

Surrender of the Crozier of St. Fillan

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DEED OF CONVEYANCE OF THE QUIGRICH BY THE LAST HEREDITARY KEEPER WITH CONSENT OF HIS SON, TO THE SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES OF SCOTLAND, FOR THE NATIONAL MUSEUM BY ALEXANDER AND ARCHIBALD DEWAR.

To ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, I Alexander Dewar of the township of Plympton, in the county of Lambton, in the province of Ontario, and Dominion of Canada, farmer, send greeting:-

WHEREAS I am possessed of that ancient Scottish relic known as the "*Quigrich*" or Crozier of St. Fillan, which has been in possession of my ancestors and family, as I believe, from the time of Robert the Bruce.

AND WHEREAS the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland have applied to me, through Daniel Wilson, of the city of Toronto, LL.D., professor in University College, Toronto, for the surrender to them of said "*Quigrich*."

AND WHEREAS I have consented to dispose of my right and title to said "*Quigrich*" to the said Society Antiquaries for the consideration following, that is to say, the price or sum of seven hundred dollars, to be paid in manner following, videlicet: five hundred dollars, and the remaining two hundred dollars of said sum to be credited to me by the said acquisition of said relic, and on the further express considerations that the said Society shall permanently deposit said "*Quigrich*" in the National Museum of Antiquities in Edinburgh, and shall record my name in the archives of said Society and Museum as joint donor of said relic.

NOW KNOW YE AND THESE PRESENTS WITNESS, that in consideration of said sum of five hundred dollars, now paid to me by the said Society by the hands of the said Dr. Daniel Wilson, the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge, and of the said agreements on the part of the said Society of Antiquaries above set forth, I, the said Alexander Dewar, have granted, sold, assigned, and transferred, and do grant, sell, transfer, set over, and surrender unto the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland the said "*Quigrich*," to hold the same unto the said Society of Antiquaries and their successors on trust to deposit the same in the National Museum of Antiquaries at Edinburgh, there to remain in all time to come, for the use, benefit, and enjoyment of the Scottish nation.

AND THESE PRESENTS FURTHER WITNESS, that I Archibald Dewar, son and heir of the said Alexander Dewar, for the considerations aforesaid, do expressly assent to the foregoing destination of the said "*Quigrich*," and do hereby resign and release to the said Society of Antiquaries of Scotland all my right and title to the said "*Quigrich*," and the possession and custody thereof on the trusts above set forth.

Witness our hands and seals this thirtieth day of December, A.D. 1876

ALEX. DEWAR.

ARCHD. DEWAR.

Signed, sealed, and delivered in presence of

MALCOLM. DEWAR.

ALEX. DEWAR.