

gested to his mind by the fact that in the year 1828 the 5th regiment U. S. infantry came to Fort Howard on Durham boats, from Jefferson barracks, below St. Louis. Their baggage was loaded on the boats at that point and not unloaded until reaching here. The water at Portage happened to be high that year." In *Hist. Columbia Co.* (West. Hist. Co., 1830), pp. 448-453, can be found an historical sketch of the Fox-Wisconsin improvement; see also, *Wisconsin Blue Book* for 1870 and a considerable collection of pamphlets on the topic, in the Society's library.—Ed.