

which had occurred at the Board meeting immediately previous?

A. I think they were. They embraced all the objections which I recollected as having been made at that meeting and the previous one, and I sent Judge Strong's opinion to the Board as an answer to those objections.

Q. Why did you omit, in putting these questions, your disqualification or other possible ill effects which might result or had resulted from your promise?

A. Simply because I had not heard of it, for I am very sure that if I had heard the report which was presented here read, I would not have omitted a reference to its contents. I may also say, that if I had heard that report read I should most probably not have referred to the matter before the contributors, or written my letter to Dr. Willing.

Q. You have stated that your interview with Mr. Wharton and Col. Biddle was subsequent to your purchase of the Broad and Christian Streets lot. State now anything said or done by Dr. Rush which brought about that interview, and whether the result of it was communicated by you to Dr. Rush.

A. After I made the purchase from Mr. Smith, Dr. Rush expressed the greatest pleasure at its accomplishment, and said he would now die in peace. One or two days after (that would bring it to about the 20th or 21st of May), he asked me if I thought the Library Company would make any objection to this site. I told him I didn't know. He asked me if I could not ascertain whether they would or would not. I answered, "If you will allow me to communicate to them the contents of your will, I certainly can." He said he did not want them all to know it, and I then mentioned the names of Col. Biddle and Mr. Wharton as two of the Directors, and asked him if I might communicate it to them. He said, "Yes, go and do it." I left Dr. Rush's house; came down to my own; met Col. Biddle and went with him to Mr. Wharton's office, Walnut below Sixth; we met Mr. Wharton standing in his office, and during the