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The Representatives of Margaret Thomson deceased.

Dr. to YORK PREPARATIVE MEETING

(per G. H. MENNELL, 20 Castlegate, York).

2. Dec. 1916.

Fee charged by York Preparative Meeting for the right of interment in
the Burial Ground at Heslington Road, York - - - -

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Retreat Committee's Fee for constructing grave and attendance at interment - : : -

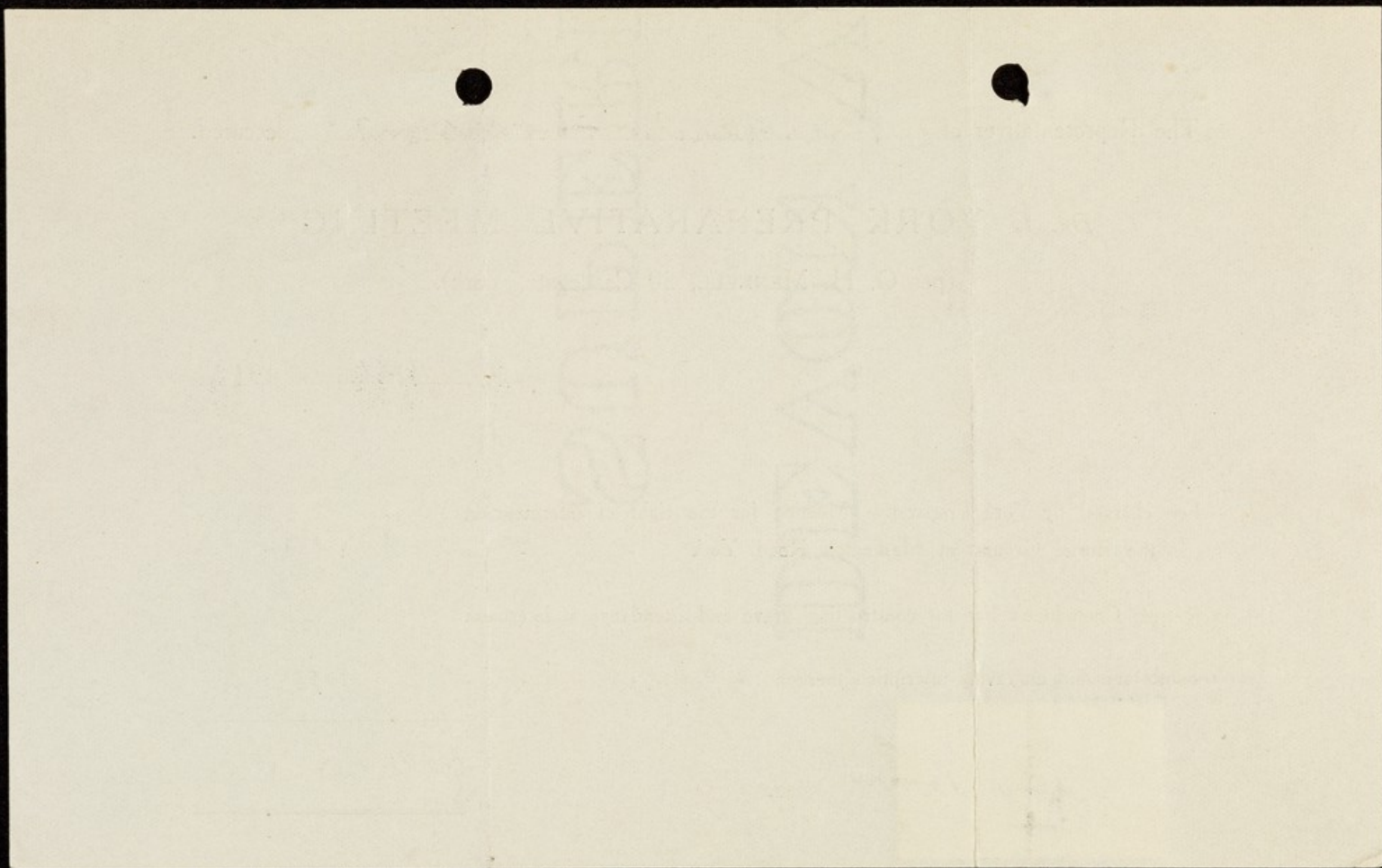
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MORLAND,
CHISLETZ ROAD,
WEST HAMPTSTEAD, N.W.

5. 12. 16

Dear Dr. Pierce

I know you are a very busy person, and I hesitate to trouble you. Can you tell me where I can obtain a certificate of the death of my brother-in-law ~~Thomps~~ Thompson? It is wanted in connection with a Trust in wh. he was associated with my late husband. I cannot at present trouble Mrs. Thos. Thompson she lost her father last week and her mother is lying critically ill.

With kind regards

Yours sincerely

J. S. Thompson

MORLAND
CHILLET ROAD
WEST HAMPSHIRE, N.W.

YOUNG MEN'S
GOLF CLUB
2 PARK PLACE,
ST. JAMES'S S.W.

Nov. 27. 1916.

Dear Dr. Pierce

On re-reading your letter yesterday, I find I omitted to answer about the parentage of my mother. The easiest way is, I think, a table.

He (or two brothers) married (I think) the only child there, as if I connect one) he traced perhaps if that branch of the family remembers, if it is of interest to you further, as Mrs. Sewall had all the papers from the late Mrs. Mary Thomas, whom you remember. I hope this is what you wanted. Yours sincerely
W. H. Davis.

- Marshall, } resident 100 years ago at Sheffield
m. - Charlton } both friends.

Eliza: Robert. Margaret. m. John Moss.
J. Ann. J. Ann.
William. & c. & c. Jane, (young child) m. Francis Davis

Francis: W. D. & c. Francis Edm. Two daughters.
d. at birth. d. at birth.

I do not know Christian names of the old people. I think John Brown & another was a Chapman: a nephew of the Marshall one was a Chapman & his mother was the Charlton, but I have not been to the good so many years & my brother's people did not interest me on the least. It

would be difficult to trace now, as what remained of the family went to America. You may have heard of an American Quaker preacher named Scull.

personal belongings of
your late patient. If
I am wrong, will you
please have me
informed?

There is nothing else
that I can think of
that I shall have to
trouble you about - & for
this please accept my
thanks in advance.

Yours very sincerely,
W. E. Davis

PIONEER CLUB,
9, PARK PLACE,
ST. JAMES'S, S.W.

Nov. 3rd. 1911.

Dear Dr. Pierce

My Solicitor (Mr.
W. E. Crump, 17 Essex St.,
Strand W.C.) tells
me that he wants
the final accounts,

including funeral
expenses, for Mrs.
Margaret Thomson, as
soon as possible.

Might I ask you to
send them to him
direct?

I was unable to

answer him as to
whether the Rebrel
credited the balance
of the current quarter
or not, for I had never
asked you. The account
itself will answer him
on that point.

So far as I remember
the Rebrel holds no

27 OCT 1916

Mumell rings up to say he
is not solicitor for Margaret
Thompson or her friends.

J. G. Marriage (Torquay?)
is the executor of the late
Alfred Thomson + probably
the best person to communicate
with.

The solicitors connected with
the case are

Kilsons & Co., Torquay
or their London agents
Munn & Crimp, 17 Essex St. Strand
E. Mr. Davis is Receiver.

Medical Superintendent

30th Oct-16

PRATTS,
LITTLE WALTHAM,
CHELMSFORD.

Dear Friend

I am much obliged for
your letter telling me of Mr. Thomas's
death & time of funeral & regret -
that I am unable to go, it is rather
far off. I think it is wonderful
that the poor thing lived so long.

Yours very truly
S. C. Manneage

Pratt
111 E. Washington
Chicago

Dear Sir,
I have much pleasure in
informing you that the
first volume of the
"History of the
City of Chicago" is
now ready for sale.
The volume is
bound in cloth and
costs \$2.50 per copy.
I have the honor to be,
Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. M. [illegible]

27th October, 1916.

Dear Miss Davis,

We are arranging for Mrs. Thomson's funeral to take place at 2.30 in the afternoon on Monday next. It will be in the Friends' Burial Ground, adjoining the Retreat grounds.

I have written to Mrs. Marriage to tell her about it.

I enclose the usual notice of death.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

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27th October, 1916.

Dear Friend,

Mrs. Margaret Thomson has died, and I hear from Miss Davis that it is quite impossible for her to attend the funeral, and she wonders whether you could do so. We are proposing to have it at 2.30 in the afternoon on Monday next. It will be in the Friends' Burial Ground, adjoining the Retreat grounds.

Mrs. Thomson's illness was very prolonged and one was really surprised that she lived as long as she did.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

Mrs. F. Marriage.

Cannot do so myself.

Thanking you again
for your care & unfailing
courtesy

I remain

Yours sincerely

W. M. Davis.

213.
5 Crescent Mansions
Elgin Crescent W.
Oct. 26. 1916.

Dear Dr. Peirce

Thank you very
much for writing at once
and also for having
your assistant write
about a fortnight ago.
I was nursing a dear
friend who has been

Dangerously ill, & I fear
forgot to acknowledge
the letter. Until yesterday
^{when} curiously enough, I began
to think the matter over &
see if there was anything
I could do, I had not
remembered about it.

Will you, as in the
case of ^{Mrs. L. D. Thomson} her sister, please

make the arrangements
for the funeral, at the
Friends' Cemetery; & as
soon as the time is
fixed inform Mrs.
Fred. Marriage

Pratt's
Little Waltham
Chelmsford, as

it is possible she may
be able to attend. I

5' Crescent Mansions,

HURLINGHAM CLUB,
FULHAM, S.W.

