

☆ VISIT TO WISCONSIN

On Nov. 13th, shortly after his discharge from the army, Dad started for Wisconsin to visit relatives there. He stayed all night at the Fremont House at Hastings. In the afternoon he boarded the War Eagle, a steam packet bound for Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. The old river was not too high, and somewhere down stream a ways, they got stuck on a reef, "slough bar," as he called it. This was about sunrise, and delayed them about an hour. They finally managed to work off the bar and arrived at Prairie du Chien at 10 am. (M.H.B.)

Had to wait at the Depot until 9 in the morning to get a train to Delevan. Arrived at Delevan at 10 in the evening. Got a nice room and some supper at the Phillips House. It is a nice hotel, and Delevan is one of the nicest towns that I have seen in the west.

After dinner I started for Walworth Town, where Uncle Charles lives. I arrived at his place about mid afternoon and found him busy at work. I like the country around here very well. Most of the farmers seem to be doing real well, as they have real comfortable homes. After a nice visit of several days with Uncle Charles, I started for Menasha to see Uncle Andrew Jackson. Arrived at his place at ten in the evening of a real cold day. It was real cold here and I didnt go out too much, but did get to see Cousin Gilbert Jackson in the afternoon. *Note, Dad evidently had plenty of kissing cousins in Wisconsin. (M.H.B.)*

Dec. 1st. The weather is cold with some snow. Libbie Jackson