

ADMITTED  
8re. 16<sup>th</sup>  
1882

Name *Honor Chatton* Age *57*  
 Occupation *Widow* Residence *Brookleigh*  
 Religion *Church of England.* Education *Read only*  
 Height *5 ft 1 inch* Weight *6 st. 6 lbs*  
 Married or Single *Widow* No. of Children *9*

HISTORY.



CAUSATION  
Predisposing  
Exciting  
Hereditary

DURATION  
*3 weeks*

About 3 weeks ago without any assignable cause she became very low spirited and fancied that she was going to die but not wishing to leave the "trappings & vanities" of this wicked world she prayed that her life might be longer spared and instead of directing her supplications to the right source she prayed to the Devil who she fancied had come in disguise over her. He now is aware of having misdirected her own prayers and fancies in consequence that she has sold herself to Satan and that she is now in his power. She has a delusion that she must not eat as she has been so wicked and for some days has only taken a very small quantity of nourishment. She avers that she has temptations to do away with herself and tries to be alone but she has not had an opportunity of improving herself - having been closely watched. She is restless at night - Mind *Depressed* and quick. She reproaches herself for having been wicked. *feels*  
 Body She is very *infirm* and body ill-nourished. *Respiration* is harsh & she has *Chronic Bronchitis*. *Heart sounds* normal

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She is very depressed and miserable, a condition excited by her various delusions for she fancied that she is very wicked having misdirected her prayers and therefore is in consequence no forgiveness for her. She is rather obstinate about taking her food but eats by being persuaded to do so. She slept fairly well last night, is clumsy in her habits but not disposed to dress without assistance - *882*  
 Continues depressed and miserable she does not sleep at all well so last night 4 of nephria was prescribed for her at bedtime and with beneficial effect. She replies to any question that is put to her very unwillingly and will only take food when fed with a spoon. *883*  
 21<sup>st</sup> Was nauseated to day after nephria so it will be discontinued for the present. Very depressed and still refuses her food. She slept last night  
 23<sup>rd</sup> She has had no nephria for the last four nights and now sleeps much better than she did. She also takes her food with greater willingness and is not quite so depressed. She does not display herself in any way and never speaks except when spoken to.  
 25<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> She is more cheerful than she was and as she comes to be frightened by the noise in her old has been transferred to her. She now takes her food with less persuasion and sleeps fairly well at night. She also now dresses herself & takes more interest in what is going on around her. *883*  
 17<sup>th</sup> Continues depressed and still reproaches herself for imaginary past wickedness but she takes her food much more willingly than she did and slowly gains strength - but she is very reticent still and does not display herself in any way. She dresses herself & her habits are clean.  
 29<sup>th</sup> Improves very slowly for she continues depressed although she has not the delusions that she had. She now takes her meals well and displays herself at needlework but

ON ADMISSION

- she does not yet employ herself with any exactness
- February 10<sup>th</sup> She is still depressed and has delusions that  
that she has been very wicked &c? but she does  
much better than she did, and employs herself  
to some extent at needlework. She takes all her  
meals, and is no particular trouble
- March 7<sup>th</sup> She is more cheerful than she was and does  
not now give expression to delusions so fully  
as she did. she is still however rather dependent  
and uncommunicative but she occupies herself  
at needlework, and sleeps well
- April 20<sup>th</sup> She has now apparently quite lost her delusions  
and she is cheerful and industrious. She sleeps  
well and takes all her meals. Her condition  
will be tested during the next weeks and if  
at the end of that time she has no relapse  
she will be discharged as "recovered"
- May 24<sup>th</sup> Mental condition continues quite satisfactory  
so she will be discharged on Tuesday
- 29<sup>th</sup> She was to-day discharged as "Recovered"  
Weight 74 lbs.



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