Myi Crescent
July 27. 1916.

Dear Dr. Pierce

I enclose a cheque for
£9.17.6 - in view of the
fact that I am told the
treasury is taking extra
Toll just now of even the
most minor investments

I am glad it is no more.

But you have my
sincere sympathy - the
task of keeping expenses
somewhere near the same
level with everything
costing more must be
truly terrific.

Yours sincerely
W. M. Davis.

29th July, 1916.

Dear Miss Davis,

Mrs. Margaret Thomson continues to be very frail, though she is well nourished. There is really very little to report.

Many thanks for your remark about the expense. As you know everything is more costly, and we can only manage to keep going by limiting all repairs and improvements of every kind to the smallest possible level. Still so far things have worked out distinctly better than one would have expected.

We have been writing round to the representative of the low rate cases asking whether more money can be provided. I enclose a copy of the letter, but I gather that in the present case any increase of terms is really quite impossible.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

Dear Miss Davis,

Dear Miss Davis,

It is very kind of you to write me. I am glad to hear from you. I am well and hope this letter finds you the same.

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7 Dixby Terrace
Barnstaple Rd
Dorchester

Nov 22 1915

Dear Sir

Will you please tell me
if Mrs Thomson "Margaret"
is living and if she is in
good health. I enclose a
stamped addressed en-
velope.

Believe me

Yours truly
Mrs - E. N. Beer

Fable - blind -

LYCEUM
VIA DEL PARLAMENTO 9, P. 2°
ROMA
TELEFONO 10-342

at Pensione Vagnini
via Gregoriana 12.
Rome -

Nov. 3rd. 1915.

Dear Dr. Pierce

Your account has been
forwarded to me here - It is a
pity it was so late (Oct. 11th)
for I had not long left England;
having delayed my departure
till the second week in October
I hoped to have got all quarterly
business disposed of.

I am crossing the cheque very

Carefully & taking the number, but
I shall be glad to hear of its
receipt as soon as possible.

Mrs Thomson's rather improved
health report seems very satisfactory
& curious out of keeping with
the circumstances of so many
of my friends who find themselves
poorer in health as well as
fortune thanks to the war.

I hope you & yours escape its
effects as far as possible.

Yours sincerely

W. M. Davis.

bss.

HURLINGHAM CLUB,
FULHAM, S.W.

5. Crescent Mansions
Elgin Crescent W.

Dear Dr. Pierce

I was beginning to
wonder a little at not hearing
from the Rebekah, & am glad
to be able to send the cheque
herewith.

The report seems to be by a
new hand - I suppose your
assistant has gone with the

Friends' Red Cross or something
of the kind. I hope it does
not mean that you are short-
handed, as that might throw
more work on your shoulders.

Yours sincerely
E. M. Davis.

5, Crescent Mansions,
Elgin Crescent, W.

Oct. 17. 1914.

Dear Dr. Pierce

With this I send the
cheque as usual.

It seems a curious fatality
that the summer when
the committee decided
that it would become

'necessary to raise the
rates of the Retreat should
see, almost immediately,
the war which is already
reducing our incomes
by nearly one half. In
the case of one or two
of my friends, it is
even more, so many of
the instruments that formed

the regular portion of their
income having ceased or reduced
payment.

It seems very hard on you,
who organise so carefully to
keep efficiency & yet economy.

With much sympathy

Believe me

Yours sincerely

Eve. M. Davis.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS: MUTEVYL, LONDON.
TELEPHONE NO 640 CERRARD.

LYCEUM CLUB,

128, PICCADILLY, W.

19. IV. 1914.

5 Crescent Mansions
Elgin Crescent
W.

Dear Dr. Pierce,

Your account arrived
the very day I was going to
lettle in at the address I
have written at the top of
this sheet, & although I

wrote the cheque at once (as
you see by the date) I had
not time to enclose it &
my came across it again
today.

So that I have again to
apologise for delay in sending
a cheque - it is a blessing

it is for the current quarter,
not the last one, or I should
feel guilty.

I hope you are having as
glorious weather as we are
here - I do not remember
such an Easter.

Yours sincerely
E. M. Davis.

can no longer give relief to the
body, & temporarily submerge
the consciousness of pain.

Thanking you for sending
the report

I remain

Yours sincerely

Wm. M. Davis.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, KNUCCYL, LONDON,

TELEPHONE NO 640 CECIL RD.

LYCEUM CLUB,

128, PICCADILLY, W.

2.
Mr. Thomson

Jan. 18th. 1914

Dear Dr. Pierce

I enclose a cheque on
the Union of London & Smith's
Bank for £8.13.9.

The bronchitis I suppose was
more or less to be expected;
but as the bed was directly

between the
door & the window
& this used to give her (her mother
at her age) cold, may not this
be bad for her? Any draught
makes coughing so painful.

I mentioned the fact to nurse
who told me it never affected her
now, but the bronchitis makes
me feel uncertain, & I wish
I had mentioned it to you, who

certainly know much best on such
points instead of to nurse, who very
likely does not know what it is
to "feel" draughts. So many
healthy folk seem barely to
have heard of them.

I should not trouble you about
it, but that it is likely the
position of one bed or another
makes little difference & might
possibly give trifling relief.

One is so sorry when the mind

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS: KUECYL, LONDON,
TELEPHONE NO 646 CERRARD.

LYCEUM CLUB,

128, PICCADILLY, W.

Nov. 4th. 1913.

Dear Dr. Pierce

I intend coming down
to York next Saturday week if
possible, as Mr Thomson's
health-report alarms me.
It seems to me exactly the
same as the one I received

about the
same time
of year about her sister
who died the following
January.

I am sorry I have been unable
to forward the cheque, there
is a little legal business to
transact first, & it is still
blocking the way.

In a few days however this
should be completed.

Believe me

Yours sincerely
W. H. Davis.

Oct. 18, 1913

Dear Miss Davis,

We have duly noted the change of address, and the Secretary will send you a copy of the account.

Mrs. Thomson is, I think, slowly fading, and though she remains quite well nourished she is certainly weaker.

There is no immediate danger, and she may remain in her present condition for a long time, but if she had an attack of bronchitis or something of the kind there might be a serious change for the worse.

Yours very truly,

Oct. 15, 1913

Dear Mr. Taylor,

We have just received the package of material, and the

Secretary will send you a copy of the report.

Very truly yours,
J. H. Taylor

With reference to the report on the investigation of the

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sent to the Commission for a long time, and it is now being

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of the Commission for a long time, and it is now being

Very truly yours,
J. H. Taylor

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS, MUECYL, LONDON,

TELEPHONE NO 670 GERRARD.

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Oct. 19/13

LYCEUM CLUB,

128, PICCADILLY, W.

Thomson

Dear H. Pierce

I am back again in London,
so there will be no further need
for sending papers to my bank,
as you have kindly done.

For the present I am at the

Albion Hotel,

Windsington Gdns. E. W.

But letters here find me - only
in that case the christian
name is necessary as there is
another Miss Davis in the
club.

Your last account of Mrs
Thomson was not encouraging,
I hope she is doing a little

better now, after the splendid
weather we have had.

I am sorry that I shall not be
going north this year - last
time I did was prevented
by illness from stopping at
York on my way home.

I remain,

Yours sincerely

W. E. M. Davis.

I have changed my address to
 Hill Hotel, 82 Kensington Gore. S. W.
 though (as I wrote lately) my club, the Lyceum,
 finds me.

Being now in England I can again have
 the account direct to myself, not through
 the bank.

Yours truly

Oct.
1913

W. H. Davis

W. H. Davis

POST CARD

THE ADDRESS TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE.



17 OCT 13

Bedford Pierce Esq. - In. D.
The Retreat
York.

The Union of London & Smiths Bank Limited,
Notting Hill Gate Branch,
8, High Street,
Notting Hill Gate.

All Letters to be addressed and
Remittances made payable to
THE UNION OF LONDON & SMITHS BANK, LIMITED.

London, 13 Sept 1912
W.

Dear Sir,

I have your letter of 12th inst:
and according to instructions from
Miss Davis, I beg to enclose a
cheque for £18-1-11 in payment
of amount due to Marget Thompson.

Please in future send me
the statement of amount due
each quarter, as I have instructions
with reference to the payment of
same.

Yours faithfully
J. H. Adams
Manager

The Secretary
The Retreat
York

Spiegel Brothers

Budapest
Kigyó-tér a Klotild palotákkal
Schlangenplatz mit Erz. Klotild Palais





Bedford Pierce Esq. M. D.

Friends' Retreat

York
England.

Hotel Continental, Mayor Plaza, Buenos Aires.

Thanks for your report which reaches me last week at Vienna. I am glad the bank has the account kept up paid it immediately, so the low business delays the previous transfer. I have to send copies of the account book on to me which I do not quite understand, but it does not matter so long as it is by now discharged. Please reduce the cards. Plain ones are not so easily got here & I prefer only in brown sheets. This is a special gift if you ever come to it, this is a private letter. Yours truly Wm. D. Davis.

31st. Clauricard's Gdns -

2d.

Dear Dr. Pierce

My account is at
the Union of London & Smith's
Bank, Notting Hill Gate
branch. I am sorry I
omitted to mention this,
as unfortunately banks will

only pay through one's own
branch it might have
caused trouble.

Thank you very much
for pointing out my omission
& for your letter.

Yours sincerely

W. M. Davis.

June 1, 1912

Dear Miss Davis,

I am much obliged for your letter giving me the address at your bank, which we will duly note.

