File 357 is the marriage contract dated 21 Feb 1789 of Jean-Baptiste BEQUET, widower of Celeste TRUDEAU (and widower of Louise LA SOURCE), and Françoise CORSET, daughter of François CORSET and Françoise SIONAU dit DESMOULINS.

A. François Corset (born about 1769) is the daughter of Francois Corset Dit Coco (born about 1740).

- B1. Francois Corset Dit Coco (born about 1740) is the son of Francois Corset Dit Coco (born about 1710), my 7th great-grandfather.
- B2. Francois Corset Dit Coco (born about 1740) is the brother of my 6th great-grandmother, Marie Jean Corset who married Jean Baptiste Maurice Dit Chatillon.

  C. Marie Jean Corset and Jean Baptiste Maurice Dit Chatillon are the parents of Marie Madeleine Maurice dit Chatillon who married Charles Boyer, my 5th great-grandparents.

Charles Boyer is a witness on the marriage contract labeled 357.

Charles' wife Madeleine's Uncle is Francois Corset Dit Coco (born about 1740), being the brother of her mother Marie Jean Corset.

François Corset (born about 1769) is Madeleine's cousin.

Charles, therefore, was a witness on the marriage contract of his wife Madeleine's cousin.

Charles and Madeleine also own property near the Le Grand Champ or the "Big Field." Therefore, visiting the below home brings perspective to Charles and Madeleine's life. Charles and Madeleine were the same generation as Jean-Baptiste Bequet and François Corset.

C3636 Missouri, Ste. Genevieve. Archives, 1756-1930 | File 357 Explanation by Cheryl Rutledge-Brennecke



I found these photos on Ancestry by "indianeyes29" in 2010, so I am not sure who to give credit.

Madeleine's Uncle François Corset (born about 1769 and died April 11, 1817) was the owner of the Bequette-Ribault House which is today located at 351 St Marys Rd, Ste. Genevieve, MO 63670. The website with information is:

https://chaumette.com/bequette-ribault-house-2 The Bequette Ribault House is open for public tours on Saturdays May through October and private tours during winter months. The Bequette Ribault House was built by Jean-Baptiste Bequette, Sr. in 1808 and is located across from Le Grand Champ agricultural fields from the original French settlement in the mid-1700s.

The Bequette-Ribault House, located across from Le Grand Champ or the "Big Field," was built in 1808. It is a "poteaux-en-terre "or "posts-in-the-earth" building, referencing its vertical logs built directly into the ground without a foundation. Ste. Genevieve is home to 3 out of 5 remaining such buildings. In one of its restored outbuildings, a Hospitality Center features a tasting bar offering tastings and purchase of Chaumette's award-winning wines. The Bequette Ribault House was restored by Chaumette's owners

Hank and Jacque Johnson and is open for public tours on Saturdays, noon to 5 p.m., Memorial Day – October, and private tours on Saturdays can be arranged during winter months.



Carved into the front banister of the house is Jean Bte. Bequette 1778.



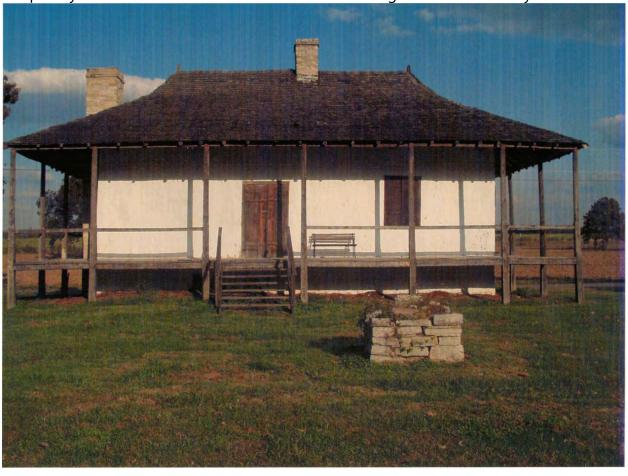
Below text from: https://lewisandclark.travel/nomination/bequette-ribault-house/

The Bequette-Ribault House was built over-looking Le Grand Champ agricultural fields around 1808 using the poteaux-en-terre method of construction. The vertical logs were placed directly in the ground without a foundation.

