

Brought Forward £
 Amount on Deposit Receipt in deceased's name with the firm:
 Commercial Bank of Scotland Limited at Aberdeen, dated 4th
 July 1893 £ 114
 Interest to date of death to Inventory £ 114

England, Ireland and Abroad - Nil
 Total Amount of Personal Estate, wherever situated £ 114
 Signed, David Spink, George Thornton, J.

At Aberdeen the twenty seventh day of July eighteen hundred and ninety three. In presence of George Thornton Esquire, one of Her Majesty's Justice of the Peace for the County of Forfar. Appeared David Spink, Solicitor, 100, North Street, Aberdeen, who being solemnly sworn and examined, deposes that the said Mrs Margaret Spink or Watt, died at Aberdeen on the thirteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred and ninety three and had at the time of her death her ordinary or principal domicile in the County of Forfar. That the Deponent is the brother and one of the next of kin of the deceased, and is desirous to enter upon the possession and management of the deceased's estate as her executor. That the Deponent does not know of any testamentary settlement or writing relative to the disposal of the deceased's personal estate or effects or any part thereof. That the foregoing Inventory signed by the Deponent and the said Justice of the Peace as relative hereto is a full and complete Inventory of the personal estate and effects of the said deceased Mrs Margaret Spink or Watt wherever situated and belonging or due to her beneficially at the time of her death, in so far as the same has come to the Deponent's knowledge; that the value at this date of the said personal estate and effects, including the proceeds accrued thereon down to this date does not exceed the sum of three hundred pounds sterling; that confirmation of the said personal estate in Scotland is required in favor of the Deponent. All which is truth as the Deponent shall answer to God. Signed, David Spink, George Thornton, J.

Called by William J. Esplen
 1st August 1893
 Inventory of the Personal Estate
 of
 The late Reverend Alexander Gardner
 At Forfar, the first day of August eighteen hundred and ninety three year, the following Inventory of the Personal Estate of the late Reverend Alexander Gardner, with relative writ, was presented for registration in this Register conform to Law by William Hill Macdonald, Minister in Aberdeen. Inventory of the Personal Estate wherever situated of the deceased Reverend Alexander Gardner of Edin, in the County of Dumfries, one of the Ministers of the Church and Parish of Brechin in the County of Forfar who died at Brechin on the twelfth day of April eighteen hundred and ninety three.

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 I Cash in the House £ 10 5 ..
 II Household Furniture, Silver Plate and other Effects conform to Op. : valuation by William N. Cameron, Licensed Appraiser Brechin 46 1 2
 III Cash at Bank

1. Deposit Receipt
 Principal Sum in Deposit Receipt by the National Bank of Scotland (Limited) Brechin Branch dated 21st December 1892 £ 130 4 10
 Interest thereon to date of death £ 4 14 9
 Do. to date of death to Inventory £ 2 2 8 134 11 5
 10 11 2 3

2. Account Current
 Balance at credit of Account kept by the deceased with the National Bank of Scotland (Ltd) Brechin 224 .. 11 1069 3 2
 II Debts due to the deceased upon the following Documents

1. Rentable Securities
 1. Rentable Debt amounting to £ 250 due by Alexander Lyell Esquire and secured over the lands of Gandyne, in the County of Forfar consisting of
 1. Principal Sum contained in Rentable Bond by the now deceased Alexander Lyell Esquire of Gandyne in favor of John Brown, Writer in Forfar, dated 16th June 1874, and Instruments of Sasine following thereon dated the 16th and recorded in the Register of Sasines kept at Dundee for Forfarshire the 14th 14th day of June 1874 £ 500

and
 2. Principal Sum contained in Bond and Disposition in Security by the said deceased Alexander Lyell, in favor of Mr. Maria Brown, Nelson Brown, and Nathan Brown all residing in Castle Hill, Edinburgh dated 20th June 1881 and Instruments of Sasine following thereon dated 20th and recorded in the General Register of Sasines the 22nd both days of June 1881 200
 to which the deceased acquired rights by various Assignations 250
 Interest thereon to date of death £ 31 8 8
 Do. to date of death to Inventory £ 2 2 5 41 10 1
 250 10 1

2. Bond and Disposition in Security by William Muir, Glass Merchant, Dundee and residing in Newport in favor of Alexander Hunter, Merchant, Dundee, and other Trustees of the Caledonian Property Investment Company for £ 2000 over subject in Castle Hill, Dundee, dated 9th and recorded in the Division of the General Register of Sasines applicable to the County of Forfar 14th March 1890 to which
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which the deceased acquired right by various transmissions							
Interest thereon to date of death	£	99	6	3			
Do to date of birth to Inventory	£	23	3	56	6	6	954 6 6
2. Bond and Disposition in favour of the North British Buildings Company Limited in favour of Miss Isabella and Charlotte Marrie of Douchar in the County of Forfar for £100 over the new Public Hall Buildings for Forfar, dated 2nd and recorded in the Register of Sasines on 1st February 1844 to which the deceased acquired right by various transmissions							
Interest thereon to date of death	£	4	4	9			
Do to date of birth to Inventory	£	13	14	2	29	15	11 1999 15 11
3. Personal Security							
Principal sum contained in a bond by the Magistrates and Town Council of Aberbrothock in favour of the said Miss Isabella and Charlotte Marrie dated 9th November 1860 to which the deceased acquired right by various transmissions							
Interest thereon to date of death	£	8	6	4			
Do to date of birth to Inventory	£	5	15	1	14	1	8 544 1 8 1885 16 8
V Share of the undivided residue of the estate of the said Miss Isabella and Charlotte Marrie bequeathed to the late James Alexander Gardner their nephew deceased son, and afterwards vested in deceased - estimated at							
500							
VI Life Assurance Policy							
Original sum assured by Policy of Assurance effected by deceased on his own life with the Edinburgh Life Assurance Company							
Bonus addition declared thereon to date of death	£	500					
Intermediate Bonus	£	144	14				958 1
VII Rent of Knight's falling under Exemption							
Half year Rent of Farm of Lathie due by Andrew Nixon at Aberdeen 1892							
Proportion thereof from Martinmas 1892 to date of death	£	100	14	3			
VIII Balance due to the deceased by Messrs Shill & Son, Stationers, in account current with the deceased							
England and Ireland - Home	£	10	9	2			
Total Amount of Personal Estate in the United Kingdom	£	4990	6	11			
Signed J. A. Macdonald, George Thornton, J. D.							
Aberbrothock 26th July 1897. Refered to in the oath books subjoined. Signed J. A. Macdonald							

