

Foxes were mostly women and children. Black Hawk did not accompany the main body of fugitives, but retired by way of Chippewa River, to the Dells of Wisconsin, where he was captured by friendly Winnebagoes.

Of Col. Marsh, who accompanied Col. Hamilton's rangers, I can give no account after the war.

Capt. J. P. B. Gratiot, who was with us at the Blue Mounds, at the time of the surrender of the Hall girls, was on no other occasion in service with Col. Dodge. He was captain of the company stationed at Fort Gratiot,¹ and doubtless had charge of the Winnebago hostages kept there.

It may be of interest to preserve a record of such of Col. Dodge's camping places as I can recall. I joined his battalion of mounted men at Porter's Grove at noon on the 3rd of June, the day of the surrender of the Hall girls, that night at the Blue Mounds, where we camped that night. The following two nights we made our encampment at Porter's Grove on the premises of Col. James Morrison, where Col. Dodge and Col. Henry Gratiot held a council with the Winnebagoes. The night of June the 6th, we encamped at Gratiot's Grove, having escorted the hostages there, which the Winnebagoes had given as a pledge of their good behavior; the next night at Kirker's farm, at the head of Apple River, in Jo Daviess County, Illinois, and the following night on Rock River where the city of Dixon now stands.

From this point Col. Dodge made an expedition to Ottawa, on the Illinois River, where Gen. Atkinson then encamped with his regulars, and there we staid one night. Returning to our respective forts in the mining country, we made our camps at the same localities as on our outward march. We encamped at Spafford's farm, near Wiota, on the night of the massacre at that place, and on the following night also.

Our camping places, while on the expedition against Black Hawk, in the upper Rock River country, I will give as nearly as I can fix them. The first night at Wiota; the next at Argyle; the third at Sugar River Diggings, at or near what

¹The *Histories of Iowa and Lafayette Counties*, p. 472, make the same statement. L. C. D.