

# Conolly Norman Lectures

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Typescript accounts of three series of lectures delivered by Conolly Norman to students at the Richmond Asylum on mental disorders and the treatment of the mentally ill.

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**CN**  
**Conolly Norman Lectures**

**Collection**  
**1905-1907**

*Extent:*

1 box

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript accounts of three series of lectures delivered by Conolly Norman to students at the Richmond Asylum on mental disorders and the treatment of the mentally ill. In most of the lectures Norman brings patients from the asylum into the lecture hall and talks to them in front of the class. The three series of lectures were delivered in the spring of 1905, 1906 and 1907.

From the typescripts it seems that Norman employed someone to record the lectures as he was delivering them, including transcribing and/or summarising his conversations with the patients. The typescripts have then by corrected [by Norman] and many have been annotated with the names and case numbers of the patients.

*Arrangement:*

Typescripts are divided by year, and arrange chronologically in the order they were delivered.

*Administrative History:*

Conolly Norman was born 12 March 1853 in Newtown Cunningham, Co. Donegal. He studied medicine in Dublin graduating as a Licentiate of RCPI & RCSI in 1874. From the beginning he specialised in psychiatry, working at the Bethlam Royal Hospital, Monaghan and Castlebar district asylums. In 1886 he was appointed resident medical superintendent to the Richmond district asylum, Dublin, Ireland's largest asylum. During his tenure at the Richmond Norman aimed to transform it from a gloomy prison to a hospital with a humane regime. Discipline was relaxed, occupational activities were increased, patients were allowed individual clothes, diets were improved and wards were refurbished and decorated with pictures and flowers. The grounds of the hospital were opened to the patients on a daily basis, and sports, picnics, and entertainments were organised to relieve the monotony. Norman also worked hard to counter the problems of overcrowding and insanitary conditions in the hospital, he advocated for the care of certain patients in the community and for the specialised care of alcoholics and for the mentally handicapped.

Norman was a respected psychiatric clinician, he lectured and published widely. He was editor of the Journal of Mental Science, President of the Medico-Psychological Association of Great Britain and Ireland, Vice President of RCPI and represented the Irish medical profession at international meetings. Norman died at his home in February 1908, and was buried in Mount Jerome cemetery, Dublin.

*Custodial History:*

The typescripts were found with an undated letter, signed [H] Kenny, recording that the notes were found by him when clearing out the house of the 'late Mrs Conolly Norman' and that he is sending them to the recipient of the letter (possibly T P C Kirkpatrick) as 'they might be of interest to students of mental diseases'.

*References:*

Andrews, Helen, 'Norman, Conolly (1853–1908)' in the Dictionary of Irish Biography.

**CN/1  
First Series**

**Series  
March - May 1905**

*Extent:*  
32 files

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescripts recording the contents of series of 32 lectures on psychiatry and mental disorders delivered by Conolly Norman in the Richmond Asylum between March and May 1905. During most lectures Norman brings patients from the Asylum into the lecture room and discusses their cases with the class.

*Arrangement:*  
Items are arranged chronologically

**CN/1/1 1st Lecture**

**3 March  
1905**

*Extent:*  
20 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman. Norman states his belief that medical understanding of mental disease is important for general medical practitioners and the audience attending his lecture, and describes the need for medical practitioners to determine signs of 'lunacy'. Norman brings three patients into the lecture to illustrate his talk.

**CN/1/2 Second Lecture**

**6 March  
1905**

*Extent:*  
18 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman on the 'maniacal state'. Norman brings in a number of patients to illustrate his lecture, his key point for this lecture is that the 'maniacal state is not a distinct disease but only a symptom'.

**CN/1/3 Third Lecture**

**7 March  
1905**

*Extent:*

22 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman focusing on the 'maniacal state' and mental pain. Norman illustrates his lecture with a number of cases

**CN/1/4 Fourth Lecture**

**10 March  
1905**

*Extent:*

26 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman, in which he discusses a number of cases with the patients present. The main topics discussed in this lecture are melancholy and the 'delusional state'.

