

Carroll, one of the signers of the declaration of independence.

Maj. R. H. Kirkpatrick, who served with credit at Peckatonica, died in 1834, at Diamond Grove, three miles northwest of Mineral Point. In all the various relations of life, both public and private, he was a first-class man. His widow still survives.

Lieut. Porter, who also figured in the Peckatonica affair, belonged at Mineral Point. Mrs. Elvira J. Whiteside, who personally knew him, says his first name was John. She agrees with me in thinking that on the opening of the Dubuque mines after the Black Hawk War, Porter repaired to that point and died there.

Since the death of Maj. Wm. Deviese, near Belleville, Dane County, Aug. 22, 1885, in his ninety-third year, I know of none of my fellow associates of Peckatonica battle now surviving. After over fifty-three years, I alone remain.

Col. Dodge's battalion marched across the country to join Gen. Atkinson on Rock River. It was on this route, between now Exeter, in Green County, and Rock River—some say near First (or Kegonsa) Lake—but it was nearer Lake Koshkonong, at our encampment, early in the morning, that White Crow, with six of his warriors, joined us tendering his services to pilot the troops to the locality of Black Hawk. Whether White Crow was justly chargeable with intended treachery may be a debatable question; I think, however, he was—not, perhaps, in trying to mislead the army to Black Hawk, but in pretending friendship to the whites, when, in fact, it was quite clear that his sympathies were for Black Hawk.

His conduct at and near Lake Koshkonong was this: He had said to Col. Dodge and others that he knew where Black Hawk was encamped, and would be our guide there, if desired. His proposal was at once accepted; but on the march that day, we were met by an express from Gen. Atkinson, ordering Col. Dodge and Gen. Alexander, who were then together, to march directly to him, which threw us off the route we were pursuing under the guidance of White Crow. When the chief learned of these orders he refused