

MILLE LAKE ARCHÆOLOGY

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF DEF- INITE EXPLORATIONS ALONG BRANCHES OF MISSISSIPPI

THE HISTORY OF THE MOUNDS

Section of the Address Recently De- livered before the Historical Society—Early History of Minnesota.

(By J. V. Brower.) One section of the address before the Historical Society last Monday evening, taken from the printed record, is as follows:

From 1850 to 1858, Mr. Alfred J. Hill ex- plored about twenty-five thousand dol- lars in the Northwest in archaeological studies and field work, a large portion of which sum was paid as wages for the survey of mound groups and incidental expenses connected therewith. He died in 1855, before his conclusions were made known concerning the identity of the In- dians who constructed the mounds and earthworks which have been discovered from time to time by numerous individ- uals in Minnesota. In 1857, a group of mounds, an adjacent village site, and a construct a chart of the mounds and to determine the location of the dead and the flat implements and pottery discovered in and about the mounds explored, and the relative value in the absence of the results of a determination identifying the Indians who made the flint and clay vessels and erected the earthworks dis- covered and explored. Mr. Hill's great- est efforts were directed toward the pres- enting of the many groups of mounds discovered and perpetuating a record of the same.

This present inquiry is to determine as near as possible, by original explora- tions and the use of the historical re- cords, the identity of the Indians who constructed the artificial earthworks at Mille Lac.

The last formidable Sioux war party, precipitated against the Ojibwa nation, of Dakotas, was which the de- sign, proceeded from the valley of Minnesota river to the valley of Crow in June, 1862. The party camped one night on the East shore of Mille Lac, in 1862, where the warriors erected a curious elongated circle of pla- carter houses, and a number of painted, beaded and ornamented Indians in the early, and the number of boulders in the circle. On the outward march the warriors pro- ceeded under cover of darkness, back to the hills and through the timber. On the return journey, in distinct Indian the war chief and his followers along the open trails and highways on the prairie. Five or more individuals are living who witnessed the formation of the circle of Dakotas into a circle on the hill where the court house at Long Prairie now stands, when a Sioux hunter, named Wap- ita, which was passed from mouth to mouth, until each of the Indians had taken his puff and echoed his greet- ing in characteristic form, when the march was resumed on the old trail from Long Prairie river to Saak river. The writer, to satisfy a curiosity, searched with the Sioux hunter, at that time along the trail, several miles southeastward to Round Prairie, near where the graves of savages discovered in the forest, never to return. On the July 24, 1862, the writer witnessed and took part in the early charge under the com- mand of Col. Samuel McPhail, against some of the same and other Sioux In- dians, when the battle of Big Mound was fought and won. Such experiences and the indelible and lasting impressions of the battle, and the early and earliest mentioned here to convey an idea of the intensity of desires now entertained to search for the earliest and earliest his- tory of Minnesota, where the Sioux In- dians were the earliest and earliest encountered by the couriers of the so-called march of civilization from the Indian westward and along the Mississippi, and many of its tributaries finally resulted in a definite exploration of the source of the Mississippi, and the source of the Missouri in 1853.

Some interesting archaeological discov- eries having been made, and the study of ancient mounds and associated material resulted in the series of Memoirs of which this is one section, accomplishing a closer unity between prehistoric times and the historic period than was thought possible. The study of the region from the western extremity of Lake Superior to the crest of the Rocky mountains, and from the southward to the valley of the Missouri, have so influenced the formation of opin- ions that the formation of a definite idea that an extinct race of people long ante- dated the history of the Mississippi, and the earthworks found there, has now ceased to appear worthy of considera- tion.

The earthworks at Mille Lac were con- sidered by the explorer, the stone and copper implements, and the clay vessels made and used there, likewise were made by the same Indians who had built the sites of their villages along the shore of the lake.

