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"1838 Marion County Will  
of John Lancaster (Sr.)"

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In the name of the living God most gracious Father, loving  
sou and ever blessed Holy Ghost. Three persons in one and the  
same God Amew. I John Lancaster of the County of  
Marion and State of Kentucky being twenty years old  
on the 27th day of January last and an unworthy  
servant of that same living God being much debilit-  
ated in limbs & body but of sound, disposing mind,  
do constitute this to be my last will and Testament  
as follows: Item 1<sup>st</sup> My soul I do resign to my Creator  
who gave it me and as to my worldly goods  
of which I am possessed, after all my just debts  
and necessary expenses are paid off I do will and  
dispose of as follows - Item 1<sup>st</sup> My beloved wife  
Catharine Lancaster has endeavoured with me  
for our living, which by our mutual exertions hav-  
ing been crowned by Almighty God with success  
we have made it; therefore I do give and bequeath  
unto her my said wife Catharine including where  
we live four hundred fifty acres of land to bind  
with the Greenup public road & with my fence  
down Coleman's Run to be laid off in good form  
as my son William D. Lancaster may direct to her  
own use and benefit for and during her natural  
life. Reserving a home and maintained therein  
for my two children William D. Lancaster  
and Mary Jane Lancaster for and during their  
single lives free of Cost or Charges therefor. I do  
also give and bequeath unto my said wife  
Catharine the one third part of all slaves and  
personal property excluding the sums advanced  
and charged to the children in this will she is  
to have her choice of the slaves, horses, cattle,  
sheep hogs, furniture and tools at the appra-  
lement if she chooses. Item 2<sup>nd</sup> My son Joseph  
D. Lancaster has drawn from me in sundry ways

three thousand three hundred and twenty five dollars and  
I do will and devise that sum so drawn to him and  
his heirs - and I do hereby exclude and disentitle him  
my said son Joseph V. Lancaster and his heirs from  
drawing or obtaining one Cent now or of my estate  
and that said sum of \$3335 be added in the inventory  
of my estate. Item <sup>3<sup>rd</sup> I do give and bequeath unto  
my son Raphael Lancaster two thousand four  
hundred and seventy six dollars for which I have  
his receipt - he is not to pay interest on that sum  
I also give him five hundred dollars ballanced due  
me now stock I lent him also one hundred dollars  
for rent of place to Clerk Henry which Raphael  
drew that I ought to have got - The six hundred  
and one hundred dollars to draw interest from him  
from the date of sale of the mortgaged land I  
sold to Alie Glascocke, Raphael is to be charged  
with the aggregate of those bequests in the inventory  
to be added to my estate and to draw the balance  
so as to make one share in all - Item <sup>4<sup>th</sup> I do give  
and bequeath unto my son Doctor John Lancaster the  
land where he lives and which I purchased of  
Richard D. Tuckler to him and his heirs forever. This  
together with all other gifts and expenses amounting  
in the whole to thirty hundred two and twenty five  
dollars <sup>to be</sup> added in the inventory of my estate and  
he is to draw the ballance so as to make up one  
share of my estate. - Item <sup>5<sup>th</sup> I do give and  
bequeath unto my son Henry Lancaster the land  
in which he now live that I purchased of  
Philemon Belotes for and during his and his  
present wife's natural lives and at their death to  
descend to his sons John and Raphael and then  
hers forever. That together with other gifts and  
expenses amounts to eighteen hundred and</sup></sup></sup>

