

Stratford, and for such other purposes as my trustees, in their discretion, shall think fit and desirable for the purpose of giving effect to my wishes." The museum was to be of Shakespearean relics. However pleasing such a collection might be to the curious, it had nothing about it in any sense charitable, or literary, or conducive to the benefit of the public. Held not a charity, and therefore not void under the statute 9 Geo. 2. But as it was not for the individual benefit of the trustees, but upon a trust void for uncertainty, the devise failed, the Chancellor saying: "The alleged uncertainty as to the erection of a museum might be got over; but what follows seems to be fatal to the bequest to private individuals, "and for such other purposes, &c., &c."

The Master is of opinion that this case does not support the position of the defendant.

*Carne vs. Long*, 2d De Gex, Fisher & Jones, 75, was a case in which the devise was in these words: "And from and after the decease of my said wife I give and devise all that my freehold mansion house and premises, called the Abbey, situate in Penzance, with the appurtenances thereunto belonging, unto the trustees for the time being of the Penzance Public Library, to hold to them and their successors forever, for the use, benefit, maintenance, and support of said library."

The articles of association contained a provision that whenever the members shall be reduced to ten, all donations shall be returned to the donors, and their representatives who may claim the same, and the remaining books and other articles shall be forthwith sold at public auction, and the proceeds given to some art institution.

Lord Campbell—upon the ground, probably, that this was an association for the mutual benefit of the contributors, and of no other person—held that this was not a charity. He does not say what the ground was. It was said in the case that the Library might not be permanent; that it was possible it might come to an end, and the property be divided. The Philadelphia Library Company has none of these characteristics.