

## Gloucester County and City Lunatic Asylum

## NOTICE OF ADMISSION

Date of Reception Order, the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January 1917

I hereby give you notice, That William Charles Phillips was admitted into this Asylum as a Pauper Patient on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1917, and I hereby transmit a Copy of the Order, and Statement of Particulars, and Medical Certificate on which he was received.

Subjoined is a Statement with respect to the Mental and Bodily Condition of the Patient.

(Signed) Las Thompson

Clerk

Dated the 24<sup>th</sup> day of January 1917  
To the Board of Control

## STATEMENT

I have this day (a) seen and examined William Charles Phillips the Patient mentioned in the above Notice, and

Hereby Certify that, with respect to Mental State he is suffering from Dementia and General Paralysis. He is very mindless and his memory and speech are defective. Although he is feeble and shaky he imagines that he is quite well and strong, but he has no very large delusions. At present his habits are clean.

and with respect to Bodily Health and Condition he is a stout, fairly muscular man of medium height. He has a narrow deformed palate.

His tongue is tremulous and his teeth are very defective. Eyes brown and at present nothing abnormal can be detected, they react freely to light and accommodation and are regular in outline. He is very shaky on his legs and tremulous all over. Knee jerks unequal. His heart, lungs, and abdominal organs appear natural.

Dated the 24th day of January 1917.

(Signed) W. B. Smith

Medical Officer.



\_\_\_\_\_ a soldier, now of the Army Service Corps,  
but about to be discharged therefrom, and from other information, that the said  
33680095. Ser. William Blacka, Phillips is, or on his discharge will be, a pauper  
chargeable to the <sup>Union</sup> Parish of Abtyngham in the County [as-foresaid] of Gloucester.

*Dr. — That there is a shortage of room in the Asylums for the said County (or Borough) of [insert some other special circumstances by reason whereof the Laminæ cannot conveniently be taken to the County or Borough Asylums] and that the Laminæ Hospital at [insert House or Street]*

(a) Inert—  
1. Asylum,  
2. Hospital,  
or  
3. House

(b) To be dated and signed by the Army Council or by any Officer designated by them for the purpose.

(b) Signed Walter J. [illegible] [illegible]

der G.G. Cuvier u. Albert Bruck

*Describe the Asylum, Hospital, or House.*

If any Participants in this Statement do not

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Army Service Corps. Dressed.

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Three months.

Syphilis. no history of chancre  
in his family

no

unknown.

Shipping Redbury.

Nicol-Phillips (Calif)  
At Albano Terrace,  
Northfield

Signed, Name, (c) J. M. Rodgers

(c) To be signed by Officer Commanding Corps or Regiment.

Major, R.A.M.C.  
*Registrar,*  
 THE LOND DERBY WAR HOSPITAL.



MEDICAL CERTIFICATE.

I, the undersigned,

R. Rager

being a person registered under the Medical Acts, and being in the actual practice of the Medical Profession, hereby certify, that I, on the 12<sup>th</sup>

(c) Here insert the street number of the house (if) or other like particulars.

day of

January 1917 at (d) The Lord Derby War Hospital

in the County of

Lancaster

Dr. William Charles Phillips

personally examined

a Soldier of the Army Service Corps, and that the said Soldier is a dangerous Lunatic and a proper person to be taken charge of and detained under Care and Treatment, and is in such a state of health as not to suffer bodily or mental injury by his removal, and that I have formed this opinion upon the following grounds, viz. :—

(e) Here state the facts.

1. Facts indicating dangerous Insanity observed by myself (e)

He is in an advanced stage of General Paralysis of the Insane as evidenced by his inarticulate speech the loss of expression in his face and his inability to give any reliable information about himself. He also shows marked tremors in his tongue & facial muscles fixed pupils and diminished knee jerks.

(f) Here state the information, and from whom received.

2. Other facts (if any) indicating dangerous Insanity communicated to me by others (f):

He was admitted to The Lord Derby War Hospital on 1 Dec 1916 from the 4<sup>th</sup> London General Hospital described as confused and disorientated with speech of G P type

N.B.—Under the Lunacy Act, 1890, 53 Vic., cap. 5, Sec. 29 (1), the medical examination of the lunatic must take place not more than seven clear days before the date of the "reception order," and under Sec. 36 (3) of the Act, the lunatic must be received before the expiration of 7 clear days from the date of the Order.

