

Historic Psychiatry original miscellaneous documents

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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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1839.									
39	Dec. 24	55	Male	Married		12 years	Remains	Stationary	
45	do 24		do	Single		3 years	do	do	
46	do 24		do	do		3 years	do	do	Labors.
47	do 24		do	Married	Intemperance -	3 years	Discharged	Improved	
48	do 24		do	Single	Sun-stroke -	2 years	Remains	Stationary	Labors.
50	do 24	42	do	Married	Intemperance -	2 years	do	do	
51	do 24	40	do	Single		3 years	do	do	
52	do 24		Female	do		7 years	do	do	Labors.
53	do 24		do	do		12 years	do	do	
54	do 24	45	do	do	Vicious Habits -	years	do	do	Labors.
56	do 30	29	do	do	Hereditary -		Died		
57	do 30	35	do	do		7 years	Discharged	do	
58	do 30	42	do	do		4 years	do	do	
59	do 30	32	do	do		7 years	Remains	do	
60	do 30	30	do	do	Intemperance -	years	do	do	
61	do 30	66	do	do		years	do	do	
63	do 30	62	do	Widow	Loss of Property -	years	do	do	
64	do 30	40	do	Single	Ill Health -	years	do	do	Labors.
65	do 31	55	do	do	Loss of Property -	years	do	do	Labors.
1840.									
66	Jan'y 7	64	Male	do	Disappointed Affection -	17 years	do	do	
67	do 7	50	Female	do	Indulgence of Temper -	20 years	do	do	
69	do 7	31	Male	do		8 years	do	Improved	
71	do 7	42	do	do		12 years	do	Stationary	Labors.
72	do 9		Female	Widow	Epilepsy -	4 years	do	do	
74	do 15		Male	Single	Masturbation -	10 years	do	do	Labors.

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galls. --- 77	Feb. 8		Female	Single		4 years	Remains	Stationary	
ite. --- 80	March 4	39	Male	do	Intemperance	10 years	do	do	Labors.
do --- 81	do 4	26	do	do	Masturbation	6 years	Died	do	Hereditary.
all --- 82	do 4	60	Female	Married	Puerperal State	21 years	Remains	do	
ober --- 83	do 4	36	Male	Single	Excessive Study	7 years	do	do	Hereditary.
night --- 84	do 4	38	Female	Widow	Loss of Husband	3 years	do	do	
do --- 89	April 20	38	Male	Married	Intemperance	4 years	do	do	
llivan --- 90	do 21	19	Female	Single	Vicious Habits		do	do	Labors.
do --- 91	do 21	17	do	do	Epilepsy	5 years	Died	do	
sque --- 92	do 21	75	do	Widow	Ill Health	3 years	Remains	do	Labors.
miss --- 93	do 21	36	do	do			do	do	
do --- 94	do 21	71	Male	Widower	Loss of Property	6 years	Died	do	Labors.
itteran --- 101	May 9	22	do	Single	Fright	2 years	Remains	do	
owen --- 106	July 25	35	Female	do	Ill Health	2 months	do	do	
lton --- 109	do 28	52	Male	Married	Intemperance	12 years	do	do	
ney --- 110	do 28	55	do	Single	Epilepsy	10 years	do	do	
ake --- 118	Oct. 20	33	do	do	Disappointed Affection	years	do	do	Labors.
Garigle --- 126	Dec. 3	35	Female	Married	Injury to Head	3 years	do	do	
1841.									
129	Jan. 12	30	do	do	Intemperance	5 weeks	do	do	
lory --- 130	do 12	36	do	Widow		5 years	do	do	
fin --- 138	March 3	32	Male	Single	Masturbation	6 years	do	do	Labors.
Ger --- 139	do 17	60	do	do		20 years	do	do	Labors.
arton --- 144	April 10		do	do	Disappointed Affection	years	do	do	Labors.
do --- 146	do 22	37	Female	Married	Poverty	2 months	Died	do	
ayes --- 151	June 19		do	do		8 years	Remains	do	
do --- 152	do 26	26	do	Single		3 months	Discharged	do	
rfel --- 165	Oct. 8	46	do	Widow	Loss of a Limb	5 days	Remains	do	Hereditary.
166	do 9	41	do	Married	Domestic Trouble,	4 months	Discharged	Recovered	
1842.									
mers --- 174	Jan. 3	36	do	do			Remains	Stationary	
gant --- 180	Feb. 14	43	Male	Single	Disappointed Affection,	7 years	do	do	Hereditary.

