

12 I David Prentice of Louisville in the State of Kentucky
being of sound mind, but at present in much bodily weakness
have with my own hand written this instrument, which I
wish to be considered as my will
I appoint as Executrix of this will my wife Margaret
also to aid her in discharge of the duties the situation requiring
I also appoint as Executors my very good and much esteemed
friends George Keats and Joseph Middleton, they being men
acquainted with my affairs and as I believe sincerely desirous
of the welfare of all my family

In the first place I bequeath
to my wife Margaret One third part of all my personal prop-
erty now which term I include my slaves. I however except from
this bequest anything about or belonging to the foundry, which
I wish to dispose of as I shall hereinafter be stated, I also bequeath
to her One third part of any rents which may arise from any
property I may die possessed of, during her life, excepting always
my part of the foundry.

As it is my wish that she shall have a comfortable residence
I leave to her free of all incumbrance the house in which I
live on Eighth Cross Street with all the furniture therein belong-
ing to me, excepting our books, and also the lot on which the
Hepes stands and the lot adjoining it on the North, joining with
Robert Ramsdals lot. I also leave to her the slaves I now am
possessed of, for her natural life, when they are to descend to
my children or their heirs.

my children or their representatives. His bequest is to be considered as forming part of her third of the whole property and is to be valued, that is to say the house furniture, lots and slave at two thousand dollars, leaving to her choice of taking it at that rate or of taking it at that rate or of taking one third of the property as first bequeathed as she may find most to her advantage.

It is my desire that the said Margaret shall continue to keep board, clothe and have educated our children in the same style as they have hitherto been accustomed to, provided she considers this means as sufficient, otherwise to regulate their expenses by their circumstances. When of age they must act for themselves and live with her or not as she and they may agree. Their expenses to be paid half yearly.

Being unwilling that our books which have afforded me so much pleasure and profit should be scattered, I leave to the said Margaret them for her life, but at her death to go to the children in equal shares.

In the second place I leave to my daughter Margaret four thousand dollars positive, provided my estate after the payment of all claims shall amount to or exceeds four thousand dollars: if it fall short of this sum, then in proportion and she is to be allowed one fourth of the whole clear property of this fourth to be paid in cash on her coming of age or marriage, provided the sum can be realized without injury to the remainder of the property; but if not, to be paid at the rate of interest.

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In the second place I leave to my daughter Agnes four thousand dollars for her use, provided my estate after payment of all claims shall amount to or exceed four thousand dollars: if it fall short of this sum, then in case she is to be allowed one fourth of the whole clear property, this fourth to be paid in cash on her coming of age or marriage, provided the sum can be realized without injury to the remainder of the property; but if not, to be paid as may be afterwards. This bequest is intended as all she is entitled to in the valuation of the estate, my share of the same being before stated in the first item as bequeathed.

To my eldest son ~~Archibald~~ ^{David} I have my old fashioned gold ring
requesting him not to sell it nor pawn it for any account, except
from pressing necessity.

To my sons Archibald, George and William I
leave the share of the foundry I may die possessed of, consider-
ing that it is so capable of yielding them all a decent subsistence
if they will only stick to business with skill and industry to be
equally divided amongst them. I also leave to them in equal shares
whatsoever of my real and personal property remains after my
other legacies are paid on their coming of age or as soon thereaf-
ter as the debts due to me can be collected.

I authorize my Executors or a majority of them to sell in case
of necessity, without waiting until the children are of age, my
property in the following order, lot at Albany, lot in Shipping-
port, lot in Main Street Louisville, lot between my house and
Robert Ramsdall's lot, the negro man Charles, the house I live
in and lot, and lastly the foundry; but I trust there will be no
occasion for such sales.

It is my desire that the boys be brought
up to twenty one out of the fund belonging to the three, so
that each when of age may receive the same share of my estate
as the others for defraying their expenses, the bills presented to
their mother quarterly or half yearly shall be allowed by the other
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State of Kentucky

At a County Court held for Jefferson
County in the State aforesaid at the Court House in Louisville
on the Second day of October One thousand eight hundred
and twenty six

The foregoing instrument of writing purport-
ing to be the last will and testament of David Prentice
was produced in Court and proven to be wholly written by
and in the hand writing of the said David Prentice by the
oaths of Merden Pope and Simon Goodwin And thereupon
the same was established by said Court to be the last will
and testament of the said David Prentice deceased and
ordered to be recorded and is recorded

Test
Merden Pope clk