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44, Sanderson Rd,
Jermond,
Newcastle-on-Tyne.

9.XII.06.

Dear Mr Bedford Pierce,

I beg to send
enclosed the outstanding
acct. for my father (Mr
V. H. Stephens) for which
is covered by the cheque
he sent to you on Thursday

last. Please send the
receipted acct. to me, only
stating the amt. to him,
as it is nicer for him
not to know the details
of the expenses of his
own illness.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

T. A. Stephens.

to ~~take~~ have paid at
present the above cheque
in settlement, in the first
place of the previous account,
which my brother will send
on to you in a day or two
from Newcastle. What small
balance there may be ~~can~~
be credited to my account in
regard to my wife; and, if
you concur, in a few weeks
I will send you another
cheque for a substantial
amount.

My brother joins with
me in very kind regards.
Yours very truly,
J. H. Stephens.

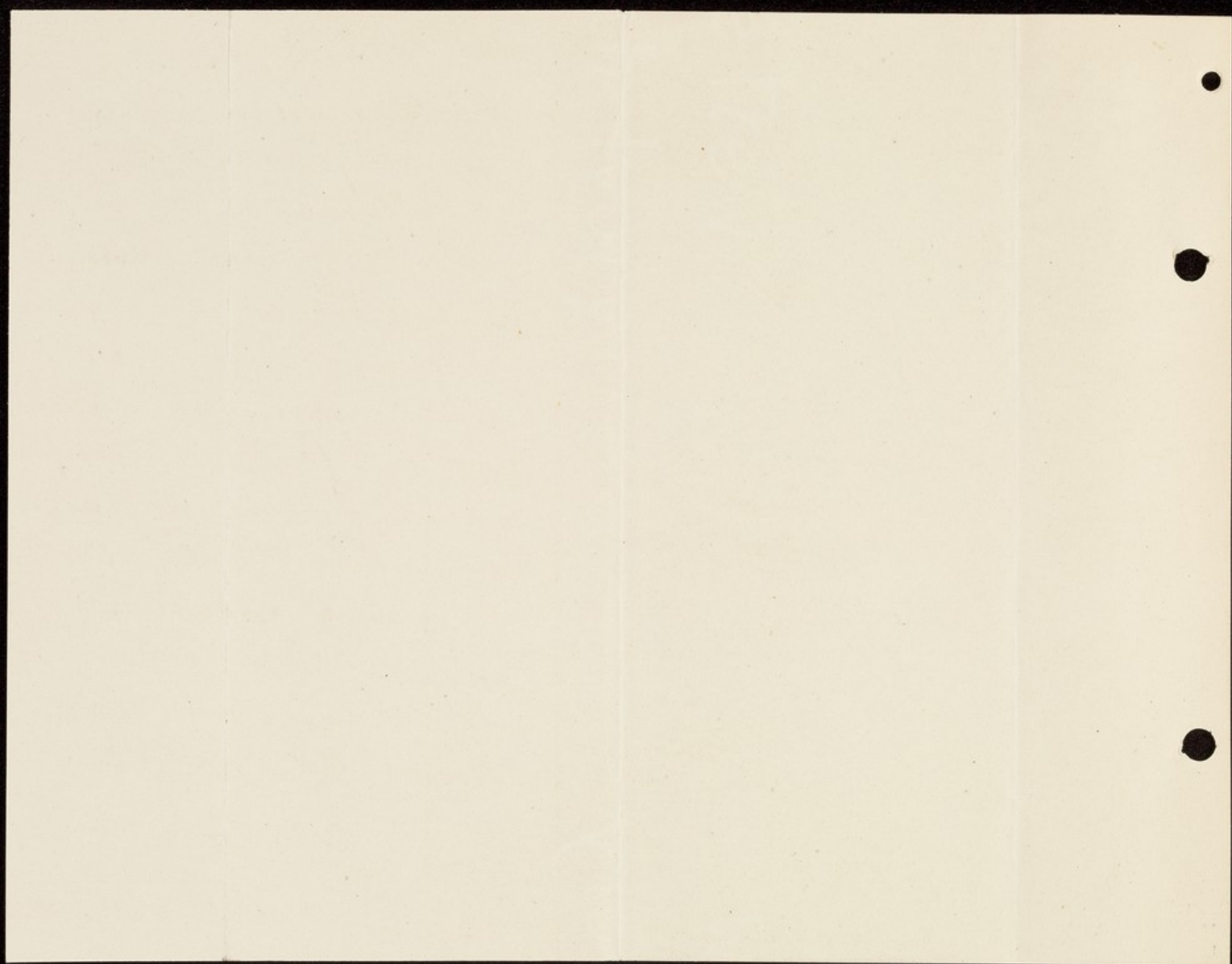
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First Avenue Hotel
High Holborn
W.C.
6 Dec. 84