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and thirty five dollars to be added in the inventory and he is  
and to draw the balance so as to make up one share of  
him my estate. — Item 7: I do give and bequeath  
unto my Son Benjamin Lancaster the tract of land  
he lives on that we purchased of James Watkins.  
Benjamin had paid fifty hundred dollars  
Com with in part for the same the balance I paid  
this devise to him and his heirs forever. The part  
paid together with all other gifts and expenses  
amounts to twenty one hundred and twenty three  
dollars to be charged to him and added in my  
inventory and he is to draw the balance so as to  
make up one share of my estate — Item 8:  
I do give and bequeath unto my daughter Eleanor  
Lancaster one man slave Charles which they had  
at Loretto also lands I got of John Phillips and  
James Reid adjoining the Loretto lands also books  
schooling other gifts and expenses amounting  
the whole to twenty two hundred and thirty dollars  
to be added in my inventory which is all my daug-  
hter Eleanor is to draw of my estate — I do an-  
like the way her religious rulers have treated her and  
myself. But in case poor Nelly become distressed  
for a decent support after all her labours in teaching  
me I leave five hundred dollars in the hands of  
my Executor Doct: John Lancaster to be put out on  
interest in good hand, to be paid annually and  
to be applied to her benefit as he may judge she  
wants it and at her death the principle and interest  
(if any) to be divided as this will provides for  
dividends of my estate. — Item 8: I give and  
bequeath unto my daughter Ann Smith the only  
girl Maria's which she has had together with  
boarding, schooling &c amounts to eight hundred  
and 100. — Item 9: I give and bequeath

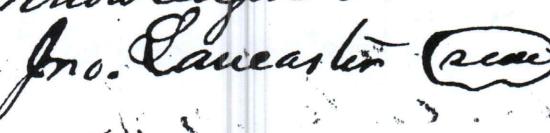
inventory of my estate & is to draw of the balance of my estate so much as will make a half share and no more. Item 9<sup>th</sup> I do give and bequeath unto my son Rev. James Mr. Lancaster his receipt I have and other gifts to amount of Eleven hundred and fifty dollars also a yellow boy David which he has at his worth at the sale of my estate the whole I suppose worth Eighteen hundred dollars and to be added in the Inventory of my estate and he is to draw the balance to make up one share of my estate. — Item 10<sup>th</sup> The sundry expenses I was at with my daughter Catherine Lancaster des<sup>c</sup> — amounts to three hundred and thirty dollars I do give that to my son in law Leonard Spalding in full of his share and it is not to be included in my inventory — Item 11<sup>th</sup> I do give and bequeath unto my grand son John Lancaster Spalding one thousand dollars to be placed in the hands of Edward J. Smith to be put in good hands at legal interest to be paid annually and that to be applied to educating my said grandson and the interest if any and principle to be paid him when twenty one years old and if he should die before he is twenty one years old it is to be divided amongst my legatees by the proportion in this will directed and said \$1000 is all my grand son J. S. Spalding is to draw of my estate. Item 12<sup>th</sup> I do give and bequeath unto my son William D. Lancaster four hundred and fifty acres of land being the whole of his mothers thirds of the land I may die seized and possessed the land and premises he is to come into possession of at his mothers death at fifteen dollars per acre to him and his heirs forever. as also a yellow boy

five dollars, the whole amount I suppose will be seven thousand six hundred & twenty five dollars, to be included in the inventory of my estate and he is to draw the balance to make up one share of my estate.

Item 13<sup>th</sup> I do give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Jane Lancaster the schooling, boarding, and other expenses amounting to two hundred twenty five dollars. also a yellow girl Martha at her value at the sale or appraisement of my estate. which valuation of the \$225.00 is to be included in my inventory and she is to draw the balance so as to make one share of my estate. — Item 14<sup>th</sup> we have now with below the three children at Jackeys and Phyllis and her two at Harry & Mary at Jackeys twenty nine slaves beside David those twenty nine are to be included and divided or sold as may seem best. Item 15<sup>th</sup> I do give to my son John \$255 and my son Harry \$100 then \$100 by my son Joseph in the sale of our horses in Florida and interest on those debts from the time they did draw it not to be added in my estate and they are not to draw any pay from Joseph for our horses so sold —

Item 16. The tract of ~~land~~ 115 acres of land my brother Raphael lives on is mine and my executors and legatees (a majority concurring) may sell it or let him live on it rent free as I have done just as they please.