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1842.									
185	April 19	29	Female	Married	Puerperal State -	2 years	Discharged	Recovered	
186	do 20	61	do	Widow	-	4 years	Remains	Stationary	
192	June 10	34	do	Single	Amenorrhea -	-	Discharged	Recovered	
193	do 13	25	do	Married	Hereditary -	2 months	do	do	
194	July 1	36	Male	do	Intemperance -	years	Remains	Stationary	
195	do 12	16	do	Single	Epilepsy -	years	do	do	
197	do 16	40	Female	Married	Abuse of Husband -	2 years	do	do	
198	Aug. 3	23	Male	Single	Intemperance -	-	Discharged	Recovered	
199	do 25	38	do	Married	-	1 week	Remains	Stationary	
200	do 27	50	do	do	Religious Excitement -	20 years	do	do	Labors.
201	do 31	43	Female	do	Domestic Trouble -	-	Discharged	Recovered	
202	Sept. 1	-	Male	do	Intemperance -	-	do	do	
203	do 14	46	do	Single	-	-	Remains	Stationary	
204	do 17	23	do	do	Intemperance -	-	do	do	
205	do 28	40	do	Married	Ill Health -	-	Discharged	Recovered	
206	do	-	-	-	-	-	Remains	Improved	Labors.
207	Oct. 1	46	Female	Widow	-	-	Discharged	Recovered	
208	do 4	39	Male	Married	Intemperance -	1 week	Discharged	Recovered	
209	do 5	30	do	Single	Epilepsy -	-	Remains	Stationary	Labors.
210	do 5	26	do	do	Intemperance -	-	do	Improved	
211	do 5	22	do	do	Congenital -	-	do	Stationary	Labors.
212	do 5	-	Female	do	Intemperance -	-	do	do	Labors.
213	do 5	-	do	do	-	-	-	-	
214	do 20	23	do	Married	Ill Health -	1 week	Discharged	Recovered	

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The five following cases legally committed to this Hospital have not hitherto been recorded. One of them was discharged previous to October 22d, 1842.

216	1842. March 1		Male				Discharged	July 15, 1842	Recovered.
215	1841. Nov. 18	46	do	Married	Intemperance	years	Remains	Stationary	
217	1842. April 19	40	do	Single	do		Discharged	Recovered	
218	May 16		Female	Married	do	2 months	do	do	
219	July 30	56	do	Widow	Hereditary		Remains	Improved	

The cases that follow have been received since October 22d, 1842, when the present Superintendent entered on his duties in this Hospital.

220	1842. Oct. 22	19	Male	Single	Ill Health	1 week	Discharged	Recovered	
221	Nov. 3	42	Female	Widow	do	2 years	Remains	Stationary	
222	do 8	32	do	Single	Domestic Trouble	2 years	Discharged	Recovered	
223	Dec. 6	20	do	do	Hereditary	1 week	do	do	
224	do 14	42	do	do	Indulgence of Temper	21 months	do	do	
225	do 15	57	Male	do	Loss of Sight	2 years	Remains	Stationary	
226	do 15	24	Female	do	Fright	4 years	do	do	
227	do 15	26	do	do		years	do	do	
228	do 15	48	do	Married	Intemperance	1 week	Discharged	Recovered	
229	do 17	57	Male	do	do	2 years			Died while on a visit to his friends.
230	do 20	28	do	do	Millerism	3 weeks	Discharged	do	
231	do 27	42	do	do	Paralysis	4 years	Remains	Stationary	
232	do 28	40	do	do	Intemperance	3 weeks	do	do	
233	1843. Jan. 11	48	do	do		3 months	do	Improved	Labors

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1843.									
aily - 234	Jan. 16	45	Female	Single		7 years	Remains	Stationary	Homicidal.
235	do 17	42	Male	do	Intemperance -	3 months	Died		
236	do 27	27	Female	do	Amenorrhea -	12 years	Discharged	Recovered	Periodical.
rainhall - 237	Feb. 23	46	do	Married	Domestic Trouble -	20 months	Remains	Stationary	Labors.
238	March 9	16	do	Single	Ill Health -	6 weeks	Discharged	Improved	
239	do 20	55	Male	Married	Epilepsy -	4 days	do	Recovered	
adams - 240	do 23	40	do	do	Hereditary -	7 years	Remains	Stationary	Suicidal.
241	do 31	42	Female	do	Domestic Trouble -	2 years	do	do	
dy - 242	do 31	40	do	Widow	Intemperance -	1 month	do	do	
243	April 5	48	do	Married	do -	5 days	Discharged	Improved	Labors.
244	do 7	40	do	Single		1 week	Discharged	Recovered	
245	do 13	35	Male	do		3 months	Remains	Improved	Labors.
246	do 18	18	do	do	Dissipation -	5 days	Discharged	Recovered	
247	do 24	45	do	Married	Intemperance -	6 weeks	Remains	Stationary	
248	do 28	35	do	do	do -	6 months	do	Improved	
249	May 1	26	Female	do		6 months	do	do	Labors.
250	do 2	27	do	do	Fright -	6 weeks	do	do	Labors.
251	do 5	23	Male	Single	Masturbation	13 months	do	do	Labors.
252	do 5	28	Female	do	Ill Health -	4 years	Discharged	Stationary	Hereditary.
253	do 17		Male	Married		years	Remains	Improved	
254	June 3	40	do	Single	Millerism -		do	Stationary	
255	do 7	25	do	do	Masturbation	6 years	do	Improved	
256	do 24	40	do	do		3 weeks	do	do	
257	do 27	36	do	Married	do	18 months	do	Stationary	Hereditary.
258	do 27	38	Female	do		3 weeks	do	Improved	do
259	do 29		Male	Single	Over Exertion -	3 months	do	do	
elton - 260	July 11.	23.	M.	S.	Dissipation	4 mths.	Remains	Recovered	Hereditary
agg - 261	" 20.	26.	"	"	Influenza	4 days	"	"	"
ersons - 262	" 24.	65	F.	Wid.		3 years	"	Station?	
rawley - 264	" 25.	30.	M.	M.	Religious excitement	10 mths.	"	"	
anning - 265	Aug. 2.	36.	F.	"		1 week	"	"	
race - 266	" 18.	24.	M.	S.			"	"	
ullivan - 269	Sept. 7.	26.	F.	"	Ill health	2 weeks	"	Improv ^d	Labors
ounovan - 272	Nov. 11.	30.	M.	"	Intemperance	2 mths.	"	"	"
lochford - 273	" 17.	55.	F.	Wid.	Puerperal state	19 years	"	Station?	

