

## Individual Narrative of William<sup>7</sup> Leverich 3rd [123] Son of Jesse<sup>6</sup> Leverich [57]

William Leverich 3rd<sup>1,2,3</sup> was born on 9 Nov 1783 at Newtown, Queens Co, New York, the son of Jesse Leverich and Gashe Berrian. William was baptized 1 January 1792 with four of his siblings at the Newtown Presbyterian Church.<sup>4,5,6</sup>

In this time period, there are three distinct William Leverich's living at Newtown. William<sup>6</sup> Leverich [59] (referred to as "Senior" in some records), 1760-1831, farmer and justice of the peace, husband of Cornelia Duryee; William<sup>6</sup> Leverich [68] (referred to as "Junior" in some records), c 1768-1835, a mason as per James Riker Jr and an 1827 deed, husband of Alletta whose surname has not been identified; and William<sup>7</sup> Leverich [123] (referred to as "3rd" in some records), 1783-1854, coach maker, husband of Anna L. Sackett and Hannah Pettit, widow of Jacob Sackett. The designations Senior, Junior, and 3rd were apparently based upon age, rather than filial relationship. William "Senior" and William "Junior" were first cousins. William "3rd" was a nephew of William "Senior", a first cousin once removed to William "Junior". In some instances, a record in the name of William Leverich during this time period cannot be definitively attributed to a specific William Leverich.<sup>7,8</sup>

William Leverich III married Anna Lawrence Sackett on 29 Nov 1804 at Newtown, Queens, New York. Anna was the daughter of Jonathan Sackett and Sarah Banks.<sup>9,10</sup> Anna was born at Newtown 17 May 1789. Anna was baptized 15 December 1790 with her brother Jacob Banks Sackett at the Newtown Presbyterian Church.<sup>11,12</sup>

William Leverich is recorded as a head of family in the 1810 U.S. Census of Newtown, Queens County, New York. The census tallies include 2 free white males under the age of 10 (sons Ellison, Jonathan S.); 1 free white male age 26-44 (William); 1 free white female age 26 to 44 (wife Anna, actually age 21); 6 all other free persons (unidentified, possibly other family, apprentices, hired workers in coach making business).<sup>13</sup>

William Leverich III served in the war of 1812, enrolled for the period 6 September to 2 December 1814 at the rank of private in the Queens County 64th and 93rd consolidated regiment commanded by Col. John A. Ditmars, company commanded by his uncle Captain Edward Leverich.<sup>14,15</sup>

William Sackett of Newtown was the grandfather of Anna Lawrence Sackett who married William Leverich III. William Sackett made a will dated 7 June 1798 and died 28 April 1802. The will was proved 13 May 1802. Subsequently, not all the provisions of the will were carried out, and letters of administration on William Sackett's estate were granted 6 October 1819 to John S. Lawrence Esq of New York City, attorney at law. William Leverich III is named as next of kin in the latter proceedings, in addition to Anna Sackett, Mary Lawrence, Patience Sackett, Jacob B. Sackett and John Sackett, all of whom were grandchildren. The fact that William Leverich III is named next of kin, rather than his wife and William Sackett's granddaughter Anna Lawrence Sackett Leverich, suggests that Anna may have died prior to 1819. However, census tallies for 1820 and 1830 suggest that Anna was living. A specific date of death has not been determined for Anna Lawrence Sackett Leverich, but it would have been prior to 1838 when William Leverich III married for a second time.<sup>16,17,18,19,20</sup>

Three William Leverich's are recorded as heads of family in the 1820 U.S. Census of Newtown, Queens County, New York. The William Leverich on page 47A, near the household of John Leverich, is likely William Leverich III. See proximity to John Leverich on James Riker 1852 Map of Newtown. The census tallies include 2 free white males ages 10 to 15 (sons Ellison and Jonathan); 1 free white male age 26-45 (William Leverich III); 2 free white females under the age of 10 (daughters Sophia and Margaret); 1 free white female age 26 to 44 (wife Anna). There are also tallies for 1 free white male and 1 free white female over the age of 45 which cannot be specifically identified. They may be the parents of Anna Lawrence Sackett Leverich, i.e. Jonathan Sackett and Sarah Banks. No Jonathan Sackett is found as a head of family in 1820.<sup>21,22</sup>

