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CORRESPONDENCE.

dence in which he has room enough to place any of his patients that might apply to him for treatment.

Will you please inform me as soon as possible whether a private house used for the treatment of the sick and in which the sick are kept for greater or less length of time until they are cured, dead or discharged by the attending physician, is prohibited or not by Section 4 of Article 16, Code of 1906.

Yours respectfully,

(Signed) James Bosley, M.D.,  
Commissioner of Health.

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OPINION.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Baltimore, September 22, 1908.

James Bosley, M. D.,  
Commissioner of Health.

Dear Sir:-

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Replying to your favor of Sept. 17th relative to the application of Section 4 of Article 16 of the City Code to the Institution maintained at #3007 Baker street by Dr. Aristide Giampietro, I beg to advise you as follows:

The section in question, in my opinion, applies to any hospital for the sick, whether the same be a private or a public hospital.

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Of course, it is rather difficult to accurately define the term hospital, but I think the word can fairly be said to include any establishment or institution or place where the sick or wounded are received from time to time for the purpose of rendering to them medical or surgical treatment. In my opinion therefore, the place maintained by Dr. Giampietro at #3007 Baker street comes within this description.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Edgar Allan Poe,  
City Solicitor.