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„WALDEN”
BUSSUM.

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5 May 1914

Dear Miss Barker

I just finished your „Letters from a living, dead man” and was deeply impressed. I send you by same mail a copy of my paper „on Dreams” read last year in Cambridge and London. You will see from it, that the matter of your book is not alien to me.

I dare say exactly those details which will make other people doubt as too improbable, are convincing to me, because in accordance with my own experience.

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Many people will say that your book is a forgery. If it were, it would be a work of genius. I do not know your other books, but I doubt whether you could be such an astonishing forger.

I published two books - (in America at Mitchell Kennerley's) called, "the Guest" and, "the Bride of Dreams" where in you will find many things that are in perfect harmony with X's letters.

Will you give me your address and enter into Correspondance? I translated Tagore's poems into Dutch and did much for him in Germany and Holland.

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I would be inclined to do something for
your book too, for it is surely a great
gift to the world.

Hoping to hear from you
Yours sincerely

Frederik van Eeden

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Dr. FREDERIK VAN EEDEN
„WALDEN”
BUSSUM (N.-Holland)

28 Dec 1915

Dear Mrs. Barker,

On Thursday the 23 of December we had a sitting in Amsterdam with a young medium, a good and intelligent young woman, who never tried automatic script before, who did it now under my instigation and control, with remarkable success. I enclose a full report of that part of the sitting that will interest you, as it contains tidings from the man that directed also your hand and in such a way that I can hardly doubt their genuineness. Especially because he made reference to a very remarkable passage in his book about the White Brothers, and the medium could not have got any information about that. I suppose I have got the only copy thus far in Holland.

The medium is well versed in the english language and it is curious that there was some misspelling, which the medium was able to correct herself and therefore not due to her ignorance. The spirit of the messages seems to me in accordance with the character of the writer.

You will see that he promised to tell you that he spoke to me and even said that he had spoken to you about me before. So I hope to get from you information as soon as my person is mentioned or indicated in your script. So we can establish what is called „cross-correspondence”

The book is being translated as quickly as possible.

yours very truly
F van Eeden

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Sitting of thursday 23 Dec. 1915.

The man who was guiding the hand of the medium had spoken to us before Present were Dr. van Eeden and his wife Mrs. van Eeden, miss Welters, the medium, and Mrs. Welters, her mother.

The first person who spoke, well known to us, indicates his presence by writing ~~*~~ A Δ indicates the presence of Mr. Welters, the deceased father of the medium, and Judge Hatch was indicated by a $+$

Dr. van Eeden asked if it would be possible that Judge Hatch would come. The ~~*~~ had the contrall at that moment and said that he would with pleasure try to get him. After a very short time, only a few minutes, during which the hand wrote half a page of illegible marks, there came a cross and the question put in english: What do you want, my friends? van Eeden asks if Mr. Hatch, if it was he indeed, would speak to Mrs. Barker about him. Answer came: Yes, I did so already.

van Eeden: In which way will you speak to us?

A.: in the usual way.

Q.: Is this medium fit for you?

A.: Yes I like her.

(At this saying we all smiled, and I patted the medium on the back) Immediately the hand wrote: Don't laugh at that.

Q.: What can I do to help you?

A.: Look into my book and read what is written about the white brothers You belong to them already, although it is not yet known by them. You will be a good help to me and I thank you for your working till now.

Q.: How often shall we come together?

A.: I wish to see you often and you may call me on these beautiful evenings, as soon as I am with your friends the ~~*~~ and the Δ ~~and~~. I can do more for you than.

Q. by miss Welters: Was my father with the star?

A.: Yes my child he is there.

Q by Dr. v. E.: Are you ~~and~~ the star in the same sphere?

A.: Yes of course.

Q.: Will you let me see you in my dreams?

A.: be patient. Do I understand well that you want me in your dreams? Why that?

Dr. v.E. explains that he used to have ~~xxxxxx~~ lucid dreams, wherein he saw deceased people, among others his son, and that he has not had such dreams since the war. Will they come back again?

A.: When you are alone. We are all coming back

Q.: Will you also come here?

A.: Yes also the ~~xxxx~~ \times , the Δ and the $+$.

Q.: by Mrs. v.E.: Do you know me also?

A.: Yes my ~~xxxx~~ friend, I love you very much, as you belong to my friend and good helper and brother.

Q. (by Mrs. v.E.): I want to know more about Christ.

A.: I do not understand.

