

## WHAT DID PIONEERS BRING WITH THEM?

What would you need to thrive in a new place? Women brought what was practical, but also what was emotionally essential. Some women brought a sewing machine, which was a shrewd choice; this machine allowed women to earn an income and contribute to her family's financial security.

Necessities included tools for cooking, supplies for laundry, and medical equipment. Many women carried mementos from loved ones they would never see again and packed writing supplies to record their experiences in letters and diaries.