**CN/1/5 Fifth Lecture**

**13 March  
1905**

*Extent:*

24 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman, in which Norman discusses a number of cases with the patients present. Topics covered include the 'melancholic state', the force feeding of patients and suicidal tendencies.

**CN/1/6 Sixth Lecture**

**14 March  
1905**

*Extent:*

26 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman at the Richmond Asylum, in which Norman discusses a number of cases with the patients present. Norman spends the majority of this lecture discussing melancholy and its development into a 'delusional state' and 'general paralysis'. He presents a patient whose symptoms include, slurring of speech, tremor in the face and different sized pupils.

**CN/1/7 Seventh Lecture**

**20 March  
1905**

*Extent:*

28 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman on 'general paralysis' and suicide. Norman wants to avoid the suicide of asylum patients, as 'You will have characters to lose, and perhaps some cash to lose' if a patient commits suicide. Norman lists a number of dangers to be aware of and the type of patient who may commit suicide. Norman gives a few examples of patients who committed suicide or attempted suicide and mentions his fear of being murdered by one of these patients.

- CN/1/8 Eighth Lecture 21 March 1905**
- Extent:*  
32 pages
- Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908
- Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman, in which Norman discusses a number of cases with the patients present. The cases presented show paranoia, 'Cathathonia', 'general paralysis' and delusions of grandeur.
- CN/1/9 Ninth Lecture 24 March 1905**
- Extent:*  
30 pages
- Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908
- Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture Conolly Norman, in which Norman discusses a number of cases with the patients present. Norman discusses general paralysis and 'Cathathonia'.
- CN/1/10 Tenth Lecture 27 March 1905**
- Extent:*  
30 pages
- Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908
- Description:*  
Typescript of tenth lecture given by Conolly Norman at the Richmond Asylum, in which Norman discusses a number of cases with the patients present. The first patient that is brought out is the 'young cathatonic', who had been shown to the students before. Norman then presents two patients suffering from 'melancholy'.

Included with this transcript is an illustration of a man with the title 'Cathatonia' underneath him and the initials '[A]. W '05' written beside him.

**CN/1/11 Eleventh Lecture**

**28 March  
1905**

*Extent:*  
26 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman, in which Norman discusses a number of cases with the patients present. The focus for this lecture is on 'general paralysis' and the symptoms it displays.

**CN/1/12 Twelfth Lecture**

**31 March  
1905**

*Extent:*  
26 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman, in which Norman discusses a number of cases with the patients present. The lecture focuses on impulse and suicide.

**CN/1/13 Thirteenth Lecture**

**3 April 1905**

*Extent:*  
26 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman, in which Norman discusses a number of cases

with the patients present. The lecture focuses on the different divisions of 'stupor', which Norman defines as 'hallucinatory', 'melancholic', 'anergic' and 'katatonic'.

**CN/1/14 Fourteenth Lecture**

**4 April 1905**

*Extent:*  
28 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman, in which Norman discusses a number of cases with the patients present. Norman continues the discussion of 'stupors' from the previous lecture, and then moves on to discuss paranoia.

**CN/1/15 Fifteenth Lecture**

**7 [April] 1905**

*Extent:*  
18 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman on paranoia. Norman presents a number of cases to illustrate his lecture, including a case of religious persecution and a patient who creates neologisms.

Note, the date given on transcript is 7 March 1905, however given its place in the series of lectures it is more likely to be 7 April 1905.

**CN/1/16 Sixteenth Lecture**

**10 April 1905**

*Extent:*  
32 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman on paranoia. Norman discusses paranoia and divides paranoia in patients into different categories; original paranoia, acquired, persecutory, exalted, erotic, paranoia of jealousy, and litigious. He illustrates his lecture by presenting a number of patients to the class.

**CN/1/17 Seventeenth Lecture**

**11 April 1905**

*Extent:*

28 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman on general paralysis. Norman brings out a number of patients to illustrate his lecture, all of who committed crimes and were sent to the asylum. He also gives his students photographs of some other patients.

**CN/1/18 Eighteenth Lecture**

**14 April 1905**

*Extent:*

26 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman on the different types of hallucinations, including visual, tactile, auditory, verbal, respiratory and olfactory. Norman illustrates his lecture by presenting a number of patients to the class.