Q. repeated.

A.: Jezus you mean. Jezus is the greatest who lived in all eternities. You may believe all your heart is giving you to think. Yes he is to be loved and esteemed as he has once saved the world. He was the son of God.

Q. by Mrs. v.E.: Was he born by the virgin Mary?

A.: Yes the day after tomorrow. His mother was the holy virgin Mary.

Q. by Mrs. v.E.: Can I believe this all?

A.: Yes you must, all people will one day believe that.

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Q. : How about the scriptures?

A.: The scriptures ~~have~~ done their work under the impression of the Holy Ghost. It is a beautiful thought for you, so keep it.

Q. by Dr. v.E. : Shall the medium continue this writing or go in trance?

A. : Not yet in trance. If she likes the ~~X~~ and the Δ will come as often as she wants them. I like better to speak myself to you all, as I am not used to answer to those questions.

Q. by Dr. v.E.: Will you ask Mrs. Barker to write me about this?

A.: I will tell her. Are you contented? I cannot do more for you now. +

Dr. van Eeden expressed his gratitude.

X sic!

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Dr. FREDERIK VAN EEDEN
„WALDEN“
BUSSUM (N.-Holland)
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WALDEN, May 15th 1918.

To Mrs. Elsa Barker,
1081 Teller Avenue,
Bronx, N.York City.

Dear Mrs..Barker,

Your letter of the 17th of November 1917 is still unanswered.
Please excuse the long delay. With same post I ordered to
send you 100 dollar, being about what is due to you for roy-
alty. I hope it will reach you all right.

I thank you for the addresses given to me. You will get soon
a publication of our Institute.

To my great disappointment I hear that Mr. Kennerley, the
publis/her, has destroyed the plates of my book "The Quest".
In the same time Doubbleday-Page writes me that he wants to
sell the plates of "Happy Humanity". So it seems as if America
wants to drop me altogether. I think this is undeserved, as
I have held up the cause of America with all my might. And in
Germany my books are going into new editions. Can you use your
influence in any way on my behalf ?

I am just now correcting the proofs of the second edition of
the "Letters".

