

Individual Narrative of Charles⁷ Palmer Leverich [142] Son of Edward⁶ Leverich [60] and Elizabeth Palmer

Charles Palmer Leverich^{1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9} was born on 17 Jul 1809, in Newtown, Queens County, New York, the son of Edward Leverich and Elizabeth Palmer.^{10,11,12,13} Charles Palmer Leverich was baptized on 26 December 1809 at the Newtown Presbyterian Church. Charles most likely received his middle name in commemoration of his mother Elizabeth Palmer.¹⁴ Charles received his education in the public "district No. 2" school of Newtown, situated about a mile west from the old family homestead where he was born and where his childhood days came and passed.¹⁵

About 1827, at the age of 18, Charles went to work as a clerk for the mercantile firm of Peter Remsen and Co, 109-111 Pearl Street in Manhattan, New York County, New York, where his older brother Henry S. Leverich already worked. Peter Remsen & Co dealt in a variety of products, including those southern commodities that Charles and his brother Henry would later specialize in trading as Leverich & Co. These two brothers had lodgings together at Mrs. Peek's, Pearl Street; then at Mrs. Baker's number 5 Nassau Street, at \$4.00 per week board; they later took a house in Greenwich Street.^{16,17}

Neither Charles nor Henry are found in the 1830 U.S. Census, most likely because they were boarders, not heads of family.¹⁸

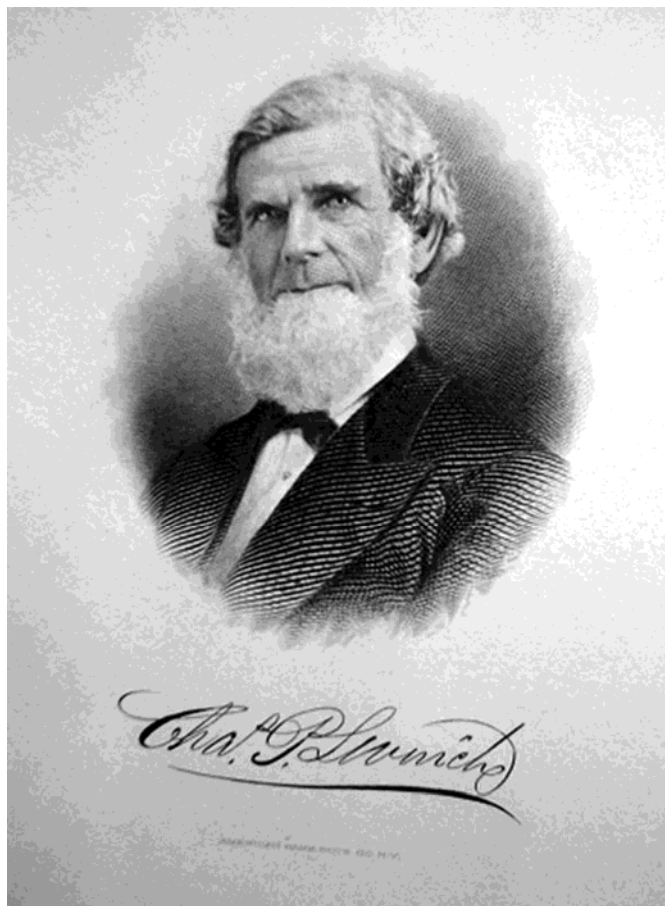
About the year 1835, as Peter Remsen and Co started to wind down their business, Henry and Charles Leverich, younger brothers of James and William E. Leverich of New Orleans, formed a partnership called Leverich & Co in New York. The brothers in New York and New Orleans worked closely together in building a commission and factorage business. Initially, Leverich & Co. dealt in the products that commission merchants regularly dealt in during the 19th century. These included household products such as tobacco, foodstuffs, spices, glass and glassware, and soap. Leverich & Co. also dealt in industrial products such as hemp, hides, and bulk chemicals, specifically brimstone, saltpeter and indigo. A large proportion of the firm's business in its early years entailed the import of wine and its reshipment to other ports in the U.S. In this early period, most of Leverich & Co.'s bulk trade in Southern produce was in sugar and sugar products, i.e. molasses and rum.

