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IN BEHALF OF A HOSPITAL

FOR THE

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.



AN APPENDIX

TO THE REPORT OF A COMMITTEE

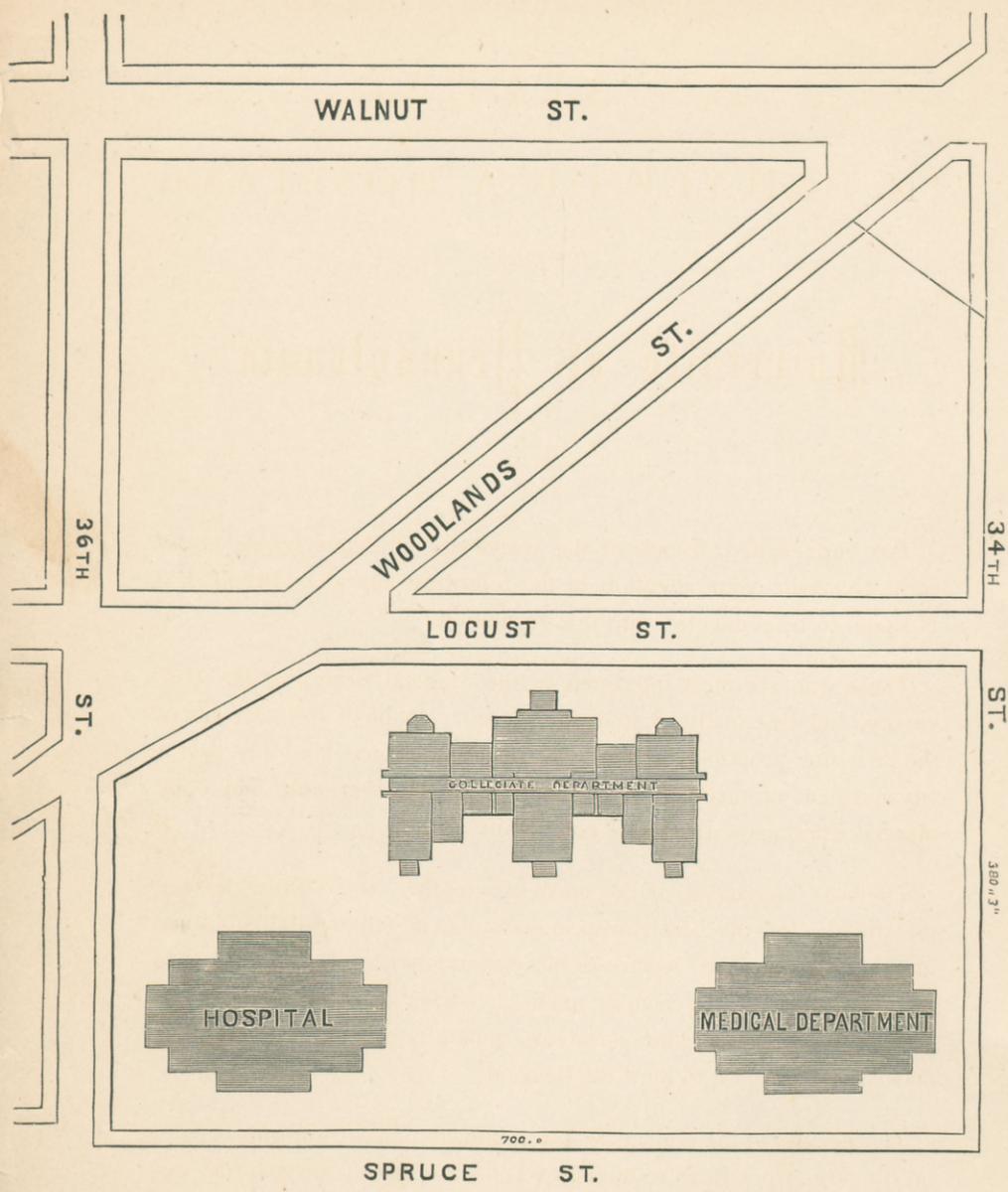
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GROUNDS OF *THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.*
Suggested Sites of Buildings.

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University of Pennsylvania.

THE undersigned, friends of the University of Pennsylvania, would earnestly invite your attention to the following appeal in behalf of a Hospital to be connected with that Institution.

Those who are most interested in the Medical School of the University, and best qualified to judge, have no doubt of the necessity of the measure proposed, and of its great importance not only to the advancement of medical education, but to the charitable and commercial interests of the whole community.

They are convinced of the need of adopting, to its fullest extent, the practice of the best European schools, in uniting daily hospital tuition with that of the lecture-rooms, laboratories, and museums, as an integral feature of the regular medical course; and they believe that the necessity for this union is now so generally and strongly felt, that no school can refuse to heed the demand.

The Faculty of the University is well known to have uniformly insisted on the largest practicable amount of bedside study of medical and surgical diseases. The teaching of the city hospitals—in which its members have always more or less participated—has been faithfully supplemented by the demonstrations of the University Dispensary and Infirmary,

under their immediate control. But, notwithstanding this constant association of their courses with the public hospital service, experience has shown the necessity of a hospital under the direction of the school, as an addition to its other resources.

Further, we have no hesitation in asserting that, as an object of charity, no less than one of educational policy, the contemplated Hospital deserves the favorable consideration of our fellow-citizens. Although the number of sufferers from accident and disease is constantly increasing in our enormous working population, there is no corresponding growth in the provision for the medical and surgical aid to which these indispensable members of our community are entitled. The need of further hospital accommodation is shown by the numerous applications rejected at our hospitals from day to day. At the University alone, over **Three Thousand** persons have applied for relief in the past year, many of whom could only be properly treated in the wards of a hospital. The number of hospital beds now available in Philadelphia is well known to be small in proportion to our population, and is very strikingly so when a comparison is instituted with the large cities of Europe.

