

Rev Robert Fetherston Jessop of Kilglass Will 6 Dec 1841 proved 7 Oct 1843 & London 25 January 1844

This is the last will and testament of me The Reverend Robert Fetherston Jessop of Kilglass in the county of Longford Clerk in the first place I direct all my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid by my executors and trustees hereinafter named as soon as conveniently may be after my decease out of my personal estate and effects whereas by a certain indenture of settlement bearing date the fifteenth day of October one thousand eight hundred and eleven made and executed previous to my marriage with my dear wife certain sums of money and securities therein mentioned were vested in the trustees therein named upon certain trusts therein expressed and amongst others after my decease to pay unto my dear wife for her life an annuity or yearly sum of three hundred pounds of the late Irish Currency? In manner therein mentioned and subject thereto in case then should be issue of the said marriage in trust for said issue in such shares and proportions as I should by any deed or by my last will and testament direct and appoint and whereas I have issue by my said wife three children that is to say **John Harwood Jessop Catherine Jessop and Elizabeth Jessop** and whereas since my said marriage my means have considerably increased and I am now possessed of the several funds and securities following that is to say the sum of four thousand two hundred and forty nine pounds four shillings and four pence of the capital stock of the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland a sum of four hundred and ten pounds eighteen shillings and nine pence Government Old three and an half per cent stock a sum of two hundred pounds Government New three and an half per cent stock a sum of five hundred and seventy six pounds fourteen shillings and four pence of government reduced three and an half per cent a sum of seven hundred and thirty eight pounds nine shillings and two pence half penny secured by the bond and judgment of **James Hawlin** Esquire two sums of five hundred pounds each charged on my **brother in law Sir George Ralph Fetherston's** estate and policy of Insurance of one thousand pounds besides a landed estate and other property and whereas the above two mentioned sums of five hundred pounds each are subject to the trusts declared in and by my said marriage settlement and whereas a certain sum of two thousand five hundred pounds settled by my said marriage settlement was paid off to me and forms part of the above auctioned [actioned/uncertain] sums of stock and whereas part of the above mentioned sum of four thousand two hundred and forty nine pounds four shillings and four pence Bank stock is composed of a sum of six hundred pounds like stock bequeathed to me and my dear wife by **Dame Elizabeth Hutchinson** and my said dear wife is entitled to the interest and dividends of such sum for her life in case she survives me and whereas my said dear wife is also entitled to the interest and dividends of the before mentioned sums of five hundred and seventy six pounds fourteen shillings and four pence reduced three and a half per cent stock and two hundred pounds new three and a half per cent stock for her life in case of her surviving me and whereas in consequence of my having been paid the aforesaid sum of two thousand five hundred pounds settled by my said marriage settlement and as it is my intention to provide for my wife and children to a greater extent than is provided for them in and by the said settlement I do hereby declare it to be my will and desire that the provision hereby made for my said wife and children shall be in lieu of that made and intended in and by the said settlement which shall be considered as satisfied by the devises and bequests in and by this my will given and made and that the property comprised in such settlement shall be considered and treated as belonging to and vested in me absolutely and whereas my said wife is entitled under the said settlement to an annuity or yearly sum of three hundred pounds of the late Irish currency and a certain annuity or pension of fifty pounds of the like currency to which she was entitled for her life on our marriage is by said settlement made a portion of said annuity Now I do hereby give and bequeath unto my brother in law **Sir George Ralph Fetherston** of Ardach in the county of Longford Baronet and **John Godley Junior** of Oaklands in the county of Dublin Esquire and the survivor of them his executors administrators and assigns all and every my money stocks funds securities and effects and all other my personal estate and effects [except my family plate and pictures hereinafter bequeathed] upon the trusts intents and purposes hereinafter mentioned expressed and declared of and concerning the same that is to say upon trust to convert such personal estate and effects as do not consist of Bank or Government stock or money into money and to invest same in Government stock and upon further trust to set apart a sufficient portion of stock to provide an annuity or yearly sum of two hundred and thirty pounds fifteen shillings and four pence of the present currency being equal to two hundred and fifty pounds of the late Irish currency for my said dear wife for her life so as to make up [with the said annuity or provision of fifty pounds of the late currency to which she is entitled as aforesaid] one annuity or yearly sum of three hundred pounds of the late Irish currency and I desire the said annuity or yearly sum of two hundred and thirty pounds fifteen shillings and four pence shall begin and commence from the day of my decease and I declare the same annuity of two hundred and thirty pounds fifteen shillings and four pence hereby bequeathed to my said dear wife and the said annuity or pension of fifty pounds to which she is entitled as aforesaid to be in addition to and exclusive of the interest and dividends of the sum of six hundred pounds Bank stock five hundred and seventy six pounds fourteen shillings and five pence reduced three and an half per cent stock and two hundred pounds new three and an half per cent stock hereinbefore mentioned to which I hereby declare my said dear wife is entitled for her life as aforesaid and I leave my said wife one hundred pounds to be paid to her on the day after my decease and also a further sum of seven hundred pounds to be paid in twelve months after my decease

