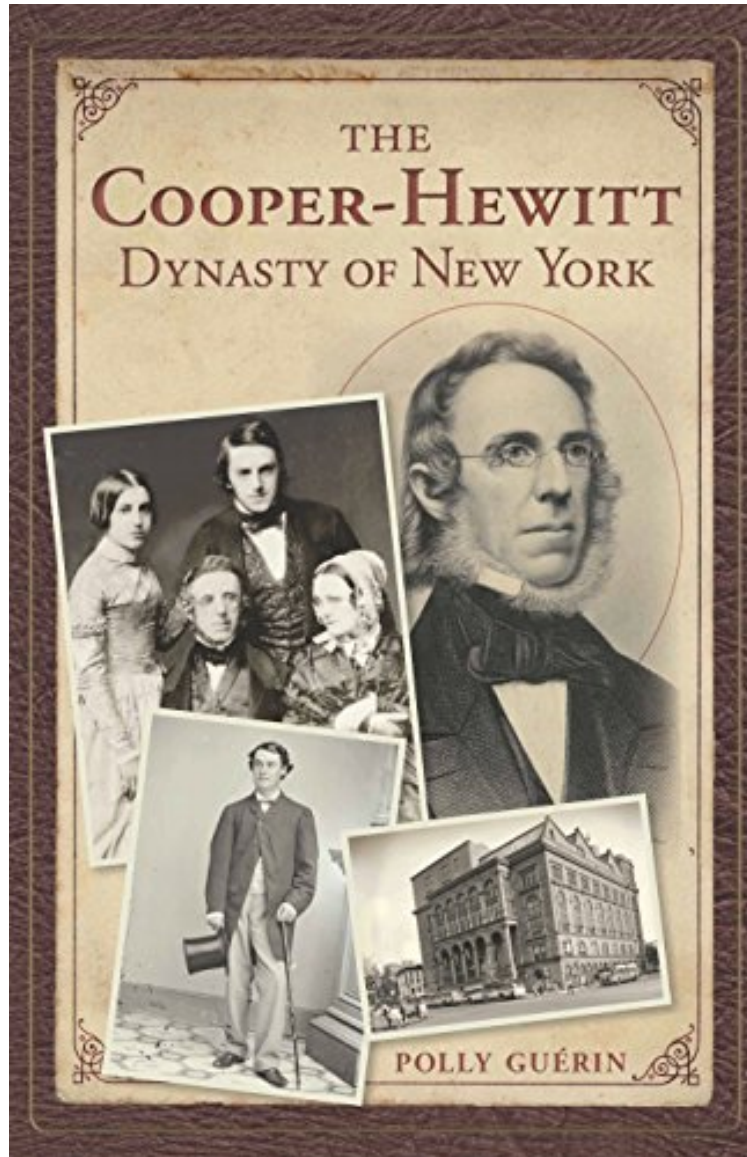


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Peter Cooper believed that he owed a debt to the city that had made him a rich man. During the nineteenth century, he made his fortune in industry and his name in politics, and he always felt a strong compulsion to give back to New

York. His greatest achievement was the establishment of The Cooper Union, which allowed students from all walks of life to study science and art and is still providing those opportunities today. Cooper instilled this sense of obligation in his children and his business partner and son-in-law, Abram Hewitt. Abram's daughters--remarkable women ahead of their time--fulfilled their grandfather's dream of opening a museum, which became the Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum, today part of the Smithsonian Institution. Discover this amazing story of wealth and generosity, politics and integrity and family and community that could have only unfolded in New York.

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