

PUBLIC NOTICE, IN TERMS OF THE
ENDOWED INSTITUTIONS ACT, 1878,
SECTION 5.

IN terms of an Order by the Right Honourable Richard Assheton Cross, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, made under the provisions of the Endowed Institutions (Scotland) Act, 1878, 41 and 42 Victoria, c. 48, it is hereby intimated that a petition, dated 14th February 1879, has been presented to the aforesaid Secretary of State by the Reverend Patrick M'Laughlin, Roman Catholic Clergyman at Ayr, and others, Trustees of the deceased Reverend Peter Forbes, Roman Catholic Clergyman, residing in Abercromby Street, Calton of Glasgow, acting under his trust disposition and deed of settlement and codicils, in the following terms:—

That the said deceased Reverend Peter Forbes, by his trust disposition and deed of settlement, executed of this date (21st May 1872), gave, granted, assigned, disposed, conveyed, and made over from him, his heirs and successors, to and in favour of the said Reverend Patrick M'Laughlin, Reverend Donald Carmichael, Reverend John Shaw, Reverend Edward Noonan, Reverend Daniel Gallagher, and the Reverend Peter Francis Forbes, and the acceptors or acceptor, survivors or survivor of them (the majority for the time resident in Scotland being a quorum), and that as Trustees or Trustee for the ends, uses, and purposes therein afterwritten, and to their or his Assignees, All and Whole the whole means, estate, and effects, heritable and moveable, real and personal, of which he was or should die possessed, including all lands and heritable subjects in which he was then or at his death might be vested, or to which he might have right as an individual, although the same might have been otherwise destined by any deed or deeds theretofore executed in his favour, all which destinations he did thereby recall, and declared the said several lands and others to be comprehended in said conveyance; together with the whole writs, titles, vouchers, and instructions of his said estate, heritable and moveable, dispensing with the generality thereof, and declaring said trust disposition and deed of settlement to be equally valid and effectual as if every part and portion of his said estate and effects had been therein described and specially disposed; but said trust disposition and deed of settlement was granted and to be accepted in trust always for the ends, uses, and purposes therein afterwritten; and, *inter alia*, the testator thereby declared that it was his wish and desire (as it had for a long time been his humble ambition), and he appointed his said Trustees, to found or establish a permanent bursary or bursaries, or annual payment or payments, not exceeding the sum of Thirty Pounds sterling each per annum, to be applied and devoted by his said Trustees for or towards the outfit, maintenance, or education of one or more students for the office of the priesthood of the Roman Catholic Church in the Western District of Scotland, or the district or division in which Glasgow might be for the time situated, during or on account of their first year's studies exclusively, and that in such manner, by such means, and in terms of such schemes or regulations, which his said Trustees were thereby authorized from time to time to frame for regulating the constitution and management of the said bursaries or payments, as his said Trustees should deem expedient, and which bur-

sary or bursaries should be denominated by such name or title as his said Trustees should decide; and, lastly, he appointed his said Trustees to hold the residue and remainder (if any) of his said estate, heritable and moveable, in trust, and to apply the same, with the rents, interest, profits, and proceeds thereof, for behoof of the religious, educational, and charitable purposes, all or any of them, of or in connection with the Roman Catholic Congregation of St. Mary's, and of the other Roman Catholic Congregations in the said district or division, under the control of the Roman Catholic Archbishop, or Administrator, or Vicar Apostolic for the time of said district, or of such of said congregations and in such proportions as his said Trustees should from time to time think proper; declaring always that if his said Trustees should find the free realizable proceeds of his said estate inadequate in their judgment to meet and fulfil all or any of the purposes of said trust disposition and deed of settlement, they should have it in their power to accumulate, for such period as they found it needful, the whole or any part of the free annual produce of his said estate until the same would admit of his intentions being properly carried into effect; but such accumulation should not extend beyond the lawful period.

That the Testator also, by said deed of settlement and codicils, bequeathed certain pecuniary and specific legacies, and he conferred very ample powers on his said Trustees, and, amongst others, power generally to wind up, manage, and transact his whole affairs and estate in the way they considered most advantageous or expedient.

That the Testator died on the 24th August 1872; and the Trustees have since been occupied in extricating the estate, which was involved in much difficulty and confusion.

That the free residue of the estate of the said Reverend Peter Forbes now available for said bursaries, and for the religious, educational, and charitable purposes before referred to, consists chiefly of heritable properties situated in Glasgow or the suburbs thereof, which were acquired by the deceased, and are estimated to be worth about £6000. The clear annual income of the estate is nearly £300. This, it may be stated, is very greatly in excess of the amount contemplated by the Testator, and arises from the increase in value of the various properties of the Trust.

That the Petitioners are fully conversant with the views, intentions, and wishes of the deceased in relation to the scheme of bursaries contemplated and founded by him. He had for many years cherished the idea of providing to some extent for the education of students intended for the Roman Catholic priesthood in the Western District of Scotland, where he had for many years laboured as the senior and leading priest of Saint Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Abercromby Street, Glasgow. He had interested himself in procuring such tuition for many young men, and at the time when his deed of settlement was executed by him he had found it an object to secure funds for the promotion of their studies for the first year, as at that time funds to enable them to prosecute their studies during subsequent years were generally provided from other sources.

That during the period of six years which has since elapsed, however, important changes have occurred in connection with the education of such students. On the one hand, it is now generally the case that the first year's expenditure is found for the students; while, in many instances, the funds