Hoping to hear from you soon,

yours sincerely

Van Eeden

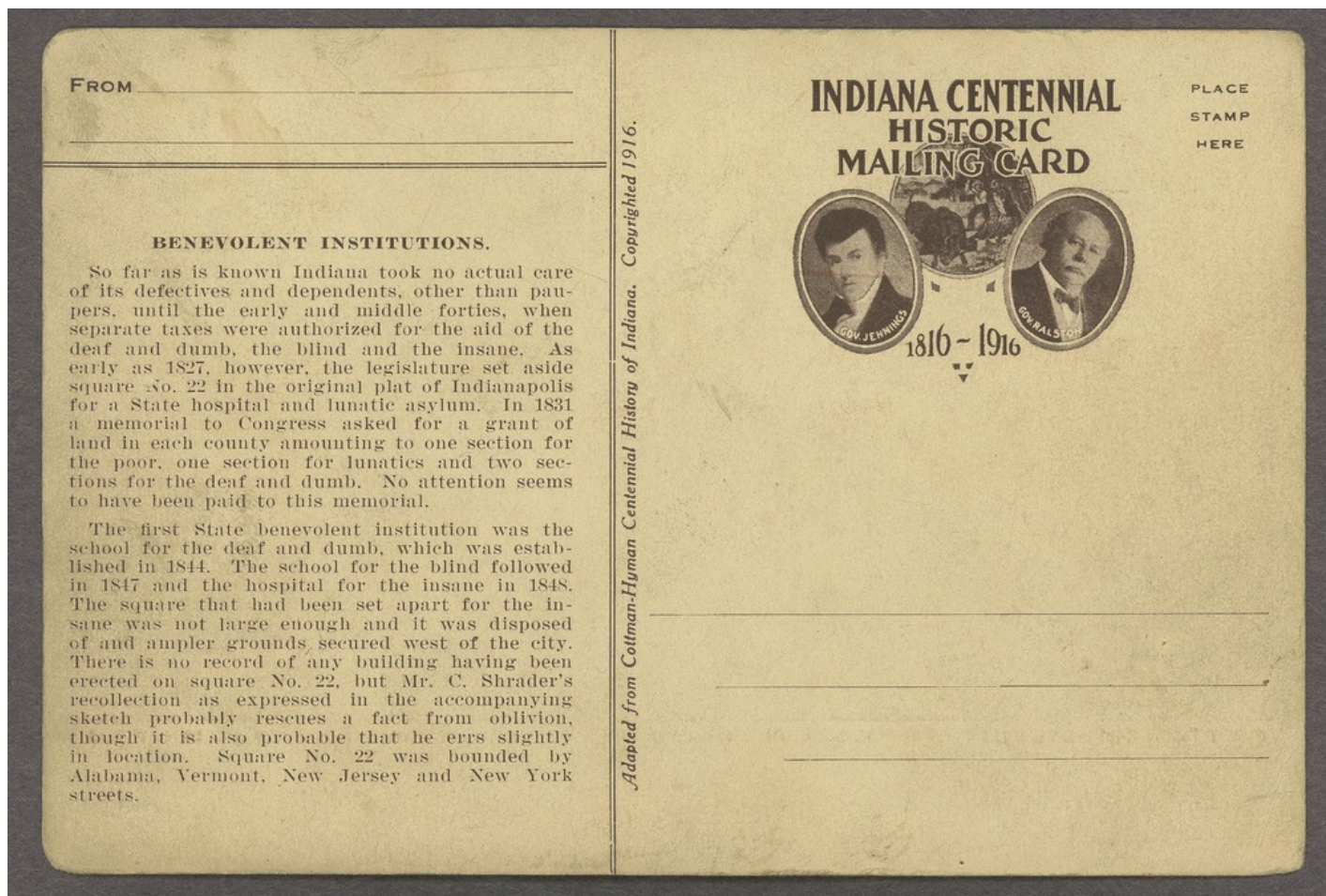
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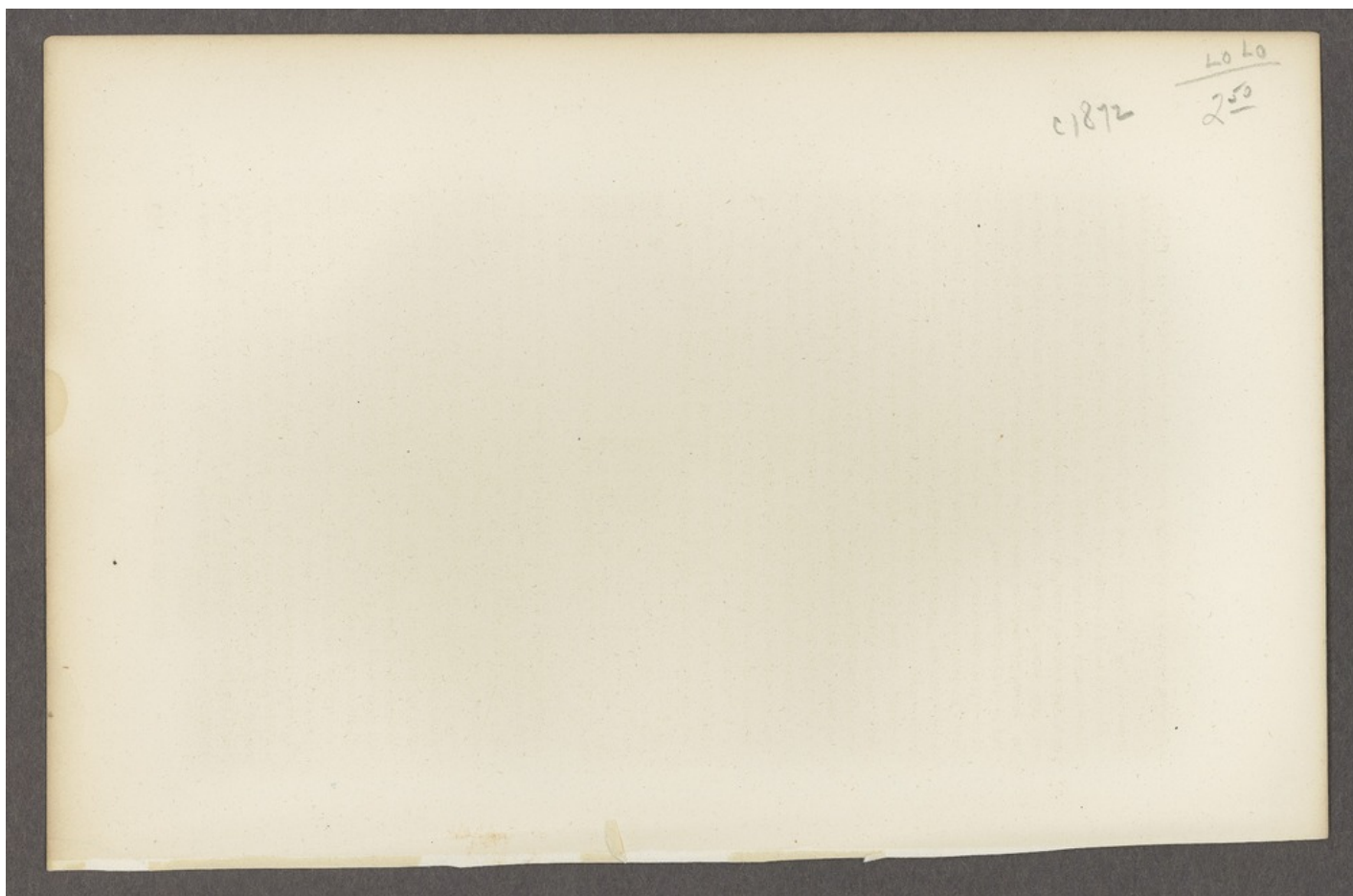
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This may certify that W. Lawrence Hughes has, as appears from the testimony of a number of his immediate neighbors, been labouring under a deficiency of hearing for a number of years past - which, at times, has been so great, that he was excluded completely from hearing the word of command given by his officers - I am therefore, in my opinion, justly entitled to an exoneration from military duty - I do, consequently, discharge him from performing military duty, until he shall have recovered his natural hearing, so as to be able to hear distinctly the word of command from his commanding officers - As witness my hand, this 29th day of April, A.D. 1866.

