THE PHILADELPHIA LIBRARY.

Report of the Committee on the Rush Bequest-They Advise that the Gift be Accepted A New Library to be Established on South Broad Street, and the Old One to have a New Buildg-The Collection to be Otherwise Undis-

To the Stockholders of the Philadelphia Library Company:—The committee appointed on the subject of the bequest of the late Dr. James

Rush respectfully report:—
That without going into the consideration of points about which there is a great diversity of opinion among the stockholders, they have endeavored to reach conclusions that would prove

Satisfactory.

To this end, and in order to guide them in their labors, they, by correspondence and con-ference with Henry J. Williams, Esq., the ex-ecutor of Dr. Rush, have sought for such information as would enable them to determine accurately what were his views as to the administration of so much of the trust as is placed in his charge, and what estate and income would pro-bably be left to be applied by the Library Com-pany when they should come to act as trustee.

From Mr. Williams they have obtained the following statements. First, that the present cash value of the estate, as appraised by Mr. Thomas Craven, is one million and sixty-seven thousand dollars. Second, that the net annual income, not including any rental for the mansion on Chesnut street (which is valued at one hundred and forty thousand dollars), is a little above forty thousand dollars. Third, that the site selected and purchased for the proposed library building, is the lot of ground on Broad street, bounded on the north by Christian street, on the south by Carpenter street, and on the east by Thirteenth street; being 300 feet front on Broad Street, both the south by Carpenter street, and on the east by Thirteenth street; being 300 feet front on Broad Street dear on Christian and Street dear on the street dear of the street dear on the street dear of the street dear Broad street by 527 feet deep on Christian and Carpenter streets. Fourth, that the building Carpenter streets. Fourth, that the building will be of the Greek Doric order of architecture, about 80 to 100 feet front by 140 to 160 feet in depth, with wings of 20 to 30 feet in width, and an opening in the centre of the edifice of 20 to 25 feet in width, for light and air.

One of the main points on the part of the committee was to ascertain from Mr. Williams whether the question of the site was so open to discussion as that it might be changed to a different location within the limits originally selected by Dr. Rush.

His reply as to a change of site is emphatically in the negative. He states that the lot was bought for the purpose, by Dr. Rush himself, for \$130,000, and that he feels bound in consequence thereof, to place the building thereon, in order to comply with the directions of Dr. Rush. He states, further, that his own judgment as

to the selected site concurs with that of the testator, and therefore declines to entertain any proposition for a change.

As to the building itself, he says that while the measurements were suggested to him by Dr. Rush, and accord with his present views, yet he is at liberty to change them, and will freely do so if, in his judgment, it shall be necessary. The material of the building will be either granite or white Ohio sandstone.

By the terms of the will, very large discretionary powers are given to Mr. Williams, and from his well-known character and long connec tion with the Library Company as a director, it may safely be concluded that if the company accept the bequest, they will be met in a liberal

The munificent provision made by Dr. Rush for the formation of a great public library, the confidence reposed in the company by him, in making them the trustees of his residuary estate, and the fact that a fire-proof building for the reception of its literary treasures will be secured, should all combine to procure our co-operation to carry the plans of the testator into effect.

At present the executor considers himself bound to regard the company as strangers, be-cause he is not advised of their acceptance of the provision of the will, or, indeed, of any such action on their part as would enable him to determine whether he shall erect a building suited for them and for the Ridgway branch of the Philadelphia Library, or whether he shall found and endow the Ridgway Library.

After a careful consideration of case, the committee think that, in fairness to the executor, the company should decide at once whether they will accept or reject the bequest, and thereby relieve him from all embarrassmen so far as they are concerned.

If the company accept, they will at once place themselves in such relations with the executor as to be able to influence to the fullest extent practicable all his plans, and thus secure the erection of a building adapted for their use and the reservation of as large a fund for the purchase of books and the payment of current ex-penses as the terms of the will may permit. It must be borne in mind that the views of the

munificent testator were not limited to the present time, but are to extend over all time, as independently of the provision for the lot, building, expenses, etc., all the principal of the annuities, as it falls in, will become available for the purposes of the library.

It cannot be doubted that our company is better fitted than any other corporation or any new one that might be created, for the accomplishment of what Dr. Rush had at heart.

Our collection of the kind of books he favored is already large, and will form a good foundation on which to build hereafter, and the modifications of our charter which he insists on as preliminary to clothing us with the care of his estate are in the main judicious. Nor do the committee perceive any difficulty in making arrangements for the convenience of

the stockholders and the public, in keeping up a library on our present site or one more generally accessible, of the character used for circulation and for ordinary use in a reading-room.

Indeed, the testator, by directing that his money shall be applied to the purchase of books for the Ridgway branch of the Library, has left to the discretion of the company the disposition of its other property in such way as may be most beneficial to the public and the stockholders. The committee, therefore, see no difficulty in carrying out the plan they propose for the adop-

tion of the stockholders, which, in their judgment, will be in harmony with the intention of Dr. Rush, as gathered from a fair and liberal construction of his will, and with other duties and trusts which rest upon the company; and with which, doubtless, Dr. Rush was quite fa-We think it may be assumed with great certainty, that Mr. Williams will be induced, by the

favorable action of the company, to adopt such plans and make such arrangements as will put up the proposed building at such cost as will leave about \$300,000 for the payment of the annuities and the constitution of a fund for expenses and purchase of books. When the aunuities have all fallen in, and of

course this will be a work of time, the capital of the fund will be at least the amount above named; but it must be recollected that the estate consists mainly of real property, situated in the city of Philadelphia, and daily increasing in value by the growth of the city, so that a provision of \$300,000, as the foundation, will soon be largely augmented.

