

intervening space soon became a beaten path, the only one between the places for many years.

Eugene Pouré, (Beau Soleil) appears as the first owner; we find no concessions; he died April 30, 1783.

His widow, née Josepha Godeau, sold it to Jno. J. Motard, Oct. 12, 1785, with a house of posts, ground enclosed, for 200 dollars.

J. Motard to Jno. B. Hubert Lacroix, May 10, 1790, with a barn, etc., for 600 dollars.

Hubert Lacroix to Jno. Rice Jones, of Kaskaskia, March 17, 1796, for \$2,000, dollars, \$1,000 cash, \$1,000 in three years, 1,000 lbs. good flour, and 500 lbs. of bacon. Eight arpents front on Mississippi, running back to the Catalan road, house 40 feet long, another 30 feet long, bake-house and oven, dairy and hen-house, another building of 50 feet, a barn 40 feet, and lime-kiln.

Jones, finding it a hard bargain did not pay the second \$1,000, preferring to lose his first \$1,000. At the request of Lacroix, the governor appointed Charles Gratiot and Charles Sanguinet to appraise the property, which having done, they reported that "they could not conscientiously appraise the property at more than \$200" (oh! what a falling off was there, my countrymen). It was then sold at public sale to the highest bidder, Manuel Lisa, for \$201, Sept. 9, 1799.