

were a Committee appointed on June 3, 1869, to report June 10, 1869, on the points under Dr. Rush's will which might be considered to affect the judiciousness of the Library's accepting the bequests immediately or not. The Committee had two or three meetings, and discussed several matters, and arrived at certain general conclusions which were afterwards embodied in this Report. We had not much time to write the Report in, so Mr. McCall drafted one part and I the other. This draft was not copied for want of time, but was read at the meeting of June 10, as I see it here. Part of it is in Mr. McCall's handwriting, part in that of a young gentleman in my office at that time, to whom I believe I dictated it. The concluding paragraph is in my handwriting. I may say that the fact of the Report being drafted by different persons was not the result of any difference of opinion, but was simply to divide the labor. I had not seen the Report from the time it was read until within a few weeks, when it was produced by Mr. McCall. The Report was read at the meeting on the 10th of June.

Q. At what hour was the meeting held?

A. At four o'clock.

Q. Was Mr. Williams present?

A. Yes, he was present.

Q. Please state, as nearly as you can, what took place in connection with that Report, in which he took part.

A. I remember the Report being read by Mr. McCall. Mr. Williams, who was quite deaf, had his hand up to his ear, listening to it, and at the conclusion of the reading of it, he got up and made some remarks in a rather warm manner. It is possible that, from his defect of hearing, he did not entirely understand the Report. I think that must be so, for in a portion of his testimony, which I read the other day, he says I expressed an opinion that the savings, if any, of the estate in building the Library would go to Dr. Rush's next of kin, at which he was much surprised. I am very confident that I never expressed such an opinion, for I never entertained it. I knew, and know very well, that by