**CN/1/19 Nineteenth Lecture**

**1 May 1905**

*Extent:*  
20 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman. He brings out and discusses a number of patients and discusses their cases with them, who mainly suffer from hallucinations, in particular 'psychomotor hallucinations'.

**CN/1/20 Twentieth Lecture**

**[2] May 1905**

*Extent:*  
20 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript of a lecture given by Conolly Norman on paranoia and hallucinations. Norman discusses what hallucinations are and gives definitions and theories from a number of writers.

Note, the date on transcript is 20 May 1905, however given its place in the series of lectures it is more likely to be 2 May 1905.

**CN/1/21 Twenty-first Lecture**

**5 May 1905**

*Extent:*  
20 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman on paranoia. Norman brings out a number of male patients and discusses their illness with them. A

number of the patients are fearful for their safety and health, and a number have a 'dissolution of the sense of personality'.

**CN/1/22 Twenty-second Lecture**

**8 May 1905**

*Extent:*  
20 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman on 'idiocy' and 'imbecility'. Norman mentions books by Dr. Ireland and Dr. Clouston which discuss 'idiocy' with which Norman disagrees with but urges his students to study for their exams. Norman discusses different types of 'idiocy', and discusses a number of cases with the patients present, including the difficulty of identifying 'idocy' in deaf and blind people.

**CN/1/23 Twenty-third Lecture**

**9 May 1905**

*Extent:*  
22 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman, who presents two patients described as a 'microphalic idiot' and an 'epiletic idiot' and discusses their cases with them.

**CN/1/24 Twenty-fourth Lecture**

**12 May 1905**

*Extent:*  
28 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman, in which he presents and discusses a number of patients. Topics discussed include 'meloncholia' and the different forms it can take, and 'mania' and its subdivisions.

**CN/1/25 Twenty-fifth Lecture**

**15 May 1905**

*Extent:*

22 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman, in which Norman discusses a number of cases with the patients present. Norman present a number of patients who suffer from 'secondary long-continued dementia'.

**CN/1/26 Twenty-sixth Lecture**

**16 May 1905**

*Extent:*

26 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman in which he discusses 'moral insanity' and discusses a number of patients' cases. Norman mentions the often hereditary nature of cases such as these, as well as the often 'intellectual weakness' of the patients.

**CN/1/27 Twenty-seventh Lecture**

**19 May 1905**

*Extent:*  
24 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of lecture given by Conolly Norman at the Richmond Asylum. Norman presents a patient who his assistant diagnosed with 'general paralysis', and attempts to diagnose the patient himself. Norman then discuss the various systems of classification of mental disorders.

**CN/1/28 Twenty-eighth Lecture**

**22 May 1905**

*Extent:*  
26 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman at the Richmond Asylum in which Norman discusses a number of cases with the patients present, who are 'senile dementis'. Norman discusses senile insanity, insane impulse and a number of cases which involved criminal actions and legal proceedings.

**CN/1/29 Twenty-ninth Lecture**

**23 May 1905**

*Extent:*  
26 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman, continuing from the previous lecture in considering criminal responsibility of the insane. He mentions historical cases which involved the 'obviously

insane' being punished for crimes. Norman also mentions the certification of patient to an asylum and what he deemes as important when doing this.

**CN/1/30 Thirtieth Lecture**

**26 May 1905**

*Extent:*  
20 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman in which he discusses the topic of sending patients to asylums. Norman covers the factors to be taken into consideration when deciding on keeping a patient in private care or sending them to an asylum. Norman also discusses the stigma surrounding asylums and the 'insane'.

**CN/1/31 Thirty-first Lecture**

**29 May 1905**

*Extent:*  
24 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman on the treatment of mental disorders. Norman discusses the diagnosis of patients, force feeding patients who refuse food and different drugs which can be use to help patients.

**CN/1/32 Thirty-second Lecture**

**30 May 1905**

*Extent:*  
32 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman, in which Norman discusses a number of cases with the patients present. Norman mentions the benefits of regular work and exercise for patients, and also the rare occasions on which he has used mechanical restraint on patients.

