

of the snow-bank scattered some branches, on which we spread our blankets, and laid down with the packs beneath our heads, to listen to a serenade from the wolves. The night was spent in smoking, keeping fire, and intervals of sleep.

Leaving the trail at this tributary or branch of Center River we followed the creek down to the main stream, which ran in a south-east direction, and then taking a southerly course, we traveled a distance of twenty miles, and then struck another river. Following this due east, through a rough, but heavily timbered country, we arrived at the bank of the Lake, on the second day after striking the river. It was near sun-down when we made our camp near the mouth of this stream; and again within sight of the roaring breakers, a load of uncertainty was taken from me, for with such a guide, there was no going astray. It was decided that we should keep along the shore, at least where it could be done without diverging from a direct line running north and south; all head lands and points we crossed, instead of going around them. The roughness and difficulty of our track, on account of the icy mountains formed by the industry of the breakers and Jack Frost, made it a "hard road to travel." But trudging along through the snow, climbing over ledges of ice that in some places extended up the bank, and plunging through gullies and ravines, we managed to make good head-way. Thus we continued to travel day after day, though not without variety, either of incidents, fair or foul weather, scenery—something was always exciting interest or attention. Oft the winter mornings would appear beautiful and serene, without a cloud to obscure the rising sun. Then as we journeyed would we see flocks of ducks and sea-fowls sporting in the Lake, amid pieces of ice that sparkled like crystals; and anon a fisher or otter would glide off from the ice-fields where it had sought its early meal, to gain a safe retreat in some crevice of the Lake bank.

It was the 14th day after leaving Green Bay, that I arrived at Juneau's Settlement on the Milwaukee River, and as I had a message from Charles Larrabee to Mr. Sol. Juneau, I was welcomed by him, and remained two days with him to