The firm's business had two distinct but related components; the first was its activity as commission merchants. In this capacity, the firm arranged the import and export of goods between the United States and Europe, and the shipment from New York of domestically produced goods to other ports within the United States. The second component was its activity as cotton factors. In this capacity, the firm arranged the shipment and sale of Southern agricultural products to purchasers in the Northern states and in Europe, and in turn acted as purchasing agent for its clientele of Southern planters, filling their orders for manufactured or luxury goods. Leverich & Co. is listed in city directories of the period under "cotton factors", but in practice the firm dealt in all the produce of Southern plantation agriculture, including cotton, sugar, molasses, rice, and occasionally tobacco. It purchased on order for its clients a variety of manufactured goods, from furniture to kid gloves to heavy machinery.¹⁹

The 1835 New York City Directory lists Charles P. Leverich and Henry S. Leverich as commission merchants doing business at 14 Broad Street. Henry is listed as residing at 66 Greenwich St.²⁰ Charles' father, Edward Leverich Sr, died 14 June 1835 at Newtown, Queens Co, New York. Edward left a will, proved 29 August 1835, which named as executors Charles P. Leverich as well as his brothers Henry, James H., and William E.²¹ The 1836-1839 New York City Directories list Charles P. Leverich and Henry S. Leverich as commission merchants doing business at 14 New Street. Henry is listed as residing at 66 Greenwich St.^{22,23,24,25}

In many respects, the sugar producer L.S. Dumont of New Orleans was a typical planter client of Leverich and Company. In an 1837 letter to Charles P. Leverich, Dumont declared that he was perfectly satisfied of Charles' good judgement and convinced that he would do everything in his power to serve Dumont's interest, noting that "we leave the disposal of the sugar entirely to you". This missive suggests that from the earliest years of the incorporation of Leverich and Company, the brothers were trusted by clients as fair and acting in the client's best interest. Clearly, the Leverich brothers' early experiences as mercantile apprentices were extremely important and successful years for establishing and strengthening their relations with prominent planters of the New Orleans and Natchez regions. The Leverich brothers continued to build such relationships throughout the antebellum period, earning planters' trust that the Leverich's would secure the best prices for agricultural products throughout boom and bust cycles.²⁶

Charles P. Leverich married Matilda Duncan Gustine, daughter of James Gustine and Mary Ann Duncan, on 17 Sep 1839 at Philadelphia, Philadelphia Co, Pennsylvania. The ceremony was conducted at 357 Walnut Street by the Rev. Henry A. Boardman. Charles' brother Henry S. Leverich had earlier married 4 October 1836 in Philadelphia Matilda's sister Margaret Duncan Gustine.^{27,28,29}



Charles P. Leverich (1809-1876)
<Munsell, History of Queens Co, 1882>



Matilda Duncan Gustine Leverich
(1814-1896)
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Matilda Duncan Gustine was born 2 July 1816 in Carlisle, Cumberland Co, Pennsylvania. She was the daughter of Dr. James Gustine and Mary Ann Duncan. Dr. Gustine studied medicine with his father and graduated M.D. at the University of Pennsylvania. He located in Natchez, Mississippi, but returned to Carlisle to assist his father. Dr. James Gustine subsequently returned to Natchez where he practiced medicine for the rest of his life.^{30,31,32}

In her book *We are the Same People, The Leverich Family of New York and Their Antebellum American Inter-regional network of Elites*, Alana K Bevan observes that "Despite their southern upbringing, Matilda and Margaret Gustine spent a great deal of time as young ladies in Philadelphia where they had extended family. After their father died, they lived in Philadelphia with their mother, grandmother, and aunts, though they had the opportunity to visit relatives who remained in Mississippi ... Their sister Rebecca married plantation owner William Minor ... Stephen Duncan, who was one of the most significant southern planters prior to the Civil War, was the brother of their mother Mary Ann Duncan. Other wealthy client-relatives included Dr. William Newtown Mercer, Francis Surget Sr and Francis Surget Jr., Levin Marshall, Henry Chotard, William St. John Elliot, Samuel Davis Sr., Samuel Davis Jr, and John Julius Pringle. These gentlemen owned plantations in Louisiana and Mississippi."³³

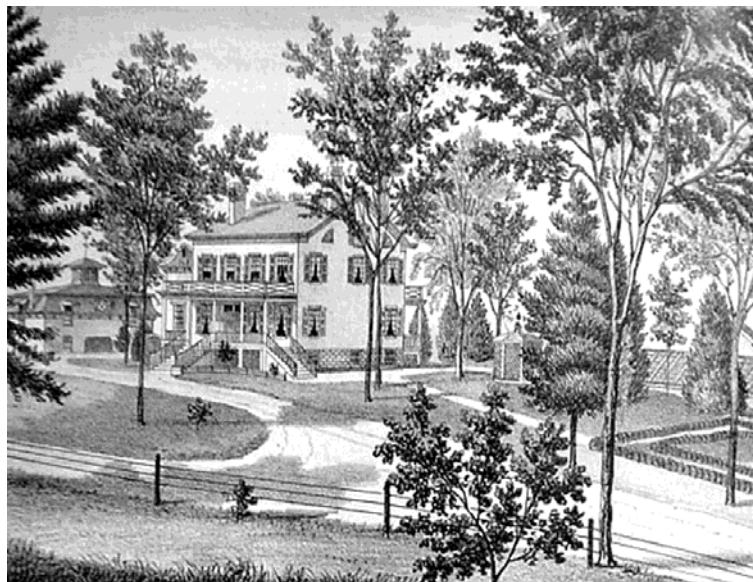
Charles P. Leverich is listed in the 1840 New York City Directory as a commercial merchant operating at 14 New Street, with his residence at 25 Mercer Street.³⁴



