

## Individual Narrative of John<sup>5</sup> Leverich [28]

John Leverich was born before 1733 at Newtown, Queens Co, New York, and is likely the John Leverich found in Westchester County, New York as early as 1754.<sup>1</sup>

There is no direct evidence identifying the parents of John Leverich. Circumstantial evidence suggests that John was the son of Benjamin Leverich who died at Newtown about 1732. Two baptisms are recorded at the Newtown Presbyterian Church: 29 March 1728, Benjamin, son of Benjamin and Mary Leverich; 15 April 1733, Benjamin, son of Mary Leverich widow. One of these Benjamin's could have been a recording error for John.<sup>2,3</sup>

In the 1720-1730's, there were three male Leverich's in Newtown, brothers, that could have been the father of this John Leverich: John<sup>4</sup> Leverich Jr [8], William<sup>4</sup> Leverich [9] who married Martha Way, and Benjamin<sup>4</sup> Leverich [10]. The children of John and William have been identified, leaving only Benjamin. John Leverich appears in Westchester County, New York in the 1750's, and named two sons Benjamin and John.<sup>4</sup>

In 2008 five men bearing the surname Leverich participated in genealogical DNA testing. One of these men was a proven descendant of John Leverich of Westchester Co, NY; two of these men were proven descendants of Benjamin Leverich of Westchester Co, NY; two of these men were proven descendants through different lines of the Leverich family in Newtown, Queens County, Long Island, New York. Based upon the DNA test results, the conclusion was: "There is a high probability that these five individuals share a common ancestor in 1-Rev. William Leverich of Newtown, New York." The testing was done by Family Tree DNA <ftdna.com>. An evaluation of the data and this conclusion was requested of, and received from, Bennett Greenspan, the President of FTDNA.com: "I've looked over your attachment and it appears to be correct. Without ANY doubt this is a single family and all 5 test takers are related to each other. I have never seen an R1b Signature with a 12 at DYS 393 and a 21 at DYS 390. Frankly speaking you guys are unique as all I've seen. I think there is no doubt" <email 4 September 2008>.<sup>5,6</sup>

"John Leverich" is listed as a customer of Caleb Fowler in Westchester Co, New York. Caleb Fowler's customers consists of a list of the customers of his general store, which was located on the outskirts of the village of Chappaqua, and a list of the customers of his son, Moses Fowler, who possessed the original ledger book at his store in Mount Pleasant, Westchester County, New York. This is the earliest documented reference to John Leverich in Westchester County. This record is described as "a leather bound volume of about 200 pages, being the ledger of a general store keeper. It appears to be Ledger B, some accounts having been transferred from Ledger A ... The entries, except a very few, began in 1754, and no accounts carried later than 1760. Caleb Fowler's store was certainly in that part of North Castle now in the Town of New Castle, doubtless near Chappaqua, and probably on the road now called Kip Street, leading from the Pines Bridge Road about one half mile north of the present village, westerly to the upper end of Hardscrable Road ...".<sup>7</sup>

On 1 September 1759 John Leverich witnessed the will of Benjamin Sutton of North Castle, Westchester Co, New York. The will was proved 8 October 1759.<sup>8</sup>

No Leverich's are recorded among the 1763 Freeholders in Westchester County, New York (does not include Town of Cortlandt).<sup>9</sup>

John Leverich married Mary Seaman before 1752 probably at Westchester Co, New York. The marriage date is assumed based upon the fact that a likely son, Benjamin Leverich, was probably born c 1752-1754. Son John Leverich Jr was born in 1766, as per his age at time of death recorded in his death notice, as well as on his grave marker. If Mary Seaman was between the age of 16 and 21 when she married, c 1752, then she was likely born between 1731 and 1736.<sup>10,11,12,13</sup>

Thomas Seaman of North Castle Westchester Co, New York prepared a will 12 December 1776, in which he named his sisters **Mary Leverick**, Abigail Moger, Phebe Brundige, Charity Seaman, and Hannah Moger, and their children. The will was proved on 1 April 1779. On 7 May 1812, letters of administration on the estate were granted to **John Leverick**, a nephew of Thomas Seaman, late of North Castle.<sup>14</sup>

Mary Seaman Leverich, the sister of Thomas Seaman, was the daughter of Richard Seaman of Westchester Co. The *Town Records of North Castle/New Castle 1736-1791* include the following references from road records.

