

CARPER, DR. WILLIAM M. -- As a single man he was issued a headright certificate for one-third of a league of land by the Board of Land Commissioners for Harrisburg County in 1838. Having married he was given Headright Certificate No. _____ for two-thirds of a league and one labor land by the Harrisburg Board, December 7, 1839. In this certificate it is stated that he came to Texas in 1835.

Dr. Carper was surgeon on the staff of the command at San Jacinto and on September 28, 1849 was issued Donation Certificate No. 175 for 640 acres of land for having participated in the battle. He received Bounty Certificate No. 3776 for 1280 acres of land for serving in the army from March 9, 1836 to June 18, 1837. He sold the certificate to Henry Smith at Houston June 9, 1838 for \$250.

Dr. Carper practiced medicine in Houston for several years. On April 8, 1846 he became one of the founders of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Texas. He was married to Sarah Ann Minerva Ward at Houston, May 27, 1839. Mrs. Carper died in Houston May 16, 1841, and was buried in Founders Memorial Park.

Dr. Carper was living in Galveston in 1859, and was nearly blind.