

Before this array of distinguished men of the Winnebago tribe, Col. Dodge sought to make a most favorable impression in behalf of the whites, who stood in constant dread of them, as allies of the Sauks and Foxes; and to carry out this intention, he procured from Ebenezer Brigham and gave to them a large, fine beef steer, which they immediately slaughtered, and upon which they feasted most sumptuously. He also gave them good comfortable quarters in some miners' cabins, which were located near by.

Just at night everything seemed amicable and auspicious. Col. Dodge congratulated himself upon the friendly feeling which seemed to exist among the Winnebagoes; but how long this state of things continued, the sequel will show.

Soon after Col. Dodge had retired, which was at a late hour, Captain Bion Gratiot, a brother of Col. Henry Gratiot, the agent of the Winnebagoes, and with whom the Winnebagoes were well acquainted, came rushing into the cabin where Col. Dodge was, in the most excited manner, calling upon him to "rouse up, rouse up, and prepare for action immediately!" that we were in the most eminent danger; that he was most confident the Winnebagoes meditated an attack upon us before morning, and that he was greatly alarmed.

Col. Dodge did "rouse up," his countenance indicating a gathering storm within; but he kept silent until Capt. Gratiot

itself; and at a short distance from him, on a first view, I thought he had recently been badly wounded." He was a signer of the Green Bay treaty of 1828. His village is noted on Chandler's *Map of the Lead Region*, 1829, as apparently about a mile north of McNutt's Diggings, near the present village of Exeter, Green County. He is said to have died four or five years after the Black Hawk War.

Wawkaunweenkaw, or Whirling Thunder, was a signer of the treaty of Rock Island, in September, 1832. He belonged to the Winnebago band on Rock River, near Lake Koshkonong; and subsequently died on Turkey River, Iowa.

Morahntshaykaw, or Little Priest, was also of the Rock River band, near Lake Koshkonong, and was a signer of the treaties of Green Bay, in 1828, and of Rock Island, in 1832. He lived to a very great age, and died at the Winnebago village of White Creek, Adams County, Wis., about 1882. In some bout or brawl one side of his nose had been sliced off.

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