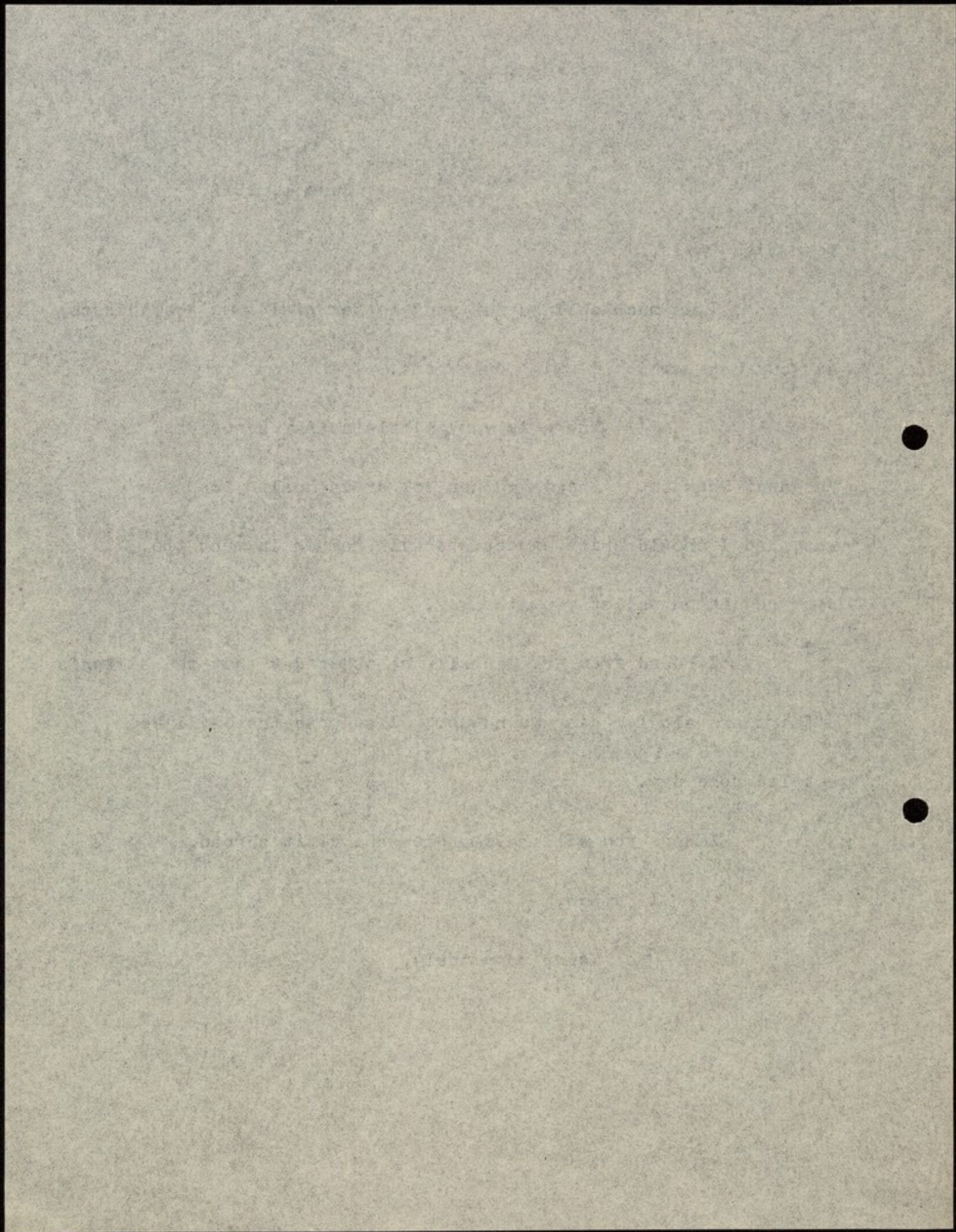
There is very little to say about Mrs. Margaret Thomson. She is rather better in health than she was, and I should quite expect she will remain in much the same condition whilst you are away.

I heard from Mr. Hennell the other day that the sister's affairs are slowly being wound up. I suppose they will be settled some day.

I hope you will have a pleasant visit abroad.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

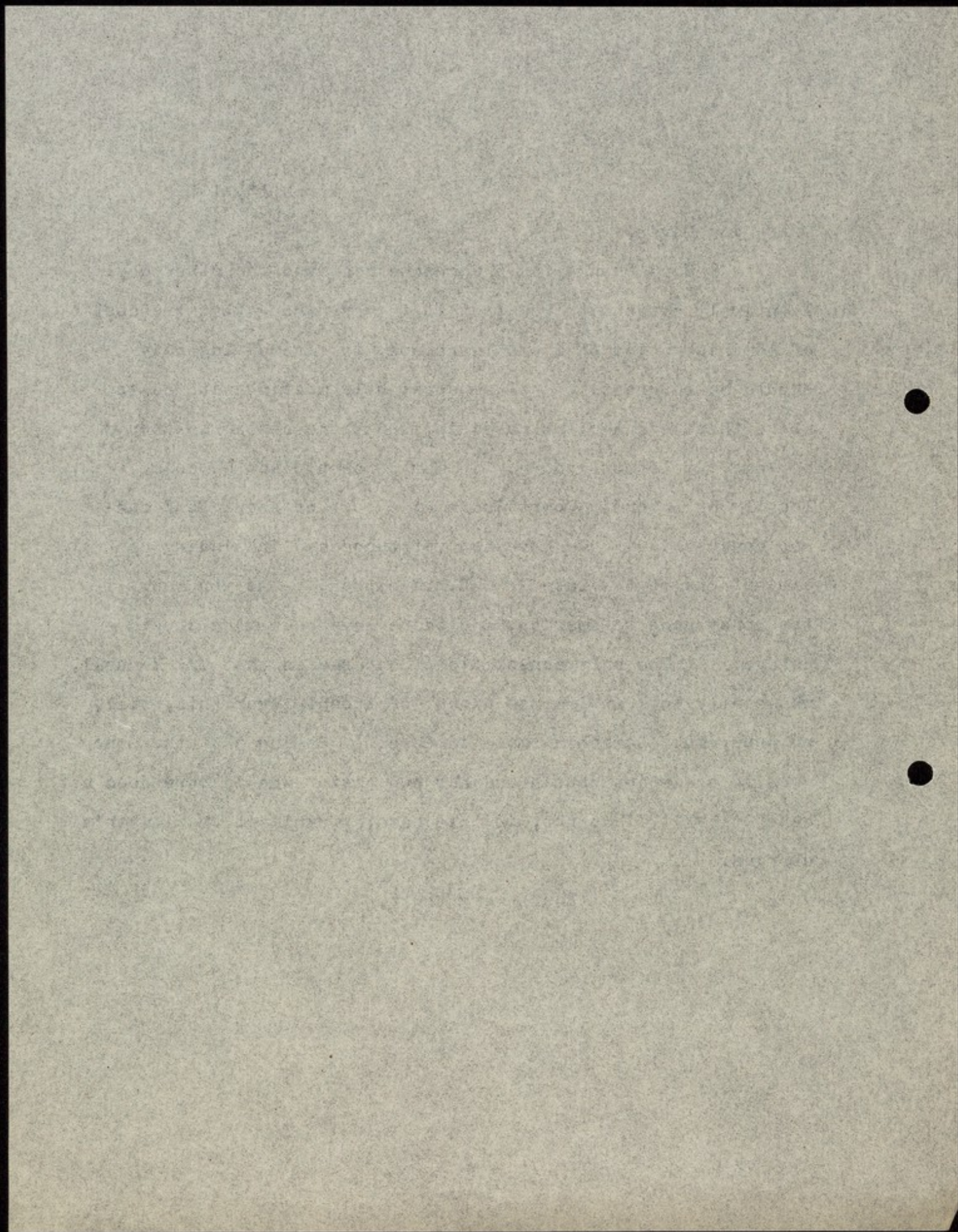


March 15, 1912

Dear Miss Davis,

Many thanks for the cheque received the other day. I entirely agree with you that it is very wrong that the cost of administration of a small property in case of insanity should be so great. I am constantly meeting with cases where this is a serious hardship, and there certainly should be some simpler procedure. Why it should not be done locally by a County Court Judge at a cost of about £5 I cannot conceive. We have not yet succeeded in winding up the affairs of the late Mrs. L.M. Thompson. As you know, the money goes to America, and there have been many stupid delays. The only consolation I can see is that Mr. Mennell, who really took an immense amount of trouble over this, will, I suppose, make something more in fees. Seeing that the money goes to a distant cousin and her own sister who is here does not benefit by it, I do not, in this case, grumble at the lawyer's charges.

Yours very truly,



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31b Clanricarde Gardens,
W.

Feb. 12th. 1912.

Dear Dr. Pierce

I am sorry that
necessary legal proceedings
have delayed this quarter's
payment. The courts
have now finished with
the matter & I enclose

your cheques. It seems a
terrible hardship in
cases like this that so
heavy death duties should
have to ^{be} paid as to
necessitate trenching on
capital to meet them,
does it not?

However there is, I
find no appeal & the
Courts have at last
finished agreeing to

the various points.

Everyone seems to be
suffering so much more
than usual from
ill health this winter
that it is a tribute
to the care exercised
by you that Mrs Thomson's
health should be able to
be reported on as usual.
Again apologising for delay
I remain

Yours truly
Edw. M. Davis.