Dear Sir,

I enclose ayt. duly
signed and witnessed, and
a cheque for £65.

I have taken advantage
of the opportunity of a visit of
my brother to Town in his
official business to talk
over financial matters; and
he suggests that it would
probably be satisfactory to you



helped me in studies and
various pursuits and
travelled about by herself,
she should have fallen into
such a helpless and gloomy
condition. Of course, for
many years her avocations
were chiefly connected with
myself; and no doubt she
now finds it very trying to
be so long separated from
me. I wish it were in
my power to do more to
second your efforts.

Yours very truly
W. A. Stephens

Dr. Bedma Curie. P.S.

P. S. I am much pleased
to notice that my wife goes to
entertainments. I have been
thinking whether a tricycle wd
be good for her. She used to get
more health from cycling than
anything else; but lately she
seemed to lose her nerve for
cycling.

to her that she should
consult you about massage
for my wife, that treatment
having had a very comforting
influence on her last year.
If now it would do her good,
and she liked it - as in all
probability she would, it ^{as a means of gaining} ~~will~~
serve ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~give~~ ^{give} a hold on her, -
a reward for good behavior.

I need hardly say that I greatly
desire, after about 16 minutes of
massage, that she should soon
improve. It puzzles me that
after 17 years of happy married
life, during which she ~~has~~
conducted household affairs and
a fair amt of business skilfully,

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Dec. 6.

G. P. O.

4 Dec. 06.

Dear Doctor Pierce,

Whilst I have to thank
you for communicating the
information contained in your letter
of yesy's date, I naturally
regret that the result of the
experiment of giving my wife
individual treatment with
special nurses has been disappointing.
In regard to expense, I welcome
the proposal, which I gather from
your letter is advanced not only
on

-X I assume that the patients
are not specially demonstrative.

on the ground of economy, that
she should sleep in a small
X dormitory in wh. a nurse sits
up, at a reduction of charges from
£7-7-0 to £4-4-0 per week.

I have only delayed sending
a cheque for the expenses because
I have been going with my
brother into some financial
arrangements. I intend to
forward to your treasurer the
signed agreement and a
suitable cheque in the course of
a few days.

As regards the nurses and
the strain on them, I should
like

like to mention that during
the six months at the end of
last year during which she
lived at home, with two
nurses and two servants, the
servants stayed right in the
whole of the time and some
nurses for about 6, 8 or 10 weeks.
The elder servant saw a good
deal of her; went for walks
with her and a nurse, and
often had her out in the
kitchen, taking interest in
the household arrangements.

Last night I sent to
Miss Thomson a letter about
which she has, presumably,
spoken to you. I suggested

[In trans.]

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44, Sanderson Rd,
Desmond,
Newcastle-on-Tyne.

9.X.'06.

Dear Dr Pierce,

I have not seen
my brother since towards the
end of August, but I should be
glad if you will kindly take
the necessary steps for his
discharge. May I also have

the account for the last term
of his residence at "The Retreat"
and Throxbury Hall? He left
the latter place, I believe, at
the end of July.

Thank you for writing
about the desirability of warning
my brother not to overtax his
strength. I have written to
him to-day in that sense &
urging him not to see his
wife ~~and~~ ^{and} to confine his activities

in the arrangement for transferring
the patient to signing the
necessary forms. I have not
mentioned the nurse, as probably
you can best deal with that by
dealing with it under the rules
of the institution and giving
her instructions as to the time
she is to remain in London.

If you wish it, I will write to
my brother on the matter.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,
T. A. Stephens.

44, Sanderson Road,
Jesmond,

Newcastle-on-Tyne.