**1840 NYC Directory: Charles P. and Henry S. Leverich:
Leverich & Co at 14 New St; residence 25 Mercer St**

In 1840, Charles P. Leverich was appointed a Director at the Bank of New York and Trust Co. He remained a Director until he died in 1876.³⁵

In 1841 Charles P. Leverich purchased 16 acres of land on the west side of Junction Avenue in Corona and North of his brother Henry's homestead. Charles built for himself a large mansion known for many years as "Fair View", a little below 34th Avenue and in what is now the middle of 94th Street.^{36,37}



**Charles Palmer Leverich House, Corona, Queens Co,
New York; subsequently occupied by his son Charles
Duncan Leverich
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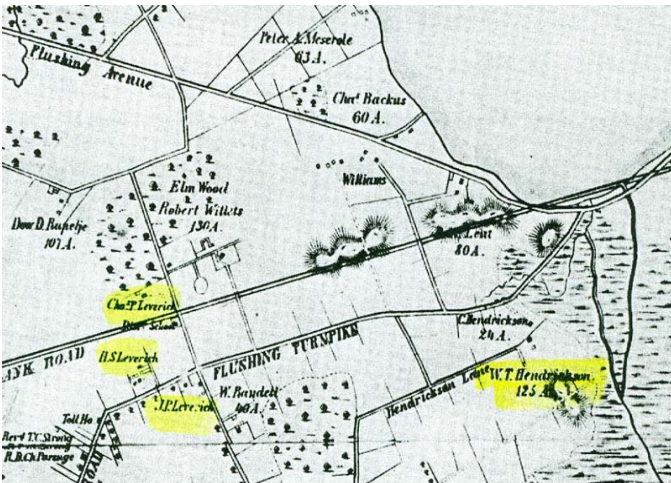


**"Fairview", home of Charles Duncan Leverich, c 1900
Built by his father Charles Palmer Leverich c 1841**

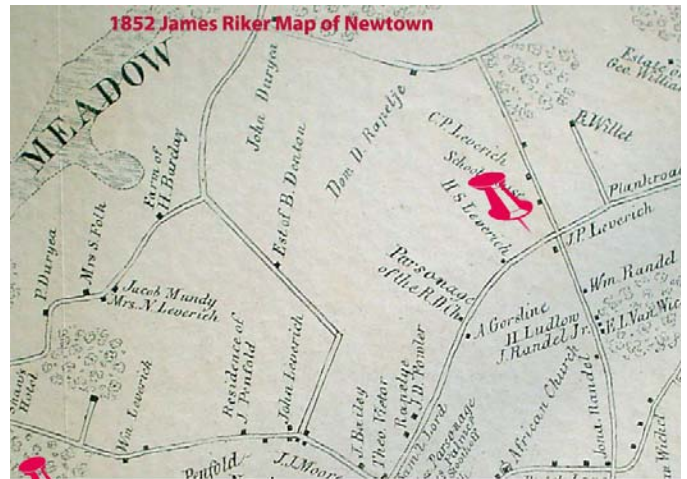


**Charles Palmer Leverich House, Corona, Queens
County, 1916**

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**Dripps Map of 1852 showing the Corona Area
W.T Hendrickson purchased from Col. Edward Leverich c 1821**



**c 1821: approximate location of estate built by
Col. Edward Leverich; further developed by his sons
Charles P, Henry S., and Jacob P. Leverich**



**Contemporary Site of "Fairview", Home of Charles P. Leverich
built c 1841, demolished c 1928**
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**Contemporary Site of "Fairview", home of Charles P. Leverich
built c 1841, demolished c 1928; Queens County, New York**
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On 13 June 1842 Charles P. Leverich was a grantee of land sold to him by his siblings Henry S. and Margaret Leverich, William E. and Fanny Leverich, James H. and Sarah A. Leverich.³⁸

The 1845 New York City Directory identifies Charles P and Henry S. Leverich as merchants doing business at 29 Burling Slip in Manhattan, residing on Long Island.³⁹

Charles P. Leverich was visiting New Orleans, Louisiana on business in December 1845. On 22 December 1845 he writes to his wife Matilda in New York, exchanging both business and family news.⁴⁰

