

The Late Prof. Baird's Will.

The will of the late Professor Spencer F. Baird, late of the Smithsonian Institution, was filed in the office of the Register of Wills yesterday. It bears date April 13, 1885, and is witnessed by Anthony O. Addison, J. Paul Wilson, and Herbert A. Gill. He bequeathes all his property to his wife and in case of her death to Mary Helen Churchill Baird his only child, absolutely and free from the control of any husband she may have. In case both his wife and daughter die without heirs the property is to go to the Smithsonian Institution, to be known as the Spencer F. Baird fund, and the interest of it is to be devoted to scientific research, provided that his sister Rebecca P. Baird shall in that event have absolutely his share of their mother's estate of which she now has the use.