

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 adoption 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 familiar.

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 annuities have all fallen in, and of course this will be a work of time, the capital of the fund will be at least