Mille Lac has been made a test case, contemplated as the most avail- able field of observation in Min- nesota, because the earliest history in the annals of history, in order to gain a more thorough knowledge of why, by whom, and under what conditions con- structed there and elsewhere along the course of the head branches of the Mis- sissippi. An intimate acquaintance with the habits and customs of the Sioux and Ojibwa people in the pre- historic period, obtained previous to the construction of any railroad in the North- west, and which was a hunter-mason long before the other when bison, elk, antelope and moose were common in Minnesota, and the possession of hunting privileges continued to be subject of savage contention and strife, does not afford the information necessarily re- quired for a determination of questions now sought to be more thoroughly under- stood and reflected upon, and which have continued doubt. The tours of observa- tion and discovery, noted in many field books, need not be elaborated at length, except where advisable to show results of explorations at and near Mille Lac. A partial examination of the mounds was made, at the Pine river group, in the Iron Range, near where the stream unites with the Mississippi, and certain the character of its structure. The mound selected for exploration was ten feet in height, perfectly round, and seventy-five feet in diameter. It con- tained the decomposed bones of one per- son placed on the original surface of the ground in the exact center of the space covered by the earthen structure, in sandy soil covered with black loam, the loam had been scraped up from the sur- face of the surrounding region in small parcels, containing about one-half cubic foot in each parcel, which indi- cated that a fraction of the amount of material used was pure sand.

Each successive parcel of loam and sand was placed over and around the interment, it was made compact to an extent which protected the remains of the dead from the effects of rainfall, and which pro- tected the mound was trenched, the dry walls stood firm and intact. The structure of this mound compared favorably with the descriptions given by Prof. Cyrus Thomas in chapter VI, introduction to his study of North American archaeology. Similar structural formation of mounds in other groups at Mille Lac has been observed, but generally, where possible, black soil or dark loam was the material found. The remains of original burials in the mounds have shown that the flesh was invariably removed before the skeletons were deposited, and occa- sionally the bones of the dead were found in contact with such deposits. None of the mounds explored have con- tained any considerable quantity of flint or stone implements, and no earthen ves- sels have been discovered in contact with the buried remains. Ancient village sites are identifiable at or near all the principal mound groups which are gen- erally discovered at the inlet or outlet of the numerous lakes, or along the prin- cipal streams, or between two neighbor- ing lakes. Mille Lac covers an area of 299 square miles, and the mound groups and village sites are near the crosses enter- ing the lake, or at the extremities of the

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Italian Silk Slumber Robes, bright Roman stripes, also suitable for lounge covers, draperies and dressing robes. Our special, each..... 89c

Fine California Blankets, fourth-fifth wool and one-fifth cotton; make an elegant wearing blanket and will not shrink 10% size for \$2.89, 11-4 sizes for..... \$3.75

Fine Fluegrass Wool Blankets, thoroughly shrunken, double-bed size, extra heavy; white, grey, scarlet and checks and plaids; a first-class \$6.00 blanket. Price per pair..... \$4.50

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Extra large White All-wool Blankets, double weave and double weight, and are guaranteed to out-wear two pairs of ordinary blankets. It will pay you to examine them. Our price..... \$10.50

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25 dozen Outing Hats in pearls, castors, brown, navy and black, re- duced from \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, and \$2.25. 95c to sell at choice..... 95c

Extraordinary sale of Fancy Feathers—A large assortment of 50c, 75c, and \$1.00 values, not strictly new but big values at choice..... 15c

Real Ostrich Black Tips reduced from 19c each at choice..... 8c

2,000 bunches of Violets with foliage, 5c value, at per bunch..... 2c

Linen Specials

72-inch German Table Damask, pure linen, silver bleached, equal to dollar value elsewhere. Our leader for two days at, per yard..... 69c

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Linen Huck Towels, 17x32 inches, a good 12 1/2c value. Special Monday, each..... 9c

Bleached Linen Crash, our own regular 8c value. Special Monday, limit 20 yards, at, per yard..... 5 1/2c

36-inch Unbleached Sheeting, worth 7c today at wholesale. Special, per yard..... 5c

Men's Kid Gloves

"Perrin's" Dress Kid Gloves, our own importation, latest shades, men's, regular \$2 val- ues. Our price..... \$1.65