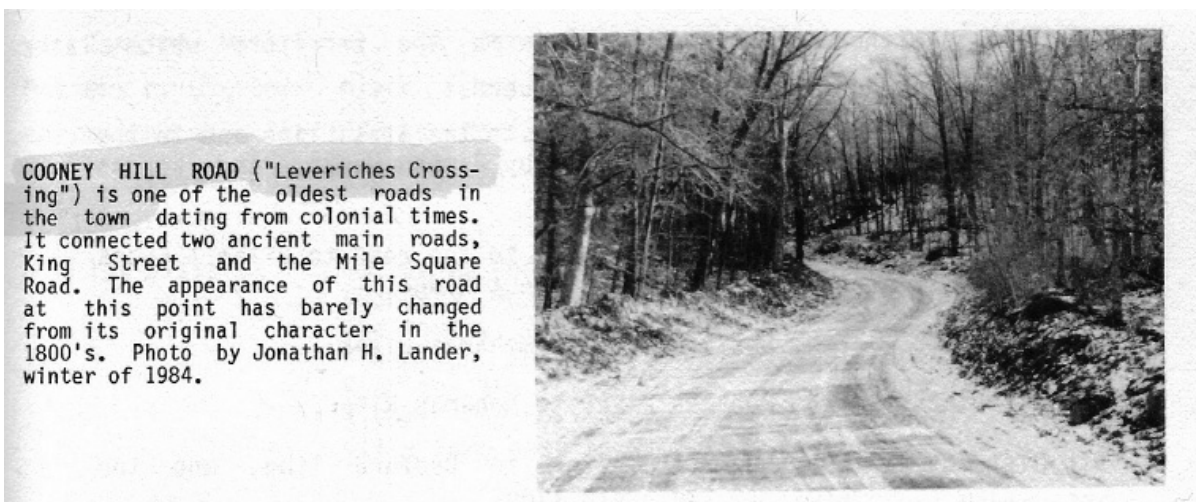
- 4 April 1749: "David Lain overseer of the highway from Phillipsborough to bare hole gutter and so to the White Plains line and the cross road by **Richard Seaman**."
- 3 April 1750: "Richard Hutchins Highway Master for the road that goes from Andrew Purdys to the White Plains, and the road that turns out between John Hutchins and Absalom Hutchins & lands along by **Richard Seamans** to the other road that goes to the White Plains."
- 4 April 1758: "Solomon Palmer from Andrew Purdys to the middle of the bridge by Still John Purdys, and also the Cross Road along by **Richard Seamans**."
- 4 April 1769: "Jeremiah Hunter to see the road is kept in good repair from the road by Andrew Purdys along by his house, down to the bridge by John Hammons, and the other two adjacent roads, that which goes by the said Hammons to the North River, and the other that goes by William and Thomas Seamans."<sup>15</sup>

Email correspondence in March 2010 from Matthew Wood of Minnesota, and his unpublished article "Seaman Moshier and His Relatives", suggests that the road descriptions cited in these entries appear to reference the same property. These entries further suggest that between 1758 and 1769, Richard Seaman's property passed to William and Thomas Seaman. It is surmised therefore that William and Thomas Seaman were the heirs of Richard Seaman, probably his sons. No record of an estate for Richard Seaman has been found.<sup>16</sup>

Nathaniel Seaman of Jerusalem, Queens Co, New York, being sick made a will dated 2 August 1756. In his will, proved 2 September 1756, one of his legacies leaves to his "cousins" <nephews>, William and Thomas, sons of his brother Richard Seaman, £25. This confirms Richard Seaman as the father of William and Thomas Seaman of Westchester Co, and therefore also the father of Mary Seaman who married John Leverich. Nathaniel and Richard Seaman were the sons of Thomas Seaman, and the grandsons of Capt John Seaman of Hempstead, Queens Co, New York.<sup>17,18</sup>

The mother of Mary Seaman, and the wife of Richard Seaman, may have been Hannah Jackson, the daughter of Col. John Jackson and Elizabeth Seaman of Hempstead, Queens Co, New York. Elizabeth Seaman was the daughter of Thomas Seaman, and the granddaughter of Capt John Seaman. Therefore Hannah Jackson and Richard Seaman would have been first cousins. Primary source documentation has not yet been found to support this conclusion. This identification appears in 1895 with the publication of Mary Powell Seaman Bunker's work entitled *Long Island Genealogies*. The same information is replicated in Mary Thomas Seaman's work *The Seaman Family in America*, published in 1928.<sup>19,20</sup> John Jackson of Hempstead made a will dated 26 August 1724. Included among his heirs mentioned is his daughter Hannah Seaman. The first name of her husband Seaman is not given.<sup>21</sup>

Mr. Wood's analysis identifies the cross roads associated with the Seaman property as a road known during the revolutionary period as "Cooney's Hill Road". This road connected two ancient main roads, King Street and Mile Square Road (contemporary Routes 22 and 120). A small remnant of Cooney's Hill Road still exists today.<sup>22</sup>



COONEY HILL ROAD ("Leveriches Crossing") is one of the oldest roads in the town dating from colonial times. It connected two ancient main roads, King Street and the Mile Square Road. The appearance of this road at this point has barely changed from its original character in the 1800's. Photo by Jonathan H. Lander, winter of 1984.

