

a child, at Mackinac. Later he always stopped with us at Green Bay, when on his way to and from Mackinac. I was one of his traveling companions in one of those journeys.<sup>1</sup>

In 1825, Judge Doty had erected the first frame house ever built in this place. It stood on the point of land just above the old Jones place. It proved a larger house than he required, so he built another house, a brick one—that too, the first of its kind here. That is still standing, and is now called the Jones place. The frame house he sold to the government for the Indian Agency. Colonel Stambaugh, Indian Agent, moved into it in 1830.

Daniel Whitney came to Green Bay in the summer of 1819, being then twenty-four years of age. He established himself near Camp Smith (Menomoneeville, or Shanty Town), two and a half miles above the present city. This was the starting point of all of his numerous enterprises. He explored the Fox River to its source, and the Wisconsin River from the rapids to the Mississippi. In 1821–22 he was sutler for United States troops at Fort Snelling, on the Minnesota River. He also established several trading posts on the Mississippi, where he supplied traders with goods. In addition to those, he had a trading post at Sault Ste. Marie.

Between the years 1825 and 1830, Whitney explored the Upper Wisconsin, and at Plover portage he built mills. For more than fifteen years he was engaged there in the business of manufacturing lumber, and running it down the Wisconsin and Mississippi to the St. Louis market. This was the first lumbering establishment erected on the Wisconsin River, and probably the first on any tributary of the Mississippi. During the same period he also built a shot tower at Helena, on the Wisconsin River, and had an extensive business there.<sup>2</sup>

At Green Bay, Whitney had a large establishment, in which he employed many clerks; all were gentlemen, and

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<sup>1</sup> Mrs. Baird's description of this trip is published in *Wis. Hist. Colls.*, xiv, pp. 55–63.—ED.

<sup>2</sup> See Libby's "Chronicle of the Helena Shot-Tower," in *Wis. Hist. Colls.*, xiii, pp. 335–374.—ED.