

There were always a good many Indians around Juneau's establishment. He had a rather domineering way with them, but they appeared to hold him in high esteem and to regard his word as law. They called him "Salomo," the nearest approach they could make to Solomon. The relations between Juneau and the Indians were of a decidedly fraternal character, despite his top-lofty manner toward them, and the severe lectures which he administered to those who were habitually tipsy. Juneau was six feet tall, well-framed and fine looking, with expressive eyes — a perfect Adonis; he had curly, black hair and was a man of imposing presence. While not educated, he was a pleasant talker, and simple in his tastes and habits. His wife, a half-breed, was a very excellent woman, and their home, of which I saw a great deal, possessed quite as many comforts as those of their English and American neighbors. He had generally to entertain Indians with a free hand; and almost every night, in the trading season, there were at least half a dozen camped out on the floors of his living rooms. When parties of Indians would come in to Milwaukee to trade, it was no uncommon experience to have all the squaws quartered in the Juneau parlor, while the bucks camped just outside the settlement,—say a block or two up the river. Juneau was an unworldly, confiding man, and land speculators frequently took advantage of him, obtaining parcels of his land in Milwaukee in return for deeds in various fictitious "paper" towns throughout the new territory.

I remember Andrew J. Vieau very well, indeed. He and I were good friends in early days, but I have not seen him for twenty-five or thirty years past. I see that in his narrative¹ he speaks of buying out Juneau in November or December, 1836. I recollect Vieau as a fellow clerk at Juneau's, but cannot remember that he bought out his brother-in-law, but perhaps he did — it is a long time ago. I do know that I continued on, at the same store, until the spring of 1837, and that Vieau was there all of the time, and Juneau frequently. It may be, as Vieau states, that he was the pro-

¹ *Ante*, p. 229.—ED.