

WILL OF THE LATE MR. S. R. PLATT.

The will of the late Mr. Samuel Radcliffe Platt, of Werneth Park, Oldham, who died on September 5, has been lodged at Somerset House after being proved in the Manchester District Registry. The gross value of the personal estate is given as £646,697, and the net as £532,042. The will is dated July 31, 1902, and there is one codicil bearing date August 23, 1902. By the will £1,500 was to be paid to Mrs. Helen May Platt immediately on the decease of the testator, and she was to have £1,500 per annum for life, to be reduced in case of her remarriage to £500, and the jewels, plate, and household effects, wines, &c., in addition to her marriage settlement. Mr. Platt bequeathed 200 £50 debentures in Messrs. Platt Brothers to his brother Colonel Henry Platt, and the remainder to be divided among his children in the proportion of two parts to each son and one to each daughter. These bequests are to remain in trust for the testator's sons until they attain the age of 25, and to his daughters until they attain that age or marry. In case of the death of any son or daughter the legacy is to be divided among the issue (if any) of any marriage he or she may have contracted.

There are half a dozen bequests (amounting altogether to nearly £5,000) to local charities, including £2,000 to the Oldham Infirmary, £1,000 each to the Oldham Bluecoat School and the Hulme Grammar School, and £200 each to the Oldham Blind Institute, Oldham Deaf and Dumb School, and Oldham Mission. By the codicil the testator bequeaths to his widow 350 £50 debentures in Messrs. Platt Brothers in addition to his other bequests to her. The trustees and executors are Mrs. Helen May Platt, the widow, Colonel Henry Platt, brother, and Mr. George Spark Clayton, solicitor to the testator.

and the same upon trust for his grand-daughter, Noel Cicely Platt, and her issue.