My dear Matilda - New Orleans 22 Decr 1845
I was relieved in receiving your letter yesterday
of 17th of 18th Inst. after Mr. Minor left on this Monday - Being a
letter for me - enclosed in the one addressed to Mr. Minor - tell him
I took the liberty of turning out one end of his letter, without
breaking the seal - Mr. Walsh returns his letters to day -
I have sent Mr. M. he will receive a small Box filled with
American Capers & Purveys - Am much pleased to hear Charles
is better, I hope he will soon be himself again, give my love
to him & tell to be a good and generous Boy to his Cousins
to play kindly with them and never to strike or tease them -
I hope Mrs. G. has recovered from her bruises - tis more to
fall out, than into Bed - give my love to her - I very very
kindly regard, to Mr. Minor, Mrs. Potts, and all the Boys -
Remember me to the Ladies at Auburn & Clifton particularly - Hope all are
well - Have rec^d. letters from Henry to 12th Inst. this morning - all well -
his sister Aunt Emily to day - The weather is more mild and
settled to day - If see nothing to detain me I may return on the
"M. White" leaving Thursday evening next - In meantime expect
to hear from you again - If I don't return on the "White" you'll see me
about a week for this time - all better at Port M^o no news -
I call on Mr. Walsh yesterday - If I can get a suit of clothes for
Charles will do so, but I think it unlikely, not having had measured -
The Uncle Sam can looks in good health & I was glad to see him - Make my
kind regards to him - Hope the roads are sufficiently good for you to go
out & take exercise - You must fatten up - or I'll beat you in health - take
good care of Charles - accept much love from your affectionate husband Charles

The 1850 New York City Directory lists Charles P. Leverich doing business at 29 Burling Slip in Manhattan, residing on Long Island. Neither Charles P nor his brother Henry S. Leverich are found in the 1850 U.S. Census, either in Manhattan or Newtown. It may be that the brothers were traveling on business at the time the census taker visited.^{41,42,43}

In 1853, Charles P. Leverich was appointed Vice-President of the Bank of New York, which was located at 48 Wall Street in Manhattan. Charles continued his mercantile business with his brother Henry in Leverich and Co. Charles was also a director of many financial institutions, among them the Long Island, Knickerbocker, Hoffman, United States Life, and Firemen's Insurance companies; a trustee of the old Chambers Street (subsequently Bleeker Street) Bank for Savings; and a director in the Rutland Marble Co, the Panama Railroad Company, and other prominent institutions.^{44,45}

On 4 April 1854 Thomas Divine sold land in Queens County to Charles P. Leverich.⁴⁶ On 15 May 1854 Charles P. Leverich sold land in Queens Co to his brother Henry, and was the recipient of land in Queens County granted by Henry S. and Margaret Leverich.⁴⁷

The 1855 New York City Directory lists both Henry S. and Charles P. Leverich, doing business at 29 Burling Slip, both residing on Long Island. Henry and Charles lived on adjacent estates in Newtown, Queens Co.⁴⁸

Neither Henry nor Charles are listed in the 1855 New York State Census for Manhattan. The 1855 census records for Queens County do not survive.⁴⁹

On 13 March 1857 Charles writes to Matilda from New York, sharing bits and pieces of family news. The context of the letter does not identify where Matilda was staying, but likely she was visiting family or friends in Mississippi or Philadelphia.⁵⁰

Thursday 13 March 1857 -
My dear Matilda,
I was much disappointed in not hearing from you yesterday, but feel relieved now (2 o'clock) by the receipt of yours written Tuesday & concluded yesterday with more cheering accounts of our dear little Jimmy - I hope he will continue to improve and return home perfectly restored. Much pleased to hear you have seen Tembutta, Dr. Fleming and hope he will continue visiting you, as long as he considered it necessary for his benefit - The poor little fellow no doubt suffered from his stitching - I shot together with the Whispering Campaign had produced his sickness in a great measure - The Watha is so treacherous & changeable this month, that you must be over careful in not exposing him or yourself - Today had been an extraordinary one - Sun - Shine - Snow - rain - cold - saw rain slightly to snow again - no dependence can be placed on the Watha - Mang. Lane - Mr. Campbell - Miss Cath. were to have gone but returned for the day after I left home this A.M. but promised game stop - Miss Emily had the sewing at her home yesterday - For all took tea in the evening with her - all were well - I believe we shall be home for Mrs. V. yesterday - please drop a line daily - If nothing prevents I hope to go home on Saturday - will take the likeness of our dear boys - Duncan is very well & all the rest of our small family friends in love to you - Myself & all - take care of yourself & get as many comforts as you can in any way - (Yours truly) Charles

The 1860 New York City Directory lists Charles P. Leverich, vice-president 48 Wall Street, merchant 111 Pearl Street, home Long Island. 111 Pearl was formerly the business location of Peter Remsen and Co.⁵¹ Charles P. Leverich, age 49, "farmer" is listed as the head of family in the 1860 U.S. Census of Newtown, Queens Co, New York. Also included in the household are wife Matilda, age 43; son Charles D, age 19; son Stephen, age 15; son James H., age 13; and daughter Matilda, age 9. Seven individuals are identified as servants living in the household. The value of Charles' real estate is given as \$18,000, personal estate is given as \$5,000.⁵²

