

## Historic Psychiatry original miscellaneous documents

### Section 14, Pages 391 - 420

These are a variety of handwritten and typed letters, lectures, autographs, news clippings, biographical information, images and sketches, court documents, and other documents related to the history of psychiatry. These documents are housed in four boxes and the folders within are arranged alphabetically by surname or title, and they are included in the larger collection of historic psychiatry material in the Menninger Archives. Authors come from such fields as medicine, religion, prison and other reform and advocacy movements, politics, the military, etc. The documents themselves sometimes provide significant information, and sometimes they were collected because their authors were significant historical figures. Some of the individuals found in Box 1 include James Mark Baldwin, Ludwig Binswanger, Eugen Bleuler, Jean-Martin Charcot, Elizabeth Fry, Oliver Wendell Holmes, and Carl Jung. Some of the individuals found in Box 2 include Alfred Adler, Robert Frost, and Washinton Irving. This box also includes a 68-page handwritten notebook by Dr. W.W. Reed entitled "Reminiscences About the Treatment of the Insane." Some of the individuals found in Box 3 include Amariah Brigham and Frederick van Eeden. This box also includes a correspondence file (1883-1888) on Ellen Kehoe, a patient at the Worcester Lunatic Hospital in Massachusetts, and a series of drawings from the 1920s and 1930s by a Belgian patient suffering from paranoia named Andreas at the Kankakee State Hospital in Illinois. The drawings were donated by Dr. J.B. Gier, formerly of the Topeka Veteran's Administration Hospital, who knew the patient and encouraged his work. Box 4 includes a miscellaneous folder regarding insane asylums and contains legal documents, postcard images, and receipts for services. Languages include English, German, French and Italian, and transcriptions or translations follow some of the documents.

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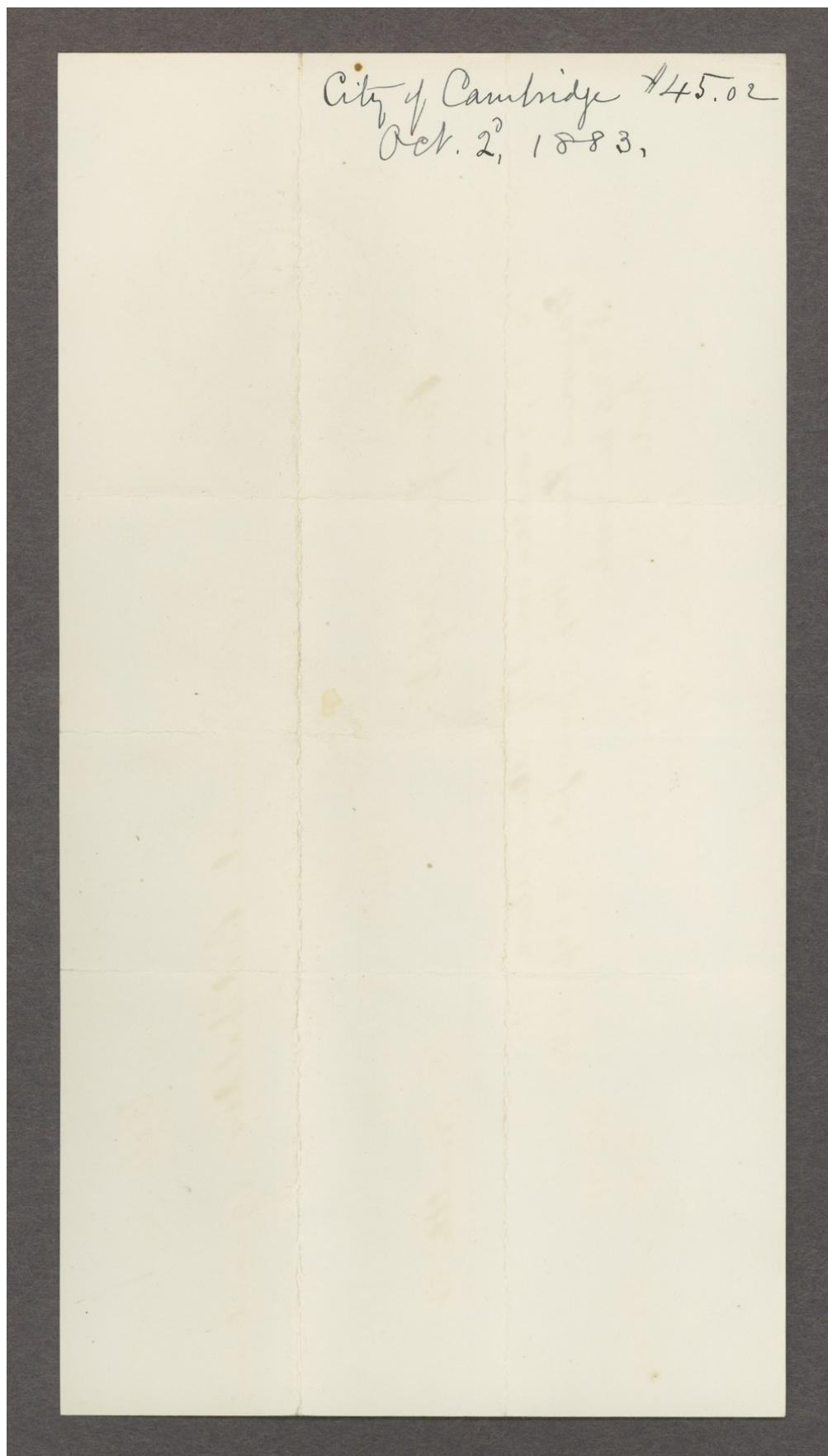
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JOHN G. PARK, M. D.  
Superintendent.