Item 17<sup>th</sup> I do hereby authorize and direct that my executors or either of them shall make a deed or deeds of Conveyance according to writing for any land or lands I may or have sold when the payment therefor is made — Item 18<sup>th</sup>. The three fifths of John Boone dec. his estate after the death of his widow purchased of Frederick Boone Michael Boone and Saml. Simpson may be sold to the highest bidder at the sale of my estate as also the claims of widow Thos. Phillips third I bought of young

Thomas Phillips - Item 19<sup>th</sup> I am to advise to my  
children going to law about their property I have been  
gathering together for them that I do hereby proclaim  
declare and direct that each and all of my  
children who shall commence a suit or actions  
at law of any description whatever about my estate  
the said child or children so acting shall forgo it and  
pay over to the other legatees in this will the whole  
of their proportion of my estate that which has  
been advanced as well as the balance drawn  
or to draw and my executors or executors or any  
and all my legatees may law for and coerce the  
same to be divided when collected according to  
the shares in this will stipulated. Item 20<sup>th</sup>  
My lands slaves and other property not bequeathed  
in this will is to be sold at public sale so as to  
get a proper division among the legatees accord-  
ing to the provisions of this will. — Item 21<sup>st</sup>  
I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved  
wife Catharine Lancaster executor and my son  
Doctor John Lancaster executor to this my last will  
and testament hereby ratifying and Confirming  
this to be my legal will and revoking all other  
will or wills by me heretofore made. On  
Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand  
and affixed my seal this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March  
1836 signed sealed backnowledged in the  
presents of John Lancaster   
John S. Goodrum.   
Feliciter Thompson 

By the decree of Divine Providence my Grand daughter  
Ann C. Lancaster has since I made my last will  
been afflicted and become a Cripple and must remain

as the Lord as she lives. I therefore by way of Codicil to my will give and bequeath to her a little negro girl the youngest child of her named Mary - I also by way of Codicil to my will direct and require that each of my heirs shall be paid off this proportion of my estate in Cash ready I likewise bequeath and direct that the land which my brother Raphael Lancaster lives on shall be sold at Public Auction as the balance of my estate - The proceeds of which shall be a part of my estate and used as such. This is a Codicil to the will which Harry Miles has in his possession and is to be read to my heirs after my death. Given under my hand this 20 day February 1835.

John Lancaster

Witness

Rev. Lancaster

W. D. Lancaster

Mary Jane Lancaster

Feb 25<sup>th</sup> Rev. M. Spalding

1838. Benedict J. Spalding.

I John Lancaster of

Marion County and State of Kentucky do make and publish this Codicil to be added to my last will and testament in manner following to wit. Whereas owing to the treatment that I had heretofore received from my son Joseph N. Lancaster in my will I had prevented his receiving any thing more from my estate but that which I had already given him - This is to change my will so far as it relates to him the said Joseph N. Lancaster - And it is my will that he have a full share of my estate be having to account for what has been advanced to him and also it is my will that he be charged with the amount of

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the Collection of money due in Florida for the sale of  
some horses which sale was made by my said son  
John Lancaster Jr. - And lastly it is my will and  
desire that this my present Codicil be annexed to  
and made a part of my last will and testament  
aforesaid - ~~as~~ Testimony whereof I have set my  
hand this 23<sup>rd</sup> of March 1838.

John Lancaster -

Witnesses  
R. M. Spalding  
Samuel Gardner

At a County Court held for Marion County at  
the Courthouse in Lebanon on the 15<sup>th</sup> May 1838. the  
foregoing last will & testament & Codicils thereto  
appended of John Lancaster dec<sup>d</sup> were produced  
in Court and said will was proven by the Oaths  
of John L. Gordon & Silvester Thompson the two  
subscribing witnesses thereto according to law and  
the Codicils to said will were proven by the  
Oath of Richard M. Spalding one of the sub-  
scribing witnesses thereto according to law & said  
will & Codicils were ordered to be recorded -  
(Whereupon they with this Certificate are truly  
recorded in my office) - Given under my  
hand May 15<sup>th</sup> 1838.