I give and bequeath unto my daughter **Catherine** a legacy or sum of five thousand pounds and I give and bequeath unto my daughter **Elizabeth** a legacy or sum of four thousand five hundred pounds the said legacies to abate proportionably during the lifetime of my dear wife by whatever sum maybe required to make up the provision hereinbefore made for her and I declare my will to be in case my personal property shall not prove sufficient to pay the said two legacies after setting apart a sufficient portion thereof to answer the said annuity or yearly sum of two hundred and thirty pounds fifteen shillings and four pence for my dear wife then and in such case said two legacies to my said daughters shall only be paid so far as my personal estate will admit of and the residue thereof shall be paid and transferred to them on the death of my said dear wife with all interest and dividends which may accrue thereon from the day of her decease I give and bequeath unto my said son **John Harwood** a legacy or sum of two thousand pounds to be paid to him on his attaining his age of twenty one years provided my said wife shall have died previously but if she shall be then living the said legacy to be paid to him upon her decease I give devise and bequeath unto the said **Sir George Ralph Fetherston** and **John Godley** and the survivor of them his heirs executors administrators and assigns all my estate right title and interest in and to the towns and lands of Carvirknolia? And Prurkish situate in the county of Longford and the town and lands of Ballynede [being part of] situate in the county of Westmeath and also the house and demesne of Moresfield in the