Jacob Saurjo Surgeon
90th Regt. Cal. Militia
J S

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Wm Lawrence
Higgin's
Military Discharge
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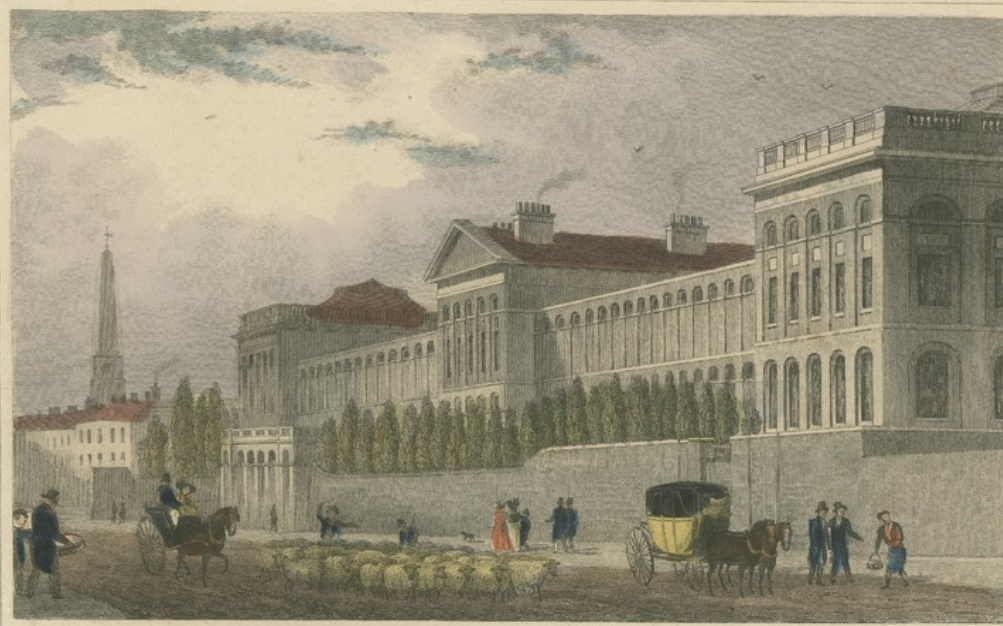
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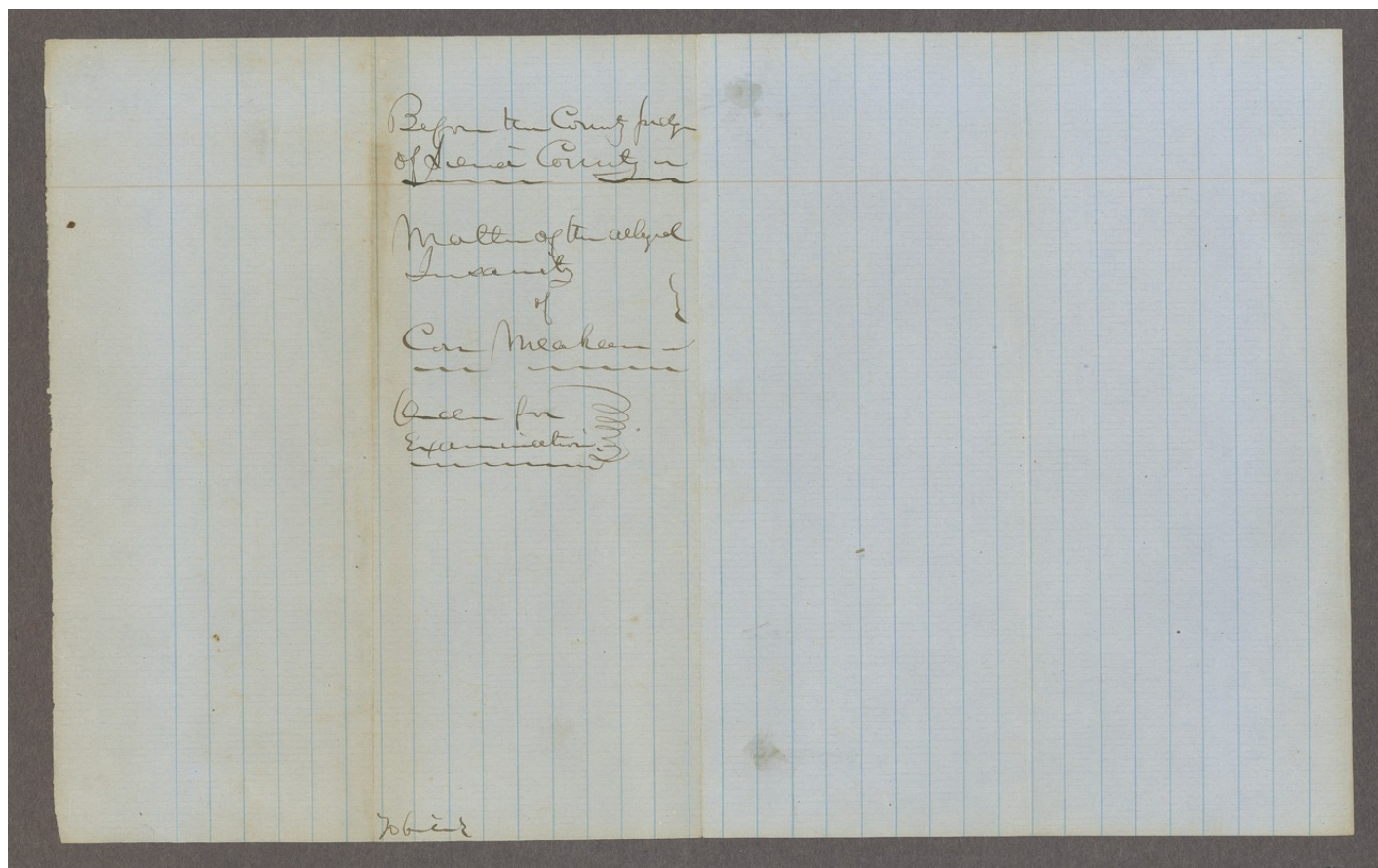
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State of California
County of Santa Clara
Matter of the alleged
insanity
of
Cor Meaham }
Before the Court Judge
It appearing to my satis-
faction that the said Cor Meaham
requires examination upon the
Charge of Insanity; Therefore ordered
that the Sheriff summon two respec-
table physicians to appear before
me at the Court house in Downie-
ville, forthwith, to examine into
said Charge of Insanity, & certify the
result of such examination to me.
Done at Chambers in }
Downieville this 28th }
day of June A.D. 1888. }
Clarence Witter
County Judge, of
Santa Clara County.

