

**Individual Narrative of Sackett⁸ Leverich Duryee [318]
Son of Cornelia⁷ Leverich [155] and Joseph Woodward Duryee
Husband of Julia Beyea Dean**

Sackett Leverich Duryee was born on 6 March 1819 at Manhattan, New York County, New York.¹

Sackett Leverich Duryee married Julia Beyea Dean on 20 December 1855 at Manhattan, New York County, New York.^{2,3} They were married by the Rev. Dr. Isaac Ferris at the Dutch Reformed Church, corner of Lafayette and Fourth Streets in Manhattan. Julia B. (Dean) Duryee was born 8 March 1837 and was the daughter of Robert Wetmore Dean and Maria Van Voorhees.⁴

Sackett and Julia Duryee lived in Manhattan. Their son Julien described the residence as a large brown-stone-front house on 7th Avenue. However, at least three of their children were born at 27 West 41st Street between 1862 and 1866. Julia Duryee's death notice in 1871 gives her residence as 249 West 51st Street.⁵

Sackett L. Duryee was in the import business, obtaining drugs and wine and reselling wholesale.⁶

It was said that Sackett L. Duryee enjoyed a high living style. He was a deep-sea fishing enthusiast. Stories were told of his extensive wine cellar, and his special slaughter house on the rear of his property, where meat was prepared for his table. It was remarked that he weighed over three hundred pounds, which ultimately caused his death through strain on his heart. Sackett was liberal with his fortune, and many stories were recalled about his magnificent gifts to charities. It was remembered that he contributed to the building of many churches in New York City. Each Christmas, the Duryee family had a neighborhood party, inviting all to their home which was decorated with a large tree. And there was a gift for everybody.⁷

Sackett Leverich Duryee died on 26 April 1870 at Manhattan, New York County, New York, at age 51.^{8,9} He was buried at the Greenwood Cemetery in Brooklyn, Kings County, New York.¹⁰

Julia B. (Dean) Leverich died 13 February 1871 in Manhattan, New York County, New York. She was buried at the Greenwood Cemetery in Brooklyn, Kings County, New York.^{11,12}

Sackett and Julia Duryee's eldest child, Julien, was only 12 years old when his parents died. John Bird, a friend of the family was named guardian of the four children. He was somewhat lax in his duties, to the point that the fortune, left to the four youngsters was never received in full by them. On suit to recover their rightful inheritance they received a settlement out of court of approximately \$5,000 a piece, or only \$20,000 from a sizable legacy.¹³

The children were raised in Belleville, Essex County, New Jersey by Eliza (Aunt Libby) Dean Freeborn, a sister of July Beyea Dean Duryee.¹⁴

Sackett Leverich Duryee and Julia Beyea Dean had five children, four of whom survived to adulthood.¹⁵

- i. Julian Leverich Duryee was born 3 June 1858 in Manhattan, New York County, New York. Julian married Mary Elizabeth Brooks 12 October 1886 in Cornwall-on-Hudson, Orange County, New York. Julian died 13 November 1926 in Bayonne, Hudson County, New Jersey. He was buried in Mount Kisco Cemetery in Westchester County, New York.^{16,17}
- ii. Mary Holmes Duryee was born 6 August 1860 in Manhattan, New York County, New York. Mary married Henry Simpson 11 August 1894 in Manhattan. Mary died 15 October 1937 in Stratford, Fairfield County, Connecticut. Her burial place is unknown.^{18,19,20}
- iii. Cornelia Duryee was born 23 June 1862 in Manhattan, New York County, New York. Cornelia married James Cone Brooks 1 June 1887 in Manhattan at St. Andrews Episcopal Church. Cornelia died 14 July 1939 in Stratford, Fairfield County, Connecticut. Her burial place is unknown.^{21,22}

- iv. Francis Lawton Duryee was born 9 September 1864 and died as a child 6 July 1869 age 4 years, 9 months, and 27 days in Manhattan, New York County, New York. His burial place is unknown.²³
- v. John Bird Duryee was born 3 May 1866 in Manhattan, New York County, New York. John married Laura Brooks 4 May 1887 at Belleville, Essex County, New Jersey. John died 27 April 1923 in Belleville. He was buried at Woodlawn Cemetery, near Newburg, Orange County, New York.²⁴

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