26th June, '06.
Dear Dr. Peice,

Could you tell
me my brother's address?
I have not heard from
him - except some picture
post cards without any
writing on them - Since
I saw him a week last
Friday at York. I have

written two or three times to
him at Wroxton Hall and
sent one or two parcels, and
also told his banker to
send £10 addressed to him
Poste Restante, Scarborough.

I have little doubt
everything is all right,
but you just a little
anxious.

Yours sincerely,
T. A. Stephens.

"Carriage forward." As I do
not know your wishes in
the matter of money, I am
not sending my brother any
money until I hear from
you to do so. You will
doubtless see to all the
necessary disbursements.

With kind regards,

The bicycle should,
I think, be overhauled
before it is ridden.

Yours sincerely,
T. A. Stephen

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44, Sanderson Rd,
Jesmond,

Newcastle-on-Tyne.

30. v. 06.

Dear Mr Mackenzie,

I am forwarding
to-morrow my brother's bicycle
addressed to him at "The
Station, York", to be left
till called for." As I do
not know the carriage,
I am marking it



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44, Sanderson Road,
Jesmond,
Newcastle-on-Tyne.

22nd March, 1906.

Dear Dr. Perce,

I should be grateful
if you could kindly advise me
in the matter of the possibility
of sending a line or two through
Dr. Duke as a medical certificate
for my father. Enclosed is a
letter from my father's Chief
at the office, to which I must
reply. Perhaps you would

Kindly send me a line by return
if possible?

Yours sincerely,

T. A. Stephen.

P.S. I find that the date has arrived on which a medical certificate must be sent to the Office for my brother. It is not a very formidable affair, I imagine, since he has two months' unexpired sick leave still remaining, but his chief asked for a more than certificate to let him know how my brother was getting on. Would it not suffice for the present if Dr. Duke acting on information from you were simply to say? —

I regret to state that Mr. H. Stephens is still suffering ~~now~~ from sleeplessness and serious nervous debility. I hope that a better report may be forwarded next month. But I should be glad for your advice.
T. A. S.

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44, Sanderson Rd,
Jesmond,

Newcastle-on-Tyne.

11. 3. '06.