Dr. Rush has undoubtedly had this in view when he provided so strictly against any hasty alienations of his real estate.

Everything, therefore, concurs, in the judgment of the committee, to make it advisable for the company to become the trustee of the

The plan of the committee is, first, that the Library Company shall become, by the accept-ance of the bequest of Dr. Rush, the trustee of his residuary estate, and apply it to the establishment of the Ridgway branch of the Philadelphia Library, in the building and on the site selected by the testator and his executor, in this way securing all the objects of Dr. kush in a more ample manner than they would be by merely founding and endowing the Ridgway Library, and leaving it to be determined in the future whether it will be proper to place the whole library of the company in the Ridgway

Second. That arrangements shall be made as early as practicable for the erection of a fireproof building on our present site, or some other equally convenient place, of sufficient size and with such accommodations as will be required for a library such as has been hitherto

kept for circulation and for ordinary use in the

Third. That a committee shall be appointed for the purpose of consulting and advising with the executor of Dr. Rush, as to the best and most economical plans for carrying out the provisions of the will, and for procuring such legislation as may be needed. Appropriate resolutions for carrying these

views into effect are herewith submitted. The committee cannot leave the subject that has been intrusted to them without recommending also that in the letter which shall communi-cate to the executor of Dr. Rush the action taken by the company on the munificent bequest made y his will, the strongest assurance shall be given the appreciation of the stockholders of the confidence reposed in them by the testator, and of their cordial willingness to unite and coperate with the executor in securing the most erfect and beneficial execution of the philanbropic intentions of the testator.

Resolved, That the stockholders of the Philadelphia Library Company do hereby accept the legacy of Dr. James Rush according to the terms expressed in his will.

Revolved, That so much of the present collection of books and other property of the company as may by the Directors be deemed expedient, shall be retained in the present or some other central position for general use and circulation. Resolved, That a committee, to consist of three stockholders and three directors, shall be appointed for the purpose of consulting and advising with the executor of Dr. Rush in carrying

out the provisions of the will, in procuring such legislation as may be needed, and also for earryng into effect the second resolution, by taking neasures for securing the erection of a fire-proof building for the reception of those parts of library so to be retained at such time and in such place as said committee may determine.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolutions be transmitted to Henry J. Williams,
Esq., the executor of Dr. James Rush, as the ac-

ceptance of this company of the bequest made by his will, and that the letter transmitting the une shall acknowledge the high appreciation y the company of the confidence reposed in them by Dr. Rush, and of their cordial willingness to unite in carrying out, in the most benefi-cial way, his philanthropic intentions. By order and on behalf of the committee.

FRED. FRALEY, Chairman. Sept. 28, 1869.

THE PHILADELPHIA LIBRARY.

To the Editor of the Evening Telegraph. On Tuesday, the 5th of October, the shareholders of this important institution are to assemble to decide whether they will accept or reject the legacy bequeathed to them by the late Dr. James Rush, clogged with the condition that the library shall be removed to the corner of Broad and Christian streets-a situation more than a mile, in a straight line, southwest of its present position, and about a mile and a half by the shortest route through the streets. I desire to present some reasons why the legacy should e rejected.

It my judgment, it should be rejected, first, on eccount of the great imbecility of mind displayed in the will by the testator, and, secondly because the proposed new location would be inconvenient now to nineteen-twentieths of the shareholders, and would become inconvenient every year to a still larger proportion of them.

The imbecility of mind displayed in the will is so great that it would be disreputable to the

Library Company to accept anything under it, and this imbecility is displayed in several points. Dr. James Rush considered it inconsistent for a library to contain pictures and statues, and yet he directs that the proposed new building shall be the depository of his corpse, of that of his wife, and, if possible, of that of his father-in-law! Pictures and statues, according to him, should be excluded, and dead bodies brought in He thought the mingling of books with paintings and statues improper, but not the combina-tion of books and skeletons. If the legacy is accepted, and the Legislature is appealed to for some new provisions, one of them should be that the title hereafter shall be "The Philadelphia

Library and Cemetery Company."
Besides being a bone-house, the library building is to be a publication office, where are to ssue, from time to time, at the expense of the corporation, editions of the Doctor's works in prose and verse. I have never read any of them, and can, therefore, express no opinion merits, but if they are of value I think the booksellers would discover it, and would save the library company the expense of getting out these new editions. According to the Doctor it is inconsistent for a library company to own pictures and statues, but not inconsistent for it to turn book publisher. The name will have to be still further enlarged, so as to read "The Philadelphia Library, Cemetery, and Publication

Dr. James Rush goes out of his way to heap abuse upon newspapers and reviews. The news papers can take care of themselves: as for the reviews, it will be sufficient to say that the best cholars of Europe and America write for them, and that the writings of Sydney Smith, Macaulay, and Carlyle will be read with pleasure long after the productions of Dr. James Rush have sunk into neglect, even if aided by hot-bed editions from the corner of Broad and Christian

In his will, Dr. Rush leaves some petty annuities to females, to be forfeited if they marry or go to Europe. How childish this appears! What objections Dr. James Rush had to "the holy estate of matrimony" I cannot divine, but it is very certain that the law of England, and our own, as derived from it, consider restraint upon marriage to be highly demoralizing. As to visiting Europe, I never knew any one ured by it. All travelling enlarges the mind, and I have known instances, as I suppose that others have done, of Americans who have re-turned from abroad with an increased affection for the institutions and manners of our own country. If Dr. James Rush had spent the last years of his life in foreign travel, his mind would have enjoyed a healthier tone, and some of the imbecilities which disfigure his will would not have appeared in it.

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