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The Boston Piano & Music Co.,  
Iowa City, Iowa.

Gentlemen:-

I regret to inform you that the offer of the free piano has failed to attract and that my books show that from October, 1914 the date of the contract, to April 15th, 1915, a decrease in cash receipts. I feel sure, therefore, that the guarantee you made of an increase of \$1,600, or any, in thirteen months, is not liable to happen, tho I sincerely hoped there would be a substantial increase and advertised the offer much more extensively than is usually done. As the First National Bank has the \$100 note for collection I informed them that I could not pay it and they said they had instructions to protest if not paid. Now, in order to save us both trouble and legal expenses I will make you the following proposition:

That if you will call in the notes and hold them that I will return all the articles you sold me for which they were given in payment. The piano has been tuned and cared for carefully and the watches and dishes have not been opened. The notes are then to be returned to me on the receipt of all the goods by you in good conditions.

My belief is that if we drag along until November and even if I pay the notes your bond would be held for the full amount. Therefore both of us would lose the goods, time and money. In the event you do not accept the above proposition which all "square deal" houses stand ready to do, I will ask that you arrange to have your bond fixed so~~as~~ that any suit on it would be held where the books are and where a fair, honest examination can be held. I wish to be fair and I feel that in offering you all you sent me back in as good condition as I received it that you will not want it to drag along or have a suit on the bond. It will profit neither. Please let me hear from you at once and notify the banker as to whether you want the note protested or not. Awaiting your reply, I am,

Very truly yours,

T. S. Orr,  
Ed.