

Of Basil Giard there is but little to record. He did not figure in public affairs. He had a Spanish claim of three miles square, where McGregor is situated, which was allowed by our government. He was a Canadian trader. He died at Prairie du Chien, about 1819, at about seventy years of age. He left quite a family by a Sauk woman; some of his grandchildren are yet living at Prairie du Chien.

Pierre Antaya was a native of Canada. He was a farmer; his wife had some Fox Indian blood in her; they raised a very large family, mostly girls. Antaya must have died soon after the peace of 1815.

Augustin Ange, another of the Prairie du Chien pioneer settlers, was also a native of Canada. He first came west as a voyageur, and in time became a trader. He finally went among the Sioux of the Prairie, on the Missouri, to trade. He attended the Indian treaty at Prairie du Chien in 1825, when B. W. Brisbois first saw him; he returned, after the treaty, to his home on the Upper Missouri, where he subsequently died, and where he left a family.

Pierre La Pointe, who was the interpreter at Sinclair's Indian treaty, at Mackinaw, in June, 1781 was an early and prominent settler at Prairie du Chien. He, too, was a native of Canada, well educated and well informed. He was one of the best of Indian interpreters, and his services were much in quest by the traders. In 1817, he was in the employ of Joseph Brisbois, brother of B. W. Brisbois at Bad Axe. He died about three or four years later, a little past seventy years of age. He came to the Northwest in 1776, and settled at Prairie du Chien in 1782.¹ His wife was a sister of the great Sioux chief, Waupasha; they raised a family. Their daughter, Mrs. Antoine La Chapelle, whom La Pointe taught to read and write, was the mother of Theophilus La Chapelle, who, in 1841-42, represented Crawford County in the legislative assembly and in 1842-44, in the legislative council, and now, quite aged, is in the Insane Asylum at Mendota. B. W. Brisbois' wife was a daughter of Mrs. Antoine La Chapelle. La Pointe was a very sensible, good man, and

¹ *U. S. Public Lands*, iv, p. 852.