On 21 November 1860 was formed the first "Loan Committee" authorized by the banks of New York, Philadelphia, and Boston. This committee represented the banks in loaning \$50,000,000 to the U.S. Government to enable it to carry on the war for the suppression of the rebellion, i.e. the Civil War. The timely action of the banks of New York City saved the country. Mr. Moses Taylor was chairman of this committee, and Charles P. Leverich was made custodian. Three times did he act in this capacity, having under his sole charge the enormous sum of \$150,000,000 in securities, which were lodged with him and certificates representing them issued. On the retiring of these certificates and the exchanging of the securities all were returned without a mistake and nothing lost.⁵³

Throughout the civil war, Charles and Henry Leverich remained loyal to the union. Charles Duncan Leverich, son of Charles P, served in the union army from 1862 to 1865 as a private in Company B, 15th New York Infantry regiment. Their elder brother William Leverich, who had lived in New Orleans for over thirty years, sided with the Confederacy due to his sympathy for southern demands regarding slavery and the economy. Three of William's sons served with confederate forces, two of whom ended up as prisoners of war. All survived the conflict. However, family and business ties clearly prevailed over political beliefs. William Leverich swore that he would do anything in the world for Charles and Henry to protect their interests, but ultimately was the most pro-confederate of the family. Eventually northern and southern banks were able to reconcile their differences and continued to operate through the war, despite potential currency issues. Although correspondence to the Leverich's during the war is extremely scarce, accounts indicate that the network itself continued to function, producing and selling what crops were possible and continuing to profit from other investments.⁵⁴

In 1863, Charles was elected President of the Bank of New York, a position he held until his death in 1876. Charles became chairman of the New York Clearing House Association for the year 1864.⁵⁵

Both the Leverich's and their clients survived the conflict, and their wealth and status ensured that, despite the interruptions and challenges of the Civil War, recovery of business, and of life more or less as it had been in the antebellum era, was possible. If the war was indicative of any substantial change, it was that of generational shift. The Leverich mercantile business rebounded and several sons of the original four brothers also worked as merchants, serving the sons of their fathers' old clients. Ultimately, political division and Civil War were no match for the longevity and security of the Leverich family's economic, cultural, and familial network.⁵⁶

The 1865 New York City Directory lists Charles P. Leverich, President 48 Wall St, home Long Island. The 1868 Long Island directory lists Charles and Henry Leverich, farmers, Flushing near Newtown.^{57,58}

On 31 August 1870, Matilda Leverich writes from their summer home on Cayuga Lake in Seneca Co, New York to Charles P. Leverich, presumably in New York. The four page letter is lengthy and focuses primarily on family news and happenings.⁵⁹

August 31st 1870
My dear Charles
& Your letter which
I have just received has relieved
me of some anxiety in regard to
Fannie I am glad you had so
nice a time in arriving safely at
home - & hope she will not feel
anything the worse of her sickness
we are enjoying ourselves even
so much & Margaret indeed
all feel so much better this
morning & we think that we should
like to remain longer -
I received a letter yesterday from
Fannie I am so glad she is doing
just what we like -
I am glad to hear through
Susan that Mary is

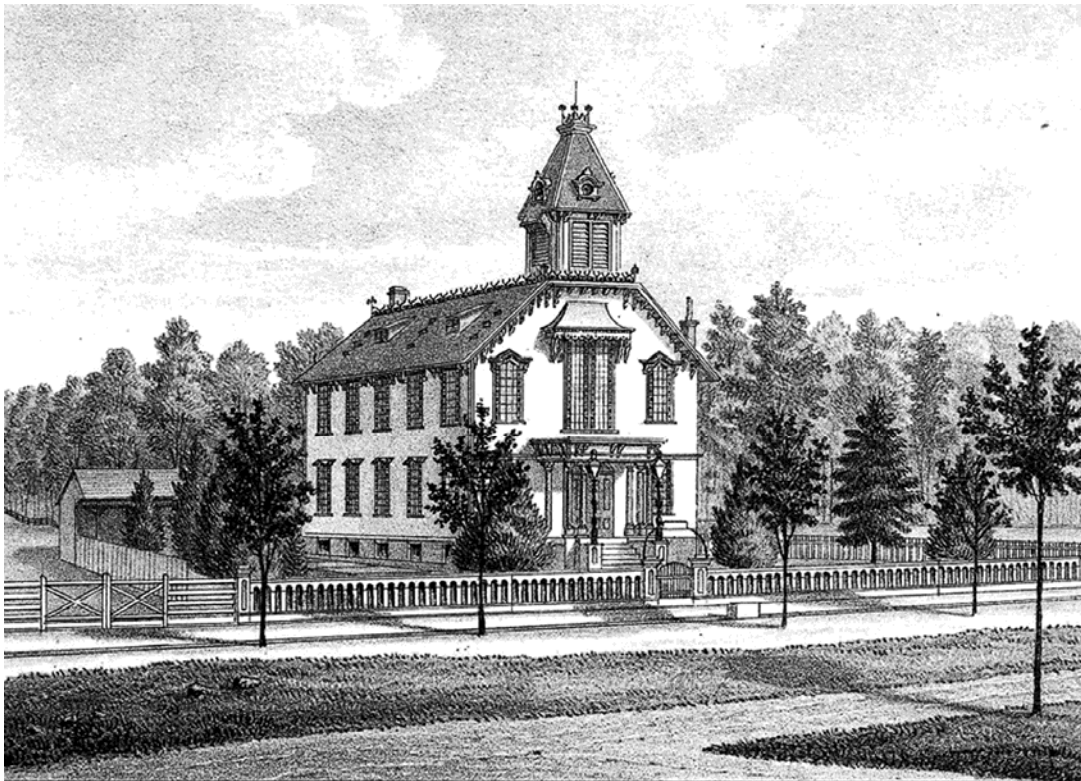
The 1870 New York City Directory lists Charles P. Leverich, President 48 Wall Street, home Long Island. Leverich & Co, Merchants, is doing business at 171 Water Street. Charles D. and Stephen D. Leverich (sons of Charles P), and Edward Leverich (son of Henry), are recorded as principals of the firm.⁶⁰