Jan. 11, 1912

Dear Sir,

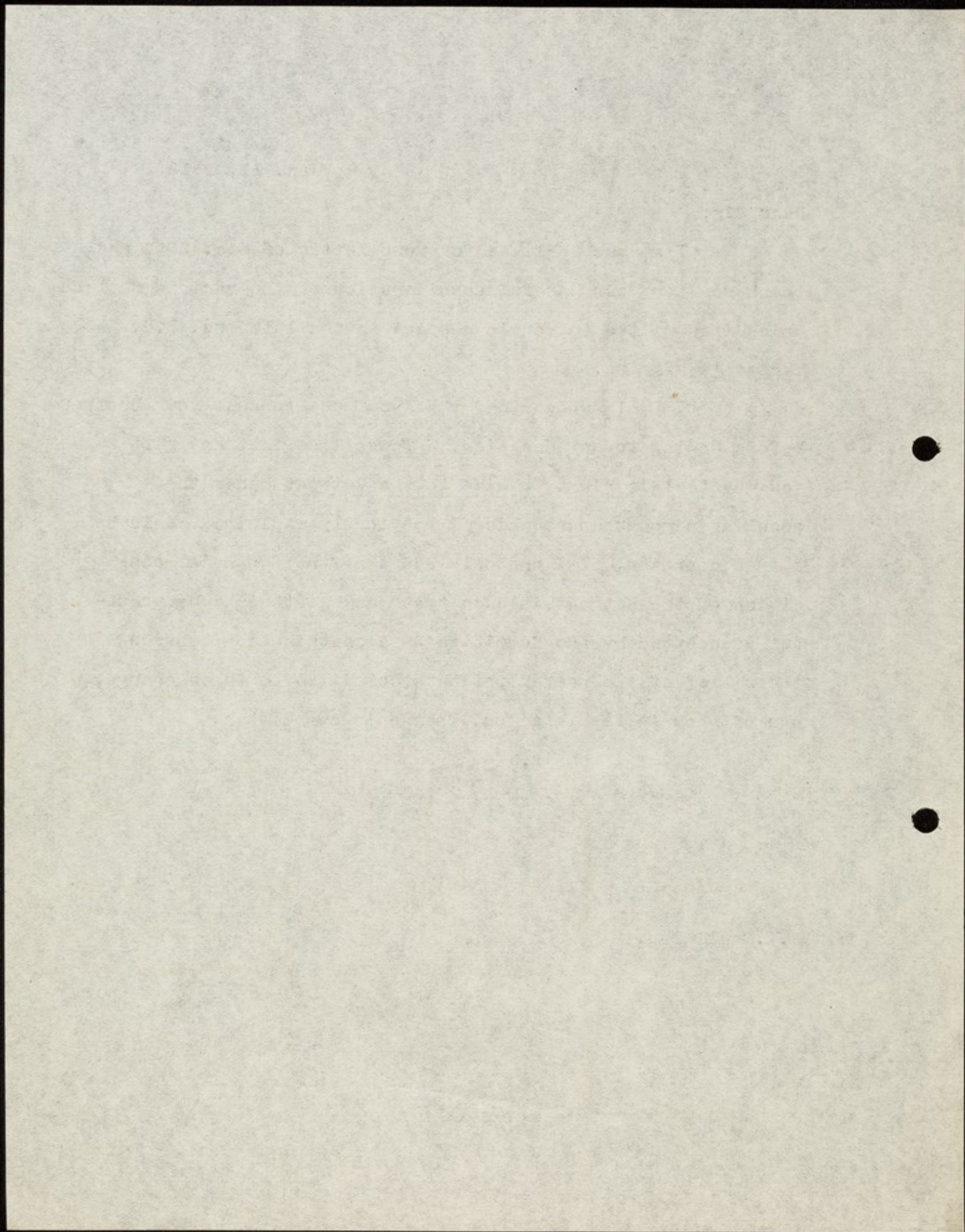
I am much obliged for your letter of Dec. 20th and thank you for your careful consideration of the various matters which I submitted to you in respect to the late Mrs. L.M. Thomson's affairs.

I fully understand that you must consult your brother before coming to any decision. We realise that any gift you may feel it right to give to the Retreat under the peculiar circumstances which I previously explained would be a free donation. I can only add that the financial condition of the Retreat is such that any gift would be gratefully accepted by the Committee as a contribution towards the relief of the poorer patients committed to their charge, one of whom is the late Mrs. Thomson's own sister.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

J.L.Scull Esq.



Haverford Pa, 905

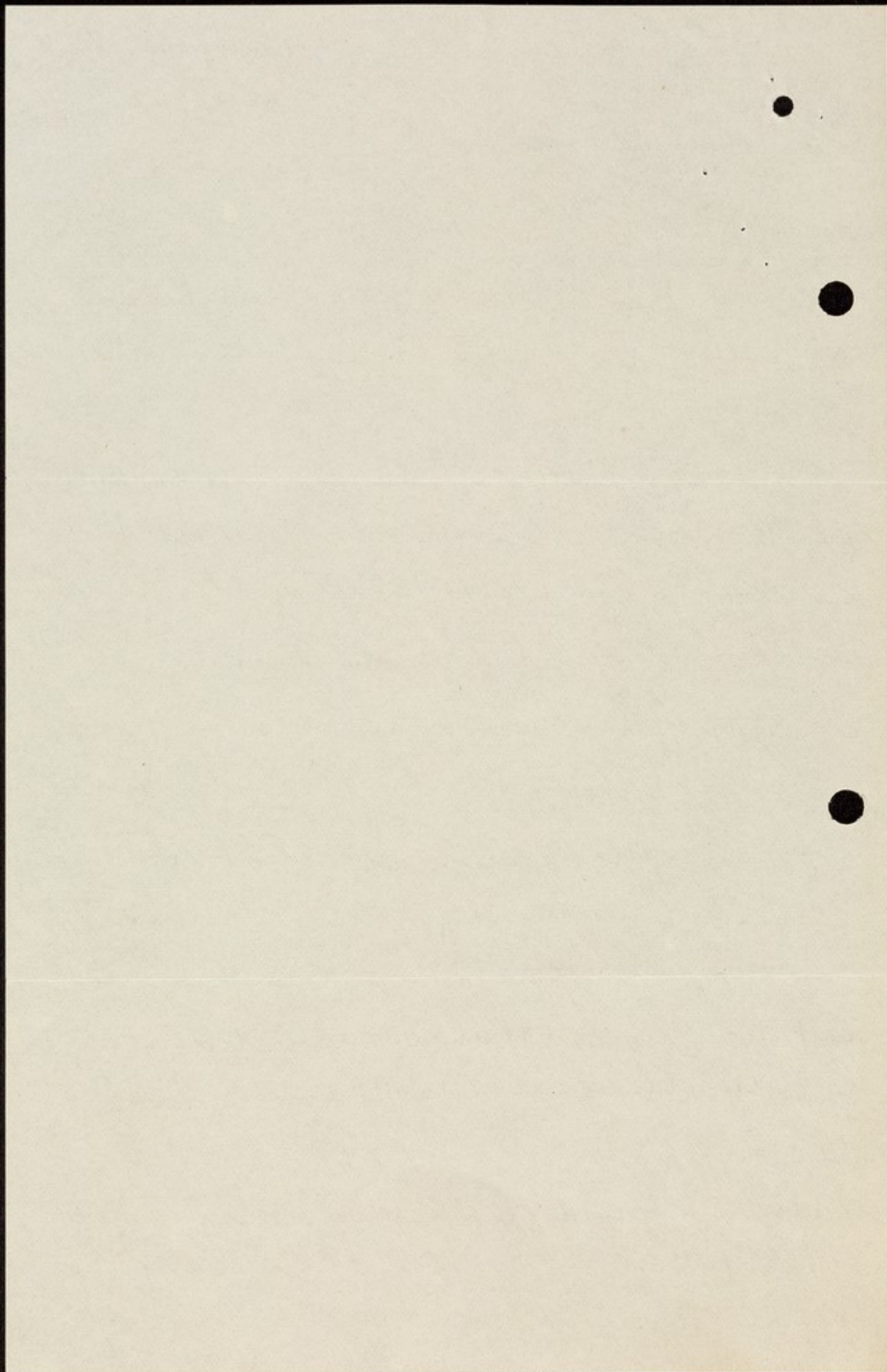
Dec 20, 1911

Mr. Bedford Pierce,
York, England.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of the 8th inst is
before me and I have carefully noted
its contents.

The matter of placing Mrs. L. M.
Thomson's estate or the balance of it
in the Endowment Fund of the Retreat
is beyond my right ~~to~~ decide as
I ought to consult my brother who
will not return to this country until
April. We realize all that the
Retreat has done for Mrs. Thomson
and appreciate your interest in her
but as my mother contributed nearly
twenty thousand dollars toward
her support I do not feel at
present justified in endorsing the
appropriation of the balance of her
estate without the consent of my



brother.