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State of California
County of Santa Clara

Special proceeding
Before the County Judge

Matter of the Insanity
of
Thomas Corwin

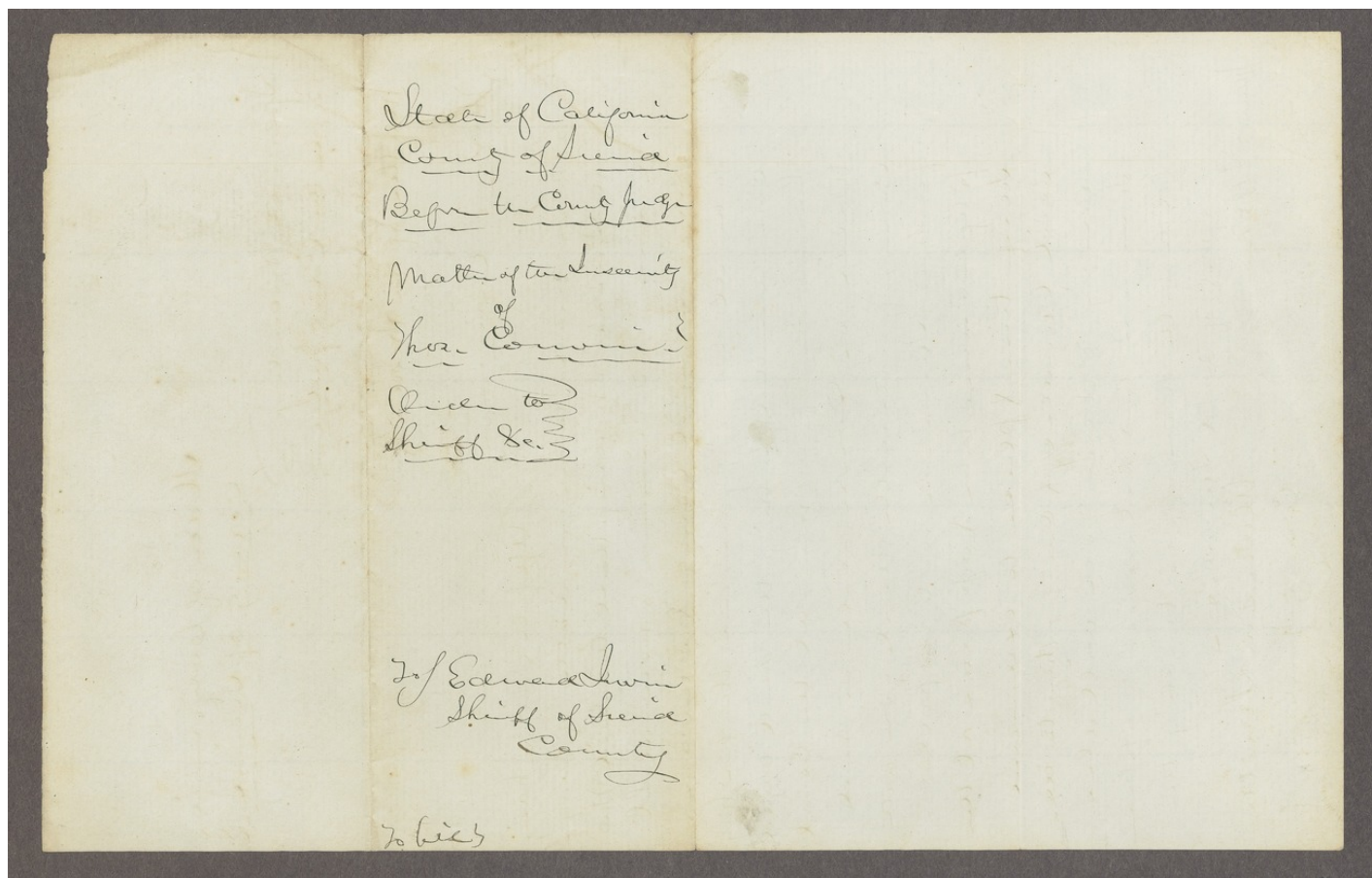
Application having been made to me on oath of George A. Davis, showing that the said Thomas Corwin is insane, & now at St Louis in said County, & it unsafe to be at large; you are therefore hereby commanded to bring the said alleged lunatic before me, at the Court House, in Downsville in said County, forthwith; And you with further summon two respectable physicians to be & appear at the same time & place to examine said lunatic & certify thereof according to Law; you will also summon two witnesses to appear forthwith to answer touching the propriety of said Lunatic -

