

upon which she expects soon to enter. Her answers to my inquiries were very satisfactory and such as showed that she was very ripe for the change which soon awaits her.<sup>1</sup> I prayed with her and bade her farewell feeling that

“The chamber where the good man meets his fate  
Is privileged beyond the common walk of virtuous life  
Quite on the verge of heaven.”

Dreadful effects of intemperance amongst the Menominies

19th Wishing to cross the Fox river I went to a Menominie wigwam for that purpose, and found them in a drunken-frolic, the old man having a wound on his head which he had received from his wife. Just as I pushed off from the shore saw a drunken mother knock her little child down and stamp upon her furiously, but the little sufferer was soon relieved by a sober girl who ran to her assistance. Ah! How little do the children of temperance and christian parents know how much children amongst pagans suffer, oftentimes even death itself, in consequence of the brutal vices of their parents, and how little do they realise what a blessing it is to have temperance, kind and tender parents who instead of destroying them with their own hands will thrust themselves betwixt them and harm danger.

20th. Early this morn. it was reported that a murder had been committed in a drunken frolic about two miles distant at a Menominie village. I soon set out to go and learn the truth of the report, and when I arrived I there witnessed a most shocking scene of blood and murder. A young man in a state of intoxication had beat his father brains out with a stake and then stabbed his aged mother in the small of the back with a large scalping-knife with so much violence as to break it off and leave it sticking in the wound and afterwards took a handkerchief and hung himself in the wigwam near (by) his dead father!! There they both laid dead and the mother at the door in almost an agony of pain with a number of other women about her!!

27th A young man and his wife who is a member of

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<sup>1</sup> She died a few days afterwards.