

EXHIBIT No. 31.

Mr. Williams to Mr. Whitman.

MY DEAR SIR:—

I have received your note of the 10th inst., enclosing a copy of the Act of Assembly of 23d February, 1870, and a form of a proxy to be used at a meeting of the Library Company on the 25th of this month.

The course which the Stockholders have taken with reference to Dr. Rush's will, has led me to the conclusion that it will be most expedient that I should follow as completely as possible the directions of his will without taking any part in the proceedings of the Library Company.

It was this opinion that induced me to resign my position as a Director, and I have as yet seen no reason to change it.

Yours, very respectfully,

HENRY J. WILLIAMS.

WILLIAM E. WHITMAN, Esq.

CHESTNUT HILL, May 12, 1870.

EXHIBIT No. 15.

[At an adjourned meeting of the Company, May 25, 1870,
Hon. Eli K. Price in the Chair.

Messrs. Armstrong and Tilghman were appointed Tellers, who reported that a quorum was present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

Mr. Fraley, on behalf of the Joint Committee, reported that the following Act of Assembly had been signed by the Governor. (Prout the same, *supra* page 145.)

Also that certain amendments to the Charter should be applied for in pursuance of said act.

Henry M. Phillips, Esq., offered the following resolutions, all of which were adopted unanimously:—

Resolved, That the Library Company of Philadelphia do accept the provisions of the Act of General Assembly of