

ABIGAIL WILCOX PERRY

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Abigail Wilcox Perry, Grandmother of Eva Perry Russel, was born November 2, 1817, at Milford, Otsego County, New York, where she lived until her marriage January 3rd, 1838 to Seth Jones Perry, also of Milford, New York.

Soon after their marriage the young couple started, with their few earthly possessions, for the western frontier, travelling by canal-boat and the great lakes until they reached Milwaukee.

Later they settled on a farm at East Troy, Wisconsin where they lived a few years. Soon the desire for still more acres possessed them and again they started with their two young children, in the spring of 1848, to the northward, travelling thither in a rude ox-drawn wagon, to a spot in the wilderness, six miles west of where later the city of Appleton was founded.

Here they purchased a section of land, or six hundred and forty acres at ten shillings per acre, which they cleared and built a home where they lived the remainder of their lives.

Abigail Perry was a most devoted wife and a wonderful mother. She was a woman of sterling Christian character and given to genuine hospitality, often befriending the Indian as well as the white settler when any were in need. She was active in establishing Sunday schools among the early settlers and opened her home for Christian services long before a place of worship had been built in the community. She never let her own com-

fort deter her from lending her help to her neighbors in their sickness, or her sympathy in times of their sorrows but gave of her self to the utmost.

She passed from earth's duties April 13, 1885, after a life of great usefulness.

MARY MAGDELENE JUNEAU HUSTING

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Mary Magdelene Juneau Husting was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in the old Juneau homestead at the corner of Division and Milwaukee streets, March 29, 1841, being the twelfth child in the family of sixteen children born to Solomon Juneau, the first white settler, founder, postmaster and Mayor of Milwaukee, and his wife Josette Vieu Juneau, daughter of Jacques Vieu, who was the agent for John Jacob Astor at the fur-trading post at Green Bay.

The parents of Solomon Juneau, named La Tulipe, came to Canada from Alsace-Lorraine in 1789, changing the family name to Juneau at that time. The author of the Pioneer History of Milwaukee, says of Solomon Juneau: "He was, without exception, the finest looking specimen of his race that I have ever seen. In height over six feet, large frame and straight as an arrow." He was honest, upright and forceful and the trusted friend and counselor of the great body of Indians then living in the territory of Wisconsin.

Her mother, Josette Vieu Juneau, was a daughter of Angelique Vieu, a descendent of Mah-ke-nett, who was a daughter of Ah-ke-na-po-way, a full blooded Menominee Indian; and Joseph Le Roi, a French voyageur, who