Individual Narrative of Mary⁸ Jane Ann Leveridge [390] Daughter of John⁷ Leveridge [204] and Mary Jane Poillon

Mary Jane Ann Leveridge was born on 31 December 1826 at Manhattan, New York, New York.^{1,2}

Mary Jane Ann Leveridge was not married.³

Mary J. Leveridge, age 23, was recorded in the 1850 U. S. Census of Manhattan Ward 7 District 2, New York County, New York. Mary was living with her parents and various siblings.⁴

Mary J. Leveridge, age 25, was recorded in the 1855 New York State Census of Manhattan Ward 7, New York County, New York. Mary was living with her parents and various siblings.⁵

Mary Leveridge, age 27, was recorded in the 1860 U. S. Census of Manhattan Ward 7 District 3, New York County, New York. Mary was living in her father John's (age 66) household. Also included in the household were Mary's sister Ellen Knight, age 25, and her husband Austin Knight.⁶

Mary Jane Leveridge, age 35, was recorded in the 1870 U. S. Census of East Orange, Essex County, New Jersey. Mary Jane was living in the household of Austin Knight whose wife Ellen Leveridge Knight died in 1857. Also included in the household are the Knight children: Thomas, age 10; Martha, age 5; and Eleanor, age 3. Also Mary Jane's father John Leveridge, age 74, was living in the household.⁷

Mary J. Leveridge, age 50, was recorded in the 1880 U. S. Census of Manhattan, New York County, New York. Mary was living with her father John Leveridge, age 88, at 141 East 45th Street. Also included in the household were Mary's nephew and nieces Thomas L. Knight, age 19; Martha V. Knight, age 15; and Elenor E. Knight, age 13. The children's father Austin Knight died in 1878, and it would appear that Mary Jane took over the care of the Knight children, in addition to caring for her elderly father.⁸

Mary J. Leveridge's father John Leveridge made a will dated 17 November 1885 which was proved 27 February 1888. John's will named his daughter Mary J. A. Leveridge sole beneficiary and sole executor. The will was not contested by Mary's siblings.⁹

For several years Mary J. Leveridge lived at the Murray Hill and Park Avenue Hotels with her niece Miss Ellen E. Knight.¹⁰

The New York Times published the following announcement on 10 April 1902: "Miss M. J. Leveridge announces the marriage of her niece, Eleanor E. Knight, to Mr. John Joseph De Barril.¹¹

Mary J. A. Leveridge made a will dated 4 February 1903. In her will Mary made small bequests to her brothers Benjamin C., Cornelius A., Goerge P., Albert DeWitt, and her nephew Thomas L. Knight. However, Mary left the bulk of her estate to her niece Eleanor E. De Barril.¹²

Mary Jane Ann Leveridge died 4 April 1903 at the Murray Hill Hotel in Manhattan, New York County, New York. Mary was buried at the Greenwood Cemetery in Brooklyn, Kings County, New York.^{13,14,15}

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