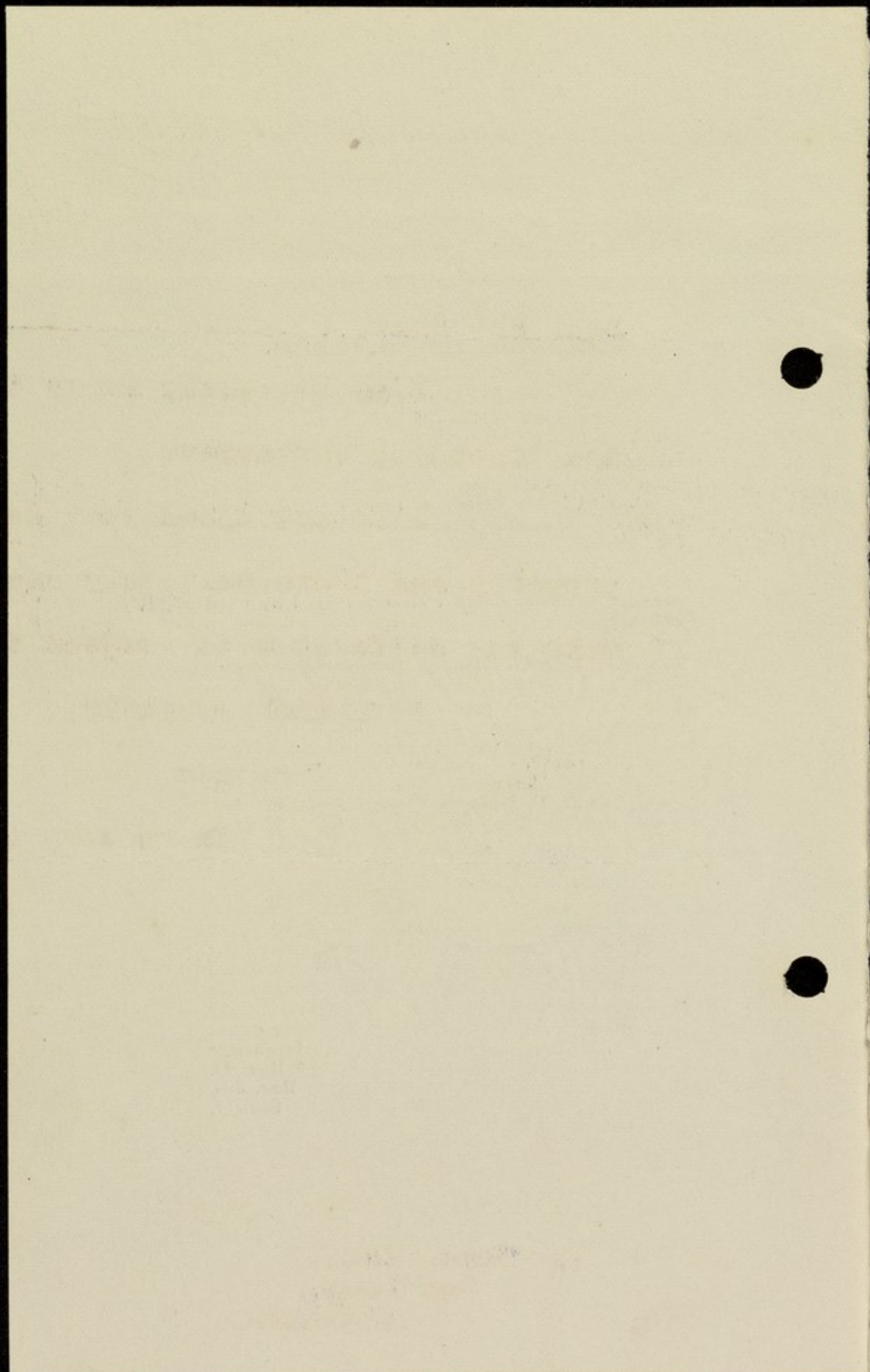
### **WIFE OF AN ASHTON MANUFACTURER.**

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The death took place at noon on Sunday at her residence, Oak Lawn, Audenshaw, of Mrs. Christiana Shaw, Audenshaw, wife of Mr. Geo. Shaw, principal of the firm of Shaw's, Ltd., Winton-street, Ashton. She has been in failing health for the past four years. This is the first bereavement in the family, which includes ten sons and daughters. Mrs. Shaw, who was 72 years of age, had endeared herself by word and deed to all with whom she was brought in contact, and her loss is greatly deplored. She belonged to a Quaker family, and was a native of Rawdon, Yorkshire. Her father was Mr. Wm. Thompson, woollen manufacturer, Larkfield Mills, Rawdon. After her marriage to Mr. Shaw, which took place at the Baptist Church, Rawdon, forty-seven years ago, they took up their residence at The Limes, Crescent-road, Dukinfield, where she became actively connected with the Congregational Church, Crescent-road, and continued for about 26 years, when they removed to Marple and subsequently to Audenshaw, where the family have resided for the past thirteen years. She attended the Congregational Church, Droylsden, during the ministry of the late Rev. Alexander Cran. Of a quiet, retiring disposition, and deeply devoted to her home and family she seldom figured in public life, but her charitable instincts often found expression in the support which she gave to many a deserving cause.

The funeral service was held at the Manchester Crematorium, and was conducted by the Rev. D. R. James, of Dukinfield, assisted by the Rev. Jas. Richardson, of the London Missionary Society, and formerly of Dukinfield.





1st August, 1913.

Dear Mr. Shaw,

I am extremely sorry to hear of your anxiety  
and impending bereavement.

I do not think your daughter is able to understand  
properly and there certainly seems no reason whatever to  
make any difference in respect to the clothing.

With much sympathy,

I remain,

Yours very truly,

G. Shaw, Esq.,  
Oak Lawn,  
Andershaw.



1st August, 1913.

Dear Mr. Shaw,

I am extremely sorry to hear of your anxiety

and impending bereavement.

I do not think your daughter is able to understand

properly and there certainly seems no reason whatever to

make any difference in respect to the clothing.