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 Schedule of Debt due and owing from the deceased at the time of his death to persons resident in the United Kingdom and Scotland and Funeral Expenses

I Debt				
Thompson & Sons	£	36	2	9
Robert Taylor	£	9		
William G. Law	£	8	6	8
Charles C. Knowles	£	2	9	6
Andrew Stevenson	£	1	14	6
William Davidson	£	1		
Henderson & Sons	£		9	3
William Sinclair	£		4	6
David Stewart	£		2	6
Major M. Fenwick	£		1	
Margaret Scott, Half year wages	£	8	10	
Keen & Co. do	£	7	10	
William Sinclair	£		14	4
Charles Middleton alias	£	2	11	10
Black & Johnston	£		10	2
		79	18	3

II Debts and Funeral Expenses				
J. Robertson, June	£	10	10	
Do: Doyle	£	29	5	6
Interment Due to	£	3	2	5
Christie & Cameron, Undertaker	£	23	14	10
Black & Johnston	£	2	5	
Total Amount of Debt and Funeral Expenses	£	67	2	9

Abstract				
Total Amount of Personal Estate as per foregoing Inventory	£	4990	6	11
Amount of Debt and Funeral Expenses as per Schedule	£	67	2	9
Net value of Personal Estate chargeable with Duty	£	4922	5	11

Signed J. A. Macdonald, George Thornton, J. D.
 At Aberbrothock the twentieth day of July eighteen hundred and ninety seven in presence of George Thornton, Esquire, one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Forfar. Appeared William Neil Macdonald, Junr. Sheriff of Aberbrothock, Executor of the deceased Alexander Gardner of Lathie in the County of Dumfriesshire one of the Ministers of the Church and Parish of Brechin in the County of Forfar who being solemnly sworn and examined depones that the said Alexander Gardner died at Brechin domiciled at Brechin in the County of Forfar upon the thirtieth day of April last and left in Lathie a lawful issue surviving. That the Deponent has entered upon the possession and management of the deceased's estate as Executor nominated by him along with Miss Agnes Marrie of Lathie Bank.

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Bank, Brechin, The Reverend William Duke, Pastor in Divinity Minister of the Parish of St Vigans James Stewart of Number Seventeen India Street, Edinburgh, Writer to the Signet in a Joint Disposition and Settlement executed by him upon the Thirtieth day of March, and with certain thereto dated the Sixth day of April, registered in the Books of Council and Session the Twenty seventh day of May all in the year eighteen hundred and ninety three, an extract whereof is now exhibited and signed by the Deponent and the said Justice of the Peace as relative hereto that the Deponent does not know of any Testamentary Settlement or Writing relative to the disposal of the said decedent's personal estate or effects or any part thereof other than the said Joint Disposition and Settlement and certain and also (Third) a General Decree of Settlement by the said deceased Alexander Gardner and Mrs. Jennina Marnie or Gardner his wife dated fifth July eighteen hundred and eighty nine with three Articles or Additions thereto the first undated and the other dated respectively Twentieth and Twentieth December eighteen hundred and ninety and registered in the said Books of Council and Session the Twentieth day of May eighteen hundred and ninety three, Second, a Mutual Decree of Settlement or Decree of Division by the said deceased Alexander Gardner and the said Mrs. Jennina Marnie or Gardner dated Twelfth August eighteen hundred and eighty nine, with Articles or Additions thereto by the said deceased Alexander Gardner dated Twentieth December eighteen hundred and ninety and registered in the Books of Council and Session the said Twentieth day of May eighteen hundred and ninety three and (Third) a Decree of Settlement or Paper of Legacies by the said deceased Alexander Gardner and the said Mrs. Jennina Marnie or Gardner dated Twentieth October eighteen hundred and eighty nine with two Articles or Additions thereto by the said deceased Alexander Gardner dated respectively Twentieth June and Twentieth December eighteen hundred and ninety two, and registered in the Books of Council and Session the said Twentieth day of May eighteen hundred and ninety three an extract of each of which is herewith produced and signed by the Deponent and the said Justice of the Peace as relative hereto that the foregoing Inventory signed by the Deponent and the said Justice as relative hereto is a full and complete Inventory of the personal estate and effects of the said deceased Reverend Alexander Gardner wherever situated and belonging or due to him beneficially at the time of his death in so far as the same has come to the Deponent's knowledge; that the Deponent does not know of any money or property belonging to the deceased secured by Scottish Bonds or other instruments evidencing treasure; that the said deceased had no personal property abroad; that the said deceased had heritable estate in this country; that the said deceased was due and owing at the time of his death to persons resident in the United Kingdom the debts enumerated in the foregoing Schedule; that these debts are payable by law out of the estate and

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and effects comprised in the foregoing Inventory are not nor any of them voluntary debts made payable on the death of the deceased, or voluntary debts payable under some instrument delivered to the donee thereof within three months before the death of the deceased, or debts which are primarily payable out of any real estate belonging to the deceased, or debts in respect whereof a reimbursement is capable of being reclaimed from any real estate of the deceased or from any other estate or person whatsoever; that these debts with the funeral expenses of the said deceased, as also shown in the said Schedule amount to One hundred and forty nine pounds one shilling; that the net value at this date of the said personal estate and effects situated in the United Kingdom including the proceeds accrued thereon down to this date, and after deducting the amount of the said debts and funeral expenses, is being thousand five hundred pounds sterling and does not exceed Nine thousand six hundred pounds sterling; that confirmation of the said personal estate is required in favor of the said Agnes Milne, Reverend William Duke, James Stewart and the Deponent. All which is truth as the Deponent shall answer to her. Signed A. N. Macdonald, Senechal Thornton, J.

