

Certificate of  
John W. Donaldson  
late of Pictou  
Parson, deceased.  
Testate.

1890 91-5-2

Copy of Will. for  
Registration of Deeds.

Province of Nova Scotia, Registrar of Deeds  
Office, County of Pictou, 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 1891

certify that the within instrument was duly r-  
stered at 230<sup>th</sup> of the above <sup>rule</sup> in Book  
2, page 261-2-3 on the certificate

John W. Donaldson  
John Gordon  
Registrar

250 Dec 31 1891  
261-2-3

This is the last Will and Testament of  
me John M. Donald of Ardross in the County  
of Pictou, Farmer, Desiring to dispose of  
my property now that I am some in mind and  
body. I desire that all my just  
and legal debts shall be paid by any beloved  
sons Angus and John and as speedily as possible  
from the proceeds of the real Estate that I own  
at Ardross and known as "Hugh M. Gillivray's rear"  
so called, as well as from the personal property hereby  
bequeathed.

To my sons Angus and John I give and  
bequeath the homestead farm on which I reside to  
be by them fully enjoyed for their use and benefit.

To my sons Angus and John I give and be-  
queath the residue of my real Estate that I may die  
seized or possessed of to have and to hold the same  
for their use and benefit.

I give and bequeath to my beloved daughters  
Ann and Katharine two Cows and six sheep, and I  
ordain that they shall be wintered and pastured  
by and at the expense of my sons Angus and John  
for the separate use and benefit of each of them  
my daughters except as hereinafter provided.

To my sons Angus and John I give  
and bequeath the residue of my personal property.

I ordain that my daughters Ann and  
Katharine shall be supported by my sons John and  
Angus and to receive each annually one pair of  
Boots and one new dress, during the unmarried  
period of their life provided that they Ann and  
Katharine shall on their part assist and work in  
the house and on the farm as they now do for myself.

I desire that in the event of my daughter

Sarah becoming married, she shall receive from  
August and John such a marriage portion as is  
customary in the Country, and in accordance  
with their circumstances,

I further desire that should not my  
daughter Sarah become married, I desire that she  
shall enjoy share by share all the privileges that  
I have accorded to Ann<sup>st</sup> Katherine in respect to  
the two Cows and six Sheep to be by her enjoyed  
during her unmarried period of life, provided  
also that she help and assist my sons in house  
and farm work.

To my beloved daughter Mary Jane  
W<sup>rs</sup> Robert Millipone of Parrshoro I give and  
bequeath Twenty dollars Cash to be paid to her by my  
sons August and John out of their personal property  
herely bequeathed,

And lastly I ordain that all the fore-  
going orders and decrees shall be duly and faithfully  
carried out and I hereby appoint Donald M<sup>r</sup>  
Donald my brother and Donald M<sup>r</sup> Sears of  
Baileys Brook whom I make, constitute, and  
ordain executors of this my last Will and Testament  
ratifying and confirming this and no other to be  
my last Will and Testament this twentieth day of  
November in the year of our Lord one thousand  
Eight hundred and eighty five.

Signed - John M<sup>r</sup> Donald

(J.S.)

Signed sealed published and declared  
by the testator as and for his last Will and Testament  
in presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed  
our names as witnesses at his request being first read and  
explained,

Signed - Donald M<sup>r</sup> Donald  
- - - D. D. Macdonald

County of Sedon.

In the Court for the Probate of Wills &c.

I do hereby Certify that the foregoing instrument consisting of two pages is an exact and literal Copy of the last Will and testament of John W. Donaldson late of Address in the County of Sedon, Tennessee deceased, Testate, which has been duly filed and admitted to Probate in accordance with the practice of the Court.

Given under my hand at  
Sedon this 28<sup>th</sup> day of December A.D. 1892.

John H. Lane  
Registrar

To the  
Registrar of Deeds  
for the County of Sedon.