R. N. Rountree C. M. C.

At Copy Attest.

Th. J. Purdy L. Clerk  
Marion County Court

Lancaster Exon & Purdy Jr  
Filed 13<sup>th</sup> June 1842  
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three thousand three hundred and twenty five dollars and I do will and devise that sum so drawn to him and his heirs - and I do hereby exclude and disinherit him my said son Joseph P. Lancaster and his heirs from drawing or obtaining one cent more of my estate and that said sum of \$3325. be added in the inventory of my estate. Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I do give and bequeath unto my son Raphael Lancaster two thousand four hundred and seventy six dollars for which I have his receipt - he is not to pay interest on that sum I also give him six hundred dollars ballance due me now stock I lent him. Also one hundred dollars for rent of place to Clerk. Henry which Raphael drew that I ought to have got - The six hundred and one hundred dollars to draw interest from him from the date of sale of the mortgaged land I sold to Miss. Glascocke. Raphael is to be charged with the aggregate of those bequests in the inventory to be added to my estate and to draw the ballance so as to make one share in all. - Item 4<sup>th</sup> I do give and bequeath unto my son Doctor John Lancaster the land where he lives and which I purchased of Richard D. Puckler to him and his heirs forever. This together with all other gifts and expenses amounting in the whole to thirty hundred two and twenty five dollars. <sup>to be</sup> Added in the inventory of my estate and he is to draw the ballance so as to make up one share of my estate. - Item 5<sup>th</sup> I do give and bequeath unto my son Henry Lancaster the land on which he now live that I purchased of Philmon Belknap for and during his and his present wife's natural lives and at their death to descend to his sons John and Raphael and their heirs forever. That together with other gifts and expenses amounts to Eighteen hundred and

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five dollars, the whole amount I suppose will be seven thousand. Six hundred Twenty five dollars, to be included in the inventory of my estate and he is to draw the balance to make up one share of my estate.

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R. H. Rountree Esq. C. M. C.

Attest: Thos. J. Purdy L. Clerk  
Lancaster Esq. & his wife  
Filed 13<sup>th</sup> June 1842  
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**Phyllis Mattingly**  
NELSON COUNTY CLERK  
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County, where Mrs. Sanford was born July 26, 1846. She was educated in convent schools in St. Louis and Louisville. She was a member of the Christian Church, of which she was a liberal supporter and faithful in good work until the day of her death, February 16, 1892.

The children of L. M. and Fannie M. Sanford are: Charles, Abram, who married Mary Pryor, daughter of Chief Justice Pryor, of the Kentucky Court of Appeals; Lewis Major, Jr., Hallie Hunter, who married John D. Carroll, whose sketch is given in this work; Robert Hunter, Daniel Lawrence, James Goslee, Francis Symmes, Marie Humes and Martha Major.

**R**OBERT BENJAMIN LANCASTER, banker, distiller, miller and a leading citizen of Lebanon, son of Benjamin and Ann (Pottinger) Lancaster, was born in Marion County, Kentucky, May 26, 1835.

His father was born in the same county in 1799; educated in the local schools; was a farmer and devoted his entire attention to agricultural pursuits; married Ann Pottinger of the same county; died in 1839, and is buried at St. Charles, Marion County.

John Lancaster (grandfather) was born in Maryland and came to Hardin Creek Catholic Settlement in 1788. He was a man of superior capabilities and extraordinary strength of character; a recognized leader in the community and was first in every movement for the material prosperity of the people. He was married in 1790 to Catherine Miles, daughter of Philip Miles of Pottinger Creek Settlement. Their children were: Joseph B., married Anna Blair; Raphael, married Caroline Carter, niece of Reverend Charles Carter of the arch-diocese of Philadelphia; Philip Henry, married Catherine Hagan; John, married Mary Hayden; Benjamin, married Ann Pottinger (father and mother); Ellen, married Judge A. H. Churchill; Ann, married E. B. Smith; James Madison, priest; William, married Malvina Churchill; Catherine, married Leonard A. Spalding, brother of Archbishop Spalding of Baltimore.