Charles P. Leverich, age 60, "president of bank" is listed as the head of family in the 1870 U.S. Census of Newtown, Queens Co, New York. Also included in the household are wife Matilda, age 50; son Charles D, age 30, commission merchant, and his wife Fannie; son Duncan, age 24, commission merchant, and wife Mary; son James H., age 20, clerk in own store; and daughter Matilda R, age 18. Seven individuals are identified as servants living in the household. The value of Charles' real estate is given as \$150,000, personal estate is given as \$160,000.⁶¹

The 1871 Long Island directory lists Charles and Henry Leverich, farmers, Flushing near Newtown.⁶²

On 8 February 1872, Charles P. Leverich joined the Fifth Avenue (at 57th Street) Presbyterian Church. His widow Matilda joined under her own auspices 6 April 1876.⁶³

Charles P. Leverich was a founder of the Union Evangelical Church in Corona, Queens Co, New York. The church originated in a Sunday-school, established in 1869 by Mrs. Page. Collecting a few truant children on her porch, she succeeded in interesting them in Bible stories. Her efforts were the means of others becoming interested in the work, among the number being Charles P. Leverich. At first meetings were held in the summer season in Barker's grove, and in the winter season in Mr. Leverich's house. The work grew until it was found very necessary to have some suitable place of worship. Mr. Leverich donated the ground and building in 1870, which he dedicated to the memory of the late ministers of Newtown. No church organization however was completed until May 15, 1873. Previous to this time the pulpit was supplied from the neighboring villages, but the insufficiency of this was now felt and an earnest desire expressed to call a minister. In answer to this desire, the Rev. William H. Ford was installed as first pastor, and succeeded in April 1874 by Rev. O. A. Kingsbury. Charles P. Leverich provided that this Church, which he had founded, should forever remain nondenominational and free. The congregation remains true to that vision in contemporary times, currently identified as El Amanecer de La Esperanza (i.e. Dawn of Hope Christian Church) located at National Avenue and 102nd Street.⁶⁴



UNION EVANGELICAL CHURCH OF CORONA, QUEENS CO., L. I.

<Munsell, History of Queens, 1882>

The Leverich Memorial Church, located at 32nd Avenue and 103rd Street, was formerly known as the North Branch of the Union Evangelical Church. It was organized in 1906, and in April 1907 the cornerstone was laid. The church was built and dedicated in 1915. The new name was given the church in honor of Charles Duncan Leverich (son of Charles P. Leverich), the retired banker, whose home was at "Fairview", Corona. Mr. Leverich gave a greater part of the money needed to build the Church. The church continues to operate today as a nondenominational Christian Church.⁶⁵



**Leverich Memorial Church, built 1915, image June 2008
32nd Avenue and 103rd St, East Elmhurst, Queens Co, New York**

The fall of 1873 was marked by a national financial crisis described as "The Panic of 1873". Many businesses and banks failed. Stringency overtook the money market. Contributing factors included overexpansion, reckless railway building, unnecessary imports, the waste of the Civil War, and the destruction of wealth in the Boston and Chicago fires. Under the leadership of Charles P. Leverich, the Bank of New York survived the crisis in good condition. A report by Charles A. Meigs, a national bank examiner, stated that the Bank of New York emerged from the panic still the leading financial institution of the city. How well the bank had carried through the panic under President Leverich was shown when the press published its advertisement dated December 26, 1873 that cited evidence that the bank was in the soundest possible condition.⁶⁶