With much sympathy,

I remain,

Yours very truly,

G. Shaw, Esq.,  
Oak Lawn,  
Andover, Mass.



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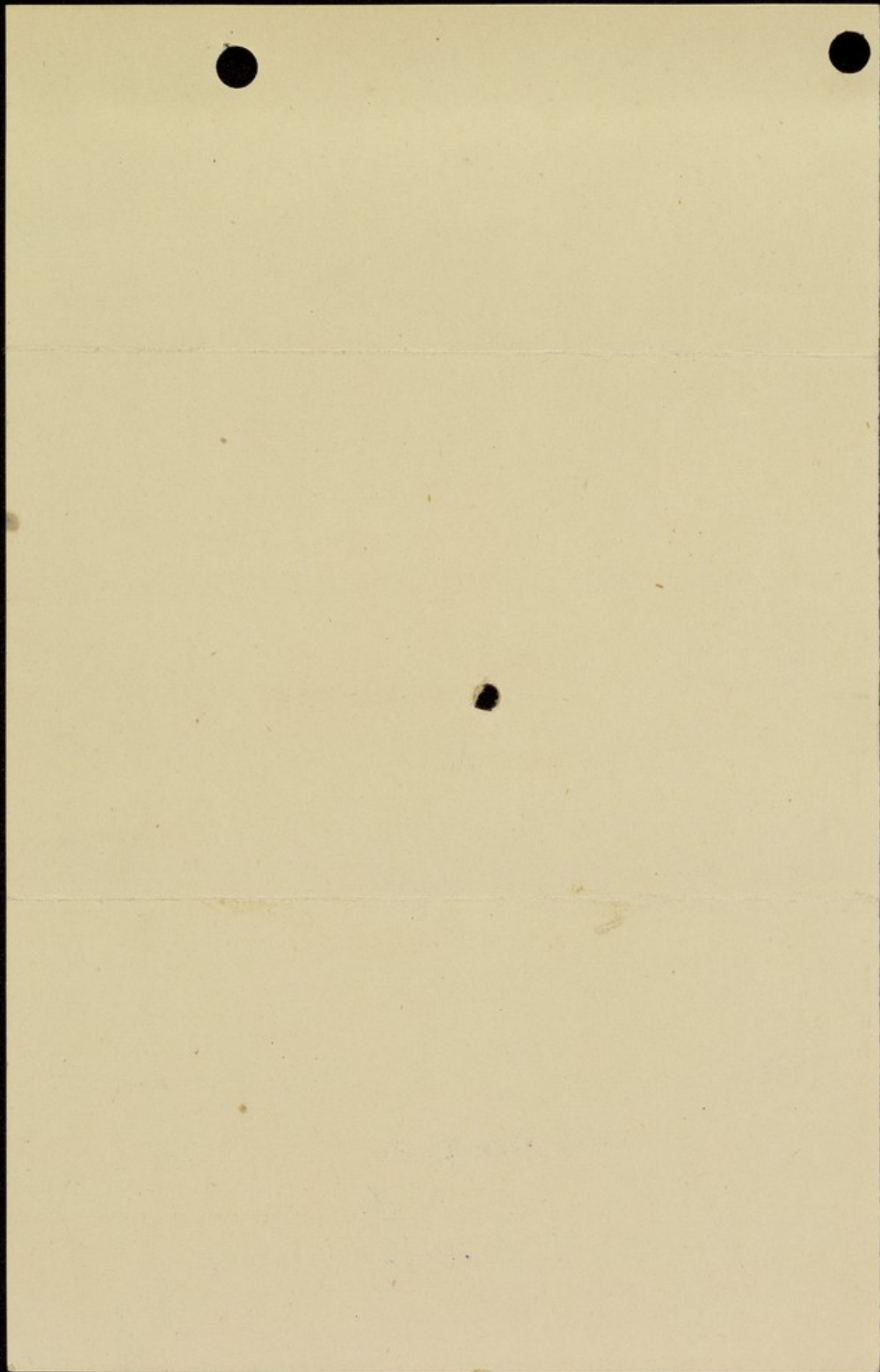
Dear Mr. Walker.

23/5/13

I duly received your  
letter of the 20th and I beg  
to thank your committee  
for reducing my Daughter's  
terms.

I am  
Yours respectfully  
George Shaw





OAK LAWN,

AUDENSHAW,

381

NR. MANCHESTER,

12/5/13

Dear Dr. Pierce -

I am obliged for your letter of the 8th. . . I should not like to remove my daughter from such an excellent Institution, & from your care.

If the Committee find that they can make any reduction it will be appreciated. If my Son is able to continue at Winnipeg & to maintain his wife & child I hope that I may not feel the expense.

Your letter leads me to think that the charges are lower to members - & I presume to the



children of members. It may  
be mentioned that my wife's  
parents were members of  
Rawdon meeting - William  
& Christiana Thompson.

William Thompson's cousin  
was Henry Thompson of  
Kendal (Lancashire). Henry  
Thorne of Leeds was my Brother  
-in-law, his widow & some  
members of her family are  
members of Leeds meeting.

My Father was an attendee  
of Southport meeting, but  
not a member, at his  
request he was inter'd as  
a Friend there. I don't

however press for a reduction  
on these grounds, rather I  
would have the Committee to  
consider if the financial  
position of the Retreat will  
enable them to reduce the terms.

I am not aware whether  
the Institution is self supporting  
- or showing a profit, - or if  
its finances are supplemented  
by Subscriptions. if the  
latter I would prefer not  
to have any reduction at  
all.

With kind regards  
I am  
Yours sincerely  
G. Shaw

Oak Lawn 354  
Fudenshaw  
7/5/13

Dear Sir,

I enclose draft  
payable in York which please  
Cash, & do not pay it as a  
draft into your Bank a/c.

Will your committee  
consider if they can reduce  
the terms now charged. - I  
have many heavy expenses  
& this continued payment for  
my unfortunate Daughter  
is a tax on us. I should  
not like her to suffer the loss



of any comforts she requires,  
nor of any attention that is  
necessary, & I appreciate  
the superior provision<sup>care</sup> & attendance  
she has enjoyed at the Retreat.

