

Tenth Meeting, February 2, 1872.

Present—Messrs. McMURTRIE, JUNKIN, and EXAMINER.

Mr. PETER MCCALL, sworn.

Q. Are you a Director of the Library Company, and about how long have you been so?

A. I am so, and have been since the year 1856.

Q. The minutes of the Directors show that at a meeting, held June 3, 1869, Mr. Williams produced a copy of the will of Dr. Rush, and requested that the Board would take immediate steps to ascertain the decision of the Company upon the question of accepting the devises and bequests contained in Dr. Rush's will on the conditions therein contained. Please state whether Mr. Williams at that meeting, or subsequently, made any statements or requests as to certain articles which Dr. Rush had verbally directed to be given to his friends as remembrances, but as to which there were no directions in the will. And please state what was said by any one in his presence as to these articles.

A. I was present at the meeting referred to. I remember that Mr. Williams did at that meeting state the contents of Dr. Rush's will and that it would be desirable that a meeting of the Stockholders should be held as soon as possible, for the purpose of deciding whether to accept the devises and bequests of Dr. Rush's will. The reason, if I remember rightly, that he gave for desiring speedy action on the part of the Company, was that, if they accepted, he might listen to the suggestions in regard to the erection of the building, and act in harmony with them. The principal matter of conversation at that meeting was the general terms of the bequests of Dr. Rush's will. I remember also, that Mr. Williams did state that Dr. Rush had verbally directed certain articles to be given to his friends as remembrances, and that if the Library Company accepted, it would be for them to say whether they gave their assent to these gifts. I feel confident that he made no request of the