ALBERT WOOD,  
Treasurer.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

### The Worcester Lunatic Hospital.

Worcester, Mass., *Oct. 8*, 1883,

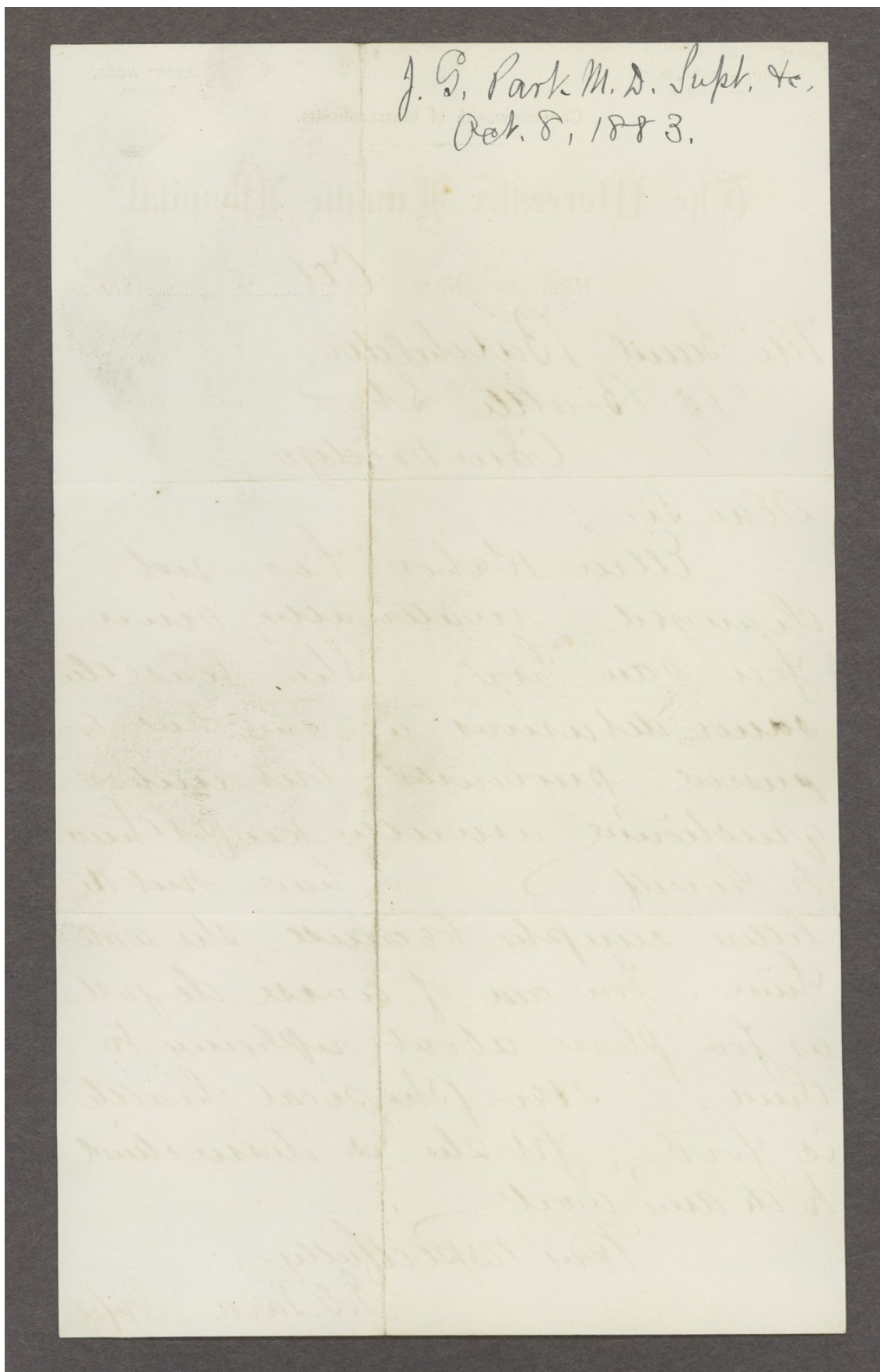
*Mr. Saul. Batchelder,  
#15 Brattle St.,  
Cambridge*

*Dear Sir:*

*Ellen Kahor has not  
changed materially since  
you saw her. She has the  
same delusions as she has ex-  
pressed previously, but unless  
questioned usually keeps them  
to herself. I have sent the  
letter simply because she wrote  
them. You can, of course, do just  
as you please about replying to  
them. Her physical health  
is good, yet she is disinclined  
to do any work.*

*Very respectfully  
J. G. Park Supt.*

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CAMBRIDGE, *Ke. 5* 188 *3*.  
*Mr. Samuel Batchelder*  
*Guardian of Ellen Kehoe*

To J. T. G. NICHOLS, DR.

188 *3* For professional services.