While it must be conceded that increased hospital accommodation is needed in Philadelphia, it is no less clearly established that such increase should be secured, not so much by the enlargement of those already existing, as by the erection of new hospitals of moderate size, and situated in the most favorable hygienic localities. In this view, the position selected for the University Hospital is particularly favorable, while, at the same time, it possesses the advantage of being in the vicinity of the termini of the great railroads of our State.

The proposed undertaking is also justified by the important material interests involved, since, by favoring the concourse of students, a large sum of money is annually brought to and expended in this city. Thus, in the last sixty years, not less than **Twenty Millions of Dollars** have been actually expended in Philadelphia by the medical students of the

University alone, not to estimate the very large amounts which have been continually flowing to our city as a consequence of the intimate associations which they formed.

The Trustees of the University have accordingly decided to devote a portion of their property in West Philadelphia—large enough for the erection of an appropriate edifice, with sufficient space around it for all purposes of exercise and ventilation. In order to complete such a hospital with a complement of two hundred and fifty beds, and to maintain it in proper order and efficiency, a building and endowment fund will be required of AT LEAST SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS. Less than this might and will, of course, be made available, to a correspondingly limited extent, in a partially completed edifice with a smaller number of beds; but a million of dollars could be employed without extravagance, and with inestimable benefit to the sick and wounded, not only of our own community, but of the great manufacturing and mining districts by which we are surrounded.

In view, therefore, of the facts and considerations here presented—as to the *requirements of medical education*, the need in Philadelphia of *increased hospital accommodation*, and the *material advantage to our city*, we most earnestly commend the undertaking to our fellow-citizens, and to all the friends of the University.

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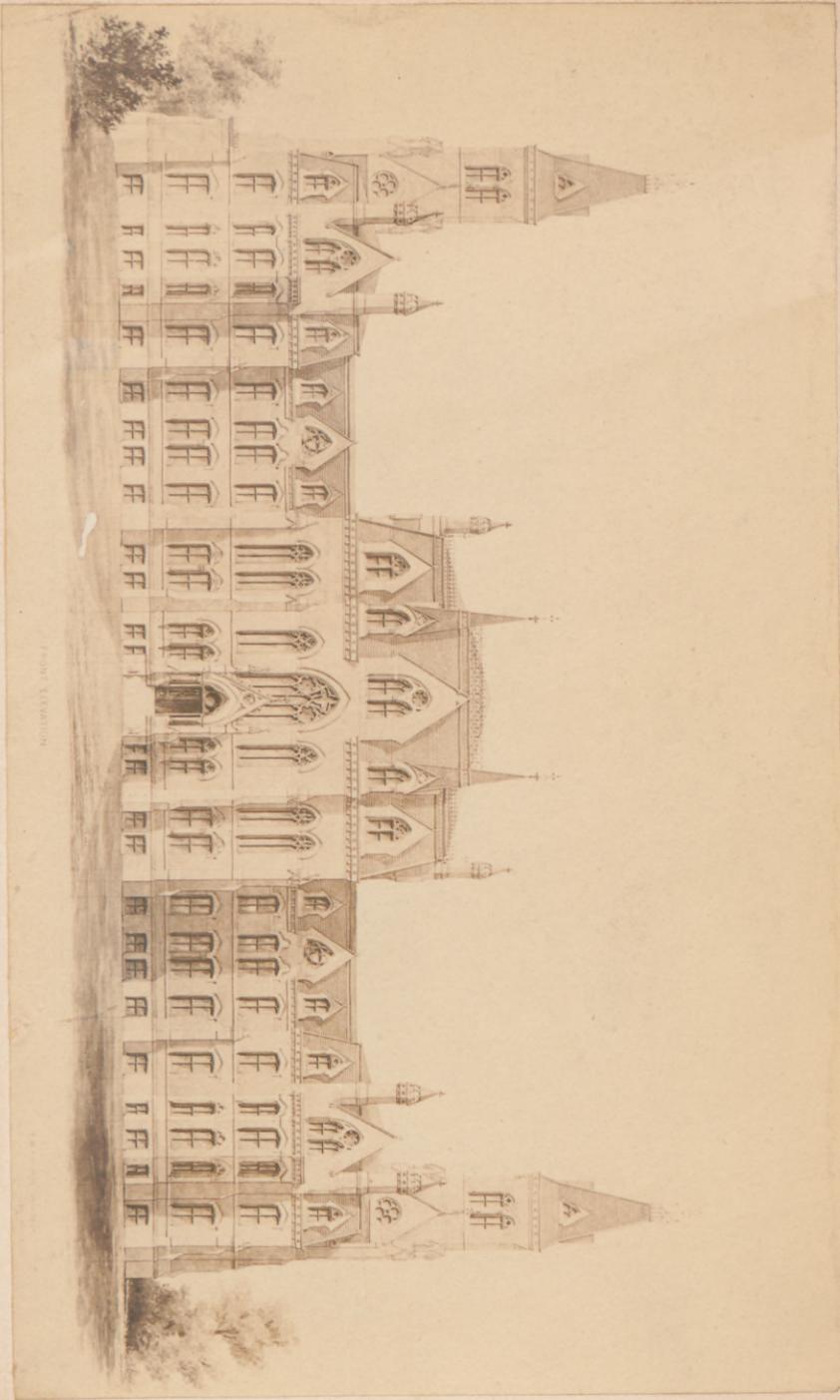
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