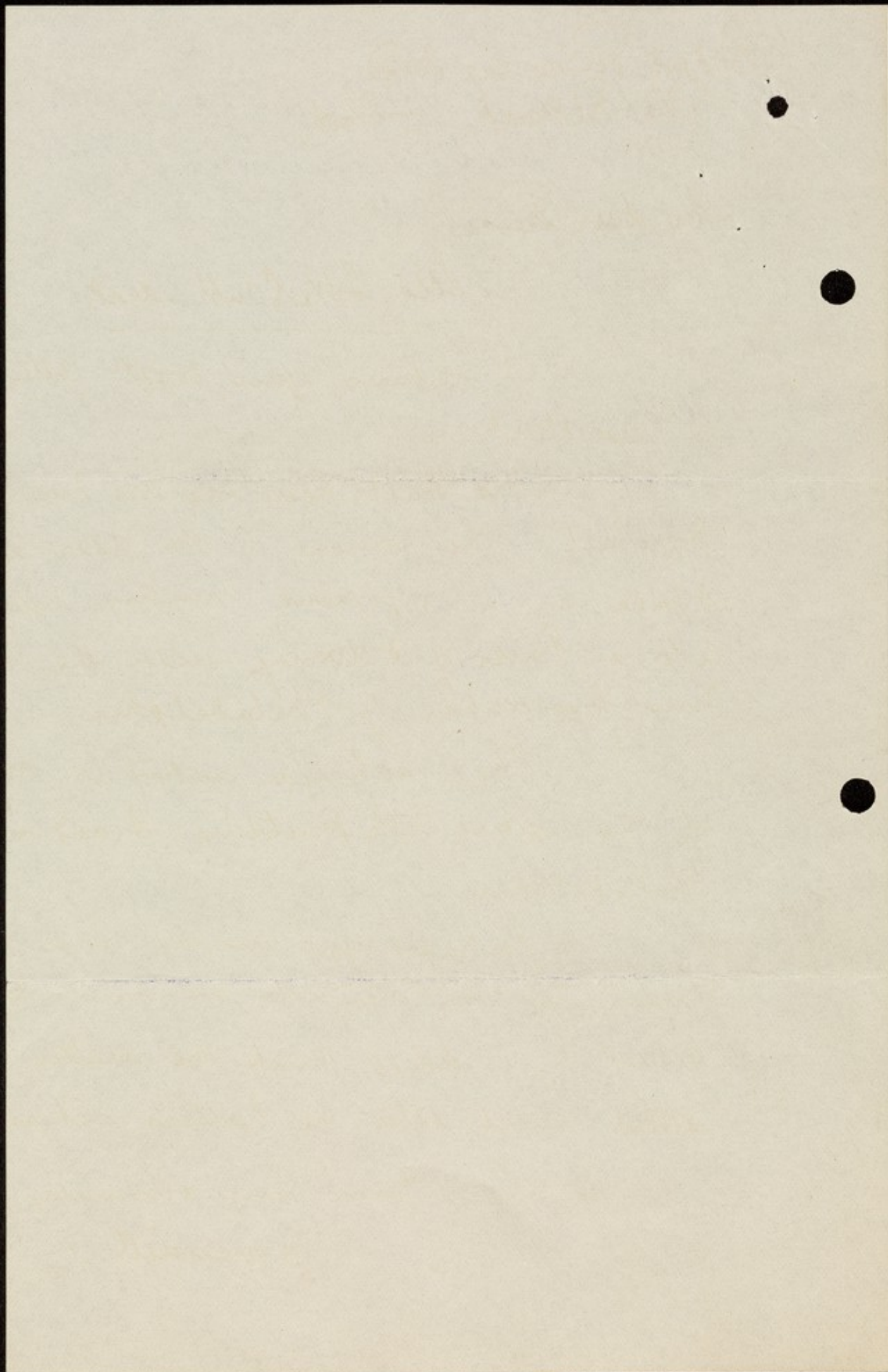
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● In the mean time we shall proceed to collect the amount through Mr. Menzell.

● When my brother comes back we shall be glad to consider your proposition.

Very truly yours

John L. Scull



G. H. MENNELL,
SOLICITOR.

NAT. TEL. NO. 428.

Commissioner for Oaths.

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IN ANY REPLY
PLEASE REFER TO

No 45.

20. Castlegate,
York.

7 December 1921

Edgar Pierce Esq M.D.
The Retreat. York

My dear Pierce

Mrs. E.M. Scull dead

I return your draft letter which I think is excellent.

Mrs Scull's heirs are her two sons E.M. Scull & J.L. Scull. The former is the elder and is now in Africa on a big game hunting expedition. He has left a Power of Attorney with the Provident Life and Trust Association of Philadelphia.

The solicitor acting is Mr Boyd Lee Spahr of 1242 Land Title Building, Broad & Chestnut Streets Philadelphia.

Perhaps you might write to the younger son explaining that you do so owing to the absence of his brother. I should think the matter could scarcely be settled until after the latter's return.

Yours very sincerely
G. H. Mennell

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humane Dept. of Dist. Bureau

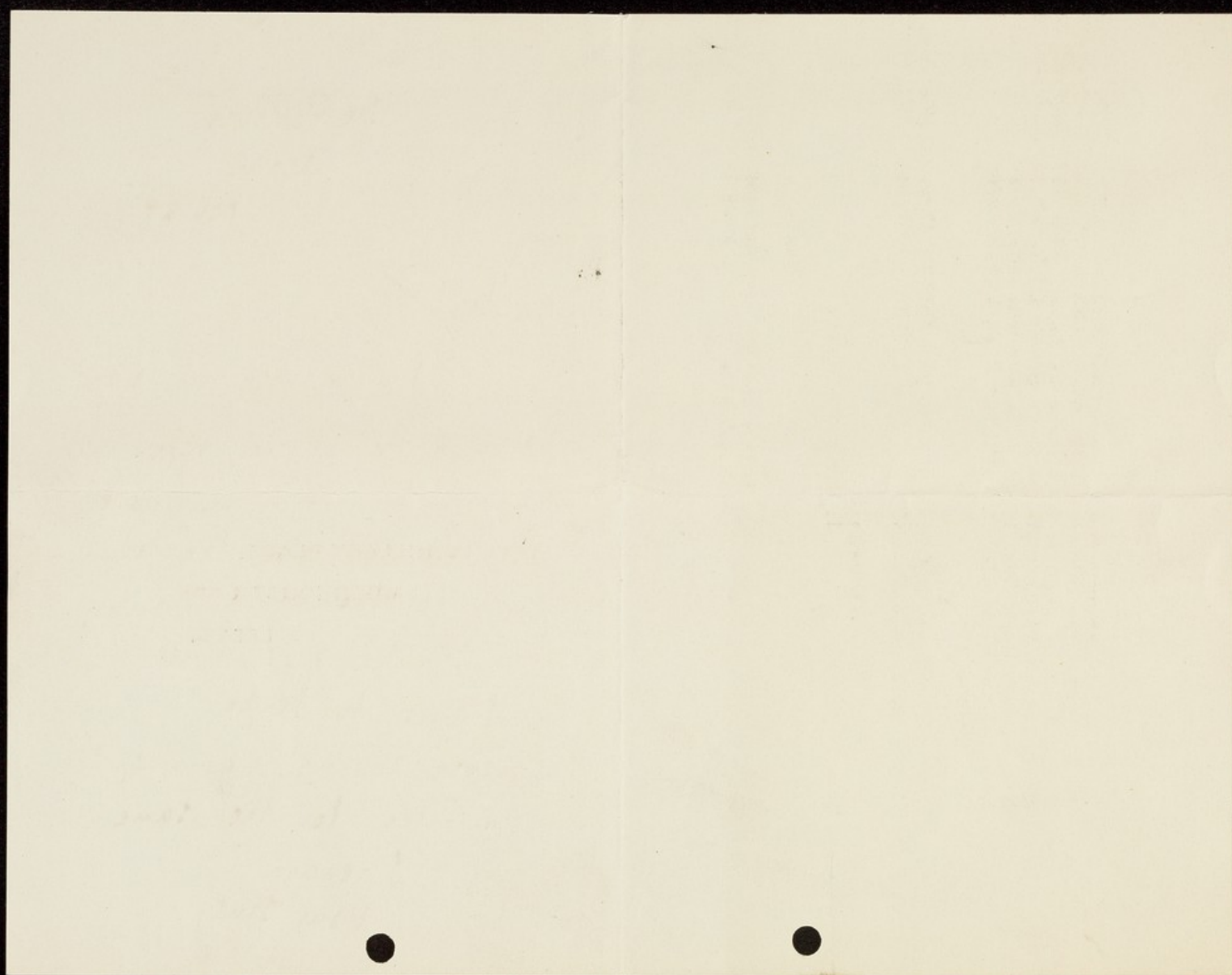
The Poplars
Acomb

Nov 28/11

Dear Sir

I have received your
letter of the 21st inst. informing
me that the Committee have
decided to raise the terms,
paid for Thomas, A Thomas,
from 12/6 to 16/ a week
& I wish to tender my
sincere thanks to you, & the
Committee for the same

