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Will of the Late Judge McDonald.

From the Indianapolis, Sentinel, Aug. 31.

The last will and testament of the late Judge DAVID McDONALD was admitted to probate yesterday. We glean the following items from the document:

To my grandchildren, ELLA VENABLE, ALICE VENABLE, WM. VENABLE and MARY G. M. VENABLE, I bequeath my farm in Vertland, Marion County.

To my daughters, ELLA RAY, FLORA and LILLIE McDONALD, I devise in fee simple my house and lot where I now reside, No. 201 North Pennsylvania-street.

To my son, DAVID H. McDONALD, my large photographic likeness; also my two large manuscript books, in which I have noted many things touching theology, morality, science and literature; also all my diaries; also my little manuscript book, containing sketches of myself and kindred.

To my son, CURRAN E. McDONALD, I bequeath my manuscript book of poetry; also all my manuscript discourses, lectures on law, and other manuscripts not herein specified.

Other articles of minor consideration were willed to his daughters. He desired that two men should be selected by his executors to appraise his law library, and that JOHN W. RAY should have the privilege of purchasing it at two-thirds of the price of such appraisement. If not purchased by Mr. RAY, then to sell it at auction to the highest bidder.

What is left of the estate is to be divided in two equal parts between DAVID H. McDONALD and the executors, in trust for CURRAN E. McDONALD.

"I appoint DAVID H. McDONALD and JOHN W. RAY as my executors. I trust that all my kindred be named in the will. Though they may not all be satisfied with its provisions, I will at least believe that I have endeavored to treat them all justly and equitably. To them all I bequeath my undying love. May we meet again."

The New York Times

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