

LUCAS ALAMÁN

Politician, business leader and historian
(Guanajuato, 1792-México City, 1853)



GALLERY
of HISTORIANS
and GEOGRAPHERS of
AMERICA

He determined the territorial boundaries between Mexico and the United States. A descendant of one of the most prosperous families of Guanajuato, he studied at the Royal College of Mines and travelled several times to Europe, which enriched his scientific education. He advocated for the independence of Mexico in the courts of Spain, and, once the Mexican Republic had been consolidated, he directed a large part of his efforts towards the study and conservation of the historic and cultural heritage of our country. Along these lines, he founded the General Archive of the Nation, promoted the creation of the National Museum, proposed creating a general geographic chart of the Republic, and wrote numerous historical dissertations.

Wrote: *Causas de la decadencia de la minería en la Nueva España / Historia de México desde los primeros movimientos que prepararon su independencia en el año 1808 hasta la época presente / Disertaciones sobre la historia de la República Mexicana.*