Exhibit 1

Richard N. Lander and Barbara S. Massi's volume *North Castle Town Records 1791-1848* includes a photograph entitled "Cooney Hill Road - Leveriches Crossing". The photo caption notes that this road "is one of the oldest roads in the town dating from colonial times. It connected two ancient main roads, King Street and the Mile Square Road. The appearance of this road at this point has barely changed from its original character. Photo by Jonathan Lander, winter of 1984"<sup>23</sup>

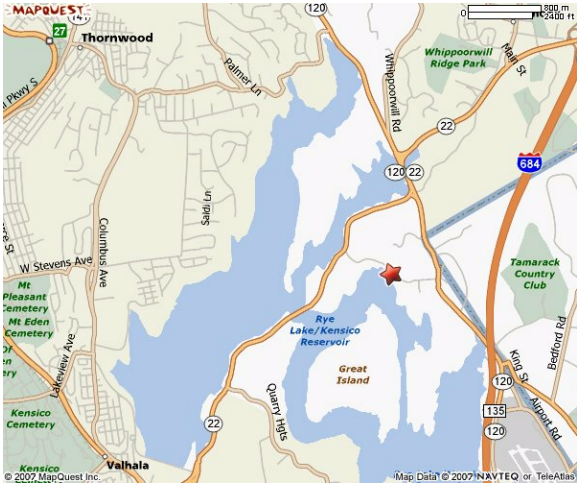
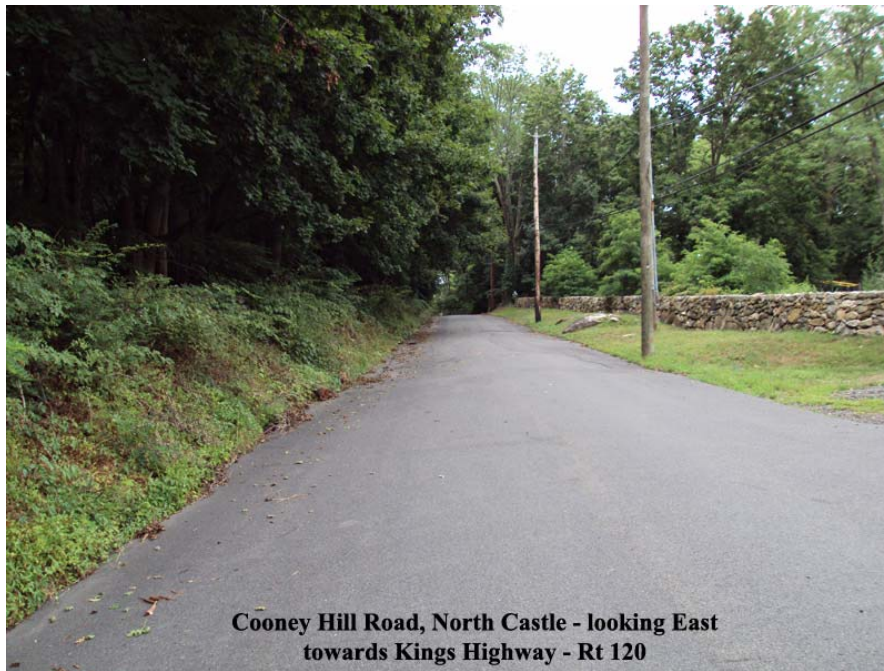


Exhibit 2



Exhibit 3

A visit to the site in August 2010 disclosed a short distance of paved road running west from Route 120 (King Street), with several residences. Thereafter, west to Route 22, the land is owned by the New York City Department of Environmental Protection, which operates a water control facility called NYCDEP Shaft 17 Delaware Aqueduct on the property. Access is restricted with Shaft 17 situated about half way to Route 22, then heavily wooded to Route 22. Egress on Route 22 is not visible, and is heavily overgrown.<sup>24,25</sup>



Cooney Hill Road, North Castle - looking East towards Kings Highway - Rt 120

Exhibit 4

Although this reference to "Leveriches Crossing" is not further explained, it can be demonstrated that the property of John Leverich Jr and his wife Mary Brundage was located in the same immediate vicinity in the early 1800's.<sup>26</sup>

The North Castle Town Records on 4 April 1769 say that "... Thomas Davenport to see the road is kept in good repair from that road by this house down to the place heretofore worked to the southward of **the widow Leveredges** and the adjacent road across by Caleb Haight". The widow Leverich could conceivably be Mary, widow of Benjamin Leverich, and mother of John Leverich. If so, it would appear that the family had clearly relocated to Westchester Co by 1759. This is further supported by the absence of any further references to Mary Leverich or her children in Newtown records after 1733.<sup>27</sup>