John Lancaster (grandfather) represented Washington County in the Kentucky Legislature

from 1799 to 1802, and again in 1820. He amassed a large fortune for the times in which he lived. His death occurred in the spring of 1838.

Family tradition says that the first of the name of Lancaster who came to America was John—a son of a Lancastershire landlord of the same name—who offended his father by marrying Fannie Jarnigan, a portionless Irish girl. The young man and his wife came to America and settled on the lower Potomac in a locality then known as "Cob Neck," where they reared a family. One of their sons, Raphael Lancaster, married Eleanor Bradford, whose mother was a Darnell, sister of the mother of Dr. John Carroll, first bishop, and subsequently archbishop, of Baltimore. Two of Raphael Lancaster's sons, John and Raphael, removed from Maryland to Kentucky in 1788, John (grandfather) settling on Hardin's Creek, as before stated, and Raphael near Bardstown.

Ann Pottinger Lancaster (mother) was a daughter of Samuel Pottinger and a Mrs. Logan, whose maiden name was Caldwell. The Pottingers came to Kentucky from Virginia in 1781.

Robert B. Lancaster, the subject of this sketch, was educated in St. Joseph College, Bardstown, and was engaged in farming near that place, and also in distilling until 1860, when he removed to Lebanon and was employed in merchandising until the beginning of Civil war, in which he took no active part, being absent in Brazil.

Returning after the war he again engaged in farming, and was at different times the owner of some of the finest horses in Kentucky. Among others were Marion C., Longbow, Trafalgar, Emma Mc, Lizzie Hayden, Bettie Magruder, Zuma and Linna.

In 1874 he established the Maple Grove Distillery Company near Lebanon, of which he is sole proprietor; is also the owner of the S. P. Lancaster Distillery Company at Bardstown. In 1886 the firm of W. Q. Emison & Company, wholesale liquor dealers and distillers, was organized, Mr. Lancaster having a half interest in the company; has been a director in the Citizens' National Bank of Lebanon for ten years and president since 1891; was one of the promoters of the local telephone exchange of Lebanon, and is a director in the company; has been president of the Springfield

& New Market Turnpike Company for twelve years; is president of the Lebanon Roller Mill Company, and has other large business interests in the city and county; is not prominent in politics, but is a Democrat in favor of bimetallism; is a leading member of the Catholic Church, and very generous in his charities, and a most worthy and highly honored citizen.

Mr. Lancaster was married May 7, 1867, to Mary T. Abell, daughter of John and Mary Jane (Spalding) Abell, and she was the mother of six children: Mary J., wife of T. A. Mattingly of Lebanon; Annie E., Joseph S., Benjamin H., married Rose Brown of Lebanon; John A. and Mary T.

Mr. Lancaster was married a second time, June 22, 1881, to Sally Dougherty of Louisville, and by this marriage he has one son, Robert B. Lancaster, Jr.

JOHN D. CARROLL, a leading attorney at law and distinguished politician of New Castle, son of Anthony J. and Eliza (Collins) Carroll, was born in Oldham County, Kentucky, in 1854.

His father was a native of Ireland; came to Kentucky in 1848, and soon thereafter located in Oldham County, near Buckner's Station, where he resided until his death in 1867; he was a man of strong common sense, excellent judgment and fine business capacity and at the time of his death and for several years prior thereto, was engaged in the business of farming and railroad building. In 1852 he was married to Eliza Collins, who died in 1885. Mrs. Carroll was highly esteemed as a good Christian woman, was devoted to her home and family, and enjoyed the love and respect of a large circle of friends. Four children now living—John D., Thomas, Charles and Anthony J.—were the result of this union.

