

when he was chaplain of the Fort, after 1832. In 1836, he moved to Prairie Du Chien, and filled the same position at Fort Crawford for five years. Major John Green, commanding officer at Fort Winnebago, engaged, in 1835, Miss Eliza Haight, as governess in his family; and he allowed the children of other officers at the post to attend the private school; there were in all about a dozen pupils. In the spring of 1840, Rev. S. P. Keyes became both chaplain and school master of the Post, and taught about twenty children, some of them over twelve years of age. At this place there were no other prominent schools, until Portage City was incorporated in 1846.

Augustin Grignon, a resident of the State for over seventy years, says, "they had no early schools at Green Bay—none till after the coming of the American troops," in 1816. The inhabitants were too fond of gayety and amusements, and too much allied to the natives in spirit and habits, to originate so important an enterprise as a school. Col. Ebenezer Childs, who lived at Green Bay for twenty-five years, states that the first school-house in the place was built soon after the arrival of the first steam-boat at Green Bay. So the erection of the first school-house in the State, was in some way the outgrowth of the genius and energy which have revolutionized the modes of land and water communications in this century, and formed in a large degree the brains and the muscle of Western enterprise.

Nearly at the same time that the Episcopal mission was started, other schools for the accommodation of the citizens of Green Bay and vicinity, were opened. Hon. Henry S. Baird, a resident there since 1824, says, that in the year of his arrival a school was kept in a log school-house, about two miles from the city, by Daniel Curtis, who has already been spoken of as teaching at Prairie du Chien. He continued there for two years, and others taught in the same house for years after he left. About the year 1828, a log school-house was built at Shanty Town, by subscription; and a young lady, Miss Caroline Russell, from the East, was engaged as teacher by