

WILLIAM WHITLEY 1749-1813

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Part III

THE FURNISHINGS FOR THE WHITLEY HOUSE

The problem of determining the proper furnishings for the Whitley house seems at first glance to be comparatively simple, since the Lincoln County Will Books contain an inventory of Whitley's estate and a copy of his sale bill.¹ There are two factors, however, which must be taken into account. In the first place, Whitley had given to each of his three sons two hundred acres of land² and may have given each of them a share of his personal property as well. In the case of his five married daughters who, prior to his death, had received no land, this is even more probable. Secondly, the inventory even if complete, is typical of those of the period in its failure to be descriptive, the tendency being to make such entries as "1 bed" or "10 chairs" with no indication as to the kind.

This difficulty can perhaps be overcome if a sufficient number of inventories are examined, since there are likely to be a few clearly defined items in each. The articles selected in this way will at least be correct for the period under consideration. With this in mind, a total of ninety inventories and wills in the counties of Fayette, Garrard, Jefferson, Jessamine, Lincoln and Mercer have been studied.³

Having come to Kentucky in 1775, Whitley could have brought only small articles such as clothing, bedding, and cooking utensils with him. His 1786 visit to Virginia probably did not result in the importation of any large pieces of furniture, since this was ten years before the Wilderness Road was opened to wagon traffic.⁴ This being the case, the furniture in his log station was no doubt largely of home construction. By the time the brick house was completed, however, there were a number of cabinet makers located in Kentucky. Daniel Jones was at Frankfort as early as 1789, and had enough business to have at least one apprentice.⁵ At Lexington, Whitley would have found the shops of Daniel Weible by 1790, Daniel Spencer by 1793, John Spangler by 1794, Joseph Putnam by 1795, William Reed by 1797, John Goodman by 1799, and Porter Clay by 1803. Reed referred to himself as a "chairmaker," Spencer specialized in reed-bottom chairs, and Goodman's advertisement mentioned desks and tables as well as chairs.⁶

In 1806 the Frankfort cabinet maker, William Lowry, advertised for a journeyman and two apprentices, and only two months later he had acquired a partner named Hazen, had opened a second shop, and was in a position to "furnish the public with furniture of any description . . . made in the neatest manner and newest fashion [and to] sell on the lowest terms for cash or whisky."⁷

Having shown that Whitley could have obtained his furniture from those who made a business of producing it, the next task is to consider the styles which were popular in Kentucky between 1793 and 1813. The influence of the English designers, Thomas Chippendale, Robert and James Adam, and Thomas Shearer was strongly felt in the America east of the Appalachian mountains, since each of them, between 1754 and 1788, published catalogues which both pictured their pieces and explained their construction.⁸ Their designs were widely copied, but by the time the Kentucky furniture makers had opened their shops two newer styles, Hepplewhite and Sheraton, had come into vogue. These, the Kentuckians copied with various modifications.⁹ Among the Kentucky-made pieces which are still preserved are both Hepplewhite and Sheraton chests of drawers, sugar chests, blanket chests, candlestands, sewing tables, desks, cupboards, drop-leaf tables, sideboards, and dining tables.¹⁰ The Hepplewhite pieces were frequently inlaid, after the manner of the original designer, while the Sheraton copies often had fluting or reeding on corners, posts, and legs.¹¹

Before the days of extending dining tables the same result was achieved by the use of sectional tables which could be placed side by side in any desired number. Those sections which were not needed were generally used as side tables.¹²

It is extremely difficult to picture the old Indian fighter, William Whitley, sitting on a Hepplewhite chair or sleeping in a tester bed, and the same might be said of most of Kentucky's pioneers. Many of the chairs of this period were of the split-bottom, slat-back variety,¹³ although windsor chairs are mentioned in several inventories.¹⁴ In the windsor chairs the bent work and the spindles were usually made of hickory, while a great variety of woods were used for the seats. The most common types were the comb-back and the bow-back, the comb-back sometimes reflecting the Sheraton influence.¹⁵

The most common bed in Whitley's day was the low-post, cord type. The posts were generally four or five feet high, surmounted with a ball, and tapering considerably toward the

bottom. The feather bed, the straw tick, or both, were supported on a lattice-work of rope or cord which took the place of the slats and springs of a later day.¹⁶

Many inventories contain such entries as "1 feather bed, bedstead, and furniture," the term furniture referring not to other pieces in the room, but to the quilts, comforts, blankets, pillows, and linens which were on the bed at the time the inventory was taken. A similar usage made a cupboard and its contents appear as "1 cupboard and furniture."