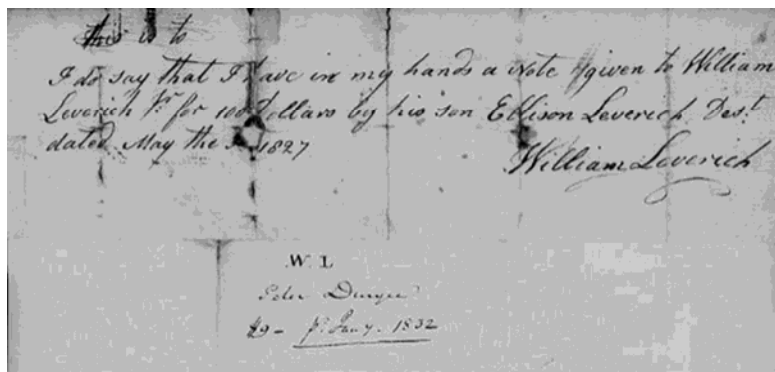
On 6 March 1824 William Leverich III purchased two tracts of land at Newtown, Queens Co, New York from Sarah Sackett, in consideration of \$450.00. The first tract was bounded by the Hurlgate-Newtown Road on the front; easterly by the land of Jacob Moore; south and west by the land of Timothy Roach. The second tract was bounded by the land of John L. Sackett on the east; and the land of William Penfold on the North. The transactions were witnessed by Ezekiel Ostrander and Obadiah Scank.<sup>23</sup>



**James Riker Map of Newtown 1852**

On 26 March 1827 William Leverich III purchased two tracts of land at Newtown in consideration of \$50.00. The grantors were Jacob B. Sackett and his wife Hannah; John L. Sackett and his wife Mary; William Hopper and his wife Sarah; and William Sackett; all the children of Jonathan Sackett of Newtown. The first tract of land was bounded by the Hurlgate-Newtown Road on the front; easterly by the land of Jacob Moore; south and west by the land of Charles Roach. The second tract of land was bounded by the Hurlgate-Newtown Road on the front; westerly by a road to Trains Meadow and Poor Bowery; northerly by the land of William Penfold; and easterly by the land of Alexander Emmis. The transactions were witnessed by William L. Devoe, William Hopper for William Sackett, and Nathan W. Hicks.<sup>24</sup>

The estate account papers of William Leverich Sr, who died 1831, at the Queens County, New York Surrogate include a note given to William Leverich Jr by his son Ellison Leverich in the amount of \$100 dated May 1827.<sup>25</sup> Ellison Leverich died 29 July 1828 in Newark, Essex County, New Jersey. Letters of Administration on the Estate of Ellison Leverich were granted in the Queens County, New York Surrogate on 17 August 1829 to his father William Leverich.<sup>26</sup>



Estate of William Leverich Sr. 1841  
Queens County, New York Surrogate: Accounts 1838-1841, Image 683 of 789

Two William Leverich's are listed as heads of household in the 1830 U.S. Census of Newtown, Queens County, New York. One is designated William and the census tallies indicate that he is likely William Leverich Sr. The second William appears to be designated William Leverich II. The census tallies support William Leverich III and his wife, but are not consistent for their children. William Leverich Jr is not found in the 1830 census, although he died in 1835. He may have been living in someone else's household.<sup>27</sup>

	Selma Vandine		1		2				
	Mariah Hoopdyke	1			1				1
	Margaret White								
→	William Leverich								1
	Alexander Emmis		1		1	1		1	
	Hannah Moore	1							
	Sarah Painter	1	1						
	John Linnick			2				1	
	Benjamin Moore	1	1					1	
	Samuel Penfold							1	
→	William Leverich II	1	1					1	

**1830 U.S. Census, Newtown, Queens County, New York**

Anna Lawrence Sackett Leverich, first wife of William Leverich III, died prior to 1838, probably at Newtown, Queens County, New York.<sup>28</sup> A burial place has not been identified for Anna.

