

I Alexander W. McBrain of Vale Colliery in the County of Pictou, and Province of Nova Scotia, German, do make and publish this my last Will hereby revoking all former wills.

I give devise and bequeath my estate and property, real and personal of every kind and nature, and wheresoever situate as follows, that is to say,

1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath to my minor child Barbara Jane McBrain, the sum of Three Thousand Dollars, the said sum to be invested by the executors herein after named, and whom I hereby name as guardians of my said Child, in some Savings Bank or other safe place of investment, the income from said sum to be used for the support and education of said Child until she attain her majority, the principal or any part thereof not to be expended unless in the judgment of said Guardians it shall be absolutely necessary for the benefit of said Child and said principal or what shall remain of the same after such necessary expenditure to be paid to the said Barbara Jane McBrain, when she shall have attained majority, or to her Child or Children should she die before, or equally to my brothers and sisters or their representatives, should she die without issue before her majority.

2<sup>d</sup> I give and bequeath to Elizabeth J. Cameron or McBrain Five Hundred Dollars, provided she shall execute to said Executors the release presented by them.

3<sup>d</sup> I give and bequeath to Lema Edith, James Edward, Herbert Garfield, and Henry Revens, Children of my deceased brother James McBrain One Hundred Dollars each, also to Jessie Ma. Cameron, and Ralph Cameron, Children of my sister Catherine Bell, One Hundred Dollars each, also to Wilhelmina Catherine McBrain, daughter of my sister

Barbara Jane, One Hundred Dollars, the said several sums to be invested by said Executors, hereby named guardians and trustees for the purpose, in some Savings Bank or other safe place of investment, until the said children respectively attain majority, then the principal and accrued interest on said respective sums to be paid to each, or his or her legal representative, but in event of any of the children of my said brother James dying without issue, before attaining majority, his or her share or amount shall be divided equally amongst the survivors of them, or their respective children.

4<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my Aunt Elizabeth Murray Eighty Dollars.

5<sup>th</sup> I give and devise to Matthew Spoons that lot of land at Vale Colliery adjoining the property of said Matthew Spoons, and consisting of three building lots purchased by me from George Fraser Downie.

6<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my sisters Elizabeth M<sup>c</sup>Donald, and Barbara Jane Spoons, and my brother Donald M<sup>c</sup>Pain and John M<sup>c</sup>Keen One Thousand Dollars each.

7<sup>th</sup> I bequeath the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to be given and divided equally amongst the following institutions, The Home Mission Scheme, The Foreign Mission Scheme, and the French Evangelization Scheme, of the United Presbyterian Church, and the British American Tract Society.

8<sup>th</sup> I bequeath the residue of my Estate in equal shares to each of my brothers and sisters.

9<sup>th</sup> I hereby empower and direct the Executors of this my will, to hold manage sell and dispose of and make proper conveyances of any or all of my Estate, except the land hereinbefore

devised, and convert the same into money, as soon as they shall deem it necessary, to pay or provide for said bequests, The bequests hereinbefore made to be provided for in the order set forth herein, and in event of my estate falling short of the sums mentioned in any of the Cash named bequests, then the sum available for such bequest, shall be divided equally amongst the objects thereof.

I appoint John W. McBrain of Vale Colliery, and Hugh Mc Donald of Hopewell, Carpenter, Executors of this my Will.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed and set my hand and seal this Twenty first day of September A.D. 1880.

Signed, Sealed, published and Declared in presence of us, who in presence of the testator and of each other have hereto subscribed as witnesses.

Signed — Alex Mc Kay  
— " — John A. Campbell

Signed —  
Alex W. McBrain

(Seal)

County of Pictou N.S.

In the Court of Probate of Wills — — —

I do hereby Certify that the foregoing instrument consisting of three & a half pages, is an exact and literal copy of the last Will & Testament of Alexander W. McBrain, late of the Vale Colliery in the County of Pictou, New Brunswick, deceased, testate, which has been duly

filed and admitted to Probate in accordance  
with the practice of the Court.

Given under my hand at Victoria,  
this first day of March A. D. 1883.

John A. Hare  
Registrar,

To John Ferguson Esq.  
Registrar of Deeds  
County of Victoria

Witnessed

Alexander G. McRae,  
Tale of the Vale Colliery -  
Gorman, deceased.  
Testator.

Copy of Will, for the  
Registrar of Deeds.

Province of Nova Scotia

Registrar Office Victoria 24<sup>th</sup> April 1883 I Certify that the  
within instrument was duly registered at 2 P.M. of the  
above day in the Registry of Wills Book No 1 pages 176, 177 and  
178 on the certificate of John G. Lane Reg. of Probate.

John Ferguson  
Reg.