The most common woods were cherry and walnut, although other varieties were employed for specific purposes.¹⁷ The use of hickory has already been mentioned, and some of the others were ash, pine, cedar, oak, and maple.

Empire furniture would be entirely out of place in this house. This style had not reached Kentucky in Whitley's day, and is more in keeping with the Greek Revival houses of the 1830's and 1840's.¹⁸

Whitley's home, as was usual in that period, contained a loom and several spinning wheels.¹⁹ The latter ranged in size from the "big wheel" which was used for wool to the rather small flax wheel.²⁰ Accompanying these there were the usual accessories such as cards and hackles for dressing the raw wool, cotton, or flax, and reels for winding the yarn or thread into skeins.

Whitley's inventory lists a looking glass which he may have transported over the mountains, but which could have been purchased at the Lexington store of Alexander and James Parker as early as 1788.²¹

In the same year Edward West announced in the *Kentucky Gazette* the "opening of his watch and clock shop . . . in Lexington . . ."²² The timepiece commonly known as the grandfather clock had been available for at least a century,²³ and some may have been brought down the Ohio or even overland after 1796.²⁴ Whitley's inventory, however, mentioned no clock, and it is far more likely that he took his time from a key-winding watch.²⁵

There are a few pieces of furniture which appeared in the inventories of the period which have not yet been mentioned. William Ross of Fayette County had a spice chest, a sugar desk, and a trundle bed.²⁶ The sugar desk was a more elaborate variation of the sugar chest, being designed to serve the additional function of sideboard or butler's table. It sometimes contained small spice drawers arranged in a row across the top. Whitley's inventory has him owning a "sugar box" which would indicate

that his was of the chest type, made either of wood or of tin. Considering the size of Whitley's family, the ownership of a trundle bed at some time seems highly probable.

At least two of his Lincoln County neighbors, John Bailey and John Embree boasted bookcases,²⁷ but the evaluation of Whitley's books at \$1.50 would not imply a need for such an article unless this figure is merely a reflection of the appraisers' opinions of such things.

Levi Todd²⁸ of Fayette County had a bureau, as did also Roger Patton²⁹ of Jessamine. James Kirkpatrick³⁰ of Lincoln had a safe, probably of the wood and perforated tin variety commonly used for storing food.³¹ The wife or a daughter of William Baker, also of Lincoln County, had a dressing table.³² The only clothes press noted was that of William Owsley (Lincoln County Will Book E, 144-45). Andirons were usually listed, generally being accompanied by such items as shovels and tongs. Cradles were evidently given to the next generation long before inventories were taken, only one having been discovered. (Mercer County Will Book 3, 53-54.)

In the 1840's William Whitley, Jr., and his brother, Andrew, possessed several washstands, and the latter even had a "bathing tub."³³ These items, however, were not found in the earlier inventories.

Carpets and rugs were listed only rarely, but there are perhaps enough of such cases to justify the conclusion that the Whitley home would have had a few. Rag-woven carpets had been used in the East as early as 1660, and some families had looms designed for this purpose.³⁴ Hooked and braided rugs were known even earlier, with the former predominating in the New England and middle colonies, and the latter in the South.³⁵ The people who settled Kentucky had sufficiently varied geographical backgrounds to make any one of the three types acceptable for an early Kentucky house.

