

the United States therefrom, shall be held in trust by my executors—the interest of which shall be for the use of my son, SAMUEL ARTHUR BREESE MORSE, until he shall have attained the age of twenty-five years; after which, (his mother having deceased,) the principal shall be paid over to him.

*Part 5.*—I direct that one part be given to my daughter, CORNELIA LIVINGSTON MORSE, after the deduction therefrom of twenty-four thousand dollars legal currency of the United States—I having advanced that sum to her in the bonds of the Steubenville and Indiana Railroad Company, amounting to thirty thousand dollars, which are hereby set apart for her to be her property.

*Part 6.*—I direct that one part be given to my son, WILLIAM GOODRICH MORSE, after the deduction therefrom of two thousand dollars legal currency of the United States, after he shall have attained the age of twenty-five years.

*Part 7.*—I direct that one part shall be given to my son, EDWARD LIND MORSE, after he shall have attained the age of twenty-five years. I further direct that, at my decease, my microscope, with all the books directly illustrating the same, be given to my son, EDWARD LIND MORSE. I further direct that all my books, manuscripts and papers, of whatever nature, be given in charge, by my executors, of some suitable person or persons, for the purpose of examining, selecting and using the same, within a reasonable specified time designated by my executors, with a view of preparing a biographical or historical notice relating to myself. And I further direct that after the examination, selection and use aforesaid, all my books, manuscripts and papers, (with the exception hereinafter designated,) be held in trust for my son, EDWARD LIND MORSE, to be given him after the decease of his mother, and after he shall have attained the age of twenty-five years—provided, however, he shall have graduated from some college. In case, however, of his decease before he shall have attained the age of twenty-five, or shall fail to graduate at some college, then I direct that the books be sold and the proceeds be carried over and added to the residuary fund, hereinafter mentioned.

*Part 8.*—I direct that the eighth part remaining be held in trust by my executors as a residuary fund, to which I direct that the several deductions from parts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 be carried over and added. From this eighth part, or residuary fund, I direct that the several legacies and bequests hereinafter designated be paid, provided the said residuary fund shall be ample for that purpose. In case, however, of a deficiency for paying them in full, then I direct that the bequests from the said fund be proportionally apportioned, according to the amount devised to each. If, on the contrary, the amount of the residuary fund should be more than sufficient to pay the several legacies hereinafter designated, then the residue of the residuary fund shall be equally divided among my several children, named in parts 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 7, or in case of the decease of any one or more of them, then to their lawful issue then surviving—taking *per stirpes*, and not *per capita*.

*FIRST.*—1. I direct that three thousand dollars legal currency of the United States be given from the residuary fund to the Home of the Friendless, an institution existing at this date in the City of Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, N. Y., to be used by the trustees of that institution, at their discretion, for the benefit of that charity.

2. I direct that two thousand dollars legal currency of the United States be given to the trustees of Nassau Hall, Princeton, N. J., to found two scholarships in the College—one to be called the Finley scholarship, and the other the Breeze scholarship—to be paid from the residuary fund.

3. I direct that one thousand dollars legal currency of the United States be given to the Union Theological Seminary, established by the late Rev. JOHN RICE, D. D., at Hampden Sidney, Va., from the residuary fund.

4. I direct that one thousand dollars legal currency of the United States be given to the Old Ladies' Home, a charity established in Poughkeepsie, from the residuary fund.

5. I direct that one thousand dollars legal currency of the United States be given to the National Academy of Design of New-York, from the residuary fund—to be appropriated by the trustees of the Academy toward the procuring of a suitable medal for the encouragement of art.

6. I direct that one thousand dollars legal currency of the United States be given to the American Geographical Society of New-York—to be appropriated by the trustees of the Society toward the procuring of a suitable medal for the encouragement of geographical research—to be paid from the residuary fund.

7. I direct that one thousand dollars legal currency of the United States be given from the residuary fund—to be appropriated by the trustees of the New-York City University toward procuring a suitable medal as a reward for scholarship.

8. I direct that the Cross of the Knight Commander of the Order of the Dannebrog, conferred upon me by his Majesty the King of Denmark, be returned to the Chancellor of the Order at Copenhagen, through his Excellency, the Danish Minister to the United States, in compliance with the rules of the Order.

9. I direct that my gold spectacles, which I have had in daily use, be given at my decease to my worthy cousin, SIDNEY BREESE, of Carlisle, Ill., formerly United States Senator, and now Judge of the Supreme Court of Illinois, as a small tribute of affection and respect.

10. I nominate and appoint as the executors of this will and testament, and as trustees, the following persons, or any of them, to wit: THOMAS R. WALKER, Esq., of Utica, N. Y.; HENRY DAX, Esq., of the City of New-York; Rev. JOSEPH GALLAGHER, of New-Jersey, and SAMUEL COLGATE, of New-York.

