

rest and recruit. I here learned that Joseph King had returned safe with the goods, but had a hard time getting back; being caught out in the 'noctial storm, and encountered rough weather. The Frenchmen he hired at Green Bay, had already taken Monomonee squaws, and were living in their own cabins. Mr. Juneau had two children at the time, was lord paramount of the settlement, and did a good business trading with the Indians. Boiseley and I left his post to prosecute our journey. The river was frozen over, and the ice was near eight inches thick; taking this we pushed off for two or three miles, and moving over the frozen marshes, came on the Lake shore, and crossed a wooded point on the south side of the Bay; here finding a trail on the Lake bank, we followed it three days.

On the third day, as we came out on a prairie, we found ourselves near a number of Indian lodges. We wished to avoid them, but it was too late now, for the watchful curs of the Indians had seen us, and commenced a ferocious barking that soon brought the Indians out in a body. We soon learned these were all Monomonees, who had maintained friendly feelings towards the whites since the massacre of Chicago. There was one old chief in the village, who spoke broken English, and could speak French fluently. He had been to Detroit, and knew much about the white man. He was the most savage appearing Indian I ever saw; yet he displayed so much of dignity and decision in his manner, that I retained the impression that he was a noble Indian. He was a powerfully built man, about six feet tall, and well dressed for an Indian. He wore plain moccasins, deer-skin leggins reaching to his thighs, a calico shirt, a beaded cap with three feathers of the gray eagle in it, and a green blanket. There were also three other Indians worthy of notice, but they did not attract my attention by any peculiarity, so I'll not describe them. As a whole, these Indians were lazy, and staid in their lodges starving, rather than go out to hunt, though the country was teeming with deer, wild turkies and elk. Our stay with these Indians was short, inasmuch as they had no provisions; how-