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Kansas City, Mo. March 6th 1886

John Muir Esq
 Martins Cal
 My Dear Brother;

I have at last bought a tract of
 ground for you, or rather bargained
 for it, I shall make a contract in the
 morning and pay a small earnest down then
 we will get (get) up an abstract and I
 will have my attorney examine the title.
 when if it is found all O.K. I will take
 deed in your name and give deed of trust
 back for the unpaid portion (\$4000.) I having
 bought ~~three~~ (3) acres @ 2000. \$ per acre, I shall
 have to sign your name (as agent).
 Now you asked me to buy only 5000. \$ worth
 for you but I could do better by taking for
 you $\frac{1}{2}$ of a 6 acre lot, but in case you feel
 disappointed I will give you 1000. \$ and so relieve
 you of liability that much. the land is pretty and
 high and very near 17 acres that I own a share
 of and adjoining a small piece that I have a
 provisional interest in, I shall spend some money
 with the news papers and we are now opening Prospect
 ave to 80 feet and this land lies near it so will get

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 Kansas City, Mo. 188

Some of the benefit, I shall spend about 300. \$
 to Room that part of town this spring and so have
 no doubt that we will sell very soon.
 If you had told me to gamble for the
 largest possible gain I should have bought
 options on business property but I did
 not dare to. Some lots (50 feet front) on Walnut
 St have sold up from 50. \$ to 300. \$ per front foot
 within a month, others have made from 2000.
 to ten thousand in a week on \$ 30. to 5000. \$ margins.
 I waited all this time for David to send his money
 to put with yours but he did not send it so
 I will do all I can as it is. I am sorry I did
 not have money on hand of my own or I
 would have joined in with you but I have
 done the best I can and have got control of a
 piece adjoining. We are going to start a Nat'l
 Bank with at least 500,000. \$ capital this spring
 do you want to take 5000. or 10,000. \$ of stock
 in it? it will pay from 10 to 20 % It is my
 friends and they are all O.K. and they now have a
 system of small banks in Kansas and the Kansas
 City Safe Deposit and Savings Bank here. Love to
 your family and Annie. Regards, Walter Brown