I remain
Your truly
M. Wright



2, HILLARY PLACE,

WOODHOUSE LANE,

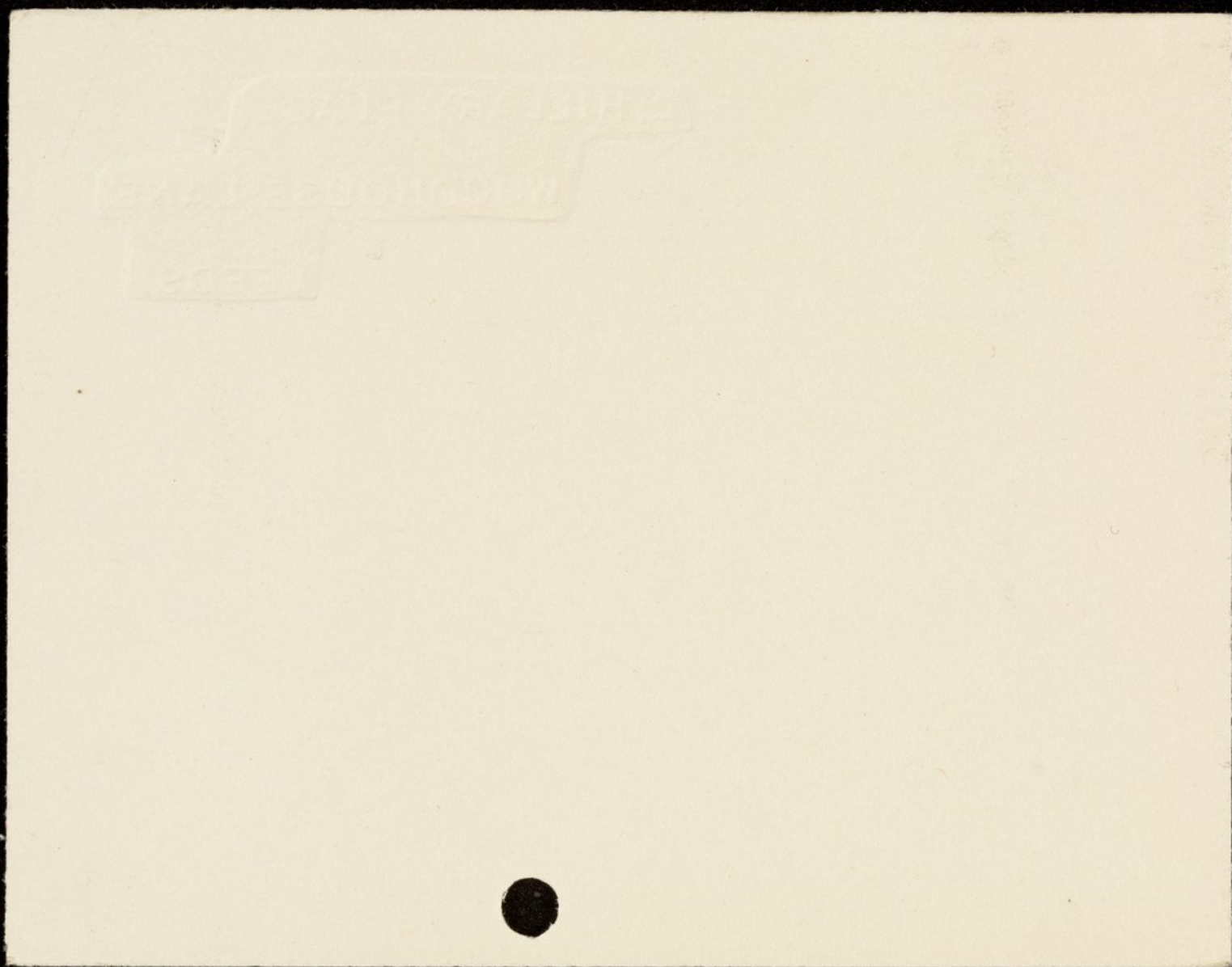
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Sep 20. 1911.

Dear Dr. Perce.

Many thanks for
the interest you are taking
in my patient Mrs. Tuckett.

I am glad to hear she is
improving & I will try to
further your wishes to keep
her longer. With kind regards
Yours sincerely
W. A. Stott



Dec. 8, 1911

Dear Sir,

As I think you are unaware of the circumstances attending the administration of the late Mrs. L.M.Thomson's affairs I am writing to explain the matter.

This patient was admitted to the Retreat on Mar. 23, 1906, and during the whole of her stay in the Institution she paid much less than the cost of her maintenance.

When an application was made to the Master in Lunacy in 1908 in order to deal with her affairs it was practically decided that an annuity should be purchased with her small capital. This course, however, was not taken, owing to my pointing out to Mr. Mennell that her health was not good and that it was hardly prudent to buy an annuity under the circumstances. The Master in Lunacy agreed to this course solely because the Retreat Committee undertook that if Mrs. L.M.Thomson lived longer than her money lasted they would see that she was provided for until her death, and not removed as a pauper.

It is on this account that this sum of £300 odd has not been lost. Moreover, I have little doubt that had we made application at the time, the whole sum might have been handed over to the Retreat on the condition that we provided for the patient until her death.

Seeing that this patient was maintained at a loss to the Institution during the whole of her residence at the Retreat, and that her sister Margaret since January 1903 was and is still is maintained at only 12/- weekly, whereas the average cost exceeds 42/- weekly, I venture to suggest that the Retreat may reasonably expect recognition of the help given to this unfortunate family.

It is, of course, easy to suggest that other people should be generous, but I do not feel easy in letting the matter take its course without plainly stating the facts. What I should like to propose is that, after defraying all legal expenses in England and America, the balance left should be placed in the Endowment Fund of the Retreat, which would ensure its being used exclusively for the benefit of the poorest insane patients received.

I am aware that the late Mrs. Scull was most generous to Mr. and Mrs. Thomson; probably much more than they appreciated: but I hope I have made it clear that the Retreat has done and is still doing a very great deal for these sisters. Had it not been for my care in the matter, there would have been no money whatever left for Mrs. L.M. Thomson to bequeath to anyone.

I am writing this to you rather than to Mr. E.M. Scull as I am informed that the latter is abroad at present.

I remain,
Yours very truly,

M.D.

Medical Superintendent of the Retreat and
Administrator of the affairs of the late Mrs. L.W. Thomson.

send
P.S. I ~~enclose~~ a copy of the Retreat Report for you to see,
(under separate cover).

J.L. Scull Esq.

Dear Sir

As I think you are unaware of the circumstances attending the administration of the late Mr. L. M. Johnson's affairs I am writing to explain the matter.

This patient was admitted to the Retreat in Nov. 23. 1906. and during the whole of her stay at the ~~Retreat~~ ^{institution} she paid much less than the cost of her maintenance.

When an application was made to the Master in Lunacy in 1908 in order to deal with her affairs ~~that~~ it was practically decided that an annuity should be purchased with her small capital; but ~~this~~ ^{this} course ~~was not taken~~ ^{was not taken}, owing to ~~my point of view~~ ^{my point of view}. As I pointed out to Mr. Menzies that her health was not good and ~~that~~ ^{that} it was hardly prudent to buy an annuity under the circumstances. The Master in Lunacy agreed to this course solely because ~~he~~ ^{the Retreat Committee} undertook on behalf of the Retreat that if ~~she~~ ^{Mr. L. M. Johnson} lived longer than her money lasted ~~that~~ ^{they} would see that she was provided ~~until her death~~ ^{for} + not removed as a pauper.

It is on this account only that there is this sum of £300 odd left behind ~~in the estate~~ ^{in the estate} has not been lost.

Moreover, I have little doubt but that had we made application at the time, the whole sum might have been handed over to the Retreat on the condition that we provided for the patient until her death.

Seeing that this patient ~~has been at~~ ^{was} maintained at a loss ~~at the~~ ^{to} the Institution during the whole of her residence at the Retreat & that at the present time her ~~cost~~ ^{maintenence} since Jan. 1903 ~~is~~ ^{was} + 10 still ~~also~~ maintained at only 12/- weekly + has been (whereas the average cost exceeds 10/- weekly)

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Dec. 8. 1911

~~Dear Sir,~~

~~Before completing the administration of the~~
~~Before completing the~~

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I am aware that the late Mr. Scull was most generous to the Mr. & Mrs. Thomson and probably much more than they appreciated: nevertheless as you will have seen the Retreat but I hope I have made it clear that the Retreat have done & are still doing a very great deal for these sisters & had it not been for ~~one wish to~~ ^{my} ~~pressure~~ come in the matter there would have been no money whatever left for Mr. & Mrs. Thomson to beguile to anyone. I am writing this to you rather than to Mrs. Scull.

As I am informed the letter is already paid, I remain,

Yours truly,
B. P. M.D.
The late Mr. & Mrs. Thomson's administrator of the affairs of the Retreat.

ps. I enclose a copy of the Retreat Report for you to see.

Please put in the address -

and this direct myself. Yes, I think so.

✓ Edward Marshall Scull 26 Overbrook Philadelphia, Penn. U.S.A.
✓ John Lawrence Scull Ditto.

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3, D. Clauricards Edus.
London W.

Oct.
1911

Dear Dr. Pierce

I have much pleasure
in enclosing a cheque for
£9.11.4. & thanking you for
the report, which I suppose
considering Mr. Thomson's
age is natural.

When you send the receipt
would you mind telling
me, (if you chance to remember)
Whether her late sister's
affairs have ever been wound
up properly at all? I think
last Easter they had not yet
been finished.

Yours Truly
Eve. M. Davis.

M. Clauricard, Esq.
London W.
Sep. 16th 1911.

Dear Mr. Pierce

I enclose the cheque
for £8.10.11 which you were
so good as to say could
wait for my return.

I had intended to go by
way of York & look up
my Aunt on my way

home from Scotland, but
illness caused me to return
direct to London.

I suppose she would
scarcely have recognized
me, so it does not make
any difference except
that I missed thanking
you for your consideration.
Yours Truly

W. E. D. Davis.

BLAEN-Y-CWM,

MONKNASH,

COWBRIDGE.

Dear Dr. Pierce

July 15th

1911

Your report + the account
for my Aunt Mrs. M. Thomson,
reached me here this morning.

I have not brought my papers
+ cheque book with me, so

it would be convenient, if it
made no difference to you, if the
payment could stand till my
return to London next month.
I am taking it for granted it can
wait so long unless I hear from
you to the contrary.

Thanking you for sending the report
I remain Yours truly W. D. Davis.

31b Clanricarde Gardens,

W.

April 14th 1911.

Dear Dr. Pierce

I am glad to be able
to enclose to you at once the
cheque for £20. 8. 10 on
the Union of London & Smith's
banks.

As to the other matter,
Mr. Newell informed me

months ago that it was
all finished & I am very
sorry it is not. I will
try to communicate
with Mrs Scull's representative
myself & see if I can
do any good.

Thanking you for your
prompt reply

I remain

Yours truly

Est. M. Davis.