William Leverich III and Anna Lawrence Sackett had four children.<sup>29,30,31</sup>

- i. Ellison Leverich was born about 1805 at Newtown, Queens County, New York. Ellison married 26 December 1827 Phoebe Spencer at the First Presbyterian Church, Newark, Essex County, New Jersey. Ellison died 29 July 1828 at Newark and is buried at the Presbyterian Churchyard.<sup>32,33</sup>
- ii. Jonathan Sackett Leverich was born at Newtown 15 September 1808. Jonathan married first Phebe B. Hayes 22 April 1830 in Essex County, New Jersey. Jonathan married second 6 June 1844 Elizabeth Sackett at Newtown, Queens Co, New York. Jonathan died 31 December 1869 at Newtown.<sup>34,35,36,37</sup>
- iii. Sophia Leverich was born at Newtown 2 September 1811. Sophia married 12 February 1850 John Van Schaick at Albany, Albany Co, New York. Sophia died at Albany 8 April 1881, and was buried at the Albany Rural Cemetery.<sup>38,39</sup>
- iv. Margaret Ann Leverich was born at Newtown about 1814. Margaret married Elias Vanderlip about 1832 probably at Albany, New York. Margaret died at Albany 14 May 1860 and was buried at the Albany Rural Cemetery.<sup>40,41,42</sup>

William Leverich III married for a second time Hannah Pettit widow of Jacob B. Sackett, daughter of James Pettit and Abigail (unidentified), on 17 Aug 1838 at the Bushwick Reformed Church in Kings County, New York. Jacob B. Sackett was the brother-in-law of William Leverich III, the brother of his first wife Anna Lawrence Sackett. The marriage of William and Hannah did not produce any children.<sup>43,44,45,46</sup>

Hannah Pettit was born about 1793 probably at Newtown. The birth date is calculated based upon Hannah's age at the time of death. Hannah was baptized 31 March 1793 at the Newtown Presbyterian Church.<sup>47,48</sup> Hannah Pettit married for the first time Jacob B. Sackett 7 November 1807 at the Newtown Presbyterian Church.<sup>49</sup>

The 1840 U.S. Census finds only one William Leverich as a head of household at Newtown, Queens County, New York. The census tallies include 1 free white male age 20-29 (son Jonathan S); 1 free white male age 50 to 59 (William); 1 free white female age 15 to 19 (unidentified); 1 free white female age 20 to 29 (daughter Sophia); 1 free white female age 40 to 49 (wife Hannah); 1 free white female age 70 to 79 (Abigail Pettitt, mother-in-law, see 1850 Census).<sup>50</sup>

The Queens County New York Deed Index lists 19 land transactions involving William Leverich III and his second wife Hannah. Most of these transactions involved the transfer of small lots of land among William and his children and their spouses.<sup>51</sup>

The estate of Cornelia Leverich, widow of William Leverich Sr., was proved at the New York County, New York Surrogate in 1841. The list of heirs includes William Leverich III, son of Jesse Leverich, son of William Leverich Sr. It is noted that the share of the estate attributable to Jesse Leverich Jr is assigned to his brother William Leverich III.<sup>52</sup>

William Leverich, age 65, a farmer, is recorded as a head of family in the 1850 U.S. Census of Newtown, Queens Co, New York. The household includes his wife Hannah Leverich, age 53 (actually age 57); and his mother-in-law Abigail Pettitt, age 86. Living in a separate household on the same land is William's son Jonathan S. Leverich, age 42, blacksmith; his second wife, and their children.<sup>53</sup>

William Leverich III died on 24 Aug 1854 at Newtown, Queens, New York, at age 70.<sup>54</sup> A place of burial has not been identified for William. William Leverich made a will dated 5 June 1854. His will was proved 18 September 1854. William's list of heirs included widow Hannah of Newtown; son Jonathan Sackett Leverich of Newtown, named an executor of the will; daughter Sophia, wife of John Van Schaick of Albany, New York; and daughter Margaret, wife of Elias Vanderlip of Albany, New York. The will was witnessed by Daniel Rapelje and Abel Bennett. William left only a small bequest of \$5.00 to his daughter Sophia, the balance of his estate being distributed among his widow and remaining three children. Sophia and her husband unsuccessfully contested the will.<sup>55</sup>

Hannah Leverich, widow of William Leverich III, died 22 January 1868. The death record indicates that she died at Brooklyn, but was buried at Newtown. A specific place of burial has not been identified for Hannah.

Hannah is not found in the 1860 U.S. Census.<sup>56,57,58</sup>

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