At Edinburgh the Twenty seventh day of May One thousand eight hundred and ninety three the Decree hereinafter engrossed was pronounced for registration in the Books of the Lords of Council and Session for preservation and is registered in the said Books as follows:—I the Reverend Alexander Gardner of Colie in the County of Dumfries one of the Ministers of the Church and Parish of Brechin, in the County of Forfar. Do hereby in virtue of the power reserved to me as the survivor of myself and the now deceased Mrs. Jennina Marnie or Gardner my Wife and in virtue of all other powers vested in or competent to me Do hereby revoke recall and make void the Mutual Decree of Settlement executed by me and my said Wife of date the nineteenth day of May eighteen hundred and eighty eight with addition thereto containing the appointment of an additional Trustee dated First June eighteen hundred and eighty nine and declare that the same shall now be deemed to be null and of no effect and, I further revoke recall and make void so much of the Mutual Settlement executed by me and the said deceased Mrs. Jennina Marnie or Gardner of date the fifth day of July eighteen hundred and eighty nine of our Moveable Means and make as relates to the bequest of the residue thereof to the Trustee appointed in the said Decree of Settlement of nineteenth May eighteen hundred and eighty eight and to the nomination and appointment of Trustee and Executor under the said Decree of Settlement of fifth July eighteen hundred and eighty nine and of the first Article or addition thereto signed by me and the said Mrs. Jennina Marnie or Gardner containing the appointment of an additional Trustee under the said last mentioned Decree of Settlement and I now give Grant Assign and Dispose to and in favor of Mrs. Agnes Milne of

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Thomas Park, Archdeacon, the Reverend William Duke, Doctor in Divinity, Minister of the Parish of Saint Vigens, James Stewart, of Number seventeen India Street, Edinburgh, Writer to the Signet, and William Neil Macdonald, Junr, Clerk of Ardross, as Trustees for the purposes aforementioned and to the acceptor or acceptor survivor or survivors of them and to such other person or persons as I may hereafter appoint or as may be lawfully assumed into the Trust and to the acceptor or acceptor survivor or survivor of the said Trustees to be appointed or assumed as aforesaid and to the Assignees of the said Trustees or Trustee my whole Movable and Estate Movable and Moveable real and personal of whatsoever description and without any exception presently belonging to me or which may belong to me at the time of my death or of which I may at the time of my death have the power of disposition or disposal together with the whole Title, Title Deeds, Vouchers and Instructions thereof and I do hereby nominate my said Trustees above named and such other person or persons as may be appointed or assumed as aforesaid to be my Executors but solely as Trustees aforesaid and for the purposes of this Trust, declaring always that these powers are granted and shall be accepted of by my said Trustees in Trust only and for the use ends and purposes aforementioned and in the first Place for the payment of all my just and lawful debts and deathbed and funeral expenses and the expenses of executing this Trust and administering my Estate and for fulfilment of all obligations incumbent on me: In the second Place I Direct and Appoint my said Trustees to implement and carry into effect the whole bequest provisions instructions and wishes specified and contained or expressed in the foresaid Mutual Settlement executed by me and my said Wife dated the fifth day of July eighteen hundred and eighty nine and in the Bill of Addition thereto signed by me and my said Wife dated the Twentieth day of November eighteen hundred and ninety (declaring that each of my said Trustees hereby appointed, who shall accept shall be entitled to the Legacy of Fifty Pounds Sterling given to the Trustees nominated in the said Deed of Settlement) and in another Mutual Settlement or Deed of Direction signed by me and my said Wife and dated the Twelfth day of August eighteen hundred and eighty nine and in a Holograph Bill of Addition thereto executed by me after the death of my said Wife of date the Twentieth day of December eighteen hundred and ninety one and likewise in a further Deed of Settlement or Bill of Legacies signed by me and my said Wife and dated the Twentieth day of October eighteen hundred and eighty nine and in two Holograph Bills or Additions thereto executed by me subsequent to the death of my said Wife dated respectively the Twentieth day of June and Twentieth day of November both in the year eighteen hundred and ninety two and which several Testaments being so far as not hereby altered or varied

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I do now expressly ratify approve of and confirm: In the third Place I Direct and Appoint my said Trustees to make payment or implement of any other legacies bequests or provisions which I may hereafter bequeath or appoint by any Bill of Legacies or Writing or Memorandum signed by me and clearly expressive of my will though not formally executed: In the fourth Place as I observe that a Clerical or Arithmetical error has been made in the first page of the foresaid Deed of Settlement of Fifth July eighteen hundred and eighty nine the several sums there bequeathed being stated as amounting to the total sum of Two thousand Pounds, whereas on a correct summation they amount only to One thousand and nine hundred and fifty Pounds, I do hereby leave to my nephew the only son of my deceased Brother George Gardner the additional sum of Fifty Pounds making the bequest to him Two hundred and fifty Pounds in place of Two hundred Pounds and bringing up the total amount of the Legacies there bequeathed to Two thousand Pounds as was the original intention. In the fifth Place I hereby leave and bequeath to the Magistrates and Town Council of Aberdeen the Portrait of myself by Sir George Reid, President of the Royal Scottish Academy painted for presentation to me by public subscription as a memorial of my Jubilee as a Minister of the Church of Scotland of the said Magistrates and Town Council shall be pleased to accept the said Portrait and to have the same hung up in the Town Hall of Aberdeen or in such other place as they may consider suitable and appropriate I leave the Portrait of myself and of my late Wife which are at present hanging in my Dining Room and also the Portrait of our only son the late James Alexander Gardner to be dealt with as my said Trustees or as the said William Neil Macdonald whom I hereby designate as their Convenor may think proper but I suggest for their consideration whether a place for the said Portrait might not be ultimately found in some Hall or Building connected with the object of the residuary bequest hereinafter specified: I leave and bequeath all my books not otherwise disposed of or such of them as they may be pleased to select to the Curator or Managers of the Aberdeen Free Library on condition that they be kept all together and a separate place or room be set aside for them in the said Aberdeen Free Library: In the said Bill of Legacies I leave and bequeath the Gold Watch which belonged to my late Wife and given by her to me at her death and which since that time I have always worn myself wearing together with the Gold Chain attached and the Locks thereto appended having my own monogram and containing a likeness of my said Wife, believing that Miss M'Neil will gladly accept and prize these articles as a token of my high regard for her and knowing that possessed as she is of an ample fortune, it is needless for me to bequeath anything to her except such a Memento: To Miss Mary Anderson residing

