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J. P. STURGE & SONS.  
Land Agents & Surveyors.  
TELEPHONE 1819.

33, Corn Street.

Bristol 9<sup>th</sup> Feb, 1907

Dear Dr. Pierce.

I have today received  
the Commissioners' order for transfer  
of Selina Thomas, but it  
has to be signed by H. B. Thomas  
so I have sent it to him &  
asked him to send it direct  
to you.

I enclose the Secretary's letter  
with a form enclosed which  
you will no doubt forward  
with other papers to the Clerk  
to the guardians here -

Believe me

Yours sincerely  
J. P. Sturge





TELEPHONE NO 5 FISHPONDS.

RAILWAY STATION,  
FISHPONDS. M.R.

*City & County Asylum,  
Fishponds, Bristol.*

12th February 1907.

Dear Sir,

re Selina Stanley Thomas.  
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With further reference to this patient; it would be very inconvenient for her to be transferred here as a private. This would mean a lot of unnecessary clerical work. The proper course to take would be to call in a Justice of the Peace having jurisdiction in your district and order the patient to be removed here as a pauper in accordance with Section 19. Lunacy Act 1891..

This in my opinion would be the best course and the simplest. I have received no particulars from the Clerk to the Bristol Guardians and your letter was the first intimation I had of the case.

Yours faithfully,

*J. V. Blackman*

Medical Superintendent.

Henry J. Mackenzie. Esq:  
The Retreat,  
YORK.



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Yours faithfully,

Medical Superintendent.

Henry J. Mackenzie, Esq.  
The Retreat,  
YORK.



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Telephone Nos

ST PETER'S HOSPITAL 427.  
STAPLETON WORKHOUSE 428.  
EASTVILLE WORKHOUSE 715.  
SOUTHMEAD WORKHOUSE 9.WESTBURY.  
CHILDREN'S HOMES (Head Quarters) 25.FISHPONDS.  
Do. (Dormitory) 26.FISHPONDS.  
BEDMINSTER RELIEF DEPOT. 1544.



BOARD MEETING,  
ALTERNATE FRIDAYS, 10.30 A.M.

J. J. SIMPSON,  
CLERK TO THE GUARDIANS.

*St Peter's Hospital,*  
*Bristol* 23rd. Jan. 1907.

Bedford Pierce, Esq.,  
The Retreat,  
YORK.

Dear Sir,

Selina S. Thomas.

I have your letter of the 22nd instant in reference to this private patient in your Institution.

Mr. Sturge saw me about the case a few weeks ago, and stated that she was absolutely harmless and quiet, and under the circumstances I suggested it would be better that she should be sent home to her friends, and in case of need could then be admitted to our Imbecile Wards, where harmless cases are treated. It seems to me that this is a better plan than to send her to a Lunatic Asylum where the more serious cases are taken. I am writing to Mr. Sturge to ask if this cannot be arranged before you obtain the Order of Removal referred to.

Yours truly,

*J. J. Simpson*



1907, Jan. 18th.

Madam, Sir,  
The Hotel,  
New York.

Dear Sir,

Believe me, Sir,

I have your letter of the 22nd instant in reference to  
this private patient in your institution.  
Mr. Hays has no doubt the case a few weeks ago, and  
stated that she was absolutely nervous and quiet, and under the  
circumstances I suggested it would be better that she should be  
sent home to her friends, and in case of need could then be  
admitted to our Insane Asylum, where nervous cases are treated.  
It seems to me that this is a better plan than to send her to  
a lunatic asylum where the same nervous cases are taken. I am  
writing to Mr. Hays to see if this cannot be arranged before you  
obtain the order of removal referred to.

Yours truly,

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J. P. STURGE & SONS.

Land Agents & Surveyors.

TELEPHONE 1819.

33, Corn Street.

Bristol Jan 26<sup>th</sup> 1907

Dear Dr. Tiver.

Helina Thomas

I have only today got particulars about S. T.'s former history. Her father says she was sent to a Dr Alison's care in London & was there 2 months. Then she left without consulting her friends & took lodgings at the address you gave in Harlesden & was there not more than 2 or 3 weeks when the landlady wrote to her

father and she was certified<sup>62</sup> as insane & sent to the Retreat. Her father is positive that she was not away from Bristol more than 4 months altogether before she went to the Retreat.

