

Millard, Second Lieutenant. This company absorbed the militia company, with a few exceptions and were recruited from Dakota and a few about Onawa and Melbourne, to an enlistment of about sixty-five men. They were paid \$13 for their services. They furnished their own mounts for which they received \$16 a month. They also furnished their own uniforms and camping equipment. A patrol from this company was kept up in the vicinity of the city, and later in the spring preparations were made for an expedition through the country north. Every preparation was made. Transportation was provided, consisting of two wagons drawn by horses and mules. Tools and other things necessary to prepare roads and passages over the streams were provided. The men were also obliged to furnish their own arms and ammunition, consisting of all kinds sorts and calibers. It was impossible to find a standard ammunition for all these guns, so such as were available were used. With revolvers it was somewhat different. They were as common then as watches today, and no one was thought well dressed unless he had one or two strapped to their belt. These were of the six inch kind, and of almost uniform caliber, so there was no difficulty in finding suitable and sufficient amount of ammunition for these weapons.

I had learned while hunting deer and bear in the Alleghany Mountains of Pennsylvania that the first essential in hunting large game was a good gun. I also knew that ^{h-}with^r in advance or retreat that a swift and reliable horse was a good asset. There was a party belonging to our outfit, who lived near Onawa when at home, whose name I cannot now recall. He was a large man and of mature judgment and ideas, was well mounted and had