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36-inch Taffeta, fast black and staple colors, moire effect and soft finish, a good 12 1/2c value for Monday at..... 9c

36-inch Silesia, gray shades only, heavy and firm, soft finish, wears well and sells at 15c. Special tomorrow at..... 9c

36-inch Sateen Silesia, fast black background with fancy patterns. These are a new line bought to sell at 18c, but we introduce them Mon- day at, per yard..... 10c

24-inch Herringbone Haircloth, shrunk ready for use. Regular 40c value, special, per yard..... 25c

Moreen for underskirts, black and navy shades, domestic and imported. Either all wool silk and wool. Prices, per yard, 40c, 50c, 65c and 75c.

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St. Paul, Minn.

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Sample Line High-Grade Silk-Lined Suits—Mostly in Broadcloths and plain or pebbled Cheviots. There are just 21 of these suits and in popular sizes, though not all sizes. They are in blacks and colors, made in latest styles, some in new Russian blouse, some appliqued, but all handsomely tailored and trimmed and actual present values are \$37.50, \$40.00, \$45.00, \$50.00, \$55.00, \$60.00 and \$65.00, but the entire lot will be priced for Monday only, at, choice, per suit..... \$32.50

Sample Line All-Wool Suits—A choice assortment of Cheviots, Broadcloths, Venetians and Scotch suitings, in blacks, colors and mixtures; latest styles, handsomely lined, perfect fitting, finely tailored and finished, and worth from \$15 to \$22, priced for Monday's big sale at, choice..... \$10.00

Sample Line of Fall Jackets—They are mostly in light-weight Kerseys in colors. They are all this season's newest styles, and some of them are in delicate shades of high-grade novelties. Original price tags are on them plainly marked. They are actual \$12.50, \$15, \$18, \$20 and \$25 values. The season is too far advanced to sell them all at regular prices and we do not want to pack them away, so put them on sale to- morrow at one price, choice..... \$10.00

Our Regular Line of Winter Jackets is the most complete we have ever carried, and includes all the new shapes in box, automobile, tight-fitting and loose back. There is not a new style that we cannot show you. The materials include Kerseya, Pebbled Cheviots, Frieze, Montanach and Chinchillas; applied, strapped or tailor-stitched. Prices range from \$5.00 to \$37.50, but ask to see our leader in a Black Kersey Jacket, \$12.00 satin-lined collar and lapel, our leader at..... \$12.00

We Have Seven Thousand Yards of the Same New York Auction Silks

That competitors are advertising. October 11 and 12 were two great days in the silk market of New York City. Buyers from every large house in the Northwest were there. Our own representative was a liberal buyer of the most desirable silks; so it is now for the St. Paul public to choose between our prices and those of competitors, for comparison of qualities will show that ours are as good

LOT 1—3,000 yards rich Black Silks in plain and novelty effects; as also high-class Colored Silks in all the wanted shades of choice colorings. Flack Silks include Peau de Soie, Amures, Plisse, Gros Grain, Louisines, Crystals, Taffetas, Crepes, Poplin Cordes and Brocades in silk and satin. Colored Silks include Duchesse, Crystal, Lining Cordes, imported. Colored Plaits, Taffeta, Plisse and French Fanfies. Values \$1.00, \$1.25 and up to \$2.00 in the lot, at, choice, per yard..... 89c

LOT 2—2,800 yards Silks, including 85c and \$1.00 Colored Taffetas, 25-inch heavy Rustling Striped Taffeta, Colored Plisses, Polka Dots, Foulards, Plaids, Stripes and novelties of every color and style; also Black Duchesse, Black Taffetas, Amures, Crystal Cordes, Failles, Brocades and Gros Grain. A superb assortment of silks where your money does almost double service, for these are actual values of \$1.00, \$1.25 and up to \$1.50, but all marked to go at this sale, per yard..... 69c

SCHULEMAN AND PLANS

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Wash Goods Dept.