Sung Bok Kim's *Landlord and Tenant in Colonial New York* provides a list of land transactions on the Samuel Bayard Estate at Cortlandt Manor. Included in this list is: John Leverick, Cooper of Cortlandt, purchaser of 106 acres for £341.5.0 in 1773.<sup>28</sup>

On 3 March 1774, John Leverich and wife Mary of the Manor of Cortlandt, Westchester County, Province of New York mortgaged land to William Bayard of the City of New York; recorded 17 September 1774, Liber B. page 360. The mortgage amount was Three hundred forty one pounds five shillings: £341-5-0. £341.5.0 in 1774 = approximately £31,662 in 2006, which in turn is \$58,258 in 2006. <<http://www.measuringworth.com/>>.

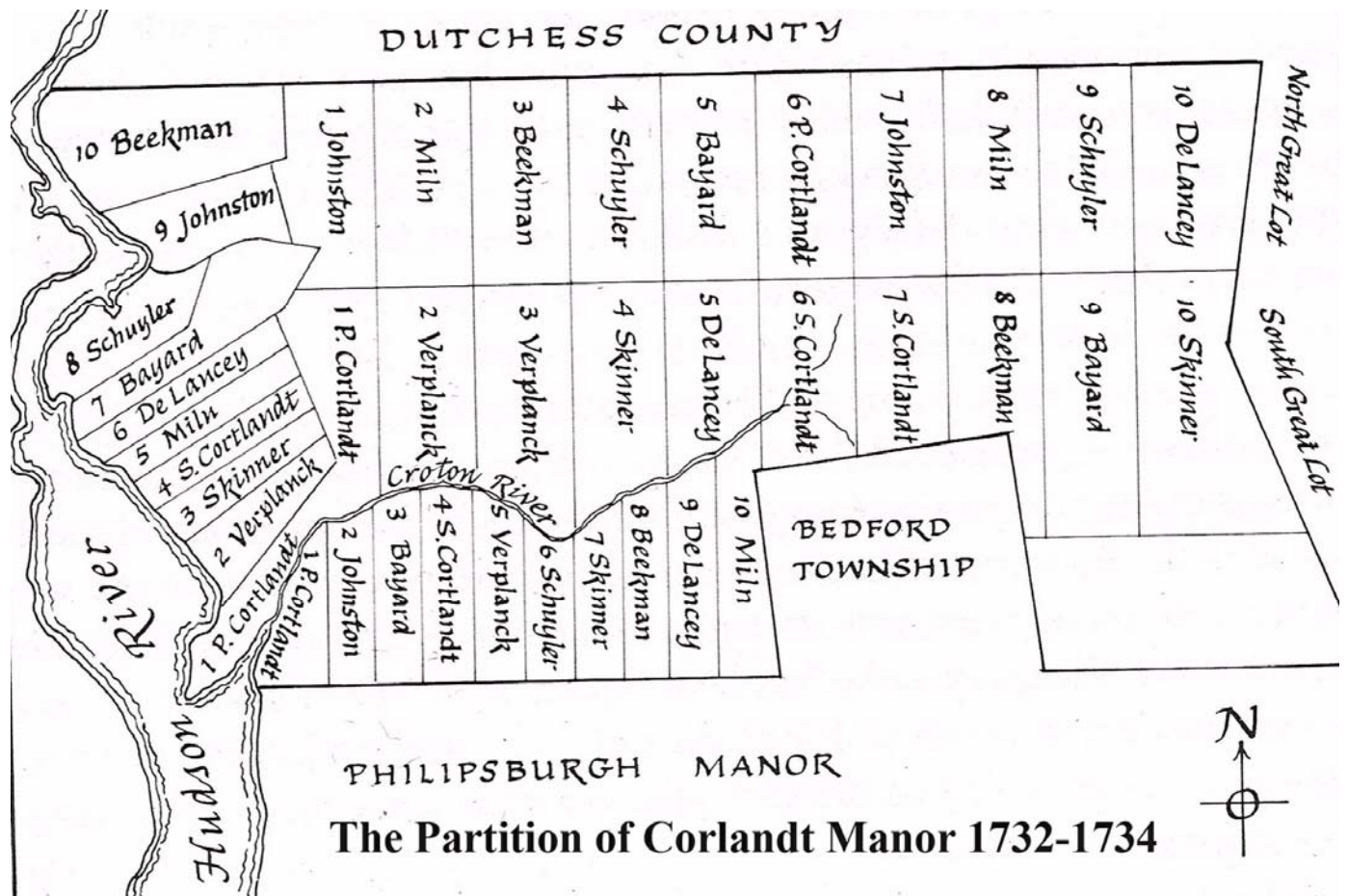


Exhibit 5

The property description was "Land in the Manor of Cortlandt ... beginning at the north west corner of lot number 3 now in the possession of Thomas Barker, and runs from thence north 47 degrees east along the line which marks the northwest bounds of **Great Front Lot number 5**, 22 chains to the southwest corner of lot number five, thence east 47 degrees south 48 chains and 30 links to the southeast corner of said lot number 5, thence south 47 degrees west 22

chains to the northeast corner of lot number 1, thence north 43 degrees west 48 chains and thirty links along the rear of lots number 1, 2, & 3, to the place of beginning, containing in all 106 acres."<sup>29,30</sup>