April 13, 1911

Dear Miss Davis,

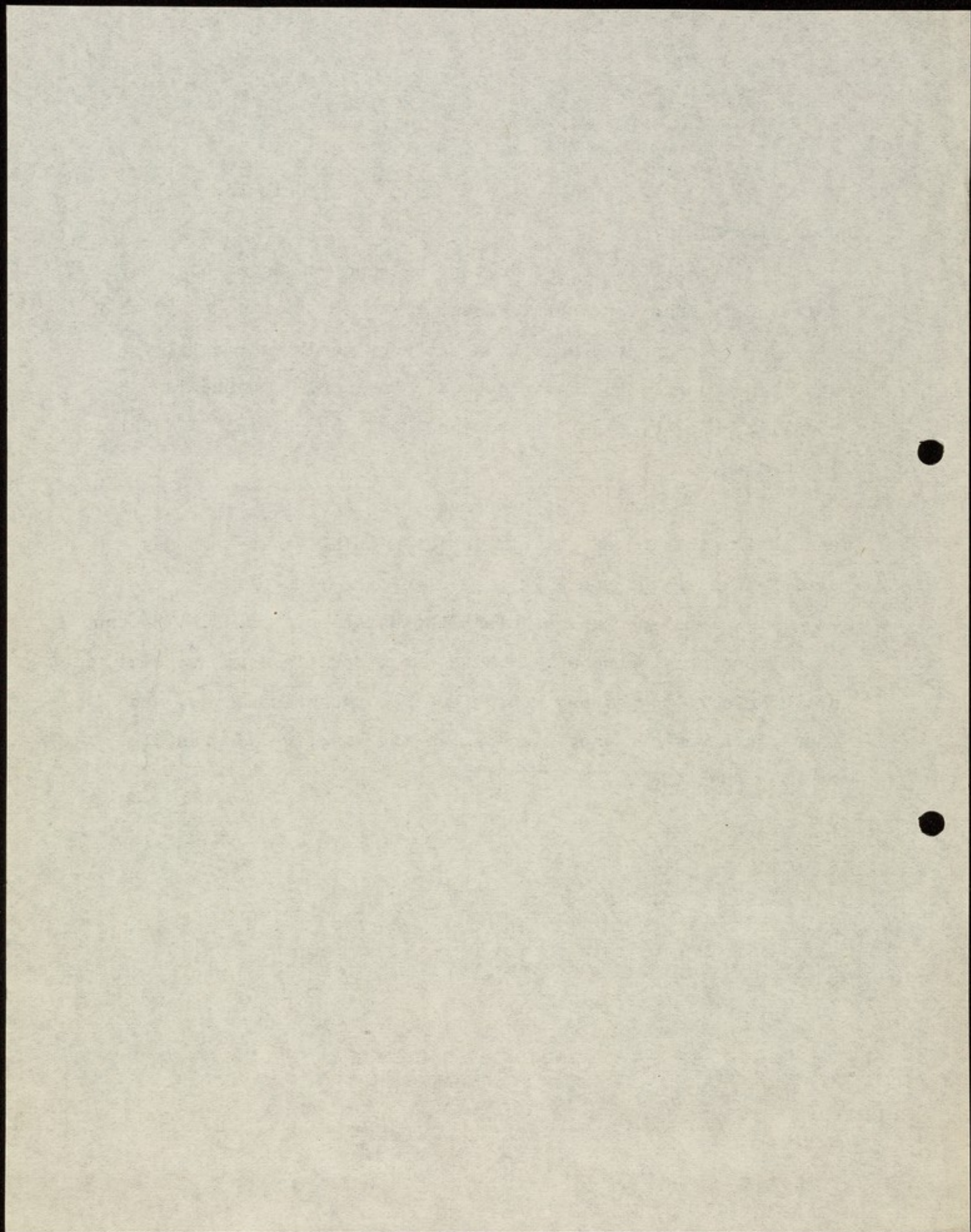
I will ask the Secretary to send you an account relating to Miss Margaret Thomson.

Her general health is not very good, and mentally she is now unable to converse on any subject. She is usually, however, good tempered and does not present difficulties in nursing.

I am sorry that you have to be troubled again with the administration of the affairs of a relative in this way as I fear it gives you a great deal of trouble.

I may perhaps say that the estate of Mrs. L.M.Thomson is not properly wound up. Since Mrs. Scull's death we have not been able to get any reply from her representatives, and there is a sum of money standing at the Bank, waiting until we hear from them.

Yours very truly,



31o Glanricarde Gardens,
W.

April 12th 1911.

Dear Dr. Pierce

You have probably
been informed that the
Courts have appointed
me Committee for the
affairs of my Aunt, Mrs
Margaret Thomson, now

in your charge.

I should be glad if you
would send me the
account of what is due
to the Retreat from
her as soon as convenient
as I am going away in
a week's time.

The first cheque only

reached me last night,
otherwise I should have
written before.

Thanking you for your
pleasantness during the
time I was acting for
the late Mrs L. M. Thomson.

I remain

Yours truly
E. M. Davis.

TEL. NO. 6709 GERRARD.

MANN & CRIMP,
SOLICITORS.

F. J. MANN.
W. E. CRIMP.

TELEGRAMS.
"SURREGULUS, LONDON."

17, Essex Street,
Strand, W.C.

October 31st 1910.

Dear Sir.

re Mrs Throuson (in Lunacy)

We have your postcard. —

Referring to this matter we trust
Mr Pierce will not be away long, as the
Summons has to be served 7 clear days
before the hearing; and the hearing is
fixed for the 11th prox. —

Yours faithfully
Mann & Crimp

Secretary
York Reheat
York.

Nov. 1, 1910

Dear Sirs,

I enclose the papers duly
completed and have handed in the
summons.

Yours very truly,

Messrs. Mann & Crimp

.....Enc^e

KITSONS, HUTCHINGS, EASTERBROOK & CO.,

SOLICITORS & COMMISSIONERS.

S.H. EASTERBROOK. E. HUTCHINGS.

W.K. KITSON.

Telephone No 84.

Torquay.

October 13th. 1910.

Dear Sir:-

re Mrs. M. Thomson.

We beg to thank you for your letter of the 12th. inst. returning the draft Affidavit in this matter.

We will write you with the engrossment for swearing in the course of a few days and will then remit your fee.

Yours faithfully,

Wm. Hutchings Easterbrook & Co

Bidford Pierce Esq:
The Retreat,
YORK.

ALISON HITCHINGS EASTERN

October 1941, 1940.

Dear Sir:-

Dear Sir, I am writing to you

To begin with, I am writing to you

Letter of the 19th. I am writing to you

about the 19th. I am writing to you

about the 19th. I am writing to you

about the 19th. I am writing to you

about the 19th. I am writing to you

Yours faithfully,

ALISON HITCHINGS EASTERN

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SOLICITORS & COMMISSIONERS.

S. H. EASTERBROOK, E. HUTCHINGS,

W. K. KITSON.

Telephone No 84.

Torquay.

October 4th. 1910.

Dear Sir:-

We are acting for Mr. F. G. Marriage, the executor of Mr. Alfred Thomson who died at Torquay on the 25th. June last, and whose widow, Margaret Thomson, is, we understand, at present detained in the Asylum of which you are Medical Superintendent.

We are now concerned in the appointment of a Receiver of the estate of Mrs. Thomson, and for this purpose it is necessary for us to file with the Court an affidavit by yourself as to the present condition of Mrs. Thomson.

We enclose a draft of this Affidavit, and we should be obliged if you would kindly peruse same and return it to us with any amendments or alterations that may be necessary.

We would then engross the document and send you for swearing.

We should also be glad if you could kindly let us know the date of Mrs. Thomson's admission to the Asylum.

Yours faithfully,

Robert Hutchings Easterbrook

Dr. Pierce,
The Retreat,
York.

July 5, 1910

Dear Sir,

I am much obliged for your letter telling me of Alfred Thomson's decease. He had been in a very frail condition for a long time, and one is hardly surprised to hear the news.

Mrs. Thomson is quite unfit to transact any business. Consequently we could not deal with her dividends here even if the companies were to send them to us.

I see no alternative but to apply to the Court for the appointment of a Receiver in order to deal with her small property. This is unfortunate as the expense is always considerable.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

F.G.Marriage Esq.

РЕЗУЛЬТАТЫ РАБОТЫ
ОБЪЕДИНЕНИЯ

July 4th 1910.

PRATTS,
LITTLE WALTHAM,
CHELMSFORD.

Dear Sir.

I write to inform you of the decease of Alfred Thomson of Torquay and as his Exor. I presume that you must communicate with me in future as to the payments etc. for his wife. In looking over his papers there ~~seems to~~ are several share certificates made out in her name & it appears that he had a power of Attorney granted to

him by his wife before she
went away, so he received the dividends
I am advised by my Solicitor
that in all probability the various
Companies in which the money is
invested will not recognize me
as Exor. unless I can get a
power of Attorney also.

What I want to know is, whether
Margt. Thomson is able to do
this or if not is she able to
sign her name on the cheques,
if so I would ask the people
to send the dividends direct to
her at York if you could deal

with them.

I do not think the amounts are
very large but they should be
secured if possible as the
late Mr Thomson sent almost
all his money in an Annuity, &
the only asset worth mentioning
is his Insurance Policy for £500.

Yours very truly

J. B. Maurice

(962)
574 Richmond Gdns.

London W.

Nov. 23rd. 1907.

Dear Madame

My aunt, Mrs. Alfred
Thomson has, I am informed,
become an inmate of the
retreat; but I have been
unable to learn by whom
she was placed there & when.
Perhaps you will pardon

my asking you for the
information as it affects

Some legal business I
am having to transact.

I enclose a stamped
addressed envelope.

Thanking you in advance

I remain

Yours truly

W. H. Davis.

✓ West-Falmouth
Mass.
Aug. 12. 1903

Wm E. Waller Esq.

Dear Sir -

Your note with the re-
ceipt in my last check
came a few days ago.

