

the Rush family, papers of family history, controversies of the elder Dr. Rush, are of great value."

With such a nucleus as exists in these two collections the Directors believe it is proper to create a Manuscript Department, and have therefore set aside the Directors' Room at the Ridgway Branch of the Library for the safe keeping of these and of any future acquisitions of the same kind. They have already reason to believe that at least two other valuable collections of papers, illustrating the colonial and later history of our State, will eventually find their way to this Department, and do not doubt that as soon as it becomes generally known that such a department exists in a fire-proof building many gentlemen in our State and city will be glad to deposit papers of this description therein.

By order of the Board.

GEORGE HARRISON FISHER,
Secretary.

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