

Account of Legacy  
Left by Mrs. Gregory

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Mrs. Gregory's Magnificent Bequest by the  
Date Mrs. Gregory: A few weeks  
since we announced the death of  
this estimable and benevolent Lady,  
and we are pleased to be able to  
add to our remark, that her Bequest  
will cause her memory to live in  
the hearts, both of those who  
knew her and others who may  
feel the sunshine of her  
amiable and charitable disposition.  
Her will, dated 31<sup>st</sup> August last,  
has recently been proved by the  
Executors in the District Registry  
of the Probate Court in this  
City, and after several smaller  
bequests for charitable purposes  
and to her Servants, we notice  
the following:— £60 for stocks for  
the old women of Bridge; £5000  
Stock to the Middlesex Hospital;  
£5000 Stock to the Deaf and

Sumb Rowlam; £5000 Stock  
to the Blind Rowlam. £5000  
Stock to the National institution  
for promoting the Education of  
the poor; £1000 to the Kent and  
Canterbury Hospital; £500 to  
St Augustine College Canterbury;  
500 to be invested and the  
Interest paid annually to the  
aged widows and deserving poor  
at Bridge at Christmas; and  
£1000 to be invested for the benefit  
of the Infants and Boys school  
at Bridge. By the further  
generosity of the donor, these  
Legacies are not to be multiplied  
with deductions for legacy duty.  
They being directed to be paid

free from a tax which the  
Legislature would do well to  
revoke, if not entirely to  
abolish, so far as concerns  
such charitable legacies as  
above. He cannot but think  
that the enormous duty on charitable  
Legacies, often deprives many  
deserving institutions of much  
needed aid: It will be seen the  
sum payable for the duty on  
the above legacies, exceeds £2300—  
a heavy tax for the privilege  
of doing good for our fellow  
creatures —

Richard Dawson  
1869