

**Individual Narrative of Frances⁸ G. Leverich [366]
Daughter of John⁷ Barkelow Leverich [192] and Ann Maria (unidentified)
Wife of Alfred Carson**

Frances G. Leverich was born circa 1823 at Jersey City, Hudson, New Jersey. U.S. Census records vary in the reporting of birth year and birth place.^{1,2,3,4,5}

Frances G. Leverich married Alfred Carson between 1838 and 1839 at Manhattan, New York County, New York. Their eldest child was born circa 1841-1842.⁶

Alfred Carson was born circa 1815-1816 in New Jersey. Alfred's parents have not been identified. Alfred joined Engine Co 12 in 1837 in Manhattan, New York County, New York. In 1841 he was elected Assistant Engineer. He became Chief on December 7, 1848. Alfred served for eight years and was defeated in a close contest with Harry Howard. After this he rejoined his old company. One of Chief Carson's characteristics was his bluntness and disregard of official or political influence when it became necessary to tell the truth.⁷

Alfred Carson was recorded in the 1840 U.S. Census of Manhattan, New York County, New York, 2 free white persons.⁸

Frances G. (Leverich) Carson, age 28, was recorded in the 1850 U.S. Census of Manhattan Ward 14, New York County, New York. Frances' household included her husband Alfred, age 36; and children Charles, age 10, and Alfred age 8.⁹

Frances G. Carson, age 32, was recorded in the 1855 New York State Census of Manhattan, New York County, New York. Frances' household included her husband Alfred, age 39; and children Charles, age 15; Alfred, age 12; Henry, age 10; Daton, age 4; and Frances an infant.¹⁰

Frances G. Carson, age 39, was recorded in the 1860 U.S. Census of Manhattan Ward 21 District 4, New York County, New York. Frances' household included her husband Alfred, age 45; and children Alfred, age 18; Henry, age 16; Dayton, age 9; Ida, age 6; and Frances, age 4.¹¹

Frances G. Carson, age 55, was recorded in the 1870 U.S. Census of Manhattan Ward 8 District 7, New York County, New York. Frances' household included two daughters, Frannie, age 16 and Edda, age 13.¹²

Alfred Carson Sr died 2 April 1880 in Jersey City, Hudson County, New Jersey. Alfred was buried at the Bayview-New York Bay Cemetery in Jersey City.¹³

Frances G. Carson, age 50 widow, was recorded in the 1880 U.S. Census of Jersey City, Hudson County, New Jersey living with her daughter Edda Quaife and her husband Ernest Quaife at 85 Storm Avenue.¹⁴

Frances G. Carson, widow Alfred Carson, was listed in the 1891 Jersey City, New Jersey City Directory, living at 85 Storm Avenue.¹⁵

Frances G. (Leverich) Carson died on 23 May 1898 at Jersey City, Hudson, New Jersey. Frances' burial place is unknown, but possibly was the Bayview-New York Bay Cemetery in Jersey City where her husband was buried.^{16,17}

Frances G. Leverich and Alfred Carson had seven children at least five of which survived to adulthood.

- i. Charles W. Carson was born between 1840 and 1843 in Manhattan, New York County, New York. Census records and death records do not agree. The 1850 and 1855 U.S. Census give a birth year of circa 1840. Death records give a birth date of 27 September 1842 or 27 September 1843. Charles married Emma Lindsay 31 May 1892 in Manhattan. Charles died 29 June 1911 in the Bronx (then part of Westchester County, New York) now one of the five boroughs of New York City. Charles' was buried at the Evergreen Cemetery in Brooklyn, Kings County, New York. Charles was recorded in the 1900 and 1910 U.S. Census of the Bronx.^{18,19,20,21,22,23,24}

- ii. Alfred Carson Jr was born between 1842-1844 in Manhattan, New York County, New York (see census records). Alfred married Catherine M. Kennelly circa 1862-1863, specific date and place unknown. Their eldest child was born circa 1865. Alfred died 24 November 1877 aboard the U.S.S. Huron which sank in a storm off Nags Head, Dare County, North Carolina. Alfred was recorded in the 1850, 1855, and 1875 U.S. and New York State Censuses, 1850 and 1855 New York County, 1875 Kings County, New York.^{25,26,27,28,29,30,31}
- iii. Henry W. Carson was born circa January 1845 in Manhattan, New York County, New York. Henry married Ann Marie Leonard circa 1867-1868, specific date and place unknown. Their first born child was born circa 1870. Henry died 28 March 1906 in Alameda, Alameda County, California. Henry was buried at St. Mary's Cemetery in Oakland, Alameda County. Henry was recorded in the 1870 U.S. Census of San Francisco, California; 1880 Walla Walla, Washington; 1900 Alameda, California.^{32,33,34,35,36,37}
- iv. Edward H. Carson died 23 February 1850 in Manhattan, New York County, New York, age 2 years, 11 months, and 8 days. His age at the time of his death calculates a birth date of 15 March 1847. However, John Bartlett ("historycraze" at Ancestry.com) in his profile of Edward H. Carson gives a birth date of 15 January 1848, unsourced.^{38,39}
- v. Dayton Carson was born circa 1851 in Manhattan, New York County, New York as per census records (1855 and 1860). Thereafter there is no record of Dayton. He may have died young.^{40,41}
- vi. Frances M. Carson was born circa 1854 in Manhattan, New York County, New York. Frances married Alfred C. J. Griffin 12 February 1874 probably in Manhattan, New York County, New York. The census records say Manhattan, the death notice says Jersey City, Hudson County, New Jersey. Frances died 23 October 1932 in Alameda, Alameda County, California. Frances' burial place is unknown. Frances was recorded in the 1880 U.S. Census of Hudson County.^{42,43,44,45}
- vii. Edda Carson was born circa March 1857 in Manhattan, New York County, New York. Edda married Ernest Quaife 24 December 1879 in Jersey City, Hudson County, New Jersey. Edda died May 1920 in Bergen County, New Jersey. Edda was buried in the Westwood Cemetery and Mausoleum in Westwood, Bergen County. Edda was recorded in the 1880, 1900, 1910 U.S. Census of Hudson County, 1920 Bergen County.^{46,47,48,49,50,51,52}

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