<i>April May</i>	<i>10.00</i>

Received payment,

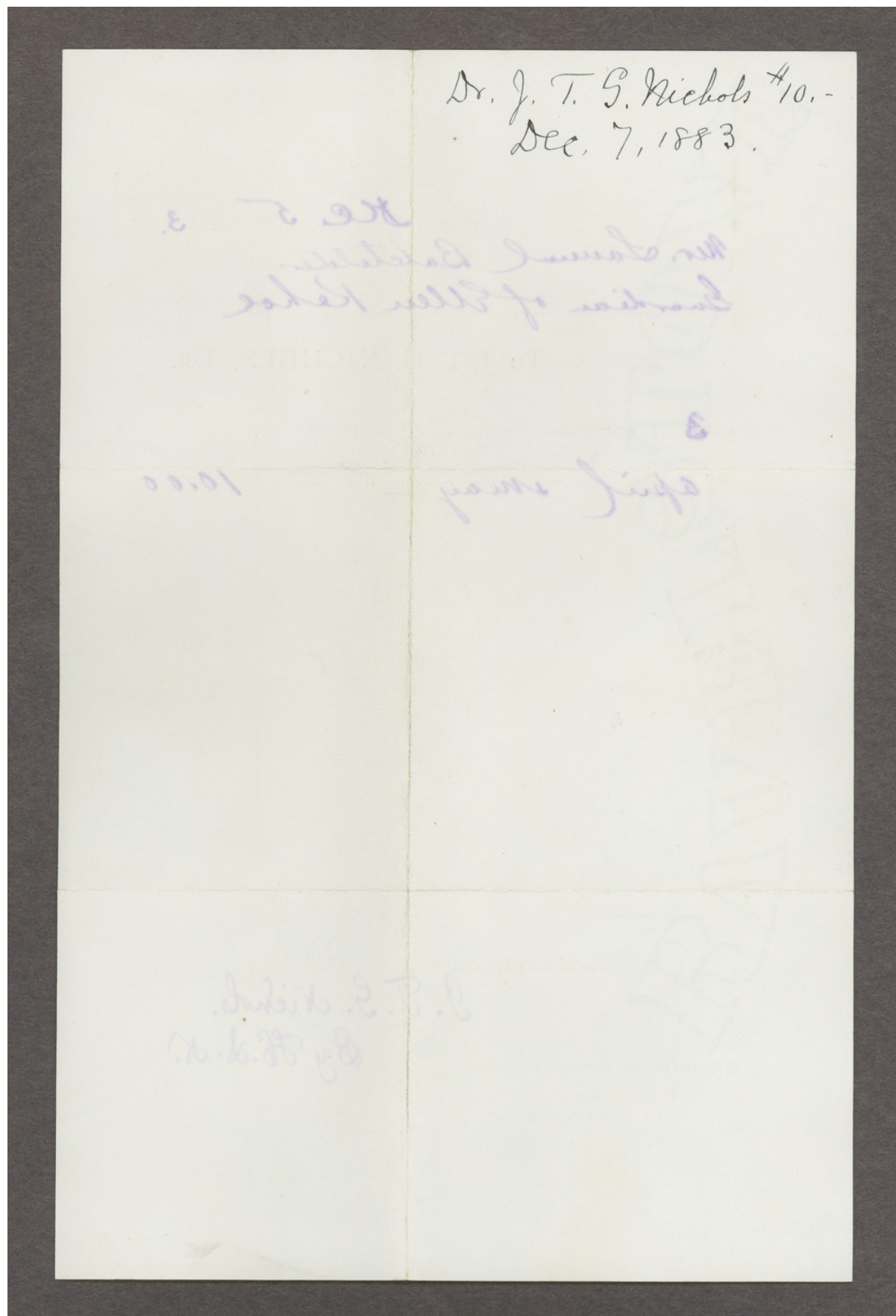
*J. T. G. Nichols.*

*By H. D. N.*

63 Brattle St., cor. Appian Way.

OFFICE HOURS:  
8 A. M.; 1 TO 2 P. M.

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Payable to City Treasurer.

Cambridgeport, Jan. 3. 1884.

Samuel Batchelder, guardian.

TO CITY OF CAMBRIDGE,

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, DR.

15 Brattle St.

Pauper Dept.

To board of Ellen Kelsoe at Worcester  
Lun. Hosp. Oct. 1 - Dec. 31. '83, 13 1/4  
weeks, at 3.25 per wk.  
2 pr. drawers <sup>1.40</sup>, 2 u. rests, <sup>1.40</sup>  
3 pr. hose <sup>.75</sup>, postage <sup>.06</sup>.