Few men have risen from humble surroundings in childhood to such prominence in public life and in the legal profession, in both of which relations John D. Carroll is one of the first men in Kentucky to-day. Modest and unconscious of his own worth, unwilling to speak of his achievements, a mere outline of his life is all that can be given in this brief sketch.

He attended school in La Grange, and this is all

that can be said of his early education. But he was studious and ambitious, and followed his limited opportunities in the school room by a careful course of reading and study of the higher branches, improving his time to the best advantage while performing manual labor on his father's farm, on which he worked from 1869 to 1875. Following his inclination he began the study of law regularly in 1875 with Judge William Carroll of New Castle, now circuit judge; was admitted to the bar in 1876 and began the practice of his profession in New Castle; was a law partner of C. M. Harwood of Shelbyville—one of the finest lawyers in the state—until his death in 1882; was then associated with R. W. Masterson, an excellent attorney, now residing in Carrollton, Kentucky, and has recently been associated with Honorable Joseph Barbour, late judge of the Superior Court.

In all of these professional relations he was eminently successful and soon became known as a leading lawyer of his section; and as a matter of course he became a leader in Democratic politics; was elected to the Legislature in 1881 and again in 1883, serving four years, in which capacity he made himself known throughout the state; was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1890-1, to which he was elected without opposition, and in which he further distinguished himself as a man of superior ability; was appointed in 1891 by Governor John Young Brown as one of three commissioners to revise the laws under the new constitution—a just compliment to his superior knowledge and fitness for the work in hand; subsequently, in conjunction with Judge Joseph Barbour, he prepared the Kentucky statutes, which is the only compilation of the statute laws in use in Kentucky, and is invaluable to the profession. He is also the editor of Carroll's Kentucky Codes of Practice, a work that has been received with great favor by the profession. However, his public services have been merely incidental to his labors in the legitimate pursuit of his vocation, in which he excels and to which he is earnestly devoted.

His leadership in his party was recognized by his selection in 1892 as chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee, in which capacity

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**Lancaster-Blackburn**

The wedding of Miss Alice Ruth Lancaster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Lancaster of Frankfort, and Mr. James Weir Blackburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam E. Blackburn, Route 3, Frankfort, was solemnized at 8 p.m. Saturday at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension there. The Rev. Mr. Jackson officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

White chrysanthemums were featured in the church decorations. Mrs. Franklin Mason was soloist.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was gowned in white lace and tulle and carried a white orchid on a white ribbon.

The matron of honor, Mrs. Taylor Hay Jr., of Louisville and the bridesmaids, Misses Lucy Lowe, Sue Rose, Judy Joellein and Carla Ison, all of Frankfort, wore blue chiffon. The junior bridesmaids, Misses Harriet Morgan of Lebanon and Prudence Mason of Frankfort, wore pink organdy. All carried pink carnations, as did the flower girls, little Misses Shelley Hay of Louisville and Ellen Horwick of Chicago.

Ringbearers were little Miss Eugenia Blackburn, a sister of the groom, and Master Robert Craig, also of Frankfort.

The groom's brother, Mr. Sam Blackburn Jr., was best man. Three other brothers, Messrs. Bob, Jake and Edmund Blackburn, all of Frankfort, and Mr. C. W. Hay of Bardstown were ushers.

A reception was held at the Episcopal parish house.

The bride attended Franklin County High School. Mr. Blackburn, a grandson of the late Mrs. Samuel E. Blackburn, Lebanon, attended Elkhorn High School and now is employed by the State Department of Highways. They will make their home at Frankfort.

Attending the wedding from here were Miss Evelyn Lyle, Mr. and Mrs. James C. Grundy, Mr. and Mrs. Harriet Morgan and Miss Harrietta Phelps, the daughter of Palmer Phelps, Ed-

