Individual Narrative of Charity⁷ Leverich [214] Daughter of Benjamin⁶ Leverich [100] and Mary Briggs Wife of Eli Bartow

Charity Leverich was born circa 1790 at Cortlandt, Westchester Co, New York, the daughter of Benjamin Leverich and Mary Briggs. Charity is named in her father Benjamin's 1824 will in Richland County, Ohio. Charity's birth year is a calculated estimate based upon an analysis of the birth order of her siblings. The 1790 birth year places Charity's birth between that of her brother Benjamin in 1788 and her brother Nathaniel in 1793. The 1790 date is also consistent with the census tallies recorded in the 1820 and 1830 U.S. Censuses of Harrison County, Ohio. 1,2,3,4

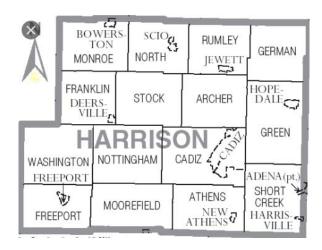
Circa 1808 Benjamin Leverich Sr and extended family, most likely including an unmarried Charity Leverich, removed from Westchester Co, New York and settled in the future Guernsey County, Ohio. Benjamin is recorded in the 1790 U.S. Census of Westchester County, New York and the 1800 Tax List for the Town of Cortlandt, Westchester County. 5,6,7,8

Charity Leverich married Eli Bartow on 18 Jun 1812 at Guernsey Co, Ohio. Earlier research misinterpreted Eli's surname as "Barton". This has been replicated in several Ancestry.com family trees. Subsequent research, specifically the original marriage record for Eli and Charity, as well as her father Benjamin Leverich's will, confirmed the correct surname of Bartow. 9,10,11,12

Eli Bartow was born circa 1790 in New York and was likely the son of Elijah Bartow and Elizabeth Carpenter. An Elijah Bartow is listed as a member of the 3rd Regiment of Westchester County Militia during the Revolutionary War. Benjamin Leverich Sr. of Westchester Co, New York before emigrating to Ohio was a member of the same regiment. Elijah Bartow migrated through Washington Co, New York (1790 and 1800 U.S. Census) to Harrison Co, Ohio (1820 and 1830 U.S. Census). Elijah Bartow made a will dated 16 March 1837 in Harrison County, Ohio. Among the heirs he lists is an Eli Bartow. 13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20

Prior to 1820, Charity and Eli Bartow settled in Harrison County, Ohio (formed 1813) which was located northeast of Guernsey County (formed 1810). The *History of Harrison and Carroll Counties Ohio* states that "the Bartows were among the pioneers of Harrison County. There was but one house in Cadiz when they came to the county. They had lived for a time in Guernsey County.^{21,22}"

Eli Bartow is recorded in the 1820 U.S. Census of Cadiz Township, Harrison County, Ohio. The census tallies included 1 free white male under the age of 10 (son Samuel); 1 free white male age 26 to 44 (head of household Eli Bartow); 4 free white females under the age of 10 (daughters Phoebe, Mary, Charity, and unidentified); 1 free white female age 26 to 44 (i.e. born 1776 to 1794)(wife Charity).²³



Charity Leverich Bartow's father Benjamin Leverich Sr made a will dated 20 May 1824 in Richland County, Ohio. In his will Benjamin Sr leaves a legacy of \$10.00 to his daughter Charity "Barto" (sic).²⁴

Eli Bartow is recorded in the 1830 U.S. Census of Cadiz Township, Harrison County Ohio. The census tallies included 1 free white male age 5 to 9 (son Elijah); 1 free white male age 10 to 14 (son Samuel); 1 free white male age 30 to 39 (unidentified); 1 free white male age 40 to 49 (head of household Eli Bartow); 2 free white females under the age of 5 (daughter Janetta and unidentified); 1 free white female age 5 to 9 (unidentified); 1 free white female age 10 to 14 (daughter Charity); 2 free white females age 15 to 19 (daughters Phoebe and Mary); 1 free white female age 30 to 39 (i.e. born 1791 to 1800)(wife Charity).²⁵

Charity Leverich Bartow likely died between 1830 and 1840 probably at Harrison Co, Ohio. A specific date of death has not been determined for Charity. Charity's youngest child Janetta Bartow was born in 1830. The 1840 U.S. Census for Eli Bartow in the Town of Enoch, Monroe Co, Ohio does not include a tally for 1 free white female age 40 to 49 or age 50 to 59, which would be consistent with Charity born circa 1790. A burial location for Charity has not been found. ^{26,27}

Eli Bartow age 60, a farmer born in New York, is recorded in the 1850 U.S. Census of Redding, Jackson Co, Indiana. He appears to be a widower, and is living in the household of his son Samuel Bartow.²⁸

Eli Bartow age 69 born in New York is recorded in the 1860 U.S. Census of Athens Township, Harrison Co, Ohio. He appears to be a widower and is living in the household of his daughter Phoebe Bartow Barricklow.²⁹

Eli Bartow died in Cadiz, Harrison Co, Ohio on 9 February 1864 at the age of 74 (hence born circa 1790). Eli was buried at the Rankin Methodist Episcopal Cemetery in Cadiz.³⁰

Charity Leverich and Eli Barton had six children, all born in either Guernsey County or Harrison County, Ohio. 31

