

Individual Narrative of James⁸ O. W. Leverich [260]

Son of James⁷ Leverich [131] and Mary Moore Cameron

James O. W. Leverich was born on 31 August 1829 at Manhattan, New York, New York, the son of James Leverich and Mary Moore Cameron.^{1,2,3,4}

James O. W. Leverich was never married. There is no marriage record and no mention of a wife has been found.

James O. W. Leverich (under the name Oliver), age 16 (he was actually age 21) was recorded in the 1850 U.S. Census of Manhattan, New York County, New York. The household he was living in included his mother Mary, age 60, and his brothers William H. C. Leverich, age not legible, and Augustus, age 14; the census record also mentions uncles T. W. and Wm. H. Cameron, ages 69 and 66 respectively.⁵

James O. W. Leverich, age 25, book keeper, is recorded in the 1855 New York State census in Manhattan, Ward 8, New York County, New York. The head of household is his maternal uncle William H. Cameron, age 71. The household also included James' mother Mary, age 60, and his brother William H. C. Leverich, age 28.⁶

On 3 February 1855 the Rockland County NY Journal reported that on Monday last, two intelligent young Germans, named Augustus A. and James O. Leverich, appeared before Justice Brennan and preferred a charge against Frank Roller and Nicholas Windler who are charged with swindling complainants out \$1.000. They were purchasing the stock and fixtures of a grocery store located at the corner of Third Avenue and Eighteenth Street. The stock included multiple bottles of wine and brandy which were characterized by the sellers as "premium", when in fact the bottles were filled with colored water.⁷

James O. W. Leverich is listed in the 1860 New York City Directory as living at 96 West 27th Street. Also living at the same address are his mother Mary, widow of James, and his brother William H. C. Leverich. James is not found in the 1860 U.S. Census.^{8,9}

James O. W. Leverich died on 3 November 1860 from phthisis (i.e. pulmonary tuberculosis) at Manhattan New York County, New York, at age 32.^{10,11,12,13}

James O. W. Leverich had no children.

On 14 November 1860 William H. C. Leverich was granted letters of administration by the New York County Surrogate's Office on the estate of his brother James O. W. Leverich. On 5 June 1862 Augustus A. Leverich petitioned the court to compel William to settle the estate of their brother James.^{14,15}

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