

the Kickapoo. A road was opened through from Necedah to the Grand Rapids during the year.

In the course of this year the following men were employed about the mill and on the river, running lumber, etc., in addition to those mentioned the previous year, part of whom still remained, viz: George Barstow, E. Carleton, Louis Sharkee, W. Lawrence, Gaston, William Adderly, John H. Armstrong, John McGregor, E. Mitchell, L. Emery, Joseph Hilton, F. Chase, R. Huntley, S. F. Brown, N. St. Germaine, Thomas Combs, M. Cluff, James McGregor, Chas. Sweet, E. Emmons, and John Wermoth. Emery and Huntley brought their families during the summer of the same year. Alvin Blake and Wm. Peck came up the same season.

In the year 1851, the new settlement began to put on the appearance of a village. A store had been opened by the proprietors, with a small stock of goods to supply the wants of the mill hands. Several additional houses had been erected during the season, and both mills were kept in active operation during the summer and the ensuing winter. Lumber delivered in Galena brought from eleven to twelve dollars per thousand.

The first death occurred in the settlement this year. A Mrs. Kimball, from farther up the river, was brought down sick, and, dying in the month of May, became the first occupant of the village cemetery.

The land was surveyed by the government during this season, Messrs. Stuntz and Sargent running the township lines, and a Mr. Davis, and Hon. J. T. Clark, at present of Lancaster, Grant County, running the sub-divisions. Several parties, in the course of the year, made locations farther up the river, in the present county of Wood, with a view to the erection of mills, and going into lumber operations, all indicating a lively business on Yellow River in the future.

The spring of 1852 opened up in the usual manner with lumbermen, driving logs, rafting, and running lumber on the river, occupying the time and attention of the whole community. Several rafts of square timber were run out from farther up the river in the spring. And the Owen brothers, of Baraboo, tried the experiment of driving out shingles in the bunch and shingle