to the said town and lands of Carrurkmoniah and Purklish and Ballyoade I declare my said trustees shall stand seized and possessed thereof to the use of my said dear son John Harwood Jessop for his life without impeachment of waste and from and after his decease to his first and other sons in tail male in succession according to seniority of age and priority of birth in the usual course of family settlements and in failure of such issue male I give devise and bequeath the said estates to the daughter [if only one] of my said son and the heirs of her body but if more than one daughter of my said son then to the daughter as tenants in common and the heirs of their bodies and in failure of all such issue I give devise and bequeath the said estates to my dear daughters **Catherine and Elizabeth** for their lives as tenants in common and from and after their respective deceases to the heirs of their bodies respectively in tail and in case of either of my said daughters dying without issue then I give and devise the share of her so dying unto the survivor for life with remainder to the heirs of her body in tail and in case all my children shall die without issue in the lifetime of my dear wife I give devise and bequeath the said estates unto the use of my said dear wife her heirs and assigns for ever and in case my wife shall predecease my said children then and in that event I give devise and bequeath the said estates to my own right heirs and I hereby empower my said son after he shall attain his age of twenty one years to change the said lands so devised to him for life with a jointure not exceeding three hundred pounds per annum for any woman with whom he may Intermarry and with a sum for his younger children not exceeding three thousand pounds and I authorize and empower my said son and my said daughters when he she or they shall be in the actual seizen? and possession of said lands to make leases for any term not exceeding three -ies or thirty one years at the best and most improved rent? that can be got for the same and as to the house and demesne of Marfield I declare my said trustees and the survivor of them his heirs executors administrators and assigns shall stand seized and possessed thereof and of my estate therein to the use of my said wife for her life and after her decease to the use of my said son for his life with remainder to his first and other sons in tail and in default of such issue to his daughters equally and the heirs of their bodies as tenants in common and in default of all such issue to the use of my said daughters as tenants in common their heirs executors administrators and assigns for ever and as to the said house and tenement in Mount Street I declare my said trustees shall stand possessed thereof and of my estate therein to the use of my said wife for her life and after her decease to the use of my said daughters as tenants in common their executors administrators and assigns I give and bequeath to the said Sir George Ralph ffetherston and John Godley their executors and administrators all my family plate and pictures upon trust that they and the survivor of them do and shall as soon as conveniently after my decease take or cause to be taken an Inventory thereof and do and shall permit my dear wife to have the use and enjoyment of such plate and pictures for her life and from and after her decease to permit my said son John to have the use and enjoyment thereof for his life and in case of his having issue living at his death then I give and bequeath the same plate and pictures to him his executors and administrators absolutely but in case my said son shall die without leaving issue then the said Sir George Ralph ffetherston and John Godley are to permit and suffer my said daughters to have the use and enjoyment of my said plate and pictures moieliely? for their lives and in case of my said daughters having issue living at their death I give the same plate and pictures to my said daughters absolutely share and share alike but in case my said daughters shall not leave issue then I give and bequeath the said family plate and pictures unto the said Sir George Ralph ffetherston absolutely and I hereby declare that the hereinbefore mentioned devises and bequests to my said children are upon the express condition that if any one or more of my said children shall marry a Roman Catholic that such child or children so marrying a Roman Catholic or Roman Catholics shall thereupon forfeit all benefit under this my will and I hereby revoke all devises bequests and remainders to such child or children so marrying a Roman Catholic or Roman Catholics and direct that my said property shall go in such event as if the said child or children were dead without issue and as to the residue of my worldly goods and chattels I bequeath the same to my said wife and I do hereby declare that the devises and bequests in and by this my will contained for the benefit of my said wife and children are to be in full satisfaction and discharge of all benefits provided for them respectively in and by my said marriage settlement and I require each and every of them to release and discharge the property and effects composed[comprised] in the said settlement and to join in assigning the same so as that such properties may be and become vested in the trustees and executors of this my will and testament and in case any or either of my said children shall neglect or refuse to do all acts neccessary for such purposes I revoke the bequest to him her or them and the same shall thereupon go over to the other child or children in such and the same manner as if such child or children so refusing or neglecting were dead and I do hereby appoint the said Sir George Ralph ffetherston John Godley and my said wife to be guardians of the persons and fortunes of such of my said children as may be under age and I nominate and appoint the said **Sir George Ralph ffetherston and John Godley to be my executors**

In witness whereof I the said Robert ffetherston Jessop have to this my last will and testament set my hand and affixed my seal this sixth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one Robt F Jessop signed sealed published and declared by the said testator Robert ffetherston Jessop as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses Wm A Trevor MD Stephen Mills

The last will and testament of the Revd Robert ffetherston Jessop late of Kilglass in the county of Longford clerk deceased having and so forth was proved in **common form** of Law and Probate thereof granted by the Most Revd ffather John George and so forth unto Sir George Ralph ffetherston of Ardagh near Edgeworthoron Bart and John Godley of Oaklands Castle knock Co Dublin Esq the exors of said will they being first sworn the said George Ralph ffetherston by **comon** and the said John Godley personally saving and so forth.

Dated the 7th day of October 1843 John TAS Hawkins Dept Reg

Proved at London 25th Jan 1844 before the Judge by the oath of Sir George Ralph ffetherston Bart one of the exors to whom admon was granted having been first sworn by **comon** duly to administer power reserved of making the like grant to John Godley Esq the other exor when he shall apply for the same