June 30th 1857 -

Alanson Smith
County Judge, of
Santa Clara

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State of Tennessee, Wilson County. June 6th. 1847.

Cousin Allen H. Jones. Dear Sir.

After a lapse of several long years, I am again permitted to address you, by letter. I am enjoying tolerably good health now, better, than for several years past, at this time of year, tho' my health through the spring was exceedingly bad; I am annoyed by chronic affection of Liver. And you know, that one's health is generally irregular and inconstant even at the best. I am making some crippled efforts at farming, this year, as I believe it the most healthy, and at the same time the most innocent; not to say, (if properly and perseveringly continued for a series of years) the most profitable business that man ever engaged in; for it is, doubtless, the manner in which our benevolent Creator, intended that 70 of the human family, in a civilized & highly enlightened state of society, should live. And as God manifestly intends the happiness of all his creatures, he so adapted the material world, as to secure the greatest amount of good to the greatest number of his creatures. And ^{he} saw fit in his infinite wisdom so to constitute the economy of universal nature, that he cannot help, nor bless any, but those, who help themselves, or rather, comply actively, with his laws, for, if ^{we} would have his protection, and blessing, we must live, obedient and loyal subjects, of his humane, and glorious Government. My Mother's health is only supportable, for a person of her age, she is declining very fast, having so much unnatural trouble, and domestic difficulty. John is still badly deranged, and has been confined for about thirteen months.

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his case is a hopeless one indeed, one, as I believe beyond the reach of human skill; he became so outrageous, and turbulent, that I had to build a house for him, and confine him, in order to keep him from killing his mother, and even he was inclined to kill everything about him. I confined him about the first of May 1856. I have since constructed, and enclosed a lot sixty feet square, connected with his house, it is picketed in, by pickets, or puncheons, two feet in the ground, and nine or ten feet above ground, with a girder on the outside, and a five ^{quarter of an} inch pin, through the girder and into each puncheon. He can go in, and out, into this lot, at pleasure. James had a severe spell of fever, last fall, a year ago, he was sick all the following winter, and even now, he is not fully restored, and probably never will be, he relapsed, time after time, until he became so low, that I had ^{to} take him from home, on account of John. So you may guess at my trials in life. Uncle Lucretia's people are all well, and doing well. Uncle and Aunt's health is pretty good, tho' uncle has spells of sickness for a week or so at a time. After Lince, returned from your country last fall, he Lince it, for about twelve successive weeks, together. But he is now sober and doing well, his family is well. Cousin Rispeah has another heir, its gender is unknown by me, tho' I guess a daughter, her health is tolerable. Uncle Elias Chapman's health is very bad, he is rapidly declining. Aunt Polly Chapman is dead, she died, in last Feb. she died of consumption, she was perfectly resigned to death, in full assurance of a happy immortality beyond the grave. She requested me to say to her friends to meet her in heaven. The balance of our relations in old Nilson is well, as far as I know. Jane Young & family are well and doing well, Lewis Newgley married again, and separated from his wife dreadfully.

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Give my compliments to Mr. Bonds, and Cousin Aley and family tell them I often think of them and should be glad to see them, with Cousin Ann and your family.

Tell Mr. Bonds that his relations are well, I saw his brother James a few days ago. his son John is married, he married a miss Hall near Lainsville.

I wish you to write to me immediately, let me know how you all are, I should like to know what the chance is, in your section, for a school this coming fall.

Let me know where Mundine is living, (or) in what County, in Texas, and what P.O. as I understand you correspond with him; If you know, let me know where Col. White lives, and how they all are.

We had a very cold winter last, and very backward spring truly, our crops are promising, wheat crops, are promising. Corn is off to a promising start. Bacon is worth from six to seven cts. per lb.

Esq. Luett's land suit came ^{on} last Tuesday, a week past for trial and ^{he} was nonsuited, (as I am told) his suit is therefore laid over until the next term of the Court. The nonsuit was on acct. of his Attorney's neglecting to give the legal time, of notice in taking a deposition. The Squire and his people are all well. Give my compliments ^{to} all enquiring friends, (if any). I hope you will excuse, anything, that is wrong in this letter, as it is written under very unfavorable circumstances, as my eyes are so very sore, that I cannot see well.

Besides I am suffering severe pain in my eyes, I suppose from incessant smoke from a stove in school house, in which I taught nearly two months and half. I am Yours &c.
Mr. Allen H. Jones
Sam. C. Anderson