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residing in Larne and niece of my late Wife I leave the Velvet Dress in my Wife's wardrobe and which was never worn; to Mrs Jane Morrison Sandeman or Thomson of Drumcar also niece of my Wife I leave any other Dress in said wardrobe which she may select and the rest of my Wife's lace and lacy clothes I direct my said Trustees to divide among my own and my Wife's female relatives according to their discretion and which legacies and bequests above specified I appoint my said Trustees to implement and carry into effect so soon as may be convenient after my death; In the Sixth Place I now hereby direct and appoint that the whole Wife's legacies and bequests herein at first or contained in the several Testamentary Writings before specified or that may be hereafter executed by me shall unless expressly provided to the contrary be implemented or paid free of legacy duty or other charges which shall be defrayed out of the residue of my Estate and lastly while steadfastly adhering to the sentiment expressed by me and my late Wife in the former Part of Settlement of nineteenth day Eighteen hundred and eighty eight yet being now of opinion that the object which we had in view will be better carried out in another form than the one therein proposed and that a Memorial of our late lamented son may be more fittingly associated with the place of his birth and with the parish of Brechin which has been the scene of my own life-work and of all my late Wife's married life and whereas there is a scheme in contemplation for the disjunction or separation of the present Collegiate Church of Brechin and the erection of a new and additional Church and in connection therewith the transference to the new Benefice of the Minister of the present Second Charge; therefore with regard to the whole residue of my Estate and Estate including my Estate of Ernie in the parish of Cockburn and County of Dumfries I direct and appoint my said Trustees to hold the same upon a permanent Trust or Mortification for the purpose primarily of forming a fund or endowment in connection with the said proposed new Church and Benefice in the parish of Brechin and subsidiarily for the purposes of Church administration and any analogous object connected with the said proposed new Church and Benefice my said Trustees being at liberty in the event of the disjunction or separation of the said present Collegiate Church not being carried out for some time to devote so much of the Income or the revenues of the said Trust Fund or Mortification as they may think advisable in paying or augmenting the stipend of the Minister who may officiate in the said new Church and until the erection and opening of the said new Church in providing a suitable Salary or Stipend for a Licentiate of the Church of Scotland who may labour in the parish of Brechin and promote the same object by gathering together the nucleus of a congregation for the said Church & it is my intention to frame and leave some fuller instructions for the aid and guidance

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of my Trustees in carrying out the object in view but in the event of my failing to do so I declare it to be my wish and intention that my said Trustees shall have the widest discretion in the administration of the said Trust Fund or Mortification and may frame and enact Regulations for the government thereof and for the disposal and appropriation of the Annual Income or Revenues thereof and if at any time they judge it necessary or expedient I hereby empower my said Trustees to apply to Parliament or the Supreme Court of Scotland for legislative or further power in order to the better administration of the said Trust Fund or Mortification and the carrying out of the object thereof or the confirmation of the Regulations to be framed and enacted by them; My said Trustees shall have full power to sell and dispose of the said Estate of Ernie if at any time this shall seem expedient and for the interests of the said Trust or Mortification and they shall have power if they think fit to invest the proceeds thereof or any other portion of the Trust Funds in the purchase of Lands or other Heritages And my Trustees shall always have power to appoint one of their own number to act as their Factor, Cashier or Agent or otherwise under them if they think fit with suitable remuneration; And I reserve my own Agent of the premises and full power to alter or amend or revoke the present at pleasure; And I consent to the Registration hereof and also of the separate Deeds of Settlement and other Testamentary Writings before specified for preservation in Witness whereof this present written upon this and the four preceding pages by Charles Smith Hill, Clerk to Messrs J. & M. Macdonald, Solicitors, Aberdeen are subscribed by me at Brechin on the thirtieth day of March in the year eighteen hundred and ninety three, before these Witnesses William Guthrie Esq., Minister of the Church of Scotland, presently residing in Brechin, and John Mackay Church Officer, Brechin. Signed Alex. Gardner, Witness Wm. Law, Witness John Mackay.

I the Reverend Alexander Gardner before designed do hereby leave and bequeath to David Mackay Edwards, Proprietor and Editor of the Brechin Advertiser Newspaper the sum of Fifty Pounds Sterling to be paid by my Trustees & Executors along with the other legacies bequeathed by me And I confirm the foregoing Trust Disposition and Settlement and consent to the Registration hereof along therewith. In Witness whereof this present written by William Hill Macdonald, Town Clerk of Aberdeen are subscribed by me at Brechin on the sixth day of April Eighteen hundred and ninety three before these witnesses Margaret Hood and Helen Reid both my Domestic Servants residing at the Manse of Brechin. Signed Alex. Gardner, Margaret Hood, Witness; Helen Reid also Witness. Extract from the Register of Deeds or in the Books of Council and Session on this and the nineteen preceding pages by me Assistant Keeper of said Register. Signed George D. Bellair D. W. W. 20th July 1893. This is the Extract Registered Trust Disposition and Settlement and Extract of the account of the said Alexander Gardner.

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Gardner within designed referred to in the oath omitted by me of this date to the Inventory of the deceased's personal estate. Signed, W. S. Macdonald, George Thomson, J. L.

