WHAT DID PIONEERS BRING WITH THEM?

It is unlikely that any woman made the journey to California without a quilt in tow. A quilt was necessary whether one traveled by ship, wagon, or later, on the transcontinental railroad. They were essential for warmth and comfort, as well as a reminder of home and family.

The quilts in this exhibition, like the women who carried them to California, came from across the nation and from around the globe.