On 22 September 1873, Charles P. Leverich was interviewed regarding the financial crisis by a reporter from the New York Herald. Reporter -- "What is your opinion, Mr. Leverich, of the action taken by the Clearing House this afternoon?" Mr. Leverich -- "I think that action was well considered, and that it will do much to clear up the trouble which has been doing financial men ever so much injury during the past three days. Such a state of things cannot possibly last, in my opinion, and I think that hereafter there will be a better state of feeling all round and that the feverish feeling will quiet down." Reporter -- "To what do you attribute this panic?" Mr Leverich -- "To men attempting to do more than they were able to; to over speculation; to that desire which men have nowadays to become suddenly rich. They carry too much on their shoulders and break under the load which they think will be their means of prosperity. It is a false basis, which in the end must cause such disaster as this which has taken place."⁶⁷

The 1875 New York City Directory lists Charles P. Leverich, President 48 Wall St; home 65 Union Square; home Long Island. By this time, Charles maintained two residences, one in Manhattan where he spent the winter season, and "Fairview" in Newtown where he spent the summer season.⁶⁸

Charles Palmer Leverich died Monday on 10 Jan 1876 at Manhattan, New York, New York, at age 66 at his residence in Union Square, of congestion of the lungs. His illness was very short, and confined him to his home but a few days. He left the bank in apparently good health last Friday afternoon, and during the night was taken sick, but did not apprehend any immediate danger, and dined with his family on Sunday. The funeral took place on Wednesday January 12 at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. The services were conducted by that Church's pastor Rev. Dr. John Hall, the Rev.

Mr. Knox of the Newtown Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. O.A. Kingsbury of the Union Evangelical Church in Corona. Charles was buried in the family vault at the Newtown Presbyterian Church. A memorial service was held at the Union Evangelical Church the following Sunday evening.^{69,70}

Charles P. Leverich did not leave a will, and died intestate. On 19 January 1876, his widow Matilda Leverich made application to the Queens County Surrogate for administration of his estate, and Letters of Administration were granted to Matilda and her son Charles D. Leverich on the same date. The estate was valued at not more than \$125,000 (about \$2.89 million in 2016 dollars).^{71,72,73}

Matilda D. Leverich, age 64, widow, is listed in the 1880 U.S. Census living in the household of her daughter Marian Bradford, the wife of Dr. Theodore D. Bradford, at 20 West 47th Street in Manhattan. The household also included her grandchildren Marian Bradford, age 3; and Clara Bradford, age 2.⁷⁴

Theodore Dwight Bradford was living in Manhattan as follows according to New York City directories:

- 1877-1879: 36 West 47th St
- 1880-1881: 20 West 47th St
- 1883: 15 West 48th St

Theodore D. Bradford died 10 May 1883.

Matilda Leverich, widow Charles P. Leverich, first appears in the New York City Directory in 1884-1885 living at 15 West 48th Street, the same address as the Bradfords in 1883. Therefore it is reasonable to assume that Matilda was living with her daughter and son-in-law from 1877 to 1883. Thereafter, it is assumed that Matilda Leverich lived at 15 West 48th Street, probably with her daughter Matilda Bradford. Matilda Leverich was living at 15 West 48th Street at the time of her death in 1896. Thereafter Marian Bradford lived at the 15 West 48th Street house, which was given as her residence when she died in 1911. The contemporary site of this address is encompassed by Rockefeller Center, just west of 5th Avenue.^{75,76,77,78,79,80,81,82,83,84,85,86}



**15 West 48th St, Manhattan, New York Co, NY
Residence 1877-1911: Matilda Leverich and daughter
Matilda Bradford <1891 G.W. Bromley Atlas>**

Matilda D. Leverich, widow of Charles P. Leverich, died 5 October 1896 at the age of 80 years. Matilda's death occurred suddenly at her beautiful summer home Lakeview, on the shore of the west bank of Cayuga Lake, at Kidders, Seneca County, New York. She had been very active, and in her usual good health, up to the Sunday evening previous to her demise. Complaining simply of feeling cold, she feared pneumonia, but to those of her family who were with her there were no premonitions of her approaching end; accordingly, she went to sleep, and then slept her life away, breathing her last just before the dawn of the day. Her funeral took place from her late residence 15 West 48th St in Manhattan, and was conducted by Rev. John Hall of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church and Rev. William J. Peck of the Union Evangelical Church in Corona, Queens. She was buried in the Leverich Family Vault at the Newtown Presbyterian Church.⁸⁷

Matilda Leverich did not leave a will and died intestate. On 25 January 1897 her sons Charles D. and S. Duncan Leverich filed a petition in the Seneca Co, New York Surrogate's Court that letters of administration be granted on Matilda's estate. Letters of Administration were issued 18 February 1897 to Matilda's daughter Matilda R. Bradford, as per the petition filed by her brothers.⁸⁸

Charles Palmer Leverich and Matilda Duncan Gustine had six children, four of whom survived to adulthood.^{89,90,91}