At Edinburgh the Twentieth day of May one thousand eight hundred and ninety three the Deed hereinafter engraved was presented for registration in the Books of the Lords of Council and Session for preservation and is registered in the said Books as follows: The Name of Brechin the Fifth day of July eighteen hundred and eighty nine year. To the undersigned Alexander Gardner Minister of Brechin and Jennina Gardner his wife, while adhering to our Mutual Agreement, or last Will and Testament of date the thirtieth September eighteen hundred and eighty seven year, and also while adhering to our "Deed of Settlement" of date the nineteenth day of May eighteen hundred and eighty eight year, in further settlement of our worldly affairs, in accordance with law and equity, and for the glory of God, do hereby bequeath the following sums to the persons named, payable out of our moveable or other property exclusive of debts as referred to in the said "Deed of Settlement" after the decease of the last of us herein, with a little delay as may accord with the requirements of law and justice. First To the immediate offspring of Matthew Gardner deceased eldest brother of the said Alexander Gardner Senator, the sum of £450, as follows: To his son Matthew Gardner residing at Red Cottage Ardentinny by Brechin the sum of three hundred and fifty pounds Sterling (£350): To the surviving children of his deceased daughter Euphemia by her husband Robert Reid as representatives of their mother, and share and share alike, the sum of Two hundred pounds Sterling (£200) To his surviving daughter Jennie, wife of James Gardner or failing her to their son James Alex Gardner failing whom failing to be appointed equally among the aforesaid offspring of the deceased Matthew Gardner, eldest brother of the said Alexander Gardner Senator, the sum of Two hundred pounds Sterling (£200) these several sums amounting in all to the sum total of Seven hundred & fifty pounds Sterling (£750) and the said sum. To James Gardner brother of the said Alexander Gardner Senator, failing whom to his daughter Fie, whom failing to be appointed and appointed with the residue of our moveable property according to the instructions hereinafter given, the sum of Four hundred pounds Sterling (£400) Third To the offspring of William Gardner deceased, brother of the said Alexander Gardner Senator, as follows: to Euphemia his eldest daughter, the sum of Two hundred pounds Sterling (£200) To his daughter Mary one hundred pounds Sterling (£100). to his son William one hundred pounds Sterling (£100) and to his son James one hundred pounds Sterling (£100) making in all to the children of the said William Gardner deceased, brother of the said Alexander Gardner the total sum of Six hundred pounds Sterling (£600) Should however any of the said legatee children of the said William Gardner deceased, predecease the last of us herein - the said Senator - the sum or sums which would have accrued to the said predeceased to be appointed equally

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equally among the surviving children of the said William Gardner deceased Fourth. To the offspring of George Gardner deceased brother of the said Alex Gardner Senator, the said offspring, being the only son and sole offspring of the said George Gardner by his wife and named failing whom that is the said only son to be appointed with the residue of our moveable property as hereinafter specified, the sum of Two hundred pounds Sterling (£200)

The several sums thus bequeathed to the persons named amount in all to the total sum of Ten thousand pounds Sterling (£10000)

Further to the said Alexander Gardner and Jennina Gardner his wife in further settlement of our affairs hereby bequeath the sum of One thousand pounds Sterling (£1000) to be paid out of our residuary estate, after payment of the aforesaid bequest, to the Town Council of Brechin, as trustees for the following purposes and on the following conditions The said sum of One thousand pounds Sterling shall be invested by the said Town Council on sufficient security for its safe preservation at such rate as shall be deemed accordant with the ordinary rate of interest at the time, and the annual amount of interest accruing from said investment shall be administered by the Provost, Magistrates, Treasurer, and Hospital Master of the said Town Council of Brechin, the Beneficiaries of this Charity Trust shall be persons who have been resident within the Burgh of Brechin for a period of at least five years, or subject to the approval of the said Administrators, persons who shall have been resident within the Parish of Brechin, whether Town or Landward, for the said period, and who shall be in Membership with one or other of the Churches in Brechin. Further, the cases in which this charity shall be applicable shall be cases of sickness crippled with temporary destitution poverty occasioned by a sudden reverse of outward circumstances, family bereavement, and infirmity arising from old age, provided always that the persons receiving the charity shall be persons belonging to the working class, or what is sometimes termed the class of the industrious Poor, and that no person on any pauper parochial roll, or non resident in the Parish of Brechin shall be eligible for this charity. Further it shall be competent for the said Administrators in the exercise of their own discretion to allow the interest accruing from the said sum of One thousand pounds Sterling, bequeathed as aforesaid to accumulate for a period, not exceeding ten years and then, or whatever shorter period may be adopted to apply the said accumulated interest in aid of the said industrious Poor, on the occurrence of any epidemic, or great emergency arising from want or suffering of any kind, in which case the administrator shall act according to their own discretion without reference to Church membership, but in harmony with general sympathy, and in accordance with public approval, in the event, however, of no such emergency occurring or cause of urgent claim for the

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the Charity not having been presented to the Administrator it shall be competent for them the said Administrator to add the accumulated Interest to the capital sum invested, under trust, or to fund the said accumulated Interest separately as a reserved fund which shall at all times be available under their administration for behoof of the said Institution here, according to the provisions of this Deed.

The life work of the Rev. Alexander Gardner having been that of a Minister of Brechin where he was settled in 1843, he and his spouse, Fanny Gardner desire to place their burying ground or place of interment in the Parish Church Yard of Brechin, together with their Monument of Aberdeen granite in the custody and under the special protection of the said Town Council, the said ground embracing their own graves and that of their only son and sole offspring James Alex. Gardner, together with the said Monument of Aberdeen Granite situated at the north west corner of the said Parish Church Yard, and within the same walled enclosure with the ground and monument of the late Right Hon^{ble} William Lord Panmure. And it shall be a distinct and absolute condition of this Trust that the said burying ground, or place of interment, together with the said Monument shall be kept in a state of proper preservation, the ground being kept in grass, suitably cropped at proper intervals, and the Monuments protected from all injury with the inscriptions clear and legible, the cost of such maintenance or preservation being defrayed from the finances at the disposal of the Administrator, prior to the distribution of any sum in charity; otherwise that in the event of the said burying ground, or place of interment, and the said Monument being allowed to fall into a state of neglect or non-preservation it shall be competent for the Agent of the Church of Scotland, and he is hereby, in such circumstances, empowered to claim the said sum of One thousand pounds sterling bequeathed as aforesaid, and to apply it as by the Statute he shall be instructed. The aforesaid Bequest in the hands of the Town Council of Brechin who shall be designated the Gardner Bequest and the Trust shall be designated the Gardner Trust.

Further to the said Alex. Gardner and the said Fanny Gardner, his wife, Statute, hereby bequeath the sum of Two hundred pounds sterling (£200) to the Kirk Session of the Church & Parish of Brechin as Trustees for behoof of the poorer members on the Communion Roll of the Congregation, the said sum to be safely invested by them at the ordinary rate of Interest and the said interest to be expended by them annually in coats, flannel or underclothing, according to their discretion or as circumstances may appear to require.