The dishes of the period included wooden bowls and trenchers, with these being supplemented and eventually displaced by queen's ware, delftware, and pewter. Delftware, a brown, glazed pottery, was accepted rather slowly by the people west of the mountains, the women feeling that it was too easily broken, and the men complaining that it dulled their scalping knives.³⁶ Queen's ware was a glazed, cream-colored earthenware, sometimes decorated with blue borders or bands. Pewter, an alloy of copper and tin, was used for knives, forks, spoons, dishes, pitchers, bowls, basins, etc. In this period it occupied the position later

taken by silver, and it was not until the latter half of the nineteenth century that it began to be relegated to the kitchen.⁸⁷ Very few Kentuckians of Whitley's day owned any silver, the Fayette Countians, Levi Todd⁸⁸ and Jobe Carter;⁸⁹ the Jefferson County residents, Richard Bohannon⁴⁰ and James Meriwether;⁴¹ Jessamine Countian, Roger Patton;⁴² and Lincoln County's John Embree⁴³ being among the exceptions.

Queen's ware could be purchased in Lexington from Tegarden and McCullough as early as 1787,⁴⁴ and the following year Alexander and James Parker had delftware,⁴⁵ and Thomas January was advertising pewter.⁴⁶ Hugh McIlvain had glass ware and tin ware by 1789.⁴⁷

The silversmiths, Edward West and Samuel Ayres, had shops in Lexington by 1790⁴⁸ and 1791⁴⁹ respectively, and Ayres is said to have practiced his trade in Danville as well.⁵⁰ These men evidently did not ruin the pewter market, for on the night of April 16, 1799, the home of John Ireland, on Eagle Creek, in Scott County was robbed, and among the articles taken were six pewter plates.⁵¹ Kentucky's best-known silversmith, Asa Blanchard, did not arrive in Lexington until about 1808.⁵²

In addition to the above named items, many inventories listed knife cases, bottle cases, glass tumblers, decanters, teaboard, goblets, candlesticks, tablecloths, delft teapots, trivets, waiters, candle snuffers, salt cellars, vinegar cruets, and conch shells. Kitchen equipment included copper, brass, and iron pots and kettles, piggins, coffee and pepper mills, teakettles, canisters, teapots, coffee-pots, candle molds, flatirons, butterpots, Dutch ovens, tubs, steelyards, iron knives, forks and spoons, pepper boxes, meal sieves, tin pans, pewter pans and basins, tin buckets, griddles, skillets, churns, ladles, pot racks and pot-hooks, jugs and jars. (A list of suggested items for the Whitley home is given in Appendix E).

FOOTNOTES

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¹ Lincoln County Will Books E, 147 and D, 62-64.

² Lincoln County Deed Book E, 113-114.

³ The inventories and wills which were used are listed in Appendix D.

⁴ J. Winston Coleman, Jr., *Stage-Coach Days in the Bluegrass* (Louisville, 1939), 27.

⁵ Draper MS. 11 CC 256.

⁶ Charles Staples, *Pioneer Lexington* (Lexington, Kentucky, 1939), 68, 94, 101, 104, 138-39, 150, and 160.

⁷ *The Western World* (Frankfort, Kentucky), November 22, 1806, and February 19, 1807.