Originally built by the **Jean Baptiste Bequette** family, upon Bequette Jr.'s death the property was auctioned in March of 1840 on the church steps to the highest bidder. **Antoine Recole**, a free man of color, purchased it for \$405. Two months later, Recole sold the property for the same amount to a free woman of color named **Clarisse**, a

former slave of the Francois Janis household. Clarisse had two children who were given the last name Ribault. Jean Ribault, was a wealthy resident of Ste. Genevieve who had been a minor aristocrat in France. Interestingly, Clarisse was included in Jean Ribault's will, who died in 1849. The only owners of the property from 1840 until 1969 were Clarisse and two generations of her descendants, all of who had the last name Ribault. This colonial home is now a historic museum site.

Like all other French Colonial houses in Ste. Genevieve, the Bequette Ribault House was built several feet above ground level to keep the floor level above potential flood water. It is an example of a smaller family dwelling. In one of the restored outbuildings, a Hospitality Center features a timeline of events detailing the home's history.





This is the location as shown on Google maps in relation to the Mississippi River and downtown Ste. Genevieve.





## **BEQUETTE RIBAULT HOUSE** & HOSPITALITY CENTER

351 St. Mary's Road Ste. Genevieve, Missouri 63670 www.Chaumette.com

Open Saturday & Sundays noon - 5pm; April thru October

tours cost \$5 or are complimentary with the purchase of a glass of wine.



Take Exit 150, and at the top of the exit ramp, turn and drive east on Highway 32 for 4.5 miles toward Ste. Genevieve. Make a slight right on US-61, (Ste. Genevieve Dr.,) drive 1 mile, then turn left onto St. Mary's Road. Bequette Ribault house is located. 0.5 miles on left, across from Le Grand Champ field.

## FROM CHAUMETTE WINERY:

Turn left out of our driveway onto WW, and drive 2.6 miles, then make a right onto Hwy B at Coffman. Drive 14 miles northeast, and turn right, heading east on Hwy 32 towards Ste. Genevieve. Immediately drive over I-55 overpass, then continue for 4.5 miles. Make a slight right on US-61, (Ste. Genevieve Dr.,) drive 1 mile, then turn left onto St. Mary's Road. Bequette Ribault house is located. 0.5 miles on left, across from Le Grand Champ field.

## QUESTIONS?

Contact Chaumette Winery at BequetteRibault@Chaumette.com or 573-747-1000.







**HAUMETTE VINEYARDS** & WINERY is pleased to present the newly restored Bequette Ribault House. We welcome guests to visit and learn more about who lived there and what life was like in post-colonial Ste. Genevieve. The Bequette Ribault House is open for public tours during warmer months. Our Hospitality Center is located in one of its restored outbuildings, featuring a timeline of events surrounding the building's history. There is a Tasting Bar, featuring Chaumette's award-winning wines. We hope to see you soon!







BUILDING HISTORY The Bequette-Ribault House was built by Jean-Baptiste Bequette, Sr. in 1808 and is located across from Le Grand Champ agricultural fields from the original French settlement in the mid-1700s. The two-room house is most noted architecturally by its Norman truss and "poteaux-en-terre" construction, or "posts-in-the-earth," a reference to its vertical logs built directly into the ground.

Five such structures remain in the U.S., and Ste. Genevieve is home to three of these buildings. The outbuildings include the renovated Hospitality Center, the Durand Cabin, a small structure moved from its original Ste. Genevieve location in the 1980s, and a barn and corncrib.

The Bequette-Ribault House is a medium-sized Creole house about 36 feet in length with two chimneys. The original hipped roof and encircling outer gallery was restored in the 1980s. Chaumette Vineyards & Winery Owner Hank Johnson purchased and began the second restoration in 2013 to accurately reflect the time period and original components of the house.

**CULTURAL HISTORY** The Bequette-Ribault House was originally built by the Bequette family, a prominent Ste. Genevieve family. Upon Bequette Jr.'s death, the property was auctioned in March of 1840 on the church steps to the highest bidder, Antoine Recole, a free man of color, for \$405. Two months later, Recole sold the prop-

erty for the same amount to a free woman of color named Clarisse, a former slave of the Francois Janis household.

Jean-Baptiste Bequette, Jr.'s acquaintance, Jean Ribault, was a wealthy residence of Ste. Genevieve and had been a minor aristocrat in France. During the time she was a slave, Clarisse gave birth to two children who were given the last name Ribault. Interestingly, Clarisse was included in Jean Ribault's will, who died in 1849. The only owners of the property from 1840 until 1969 were Clarisse and two generations of her descendants, all of who had the last name Ribault. Research continues in the pursuit to historically preserve the story of The Bequette Ribault's inhabitants with many questions unanswered at the time this brochure was printed.

main room, Bequette Ribault House

(opposite)
clockwise from
top left: Bequette
Ribault's outer
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