But if your Committee can  
make any reduction in the  
charges I should be glad  
if they will do so. My Son  
who has been in Minneapolis  
5 or 6 years had a nervous  
break down last year &  
was ordered home by the  
Doctor & 6 months relief from  
work; he was with us nearly  
six months, returning early in

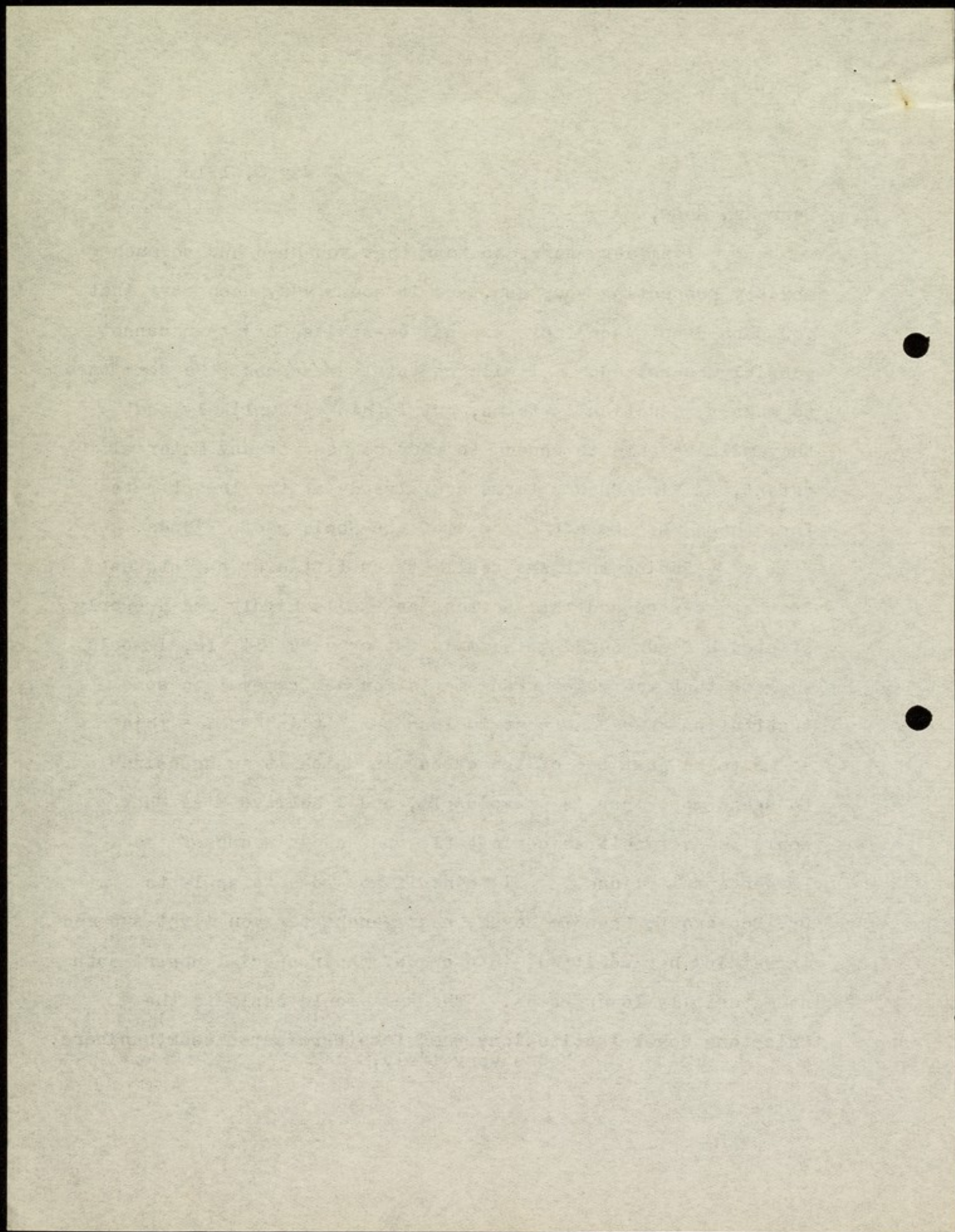
March. I am sorry to hear  
from his wife that he has again  
broken down & I have the  
prospect of having to take him  
with his wife & child, to have  
them on my hands. I am  
hoping he may recover & be  
able to do something, but  
he is not reliable as regards  
health - his prospects at the  
best are bad.

