

closely together, without regard to their order or species, but only according to their familiarity or commonness. Their effigies are frequently grouped together on the banks of lakes. At Lake Koshkonong an interesting cluster, consisting of an observation mound, guarded by the panther upon one side, and by the catfish upon the other, is to be found."

C. E. Brown informed the writer that a mound preserved at the head of Clam or Clem lake, at Waupaca, is thought to represent a catfish. An illustration of this mound appears in an issue of the Wisconsin Archeologist.

The existence of a possible fish effigy mound was made known to the writer by W. C. McKern, associate curator of the Milwaukee Public museum. It is one of the McLaughry mound group on the north shore of Buffalo lake, one mile from Packwaukee, in Marquette county. This mound, explored by the Milwaukee Public museum mound expedition in August, 1925, is 140 ft. in length, with a maximum width of 38 ft., having the shape of a fish in profile with one upper and two lower fins, a bullet-nosed rounded head and, at the extremity, a broad tail. "While we were charting this mound," stated Mr. McKern, "the uniqueness of its shape had the members of the expedition conjecturing variedly as to its probable totemic representation, but as soon as a chart had been completed the fish-like resemblance of the mound was evident." A bulletin on the McLaughry mound group is in preparation by Mr. McKern and will appear as Bulletin No. 2, of Volume III, of the publications of the Milwaukee Public Museum.

Writing of fish effigy mounds, the Rev. Stephen D. Peet, in his "Prehistoric America" (1890), states that in Wisconsin "the effigies of fish are somewhat common on the banks of the lakes, and they always show where the best fishing is and where the best kind of fish may be caught. To illustrate: Delavan lake is celebrated for the abundance of pickerel. On the other hand, at Lake Koshkonong the pickerel is mingled with catfish, suckers, bass and other kinds. There are effigies of catfish on the east side of Lake Koshkonong. There is also a large group of fish effigies on the west side. The Four Lakes region (at Madison),