

EUGENIO ALVAREZ,

born in Madrid, Spain, about 1736, was a Spanish soldier and came to St. Louis with Piernas in 1770.

He married in 1782 Josepha Crepeau, born in Post Vincennes; their children were two sons and one daughter.

1. Manuel Alvarez, who married Aspasia —.

2. Auguste, who married Brigitte Latresse.

3. Eugenie, wife of Francis Creley.

Alvarez in his old age was the king's military store keeper; he died in June, 1816, at the age of eighty years, and his widow survived him a number of years.

MARTIN MILONY DURALDE,

born in Biscaya, Spain, son of Pierre Duralde and Marie di Elizaga, came here with Piernas; he was a well educated gentleman, of good family and abilities, and raised to business; he was the first surveyor of the place, appointed by Gov. Piernas. He married here in 1776, Marie Josepha Perrault, born in Quebec, daughter of Louis Perrault, merchant of that place, and wife Josepha Bobé, deceased.

Duralde remained but a few years in the place, returning to New Orleans, where his wife's connections resided.

These last four comprise all the Spaniards that married here during its occupancy of thirty-five years by that nation; they all married French wives, who with their children spoke only the French language, converting their husbands into very good Frenchmen.

One other Spaniard, Manuel Lisa, who came up from below but a few years before the transfer to the United States, brought a wife with him, but I think an American lady, as she was the widow of one Chew.