- ⁸ N. Hudson Moore, *The Old Furniture Book* (New York, 1936), 48ff.
- ⁹ Alice Winchester, "Kentucky Furniture—The Styles," in *Antiques* (New York, 1922-), LII (1947), 359.
- ¹⁰ *Ibid.*, See also "Living with Antiques in Kentucky," in *Antiques*, LII (1947), 335-343.
- ¹¹ Winchester, *op. cit.*, 359.
- ¹² Moore, *op. cit.*, 78.
- ¹³ Winchester, *op. cit.*, 359; Rexford Newcomb, "The Architecture of Old Kentucky," in *Register of the Kentucky State Historical Society* (Frankfort, 1903-), XXXI (1933), 190.
- ¹⁴ John Legrand, Fayette County Will Book B, 174; John Embree, Lincoln County Will Book G, 54-57; Howson Duncan, Lincoln County Will Book E, 156; Nathaniel Pettit, Fayette County Will Book B, 89-91; William Whitley, Jr., Lincoln County Will Book Q, 340-344.
- ¹⁵ Wallace Nutting, *Furniture Treasury*, 3 vols. (Framingham, Massachusetts, 1928), II, Plates 2507-2705.
- ¹⁶ Newcomb, *op. cit.*, 190.
- ¹⁷ *Ibid.*
- ¹⁸ Winchester, *op. cit.*, 359.
- ¹⁹ Lincoln County Will Book E, 147.
- ²⁰ Charles D. Drake (ed.), *Pioneer Life in Kentucky, A Series of Reminiscential Letters From Daniel Drake, M.D. of Cincinnati to his Children* (Cincinnati, 1870), 101-102.
- ²¹ *Kentucky Gazette*, June 7, 1788.
- ²² Margaret M. Bridwell, "Kentucky Silversmiths Before 1850," in *The Filson Club History Quarterly* (Louisville, 1926-), XVI (1942), 113.
- ²³ Nutting, *op. cit.*, II, Plates 3240-3260; Frederick J. Britten, *Old Clocks and Watches & Their Makers* (London, 1932), 581.
- ²⁴ Newcomb, *op. cit.*, 190. See also Note 4.
- ²⁵ Lincoln County Will Books D, 13-17 and G, 54-57.
- ²⁶ Fayette County Will Book B, 129-130. Trundle beds were owned also by George Creecy and by Whitley's son, Andrew, Lincoln County Will Books E, 157-59 and O, 183.
- ²⁷ Lincoln County Will Book G, 148 and 54-57.
- ²⁸ Fayette County Will Book A, 436-38.
- ²⁹ Jessamine County Will Book B, 25-26.
- ³⁰ Lincoln County Will Book D, 1-4.
- ³¹ Winchester, *op. cit.*, 359-363.
- ³² Lincoln County Will Book D, 13-17.
- ³³ *Ibid.*, Q, 340-344; O, 183.
- ³⁴ Moore, *op. cit.*, 113.
- ³⁵ Harold D. Eberlein and Abbot McClure, *The Practical Book of American Antiques* (Garden City, New York, 1927), 385-390.
- ³⁶ Joseph Doddridge, *Notes on the Settlement and Indian Wars of the Western Parts of Virginia and Pennsylvania from 1763-1783 Inclusive* (Wellsburgh, Virginia, 1824), 112; James Hall, *Sketches of the History, Life, and Manners in the West*, 2 vols. (Philadelphia, 1835), I, 218-19; Newcomb, *op. cit.*, 190; and inventories of the estates of various citizens of Kentucky who died between 1793 and 1813.
- ³⁷ Scott G. Williamson, *The American Craftsman* (New York, 1940), 144-145; and numerous Kentucky inventories.
- ³⁸ Fayette County Will Book A, 436-438.

³⁹ Fayette County Will Book B, 286-290.

⁴⁰ Jefferson County Will Book 2, 19-21.

⁴¹ *Ibid.*, 52.

⁴² See note 29.

⁴³ Lincoln County Will Book G, 54-57.

⁴⁴ *Kentucky Gazette*, September 1, 1787.

⁴⁵ *Ibid.*, June 7, 1788.

⁴⁶ *Ibid.*, June 28, 1788.

⁴⁷ *Ibid.*, January 24, 1789.

⁴⁸ *Ibid.*, January 23, 1790.

⁴⁹ *Ibid.*, January 15, 1791.

⁵⁰ Margaret M. Bridwell, "Kentucky Silver," in *Antiques*, LII (1947), 366.

⁵¹ *The Palladium* (Frankfort, Kentucky), April 25, 1799.

⁵² Bridwell, "Kentucky Silver," 366.

