

SEVEY, MANASSEH - It is assumed that Mr. Sevey was born in Maine since his brother Ralph E. Sevey was born there. In Headright Certificate No. 123 issued to him February 3, 1838 for one-third of a league of land by the Board of Land Commissioners for Harrisburg County it is stated that he arrived in Texas in January, 1836. As a matter of fact he enlisted in Captain Sidney Sherman's Company in Kentucky. He was a member of Captain William Wood's Company at San Jacinto but he did not apply for the land due him for having participated in the battle. In Comptroller's Military Services Record No. 1033 it is stated that Mr. Sevey was transferred to the Engineering Corps, June 1, 1836, serving as a private until May 4, 1837. He was issued Bounty Certificate No. 1221 for 1280 acres of land January 4, 1853 for having served in the army from January 31, 1836 to May 25, 1837.

In the Secret Journals of the Senate, page 85, Mr. Sevey is shown as Assistant Secretary of the Senate of the Second Congress, September 4, 1837 to May 24, 1838. He was elected an Alderman of Houston, August 16, 1837.

By a joint resolution of Congress January 15, 1839, Manasseh Sevey's name was changed to William Sevey. William Sevey sold his headright land to James G. Miner January 10, 1840 for \$3,200.00. The Deed Records of Travis County, Book D, page 185 show that he was living in Donaldsonville, Louisiana, January 5, 1850, when he sold lots situated in the city of Austin.