

The article now shown me is
a camisade. It is for the purpose
of confining the hands when patients destroy
and divest themselves of clothing. There
are also patients who use their fingers
to mutilate their bodies in one way and
another, and some times their arms have
to be confined. This leaves all
the limbs free except the hands which
are confined. These are used only
when they cannot get along without
them. Think we never have had
in use a straight jacket since I have
been there. There was a corn man shower
bath in every ward when I went there
and up to the time of the fire.
They were abandoned because they
were liable to be used improperly
by attendants. No chains or shackles have
ever been used there since I have
been connected with the institution. When
patients come there they very often have
handcuffs on them but they are
removed the moment they go into the
office. Men are frequently brought
there chained, laid down in the wagon