APPENDIX A

THE CHILDREN OF WILLIAM AND ESTHER WHITLEY

1. Elizabeth (Mrs. Robert Stevenson), born in Virginia about 1772 and died in Alabama about 1830.

2. Isabella (Mrs. Philip Sublette), born in Virginia about 1774 and died in Kentucky about 1820.

3. Levisa (Mrs. James McKinney), born at Harrodsburg, February 25, 1777, still living in Missouri in 1851.

4. Solomon, born in Kentucky about 1780, moved to Missouri.

5. William, born in Kentucky, April 20, 1782, died in Lincoln County, August 23, 1849.

6. Andrew, born in Kentucky about 1784, died in Lincoln County in 1844.

7. Esther (Mrs. Samuel Lewis), born about 1786 and died, perhaps in Woodford County in 1815.

8. Mary, generally known as Polly (Mrs. George Gilmore), born in Kentucky in 1788, moved first to Illinois and later to Oregon.

9. Nancy (Mrs. John Owsley), born about 1790 and died prior to 1820, in the vicinity of Crab Orchard.

10. Sally (Mrs. Henley Middleton), born about 1792 and died near Crab Orchard about 1845.

11. Ann (Mrs. William Harper), born about 1795, still living in Woodford County in 1879.

As was stated in Part 1, William Whitley was killed in the Battle of the Thames on October 5, 1813. His wife, Esther, died at the home of her daughter, Ann Harper, in Woodford County on November 20, 1833.

(The above information was obtained from Draper MS. 9 CC 5, 12-13, and 19, and from the family Bible of William Whitley, Jr., at The Filson Club, Louisville, Kentucky.)

APPENDIX B

OWNERS OF SPORTSMAN'S HILL FROM WHITLEY TO STATE

The interests of the Whitley daughters in their father's home were purchased by his three sons, Solomon, William, and Andrew, and by the end of the year

1824 they had sold the house and about two hundred and eighty acres to David Shanks. (See Lincoln County Deed Books, I, 167; K, 45, 58, 61, 82; and L, 158, 225).

In 1827 Shanks sold the property to Ephriam Pennington. (See Deed Books, M, 253-254; S, 185). Pennington willed the property to his children in 1861, and on May 2, 1919 it was deeded by the remaining heirs to Ollie M. Crutcher. (See Will Book U, 8, and Deed Book 59, 417-418).

Ollie M. Crutcher and her husband, James M. Crutcher, transferred the Whitley place to their daughter, Mary Crutcher Lee, in two deeds made in 1925 and 1926. (Deed Books, 69, p. 44, and 70, p. 285). In 1930 it was deeded to I. J. Engle, who sold it in the same year to James A. Wallace. (Deed Book 77, pp. 131, 337.)

The property reverted to Engle in 1932 and in 1936 it passed by bequest to his wife, Nettie May Engle. (Deed Book 81, p. 6; Will Book 7, p. 243.) On February 25, 1938, Mrs. Engle deeded the Whitley house and 9.723 acres surrounding it to the Commonwealth of Kentucky. (Deed Book 86, p. 614).

APPENDIX C

INVENTORY OF WILLIAM WHITLEY'S ESTATE

This inventory was made, probably in December of 1813, by Daniel Morehead, James Menifee, Reuben Menifee, and William Farris. It was recorded in the office of Lincoln County Clerk, Thomas Helm, in April, 1814. (Will Book E, 147).

Bay mare	\$ 60.00
Brown horse	50.00
Bay horse	50.00
Brown horse	40.00
Brown, year-old mare colt	12.00
Brown, two-year-old horse colt	18.00
Bay horse colt	10.00
One iron-toothed harrow	6.00
Twelve hogs	20.00
Black cow	8.00
Brindle cow	9.00
Black cow and calf	9.00
Black year-old steer	1.75
Four calves	10.00
Nine sheep	11.25
Seventeen geese	5.68
Farming tools	4.00
Three axes and garden hoe	4.00
Two hoes	1.75
Iron toothed rake and mattock	2.25
Grindstone	3.00
Truckles and gears	10.00
One woman's saddle	5.00
One woman's saddle	5.00
Two old woman's saddles	3.50
One woman's saddle	15.00
Two big [spinning] wheels	2.00