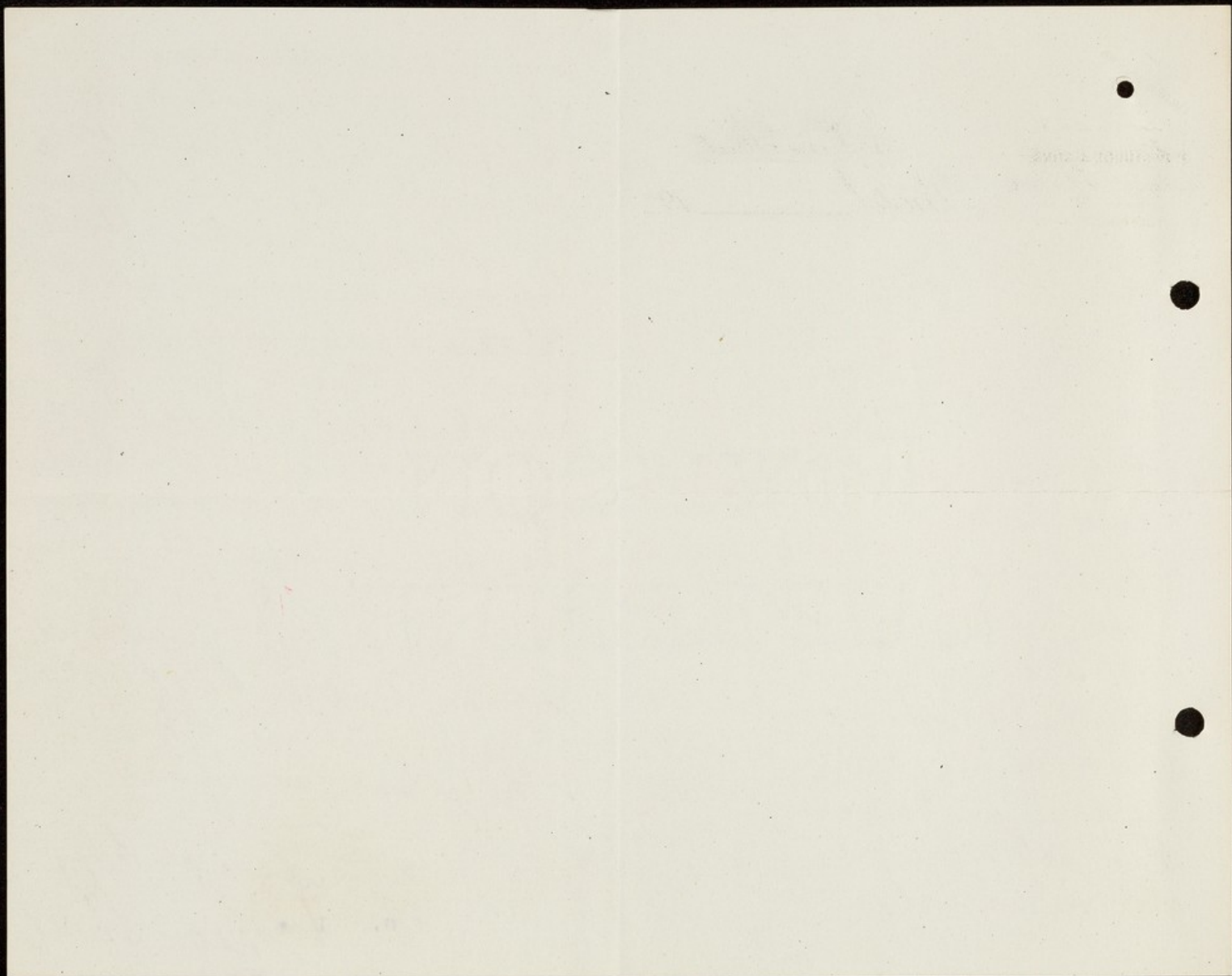
I don't know what kind of place Dr Alison's Home is or was, but can perhaps find out more of it if you think it will help you in any way.

The Relieving officer here has made inquiries of her father & the clerk to the Guardians wrote me that he thought it clear that she is chargeable to the Bristol Guardians.

Believe me

Yours very truly  
J. P. Sturge





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Bristol Jan 9<sup>th</sup> 1907

Dear Friend,

Many thanks for your  
letter re Selina Thomas.

The Parish to which she is chargeable  
is Bristol, which for all poor law  
purposes is now one parish.

The Asylum is the Bristol Asylum  
Fishponds, Bristol.

The Clerk to the Guardians is  
J. J. Simpson, St Peter's Hospital.

Bristol.