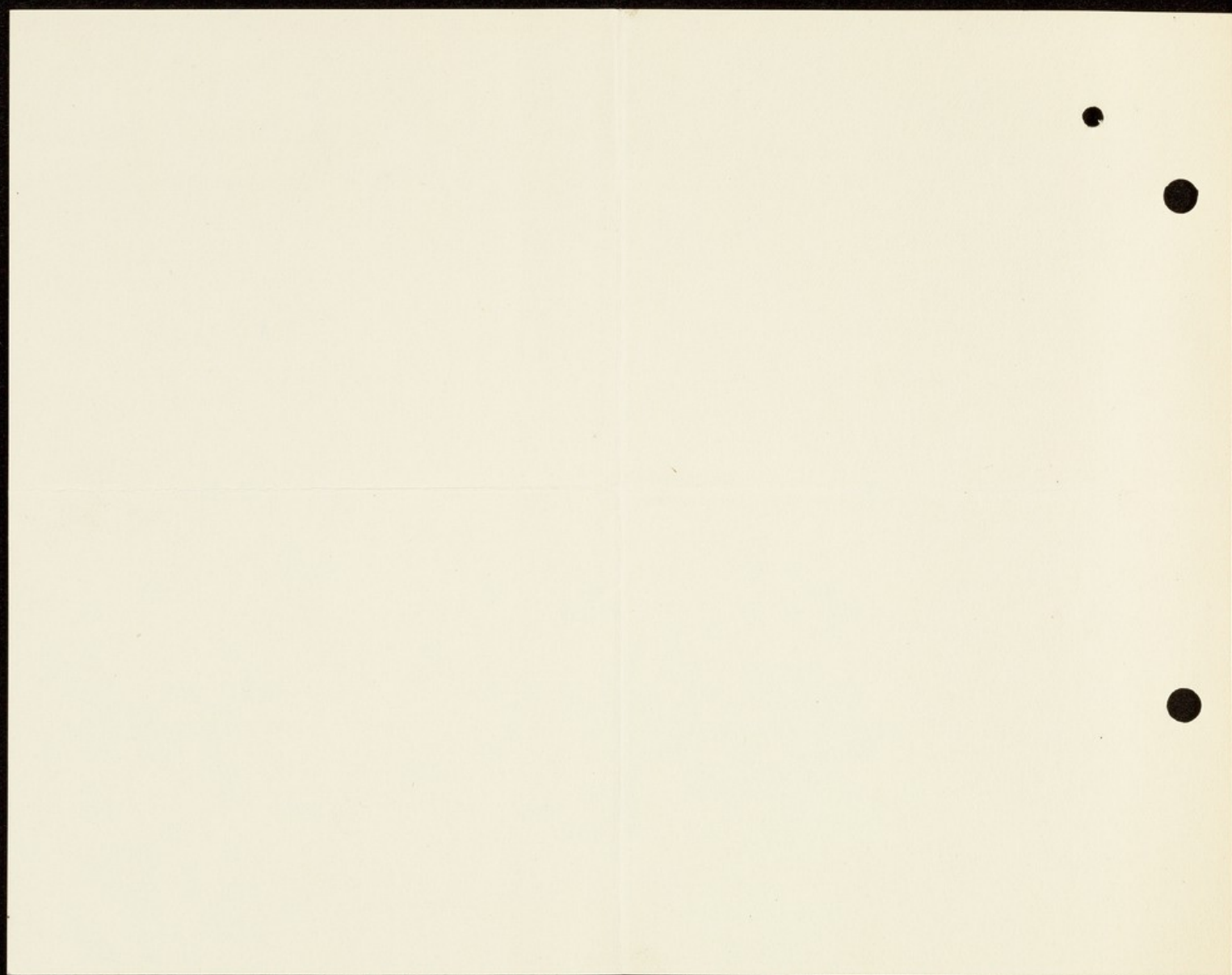
Dear Dr. Pierce,

I am much obliged to you for your letter and must be thankful that my brother is at least a little better. Naturally I was very anxious to hear but feared to trespass upon your time by enquiring.

The enclosure which you kindly forward shall be attended to in the course of a day or two.

Yours sincerely,

T. A. Stephens.
[P.T.O.]



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Ans

44, Sanderson Road,
Jasmond,
Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

March 3rd, 1906.

Dear Sir,

I have to get to Bir-
mingham on Monday night.
The only way to do it and to call
at The Retreat is to come to you
at about 4.20 (train arriving
York at 3.48) and to go on by the
6.10 train. Perhaps you would
kindly send me a line or a wire
to say if 4.20 would be too
early for you.

Yours faithfully,

T. A. Stephens.

Dr Pierce.



Yours sincerely
Alfred Duke.

Today he has taken his food
we also gave him two doses
of Bromide. I hope his
attendant will ensure a
night's rest by getting
him to take paraldehyde.
I will be glad to furnish
you with any further
information if I can.
A.D.

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Ans

45, Osborne Road,
Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Mar. 2-1906

Dear R. Pierce,

W. Stephens returned
to Newcastle tonight & I
have now got his petition
& the other certificates
completed. The patient
has been very restless all
day, occasionally violent.
I sincerely hope he will be
fit to travel by rail
tomorrow by the 12.42
on. Newcastle. I will be
glad to hear of his safe
arrival & of the future
progress of this case.

Newcastle-on-Tyne
45 Osborne Road

His brother who is the responsible
relative is at present in
the Midlands on business but
he will take an early opportunity
of seeing you. He will be able
to tell you all about Mr.
Stephens illness.

Kindly let me know that you
will receive Mr. Stephens at
the Retreat on Saturday & if
you think necessary send
someone to meet him at York
Station. I will advise you
by telegram.