Hackle	\$ 3.00
Two plows	5.50
Mole trap50
Kitchen furniture	29.25
Sundry iron tools	4.00
Gun stock mounting and bell	1.75
Partridge net	1.00
Two beds, bedsteads and furniture	25.00
One conch shell75
Three spinning wheels and . . . reel	4.00
Two basins	3.00
One rifle gun, powder horn, etc.	25.00
One bottle case	2.50
One candle stand and two candlesticks	2.00
One small, folding-leaf table	2.50
Cupboard and furniture	8.00
Thirteen chairs	4.00
One large, folding-leaf table	5.00
Two pairs of cotton cards	2.00
Sundry books	1.50
One loom, etc.	10.00
Feather bed, bedstead and furniture	12.50
Sugar box75
Three bee gums	3.00
Negro woman	15.00
Three fire irons	4.00
Two dry hides	3.75
One hammer and spike gimlet42
One feather bed and furniture	18.00
One bed and furniture	15.00
One pair of saddle-bags	1.00
One pair of tow cards12½
One side of upper leather	2.25
One hog skin50
Four shoats	2.50
Two sows and pigs and barrow	4.00
Four tablecloths	5.00
One table50
One jug and pickling pot75
One oil stove50
Cash in hands of Esther Whitley	32.00
One looking-glass75
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	\$638.72½

(The inventory as copied in Will Book E, page 147, values the personal property at \$647.22, but whether the error of \$8.49½ was made in the original copy or in the recent transcription has not been determined, since it was discovered too late to permit a re-examination of the inventory.)

APPENDIX D

LIST OF THE INVENTORIES, SALE BILLS,
AND WILLS EXAMINED

FAYETTE COUNTY

NAME	DATE	WILL BOOK	PAGES	FORM
CARTER, JOBE	November 4, 1811	B	286-290	Inventory
ELROD, ROBERT	January 15, 1811	B	155-156	Inventory
GOODLOB, THOMAS	April 24, 1813	B	477-479	Inventory
HIGGINS, AZERIAH	February 20, 1812	B	364-365	Inventory
LEGRAND, JOHN	November 30, 1810	B	174	Inventory
NICHOLS, JOHN	August 28, 1811	B	302	Inventory
PETTIT, NATHANIEL	December 11, 1809	B	89-91	Inventory
ROSS, WILLIAM	February 19, 1810	B	129-130	Inventory
TAYLOR, ASA	January 13, 1812	B	341-343	Inventory
TODD, LEVI	October 27, 1807	A	436-438	Inventory

GARRARD COUNTY

BELLES, PHILLIP	October 25, 1805	C	75-79	Inventory
BEST, HUMPHREY	April .., 1815	D	63-66	Inventory
BRASSFIELD, EDWARD	August 20, 1805	D	69-71	Inventory
BROWN, HENRY	November .., 1814	C	29-30	Inventory
CLOYD, DAVID	June 10, 1814	D	39-40	Sale Bill
GIBSON, GEORGE	February .., 1814	D	38	Inventory
HARRIS, ROBERT	March .., 1804	C	28	Inventory
HUGHES, ABRAHAM	August .., 1814	D	52-54	Inventory
ROBERTSON, JOEL	May 21, 1813	D	44-47	Sale Bill

JEFFERSON COUNTY

BOHANNON, RICHARD	October 7, 1814	2	19-21	Will
BULLITT, MARY	September 11, 1817	2	55	Will
KELLER, WILLIAM	December 9, 1817	2	62-63	Will
MAPLE, JOHN	July 11, 1820	2	118	Will
MARTIN, JOHN	September 6, 1813	2	7-9	Will
MERIWETHER, JAMES	October 10, 1800	2	52	Will
MILLER, ANTHONY	March 12, 1818	2	75	Will
STAFFORD, EVE	July 14, 1815	2	98-99	Will
WATSON, WILLIAM	March 11, 1819	2	104-105	Will
WHITE, MARY	July 15, 1820	2	122	Will