**CN/2  
Second Series**

**Series  
March - May 1906**

*Extent:*  
31 items

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescripts recording the contents of series of 32 lectures on psychiatry and mental disorders delivered by Conolly Norman in the Richmond Asylum between March and May 1906. During most lectures Norman brings patients from the Asylum into the lecture room and discusses their cases with the class.

A pencil note on the front of the typescript of the first lecture states that the 18th lecture is missing.

*Arrangement:*  
Items are arranged chronologically

**CN/2/1 First Lecture - Mania**

**2 March  
1906**

*Extent:*  
9 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Conolly Norman on 'Mania'. Norman begins by discussing the importance of 'the subject of insanity' to the medical profession, the improvements to the way the subject is examined, and the importance of correctly completing 'lunacy certificate'. He then discusses the condition 'mania' which he believes is 'not a particular disease ... nor even a well-defined group of symptoms'. He illustrated his talk by bringing in three patients from the Richmond Asylum.  
A manuscript note gives the patients names and [case numbers].

**CN/2/2 Second Lecture - Melancholia**

**5 March  
1906**

*Extent:*  
9 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on Melancholia. Norman illustrates his lecture with two patients from the Asylum who are brought into the lecture room. He uses the first case to discuss the issue of heredity in insanity, as well as other factors. In both cases the patient has tried to commit suicide and Norman discusses the reasons for this with them, and gives his own views.  
A manuscript note gives the patients names and [case numbers].

**CN/2/3 Third Lecture - Melancholia**

**6 March  
1906**

*Extent:*  
13 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on Melancholia. Norman begins by discussing the importance of the language used in describing patients both on lunacy certificates and in talking to the patients so as not 'to wound their feelings'. Norman then discusses melancholia, delusion and suicide, he illustrates his lecture with two patients from the Asylum who are brought into the lecture room.  
A manuscript note gives the patients names and [case numbers].

**CN/2/4 Fourth Lecture - Melanch.**

**9 March  
1906**

*Extent:*  
12 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on Melancholia. Norman begins by discussing the Dangerous Lunatics Act, and the deficiencies he see in it and the way it is used to commit people. Norman then presents two patients from the Asylum who have melancholia, both have tried to commit suicide for which they have been committed. Both women suffer from delusions that they have killed members of their family.  
A manuscript note gives the patients names and [case numbers].

**CN/2/5 Fifth Lecture - Melanch.**

**12 March  
1906**

*Extent:*  
9 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on Melancholia. Norman presents two patients from the Asylum who have melancholia, and uses their cases to discuss issues around suicide, alcoholism and 'sexual depravity'.  
A manuscript note gives the patients names and [case numbers].

**CN/2/6 Sixth Lecture - Melanch.**

**13 March  
1906**

*Extent:*  
14 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on Melancholia. Norman discusses the common features of melancholia, delusions and hallucinations, before presenting three patients from the Asylum to illustrate his points. He converses at length with one patient, a maid servant, who was committed for setting fire to a house.

A manuscript note gives the patients names and [case numbers].

**CN/2/7 Seventh Lecture - Paranoia**

**19 March  
1906**

*Extent:*

12 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on Paranoia. Norman starts by reflecting on the previous lectures on melancholia and suicide, summarising the commonest methods of attempted suicide. He then describes a recent case of a patient who tried to commit suicide by swallowing a £5 note. Norman then converses at length with a patient, who he uses to exemplify aural hallucinations.

A manuscript note gives the patients names.

**CN/2/8 Eight Lecture - Paranoia**

**20 March  
1906**

*Extent:*

14 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on paranoia. Norman converses with three patients who exemplify aural hallucinations, and their use on neologisms. He also talks about 'hallucinations of the sense of mental action'.

A manuscript note gives the patients' names [and case numbers].

**CN/2/9 Ninth Lecture - Confusion**

**23 March  
1906**

*Extent:*  
11 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on confusion. Norman begins by conversing with a patients who has been seen by the class before, he believes hers to be a case of confusion. He then exhibits two other cases, with signs of confusion, delusions and orfactory hallucinations.  
A manuscript note gives the patients' names [and case numbers].