- i. Charles Duncan Leverich was born 29 October 1840 at Newtown, Queens Co, New York. Charles married for the first time Julia Lawrence Riker 8 October 1863 at the Newtown Presbyterian Church. He married for the second time Fannie Floyd-Jones 28 June 1870 at Massapequa, then Queens Co, now Nassau Co, New York. Charles died 18 February 1925 at Newtown, and was buried at the Grace Church cemetery in Massapequa.^{92,93,94,95}
- ii. Sarah Eliza Leverich was born 30 March 1843 at Newtown, Queens Co, New York. Her birth date is an estimate based upon her age at time of death. Sarah was baptized 23 June 1844 at the Newtown Presbyterian Church. Sarah died as a child 30 January 1851, age 7 years 10 months. Sarah was probably buried at the Newtown Presbyterian Church.⁹⁶
- iii. Stephen Duncan Leverich was born 19 October 1846 at Newtown, Queens Co, New York. Stephen married Mary Woodward DeForest 23 June 1869 at New Haven, New Haven Co, Connecticut. Stephen died 10 October 1916 at the residence of his daughter Mrs Mary Hopper in Madison, Morris Co, New Jersey. Stephen was buried at the Lakeview Cemetery, Interlaken, Seneca Co, New York.^{97,98,99}
- iv. James Henry Leverich was born 17 September 1849 at Newtown, Queens Co, New York. James married Mary Eleanor Wilmot 9 November 1876 at Brooklyn, Kings Co, New York. James died 17 July 1888 at the age of 39 at the family's summer home, Kidder's Ferry, Cayuga Lake, Seneca Co, New York. James was buried in the family vault at the Newtown Presbyterian Church. His remains were removed in 1915 to Woodlawn Cemetery in the Bronx, Bronx Co, New York where he was interred beside his wife.^{100,101,102,103}
- v. Matilda Rose Leverich was born 31 May 1852 at Newtown, Queens Co, New York. Matilda married Dr. Theodore Dwight Bradford 13 April 1876 at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church in Manhattan, New York Co, New York. Matilda died 21 December 1911 at 15 West 48th Street in Manhattan. Matilda was buried at the Lakeview Cemetery, Interlaken, Seneca Co, New York.^{104,105,106,107}
- vi. William Edward Leverich was born 30 January 1857 at Newtown, Queens Co, New York and died as an infant almost one year old 10 January 1858 at Newtown. William was probably buried at the Newtown Presbyterian Church.¹⁰⁸

On 6 April 1900, the Brooklyn Daily Eagle published the following notice. "Referee Fitch Sells the 67 acres for over \$80,000. Joseph Fitch, referee in the partition suit of the C. P. Leverich homestead, near Corona, in the Town of Newtown, has filed in the Queens County Clerk's office two referee's deeds, one conveying to Fannie F. J. Leverich of Newtown, several parcels of land, a portion of the above named homestead, and aggregating some forty acres, for a consideration of \$50,564.45. The other conveys to Matilda R. Bradford for a consideration of \$30,103.85."¹⁰⁹ⁿ

The Newtown Register of 22 July 1909 reported that "a memorial service was held in the Corona Union Evangelical Church last Sunday in commemoration of the hundredth anniversary of the birth of its founder, Charles Palmer Leverich, of Newtown ... The services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Dr. W. J. Peck, who preached a sermon in which he gave a sketch of the life of Mr. Leverich, who built the church and gave the land on which it stands."¹¹⁰ⁿ

On 5 December 1912 the Newtown Register reported that "Portrait of Chas. P. Leverich. Beautiful Crayon of Founder of Union Evangelical Church, Unveiled Last Sunday. Miss Marion Bradford and Mrs. Clara Bradford Day, grand-daughters of the late Charles P. Leverich, founder of the Union Evangelical Church in Corona, presented a fine crayon portrait to the Church, which was unveiled last Sunday afternoon in the Sunday School room, in the presence of a large assemblage. The Rev. Dr. W. Jay Peck, pastor of the Church, presented the portrait in behalf of the donors."¹¹¹

On 30 March 1916 the Newtown Register reported that the New York City Board of Education had renamed P.S. 92 the Charles P. Leverich School. The contemporary location is at 99-01 34th Avenue in Corona, Queens. A new building has been erected and renamed PS 92 Harry T. Stewart Sr. School.¹¹²

On 29 March 1917 the Newtown Register reported that "on Sunday at the Leverich Memorial Church, Corona, there will be an unveiling of a portrait of the late C. P. Leverich, after whom the Church was named. Addresses will be made by the Rev. W. Jay Peck and Joseph E. Carlin."¹¹³

The four Leverich brothers, William E. and James H. in New Orleans, Henry S. and Charles P. in New York, corresponded extensively for both business and personal family matters. Some of this correspondence appears in the private market and turns up on Ebay.com periodically. Additional correspondence is preserved in multiple academic manuscript collections.

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