JESSAMINE COUNTY

BARR, ZACHARIAH	September 5, 1812	B	9-12	Inventory
FULKERSON, ABRAHAM	March 16, 1812	B	30-33	Inventory
HOOVER, DAVID	June .., 1813	B	46-49	Inventory
NICHOLSON, THOMAS	October 3, 1812	B	22-24	Inventory
OVERSTREET, RICHARD	September 30, 1812	B	15-16	Inventory
PATTON, ROGER	January .., 1813	B	25-26	Inventory
SALLEE, JOSEPH	January .., 1813	B	18-22	Inventory
STONESTREET, JOHN D.	December 1, 1812	B	28-29	Inventory
WEST, CHARLES	December 12, 1812	B	26-28	Inventory

LINCOLN COUNTY

BAILEY, JOHN	August 23, 1819	G	148	Inventory
BAKER, WILLIAM	April 15, 1807	D	13-17	Inventory
CAMPBELL, JOSEPH	October .., 1808	D	127-130	Inventory
CHRISTOPHER, ELIZ.	June 23, 1820	G	110-111	Inventory
COLLYER, MOSES	June 29, 1814	E	152	Inventory
CRAIG, JOHN	October 9, 1818	F	245-248	Inventory
CREECY, GEORGE	November 29, 1814	E	152	Inventory
DOOLEY, GEORGE	February 22, 1822	G	188	Inventory
DUNCAN, HOWSON	August 22, 1815	E	156	Inventory

LINCOLN COUNTY (Cont.)

NAME	DATE	WILL BOOK	PAGES	FORM
EMBREE, JOHN	March 12, 1819	G	54-57	Inventory
EMMERSON, SAMUEL	March 22, 1814	E	154-155	Inventory
GIVENS, JOHN	March 12, 1819	D	242-243	Inventory
GRISHAM, PHILLIP	April 11, 1814	E	138	Inventory
HELM, MARQUIS	June 29, 1820	G	155	Inventory
HENDERSON, CHRISTOPHER	January 29, 1807	D	9-10	Inventory
HENSLEY, JOHN	January 23, 1813	E	143	Inventory
HOCKER, RICHARD W.	October 20, 1821	G	218-219	Inventory
HUTCHINGS, GABRIEL	April 7, 1806	D	5-6	Inventory
JACKSON, JOHN	October 8, 1821	G	144-145	Inventory
KIRKPATRICK, JAMES	April .., 1808	D	1-4	Inventory
LEGG, JOHN	February 22, 1822	G	224	Inventory
LOGAN, WILLIAM	May 29, 1807	D	23-34	Inventory
LOWE, JESSE	January .., 1814	E	137	Inventory
MCCLURE, ROBERT	April 9, 1821	G	153	Inventory
MCGINNIS, ISAAC	March 11, 1822	G	223	Inventory
MCKINNEY, EBENEZER	September 25, 1813	E	148-149	Inventory
MCROBERTS, GEORGE	February 13, 1822	G	222	Inventory
MONTGOMERY, THOMAS	March .., 1808	D	54-68	Inventory
OVERLEESE, JACOB	January .., 1814	E	136	Inventory
OWSLEY, WILLIAM	January 12, 1814	E	144-145	Inventory
PAYNE, REUBEN	February 12, 1821	G	147	Inventory
POPE, JOHN	November 22, 1815	E	159-161	Inventory
PRENTICE, JOSHUA F.	July 10, 1820	G	111	Inventory
SHANKS, JOHN	December 14, 1811	E	42-43	Inventory
SHELBY, ISAAC	November 15, 1824	I	84-87	Inventory
SWEENEY, MOSES	September 4, 1813	E	139-140	Inventory
THURMOND, JOHN	April 20, 1812	E	44-45	Inventory
WHITLEY, ANDREW	November 1, 1843	O	150	Will
WHITLEY, ANDREW	January .., 1844	O	183	Inventory
WHITLEY, ESTHER	March 24, 1834	M	67	Will
WHITLEY, WILLIAM	August 26, 1812	G	14-15	Will
WHITLEY, WILLIAM	December .., 1813	E	147	Inventory
WHITLEY, WILLIAM	December 27, 1813	D	62-64	Sale Bill
WHITLEY, WILLIAM, JR.	March 27, 1849	Q	55	Will
WHITLEY, WILLIAM, JR.	October 8, 1849	Q	340-344	Inventory

