

to M^r Porter at the Illinois with directions to go to Post Vincent to endeavor to obtain payment, but fearful lest he should have left that place, I have to entreat you will request some friend in Detroit to make Enquiry about him and take measures to secure him & his property, until an Application to Porter or the person he may appoint as his agent in Post Vincent, his Bond can be sent after him.

I have written to M^r Robert Bunton and M^r VanderBurg⁴⁶ of the Post to give M^r Porter assistance and flatter myself they will extend their good offices to him. I have likewise written to General Wilkinson with whom I am well acquainted intreating him to write to the Commanding Officers & Magistrates at Detroit & Post Vincent to recommend this business to them and request they would see Justice done to me and I flatter myself he will comply with my request and do me every service in his power.

Your Recommendation of it to your friends in Detroit may be of great utility, and I hope you will be kind enough to interest yourself in it, and by your means secure this debt.

I remain with Esteem Sir Your most obedient & most humble Servant

(Signed) Daniel Clark Jun^r ⁴⁷

Endorsed: New Orleans April the 25^h 1798 Daniel Clark Jun^r to Isaac Todd

⁴⁶ Henry Vanderburgh was born in Troy, N. Y., in 1760. At the age of sixteen he was appointed a lieutenant in the Fifth New York Regiment of Continental troops, and he subsequently became a captain in the Second Regiment. He served until the close of the war, and soon thereafter came west to Vincennes, where in February, 1790, he married into one of the French families of that place. He early became influential locally, and in February, 1799, was made chairman of the Legislative Council of the Northwest Territory. Upon the organization of Indiana Territory he became one of the three judges of the Supreme Court, and he continued to occupy this position until his death, April 12, 1812. Vanderburgh County, Indiana, is named in his honor. Information adapted from Logan Esarey, *History of Indiana from its Exploration to 1850* (Indianapolis, 1915), *passim*; and sketch in Joseph P. Elliott, *History of Evansville and Vanderburgh County* (Evansville, 1897), 66.

⁴⁷ Daniel Clark Jr. was born in Sligo, Ireland, in 1766. In December, 1786, he arrived in New Orleans, where his uncle (also named Daniel Clark) had resided for many years. In July, 1801, Clark was appointed consul of the United States at New Orleans, serving until the transfer of Louisiana in 1804. He subsequently served as territorial delegate to Congress from Louisiana. He was long a firm opponent of the political and other designs of General James Wilkinson. About the year 1802, Clark entered upon a connection with Madam Zulime Desgranges of New Orleans, and a daughter was born to them who subsequently became the wife of General E. P. Gaines of the U. S. army. Clark died in New Orleans, Aug. 16, 1813. He left important property interests, and the question whether he