

1836, on which occasion he was a guest of our native born fellow-townsmen, Henry G. Soulard, son of Antoine Soulard, the countryman and intimate friend of Delassus, and with whom he had been associated in the administration of public affairs.

Governor Delassus died in New Orleans, May 1, 1842, aged 78 years. His only child, Augustus, lives at his homestead at De Lassus Station, Iron Mountain Railroad, St. Francois County, and a son of this latter, son-in-law of our old fellow-citizen, Henry L. Clark, lives at home with his father.

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MAJOR AMOS STODDARD

was born in Massachusetts. The first organization of the army of the United States after the adoption of the constitution was by act of Congress in 1797, providing for one regiment of artillerists and two of infantry.

Amos Stoddard was appointed by President Adams a captain in the regiment of artillery on June 4, 1798. Two years before the establishment of our Military Academy at West Point.

After our purchase of Louisiana, Capt. Stoddard was appointed by President Jefferson the commissioner to receive this upper portion, and to remain in charge of the same, as civil and military commandant, until further instructed.