200 pieces best American Shirting Prints, actual 6c value, tomorrow only, per yard..... 3c

100 pieces Fleece Flannel- nettes, worth 10c, special for two days, per yard..... 6 1/2c

300 pieces best quality Fleece Flannel- nettes in dots, checks and Oriental designs; good value at 12 1/2c, our special here at, per yard..... 9c

New Percalés, polka dots, floral de- signs and stripes. We display a large table full tomorrow only, at, per yard..... 9c

100 pieces Cheviot Shirtings, strictly new goods, sold everywhere at 15c, our price Monday only, per yard..... 12 1/2c

8c Cretonnes, 100 pieces go on sale tomorrow at, per yard..... 5 1/2c

Cotton Batts, pure white medicated Cotton. Special for Monday, each..... 8c

Mousseline de Soie, full assort- ment of evening shades, for wedding and reception dresses. Per yard..... 50c

Children's Wear

Bonnets—Both silk and velvet, a large and choice as- sortment in all colors, trimmed with fur, braid, ribbon or chiffon. All the latest and nobby styles. Prices from..... 50c to \$4.00

Cloaks—In ages from 1 to 5 years. Strictly all wool, of bou- cle or lady's cloth, cut in latest styles, and come in castor, brown, cardinal royal or cadet blue and green. Prices..... \$3.00 to \$4.50

Art Embroidery Dept.

Prices for Monday only—Pillow Shams, hemstitched and stamped, good quality union linen, regular 39c values, each..... 25c

Dresser and Sideboard Scarfs, union linen, hemstitched and stamped, size 18x54 inches, price..... 25c

Stamped Pillow Tops, all linen, in white, ecru, green, blue or red, top and back, 49c values, each..... 25c

Renaissance Patterns, all sizes up to and including 24 inch, each..... 10c

24x24 Pillows, good quality filling, each..... 69c

Timed Pillow Covers, new pat- terns; also plaid tops, including backs and ruffles; regular \$9.99 and 79c values, at, choice..... 49c

Optical Dept.

Incurably defective eyesight often originates in childhood after measles, scarlet fever, diphtheria or whooping cough. Noting is shown at the time, but in after years children having worn their accommodation, become near sighted. Avoid all this by the use of proper lenses at the proper time. You can always get an expert opinion at our Optical Department without any expense.

This Week's Specials. Best Gold-Filled Frames, all styles, \$1.48

Swiss New York Shopping Glasses, gold rimmed with cord. Price..... \$2.50

Special Carpets and Rugs.

Don't fail to take advantage of our great Bargain sale of Carpets and Rugs on Monday. Note the prices: A good Wool Ingrain Carpet..... 45c

Our Best Wool Ingrain Carpet, full line..... 47c

A good line Brussels Carpets..... 47c

Best 10-wire Brussels Carpets..... 75c

Nice line Axminster and Moquette Carpets..... 79c

Royal Axminster, Handsome Parlor Line..... 98c

The well-known Lowell Body Brussels..... 98c

Art Squares and Rugs.

100 3x3 1/2 yd extra heavy Wool Art Squares, \$6.85 grade..... \$5.95

About 200 Velvet and Brussels Art Rugs, 32-in.x32-in..... 47c

30x60-in. Wool Smyrna Rugs..... \$1.63

26x54-in. Wool Smyrna Rugs..... \$1.33

36x72-in. Wool Smyrna Rug..... \$2.43

Stove Rugs 1 1/2 yd square, extra quality..... 75c

MAKES RESTITUTION.

Mrs. Hari Turns Valuables Over to Elizabethport Bank.

NEW YORK, Oct. 20.—Mrs. Anna Hari has signed papers assigning to the Elizabethport Banking company her "right title and interest" in certain jewelry in the possession of a Fifth avenue firm of jewelers, and also her safe deposit box in the bank of New Amsterdam, which

may contain valuables bought with the money stolen by William Schreiber, the defaulting bank clerk. "The assignment was made voluntarily," said A. J. Skinner, one of the bank's attorneys. She manifested a sincere desire to make what restitution she can for Schreiber's de- faultions. "We shall not open the bank tomorrow. We expect to find many valuables, but there may be important papers or documents. There may be difficulty in obtaining the property left at the jewelers, and there is a possibility of more litigation on that point."

