

A. I do not.

Q. You have spoken of statements by Mr. Williams, as to a promise by him to build a library building upon the Broad and Christian Street lot. Have you not heard him frequently state his belief that that lot, in his opinion, was the best site for the Library building?

A. No, I cannot say that I have. The matter was spoken of at two meetings of the Directors, at which Mr. Williams said (and I remember being struck with the expression at the time), that, under the circumstances, he thought it was the best site. I don't think he varied from that expression. I think, in conversations with myself, about the time of Dr. Rush's death, he spoke of certain plans which Dr. Rush had left—rough plans—and of conversations had with him and directions received from him, in respect to the building, which would require, if properly carried out, a very large lot of ground. But I have no recollection that Mr. Williams ever said to me or in my presence, that, in his absolute opinion, this was the best lot for the purpose. I could not tell whether, in the use of the words "under the circumstances," he meant to include his promise to Dr. Rush, and the expressed wishes of Dr. Rush, or solely the dimensions of the lot with reference to Dr. Rush's building plans. I think he said under *all* the circumstances.

Q. Did he not particularize some of the advantages which that lot possessed?

A. He may have done so, but I do not remember them, other than its dimensions.

Q. Did you ever hear him express any doubt as to that lot being the best site?

A. I don't think I have.

Q. When he said, "under all the circumstances," was it in immediate connection with any statement as to his promise to Dr. Rush?

A. It was in a conversation in which the subject of that promise had been discussed.

