

Last Will and Testament of Bishop

William Delany

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN. I, William Delany of Rosetta, Blackrock, Cork, Roman Catholic Bishop, hereby revoke all Wills and Testamentary Dispositions heretofore made by me, and declare this to be my last Will.

I appoint the Right Reverend Thomas A. O'Callaghan, R.c. Coadjutor Bishop of Cork, the Right Revd. Henry F. Neville, R.C. Dean of Cork and the Right Revd. Joseph O'Keeffe of St. Patrick's in the City of Cork, Roman Catholic Clergyman, Executors and Trustees of this my Will.

I bequeath the sum of Seventy-five pounds to my servant man, Thomas Morris, in consideration of his long and faithful services. I bequeath the sum of Twenty pounds to my parlourmaid Hannah and the sum of Five pounds to my cook. I direct said legacies to be paid, free of legacy duty and I direct any wage due to said servants to be also paid to them.

I give all my silver plate and plated ware except Church plate and plated ware, and any plate or plated ware that may have been used by me at any time for Church or sacred purposes to my niece and nephew, the children of my late brother Charles, share and share alike; and I authorize my Executors to hand over such plate and plated ware to their Mother as Trustee for them; and her receipt for same shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executors.

I give and bequeath all the rest residue and remainder of my property of what kind soever that I may die seized, possessed of or entitled to, to my executors in trust for such charitable purposes in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Cork as they shall think fit; and I hereby declare that my executors shall be the sole judges of what constitutes my Church plate and Church plated ware; and their decision on this point shall be final and shall be binding on my said

niece and nephew; and they shall be only entitled to claim such articles of plate and plated ware as my Executors shall consider not to be Church plate. I direct that said gift to my niece and nephew shall be free of legacy duty. If any bequest or devise of property or of any portion of my residuary estate for charitable purposes prove inoperative or illegal, I give and devise such property or portion of my residuary estate to my Executors and the survivor of them, free from all trusts. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand this twenty-third day of August, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-six. . .

I make this as Codicil to my Will, dated 23rd August 1886:
I give my library books and book-cases to my Executors upon trust for St. Finn Barr's Diocesan College. I hereby declare that I have hitherto handed over to the Revd. Joseph O'Keeffe, R.C.C. St. Patrick's, Cork, all my Church plate and Church plated ware and vestments, and also all my pictures, prints, statuary, my watches, jewellery and the set of Chess in my drawing room and my Black Goldheaded Cane; and therefore same do not form any part of my residuary estate.

IN WITNESS whereof I have hereto set my hand this 23rd August 1886.