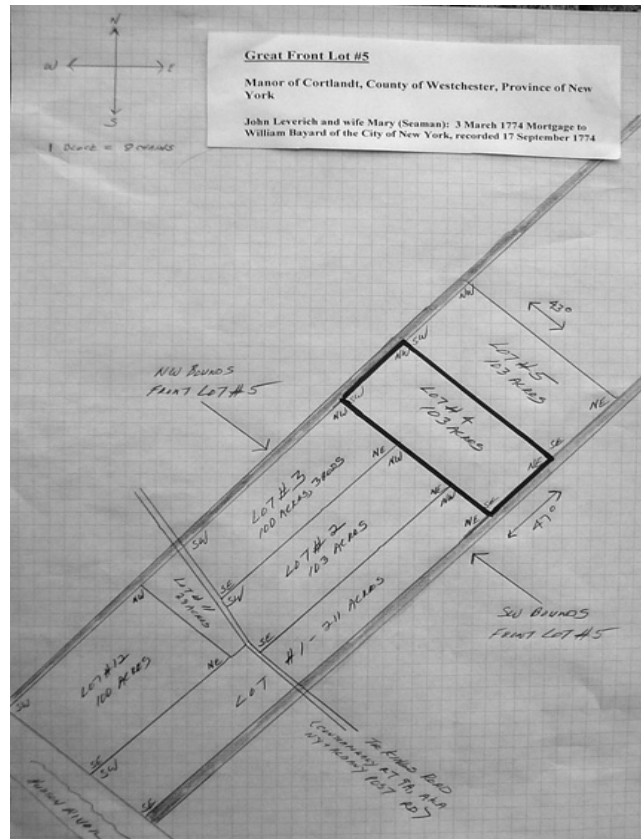


Exhibit 6



Exhibit 7

This mortgage was secured by "...three several bonds, etc., and also in consideration of the further sum of ten shillings current money of New York ..." An original document containing one of these bonds is dated 3 March 1774, and is in the possession (2013) of Tom Leverich of West Windsor New Jersey. The document was a gift to Mr. Leverich from

Professor Leo Hershkowitz of Queens College, City University of New York, History Department. The bond stipulates that "John Leverich, of the manor of Cortlandt and Province of New York, held and firmly bound to William Bayard of New York in the sum of £241.5.0. £120.12.6 due the first day of May 1774". The bond contains the signature of John Leverich, and is witnessed by Philip Cortlandt and Abraham Hayes. William Bayard assigned the bond to Nicholas Bayard 12 November 1774. On the same date, Nicholas Bayard assigns the bond to Margaret Johnstone. The bond contains the following endorsement: "John Leverich Bond Pay 1 May 1774 for £120.12.6."<sup>31</sup>

