

Ended bearing file No. 26.
Will of Francis A. Locke

The name of God Amen.

Francis A. Locke of the County of Richmondburg, West Virginia, of sound and disposing mind and memory do hereby make this my last, Will and Testament (that is to say) I direct that my body may be buried at the direction of my Executors, hereinafter named. And I direct that all my estate both real and personal, be sold and the proceeds thereof together with all my interest in my mother's estate, after paying all my just debts, be loaned out and the interest on the same paid semi-annually to my daughter Mary C. Russell, as she lives. If my said daughter Mary C. Russell shall die leaving an heir or heirs of her body, when and in that case I direct that all

Said estate be given to such heirs or heirs, but
she shall die leaving no heirs or heirs of her body.

Then I further direct, that the aforesaid estate be equally
divided and given to say said executors, Mary Mendenhall
Susan Green, Francis Yates and Caroline Holland, and their heirs
and assigns.

Finally I constitute and appoint William Maldrop my
executor, to this my last and testament. Given under my
hand and seal this twenty eighth day of August one thousand
eight hundred and fifty seven.

Francis Cooke (Seal)

A. J. Maldrop.

George Bailey.

William Maldrop.

A bond of Twenty Dollars paid for

Vanover County at the Courthouse on Sunday the
24th day of November 1857.

This paper writing purporting to be the Last Will and Test-
ament of Francis A. Cooke deceased was this day presented
for probate by William N. Waldrop the Executor in the
said Will, whereupon came John C. Purcell and Mary
E. his wife who opposed the probate of the said Will and
thereupon the probate of said Will was continued until
the next Court.

And at a Court of like Session held for the said County
at the Courthouse on Sunday the 22nd of December
then next following the said Will was proved by the
oaths of William N. Waldrop and George Shelley two
of the Witnesses thereto, and is ordered to be recorded.

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