Further whatever may remain of our said moveable property unappropriated or unassigned that is not expressly by writing bequeathed shall immediately be converted into capital, if not already so, and delivered over

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to the Trustees appointed in our Deed of Settlement of date the 14th May 1888, to be held by them in perpetuity, and the Interest accruing from the sum thus realized to be applied by them in augmentation of the Salary or Income of the Incumbent in the Chair of Natural Theology instituted by said Deed of Settlement, or otherwise as the said Trustees of the said Chair shall deem expedient in furtherance of the ends for which said Chair has been instituted by said Deed. Further we hereby appoint Mr. William A. Macdonald, Town Clerk of Brechin, Mr. Matthew Gardner, our said nephew at present resident at Black Cottage, Brechin, by Henock and Doctor J. A. Lockman Brechin as our Trustees & Executors, under this Deed of Settlement, expressly to carry out the instructions herein set forth, and we assign to each of these gentlemen on condition of his discharging the duties of the office to which he has thus been appointed the sum of Fifty pounds sterling (£50) in full payment of his services and of all the expenses which he may have incurred in the fulfilment of his duties as a Trustee, except in the case of the said W. A. Macdonald, who shall in addition to the said sum of Fifty pounds sterling receive the usual professional fees or costs as Clerk.

Further to the said Alex. Gardner and Fanny Gardner, his wife, we give all our rights with full power during our joint lives to alter, increase or revoke these presents in whole or in part, and not only so, but the survivor of us twain shall have power to revoke the bequest of two hundred pounds sterling (£200) to the Kirk Session of Brechin, and to assign the same otherwise as he or she shall think proper or expedient. We hereby, also, provide that the survivor of us twain shall have power over the residue of our moveable property to assign a sum not exceeding one thousand pounds sterling to any person or for any purpose he or she may deem proper or expedient. Further and in Witness Whereof these presents written on this and on the three preceding pages are subscribed by us both at Brechin on the Fifth day of July Eighteen hundred and eighty nine years before three Witnesses James Don, Esq. Solicitor, David Street Brechin and Mr. John Jamieson Taylor, Accountant, & David Street Brechin. Signed Alexander Gardner, Fanny Gardner, James Don, Witness, for James Taylor, Witness.

To the Trustees already appointed under this Deed of 5th July 1889 we hereby add Archibald Stewart Esq. W. L. 14 India Street Edinburgh on the same terms with the same power or failing the said Archibald Stewart we hereby appoint his son James Stewart to take his place on the same terms and with the same power. Signed Alexander Gardner, Fanny Gardner Brechin the 25th November 1890. We the undersigned hereby revoke the appointment of Doctor J. A. Lockman Brechin as a Trustee under our said Deed of Settlement, and determine that he shall have no say or voice in the disposition of our effects. Signed Alexander Gardner, Fanny Gardner Brechin the 25th November 1890. We the undersigned hereby bequeath the public

Portrait of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, framed and used as a fine screen, to Jane M. Sandeman wife of Mr. Thomson on and instruct our Trustees to deliver the said portrait to her if alive at the date of the decease of the survivor of us herein. Signed Alexander Gardner, femina Gardner, extracted from the Register of Deeds &c. in the Books of Council and Session on this and the eighteen preceding pages by me Assistant Master of said Register. One word on each of pages fourth and fifth deleted before signing. Signed George D. Maffur C. Edinburgh 26th July 1892. This is the exact Registered Deed of Settlement with Codicils by the deceased Reverend Alexander Gardner and Mrs. femina Maria M. Gardner his wife both within design & referred to in the Deed omitted by me of this date to the Inventory of the Personal Estate of the said Reverend Alexander Gardner deceased. Signed A. M. Macdonald, George Watson, J.

At Edinburgh the Twentieth day of May one thousand eight hundred and ninety three the Deed hereinafter engraved was presented for registration in the Books of the Lords of Council and Session for presentation and is registered in the said Books as follows: Names of Brechin 19 August 1889.

We the undersigned Alexander Gardner Minister of Brechin and femina Gardner his wife while adhering to our mutual agreement or last Will and Testament of date the Thirtieth September eighteen hundred and eighty seven year. Further while adhering to our "Deed of Settlement" of date the nineteenth day of May eighteen hundred and eighty eight year: And further while adhering to our Deed of Settlement of date the fifth day of July eighteen hundred and eighty nine year bequeathing certain sums as therein stated, we do now and in supplement to the said Deeds of Settlement make the following request, that We hereby direct and empower our Executors to deliver to the Town Council of Perth the Portrait, an oil painting, of the late James Maria Esq. of Deuchar, who at one time held the office of Sheriff of the said Burgh, together with the sword which he bore as an officer of the Buffs' Volunteers at the period of the war between this country and France, to be hung up in the Town Hall of the said Burgh of Perth, if this should meet with the approval of the said Town Council.

Second We hereby direct and empower our Executors to deliver the Silver Gavel, the Family Bible, the Silver snuff Box, bearing the initials J. A. G. and the engravings of the Duke of Wellington & Sir Robert Peel with Sir James, to Mr. A. Macdonald by Town Clerk, Perth.

Third We hereby direct and empower our Executors to deliver the Jewellery, which specially belonged to Mr. Gardner and which was otherwise unappropriated at the time of her decease, together with the Prayer Book which formerly belonged to "Miss Buchanony 1839" to Miss Mary Sandeman-Jones of Mr. Gardner.

Fourth We hereby direct and empower our Executors to deliver the Law Books, Engravings

Engravings of the Judges Inglis & Moncrieff, and other distinguished Members of the legal Profession, together with Photo relative to the Edinburgh Academy and the celebration of her Majesty's Jubilee to James Stewart Esq. son of Archd. Stewart Esq. N. 14 India Street, Edinburgh.

Fifth We hereby direct and empower our Executors to deliver the Books which were presented to the said Alexander Gardner by the Congregation of the "Old Church of Brechin" together with any other which may afterwards be added thereto to the Rev. Arthur Melch Esq. D. D. Minister of Lilliesleaf in the Parochy of Perth.

Sixth We hereby direct and empower our Executors to deliver the small silver watch bearing the initials J. A. G. together with the chain and appendages which belonged to our deceased son and which were much prized by him as having been worn by him from early boyhood till he obtained his commission as an Advocate when he was presented with a Gold Watch by his Aunt Isabella & Charlotte Maria, to James A. Gardner, son of femina Gardner by her husband James Gardner or Gardner the said femina Gardner being the daughter of the late Matthew Gardner brother of the Testator the said Alexander Gardner.