11. I direct that the following books from my library be given to my grandson, CHARLES WALKER LIND, to be his property, to wit: *Roba di Roma*, by STORV, two volumes; *Hayden's Biography*, two volumes; *Ancient Practice of Painting*, two volumes; *Ryton on Landscape Gardening*, one volume; *Leslie's Autobiography*, one volume; *Life of Sir Joshua Reynolds*, one volume; *Kyar on the Elements of Light*, one volume.

SAMUEL F. B. MORSE.  
NEW-YORK, Feb. 7, 1872.  
Subscribed, published and declared to be his last will and testament by the said SAMUEL F. B. MORSE, in our presence—who, at his request, and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have hereunto set our names as witnesses, this seventh day of February, eighteen hundred and seventy-two (1872.)

Witnesses to signature:  
(Signed) WILLIAM ORTON,  
No. 413 West Twenty-third-street, New-York.  
(Signed) EDWARD CHAPMAN,  
No. 227 Putnam-avenue, Brooklyn.  
(Signed) JAMES D. REID,  
No. 62 Willow-street, Brooklyn,  
Kings County, N. Y.

## THE MORSE ESTATE.

### The Last Will and Testament of the Late Prof. Morse—Scholarships for Princeton College—Other Legacies and Bequests—Copy of the Instrument.

The last will and testament of the late Prof. SAMUEL F. B. MORSE was presented for probate at the office of Hon. R. C. HUTCHINGS, Surrogate, yesterday. The following is a copy of the paper in full:

I, SAMUEL F. B. MORSE, of the City, County and State of New-York, hereby revoking all former wills and testaments by me executed, do make this my last will and testament, as follows, to wit:

*FIRST.*—I direct my executors, hereinafter named, to pay first, from any proceeds of my property, all my just debts and funeral expenses, as also the expense of one-third of the cost of the triangular monument proposed to be erected on Highland Hill, in Green-Wood Cemetery, Brooklyn, Long Island—provided the cost of said third shall not exceed four thousand dollars legal currency of the United States. And I also direct that so much of four thousand dollars as shall be needed to constitute my third part of the cost, be under the direction of my two nephews, SIDNEY E. MORSE and GILBERT LIVINGSTON MORSE.

*SECOND.*—To simplify the apportionment of my property, I direct my executors to cause to be made an inventory of my property of every kind, (after certain specified legacies, hereinafter designated, shall have been provided for and deducted,) and an estimate of the value of the remaining property in legal currency of the United States be also made.

*THIRD.*—I direct that my whole property thus estimated, with the exception of the specific legacies above mentioned and hereinafter designated, be held in trust by my executors, whom I also appoint the trustees of the same, for the use of my beloved wife, SARAH ELIZABETH MORSE, during her life; and I authorize my executors and trustees, with her consent, to dispose of any or all of said property, by sale or exchange, and to invest the proceeds of the same for her use in safe interest-bearing stocks, bonds and mortgages, or other safe interest-bearing property, at their discretion—the interest or dividends upon said investments to be duly paid over to her.

*FOURTH.*—After the decease of my said wife, SARAH, I direct that the property thus held in trust for her use, as aforesaid, shall be divided into eight equal parts, and distributed and given as follows, to wit:

*Part 1.*—I direct that one part, after the deduction therefrom of ten thousand dollars legal currency of the United States, be given to my eldest daughter, Mrs. SUSAN WALKER LIND, wife of EDWARD LIND, Esq., of Arroyo, Porto Rico; or in case of her decease before decease of my wife, SARAH, as aforesaid, then to the issue of my said daughter, SUSAN, her surviving—taking *per stirpes*, and not *per capita*.

*Part 2.*—I direct that one part, after the deduction therefrom of forty-five thousand dollars legal currency of the United States, shall be given to my son, CHARLES WALKER MORSE; and I further direct that, in consequence of the aforesaid deduction of forty-five thousand dollars from said part, the several notes given me at various times by the said CHARLES be considered canceled and paid; and

I further direct that the house and lot No. 109 Oxford-street, Brooklyn, which he occupies, be also given him; but in case of his decease before my said wife, SARAH, then the property herein bequeathed to him, after the deduction aforesaid of forty-five thousand dollars, shall be given to his lawful issue him surviving—taking *per stirpes*, and not *per capita*.

*Part 3.*—I direct that one part, not exceeding eighteen thousand dollars legal currency of the United States, be given to my executors, in trust, for the support of my son, JAMES EDWARDS FINLEY MORSE, during his life; and in case this part should fall short of the sum of eighteen thousand dollars, then the said sum of eighteen thousand dollars shall be made complete from the residuary fund hereinafter specified; and I further direct that the balance of said part, after the appropriation of the eighteen thousand dollars, shall be carried over and added to the forementioned residuary fund.

*Part 4.*—I direct that one part, after the deduction of three thousand dollars legal currency of