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You Cannot Postpone Ordering much longer if you want Furs in time for cold weather. When Furs are made to measure it must of necessity take a few days. Before deciding where to buy let us show you our handsome stock of both ready-made fur garments and first quality skins from which we make them.

We have many exclusive patterns in Collarettes, Caps; Scarfs and Jackets, and at prices lower than else- where: Scarfs from \$3.50 up, Collarettes from \$3.98 up; Caps from \$2.50 to \$5.00; Astrachan Jackets from \$25.00 to \$75.00, and Seal Jackets from \$150.00 to \$300.00.

We repair and re-dye seal to look as good as new. We alter and repair all fur garments at reasonable prices.

Special Sale of Sideboards

For Monday we exhibit 35 choice patterns in Sideboards at prices from \$8.75 to \$75.00, and guarantee you a saving of 25 per cent.

No. 506 quarter-sawn Golden Oak Sideboard (like cut), swell front and ends; size of top 24x52 inches; has serpentine French bevel mirror, is finely polished, and is sold regularly at \$26.50, but for to-morrow's sale we price at..... \$19.88

25 Per Cent Discount on all Broken Sets of Dining Chairs.

Our All Week Lamp Sale

1,000 yards of Insertions from 1 to 2 inches wide, never sold less than 15c, priced to close, per yd..... 5c

50 cents Each for the genuine American Gas Lamp complete.

3 for 25c for the genuine American Gas Lamp complete with wire. during this sale only.

Special Sale on large size Crystal Glass Lamps. 25c size, sale price, ea. 12c

29c size, sale price, ea. 15c

35c size, sale price, ea. 19c

39c size, sale price, ea. 24c

49c size, sale price, ea. 29c

Nickel Plated 20c Parlor Lamps—With Royal Burners; best in the world: 75c kind, sale price, each..... 60c

95c kind, sale price, each..... 70c

\$1.20 kind, sale price, each..... 90c

\$1.48 kind, sale price, each..... \$1.10

\$1.75 kind, sale price, each..... \$1.30

\$2.25 kind, sale price, each..... \$1.80

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EXTRA SPECIAL For Monday only we place on sale 25 pieces of all-wool dress goods in bright mixtures especially desir- able for children's school dresses, at choice, per yard..... 19c

50 pieces Colored Dress Goods, in- cluding 54-inch two-lined Cheviots, in blues, greys and browns; 38-inch all-wool Homespuns, Zibelines, Cheviots, Venetians, Serges and stylish Plaids; also 42-inch French Foulies in bright colors. Regular 50c and 75c values, at choice, per yard..... 39c

75 pieces Colored Dress Goods in- cluding 54-inch two-lined Cheviots, in blues, greys and browns; 38-inch all-wool Homespuns, Zibelines, Cheviots, Venetians, Serges and stylish Plaids; also 42-inch French Foulies in bright colors. Regular 50c and 75c values, at choice, per yard..... 49c

100 pieces Finest Colored Dress Goods, including Clay Diagonals, Eng- lish Whipcords, Venetians, Striped Cheviots, heavy Homespuns, Prunellas and Soliels—in the wanted shades of popular colors for tailor-made gowns. Widths from 46 to 56 inches and values from \$1.25 to \$1.50, all at one price per yard..... \$1.00

30 pieces Colored Dress Goods, in- cluding 86-inch Camel-hair Suitings; in plain colors and stripes; 36-inch Checked Suitings, heavy weight; also 38-inch heavy rainy day fabrics. Monday's special, price per yard..... 29c

60 pieces Colored Dress Goods, in- cluding heavy walking skirt fabrics in blue and black Kersey Cloth, Granites, Poplins, Serges, Pebbled Cheviots, Camels-hair, Zibelines, Shirting Plaids and French novelties. Widths from 50 to 56 inches and values from \$1.25 to \$1.50, at choice per yard..... 75c

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