**CN/2/10 Tenth Lecture - Melanch. and Paranoia**

**26 March  
1906**

*Extent:*  
11 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on melancholia and paranoia. Norman presents two patients and talks to them at length, he uses their cases to illustrate various aspect of mental disorder including delusion, hallucination, paranoia and depression.  
A manuscript note gives the patients' names [and case numbers].

**CN/2/11 Eleventh Lecture - Mania, Sec. Dem. and Senile Dem. 27 March 1906**

*Extent:*  
13 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on mania, secondary dementia and senile dementia. Norman presents four patients and talks to them at length, he uses their cases to illustrate various aspect of mental disorder including mania, maniacal exaltation, delusions of grandeur, secondary and senile dementia. Norman states that secondary dementia is 'the goal of all uncured mental disease'. A manuscript note gives the patients' names [and case numbers].

**CN/2/12 Twelfth Lecture - Stupor 30 March 1906**

*Extent:*  
9 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on stupor. Norman presents five patients together to show the common traits of stupor, which including dribbling, poor circulation, rigidity, catatonia and a neglect of 'natural calls'. A manuscript note gives the patients' names [and case numbers].

**CN/2/13 Thirteenth Lecture - Paranoia 2 April 1906**

*Extent:*  
15 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on paranoia. Norman presents two patients both with paranoia and a 'condition of occult influence'. The second patient also suffers from a variety of hallucinations and believes that Norman is persecuting her in a number of ways.

A manuscript note gives the patients' names [and case numbers].

**CN/2/14 Fourteenth Lecture - Paranoia and Adolescent I**

**3 April 1906**

*Extent:*

11 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on paranoia and adolescent [insanity]. Norman presents two patients, an elder lady with paranoid and persecution delusion and a young women admitted for attempting suicide.

A manuscript note gives the patients' names [and case numbers].

**CN/2/15 Fifteenth Lecture - Adolescent I., Stupor and Impulse**

**6 April 1906**

*Extent:*

16 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on adolescent i[nsanity], stupor and impulse. The first patient presented suffers from delusions about mesmerism, her case is complicated by her family's belief she is sane and that the doctor and nurses are mistreating her. Norman states this is not uncommon, and that the general public often have a poor opinion of carers of the insane. The second patient, with stupor, is presented only briefly. Norman then moves

on to a 'most interesting case', a man admitted the previous day who handed himself into the police as he feared he would harm his wife or children. Norman talks to him at length about his family, work, alcoholism and why he handed himself in.

A manuscript note gives the patients' names.

**CN/2/16 Sixteenth Lecture - Moral I.**

**9 April 1906**

*Extent:*

15 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on moral insanity. Norman presents three patients with 'moral insanity' and converses with them at length. He links moral insanity to impulse, and states that it is also often seen with 'sexual depravity'.

A manuscript note gives the patients' names

**CN/2/17 17th Lecture - Epileptic I.**

**10 April 1906**

*Extent:*

12 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on epileptic insanity. Norman presents three patients with epileptic insanity and converses with them at length. He links the frequency of fits to the 'destruction of the mind', and that 'the end of epilepsy from our point of view is dementia'. Norman also discuss the practice of creating communities for epileptics to live and work in, although this is not something he has ever seen in practice.

A manuscript note gives the patients' names

**CN/2/18 Nineteenth Lecture - Idiocy**

**30 April 1906**

*Extent:*  
9 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on 'idiocy'. Norman presents six patients with what he describes as 'congenital mental deficiency', he comments on the shape of their palates, and the indistinctness or incoherence of speech. Norman comments on lamentable condition and shameful neglect of 'this whole class of idiots as they appear in our public asylums'. He argues they drift into the workhouses where they are treated with 'organised neglect', where as most are capable of 'being improved' is treated early.  
A manuscript note gives the patients' names

**CN/2/19 Twentieth Lecture - Idiocy**

**1 May 1906**

*Extent:*  
9 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman continuing the subject of 'idiocy'. Norman then moves on to the discussion of 'precocious dementia', a term which Norman does not agree with, and 'katatonia'.  
A manuscript note gives the patients' names.