I hope to get over to see  
my Daughter very soon. -  
perhaps next week. With  
kind regards I am  
yours sincerely  
G. Shaw











Oak Lawn

Fudenshaw

31/ 7/13

Dear Sir.

I am sorry not to have seen you when I called a week ago, however I did see D. Burnham one doubt obtained all the information possible to be given about my Daughter.

My Wife is not expected to live many days. - I did not mention this to Festus or we think it may be better not to mention it. He do not want her to make any change in her dress - as we ourselves do not wear mourning on such an occasion. I thought you should know in case there should be any



danger of it being mentioned by  
any of the attendants who might  
hear of it.

With kind regards

I am

Yours truly

G. Shaw



May 20 1913

Dear Sir,

At the recent meeting of the  
Retreat Committee the terms for  
Miss Gertrude Shaw were reduced from  
48<sup>5</sup>/<sub>7</sub> to 45<sup>5</sup>/<sub>7</sub> a week. The alteration  
to take effect from Apr 1. 1913.

Yours faithfully

W. E. Waller  
Secy

G Shaw Esq.



May 20 1913

Dear Sir,

At the recent meeting of the  
Robert Committee the terms for  
this subscription were reduced from  
25¢ to 15¢ a week. The subscription  
will be effective from Oct. 1, 1913.

Yours faithfully,  
W. B. Brown  
Secy.

W. B. Brown



to tire her or let her anything  
to worry.

I hesitated about writing &  
hope you will understand  
my doing so. Naturally the  
nurse will know, better than  
I, the effect of a visit but  
once or twice G. has looked  
so tired that I felt sorry  
for her.

With kind regards

Sincerely yours

Kate Shaw

OLD LAWN  
AUDENSHAW  
NR MANCHESTER.

June 19<sup>th</sup>.

Dear Dr. Pearce.

I after intended calling  
to see Gertrude tomorrow.  
If you see him will you  
advise him not to stay  
too long with her.  
The time I have been well



him I have thought we  
stayed too <sup>long</sup> to me she seemed  
tired out. The time she  
looked as though she might  
have a very bad headache.  
I was over a few weeks since  
I intended speaking of  
this but you were out or  
engaged.

Will you kindly not let  
him know you have heard  
from me.

He is strong himself &  
cannot realise that G.  
gets tired being continually  
talked to. Also his subject  
of conversation is generally  
of religion matter ~~too~~ much  
is not cheering for an invalid.  
I think a visitor's visit is  
different as we do try to

