at the age of twenty-four. Hans settled in Polk county in 1874; but his brother, Halvor, chose to remain in Ottertail county.

Hans was married in 1876 to Gurine Fosbakken (later changed to Fosbak). Gurine was born in Bod, Nordland, Norway, March 12, 1850. She came to the United States at the age of eighteen in 1868. Hans and Gurine Koppang bought the Koppang home place, Section 26 in Tynsid township from Ole and J. Lee in June of 1885. They had twelve children, four died in infancy. Ole, Olaf, Emma who married Oliver Severson, and Johan (known as John) stayed in Tynsid township and farmed, married, and raised his family there. Marie, Oline, Helmer and Anna moved to the west coast and settled, married, and lived there, since their father, Hans, owned land in Oregon.

Hans was also a landowner in Cuba, raising sugar cane there. He loved to travel, but his wife preferred to stay at home, running the farm in Tynsid township. She was an excellent housewoman and could drive wild bronzos that no one else dared drive. She could also butcher as well as anyone. She was a very short, stout lady. Hans Koppang died in November, 1924, at the age of 75. Mrs. Koppang died in April of 1923 at the age of 73 years. They were members of the Sandhill Lutheran church.

**THOMAS LOGAN**

"Lincoln is shot. Lincoln is shot." These were the words that stunned the brave young Thomas Loughan and his family as they arrived in New York on April 15, 1865. The immigrants had spent a month sailing from Mayo, County Galway, Ireland, where Tom was born on August 7, 1847. With him came his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Loughan, his brother John and five sisters: Sarah, Ann, Bridget, Mary and Catherine. The family name was later changed to Logan. On the tombstone of Tom's father, buried in Lakehurst, New Jersey, is the inscription: "Martin Loughan born County Galway, Ireland. Died March 13, 1876, aged 53." The stone stands intact today.

The Logan family settled in Manchester, New Jersey, now called Lakehurst, where Tom worked as a section hand, building railroads. On June 5, 1877, he married Bridget Griffin in Vineland, New Jersey. His wife was born on January 1, 1855, in Cloonculane, Roscommon, County Galway, Ireland. After coming from Ireland at the age of 16, she worked as a domestic for a wealthy family in New Jersey for two dollars a week, in spite of the signs in the windows which read: "Help wanted, but no Irish need apply." She received from the lady of the house one match each morning to light the kitchen fire.

On June 5, 1877, Tom, his bride and a daughter Mary by a previous marriage decided to take advantage of the Homestead Act of 1862. They set out from Vineland, New Jersey. They arrived in Polk county on June 15, 1877. The young couple settled on section 2, Tynsid Township.

The Norwegian neighbors, accustomed to dealing with logs in their native Norway, taught the Irish how to construct log cabins. In such a residence the Logan family lived until a substantial and commodious house was built.

Mr. Logan had about $2,000 when he came here. He at once bought a tract of railroad land at $5 an acre with the usual rebate agreement in the contract. He procured a team of oxen and with them he broke up a hundred acres the first year.

By dint of Mr. Logan's arduous labor, the original 160 acres increased to 1,000. With increasing land came an increasing family which finally reached 14. The children were Martin, Thomas, Henora, Bridget (Dollie), Theresa, Lucy, Laura, John, Sarah, Agnes, James, Arthur, Rose and Claire.

The mother of the family insisted that the children receive a good education. Tom and Martin attended St. Thomas College, where the latter was a valedictorian of the first graduating class. John studied at the University of North Dakota. James studied at the Cathedral High School in Crookston and a technical school in Wisconsin. Arthur died of the 1918 flu during his high school years.

The five oldest girls graduated from what was then known as Saint Bernard's Academy at Grand Forks. They were also students at the University of North Dakota. Two daughters became teachers in the public schools and one in the parochial system. Agnes became a registered nurse in the first class graduated from the former St. Vincent Hospital in Crookston. Claire graduated from the College of St. Scholastica in Duluth. Rose was the first of the novices who first entered the Benedictine Order at Mount St. Benedict in Crookston. She holds two Master's degrees, one in history from Notre Dame University, South Bend, and another in French from the University of Minnesota. She is also a member of Delta Epsilon Sigma. Her name in religion is Sister Scholastica.

The mother of the family often said, "Tom, we cannot leave our children a fortune, but we will give them all a good education and no one can take that from them." Her wish was realized at considerable cost in money and separation from her children during the scholastic year.

Mr. Logan was clerk of the township, clerk of the Logan School and trustee of St. Francis Catholic Church in Fisher. He wrote to Bishop McGolrick of Duluth begging for priestly ministry for the Catholic people of Fisher. He spent an entire summer renovating the church and soliciting funds for the building. Every Sunday Mrs. Logan taught religion to the neighboring children.

The Logan home was the center of hospitality. It was the usual thing for 25 guests to assemble for a Sunday evening of fun. Since there were eight girls in the family, each had her boy friend. When a gentleman was going there for the first time, he stopped at the home of a Norwegian and asked: "Where does Tom Logan live?" The Norwegian gasped in astonishment and said, "My God, I thought everybody in Minnesota knew where he lived."