**CN/2/20 Twenty-first Lecture**

**4 May 1906**

*Extent:*  
11 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman. The first patient presented is 'an example of circular insanity', selected by Norman because of his current condition and used by Norman to explain the cycle of the diseases. He then presents several patients with general paralysis, calling attention especially to their speech. Norman links 90% of the cases of general paralysis to venereal diseases.

**CN/2/21 22nd Lecture**

**7 May 1906**

*Extent:*  
5 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman. Two patients seen at the last lecture and presented again, to show a different phase of their 'circular insanity'. Norman then continues the discussion from the previous lecture of general paralysis, presenting several cases and calling attention to common symptoms including peculiarities of speech and hypochondria.

**CN/2/22 Twenty-Third Lecture**

**8th May  
1906**

*Extent:*  
10 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman, continuing the subject of general paralysis. Norman comments that while the disease is most common in those of middle-age, cases in infancy are all an 'indication of hereditary syphilis'. He recommends the study of the diseases as it is the diseases most likely to bring the doctor in contact with the police, as most cases first 'excite suspicion of mental trouble by mere silliness, sometimes accompanied by extravagance' which brings them into contact with the police. Norman presents several patients to illustrate this point, and well as discussing the likelihood of delusions with general paralysis.

**CN/2/23 Twenty-Fourth Lecture**

**11 May 1906**

*Extent:*  
9 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman, continuing the subject of general paralysis. Norman presents a number of patients with general paralysis, as well as recounting cases of his own and others, to illustrate features and associated conditions of the diseases, including monoplegia, hypochondria, fits and violence. Norman comments that 'general paralytics above all people ... require care and nursing', he provides advice on food, general care and bed-sores.

**CN/2/24 Twenty Fifth Lecture**

**14 May 1906**

*Extent:*  
11 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman. The first patient presented by Norman has a history of alcoholic excess and has been suffering hallucinations

but requested to be admitted to the asylum. Norman uses the case to illustrate the the belief of the law that a man is either sane or insane is not correct. He also provided details of a case formally under his care of a patient who attacked a guard to 'have his case brought before the courts in order that the wrongfulness of sending him to an asylum might be manifested'. Norman then show two patients, already seen by the class, with circular insanity, and a final case of a youth who attacked a girl with a sword.

**CN/2/25 Twenty Sixth Lecture**

**15 May 1906**

*Extent:*

11 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman covering the topics of auditory hallucinations, obsessions, paranoia, agrophobia and claustrophobia. Norman illustrates his lecture with examples from his past and from professional colleagues, as well as bringing in patients from the asylum, which whom he converses.

**CN/2/26 Twenty Seventh Lecture**

**18 May 1906**

*Extent:*

9 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on the classification on insanity, which Norman states is best described without patients present. He discuss the difficult of arriving at any complete scheme of classification, then presents a scheme being developed by 'the Association with which I am connected', although he warns it is not 'a perfect scheme at all'. Norman goes through the various classifications,

identifying the key features and referring back to cases seen by the class in previous lectures.

**CN/2/27 Twenty Eighth Lecture**

**21 May 1906**

*Extent:*  
12 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman, who presents patients to exemplify depression and delusions, of a mysterious and hallucinatory nature.

**CN/2/28 Twentyninth Lecture**

**22 May 1906**

*Extent:*  
10 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman. The lecture commences with the discussion of several patients with different form of hallucinations, Norman then discusses a 'theoretic subject .. the question of causes of insanity'. Norman divides the causes into Moral and Physical ones, although he acknowledges the division is imperfect. He then outlines the main causes under each heading, relating them back to cases presented to the class at previous lectures.

**CN/2/29 Thirteenth Lecture**

**25 May 1906**

*Extent:*  
9 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on causes of insanity. Norman continues from the previous lecture in listing physical causes of insanity, including alcohol and drug abuse, sexual depravity or excess, accident, illness or diseases and old age.

**CN/2/30 Thirtyfirst Lecture**

**28 May 1906**

*Extent:*  
9 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman, who commences by presenting three cases to the audience. He then states that 'I should not bring this course to an end without saying something about the question of treatment'. Norman states that the most important question in treatment is whether the patient should be admitted to an asylum. He then discourses at length on 'the feeding of a patient who refused food', giving detailed and practical advice on how this should be done.

