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The Johns Hopkins Hospital.

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35 N. Charles Street.

G. C. Morris
Esq. Dear Friend

Walbrook was sold yesterday for $20,000. A day's delay would, it was believed, lose the only opportunity that has yet offered – Jas Carey consulted with B. B. Newcomer. At the expense the place is under, & running down at that, with loss of interest & taxes, it was a fortunate sale. The other party who approached me was seen by J. C. & he entirely backed out – his wife would not entertain it for a moment. His appearance as a purchaser however brought the other man up to $20m. from $18.500 – I fully believe.

We have had an offer of $1.200 a year, 3 years lease, from a good firm for the Hanover St warehouse & the matter has hung for a month past, our price being $1.500.

The party today agrees to our rent $1500., 3 years, if you will expend about $300 on the machinery which is in bad order. He wants the cellar stairs removed from the centre of the store, to the side, under the stairs leading to the 2d floor; two of the front doors altered to show windows, plain plate glass – the rooms papered & the house generally painted. Our builder has furnished us with an estimate of $300 for the whole. Please telegraph a reply early second-day.

My machinery next-door, same size but with a ~~good~~ better back light, is rented at 1500 & I expended on it for the tenant about the same sum. F. J. Kin