

Fuller, George, 1822-1884

Travel journals, Oct. 26-Dec. 25, 1837; Nov. 16, 1837-Jan. 8, 1838; Sept. 25-Dec. 27, 1838 and November 19, 1839.

Fuller, eldest child of Aaron and Fanny Negus Fuller, was born in Deerfield. He worked briefly in a Boston grocery store when he was thirteen, and then assisted at surveys for a new railroad in Illinois, 1836-38. He later became an artist – more biographical information in the description of his non-travel diaries.

2 bound vols.; 2 unbound vols.      manuscript      sizes vary

One unbound volume is a later copy of the journal which includes some of the material of the originals together with some apparently now lost.

Sheldon II:170.

Note: Kept as member of a railroad surveying team in Illinois. A lively and humorous description of surveying and camp life on the central Illinois prairie. Sharply drawn sketches of frontiersmen, log cabins, prairie customs, and social life. Good description, for instance, of a Methodist preacher. Includes some pencil sketches.

The last volume's entry for Nov. 19, 1839 was written in Deerfield, and includes various accounts at the back of the volume.

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