**CN/2/31 Thirtysecond Lecture**

**29 May 1906**

*Extent:*  
8 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman, continuing from the previous lecture on the subject of force feeding. Norman then returns to his previous topic of why it may be necessary to commit a patient to an asylum, giving a number of possible reasons including suicide, self-harm, 'public danger' and a tendency to 'offend against public decency'. Norman then discusses a number of drugs that can be used in the treatment of 'excitedness' the 'wet pack' and baths.

**CN/3  
Third Series**

**Series  
March - May 1907**

*Extent:*  
27 items

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescripts recording the contents of series of [32] lectures on psychiatry and mental disorders delivered by Conolly Norman in the Richmond Asylum between March and May 1907. During most lectures Norman brings patients from the Asylum into the lecture room and discusses their cases with the class.

A pencil note on the front of the typescript of the second lecture states that the 1st and 21st lectures are missing, however it is clear from the typescripts that neither were transcribed. It seems likely that the series of lectures originally contained 32 lectures, and that the typescripts of lectures 30 to 32 have been lost. The previous two series have 32 lectures in each, in addition both typescripts of lecture 32 record that it is the last lecture in the series, this is not the case with the typescript of lecture 29 in this series.

*Arrangement:*  
Items are arranged chronologically

**CN/3/1 2nd Lecture**

**4 March  
1907**

*Extent:*  
10 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on the topic of suicide and self mutilation. Norman presents three female patients to the class to illustrate the topic. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] provide a summary of the lecture and the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/2 3rd Lecture**

**5 March  
1907**

*Extent:*  
10 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman, who presents two female patients both of whom have 'an idea of diabolical possession. Norman uses the cases to discuss symptoms of hallucination, depression and melancholia, especially the sexually and religious influences on these conditions. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/3 4th Lecture**

**8 March  
1907**

*Extent:*  
11 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman who presented two patients as examples of 'a condition that was at one time confounded with the melancholic state'. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/4 Fifth Lecture**

**11 March  
1907**

*Extent:*  
12 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman who presents three patients as examples of those suffering

from auditory hallucinations and melancholia. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/5 6th Lecture**

**12 March  
1907**

*Extent:*  
10 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman who presents two patients as examples of those suffering from different types of hallucinations. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/6 7th Lecture**

**15 March  
1907**

*Extent:*  
11 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman, continuing from the previous lecture with the same patient. Norman continues to discuss various types or classes of a hallucination, presenting cases to illustrate his points. He also discusses some of the theories behind hallucinations. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/7 8th Lecture**

**19 March  
1907**

*Extent:*  
10 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on mania or the maniacal state. Norman uses the first patient to show the common symptoms of mania, and then discusses them at length. The second patient presented is identified by Norman as being delusional, although her case 'in some degree resembling the case of mania'. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/8 9th Lecture**

**22 March  
1907**

*Extent:*

9 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on stupor, paranoia and hallucinations. Norman presents one case of 'stupor' which he states has 'no particular reference to anything I have said to you before'. He then moves on to a series of cases of paranoia and hallucinations. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/9 10th Lecture**

**8 April 1907**

*Extent:*

9 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on stupor. Norman presents a series of cases of stupor 'so that the distinctive features may be seen on bloc'. He then discusses the view of the Heidelberg School 'that there is a special form of insanity called precocious

dementia', and gives his views on this and adolescent onset 'insanity'. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/10 11th Lecture**

**9 April 1907**

*Extent:*  
11 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on parietic dementia or general paralysis. Norman presents a series of cases to illustrate his lecture. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/11 12th Lecture**

**16 April 1907**

*Extent:*  
6 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman continuing the subject of parietic dementia or general paralysis. Norman presents a series of cases to illustrate his lecture. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/12 13th Lecture**

**19th April  
1907**

*Extent:*  
8 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman continuing the subject of parietic dementia or general paralysis. Norman presents a series of cases to illustrate his lecture, focusing on cases he believes to be general paralysis but which have been misdiagnosed as kleptomania or 'puerpural'. Norman then moves on to the subject of obsession and impulse. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/13 14th lecture**

