

not been united more than an hour, before they missed her from the lodge. Nothing could be found of her until morning, when they discovered her at the foot of this precipice, down which she had probably precipitated herself.¹

Sandy point, which is eight miles from the promontory, is very long, and extends farther into the lake than any other point. It is low & in its middle is a pond of considerable size. A short distance below a stream empties into the lake. We went 4 miles farther and encamped on a gravelly point on the north shore. Clear and very warm during the day. In the night a severe thunder storm arose, and it rained very hard all night.

FRIDAY, August 4.

Embarked at 5. Weather cold & cloudy. Proceeded on 3 miles to the foot of the Lake, where the Chippeway or Sauteur river empties in. Stopt a short time at *The Wings*² village. It has eight lodges, and is situated on a very large prairie which is bounded in the rear by the bluffs which appear to conduct the Mississippi in its course, and at this place they present a beautiful and pleasing prospect. Although now they are a considerable distance from the river, it is not perhaps too much to presume that these waters once flowed at their base, while the prairie was entirely covered with water and forming a part of Lake Pepin.

The Wing is the Chief of all of the Sioux bands and is considered their *Emperor*. A party of Sacs and Foxes had a short time previous fallen upon a few of the Sioux and killed them. He stated the circumstances to us, and before he should proceed to revenge it, wished to have the advice of the Americans. "For myself," said he, "I wish

¹ Now styled Maiden Rock. Schoolcraft says (*Narrative*, p. 164): "A tragical love tale, which . . . has been so differently told to travellers visiting this region, that nothing but the simple tradition appears worth reading. Olaita and Winona have been mentioned as the names of the Dakota Sappho."—ED.

² Doty refers to Red Wing (or Tarangamanai), but his village was above Lake Pepin, near the site of the present town of Red Wing, Minn. The village visited Aug. 4 was undoubtedly Wabasha's, and so Schoolcraft records it (*Narrative*, p. 165).—ED.