

Will of C. H. Bernheim

In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Amen.
I, C. H. Bernheim, of the Town of Conover, County of Catawba, and State of North Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, do make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking, and making void all former last wills and testaments and writings in the nature of last wills and testaments by me heretofore made.

My will is first, that my funeral expenses and just debts shall be paid by my executors hereinafter named. The residue of my estate and property, which shall not be required for the payment of my just debts, funeral expenses and the expenses attending the execution of this my will and the administration of my estate, I give, devise and dispose thereof as follows, to-wit:

I give and devise to my beloved wife, Jane E. Bernheim, all my personal property of whatever nature or kind.

I further will and bequeath to my beloved wife, Jane E. Bernheim, during her natural life, all the interest accruing from notes and monies loaned out and the rent of this house, in which I now live, if she so chooses to rent it or sell it, and all revenues arising from lands to be absolutely hers, to be used and disposed of at her pleasure. Then at her decease the same interests, rents and revenues shall go into the possession of my daughter Laura B. Shemwell for her sole use and behoof during her natural life. In the event she should be left a widow by the decease of her husband, Baxter Shemwell, then she shall come in full possession of my entire estate and property, to be used and disposed of as she wishes. But should her husband, Baxter Shemwell, outlive her, then all my possessions shall go to her children, to be held in trust for them by my executors, until my grand-child, Irma S. Shemwell, shall become of the full age of twenty-one years, when two thirds of the entire estate shall come into her full possession, and one third to my grandson, Dermot Shemwell.

I will and bequeath my library to Professors E. A. Romero, S. Lucake and C. B. Weiss, except such selections as my wife and daughter may make therefrom for their own private use and benefit. This is given to my beloved brethren in the faith as a small testimonial and appreciation of their services in ministering to me in my last sickness.

I further devise and bequeath to Mollie Smith the girl that is now living with me \$20⁰⁰ for the year nineteen hundred, twenty-five dollars for the year nineteen hundred, and one and thirty dollars for the year nineteen hundred and two, and every successive year thirty dollars as a bonus in addition to the wages which I now pay her, as long as she remains with us and is true and faithful to her trust in caring for and nursing us.

I further devise and will that neat, plain and inexpensive tombstones shall be placed over the graves of myself and wife to mark the place

where our bodies repose.

And I do nominate my wife Jane E. Bernheim, and my daughter Laura B. Shemwell, with Noah Hunt, to be my sole executors of this my last will and testament, and that in no case whatever shall Baxter Shemwell, the husband of Laura B. Shemwell, represent her as agent in the execution and administration of my estate.

In testimony whereof, he said C. H. Bernheim, have here subscribed my name and affixed my seal this the 5th day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred.

C. H. Bernheim *Test.*

Signed, sealed and declared by the said C. H. Bernheim to be his last will and testament in the presence of us, who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as witnesses hereto in the presence of each other.

Witnesses { G. L. Hermann M.D.
C. R. Brady.