**22 April 1907**

*Extent:*  
9 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman continuing the subject of obsession and impulse. Norman apologises that the first two cases he wanted to present (dipsomania and insane impulse) have refused to be shown to the class. Norman continues the lecture by presenting and discussing other cases. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/14 15th Lecture**

**23 April 1907**

*Extent:*  
7 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman continuing the subject of general paralysis, and presenting one of the same patients as the previous lecture. He then presents a patient whose first symptom was an 'epileptiform seizure', and another patient who has haematoma auris. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/15 16th Lecture**

**26 April 1907**

*Extent:*

7 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman continuing the subject of general paralysis. Norman presents a number of patients to illustrate his lecture, including the patient with haematoma auris from the previous lecture. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/16 17th Lecture**

**29 April 1907**

*Extent:*

7 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman continuing the subject of general paralysis. Norman presents a number of patients to illustrate his lecture, focusing on those with confirmed diagnosis of syphilis. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/17 18th Lecture**

**30 April 1907**

*Extent:*  
8 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman continuing the subject of general paralysis, Norman presents a number of patients to illustrate his lecture. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/18 19th Lecture**

**3 May 1907**

*Extent:*  
8 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman continuing the subject of general paralysis, focusing on those cases which have been incorrectly identified as general paralysis. Norman presents a number of patients to illustrate his lecture, including a case of 'alcoholic neuritis'. He also discusses the possibility of curing general paralysis, stating that 'when I have cured a general paralytic I come to the conclusion I have made a mistake in my diagnosis'. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/19 20th Lecture**

**6 May 1907**

*Extent:*  
6 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman. The lecture commences by a reexamination of a patient from the previous lecture whose diagnosis Norman has changed from 'alcoholic neuritis' to general paralysis. Norman then presented two cases of 'cathatonia'. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/20 22nd Lecture**

**10 May 1907**

*Extent:*

6 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman. The lecture commences with a brief examination of two cases of 'haematoma auris'. Norman then 'resume[s] the subject of classification' and the rest of the lecture deals with the classification of mental disorders. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/21 23rd Lecture**

**13 May 1907**

*Extent:*

8 pages

*Creator:*

Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*

Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman. The lecture commences with a brief re-examination of two cases previously shown to the class. Norman then returns to the subject of the classification of mental disorders, focusing on the work of Emil Kraepelin. Additional manuscript notes made by [Norman] give

the names and [case numbers] of the patients presented.

**CN/3/22 24th Lecture**

**14 May 1907**

*Extent:*  
8 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman continuing the subject of the classification of mental disorders. Norman presents a number of cases to illustrate his lecture.

**CN/3/23 25th Lecture**

**17 May 1907**

*Extent:*  
6 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on the 'prognosis of mental disease'. Norman presents a patient with general paralysis who had been released following remission, but then had to be readmitted.

**CN/3/24 26th Lecture**

**21 May 1907**

*Extent:*  
7 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman. The first part of the lecture deals with 'epileptics' and is illustrated by several cases. Norman then moves on to

discuss 'the diagnosis of insanity', and the difficulty of successfully 'feigning insanity'.

**CN/3/25 27th Lecture**

**24 May 1907**

*Extent:*  
7 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman continuing the subject of the diagnosis of mental disorders. Norman presents two cases to illustrate his lecture, and talks about the physical signs of mental disorders. There are ink sketches on the typescript relating to the physical signs described.

**CN/3/26 28th Lecture**

**27 May 1907**

*Extent:*  
10 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman. The first part of the lecture looks at the classification of 'idiots' and 'idiocy' and is illustrated by a number of cases. The second part of the lecture looks at 'senile dementia', and is also illustrated by cases.

**CN/3/27 29th Lecture**

**28 May 1907**

*Extent:*  
9 pages

*Creator:*  
Norman, Conolly, 1853-1908

*Description:*  
Typescript account of a lecture given by Norman on the 'so-called cases' of mental disorders, both moral and

physical. Two patients are presented at the end of the lecture, the second was 'so intractable that nothing could apparently be demonstrated'.