

"ries a monument which I hope will prove more durable
 "than any other grateful record I could make, and be in-
 "finitely more useful to the community. As it was from
 "them I derived the greater part of my property, which
 "(under the special and prudent management of faithful and
 "trustworthy agents) has enabled me to devote happily, and
 "undisturbed, the latter part of my life to pursuits of scien-
 "tific inquiry, which I have designed to be more beneficial
 "than the more common enjoyment of an ample fortune, it
 "is both just and proper that I should thus employ it, the
 "more especially as Mrs. Rush had led me to believe that,
 "if she had survived me, she would have applied it to a
 "similar purpose. Now, in order to carry out this intention
 "in a public and permanent form, I direct my executor to
 "have a marble slab, with the following inscription on a
 "plain ground, with a border of simple moulding, without
 "any surrounding ornaments, placed and maintained on
 "some appropriate part of one of the interior rooms of the
 "new library building, in which my private library and
 "other personal effects are to be preserved:—

THE RIDGWAY BRANCH
 OF THE
 PHILADELPHIA LIBRARY.
 A MONUMENT TO THE MEMORY OF
 JACOB RIDGWAY
 AND OF HIS DAUGHTER
 MRS. PHOEBE ANNE RUSH.

"*Second.* I direct my executor to have inserted in the act
 "of Assembly, which will be required to carry out the pro-
 "visions of my will and codicils, clauses enacting—

"*First.* That not more than one fourth of the directors of
 "the library shall belong to any one of the three learned
 "professions, of law, theology, or medicine. This clause is
 "however, not intended to exclude any of the present mem-
 "bers from re-election.

