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**M'KEE MILLIONS  
TO BUILD COLLEGE**

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Heirs of Colored Man Withdraw

Objections to Peculiar Will.

**COMPROMISE IS MADE**

Objections to the will of Colonel John McKee, the wealthiest negro in the country, who died last month, bequeathing property worth \$2,000,000 in trust to Archbishop Ryan for founding of a college for orphans, were formally withdrawn yesterday by the heirs.

The will was admitted to probate, and Archbishop Ryan qualified as executor and trustee. The estate, it is said, will be worth \$5,000,000 in ten years.

The terms of the compromise by which Colonel McKee's daughter and six grandchildren, who were practically cut off by the will, withdrew their caveat against the probate of the instrument are not made public. Ex-Judge Gordon, who represents the heirs, and Attorney Joseph P. McCullen, representing Archbishop Ryan, refused to discuss the case, and the heirs had been enjoined not to talk.

It is said that the daughter, Mrs. Abbie Syphax, and the grandchildren will receive beautiful annuities from the estate.

**Yearly Income of \$50.**

Under the terms of the will Colonel McKee's daughter, Mrs. Syphax, was given a little cottage on Patton street and an annuity of \$200. The grandchildren were each given a yearly income of \$50. The "John McKee College," which is to be established by Archbishop Ryan, cannot be built until after the death of Mrs. Syphax. This institution is to be erected at Croyden, Pa., and is to be modeled after Girard College.

Colonel McKee was a member of the Presbyterian Church for years, but he not only named a Catholic Archbishop as executor of the estate, but his will provides that the college shall be under the direction of a board of ten men chosen by Catholic clergymen in the diocese.

**Valuable Coal Lands.**

The estate consists of 400 houses in Philadelphia, 200,000 acres of coal and oil land in West Virginia, Illinois and Kentucky, 4500 acres developed farm land near McKee City, N. J., and 66 acres of land near Croyden, Pa.

Offices of the estate will be opened in this city.

Colonel McKee died at 1030 Lombard street, where he had lived for years. There he had his "den," where he directed the affairs of his vast estate. His daughter still lives there, although the will provided that she should move away at his death.