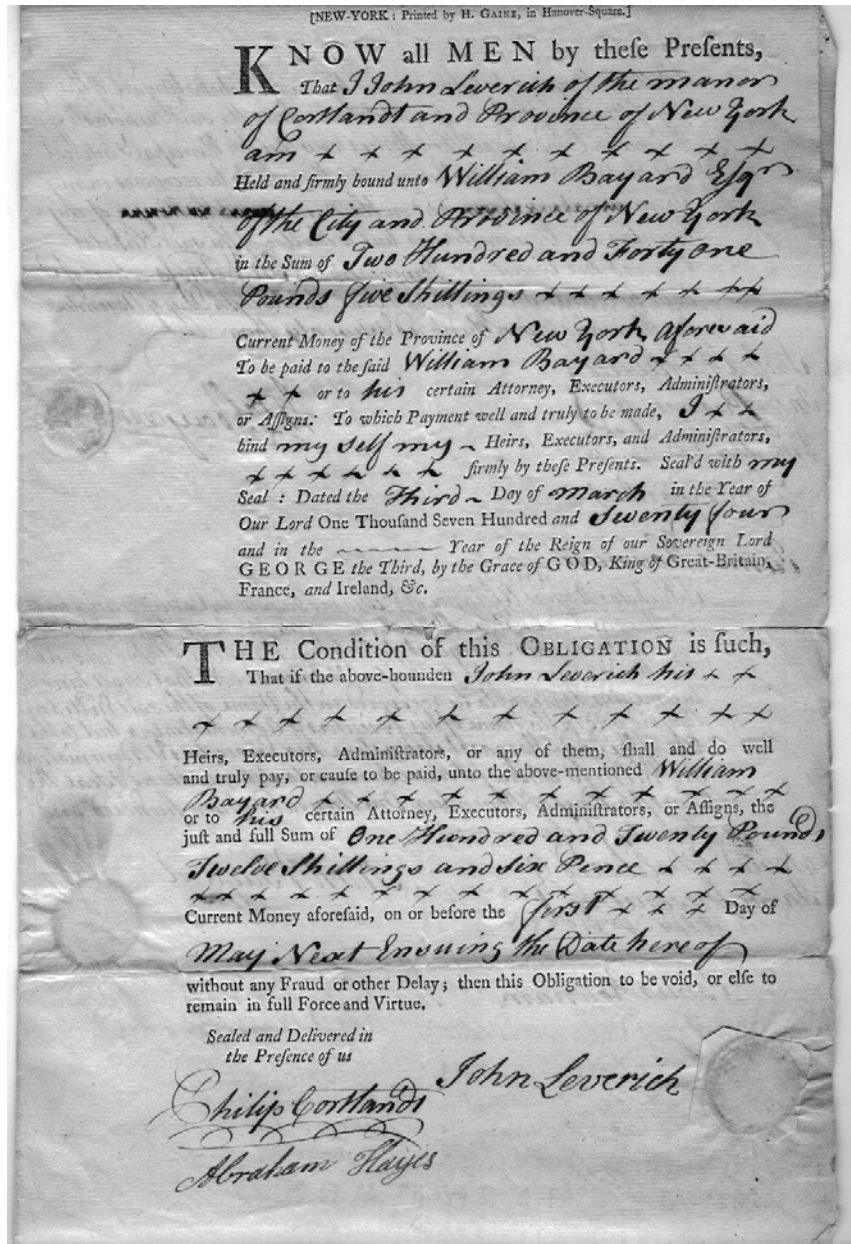


Exhibit 8: John Leverich, Bond 1774

On 5 August 1774, John Leverich witnessed a mortgage bond David Ackerman, yeoman Manor of Cortlandt, Westchester Co, Province of New York to William Bayard of New York City. The bond was also witnessed by Philip Cortlandt. David Ackerman had been a witness to a 3 March 1774 mortgage from John Leverich to William Bayard.<sup>32</sup>

A 1779 Tax List for Westchester County, New York, including the towns of Cortlandt and North Castle, did not record any Leverich's or Seaman's.<sup>33</sup>

The 1790 Census of North Castle, Westchester Co, New York lists John Leviridge as a head of family, with 2 free white males age 16 and over, and 2 free white females age 16 and over. These tallies suggest the possibility that John Leverich Sr and wife were sharing a household with John Leverich Jr. and wife.<sup>34</sup>

The 1800 Census of North Castle, Westchester Co, New York lists John Leveridge as a head of family, with 1 free white male age 26 to 44, 2 free white males age 45 and over, and 2 free white females age 16 to 25.<sup>35</sup>

The 1810 Census of North Castle, Westchester Co, New York lists John Leverich as a head of family, with 1 free white male age 45 and over, and 2 free white females age 16 to 25.<sup>36</sup>

John Leverich Sr. probably died between 1800 and 1810 at North Castle, Westchester, New York. The census tallies for 1790, 1800, 1810 suggest that John Leverich Senior is living with John Leverich Jr in 1790 and 1800, suggesting that John Leverich Senior died between 1800 and 1810. The same tallies suggest that Mary Seaman may have died between 1790 and 1800. However, these early census tallies are known to be often inaccurate, and the 1790-1810 census tallies do not account at all for Mary Brundage, wife of John Leverich Junior. Neither specific death dates nor burial locations have been found for John Leverich Senior and Mary Seaman. It may be assumed based upon the census records that they died and were buried in North Castle Township, Westchester Co, New York.<sup>37,38,39</sup>

In 1799 legislation provided for the collection of taxes on real estate and personal property in the State of New York. The tax roles were prepared on the county level and submitted to the State Comptroller's Office. The tax lists included the name of the "possessor", a description of the real estate, the value fo of real estate, the value of personal property, and the amount taxed. The tax lists for Westchester Co, New York are segregated by township. A "John Leverich" appears in the Town of North Castle for each year from 1799 to 1803.<sup>40</sup> With the exception of 1799, the combined value of John Leverich's real and personal estate was consistent at about \$365.00.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Value Real Estate</b>	<b>Value Personal Property</b>	<b>Amount of Tax</b>
1799	\$125	\$79	\$26
1800	\$311	\$62	\$44
1801	\$301	\$57	\$70
1802	\$301	\$60	\$35
1803	\$301	\$66	\$40

