

After her mother's death in 1813, Caroline was reared by an Uncle, near Plattsburgh. In after years she told how they could hear the cannonading at the Battle of Plattsburgh during the War of 1812, and that night some of the soldiers from the battle camped on her father's farm. She became the second wife of Asa William Stoddard, 4 November 1824, at Elizabethtown, New York. Asa and Caroline settled on a farm about 2 1/2 miles down the Bouquet River from Elizabethtown and there they remained until the autumn of 1852, when they moved to Michigan and started a new home on a quarter section of land that he had selected and received from the Government as a bounty (pension) for his service in the Army during the War of 1812. The farm was near the village of Watrousville in Tuscola County; at that time the farm was 50 or 60 miles from the nearest railroad, probably at Pontiac, since she wrote in a letter still in possession of a grandson that they "took the cars" from Detroit to Pontiac where they hired a team to take them to Flint and from there to Tuscola (letter was dated 2 Oct 1852). The farm is now in the 4th and 5th generation of descendants of Caroline and Asa Stoddard. ---  
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