Signed, Name,

R. Rager MD Major R.A.M.C. (S)

Place of Abode,

The Lord Derby War Hospital

Dated this

12<sup>th</sup>

day of

January

One Thousand Nine

Hundred and

seventeen



Name *William Charles Phillips*  
 Admitted *Jan 17 1917*  
 Union *Shipping* *London*  
 Address of Nearest Relative *brother Phillips*  
*St Albans Terrace, Northfield*  
 Male. Age *31* *Tatbury*  
 Social Condition *Married*  
 Occupation *Private* *A.S.C.*  
 Religion *R.C.*  
 Previous place of abode *The Lord Derby War Hosp.*

Number of Children

Cause *Syphilis*

Whether 1st Attack

Age on 1st Attack *40*Where previously treated *31*Duration of existing Attack *3 months*

Epileptic

Suicidal

Dangerous to others

Education *Rew*

## MEDICAL CERTIFICATE.

He is in an advanced stage of General Paralysis of the Insane, as evidenced by his inarticulate speech, loss of expression in his face and his inability to give any reliable information about himself. He also shows marked tremors in his tongue & facial muscles, fixed pupils & diminished knee-jerk.

12 Jan: 1917

The Lord Derby War Hospital

History Nothing has yet been ascertained about his family personal history. Syphilis is given as the cause. He was sent to the Lord Derby War Hosp: from the London General

Physical. on Dec 1. 1916 He is a well nourished & fairly muscular man Ht 5ft 5 3/4, wt 10st 9 lbs. Dark brown hair, clean, rather greasy skin. Teeth very dirty. Pyorrhoea. Narrow, deep palate. Tongue clean & tremulous. Eyes brown, pupils irregular in outline & react freely to light & accommodation. Remains of needle pricks in lumbar region. He is very shaky on his legs, typical tremor of tongue & small muscles of face. Marked rombergism. Knee jerks unequal left more than right. Heart, lungs & abdominal organs appear normal.

Mental. A case of dementia & general paresis. He is very dull & demented - memory is very bad. He can give no account of himself & his answers to questions are irrelevant or incorrect. His face is placid & expressionless. He is quite happy & says he is better & stronger than ever he was & can drive a pair of horses just as well. His speech is very bad, quite inarticulate. Sleeps well, quiet, clean & free from any special habits.

Jan 24

There has been nothing to note during the week.

Jan 31  
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Bull, stupid & fatuous. He imagines he is quite strong well. *T. Smith*  
 He had been more shaky & uncertain on his feet and is now in bed. *T. Smith*  
 No mental change; lost & demented. Remains in bed. *T. Smith*  
 A little stronger physically & able to be up - no change otherwise. *T. Smith*  
 Breaking up physically - he has had convulsions & is in bed  
 at present. Very restless & noisy but more feeble. *T. Smith*  
 No better in any way. Always cheerful but is proving badly weak. *J. Marnan*  
 Growing more feeble mentally and physically. *J. Marnan*  
 Quite the same. Very cheerful but still proving weaker. *J. Marnan*  
 He has now been made a Service Patient. *J. Marnan*  
 He has several convulsions & is next to morose. *J. Marnan*  
 Much weaker & losing flesh. *J. Marnan*  
 Died at 8.15 am.  
 Cause of Death - General Paralysis.

## STATEMENT RESPECTING THE ABOVE NAMED PATIENT

Name *William Charles Phillips*  
 Sex and age *Male* ; *31* years. Married, Single or Widowed *Married*  
 Profession or occupation *Groom - then a Driver in R.E.C.*  
 Usual residence (postal address) before admission. [If the Patient has been transferred from another Institution (including Workhouses, &c.), the place of residence before admission to the first Institution should be given] *Chipping Sodbury, Glas.*

CAUSE OF DEATH	DURATION OF DISEASE FROM ONSET			
	Years	Calendar Months	Days	Hours
† i.e., the disease which initiated the train of events leading to death, and not a mere secondary, contributory or immediate cause, or a terminal condition, or mode of death.				
Primary† (1) <i>General Paralysis</i>	<i>about</i>			
	<i>2</i>			
‡ A terminal condition or mode of death should not be entered as a secondary (or contributory) cause.				
Secondary‡ (2) (Contributory)				

Whether or not ascertained by Post-mortem examination ... } *No*  
 Time and any unusual circumstances attending the death; also a description of any injuries known to exist at time of death or found subsequently on body of deceased, or a statement that there were none ... } *8.15 a.m. 14th Dec 1917*  
 Names and description of persons present at the death ... } *No injuries, nothing unusual*  
 Names and description of persons present at the death ... } *Thomas Marnan* Attendant.  
 Whether or not mechanical restraint was applied to deceased within seven days previously to death, with its character and duration if so applied ... } *No*

(Signed) *J. Marnan*  
 Medical Officer of Asylum.