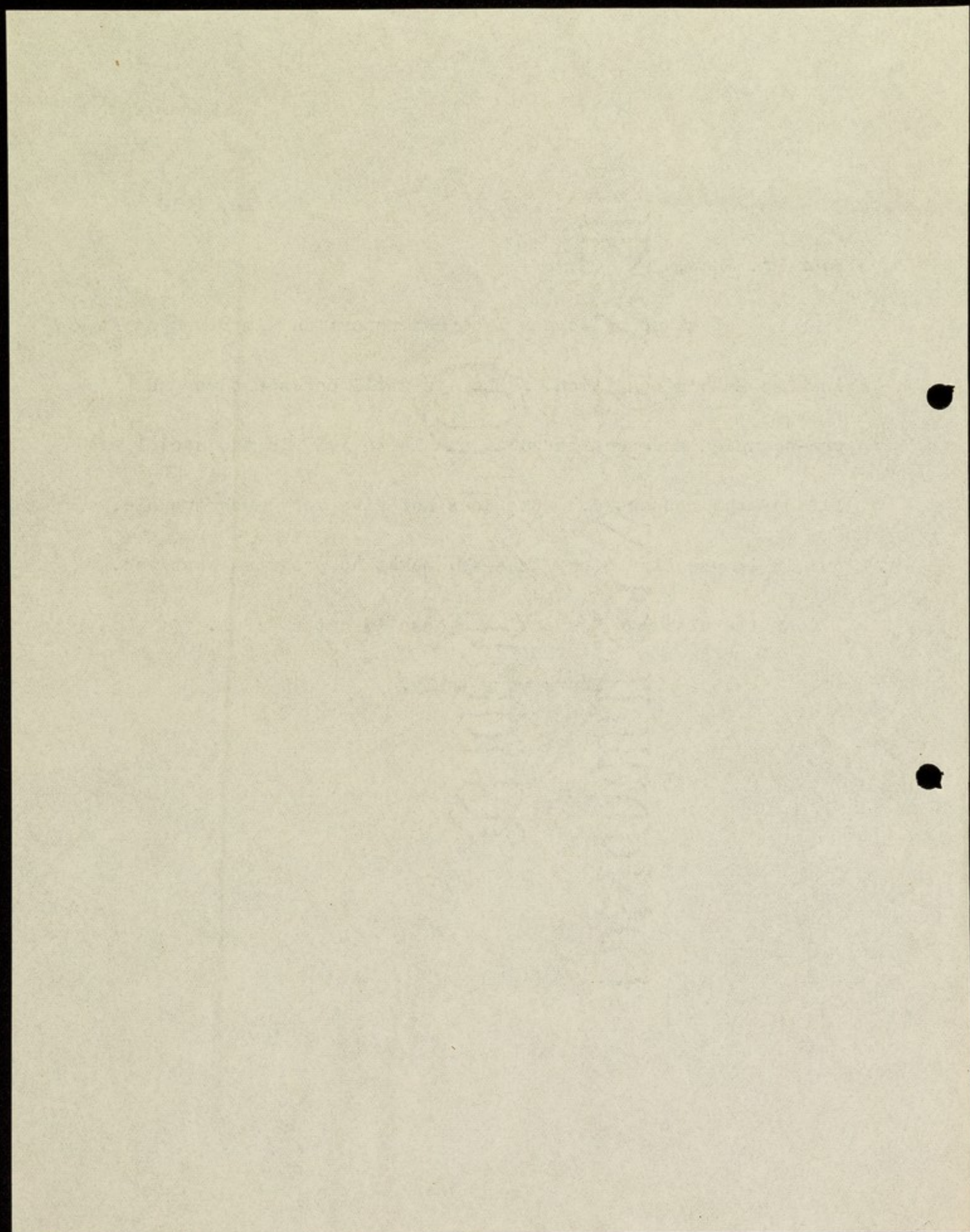
May 14, 1910

Dear Mr. Shaw,

I am sorry to say I cannot report any improvement in Miss Shaw's condition. She is still unresponsive and pre-occupied and remains quite unable to join in the social life of the household. She does not give very much trouble, but it is unsatisfactory that she makes no progress whatever. I fear the ultimate issue of the case is not hopeful.

Yours very truly,







Oak Lawn

Andoverham 12/5

Dear Sir

Herewith I enclose  
draft payable at York which  
Please change into cash at the  
Bank where payable. I don't  
want it paid into the ac of  
"the retreat" as a draft, in  
such a way as to show to  
my Bank the destination of  
the amt. I shall be glad  
to hear from you how Gertrude  
is, whether you see <sup>signs of</sup> any hope  
of her recovery. I expect to  
start on Saturday on a business  
journey in the U. States, Canada  
& shall not be able to see her



In some time . With kind  
regards

I am

Yours truly

G. Shaw





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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 Gertude Shaw of

as a patient in the said Hospital, I HEREBY UNDERTAKE

AND AGREE with Richard Thompson

of Dring etc, 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of 2 month 1903

Name George Shaw

Residence Ardenshaw n<sup>r</sup> Manchester

Occupation Fibre-dresser

SIGNED by the said George Shaw

in the presence of

Witness's Signature, Gertude Gandy

Address, and 223 Stockport Rd Ashton-under-Lyne

Profession. Clerk

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.



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