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U.S. ARMY FORTS IN MN	ESTABLISHED	COUNTY	PURPOSE, MORE INFORMATION SOURCES
Ft. Snelling	1819	Hennepin	to enforce laws on the early frontier
Ft. Ripley	1849	Crow Wing	to maintain order among the Winnebago Indians who had been removed from Iowa to a nearby reservation.
Fort Ridgely	1853	Nicollet	to protect settlers and maintain order among the Dakota who had been transferred to the reservation in the Minnesota Valley in 1853.
Fort Abercrombie	1857	on edge of MN Territory by Wahpeton & Breckenridge.	to protect settlers. It became an important gateway to the northwest.
			http://www.ftabercrombie.org/ftabersiege.html http://www.riverkeepers.org/images/uploads/Neomas _Red_River_of_the_North_Story_with_Foreward_Web_ Version_Compressed_Size.pdf
			http://www.ftabercrombie.org/the-siege-of-fort- abercrombie.html sketch: DW 54-55
Fort Wadsworth	1864	in current day Marshall County in n.e. South Dakota	to protect Minnesota settlers from hostile Dakota who had been driven from Minnesota but were still harassing Minnesota settlers in 1863, 1864 and 1865. DU 294
			https://www.familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Minnesota _Military_Records
			see also: Posts in the Minnesota Fur-Trading Area 1660 1855 http://collections.mnhs.org/MNHistoryMagazine/article s/11/v11i04p353-385.pdf
STOCKADES (settlers' forts	or military garri	sons)	
source: The Dakota War of 186	52, Kenneth Carley	/	to provide protection to settlers in nearby towns and farms.
NAME		COUNTY	
Anoka		Anoka	
Tivoli, Mankato, Winnebago		Blue Earth	
New Ulm		Brown	
Winnebago		Blue Earth	
Chisago Lakes, Sunrise		Chisago	

		http://www.northamericanforts.com/West/mn.html#sioux	
Estherville, Iowa			DU 184
Spirit Lake, Iowa		<u> </u>	DU 184
Rockford (Fort Harrian?), Clearwater, Monticello			
Garden City, Madelia (Fort Cox)	, South Bend	Watanwon	
Fairhaven, Maine Prairie, Paynesville, Richmond, St. Joseph, Sauk Center		Stearns	see DW
New Auburn, Gaylord, Fort Goodhue		Sibley	
Clark's Lake		Scott	
Lake Johanna		Роре	
Buck Stockade		Olmsted	
Princeton		Mille Lac	
Pipe Lake, Kingston,Forest City, Manannah		Meeker	
Hutchinson, Glencoe, Brownton		McLeod	Historic marker for the Hutchinson stockade is located at the corner of Washington Ave E and Hassan St SE Hutchinson MN in a public park.
Fairmont, Fort Britt, Fort Chanya	aska, Martin Lake	Martin	
Marysburg		LeSueur	
Heron Lake, Jackson, Lake Little Spirit		Jackson	
Pomme de Terre		Grant	
Blue Earth		Faribault	
Alexandria, Chippewa Station		Douglas	