

the perils of those pioneer days. At that time the forest was full of game and the fish were plentiful in lakes and streams.

One old pioneer lady once told me years ago of their experience in homesteading their land. Until they had a shelter built, they had only their wagon box for protection and would have to take turns keeping the fire going all night to keep the wolves away.

It was not only the man of the family who worked hard in those early days. The wife and children worked side^{ly} side to help clear the land for planting. When gardens failed it was really a hardship. Another told me that for many a meal she would boil potatoes and take the water, pour it over thick