Enclose separate note as  
to the payment for her at the  
Refuge

Yours very truly  
Thos. Sturge

To Bedford Place





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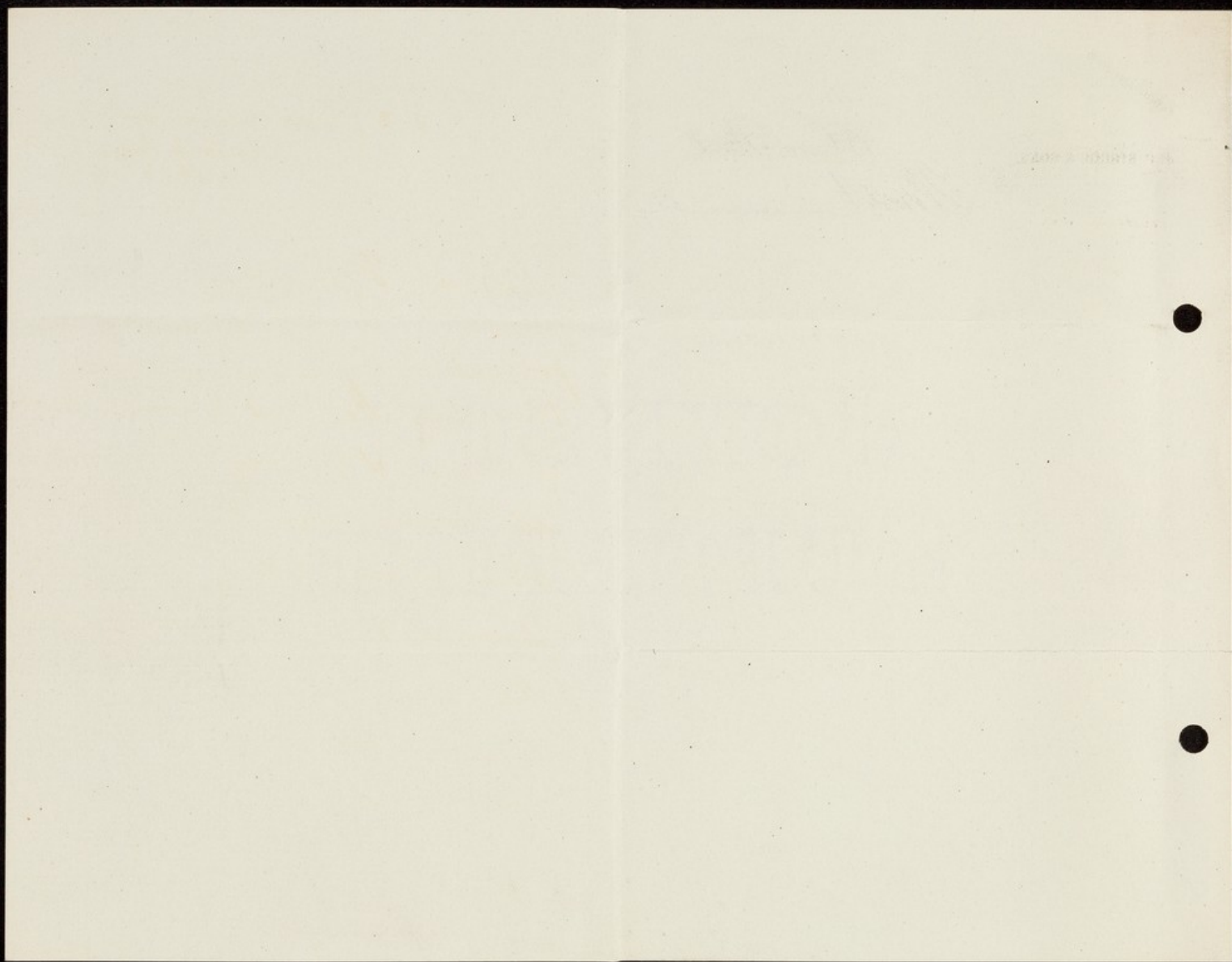
re Selina Thomas

My Committee are not  
prepared to continue to pay  
for the maintenance of Selina  
Thomas at the Retreat after  
the 31<sup>st</sup> instant.

Yours truly  
Wm. Sturge

Dr Bedford Pierce  
The Retreat York.





23 Claremont St  
Stapleton Rd  
10.8.06

Dear Friend

I should be  
pleased if you would  
kindly let us know how  
Selina Stanley Thomas  
is now in health, as  
she was very unwell  
some time back, And  
do you think it would  
be well that I came  
and saw her this summer  
If I can arrange it  
And if there is any  
improvement in her  
mind, & you will greatly  
favor Yours her parents  
C. S. Thomas & C. S. Thomas



