

this was a Circulating Library, as also a Library for readers and students, to have it in a central location.

Q. What, in your opinion, would be the effect upon your institution of the removal to such a site as the corner of Broad and Christian Streets?

(Objected to.)

A. I think it would reduce our membership in one year from 11,000 to probably 3000, and the Library for the next year or two would still continue to decrease.

(Objected to.)

Q. Have you taken into consideration the fact that "the facilities afforded by passenger railways are such, that to those north of it who may wish to use the Library, a ride of a few squares additional will make no difference in cost and but little in time"?

A. Yes, sir, I think the reduction would be about in that proportion, notwithstanding that fact. The expense would be greater, as they would have to take an exchange ticket. If our Stockholders or members were students instead of merchants or business men, the difference in location would not be so glaring, *i. e.*, the number of Stockholders would not fall off in the same proportion, because students make it their business, and they would travel a great way to obtain what books they required, while the great bulk of our Stockholders are persons who use the Library as mere readers.

Q. Are you acquainted with the character of the institution which is the complainant in this suit?

A. I am somewhat acquainted with it; I have been a member of it for some years.

Q. What, in your opinion, would be the effect upon that institution of being placed at Broad and Christian Streets?

A. I think it would drive away more than half of its members—that is, I think more than half the members would not pay their subscription. (Question and answer objected to.) I know it to be out of the walks of the great majority of the present members.

Q. Apart from the question of locality, what, in your opin-