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SIMPSON'S WILL – His Estate Worth Half A Million Dollars

He Leaves Valuable Requests To A Number of Charitable Institutions, As Well As To A Number of The Employees At Eddystone

The last will and testament of the late James Simpson has been admitted to probate, and his estate is valued at upward of a half million dollars.

After bequeathing various sums, ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000 each, to six cousins, both in this country and England, the will contains these words: "I give and bequeath to my friend Karin Pky, born of Swedish parentage and now residing in the city of Philadelphia, single woman, \$50,000.

"I give to St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church of Lower Merion \$2,500; to the Trustees of Eddystone Methodist Episcopal Church, \$2,500; to the House for Aged and Infirm Colored Persons of Philadelphia, \$2,500; to the German Hospital of Philadelphia, \$2,500; to the contributors of the Pennsylvania Hospital, \$2,500; to the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, \$2,500; to the Old Folk's Home of Philadelphia, \$2,500; to the Philadelphia Society of Etchers, \$2,500; and to the Philadelphia Sketch Club, \$1,000."

A number of employees of the firm of William Simpson's sons are remembered with substantial legacies, including William Brum, \$5,000; John Walk, \$2,500; B. W. Dean of Chester, \$5,000; Aaron Pancoast, \$5,000; William S. Ferguson, \$5,000; and to each of the three servant girls, \$500. The residue of the property is bequeathed in trust for the benefit of the decedent's mother, Marie Simpson during her life, the principal to revert, upon her death, to the testator's sister, nephews, and nieces.

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