Yours faithfully
Reginald Daker

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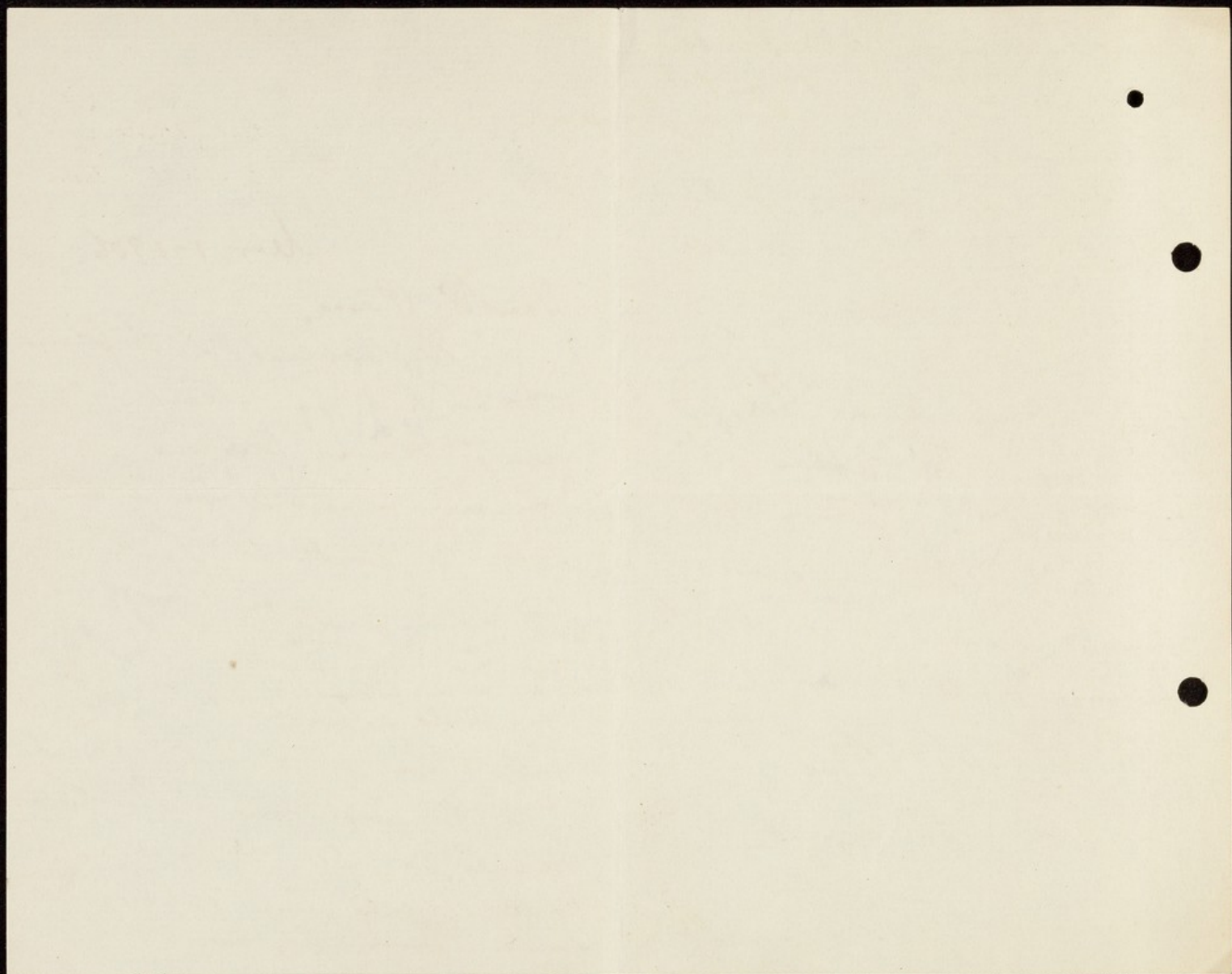
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45 Osborne Road,
Newcastle on Tyne
Mar. 1-1906.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

My patient Mr. Stephens
who has had an attack of
Acute Mania & is now
showing suicidal tendencies
will be sent to York
on Saturday under the care
of two attendants.

A male attendant has been
with him for about 5 weeks
in a Nursing Home in Newcastle
& will be able to give you
full details since Mr. Stephens
came under my care.





(2300)

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 Virian Henry Stephens 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 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 2nd day of April, 1906

Name Thomas Albertus Stephens.

Residence 44, Sanderson Road, Jesmond, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Occupation Civil Servant.

SIGNED by the said T. A. Stephens

in the presence of

Witness's Signature

Address, and

Profession.

Agnes Duke
45- Laburne R. Newcastle-on-Tyne
Medical Practitioner.

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.