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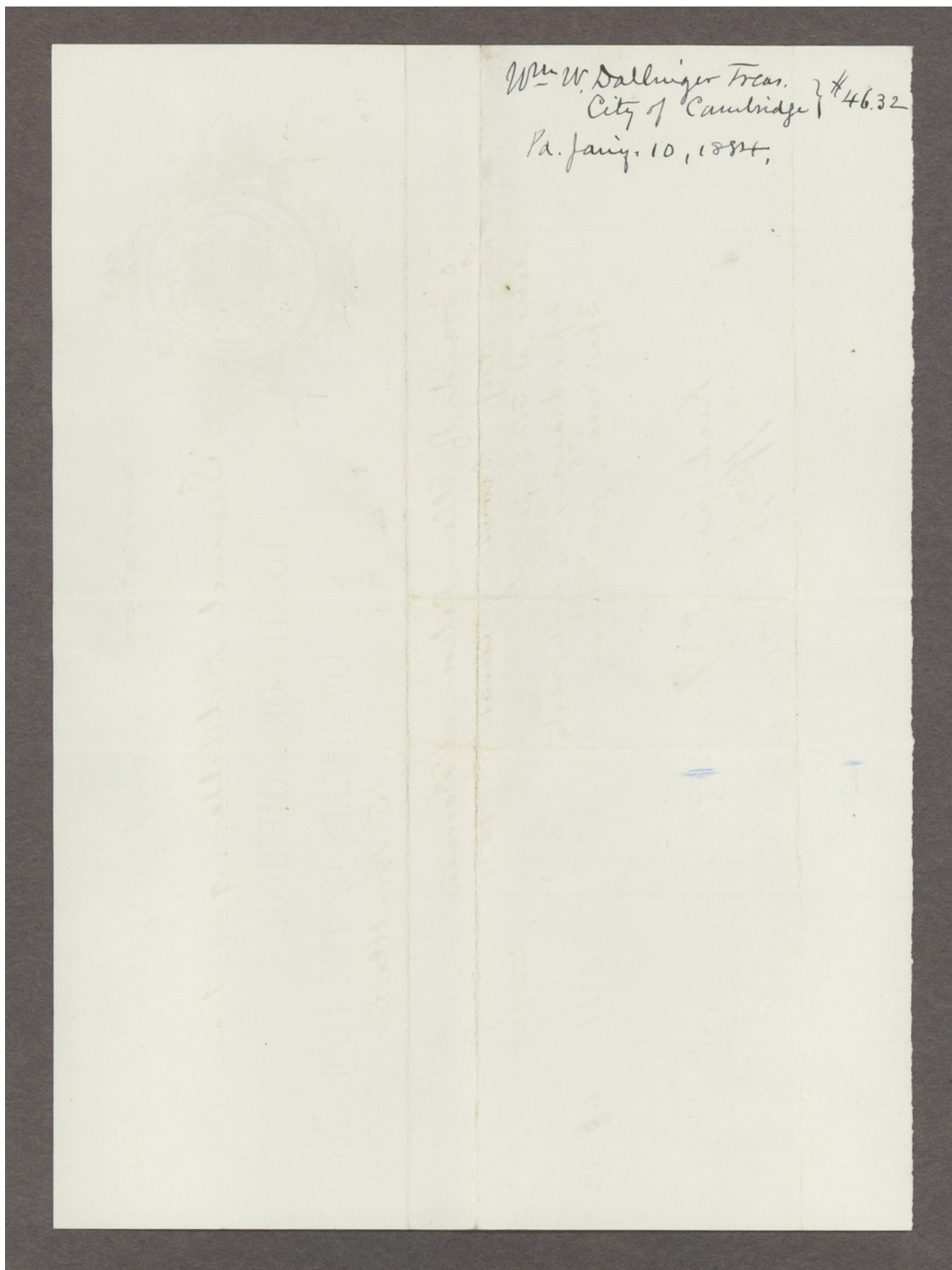
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Recd. paymt. Jan 10/84

Wm. H. Dallinger City Treasr




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		<i>Samuel Batchelder, guardian,</i> <b>TO CITY OF CAMBRIDGE,</b> <b>OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, DR.</b>	
<i>Pauper Sept.</i>		<i>15 Battle St.</i>	
<i>To 13 weeks board of Ellen Kehoe at          Worcester Lun. Hosp. from apr. 1 to          July 1. 84, at 3.25 per wk.</i>		<i>42 25</i>	
<i>Postage.</i>		<i>04</i>	<i>42 29</i>
<i>Recd. paymt.</i>		<i>JUL 31 1884</i> <i>Wm. H. Dallinger</i> City Treas. <i>per U.</i>	

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City of Cambridge \$42.29  
July 3, 1884.



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*10 pages of same paper of 1884*