- i. Phoebe Bartow was the daughter of Eli and Charity Bartow, as cited in the *History of Carroll and Harrison Counties Ohio*. Eli Bartow is living in the household of Phoebe and her family in the 1860 U.S. Census of Athens, Harrison Co, Ohio. Phoebe was born in Guernsey Co, Ohio 21 May 1813. Phoebe married Joseph Barricklow 22 October 1847 in Harrison Co, Ohio. Phoebe died 29 February 1904 in Cadiz, Harrison Co, Ohio. Phoebe was buried in Nottingham Cemetery in Harrison County. 32,33,34,35,36
- ii. Mary Bartow was the daughter of Eli and Charity Bartow. Mary was born circa 1814 in either Guernsey Co or Harrison Co, Ohio. The birth year is a calculated estimate based upon an analysis of birth order of Mary's siblings. The census tallies from the 1820 and 1830 U.S. Census for Eli Bartow in Harrison Co, Ohio are consistent with this birth year for Mary. Mary married Robert E. McKenney circa 1846 possibly in Guernsey Co. Mary and Robert's first child was born circa 1847. No death or burial date or place has been determined for Mary. Correspondent Allan McKenney reported in a March 11, 2020 email that a daughter of Mary and Robert, Alice McKenney, wrote in an 1880 letter to a cousin in Minnesota that her mother died circa January or February 1879 in Hennepin County, Minnesota. The 1885 Minnesota State Census records Robet McKenney with a wife named Elizabeth, suggesting that Mary died prior to 1885. Neither Mary nor Robert are found in the 1880 U.S. Census. 37,38,39,40,41,42,43
- Charity Bartow was the daughter of Eli and Charity Bartow. In addition to carrying her mother's given name, Charity had a paternal aunt, also named Charity. Charity was born in Harrison County, Ohio circa 1816. The birth year is a calculated estimate based upon an analysis of birth order of Charity's siblings. The census tallies from the 1820 and 1830 U.S. Census for Eli Bartow in Harrison Co, Ohio are consistent with this birth year for Charity. Charity married George Hesford 10 September 1835 in Harrison County. Charity and George apparently had no children surviving to adulthood. The 1840 U.S. Census for George Hesford includes 2 free white males under age 5, and one free white female age 20 to 29. This suggests wife Charity and two sons. However, no Hesford children are found in the 1850 U.S. Census of Harrison Co. A specific date and place of death and burial has not been determined for Charity. She died circa 1845-1849. George Hesford married for a second time Rebecca (maiden name Mercer) McCurdy 4 December 1849 in Tuscarawas County, Ohio. Rebecca's youngest child by her first marriage was born in 1845. 44,45,46,47,48,49,50,51
- iv. Samuel Bartow was the son of Eli and Charity Bartow. Eli Bartow is living in the household of Samuel in the 1850 U.S. Census of Redding, Jackson Co, Indiana. Samuel was born 18 April 1818 in Harrison County, Ohio. According to the *History of Hennepin County and the City of Minneapolis*, Samuel married Mary McKenney circa

- 1839. However, the 1840 U.S. Census of Harrison Co, Ohio records Samuel living alone and Samuel and Mary's first child was born circa 1845 in Monroe Co, Ohio. Hence it is more likely that Samuel and Mary were married circa 1844, probably in Harrison or Monroe County. Samuel died in 1887 in Minnetonka, Hennepin County, Minnesota. He was buried at the Groveland Cemetery in Minnetonka.
- v. Elijah Bartow was the son of Eli and Charity Bartow. Elijah was likely the grandson of Elijah Bartow, whose 1837 will names among his heirs a son Eli Bartow. An Elijah Bartow is listed as a member of the 3rd Regiment of Westchester County Militia during the Revolutionary War. Benjamin Leverich Sr. of Westchester Co, New York before emigrating to Ohio was a member of the same regiment. Elijah Bartow (the grandfather) was recorded in the 1820 U.S. Census of Cadiz, Harrison County, Ohio. Elijah Bartow (the grandson) was born 2 September 1822 in Cadiz, Harrison County. Elijah married Margaret Brown 27 March 1845 in Harrison Co, Ohio. Elijah died 22 June 1870 in Cadiz, and was buried in the Rankin Methodist Episcopal Cemetery, also in Cadiz.
- vi. Janetta Bartow was the daughter of Eli Barton and Charity Leverich, both of whom were born in New York State. Janetta is recorded in the 1900 U.S. Census as Janetta Wilson, living in Flushing, Belmont Co, Ohio. The 1900 Census record stipulates that both of her parents were born in New York. The *Lester-Carver Family Tree* at Ancestry.com states unsourced that Janetta was born 18 July 1830 in Harrison County, Ohio. Janetta's 1900 Census record however says she was born in May 1830. Janetta married for the first time John A. Collins circa 1848, perhaps in Guernsey Co, Ohio. The Lester-Caver Family Tree gives unsourced a marriage date of 6 March 1850 in Monroe County, Ohio. However, in the 1850 U.S. Census of Jefferson, Guernsey County, John and Janetta have a daughter Nancy E. Collins annotated as one year of age. Janetta married second John R. Wilson on 28 September 1865 in Harrison County. Janetta died 17 March 1907 in Holloway, Belmont County, Ohio. A burial place for Jannetta has not been found. 61,62,63,64,65,666,67

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