William Carpenter Will Con'd

somewhat superior to that of the rest of my children. I will that said William H. Carpenter shall pay out to the rest of my heirs two hundred dollars of lawful and current money in two equal annual payments after the final division of my Estate to be equally divided among all the rest of my sons & daughters

And as to my servants or negroes I will that my servant Ben together with Caroline his wife shall after the death of my wife be free to all intents and purposes of the laws of our State about of such an liberation of bond servants — But in order to give them a salutary check I will them free on the following express conditions that is if they serve my wife reasonably faithfully during her lifetime but should either of them prove uncommonly stubborn or disobedient towards my wife which however I hope will not be the case, or should either of them without a real cause try to elope from the service of their mistress whilst she lives or attempt disposed to injure her or any of our children in life or property etc they would thereby forfeit their their legacy of freedom and subject themselves to perpetual servitude besides suffering such other punishments which the law might inflict. however not every little act of disobedience is to be construed to their injury in this matter — And when my said servants Ben and his wife Caroline are liberated as stated above they, having complied with the conditions of their freedom I will that they shall then have the right to remain living in the house they now live in and have the right and privilege to said house and four acres of land around it to cultivate during their life time (alluding here to the above small temporary and conditional exception I have made concerning my servant Ben and Caroline his wife) But this I will them on the following conditions that is if they keep a good peaceable house and do not knowingly & willingly entertain and harbour black people nor any other of a suspicious character and never have a gathering of people of no description in their house by day nor by night without the consent of my son William Henry on whose land said house and lott are situated, and if in case Caroline Ben's wife outlives him she remains a widow and never takes up with another man. Otherwise this privilege will be lost to them. — Said lott is to be laid off in as convenient a form as can be without entering on the crop of the branches — And it is to be understood that whenever the right of Ben and his wife is run out to said lott the lott then falls to my son William H. Carpenter and to his heirs forever with all the appurtenances thereon and in case Ben and his wife remain living on said lott during their life time and in case Ben's wife survives the out live Ben remains in an honorable state of manhood and never take up with another man, then I give them both the service of their youngest son Edward or Ned during their life time and after their right to Ned is run out, either by their not complying with the above conditions or by their death I will that Ned be dealt with every way and in every manner as I shall herein thereafter direct concerning my other servants — I shall also give to Ben this wife at all their liberation a good axe enough a hoe and a mattock.

Item I will & bequeath to her that the land which I have herein given to my son William Henry Carpenter is bounded by my son Jonathan Carpenter to James Grubbs Ephraim Samuel Lewis Conner and other —

And as to my other servants or negroes that after the death of my wife they together with all the ballance of my Estate not herein already bequeathed shall be equally divided among all my above named sons & daughters And do most solemnly enjoin it on all my children to treat my servants which may fall in to their hands with all possible humanity & christian like toleration always bearing in mind the sacred injunction of Scripture where it is said "And ye masters do the same things unto them forbearing threatening knowing that your master also is in heaven Neither is there respect of persons with him" Eph. 6. 9. If any servants are sold in anything them. I will that they shall be sold among my children and not among strangers.

Lastly I nominate and appoint for executors of this my last will and testament my two sons Jeremiah and Jonathan Carpenters and my son in law Abraham Rouse revoking all other wills heretofore by me made. Written with my own hand and pen and given under my hand and seal this 17th day of Sept 1838. Interlined before it was signed

William Carpenter Sr

Signed in presence of
John Bannon
Julius Rouse
Joshua Berman

State of Kentucky.

Boone County Court.

March Term 1843.

The last will and testament of William Carpenter dec'd was produced in Court and proven by the oaths of John Bannon & Julius Rouse two subscribing witnesses thereupon ordered to be recorded, whereupon the same is duly recorded.

Willis Graves Clerk

D. Webster Will

In the Name of God Amen.

I Daniel Webster of the State of Kentucky and Boone County feeling myself weak in body and in a low state of health but in my right mind. But I know that I have got to die. Cheerfully I resign my body to the dust and my soul to God who gave it. I therefore make my last will and testament to wit as follows.

1st It is my will that my true and lawful wife Polly Webster shall have for her support during her natural life all the property I possess that is to say all my land and stock of every description household and kitchen furniture and after her decease what may remain to be equally divided among all my children and I do hereby ordain and appoint William Franks Dudley Webster Benin Webster administrators. as witness my name this 8th day of May A.D. 1838. att

Daniel Webster his mark

John McCulic his mark
Thomas Cunningham his mark

Boone County Court June Term 1843

This last will and testament of Daniel Webster was produced in open court and proved by the oaths of John McCulic and Thomas Cunningham subscribing witnesses thereto and thereupon ordered to be recorded which is done

Willis Graves Clk

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