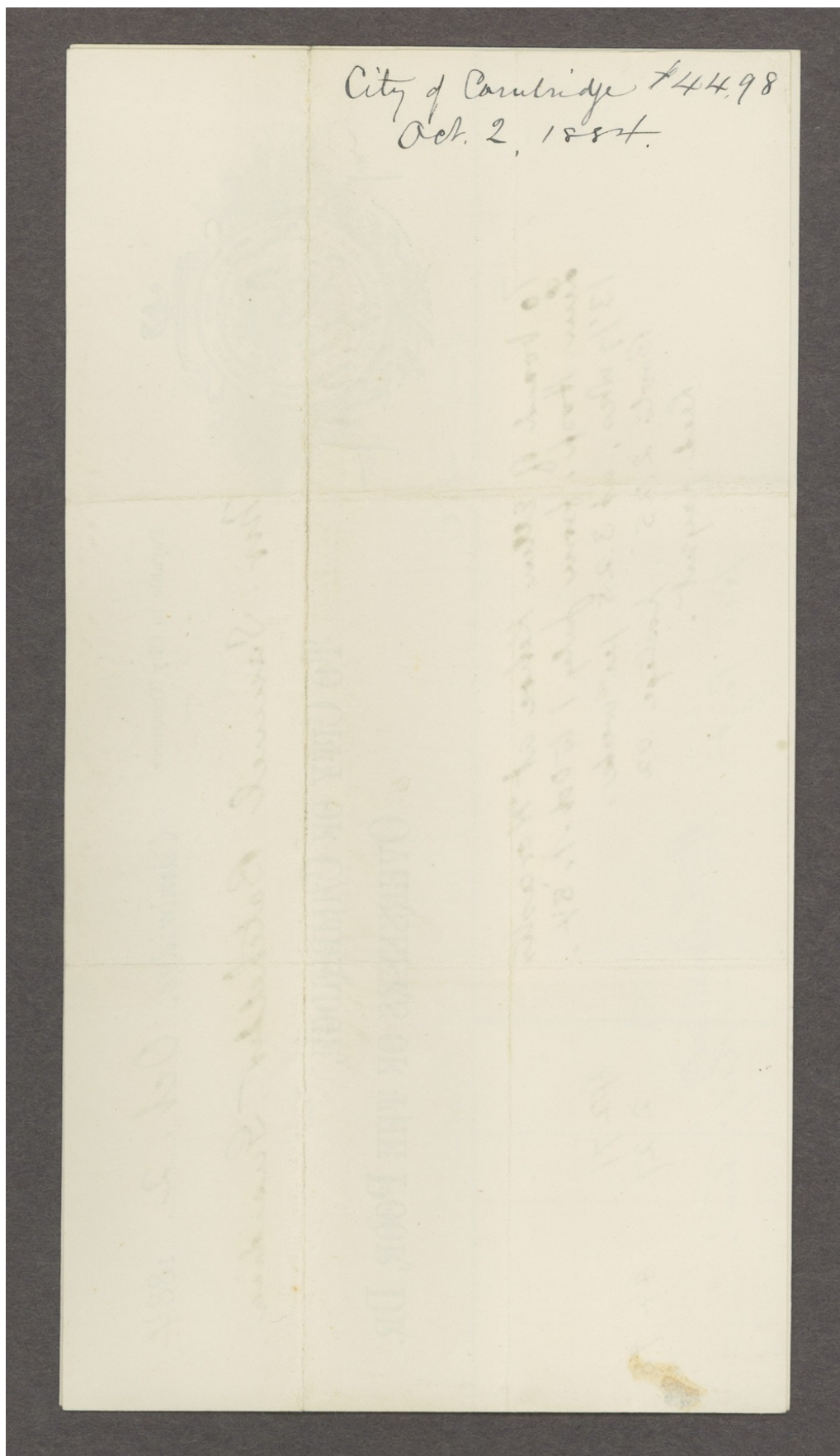
Payable to City Treasurer. Cambridge, Oct. 2. 1884.

 Mr. Samuel Batchelder, Guardian.  
TO CITY OF CAMBRIDGE,  
OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, DR.

*Pauper Dept. 15 Brattle St.*

To board of Ellen Kehoe at Worcester Lun. Hosp. from July 1 to Oct. 1. '84. 13 1/7 wks. at 3.25 per week. Boots 2.25, postage .02 Reed. payment.	OCT 7 1884	42 71 2 27	44 98
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Payable to City Treasurer.

Cambridgeport, *Apr. 21. 1884.*

*Mr. Samuel Batchelder,*  
To City of Cambridge, *Guardian.*  
Overseers of the Poor, Dr.

*Pauper Dept.*

*15 Brattle St.*

To 13 wks. board of Ellen Kehoe  
at Worcester Lun. Hosp. from Jan.  
1 to Apr. 1, 1884 at <sup>3.25</sup> per week, <sup>1.25</sup>  
2 dresses, <sup>3.00</sup> linen diaper, <sup>2.00</sup> tooth brush,  
4 handkerchiefs, <sup>1.50</sup> 1 flannel skirt, <sup>1.00</sup> corsets,  
comb.

42 25

7 05

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*Recd. - paymt. Apr 11/84*

*Wm. W. Dallings City Treasr*



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Wm W. Dallinger Treas.  
City of Cambridge # 49.30  
Pd. April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1884



Worcester Aug 28<sup>th</sup>

Mr Botchelder

Dear Sir

I did  
not really understand  
that they wanted me  
to go back there, when  
I saw you, & if they do  
want me they have got  
to do is to just write  
to me & I will let  
the Dr see it -

yours very respectfully  
Please direct - Ellen Beebe  
New State Lunatic Asylum  
Worcester Mass

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Ellen Kehoe  
Aug. 29, 1883



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JOHN G. PARK, M. D.,  
Superintendent.

ALBERT WOOD,  
Treasurer.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

### The Worcester Lunatic Hospital.

October

Worcester, Mass., ~~September 9,~~ 1884

Samuel Batchelder,

Cambridge.

Dear Sir:

Ellen Cotter of <sup>#29</sup> Cowperthwaite

St., Cambridge, writes to Miss Ellen

Kehoe that she would like to have her come

and live with her. Do you know of any

objection to her going? She causes us no

trouble here and says that she shall not

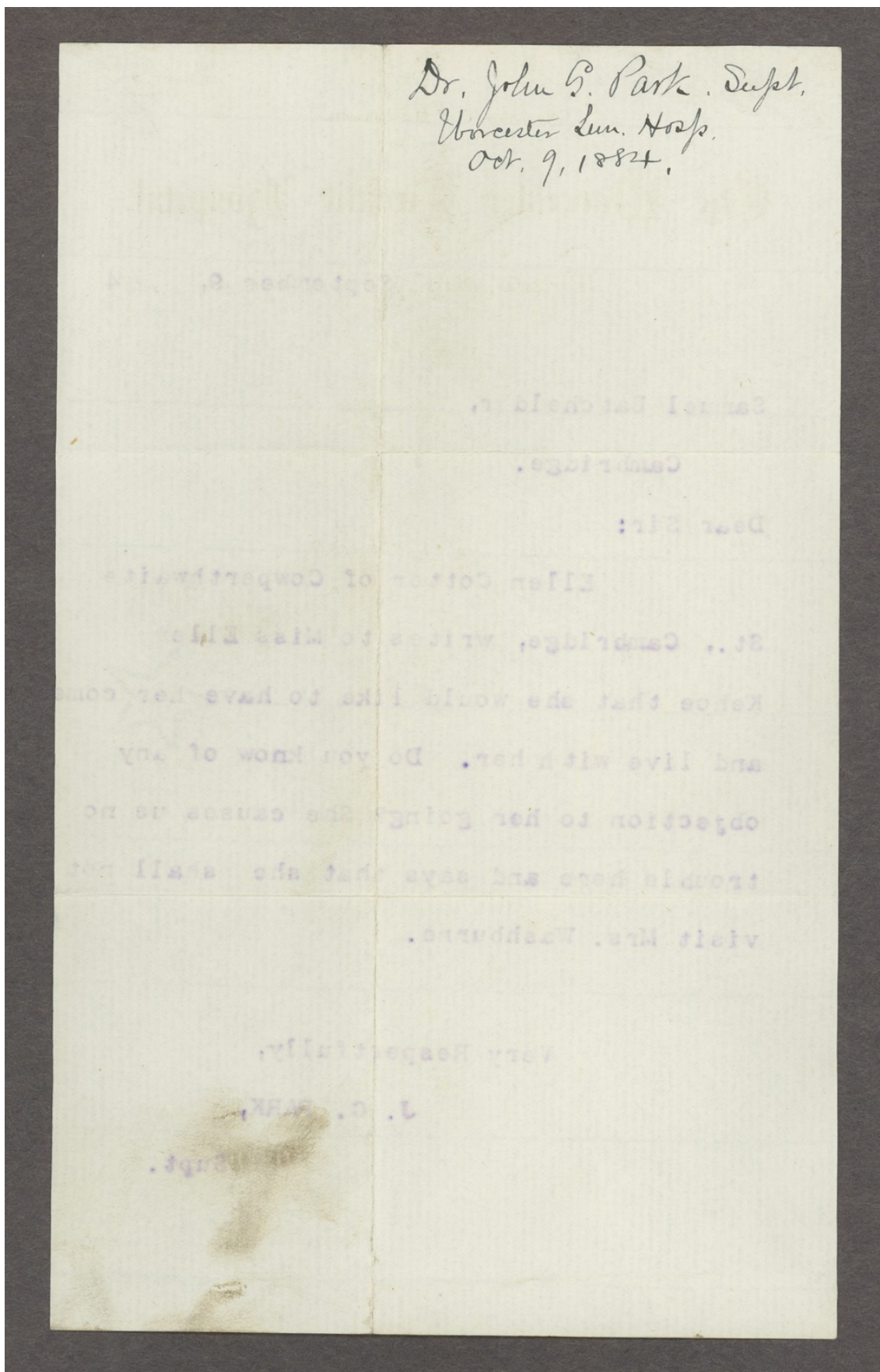
visit Mrs. Washburne.

Very Respectfully,

J. G. PARK,

Supt.

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Cambridgeport, *Apr 1. 1885.*

*Samuel Batchelder, guardian.*

TO CITY OF CAMBRIDGE,

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, DR.

*Pauper Dept.*

*15 Brattle.*

To 13 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>7</sub> wks board of Ellen Keloe  
at Worcester Lun. Hosp. 0 ch. 1- Dec.

31.84, at 3.25 per wk.

4 per. <sup>60</sup>hose, <sup>40</sup>rubbers, <sup>1.00</sup>1 n. dress, <sup>16</sup>postage

42 71

2 16

To 12 <sup>6</sup>/<sub>7</sub> board of same, as above, Jan.

1- mch. 31.85, at 3.25 per wk.

1 night dress, mch. 13.

41 79

85

87 51

*Recd. paym't. Apr 8 1885*


*Wm. W. Dallinger City Treasr*



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Wm W. Dallinger Treasr-  
#87.57  
Pd. April 8, 1885

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		Payable to City Treasurer. <i>Cambridge, July 7, 1885,</i>	
<i>Sam'l. Batchelder, 15 Brattle,</i>			
TO CITY OF CAMBRIDGE, OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, DR.			
<i>Bauper Dept.</i>			
3128	To support of Ellen Kehoe at Wor. Lun. Hosp. Apr. 1 - June 30, 13 weeks, at 3.25 per week Cont, May 1 - 3 diemmes, postage June 3.	RECEIVED PAYMENT JUL 24 1885	42 25  1 45 . 43 70
Recd. paym't. <i>Wm. W. Dallinger</i> City Treasurer.			

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Wm. W. Dallinger #  
Treas. 43.70  
Pd. July 24, 1885-





Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

BOARD OF HEALTH, LUNACY AND CHARITY.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR OF CHARITIES,

13 BEACON STREET, BOSTON.

February 9th, 1886.

