

JOSEPH PAPIN, SR.,

a fur trader, the first of the name in St. Louis, and his wife Margaret Laforce, were born and married in Montreal, Canada, where the lady died leaving but a son. He then came to St. Louis, where his name first appears in our archives in April, 1769, although there is no doubt that he had arrived there some years previously. He died April 18, 1772, at the house of Francis Bissonet, Main Street, his son Joseph M. then absent in Canada.

His will of April 9, 1772, leaves all his property to his son, J. M. Papin, who on his return from Canada was placed in immediate possession of it.

JOSEPH MARIE PAPIN,

supposed to be about twenty-eight years, was married to Marie Louise Chouteau on January 9, 1779, called by her mother in the contract a minor of fourteen and a half years, their children were —

1. Joseph Papin, born in 1780, married a widow Bradshaw, in 1820.
2. Marguerite, in 1781, to M. P. Leduc, 1802. She died April 1, 1808.
3. Alexander, in 1782, to Julie Brazeau, 1814.
4. Marie Therese, in 1784, to Antoine Chenie, 1806.
5. Marie Louise, in 1785, to Antoine Roy, 1812, and to H. Renard, 1818.
6. Hypolite, in 1787, to Josephine Loisel, 1815.
7. Pelagie, in 1789.
8. Sophie, in 1791, died April 22, 1808.
9. Pierre Millecour, 1793.
10. Silvestre V., 1794, to Clementine Loisel, 1817.
11. Emilie, 1796, to Francois Chauvin, 1816.