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I James Masterson of Fayette County, in the State of Kentucky, being  
of sound memory do make and Ordain the following, as and for  
My Last Will and testament hereby, touching all former and James  
other Wills by me heretofore made. I give and devise to my <sup>Mrs</sup> <sup>Wife</sup>  
Wife Margaret Masterson One Sixteent part in quantity of the Land on  
which I live near Lexington including The House and buildings  
therein during her life, I also give to my Said Wife The use  
during her life, of my Slave Ben, Ryal, Tom and Jenny, and I  
also give to her during her life, the use of all my household  
and Kitchen furniture. And I also give to her One Sixteenth part  
of all my Horses, Cattle, Hogs Sheep and Poultry, I give to  
my Children John, Robert, Caleb, Margaret and Joseph  
and their heirs the residue of the tract of Land on which  
I live equally to be divided between them. I also give and  
devise to them and their heirs My House and Lots  
in the City of Lexington. I also give and devise to them  
and their heirs upon the death of my wife the land and  
Slaves and house held and Kitchen furniture which I  
have devised to my Said Wife and I also give to them  
the remaining five parts of my Horses, Cattle, Hogs, Sheep and  
Poultry, I give to my daughter Margaret the Negro girl  
Anna of which she has now the possession. Having hitherto  
given to my Children Anna, Sarah, Mary, and Lovell  
What it was my intention to give them I do not now  
make any provision for them in this my Last Will  
I give to my Son John the use during his life of the tract of  
Land in Grant County, on which he now lives and upon  
his death I give and devise the same to his Children to be  
equally to be divided between them. The part of my estate  
which given to my Son John I left in trust in my wife  
to allow my Said Son to have the use or interest according  
upon her part and to leave the Capital or principal equally  
among her children upon her death and I left in my  
Said Wife the power to sell any part of which is given to  
my Said Son John if it shall be deemed by her for the  
Interest of my Said Son and his Children, in her judgment  
to sell the same. All the rest and residue of my estate I  
give and bequeath bequeath to my Children John, Robert  
Caleb, and Margaret and Joseph. It is my intention  
that my Son Robert shall have the Slave Lucy, heretofore  
given by me to him without being liable to account for her  
in the division of my Estate. Lastly I nominate and appoint  
D. Neiman, Father White and Martin Mynor Executors of this  
my Last Will and testament. And I direct that they be  
not required to give security. In Testimony whereof I have  
hereunto set my hand this tenth day of October 1838  
Signed and published James Masterson