\$365 in 1800 amounts to about \$6,500 in 2013 dollars. This would place John Leverich among the less affluent residents of North Castle at the time.<sup>41</sup> The North Castle Tax Lists appear to be arranged geographically, known neighbors being listed in proximity to each other on the tax lists. Neighbors of John Leverich during this period were Edward Dillingham, Herry Feeks, Abel Smith, William Britt, and Robert Fields. James Brundage, probably the brother-in-law of John Leverich Sr, is listed adjacent to John in 1799 and 1803. Consistent with the 1800 census, the John Leverich of these tax lists could have been either John Jr. or John Sr.<sup>42</sup>

The Franklin Couch genealogical files at The Field Library in Peekskill, New York identify a John Leverich, no spouse mentioned, with four sons John (1766-1841), Caleb, William, and Benjamin. He is identified as a farmer in North Salem, Westchester Co, New York. No sources are cited for this data.<sup>43</sup>

William Erskine Duncan Jr was a great grandson of John Leverich and Mary Seaman (Esther Weeks Leverich Duncan, Caleb Leverich, John Leverich). Marion Heathorn (Disimone)(Mansfield) was a granddaughter of William E. Duncan Jr. Marion (1915-2009) had in her possession a fragment of a letter written to her grandfather. From the context of the letter, it would appear to have been written by an unidentified first cousin of William's. The most likely candidates are George C. Leverich or William H. Leverich, sons of Benjamin B. Leverich (brother of Esther W), both of whom were known to have corresponded with the Duncan's.

The letter states the following, without citing a source: "John & Elizabeth Leverich. Their children were John, Benjamin, Caleb, William.

John Leverich was born Jan 6. 1766. Mary Brundage his wife was born April 23-1767. Each was born lived and married in North Castle NY and died and was buried in Shrub Oak near Peekskill N.Y.

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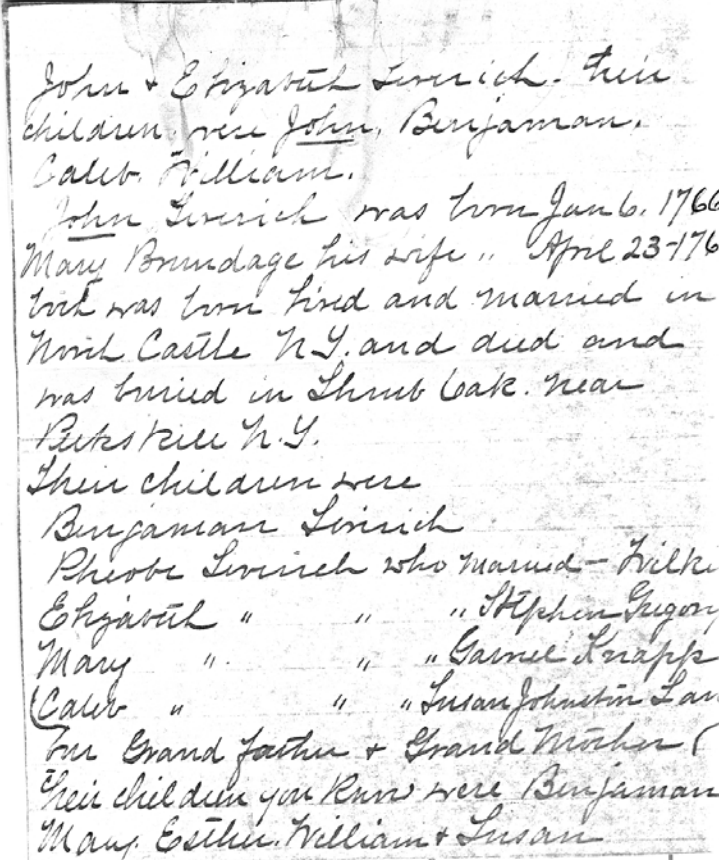
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Mary Leverich who married Gabriel Knapp

Caleb Leverich who married Susan Johnston Lane

Our grandfather and grandmother.

Their children you know were Benjamin, Mary, Esther, William, & Susan."<sup>44</sup>



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Exhibit 9

On 29 December 1974, Marion Heathorn Disimone wrote to Tom Leverich: "Esther Weeks Leverich, my great grandmother, was the sister of your great grandfather, William H. Leverich ... my grandfather (William Erskine Duncan Jr), son of Esther Weeks Leverich, wrote me a letter when I was young in which he stated that we were descended from Rev. William Leverich of Newtown ... my grandfather had family documents which were passed on to a son who lost them". The reference to descent from Rev. William Leverich would appear to have been an oral tradition in this branch of the family, a similar statement being included in the obituary of William H. Leverich in 1900: "he was the son of Caleb and Susan Leverich, being descended from the original settlers of Newtown, L.I."<sup>45,46</sup>

