

the said collection of books was subsequently made by the will of William Logan; and, by an act of the Legislature, approved the 31st day of March, 1792, reciting that James Logan—the only surviving trustee of the said institution—had requested the Legislature that, pursuant to an agreement between himself and the directors of the Library Company of Philadelphia, the real estate and collection of books might be vested in the Library Company aforesaid: and, that power might be given to make such provisions as might most effectually tend to render the said institution beneficial to the public, consistently with the design of the founder, it was enacted that the said real estate and books should be vested in the Library Company of Philadelphia aforesaid, its successors and assigns, forever, in trust, for the support and increase of the said Loganian Library. This collection of books, of which the complainants are thus the trustee, now exceeds ten thousand volumes, and is one of the most valuable of the kind in the United States. Since the year 1793, the books have always been kept in the same building as those of the Library Company, and under the care of the same librarian. None of this collection are ever suffered to leave the building, and the same rule is, of course, observed as to rare books and manuscripts which belong to the Library Company proper.

Additions have also been made to the library by its association, in 1769, with the Union Library Company of Philadelphia, under an act of the Legislature approved on the 13th day of March of that year, to which reference is craved—in 1771, with the Associated Library Company and the Amicable Company—by a bequest, in the year 1804, by John Bleakley and the Rev. Samuel Preston—and by the bequest, in the year 1827, of the Mackenzie Library.

The number of books thus belonging to the complainants now exceeds ninety-five thousand volumes.

III. The corporation is composed of shareholders, and is maintained by their annual contributions, and from the income derived from such property as has been given to it, and from