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COVER

The *J. G. Chapman* #1 with her raft tow. The first *J. G. Chapman* was built at Dubuque in 1872 for Chapman & Thorpe of the Eau Claire Lumber Company. She was said to be the second iron-hulled steamboat built on the Upper Mississippi. She broke in two about ten miles below Hamburg, Illinois, in 1880, and sank with a loss on the boat estimated at \$12,000.

A second *J. G. Chapman* was built at Metropolis, Illinois, for the same firm in 1881. She was burned at Wabasha, Minnesota, on September 16, 1893.