John Leverich and Mary Seaman clearly had at least one son, John Leverich Jr, who is named as a nephew of Thomas Seaman as part of the probate of Thomas' will. John Leverich Jr was born 6 January 1766; he married about 1788 Mary Brundage; he died 7 November 1841 and was buried at the Shrub Oak Methodist Churchyard in Yorktown, Westchester Co, New York.<sup>47,48,49,50</sup>



A Benjamin Leverich appears in Westchester County, New York as early as 1778, when he is listed as a revolutionary war soldier in the 3rd Westchester Co Militia Regiment commanded by Capt. Samuel Haight. A Benjamin Leverich is recorded in the Town of Cortlandt, Westchester Co, in the 1790 Census. There is no direct evidence identifying the parents of Benjamin. This Benjamin Leverich could have been the son of Benjamin<sup>4</sup> Leverich [10] and his wife Mary of Newtown, and therefore a brother to John<sup>5</sup> Leverich [28], husband of Mary Seaman. In which case he would have been born before 1733, since Benjamin<sup>4</sup> Leverich [10] died c 1732. More likely however, Benjamin was the son of John<sup>5</sup> Leverich [28]. Benjamin died in Ohio in 1824. If he was between 70 and 80 years old in 1824, he would have been born between 1744 and 1754. Benjamin's first child James Leverich was born about 1773. If Benjamin were between 21 and 31 years of age in 1773, he would have been born between 1752 and 1762. Therefore Benjamin Leverich was likely born c 1752-1754, and was likely the son of, not the brother of, John<sup>5</sup> Leverich [28].<sup>51,52,53,54</sup>

A Benjamin Leverich appears in the 1799-1803 Westchester County tax lists in Cortlandt Township. His oldest son James Leverich, is listed adjacent to Benjamin 1800-1803. The combined value of Benjamin's real and personal property during this period was \$1400, substantially more than that of his father or brother John Leverich in North Castle. The Cortlandt Township tax lists are arranged alphabetically by family name, so it is not possible to identify neighbors from these lists.<sup>55</sup>

About 1808, Benjamin Leverich and his entire extended family, except for one son William who remained in Westchester Co, New York, removed west to Ohio, taking up Federal Bounty Land warrants that Benjamin earned for his revolutionary war militia service. By the time of the 1820 Census, he is living in Sandusky Township, Richland County, Ohio. His son James is listed immediately adjacent to him. Also listed nearby is a George Wood.<sup>55</sup>

A George Wood is found in the Town of Cortlandt, Westchester Co, New York tax lists for the years 1799, 1801-1803. Several generations of George Wood family groups are also found at Newtown, Queens Co, New York and Huntington, Suffolk County, New York at the same time as members of the Leverich family were living in these locations. Although there is no supporting evidence, one might speculatively surmise that widow Mary Leverich might have been the daughter of a George Wood.<sup>56,57,58</sup>

A William Leverich was listed as a revolutionary war soldier in the 4th New York Line Regiment. The 4th New York Regiment was authorized on 25 May 1775 and organized from June 28 to August 4 from Westchester, Dutchess, Kings, Queens, and Richmond Counties under the command of James Holmes. This William Leverich could have been the son of John<sup>5</sup> Leverich [28] of Westchester County, but there is no direct evidence to establish this. There were two other William Leverich's in Queens County at the time who were of the right age to have been part of this regiment. No other documentary evidence has been found regarding a William Leverich, son of John<sup>5</sup> Leverich [28]. However, Benjamin<sup>6</sup> Leverich [100], son of John<sup>5</sup> Leverich [28] named a son William who was born in 1782.<sup>59,60,61</sup>

A Caleb Leverich is recorded as a head of household in Onondaga County, New York in 1800 and 1810, and Bristol, Ontario County, New York in 1820. Census tallies would indicate that Caleb was born between 1776 and 1779. On 13 August 1830 in Ontario Co, Anna Leverich requested letters of administration on the estate of Caleb Leverich, stating that her husband Caleb Leverich had left Bristol in Ontario Co in the month of September 1818, and died in the State of Ohio in the month of March 1828. Seven children were listed as heirs. One of the children Minerva Lucy Leverich was born in 1819, married Simeon Howard McCotter, and died in Michigan in 1895. This Caleb Leverich could have been a son of John<sup>5</sup> Leverich [28] of Westchester County, New York but there is no direct evidence to establish this. Correspondence with members of the McCotter family, including both a son and a granddaughter of Minerva Lucy, disclose an oral family tradition that recounts Caleb coming to Onondaga County, New York from Canada. None of the common given names from Westchester (i.e. Benjamin, John, Caleb, William) are used by Caleb of Ontario Co, NY and his descendants.<sup>62,63,64,65,66</sup>

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