

Prophet; and giving vent to a loud long yell of revenge, he hastily fled to seek a temporary refuge among his *pseudo* friends, the Winnebagoes, in the valley of the Lemonweir—over the bluffs and cliffs of which he had in former days roamed in security, and hunted with success.

A large reward had been offered for the capture of Black Hawk, and he found now, when he most needed their friendship, that the Winnebagoes were in no way disposed to sympathize with him in his adversity. The fugitives pursued their lonely retreat to the Dalles of the Wisconsin River, and were there captured about two miles above Kilbourn City, by Chaetar and the One-eyed Decorra, who afterwards brought them to Prairie du Chien, on the 27th of August, and delivered them as prisoners to General Street, the Indian agent.

In addition to the regular forces under General Atkinson, General Scott with nine companies of artillery was ordered from the sea-board to the scene of hostilities. These troops left Fortress Monroe on the 20th of June, and arrived at Fort Dearborn on the 8th of July. But the conflict was over before they reached the scene of action. They, however, encountered a more fatal foe. The Asiatic cholera, which for the first time visited America, coming by way of Montreal, seized the troops at Detroit on their way to Chicago. The camp became a hospital, and more than four hundred of these soldiers fell victims of this terrible pestilence.

The loss on the part of the Americans in the Black Hawk War, independent of the ravages of the cholera, and the murders of the settlers, is believed to have been about fifty. The loss of the Sauks was not less than two hundred and thirty killed in battle, and probably a greater number who died of their wounds, and of disease and starvation; while the deaths of the women and children who accompanied the warriors, in the battles, and from their wounds, and by disease, starvation and drowning, cannot be approximately estimated.

The companies of volunteers under the immediate command of Colonel Dodge, at the battle of the Wisconsin Heights, were Captain Stephenson's, from Galena; Captain Clarke's, from White