Seventh We hereby direct and empower our Executors to deliver the Gold Watch and Appendages which belonged to our deceased son, as a legacy from his maternal grandfather James Maria Esq. of Deuchar to Doctor Matthew Gardner, son of the late Sheriff Gardner of Campbellton, the said Doctor M. Gardner being at present in Medical practice at the Little Green, Richmond, Surrey. The said Dr. Gardner attended the Edinburgh Academy along with our said son and there existed between them a mutual attachment so strong as to resemble the closest brotherhood. It is with feelings of the kindest and most friendly regard that we bequeath the said Gold Watch or to Dr. Gardner, as a Memorial of his early friend, our dear and lamented son, James Alex. Gardner.

Eighth We hereby direct and empower our Executors to deliver to James Gardner brother of the Testator the said Alexander Gardner, the Gold Watch and Appendages which the said Alexander Gardner received as a present from the Minister, Elder & Parishioners of Lanark in 1834 together with the Staff which he received from his Father Matthew Gardner in 1861.

Ninth We hereby direct and empower our Executors to deliver to Matthew Gardner nephew of the said Alexander Gardner, Testator "The Compendious Bible" or which he the said Alexander Gardner received from the Parishioners of Perth & Angus at his settlement there in 1832, together with the small Bible bearing the inscription "M. Gardner & Dalziel" and the small hand or Pocket Bible, which bears in writing on the title page the name "Alex Gardner - 1834" the said Bible having been presented to the said Alex. Gardner as a token of friendly regard by Mr. James Scott Elder - a Member of the Kirk Session of Annan, where the said Alex. Gardner had been Assistant for ten months or thereabouts.

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thence on his leaving Annan for Lanark. (Signed) Alexander Gardner
Jemima Gardner

Manse of Brechin 29th December 1890. My dear Wife, Jemima Gardner having been taken from me by death on the 14th inst. and being thus left alone in accordance with all our agreements as previously set forth, I with full power as survivor do hereby empower my Trustees to present to James Alex. Campbell Esq of Strathallan Hillmains "Mémorial pour servir A. L. Histoire Ecclésiastique in 16 quarto vols & "Mémorial Histoire des Empereurs in six quarto volumes the whole being comprised in 22 quarto volumes, which formerly belonged to a French nobleman and which became mine by purchase from a London bookseller. This work is highly valued by Gibbon the Historian, and a copy is not easily to be got. I trust Mr. Campbell will kindly accept this bequest as a token of my sincere esteem and deep sense of his friendly regards to myself & my dear departed wife. (Signed) Alex Gardner. Extracts from the Register of Deeds or in the Books of Council and Session on this and the eight preceding pages by me Assistant Keeper of said Register. One word on preceding page deleted before signing. (Signed) George D. Baillour Esq. Attest 26th July 1893. This is the Extract Registered Deed of Settlement or Deed of Dispositions by the deceased Alexander Gardner and Mrs Jemima Marnie or Gardner his wife, with certain thereto, both within designed referred to in the path emitted by me of this date to the Inventory of the Normal Book of the said deceased Alexander Gardner deceased. (Signed) A. N. Macdonald, George Hamilton Esq.

At Edinburgh the Twentieth day of May One thousand eight hundred and ninety three the Deed hereinafter engrossed was presented for registration in the Books of the Lords of Council and Session for preservation and is registered in the said Books as follows:

1st Deed of Settlement

Manse of Brechin the Twentieth day of October eighteen hundred and eighty nine years. We the undersigned Alexander Gardner Minister of Brechin and Jemima Gardner his wife in further settlement of our temporal affairs do hereby agree and determine that on the death of the last of us herein and subject to the approval of the said survivor the following Books or shall be delivered by our Trustees under this deed to the persons named as bequest from us in token of our esteem and friendly regards.

First. To William Nis Macdonald, Town Clerk of Perth the following volumes referred to in our Deed of the 12th August 1889. The Bible in 2 fol vols termed the Atlantic Family Bible; the Bible in one Vol termed the Henry Bible, the Bible in one Vol termed the Cuckoo Bible, and the hand Bible bearing the inscription "Mary Cuckoo" - the maiden name of the late Mrs Marnie of Brechin.

Second. To Arthur P. Sym, Minister of Lilliesleaf in the Parishes of Lilliesleaf the

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the Books referred to in our said Deed of Settlement of date the 12th August 1889 viz: Calmet's Dictionary of the Bible in 5 quarto vols calf gilt. Halls (Robert) works in 6 quarto vols calf gilt. Owen on the Hebrew in 4 folio vols - (if old date) calf - Owen on the 180 Psalms in 1 vol calf gilt. Owen on the Holy Spirit 2 Vols in 8vo calf gilt. Owen's Various Mysteries. one vol in 8vo calf gilt. Lighthons Notes (Archbp) 2 vols 8vo calf gilt; all presented to the Minister A. Gardner, by the Old Church Congregation of Brechin in April 1882. Also Calvin's Institutes 2 vols 8vo calf gilt, which was included in the said presentation. There were all comprised in said presentation; further D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation in 16th century 5 vols 8vo, of these the three first were a present from the Female Class connected with said congregation and they are calf gilt. The 4th vol is also calf gilt, but it was a later publication. And the 5th vol which was the last published is still in cloth. Further Vasey's Book new Testament in 3 vols 8vo calf each vol containing a Photo the 1st of John Gardner, 2^d of J. A. Gardner & 3^d of A. Gardner John Gardner to whom these vols originally belonged, having been the brother of A. Gardner Minister.

