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History of Pioneer

The parents of the pioneer were Rachel and Rasmus Brosten. The name of the pioneer is Mary Brosten. She was born June 16, 1870. The place where she was born is Stavanger Norway. The nearest town was Sandness.

The pioneer left for the U.S. because her two brothers were going there, and she thought that there was more work to get there. One of her brothers had been in U.S. for ten years. He came home and told about the U.S. And the pioneer thought that it would be better to go when the others left and for the high wages for the work.

in the United States. The pioneer left for North Dakota because her brother had land there.

It was not much of storms on the Ocean because they were on deck every day. There were sickness on the boat so all that ^{had} not been vaccinated, had to be when they went on the boat. Some had smallpox on the boat and one died of it.

The pioneer left Staranger Norway March 25th and came to Cooperstown North Dakota April 12th. The first summer the pioneer kept house for her brother.

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had to get up at 4 A.M. and work
until 10 P.M. in the evening. She
worked for three dollars a week
and when she was through,
she did not get her pay. She had
to go and collect the money. In
the winter she worked for
one dollar and fifty cents a week.

One place she had to work
for two dollars a week and
milk cows besides doing
the house work.

They went to meetings and
ladies aid in a lumber
wagon with oxen. There were
full house at the meetings
and ladies aid. They were always
on time. One time the pioneer
went to a meeting with a

horse and Cart. It began snowing, so they wanted her to stay. She wanted to go back again. It was a hard snow storm, so it was all she could see the road. They were surprised to see her coming back because they thought she would not go out in a storm like that.

The pioneer was married to Andrew Johnson, March 25, 1905. Her husband owned a half section of land in Steele County, North Dakota. They were married at the home of the pioneer's brother in Griggs County North Dakota.

The pioneer has three sons now living. They are Rudolph, Arthur and Edward. They are all living at

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