On your printed form
sent me last winter
I signed an agreement
to pay 12/- a week for
Mrs. Thomson at York
Hut.

I closed off all the stems
I did not agree to -
my agreement to this is for
one year only. afterwards
I said I would pay 2/- a
week ^{in bond} which I have been
doing - so that no other
stems need be sent to me.

I may continue to pay
her bond or I may not.
I am not sure.

Doing for them has
not been altogether

Satisfactory -

Very sincerely yours
Frank M. Scull

that she would be amply provided
for and cared and that she
would look after her"

If the letter turns up I will
send you a copy of it

Yours very truly
A Thomson

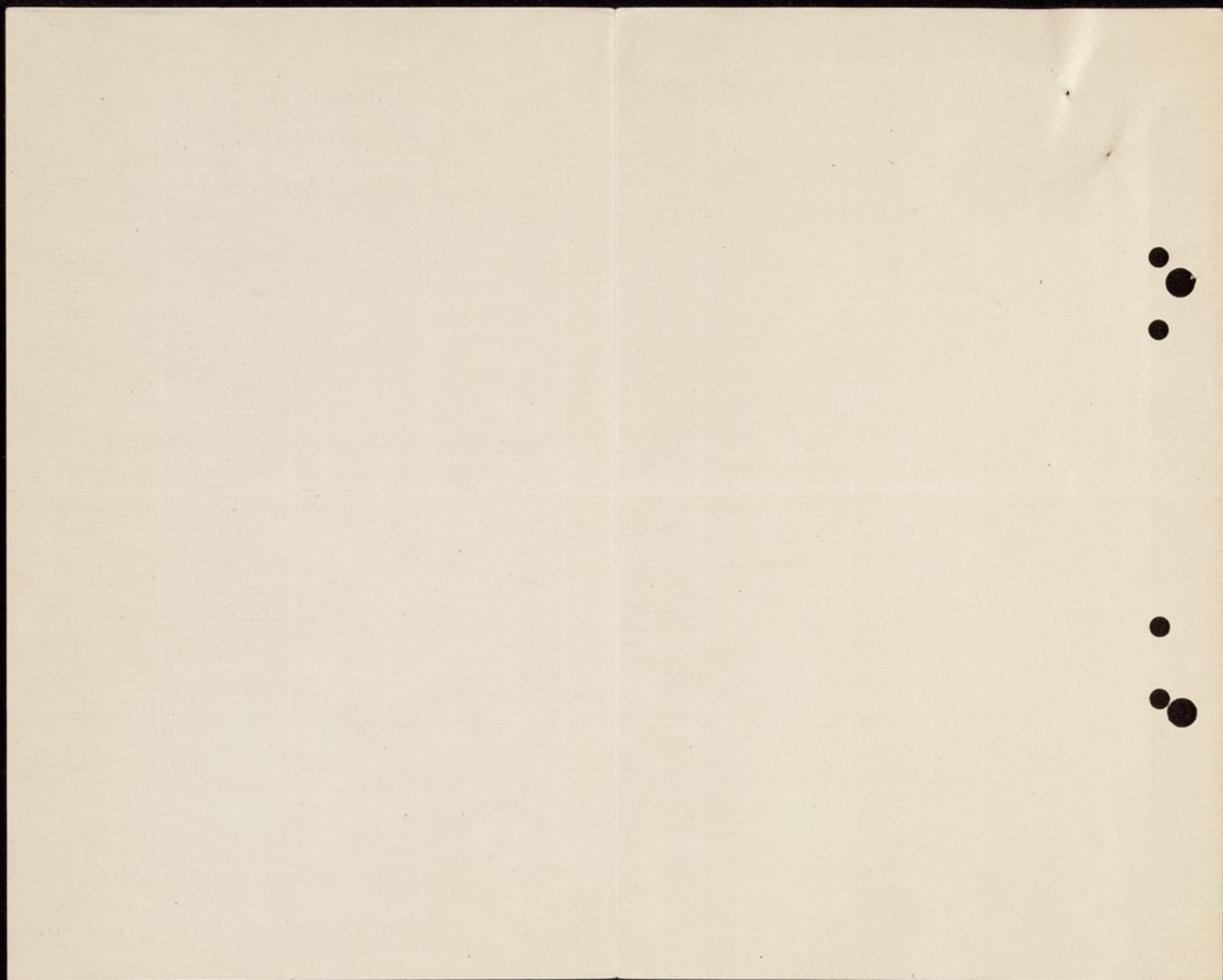
Lindisfarne,
Cockington,
Torquay.

6. 10. 03

Dear Dr. Duce

I regret to say
I cannot find the letter from
Mrs Scull respecting my wife
May Thomson, I have searched
every where in the house for it
and cannot find it at present.

I remember the contents of it
quite well, - "that she was
paying 28/- per week for her, and



and I apprehend of her being
there?

dated April 7-03

I just found the letter after
rooting the previous one

Sincerely yours

Arp Thomson

Lindisfarne,

Cockington,

Corquay,

Dear Dr Pierce

I have just

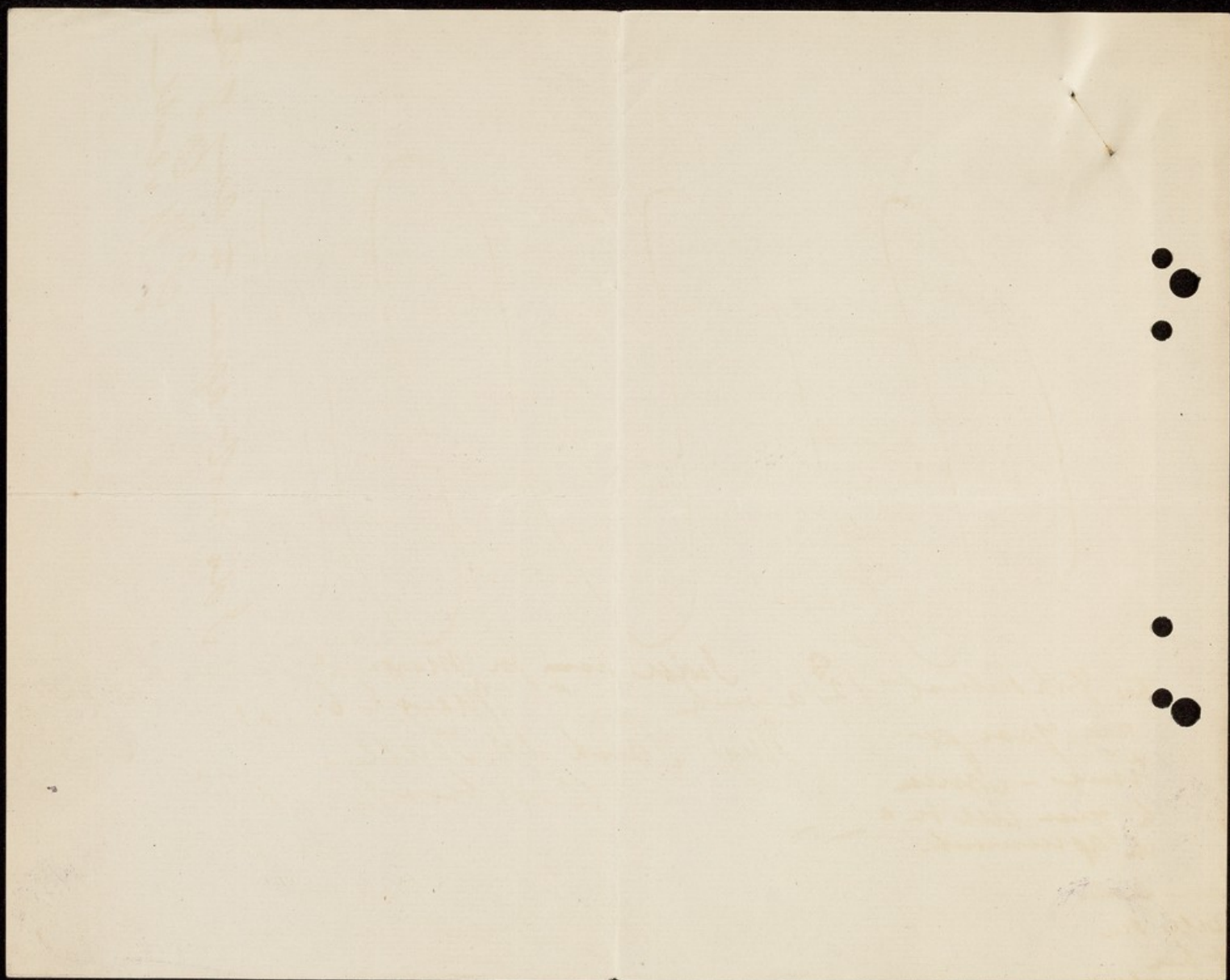
found the letter respecting my
wife Mary Thomson.

This is what Mrs Scull writes

& I expect to attend to Maggie's
needs and have agreed to pay

23/- per week or about that.

She will be well taken care of
at York. I have written fully
to Dr Pierce, about having her
comfortably cared for





(2172)

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 Margaret Thompson of

as a patient in the said Hospital, I HEREBY UNDERTAKE AND AGREE with Richard Thompson

of Orangeville, 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.

at the York Retreat 12 a week Will pay for Margaret Thompson
WITNESS my hand the day of May 6, 1903

for one year at a time - I mean
Name Mrs. Sarah M. Scull Residence Overbrook

each year will be a fresh agreement.
Occupation U.S.A.

SIGNED by the said her sister
in the presence of

Witness's Signature, Clothing & incidents
Address, and
Profession.

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.

*I do not agree to any of this -
S. M. Scull*

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