

February 2, 1872.

*Mr. Perot cross-examined.*

Q. Was it proposed at one time to locate the Mercantile Library building at Broad and Pine Streets, and did you favor that location?

A. I may say that the Library Company were looking for a suitable property, and among others that location was proposed. It was not favored by me, and, I think, had no advocate in the Board.

Q. In your judgment, is the location at Locust east of Broad a suitable one for the Philadelphia Library Company?

A. I think it a fair location.

Q. How far is it from that location to Broad and Christian in distance, and in time in the cars or on foot?

A. I am so little acquainted with that part of the city that I must think about the matter; I think about seven squares; about ten minutes in the cars and fifteen on foot.

Q. Have you ever examined the lot at Broad and Christian Streets, with a view to its adaptability for the purposes of a library building?

A. I have only given it a casual view.

Q. When did you last give it such casual view?

A. Probably about a month or six weeks ago.

Q. Did you then go for the purpose of forming an opinion on this subject, or were you merely passing casually?

A. Merely passing it to the depot at Broad and Prime.

Q. In what part of the city is your residence, and in what is your business?

A. I reside No. 1810 Pine street, and my business is at 21st and Spruce and 314 Vine street.

Q. Have you much acquaintance with the improvements that are being made south of Pine Street, and are there not now a great many buildings being erected in that part of the city?

A. I think there are a great many buildings being erected in the southwest part of the city.