MERCER COUNTY

ADAMS, GEORGE	August 11, 1803	3	31	Inventory
BUCHANAN, NANCY	October 10, 1810	4	158-159	Inventory
BUNTON, JOHN	November 16, 1810	4	168-174	Inventory
COONEY, JOHN	December .., 1803	3	33	Inventory
THOMPSON, WILLIAM	July 19, 1804	3	56-59	Inventory
VAN NUYS, ISAAC	September 27, 1804	3	68-71	Inventory
WOODSON, JACOB	March 31, 1804	3	53-54	Inventory

APPENDIX E

SUGGESTED FURNISHINGS FOR THE WHITLEY HOUSE

The items listed below were obtained from the various inventories, sale bills, and wills, which are tabulated in Appendix D. Since types and styles were discussed in Part III, descriptive terms have generally been omitted. It is very probable that some of these articles, at least at certain seasons would have been used in the attic, as for example, spinning wheels and reels. The loom was likely to have been a permanent attic fixture. The halls have not been included, but certainly would not have been completely bare and may have contained chairs, small tables or even a chest of drawers.

FAMILY ROOM

Andirons
 Candle snuffers
 Candlestand
 Candlesticks
 Chairs, windsor and slat-back
 Chest of drawers
 Desk or secretary-desk
 Looking-glass
 Rug, braided, hooked, or rag-woven
 Shovel and tongs
 Table, small, drop-leaf

OTHER ITEMS

Cards and hackles
 Loom, probably in attic
 Spinning wheel, cotton
 Spinning wheels, flax
 Spinning wheels, wool
 Reel

BEDROOMS

Beds, low-poster, cord
 Beds, trundle
 Blankets
 Candle snuffers
 Candlestands
 Candlesticks
 Chairs, windsor and slat-back
 Chest of drawers
 Comforts
 Counterpanes
 Feather beds, pillows and bolsters
 Quilts
 Rugs, braided, hooked or rag-woven
 Sheets, cotton and linen
 Pillow slips, cotton and linen
 Bolster slips, cotton and linen
 Straw ticks
 Tables, small, plain or drop-leaf

DINING ROOM

Andirons
 Bottle case
 Candle snuffers
 Candlestand
 Candlesticks
 Chairs, windsor and slat-back
 Coffee-pot and trivet, pewter
 Conch shell
 Corner cupboard

Cruets
 Decanter
 Dining table, drop-leaf or sectional
 Dishes, delftware, queen's ware, pewter
 Goblets, glass or pewter
 Knife case
 Knives, forks, and spoons of pewter
 Pitchers, glass or pewter
 Rifle and powder horn
 Rugs, braided, hooked or rag-woven
 Saltcellars
 Shovel and tongs
 Side table, drop-leaf
 Shotgun and shot bag
 Spice chest
 Sugar chest
 Table-cloths, linen
 Teaboard
 Teapot, delftware or pewter
 Tumblers, glass or pewter
 Waiter

KITCHEN

Basins, pewter, wooden
 Bowls, pewter, wooden
 Butterpots, earthenware
 Candle molds
 Candle snuffers
 Candlesticks
 Canisters, tin
 Chairs, slat-back
 Churn
 Coffee mill
 Coffee-pot, iron
 Corner cupboard
 Cream skimmer, tin
 Dutch oven
 Flatirons
 Flesh fork
 Griddles
 Jars, earthen
 Kettles, iron, copper, brass
 Knives, forks, spoons, and
 ladles of iron, pewter, tin
 Pans, pewter and tin
 Pepper mill
 Pickle pot
 Piggins
 Pot-hooks
 Pot-rack

Pots, iron and copper
Sieves and sifters
Skillets
Steelyards

Table, drop-leaf
Teakettle
Tubs, wooden
Waffle-irons

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