Third. To Mr. James Stewart son of Mr. Archd. Stewart D. India Street Edin. Referring to Article 4th of the Deed dated 12th August 1889 it appears that there are now no Law Books there having been sold with other articles by Mr. Rowell in Edin. But we bequest to Mr. Jas Stewart the Portrait Engravings of Presidents Blair (2 in number) Lord Jeffrey, Lord Inglis, Lord Moncrieff, Sir Walter Scott, Sir N. Radburn, the Great Statesman with this engraving being taken by the Pitt Club from the Statue in George Street Edin. and scarcely to be got. The laying of the Foundation of the University of Edin. Two framed Photos of the Admirals Bagquart in color. Engraving of J. M. Jubilee, also the engraving of a Law Lord who is not named - this Engraving hangs in the dining room above Lord Moncrieff Street, to Dr. M. Gardner, as referred to in Article Seventh of the Deed dated 12th August 1889 the Gold Watch or together with the silver mounted Glass, the metal Jug, with prizes gained at the Academy, and 2 framed Photos of the Academy and Academy party (Signed) Alexander Gardner Jemima Gardner Brechin 24 June 1893. I hereby appoint my Trustees to pay to my present servant Margaret Macdonald & Helen Nichol Macdonald, the former being Cook and the latter being Housemaid, respectively their full year wages, together with the sum of £10 as a bequest to Margaret Macdonald, and the sum of £15 as a bequest to Helen Nichol Macdonald, if they shall be in my service at the date of my death, or such of them as may be so, as here appointed, that is the sums specified shall be paid to the one who may at that time be with me the other having left. (Signed) Alexander Gardner. Mr Gardner frequently remarked that Helen the Housemaid was very open, frank and serviceable to her, and I wish to mark this by leaving her the larger bequest. The other servant altho faithful and efficient in

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in her own office was not called on for the same attendance. Both have been dutiful and efficient servants to me. Signed, Alexander Gardner.
 Inchin 14 November 1892. Whereas the Presbytery of Inchin, with reference to my notice in the holy Ministry which occurred on the 12 August 1892, did on the 11th October 1892 present me with an illuminated address, expressing of sentiments of high respect and warmly friendly regard, and whereas I have been so long happily connected with this venerable Court, taking part in its proceedings and reciprocating kind offices with its members individually, I desire to give to them a lasting token of my respect, good wishes and good wishes, and accordingly I hereby empower my trustees to pay to pay to the said Presbytery the sum of one hundred pounds sterling as a Bequest from me to be invested by them in safe security the annual interest accruing from which to be spent, in defraying the cost of a dinner or suitable entertainment for the Presbytery, and whomsoever of their friends they may deem it proper to invite, said dinner or entertainment to be fixed for the 12 August, or any other which may be considered more convenient for the attendance of the members, due notice being given to all the members of the day fixed. A Receipt signed by the Moderator & the Clerk may be accepted by the Trustees as a sufficient discharge for payment of the said sum of £100. It is however hereby provided that if the Senator during his life should himself give over the said sum to the said Presbytery, no further payment will be made by my Trustees and the Bequest will be held as null and void in terms hereof, as witness my signature given on this even- tenth day of November 1892. Signed, Alex Gardner. Extracted from the Register of Deeds or in the Books of Council and Session on this and the nine preceding pages by me Assistant Keeper of said Register on 10th Nov on page sixth dated before signing. Signed, George D. Hafford
 Abroath 26th July 1893. This is the exact Registered Deed of Settlement or Paper of Legacies by the deceased Reverend Alexander Gardner and Mrs. femima Matmie or Gardner his wife, with Articles thereon, both within designat referred to in the Path emitted by me of this date to the Inventory of the Personal Estate of the said Reverend Alexander Gardner deceased. Signed, A. K. Macdonald, George Thomson, J.P.

Collected by William J. Deven

2nd August 1893
 Inventory of the Personal Estate of the late Joseph Brown

At Forfar the second day of August eighteen hundred and ninety three years, the following Inventory of the Personal Estate of the late Joseph Brown, with relative

Writ, was presented for registration in this Register conform to Law by David Chapel, Solicitor in Abroath. Inventory of the Personal Estate whereof situated of Joseph Brown, Retired Lighthouse Keeper and residing at Number Twentyfour West Mary Street Abroath who died at Abroath upon the eleven- th day of April eighteen hundred and ninety three.

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 I Personal Property

I	Cash in the house	£	11	.	0
II	Receivables Body Clothes		2	10	..
III	Amount of Deposits Receipts granted to deceased by the Royal Bank of Scotland (Abroath branch) dated 6th August 1892 Interest thereon to date of oath to Inventory		46
II	Amount of Promissory Note granted to deceased by David Key Esq. George Crawford, Vice Pres John Gray Calder, Hammer and David Smith, Secretary of the Abroath Friendly Coal Society Limited dated 6th August 1892 payable one day after date Interest thereon at 4 1/2 per cent from 6th February 1893 to date of oath to Inventory		301
II	Sum due under Bond for £250 and Disposition in Security dated the 11th day of August and recorded in the Register of Sasines Devisions or Repts for the Burgh of Abroath on the 12th day of September both in the year 1854 granted by Peter Hood, Pilot Abroath in favor of the deceased therein deceased residing in West Mary Street Abroath. Balance of Principal due Interest thereon at 3 per cent from 6th August 1892 to date of oath to Inventory		145	11	..
III	Amount due under Policy of Assurance on Deceased's Life with the Edinburgh Life Insurance Company dated 13th May 1859 No. 3245		44
VII	Proportion of Superannuation allowance due by the Northern Lighthouse Commissioners to deceased at the date of his death England - Nil Ireland - Nil		1	1	4
Total amount of Personal Estate the whole being situated in Scotland			668	9	..

Signed, Joseph Brown, George Thomson, J.P.
 At Abroath the thirteenth day of July eighteen hundred and ninety three. In presence of George Thomson Esquire one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Forfar. Appeared Joseph Brown formerly residing at Number Seventeen North Brimsby Abroath now at Number Thirty three Wallace Street Abroath Executor of the deceased Joseph Brown retired Lighthouse Keeper and residing at Number Twentyfour West Mary Street Abroath, who being solemnly sworn and examined deposes that the said deceased Joseph Brown died at Abroath domiciled in Scotland upon the Eleventh day of April eighteen hundred and ninety three and left no Widow and no lawful issue surviving. That the Deponent has entered upon the possession and management of the deceased's estate as Executor nominated by him along with Peter Hood, Pilot residing at Number Seven Ann Street Abroath and also along with David Key Residenter residing at Number Twentyfour Spink Street, Abroath now deceased in a Deed of Settlement executed by him upon