To the Overseers of the Poor in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, and other Persons  
interested in the Care of the Insane in Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:—

Under the provisions of a statute passed in the year 1885, a copy of which I enclose, this Board has undertaken to place in families throughout the Commonwealth, a small number of those insane persons previously committed to the State Hospitals. The number so placed since August 10, 1885, has been 39,—13 men and 26 women, of whom 34,—11 men and 23 women,—now remain in their boarding places. Three persons, a man and a woman, have been returned to the hospital from which they were taken, as unsuitable cases; two have practically recovered, and two more will soon be discharged, as able to care for themselves. All those who remain in their boarding places, have conducted themselves well, and, so far as can be judged, have improved in their condition since leaving the hospital. It has been found that many families living in comfort, are willing to receive such boarders, provided suitable patients are selected; and there are at present applications pending for at least twenty more patients, who will be sent to these boarding places, as soon as patients well adapted for this mode of life are found in the State Hospitals. The 34 persons placed out under this statute, have gone forth from hospitals as follows,—13 from the Northampton Hospital, 9 from the Taunton Hospital, 8 from the Worcester Hospital, 3 from the Danvers Hospital, and 1 from the Chronic Asylum at Tewksbury, and are boarding in families in the following cities and towns.—Ashfield, Athol, Boston, Charlton, Chelsea, Goshen, Marion, Medfield, Monson, Raynham, Southampton, Southwick, Spencer, Taunton, Tewksbury, and Westborough.

Only two of these 34 persons belong to the class of city and town patients. Yet in the hospitals from which they came, the town patients not only greatly exceed in number the State patients (of whom 32 are now boarding in families), but are as a class much better adapted for family life than the State patients; because they include a much greater number of quiet and harmless cases, and such as have been accustomed, in former years, to live

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neatly and reputably in families. On the other hand, the State patients, as a class, include some persons whose former habits of life have been vicious; and a great many cases, not only of recent insanity, but of recent arrival in the State or the country, so that they have not yet adapted themselves to the ordinary conditions of American life. Hundreds of the city and town patients, on the contrary, have long resided in Massachusetts, and many of them, while secluded in the hospitals, are practically separated from friends and relatives, to an extent which would not be the case if they were boarding in families. Such persons, might in some instances, live with friends or relatives at the expense of the town of settlement, and the cost of their support might thus be diminished. The law fixes the price of their board at the same rate as is paid in the hospitals; in addition to which, the cost of clothing is provided by the Commonwealth, or the town of settlement, or by the friends of the patient. Such as board in families, are more likely to be supplied with clothing and other comforts by their friends, than are those who remain in the hospitals. Indeed, the interest of friends in these insane persons seems to be much increased by their removal from the great hospitals, where their individuality is apt to be lost in the multitude of inmates, with whom the wards are crowded. Before the experiment of Boarding out these patients began, in August last, Mrs. C. T. Leonard, of Springfield, upon whose recommendation, in part, the statute was enacted, wrote a letter for publication, wherein she made the following remarks, which the experience of the last six months has quite justified.

"Members of the Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity in their official visits to the hospitals, have often observed patients, who, though possessed by many delusions, are quiet and harmless, and who would be happier in ordinary life, than in the monotony, necessary restraint and unpleasant companionship of an insane asylum. Most of these persons have no homes, or friends who are willing to take care of them. A large proportion are old or past middle age. They have usually been for a considerable time inmates of hospitals, and were formerly more excited and troublesome than now. It is not proposed to place in families, any patients who are violent, or destructive, or filthy in their habits; any who are likely to wander away, or who are subject to epileptic fits, or who are disgusting in behavior and speech.

"It is hoped that inquiry will develop the fact, that there are a good many families living in the country, with comfortable homes and moderate incomes, who would be glad to add something to the latter by taking one or two mild and harmless persons from the hospitals and giving them kind care.

"The writer has now in mind a good many gentle, mild and harmless women, some aged, some younger, who have often piteously besought that they might 'go out' and have a home 'somewhere else.' We find them rearing canary birds, playing with dolls, or brooding in pathetic melancholy, weary of a great institution, and longing for domestic life, with its little details of interest. They stay in the hospitals because they have nowhere else to go. They have delusions, and cannot guide themselves; they require patience and kindness; but these, if conferred, will bless both the giver and receiver. Women, perhaps, will be most readily received; but there are men as well, who would give little trouble in a country home. If, on trial, a patient proves unmanageable, nothing is easier than to procure his return to a hospital."

Will you not bring this matter before the proper authorities in your town, and communicate with this Board either through the Chairman of its Lunacy Committee, Edward Hitchcock, M. D., Amherst, Mass., or through the Inspector of Charities, who is charged with the practical execution of the boarding-out law? Should any information be required, or further explanation concerning the new law and its results thus far, the undersigned will be



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prepared to furnish it, or to attend any meeting of town or city authorities where the subject is to be considered with a view to action. A valuable report, on the general question of placing the insane in families, giving the experience of Scotland in this respect, was printed in the Sixth Annual Report of this Board (Public Document series, No. 17, 1885), a year ago, where it may be examined by such as desire to acquaint themselves with the facts in the case.

An early answer to this communication will oblige

Yours very truly,

F. B. SANBORN,

*Inspector of Charities.*



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Bd of Health Lunacy & Charity  
Circular of Feb. 9, 1886-

Shelburne Falls (Buckland)  
Mr Shustleff Shetley  
2 miles off a river

Spencer

J. W. Munroe

E. Sandwich, Miss Alice Cook -

West Bridgewater

Mr C. E. Dunbar  
has been an attendant



DAVID P. MUZZEY, Secretary,  
P. O. Address, Cambridgeport, Mass.

## CITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

### OFFICE OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR;

Central Square Building, Western Avenue.

Cambridgeport, Sep. 22. 1885.

Saml. Batchelder, Esq.

Dear Sir: -

I have received a letter from the State authorities stating that "Ellen Kehoe, though not entirely recovered, seems to be sufficiently improved to be discharged, and expresses the wish to go back to Ireland, county Galway, where she has relatives".

Will you pay her passage for this purpose?

Very truly, yours,

D. P. Muzzey,  
Secy.



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D. S. Murphy  
Sept. 22, 1885

Dear Sir:-  
I have received your letter of the 18th inst. in relation to the case of the patient known as "John Doe" who is now in the asylum at Topeka. I am sorry to hear that you are having trouble with him. I have not seen him for some time, but I will be glad to see him again if you wish. I will be glad to see him again if you wish. I will be glad to see him again if you wish.

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Superintendent

ALBERT WOOD,  
Treasurer.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

### The Worcester Lunatic Hospital.

Worcester, Mass., *Sept. 28* 188*5*

*Saml. Batchelder, Esq.*

*15 Brattle St. Cambridge.*

*Dear Sir*

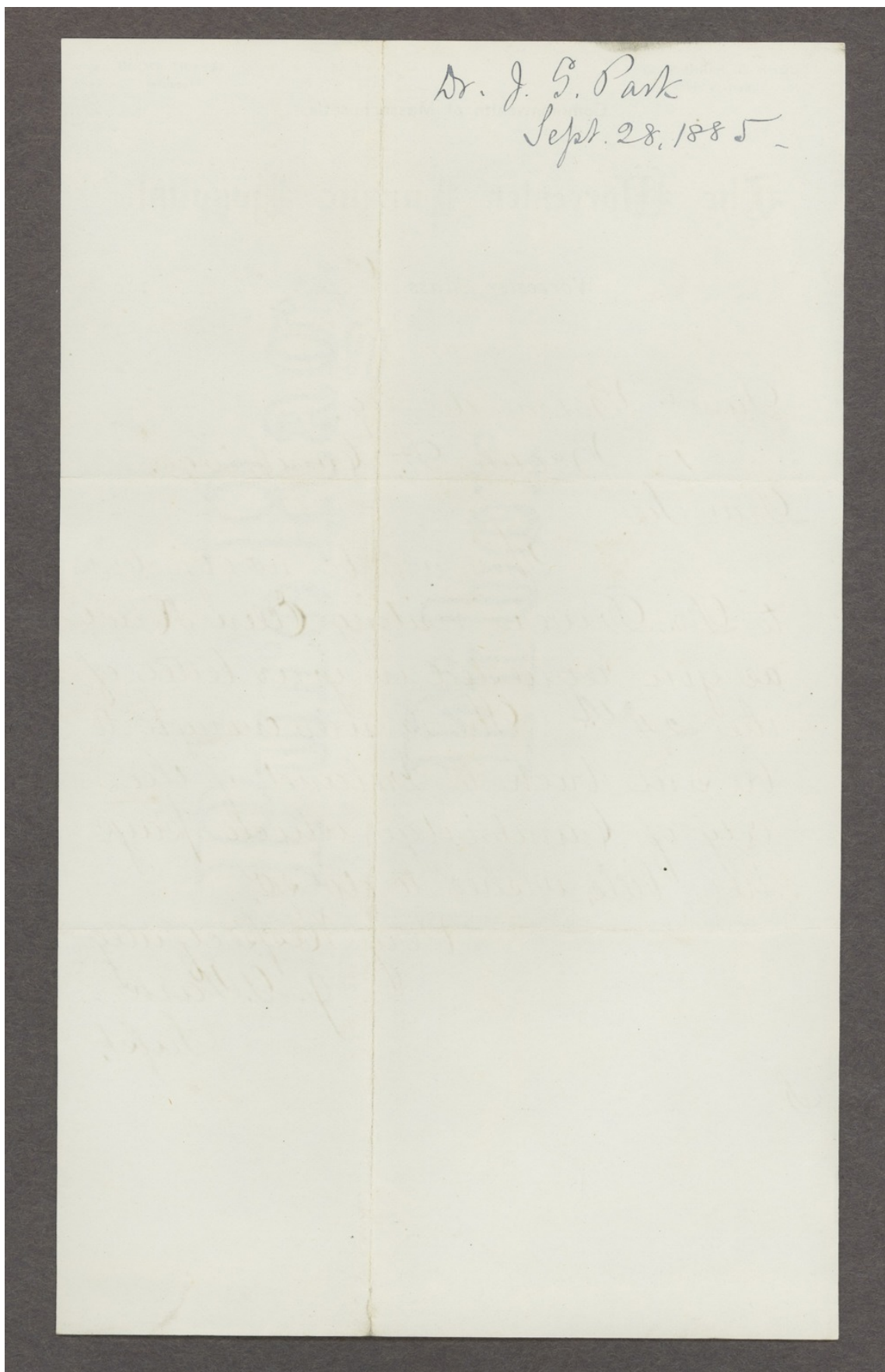
*There will be no objections  
to Dr. Driver's visiting Ellen Nelson  
as you requested in your letter of  
the 24<sup>th</sup>. She is well enough to  
be sent back to Ireland if the  
city of Cambridge which pays  
her bills, wishes to do so.*

*Very Respectfully  
J. G. Park  
Suft.*


*B.*



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<i>Pauper Sept.</i>			
3128 ✓	To 13 1/7 weeks board of Ellen Kehoe at <sup>Worcester</sup> Lun. Hospital, July 1-Sep. 30, at 3.25 per week. 1 pair boots, Aug. 11. Recd. paymt.	42 71 2 -	44 71
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